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### Letter from A. C. Van Raalte to Theodore Romeyn

A. C. Van Raalte

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[?? October 1858]

Holland Ottawa Michigan

In a letter of Rev. Albertus C. Van Raalte to his good friend in Detroit, Theodore Romeyn, he speaks about an "appropriation for our Harbour." The letter is on microfilm and is in such poor condition that it is barely readable. The original needs to be viewed in order to read its contents.

Original on microfilm in the Albertus C. Van Raalte Papers, 1840-1847, Microfilm Roll Reel 237-I, Joint Archives of Holland at Hope College, H88-0230.

Holland Nova Michigan

Dear Friend

I feel I had once in Detroit an home, it was hard work at some  
times no more. We my wife and I remember and will always  
remember the kindness of you and your wife towards  
strangers, the goodness of God was met, and I was  
in comfort. Now we will perhaps not see you more, it will  
be some time that you will give us, and you will be

and a blessing hereafter

My Dear Sir, I feel happy that I am in Michigan I must be  
that to you because you have had influence <sup>upon my location</sup> in the begin when I  
you. The people is very very contented and happy. We feel that  
that we in God's providence are brought here. I never saw in  
life and happier community than the present one. We see  
the best of the world. My wife and I are very happy and

My childrens

You have heard of the 7 thousand acres for what and how that have given great courage. I wish only that the Commission may go to work.

Sir I pray you one thing will not forget the Hollander who is dead by your aid in Michigan: and get from you to

as an appropriation for our Harbour: Sir! I pray you will do what you can will raise up friends to do matter through. Forget us not now you are gone, but in your mind. When we may get an Harbour of our own I know the hands of Hollander will find here their way

before I finish my line I thank you and your wife & hear by for the comfort that you have given to us. You your wife was like an angel to us when we were strangers. My and my wife love to your wife and child the little Phinneas, my your boy is wisely growing and I love to be your joy and treasure; - Your thankful Son  
10/10/10



to Mr [unclear] 1844

C. Sh. Rome  
at  
Detroit

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written

1. Mr. [unclear]  
2. Mr. [unclear]  
3. Mr. [unclear]  
4. Mr. [unclear]  
5. Mr. [unclear]  
6. Mr. [unclear]  
7. Mr. [unclear]  
8. Mr. [unclear]  
9. Mr. [unclear]  
10. Mr. [unclear]

at [unclear]  
[unclear] to [unclear]

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