

Porter April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1867

Dear General 12/8

I have the  
pleasure of enclosing  
Mr Charles W. Freeland's  
check on National  
Aid & Leasher Bank  
for \$250.00 enclosed  
payable by order  
for amount of Mr F's  
donation to the Congl  
Church in Wash.

Maj Genl.  
O. O. Howard  
Washington

Respectfully  
Yours  
O. J. Tobey





Patterson, Maine

April 13, 1867

General Howard,

Very Dear Sir: In looking over some army mementoes today, I paused to read my first Army "Pass", given by yourself, while commanding the Brigade before the first Bull Run, and which I have treasured not only as an army relic but especially as a remembrance of you.

From this my mind reverted to the scene at Fair Oaks Station on Monday morning after the battle, where you lay on a stretcher, with your arm just amputated, waiting for the cars to convey you awhile

from the active field,  
And where you said to  
with a smile, when I  
expressed my sorrow for the  
misfortune; "Captain, it  
"is all right; when I joined  
"the Army I gave myself  
"to my Country and committed  
"all my interests to our  
"Heavenly Father; and I do  
"not consider my limbs or  
"life my own, while the  
"Conflict lasts."

I am General, this memento  
and these reminiscences have  
put it into my mind to apply  
to you, as I am doing to others,  
for a Donation in aid of the  
Chesak Edifice which is to  
be built this Summer by  
the Melter Society in this  
Eastern Mission Station provided



the necessary assistance can  
be obtained. This is a Mission  
Station, and we cannot raise  
at home much over Two  
Thousand Dollars; while the  
estimated cost of the house  
is from Six to Eight thousand.

Our application is this, - can  
you not, from your abundant  
resources, send us a check  
for Five Hundred Dollars (\$500)?

With this brief statement  
of the case we will hopefully  
await your answer.

Very Truly,

B. A. Chase  
Pastor

Calvin Bradford } Trustees  
E. G. Stetson }

Patten Mr.

April 23 '67.

Chas Rev. D. A.

Wishes General  
Howard to give  
him a check  
for \$500. to aid  
in building a  
church (Methodist)  
at that place.

Recd. Apr. 29 '67.



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Clerk's Office U. S. R. S.

Washington D. C. April 24<sup>th</sup> 1867

Major Gen<sup>l</sup> A. C. Howard

Comm<sup>dr</sup> Bureau Freedmen's

Chicago Ill

Respected General

Unfavorable circumstances necessarily  
constrain me to address you for pecuniary  
<sup>aid</sup> in my present condition. I left Cal-  
ifornia with sufficient funds to last me  
until I reached this City. Having claims  
on the Judicial & Postal Departments  
of the Government for several hundred  
Dollars, part of which was monies  
advanced for the Government, beside

special service rendered, in suppressing  
the lawless & disloyal in violating the  
Postal Laws. I have refuted my claim  
to the several departments, and reply  
there is no funds appropriated for  
such special service. Would the same  
reimburse me for the monies expended  
my services I am willing to give  
to the Govt. The non payment  
of the Cash advance? I consider a  
great hardship. I therefore must  
leave my claim here, until the next  
Session of Congress. And memorializing  
the same to allow the same to be  
paid. It is now one month & three  
days since I addressed a letter to



my (Step) Son at Galveston to send me  
a check on the 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank in this  
City for \$200. Nothing been heard from  
thence - Hence the necessity in applying  
to you for the loan of \$120 currency  
and a transportation order from this  
city to Galveston. I will take the  
above amount to clear my expenses  
in this City, and for my incidental  
expenses to Galveston. Should you  
kindly favor me with said loan I will  
execute a dft for said amount with  
such Interest you may require. On my  
(Step) M<sup>r</sup> Wm H Campbell Chief Accountant  
1<sup>st</sup> National Bank Galveston me day  
after sight payable to your order



to aid in carrying the law into full force & effect. You control attention  
through your Asst Commr Major Genl  
Griffin. To secure the payment  
of the draft at maturity, I will assign  
as collateral security 1 piece  
of land. To the Sabine City Town  
the amount of \$250. full value  
Sabine City is 60 miles N.E. from Galveston  
an unlocated 640 acre, San Antonio  
Certificate value 4/3 per acre.  
a patent for 640 acres of Land  
located and situated on the Neches  
100 miles S W from San Antonio  
valued at \$1 1/2 per acre - which Certificate  
will be forwarded to Major Genl Griffin  
I may receive them again when  
the draft is paid. I am anxious to  
be at Galveston by the first Monday in  
April which time the Spring Term  
of the U.S Dist Court convenes, in which  
some cases, which require my  
personal attention, I have written to Genl  
Griffin to place my name on file as  
applicant for the Office of a Register  
under the Reconstruction Bill. desiring



Pittsburgh: Penn.

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April 24. 1867.

Maj. Gen. Howard,

My dear Brother.

In the multitude of  
your cares & loves, let me call your  
attention & your heart, to one of the  
grand objects of loving care, which  
in these wonderful days are pressing  
upon the souls of Christians. I refer  
to the Educational work among the  
people irrespective of Color, now struggling  
forward in Berea, Kentucky.

Rev. John G. Fee, the President  
of the "Berea College" is one

of the Lord's Anointed. He has  
been hung, drawn & quartered several  
times, for the Kingdom of God's sake.  
His history is not unknown to you.  
A faithful man among the  
faithless friends, who to be faith-  
ful was to suffer more than  
death. Born in Kentucky, he  
early emancipated his slaves, &  
attended upon the work of converting  
the colored people. For years he  
has been cast into an jail,  
but he is now permitted to



See the salvation of his, & his  
work is ripening into fruit, &  
he who went forth weeping, &  
bearing precious seed, now rejoices  
in gathering the first fruits of the  
harvest, & is binding them upon  
his brow, & is waving them before  
the Lord. He will write to  
you.

For myself. I am about leaving  
Pittsburgh for Cincinnati. My health  
is almost gone. I need some other  
kind of work, than the printing in

Pittsburgh, Pa.

My family are well, I send  
kind love to you.

Yrs truly  
Mary Anne

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

Washington, April 23<sup>d</sup>. 1867.

To

The Assistant Commissioners.

Gentlemen,

This will introduce to you  
Wm. J. Armstrong Esq. of Philadelphia who visits the  
South for the purpose of obtaining information respecting  
the present condition and prospects of the Southern  
States. General Howard directs me to request that  
you will furnish Mr. Armstrong with such facilities  
as you may be able to render him, that his observa-  
tions may be as extended as possible, and that he may  
make a careful and thorough examination into the  
various matters which will naturally engage his  
attention. He enjoys the entire confidence of the  
Commissioner, who hopes that the object of his visit  
will be promoted through the co-operation of the As-



War Department,

Bureau of Military Statistics and Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, April 23d 1867.

General Sherman,

San Francisco,

Dear General: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th inst. in relation to the proposed examination of the records of the War Department, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
John A. Smith,  
Adjutant General.



stant Commissioners and their subordinate officers,

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

A. P. Ketchum

A. A. Saul,

Respectfully  
Your Obedient Servant  
A. C. Ketchum  
A. C. Ketchum



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Maj General O. O. Howard  
Washington D.C. General.

permeating in the  
good natured attention shown me by you while,  
a prisoner of war, I take the liberty of applying  
to you for a share of that patronage so generously extended.  
to many of our people, business is very dull  
here and I am constrained to express to you,

I am engaged in business as an architect to Builders,  
and <sup>in</sup> the construction of the many buildings, I could  
be of service to you, on the Government, I would deem  
it a great favour to be so employed.

I am Very Respectfully  
Your Obedient Servant  
John H. Dwyer

Late Officer of Conf Army.

Respect and Trust of Gen. Hagan at  
Lyonsville Creek So. Ca

P.S. I forwarded your message to the family  
of J. M. S. McKelvey as requested



Esperet Creek St.

April 1884

Dear Sir,  
Last office filed.

The line from. I want  
to assist him in  
putting a building  
under government  
as architect.

Best Apr. 24. 1884.



## ROOMS OF THE

Union Republican Congressional Executive Committee,

Washington, D. C., Apr 24 1867

To,

Major Gen Howard,

Scrib,

I have recd a  
letter from Rev. Geo. A. Ball.Buffalo N.Y. enquiring for the  
P.O. address of Rev. T. W. ConwayHe is anxious to communicate with  
him.If you can give the desired  
information you will oblige

Yours very Respectfully

T. L. Fulkrock

Scrib

Washington D.C.  
April 24. '67.

Friend of Dr.

Shall be ad-  
dressed by Dr.  
W. Conway.

West. Apr. 25. '67.



Boston April 24/67

Dear Sir.

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Your favor of  
 February 25<sup>th</sup> reached  
 me only yesterday.  
 on my return from  
 Florida. I hasten to  
 comply with your re-  
 quest, and inclose a  
 check <sup>on National Revere Bank Boston</sup> to your order for  
 \$200. — the amount of  
 my subscription to the  
 Cong. Ch. Building Fund  
 of which you are Treas.

To  
 Gen. O. O. Howard

Respt<sup>ly</sup>  
 R. H. Starnes.

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Butler March 24/67

Dear Sir,

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Your favor of  
February 22<sup>nd</sup> received  
and only yesterday  
my reply returning from  
Haverhill I hasten to  
comply with your re-  
quest and enclose a  
check to your order for  
\$100 - the amount of  
my subscription to the  
Camp. In enclosing found  
of which your order.

Yours truly  
J. C. Thomas  
Capt. Co. 1<sup>st</sup> Mass.



Brooklyn April 24,  
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My dear General

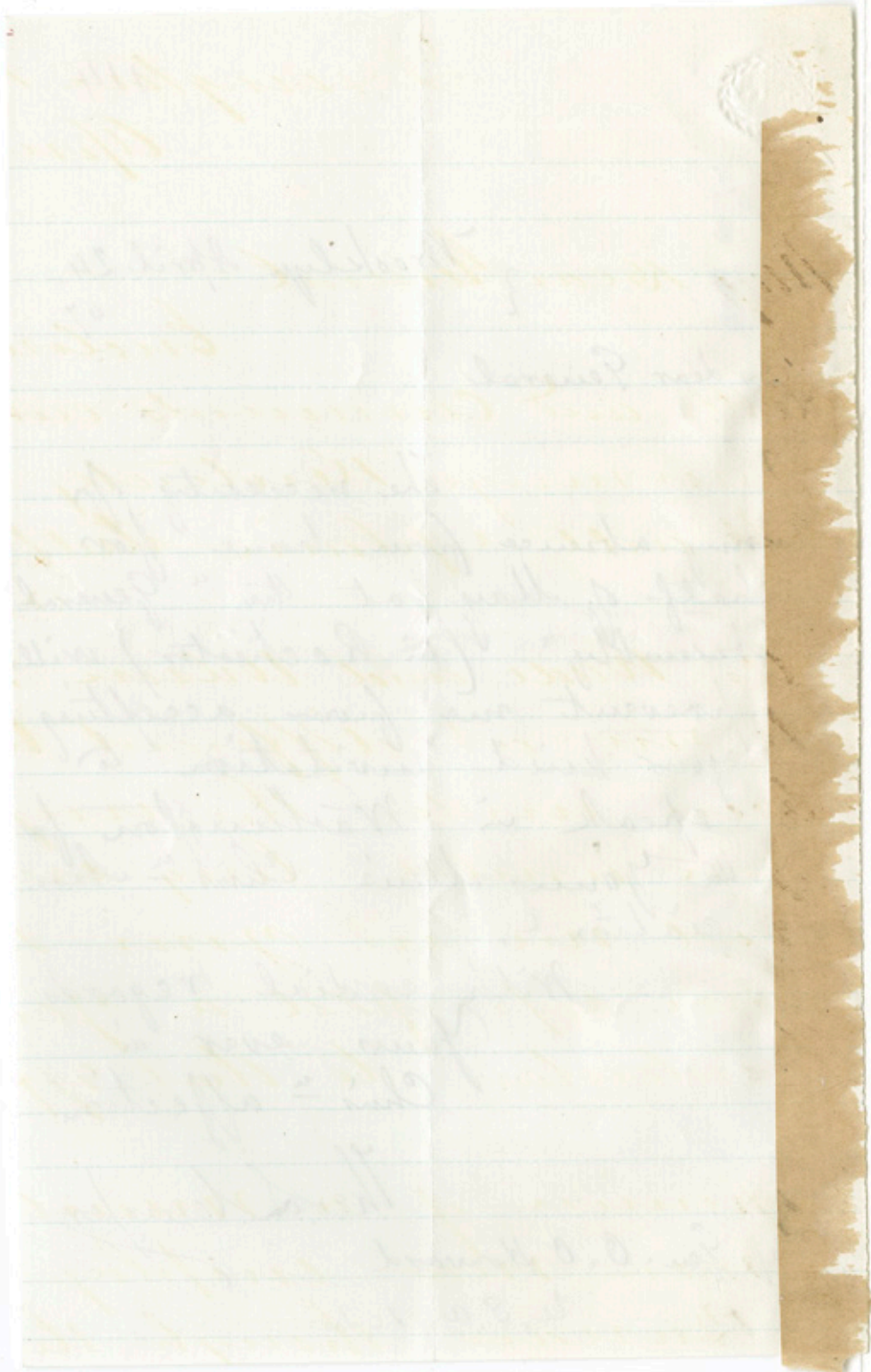
The necessity of  
my absence from home for  
half of May at the "General  
Assembly" (in Rochester) will  
prevent me from accepting  
your kind invitation to  
speak in Washington for  
the Young Men's Chris<sup>n</sup> Assoc.  
ciation.

With cordial regards  
Yours ever in  
Chris<sup>n</sup> affection

Theo. S. Lemper

May, Gen. O. O. Howard

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War Department,  
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,  
Washington, D.C., April 25<sup>th</sup>. — 1867.

Mr. Wm J. Armstrong is hereby appointed an Agent — in  
the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, subject to the direct  
orders of the Comm<sup>r</sup> at a salary of \$150<sup>00</sup> — per month.

This appointment is made under the provisions of "An Act to continue  
in force, and amend an Act to establish a Bureau for the relief of Freedmen  
and Refugees, and for other purposes." It will take effect upon the filing of the re-  
quired oath, and remain in force until revoked by orders from this office.

The oath required by law will be taken, and filed in the office of  
the — Commissioner of this Bureau at Washington —

By order of Major-General O. O. Howard, Commissioner.

A. P. Ketchum  
Asst. Adj.-General.







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Lexington Ky  
April 28<sup>th</sup> 1867

My dear General

Enclosed please find  
letter and comments cut from this  
mornings "Kentucky Statesman"  
It will explain itself.

From what  
Mr Wade and Wilson have said  
to me at different times I have  
been under the impression that  
you would long ere this have  
had me in your Bureau.  
You expressed a year ago your  
intention to that effect.

I have no  
opinion of a number of the  
men now employed in the  
Bureau though this state is  
most excellently served.

If you



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desire my services I will be glad  
to enter the Bureau for all my  
feelings and sympathies are in that  
direction. My Regiment is serving  
in Texas a place I do not desire  
to go fearing the hot weather. I will

be glad if you will write me  
and inform me whether  
or not you will need me

Yours Truly

James S. Brisbin  
Capt Genl

Genl Ottomard  
Washington

etc

[From the Cincinnati Commercial.]

**The Presidential Question.**

We print below the letter of General James S. Brisbin, addressed to the Colored Conference lately in session at Lexington, Kentucky. This body was made up of ministers from Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, and several other Southern States. About one hundred and forty delegates were present: Bishop Quinn, Bishop Campbell, and a large number of elders and deacons. A great deal of important business was transacted, and the proceedings were very spirited and interesting. The white people who attended the sessions were surprised at the character and ability of the speeches. Politics came in for a full discussion, and the fact was developed that there was no conservative colored minister in the conference. General Brisbin's letter, which was no doubt written after consultation with the leading colored men,



Leavenworth Ky.

April 16<sup>th</sup> 1867

Dear Sir James S.  
Wells

Will send Howard  
to have him attached  
to the Bureau, not wishing  
to return to Texas during  
the hot weather

and

Res<sup>d</sup> April 29<sup>th</sup> 67



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"LEXINGTON, Kentucky, April 17.

"Rev. Bishop Campbell:

"BISHOP—I have received a copy of the very complimentary resolutions passed by your body yesterday, and to you, and through you to the members of the Conference, allow me to tender my most sincere and heartfelt thanks. No man desires the prosperity and welfare of your people more than I do, and I will never cease to labor until they shall have been admitted to all the rights of man, which do and of right ought to belong to freemen. Children of the same God, kinsmen of our blood from the beginning, even from the days of our first parents, Adam and Eve. Let the word white perish forever from our constitutions and laws. On account of the color of their skins, the shape of their noses, or the curl of their hair, withholds nothing from men, and we are all now men, citizens alike of the same Republic.

"The great experiment of casting a million of votes by black men is attracting the attention of all thinking people, and it is to be hoped the black men will take great care in the exercise of the elective franchise. Demagogues, claiming to be the black man's best friend, (but in reality only striving for their own aggrandizement,) will arise and strive to mislead and use your people. It will require all their wisdom, discretion and good sense to evade the evils of politicians.

"No man who can lay under any suspicion of distrust, should be supported by the black voters. New friends should be put on probation till it be found their friendship is sincere, and only the old, true and tried friends of liberty voted for at first. Whatever objection there might be at other times to ministers of the gospel taking part in political matters, at this juncture of your affairs it becomes an absolute necessity, and I advise that your ministers boldly assume not only the spiritual, but political direction of your people. It will prevent them from falling into the hands of politicians and being used for selfish and unjust ends.

"Such men as the Hon. Benjamin F. Wade, of Ohio, who now fills the second chair of the nation, and Major General O. O. Howard, the efficient head of that engine of justice, the Freedmen's Bureau, are proper men to receive your suffrages. They are true friends of freedom, and will do justice to the black man.—When they come to vote for national rulers, I recommend that the black men of the several States represented in your Conference cast their ballots for these great and good men. To that end I beg you to instruct them through the church.

"I again thank you, Bishop, and, through you, your people, for the confidence and affection reposed in me, and I am, wishing you all blessings while you live, and salvation in the end,

"Your servant and friend,

"JAS. S. BRISBIN, U. S. A."

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dersigned are notified to come forward  
make payment at once, or they will find  
accounts in the hands of an officer.  
22-7-swtf M. L. MITCHELL.

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To



Washington April 25 1867  
Dr. Sir

At a meeting of the First Cong<sup>l</sup>  
Society held April 16<sup>th</sup> the following  
resolution was adopted.

"Resolved: That the Building Com-  
mittee be directed to report at the next  
meeting of the Society, the condition of the  
building fund, the amount subscribed  
the amount required to complete the  
Church edifice to the tower, the  
amount already expended, and the  
amount now on hand and available for  
the present current necessities of the  
Committee."

S. H. Goodman  
Clerk

To  
Messrs O. O. Howard  
Chair<sup>men</sup> of Building Com<sup>tee</sup>

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Rectory of the

Church of the Holy Trinity,

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New-York, April 25<sup>th</sup> 1867.

Maj. Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir.

Yours of the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst in relation to the N. Y. Christian Association is before me. You do not excuse the evening of the Anniversary. I am engaged on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> inst at the Congregational Union in Brooklyn. The following Sunday I have agreed to spend in Georgetown D.C. If your meeting is on Friday, Saturday or Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> prox I shall be glad to serve you. Be kind enough to inform me immediately more definitely about your plans.

Very truly yours

William A. Lyon Jr.

Church of the Holy Trinity

History of the

St. John's Church, 1871-1880

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Chicago. Ill  
Apr 26<sup>th</sup> 1867  
Apr 26

Dear Sir:-

Arrived much earlier  
than expected - wedding at 3 P.M.  
Strong delight - beautiful  
wife & fine prospects - I  
met her father or formerly  
husband & accompanied him  
to the wedding & under  
strong invitation from  
her father-in-law - have accepted  
his kind hospitality -  
I don't see her ship here  
yet - will probably leave  
for home tomorrow, I hope  
you the best & well - love  
to my precious boys - yours  
Oster

679 <sup>PS.</sup> I may not reach Washington  
before Friday -



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Wilmington N.C.

Apr. 26th. 1867

Dear Genl:

I organized a fine State Council in Va, some of the officers of the Bureau being officers thereof.

Here we organized one today with Gen. Rutherford of the Bureau as President. I am not aiming to make the League a Bureau affair I wish you to know but I am glad to see that the loyal men, black and white, seem to have such confidence in your officers that they select them.

This is a tribute to the loyalty and faithfulness of your officers which I am very glad to see.

Rutherford, your Supt. here, is a gem and I am happy to say that our loyal friends here now seem to so regard him. I hope he may not be interfered with for the League's sake as well as for that of the Bureau.

Yours Thomas W. Conway



Washington D.C.  
About 26. Oct.

Courtesy Sir,

I state that he has  
organized a State  
Council in 1861.  
and that several  
of the Bureau Officers  
are officers of the  
League - &c. &c.

Recd. Oct. 29 67

Barren Heights, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.

Washington, May 6 1867

Respectfully Submitted to Gen. K. J. Will.  
John Williamson - State Union

By Command,

M. Genl. O. C. HOWARD.

*John Williamson*  
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