

Mobile Ala
Aug 27 1866.

Genl. C. C. Howard

Dear Sir;

I have the pleasure
of acknowledging the receipt of a reply to a
communication addressed to you in regard
to a pension for my Mother.

Not hearing from you for some time I
addressed you a second letter, supposing
that my first did not come to your
notice, as it was addressed officially.
I fear that my second letter may cause
you some trouble, and hasten to inform
you of the reply to my first.

You misunderstood my letter. My Mother
is not the widow of a revolutionary soldier,
but the daughter. I have addressed
the "Commissioner" in regard to the mat-
ter, and will have to trouble you no
further. Thanking you very kindly

for your attention to my private matters
I have the pleasure
to subscribe myself
Your Friend
James L. Hoole

New Orleans La
Augt 27 1866

My dear General

It did not
at first occur to me
that as one of my Com^dg
officers I should make
a report to you respecting
the riot as well as to
Sheridan - however I did
yesterday forward a
copy of my report made
to him - I am very
anxious to have my side
of the story made public
but of course have to
be very careful not
to let a copy get out
of my hands by my
own consent - Sheridan

has sent the original
to Gen^l. Grant. And
has a copy in his office.
I have given a copy
along with my testimony
to the investigating
Commission - And now
with this one I have
sent you I think there
is a chance enough for its
getting into print by some
means -

I think the Commission
will finish taking testimony
and report by the end
of this week. And I hope
that I may not be
detained here a day
after that time. Besides
my desire to get north
in order to reply to the
reports which have been
circulated respecting me

I have private reasons
making it almost
absolutely necessary that
I should at this moment
be in N.Y. I have
writing to you some
days ago to say that
you would do all you
could to aid me by
sending a dispatch from
you to Sheridan on
the subject of his being
appointed Asst. Commr.
I did not think it
necessary. Since that
time we have been
on the lookout daily
for orders. I shall
still hope that you
will keep in mind my
strong desire to get
away speedily & assist
me to accomplish that.

purpose. I see many
remors in the papers
respecting you self and
feel much interest in
them. Still I do not care
to discuss them on paper.
I do not really see how
you can consent to remain
much longer as the agent
of those who sneer openly
at the Bureaus and all
connected with it. Still
your continuance may
be for the accomplishment
of some good purpose &
at the expense of your
own feelings. If you
do quit I pity the man
who will relieve you -
As soon as the ordinance

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- my friend as my
best & get away from
I have do not forget that I
which my Commission is
taking get to Washington
our friends should make
every effort to get it
into print. It will show
a condition of things that
will astonish every one.
And had we been able
to get a first class
Criminal lawyer to conduct
the examination vastly
more could have been
elicited. Enough however
will be proven. I will if
possible retain a copy of
the evidence in my own
possession although it is
so voluminous that there
may be trouble in securing
one. The police and
many of the public officials

have sworn falsely though
they swear for instance
that the police were not
armed and that they did
not see policemen unless
in a few exceptional cases
fire a shot. The officials
swear that no orders were
given preparatory to the riot
yet the act shows preparation
and some evidence may
go as to the very fact of
the orders being given.

I believe they justify this
falsehood by the theory that
to tell the truth would
criminate them. It will
be shown that the jury
which investigated under
Judge Hull's directions was
packed. At least there is
one member who is not a
citizen of the U. S. — is a

registered gunny - and
has only been in the city
for a short time - His
name could never have
got into the jury wheel
without fraud and
probably was never in
it at all.

May's the Sheriff formerly
a rebel General - whose
brigade is now organized
in the City. And which
is said to have been
one of the organizations out
at the riot with the
police. This man took
occasion to leave before
his testimony could be
obtained probably to
avoid this very subject.

Several murders will
be fixed directly upon
individuals - but it will

be a question how to try
them. To do so by Judge
Hall's Court would be
fair. There is one
feature about this affair
which I have not
mentioned in my report
elsewhere - but on Tuesday
morning I had determined
before Sherman's return
to call the Convention
together and to have
them meet under my
protection until I should
receive orders to the
contrary. But when
the telegram to Heron was
shown me I had to stand
back & change my instructions.
I have great confidence
in the final result upon the
facts. Very truly yours
Wm L. Howard. A. J. Hall

Sutherland Falls
Putnam Co.

Nt.
Aug. 27. 1866.

Dear Howard

Newspapers say
that you will resign -
that you are to be su-
perseded by a man who
forbid loyal blacks
to strow flowers on the
graves of Northern pa-
triot - that the Pres-
ident has intima-
ted to you that your
resignation wd be
acceptable to him
Palmer &c &c

Of all this I
know nothing except

as reported. Of the in-
side of matters I can
not judge. But from
my stand-point, I say
don't resign - Suffer
annoyance, vexation,
slight, but don't re-
sign. Stand up square
for the right, utter
yourself as a good
soldier may, & let
Johnson dismiss
you, supersede
you or anything else
he may choose to
do, but let him do
it.

He is making "treason
obvious" in a way that
he did not anticipate.
He is a poor demagogue
aiming to head a party.

Let him take the responsibility of doing as many ~~as~~ unpopular things as possible: good will thereby come.

We shall return to Boston to preach the first Sabbath in September. Shall be glad ^{to see} you, or yours any time after that at our house.

Gov. Parsons of Mass. ^{into the this country, temporary} is in Maine trying to defeat the election of Genl. Chamberlain. But they will do little —

Fraternally
Genl. E. B. Webb.
J. O. Howard.

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Sutherland Falls,
Rutland Co., Vt.,
Aug. 27, 1866

Webb - C.B.

Recommends General
Howard not to resign.
&c. &c.

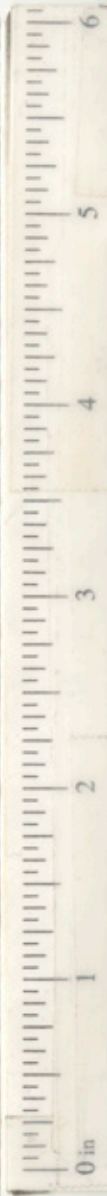
Scarsden et al.

August 27th 1866

Genl

I have the honor to
address you this note hoping that
you will not think it impert-
nent. About the 20th Inst. I
addressed you a letter asking
you for a Position in the
Bureau, Enclosed were three
Complimentary Letters from
Genls. Barlow, Miles & Caldwell,
I place a very high value on
these letters & would like to have
them returned at your earliest
convenience by J. S. Guernsey
Supposed here that you are about
to be removed from office,
If that is the case I have no
desire to enter the Bureau,

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As I would not except the
Best office with in the Gift
of President Johnson or any
of his Pet Animals to be Compelled
to Support My Policy,

Hoping Gent that the News
Referring to your Removal by not
true so that you will comply
with My Request at your
Earliest Convenience

I have the Honor to
Remain your Obedient
Servant

William Wilson
Late Col 87th Pa. Vol.
Co. 30 Third St
Camden N. J.

To

Major Genl O. M. Howard
Commissioner F. M. B.
Washington D. C.

Camped. to I
Aug. 27. 1866

Wilson. H^{rs}

Asks return of
papers.

Recd Aug 29. 1866

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War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, 27 Aug. 1866.

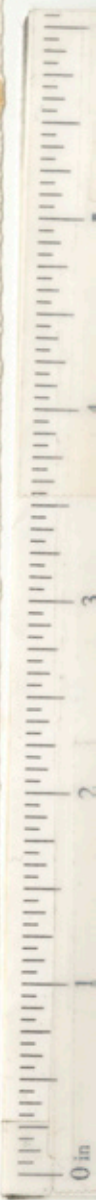
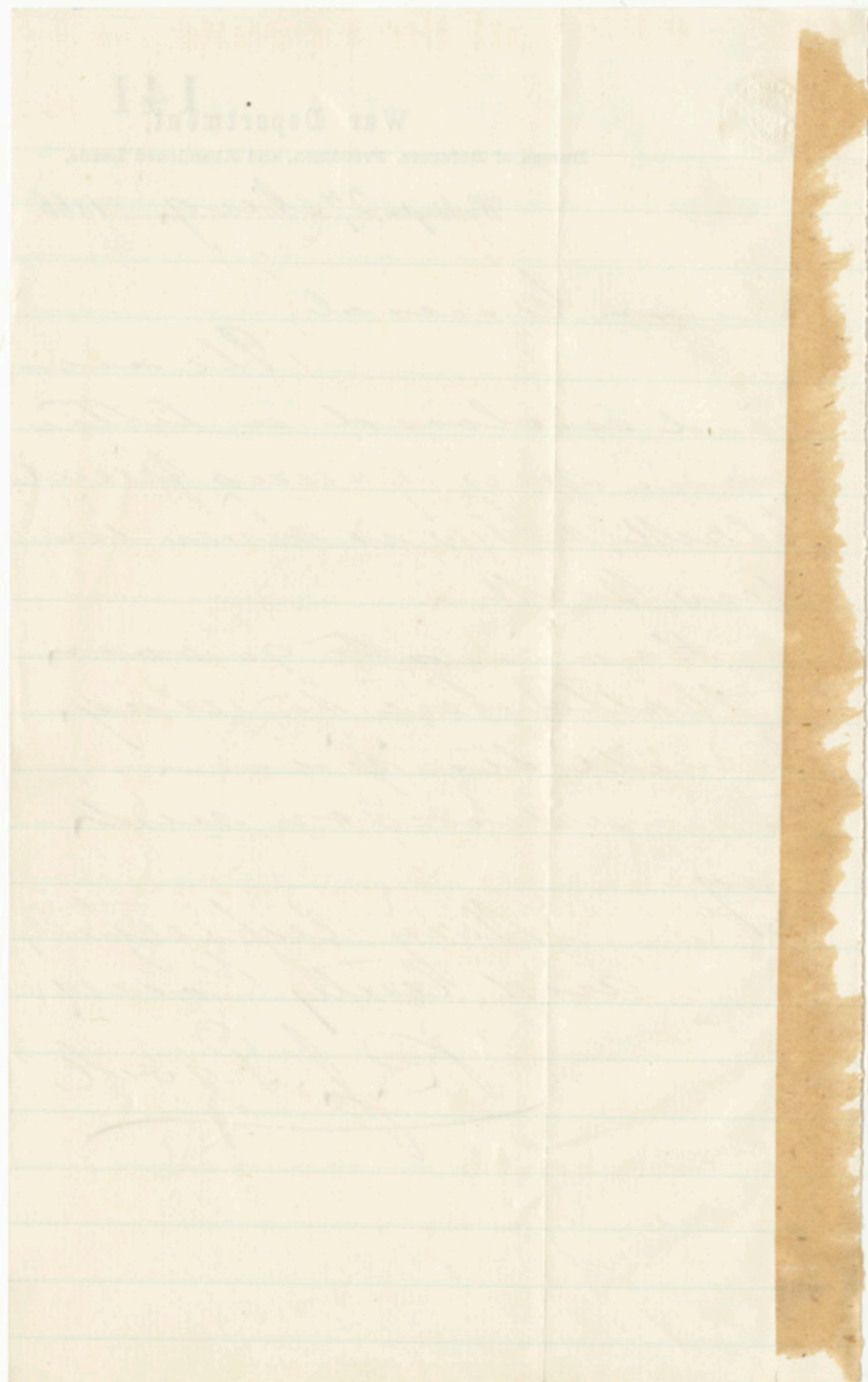
Dear General;

Please

find enclosed a letter
from my young friend
Black, who is now in
New York.

Having to go over
to Baltimore to day,
I will see you
tomorrow on next
day.

Very respectfully
and truly Yours
R. J. Proctor



Lancaster August 28th 1846
 Maj General C. O. Howard.

Dear General:

In the beginning of the year 1843
 you left our 2^d Division 2^d A.C. &
 took charge of the 11th Corps; we were
 all sorry at the time you left us, having
 become attached to our General, as all soldiers
 naturally will.

I have kept an eye on you ever since,
 watched your marches through the South &
 finally got a glimpse ^{of you} at the great review
 at Washington. Often had I intended
 dropping a line to you, but feeling some
 delicacy I postponed until now. And I
 know of your great responsibility, but if you
 can spare time enough & write me an
 autograph letter to file away with my
 other documents, I shall be ever grateful.
 Often when persons were talking about you

I Conto tell them who you were,
a Christian, a Soldier & a Gentleman.

Yours Truly
J Rohrer

Late Maj 127 Reg P.B.

Lancaster 13 South Queen St

Lancaster Co Pa

PS Who Commanded the 1st & 6 Corps
at the Fidenchasing on the 11 & 13 December 62

Wilmington Del.

Aug^t. 28, 1866.

May. Genl. W. C. Howard
Washington,
Genl.

Like most other real
Reforms, the Cause of Em-
perance in Del. has for
years past been in a very
languishing condition. It
is the intention of the several
organizations of Wilmington
and vicinity to inaugurate
an agitation of the subject
by a Mass Meeting to be held
in a grove convenient to Del.
on Thursday the 13th Sept.,
and as you stand prominently
before the Country as one of the

very few men in high places
who are not ashamed to be
identified with the Temper-
ance movement, I have been
instructed by the Committee
in charge of our intended
demonstration to invite
you to favor us with an
address on that occasion.

You will pardon me for
in saying that with per-
mission to announce your
intended presence, the Com-
mittee would feel confident
of having a successful af-
fair on the 13th Sep. - besides
in our present low condition
we need the assistance of
such as you to counteract
the baneful influence of those

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whose every act tends to
perpetuate our present
degradation.

The Committee
would most gladly and
gratfully pay all expenses
that might be incurred by
your visit, and which here
would give you to expe-
rience how some strangers
might fare in Delaware.

I am General
respectfully
Yours

John Cameron

Cameron, John

Wilmington, Del.
Aug 28th 1866

Invites Gen. Snow
and to be present
at a Harvest Home
Temperance gather-
ing.

Recd Aug 31st 1866.

(Permal.)

Throgs Neck 29 Aug 1866

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
Bureau of Refugees &c
Washington
D. C.

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 20th inst. reached me a few days ago calling my attention to the enterprise, in which you are engaged, of building a Congregational Church in Washington.

Perhaps you will recollect my calling on you early last January and unfolding my plan for starting a school for the poor Southern Whites, at Chattanooga or its immediate vicinity. Before the end of that month I bought of the Govt. 21 Hospital Buildings on Lookout Mountain, for \$3700 which I proceeded to have fitted up for the accommodation of 40 pupils of each sex.

The school was opened on the 15 May last. There are now some 40 pupils in attendance and the Principal writes me he is sanguine there will be 100 for the next session commencing Nov. 15, but I am less confident of so large a number. We have none of the "white trash" which I regret. I suppose it is owing to indifference and the lack of means. Most of the pupils are children of the "bogus Chivalry" ranging from 9 to 21 years of age - mostly 12 to 17. A large majority are of very limited capacity and that little but slightly cultivated.

Having expended in this effort upwards of \$40,000 with the probability of having to make still farther appropriations for the same object, I am compelled to curtail my benefactor

in other directions and therefore, while heartily sympathising
in the objects you have in view, I am reluctantly constrained
to decline aiding the enterprise you refer to.

With sentiments of high regards, and wishing you
all success in your work, I remain

Fraternally &

Truly Yours

C. P. Roberts

Box 5616

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New York Aug 29 1864

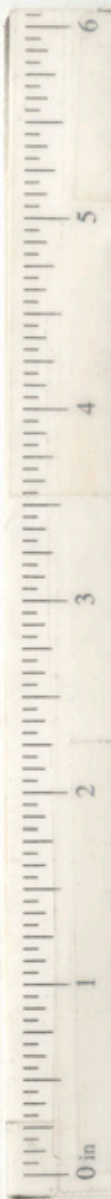
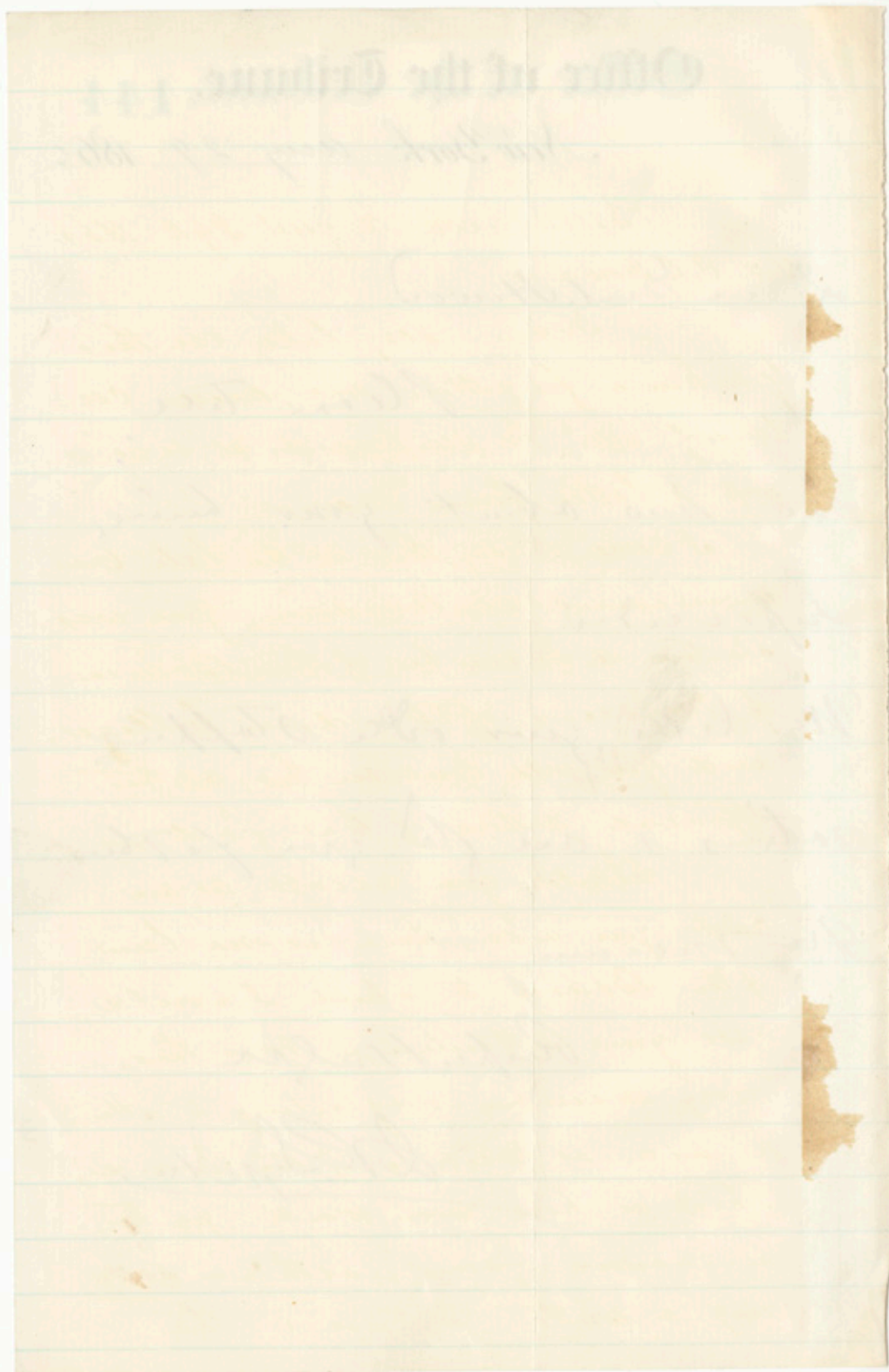
Dear Genl. Howard.

Please tell
me how about your being
succeeded.

We like your other stopping
stations & are glad you father
the measure.

Respectfully

L. R. Synner



BRUNSWICK August 29th 1866
 Gen O. A. Howard

Dr Sir Very like ere this
 you have forgotten me, and cer-
 tainly will be surprised at receiv-
 ing a letter from me -

I come to say, that at the late Com-
 muneant at Bowdoin, you was
 elected a member of the Board
 of Overseers of Bowdoin College,
 and you will consider this, as the
 official notice of that fact -

Should you accept, as we
 trust you will, there is one law
 of the Board to which I would
 call your attention - It is this,
 Any member neglecting to attend
 the annual Meeting of the Board,
 which is held Com. Week, for two
 successive years, without send-
 ing a written excuse to the

Secretary (which is to be read and acted upon) forfeits his seat, and the place is vacant, and may be filled at once, by the election of another man.

The object of this law is to ensure a full attendance at the meeting of the Boards, and to bring in gentlemen, who will take an interest in the welfare of the College -

Should you find it impossible next August to be present at the Annual Meeting, you have only to send me a written excuse, which I may bring forward, and have it acted upon, this secures your seat, and puts you all right upon my records.

There will be a special adjourned meeting of the Boards on the second Tuesday of Nov next, the business being to

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Elect a President in place of
Mr Woods resigned

Professor Harris of the Bangor
Seminary is the most prominent
Candidate for the Presidency &
will most likely receive the elec-
tion, if he will consent to ac-
cept.

I send this note by my nephew,
who is a son of Maine, a son of Bowdoin,
was an officer in the Union Army, spent
20 months in Rebel prisons, has a fine
Yankee wife, and if there are not
recommendations enough, he bears
my own name; Et ergo is a downright
worthy fellow

Wishing great success in what has been
called the "Bureau of Impossibilities"

I am your Obedt Servt

A. G. Robbins, Secretary
of the Board of Overseers of
Bowdoin College

Robbins, A. L.

Brunswick Me.

Aug. 29. 1866

Friendly letter -
Informs Genl. H.
that he has been
elected one of
the board of over-
seers for Bowdoin
Co. Me.

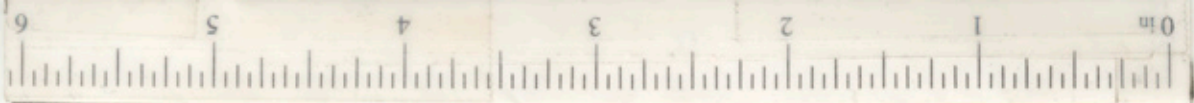
Recd Sept 1866.

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Metropolitan Hotel
Aug 29 1866

Dear Genl.

I have been in
 seen the secty of War
 he gives me but little
 encouragement about my
 brevet. I understand
 I am to go on duty
 in Washington recruiting
 my regiment.
 I wish my letter had
 been presented to
 the secty as it would
 let him know how
 I feel about being
 relieved before
 Jeff Davis is disposed
 off. I am sure
 it will be claimed



I enclose you a sample of
the distylal press.

by the Cafferhead 148
party that I was
removed at their
request.

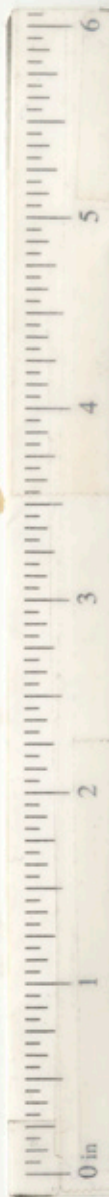
I think you had
better show him
the letter & if he
wishes he can sus-
pend my muster out-
for one month or
until Oct 5th I
intend to write him
again on my return
to the Fortress.

Truly
Yrs
Wm. D. Miles
un. S.

Meiles, N. H.
Maj. Gen.

Washington
Aug 29. 1862.

Friendly letter



Department of Public Instruction

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

146 GRAND ST.

New York, Aug. 30 1866

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir - 37

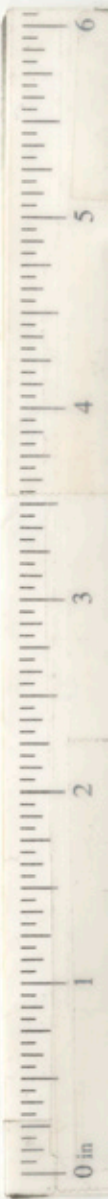
Inclosed I
send you another Check for
Two Thousand Dollars - balance
of the amt. collected from the
subscriptions at Plymouth Church
on the occasion of the Social Re-
Union of the Am. Congregational
Union, last May - Probably
most of the subscriptions will
be collected before the 1st of
November - The ^{remaining} papers are in
the hands of A. S. Barnes Esq -

Yours truly

A. A. Collins

Treas

Am. Cong. Union



Personal

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Headquarters Military Command of North Carolina,

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 21st, 1866.

Dear General —

I send with this
an official communication
relating to Col. Cilly Moor-
nesty, call your personal
attention to it —

I received ^{your} ~~the~~ day an
order assigning me to duty
as Bt. Brig. Genl. — Is this
intentional or a mistake —

I hope to be assigned as
a Major General for the
season that is now on

more characteristic to my position
among these people, would
cost the Government nothing &
interfere with no Officer's work
or rights — Please do me the
favor to see if this cannot be
done — This evening I read
29th inst. & I speak of me as
Major D^r H^y — Can there be
any mistake about my appl^y
of Colonel & Gen. Grant as-
sured me it was so & I have
been daily expecting Officer's
notice —

I am troubling you perhaps

so much with my
private affairs but I
trust you will make
allowance for my anxiety.
Please let me hear from
you soon on the subject
of this letter —

Very truly Yours
Wm. C. Robinson

I have been on duty ac-
cording to my Private as
Maj. Gen. Valer. for many
two years —

W. C. R.

Robinson, Jno. C.

Salut. to C.
Aug. 31. 1866

Concerning his
retention as Bot.
Maj. Gen.

Recd Sept. 1st 1866

Gloucester Aug. 31/66
 Maj Gen O. O. Howard
 Dear Sir:

Your reply of 10th inst duly rec^d, but Gen^l we can't give you up, without one word more, and as you have not peremptorily refused, trust we shall not meet your displeasure. A word from you before Mass Election would do us great good, if that be not possible, any encouragement you may give us for an engagement during the season will be gladly received, may we not expect the same?

Begging your pardon for this interruption, I remain.

Yours Obedt Servt.

Geo L Garland
 Rec Secy of Gloucester Regt Conn

Garland, Geo. S.

Gloucester Mass.
Sept. 31st 1866

Invites Geo. S. Howard
and to lecture.

Will come
if possible -

Recd. Sept 3rd 1866.