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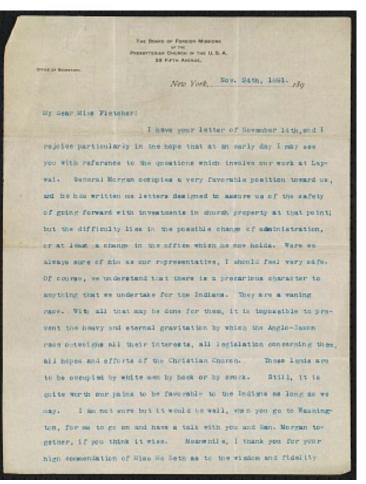
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My dear Miss Fletcher:

I have your letter of November 14th, and I rejoice particularly in the hope that at an early day I may see you with reference to the questions which involve our work at Lapwai. General Morgan occupies a very favorable position toward us, and he has written me letters designed to assure us of the safety of going forward with investments in church property at that point; but the difficulty lies in the possible change of administration, or at least a change in the office which he now holds. were we always sure of him as our representative, I should feel very safe. O f course, we understand that there is a precarious character to anything that we undertake for the Indians. They are a waning race. With all that may be done for them, it is impossible to prevent the heavy and eternal gravitation by which the Anglo-Saxon race outweighs all their interests, all legislation concerning them, all hopes and efforts of the Christian Church. These lands are to be occupied by white men by hook or by crook. Still, it is quite worth our pains to be favorable to the Indians as long as we may. I am not sure but it would be well, when you go to Washington, for me to go on and have a talk with you and Gen. Morgan together, if you think it wise. Meanwhile, I thank you for your high commendation of Miss McBeth as to the wisdom and fidelity



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