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New York Nov 16th 1860
Rev S. H. Marsh

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 14th inst came to hand this morning— I should not wonder if you were sick but I trust the good nursing which I have no doubt you will find at Burlington will set all right again.

The list of receipts which you sent I have just shown to our Treasurer & he says it is not in such shape that he can incorporate it into his Account -- There are several items in it which were acknowledged in our last Report & moreover it lacks your signature

There will be no way but for Mr. Webster to report it to the Board as an unfinished & unsettled account-- They will then no doubt appoint a Committee to see to the final settlement with power to add it to the regular account of the Treasurer, before that is published

You say nothing about the present state of your subscriptions  We expected to announce at our Meeting next week that the sum was made up & Pacific University provided for -- As it now stands we shall be all in the dark on that point -- Including the subscription of Maj. Williams you must be up to the $20000-- Mr. Webster remarked this morning that you were running risks about the collection of what had been subscribed--as matters now are-- & that losses here might more than balance any surplus which you might secure by delay

Why can you not attend the Annual Meeting at Lowell next week-- Which begins Tuesday – 3 P.M.--& closes Wednesday night-- You were prevented last year from being present & you probably could not do a better thing for your College in respect to the future than to attend that meeting & make the acquaintance of the Directors

At any rate I desire you to write me at once at Lowell--care of Rev. J. P. Cleaveland D. D. -- & state how your subscription stands +c +c You will remember that the Board of Directors gather there from different parts to see to the business of the Society & they expect me-- & rightly too-- to put them in possession all needed information--a large part of them are rigid business men--

It will of course be necessary to bring in the contributions from ministers--to which you allude in your note-- as not included in the last item sent-- It will not be necessary to send them next week as the account will be open.
Please excuse my particularity & earnestness-- for I know how particular the Directors are.

Sincerely Yours
Theron Baldwin

P.S. My very best regards to Mrs. Marsh though a stranger.
I aught also to say that I wrote Dr. McEwen of Enfield that there was no longer any doubt about the $20,000 & he sent on his $200--& there is in the Treasury $100 or so more

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