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Box 445 Hancock N.H.

Jun 25/88

Rev Thomas Gallaudet.

Dear sir:-

I am a student in Dartmouth, class of '88. When I entered it was with the intention of becoming a teacher, but my hearing has been failing & is growing worse. Several persons have advised me to track the deaf-mutes working for a position in the college. Would you advise me to take that profession & if so could you inform me

of any vacancies at any
institute for which I could
apply. I have a nephew & niece
attending the Deaf & dumb
Institute at Columbus
at which their mother a hearing
person is teaching. I intend
studying under her at
least four hours a day next
summer. I think thus to gain
some knowledge of the sign
language. Do their own reading
I could do on the subject.
As to my ability I think I
can refer you to the faculty
Wartmouth college. Hoping
this will receive your kind
attention. I am sincerely

yours, A. L. Arty '88
(Home residence) Dayton,
O.

Box 445 Hanover N.H.

Edward M. Gallaudet L.L.D. Feb 5/88

Dear Sir:

Having

to being informed, roughly, I
wrote a letter, intended for
you, to Thomas Gallaudet
Washington D.C. Pres. & D. Inst.
As I fear you probably have
never received it. I will
write again this time as I have
since learned to the right
person. I am a student at
Dartmouth college, graduating
this June. When I entered it
was with the intention of becoming
-ing a teacher.

But my hearing has been
failing me and is growing
worse. Several persons have
advised me to teach the deaf
mutes, working for a position
in the Deaf and Dumb College.
Would you advise me to
take that profession, & if so
could you kindly inform
me of any vacancies in
any ~~inst~~ institute for which
I could apply. My sister
is a teacher in the institute
at Columbus, O. Next summer
I intend studying the signs
under her at least four
hours a day, & thus hope to
obtain some knowledge of
the sign language

Is there any book, or course, I
could study while here, on the
subject. As to my abilities
I think I can refer you to the
Faculty of this college.

Please send me a report of
your college & situation of other
institutions, so that I can send
for their reports.

Hoping this will receive
your kind attention, I am
very sincerely yours

A. L. Artz
Hanover,
A. H.

Home address.

Edward M. Gallaudet, Wayton,

Pres Columbia Inst. for D & C.

Kendall Green
Washington
D. C.

Instituut
voor
Doofstommen.

Groningen, den 10 Maas 1888.
(Netherlands)

Très honoré Monsieur!

En Avril 1884 vous avez eu la bonté de m'envoyer des exemplaires des "Reports of the Columbia Institution for the deaf and dumb for the years 1869-1883." et aussi ai-je reçu de ces jours "Announcement of the National Deaf-Mute College, 1886-87."

Si vous voudriez avoir encore la bienveillance de me faire parvenir les "Reports 1884-1887", et aussi les autres "Announcements" etc. qui se rapportent au "National Deaf-Mute College" je vous serais très obligé.

Meilleux agrès, Monsieur, l'assurance de mon respect.

Notre dévoué
Monsieur E. M. Gallaudet, Dr. Dr. et H. Abing
Président du "Nat. Deaf-Mute College" etc. Washington,
Directeur de l'Inst. d. d. m.

Refer in reply to the following: L.

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Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

Washington, March 19, 1888.

Edward M. Gallaudet, Prest.

Columbia Institution for the Deaf & Dumb,

Kendall Green,

City.

Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter from E.C. Osborne, Esq., U.S. Indian Agent at Ponca, Pawnee &c., Agency, Indian Territory, dated February 28, 1888, stating that Peter Primeaux, a Ponca Indian requests to be informed of the condition of his daughter, Mary Ann Primeaux, a deaf mute (who was sent to your Institution under authority granted by the Department to this Office, dated January 24, 1885).

Will you please inform this Office as to her physical health, and mental condition and progress, so that her father may be advised.

Very respectfully,

J D C Atkins

Commissioner.

(Cooper)

The Newsboys' and Children's Aid Society,

1220 F STREET N.W.

Washington, D. C. February 2, 1886

Dr. Gallaudet

Dear Sir

I earnestly hope that you can take Henry Gilroy in your college. I would have applied to you before but knew his parents were not able to pay his way and did not know that he could be taken without this. He is an excellent boy and the only impediment to his success is his deafness. He is very industrious and trustworthy. The family are poor but very respectable, not living on charity, but working their way. Henry has been carrying the newspapers, distributing circulars or whatever employment he could get. When at home

he is never Idle He knits and makes
fancy work. &c Indeed among my seven
or eight hundred boys I have not one
more worthy than he and I earnestly
hope that you can give him a
helping hand to gain a living as I
fear he must always be deaf

Very Respectfully

H. B. Barlow

1336 NINETEENTH STREET,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

March 2nd 1888

My dear Doctor

Inclosed letter appeals somewhat to my sympathy as the writer seems really anxious to secure the very best instruction a deaf-mute can possibly attain - I therefore refer it to you dear Dr satisfied that in the kindness of your heart you will suggest or devise what is best for the young man -

Very truly Yours

Alex. Graham Bell

per H. S. Johnson

To

Dr E. M. Gallaudet -
President Natl D.M. College
Washington D.C.

Bingham School, N.C.
Mar. 5, 1888.

President of National Deaf Mute College,
Dear Sir,

Please send
me catalogue and circular
of your College, also of
the Preparatory department.

I wish to learn whether
my son, aged seventeen,
can be placed under
your care this Fall. He
has completed the course
at our State Institution,
and I am trying to decide
where to send him now.

Respectfully yours,

Mrs Wm. Bingham,
Bingham School P. O., N.C.

Dear Mr. Wright:—

Please find the enclosures,
which will speak for themselves.
Many thanks for the indulgen-
ce exercised in the matter, be-
sides, your kindness in disposing
of the Gymnasium shirt. I suppose
you cannot do the same with
the pants. I fear all right.

This I think makes us square.
[I send a postal note instead of a
check this time - you ^{will} ~~can~~ recol-
lect it, too, when I come up for a
degree.] With kind regards, I am,
Hastily but Respectfully Yours,
Robt Bell, Jr.

Alexandria, April 9, '88.

P.S. I put herewith one fellow N's letters
thinking his reference to Belmont Lake city may
interest you. B.

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To _____

State of Delaware
Office of Secretary of State

Dover, Del June 16 1888

Hon B. T. Biggs

Wash DC

I enclose you
a warrant - which please sign
and forward

Yours Truly
Wm Paulson

~~Please send the~~
~~method touching to~~
Wm Herbert

Head

New Castle
Del

E McCallandret
(Perth)

Very Resch
BT Biggs

Office of **D. L. HUGHES,**
PRACTICAL PLUMBER, STEAM AND GAS FITTER,
AND SANITARY ENGINEER.

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*Ans*

Summit, N. J. *Aug 18<sup>th</sup>* 1888

Dr E. M. Gallaudet.

Dear Sir:

I wish to know whether my brother has paid you for the money you advanced to me last June. I am sorry my sister here has been so long in attending to the matter, but I shall see that the amount is made good to you before the year is out. I shall always, however, remember all your kindness to me, <sup>and</sup> only trust that you will not think too badly of me for not having made a better show at college. I can never forgive myself for having allowed discouragement



to weaken my efforts at keeping up with my classmates in college.

I have not yet felt equal to telling my Indiana friends of my failures, <sup>and</sup> that I cannot return to college this year. They will be so disappointed, <sup>and</sup> I cannot bear that after all their kindness in sending me to college.

I shall never cease to regret what I have now missed in that, <sup>and</sup> if I only had it to do all over again, as I hear Miss Elliot is to do this year, I would know more of what was really required of me.

But, alas, it must always have to be my saddest "might have been", I suppose.

Please remember me to the dear Misses Kitty <sup>and</sup> Grace Gallaudet, <sup>and</sup> my dear matron <sup>to</sup>



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Summit, N. J. 188

Miss Gordon, & give them my
warmest regards.

Believe me

Respectfully Yours
E. F. Black.

OFFICE OF

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The Indiana Deaf-Mute Journal.

Published in the Interests of the Deaf.

Printed by the Pupils.

Indianapolis, Sept. 30, 1880.

E. W. Halladay,

Kendall Green,

My dear Sir:

Will you please kindly inform me of the amount remaining due for books &c. ? Believe I'll be able to forward the money at an early date. - My inability to have done so before has weighed heavily upon my mind, and were it only possible for me to have attended to the matter sooner, nothing would have prevented me.

Very truly yours,

\$21.60

Albert Berg.

INDIANA INSTITUTION

FOR THE

EDUCATION OF THE DEAF

ELI P. BAKER,
Superintendent.WILLIAM N. BURT, A. M.,
Principal.THOS. H. HARRISON,
President.D. W. CHAMBERS,
Treasurer.JOHN B. GREENE,
Secretary.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 3 - 1888

O. W. Gallaudet,

Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:-

It is being currently reported here, that Cleanore Perrette and Asbury G. Arnot, both of whom graduated from this Institution last June, have failed to make the necessary grade for entering your college. It is with great reluctance our Professors believe this to be true. And the oldest of them say that during their time, the Institution has graduated but few brighter pupils than the above mentioned two.

The entire Faculty feel if the report be true, that the outlook for any future graduate of this Institution, - no matter how talented

he may be - is discouraging
in the extreme,

I would be pleased to know
on what points they failed to
pass. Hoping I may have
been incorrectly informed, and
that the pupils entered with
credit, I remain,

Yours to -

Eli P. Baker,

#1597

Dunmore, Lackawanna Co.,
Pa. Oct. 9 - '88

and
unfamably

My Dear Doctor:

I sincerely hope you are not beginning to think I have abused your kindness and patience by not paying my book bill promptly. Let me explain my inability to fulfill my promise at present, and kindly grant me more time if you can conveniently do so.

My salary as correspondent is so much as the receipts from a properly paying town will warrant, and what I get from the Court House keeps me alive and defrays my travelling expenses. Our circulation is, however, steadily increasing, and in a week or two I shall begin to give my whole time to journalism, and the first pocket

money I earn will find its way to Kendall assistance I need, I shall be grateful.
Green.

This business yields glory but little time for study and cultivation, and I do not wish, therefore, to remain in it long. To effect a change of profession, I applied for a teachership at the May-land school, and last Monday received an answer saying that all places are filled at present, but a vacancy is likely to occur at the end of the year if not sooner, and inquiring to whom I can refer in case my application should come up for consideration. May I refer to you? All prominent men in Saratoga, particularly my present employer, will gladly assist me in any way I wish, but I am sure they rely more on the word of gentleman like you. If you can conscientiously recommend me, and will render the

assistance I need, I shall be grateful. I can hardly realize I am a graduate; I think and act as if I am going to return to Kendall Green by tby. So much for my love for it and its people.

You will understand me well when I say in a few words that what I learned during my last year at college I find of great benefit and assistance to me in my paper work.

I see by the deaf papers that the college has started well. I hope it may continue to prosper, and I can't help doubling this hope now that I am away from Kendall Green. Give my love to all inquiring friends, accepting a lion's share for yourself. Please let me hear from you at ^{your} earliest convenience, this week if possible.

Most Sincerely yours,

John A. Boland.

Louisville, Ky. Oct 23 1888

Dear Sir

I have a sister who is deaf and has been since early childhood. She uses the finger sign language very rapidly, is exceptionally clever, a great reader, but she has never been taught the "lip language." She is no longer young except in spirit, but I think could learn more quickly than many beginning at a much earlier age. My father, although he took great pains with her education, would never let her learn the ordinary sign language. His idea being that she should converse and think in words, which she always does.

I now have the responsibility of her care and she and I both think that it will probably be well to have her taught this lip language. Indeed I feel half guilty that I never thought seriously of it until not long ago. I see an article on the deaf and dumb by you in Johnson's Encyclopedia which suggests the idea that you are doubtless able to give me the advice I want. Will you kindly answer for me several questions? First: do you think it desirable as a means of instruction, that my sister should attend one of the institutions for the deaf whilst studying the lip language? and if so which are amongst the best?

She is now about forty years of age, but remarkably bright and amiable. Will the contact, ^{with mutes younger less educated than she} think you, be improving? She seems to care much more for the society of her hearing friends and books than of such deaf mutes as she has from time to time been thrown

with. These she says seem to think like little children rather than intelligent men and women. I make the statement that you may the better judge whether she should go to such an institution or be taught by a tutor at home.

Second Can you recommend a thoroughly conscientious and competent lady who would for a salary teach her here at our home? If I could have such a teacher who would also be an agreeable companion for her, I should be willing to pay any reasonable salary.

Third. Granted a bright intellect, and a willing student and remembering at once her age and her youthful temperament, could you roughly approximate the time that would be necessary for her to so far learn the language as to be able to dispense with the services of a teacher.

Fourth. Is the instruction as ordinarily given very hard upon the sight? What with her reading, botanizing & other use of her eyes, they are not quite as strong as I should like them to be, considering how dependent she must always be upon them.

I hope that I am not unduly trespassing upon your time in making request for answers to these questions. My reasons for doing so are apparent and I trust you may be able to give the information I want and very greatly oblige

Very truly
Temple Bodley