

the larger portion of my time in the City of  
Portland the place at this time contains  
12,000 inhabitants There are published in  
the City 3 dailies 3 political Weeklies 2 ec-  
clesiastical and one woman's rights paper  
besides Books and job offices Portland  
is the great Rail Road and Commercial  
Center north of San Francisco and her  
near future is that of a proud City  
teeming with a population of tens of  
Thousands

We have received letters of recent  
date from our friends in Walla Walla  
Grand round and California all are well  
whilst the same Comforter blesses our  
our household, Father Mother and the  
Children send their kindest remem-  
berances Give my love to Aunt  
Olivia Ellen and all our Ohio friends  
and believe me with true affection  
y<sup>r</sup> our humble Grand daughter, Lora A Reed

Mrs E L Reed

Butterville Nov 22 1871

Dear Grandmother Reed,

In the receipt of your  
kind letter and beautiful Ambertypse I  
can truly say that a <sup>long</sup> cherished desire has  
<sup>been</sup> realized For this kind consideration, you have  
the grateful acknowledgements of a Grand-  
Daughter whom you have never seen in  
Person. Your letter <sup>was</sup> not only the first I  
ever received from a Grand Parent But also  
the first I ever received from your side  
of the Continent, I was not at home at  
the time your letter reached our office  
nor for some time thereafter my absence  
being the excuse I plead for this delay in  
answering

And should I be so fortunate  
as to again to be made the recipient of  
a like favor it will afford me great

pleasure to reply at the very Earliest opportunity  
Your likeness notwithstanding the long  
intervening space that separates our homes  
reached me quite unsoiled And like the one  
that preceded it in the early passed summer  
has been greatly admired by all who have  
seen it Father and I have exchanged the pre-  
ferring the one taken by the Eaton artist it  
being considerably larger than the one taken  
in Camden, and he thought gave a better  
delineation of your features.

You advised me of the betroth of Cousin  
Lizzie Griffin daughter of your brother David  
of whom I have often heard Father speak  
in terms of fraternal feelings. It was quite  
a surprise to learn that I had a relative  
so near of kin of whom I had never heard  
and who had for Eighteen Summers borne  
your Maiden name, may she in all the com-  
ing years of her life fully realize her fondest  
hopes of peaceful bliss

You also informed me of  
the expected change that <sup>was</sup> then soon to take

place in the affair of Cousin Olivia's life I hope  
it will not be considered an intrusion on my  
part to request that you Dear Grandmother  
present my Compliments to Mrs Dr Brown  
hoping that she to may long live to enjoy  
the blessing of a well mated union

You say Uncle Corwin writes you every  
fortnight he is truly a very grateful son we  
are pleased to know that his position in the  
navy offers him such a fine opportunity of  
visiting so many of the interesting localities  
of earth It is not surprising that his present  
Cruise up the Mediterranean and a long the  
Sunny Coast of Italy should have excited his  
admiration, I am pleased to be enable to  
to inform you that Father received a letter  
from the young officer written at Spezia  
Italy Oct. 1. 1871 which came to hand Nov 12  
ensuing He requested Father to address him  
in Care Navy Dept Washington D.C where  
He expected he expected to arrive by the first  
of Dec

I have during the passed two years spent