Portland, May 18, 1847

Sir,

I had the pleasure to receive by the steamer
our address to your Excellency from the authorities
of Portland, with a request that I should forward
it. I trust the same occasion to forward a copy
of one from the same place to myself.

I have been requested by several ladies about
it by the people of this in particular, to transmit
to your Excellency, the thanks of the people of
Portland for the honor of the President; it is a
pleasing duty, but to do it, I could not do
for myself my most profound thanks for the great
and kind regard in me.

By the blessing of Providence I have
accomplished my mission with devotion. I return
the ship in good order. I have the honor to

To the President of the United States,

Washington, D.C.
Capt. R. H. Leach
of Boston, Capt. Com-
mander of the U.S.
Army, late from the
West with permission
given to the suffering
people of Detroit.

Commander, being a
letter of transportation
for the sick of
Dublin.

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