I wish you would touch all my old hats most respectfully to the Lieutenant and inform him that 1st that he has been owing me a letter for a long time and secondly that my letters are always addressed as much to him as to any body else. and that therefore he cannot grumble at my not writing to him. I am glad he has got into the rifles who I suppose will form a crack regiment. Remember me particularly to Charles Morris whose letter gave me much pleasure. What has become of Carse has to be delivered over body and soul to the Bedford family? I thought the Lyceum were to send me copies of their new number for distribution I see nothing of them as yet. The Americans now here are [illegible] leaving for the vacation and I am in hopes to be off. The city is dull and smells abominably though we have nothing of [illegible] and leaves us alone in the laboratory to finish our work. Whitney remains till October. I write to Glossford to day to engage me a room in Giessen and am pleased at being settled in my plans and prospects for the winter. I publish nothing of my work in Rose's laboratory as [illegible] made up of isolated analyses which though very instructive in themselves have [illegible] connection with one another. I hope to undertake a connec investigation with Liebig the results of which I will send you for Silliman. It is stated in the papers that the Mexican war has already cost us 100 millions if this be so are we not to learn exactly how the money has been spent as it seems incredible that so much has been spent and so little done. General Taylor seems to have been inactive since May last notwithstanding all this money. Polk must be getting jealous of Taylor's success - there is a screw loose somewhere. I see that the tariff bill has passed at length the New Englanders here are furious and the Pennsylvanians it is to be hoped will have reason to become so also. Give me the political news in full in your next. I hope the family will also write more regularly hereafter. In regard to the pine apple sweetmeat if they are packed in a proper jar and the jar in a box and sent to the care of Schroeder Buchhändler 23 den Linden they will reach me in time. I will write hereafter how to send to Giessen. I will write again from Munich in October or sooner if practicable. Love to all I must close now as I have much to do yet

Yours ever W. Abbott

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