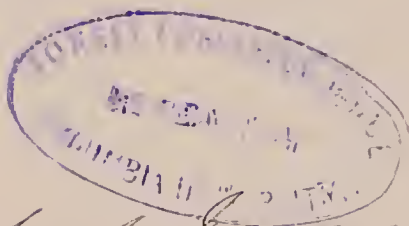


New York June 2^d 1871

My dear Dr



I regretted that I was prevented
joining you again yesterday afternoon; but the
interruption to our conversation was caused by
business of importance relating to some commer-
cial transactions of some of my relatives, &
the detention was such, that when I follow-
ed you, it was no chance to overtake you.
I was much disappointed at the interruption
as I had many things to say to you, which
now must be postponed until we can meet.
By the bye I believe I led you into an error
in regard to the conversation had by one of my
friends with Col. Thayer: it was entirely with-
out my knowledge; the gentleman had heard
from my brother that I had some distant
views of the ~~Land~~ alluded to, & at a visit
to W.P. he mentioned to the Col. that in case
you should change your residence, he thought prob-
able the application might be made; when I
afterwards saw him, he informed me that he had
introduced the subject. I mention this to satisfy
you that it was not a premeditated thing on my
part: indeed at that time I had by no means
decided what I should be willing to do. I regard
to your own course, I think as a friend, & especially

after the unreserved communications I have made
to you from time to time - you owe it to me to
keep me advised as to the plans you shall adopt
that I may regulate my measures accordingly.

The matter of considerable consequence, & one es-
pecially ~~of~~ of this letter is to have your opinion
as to the other persons besides Mr Hitchcock, to whom
we should send the boxes as are to come down
from the Point: we spoke slightly on this subject,
but our ~~attention~~ was turned from it to other
affairs, & my sudden separation prevented our
renewing it: you have conducted most of the
home correspondence, & therefore best know
who will send us the most valuable & (what
is of no little importance) - the earliest returns:
give me a list of several names in the order
of transmission, & it will answer for future
as well as the present occasions. Holmes of Maine
is a defaulter, & I must endeavor to find leisure
to brush up his memory; as he owes us, we need
not include his name in the list.

Give me a list of the minerals which you have
labelled in each box? A copy of this it will be well
to have to add to those which I shall make out from
the numbers on the paper you have given me.
Do not let your deputy neglect to put the boxes
on board the boat on her return, & direct the Capt.
to send them to me, if I should not be able to call for them
on their arrival.

I have been so unwell for some time that
as to make me desirous to visit the country
for a few days; I sh^d be pleased to make an
excursion to your place again, but I fear it is
will not be practicable; indeed I suppose I sh^d
find great difficulty in obtaining accommodations,
as the examination must have had a great number
of visitors to the Port.

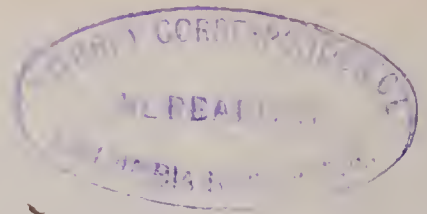
With respects to Mrs T

I am very dear Sir

In haste

Yours truly

J. B.



Let me hear from you as soon as you

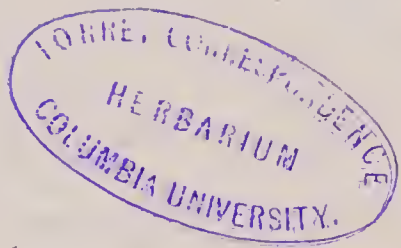
Dr John Farley

West Point



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New York June 14th 1827



My dear Doctor,

I thank you for your letter of 6th - which by the way did not reach me so soon as it ought to have done by two or three days..... If I say I hope you may succeed if I do not, you will not doubt my sincerity, - tho' you would, if my wishes were expressed without that exception; let me say however, that were I certain I sh^d be your success at W.P. I do not know that I sh^d not most heartily wish you to succeed here, without exception - For you suggest resp^y my the preparation of my papers the Southward, until the other matter is decided indeed I shall wait you, according to promise, to send me your influence, where I send Whittier. - The subject, as I have already told you, has been mentioned to Col. Thayer, but of course it has been only as a contingent matter, - in case Dr Torrey sh^d be removed from the Academy, as it is said he has contemplated to do - this you know you had yourself suggested to the Col (as you told me) as a thing wh^{ch} might happen: so that at any time, ~~you~~ mention the matter to you, I trust you will not forget your friendship: you can do a great deal for me there, ^{if} I take it for granted that you feel in regard to our opposition at Albany, as I do - sh^d you succeed, (but by the way I consider scarcely a doubtful point) - altho' I may regret say our failure; I

case truly any it will not excite the slightest unpleas-
ant feeling towards you: on the contrary - to prove my good
wishes, I may now say, - that I shall probably be able
to save you some expense, & aid your preparations
for winter, by the use of ^a considerable portion of
my Chert's app't; - most of which indeed will be of compara-
tively little service to me, (except to "raise the wind") and
I remove to W.P. & some of it in any case, I shall be able
to share you. & I only wish all opportunities were conducted
with as little ill feeling, as I know to exist on the present
intensions on one side; & I fully believe to exist on the other.
- I wish you to suggest to me the course I sh'd pur-
sue in writing applications. -

The boxes I have received - that is to say - two packages,
one of which was numbered 384 & the other 2. Have you
not been able to trace the other? The lists for the three
in my possession are made out, & I very much wish you
w'd suggest the names of persons to whom they sh'd be
sent; if either of these is for Fletcher, as you know
their contents; say what shall be his: I sh'd like to forward
them soon. . . . With regard to Besock's Catalogue;
I wish you w'd direct diligent search to be made for the
deficient sheet; there are a considerable number of the
Spec's which fell to my share, contained in this absent portion.
I find also some of the numbers which are contained
in the part I have, ~~not~~ ^{not} correspondent with the names
assigned them; ^{or at least, ~~or~~ doubtful} these I have laid aside, & sh'd wish to look
over them with you, when you are down. Shall you
visit the city soon? if so, & you can spare a few minutes
let me see you, I may you, either at apt or my residence.

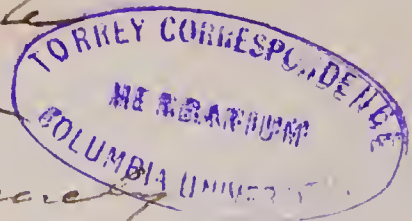
I should like to borrow from you the book of localities
of Dr Robinson; will you lend it me for a short time?
Mr Chas King wants to pass a day or two at the Post
during the excursion; if you find it to him, or
to any other acquaintance I may have there,
it will reach me.

Let me hear from you, as soon as your leisure will
permit; Mrs R desires to be remembered kindly to
Mrs T & yourself.

Believe me in haste

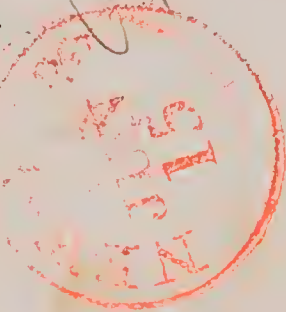
Very Dear
Very sincerely

J. R.



To

Dr. John Torrey
Prof. Chemistry &
West Point
N. Y.

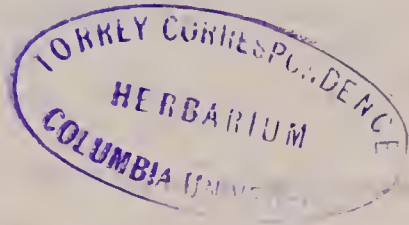


J. Stephen Rogers

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N. Y. June 16th 1827
Sat 7th aft

My dear Dr



I thank you kindly for your letter of the 15th which is this moment put into my hands. By its date I perceive that you could not have rec^d when it was written, my last letter; ~~perhaps~~ you will perceive the reason of my not having written to you at an earlier date, - viz that yr letter announcing yr intention to be a candidate at Albany did not reach me as soon as it sh^d have done by several days. You will also perceive that I have determined to stave for the place at W.P. as I consider it scarce by a doubtful point, that you will have yr situation here: lest I may not have expressed myself decidedly as to my wishes, (it was written in great haste, & I scarcely recollect the particulars), let me ask the favour of you to say to Col Thayer, that I sh^d feel myself highly gratified, to be attached to the establishment, sh^d your place become vacant; sh^d it prove agreeable to his views that I sh^d become yr successor, I shall feel grateful for such support

as he may think proper to afford. I sh^d have
written decidedly on the subject long ere this, but
that I felt myself delicately situated ~~with respect~~
to you. Let me beg you to ^{make} all the ^{inquiry}
you can, & let me know ^{in detail,} what course I sh^d
pursue. It is needless for me to say that I feel
much anxiety on the subject; the practice of
my profession, & confinement to the city are becoming
every day & hour more irksome; & had success
attended my application at Albany, I sh^d have
availed myself of the opportunity of devoting my
attention to my favourite branch of study, leaving
the city during the ~~disorder~~... Do you think
it would be advisable for me to address a

letter to Col. Thayer on the subject? - You
will oblige me by letting me hear from you, as ^{soon}
~~as you can~~ ~~as you can~~ ~~as you can~~ ~~as you can~~ ~~as you can~~
as you have communicated my
~~expressed~~ ~~desires~~ to wish to be considered
a candidate for the situation; or sooner if the
opportunity of conversing with him be delayed, &
any thing of interest occurs.

Mr. Payne w^d be highly gratified, as I am
authorized by my conversations with him to say,
- to be a successful candidate for the Chap-
laincy at the Point; & there are several, whose
intelligence, piety, gentlemanly deportment,
& other qualifications, - would render their
services more honourable to the Institution,

or their society a greater acquaintance to the circle
at the Point than this gentleman.

Excuse my scrawl, as I am writing in great haste
lest I should lose the opportunity of the present mail.

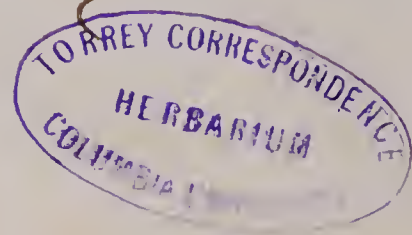
If my last letter have reached you, will you
oblige me by attending to one or two little memo-
randa it contains.

In haste

I am very Dear Sir

Yrs truly

J. J. Rogers



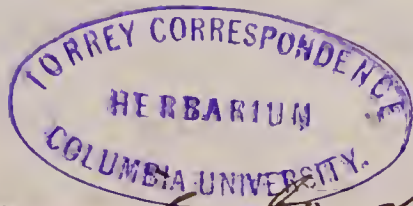
To

Dr John Torrey
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P.O. Chemistry Bldg
West Point.



New York June 16th (1827)
Sat Eve

My dear Dr



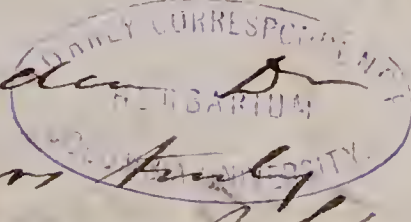
By the mail to-day I wrote a few hasty lines in reply to your favor of 15th; since despatching them it has appeared to me that it is advisable to announce to Col. Thayer himself, my wish to be considered a Candidate should your place become vacant; I have therefore, by the gentleman who takes charge of this, addressed a few lines to the Col. stating that having learned there is a probability your situation may become vacant, I beg leave in that event, to be considered a Candidate." I was particularly induced to do this for the return of your letter, that the Col. had informed you - altho my name had been mentioned to him there had been no direct application made in my behalf." I presume too that this course will coincide with your views, - for your remark that he was particularly desirous you should recommend some person as if successor; inferring from this that you have made known to him your intention to resign. I have re- my qualifications, & under existing circumstances, announced that you may greatly further, perhaps insure my success. I must therefore repeat my request that you will use your strongest efforts to accomplish this object. I should wish to learn from you as early as possible, whether it will be necessary for me to procure & forward other testimonials, & in general, what course is most advisable for me to pursue;

Mrs Rogers comes here on Tuesday aft - the Steamer for
Boston, & I think it not unlikely that I shall be obli-
ged to accompany her as far as Providence; in this
case I shall return by the same boat, & be again, no
accident occurring, in New York on Friday. Should there be
any thing important in the mean time, please to do, let
me hear from you; a private opportunity may offer in such
case for sending a letter so as to reach me by, or before,
noon on Tuesday; at all events, let me hear from you
on my return.

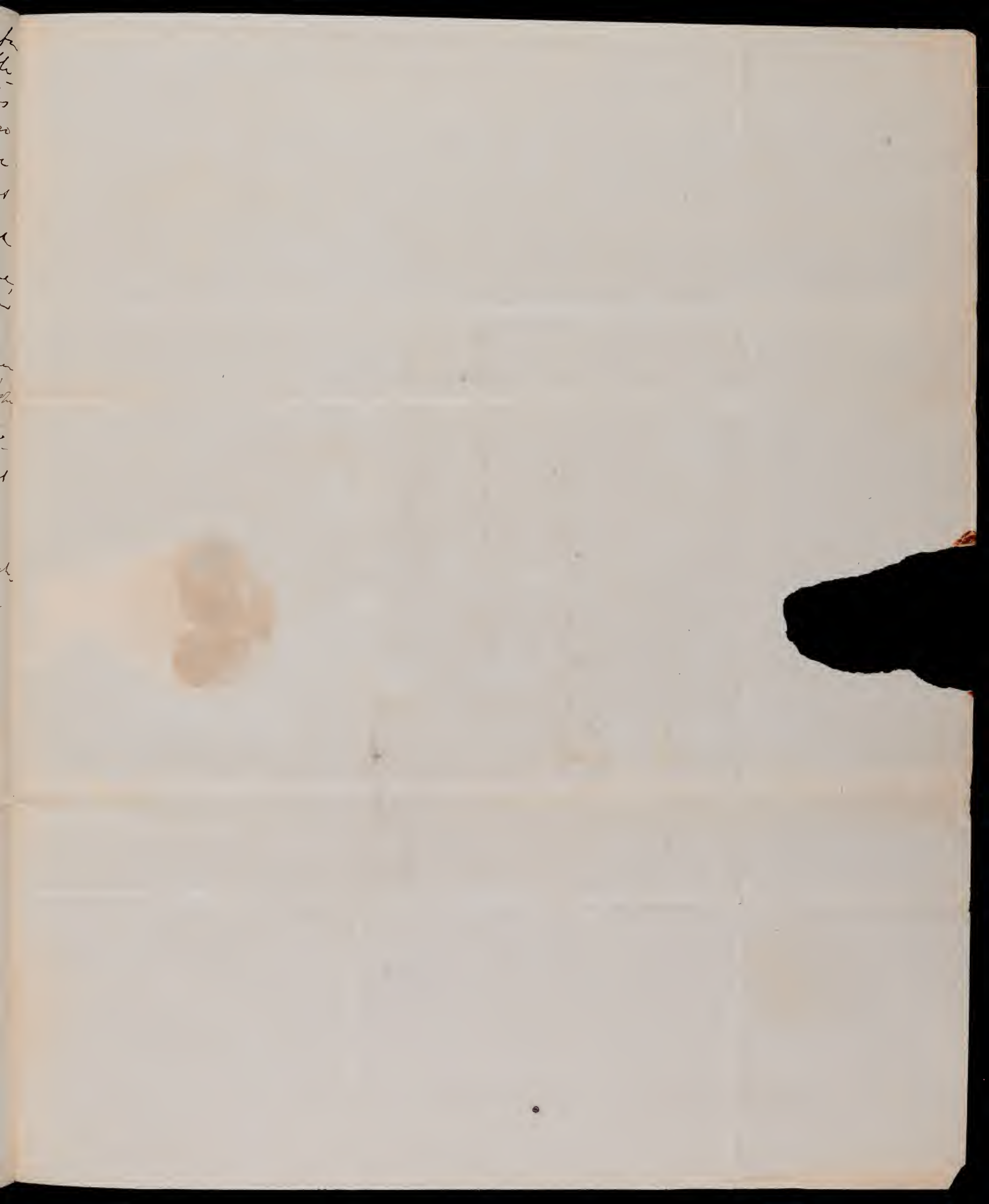
Have you caused your assistants to make any further
search for the deficient sheet of Busché's catalogue? I have
it not found. Have you not yet obtained any intelli-
gence respecting the missing box? May it not have been put
on board the ship without the Capt's knowing it?

I shall hope to have a line from you on Monday
in reply to my letter it did not appear to have reach-
ed you when y^r was written. Mrs R - writes with
me in remembrance to Mrs T.

Yours very truly
as ever
D. Bartol



J. H. -



in reply
ed you

To

Dr. John Torrey

Prof. Chemistry &

West Point

For & by
Col. Burchard

