

5-26-1860

Letter from Wilbur F. Armstrong to Thomas S. Armstrong

Wilbur F. Armstrong

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digitalcommons.owu.edu/harvey-letters>



Part of the [Social History Commons](#), and the [United States History Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Armstrong, Wilbur F., "Letter from Wilbur F. Armstrong to Thomas S. Armstrong" (1860). *Harvey Collection Letters*. 30.
<https://digitalcommons.owu.edu/harvey-letters/30>

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the Harvey Letters (All) at Digital Commons @ OWU. It has been accepted for inclusion in Harvey Collection Letters by an authorized administrator of Digital Commons @ OWU. For more information, please contact earutigl@owu.edu.



South-Western State Normal School
Lebanon, Ohio.

May 26.

Dear Brother:-

I recd your very welcome letter on the 24th inst. and with it the "Spons". I was glad to hear from home once more. I am getting along very well at the "City of Cedars" and the longer I stay I like the school better. I am studying Latin, Algebra, and Brown's Grammar which is called the best grammar printed and if hardnes is a sign of a good grammar it certainly is an excellent one.

I am still a bachelor keeping house on my own accord.

There are twenty rooms in the building where I am and about

thirty-three maids and bachelors
across the Hall from my room are
two rather fancy girls who are
sometimes gallanted to church
and singing &c by Armstrong,
although he does not let them take
his mind from his studies

It costs me about \$12.5 per week
to board my room rent included
which is \$3 1/2 per week.

We are compelled to have a
declamation or Composition
every week

What is Mary doing and
why in thunder dont she write. tell her
if she dont I will give her particular
sights. What is the chance for her
to come here and go to school next
winter and if I go cook for me and
do the drudgery of my room such as
making the bed and washing the
dishes and carrying water &c &c
she can study anything she wants to

by being here at the commencement
of the term. she would have a
first rate chance to study and
could go cheap and have good
company and have a good chance
to get a man if she wants one
as there are several quite likely ones
here and if they were pushed
in all human probability would
marry and such ~~as~~ likely and
loving and affectionate girl as
she is would stand an excellent
chance.

I suppose Mr. U. Shits
is going to try to educate that
Monkey of his for the profess-
ion of law!!! and as he
had such a poor chance in
his young days to accomplish
anything and get elected supervisor.
He is going to try to gain a
name by educating his noble son
and gain a name in the world

by letting the world know
he is the father of one
Newton Spencer who
in all human probability
will one day occupy a position
about six feet from the
ground dangling from
the end of it. I will let you
imagine the rest-

Well I must
close give my love
to all and

write
soon
from
your
affectional
Bro

W. F. Armstrong



Mr. J. G. Armstrong
Newark, Ohio,

[Decorative flourish]

Care of Wm. Armstrong



May 26, 1860

Addressed to: Mr. J.G. Armstrong

Newark Ohio

South Western State Normal School

Lebanon Ohio

May 26

Dear Brother

I rec'd your very welcome letter on the 24th inst. and with it the "Spons." I was glad to hear from home once more. I am getting along very well at the "City of Cedars" and the longer I stay I like the school better. I am studying Latin, Algebra, and Brown's Grammar which is called the best grammar printed and if hardness is a sign of good grammar, it certainly is an excellent one.

I am still a bachelor keeping house on my own accord. There are twenty rooms in the building where I am and about thirty-three maids and bachelors. Across the Hall from my room are two rather fancy girls who are sometimes gallanted to church and singing etc. by Armstrong. Although he does not let them take his minds from his studies. It costs me about \$1.25 per week to board my room, rent included which is \$37 ½ per week. We are compelled to have a declamation or Composition every week.

What is Mary doing and why in thunder don't she write. Tell her if she don't I will give her particular sights. What is the chance for her to come here and to go to school next winter if I go cook for me and do the drudgery of my room such as making the bed and washing the dishes and carrying the water etc. She can be studying anything she wants to. By being here at the commencement of the term she would have a first rate chance to study and could go cheap and have good company and have a good chance to get a man if she wants one as there are several quite likely ones here and if they were pushed in all human probability would marry and such a likely and loving and affectionate girl as she is would stand an excellent chance.

I suppose Mr. U Ships is going to try to educate that monkey of his for the profession of law and as he had such a poor chance in his young days to accomplish anything and get elected supervisor. He is going to try to gain a name by educating his noble son and gain a name in the world by letting the world know he is the father of one Newton Spencer who in all human probability will one day occupy a position about six feet from the ground dangling from the end of--I will let you imagine the rest.

Well I must close. Give my love to all and write soon. From your affectionate bro.

W.F. Armstrong