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Description: W.H. Hobbs letter on business college

Bangor, May 30th, 1866

Miss Blanchard,
I had begun to think you
had about forgotten me when one day I was
much surprised to take a letter from the College
box post marked "Portland" and which upon
opening the familiar signature of "P. De. F
Blanchard" greeted my eyes. the initials of which
are now and always have been a mistery to
me. You commenced your last letter with a
long long introduction which I think was
wholly unnecessary and uncalled for.
I am sorry Miss Blanchard that you should
have such a poor opinion of my friendship, as to
think I wrote you merely from a sense of duty.

But we will not quarrell about these minor matters but will engage upon topics more interesting and of more importance. You seemed to be disappointed in being deprived of the many claigh rides you expected to enjoy there wince Sleft the Contant College. Its is not to be wondered at that you make I enplose you would have to leave of my prosperity at the Come & ollege. I am not very buen more a day as one You know it is usually quiet at there com Colleges dining the Summer Worth and I would to be investedly so with we this Summer after the meh of business we enjoyed during the He have had no ladies studying book keeping unce deamer here, but had a few recasionally taking writing become of the punished

many sleigh rides you expected to enjoy last Winter. We had but very little snow here last Winter, yet it was very good sleighing in the city all winter, and I had the privilege of enjoying several rides.

I have not heard of the wherabouts of the persons you enquired about in your last letter for some time, and I have not heard from some of them since I left the Portland College.

It is not to be wondered at that you make some enquiries about them and especially some of them. particularly one that lives at "Livermore Falls" I suppose you would like to learn of my prosperity at the Com College.

I am not very busy now-a-days as our students have nearly deserted us.

You know it is usually quiet at these Com Colleges during the Summer Months, and it seems to be unusually so with us this Summer, after the rush of business we enjoyed during the Winter. We have had no ladies studying book keeping since I came here, but had a few occasionally taking writing lessons of the principal

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Mr. Lakin. There is another school here in the city and they have better accommodations for ladies than we have and for that reason they all go there. I am afraid you will be blind before you see my name in the connection you referred to in your last letter.

You must have had a very hard time during your sickness, for I am sure that it is very tedious to remain in doors so long not to say any thing of our sufferings that we experience.

I am enjoying myself very much in Bangor at the present time, as I have done all the time I have been here in the city.

We have had very uncomfortable weather this Spring; it is either cold or windy nearly all the time. We had a powerful rain here last Sunday and Monday, and yesterday was a beautiful day, and it was highly appreciated as was attested to by the happy smiling faces of every one, and the prospect was that we were to enjoy a succession of such days; but O dear! last night it commenced to rain again, and today the sun has hardly shown

his face to cheer the gloomy affect. Sangor is quite a lively city in the Summer the limberry brunes being carried our very extensively herepard the visils and cleam boats blying back and forth makes one think of the Walle Seaport or that sea could lown a few mile beyond, which forwite wulnarty styled Ald Wells. The trees are leaved out here beautiful by, but have fully exhibited all their fo-Brugor is quite a pleasant place in the Summer, but will not company very favorably with the Freet City: Immed dear this spittle now as it is most dinner time and I have formed a habit of externo about this hime every las You earl gong humanship was not Spencerin and upon a done cereting you will find The letter also is not as often as convenient, and I will indeas of to appreciate the letters in my month, Very truly your friend

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Bangor is quite a lively city in the Summer the lumbering business being carried on very extensively here, and to see the vessels and steam boats plying back and forth makes one think of the "natural Seaport" or that sea coast town a few miles beyond, which from its antiquity has been vulgarly styled "Old Wells."

The trees are leaved out here beautifulnot

ly, but ^ have fully exhibited all their foliage. Bangor is quite a pleasant place in the Summer, but will not compare very favorably with the "Forest City."

I must close this epistle now as it is most dinner time and I have formed a habit of eating about this time every day.

You said your penmanship was not "Spencerian" and upon a close scrutiny you will find this letter also is not.

I shall be pleased to hear from you as often as convenient, and I will endeavor to appreciate the letters in my unworthy way.

Very truly your friend W. H. Hobbs