



Frederick P. Leavenworth Papers.

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Received This 24th day of March A.D. 1860 of
Frederick P. Seavernth the sum of
Two Dollars $\frac{29}{100}$ in full of all School Taxes
in district N^o 24 upon all property in
said district owned by said Seavernth
and ~~Frederick P. Seavernth~~ ^{Richard P. Seavernth}
Thomas H. Corison
Dist Clerk

ÆTNA INSURANCE COMPANY.

No. 76

By this Policy of Insurance, THE ÆTNA INSURANCE COMPANY,

in consideration of _____ Dollars to them paid by the assured
hereinafter named, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do insure

Mrs Caroline Leavitt

AGAINST LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE TO THE AMOUNT OF

\$300. Three Hundred Dollars for one year as follows;

*Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars on Household
Furniture in her dwelling situated on the Middle
1/3 of Lot 6 in Block 181 in the Town of
Saint Peter County of Michigan State of Michigan, and
Fifty Dollars on Family Provisions therein.
For a more full description of the premises see
Application No 76 on record at the office of this
Agency which is signed by the insured and is made a
part of this Contract.*

And the said Company do hereby promise and agree to make good unto the said assured *her* executors, administrators and assigns, all such
immediate loss or damage, not exceeding in amount the sum insured, as shall happen by fire to the property, as above specified, from the *18th*
day of *February* one thousand eight hundred and *Sixty* (at 12 o'clock at noon,) unto the *18th*
day of *February* one thousand eight hundred and *Sixty one* (at 12 o'clock, at noon,) the said loss or damage to be estimated
according to the true and actual cash value of the property at the time the same shall happen; and to be paid within sixty days after notice and proof thereof made by the
assured, in conformity to the conditions annexed to this Policy. **Provided always, and it is hereby declared,** That this Company shall not be liable to make
good any loss or damage by fire, which may happen or take place by means of any invasion, insurrection, riot, or civil commotion, or of any military or usurped power, or any
loss by theft at or after a fire. **And provided further,** that in case the assured shall have already any other insurance against loss by fire, on the property hereby insured
and not notified to this Company and mentioned in or endorsed upon this Policy, then this insurance shall be void and of no effect. And, if the said assured, or *her*
assigns, shall hereafter make any other insurance on the same property, and shall not with all reasonable diligence, give notice thereof to this Company, and have the same endorsed
on this instrument, or otherwise acknowledged by them in writing, this Policy shall cease, and be of no further effect. And in case of any other insurance upon the property
hereby insured, whether prior or subsequent to the date of this Policy, the assured shall not, in case of loss or damage, be entitled to demand or recover of this Company,
any greater portion of the loss or damage sustained, than the amount hereby insured shall bear to the whole amount insured on the said property. **And it is agreed
and declared,** to be the true intent and meaning of the parties hereto, that in case the above-mentioned *dwelling* shall at any time after the
making, and during the continuance of this insurance, be appropriated, applied, or used to or for the purpose of carrying on or exercising therein any trade, business or voca-
tion denominated *hazardous, extra-hazardous,* or included in the memorandum of special rates, in the conditions annexed to this Policy, then, and from thenceforth,
so long as the same shall be so appropriated, applied, or used, these presents shall cease, and be of no force or effect. **And it is moreover declared,** that this insurance
is not intended to apply to, or cover any books of account, written securities, deeds, or other evidences of title to lands, nor to bonds, bills, notes, or other evidences of debt,
nor to money or bullion. And that this Policy is made and accepted in reference to the conditions hereto annexed, which are to be used and resorted to in order to explain the
rights and obligations of the parties hereto, in all cases not herein otherwise specially provided for.

This Policy shall not be valid until countersigned by the duly authorized Agent of said ÆTNA Insurance Co. at *St Peter M I*

In Witness whereof, THE ÆTNA INSURANCE COMPANY have caused these presents to be signed by their President, and attested by their Secretary, in the
City of Hartford, and State of Connecticut.

Wm. H. Brace Secretary.

E. B. Ripley President.

Counter-signed at

St Peter this

Eighteenth day

February

A. D. 18 *60*

Henry Smith Agent.

CONDITIONS OF INSURANCE

REFERRED TO IN THE BODY OF THE FOREGOING POLICY.

1. GOODS *not hazardous* are such as are usually kept in Dry Goods stores, including coffee, flour, household furniture and linen, indigo, rice, spices, sugars, teas and other articles not combustible.

2. The following trades and occupations, goods, wares and merchandise, are denominated *hazardous*, viz., alcohol, basket-sellers, brush makers' stock, cabinet furniture, china, earthen or glass ware, or plate glass in boxes, crates or casks; copper plate printers, cotton in bales, hat finishers, (without use of fire except for heating their irons,) hardware and cutlery, jewelers' stock, liquor in glass unpacked, looking glasses in boxes, Manila grass in bales, paints ground in oil, paper-hanging, porter houses, potash, pocket-book makers' stock, printers of newspapers, rags in packages, sail makers, ship chandlers, spirituous liquors, cigar makers, stationers' stock, snuff makers, threshed grain, tin or sheet iron workers, victualing houses, watch makers' stock and tools, wine in glass in packages, window or plate glass in packages.

3. The following trades and occupations, goods, wares and merchandise are denominated *extra hazardous*, viz., basket-makers, straw bleachers, booksellers' stocks, blacksmiths, boat builders, brass founders, china, earthen or glass-ware, or looking-glasses unpacked, confectioners' stock, cotton unpacked, coopers, copper-smiths, druggists and apothecaries, fur dressers, flax in bales, fringe makers, gun makers or smiths, grate makers, hay pressed in bundles, hemp in bales, ink makers, lamp manufacturers, lamp sellers' stock, lithographers, milliners' stock, morocco manufacturers, optical and mathematical instrument makers, painters' stock, perfumers' stock, phosphorus, pictures and prints, printers of books and jobbing, plate or plated ware manufactories, pocket-book makers, plumbers and pewterers, saltpetre, silver smiths, stables, (private,) spirits of turpentine, stove manufacturers, tobacco manufacturers, toy keepers' stock, type or stereotype manufacturers, varnish, window and plate glass unpacked.

MEM. Bakers, bark-mills, blind-makers, breweries, book-binders, blacksmiths, boat-builders, cabinet makers', carpenters', joiners', chair or coach makers' workshops, chemists, cotton mills, dyers, forges, frame makers, furriers, fuiling mills, grist-mills, hat manufactories, houses, building or repairing, ink or ivory-black or lamp-black manufactories, livery stables, lumber or mahogany yards, malt houses, metal and other mills of all kinds, musical instrument makers, oil makers, pump and block makers' shops, paper mills, rope makers, saw mills, ship builders' stock in the yard, ships or other vessels in port, or their cargoes, or when building or repairing, steam engines or boats, tanneries, tallow melters or chandlers, timber yards, woolen mills, and generally all manufacturing establishments, and all trades requiring the use of fire heat, or steam power, not before enumerated, will be insured at special rates of premium. $\S 27$ The following are *not* to be insured at any rate of premium, viz. brimstone works, distilleries, flax-mills, gunpowder, oil boiling houses, oakum factories, panoramas or other scenic paintings, patent leather manufactories, sash and blind factories, snuff mills, steam planing mills, tar boiling houses, theaters, turpentine manufactories, varnish-makers, steam saw mills, sugar refineries, and India rubber factories.

4. Applications for insurance must specify the construction and materials of the building to be insured, or containing the property to be insured; by whom occupied; whether as a private dwelling or how otherwise; its situation with respect to contiguous buildings, and their construction and materials; whether any manufactory is carried on within or about it, and in case of goods and merchandise, whether or not they are of the description denominated *hazardous*, *extra-hazardous*, or included in the memorandum of special rates. And a false description by the assured, of a building, or of its contents, or the omission to make known any fact material to the risk, or in a valued policy, an over-valuation, shall render absolutely void a policy issued upon such description or valuation. But the office will be responsible for the accuracy of surveys and valuations made by its Agents. If, after insurance is effected either by the original policy or by the renewal thereof, the risk be increased by any means, within the control of the assured, or if such buildings or premises shall be, with the assent of the assured, occupied in any way so as to render the risk more hazardous than at the time of insuring, such insurance shall be void and of no effect. If, during this insurance, any subsequent insurance should be made upon the property hereby insured, which, with the sum or sums already insured, should in the opinion of the said Aetna Insurance Company, amount to an over-insurance, or the risk be increased by the erection of buildings or by the use or occupation of neighboring premises, or otherwise, or if for any other cause the company shall so elect, it shall be optional with the company to cancel this policy, after notice given to the assured, or his representative, of their intention to do so; in which case the company will refund the premium for the unexpired time.

5. No insurance, whether original or continued, shall be considered as binding, until the actual payment of the premium.

6. Goods held in trust, or on commission, are to be insured as such; otherwise the policy will not cover such property: and in case of loss, the names of the respective owners, shall be set forth in the preliminary proofs of such loss, together with their respective interests therein. Goods on storage must be separately and specifically insured.

7. Policies of insurance subscribed by this company, shall not be assignable without the consent of the company, expressed by endorsement made thereon. In case of assignment without such consent, whether of the whole policy, or of any interest in it, the liability of the company, in virtue of such policy, shall thenceforth cease. And in case of any transfer or change of title in the property insured by this company, or of any undivided interest therein, such insurance shall be void, and cease.

8. This company will not be liable for damage to property by lightning, aside from fire; nor for damage occasioned by the explosion of a steam boiler, nor for damage by fire resulting from such explosion, nor explosions caused by gunpowder, gas or other explosive substances, nor for damage occasioned by the use of camphene, spirit gas or burning fluid, unless otherwise expressly provided. The keeping of gunpowder, for sale or on storage, upon or in the premises insured, without written permission in the policy, shall render it void.

9. Jewels, watches, plate, medals, musical instruments, paintings, statuary, sculptures and curiosities, are not deemed to be included in any insurance unless an inventory thereof accompany the application for insurance, or is inserted in the policy.

10. In case of fire, or loss or damage thereby, or of exposure to loss or damage thereby, it shall be the duty of the insured to use all possible diligence in saving and preserving the property. And if they shall fail so to do, this company shall not be held answerable to make good the loss and damage sustained in consequence of such neglect. And it is also mutually understood that there can be no abandonment to the insurers of the subject insured.

11. All persons insured by this company, and sustaining loss or damage by fire, are forthwith to give notice thereof to the company or its agents; and as soon after as possible to deliver in a particular account of such loss or damage, signed with their own hands, and verified by their oath or affirmation; they shall also declare on oath, whether any and what other insurance has been made on the same property; what was the whole value of the subject insured; what was their interest therein; in what general manner (as to trade, manufactory, merchandise or otherwise,) the building insured or containing the subject insured, and the several parts thereof, were occupied at the time of the loss, and who were the occupants of such buildings; and when and how the fire originated, so far as they know or believe; and procure a certificate under the hand of a magistrate or notary public, (most contiguous to the place of the fire, and not concerned in the loss as a creditor or otherwise, or related to the insured or sufferers,) that he is acquainted with the character and circumstances of the person or persons insured, and has made diligent enquiry into the facts set forth in their statement, and knows or verily believes that he, she or they, really and by misfortune, and without fraud or evil practice, hath or have sustained by such fire, loss and damage to the amount therein mentioned; and also, if required, shall produce their books of account and other proper vouchers; and shall also, if required, submit to an examination under oath, by the agent or attorney of the company, and answer all questions touching his, her or their knowledge of anything relating to such loss or damage, or to their claim thereupon, and subscribe such examination, the same being reduced to writing; and until such proofs, declarations and certificates are produced, and examination, if required, the loss shall not be deemed payable. Also, if there appear any fraud or false swearing, the insured shall forfeit all claim under this policy. Damage to buildings, not totally destroyed, shall be appraised by disinterested men, mutually agreed upon by the assured and the office or its agents; and where merchandise, or other personal property, is partially damaged, the insured shall forthwith cause it to be put in as good order as the nature of the case will admit, assorting and arranging the various articles according to their kind; and shall cause a list or inventory of the whole to be made, naming the quantity and cost of each kind. The damage shall then be ascertained by the examination and appraisal of said damage on each article by disinterested appraisers, mutually agreed upon, whose detailed report in writing, shall form a part of the proofs required to be furnished by the claimant, one-half of the appraisers' fees to be paid by the insurers. A copy of the written portion of the Policy to be given in the affidavit of the claimant in all cases. A claim for loss or damage on a policy assigned, where there is no actual sale or transfer of the property insured, proofs of loss shall be made by the assured in conformity with the conditions of this policy, in like manner as if no assignment had been made; otherwise this policy shall be void and of no force or validity whatever, and all liability on the part of this Company shall cease. Re-insurance for any other Insurance Company to be on the basis of joint liability with said Company, and in no event will this Company be liable for a sum greater than such portion as the sum hereby re-insured bears to the whole sum insured on the property by the Company re-insured, and in case of loss this Company to pay their pro rata proportion at the same time, manner and form as the Company re-insured.

12. Payment of losses shall be made in sixty days after the loss shall have been ascertained and proved, and in case differences shall arise, touching any loss or damage, it may be submitted to the judgment of arbitrators indifferently chosen, whose award in writing shall be binding on the parties. In case of any loss on, or damage to the property insured, it shall be optional with the company to replace the articles lost or damaged, with others of the same kind and equal goodness; and to rebuild, or repair the building or buildings within a reasonable time; giving notice of their intention so to do within thirty days after the preliminary proofs shall have been received at the office of the company.

13. Insurance once made, may be continued for such further term as may be agreed on, the premium thereon being paid, and a renewal receipt being given for the same, and it shall be considered as continued under the original representation, in so far as it may not be varied by a new representation in writing, which in all cases it shall be incumbent on the party insured to make, when the risk has been changed, either within itself, or by the surrounding or adjacent buildings.

14. When a policy is made and issued upon a survey and description of certain property, such survey and description shall be taken and deemed to be a part and portion of such policy, and warranty on the part of the assured.

15. Where property insured by this company is damaged by removal from a building, in which it is exposed to loss by fire, said damage shall be borne by the insured and the insurers, in such proportion as the whole sum insured bears to the whole value of the property insured, of which proof in due form shall be made by the claimant.

16. The company will not be answerable for any loss arising from the use of fires in buildings unprovided with a good and substantial stone or brick chimney, or in consequence of neglect or deviation from the laws or regulations of police, made to prevent accidents from fires, in places where laws and regulations on this subject exist.

17. It is furthermore hereby expressly provided, that no suit or action against said company, for the recovery of any claim upon, under, or by virtue of this Policy, shall be sustainable in any Court of Law or Chancery, unless such suit or action shall be commenced within the term of twelve months next after any loss or damage shall occur; and in case any such suit or action shall be commenced against said company after the expiration of twelve months next after such loss or damage shall have occurred, the lapse of time shall be taken and deemed as conclusive evidence against the validity of the claim thereby so attempted to be enforced.

18. In case this Insurance shall be on property situated over one mile from the city, town or village in which the agency is located, where this Policy is filed and countersigned, it is to be a condition of the Insurance, in the event of any loss covered by this Policy, one-fourth of such loss is to be borne by the assured, and three-fourths by this Company, (not exceeding the sum insured,) nor, in the event of additional Insurance by other Companies, on property so situated, any greater proportion of said loss than may be necessary to make good said three-fourths proportion of the loss sustained, except in the case of buildings damaged or partially destroyed which have been surveyed and values approved by a duly authorized Agent or Surveyor of this Company.

THE AETNA INSURANCE COMPANY, hereby consent that the interest

of _____ in the within Policy be assigned
to _____ subject nevertheless to all the
conditions therein contained.

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Agent.

For value received,

hereby transfer, assign and set over unto

and assigns, all right, title and interest in this Policy of Insurance, and all benefit and advantage to be
derived therefrom.

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____ 18

PAID UP CAPITAL OF \$1,000,000.

Incorporated A. D. 1819. . . Charter Perpetual.

T. K. BRACE, Jr., Secretary.

T. A. ALEXANDER, V. President.

E. G. RIPLEY, President.

Samuel Smith

Agent at *Sancti Petri*

Expires

February 18, 1861

No.

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AETNA

Insurance Company,

HARTFORD, CONN.

Wm. C. Alexander

Sancti Petri

Premium, \$ *6,000*

Policy, *1,000*

Survey, *1,000*

\$ *8,000*

J. B. B.

V Bunker Act 26 May 1881
To Dr Leavenworth Esq
St Peter, Minnesota.

Dear Sir

In reply to your communication of 25 Apr - I beg to be allowed to call your attention to the enclosed - by which you will be better enabled to judge of what we are & what we want - If after perusing it, you think that such a situation would suit you we will be pleased to hear from you. and to answer any special Enquiries you may be pleased to make, or any proposals. - As you desire to remain to Arkansas as we are inclined to believe that you will find this a good point. - We do not wish to hold out flattering inducements which may lead to disappointment. - This is (regarding your profession) a new field - the soil scarcely broken but we think it will yield a rich return if properly cultivated. - If a man may safely go where his services are needed, you may

venture - our Country is improving - the
cause of Education has not received that
attention which its importance demands.
- we have all been remiss - but some of us
have sought to grow up whom we must
Educate at home or send abroad - There
is room among us "for one more" if you
should ^{be} that one - the one needed - coming
among us to cast your lot here to live with
us & be buried with us. (in a ripe old age
I mean). You will not, I hope, have reason
to regret it -

My Reply

D. Williams

Decy 1872 ag.

- You will please regard the above as
only semi official - we have had probably
400 applicants - but among them all you
are the only one who Express a desire
to come to our State - & of course to leave
your present home - I have felt more free
in presenting on place to your notice - and
Tom Adams (so called) is yet but a
School & could not fulfil the Expectations

of many who apply - it can perhaps be made
all that it should be.

The institution by act of incorporation passed in 1858 is entitled "Walden Female Academy". The building is in an enclosure of 100 by about 200 ft. and a single story brick 25 by 60 ft., with a wing 15 by 20 ft., built for a music room. The house & fences are in good repair and belonging to the institution is a set of apparatus sufficiently extensive for its present wants, and a good piano. The building was erected some 12 years since by subscription of the citizens with the design of establishing a first class female school, in which the citizens of our town & vicinity, might educate their daughters and be saved the necessity of sending them abroad. From various causes, but mainly from the lack of disciplinary ability on the part of the Teacher the school has failed to perfectly fulfill the expectations of the whole community, but has notwithstanding, been respectably attended & supported. Now but English branches have yet been taught, & it is probable that a thorough English scholar, who is a good disciplinarian, experienced in the management of a female school, one who loves the profession & designs to make it the business of life would be fully qualified to take charge of the school at present. A higher grade of scholarship is desirable as in the future we hope it will be required. Lessons on the piano have hitherto been given by an accomplished musician, a resident of the town (who receives the proceeds of that branch as his remuneration,) whose services can be retained if desired. The sessions of the school have been of 10 months, beginning about 1st Sept, divided into two terms of 5 mos, each, vacation at end of sessions of two months, school 5 days in week. Prices of tuition varying with studies \$8. 10. 15 & 20 per term, ordinary attendance from 60 to 70 scholars. At last term of school (under the present) 1 Sept to 1 July last, there

over 68 pupils from which the net income \$ 816²⁵ equal to over \$1000
per year. With very little effort, under your management the school could
be considerably increased. Some of our citizens now send their daughters from
home for education who would gladly avail themselves of an opportunity
to have them educated at home. Able teachers and a permanent school
under good discipline is what ~~our~~ school wants. Little or no effort has
been made to obtain pupils from a distance. Yet there are several who board
in private families, the number of these might be increased considerably if
the Principal could take boarding pupils. The price of board for pupils
has been usually \$ 2.50 per week, including washing light &c. The people
of the Indian Country on our west are beginning to feel the importance
of education and are sending their children to the States for the purpose
of obtaining it. The Trustees believe that a large and remunerative school
can be built up here by the proper persons. The Principal should be
no man be sectarian in his views, but Christian & Catholic, his chance
would be better (other things being equal) if he was not a member of the
Anglican. There is an independent school now carried on in the Academy
building by a Lady well qualified whose services might be obtained if
desirable. The building will be vacated in July. It is the wish of the
Trustees to put the school in charge of a principal who shall se-
lect his own assistants, make his own rules & carry on the school at
his own expense for his own profit & the benefit of education, requir-
ing that the building & property be kept in good repair & condition.
There is no building attached to the institute for the residence of the
principal. He would have to provide his own home or board at hotel or
private house. The price of board & lodging in the best hotel here is \$20
per month which includes fuel, light &c, private boarding, &c.
Houses usually rent at from \$125. to \$250. per annum. Servants wages
(black) women from \$100. to 125. per annum. Clothed in addition. Men

about \$150. - Van Buren is on the Arkansas river about 680 miles
above the mouth and 44^{1/2} from the line of the Indian Territory west,-
Contains about 1200 inhabitants, An Episcopal, Presbyterian & a
Methodist Church, Court House, has a newspaper, about 30 stores
& shops (some of the stores doing considerable wholesale business), a Steam
flouring mill, a cotton spinning factory, tri-weekly mail in 4 horse
coaches, from the North one line & one from the East. Cal. & from Over-
land mail coaches pass semi-weekly each way from St Louis to
Cal, and back. The trade of the town extends some distance north &
south & a great distance westward. A rail road is projected to con-
nect with the Fulton & Cass R.R. at Little Rock. and 20 miles of
the road beginning at Van Buren are now under contract for graduation.
A line of telegraph will be completed to St Louis in a few weeks.
There are some enterprising people, but generally a lack of enterprise.
Van Buren is reckoned a healthy place, Clean in well, but healthy
& robust, numerous, as meats, fowl, vegetables, apples, etc are abun-
dant and generally lower in price than in other States, Coffee
sugar & manufactured goods, higher. - Demand for horses great-
er than the supply, Population of the town & county gradually in-
creasing. River navigable for small boats generally, Apr 7
or 10 months in the year. For boats of 300 tons & upward, about
5 months, generally from Feb. to June inclusive.

Nantuxen Aug. 18 July, 1876

Res: P. Leavenworth Esq

S. Peter. Minnesota

Dear Sir

The Trustees of the N.B. Ten Academy held a meeting on evening 14 Inst. - I laid before them, your letter and proposals with those of others - They accept your proposals, on condition that you can get here within a reasonable time - I am authorized to guarantee the proceeds of the school for the first ten months to be twelve hundred and fifty dollars - you to furnish your own assistant or one thousand dollars, exclusive of the salary of an assistant for the primary department - you are to have the use of the school building and apparatus rent free. - this guarantee is only for the first session at end of which time such arrangements may be made as will suit - You will think know us, we will know you, and we sincerely hope, that the acquaintance will be mutually satisfactory and advantageous. - It will be proper here to say, that in the description of our place sent you there are some errors - the late census for instance shows the population of our town (proper) to be under 10000 persons - some families living close to the limit, would increase the number to over that amount - there are other errors but I believe they are not important - We wished to give a plain statement of facts, & believe it was given with tolerable accuracy - our winter this year has been ^{very low} almost dry, during the greater part of May - all of June & up to this time - the consequence is that navigation has been almost suspended - & at this time, there is no boat running

our river of draft sufficiently light to reach here — the
consequence is that some articles of groceries are advancing in
price & coffee has to be transported by wagon for a considerable
distance — We are not sanguine in our expectations of a rise
— for some time, although experience of the past shows its possibility
— probably we shall have no water of consequence until October or
November — Your best way to get here would be from
your place to St. Louis — from St. Louis to Syracuse — from
thence by mail stage to this place — there are two lines
one regular tri weekly mail — & the semi weekly California over-
land mail — the fare by the overland line from Syracuse to this
place is \$29 for passengers — though generally in about 60 hours —
travel night and day & very little time to eat by the way — yet
it is generally preferred to the other line — passengers by this line
allowed only 60 lb baggage. Excess to be paid for at the rate of
150 lb passenger rate, which would be nearly 20 cents per lb. from Syracuse
here — All baggage which a man could spare might be left
with a friend at St. Louis, who could ship by water, when the river
is navigable — It might be very difficult for you to procure
a house here, vacant houses are rarely found and soon filled —
— Could a house be obtained it would be desirable if you could
later be bringing pupils from abroad — but we would not recommend
your going into an arrangement of this kind until you know
more about us, & decide to settle down among us — Should
you decide to come at first without your family, they could follow
you when navigation is re-established & in the mean time you
might be making arrangements for establishing them comfortably
and should you not be suited the expense of their travel be saved.
— I mention this because unless you were satisfied to remain

with us permanently, the expenditures would be useless —
— In a season of ten months or perhaps in less time you may
make up your mind to become one of us — We have now
a telegraph line established to St. Louis and it would be gratifying
to us if you could telegraph us from your place or nearest station
— Send the communication to St. Louis with direction to telegraph
by Stebbins "Line to Vant Buren" collect charges here — say
when you will start or when you may be expected here and address
the communication to "D. C. Williams, Vant Buren Ark." —
— We can then prepare our advertisements & notify the patrons
of the school that it will be reopened under new management.
— Miss Smalley the young lady who has had charge of
the school, would not be willing to engage as an assistant for
probably less than \$500. or \$600 per an. — She is qualified to
take charge of higher departments than the primary —
— We have no agreements with her, & are not under any
obligations to employ her — other aid might be had at
considerably less, we think — You are to choose your own assistants

Yours Truly

D. C. Williams

Superintendent

W. B. Fur Academy

Lowell, Mass. Dec. 14. 1860.

Fred^d. P. Leavenworth Esq.
Vandusen Ark.

Dear Sir,

Your favor
dated November — 1860 was
duly received.

In reply I would say
that the statement in the N. Y.
Observer referred to was just
& truthful.

The instrument is manufac-
tured with great care & accuracy.
— its verniers are all adjust-
able, the accompanying
Drafting Board having a
metallic Border is also ad-
justable, & all parts of the in-
strument are under the com-
plete control of the operator
over

as truly as the parts of a Leveling
inst. or a Transit Compass.
The divisions of the semicircle
are ~~reliable~~ made ^{+ reliable} to the min-
ute of a degree in angle, & to
the thousandth of an inch in
distance. And what is equally
essential, such is the con-
struction of the inst. that the
field data are reproduced
upon paper ~~by~~ with the same
certainty & accuracy with which
the divisions are made.

Hence the angular points,
outlines, &c. of the work thus
done, may be relied upon
and, for trigonometrical meas-
urement with as much certain-
ty as the traverse table, or even
common logarithms. The result
is, that all trigonometrical work
becomes mechanical, & therefore
an immense amount of labor is

saved. In determining areas
for instance, although in any
single operation the logarithms
may be relied upon of course to a
greater number of decimal places
than the instrument, yet so
simple & uniform is it in its
operations, so perfectly admin-
istrable ~~is it~~ in detecting the er-
rors of the field, ^{even} of the graph
in delineations themselves,
& so ~~too~~ much less is the liability,
to (after one has made him-
self familiar with its use)
to mistakes, than in mathemat-
ical processes, that I have found
it by three years use, in gen-
eral, taking all things into the
account, more reliable than
the traverse table & common
logarithms. Hence although
I formerly used them, altogether
I have ~~of late~~ discarded them

P.S. The Manual will be ready for circulation early in January.
since I have perfected the trigonometrical, except in rigid mathematical calculations where greater exactness is required than a minute of a degree.

I have just received a communication from Prof. A. Hopkins, ^{of Wisc. College} ~~the~~ founder of the first Astronomical Observatory in the U.S., with whom I kept ~~an~~ ^{an} ~~int~~ ^{int} a few weeks since, saying that he thinks "he shall find it of essential service in the projections of eclipses & the calculations of occultations".

I will send you my circular as soon as it is out, which will be in about a week. This will give you all necessary information till you receive the instrument. The Manual fully describing the inst. & explaining its varied uses, applications & adjustments will be sent to all purchasers gratuitously. We shall be happy to supply any orders you may find it desirable to send.
Yours, adt. Servt.
Josiah Lyman.

— Mooney Esqr —

1860 To Trustees of BankBury Female Seminary Dr

Sept 3 To Tuition of Miss Eliza Keary in Higher English.

" Branches for Fall term closing Jan 31st 1861.

20.00

To same of Miss Sarah in Lower English Branches
for same term

15.00
35.00

Cr

Sept 22-23 By delay in entering of 3 weeks of Miss Eliza 3.00

11th " " " " 2 " " Sarah 1.50

Dec 1st By Cash per Mr Scott 17.50
22.00

Balance due 13.00

Dr

1861

Feb 1 To Tuition of Miss Sarah for summer term of
5 wks to June 30-1861 in Lower English Branches

12.00

Cr

Mar 15 By delay of six weeks in entering Sarah 3.60

Balance

8.40
13.00
21.40

Balance due on last session

Received Payment

Office County Treasurer, Hastings, Dakota Co., Minn.,

Aug 25

1860

This certifies that N. W. & J. P. Kennedy has paid into the Treasury of Dakota County, the sum of Twenty two ¹⁰⁰ 12 Dollars in full, for the redemption of the following described property:

WHEN SOLD.	DESCRIPTION.	Lots	Blocks.	Sec.	Town.	Range.	Acres.	Taxes.	&c.
Dec 20, 1858	N E $\frac{1}{4}$			20	27	23		22 19	
				Certificate charges				25	
								22,44	

Which was sold for State County, Town, School and Road Taxes, for the year 1857 on the days above named, and be off by Dakota County

James West County Treasurer.

CanBuron Ark.

Feb 8 - 1861. This day received of F. B. Seaver
enworth \$180.00 One Hundred
and Sixty Dollars in full pay-
ment for four months board
of himself and wife at
my hotel, from Aug 25 - 1860 to
Jan Dec. 25 - 1860. John Boston

- \$8.00

32.00

20.00

35.00

30.00

15.00

20.00

\$160.00

4 mo @ 40 = 160

Office County Treasurer, Hastings, Dakota Co., Minn.,

Aug 25

1860

This certifies that W. W. Martin ^{for} Kennedy has paid into the Treasury of Dakota County, the sum of Thirteen ⁵⁷/₁₀₀ Dollars in full, for the redemption of the following described property:

WHEN SOLD.	DESCRIPTION.	Lots	Blocks.	Sec.	Town.	Range.	Acres.	Taxes.	&c.
May 27-1859	NE 1/4			20	27	28		13 57	
				Certificate charges				25	
								13 82	

Which was sold for State, County, Town, School and Road Taxes, for the year 1858 on the days above named, and bid off by Dakota County

James Westcott County Treasurer.

22 15
10 57
35 76

(cont)
\$30.00

Dec 7th 1882 Shipped

60 canisters Sabots

96 Sph. case "

206 Fuse plugs

My bill at Tyra Hills was

Turning Chisels 49.25

Hatches 1.00

12.00

Hammer 1.75

Former .50

Jack 2.00

Iron 2.00

Machin chisels 4.25

7) 771 = 110

110

2303

205 English Blister Steel

10 is $\frac{1}{10}$ of what it was

77

330

1101

40

54

3

172

540

712

7540

77

3

231

540

771

Camden Nov 25 1862

Capt Lammuth

Deb of S. M. & Bissel do.

1	Hand Saw -			3.00
1	Yellow "	20	5	1.00
1	Bench vice			5.00
1	Spoke Shave -			1.50
1	Drawing Knife			1.75
1	oil can			.75

\$13.00

Recd Payment in full
S M & Bissel Co

Commencement ~~at~~ ^{at the} middle of the Ditch at
the north East Corner ~~of~~ ^{on the South side of} Washington Street

Running	West	3 degrees	South	5 Chains	5 Links
Thence	South	3 "	East	5 "	"
Thence	West	3 "	South	2 "	3 Links
Thence	South	1 "	East	8 "	82 Links
Thence	East	—	—	7 "	58 Links
Thence	North	—	—	6 "	45 Links
Thence	West	—	—	2 "	2 Links
Thence	North	1 Deg West	—	6 "	50 Link
To the beginning					

Surveyed for A. S. Huey by Drastum
June 30th 1862.

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_____, Sheriff.

SHERIFF'S TAX RECEIPT -- PRINTED AND SOLD BY J. D. BUTLER, AT THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARK.'S.

D. S. Avery

Course	Ch.	Links	Course	Chains & Links
(1) N 80° West ^{East}	4	35	from small culvert on W. St	
N 80° West ^{East}	1 5	68 5	N 10° West to corner of jog	4 25
N 80° West ^{East}	4 1	41 1	N 77° East along jog	1 40
N 80° West ^{East}	4	32 5		

Course of Rainey's fence on
East Side N 80° 30' W

From V

15 House center S. 40^L

From Eliot & Rainey Corner ^{W. street} to Rainey alley 5 ch.
 From Rainey Cor. East 3 ch. 29 1/2 Ks to fence
 From Little Lot ^E Corner East 3 ch. 26 1/2 Ks to
 fence 4 ch. 18 1/2 Ks to house fence 6 ch. House center
 7 ch. 3 1/2 Ks fence 9 ch. 11 1/2 Ks to corner Bridge
 From Bridge South 1 ch. 40 1/2 Ks fence 7 ch. 25
 1 Ks fence, 14 ch. 11 1/2 Ks fence
 From jog corner ^{East} 8 ch. marsh 9 ch. 46 1/2 Ks spring
 From Hueys S. Weaver 14 ch. 42 1/2 Ks fence 16^{ch} 26 Ks
 fence of Richmond's little lot
 From Ra & Rhis Cor. 5 ch. 15 1/2 Ks to fence & house 10 ch. 8 1/2 Ks
 to fence
 From Elliotts Back Cor. 11 ch. 41 1/2 Ks to fence 17^{ch} 27^{1/2} Ks

Notes of Survey made July
 22nd 1862 by F. P. Seannorth
 Commencing at — the
 corner on Washington Street between
 Rainey & Elliott. Thence on Pence

Course	Chains	Links
North 8° 30' West	22	68
North 82° ^{West} East	4	44
" 82° "	4	54
" 82° "	7	61
N 8° ^{East} West	26	35 1/2
N 82° ^{East} West	1	13
N 8° ^{East} West	7	6
N 80° West		

To Stable

To Bridge ^{Ditch} over