

Baldwin Jan. 31, 1835

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I am very thankful for your exertions in my behalf, and for your promise not to relax them. I hope the members of the Legislature will not undertake to recommend, but separate without taking any active part about the place. In their absence I think my recommendation will have weight. But if any other candidate moves among them, then my friends will move too. Mr Mann thinks I could get more names than anybody else.

I hear with great pleasure from every quarter that you fill the President's chair with entire satisfaction to all parties. I suppose you feel at home by this time in its duties. I hope your success will not make others jealous of your influence.

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Date: Jan. 31, 1835  
Description: George W. Pierce to brother

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timber from the homestead lots will not be able to haul  
more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  or  $\frac{2}{4}$  of what fell in the August gale. Would  
it not be wiser to put one more, and save the injury  
of worms next season -

I have not done anything toward a settlement  
with Daniel; and probably shall not till the Legislature  
rises and you come home. Mr. Crocker has made  
some grand sales of his eastern lands, and the little  
Doctor has also got rid of his very favourably. But  
I suppose you know all this before. The warm weather  
has been very favourable to Daniel whose mills go  
day and night and enable him to turn out his lumber  
to take advantage of the present high prices. Merchantable  
boards are selling for 17 dollars per thousand. Even fencing  
stuff is selling for \$12 or \$14 -

I have had nobody to see me to enquire about any  
of your business save Mr Johnson who wanted to obtain a  
note which he said he had made a few days before  
you left. I believe you did not leave it with me as  
I could not find it among my papers. He says it is settled  
by new security.

Mr Longfellow's health is very good this winter. Henry  
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about most of the vacation to superintend the publica-  
tion of a new book. I suppose he and his wife will  
go to Europe in the Spring.

Have you been able to get me Judge Waton's  
good word yet? I hope you will be able to do so,  
and I doubt not you will now the two other Judges  
have led the way. Professional recommendations ought  
to weigh much, and I find from Mr Maner and [?]  
that the Governor thinks the same. You must pardon  
this frequent recurrence to the matter of the Reportership.  
I confess I am very anxious to obtain it. A defeat  
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Portland Feb 2. 1835

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