

Burlington June 28th 1861

Geo P Marsh Esqr
Dr Sir

I forwarded the package of books immediately upon the receipt of your letter, according to the directions contained in it. There are now here five letters, two of them Foreign ones, which I enclose to you; the other three do not look as if they were anything more than applications for your Autograph so I shall not send them unless you so direct.

Our national troubles still continue and no one can foresee the end of them.

A petition is in circulation however in N Y City for a compromise on a basis guaranteeing Federal protection to Slavery south of 36° 30' to the Pacific.

It is estimated that there are in the North three hundred thousand