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Yellow Springs, Jan, 24th / 863.

My Dear Brother,

We received two letters from you to day, and were glad to get them. I assure you, Mother's arm doesn't seem to get much better, it is now nearly two weeks since she hurt it, and she has scarcely any use of it at all. The rest are all well.

I think it is too bad you had to move when you were fixed so comfortably, but I should not wonder if you would go back there again, by the way the papers talk, how do you like it to think you have to change commanders so often, think you will like Hooker any better than Burnside's? How do the soldiers, generally like the change, I should think those that were in the fight at Fredericksburg would like it, that is if Hooker isn't as rash as Burnside, "O. Lint-Morey Captain now,"

Yes we have two boarders, students,
One is Mr. Marsh the other a Mr. Martin,
They are both quite young I guess, they
are from Woodstock Vt. They seem
to be very fine fellows, very quiet, and
they saw all the wood too, This Mr.
Marsh and his brother boarded at the
same place that Mr. Fox did (the one that
did saw the wood) last term, and they
used to come over once in a while
with him, so this Mr. Marsh pitches
in and saw it - This term, Don't
you think they are clever? I do,

I saw the Keenman boys to day stepping
around in their Broadcloth - Dig as any
body. Great-big stout fellows, I wish
they would go to war with perhaps it would
take off some of their pride. and I
think they have most too much of it,
Well you wanted to know who was President
of Amherst, Weston has charge of it now
Mr. Craig has not accepted the chair
yet and will not - unless it is endorsed.

So Weston is running it this year, and they
are trying to raise the money. The Professors
are Drugh, Doolittle, Weston, ^{Mrs Weston} Mr Braeferd
was Prof, at the commencement of the year
but he has such poor health that cannot teach,
Besides these they have a lot of Teachers,
mostly students, . . . Miss Chumy, Miss Curtis (Ed
Curtis' sister) from Raymond, Miss Weeks from
Ripley, Kate Botford, Miss Church, Mr Cass,
I guess I'll take Mr. Braeferd's place,
Don't you think I could?

I never said anything to nobody about your
writing to any one. I received a letter from her
about 3 weeks ago, but have not answered it
yet; you know when Milo had his leg broken
well the surgeon set it, but did not splint
it and box it up as he should have done, but
just fixed it up in pasteboard and never look-
ed at it again for 21 days, when he opened
it; he found that one of the bones had ~~broken~~ knit
but the other was sticking out through the flesh
two inches. The surgeons held a consultation,
and they concluded what they could do, but

did not tell Milo what it was. They gave him
Chloroform, and went to work. They broke
the bone that had knit; and the one that
was sticking out they sawed off, and then
reset it. Don't you think that was a great
way of doing business? Laurences are going
to try and recover damages. We will send
you Frank Leslie. Did you receive the
papers we did send? They were "Harpers
Weekly"; we could not get Frank Leslie so
we got some of them. But we will get Leslie
after this. Well I must close. Well after you
don't know how glad we are to receive them,
and we will try and do better in future.

As ever
Mary.