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Dubuque Iowa
February 19th 1869
Maj Genl. O. Howard
Washington

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Dear General

Some of my relatives
and friends, in St Lawrence County
N.Y. have advised me to make
application for the Custom House
at Ogdensburg N.Y. which is my
native place. My Father died only
a few months ago and on my
Mother's account more than any
thing else I should like to secure
such a position that I might be
near her in her declining years
which must be very few. She will
not come west and there are no
inducements in the way of business
otherwise. To influence my return

I went into the Army poor and



am happy to state that I came
out at the end of 4 1/2 years in about
same condition. Of course my
claim for the office is based upon
service and as you know something
of what that was both to the Govern-
ment & yourself. I make bold to
request that you will assist me
as far as you can consistently in
bringing them before Genl Grant
or other proper authority. I have
written Genl Sherman, Genl Logan
Genl Dent, Genl Rawlins & our
Representative Hon^{ble} W. B. Allison
upon the subject and if you will
take the trouble upon yourself to
speak to them about it and get
them to cooperate with you, I think
my chances for success would be
very flattering. I shall also have
the influence of Senator Cunkling
of N.Y. and Hon^{ble} Wheeler Represen-
tative from 17th Congl Dist of N.Y.

and many of the prominent-
and influential citizens of St
Lawrence Co. I enclose you
my application for the office. To
Genl Grant, whom I suppose to be
the proper one to address and
will be much pleased & be under
many obligations if you will
endorse it as strongly as you
can conscientiously and hand it
to Genl Logan. Mr Allison, Genl
Sherman (should you see him) Genl
Dent & Genl Rawlins who will
all recollect me I think and say
a good word in my behalf.

I will also have the recommenda-
tions from Ogdensburg forwarded
to you. Now General if you will
interest yourself in my behalf
in this case you will confer a
favor on me and mine that will
take a life time to repay.
Truly Yours Saml L. Tappan

LAW OFFICE OF

John W. & A. L. Cary,

Mitchell's Bank Building,

Milwaukee, Feb 17th 1869.

Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

Mr. Sertert has advised us
that you will lecture here March 16th. May we
expect you here at that time. We had thought of selecting
as the subject of your lecture, "Christian experience in
the army." But should like to have your judgment
as to which is the best of your three lectures.

Yours very respectfully

Alfred L. Cary
Chin Sec. Genl.

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Munswick Georgia
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My Dr. Genl:

[1869]

I am very sorry
I did not see you. The
day I remained in
Washington (on my way
out here in Decr.) but it
rained so hard I was ob-
liged to remain in doors

We have been here
some five weeks on a visit
to Genl. Wayne and his fam-
ily who have a comfortable
establishment but
the want of congenial
society is a great draw
back to their pleasure.
Besides the Genl. has
not sufficient mental

well - from my own observation I think
he is just & correct in his views
concerning the freedmen & is really
a kind friend to them - that a-
bout his house have been taught
by his daughters to read & speak
English well & are gradually improving

occupation to suit his
taste. I believe he has
~~he has~~ never had much
to do with politics and I
am glad to say has been
a good & steady Grant
man from the start,
which of course has not
tended to make him
popular in this part of
the state, except among
the Union men - white
& freedmen - He is a thorow-
ly educated man, hav-
ing gone thro. Cambridge
& N. Point and ^{of course} is a
small place like this with
business that does not
occupy a great deal of
his time, he is out of ^{position} place
he. He tells me the
men & women about here

To day, I step^d into
the mens school
house & had a talk
with the female teacher
a good sense woman
wh. I think, is trying
to do her duty. She has
some go. scholars who
are well dressed, well
behaved & very orderly.
St. Wisley who represents
the Bureau here, I have
seen once. Wayne tells
me he is a correct man
in his department & per-
forms his duty (as far as
he can see & hear) faith-
fully. I mention all
this because I know it
will be gratifying to you.

full money he able to count on well
"perhaps improve my City lots -

If I had money at command
I would buy all of the People
on the old settlements as they are ex-
ceedingly anxious to return of I
would take charge of them.

In regard to them our faces beats

& because it gives me pleasure to know that some of the best men down here are willing & determined to give the Negro a fair chance to become a good & industrious citizen - Every right minded man down here, I hope will not be much longer in seeing & feeling that it is but right to lend a helping hand to the Negro by being kind & just to him & by giving him proper advice & instruction. I have tried to convince those with whom I have conversed, that such Gent. will most assuredly

any out The Congressional
views of reconstruction
but in kindness & if the
people will do their
duty he will do his.
- I want that all
may work together for
the peace & happiness
of the entire country

(Mr. Brown I
believe) that I came
down here to see after
^{my} little property & try to
rent or sell it - Therefore
I have not been able to
do much with it as all
the houses & fences were
destroyed by our troops
& I have not had the money
to replace them - I think
however that I can get
a times a head & by next

Washington early in the
when I will try to see
you & have a talk
about some matters
in which both of our
hearts are, I think
interested.

If you have time to
write I shall be glad
to hear from you, my ad-
dress is Carl O'Brien
203: Savannah - You
may be able to put
me in the way of do-
ing some good down
here

Yours Very Truly
Frederic Aug.



Ripon, Feb'y 20th 1869-
Gen. O. O. Howard,
Dear Sir;

The, German
Society of Ripon College, wish me
their secretary, to write to you,
with a view to obtain your ser-
vices, in delivering an address
before our Society, in Ripon the
7th of July next.

Please answer at once, stating
your terms, and oblige,

Yours truly,

Josiah B. Blakely,
Ripon,
Wisconsin



Alliance. O. Feb 20th 1869
Maj Genl O. O. Howard,
Washington D.C.

General

Can you make it
convenient to deliver a lecture
for our Association. If so
when, and what are
your terms?

I am

Very Respectfully,
Yr Obedt Servt.
Hagup. Cr. Sec. Y.M.C.A.

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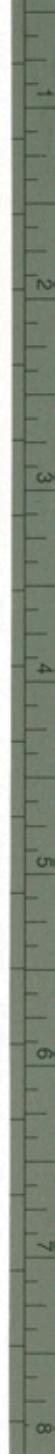
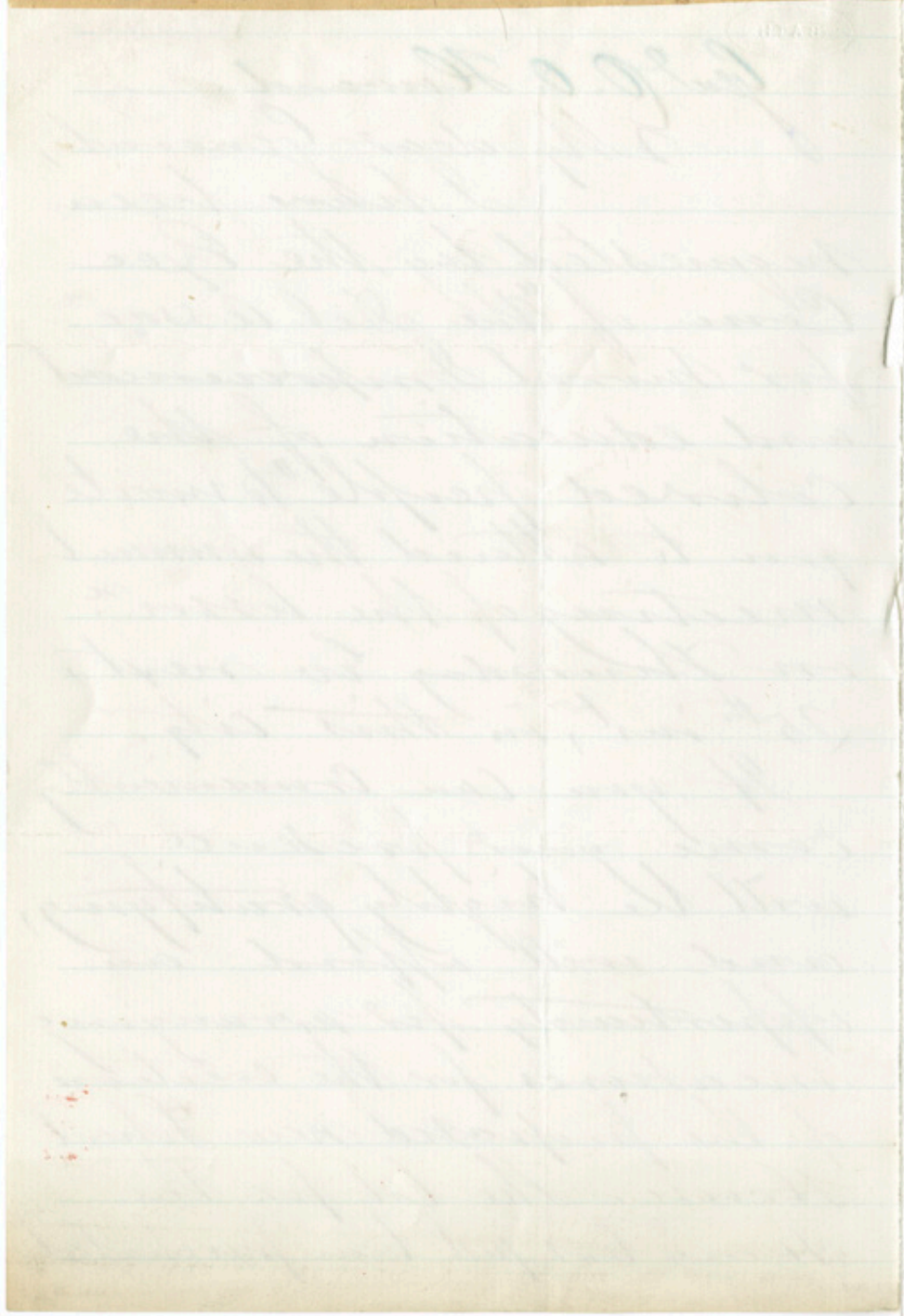


Wilmington, Del. Feb. 20. 69

Gen C. O. Howard.

My dear General,
I have been
suggested by the Exec
Com of "the Del Assocⁿ"
for Moral Improvement
and education of the
colored people to invite
you to attend the annual
meeting of the Assocⁿ
on Thursday Ev next,
25th inst, in this city.

If you can conveniently
come your presence
will be highly gratifying,
and will afford an
opportunity for arranging
measures for the erection
of the proposed new School
House. The lot for the
same has just been purchased.



Should you come
I shall hope to
have you as my guest.

I remain, my
dear General, sincerely
Yours
Alfred Lee

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*You are respectfully invited to attend the
annual Meeting of the Delaware Association
for the Moral Improvement and Education
of the Colored People, to be held at Institute
Hall, on Thursday Evening, February 25th,
at 7 1/2 o'clock.*

Head Quarters Post No. 67. G. A. R.
Erie, Penn^a Feb^y. 20. 1869.

Maj. Gen^l C. C. Howard
Wmport, Penn^a
Dear Sir:

The Comrades of the above Post
desirous of securing the services of some prominent
& distinguished military man, to give a lecture here,
under the auspices of the Post. Their object in
having this lecture is to secure the necessary means
to replenish their Charity Fund. This Fund is used
to relieve the wants of the widows and orphans
of deceased soldiers and sailors & disabled soldiers
and sailors. Will you please let me know as soon
as possible, whether you can come, ^{where,} your terms,
subject, &c. I feel justified in believing that the object
which we seek to accomplish, will induce you to make
every effort to accede to our request.

Yours Truly

R. D. Charnick
Commander

Yours of Erie Pa

Dec 20th 1869

Charles R. Roe
Esq

Swick's letter for
Post No 63 A. R. R.

