

and let him take it south with
him. I think the "boys" will
enjoy it in camp. - Many Mr.
DePool is at Halson. I have
seen Gully at the Fort two or
three times lately. - Don't get
about the Company I keep. I
have not seen the others since
I left the Bigelow House &
when I did see them they
were supposed to be respectable
people. Indeed I do not know
that they are otherwise now.
It is only a suspicion which
may prove true or not that
they are disreputable charac-
ters. - There are some people about
here who have always borne good
names, that have been, no mat-
ter what they are now, not a
bit better than they showed be.
When I see you I'll mention names.
Give my kind regards to Howard & tell
him I would like to hear from him
if he has a chance. - Kind regards to
the friends & love to you & the Kinder.

Dear Gussie:
I think I shall
take him to
pay the bill.
I think
it will
be about
\$300.
Main
I B M
Fort Hamilton
Aug. 11. 1843

Dear Gussie:
We are "enjoying"
some very hot weather, here, about
these days. It is thundering now,
but I can't see it; then one or
clouds in sight with thunder in
them. What it means I don't know
I suppose I might see when the
shower is, if I were to go upon
the parapet; but that's too
much trouble for me under pre-
sent circumstances. - I tried to
put on my boot a while ago
but could not do it. My foot gives
me so little trouble that I thought I
might be able to do it; but on
the effort gave me some pain
I desisted. I expect a shoe
maker from the city to-morrow to
measure my foot for a pair of
gaiter boots to lace high on the
ankle. When I get them I think

Please tell John Howard his letter has not been checked me, yet

According to my calculation there are about \$30. due from Robert
in the last note.
But I shall have
my aid can be

(Magna takes that blank on page 4.)
I will be able to go to the city again
I have not been there for six weeks
and I don't know how much longer
it is so that, however, I have no
great inclination to go. — The rain
has come at last, and a good
refreshing rain it is; but the
confounding thing has kept me
out of my dinner. Col. Edwards in-
vited me to dine with him, so
I didn't go down to Slater's to
my dinner; Stacey & Putnam,
who were also invited, did;
they were able to go, but being
unable to wear anything but
slippers, I was not able to go, as
the Col. lives in a tent on the
glacis. Next time I am invited
to dinner, I will take my reg-
ular dinner, if it comes before
the irregular one, so as to a-
void all contingencies. — Mr. Et-
rath was kind enough to in-
vite me to take supper with

I just addressed the envelope Mrs. L. B. Brewster May 12

or I should have been obliged to
own a dinner at Slater's. I now
think I shall be able to go to
bed with a stomach full enough
to preserve my health. — I don't
think that I told you that Dr.
Randall was ordered before the
acting board, now in session
at Wilmington, Del. He doesn't
like it at all. He hasn't gone
yet. His child had improved
a good deal, but yesterday he
told me she was worse. — Father
Gooding is in Florida. He has been
hauled up by the authorities
two or three times but has al-
ways got clear. I suspect the
young gentleman now writes
he had not left "my Mary-
land" to chase the occasional
goose. — I send you, by the
mail to-day a copy of "The New
Gospel of Peace". Give it to How-
ard when you have all read