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Yr O. O. Howard
Chmn of Bureau

Dear Sir.

I shall

be in Washington on the
12th and desire very
much to see you upon
some very important
matters in my State.
I will call upon you
about 1 o'clock P.M.

Yrs truly

B. L. Whittemore

The Hon^{ble} assistant Secy. And it may
be he never gave it the second thought
as for that I cannot tell. But by this
splitting of straws between Mr. Richardson
I am thrown out of employment, with
poor health, no means to subsist on what
money I have in hand almost used up.
By teaching and sewing the past winter.
I have made out to live. But cannot do
it as my nerves and my Physical strength
are both failing me. General as a lover
woman ignorant and very illiterate.
Striving to do the best I can. However
poor that may be. Yielding no rights
which I think justly my own. Although
in maintaining that right I may be put
to the sore test. And by it be almost ~~to despair~~
to despair yet I will say I am right.
I write you this in confidence. You will
see the justice of the thing although your
position is such you dare not mention
it.

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Washington City D.C.
June 7th 1869.

Gen. O. C. Howard.

Dear Sir

I have written
letter after letter, and after reading them they
would be thrown aside until I have come
to the conclusion to write this one; send
it without reading it. Days have passed
into weeks, weeks into months and your money has not been
returned to you. Your confidence in
me has failed to plead my cause. And only
for the pure and delicate Christian feeling
which ever warms each pulsation of your
kind and noble heart. You would prosci-
cute me. But General do not in your in-
most soul judge me so harshly. I know
I have faults. And those faults grieve
no one so much as myself. And one
of those faults, if a fault it can be called

is the manner in which I manage my pecuniary affairs. Persons fail to pay me, and through their faultings I fail to pay my debts. I would best the matter I did so and O'General, sorry, grieved, distressed, distressed to distraction. are weak words when I still think I am right. In I am compell'd to write, (not able to pay you) my candid opinion I think it was yet. Through a little officiousness and a very small thing for the higher or a little sense of right on my part the highest officer in the United States I was discharged from the Treasury by (Mr Treasury to condiscend even to taking Richerson in the absence of Mr (Buckley) vice of any such a thing much on the first of last April. The case was less to interfere. What right has just this. I owed (Mr C Storrs, Secy of the head of the division in which I am of boered money. And he applied the employed as a clerk got to say when head of the division where I was at work. I shall pay my debts this is none of to compell me to pay him or be discharged) his business. If I discharge my when (Mr Mc Carlee sent me this bill) duties as a clerk, Hee has no business with the Assistant-Secetary's name with me out side of that. Just think attach'd setting forth the penalty of I, how absurd it would sound for an did not pay it. My organ of combativeness) article to appear in one of our was at once aroused. And I felt that my daily papers setting this thing be private affairs. had nothing to do with the public It is to contempt my Official duties. And my sense of able to be thought-off. (Now General private rights was called in question. I bare no malice in my heart towards

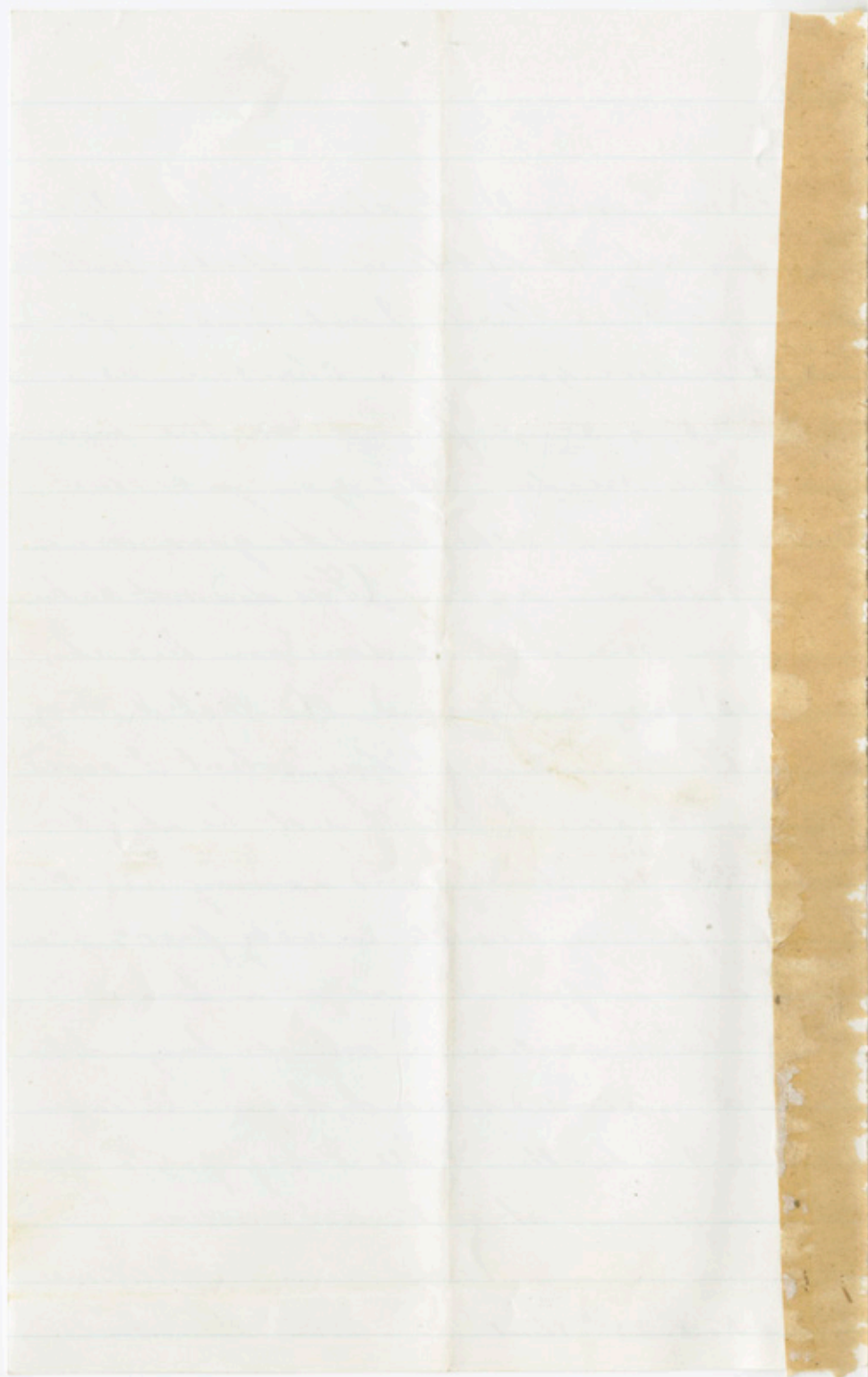
Now General it always take the
third party to settle a dispute. will
you be this third. I ask this of you
as I believe you are a Christain, as a
man, as a true friend to the poor
and the needy. Will you go to Mr
Boutwell and ask him to give me
my position again. (He did not take
it from me it was done in his ab-
sence) + a great favour. So that I may
be able to live and pay what I owed
you. I feel I shall not be able to
live by teaching and sewing another
month for my health is very poor. I can
only sew a few hours at a time.

I have written a much longer letter
than I intended when I began. Please
excuse the length. While I beg of you to
Please favour it with an answer

Your humble petitioner

Direct: No. 5-25th Street

E. H. Stanton



Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands, 234

Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,

Corner Third and Walnut Streets, (Up Stairs,)

Louisville, Ky., June 7 1869.

Dear Genl.

We are preparing to hold a State educational Convention on July 1st

I have enlisted all the best men white and black to aid in the enterprise. Propose to have the leading Colored men from all over the State here. We want you

to come, and some other prominent friends and address the people — May I say to the Committee that you will be here. The white

Members of Committee are
Hon Jas Speed. Rev J W Heywood
Judge Bland Ballard Edgar Audham
& B & Avery Esq.

Awaiting your reply I am
Truly Yours

Benjamin R. Ransom

Wm Paul Ottomond }

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Recd
by check June 9. '69

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Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Office Disbursing Officer State of Missouri,

Unofficial

St. Louis, Mo., June 7 1866

Dear Brother

I am sure you will remember my arrangement and your order to refund (by rent or otherwise) the amount paid by A. M. A. for the lots at Holly Springs & Columbus. It was upon this express understanding (had, too, with Gen. E. Whittier as well as yourself) that I authorized them to be bid in by our Agent ^{otherwise} because we had not the money to spare. Now I merely ask that the Supt. in Miss. be specially authorized to expend that sum in payment to our teachers. I see no reason why it may not be so expended as in Texas. Certainly, there

the same description of fund
is applied directly to support
letters. But if the decision
is adhered to that it must go
as sent then Capt Pease can
do make the vouchers on such
building as we have in Miss

~~He~~ I write unofficially because
the enclosed paper seems to have
been sufficient to have secured
the desired end and I know
not how to put the case ^{more} plainly.

I think you will remember that
this was distinctly understood in
my conversation with you at your
house - Very respectfully

C. A. Brown

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Bureau of Navigation.

Navy Department.

Washington June 7th 1869

Sir,

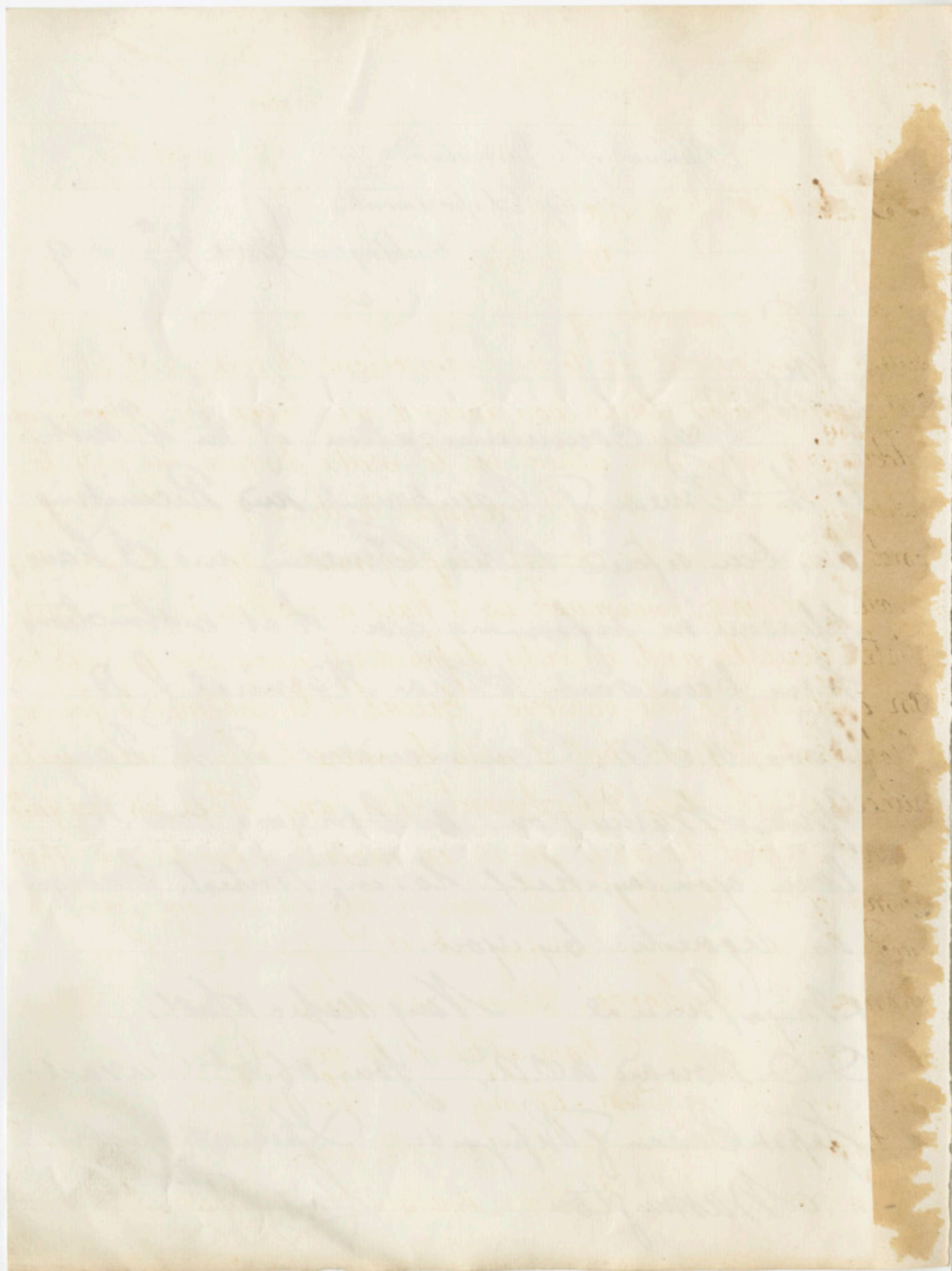
Your communication of the 4th inst.
to the Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting
has been referred to this Bureau, and I have
pleasure in informing you that instructions
have been sent to Rear Admiral F. D.

Poor, U. S. N., Commandant of the Navy
Yard, Washington, authorizing him to
loan you, say, a half dozen ^{or eight} British Ensigns,
as requested by you.

Respectfully
Yours very respectfully

O. O. Howard U. S. A., Your obedient servant

Supdt. Bureau of Refuges &c. James H. Lane
Washington. Chief of Bureau.



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Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Office Disbursing Officer State of Missouri,

Private

St Louis, Mo., June 8 1869

Dear Brother

I have sent an official report but could not say all I desired in that - What I write here I would not want referred - I do not think Col. Seely the right man for this place. I have considerable testimony and can judge somewhat from appearances. His office is not accessible - Indeed it seems that he desires to avoid rather than find the colored people - that he cannot withstand the public sentiment against them and the Bureau - He might continue with the Bank in some corner building - pay one rent instead of two as now and be accessible instead of in or out of the way 3^d story room - I am told that there is little bounty or claim business now - He might therefore devote the new time to Education - I am personally friendly to Col. Seely but he seems to almost entirely neglect his duty as Superintendent of Education. I have no one to recommend but am sure you could not go wrong in selecting some

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Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Office Disbursing Officer State of Missouri,

St Louis, Mo.,

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other person for this position -
You remember Joseph W. Kinneer
(a member of United Presbyterian Church)
and Rev. Moses Dickson (Colo) - Mr.
Brant & Rev. Mr. ~~Brook~~, (Carter &
President of the Savings Bank - I
have talked with them, with teachers and
others. - If you want I will look
up some one whom I can recommend
for this place - I have conferred
with Sam. Fiske & with Gen. Phil since
I come and now go on to Leavenworth
thence to Nebraska.

It has been more than six months
since Col. Leely's attention was called
to the mission of Gen. - the burning
of the house &c. but he has never
yet visited that place - I have written
him about it and he now proposes
to go there on his return from Cin-
cinnati - I hear he is to expend \$3,000
there - has so promised - It seems to
me a large sum to promise without

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

Office Building, Office 201, W. 12th St.

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St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the Freedmen's Bureau, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, very truly,
J. M. McKim

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,

Office Disbursing Officer State of Missouri,

St Louis, Mo., 186

Private
first visiting the place.

I thought it best to write
promptly my views and you
can attach to them your own
estimate. — I find that when
I write officially my communication
is liable to come back without per-
ceiving it. — Please do not ~~be~~ feel
this when it will cause bad feeling
but take it as my excuse for
writing you sometimes unofficially
on subjects pertaining to business.

Truly Yours
C. M. Howard

Will Capt. Haden please
hand or send privately to
Gen. Howard & H. H. H.

A. B. H.

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Rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association,

CORNER OF NINTH AND D STREETS,

Washington, D. C., June 8th. 1869.

Genl. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir:

As a member of the Association over which you preside, I have, according to your directions this evening at the interview with which you favored me, taken the liberty of addressing you. You asked me to make known my case to you in writing. I will endeavor to do so. I am ⁱⁿ need of, and desire earnestly clerical employment. My needs are the more pressing, inasmuch as I have a mother, brother and sister directly and entirely dependent upon me for support. In applying to the various Executive Departments for employment, I find that I will be more likely to meet with success at the War Department than any other, as my father served several terms of service in various capacities, in the Army of the United States amounting in the aggregate to over twenty years; receiving at the expiration of each an honorable discharge. Having exhausted every other means, as a last resort I have applied to you, hoping that it may not be in vain. Of my own character and qualifications, you can judge for yourself; from my references. These are Mr. Ballantyne, Rev. Geo. G. Markham former

pastor of Waugh Chapel M. E. Church, of which I am a member. Also Senators Conkling, Williams, Ramsey &c. and Mr. Eldridge of the House of Representatives. Some of these gentlemen have known me for several years. I have proof of my competency in the form of a Freshman Certificate issued by Rev. G. W. Samson President of Columbian College, issued by me while a student in that Institution, on the occasion of my graduation from the High School connected therewith. All of these I will if you think proper, lay before you. It is fitting in College for a Teacher, and had advanced as far as my junior year, when a lack of means compelled a suspension of my course. I am a Virginian by birth, but have resided several years, and all through the War, in the District of Columbia; being at that time, too young to enter the service, but always an ardent lover of Free Institutions. My father had already died in the service of his country. If you can in consideration of these facts furnish me with employment, you will confer a lasting favor upon me. Be so kind as to answer as early as convenient:

Very Respectfully Yours,
Elbert Turner

110. Street north, between 2nd and 3rd Streets
Washington City D. C.

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STUART & BROTHER,
IMPORTERS BRITISH DRY GOODS, HOSIERY AND SMALL WARES.

Stuart's Patent Linen Shoe, Machine and Saddlers' Threads, Gilling Twines, &c., &c.

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For Hand or Machine Use, put up in neat Boxes of one dozen each.

13 Bank and 16 & 18 Strawberry Sts.

Philada. June 8th 1869.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

My Dear Friend,

I send you
by Express this day, prepaid, a copy
of Bradstreet's Commercial Reports which
will furnish you all the information you
desire. You can retain this copy keeping
it of course confidential, so far as the stand-
ing of the Houses are concerned. Command
my service at all times and believe me
My dear General,

Yours very truly,

Geo. A. Stuart

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IMPORTERS BRITISH BICYCLES, HORSERY AND RAIL WAGONS,

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TO THE
Officers of the Army of the Potomac.

NEW YORK, JUNE 9TH, 1869.

The Executive Committee of the Proposed Society of the Army of the Potomac, presents the following programme for the

Re-union,

To be held in this city on the 5th of July next.

At 9 A.M. A review of the 1st Division National Guard.

At 11 A. M. the general meeting for adoption of Constitution and By-Laws, and Election of Officers, at Steinway Hall.

At 8 P. M., an Oration will be delivered at the Grand Opera House, by General Joshua L. Chamberlin, to be followed by the Banquet, Toasts, Speeches, &c.

Badges admitting the holder to the Grand Stand for the review, and to all meetings of the Society, except the Banquet, will be forwarded on application to the undersigned.

The price of Tickets to the Banquet has been fixed at \$8.50, which should be sent to the Secretary of the Joint Committee, when he will forward the necessary tickets.

The Committee not feeling authorized to make any arrangement for the Banquet save for those who give notice of their intention to be present, it is earnestly requested that every Officer receiving this circular will at once notify the Secretary if he propose to participate in the Banquet.

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TO THE
Officers of the Army of the Potomac

New York June 1862

The following is a list of the names of the
officers of the Army of the Potomac

LIST

of the officers of the Army of the Potomac

who were present at the battle of Antietam

on September 17, 1862

and who were killed or wounded

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*The following Railroad Companies have agreed to return
free tickets to members attending the Re-union :*

Erie Railroad.

Penn. Central Railroad.

New Jersey Central Railroad.

New Jersey Railroad & Transportation Co.

Orange & Alexandria Railroad.

Jeffersonville Railroad.

Pittsburg, Cin. & St. Louis Railroad.

Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne & Chicago Railroad.

*The following roads will issue tickets at two-thirds the
usual fare :*

Camden & Amboy Railroad.

Philadelphia, Wilmington & Balt. Railroad.

Philadelphia & Trenton Railroad.

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad

*will issue tickets from Washington to New York and return,
for \$10.70, and the*

New York & Boston Railroad

*will issue tickets from Boston to New York and return, for
\$7.00, provided fifty tickets are purchased at one time.*

*It is hoped that every Officer receiving this, will join
with the Committee in using his best endeavors to make the
Re-union a success, and will see that proper steps are taken
to give publicity to the proceedings of the Committee.*

*Fuller particulars will be found in the Army and Navy
Journal of May 22d, 1869.*

CHAS. E. PEASE,

Secretary Joint Committee.

69 LIBERTY STREET.

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CHAS. K. LEAR



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Portland, Me., June 9, 1869.

Genl O O Howard
Washington D C

DEAR SIR:

The Fourteenth Annual International Convention of the YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS of the United States and British Provinces, will be held in this city, commencing

Wednesday, July 14th, 1869, and Continue until the 19th.

I am requested, in behalf of the Committee of Arrangements, to extend to you a cordial invitation to be present.

The meeting of welcome will be held in the City Hall on the evening of the 14th.

The growing interest in these associations, the earnest efforts put forth by the young men through these organizations to advance the cause of Christ, and the encouraging results which have crowned these efforts, inspire us with renewed interest and activity in this extended portion of our Lord's vineyard.

We trust its interests may be increased by your presence on this occasion.

Arrangements for travel are being made, which will enable those who attend, to do so at reduced rates. Awaiting your reply, which we trust will be a favorable one, that we may provide for your reception and entertainment,

I am, yours, very truly,

JAMES E. HASELTINE,

Chairman Executive Committee.

P. O. BOX 1781.



Received Mr. June 7, 1899

Wm. V. Newman

Dear Sir:

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Chairman Executive Committee

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