

Mapsville Ky. Jan'y 18th 1880

My Dear Son

I Came home Tuesday noon and have been here since. Will leave for Frankfurt to morrow morning and will hardly get back again till in July and then probably for a day. I had to come home to attend to some business that needed my attention at the close of the year or rather the beginning of this year. Write to me at Frankfurt. Your Ma received the pictures of your room. You must be very nicely fixed a great improvement over your former room as I recollect it. I am glad you are so comfortably situated and hope you may be able to study well and keep in good health. The boys here - James Willis & Bruce are all delighted with their schools and are getting along first rate. I wish you could read James & Willis' Composition to day on tobacco and its uses. All our boys have made a good start and I firmly

believe will make first class men.

Snow fell last Monday but melted right away again. It looks like we were not going to have much winter. It has been warm and sunny very few days since the bad weather which should have been winter weather commenced. There has been no ice here yet and from appearances there will be none put up. Recollect the winter is half over and no cold weather yet. Today is beautiful sunshine. The water works question still agitates our people. I believe the thing will carry notwithstanding the efforts to defeat it. They have got up a sham proposal from some of our citizens to build water works who are opposed to water works to deceive the people. It is too thin I think and they will I hope see through it by Saturday when the vote comes off.

I have been so busy that I failed to get check or money order for you yesterday and will attend to it at breakfast as I did the last. You have never said

What you thought about a course at the
business College at Poughkeepsie N. Y. If
you quit the Massachusetts Agricultural
College at the end of this year 2nd year
you might take a course at Poughkeepsie
during vacation and the fall and be
through before next winter. I know nothing
about Eastman's business College at Pough-
keepsie except from his Catalogues and
Circulars. You may have a chance
to look up about it.

Keep up your studies and military exer-
cises. The more I think of it the more I
am in favor of a military education.

Your report shows your department
No. 1 if grade of studies not very high. This
is satisfactory. I only want you to study fairly.
Your attainments in that direction will be
sufficient with your fine natural ability. The
department is what I wish you to excel in
that will secure you a happy life.

All join in love to you.

Your affectionate father

Robt. H. Colburn

Jan 19th
1880



Robert A. Cochran jr
Amherst,
Mass.

M. A. C.



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STATE OF KENTUCKY

House of Representatives

Frankfort, July 21st 1850

My dear son
I am expecting a letter from
you to night and if I dont get it will be dis-
appointed. It is turning Colder. It was clear
and pleasant this forenoon but is now cloudy
I have received a letter from your ma written
yesterday. They are all well at home. I have
a short letter from Andrew too enclosing one
from January. All is running smoothly
Andrew says as regards water works. January
& family well. I got back here last Monday
day before yesterday. I suppose I will not
get back home till some time about the
10th of July. I will be very tired before we get
through - in fact I am tired now. "There is
no place like home. I enclose you a
post office order for \$10. Let me hear
from you. No doubt you are having Colder
weather. With much love I am your
affectionate father

Robt H Cochran



STATE OF KENTUCKY
House of Representatives

Frankfort, February 5th 1850

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*Cousin John
here & young
He may sit
My dear son.*

Your very interesting letter came duly to hand yesterday and I sent it to your Ma. Mixing with the people in that way and learning to speak is first rate. A well informed man on every subject of practical interest is what I call a well educated man. You have heard me say so often that there is no trouble about speaking if you have any thing to speak about that you understand - in other words there will be no trouble in getting anything out of your head if you once get it in. A man may not be an orator, but he will always be listened to if he understands his subject and does nothing more than talk. In fact the spread eagle kind of speaking is going out of date among educated men. I enclose you a two dollar postal order - Save your money, never spend the last cent. Always have some if it should be ever so tight on hand. I am going home Saturday morning. Will be back here again next Tuesday. Write as usual. Your affectionate father
R. B. Schram

Feb 6th
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Robt Hechran jr
Amherst,
Mass.

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Robt A Cochran jr
Amherst,
Mass.
M. A. C.

Feb. 12th 1880 Frankfort, Ky.

My dear Son.

I have been home since I last wrote to you and you know I had a good time I went home Saturday getting there at 9 A.M. under the new arrangement, having gone up to Lexington Friday evening. Then I can leave ^{Maysville} at 3.10 P.M. get to Lexington in evening 6.30 P.M. and down to Frankfort the next morning in time for the Session of the Legislature. I got your letter just before I left I suppose you got mine with postal ~~card~~^{order} the same day or the day after. I send you occasionally the Yeoman there is not much in it except proceedings of the Legislature. We have passed an act locating the Agricultural & Mechanical College at Lexington. I have no doubt we will have the same trouble about appropriations that they are having in Mass. after awhile. It is new now and takes very well. ours is an agricultural State and that may make such a college more popular here. My experience that all Colleges or universities sustained by State aid are more or less failures.

The snow we had is all gone and to day is quite warm. We have had a week or more of clear weather nights Cold today pleasant It rained had last night.

The Kentucky Historical Society had its annual meeting last night the proceedings of which Spectator you will find in the Yoman sent you by this mail. The address of Johnston is first rate except so far as it places Bucking ridge along side of Clay or as his Successor in greatness. Buckenridge had all the elements of greatness but fell like Lucifer never to rise again we may do what we please to make him great in Kentucky but it will end there and fail He had the opportunity to be great, but failed when the time came. He joined the enemies of his Country and fell with them let them rest in peace - they cannot be defied. History will assign them places among the failures of their time. Kentucky eulogies to the contrary notwithstanding.

I spent the night of Tuesday at Mr. Norton's in

Lexington. They all inquired particularly about you
I told them about your making a speech to
the farmers of Massachusetts and they said good
for you. We have all been pleased with your suc-
cess. You know what I have so often told you
that the road to success is as plain as the
road to mill. There is no such thing as fail to
the young man or old of good sense and good
habits and life is a pleasure to all such. It
is only the way of the transgressor that is
hard. Continue to write to me. You write a
first rate letter. You also write a good
hand. With much thought and love for
you I remain your affectionate
father
Robt A Cochran

Frankfort Ky Feb 20 1880

My dear son.

I have only time to drop you a line
and enclose a post office order for \$10.
Andrew is here on law business. He came yester-
day morning on the same train from
Lexington with Parnell ^{he goes back this evening} the Irish agitator.
I send you paper ^{containing} of the proceedings
here. I got your last letters in good
time. Take good care of yourself. Let me
hear from you. Yours affectionately.

Robt A Cochran

Feb 20th
1870



Robt A. Cochran jr
Amherst
Mass.

M. A. C.

Mar 1st
1870



Robt. A. Cochran Jr.
Amherst

Mr. A. C.

Mass.



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STATE OF KENTUCKY.

House of Representatives

Frankfort, Ky. March 3rd 1850

My dear Son:

Yours of the 29th recd. I received your letter of the 25th a few days ago. I telegraphed you to night that I would write to morrow, but for fear that I may not have time as it was yesterday & to day I am writing to night and will get check to morrow and inclose it in this letter. As soon as you get the check go at once and pay bills and inclose receipts to me. You will then have over fifty dollars left which is a large sum to have on hand and you can't take good care of it. Don't spend a dollar more than is necessary money be- cause you have got it. I at first felt that I could not spare the amount necessary for your trip to Boston & Salem but I thought you had your heart set on the trip - the picture &c and that I would have to curtail on something else and let you go. I enjoin on you to keep good company. I have no reason to believe you will do otherwise, but there is no harm in reminding you of it. You know my sentiments. Be a man. Don't be per- suaded into anything that your manliness condemns. Dare to do right. It will win in Boston and everywhere else. Keep an eye to 14/2000 and see that you do not run short. Use your head and keep your money

Safe. Dont go anywhere that I would not go with you. Recollect the world is full of thieves, pick pockets, confidence men and all sorts of bad people, but in the line of a gentleman there are not generally met. You have had a good deal of experience in travelling and have good ideas of people and all you have to do is to use your head and take care of yourself. A gentleman can travel anywhere. I suppose you are going with some class mate that lives in Boston or Salem and consequently will meet pleasant company. I take it for granted that the people you visit will be clear to you. I want you to make a good impression socially with those you may visit and show them that New-
tucky is a good place to raise boys and men in. No people stand higher than people of Culture in our State. I expect to go home Saturday and come back here Monday evening. Write to me all your plans as soon as you get this letter and before you start. See that everything is squared up. Business is the word.

Your affectionate father.

Robt. A. Cochran

Write to me regularly from Boston, Salem or where ever you are. God bless you my dear Son.

Take care of your money. Recollect it wont do to get out of money away from home. "We never miss the water till the well runs dry"

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Robt A Cochran,
Maysonville,
Ky.

Mar 4th
1880



Robt A Cochran jr
Amherst
Mass.

Frankfort Ky March 28th 1880

My Dear Son

Your ma has been sending me
your letters. This is very well as it saves you the
trouble of writing two letters which in your
travelling about would be troublesome to
do. I received the one from Jamaica Plain
dated March 21st last night. By this time
I have no doubt you are back to Amherst.
I am glad you have had so pleasant a
time and have been so hospitably treated
by the Stow England friends you have
been visiting. I hope you have made
as good an impression on them as
they have on you. of this I have no doubt
After all these acts of politeness and
good breeding are the great sources of
pleasure in life. I take it that this
trip will be of great advantage to you
You will look back with pleasure to
your sojourn in Stow England and be
able to personally from personal knowledge ~~XXXX~~

I have been hard at work all the time
and have made a success of it. No man
in either house has received so many com-
pliments from men who know what they
are talking about. Every body seems to know
me and I am pointed out as the leading
member in the house. That I have origi-
nated more useful legislation than has been
done for years and that if my bills are pas-
sed they will relieve the State from her
embarrassment in regard to her sup-
ply treasury. Of course this is entirely con-
fidential to you and I would not write
such a thing to an outsider. It would be
indulicate for me to say this much about
myself, though it is true, to any one
else. The public must be left to judge of
my public acts for themselves. I have
succeeded better than I expected. Have
carried all my measures thus far
through the house. I don't know what the
Senate will do with them. The papers comment
them. The Courier journal makes prom-
al mention of me and my measures and
recommends their adoption by the Senate.

I began this letter on the wrong page. You
must write to me now since you are back
at your post and let me know about your
visit and how you are getting along since
your return. I am proud of my boys
and want to make a success of every
one of them. Andrew is a man
and you will soon be and you
must both help me and your men
to make men. men that we will
be proud of out of your younger brothers
They are doing first rate at school
with much love I am your

Affectionate father
Robt. Heath

You will have some trouble in read-
ing my writing. I am getting to write
a worse hand every day. I have so
much of it to do I am getting careless
It is a very good training to learn
to read bad hand writing and you
will have to apply yourself to read
this and thus learn to read other.

To Successfully Contradict the miserable ignorant prejudice that exists so much in Kentucky in regard to those people. Then too it is travel as well as reading that makes a well informed mind.

Now you must get down to your studies and make as much out of the balance of your College term as you can.

I expect we will get through here by the middle of next month at the farthest. We have passed a resolution in the House to adjourn on the 14th of April and I think we can get through with all important legislation by that time if we will go to work in earnest. It has been a working Legislature. Every day has been put in and two nights in every week after the first month and a half. The only delay has been in dictating resolutions, motions and points of order. This sometimes would be very annoying.



Frankfort April 15th 1880

My Dear Son

I have just received your letter of the 11th inst. I had written you on the 8th and sent you a post office order for \$10. which you had not received when you wrote. I presume it reached you the same day. Your Ma wrote to me about the pictures you sent her and was very well pleased with them. She says "they are excellent I think. He looks so well, so handsome I am anxious you should see them, and yet I am afraid they might get injured if I should attempt to send them farther. I hope a few more days will bring you home to see them. They represent him looking well cared for and in perfect health God grant that he may grow into a man of steady habits, based upon Christian Principles" So you see what she thinks about the pictures and about you. I appropriate part of the compliment to myself by saying you look like I did when about your age. You recollect what my folks in Pennsylvania said about

Your picture sent to them two or three years ago. That it reminded them of me when I was a youngster. But enough of this. The weather has turned very warm. It seems like we would not get away from here for two weeks yet. Col South died today in the Senate Chamber. He was the Keeper of the Penitentiary. It may be that we can a grow now on the penitentiary and may get home a little sooner. Some body has taken my ink and I have to write with a pencil. I must write to your mother today.

The mail is about closing and I must close too. Take good care of yourself. Write to me again here as I will not get away till after next week or the last day of it.

Your affectionate father
Robt H. Cochran

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Apr. 15th
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Robt A Cochran jr
Amherst,
Mass.

Frankfort, Ky. April 28th 1880

My dear son

Your letter of the 25th is received. I am still here and from appearances will be till the middle or last of next week. I have been so busy and confused that I have neglected writing to you the past week. I have scally for the past two weeks been neglecting to write home my usual letters. I get regularly letters from your Ma which cheer me up but I am getting real homesick. I am glad you have not neglected to write. Another letter will reach me ~~next~~ and I hope after that to be at home. I wish we were all there together.

I got quite a long letter from Willie Junway last week. His eyes are giving him a great deal of trouble. Your Ma writes that he was at Maysville last Friday with a young Ernst and Bunnie to attend a party given by your uncle Horace to Emma Douglas and Florence ^{of return just day.} Horton. I suppose your Ma has written to you about it.

In your letter you dont mention whether, or not, you received the \$10 postus order I sent you. I enclose you another here with. I presume you got the other, but have neglected to mention its receipt.

The Country here is very beautiful. The maples are in full leaf and the grass is quite high. Flowers are in bloom and everything is looking quite Spring like. From your letter it must be beautiful at Amherst.

I can imagine that the surroundings of Amherst must be beautiful in the Spring. How are you getting along with your Fountain? I cannot understand how you can make a fountain without water at work. By the way they are working quite lively at our water works.

You speak of buying a pine. How much will it cost you? Money is quite scarce with me now, but by the time you let me hear from you again - which will be in plenty time for the pine, I may be able to send you the amount. As I said before you must be careful about your expenditures, but whatever you do keep out of debt. Do without rather

or there go in debt.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church here have gotten up an art loan for the benefit of the Church in which they have some rare paintings (portraits) by Stewart and other painters of repute, besides numerous articles - such as old China, old books &c. They have an old bible - not as old by over 100 years as ours and they think it quite a curiosity. The descendants of some of the oldest families in the State reside in Frankfort. These old family relics are quite interesting.

I heard of no Mason Brown. Col. of your grand uncle Drac's regiment make a speech at the Senate Chamber on amendments to the City Charter of Louisville.

He is a first rate Speaker. His mother resides here in a house built by his grand father a Presbyterian preacher in the last Century. The first Sunday School west of the Allegheny Mountains was organized in the parlor of this house.

Write to me again here and after that I will be at home, with love I am

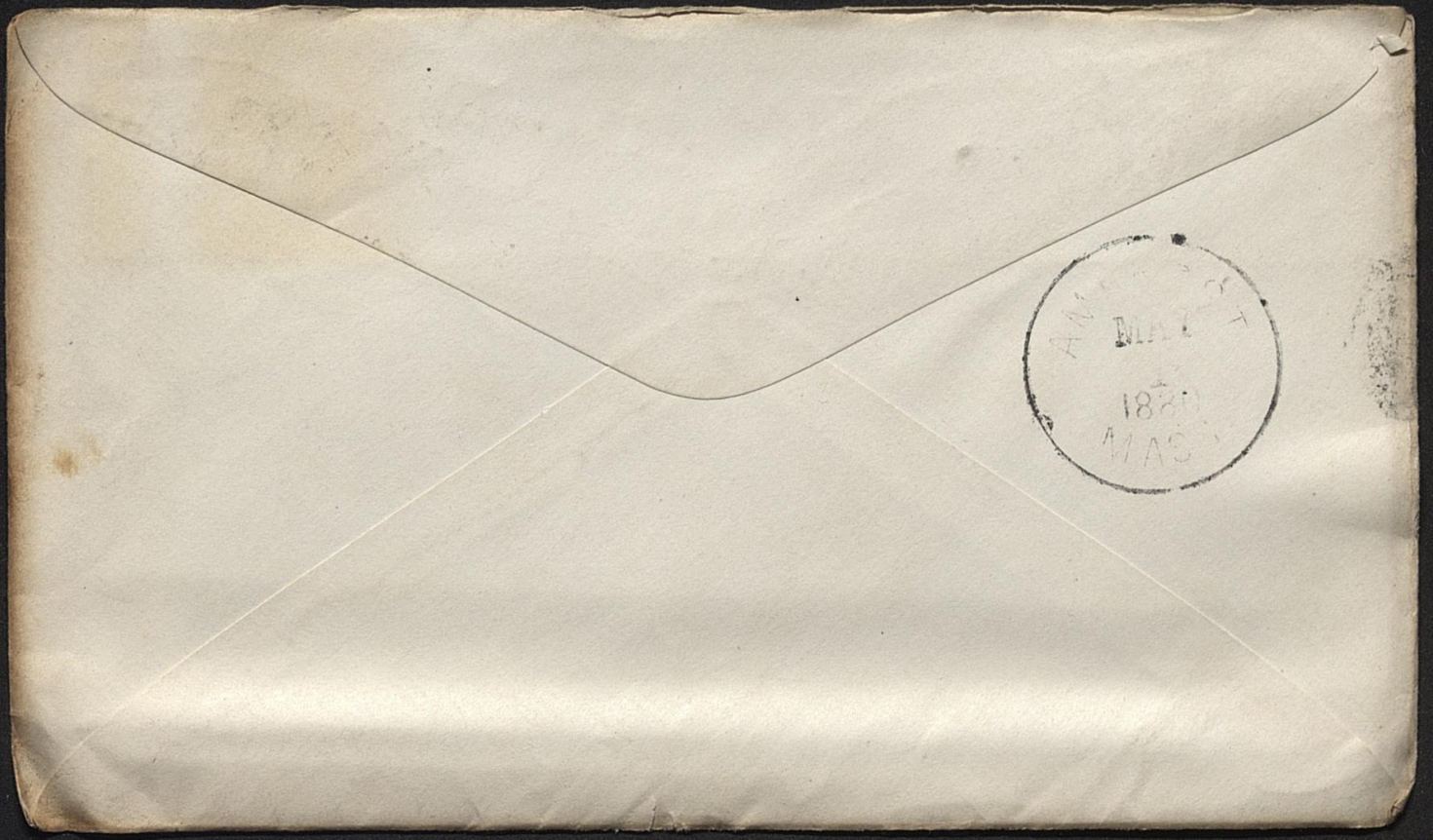
Your father Robt. A. Cochran

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Robt A Cochran jr.
Amherst,
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Robt. A. Cochran, Jr.

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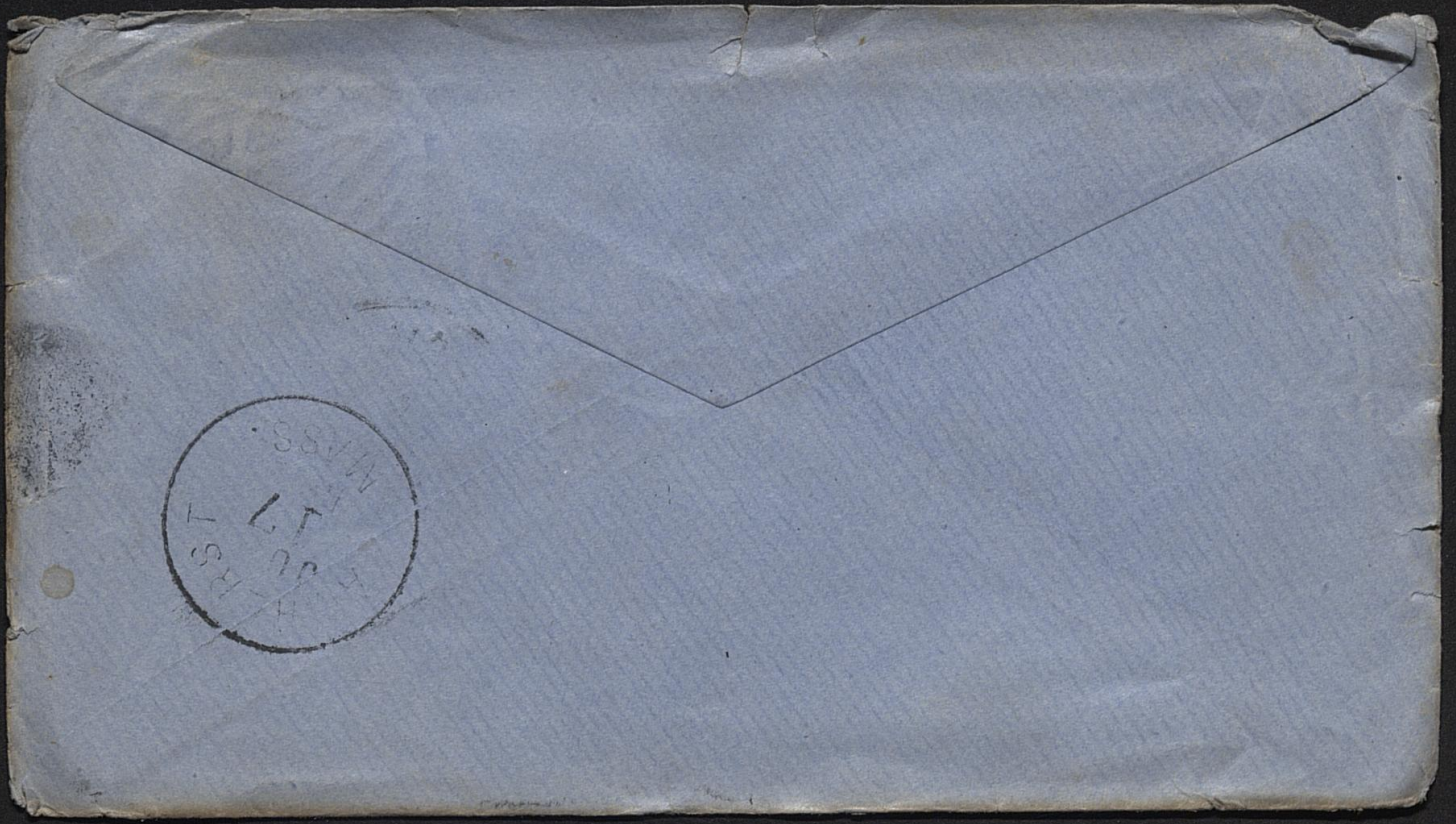
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Robt A Cochran jr
Amherst,
Mass.



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Maysville Ky. May 16th 1880

My dear son:

I am glad to write you a letter from home. I got home last Friday week - the 7th of the month. We had quite a long session but we had a great deal to do and it turned that we could not get through any sooner. I would liked to have got home at least a month before I did. I am very well pleased with my term in the Legislature. I did not want to go in the first place but since I have gotten through I am glad I went. I was well treated and have reason to believe that I made a good record as a member and that my services were fully appreciated by the good members & the

State officers. It gave me quite an acquaintance in the State and as I expect my boys to be prominent men in the State it will be of some advantage to them I hope, if not to me.

The weather has been quite cool for a few days. It had been very warm. It is very dry and is going to cut the Strawberry crop short, unless we have rain soon. We had strawberries yesterday from Mr. Bateman the first of the season. ours are beginning to ripen will not have as many as usual. Charley is a poor gardener. He has let the grass take them. He set out a new bed this spring that looks well, but will not bear much till next spring. They are hard at work on the

water works. They have 150 hands at work
I think it will take them till late
in the Fall to complete them. They
expect to get through sooner. The
good old town is looking up. The
people are in good spirits and
the prospect for the future never
was brighter. You must come
home prepared and determined
to take hold of business and
to make a man of your-
self. No better place than
this anywhere. I still think
you had better stop at Pough-
keepsie and take a 3 months
course at Eastman's business
College. It might be pleasant
for your Ma to take a vaca-
tion and go on and meet
you. However, it may be best to come
home and you have let your mind in
that way, but I fear if you do it

will be the end of Eastman's College, as
to you; and it may be just as
well if I can get you a place
where you will learn practically.
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~. I want you in any
State of Care just as soon as
your vacation or recreation
after your return, is over to
settle down to business. If I get
you in the Bank you must
make yourself efficient and
useful from the word go. It
will be the making of you to get
down to steady work. That is
the road to Success and there
is none other. I hope you will
have opportunity to round up
your studies in a practical
form at the end of your term.
We are all well. Your mother's
acc was at Grand Linnaway in Lou-
isville last week. Anna Douglas will
be with us this week & on as
long as she stays. All send love
Your affectionate father
Robt A Leochman

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Robert A. Cochran jr,
Amherst,
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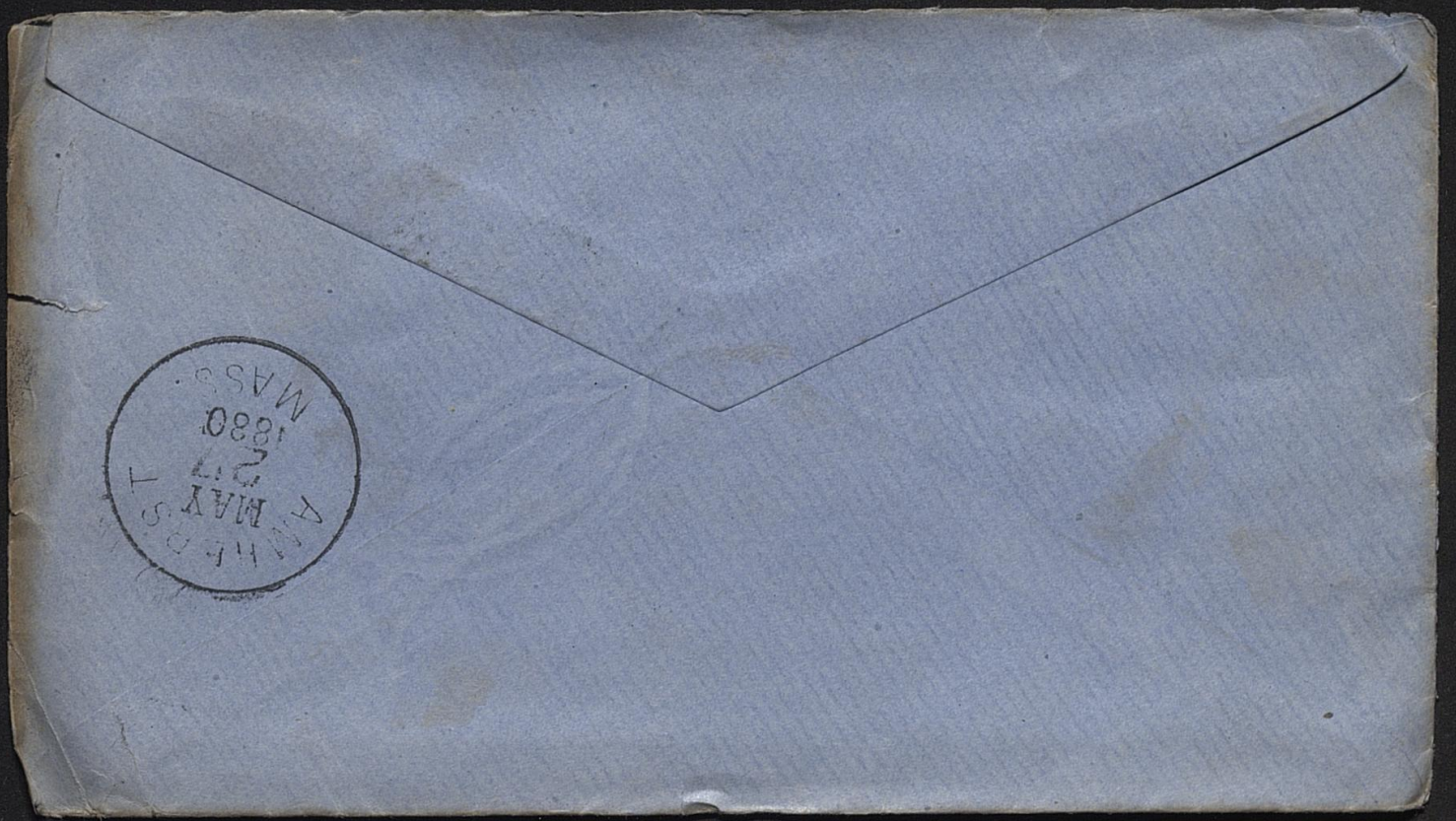
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Robt A Cochran jr
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James Barbour.

A. M. J. Cochran.

Robert A. Cochran.

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Mayssville, Ky., May 31st 1880

Dear Robbin, my son.

Home is the word now as soon as you get through at your College and your Ma and I will have to jump the trip to meet you. I could not well spare the time and then I have been at so much expense that, that is an item of Consideration. Andrew has been gone a week and a half and is still in Louisville. Mr Wadsworth Commences his Speech ~~next~~ to day at 10 A.M. and Andrew will not leave Louisville till he is through. He will speak two or three and maybe four days. After that it will take Andrew well nigh two weeks to make his trip to Mississippi and get back again. He would much rather have gone to Chicago if it had not been that he wanted to hear Wadsworth's Speech and he could not be both places at once. Your Ma and I are going to Cincinnati this evening on the Panama on a business trip to get Carpet or oilcloth or something else for dining room. We will try and get back well

James Barbour.

A. M. J. Cochran.

Robert A. Cochran.

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Maysville, Ky., 188.....

ness of night. Cannot spare any more time un-
less we cannot get through by that time.

Your card acknowledging receipt of Express
package came to hand Saturday night - only
two days out and not that as it was dated 27
and got here the 28th.

I enclose you a check on New York for
\$50. make it go as far as possible. You must
get up all your expenses for board &c in time
so that you will not be delayed after the
end of your term. Keep an eye to business
in the matter so that every thing will be
straight. I believe I mentioned to you that
I had no report for last term as to your studies
&c. It may have been sent here and mis-
laid by Andrew. They generally send them as
Circulars and Andrew hardly ever looks
at such things. I will speak to John Green
about the Eagle - not much in it so you have
not lost much by not getting it. I did not know that
you were taking it. The Republican paid me quite a con-
tribution on my return home. We are all well and
all send you love. Your affectionate father

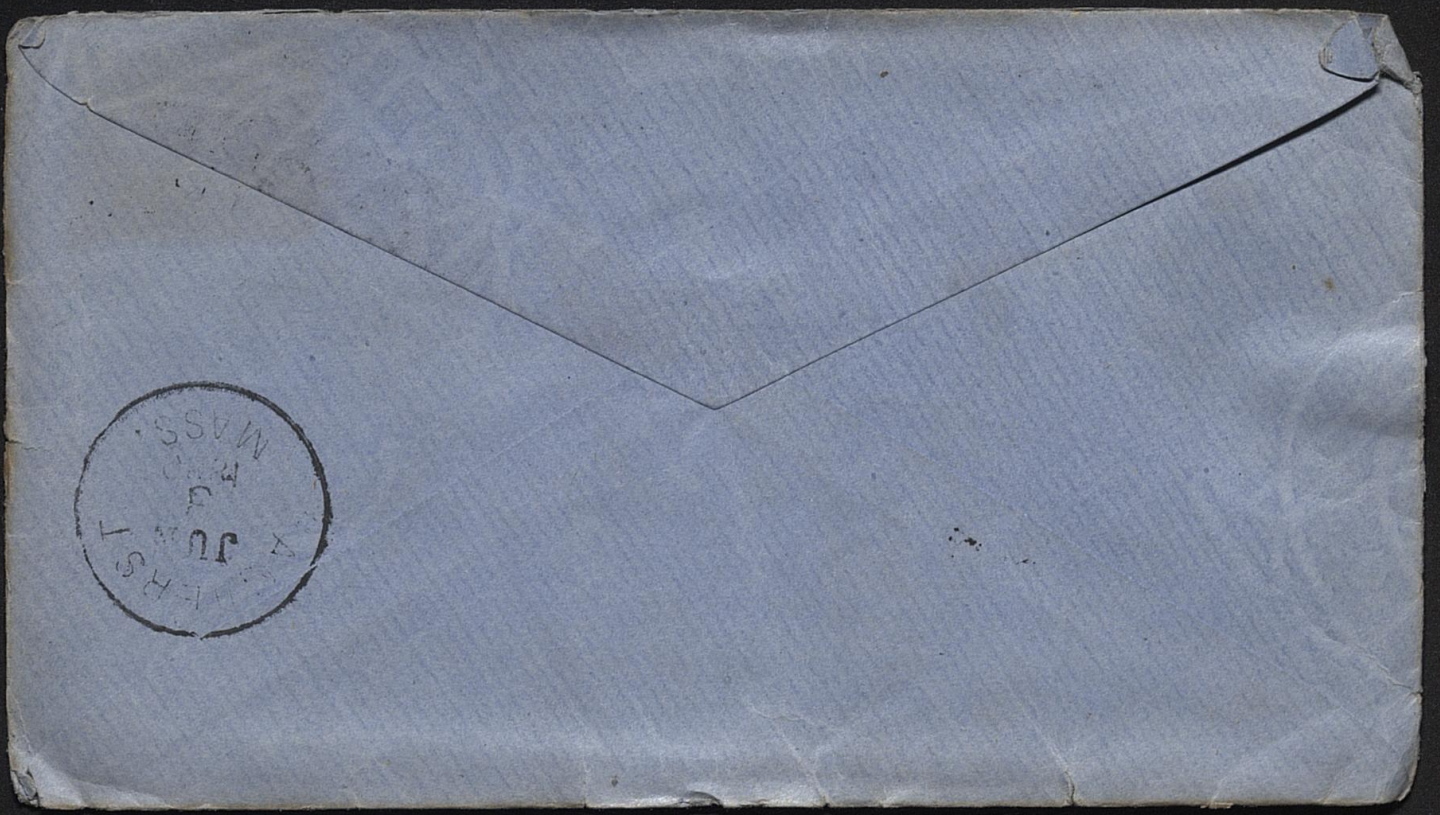
Robt A Cochran

May 31st
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Robt. A. Cochran jr
Amherst,
Mass.

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High School Commencement Exercises.

The Commencement Exercises of the Franklin High School were held in the Opera House, on Friday evening of last week, and the attendance was very large. The stage was elegantly furnished and decorated with flowers. In front of the stage, on the right the words "Class of 1880." formed of flowers, appeared. In the centre, over the stage, was inscribed "*Fortiter Fideliter Feliciter*," and on the left "High School." The letters were all formed of flowers and rose buds of variegated hues. At eight o'clock the graduating class, composed of Miss Belle Brady, Miss Grace Greenwood Cox, Miss Kate Myers, Miss Sallie Belle Welsh, Miss Maggie Ridgway, Miss Mira Myers, Chas. Gillett Cochran, Joseph Hillier Bell, John Osborn McCalmont, Albert Cochran, accompanied by Prof. N. P. Kinsley, Superintendent of the City Schoole, Prof. M. N. Kendall, principal of the High School, Rev. S. J. M. Eaton, D. D., Supt. Prather and Hon. S. B. Myers came upon the stage. The exercises opened with prayer by Dr. Eaton, followed by music by the Franklin Cornet Band.

Miss Mira Myers delivered the Salutatory Address in a clear voice and in excellent style, and read an essay entitled "A Dream," the production of a vivid imagination, and in matter and form reflecting credit upon the author. The next was an oration by John Osborne McCalmont, "The Eyes We See With," which abounded in local and political points, eliciting applause. Miss Belle Brady read an essay on "Change," a finished and interesting production, which was followed by Miss Sally Belle Welsh, on "The Women of the Twentieth Century," in which she proved herself a champion of woman's rights, and prophesied glorious opportunities and accomplishments for her sex in the future. Charles Gillett Cochran next delivered an oration with "Tools, not Arms, the Weapons of To-day," as his subject. His effort was highly appreciated and merited the applause he received at its conclusion. Miss Maggie Ridgway delivered an excellent essay on "Manias," which was followed by an oration on "Ireland and the Irish," by Albert Cochran, which in style of delivery, if not in composition, was unsurpassed. Miss Grace Greenwood Cox read an essay on "Luck," which was highly appreciated and was followed by Miss Kate Myers, who read an essay on "Doors," a finished production. Joseph Hillier Bell delivered an oration on "Andrew Jackson," and also had the honor of being Valedictorian of the class of 1880.

All the members of the graduating class were the recipients of bouquets and baskets of flowers in profusion.

After the valedictory had been delivered, the graduates formed on one side of the stage, when they were addressed by Hon. S. B. Myers, who commended them highly on the exercises of the occasion. Diplomas were then given to the members of graduating class. Prof. Kinsley then made a brief address to the class and the exercises were closed with the benediction by Dr. Eaton.

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Arrange about your room furniture & in
time so that you will not be delayed in selling
it. I will try and find Catalogues as to Commencement
But write to me at any rate as soon as you get this.
I suppose it must be next week
Mayville, Ky., June 13th 1880

My dear Son

Andrew is still away. We have not heard
from him since the 7th inst last Sunday. a
week to morrow. His last letter said he ex-
pected to go up the Yazoo and it took the boat
a week to make the trip and we suppose
we will not hear from him till his return.
He has been away a good deal longer than
we expected - being detained in Louisville some
ten days. We had a fine rain this week-
ing and with it quite a storm of wind.
The Steamer Sherlock came up from Cum-
mrat on an excursion trip with they say
1500 persons aboard. The storm occurred just
as she was getting out in the river and must
have frightened them very much.

I don't know the time of your commencement
exercises and when you expect to be ready to leave
for home. Write to me right away about this
so that I can arrange about the funds you
will need. I did not calculate that you would come
by New York this time - not think of you needing another eye yet
Anna Douglas went to Danville ~~Saturday~~ Sunday. She & Willie will be back
this week. We are all well & send love yours affectionately
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My dear son.

I enclose you one hundred and twenty five dollars in two Checks. One to be drawn in Amherst which will settle all bills there and the other in New York for use there and to pay your way home. Don't draw the \$125. tell your uncle at Amherst and then pay off your bills right away Board, town bill, washing &c. or maybe it would be better to draw the money at once and clear them up in advance and have them out of the way so that you will not be delayed in starting when your exercises close. Have your books and everything but your clothes put into a box and ship it direct by express home, so that your trunk can be handled and will not be injured with these heavy things in it. Keep your head at work and don't forget to square up everything and to pack up everything in good time. The check for \$50. you can draw at Bank of America in New York. They will know you there. In this way you will be sure of enough of money there to put you through. It is not safe to have a great deal of money about you. Get your ticket through home about

the first thing you do so that you will be safe
even if you should lose your money. With your
experience there is not much danger of your
making a mis, but it is always well to
be careful. I am always very careful
about these things and always feel safe when
I am travelling. I tell you it would place you
in a bad fix to lose your money. There
is no danger if you have money but what
you will get through. Don't allow any straggo
to make up with you and always keep in
scented Company and in scented places and
there is no danger. The best of people some
times - not being acquainted with the char-
pers get roped in. If Peter comes with you
it will make it very pleasant. I would like
very well to have him come and to pay him
some attention to repay a little for the kind atten-
tion you have had in New England by him & others.
Andrew is still away - Had a letter from
him dated 12th (last Saturday) in which he said he would
be detained another week which would throw him over till
day after tomorrow before he could start home and then
he was so far out of the way in the interior of the
State of Miss. that it would throw it into the middle of
next week before he would get home. It is so late in the
season to be down there that we are getting right uneasy
about him. He writes he is well, but home sick.
Take receipts for Board & Lintins bills &c so that everything will
be square as you are leaving for good. I got report for
term ended March a few days ago. So your best to come
out with Credit. I am glad you have a prominent place in
the exercises. It shows well for you and I hope you will
quit you self to your own Satisfaction into the Satisfaction of

everyone.

When you get through we want you to hurry home as fast as possible as we are all very anxious to see you. No doubt you want to get home too as soon as you can. When you are in New York take time enough to have everything right about your eye. Arrange with Mr. Davis so that you will have no trouble in future in getting an eye whenever you want one by writing to him.

If you have time I think I would call on Dr. Agnew - and Mrs. Brown (She is hardly living in New York now as she was talking of breaking up when we were there - poor woman she had a hard time of it) ~~can~~ especially I would make it

a point to Call on the Dr. as he might give
you some advice should you need it. Then too I think
he would like to see you. He was very clever in
having eye examined and reporting about it. I would
like for him to see you. If you call on
him send your card so that you may not
be kept waiting. I presume he would have
you sent up without waiting your time. Send
your card where you are from and he will
no doubt recollect you. I think I would stop at
the St Nicholas. It will not cost you so much
and it is convenient to R.R. office to trouble about
that, do as you please. You will get another letter
from us before you leave Amherst, and you must
be sure and write your usual Sunday letter and also you
must drop us a line if only a postal when you leave or be-
fore you leave Amherst. Willie & Army Douglas will be back from
Danville to day or tomorrow. With love from all your affectionate
father Edot A. Cochran