



Horatio P. Van Cleve and
family papers.

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Peach Orchard July 2nd

Dear Charlotte

Your letter of May 27th was only rec'd last mail - I was quite disappointed at not seeing Malcolm but know that he could not possibly have time under the circumstances to visit Peach Orchard - I would have been very glad could you have sent the children to Cincinnati, and after seeing their father, they could have come with Mr. Mellen and spent the summer here, we are so much alone it would have been very pleasant to have them with us, and I yet hope that they will be able to come before the warm season is over - Mr. M. has been and still is so much engaged in business that I know not when he will be able to leave Cincinnati - he will not go to New York just now, I wish very much that he could see Mort. Mary was delighted and spoke in the highest terms of him - hope Mr. Brachew found business at Toledo - Am very happy that Malcolm is in good business - Love

too is coming on and will be a comfort to you - and the little folks are learning fast, and will be able to take care of mother when they grow big - Our dear children are very well now and grow very fast, little Belle has no teeth yet, but is very well, and I am in hopes they will come more easily when she is older - We have had a great abundance of strawberries (which we should have wished much better could our friends have been here to share with us, (picking from 18 to 18 20¢ a day, Mr Mellen left very soon after they were ripe - we have put up 31 Cans some Quarts, and some half gallon Cans - Ellen got Morts letter and regretted that she could not have seen him in Cincinnati - Sams last letter says that he will certainly be here in August I hope so indeed - We think that they better be married very soon, it will put Ellen in so much better a position, and I cannot but think that when that is decided, he will find employment here, which he will be willing to accept, he writes so affectionately of Mr M. and the children in his last letters, which have been rec'd since Mr M. left for Cincinnati - we are looking for

Mr M. this evening, should he not come Willie will be here (to spend his vacation) with the boat hands after are returning from taking five boats down last week - The business is being much enlarged, but I suppose Malvina told you about it - I shall not close my letter until I hear from Cincinnati am glad that Mrs Thomas is so blessed in her sons, she may well feel proud and thankful, in them she will find consolation for past trials - Mr Mells death is an affliction to his wife, and children, but it was only what they no doubt have looked for, as a thing which must soon happen, and were in a measure prepared for - 'tis different when the young die, but Gods ways are not as our ways - let us bow before Infinite Wisdom and say, not our will, but Thine. Oh Lord be done - my health is now quite good, and this is a sweet delightful home - Willie Mellen has this moment arrived saying that his father will be here in about a week and bringing two letters from Mary and one from Sam who will, or hopes to leave California by the first of July, and will come directly here - Mrs Mellen has two beautiful pictures taken of Belle from her Daguerreotype

was afraid to send them by Willie's but says
they are perfect — In Mary's letter she speaks of
Mr. Van Cleave's having employment for the summer.
I am truly glad to hear it. Willie says that
your cholera has gone with his Uncle. I hope
it is for the best — Mary is getting to feel very
kindly towards Ellen, and I cannot but trust
that when June comes all will be well. His
letter is so satisfactory, he speaks of having read
and answered a letter from you, and says that
he loves and honors you as his ^{well as} own mother.
I must write Mary, our boats start for
provisions early in the morning, and I cannot
write in the evening. Mr. Stedman hopes to be
here in two weeks — Thankful am I for all this
good news, you will rejoice with me —

Good bye my dear child love
to the children and all friends —

Your mother with affection.

C. A. Clarke.

Mary proposes (should
she live through her confinement)
to go with me to Winn Lake
in the fall, should Ellen be
Mar. again at that time. I may
be able to leave and can then see
you will —

Quences (K's)

he made many enquiries after you said that
he should go to Ypsilanti soon and would
see you - he says that that land upon Belle
river will most likely increase in value and
that we had not better be in a hurry about
selling ~~the~~ and Miss Rice have called, they
are to spend this evening with us - Mrs. Cady,
Polly called in her carriage yesterday and
took us to see the town our visit here has been
very pleasant - the Adamses have been very kind,
I hope to have it in my power to return their
civilities - Belle is well and desires love to all -
we shall write as soon as we get home - there is a
large ~~female~~ seminary here - I think your best
plan will be as soon as you get well, either at
Tin Harbor or whichever place Mr. Van Cleve deter-
mines upon, to take a school, as we talked of while
I was with you - now be very careful and recover
your health first, and trust for the future to the
same kind Providence which has thus far sus-
tained you - I feel that you can do well, with
the good of your children in view you can accomplish
much - When Mr. Kerchival comes ask his advice
about a location - my love to Mr. Van Cleve
and the dear children - remember us to all your
friends I shall ever remember their politeness to
us - tell Mrs. J. Van Gove that I selected the

shoes and that I hope they suited, and were
very good - Good bye my dear child,
keep up your spirits much depends upon you
May Heaven bless you prayers ever

Your affectionate Mother
~~Charlotte~~

Wednesday the Bishop went last
evening here we are delighted with
him - he says that he had visited Ypsilanti -
it seems that the Church still ^{over} the Powers,
and want hundred dollars for the
Church, if they would pay one hundred
they would be secured - this they have
not done - I think the Bishop a
truly good man, who has the care
of his Redeemer at heart, the Church
here is in a most flourishing state
it makes me think of my young day
at home, and puts me in a better
frame of mind - I am in haste to the blush -
I shall write shortly on arriving at
home.

Still hoping that I depend upon her
staying with you until you get well.

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Mr. C. O. Van Cleave
Care of H. O. Van Cleave
Ann Arbor
Michigan

Peach Orchard May 19th

Dear Charlotte,

Mr. Lincoln and two other
of the Coal Company are to leave directly
after dinner (have been with us two or three
days) and I am writing a line that
you may see that I am better - got
up without much fatigue, the men
or one man and Mr. Mellen carried
me up the hill ^{in a chair} at the places we
stopped for the night, and the third
evening we reached our beautiful
home. — that night I had the throat
and lung attack, but not as severe
as at the mouth, and am now
I trust getting well, my principle
trouble ^{now} is extreme weakness, but with
Ellen's good nursing I hope soon to be
able to say that I am quite well —
our little folks have had bad colds but
are better — Ellen has recovered almost
entirely, her spirits are better, and the
change has done her much good. Dr
Marsh has prescribed salt water
bathing, rubbing hard with crash towel,
and ~~no~~ medicines — she will enclose
a letter to Sam hoping that he

may be with you by the time you receive this, as he said in one of his letters, that he expected to be here some time in this month — Mr. Mellen leaves here again on Monday for Prestonsburgh, returns in a week, goes immediately to Cincinnati and then to New York, will be at home very little this summer — I am much in hopes (between ourselves) that Sam will enter into this business, they have stood the shock, and times are becoming better, and I am almost sure if Mr. Mellen and Agnew meet and talk together, every thing can be satisfactorily arranged — You do not know how sweet every thing looks at this season both within and without — our delightful strawberries are just coming on, they are late this season — I go about and feel as happy as I can, and I trust am grateful for the numberless blessings by which I am surrounded — still I miss our darling more, and more, and 'tis only the assurance of her happiness, that enables me to support this terrible separation — and then I think how

short the time is before (through the mercy of God) I may hope to meet her in Heaven, for, have I not an assurance of our Heavenly Father's love in this great chastening? — It seems that a Chalcot Clark (not our Malcolm) was murdered at St. Lawrenceworth — Mr. Lincoln telegraphed to Mr. Bhoten at St. Louis before he let Mary see the paper, and rec'd. an assurance that it was not our Malcolm — I hope that he will be drawn by feeling and we all expect the children with him to make us that promised visit — can you not all sweet here, it would be so pleasant come then as many as can, and let me see my remaining children once again — Ellen is out helping to gather strawberries for our Cincinnati friends will say a word if she has time —

Ellen has just come in to say that she has not a moment time to write dinner is ready and the gentlemen start immediately after send much love — my love to Mr. Venclave and the children — good bye my dear child — my Heaven bless you your Mother
with affection C. A. Clarke



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Peach Orchard May 4th

My dear dear father

I have just
been in the garden with Aunt Ellen
and it is such a sweet place
here that I can hardly stay in
the house, and I don't a great
deal. I think you would be
pleased if you could see what
a fine garden we all of us take
pride in and all. And mother
is growing so fat you will hard-
ly know her by the time we get
home. I do wish so much that
you could all of you be here it
is such a beautiful place with

such beautiful little and very
and fine, I think that Mother
would like to be with her here.
Mother and Aunt Ellen and
I were out Judge Borders yesterday
- day and Aunt Ellen and I went
up into the orchard to see
two little deer and when we were
going to the house again, the little
doe led us down to the fence, then
she and the other little deer
and pretty for anything.

Mother has just received
letters from you and Mrs. Chas.
- son I am so sorry to hear, dear
father, that you have a cold
I hope you will get well soon.

I am glad that dear little
Sophia and Maria are leaving
in a well and are good children.
I should like to see them all so
much. You can think how
happy and good ^{we} are and good.
My little son is so much better
no trouble. Sophia can take him
and stay away most all day
and he is just as good as, can
- big wants to see you all
and I hope very much she speaks
about it a great deal yet
she seems very happy.

I do wish that you would write
to me give my dear love to him and
I will love you and give my

Love to Max and Mrs. Thompson
Ellen and Chick. and my dear
little Seymour and Mottie And
much love for yourself dear
father from your little daughter
Lizzie



W. H. Van Cleave

St. Anthony

Missouri

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all that he suggests.

Good bye. May God bless you
my darling. May He bless all my
darlings. Love much love to them all.
Remember me to Mrs. Weston.

With affectionate regards from
me to all. Love very much from
me to all.

Yours affectionately
H. P. Weston

Remember me to Mrs. Weston
my dear wife, (I love you very much)
and to all.

It is a matter of choice
and every one is free to choose.



Mrs H. P. VanCleave

St. Anthony,

Minnesota

Flushing April 15th

Dear Charlotte,

Ellen recd your letter yesterday, and will answer it as soon as it is decided where she is to spend the summer; she is not very well, but they have concluded to rent the house furnished for a year, that she may be relieved from care, now thinks that she will spend the summer in Frederica, and next winter in Washington. ~~she~~ ~~now~~ would like very much to be with you, but if she goes to Frederica, Mr. Kellen can be with her as much as now, the distance is so short - she will write particulars - Mary expects to sail on the ninth of June, all are well; little Cyne has just recovered from the measles - I arrived here a week since, my health is pretty good much better than I have been for

some time, and as sure as Ellen is
fixed for the summer, I expect to
make you a visit, with you would let
me know what time Mr. Smith will
be here, as it would be very pleasant to
have his protection to St. Anthony, tell
him that I will try, and not be a
very troublesome old lady - much love
to all - I hope to see you soon when
we can talk over many things - hope to
see Susan next week, the weather has been
so unpleasant that I have not yet been
able to go to the convent -

Mr. Mellen goes to Washington this
morning, - once more love to all
and believe me your affectionate

Mother

E. A. Clarke

Mrs C. B. Van Allen



Wm Co Houston

Student of S. Carolina

Graduated at Princeton 1768

A Tutor in College 1769

Prof^r of Math^s & Nat Phil 1771

When the Rev^d was taken

at the Sem^l in

at Capt of

Mass^{ts}. Was sent to Congress

at the College in Middlesex

in the year 1777-80-81 &

again in 1784. Was dele-

gate from N. J. to the Convention

at Annapolis that formed the

Constitution of the United States

in 1787. This was eleven years

from the declaration of inde-

pendence. On a part of

the same Committee

this Convention before its
close, and he died the
following year in Frank-
fort Ken.

Amos Phillips Van Buren
was born Nov 23, 1809, Princeton N. J.
His father John Van Buren
was a physician of note, and
descendant of immigrants
who came from Holland
who settled in Long St. ^{N. J.}
about 1653. John Van Buren
married Susan Anna Harston
daughter of Mr. Churchill Harston
a native of South Carolina,
a Prof^r of Mathematics, & Kant Phil
in Princeton College and the
only part of the Revolution
any War; a Captain of the
of the N. J. State Troops in 1776.
a member ^{from N. J.} of the Continental
Congress in 1779-80-81,
also in 1784. His wife was
daughter of the Rev. Caleb Smith
of Orange N. J.

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Very Respectfully,

H. P. VAN CLEVE.

At the age of fourteen
Horatio Phillips Van Buren
entered the Sophomore Class of
Princeton College, and after
two years receiving an
Honorary Warrant, left Col-
lege ~~in~~ ^{at} 1827 and entered the Mil.
Academy at West Point. Graduated
in 1831 and was as-
signed (as Private 2^d Lt)
to the 5th U.S. Infantry.
It was stationed at Ft Mifflin, Pa.
In 1836 married daughter
Quintessence Clark daughter
of Henry Northrup (Capt. ^{of the 5th U.S. Inf.} ~~of the 5th U.S. Inf.~~ ^{the}
resigned. They came West in
as Lt Lieutenant in Sept
1836. His civil life from 1836 to
1866 was spent in Farming.
Civil Engineering & Teaching.
In 1857 he engaged in Stock

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John Van Buren has 2 sisters
Cornelia of Dutchess County
Married Rev Silas Woodhull
184. Pastor of Dutch Reformed
Ch in Brooklyn N.Y. after-
wards Prof in Theological
Seminary at Rutgers Col-
lege New Brunswick N.J.
Elizabeth married Charles
Brown of Lincolnton N.J.
2 Their son John Claes Green
a wealthy merchant of
N.Y. City was noted for his
generous gifts to Princeton Col-
lege a prominent citizen
of Trenton was father of Rev
William Green Dodd. Prof in
the Theological Seminary
of Princeton.

Henry was Chancellor of
the State of N.Y. and also

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benefactor of Princeton
College.

Charles S. Green Jr is a lawyer
of eminence in Trenton N. J.

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residing in Minnesota
 When the rebellion broke
 the command of the 2^d
 of Minn. Vol. Inf. transferred
 to him by the Governor of
 Minnesota and he was
 assigned his commission
 Col of the Regt July 22nd 1861

Left with his Regt for the front
 of Iowa in Oct-61 Reported
 to Gen H.T. Sherman and Service
 with Regt and was assigned
 to the 3rd ^{Inf} Brigade of Gen. H. Thomas
 1st Div of the Army of Ohio. Was at
 the Battle of Mill Springs Ky Jan 19
 1862. Returned to Louisville
 with his Regiment, and ac-
 companied Thomas to Pittsburg
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In Oct 61

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He reported for duty to
his Reg^t to Gen W. T. Sherman
at Louisville Ky and was
assigned to the command
of Gen Geo. H. Thomas, and
commanded the 2^d Minn-
nesota at Battle of
Mill Springs. Returned
with his Reg^t to Louisville
Ky and accompanied
Gen Thomas to Pittsburg
Landings. Having been
promoted by President
Lincoln to Brig Gen for
faithful and confident and
meritorious service at
the Battle of Mill Springs.

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Having been promoted
Brigadier Gen^l on the 21st March
1862, by President Lincoln
for gallant conduct and
meritorious service at the
Battle of Mill Springs, on
his arrival at Pittsburg
Landings he was assigned
by Gen Buell to the command
of a Division in Gen T.L.
Crittenden's Army; where
he accompanied in the
Campaign before Corinth
Miss; through Northern Ala.
to Battle Creek Tenn; thence
via Nashville to Louis-
ville Ky. At Louisville he
was assigned to the com-
mand of the ^{1st} Division
14th Corps Army of the Cumberland

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and was with Gen Buell
 in his pursuit of Maffey's
^{during which his men have fought with the}
^{at the battle of Stones River which was the}
 Wild Cat Reg. ~~and~~ ^{then} returned
 with the Army to Nash-
 ville Tenn.

On Dec³¹ 1862 the Army
^{with Rosecrans} moved
 toward the River at the
 Battle of Stones River,
 where he was disabled
 by a wound and
 compelled to leave the
 field on the 1st of Jan^y 1863,
 on his recovery he
 returned the command
 of his division and
 he was with the Army of
 the Cumberland under
 Rosecrans ^{in the} ~~in the~~ advance
 on Chattanooga

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On the 4th 22^d of March he was
appointed by Pres^t Lincoln
Brig. Gen. of Vol^s for "conspicuous
gallantry and efficient service
at the Battle of Mill Springs
Apr 28. 1862, he was assigned
to the command of the 14th
Brigade of the 3rd Div. Army
of the Ohio. Was at Siege of
Corinth, then transferred to
Battle Creek by way of
Huntsville Ala. Then
to Louisville Ky via Nashville.
At Louisville was assigned
to command of 3rd Div 14 Corps
Army of the Cumberland, was
engaged in pursuit of Price
to Wild Cat, Ky. Returned ^{with Price} to
Nashville. Advanced to
Murfreesboro Tenn. and was
wounded when in com-
mand of his Division.

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~~In Sept 1863~~ ^{the} ~~he~~ had
a skirmish with the rebels at
Ridgely Ga, and again on
Sept 18th ¹⁸⁶³ at Cranford Springs.
On the 19 & 20th was in the
Battle of Chickamauga.
He was in command of
the Post and fort at Min-
nepsboro Tenn from Dec 1863
until Aug 24. 1865 when he
was mustered out of the
service, ~~and~~ ~~for~~

~~On the~~ ^{By} Commission dated
Mch 13. 1865 the rank of Major
General was conferred on him
for gallant and meritorious
services during the war.

He was appointed Adj. General
of the State of Minnesota Jan^y 1866
served 4 years. Was Postmaster
Anthony Falls Minn. from Mch 3, '71 to July 31, 1877

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The Battle of Stone River, Dec 31/62
Occupied Mc Minnville
Aug 13, Engaged the enemy
at Ringgold Gen Supt 11.
~~at Gordons Mills, and~~
again near Gordons Mills
on the 13th ~~was in~~ the Battle
at Chickamauga Sept 19-20
Returned with Army to
Chattanooga. Assigned to
Command of 10th ~~Infantry~~
~~Division~~ of Tennessee Nov 27th
Aug 21. 1865

Mustered off Aug 22 '65
Promoted Maj. Gen. U.S. Vol 13 '65
After the war Served the
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Very Respectfully,

H. P. VAN CLEVE.

My dearest Mother,

Mom wrote for a good long letter last Sunday evening, and I must write a few lines too though I am very busy copying for Mom, and have very little time to write. Yesterday Mr.

Penton brought a letter here to send to you, he did not know the address.

I will send you a piece of a dress I got and made last week. I made it in two days and a half, all alone, I had the waist cut and fastened it fits ~~very~~ well. We shall move next week and shall be very busy until we get settled.

Mom is going to N. Y. now so I must say good bye. forgive me for writing such a little letter. Love to all

With much love Yours. Little Annie

Aug 12th Peach Orchard

My Dear Sister,

The date of this letter will be my excuse if it never reaches you, there is a hole for you — but in case it should escape all the dangers of a Kentucky post, let it convey my regrets that I did not see Mr. Vanhook in Cincinnati — Ma has told you about my little Sandy — she is well for and big weeks old — We have written by this mail to Malcolm have you? Mother is coming to spend this winter with you, I was so fortunate, she is just the best and most devoted Mother in the world, and will help you very much with your large family — How much obliged to Mr. Agnew for his good opinion he has made a very pleasant impression upon our family — I like very much about him but his name what possesses you to put Sam side by side with Edward Norton? Certainly that is not in a concatenation according — Mr. Vanhook pleased Ma very much by the favorable account he gave of Ellen

I am so sorry I could not see Mr. Vanhook but hope
he will be in Cincinnati soon again and perhaps
frequently now if he is employed in Ohio—

All send their love,
some Dutchmen having announced that they are going
directly to Cincinnati, I shall avail myself of their
pockets to send this so far, and must hasten to close
with love and kisses for all the children—ask Ellen
what she wants, a pair of Rice gloves again? or what
ever else and I will send it to her together with
some kn-kn for all the cousins male and female

Your affectionate sister
Mary

Mrs has got her pension of \$240 for 5 years—

This tree is as big as any I have seen - the leaves are

... it had to be away. I stay in the ...

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... the day of the ...

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Mrs H. R. Van Hook
St. Anthony

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Mr. Kelton
is in Cincinnati
will be at home
in April

Cincinnati March 12th

Dear Charles,

Your letter of the 5th with one from Ellen, was handed me by Mr. Lincoln last evening at tea - I was very happy to hear that you were all well, and having such a pleasant winter - I am much pleased to hear such a good account of Minnie. Ours, you know that she is one of my pets, congratulates her Mother for me, and gives me credit for my penetration, in discovering her great capabilities.

I have been suffering with a distressing bilis upon the back of my head since I last wrote, but it is now almost well, and I trust that with the fine weather I shall be as well again, as most persons of my age - I think that Ellen is intending to visit you next summer, but shall know more about

its when I see her - Mr Lincoln is intending
to rent his house furnished, and board
with the family, as it will be more
home-like, will return from France in
August; they expect to sail the last
of May - the weather here is like as it
^{was} with very much rain - am glad that
Mortie is studying, he will make his
mark ask Seymour when I am to expect
those Photographs - am glad that
Malcolm thinks of bringing his children
down next summer, if he could
arrange satisfactorily with you, ~~and~~
it would be best for them, on every account
am glad that Mrs Smith is well, give her
my love I suppose that she is anticipating
much pleasure from Alice's visit, it is
not impossible that many friends may
meet at St Anthony next summer it would
be very pleasant - you will be pained
to hear that Sam Dr Potter has been
lingering for several weeks past, between
life and death, with disease of the heart

there is ^{now} faint hopes of his recovery but
it is still quite uncertain, he ^{would} be
sully mired - Mr M'Lee called, upon
my first arrival, and Mrs M' also but
it was a bad day, and she was afraid
to get out of the carriage, and I
was afraid to go out to her, so we
could only exchange bows, I have
ever since intended to call, but
ill health, and bad weather has
prevented, I shall if possible see
them before leaving Cincinnati - I shall
^{be} glad to see Miss Mallen, and hope
she will not fail to call - I am
distressed for poor Aunt Susan, cousin
Mary Comstock's daughter Mrs Matthews
was here, and from what she said, and
from a letter of cousin Lydia's, I had
been led to think that the matter
would be settled; and that Stephen
learning wisdom, would be able to
resume his profession - poor George
he has surmised a great deal

is a fine noble man, that I am is blessed
in having such a son - I shall try and
see them next summer -

I am sorry that Lizzie will not be here this
summer, but know that you will bear
the disappointment bravely, as you have
all others, knowing that our Heavenly Father
orders all things for the best. Mary and
much love, will write when she has made
her arrangements fully - Mr. Lincoln has
just returned from Washington, is satisfied
that all things ^{there} will be satisfactorily
arranged - I am ashamed to send you
this disconnected scroll, but know that
it is better than no letter, and do not
feel equal to copy it this morning -

Love to Lizzie when you write, and
remember me to my St. Anthony friends -
Love to the Gentle Father, and the
six boys, from Grandma, write as often
as you can, and believe me your

affectionate Mother

Mrs C. C. Burdette

G. H. Burdette

May 6.

Genl:

Many Thanks for the offer
to forward my report. I will try
to have it ready when Lt Williams
returns.

I regret to hear that you
will not be able to visit your leg
for so long a time, and under
this great trial, I certainly would
wonder you to go to Cincinnati,
where you would be more com-
fortable.

My wound is improving
slowly. I am in the fort, however
slightly, and plan to recover.

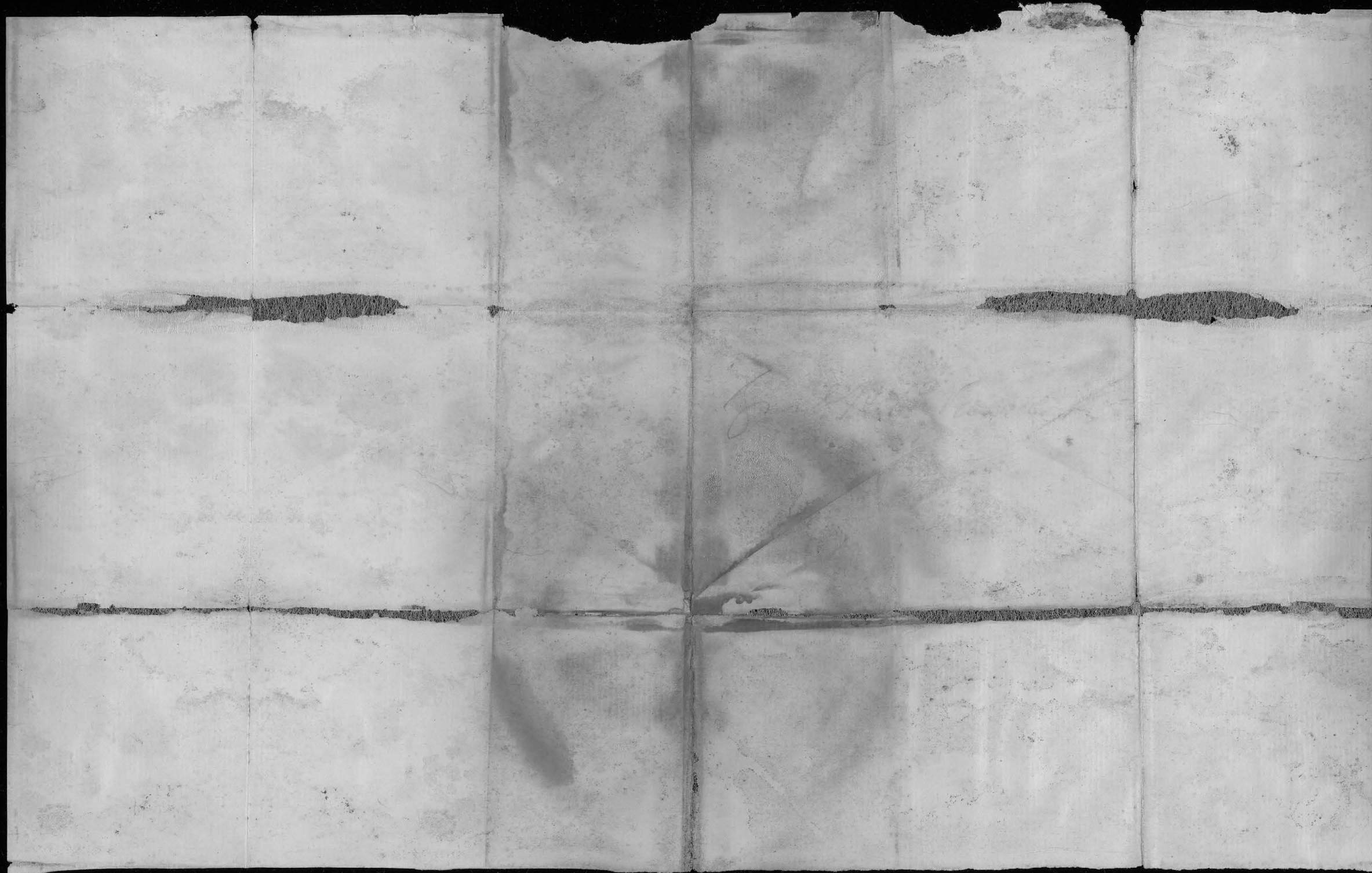
I hope, however, to get it in
the future.

I am suffering a great deal
from general debility and a
weak heart. This only compels me
to go away. I wish much.

Yours truly

Wm. H. Wallace

Col Genl W. H. Wallace.



Friday Morning 31st

Cornelia told me this morning dearest Margaret the cause of your absence from school and was ~~and was~~ you the most excited to me very painful feelings.

It is rendered the more severe by the fact of there having been so lately a dawn of hope which was very encouraging. "But dear Margaret you certainly ought not to sorrow as those who have no hope" for you know that your dear aunt so lately an inhabitant of this sinful world and who has suffered so much from bodily pain is now with her Saviour in that world where "sin and sorrow cannot come." It is not expected that you will be wholly unconcerned but you should not give yourself up to sorrow. Think of Louy what must be her feelings on this occasion, you know how dearly she loved her Aunt but I know she will not spend her time in useless sorrow but will exert every power to give comfort to the living and O that I were able to give her the least assistance in the charge of the many duties which must necessarily devolve upon her. I will write to her next Wednesday if in my power. If you do not come to school to-morrow and if you find time

will you just send me a line or two by Cornelia?
however if you do not find it perfectly convenient,
do not trouble yourself about it. For although I
cannot express to you how glad I should be to
receive a note from you still I will ~~fully~~ like
to have you neglect for this your more important
duties. Give my best love to your dear sister
Kiss the dear little ones and believe me dear
~~Mary~~ ^{your} with the truest affection
Charlotte C. Clark

P.S.

If you wish to see about your leaves for
next week just let me know and I will
attend to it. I should have written much
more but school is just out and I cannot
keep Cornelia waiting
Yours
C.

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Charlotte O. Clark

For

Miss Margaret E. Van Buren

Present.

politeness
of Miss C.
Omitted.

I begin to fear, My dear Margaret, that you purpose abstracting yourself from the extent of your lesson on examination day & that you do not intend gratifying the audience by a display of the Trojan magnus of rowing. To prevent this melancholy termination to Mr Johnson's instructions in the art I write to inform you that, as I expect myself to be present & take part in the interesting exercise, of that eventful day, your company can, by no means, be dispensed with. We have as usual had a month stretching scene to day Mrs Apthorp present to the contrary notwithstanding. The subject of our recitation was Lillo's love for the incomparable Pleas & Mr Johnson's riddles being excited, by the very amusing description of the pavior love, even ~~he~~ was obliged to discard all sobriety & laugh aloud.

Our lesson for Monday commences at the 40 line of the 11th book & extends 50 lines into the book & we shall most assuredly expect your punctual attendance. I suggested to Mr Pike & Mr McKim, one the idea that his health was too bad to admit of his teaching us any longer. He then said his health was very good. But behold the powerful effect of the imagination (doubtless known to you as one of the qualities of the mind) Thursday afternoon he called & said that he found his health too delicate as to compel him to return home immediately - He promised us a teacher for next Monday - School is out so I must shut

Miss M. Lane

My dear

Dear Mary

dearest

Louise —

I give you this letter
to read and that it will interest
that is there are many things
in it which will not be interest-
ing to you but I supposed you
would like to see the coming
as it does from our father
to you all. He does not write
as you well say, Louisa to
know that he ~~thinks~~ ^{wishes} that
just so do not say any
thing about it if you please

untill I see you till I see you
about it. So please come
this for a while. I will
I have been waiting for
the window for you and
I do not know what time
it is. I am at the house
but I am not time
to look at over.

Yours Truly

G. C. Coates

Clark