

Portland, February 10: 1853

Dear General,

The steamer of 5th January arrived here this morning, but brought no news of importance that I have as yet learned.

I left your family, at Dayton, on Friday morning last, the 6th inst, all in good health. Mrs. Palmer appeared to be much improved since I last saw her - I leave again in the morning for the Fort with the mail.

The next steamer I intend to bring Mrs. Blanchard down to Portland, where she will reside during my stay in the territory.

Your two letters to Cis & myself, written a short time before your departure were duly received - also the package for Mrs. B. which you were kind enough to bring up for us: and for which we owe you many thanks. They ~~and~~ were daguerreotypes of our little boys, and Mrs. B. was delighted with them.

Our business prospects are improving - We hope you will bring your affairs to a successful issue - and, if it could be, that you would again become Supt. The people of Oregon have for months had that wish - Go and see our family - N. Co. "K." Street. All are very well here. In haste, Yours truly
Gen. Palmer (over) C. D. Blanchard

Mrs Palmer mailed two letters (in white envelopes) to you, containing said warrants.

The mail arrangements between Dayton Lafayette & Co and Putland have been disarranged by high water, but will so be regular - It may be you will not receive the warrants until the mail following this.

J.

C. W. Blanchard
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