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1807 Spruce St
Phila May 5, 1869

Maj Gen
O. O. Howard
My dear General

The position of Marshal for the Eastern District of Penna was made vacant, last evening by the death of the recent appointee, Cyrl Ely — I am an applicant for the position, and feel that I have some claim on the country and on the party — This is my first experience in office hunting and I only went to it as a matter of necessity — Can you assist me by a personal interview with the President — I did not succeed in getting the position

for which I made application when in Washington; and the uncertainty in regard vacancies in the Medical Department of the Army induces me to press the matter with all the energy I possess — I am bringing to bear all the political influence that I can command

Hoping for better results than from my last venture Washington

I remain
Your obt Servt
D. H. Taylor

P.S. I served sometime as Medical Inspector Army of the Potomac having been appointed by Gen. Hooker and retained by Genl. Meade when he assumed Command

D.H.T.

Ans'd by Sheridan -
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Joe Tom Rice
Davidson County
N.C. May 5th 1869

Gen. O. O. Howard
Dr, Sir

allow me to Introduce my Self to you through the medium of a Short letter, I recollect of you do not we, Travelled to gether from Richmond Va to Danville, Va about the 27th or 28th of September 1865, I had just been mustered out of serv's of the army of, U.S, as 2nd Lieut Comp. E, 193d N.Y. Vol Infantry, In (1864,) I made my way as a refugee from Davidson County N.C. through East Tenn to New York State (Syracuse) and with my friends I joined the 193d N.Y. Vol. Infy, I was with my Regt 3 months when I took the measels and Typhus fever, and from its affects I was mustered out and have never regained my health, I have never applied for any position Since the war but to you I can produce the very best of Testimonials, If you should desire them, I think I was one of the few who dared to do right, In Rebbeldom, and If you think you can confer a Situation to me

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you will be aiding one who has suffered
much in the cause of the union. I have
for the last 4 years, been dependant on my
Parents for support, have not been able to carry
on a farm. If you should desire me to come
in person to Washington city. I will do so
I will leave my case in your hands feeling
confident you will give me a position
in every respect, worthy of my claims
and aiding one who proved his fidelity to the
union by entering the U. S. Service in the darkhour
of our Country's peril & cared permanently
for. I commit my case into your hands feeling
confident you will let me hear from you
and do the best you can for me

Verry Respectfully
Your Obt Srvt,

A. G. Newsom
Late 2nd Lieut Comp E 193. N. G. Vol. Infty

Jackson Mich
N. C.

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Treasury Department,
Second Comptroller's Office,

May 5th, 1865

Gen. O. O. Howard

My dear General,

Lewis. I had reason to estimate Mr. Dailey as you do, but I look upon him as a bad man and an unfaithful officer. The only thing I have any doubt about in my action upon his case is, that I have

so -

recommended his
transfer to some other
Bureau when it would
seem to be my duty
to recommend his un-
conditional removal.

I commend his
republicanism, though
it did not prevent
him from applying to
Senator Dixon, both
by letter and in person,
to urge his appointment
by President Johnson, for
the place of Register
of Wills in this city

the business of this office can not be performed by a republican alone, however intelligent.

Integrity and industry are also essential.

Towards me personally I think he has acted with baseness, but I shall not interfere with him further than to prevent his return to my office.

Truly yours

[illegible]

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Genl. O. O. Howard

My dear General

The office of Marshal for the Eastern District of Pa has just become vacant by the death of the recent appointee Col Ely – I am an applicant for the position and write to request your influence with the President – Will you do me the favor to obtain a personal interview with the President in my behalf

I need the position and feel that I have some claims, if continuous service in responsible positions during the war is any recommendation

I wrote to you direct this morning, but being apprehensive that the letter might not reach you, send this enclosed to my friend Mr E. Frederick Smith

Very respectfully
Your obt Svt
J. H. Taylor

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New Brunswick N. J.
May 5. 1869

Maj Genl O. O. Howard

Sir

Post Kearney No 15
G. A. R. have by resolution directed me to invite you to deliver a public lecture in this City for the benefit of the Soldiers Widows and orphans. ~~of this City~~

Please write me stating terms. time & subject

Yours Very Respectfully
J. L. Mulford M. D.
Commanding Post

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New Orleans May 6th 69

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Genl A. A. Howard

Dear Sir

I regret writing you again on the subject of a letter of introduction & recommendation for John. He is now in want of some assistance, & rendering it at this time might be the means of placing him so that he would have no difficulties in managing for himself — I would not ask of you a letter of recommendation for him — did I not think he would do his duty and conduct in a manner that you would have no cause to reflect on yourself — He is better calculated for a clerk or deputy under some of the appointing officers than anything else — If I had the means I would render him the assistance, which I think, if alive his father, would one of us — but I have not — at this time — and I have no influence with the appointing powers —

Respectfully yours &c

J. R. Woodman

New Orleans. La
May 6th 1869

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Genl O. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

Dear Otis. I presume Charles has reached Washington by this time or will have before you receive this. but for fear he has not or that he will forget to mention to you that I am trying to get a position in the Custom House I write this, while here he gave me a letter to Col Casey and told me that he would get you to send an endorsement, I saw Col Casey and he told me that when you sent your letter, to bring them both to him and he would try and find me a place.
Now I trust you will do this for me. for I am entirely out of employment and there is no possible chance for me to get any this Summer in any business house. for the dull season has just come on, unless I get this I don't know how I shall get a living for the next six months.
If you will write a letter requesting Col Casey to give me a place there is no doubt that he will do so. and as my assistance all most depends on it I hope you will not hesitate

Mr Woodman wrote to you some time since in regard to the matter but I did not see the letter, and in fact did not know he had written it until after it was sent off or I should have prefered writing my self. I wished to make every effort to procure employment elsewhere before making this application I have done so now, and am satisfied that it is impossible.

Please write immediately and let me know what I may expect.

Your affectionate Cousin

John. Otis

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Headquarters Fourth Military District,

(DEPARTMENT OF MISSISSIPPI,)

Jackson, Miss., May 6th 1869.

My dear General:

Your favor of the 29th ult received.

Major Preuss now Sheriff of Washington Co. has been notified that his resignation as such will be accepted in view of appointing his successor.

I regret that I feel obliged to act in a case where non-action would oblige you. Maj. P. is (so it is reported to me

which I believe) one of those union men who lends his official influence to the democracy of his neighborhood and turns his back when those union men who should expect assistance from him. I know by experience that Ex-union officers who "swing-round-the-circle" do infinitely more harm than a rebel.

His removal I regard a political necessity.

I am happy to state that reconstruction is progressing very favorably

Yours Truly
Adelbert Ames.

Genl. O. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

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By Telegraph from Philada 6 1867.

To

Maj Genl O. O Howard
Commr F Bu

Will you write the President and Attorney Genl recommending my appointment for U S marshal of Eastern District Penna and see the President personally if you can

E M Gregory

26 P67 Pd 410 Walnut St

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