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Mr Gallaudet

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Dear sir I take my pen in hand to drop you a few lines concerning my daughter to let you know that we are all well at this pleasant time and hope when these few lines reaches you it will find you the same it has been three month sence I received your last letter and I am very anxious to hear from Susanah I answered your last letter and I have not received no letter yet I thought perhaps you did not get it I wish you would please and answer this letter as soon as it comes to hand I have been looking for Susanah picture ever sence you wrote to me as I am very anxious to see her please send it as soon as possible just have it taken on a plate and send it to me and I will pay the postage and let me know what it cost and I will send the money to you her grandmother is very poorly and laments very much to see her picture if she cant see her she would like to see her picture I dont suppose that Susanah will ever see her now I will close for this time no more at present but remain your friend Elizabeth Loope  
to Mr Gallaudet



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*[Faint, illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page]*



Balt April 11<sup>th</sup> 1864

Mr. Gillet,

Shipped Saturday in the name of the Institute, by Adams Express, I have apples for the use of the children, being much pleased with my visit, I thought the children would like them, please look after, and accept them for the children.

From Yours

Respectfully

John Barron



Baltimore April 13 1864

My dear friend

Yours of the 11<sup>th</sup> Inst has just come to hand. In regard to what I have done for the Institution, this much I have accomplished, and my object is to do more. You recollect when we first met, I told you I was in for the whole term and I am still determined to continue with you until the thing shall be perfect.

When you remitted the Blanks to me for our first 10 children, I gave the Mayor Secretary the Blank Warrants and retained the other Blank (of which I have plenty) but the Blank warrants left with the Secy. have been



look, and you will send  
me any you may have  
retained in a blank form  
precisely like the ones for-  
warded to you in the 10 Children  
Cases.

Present my kind regards  
to B. Sunderland, and the  
Other Directors and say that  
our City and Maryland shall  
have my attention in behalf  
of the Columbia Institution for  
and during my natural life

give my (well I was about  
to say love to the Ladies) well I will  
say give my love to all the  
Ladies including the Madam  
and tell them to take good care of  
my little family (Tom especially  
let me hear from you about  
the Blanks) Yours Truly  
R. D. Register



Baltimore April 18<sup>th</sup> 1864

Mr Galludet

Dear Sir

I have a little boy I would like to place under your care. he is eight year old. I took him down to Washington last fall to see you, but you were not there. your Sister told me that you would write to me when you returned. but you saw him once. you called at my house when you came to Baltimore to see the City Council about apropiating money for the Mutes from Maryland, and you told me then that you would write and let me know how you succeeded but I suppose you had many other things to do that prevented you I live at 31 Sterling St you will oblige me very much if you will let me know how or what I will have to do to get him in the Institution.

Yours With Respect Alice Mooney



PS

When you write address Mrs Alice Mooney  
No 31 Stirling St. Ballymore

Please write soon for I am very  
anxious to know



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Exchange

April 22<sup>nd</sup> 1864

E. M. Gallaudet Esq

Dear Sir

Yours  
was duly recd. We were pleased  
to hear Tommy, was well and  
Contented. Mr Elliott, told me  
yesterday he had not yet seen  
Tommy.

I would respectfully  
suggest to you a Consideration  
of the propriety of your pupils  
attending Church, not in a body  
but by turns, we would like  
Tommy to go to Church some  
times, if for no other good the  
habit, of doing so, would perhaps  
have its effect.

I enclose Tommy a letter -  
You will please remember me



To your wife, Mother & Mrs. Mr  
Brisson

Very Respectfully yours  
Geo. Thos. Hays



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April 24 1864

Mr E M Gallaudet

Dear sir it has been  
some time since we heard from Sarah  
Jane and we are now very anxious to  
hear from her and we expect she is  
very anxious to hear from home you will  
Please let me know how she is and how  
she is getting on in learning wheather or not  
do she improve much or not in her learning  
her mother and brothers and sisters  
send their best love to her and say  
they would be very glad to see her  
I hope by this time she has improved  
in learning enough to understand the most  
of my letters please write as soon as  
you can make it convenient

Yours Truly

John C Wells



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Smithburg Md<sup>o</sup>

April 20<sup>th</sup>

Mr Gallaudet

Sir I take this present  
opportunity to drop you  
a few lines concerning  
my daughter I am very  
anxious to hear of her  
as this is the third  
letter that I have written  
and no answer we  
are all well with the  
exception of mother she  
is very ill she would  
like very much to see  
Susanna please send me  
her picture as I would  
like to have it  
please answer this soon  
and let me know whether  
you received my letters  
they were directed to  
Susanna perhaps that  
is the reason that  
we did not yet, then



yours Ruby every  
my love to Susanna  
write soon

Elizabeth Swopes



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Baltimore, April 25<sup>th</sup> 1864.

Mr. Gallaudet,

We received your letter on Thursday and was very sorry to hear that you did not receive the box. We send it the 25<sup>th</sup> of March with Reid & Co's Express and was certain that you would get it. We inquired at the Office and they said that the Agent of the Express Company was dead, and it was mislaid, however it is at the Office in Washington, If you do not get it by next week please let us know, because there was a pair of shoes in the box as we thought Charles was in need of a pair.

Yours Respectfully,

H. M. Schilling.



Forkstown L. Office <sup>149</sup> May 1864  
Somerset County Md

C. M. Galland Esq

Dear Sir your is at hand  
and in reply shall be please to hear from Charles. whenever  
you can make it convenient. I have no doubt but he will  
strive hard to, acquire a knowledge of his studies. when  
will be vacation, and how long will it last, say to Charles  
his Father & mother, and Family are all well, and to study  
his book, diligently, and be a good boy. and mind  
his instructors. I will let his parents know that  
I have heard from him through you.

Very Truly Yours  
Lewis W. Dashiell



the case in the hands of  
the Lord and he will redress  
the wrongs of the orphan and  
knowing that we will all  
be brought to judgment  
I will remain yours  
with Respect

Ann Watkins

P.S. The reason I write at  
this time I have been  
expecting a visit from you  
but as you have not come  
to see me I will expect  
an answer very soon  
A.W.

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Sir

Will you please inform me the  
reason you sent my Dumb orphan child  
home was it because he was so very bad that  
you could not tame him was he worse  
then others (I think not) and if you are  
a Christian you will remember that it  
was to save that wick was lost that  
Jesus came on earth for and if you  
are his follower it is your duty to  
try and teach the unruly how  
can you do that but by kindness  
you say that you have tryed with John  
have you bounn with him as much  
as your Master has with you (I think  
not) just look back on your past  
life from boyhood up to the present  
and tell me where you would of  
been if it had not been for the  
mercy of God and then think of my  
poor little child with out earthly



parents with only an aged grand  
mother to take care of him and when  
it pleased the Lord to take me to him  
what is to be come of the child I know  
that the Lord has promised to be  
Further to the Fatherless and I believe  
that he will I all so believe that  
he has put the means in the hands of  
the humane to carry out his purposes  
and you have been placed at the head  
of one of those means therefore there is  
much required at your hands it behooves  
you to look to look well to yourself  
as I expect to meet you at the bar  
of God where all things will be  
made manifest I ask you have  
you done your duty you say that  
he was past managing how is it  
that I and others manage him  
it is with Kindney I have been  
advised to apply to the Governour  
in his behalf but I thought that  
I would ask you the reason you

sent him home I do not want to  
do what is wrong and my humble  
prayer to God is that you will  
consider the matter before him  
for in his hands I leave you my  
self and the child prayen that he  
will create new hearts within us  
and help us to bear with the  
waywardness of the Dumb child  
My Friend let me ask you  
to remember that it was not  
by the hand of mortal he was  
deprived of speech and therefore  
I have not a doubt but if  
was all for the best therefore  
let us be careful how we  
treat him I write those lines  
to you trusting that you are a  
meek and lowly follower of the  
saviour if you are such I shall  
expect to hear from you on  
Kindness if you are of the  
world I will still leave



Baltimore May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1864

My dear friend

Have I not told you to let me know what is wanting. I am still in the Cause Your Motion about the Commencement of the Children term is good send on the Warrants. I will give the matter to suit your views

I have this morning had another application for admission of a Boy by our friend Warren of the City Council (You will recollect him he is the Surgery Member).

The Mayor and several Members of the Council and their ladies intend paying you a visit in about 2 weeks. (Treat them right for



I want an additional  
Appropriation of \$1800. for  
ten more children)

You must send me  
the warrants at once I  
will have the dates altered  
and return them

let me hear no more  
talk about trouble. send  
on and let me know  
what you want

The folks all join  
in best respects to all  
and believe me your  
true friend

R McAllister

Is

E M Gallaudet Esq



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Boston May 5<sup>th</sup>

E. W. Gallaudet Esq.  
Washington,

Dear Sir,

We have not  
one copy of the Natural Philosophy  
bound.

Dr Howe is intending to  
have book bound soon, & doubt-  
less there are copies of the Philos-  
-ophy among them, & we may  
be able to furnish you with  
a copy later.

Respectfully  
W. R. Raymond  
for Inst.



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Institution for the Deaf & Dumb  
Washington Heights  
May 7, 1864.

My Dear Sir,

This Week for the Deaf & Dumb will close the last of June, and we will greet it with cheering expressions on our countenances. We are now all looking forward to it with blissful anticipations. We go to homes the hol-  
-loved influences of which & its thousand associations lure us to its shrine with untiring diligence. I feel a deep gratitude to this Week for its benefits, and the brilliant talents which it has employed for carrying out its purposes. I am so-called a member of the High Class, and my term will expire the last of June. I would like to do my duty as a teacher as I and



fully competent to instruct the  
Deaf mutes with the best skill. I  
have had some experiences myself  
I hope Sir, that if you can find  
any vacancy in your building, or  
else appoint me as a teacher. I  
will come immediately when called  
for, and count upon my thanks  
most truly. Hoping that you will  
reply soon.

Yours Most Respectfully  
Robert T. Bailey



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C. M. Gallaudet Esq

Dear Sir

Mr Stubbs

desires me to acknowledge  
the receipt of your letter of  
the 1<sup>st</sup> inst. and say that as  
presently he is suffering from  
severe illness and unable to  
attend to business. Should  
he recover sufficiently to  
return to Washington he will  
do all in his power to accom-  
plish your wishes

Very Resp

C. M. Gallaudet

May 10<sup>th</sup> 64



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Hartford May 12, 1864.

My dear friend.

It is just one year ago today since I left you at Washington, with an impression on my mind which has since only grown stronger, that I should sometime return for a more permanent stay.

In spite then, of some grave doubts as to the effect of your climate on my health, and in spite of some obstacles growing out of my Father's situation, I am as I think prepared to say that if your circumstances permit you and your judgment prompts you to offer me now the place and compensation which you then mentioned to me, as that which you should ultimately deem reasonable, I shall accept the offer, and enter heart & soul upon the work of the higher education of Deaf-mutes as thus initiated.

I understood you then to express the opinion that the compensation of a Professor should be somewhat more



than that of an Instructor -  
that as an Instructor "ranking next  
to the Superintendent" I should  
receive \$1600 without board, from  
Oct. 1864. and that the Professional  
position should date from the  
inauguration of the Collegiate course.  
Sixteen hundred dollars, with  
board, was mentioned as a reasonable  
compensation in the latter case, I think.

Not knowing what circumstances may  
have transpired since I last saw you  
to preclude you from renewing the above  
as an offer now. I am not prepared  
to say that I would not accept a  
somewhat modified offer, if necessitated  
by my own delay in reaching this  
decision - especially if such modification  
were for the advantage of an agreeable  
Associate - but with acceptance of  
the above, if offered, I pledge myself  
unconditionally.

Very truly Your friend

E. M. Gallaudet.  
Supt. Col. Ind.

Rich. Storrs



The first thing I should mention  
 is that the weather was  
 quite good today. We went  
 for a walk in the park  
 and saw many beautiful  
 flowers. The children were  
 very happy and played  
 for hours. We also had  
 a picnic under a big tree.  
 It was a very pleasant  
 surprise. The food was  
 delicious and everyone  
 enjoyed it. We spent the  
 afternoon reading books  
 and talking to the  
 children. They were  
 very interested in  
 the stories. We went  
 home with many  
 memories. It was a  
 very nice day and  
 we all enjoyed it.  
 I hope to go back  
 soon. The weather  
 was just what we  
 needed. The children  
 were so happy and  
 we had a great time.  
 It was a very special  
 day and we will  
 never forget it.



Iowa Inst. for Deaf & Dumb,  
Iowa City, May 13. 1864.

E. M. Gallaudet, Esq.,  
Dear Sir,

Yrs of May  
2<sup>nd</sup> announcing your purpose  
of opening the Collegiate Depart-  
ment in your Institution was  
duly received.

Permit me to congrat-  
ulate you on the progress  
you have made in this direc-  
tion & to express the hope that  
the enterprise may prove all  
that its friends desire; or at  
least a great addition to the  
facilities for education now  
enjoyed by the deaf-mutes of  
our country. Too much can-  
not be done for them; & every



wellwisher of these unfortunate ones will rejoice in the success of any & all efforts put forth for their good.

As to furnishing you any students for the proposed course, I cannot at present do anything for you. There are none now in the Inst. who are qualified (& at the same time pecuniarily able) to enter the department. In regard to past graduates of this Inst., my acquaintance is so limited (as my engagement here commenced last Sept.) that I must refer you to Mr Gams, now teaching with you, or to his brother, who may be addressed at Lewistown, Pa. Mr W. E. Gams, especially, should be able

to give you the necessary information

Reciprocating your kind wishes for my success here,

I am, very truly, yours,  
Benj. Falbot.



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Washington

May 16-

Dear Sir:

If convenient please  
call at Mr. Gilman's Store to-  
morrow (Tuesday) evening at 6-  
o'clock to hold a brief consul-  
tation in relation to a mat-  
ter of interest to our Church.

Truly Yours  
O. C. Wright

E. M. Gallaudet Esq



Exchange

May 17<sup>th</sup> 1864

Mr E. M. Gullaudett

Dear Sir

We

send Tommy his clothing which he would have had some 8 or ten days ago but for a disappointment, owing to the Gentleman not going to Washington, he will change to the westerd clothes first

We also send him some other trifles, Cakes &c

If he should need any thing that he has not got, please inform me

You will please be so good as to deliver him the enclosed letter containing the key of the Carpet Bag we hope he is



progressing in his studies  
Hoping to hear from  
you soon

I am

Very Respectfully  
Geo. Thos. Hays