

U. S. MILITARY TELEGRAPH.

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June 9 1865
New York 9 1865

By Telegraph from

To

Gen Howard

Freedom Bureau

What day is
Mr. Beecher to be
at your council

C. B. Sutcliffe

any to Paid



27 N.Y. City
June 9th 1868

Dear Mr. Beecher

What is Mr Beecher to
be at Cong Council
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N^o 44 & Woodward Sts.

Detroit June 9th 1874

Maj Genl O. O. Howard

US Army

Dear Genl!

The Christian people of Detroit are in hopes you will be present at the Meeting of Young Men's Ch.^{ch} in this city on the 24th inst. Permit me to hope that their wishes may not be disappointed and to ask in case you do visit Detroit that you will be kind enough to make my house your home during your stay.

I have for some years been trying feebly to do my

part in the service of our
Master, and it has given
me great pleasure to watch
your fearlessness in at all
times showing your colors
in the same cause. And I
shall deem it a privilege to
greet you as a fellow soldier
and to have my long cherished
desire to be come personally
acquainted with you gratified.

I hope soon to hear from
you in order that if you
do not come I may notify
the "Committee" that my
house is at their service.

Very Truly yours
W. P. Reynolds
Torrey

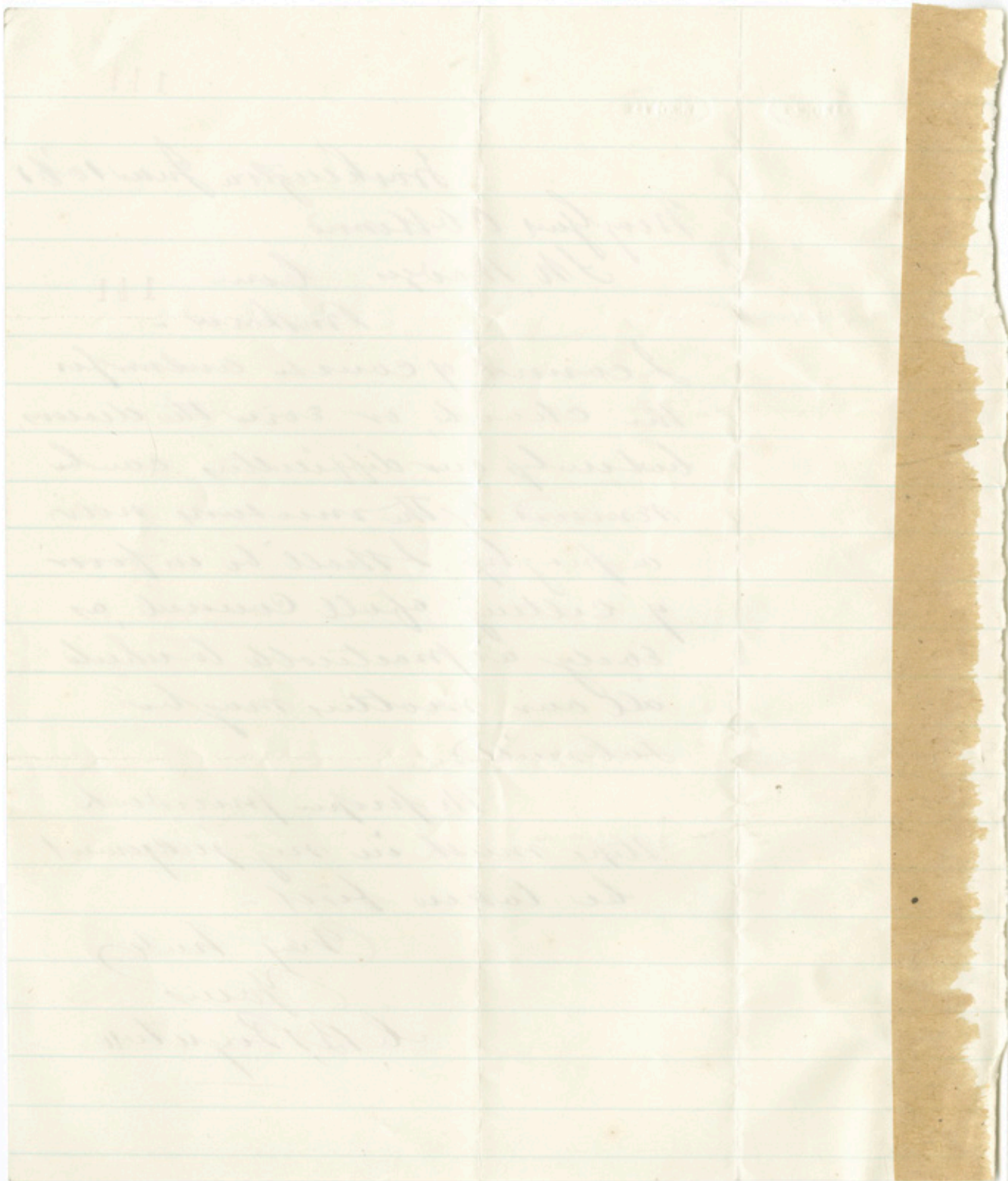
Franklin Jun 10th 68
 My dear Abner

I W. Hedges Com 111
 Boston -

I cannot of course answer
 the church, or even the deacons,
 but only our difficulties, can be
 removed by the measures now
 in progress, I shall be in favor
 of calling a full Council, as
 early as practicable to submit
 all our matters may be
 submitted.

The proper precedent
 steps must in my judgment
 be taken first -

Very truly
 Yours
 A. B. Poynton



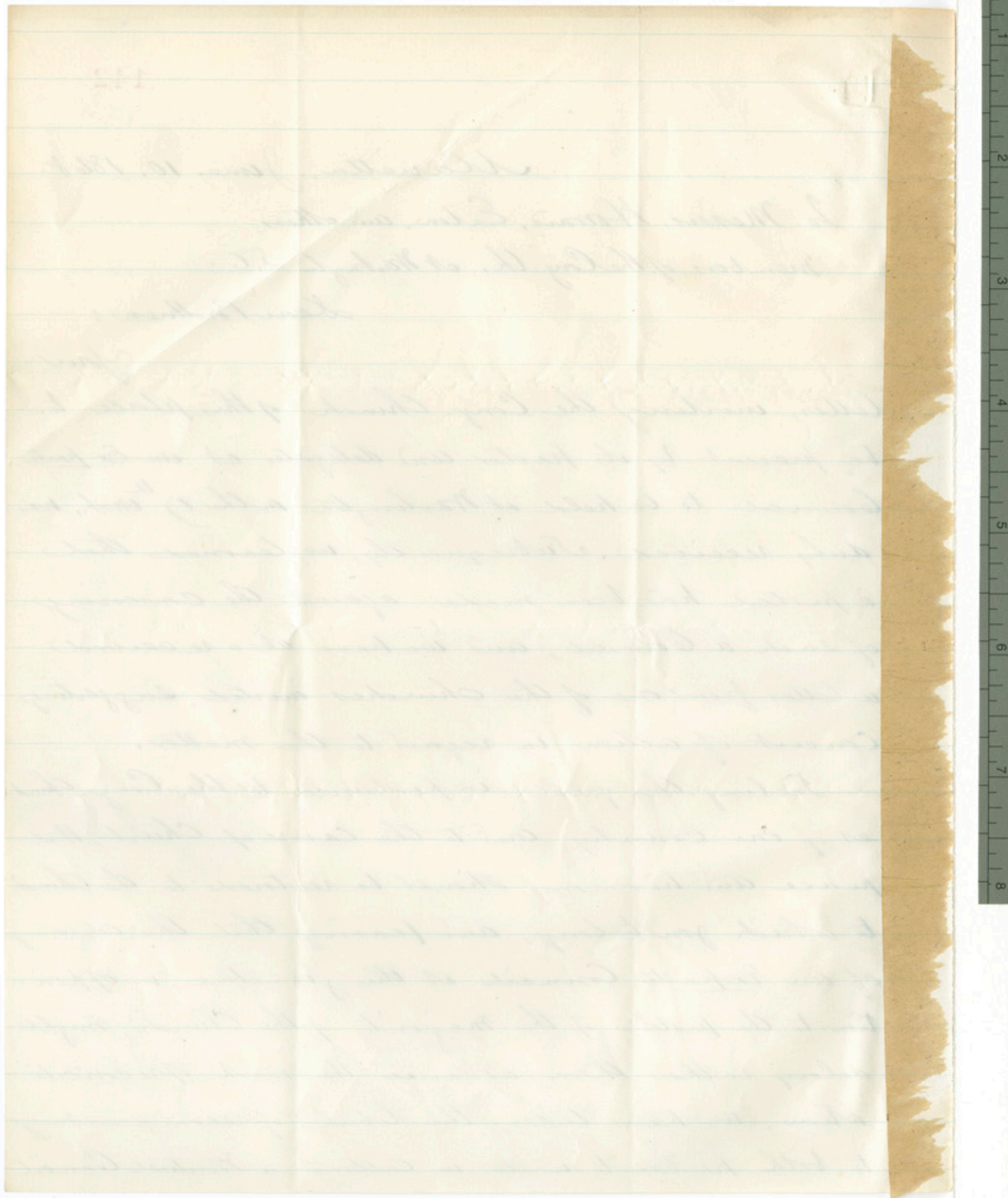
Marion, June 10, 1868.

To Messrs. Howard, Eaton, and others,
members of the Cong. Ch. at Washington, D.C.:

Dear Brethren:

Your letter, inviting the Cong. Church of this place to be present by its pastor and delegate at an Ex parte Council to be held at Washington on the 17th inst., was duly received. Subsequently, we learned that a protest had been made against the convening of such a Council, and we have also received a letter from one of the churches invited, suggesting concert of action in regard to the matter.

Feeling the great importance to the Cong. Churches of our Country, and to the Cause of Christ, that peace and harmony should be restored to the Church to which you belong, and fearing that the convening of an Ex parte Council at this juncture, in opposition to the protest of the majority of the Church, might delay rather than advance the work of reconciliation, we have taken the liberty of recommending to both parties to unite in calling a Mutual Council



for consideration of the matters at issue.

Knowing the efforts you have already made to secure such a Council, we are persuaded that this suggestion will commend itself to you as the most desirable mode of reconciling the differences that exist, provided it can be brought about. Should all efforts to secure a Mutual Council prove unavailing, which we cannot believe will be the case, the other remedy will, of course, still be open.

In behalf of the Church, we are
Yours in Christian fellowship,

Israel H. Andrews, } Com-
George R. Rossiter } mittee

A. C. 10. 24. 1868
Dover, N. H.

Andrews Sarah M.
and
Rev. Mr. D. D. D.

Suggest a delay in the
meeting of the Executive
Council, in order that
the Church may be pre-
pared for a national
Council.

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Home, Wednesday
Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir:

Permit me to
introduce to you my Nephew
Lieut. James W. Claiborne.

He was in the army during
the whole war, and can furnish
the best of references from his
superior officers.

Gen. I desire you
to give him a situation. I ask
this as a personal favor to me.

Two years ago I worked weeks
to secure you a sword, a beautiful
gift. I incurred the ill will of
a powerful clan here because I
would not enter into a scheme
to cheat you out of it, that it
might go to Gen. Hancock. I
also impaired my health so much

by the constant exertion for
six weeks, that I have been an
invalid ever since, & have very
little hope of ever recovering.

He will hand you this card
with it a specimen of his writing
Very Resp.

Your Friend
Mrs O. D. Barrett.

P.S.

Prof. Barrett just tells me
that you spoke about giving
Lieut. Claiborne position in
La. would he be compelled
to remain there during
the fever season.

Mrs O. D. Barrett.

No 8 - 4 1/2 St

June 10th 1868.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

STATE OF TENNESSEE,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

Nashville, Tenn. June 10th 1868

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

Washington D.C.

Dear General:

This will introduce
Captain Geo E. Judd, U.S.A. as well,
who visits Washington for a few days
on business. I hope you will assist him
in procuring an appointment in the
Regular Army, as he is a very deserving
officer.

I am General, very respectfully

Yours obtl servt

W. G. F. G.

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TOWN HALL, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS,

STATE OF TENNESSEE,
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

1887
Starkville, Tenn June 10th

My dear Mr. [illegible],
Washington D.C.

Dear General:

This is to inform

you that I have

been visiting Washington for a few days

on business. I hope you will find

in passing an opportunity in the

business of the day, as it is a very busy

office.

I am, General, very respectfully

Yours truly,

W. J. [illegible]

Saint Louis, June, 11th, 1868.

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To the members of the Congregational Church in Washington City, that have invited us to meet them in an ex-parte Council, the First Trin. Cong. Church of St Louis. Mo. sendeth greetings.

Beloved Brethren,

We have received your letter, inviting us to meet you, by representation, in an ex-parte Council, to be convened in Washington on the 17th of June, and it has been in our mind to comply with your request. But letters have been received from the Tabernacle Church in N. York, who had also been invited by you, suggesting that although the right of a minority in your position to an ex-parte Council — a mutual one having been asked and refused — is incontrovertible according to the principles of our Ecclesiastical Order, yet for the better prospect of reconciliation, and for the prevention of possible permanent schism and disaster and scandal, in regard to a Church placed in a position so widely conspicuous and so Nationally representative, as yours, it were better before meeting in an ex-parte Council, that we who had been invited there, should first, by

letter, endeavor to persuade the majority to consent to a mutual Council.

The suggestion seems to us wise, and in furtherance of our earnest wish and prayer, that you all may become of one mind and one accord in the Lord.

Should a mutual Council be granted, and our fraternal offices in it be requested, it will be regarded by us as a privilege to do what may be in our power to heal the differences among you. Should it be refused, which (we speak with no pre-judgment of the ^{case}) we hope for the prosperity of your Church and for the avoidance of scandal and schism it may not — and you feel it your duty to renew your call for an ex-parte Council, we shall regard it as due to the fellowship of the churches, to respond, if possible, by personal representation.

Presuming that the other churches invited — from whom on account of distance we cannot hear before the time at which the ex-parte Council was called — will enter into the views and arrangements suggested above, we shall send no representative to Washington on the 17th. inst.

That the Lord may give you
 patience, wisdom and charity, for the present
 crisis - that you may so meet it as to secure the
 unity, and beneficence of your Church, and the
 approval of the great multitude of Churches
 that are looking with interest to you; and above
 all, the approval of the Great Head of the Church,
 - so that this trial, however painful at present,
 may ultimate in your higher excellency and
 usefulness, and in the furtherance of Christian
 truth, liberty and life, is our earnest prayer.

In behalf of the
 1st Trin Cong. Church,
 Saint Louis,
 Mo.

J. M. Post
 S. B. Kellogg
 Wm Dickinson

Cum gratia

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Jack J. M. M
 and others

Request the minority
 calling the Ex parte Com-
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 church can request
 a mutual commod.
 etc, etc,

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Major General O O Howard
Dear Sir

The position and influence you have in Washington (and President of the Young Men's Christian Assoc^y) has caused me to drop you a few lines to you in hopes that you may give it your personal attention; although I expect that you have your share of personal labour to manage. Yet I am induced to ask you to try and get Congress to prohibit Prize Fighting in the United States of America it is a growing evil and the parties interested in their inhuman Sport are impudent and defy the law, and if continued will bring a curse to our Country
Washington June 11th 1868

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Washington June 11th

Anonymous

Requests General
Howard to use his
influence to get
Congress to pass
a law prohibiting
prize-fighting in
the U. S.



Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

STATE OF TENNESSEE.

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Office Superintendent of Education,

Nashville, Tenn., June 11th 1868.

My dear General -

This will be handed to you by Capt. Geo. E. Ludd. Vet. Res. Corps. who desires a commission in the Regular Army - He seems energetic, intelligent, honest, & brave, and is highly esteemed by Gen. Duncan & Carlin. He lost his arm at Fair Oaks - 31st May 62.

He will explain to you whatever you may wish to know in regard to matters here. Permit me however to invite your attention to the Memorial of the Trustees of "The Central Tennessee College" recently forwarded to you by Gen. Carlin. Capt. Ludd will tell you what position the men, composing the Board, occupy in this State. I regard this School, the Fisk University, and the schools of that class as "the strongholds" or "chief anchors" of education for the colored people of the South. The colored teachers educated at these schools, duly impressed with the infinite importance of religion & knowledge to their race, in its present condition, will find some means of spreading the Gospel & of teaching at least the elementary branches, when prejudice, ignorance and pretended poverty, on part of the white people, will render the
(over)

General Refugee, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

STATE OF TENNESSEE.

Office Superintendent of Education.

1864

Richmond, Tenn. Jan. 11.

School laws inefficient, if not entirely, inoperative -

The Board have purchased an excellent lot of ground, within the City limits, with a good but insufficient brick building upon it. But they need assistance very much, and their success is very doubtful if they fail in procuring it. I have endeavored to impress upon them the vast importance of their securing the services of a man of gigantic power, intellectual & moral - as President of the College. I do hope & pray that you will aid them as far as may be within the extent of your authority.

Having made two efforts to secure an interview with Gen. Eaton, State Supt. of Educⁿ - , and having made a subsequent appointment for one, which he failed to keep, I addressed him a letter, a copy of which is enclosed. If possible, I shall cooperate with him, and if there be any reason for his apparent indifference in regard to the matter it cannot be personal to me -

In the Autumn schools could be established in every portion of the State, where Gen. Eaton is unable to make his system effective, if zealously religious Bureau agents were appointed -

Personally - I have addressed the Sabbath schools on two occasions of Monthly Conventions - have attended our own prayer meetings, & have by special invitation participated in the revival services of the "Conservative" Baptist Church - the Lord bless you -

Very truly yours,
Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard -

James D. Thompson

Philadelphia June 12th, 1868.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir,

As the delegate appointed by the Central Cong. Church of this city to the Ex-Parte Council called by you and others, I take the liberty of writing you this letter, at the suggestion of our Pastor - Rev. Edw. Hanes.

In accordance with suggestion received from Rev. Dr. Thompson, this Church voted to - and has - addressed letters both to the Majority and Minority of your Church, advising & urging the calling of a Mutual Council.

Fearing, however, from the last letter rec'd from you, that the Majority will not consent to this, it is our intention to be present, as invited, on Wed. next, unless otherwise advised by you in the meantime. Will you, therefore, have the kindness, immediately on receipt of this, to inform us of the final action of both parties in regard to the ^{advised} ~~proposed~~ Mutual action, & also of your own personal, present, desires in the matter.

Please address

Very Respectfully Yours,

{ Edward P. Bates,
400 Walnut Street, Phila. Pa.

Philadelphia June 12th 1852

Wm. O. Howard

Washington D. C.

My dear Sir,

As the subject appointed by the Committee

charged of this subject to the Executive Council

and then, I take the liberty of writing you this

at the suggestion of our Father - Wm. O. Howard

in accordance with suggestions received from him

that this Church voted to send him

to the Foreign and Domestic

of Foreign Missions

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Very truly yours,

Wm. O. Howard

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13 Napan Street
New York June 12. 1868

May. Genl O. O. Howard

My dear Christian Brother

I have your letter of June 10th and had
before been appointed by our church lay delegate to
your ex parte Council. The B/way Tabernacle issued a
letter which you have doubtless seen. Our Pastor hoping
for a mutual Council responded (upon agreement
with the Prudential Committee) favorably, and
I as a delegate could not object to such an en-
largement of action. But I have no thought
of omitting my special duty already undertaken,
of meeting you and your brethren as I have
been appointed to do next week - unless it be to
attend a mutual Council instead. And I hope that if
this is declined by the Pastor and the majority, all your
correspondents will meet you, as I hope to do.

Our Pastor had before your first letter was rec^d undertaken
a journey this week to Michigan, and has gone accord-
ingly, and will not return till after next week. So he
cannot be with you. I expect to leave in the evening
train of Tuesday June 16th, so as to reach Washington Wed-
nesday morning June 17th.

Yours affectionately
Edgar Ketchum

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Delaware College

States that he has
been chosen a del-
egate to the Ex-ports
con-ail. Will leave
16th etc, etc.



1882



THE KIDNAPPING CASE—AN APPEAL TO
THE CHARITABLE.

At the May term of the court in Johnson county, Iowa, this celebrated case comes up for final settlement. Andrew Tucker, a boy thirteen years old, was sent, in one of my companies, by a few kind ladies of Hoboken, N. J., to a good home in Cedar county, Iowa. He told these ladies that his father and mother had forsaken him. Christian charity took him up. The father came to Iowa, and had me arrested and tried as a kidnapper. Templin was his lawyer, and he plead that all persons, men and women, engaged in this nefarious traffic, were kidnappers, and should be punished. The judge charged in favor of the plaintiff, and the

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verdict of the jury was \$225 and costs—in all, \$400. The sheriff, in discharge of his duty, levied on an orphan house and a few acres, and Judge Rothrock, of Cedar county, Iowa, stopped the sale by an injunction. Our friends now advise me to raise and send on 200, for which Tucker and his lawyer propose to settle it. Will 200 charitable persons send me a dollar each, and relieve me of the vexation and annoyance of this unrighteous and outrageous proceeding? Its evident intent was, first, to embarrass me in my charitable work; second, to discourage the removal into Johnson county of homeless orphans, called by the officials "paupers;" and third, to extort money. In this the managers of this case were, to an extent, successful; but "in all time of our adversity, the good Lord has delivered us" from our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and prospered our work, East and West. We greatly need money for general purposes, but we want \$200 for this object; and we pledge ourselves to find in the West, during the summer, 200 charitable persons who will refund a dollar each, for the support of the little ones, into the treasury of "The Home." Please address

Rev. C. C. TOWNSEND,
"Care of S. Barber, No. 112 Water street
New-York."

New-York, April 8, 1868.

New York, No 112 Water St
June 12th 1868,

Genl. O. O. Howard

I was called upon to meet the above petition, claim, soon after an attack of pleurisy and, moreover, a succession of rainy days, for nearly a month has made it difficult for me to provide for about 75 dependents upon me—and meet such calls as the above,—a shameless act of oppression.—I would thank you to contribute \$1. toward this fund—and, thereby, to that extent—relieve the oppressed—and oblige.

Truly Yours, &c,

C. C. Townsend

variety of the jury was \$225 and costs—in all,
 \$100. The estate, in discharge of the duty,
 levied on an orphan house and a few more, and
 Judge Johnson, of Otsego county, Iowa, stopped
 the sale by an injunction. Our friends now
 advise me to raise and sell on \$500, for which
 I have had his lawyer propose to settle it. Will
 200 charitable persons each one a dollar each,
 and others out of the vacation and holidays
 of the county, and outrageous proceedings?
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 in my charitable work; a word to discourage
 the removal into Johnson county of homeless
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 "Care of S. Harbor," No. 111 Water street,
 New York.
 New York, April 2, 1883.



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 women, engaged in this heinous traffic, were
 kidnappers, and should be punished. The
 judge charged in favor of the plaintiff and the

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Washington June 12. 1868.

Dear General:

Senator Howard will introduce a bill to effect the object aimed at in the enclosed note. Please confer with him upon the subject at your earliest convenience.

The bill to admit S. C. will pass the House, most probably on Monday next, and I will then leave for Charleston.

Very respectfully,
J. J. Mackey.

May Genl. O. O. Howard.
Present.

June 12th 1868

Wacker J. D.

Requests the General
to confer with Secretary
Howland on the subject
of the enclosed letter.

12th June recd.

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Washington June 12/68

Dear Sir:

Would it be competent for Congress to provide, by law, that the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners of the Freedmen's Bureau, shall be assigned to their respective duties by the General of the Army, and shall be removable only by him?

I have reason to believe that Johnson has it in contemplation, to appoint Rousseau, Gordon Granger & Co. as Commissioner and Asst Commis, and thus to wield the Bureau against the Union men of the South.

Very Respectfully,
T. J. Mackey

Senator Howard



Yrs

ms

March 27.

Acta Senator Steward
in the Congress and
pass a law, giving the
General of the Armed
forces to appoint and
remove the Generals and
Act Stewards. etc. etc

President's Bureau

Milwaukee Misc. 128

June 12 1868

My dear brother,

I was more

pleased to get your good long
letter by hand of William,
than all the rest of a heap
I found waiting me here last
Wed. afternoon. We parted
from mother at La Crosse
that morning early - She went
on by Steamer to Dubuque
thence by R.R. to Cedar Rapids
The same way we had taken
on our trip up to St Paul.
We arrived at the latter place
Sunday morning - Scenery on the
Miss. picturesque and weather cool.
That day took mother in buggy
10 miles to St. Anthony & Minne-
apolis to visit Uncle W^m
Stonfield family - His son
Sam^l lives at Minneapolis but

St. Address at - Montreal Care T. D. Brown Esq.

Made Wm 12 miles distant
in the country - Mother went
out to visit him next day &
Kitty & I with Mrs. Frederick Fox
who is now our Companion
visited Minneapolis Falls, St.
Anthony &c - having with us
part of the time Saml's son
Lyman - a married man of
some 28 or 30 - who seems to
be a man of good part, & he
enjoyed the day much -
Mother joined us at St. Anthony
next morning - having been
at St. Anthony Monday night.

Kitty took some cold on
thunder & had got pretty tired
when we arrived here but then
being a second home to her
she is resting nicely and we
expect will be ready to go

am Comfortably next Monday
night. The Aunt (Mrs John
A. Rice) gives a party for
our benefit tonight. Mil-
waukee is a pleasant cit.
Several friends have inquired for
you - some who have never seen
you but desire to. I saw
Winkler whom you will be
member of 26th Wisc. He is
a good lawyer & wished me
to give his regards to you. A
classmate of mine from Green Bay
met me here - I accidentally met
another in St Paul -

Dell & Rose & boy are thrifly
happy & Mother seems unusually
contented - I think Mother enjoyed her
trip with us up the river very much.

I am glad you are to be at
Detroit - It will do you good as
well as our attraction at Washington.

I cannot be there & carry out
my plan of going to Maine via
Montreal and Champlain - Gun
Oliver writes, urging me to take
Castleton en route.

After having the estimate
for lumber, on 1054 of
wood end of the Building Block
& finding only \$30 per board differ-
ence I would decide to use
the block if we build at all.
But how far the funds for
that row (the 5th) and for the
Hospital also? If we have
I will say go on with the lumber
of B. B. but if not I would
recommend constructing the
Hospital of the two.

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state to Gen. Whittier
whether both can be built - One
say at \$39,000 - the other (tenement) at
\$25 to 25,000 - Do you feel
certain the Pioneer Press will carry
over a veto? Tell me more of
Schopfield - Is he a Republican? Hope
a letter of Montreal - With kindest
 regards to all & yours truly
Wm. H. Brown

Copy for information of Prof. E. V. Howard

Washington D.C. May 20th 1868.

Estimate of Nineteen (19) Houses to be built on
Square 1054. between C. & D. Streets North 14 and
15 Street East.

188.000 @ \$40. Block	7520.00
188.000 @ \$25. Laying -	4700.00.
273.00. @ \$30 Flooring #	819.00
15.000 @ \$22.50 Culls.	332.50
50.000 @ \$21.50. Studdings & Joists	1075.00
104.000 @ \$3.52. Shingles	366.08
190 @ \$5.10 Windows & Sashes & Blinds	969.00
38 @ \$6.00	228.00
152 @ \$4.60. Doors & frames	699.20
Hardware -	320.00
Plastering Ceilings, Lath, Nails -	
& all Material -	973.20.
Carpenter work	4750.00
19) 22751.98	
\$ 1197.47..	

I think Spruce flooring would do &
judge it would be considerably cheaper -

W. H. H.

