

New Orleans, July 24, 1865.

Major-General O. O. Howard, Commissioner
of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned
Lands.

General,
From this day forward the N. O.
Tribune will be sent to you.
I take the liberty to state that
the Tribune takes a particular
interest in the welfare of the freedmen,
and is the only paper in Louisiana
that exposes the wrongs perpetrated
against them. We hope that you
will find in it a faithful picture
of facts — as they are.

I am, General, your
obedient servant,

Ch. J. Dallas,

for the editorial corps of the N. O.
Tribune.

General Land Office
Washington July 24, 68

Maj. Gen. Howard

Dear Sir

I have rec'd from Boston a package of Pamphlets under the "frank" of Hon Senator Wilson, with a request that I should make such disposition of them as I deemed best. As they constitute a series of five different pamphlets, I have taken the liberty of enclosing you one set of them. Their character you will discover at a glance, and it may be of interest to you, if not already in possession of them, to have them at hand, as I understand they, with others not yet in print, will be extensively circulated throughout the Country.

With great respect

Your Obedt Servt

A. Chester

Vice Pres National Association

James O. Smith
Washington D.C.

My Dear Sir

Dear Sir

I have just from Boston
a package of pamphlets which I have
sent you by express with a request that
you will make such disposition of them
as you may think best. In this connection
I wish to state that I have
been the last of the series of
lectures on the subject of the
evolution of man. I have
just received a copy of the
report of the committee on
the subject of the
evolution of man, which
will be published in
the near future.

Very truly
yours

Wm. O. Smith

Wm. O. Smith
Washington D.C.

Salisbury July 24th 1865

My Gen Abner
Tredmans Bureau
General,

I have
the honor to state that I have written
you twice, and respectfully ask
whether you have received them.
General

Very respectfully
Yours Obedt Servt.
James G. Brown

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My dear Mr. [illegible]

My dear Mr. [illegible]

I have just received your letter of the 10th inst.

and am very glad to hear

from you.

I have been thinking of you very much lately.

and hope you are well and happy.

I am, dear Mr. [illegible], very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Home Journal Office.

New York, 24th July '65

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard,
Strat. General

May I have the
honour of using your name for
the last page of the enclosed
circular?

Gen. Swaine was kind
enough to say he would give
you a set of my books for
me, so he would see you. If he
did not, I will take pleasure
in sending you another set.

I am, dear General
Very cordially Yours,
Wm. H. Morris.

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Take approval of the
Notice for Copy.

Wm. H. Morris

New York July 21st 63.

Chicago Illinois

July 24th 1865Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
Sir.

I have the honor
herewith to make inquires concerning
my anticipated appointment in the
Regular Service also a communication
sent to you in regard to a Cadet-
Ship in the Military Academy at
West-Point neither of which I have
^{not} been able to hear from.

I am now at home with
my Friends, they are all glad to see
me - they have heard through the
journals of the services I have
rendered, but have failed to see
where the Government has appreciated
them. I may be making bold in
claiming military preferment, but
I think that I claim nothing more.

11/4/1868

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hated
in the
the last

than my services demand and what
I hope I am qualified to fill.

I do not wish you to
think that I would reprove you in
not trying to secure my promotion, as
I have looked upon you as one of my
best friends while I had the honor to
be in your command, and this is the
reason why I have made so bold
in addressing you upon this matter —

If the choice is left
to me I would prefer a Cadet Ship.

In a few days after hear-
ing from you I think I will be in
Washington.

For the interest you have taken
in my behalf I hope I may never prove
ungrateful.

Yours Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Myron J. Amick

Henry, Illinois, July 24, 1865.

My Dear Howard,

Your letter of the 10th instant was duly received and I was glad to hear from you and to learn that you had written me before though I did not get your letter. I was glad to see set down over your own signature that you had not changed toward me under your changed circumstances. If you have not forgotten me in these years of war you never will. I meet men here every day who have served under you and hold you in high regard, as soldiers do every good officer and it does me good to hear them commend you as a good officer, a pet of Sherman, and the best engineer in the army. I did not really hope you could do anything for me, had but little hope at any rate and so am not much disappointed.

at Clerkship at Washington I would not have if it paid twice what it does. I am boarding now - I at one place and my wife and Prue and girl baby at another. All well. How many children have you now and where is your wife? Do you ever see Fanny in Washington? Jennings O. was a Union man, was here last fall, and lives now at Little Rock Ark. I shall write you sometimes

Yours as ever and truly,

G. S. Parley.

July 24th 1867

Julia J. D.

Dear Julia

My dear Julia, July 24th 1867.

I have just received your letter of the 10th inst. and am
glad to hear from you and
glad that you have written me before though I did
not get your letter. I was glad to see it when I
saw your signature that you had not changed to -
and the other your change of circumstances. Of your
work forgotten me in these years of your absence
it. I must have been busy day after day and
under you and held you in high regard, as relations
and good friends and it was my duty to hear them
and you as a good friend, a lot of business,
the best engineer in the army. I did not really
hope you could do anything for me, but I still hope
any day and so am not much disappointed.
I am at Washington I have not time of course
to visit it now. I am working now - I at our place
my wife and three are just back of another. I will
now many children have you now and where is your
place? Do you ever see John in Washington? I am in
a little more, but have lost it, and have more at
the back of it. I shall write you sometimes

Yours as ever

J. S. D.

This too is the general
feeling of the State. My
anxiety is to preserve the
peace of South Carolina &
prevent any collision be-
tween kind feeling between
the two States. It will
be quoted of course in the
South from your letter
in the morning for South
Carolina. I hope Hodgson
will be Green Hills. I
have to write when you
come to the. I want
to see you. As to my general
conception all over the
State it would be unique
of this lot. I want
more to be in the
position of the State than
in other. It seems to

me that, given I chiefly
 owing in North Carolina
 on the best I have
 seen

I am well, just
 hope to young &c

Wm. H. Pung
 Wm. Fox &c

Washington

July 24th 1866

Supp. B. F.

Mr. Mr. of South Carolina.

Respect instructions in
regard to his duty towards
the freedmen of
South Carolina

Brookline
Massachusetts
July 24/65

My dear General

I do not know
whether the newspapers
give a correct account
of affairs in the Southern
States but if they speak
the truth some of the
military commanders
do not believe much in
the "darky" & do not

give your Bureau much
assistance.

You know the in-
terest I have always
taken in these Irish
men's affairs & I have
just written to the
Secretary of War
asking him to assign
me to a command in
the Southern States
& suggesting that at

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The same time I might
be made Superinten-
dent of Freedmen
in my District. If
you think of any way
in which I can help
your general plans by
holding a military
command or otherwise
will you let me know
or see the Secretary on

the subject - I should prefer
being assigned to either
Carolina or Georgia -

My address is
Brookline Mass -

Truly

Francis C. Barber

Major Genl. Howard

Major General Howard

to be assigned to

July 24th 1865

Brookline Mass

Office Supt R. F. & A. L.
Swt District Memphis July 25, 1861.

Dear General

Your kind letter of the 17th & 20th both received yesterday for which please accept my thanks. I begin to fear that I may have troubled you unnecessarily, especially by my last letter sent by Sam Roberts. I supposed from the orders before me, that my own was an exceptional case - that no one with my rank was similarly placed - and that it was simply an oversight which if not corrected might be humiliating to myself and embarrassing to you. If as you state this is not the fact, I have no unwillingness to serve in my present place. In fact I very much prefer an important Dist which I can have under my immediate observation, ~~than~~^{to} a larger field of duty ⁱⁿ which I should be compelled to trust more to ^{the} discretion of subordinates. I prefer success in a small sphere to failure

in a larger one. If the War Dept knows and understands what I am doing and approves of it I am content. I am very far from allowing any ambitious desire for place or power to trouble me. I cannot but regard my assignment to duty as Providential. and ~~unless~~ ^{if not} relieved in a similar way. I shall hardly feel at liberty to decline to serve in a place where so much ought to be done. especially from any motive of personal ambition.

My object in my former letter recommending the enlargement of my Dist by adding Northern Miss & Eastern Ark - was first to make my Dist correspond to my rank and afford additional reason for my serving in such a position should it be called in question - and secondly because Memphis is the Commercial centre of the Country. the Employers come here and the freed people also. More than one half of all the applications for assistance and information I have had have come from the States named. These citizens, for very evident reasons, declare their preference for doing their business with the

Bureau, at this city and in several instances have stated their intention of writing yourself or President Johnson asking to be set off to this Dist. Frankly General, if this can be done I really believe it would be for the best interests of the Bureau - and I would rather have the Dist so made up, than ~~to~~ be Asst Commr of a State. Personally I am pleasantly situated here and would rather have such a Dist than the whole State of Tenn and go to Nashville to ~~live~~. Where my Head Quarters.

My relations with ~~the~~ Bureau Smith are very cordial. He is an honest just man - disposed to see facts in their just light and in their true proportions. I enclose a slip from the Memphis Commercial, ^{& also from Argus} showing that my efforts to maintain pleasant relations with the Civil Authorities have not proved unsuccessful. I have reached this fortunate result by trying earnestly to be governed by, and to exhibit a spirit of fairness and justice. I have great confidence in the good effects that will flow from a display of good temper and firmness, and endeavor to govern myself accordingly.

Please have the Medical

officer promised in your letter of the 20th sent
to me as soon as possible. I need his services
very much. I should also like very much to
have a supply of blank contracts to be used
by the employers of the freed people, at your
earliest convenience.

I am Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant.

David Tillson

Major Genl Vol 8
Super 12

Major Genl C. O. Howard
Chief Bureau R. F. & L.
Washington D.C.

Memphis Tenn.
July 25th 1865

Tillson &
Cong. Genl.

Truly better,

Augusto me:

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25 July 1865:

My Dear General ~

Among those
who early cast their influence
in favor of elevating the negro
to a man in this war,
was Brig. Gen. H. G. Thomas
of Portland ~

He has achieved a gallant
reputation as a soldier and
is a refined & educated
gentleman ~

I am sure he would
prove a most valuable adjunct
to your labors for the Freedmen
and I commend him with
confidence to your friendship
& care

Truly, sincerely yours

J. G. Maine

May. Gen. Howard
J. G.

Account to me:

20 July 1888.

My dear General

Thank you

for your kind letter of the 17th inst. in reference to the report of the Committee on the subject of the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

Very respectfully

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Yours very truly,
 Wm. L. Garrison

My dear General

Yours truly

Wm. L. Garrison

Norfolk July 25th 1865

Gen Howard

Dear Sir

Words cannot express my feelings of gratitude to one who has been so kind and prompt in restoring my little property. It would be doing violence to my feelings not to express my obligation to you and should an opportunity offer the favour will be most cheerfully returned.

As soon as my means admit I shall ask the acceptance of some token as a remembrance of my regards towards you

I remain

Most Respectfully

Mrs J Duncan

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Wm. Lloyd Garrison

Friend

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the publication of the "Liberator" in the city of New York. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to do so, but I trust that you will be able to do so in the future. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours,
Wm. Lloyd Garrison

I remain

Very respectfully

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

Head-Quarters Third Division, Fourth Army Corps,
Assistant Adjutant General's Office,

Indianola, Texas, July 20: 1865.

My dear General:

I write to say to you that if no Commissioner for Freedmen has been appointed for the state of Texas, I would be glad to have the appointment. In the present wretched state of our divisions and corps there is very little for General Officers to do, and a very limited field for usefulness.

There is perhaps no state in the Union in which an active and intelligent officer could be so useful in regulating and putting on a proper footing ^{the Freedmen,} and carrying out the policy of the government and nation towards them, as in this state. From the fact that this state has felt in a very slight degree the disorganizing influence of the war, the system of slavery has been very little disturbed, and in many parts of the state the negroes are nearly in the same condition as before the war.

There is certainly a wide field for work

here in the Freedmen's Department.

The problem of disposing wisely, justly, and humanely of the African race is a great one, which must be met and solved. The Nation can not avoid^{it} if it desires to do so.

Previous to the war I had served six years in this state, much the greater portion of the time in the most densely populated parts of the state, (I was on staff duty,) around Austin, San Antonio, Galveston, &c. In this ^{way}, I formed a larger acquaintance with the people of the state than is probably possessed by any officer of the army; and this acquaintance would probably give me greater facilities for working with the people of the state than any other officer could command.

If appointed, I would, of course, enter on the duties of the position as soon as furnished with the proper instructions. Let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

With the kindest regards,

I am, very truly yours friend, 77
Th: J. Wood.

To Major Genl O. O. Howard,
Chief of the Freedmen's Bureau.

July 25th / 1858

Wm. L. G. D.
Wm. L. G. D.

Should like a present -
and a Commemorative
for the

Wm. L. G. D.
Wm. L. G. D.
Wm. L. G. D.

Ad. from Port Beaufort
July 25 1865

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Dear brother

It is late & I have
no time to write except to say
that my military duties prevented my
going North this morning but if I
can get a leave I intend to go
upon the next - in 8 days & hope
to meet you in Maine.

Col. Fullerton has gone to Savannah
& probably to Florida as he has been
gone ever since Saturday. Hope Gen.
Lester will come soon & with new
vigor for his Dept. is sorely in need
of new energy.

Yours Affectionate brother
C. H. Howard.

W. Geo. East. Dearborn.

July 25th 65

Howard. C. M.

Friendly Letter.

Charlotte July 25th 1865.

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My dear Mrs. Howard

I received your letter some time ago, and would have answered it ere this but my time is very much occupied as I have to work very hard washing, cooking and all sorts of things, since the Freedmen's arrangement has prevailed to such a large extent among the poor excluded negroes, my only servant left me, which proved her extensive gratitude for past favors, but which did not surprise me at all and now my situation is a poor one, not a cent in the world, no provisions, and two little children to feed, clothe and educate, unless some of my old Army friends at the North will assist me I shall come to want, to starvation. I must for my little ones beg the Prince assistance of old friends at the North to whom I shall write and by them to aid me. I now write to you to find out upon what terms a person can get their lands back that have been taken from us, for all I own is some land at Port Royal S. C. which belongs to my children and if I can get this in possession I will sell it and use the money for their especial use, I will do most anything before I will see them fall heir to the fate I see plainly staring us in the face, please write me what can you can on this subject for I am anxious to know as we are without anything in this world, Give my love to Mrs. Howard, I remain your friend

Annie Blue

See Mrs. Anne J.

Could information
as to the paper
to which you wish to
insert my name

Answer

Beaufort, S.C.

July 25th 1865

Dear General:

I arrived here only yesterday from my leave of absence and found your letter concerning mine to Genl. Wagon on the subject of promotion, awaiting my return.

I am grieved beyond expression, General, that I should have written any thing to Genl. Wagon - or indeed to any one which should seem like a complaint. ^{reg-}ardless I will acknowledge that when I heard of one officer after another with whom I had been associated, receiving brevet promotion, it seemed to me that my friends would think my services had been considered of less value than those of my comrades,

There were new friends - in whose
estimation I desired to stand
as high as possible - justly - and
who, I knew would be pleased
with such a mark of past services -

Whatever my feelings were, - expressed
in that letter - or whatever you
may have inferred, I must leave
you will forget. I never can
forget, or fail to be grateful for
your kindness to my dear and
near friends - and never will -
if I ever have - fail to remember
your kindness, and friendly interest
in me while under your command.

I had the pleasure of reading
your very kind letter introducing
me to Dr. Morse, for which
accept my thanks. My visit in
Maine was a delightful one. I
regret that I could not see you
during my visit North.

I spent last evening

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with Col. Conrad at his
house. He is quite well and
busily engaged upon an examining
board - before which I am shortly
to appear - He will go North soon
I think.

With high esteem, I am,
General. Your St. Servant
Wm. Duke
Lt. Col. &c

Beaufort S.C.
W. W. Miller

July 25. 1865.

Dear Friend

Beets W. M. Jr

Lt. Col. &c.

Del & recd
Personal Letter.
Mended &c.

C.B. 7.11.00

Glad you
are doing
well I hope
you are

Contented

Irving House, N. Y. City.

To 25th July, 1865.

Genl. O. O. Howard, U. S. A.

In charge &c &c.

Washington, D. C.

General:

If you wrote me last Friday, in reply to my second communication, (of Thursday the 20th inst.) you will see, from the enclosed scrap, your letter has probably been so damaged by water as to preclude its delivery.

I much regret this accident, but hope you will not find it inconvenient to duplicate your answer.

The promptness and courtesy of your first reply causes me to believe you are similarly prompt in answering the second.

N. J. Lutz
20 July 1885-

Phil George I

State Southern mail box.

Respectfully yours —

George P. Shie —

Late Col., a. a. o. c. + I. G.,

U. S. A.

George