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Box 11

WYLLYS H. WARNER,

Manufacturer of

Steam Heating Apparatus,

33 WEST RAIL ROAD ST.,  
SYRACUSE.

NO. 114 LEONARD STREET,  
NEW YORK CITY.

42 COURT STREET,  
BROOKLYN.

New York, Feb 25<sup>th</sup> 1879

E. W. Gallaudet Pres  
Washington D. C.

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Your of 21<sup>st</sup> at hand

I am very sorry & disappointed to hear that the Steam Heater in the new building has not done all you required. I know it has been a cold winter - with some very windy days - but I built the machine expecting it to warm in cold weather - If the boilers do not make Steam enough - the difficulty must be in the setting. the draft. the management. the coal - or some matter connected with their setting or management & not in their size I am confident

and only calculated for it - but are  
 necessarily and usually done if -  
 and in some very cool localities  
 at a rate of 1/2000 - obtain -  
 where they are done a daily  
 amount of more than that -  
 than your building - they have a duty  
 of 1/2000 - each boiler - so there  
 is a great deal of difficulty about  
 it - there is however a new system  
 of a large amount of fuel  
 expended in the cellar - have you  
 had that tested - if not may you  
 have that done - and give me  
 the advantage of that help -  
 all will pay you in coal - for if  
 the boiler made a great surplus  
 of steam - it would be to take out  
 the much ~~steam~~ steam & warm  
 the cellar - and they would always  
 get the steam full - and make  
 the building so much warmer

33 WEST RAIL ROAD ST., SYRACUSE, } NO. 114 LEONARD STREET, NEW YORK CITY, } 42 COURT STREET, BROOKLYN.

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in warming -  
 If you feel it is essential for your  
 comfort & my reputation that I  
 should send a man to look over  
 the matter I will do so - although  
 I am afraid he will hit on a  
 warm time & then won't be able  
 to see just what the machine can  
 do or where the weak spot is -  
 If the fitting has not been done  
 I think that is the most im-  
 portant & will do you the most  
 good -  
 Yrs truly  
 J. H. Warner

Wyoming Wyoming Co

Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> 1879 N. Y.

Dr. E. M. Gallaudet - Dear Sir - If I am

not taking too much liberty I would  
be very glad to receive a copy of your

report of the Columbia Deaf-  
Mutes Institution and National

Deaf Mutes College, for the year of  
1878 - I have seen it noticed, in the

Deaf Mutes Journal - I have  
a little daughter in the Western

N. Y. Inst. for Deaf Mutes, which  
accounts for the deep interest

I feel to learn all I can of the  
doings of the different enterpri-

ses for the poor "Silent Children"

The name of Gallaudet is very  
dear to me, as one of the greatest

benefactors, to the poor Deaf and deaf  
The Gallaudet family will always be

remembered for all time to come, by all  
educated deaf mutes, as well as by their  
afflicted parents

Very kindly yours,  
Mrs. John S. Miller



WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE-THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

*C. M. Gallaudet Ph. D., L. L. D.,  
President*

*Columbia Inst for Deaf and Dumb  
Rendall Green near Washington D. C.*

E. L. Gallaudet - L. L. D.  
do do do

Sir

I respectfully request  
permission to make an  
examination of the eyes  
and ears of the pupils  
of the Columbia deaf &  
dumb Institute, as a  
means of completing  
some statistics of scientific

- a interest- and impor-  
tance.

I take the liberty of  
adding that a similar  
request has granted to  
me by the Public Schools  
of New York, Boston  
and Washington and  
that it is to the result  
of examinations of  
these institutions that  
I am anxious to add

those of your College, should you honor  
me by granting this request.

Very respectfully yours

J. Lewis R. Davis M.D.

Participant in Ophthalmological Medical Meet. College  
Surgeon to Wash. Eye and Ear Hospital -  
Member of American and International  
Ophthalmological Societies for 20 or



and then the music  
can be produced their  
glances. I am excited  
might obliged to you  
for your kind trouble  
in regard to the blanks  
which are most valuable  
to me. Should you ever  
have any time to spare  
in from you will find  
your name on the last letter  
Yours ever yours  
Whitcomb

My dear Mr. Wright -  
Many thanks for  
your kindness about  
my Starks blanks  
which came safely  
this morning and which  
I was very glad to get.  
In regard to G. Presal  
he has written much  
the matter with his eyes  
themselves but the

internal muscles, that  
is the muscles that  
bring the eyes upwards  
are in a very weak  
condition. I have given  
him a prescription  
just for glasses which  
he should wear at  
all times, second for  
some saline to be rub-  
bed in above his eye

and third a mixture of which he  
is to take a tea spoon full twice  
a day, after dinner and breakfast.  
And then after he has been at that  
for a week let him see me again.  
Mean while he can go with his  
wife as usual, but with his glasses.

Wolfolk Va Feb 24  
1879

Mr Gallaudet

Dear Sir, I received your letter  
with a blank form, I have filled  
it out as I understand it, if it  
is not right, please send it back  
and I will make it out again.

I said only one was nearsighted  
for John can see well enough in the  
day, the **3rd** of the children has good  
sight, It may be two months  
before I can send the money  
for the glasses, I can not spare  
it before, If the Pa. can not  
wait for it tell them <sup>please</sup> not

to order them, untill I get the  
money for them. I do not like  
to promise unless I can fulfill

Being told me in his letter  
John had something the matter  
with his neck, if it is anything  
serious, please inform me

very Respectfully Yours

Mrs G. Th. Hildreth

LR appl<sup>n</sup> 2275

Refer in reply to No 9618.

Office of the Commissioners of the  
District of Columbia.

Washington, February 21<sup>st</sup> 1879

Prof. E. M. Gallaudet  
President, Columbia Institution for the Deaf & Dumb.

Sir:

In answer to your communication of the  
17<sup>th</sup> instant, requesting the appointment of W<sup>m</sup> M.  
Lucas to the position of Special policeman at  
your Institution, I am directed to inform you  
that the law requires the Commissioners to  
appoint none but honorably discharged  
soldiers or sailors of the United States to posit-  
-ions on the police force. They are not per-  
-mitted to appoint <sup>ex</sup>market masters as special  
policemen unless they possess this qualification.  
It would otherwise give the Commissioners  
pleasure to comply with your request.

Very respectfully,  
William Tindall  
Secretary

Washington February 20<sup>th</sup> 1879  
Mr Geo. Crestine  
Dr Sir

We would be pleased to furnish  
your institution with the quality of oysters  
which we are handling at \$1.00 per gallon  
for family oysters, and also \$1.50 for our  
selects.

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We are furnishing the same to the  
Gov Hospital for the insane and others,  
and guarantee them to be of the finest  
quality of salt water oysters, we could give  
you lower figures for oysters, say 75¢  
per gallon, but we are satisfied that  
they will not give the satisfaction of the  
above quoted qualities, would be pleased  
to receive your orders, and will exert our  
best endeavors, that you may be served  
with the best we have.

Very Respectfully  
Carver Holden

United States Senate Chamber,

Washington, Feb. 18 1879

Dear Sir:

The bearer of this note,  
Geo: McLain, desires  
Employment as a laborer.  
I can recommend him  
as a faithful workman  
and should be glad if  
you could employ him  
for a few weeks at least.

Very respectfully

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J. G. Mallie

Prof. Gallaudette  
Supt &c &c

Ans<sup>d</sup> favorably

Law Office

Geo. W. Wool,

Nos. 50 & 51 Seitz Block,

Detroit, Mich., February 17<sup>th</sup> 1879.

E. M. Gallaudet.

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My Dear Sir:- Your communication to the Hon. Judge Swift of several days ago was shown to me this morning in the Superior Court Room, and I desire to say that by all means I want to come back. Why?

First:- I am getting over the days of my youth, and I have not the time nor will I have the opportunity of attending college after I become of a certain age. Consequently I want to go as soon as possible. Four months are to be considered time wherein to learn a great deal.

Second:- For every day spent away from my studies and the influence of intellectual surroundings I find myself slipping away from them, and it will be harder, the longer I wait, to take them up again.

Third:- Privately I have been offered a situation at a prominent newspaper as soon



Law Offices of  
Geo. W. Wool,

Nos. 50 & 51 Seitz Block,

Detroit, Mich.,

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as you find yourself able." Another reason for being  
in haste.

Fourth:- I think my punishment has already  
been severe. I have learned enough  
by this experience to last me a lifetime,  
one's will is strengthened by the contact of  
fire. And in the hereafter you may be  
assured that I will be guilty of no more  
folly of that kind.

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In regard to the summer vacation I would desire to  
state that you may take no trouble on that account;  
as I shall be entirely able to take care of my-  
self. I will have work in Baltimore.

I am still reading law with G. M. Wool and he  
says he would be very sorry to lose me, but he  
thinks a year or two more at College would be of  
a great benefit. The discipline and development  
to my mind which I would receive would materially  
fit me for after life.

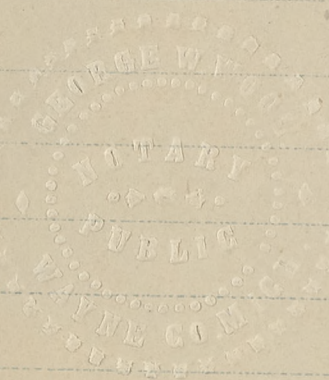
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Detroit, Mich.,  
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Hoping that these considerations will meet with appreciation, and that the Faculty will be pleased to allow me to return, I remain, President Gallaudet,

Yours Very Truly  
Geo. Melville Grinnard



Mattawoman Charles Co  
Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> 1879.

President E. Gallaudet.

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Now I am writing a letter to you about asking something, if you will please to send me. I want you to send twenty cards of Alphabets. Indeed I will pay you all what you send me. You must trust on me as your honest friend. I am the child of God, I can't deceive you. I have tried to keep all God's Commandment. I am going to see my Father in March and will go see you. I am glad that many friends can learned to spell one Hand, but I want to give cards to others. I am glad that they can talk with me spelling one Hand. It is snowing not very cold

I hope many people riding in sleigh with  
much joy.

How are all Teachers & pupils  
I send my best respect to you and  
all my teachers.

with much Hoping from your true  
friend

Joseph Barnes.  
Mattawoman Charles Co  
Md.

Detroit Feb'y 16<sup>th</sup> 1878

E. W. Gallaudet.

Dear Sir,

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Your letter was handed to me last evening by Judge Swift, but too late for me to reply. I feel very grateful to you for your kindness during this unpleasantness, and hope you will further increase the obligation by allowing George to return this week, he is very anxious to return <sup>and</sup> says he will work very hard in order to make up for last time, If the Faculty are willing that he should return will you please telegraph me and I will have him return immediately. I am very anxious that he should return on account of the feeling between he <sup>and</sup> his mother <sup>and</sup> want him to redeem himself.

and  
unfamously

Truly Yours  
Mrs D. E. Gommmond

Maryland Institution  
FOR THE  
INSTRUCTION OF THE BLIND,

F. D. MORRISON, Supt.

and no report  
Baltimore, Feb 17<sup>th</sup> 1879

My Dear Sir:

We have in our school, 18 U.S. Pupils, I have several times thought that perhaps it would be more satisfactory to the Department in your City, to have a special report at least annually of our work, Our Annual Reports of course are not made with reference to our Washington Pupils, I shall be glad to hear from you on this subject & shall also be glad to have you visit us and make a personal inspection, and see for yourself what we are

doing for the U.S. pupils. You  
know that we are responsible  
to you for this work, and I  
should be glad to have you  
examine it, and make such  
a report to the proper Authorities  
as you think the case  
requires.

Very Truly Yours

F. D. Morrison Subst.

E. M. Gallaudet LL.D.

President National  
College for Deaf Mutes

ansd

Maryland Institution

FOR THE

INSTRUCTION OF THE BLIND,

F. D. MORRISON, Supt.

Baltimore, Feb 14<sup>th</sup> 1879

Ed Halland L.L.D

My Dear Sir:

I was in Washington on Wednesday and mentioned to some of our friends, that you had kindly offered to see Senator Edmunds for us, and they assured me that if you secure to us Mr Edmunds friendly interests, you would place us under great obligations to you. I find that our friends in the senate specially dread any opposition from the Senators from Vermont. Will you also say a good word for us to Messrs Eaton, Wadleigh, Wallace and Ingalls and to any other Senators with whom you may be on intimate terms



The passage of this Bill at this  
time is of the greatest importance  
to the future welfare of the Blind.  
As there is no time to be lost,  
may I ask you in behalf of the  
Blind to do what you can for  
us as promptly as possible. I  
assure you that every Educator  
of the Blind will appreciate your  
timely assistance in this matter.  
I know of no one else who can  
do so much good for us in the  
short time left to us as yourself.  
I think the Bill is no 857 on  
the Senate Calendar, and we  
hope that it will pass when they  
reach it, which must be in a few  
days. Hoping that the health of  
your family is improving. I am  
As Ever Yours Truly F. D. Morrison

Dear Mr White

I am done  
with young Starks, but  
before ordering the glasses  
I should like to see him  
after the effects of the  
Belladonna have passed  
away - as there is often  
a slight difference that  
has to be corrected.  
So if you will kindly

skin his dress and  
let him come to me  
in about ten days. I  
can in five minutes  
finish with him - pro-  
bably he did not under-  
stand that I had  
finished with his left-  
right eye and had  
his dress renewed so there  
is no help but to wait  
still it will only be a

week or so and will do his eyes  
much good by the rest.

Please permit him to come here in  
a week or ten days and with many  
thanks for your kindness & interest  
in it.

Always most  
yours in haste  
Thomas B Davis

1441 T. Street N.W.

Washington, Feb<sup>y</sup> 13<sup>u</sup> 1879

Prof Gallaudet:

Dear Sir:

I take the liberty  
of addressing you on the subject  
of an entertainment which the  
Finance Committee of Mt Zion  
M. E. Church Cor 15<sup>u</sup> and R Streets  
have in contemplation to secure  
funds to liquidate our indebted-  
ness to our Pastor. We have  
heard much commendation  
on a Pantomime by the Deaf

and Wumb under your supervision and also of your very generous assistance to a sister church. It is our sincere desire to secure your aid at an early date and if it meets your approbation will you please address me a note at your earliest convenience. I visited the Association of Sunday School Superintendents at the rooms of the W.M.C.A on Monday evening last but was not fortunate in finding you on that evening.

Very respectfully yours,  
Wm Pittis, M.W.

E. Q. GUNSON & CO.  
**BOOK SELLERS & BOOK BINDERS,**  
BALTIMORE, MD.

Washington office, 422 Seventh Street.

Washington, *Feb* 13 1879

Prof Gallaudet -

Dear Sir

I enclose your vouchers signed  
and take this opportunity to -  
thank you for your kind  
patronage. -

Yours very truly  
E. Q. Gunson

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Oldredge & Bro.  
Educational Publishers  
17 North 7th St. Philada. Feb 11. 1879

Dear Sir

We desire to call your attention to Gregory's Christian Ethics, a work which we think is worthy of a careful examination by every teacher having classes studying Moral Science.

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If you are not familiar with the book, we will take pleasure in sending you a copy for examination should you desire it.

Will you be kind enough to favor us with a late copy of the Catalogue of your Institution

Very Respy Yours  
Oldredge & Bro

Deaf and dumb Inst  
Jacksonville Ills  
Feb 11<sup>th</sup> 1879

Dear Sir:

Will you please send  
me a copy of your latest  
report for the year of  
'78, as there is another  
young gentleman an-  
talking of coming  
to college

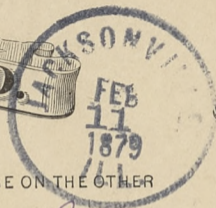
+ oblige yours obediently

Alex Meisel of  
Jacksonville  
Ills

Deaf & dumb Inst

If this has not been  
sent - send as in  
Fox's case -





WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Edward M. Gallaudet Esq  
National Deaf-mute College  
Washington  
D. C.

but ruin and disgrace for him,  
and wretchedness and distress for her.

I have written this letter at her  
request, and hope you will pardon  
me if I have seemed to interfere  
in what does not concern me personally.

Respectfully yours  
George S. Swift  
12 City Hall  
Detroit  
Mich.

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~~Ann in full~~

and

Detroit July 5<sup>th</sup> 1879

Mr. E. M. Gallaudet

Dear Sir

327 George Grammad  
is, at present, in the office of a  
man, who calls himself a lawyer,  
but who has been disbarred by the  
Supreme Court, for fraud upon  
his client. There is an informa-  
tion now pending against him  
for not paying over money collected.

I think he is <sup>an</sup> unsafe man for  
George to be with. He promises  
to pay George for his services, but  
has as yet paid him nothing,  
and I doubt, from what I know  
of him, whether he ever will.

It is almost impossible for  
any young man to get employment

at the present time - and harder  
for George than any one else, on  
account of his being deaf.

He would like to return to  
your institution at once, and  
he is always asking his mother  
if she has not heard from you.

He promises faithfully to behave  
himself, and to comply with all  
the rules of your institution, if you  
will take him back.

I am afraid if he remains here  
he will fall in with bad associates  
and get into some mischief or other.

His mother, with tears, begs  
me to ask you to take him back  
at once. And I hope you will  
find it consistent with your  
duty to accede to her request.

Besides Mrs. G.'s anxiety on her  
son's account, lest he may get  
discouraged, and in despair be

to do something that will  
disgrace and shame upon  
them both, the burden of supporting  
is almost more than she can bear.

If you can possibly relieve her  
of the care of George I hope you will  
do so.

I ought to say in regard to  
Capt. Hammond, that he has a  
good many boats to look after in  
different lake ports, and is very  
busy and often away from home,  
and therefore I have had little  
opportunity to talk with him, and  
he probably has had but little time  
to think the matter. As soon as  
I told him he ought to send the  
money, he gave it to me.

Respectfully yours,  
George S. Swift

1426 Chesford Ave. N.W.  
Washington D.C.

July 5<sup>th</sup> 1879

E. M. Gallaudet, Ph. D., L. L. D.,  
Pres. of the Columbia Institution  
for the Deaf and Dumb:-

Dear Sir:-

For some years I have  
been much interested in the condition  
of persons with impaired hearing -

It has been my good fortune to have  
favorable opportunities for studying  
the pathology of such cases, and for  
familiarizing myself with the results  
of treatment. In my opinion some-  
thing can often be done for some  
apparently very desperate cases of  
impaired hearing, and the belief  
fosters a desire to know just how  
much can be accomplished.

I think no extended scientific

inquiry has yet been made in connection with the class of persons who are instructed at a deaf and dumb asylum, and from what I know of the good work done by yourself, I am led to ask your aid in such an investigation, which would be important to science in offering reliable statistics in regard to the physical condition of those styled deaf-mutes: important to the individual, in view of a possible restoration of hearing to some of the unfortunates.

The ground to be covered by a physical examination of each case could be represented by questions as to age, former residence, duration of disease, presumed cause, family history, the condition of the auricles,

of the external Meatus, of the Membrana tympani, of the Middle Ear and eustachian tube; as to discharge from the ears, noises in the ears, the condition of the throat and nasal passages, and the hearing distance as tested by the tuning-fork, the watch, and the human voices.

The state of collateral organs could be noted as of Collateral, though possibly slight, importance

I appreciate the magnitude of the labor, and may say that I would not willingly undertake it, did I not believe the possible results to be commensurate with the time and energy required. If it is thought best to allow me the opportunity asked for, I will be glad to have you make

any suggestions which may  
occur to you in the Connection.

Very truly and  
Sincerely Yours,  
J. O. Richey M.D.

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(DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS.)

*RF*

Department of the Interior,

*W.M.S.*

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,

Washington, *February 4<sup>th</sup>*, 1879.

Sir:

Your accounts as Disbursing Agent of the appropriation for  
*Current Expenses, and for Buildings of the*  
*Columbia Institution for the Deaf and Dumb*  
for the quarter ending *December 31<sup>st</sup>*, 1878, have been  
examined in this Department and transmitted to the First Auditor of the  
Treasury for final settlement.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

*Wm. R. Wood*  
Chief Clerk

To *Prof E. M. Gallaudet*  
Disbursing Agent,

*Washington*

*D. C.*

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New York Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb,

POST OFFICE ADDRESS,  
Station M,  
NEW YORK CITY.

New York, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 1879

Dr. E. M. Gallaudet, President etc,  
National D.M. College,  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir-

Many thanks for the kind advice contained in your letter of the 28<sup>th</sup> inst. Having, a short time since, been promised the next vacancy in a certain institution I cannot give you a decided answer as to whether I shall enter your College next fall or not. However, if nothing happens to prevent me, I will try and be on hand in time to be examined for the Freshman class.

Please let me have a copy of your latest report when ready.

Thanking you for your many favors, I am  
Respectfully Yours,

Thomas D. D. D.

Station "M"  
N.Y. City.

J.B.W.  
send all cat  
specimens