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Office **A. P. BOGGS**
Cotton Broker

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Augusta, Ga. Thursday Jan 21 1875

My dear father

I found your kind letter laying on my desk when I came down to work this morning and having read it set it down to answer it.

I read the letter and approving the good advice you gave me and I intend to follow it in future I can't tell a little about cotton and when we are shipping I can tell in 3 cases out of four which Brand is to be put on the cotton.

Hitherto we have had breakfast at Uncle Phips between half past eight & nine and so we don't get to work till late.

I do not have any things to do hardly and can not fix things up much as Uncle Phips does not like to have his things troubled.

I am sorry to say that since I have been here I have thrown away about \$20 not a vestige of which remains it was spent in the following manner

I went to see a juggler 50 Out of all the money spent
" " " " Humphry Dumphy 100 I can find nothing but the
Spent on fireworks 270 1,00 Spent on Humphry to
" " other things 1,00 fall back as a legacy.

gotten the worth of my money, and in that only
do I think that I got it.

I wrote to How H H Mergora but have
not received any answer as also with Maurice
Smith.

I received at the same time with your letter
a likeness of Rev Bishop Robt. H. Clarkson
and also a letter stating that another likeness
of another Bishop would be sent.

But I must stop

Love to all from all

Good Bye

Your loving son

Archie

P.S. Please don't tease Yoro by asking
him about me if he takes it too much at
heart.

Archie
Boff

Archie B. B. B.
S

else except our breeches
got wet.

When we got up by home
the rain slackened up
as we went in our respec-
tive houses.

Aunt Mattie is better &
Eddie is also I think but
I can't get anything out of
Aunt Beck.

Love to all from all

Your Aff. Son

Archie.

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Augusta Ga Monday
March 15 1875

My dear Father

I got your kind letter some
time ago and I hope you will not
take it amiss because I did not
answer it before this.

Ask mama please to send me
uncle Bill's address as I sent a
letter so:

Wm A. Cunningham
P.O. Box 2011

Brooklyn
N.Y.

Last Jan. 4th in which I thanked
uncle Bill for his presents
it has been advertised that
I received it today from New York

It is the letter I wrote on
the receipt of his present and
the one mama said I did not write.

I was walking around in St Pauls
Graveyard yesterday and I came across
the graves of four Revolutionary heroes
and I took some little mementoes from
them and I want you to give them to
Pearl and if she does not want them
give them to mama

The little yellow flower and one
came from by the grave of Gen George
Matthews Died in 1812. The violet
the grave of Robert Forsyth Died 1780
and the bunch of leaves from the
grave of James D & Francis Anders
Both served in the Revolutionary
war James died in 1780 and Francis
died in 1787.

I ain't doing anything at all
now hardly.

Am I Watters Better
Love from all to all
Good Bye

Your aff. Son
Archie

March 16 1875

We had a nice rain yesterday
which turned the streets into
rivers and the ditches which are
in the middle of some of them
into torrents.

I did not carry my um-
brella down in the morning
as the sun was out and no
cloud was to be seen so I
got a little wet going home
to dinner the bad part
of the storm with light
winds and thunder came
between five and six o'clock
and it just poured.

Harry Kelly and I
went home together we
each had an umbrella
but they only saved us from
being drenched as the rain
came through them and
dampened our coats but

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Mr. W^m R. Boggs Esq.
1009 Pine Street

St. Louis Mo.

Augusta Ga Sunday

My dear Father

April 18th 1875

I received your kind letter ~~Saturday~~ ^{Sunday} and thought I would reply to it today. I wrote to Mama on the receipt of your letter and told her sweet all the news but I guess I can scrape enough more up to help you along and to fill up your letter.

In the first place the first seven bricks were laid in the foundation of the "Confederate monument" of this place and the corner stone is to be laid on Decoration day which is the twenty sixth of this month and it has been told me that the "Committee" were going to put the small sum of two millions dollars under the corner stone which if it is done will be the biggest piece of extravagance I ever heard of and what is more if they have that sum why do they not make a fine monument with part of it and take the rest for the Poor or else the Missionaries: or if they did not like that they could take it for their own separate use or else may be they could give it to the Orphan Asylum, "Hospital," or the best use yet they could give it to the Tornado sufferers which would do both a great deal more good than putting it under any corner stone would.

In the second I intend to "Christen" my "Chamois" skin pon on "Confirmation" day by writing mama a letter with the particulars of my half weeks exertions to the right path and then next Sunday may be next day I am going to give particulars of this the greatest event in my life and also I intend to wear my cravat which grand ma sent me on the same day Edward Butt is to be confirmed at the same time I am also Robert C. Lee and Joseph Sacre two friends of mine and add to this list Charles C. Hunt, who is also a friend of mine and a nice boy, and another boy whose name I forget and you have a list of the boys to be confirmed in St Pauls church on Thursday night at 8 P.M.

Monday April 19th

I awoke up this morning and the sun was a little ways up in the sky and got my bottle and started up to Aunt Kitty's for milk for Ed and as I went by the market I found it was quarter to seven; I was a little behind time so I walked fast and reached home at twenty minutes past making a walk of about two miles in forty minutes before breakfast so I get plenty of exercise on that score.

After breakfast I walk up to the office, a distance of about three quarters of a mile and I generally stay there till half after one and come back at three and stay till uncle Dick says I may shut up shop and then I go home for good that day.

Nothing much stirring this morning I do not think so I am in the office sitting still and writing.

We moved Saturday and this office we have come to is a very nice one because it has gas and water, which commodities our last office had not.

Our cow had a calf the other day and we are looking for milk.

I wrote to mama telling her that I would be confirmed and I think it is about time I should be as I am big enough and old enough and ugly enough to be so I've set my mind on it and so there is the end
All are well here

Your aff Son
Archie

P.S. I forgot to mention a boy in my list of the Confirmation class whose name is Frederick William Armin, he stays across the river in Hamburg which place is considered low by the people here though for what reason I do not know.

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May 13, 1875

Dear Father

Saw Mr. L. Patterson this morning, he says that there is no occasion to send in another application, that the one made before Barrett's death is still on the table.

All Officers have to be here to enter upon their duties on the 1st prox, so you had better keep yourself in close communication with Canon City, so that if I send a special telegram it may be forwarded at once to you, even if it should take a special courier. The election here is arranged in a very ugly manner, it comes off on Saturday the 15th, the Mayor is inaugurated Monday, and Council meets Tuesday, if Overstolz is elected, of which Mr. P. is confident, as he has bolted the regular Democratic ticket

table me

M. P. B. P.

to benefit you, he is confident you will receive the appointment having both Mayor and Council on your side; if Britton, he proposes to bring other influence, keeping himself in the dark, and trust to that and the Council.

Overstolz advised Recliers to make the appointments himself, saying that in the event of his election he could trust to Mr. R's discretion that far, that no matter who was appointed there would be a howl, and he did not see why it should not come for one thing as well as another. Recliers, however, declined the responsibility.

The only others proposed are Kelly, who declined, Southard, and Singleton; the former is a sub, whose experience is doubted, and the monument the latter raised to himself, in the present City Hall, is hardly a lasting or cred-

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Genl. Jm R. Briggs
McClure House
Canon City
Colorado

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Madison No. 1 July 1876

Genl. G. C. Wharton

Rector of the Virginia Agric & Mech. College
Blacksburg Virginia.

Dear Sir - Having heard from Genl.
W. H. Mayo of Stevens Wisconsin that he has
applied for the chair of Technical Mechan-
-ics & Drawing in your college, I take the
liberty of sending you the enclosed letters
on his behalf. Genl Mayo is a near con-
-nection of mine, having married my
niece: so that, from an acquaintance
of more than twenty years, I can speak
very confidently as to his irreproachable
character & habits, his industry, and the
energy with which he devotes himself
to any task which he undertakes.
Of course, I am not so well qualified
to judge of his professional qualifications;
but I know that at West Point & in the
Ordnance Corps of the U.S Army - and

during the four years of his service in
the Army of the Confederate States—
he was highly esteemed and valued
by his Superior Officers, as well as his
associates

I am, my dear
Yours &c

Arthur Johnston

Richmond V. 3 Feb 1876

Auntie

Your letter of the 28th January was received on the 31st. I do not myself know Genl Wharton, nor any other member of the College Board - But my friend & partner, Mr Charles W. Williams, did know most of them, and he very kindly wrote a number of letters on your behalf. He also told me that Genl E. Kirby Smith was in Lynchburg, and I wrote to him myself on your behalf. Mr. Bealhouse, who is also my partner, wrote two letters for you to one of the Board, (Mr. DeJarnette) & to his son, who is a particular friend of Mr. Bealhouse.

I wrote also to Genl Wharton, enclosing a letter from Genl Dabney H. Maury, which is of such a character that I want you to see it, & therefore

inclose you a copy of it - Mr. C. C. Mann, President of the College, is a cousin of Genl. Murray, and I sent the letter to him for that reason, in the hope of exciting his interest for you: requesting him to forward the letters to Genl. Wharton.

I hope you may be successful: but there seems in these days to be so many applicants for every vacant position (and there will probably be others recommended by influential friends in like manner) that one cannot be very sanguine as to the result. If not, we may at least hope that the fact of your being willing to accept a professorial chair, being known, may perhaps help you on some other occasion. Write soon to Mary, & the children - and to my sister

Genl. W. H. Murray
St. Louis

I am
Truly yours
Andrew Johnston

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FEB
E
A.

Genl W. R. Boggs
No 1009 Pine Street
St Louis
Missouri

1294
New York July 27th 1878.

Dear Bro Wm

I rec^d this Am.
a copy of Uncle A's letter
to Edith, and write
to ask you to consult
a local lawyer as
he suggests, and advise
me as to the following
in addition -

What steps are neces-
-sary to "qualify" as
executor, if presence
at court is required,
if not what formalities
also if bond is necessary,
and to what amount,
and if bondsmen must

be residents, I ask
about bonds, as I am
not sure that the clause
in the will to that
effect is always im-
perative on a court.
and I don't want any
bitch of I have to come
or send papers.

I have written this
and again to St Louis
to learn if any special
note in proving the
will there is necessary,
and as soon as I hear
from Balt^e shall make
the same inquiry there.

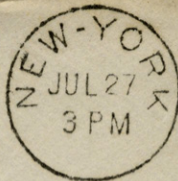
On that will depend
whether we hurry the
matter or no.

I shall write to Edith
about her trustee, and

I think you had best
arrange for the others
promptly so as to lose
no time in case trust
is advisable, though
if possible I should
like to postpone it,
especially if my pre-
sence in the is require
until after Oct 1st as
Wells A. suggests -

Twenty Lines
J. H. S.

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Genl. J. K. Gregg.
Blackburn -
Montgomery -
Virginia -

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New York, Aug^r 1878.

Dr Bross

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I was of 30th
me? I was not aware
that Mrs Weston pur-
chases would foot
up, and fancied you
had advanced rather
along sum, at it was,
and that the balance
could be refunded to
me when all was
adjusted -

I am anxious
to get advice from
a Montgomery, or Coe
as soon as possible

accounts of your all -
Recd - Mr. Kelly's & Davis's letters,
Calder this P.M.

Yours sincerely
J. M. S.

P. S. Will you retain 24th your execution in
remuneration me when we settle
up, or should you rather than
be remitted it - I handed \$700 to
Mrs Weston, and she said there was
be quite a margin, but as part
of her purchase funds stand in an
estate we may have up by the
the things are over and account for the

with regard to the
limit of time available,
whether the will must
be proved or not prior
to October, and whether
my presence is necessary
in order for me to qua-
-lify as executor -

On the Montquier
property depends all
the other steps as
I learn, and if my
presence is required
I must have time
to get my arrangements
made for the trip -
So consult your
carrier on those points
at once - and post me.
Glad to hear you

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New York Aug 21st 1848.

Dear Wm.

I was of 5th inst
July rec^d.

It will suit
me I fancy, best to
come down the latter
part of October, but
I do not wish to
protrone what is
to be done, from Sept.
till that time, if it
otherwise can be ar-
-ranged, though I
should like to come

all the same well -
Well wolly I got her letter, of
Sunday, and first night saw Mrs
McLellan, who said she hoped to hear
from her soon - Her address at present
is 265 N. 52nd St. - By the end of the month
I will be 72. No. 50th St. New York.
But best love to all -

Yours truly,

Wm. H. G. Young

based by Richmond
to assist in arranging
what is necessary there,
and for such as con-
-venience, as your return
the later date might
be preferable -

Keep me posted
however, and if it
should be practicable
and advisable for me
to come on in Sept. I
can give a week's
notice made arrange-
-ments for a few days.

I am glad to hear
that Henry is better,
and hope you will

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NEW YORK
AUG 8
10 30 PM



Genl J. K. Baggs.
Blackburg -
Moulgomerie Co.
Virginia -

was only allowable in case of sick-
ness, age, or infirmity or other sit-
ings, which would only be fully in the
other case - Mrs. Lathrop, I will
to make a memorandum of these
various points submit them as soon
as possible to your advisers, please
whenever I could not make out in your
letter, and have these points settled
surely by this time we ought
to have done so, and have the ar-
rangements as to trusteeship made
and settled - By the way the presence

of the mother the
testimony of all the
living trustees is abso-
lutely required -
He has no books and
no clear recollection
how that question has
been decided, while he
is confident that it has
been tried & settled
by the courts -
But we have
what information
you get on this point
as on the others
From what he fur-
ther said I gathered
it was his impression
that the will must
be proved in Nov 94 or
and that depositions

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NEW YORK
AUG 26
130PM



Gen J. D. R. Boggs.
Blackburg -
Sumner County
Virginia -

New York. Sept 11th '78.

Dear Bro John

Yours of 29th ult. enclosing my CR to you rec^d yesterday -

As you speak of Mrs Norton's bill I presume it is settled and the bal^{ce} over & above 70th has been remitted later -

I have no expectation of hearing of any employment which would give you more clear money than you now receive, as I am not in the way

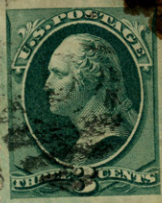
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of hearing of such.
Should however
any chance come to
observation I shall
surely hasten to advise
you -

I rely on you to
keep me advised, as
promised, as to the
time that my presence
will be required at Christ-
-iansburg, and presume
I shall then learn
if all the legal
requirements have
been complied with
or not -

Yours truly -
Geo. W. Cunningham.

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Genl H. K. Bagg,
Blacksburg,
Mountgomery Co.
Virginia

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New York. Sept 9th 1848.

Dear Bro. Wm

I am in rec^t of
a letter from Mr. Lu-
-gon of Ball^{ns}, stating
that lease of 71. Pres^{ts}
St expires Oct 1st -

The tenant will re-
-lease at a reduced
rate and certain re-
-pairs, the present
rent is 37⁵⁰/₁₀₀ per month.

He desires an im-
-mediate answer -

I have written Mr
D, asking to Ruor

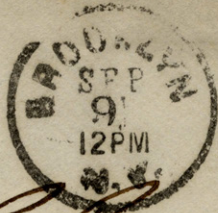
be raised than to let the house stand
empty - Answer as soon as pos-
sible please, and specify your
views on subject -

Brooklyn -

Yours truly,
Geo. C. Wyman

and of education in
not required, and cost
of required repairs,
and will let you know
result, but should
like to know what
you would as ex-
ecutor agree to,
in order to close as
quick time as possible
in answering the
tenant through Mr
Dugan - My own opi-
tion is that a clean
5% on value of house
at 3500th is not to
be refused, or jeopan-
dized by offering in
meeting the tenant,
perhaps even less or

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Genl. O. K. Bogg,
Blackburg -
Montgomery -
Virginia -

Brooklyn, Oct 13th 1878.

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Dear Brother

I learned from
Uncle Andrew at White
Salphur that the papers
furnished by the Clerk
at Christ Church were
of no use, and he wrote
to Edith detailing what
was needed, and in addi-
-tion instructions as re-
-gards the Trusteeships
which she was to show
to Col. Ronalds. There
was doubt that Uncle A.
has the right of it,
and indeed in Bull's
I learned that astro

Case of orphan's - Learn that a sale
of the property within 13 months is im-
possible, but if it should not bring
a reasonable price we can buy it
which I advise, and should like you
to - though I hardly suppose you
will differ with me -

Gilly complains that he has
not heard from any of you since his
arrival - He is O.K., and as usual -
With love to all -

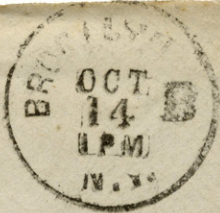
Yours truly -
Geo. J. Cunningham

the papers required
lessas exactly right.

In Maryland however
it is necessary to qua-
-lify as administrator,
though one of us can
do so. I propose
therefore as soon as
get the papers from
Christenbury to
grover, and attend
to that, and have made
the necessary arrange-
-ments as to appraise-
-ment of property and
security for my bond
which I shall need to
go on from the Surtees.

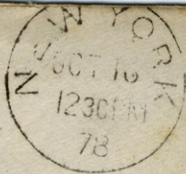
The law in Maryland
is to be excellent

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Genl W. R. Gregg.
Blacksburg -
Montgomery Co -
Virginia

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Genl D. R. Boyz.
Blacksburg -
Switzerland Co.
Virginia -

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New York, Oct 15th 1868.

Dear Bro Wm

I enclose you a
for \$16⁵⁷/₁₀₀, balance due as I
make it out -

Due persons, ^(private acct) to Oct 15	\$24.00
July 8 th included in your rec ^t	1.25
Sep 14 th - "Telegram" "	50
	<u>\$25.75</u>
Cash	\$3.00
Paper	<u>6.18</u>
	\$9.18
	<u>\$16.57</u>

I have remitted or paid for you
sums as follows -

July 11 th	\$80.00
" 26 th	96.55
Oct 15 th	1.75
July 22 nd - To Mrs Norton	<u>\$70.00</u>
	\$248.30

and have receipts
from you for \$178.30
" Dr Elliot " 61.25 239.55
leaving a bal^{ce} of \$8.75

I presume that is for
an article which Gruden
- stood was to be purchased
by Muel's desire, and
beg you will send me
the receipt for same
if you have it, as that
will close all our mixed
accounts thus far -

If I don't keep them
in order I forget very
soon, and get into a mixed
-dle -

Muel Anderson
advises me strongly
to charge the legal
5% Commission on sums
received by us as executors,
whether it is retained
afterwards or not, as
Cases may arise, where

the Executors might
need amounts of money
which it would be hardly
fair to take out of their
pockets, but which would
be disallowed by a Court.
I shall therefore follow
the advice, You might
mention it to the Tror
"girls", and hereafter
I shall put in, as you
must ^{also} do, Travelling ex-
-penses, though I hope
there won't be much of
them to incur -

Dilly is quite well & we
love you truly -

Yours truly -
G. W. Huntington -
P. S. B. 2011
New York

Can or may I say —
 Messrs V. S. Day,
 that the error in the
 Judge's certificate is ^{"fatal"}
 and moreover inexcusable
 because the clause omit-
 -ted is the only part of
 the certificate which is
 expressly prescribed by
 the act of Congress —

P. D. [unclear] 2011
 [unclear]

Register the letter or
 not as you think fit —
 Best love to all —

Trilley well —
 Yours truly —
 Wm. H. Huntington —

Copies, or if he does
that Col Ronalds
will deduct amt from
his bill when he ren-
ders it - Make them
do the best for us you
can -

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Brooklyn, Oct 28th 78.

Dr. Ben Wm.

I enclose to you
two copies of record
of Court of Cr Court, the
same which you recently
sent me - With them
is a memorandum of
corrections which are
necessary according to
Messrs Tenbled & Richard
of Holl^{er}. Please
see that they are
recopied in proper
form, and ~~enclosed~~
to me as soon as
possible - I suppose
the clerk will scarcely
charge for these records

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New York, Nov 12 1878.

Dear Bro

Your note of last
week enclosing receipts
from Geo R. Johnson Clerk
& Col Ronalds rec^d -

I wish you had inclu-
ded the vector for the
small hol^d of which
I wrote you - Unless
inconvenient I shall
wait about remitting
until that comes,
and the rem from
Johnson if he has
the check to charge
again for his com-
-muns - Yours truly -
J. M. Seymour

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Genl D. H. Gregg,
Blackburg -
Montgomery Co
Virginia

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New York, Nov 6th 1878.Dear Bro Wm

Your package by
 mail containing copies of
 record of Mount Glebe Court,
 and other papers just rec^d.

Enclosed please find ck
 for \$19⁴²/₁₀₀, of which you have
 sent me Mr Johnson's receipt
 for \$6⁴²/₁₀₀ & Col Donald's for
 \$10⁰⁰/₁₀₀ - in your previous
 letter. The bal^{ce} of \$13⁰⁰/₁₀₀ is
 for Mr Johnson for seal on
 copies last put over, as called
 for by his letter to you just
 enclosed to me -

I also enclose a paper
 from Mary Edith, the reun-
 ing of which I don't understand

as no amount is given, that
is the chief point that
I asked for, as I presume
it is the balance for which
I wrote Chadbourne

Truly well

Yours truly -

Wm. V. Huntington.

P.O. Box 2011 }
New York }

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Genl J. K. Bogg
Blackburg -
Montgomery Co.
Virginia

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