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New York July 7th 1865
Rev. S. H. Marsh

Dear Sir

At the last meeting of the Board of Directors of the Western College Society & your letters & that of Prof. Lyman together with the application for aid signed by sundry members of the Board of Trust of Pacific University – were presented & on motion of the Rev Dr Bacon an appropriation of $1500 was voted for the year ending Oct. 15th 1865.

From the above-named letters I have condensed a notice of your institution which will appear in the 21st Annual report of the Society now in Prep – It does not embrace Prof Lyman’s allusion to the Ill-health +c of Mrs. Lyman – but the effect of the letter as read in the meeting of the Directors was such that Mr. Samuel Holmes a member of the Board & a prominent man in Dr. Thompson’s Church in the city at once pledged Himself for a Sewing Machine – designing it I believe as a gift to the College, & for use in the families of President & Professors. How soon it will be sent I do not know but I am happy to be able to make this announcement or it may be regarded as a matter of some interest to Mrs. Marsh

Mrs. Lyman +c not only a relief in their Domestic operations but also as evidence that their labors & sacrifices are not overlooked by the friends of Christian Learning at the East.

I wish it were in my power to send you authority to draw at once on our Treasury for the whole amount voted to Pacific University -- & while I cannot promise how fast it will be realized nor whether the whole will be realized at all during the year – yet it will afford me very great pleasure to do all in power to secure the amount for the Institution.

On the 25th of April 1864, I gave you notice that in accordance with your instructions] I had paid to the A H. M. S. the A. B. C. F. M. & to A. S. Barnes & Co – in all the sum of $50 which stood to the credit of Pacific University on the Books of the Society & enclosed receipts from those parties and requested you to send a receipt to the Treas. of the society W.W. Hurlbut Esq. – none has come.

Will you be so good as to sign & forward the accompanying Receipt?

Yours Truly
Theron Baldwin

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