

of heaven. He knows he is but a humble, dying man, in
compassed by infirmities, like any other of his subjects.
How could he venture to call himself god & desire
to be worshipped. He has honoured God & God has honoured
him. Daily twice, he & his army kneel down repenting
their sins & renewing their faith in Jesus Christ, beg-
ging the influences of the Holy Spirit to direct &
keep them in the right way. So ye & all likewise, O
God with Bless you & raise you to national Atonity.
Even Japan that has so long & so obstinately re-
fused all contact with other nations had to yield
& will have to yield still more. It is not only
the governments, but all the nations of the world who
are determined that you as well as Japan should
enter into the bond of fraternity to which all men
as children of the same Creator, belong. Kings of
your own have also said: The whole world is but
one family. How then can you have gods in each
house apart? Has not one God created us? Are
there two heavens spreading over the earth? are
there two suns or two moons to give light? - There
is but one God, whom all men must serve in the
way revealed unto us by Jesus Christ. All the
Kingdoms of this world must become the Kingdom
of our God & his Christ; for the nation & Kingdom

Among the rehabilitated of the Bay I must not omit mentioning that one John
Fisher whom I preach to at Fama came to-day to tell me. He believed
he got time for his conversions to God had come. my last (London) sermon
from Leech 3.1. had greatly told upon him. He had already sometime ago
left off drinking with persons in the same service. He has also taken to
his Bible, & now came to ask for paper, pen & ink to fill up his time
with copying from the Bible & other good books." I need not say I greatly
encouraged him. His companions in their good service cheerfully com-
plied with their request.

Pecuniary matters of Loochoorans. Since Febr. 28th when I paid our last
accounts, they were every day bothering me about the receipt, which they wished
to get back, & which I refused because I knew the accounts were correctly settled
& receipted for. So they explained, that myself having paid on that day (Febr.
28th) only 100 Dollars, reckoning 36^{more} provisionally forced in my house on the van-
nishes for work delivered, to complete the 136. for which the receipt was down,
thus including a private payment (according to their law illegal), in a public
receipt, this it was, as they maintained, which created the difficulty with the last re-
ceipt, which they would not have sent for more than 100. Dollars, had they
known I was to reckon ^{up} the 36. given privately to a workman. For peace
sake I gave out the receipt for another one brought for Dollars 100.
^{unconsequence} of a government's bill ^{for} 36. Dollars worth of ~~the~~ lackawore, also receipted.
which comes to the same as before, only that they got back the private receipt
I had ^{had} from the workman, which appears to have been the chief desideratum.
They know not however that I have still a private receipt from
a varnisher, which my Chinaman got out; & they being ignorant, or per-
haps really not know, of several considerable payments ~~to~~ made
to workmen, without receiving receipts. It is of utmost importance for
for the permanence of the mission, & in fact for any foreign settlement here
to come into business with the natives without government's interference, &
hence my repeated efforts, & sometimes very successful, to have commis-
sions for work executed & paid for as a transaction between two private
parties. I am sure the natives have thus often come to considerable
gains on the large orders ^{for} lackawore given by the Americans, mostly
through my hand.

The remarkable thought. we may live for years among these de-
voted Confucianists & yet not have come at the bottom of their peculiar

July 1854 } that will not serve him shall perish & be utterly wasted.
Revel 532. } Behave therefore lest that come upon you which is spoken

of in the Prophets: Behold ye despisers & wonder, for I work
a work in your days which ye shall in no wise believe, though
a man declare it unto you. Those who long resist the will of
God he blindeth, & hardens their hearts that they may be pun-
ished with utter destruction, & if you do not soon repent
he ye soon you shall utterly perish. Now, beloved, I am
persuaded better things of you & things that accompany
salvation, though I thus speak. For God is my witness
that I love you, & that when I speak hard words & show
you of the judgments of God, it is for your good, to stir
you up to repentance, that you cast away your
idols & your tomb-worship, which are useless & provoke
God to anger, & that you henceforth read the Holy
Scriptures which from time to time I have sent you,
the Old & the New Testament, from whence you may
learn what is the Holy & acceptable & good will of
God. Above all do not forbid any from following the
Holy religion of Jesus. The people's heart is for
Jesus. If you do not harass them the whole nation
will soon turn unto him & be born in one day. -
Foreigners will in future often arrive here. Some will
- no doubt - incline to settle. Receive them with
kindness. Let your people associate with them in brotherly
affection. Let there be no restriction to intercourse.

among nations & foreigners. Let your people assist them when they happen to be exposed to sufferings or danger, & you will avoid troubles similar to those which have lately befallen you. Lie not one to another, but speak the truth every one to his neighbour. Our God is the God of Truth. He is omnipresent. How will you lie to his face? You may for a time deceive men, but God will find it out & punish you for it.

Ask & obey the advice of the religious leaders who shall live among you. They have no other object but to benefit you. If you obey & esteem them, they will with pleasure help you in any difficulty that may arise between you & other foreigners arriving here. But if these find that you have no regard for your teachers, how shall they interfere for you?

Let the religious leaders (missionaries) establish schools among you to train your youth in the right way. They will then know how to serve God & please good men.

Of all ships arriving here become useful implements either for field labour or manufacture, and especially when foreign national ships arrive petition that their respective Governments may help & assist you with teachers & good workmen.

shipsbuilders, & naval officers. For in many things you
are utterly ignorant, & nothing can help you but
lessons of your Elder Brothers.

Be not proud & let your people receive pay-
ment for whatever foreigners wish to purchase of them.
Let there not be the slightest interference of govern-
ment to check ~~commerce~~, & on the contrary, make
laws to facilitate & invite commerce, which is
the only means of helping up your destitute land.

And now with my best thanks for the kindness
both myself & wife & children have received
of you, forgiving all offences, we suffered, & assuring
you of my continued affection & prayers for you
I commend you to God & to the word of his grace
& remain
yours &c.

B. J. Petheheim

16. Sunday. boarded on board the Pomletan, &
felt greatly refreshed. Several of the Officers greeted
me for the sermon, & there was indeed a delightful
silence during the whole of the discourse.

We are under orders to sail tomorrow. No other
course with those any more permitted, went on board the
Mississippi to take leave of Commodore. Saw there
the ministers; & afterwards also on board the Pom-
letan. Mr. Morison wanted to return me,

I believe G. Thomas said he said I sent too much
for my share in the Linn's expense. I left the money
to be added to what I had left for the servants,
which he was to give them. I left it thus
on purpose to in his hand to bring him to the
Confession that our servants take Thomas as well
as any other Linn's, provided you will give
them. When there is a wife there is a way. Mr. M.
once told me our cook had returned a Dman he
had spent him. Of course Linn's make always a
polite refusal, but after that they take. I gave my
servant 2 Dmans just before leaving. Two I left
with Mr. Morison - the servants had been out then
I left - for the other two, & which sum he has already
given them; now he has four more Dmans for them
which I am sure they will also take. Why not?

Mr. Morison began to make excuses &
to express regret for what happened, but I told
him "never mind that!" & dismissed him with
good wishes & prayers. His wife squeezed my
hand twice so warmly, & looked into my
face so uprightly that I will believe for this
time he was sincere & felt grateful for
what I had done for them. I also dismissed
her little Philip with Rips & compass.





