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## Isaac Goodnow correspondence

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This series of the Isaac Tichenor Goodnow collection includes sent and received correspondence of Isaac T. Goodnow (1814-1894) and also the correspondence of his brother, William E. Goodnow (1807-1876). This correspondence includes early courtship letters between Isaac and his future wife, Ellen Denison, as well as letters between William and his future wife, Harriet Paddleford. There are also several letters written by their brother, Jotham Goodnow. The correspondence is arranged in chronological order. Box 6 includes undated letters arranged by the first letter of the correspondent's last name. Isaac Goodnow moved to Kansas in 1855 and established the town of Manhattan and Bluemont Central College. He died on March 20, 1894.

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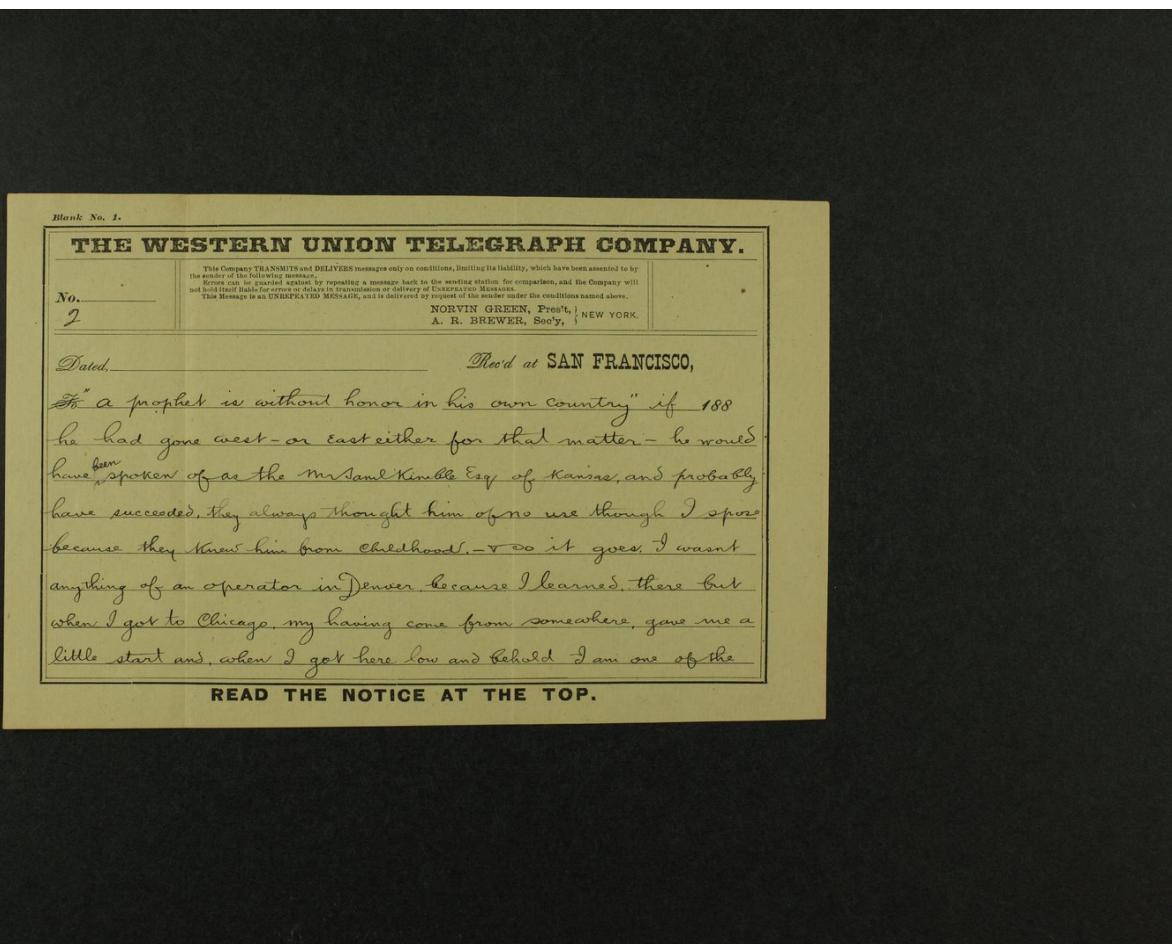
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Dated San Francisco Oct 20 Read at SAN FRANCISCO, To Dear Uncle . . . 188[?] Your letter of the fourteenth received today Glad to hear your health is better and that you are prospering - Whatever arrangement you make with Mr. Whitney Jr. will be satisfactory to me. Has that gardener - I've forgotten his name - paid you the note that I had - believe it is due now? I see by the newspaper that Sam'l Kimble Jr. has abandoned the law business etc = guess the great mistake I made was "he staid at home" -	

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No. 3	NORVIN GREEN, Pres't, NEW YORK. A. R. BREWER, Sec'y.
Dated,	Read at SAN FRANCISCO,
<p>To best view from Chicago" and so forth. I can work a great deal easier since I left Jacksonville, and can lay just a little over any of the operators here, on the receiving business. But lest I should seem "puffed up" in this matter I will change the subject. We have had several "winter rains" lately, but the sky is very clear now and it is rather warmer than in summer. The rains take the fog and smoke out of the air its nearly as clear as Colorado. I saw the Farallone Islands yesterday for the first time</p>	

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Dated <u>5/5/86</u>	Recd at SAN FRANCISCO,
<p>To They are about 15 or 20 miles west. There was a large 188 British bark wrecked on them 2 or 3 days since 50000 dollars - ship and cargo worth as much more <sup>then</sup> couldnt see them on acct of the fog which gets so dense here you cant see 6 feet ahead. I received a letter from Aunt Ellen some time ago should have answered sooner. The garden gate park looks better since the rain everything has a glossy green color // felt a distinct shock of an earthquake just after I wrote that word "color" // There have been two before this, since</p>	

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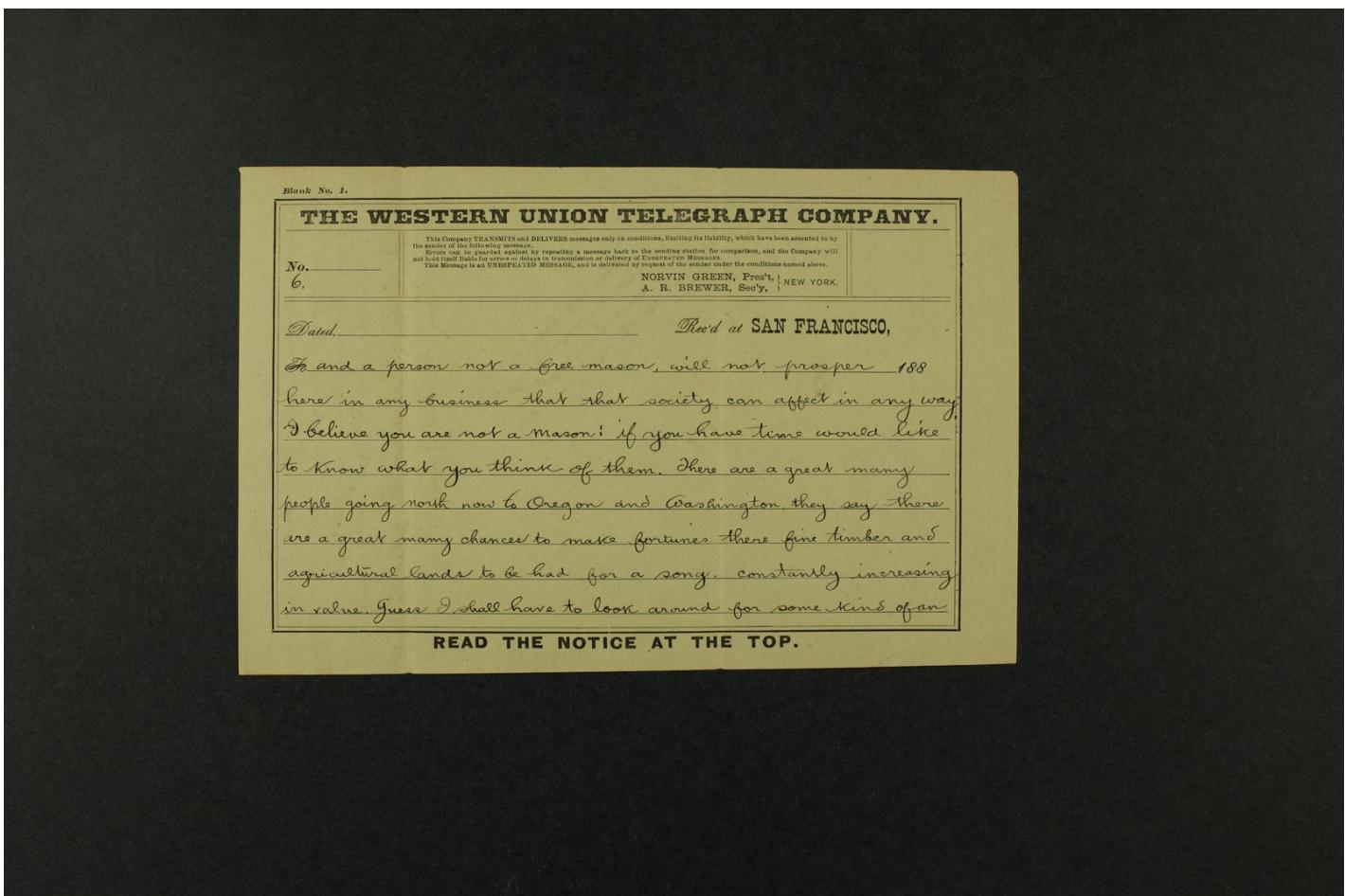
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Dated.	Rec'd at SAN FRANCISCO,
<i>To come here very light - but to go on about the park 188 The pond lily I told you about has blossomed several times The leaves are as large as wagon wheels &amp; the blossoms about as large as a plate some of them are pink and others pure white - on the same plant - wish you could take a drive through the park to the beach it's about 4 miles, and they say the finest drive in the world. Everyone here seems to be agitating themselves about politics now. This is a great "free mason" Country</i>	

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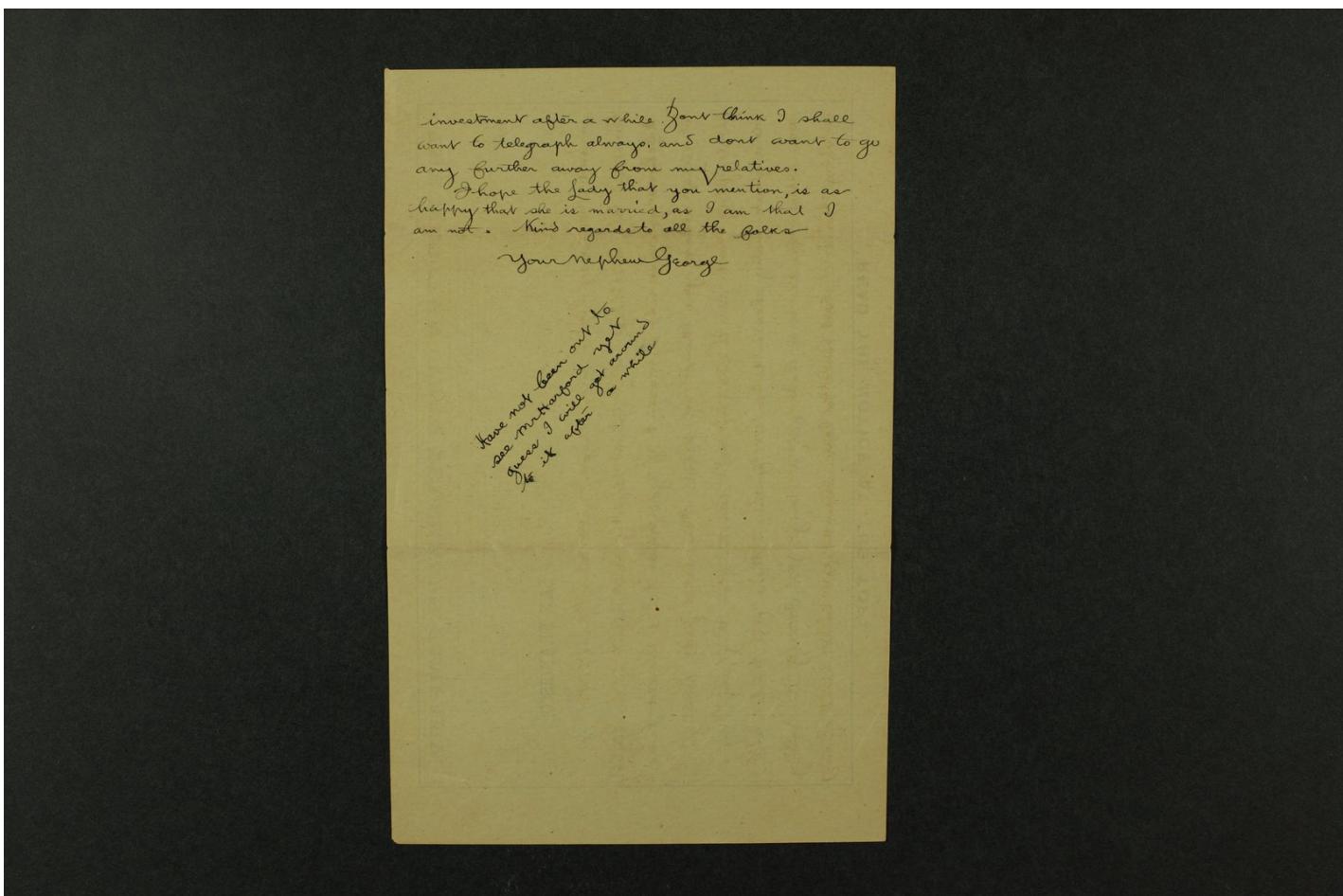
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Ogden Utah Nov 5. 1889.

Dear Uncle:-

I received your card yesterday, glad you are going to have another pleasure trip to Mexico, should like to go along. I received the phonograph cylinder with yours and Aunt's voices on it, They were as natural as life. The one you heard from me in Denver was not put on a perfect cylinder so it was a little harsh. That is the most delicate instrument in the world, it has to be adjusted finer than the most delicate watch to get the voice perfectly clear with no scratching sound. I am going along in the even or uneven tenor of my ways here enjoying good health etc, hope to be able to come and see you in the Spring. Am Glad Henry has gotten into a new house. I dont know but I shall build me another "lean-to" in the Spring. Am living with Mr and Mrs Corlew now, have a very comfortable room quiet dont lose any sleep on account of noise in the forenoon.

Everything is going along all right, they are at work on the new Methodist university out near my last purchase. The Bear River canal Company have nearly 3000 men and 500 teams at work on the new irrigating canal. They pay about \$4000 per day in wages to laboring men, most any country ought to thrive with an enterprise like that under way. When you return from greaserdom let me know if my compadres are still eating frijoles and tortillas.

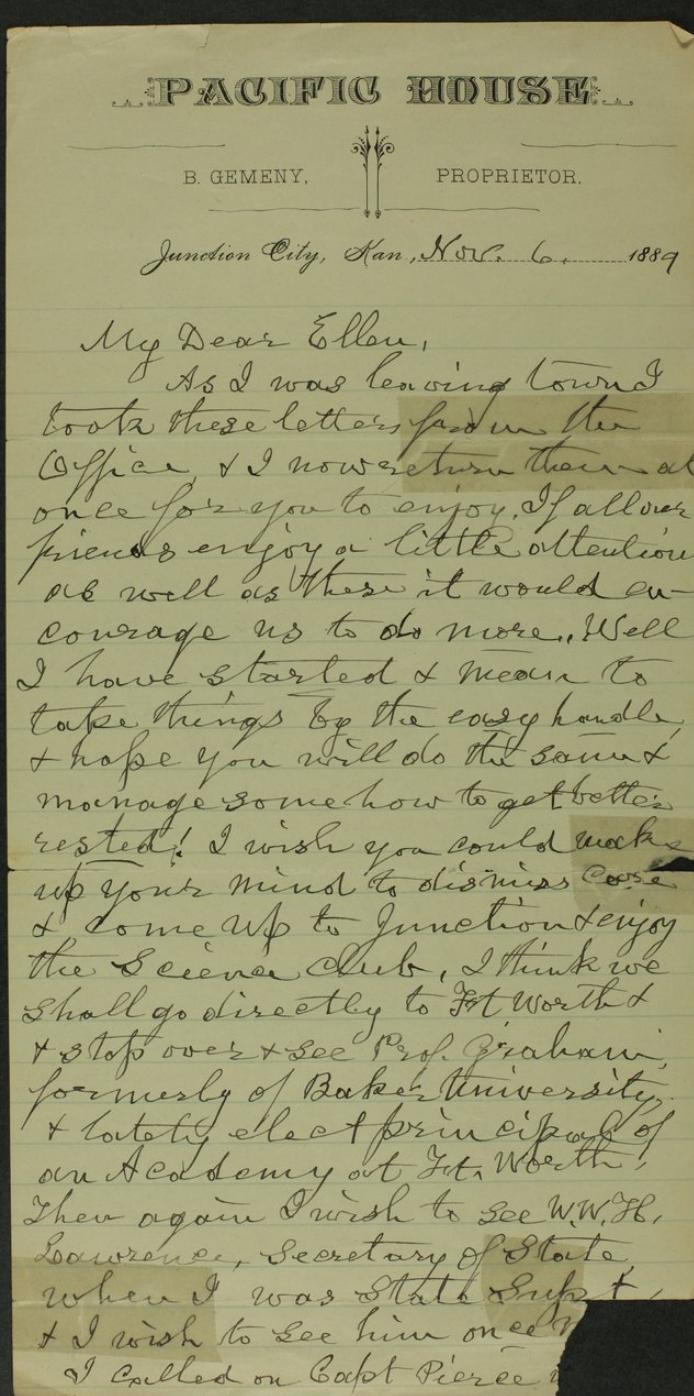
Your Nephew Geo.

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Very glad to see me & invited  
me home with him to spend the  
night several times but I pre-  
ferred to be quiet at the Hotel  
where I make myself at home.  
Business in Junction is lively  
so near at work on the Kansas  
Pacific's Round House & a large  
number on Government build-  
ings at St. Riley. All brings  
in men & money. Several  
stores & houses going up here.  
The Junctionites are in  
high feather! Bessie has sent  
over word by her father to call over  
this evening & see I made so  
a few minutes by & by.

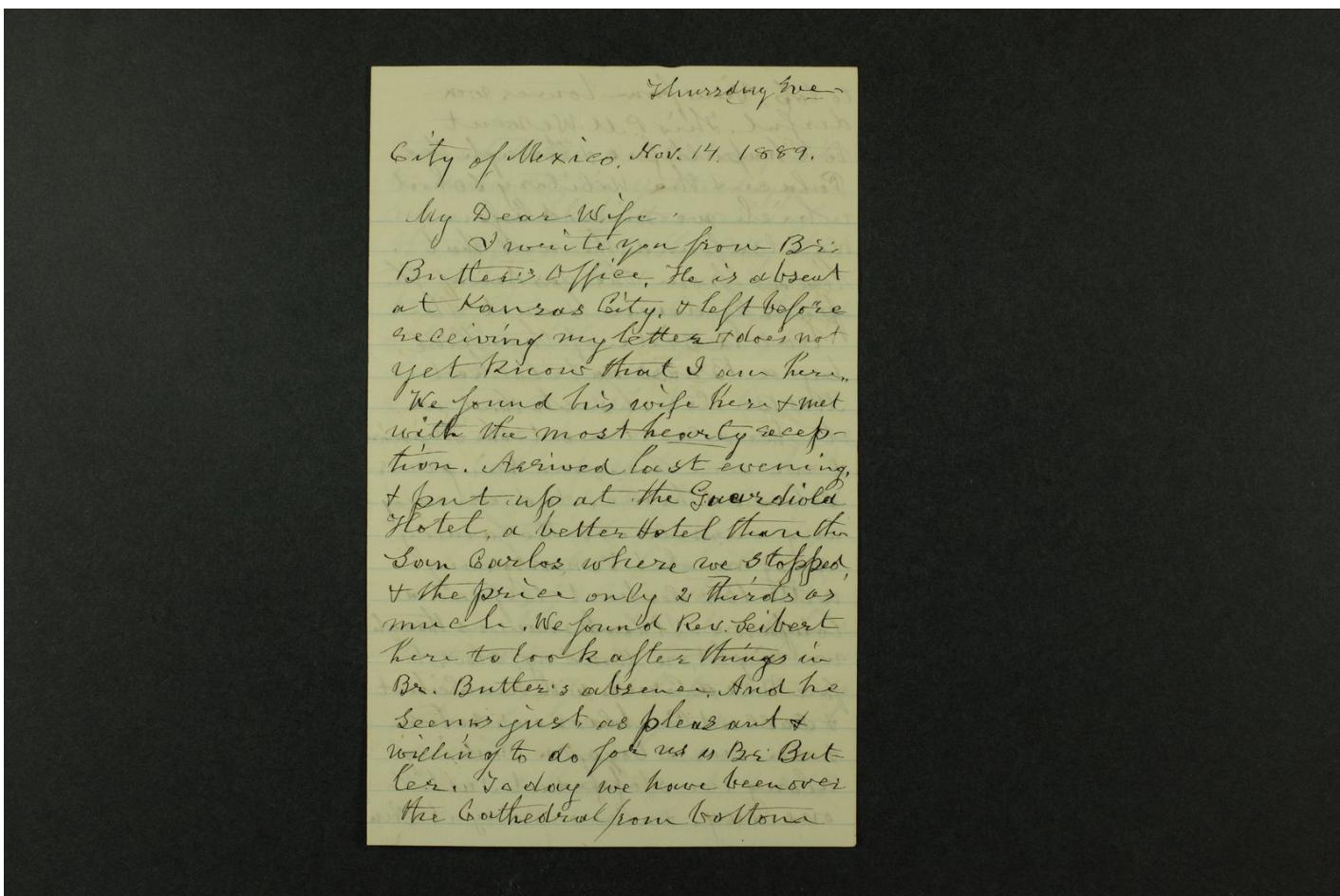
We three find every thing  
looks pleasant. Ride when  
you can & take things easy,  
I said to Robert at Depot &  
he reports that Mrs. Hale was  
resting very quietly & that Mary  
Barnes' trouble is过去了. Now  
if you know what this is, you  
are better posted than I am;  
I guess it is inflammation of the  
vowels! I presume you & Hattie will  
visit here tomorrow. Tell Hattie  
to write Saturday night & Sunday

morning & put in the mail Sunday  
morning. You write what you  
will hear. Affectionately yours  
to all, I. J. G. Goodnow

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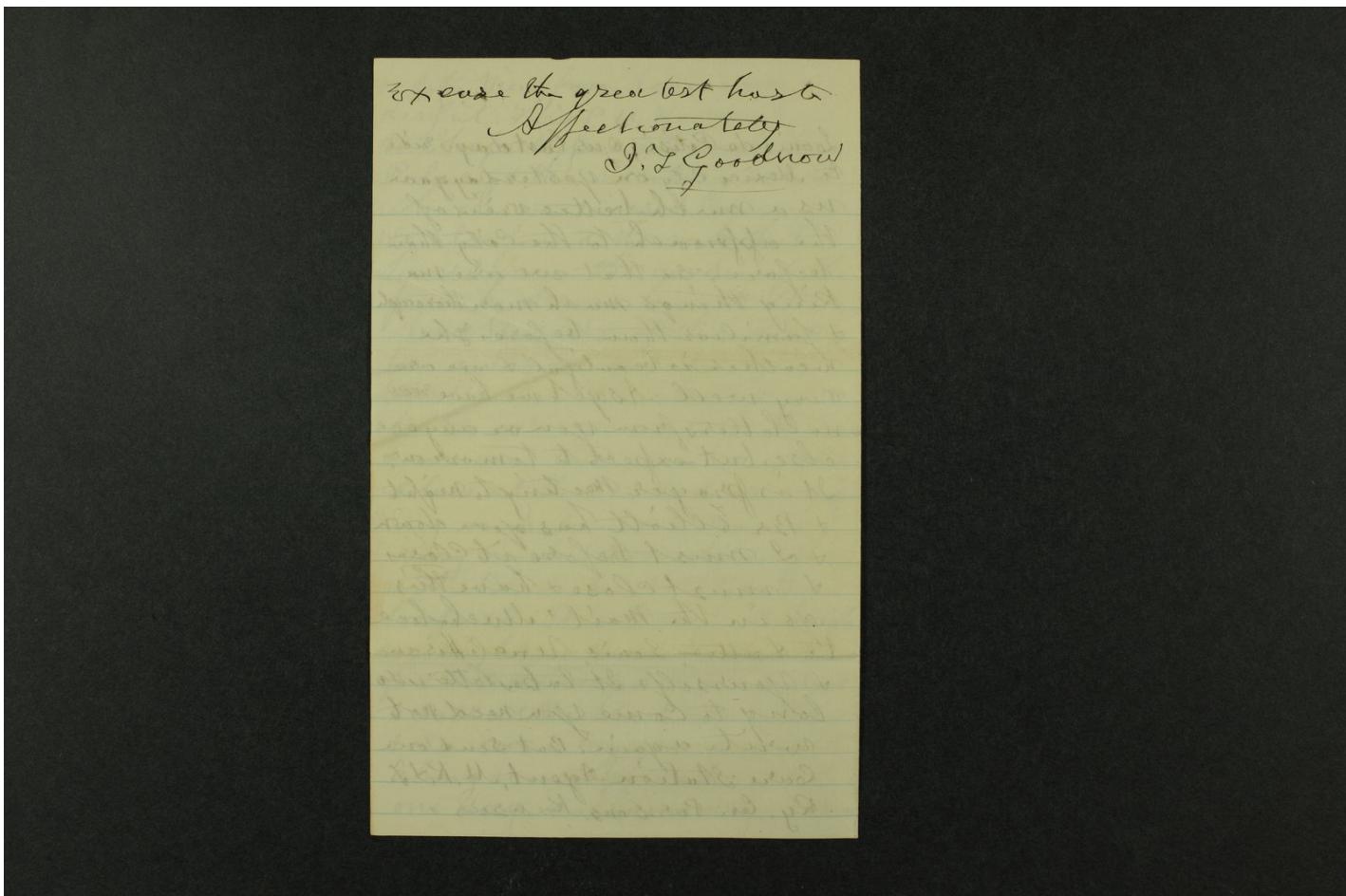
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to top. View from Tower won-  
derful. This P.M. We went  
to Chapultepec & through the  
Palace & the Military School  
which we missed before.  
We also found the well that  
leads from the garden of the  
Palace down & out the  
back side of the Hill,  
by a Brass gate locked.  
Mrs Butler insists that we  
take a room at the Mission no letters from you or any one  
& we were here, making our  
selves at home. And are enjoy-  
ing ourselves & the family.  
Very much! Tomorrow go  
with Rev. Leibert to Guadalupe, &c. It looks now as though  
we might on Monday start  
for Veracruz with Rev. Leibert  
& Ball at Puebla on our return  
& see our 2 boys. On coming  
along we stopped at Saltillo  
one day, & also one day at San  
Louis de Potosí. Our last day's ride  
to Mexico City on yesterday gave  
us a much better view of  
the approach to the City than  
before so that we are now  
knowing things much more thorough  
& familiar than before. The  
weather is beautiful & we are  
very well. As yet we have rec'd  
no letters from you or any one  
else, but expect to tomorrow.  
It is prayer meeting to night  
& Br. Elliott has gone down  
& I must before it closes.  
& must close & have this  
go in the mail. Much love  
to Hattie, Louis, Uncle Hiram  
& yourself. It takes letters so  
long to come you need not  
write again. But send one  
care Station Agent, M.K.T.  
Ry. Co. Parsons, Kansas.

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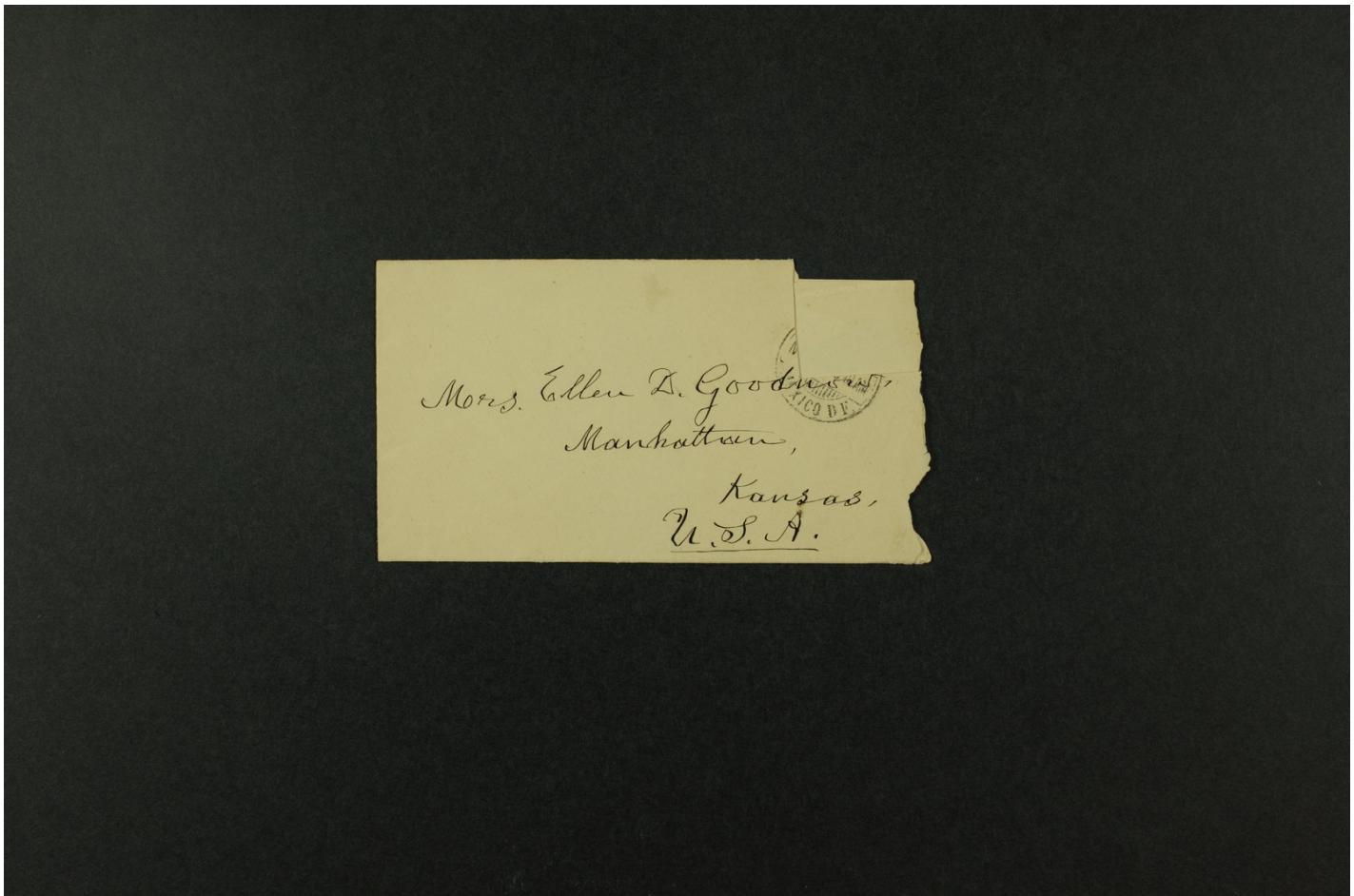
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Parky E. W.  
Village Chapels & Schools in India.  
Please read & return.  
M. G. Goodnow  
Nov. 18. 1889.-

To

Rev. Isaac T. Goodnow  
Manhattan Kansas U.S.A.

My dear Bro-

I have received \$ 500 - from  
an old friend Dr. Butter of Boston on  
our Chapel fund endowment, and I  
am directed to acknowledge it to you.  
The \$ 500 - solar for Rs. 1485 - and was at  
one made over to our Treasurer Dr. Wang.  
We are very thankful to you for this aid.  
Our village work is spreading very rapidly  
and these little Chapels are very much needed  
and will be used for schools and for church service.  
Our increase in village Christians this year  
in this district will be over 2000. We have  
little schools costing about \$ 3 or 4. per month  
in these villages, and though the teachers  
we are doing much evangelistic work. Our  
baptisms this year have been 2677. Nearly  
all village people. We could not safely go on  
so fast were it not for our schools and our Chris-  
tian teachers, who also act as pastors or class  
leaders. Our efforts are to get inside of  
a caste of people and then through their con-  
verts gather in their relatives & caste friends

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and so gradually, yet surely, enlarge our circle. Every family converted means two or three more and hence the work spreads. We have now openings into several classes of people in this district, and others are opening - I feel sure that God will give us the people just as fast as we can care for them.

What we need is, first more of these little cheap schools - A friend of mine Dr. Goucher of Baltimore is supporting about 100 of these schools himself, indepen-  
dently - I am just now sending him his returns ad his best. He has 66 schools for boys with 1682 pupils - 41 for girls with 787 pupils - 2421 pupils & the cost for the 3<sup>d</sup> quart - July, Aug. & Sept was £15 28/27 - 12 - 18. or about £89 50 - an average of a little over £3. per month for each school. These schools ad their teachers have given us many converts this year. We are asking God to open our way for more of these. Then secondly we need the little Chapels. These two go together. The interest on £500 - will give us a little Chapel an-  
nually.

It is good to have a share in this work. We need in these days more of

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The missionaries who can send them  
of those who can themselves go. It would  
cost too much to send men from Amer-  
ica to teach & train these people but it  
costs very little to employ the saved  
man here to go & save his brother. We  
want missionaries who can stay in U.S.A.  
and send on here some portion of the  
means God gives them - we only need  
missionaries to direct and teach and  
lead the workers whom God raises up  
here.

Should you feel like asking ques-  
tions of our work - write freely & I will  
try and reply to your questions.

I am compelled to write in haste  
to day as this cold weather is very  
precarious for village work. I came in  
just for a day & leave again this afternoon.  
May our loving Father reward you for  
your aid of this blessed work.

We have no discouraging word  
to write because we are encouraged  
& cheered every day we live by this work.  
Mrs Parker myself have been in this  
work for 38 years and would like to give  
30 more if we could. Of course the work

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is hard & trying - the converts from  
slowly down then out body - some before  
us - but the real growth is steady & sure  
and hence we stop the summer Mission-  
ment. Mrs Parker has a beautiful  
boarding school of 150 girls - <sup>the</sup> Christian  
& 10 heathen - and there are many more  
schools around, yet when we came here  
were no women or girls in this Province  
who could read or write, & there was not one  
girls school. I cannot give you the exact  
no of Christian girl reading now - as  
our School statistics are not out yet  
but there must be 1500 - I am sure. I  
will try & remember & send you our report  
when out. Pray for us.

Yours faithfully

L. W. Parker

Address

Moradabad

H. H. L.

India.

I have added to the above subscription,  
another 500

I. G.

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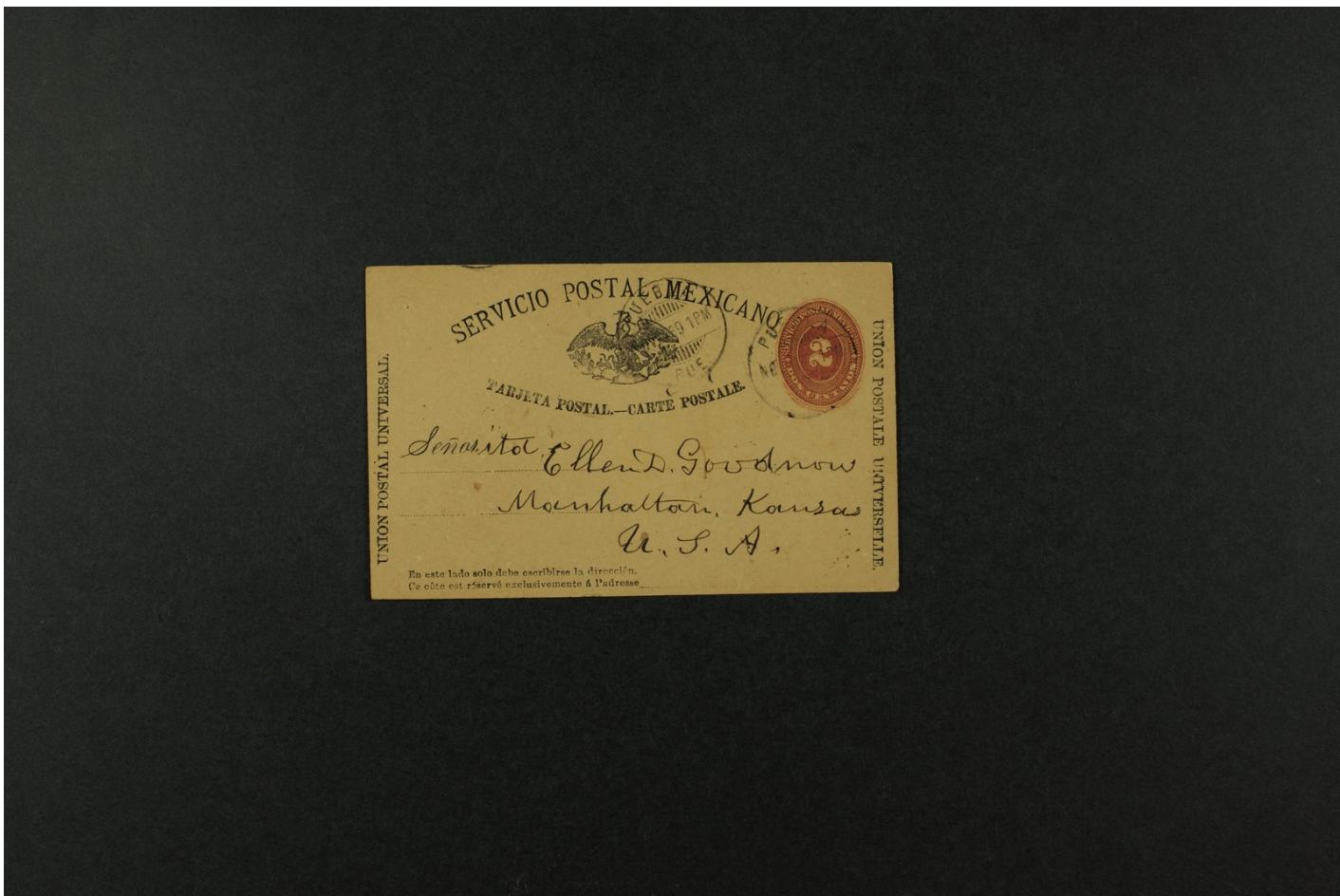
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Vera Cruz, Mexico  
Friday Evening, 22, '89  
My dear Wife.  
I have arrived here last  
evening from the city of Mexico  
& have spent the day very  
profitably in looking around  
this seaport of the Gulf of  
Mexico & the only one of  
any importance that is  
Mexican this side of their  
possessions. Tomorrow at  
5-8 A.M. we leave for  
Puebla where we shall spend  
the next two or three days  
before visiting the city. You had  
better arrange so as to have  
me there to be convenient to  
them as I may be unable  
to get my audience. It need  
make no difference if I am not  
home on time, if you like you  
are improving the time finely  
Love to all. Affectionately yours  
as ever, I. S. Goodnow

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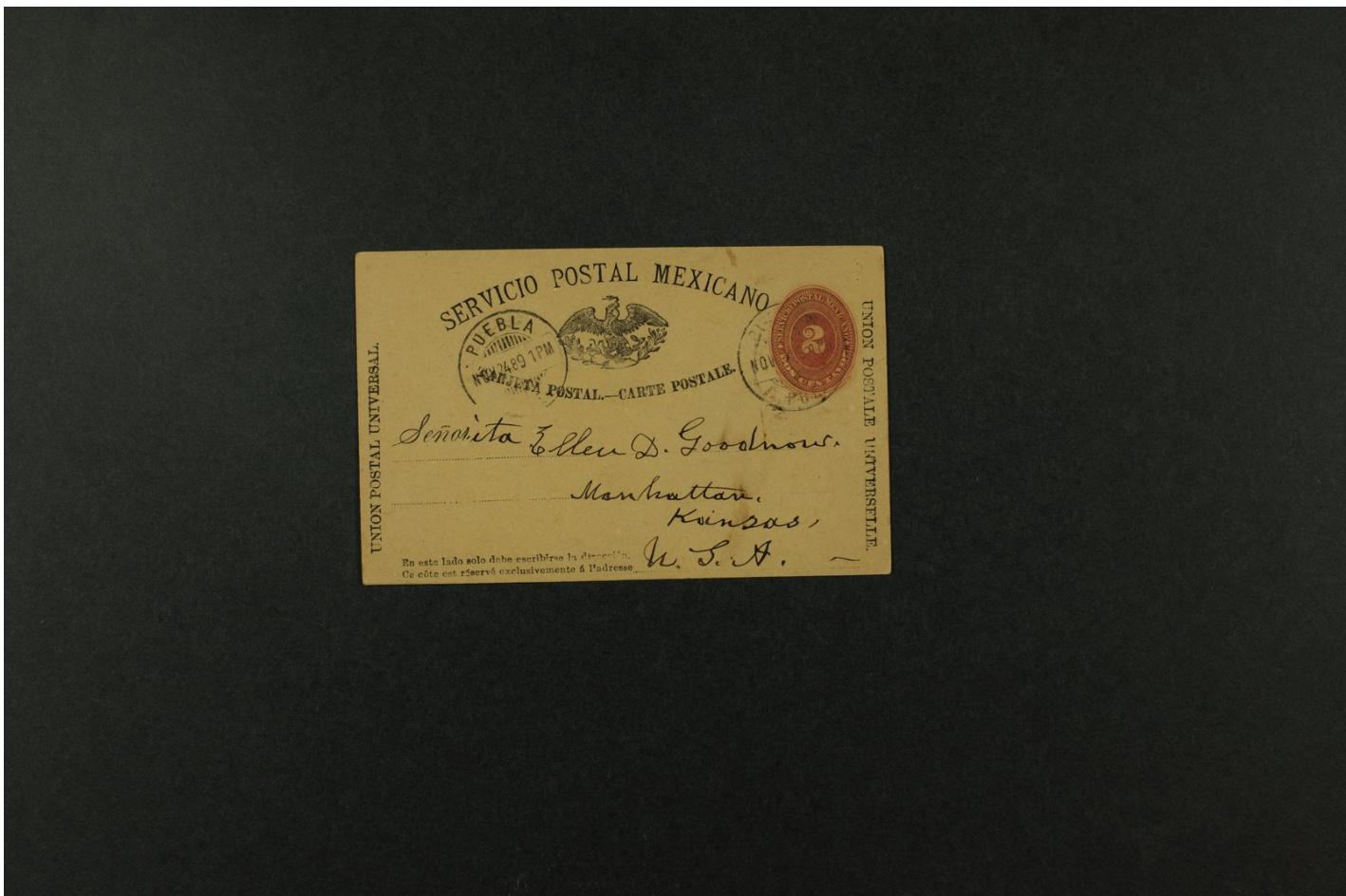
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Puebla Mexico Nov 24.  
We arrived here last eve-  
nig Co. with Rev Leibez. Rev  
Craver, President of Theolog-  
ical School met us at the  
Dopat & took us to the school  
& made us a full hour. I found  
our two boys well & thriving &  
interesting. Yours is called the  
creole. Both are good boys  
& I trust will make their mark  
in the Mexican world. Sabbath  
to day. Tomorrow we visit Chal-  
ula 6 miles in the A.M. & then  
return to Mexico P.M. We  
expect to leave Mexico on  
our return about Wednes-  
day or Thursday & then forward  
to the Old City forever. Glad  
I come but am satisfied. Love  
to all. & a good time to Hattie,  
at Lawrenceworth Apr 10 1874 -

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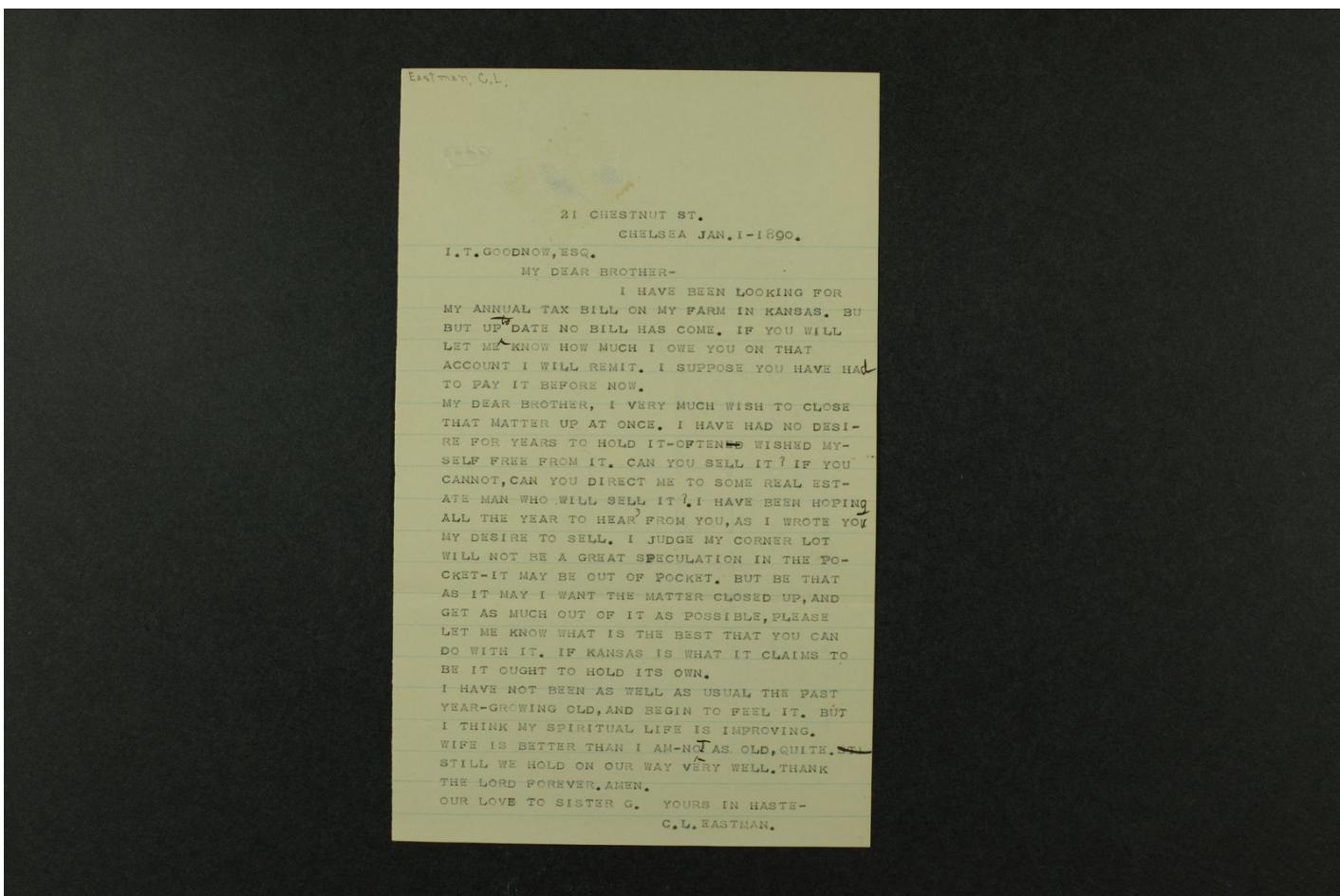
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Manhattan, Kan. Jan 1. 1890

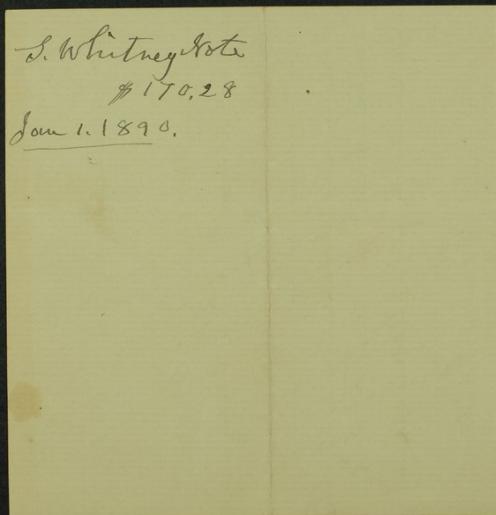
Due Isaac T. Goodnow  
for value recd. one  
hundred & Seventy  
dollars & twenty eight cents  
one year from date with  
interest at the rate of six  
per cent per annum.

Solomon Whitus-

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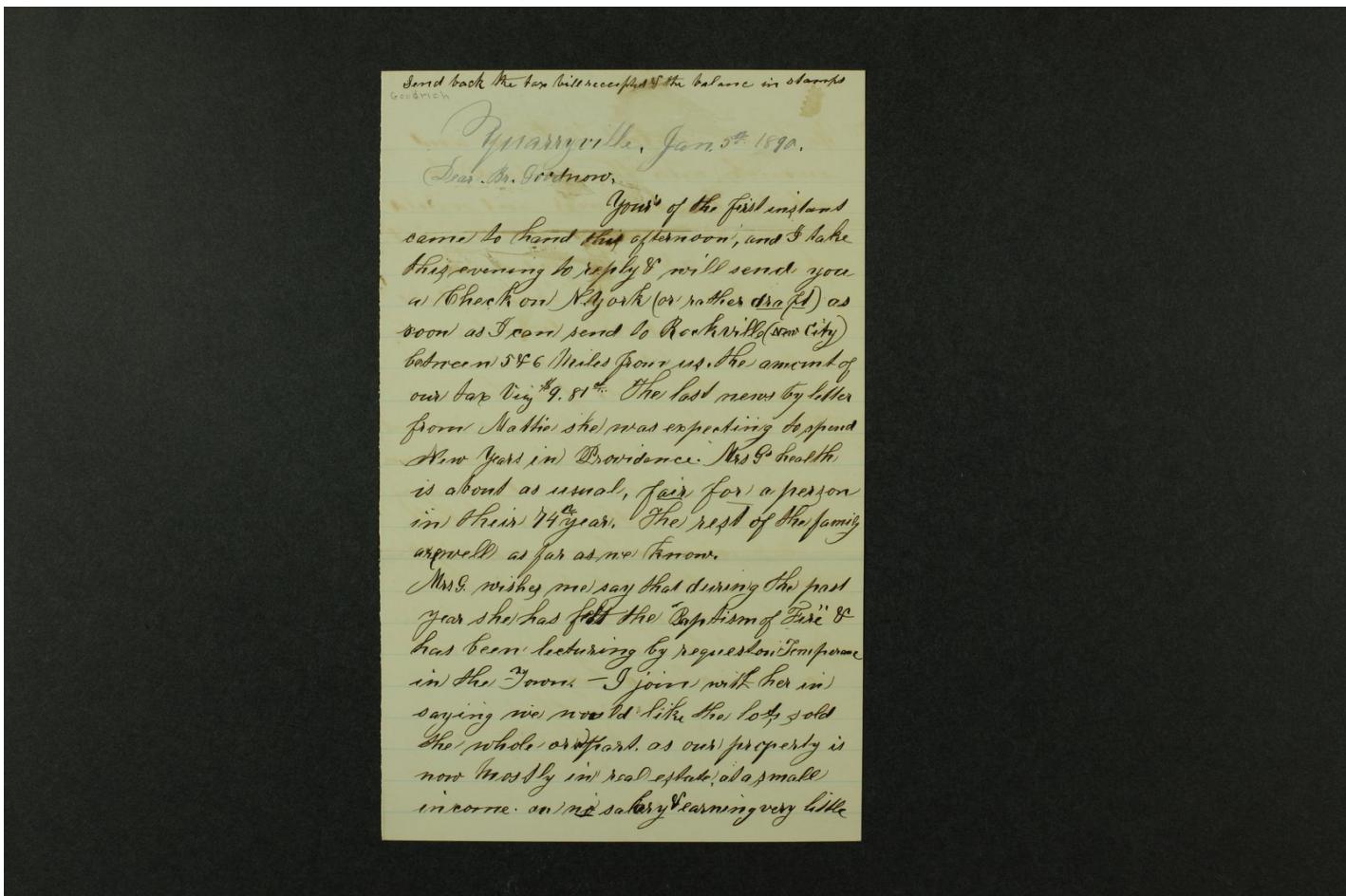
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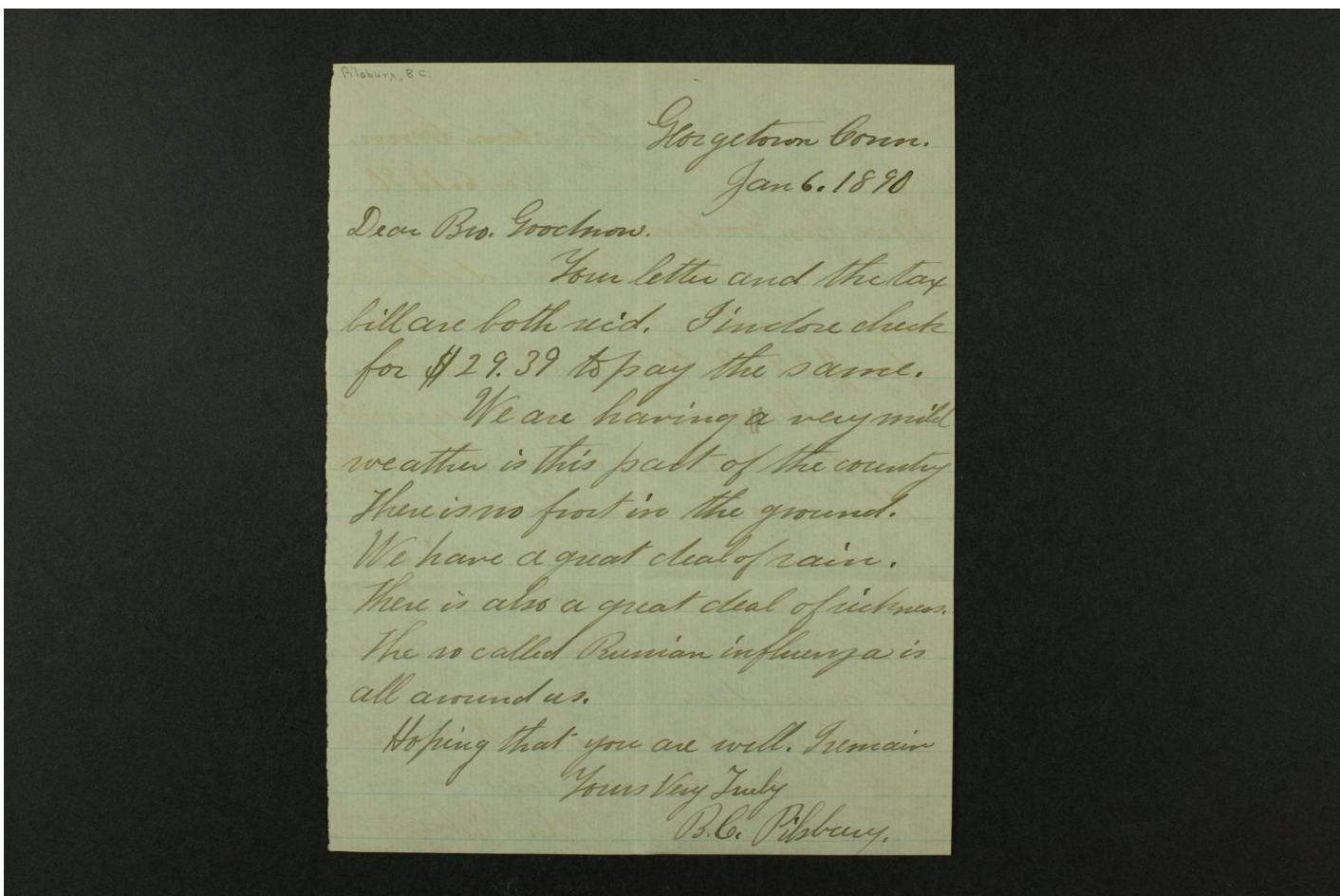
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We have a comfortable home and enough (with thankfulness) to eat, drink and to wear and would very much want to enjoy a long visit from you & sister Goodnow before we pass to our home above, and also your nice and sister & brother who so kindly waited on us as we went to Colorado. The whole of our business, ~~now~~ have to your enlightened judgment to dispose of at the earliest convenience as we should in our old age enjoy the money rather than the lots. My regards in love to yourself & wife and the whole family. When you have time give us a long letter. You must have enjoyed your visit to Mexico & Vera Cruz.  
Yours in Christ.  
I. Goodnow

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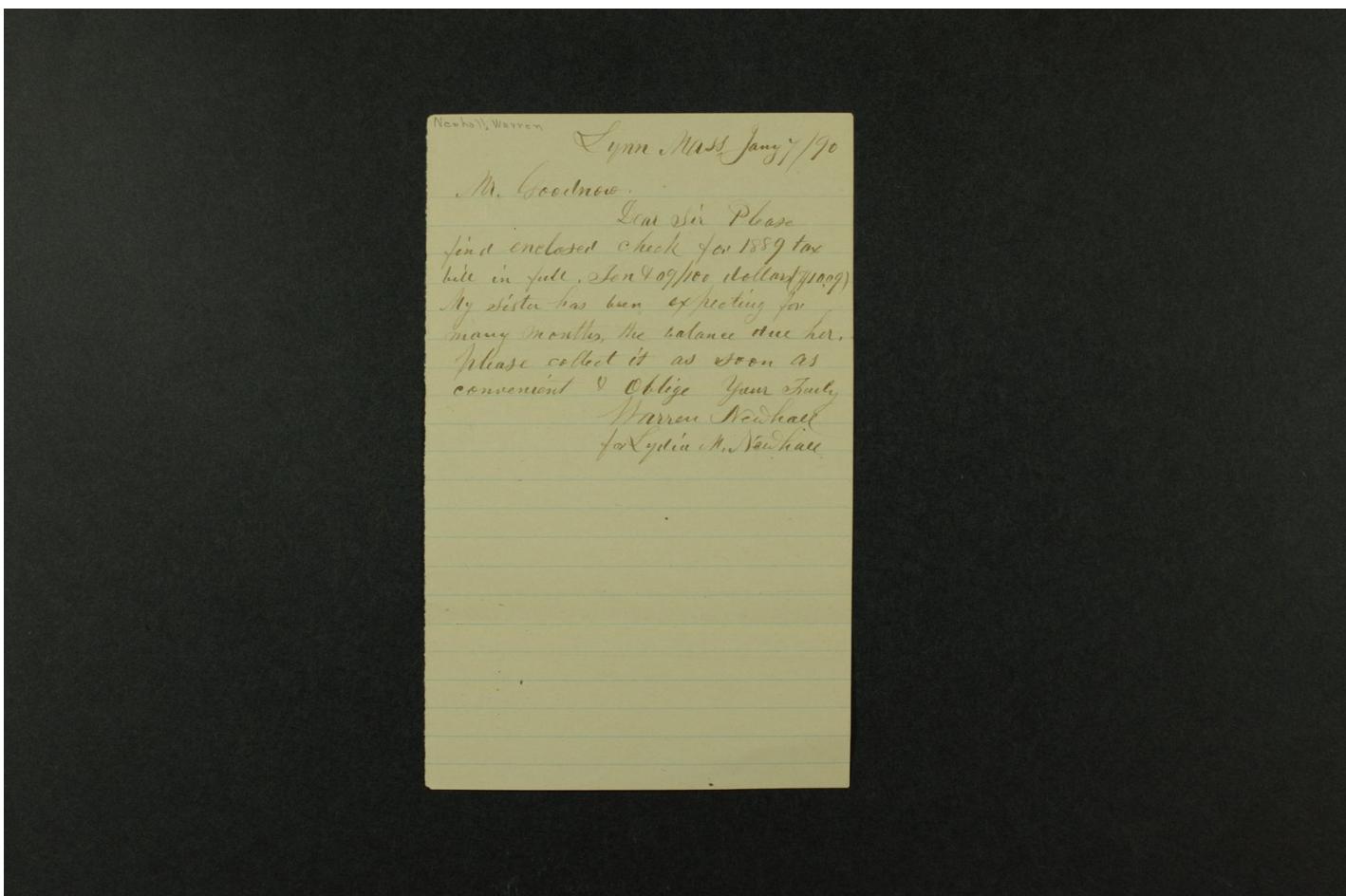
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