

Houston (Texas) Aug 2. 1869.

To the Secretary of

In the name and on the behalf of the Freedmen of Texas, numbering about two hundred and fifty thousand (250,000) souls, I appeal to the liberality of your Society for a donation of such an amount of your publications as you may feel you have the ability to give to aid in the enlightenment and evangelization of the Freedmen of Texas who, it is hardly necessary for me to say, are a destitute and greatly neglected part of the population of the United States.

Since emancipation, many of them have learned, and more are learning to read.

Parents manifest great anxiety to have their children learned to read.

Children who have learned, are in many cases teaching their parents.

The literature most needed is of an elementary character such as A. B. C. cards, Primers, Spellers, First Readers. Any printed matter to enable the learner to begin at the lowest round of the ladder of learning, and work their way up.

Our appeal on behalf of our Freedmen is strengthened by the fact that many of them in Western Texas have lost their all by an unprecedented overflow which has inundated all the Valley lands of Western Texas.

To the Secretary of
the Board of Education
of the State of Texas
at Austin
Dear Sir:
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the proposed revision of the Texas School Law. I am very glad to hear that you are so much interested in the subject, and I am sure that your efforts will be successful in securing the best possible law for the State.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. W. [Signature]

My Address is
J. W. [Signature]
Austin, Texas

If the Freedmen are evangelized the means must come from those, in answer to whose prayers, they were emancipated. Their former owners - whether justly or not - shrink their loss in the money value of their ex-slaves was sufficient - and that those who caused their freedom should provide the means for their Education and Evangelization.

Consequently but little is doing in that direction in the South and not near as much as should be by Northerners.

My appeal is for evangelical printed matter to supplement other means being employed to the end above indicated.

Any printed matter you may send - old delapidated or new - which (in your judgment) would be useful to the Freedmen, will be thankfully received and promptly, and as judiciously as may be, appropriated. For my Character I refer to Rev J. M. Stevenson, Sec of the American Tract Soc, 150 Nassau St - and A. S. Barnes & Co Publishers N. Y. Ship to the Address of (B) care E. H. Cushing, Houston, Texas, Send boxes to C. H. Mallory 153 Maiden Lane New York to be forwarded

Yours truly, James Burke

My Address is
J. T. Ames, 100 N. 5th St
St. Louis, Mo

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CHARLES C. FULTON, *President*,
JOSEPH M. CUSHING, *Treas'r*,
JOHN MCGARIGLE, *Sec'y*.

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Republican State Central Committee,

ROOMS 122 W. BALTIMORE-ST.

Baltimore, August 2. 1869.

To Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir:-

I take pleasure in introducing to you Mr R. M. Betts, who was formerly connected with the Freedman's Bureau. He is a young man with a most interesting family, and is actually in distress for the means of livelihood, having been disappointed in all his efforts to procure employment. I have thought it possible that you might feel sufficient interest in one of your old officers to put him on the track with the aid of your personal influence, to secure some manner of employment at Washington.

Yours truly
Charles C. Fulton

Recd Aug. 4th 1869.

Republican State Central Committee

ROOMS 121 & 122 BALTIMORE ST.

Baltimore, August 5, 1869.

Wm. L. Chapin

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Wm. L. Chapin

Dear Sir

I have pleasure in acknowledging

the receipt of your letter of the 28th inst.

concerning the proposed amendment to the

constitution, and in reply to inform you

that it is not in the hands of the committee

at present, and that it will be referred to the

committee on the 11th inst.

and that you might feel confident that it will

be referred to the committee on the 11th inst.

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be referred to the committee on the 11th inst.

Very respectfully,

Wm. L. Chapin



Executive Department, ⁵¹

OFFICE SECRETARY OF STATE,

New Haven Ct.
~~Connecticut~~ Aug. 2nd 1869.



Major Gen. O. O. Howard:

Dear Genl.

I write to inform
you that I shall leave New Haven
for New Bedford on Thursday morning,
so that all letters intended for me
may be sent to the latter place, care
of Gen. Mitchell Esq. 148 Union St.

I have the honor to be

Very respectfully
Your obedt. servt.
F. L. Cardozo

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Washington, Aug. 2^d 1869.

Aug. 2, 1869

Gen. E. Howard:

Dear Sir,

Your attention
yesterday to the battle of Chan-
cellersville, has led me to
read Ewell's account of it
today. I do not like the in-
timation that the defeat of
your division was owing to ne-
gligence on your part. If it

Yours truly

Reed

Aug 3.
1869,

is not improper, I wish you
would tell me just what
the truth was & is. If it is,
of course you will say so.

Had I not hoped to
get a glimpse of you last
evening, I should have said
good bye (had be we' ye!) when
I left your carriage. I do it
now.

Wm. L.

L. E. Parker

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BOSTON, Mass.

Aug 2 1869

Maj Genl. A. O. Howard
Washington

Dear Sir

Your favor of the
30th is received with check enclosed
for few dollars in payment of bill
July 24th, for which please find
our receipt for same enclosed.

Accept our thanks for your
benediction, and also for
remittance.

Yours very truly
L. Prang & Co.
H. Prang

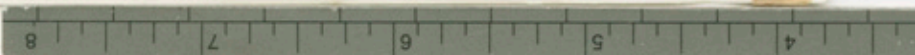
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By Telegraph from

Salto August 2 1889

Received at

To

374 La Ave
Paul & Howard
Needhams Bureau

I will see you
at Commissioner
DeLauns office at
one o'clock Treasury
Building

H L Bond

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Dear Sir
I have the pleasure
to inform you that
the same has been
received from
the same source
and is now in
the hands of the
proper authorities
for their consideration.
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. H. [Signature]

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Aug. 5th 1869.

Personal.



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Columbia S.C.
August 2nd 1869.

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

I had the honor to recommend for appointment as a Clerk in the Bureau, the name of Mr. Runkle. I see that my letter in reference to the matter (which was marked personal) has been made official, very much to my surprise. I made the recommendation after your statement to me, that the appointment would be made when the officer on duty here, would make the application. I have further to state that the present Clerk, is in business in this City and among other things, he sells whiskey to the colored people, for the privilege of which, he pays a
(over)

city and U. S. license, all of
which was known to Major Meade. I

do not think it to their advantage to
have whiskey sold them, particularly
when sold by a person to whom they
look for advice and counsel, and also
affected by his example.

I am, very respectfully
Your Obedt servt.
J. L. Hoge

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Vicksburg Aug 3^d 1869

Major Gen C. O. Howan

Com Bu R. F. & A. L

Washington

Dear Sir

Though a stranger to you personally, I venture to address a note to you unofficially. I have just had an interview with Capt H. R. Peare Supt of Education, & learn from him that some one has reported to you, that he is a profane Swearer. Capt Peare is not a Christian. (which I very much regret, but I have occupied the same Office with him for two years, & have been quite intimately connected with him in business for the last two & a half years, & I have never heard him utter a profane oath. I have regarded the Capt as a Moral, upright Man. If he had been addicted to such a habit, he would have been likely to have betrayed himself at some time in my presence. I say this much as an act of justice to the Capt

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
J. P. Bardwell
Sgt A. M. A

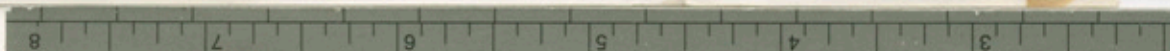


Com. Dr. R. B. L.

Washington

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th inst. in relation to the proposed purchase of the land at the mouth of the Potomac River. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been referred to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours obedient servant,
J. O. Johnston



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Washington DC

Augt 3, 1869.



General

If you should think fit, and had time, I would take great pleasure in giving you some private lessons in French or Spanish,

I offer my services, because you alluded to the fact of taking lessons, when I had the pleasure of seeing you, and merely write this note as a suggestion,

Remain with respect

Yr obt servt.

Louis Baker

Genl Howard, U.S.A.,
President, Howard
University.

Washington D.C.

August 3, 1889

Friend

My dear friend

Thank you for the letter

which has just been received

and for the interest

shown in the work of the

Association of Friends

in the East of

the Association of Friends

and myself with the

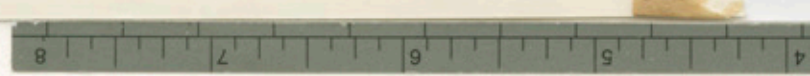
Association.

Yours with respect

Wm. L. Baker

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Sent (or think it would pay for
me to see him soon - say in Sept.?

I am thinking of applying to
Dr. Sears to help start the three
Normal Schools* - one for Minn.
one for La. and one for Tex.
We have done nothing for the
last year and with the \$120,000
left upon us feel utterly emp-
pled about new enterprises. And
yet if Dr. S. would assist we
would purchase the site and
to supply teachers. There is
some hitch in the New Orleans ap-
plication for construction - they have stopped
work on the University building - You know
I wrote to Mosier to go on with it and
that you would approve the account
as Hatch had promised - this at your
suggestion - If you can hurry it on we
can begin school there Oct. 1st I should
be very glad. - Please give my love to
Fannie and to all six of the children - No
one I suppose is there in Maine - Annie must be
just a baby? Very affectionately Chas. Howard

Mrs. Clark is to have a vacation now - His health is not good
so I shall remain here constantly during August.

C. H. A.



Chicago, Aug. 4 1869

My dear Brother

Accept my hearty
congratulations to yourself and
sister Lizzie that the Lord
has dealt so graciously with
you in giving you another son
and carrying the mother safely through
her trial. I am anxious to hear
later news from Lizzie - From old
Kitty writes of your letter to her and from
what Mr. Alvord and Miss Julia told
me I judge there need be no anxiety
about the little boy. He was doing well.
But I feared for the debilitating effect
of the hot weather upon Lizzie. Tell
her it was considerable on her part
to allow you to meet us all in
Maine and have so good a time
but the next meeting I hope she

Two will be present. I left
Bangor week ago Monday - reached
Berlin Wed. morning where we had
a meeting of all the Secretaries of A. M. A.
I remained till Monday night and
enjoyed the Theological Institute holding
an annual session there - also Pres.
Fairchild's Baccalaureate and a
wonderfully interesting sermon from
Rev. Dr. Clark of the Foreign Board. I
was also gratified to hear Ex-Prof.
Finnery preach on Faith - The
latter (and nearly all I met) spoke
very appreciatively of you and your
visit to Berlin - I wish you could
be there some Commencement. The
Latin Exercises came this week but
I could not remain. Rev. De Lora
Lane had an Oration before Literary Society.

By the way why not hear Mr.
Stieby preach before you settle
any one in Washington? He shows
marked ability in every public effort
I fear - I do not believe you could

do better - if he would consent to
be pastor. I have of course never
mentioned it to him but all I have
spoken of it to seem to think he
would be just the person.

We voted ^(A. M. A.) to undertake the Theolog-
ical Department of Howard University
if the Trustees would permit. You
know we are not very Sectarian. I find
a Catalogue for me here. Why not
renew the Boarding Hall for Bro.
Robinson - I would like "Robinson Hall"
better than "Boarding Hall" and I am sure
there never was a more devoted friend and
worker for H. U. than Bro. Robinson.

We voted (A. M. A.) to cut down our
expenditure in the South ^{to} \$60,000
where we expended \$100,000 last year -
Compelled to do this by our accumulating
debt - I hope there will be another Pro-
vision of Appropriation for Education of freedmen
next Winter - We have scarcely started the
School work in La. & Texas, and the States can-
not resume it for another year - (over)

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Gen. O. O. Howard,
Sir.

May I have the
honor of saying a few words to you
this morning?

(Please accept my thanks for
your great kindness in giving me
employment, and bear with me a
moment while I express my surprise
that you should retain ladies in
your office who have no claims, and
discharge one, whose claims you
have more than once acknowledged.

I feel a great delicacy in referring
to my voluntary work among the
Freedmen. It is not unknown to you.

It was not until all my means
of living were exhausted that I ap-
plied to you for employment. A visiting
agency was promptly given me. That
work being completed, or given up-

I again applied to you, and was kindly & courteously informed that there was no work for ladies in your Department; My subsequent appointment as Clerk in the Bureau was to me therefore an agreeable surprise, and for which I desire to tender you my sincere thanks. While in the Office I endeavored to discharge my duties faithfully and have a fraternal testimonial from Mr. Davis's own hand that I did so.

When all the ladies were dismissed on account of "reduction of force" I accepted my discharge without a murmur but when all except myself have been reinstated in justice to myself I make this appeal to you.

If there is no more work which can be sent out of the office will you not employ the bearer, Mary B. Moore as my substitute, as my health will not permit me to take the long walk?

I have had several quite severe home business disappointments in the last year or two which makes it the more necessary that I should exert myself for my support. Hoping that you will consider this appeal favorably,

I am very respectfully yours
(R. M. Bigelow.)

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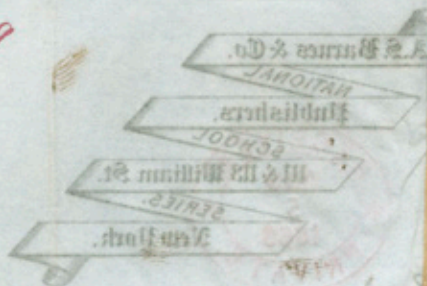
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Gen O. O. Howard
Washington D.C.
Dear Sir

We had this
pleasure on 23rd inst
in a note marked
"Private" - may we
look for your early
response to our
letter as above? &
oblige your friend,

A. S. Barnes & Co

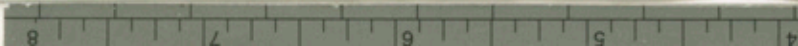
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May 11 1869

My dear Mr. Garrison
Washington D.C.
Dear Sir
I have just received
your letter of the 23rd inst.
and am very glad to hear
that you are so interested
in the cause of the
"private" - may I say
that for your early
response to our
letter on above I &
large number of
G. J. Garrison

Wm. Lloyd Garrison





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Bath Me. Aug. 4th '69

Maj. Gen. Howard

Dear Genl.

On my return yesterday evening, from a visit to my sister in the Eastern part of the State, I found your letter of the 31st ult.

Gov. Chamberlain has detailed one of his Aids. to fill the vacancy of Adj. Genl. until the election by the Legislature in Jan'y. next. He said that he did not like to select one, from the many applicants. I do not quite understand your inter-rogatory to me. I have told you that when my services were not needed, that I expected to be discharged. I did

not desire to be retained for personal
considerations and never to allow my
position to embarrass you. If I am of
no service to the Govt. I certainly should
be discharged.

I have supposed from conversation with
you, that you would have duty for me
for several months, and while I have
been looking for business. I have in view
of failing to find a situation where
would give me a living. Expected to
return to N. I find nothing that
promises a support in N. and have
decided upon nothing.

In this state of affairs, and the present
condition of my "Bank account" I do
not propose to resign, but expect to be
discharged whenever you think it
proper. I expect to return to Washington

very soon, early this month, but Genl. Whittier
told me, a short time since, not to hurry,
that it was not necessary. I will come
at any moment. Will you please advise
me, I request Capt. Stedman to do so,
when I am wanted. There is nothing
to keep me here, except to avoid the heat
of N.

I was sorry that Guy did not make
us a longer visit, Mr. Wallace gave a
hard time return.

I congratulate both you & Mrs. H. on the
birth of an other boy for our country. Mr.
I can't help wishing that our Father above
had been pleased to have given you a
daughter.

Mrs. S. joins in kindest regards to
Mrs. H. and family -
Yrs. very truly
Sewall

U. S. MILITARY TELEGRAPH.

Western Union

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By Telegraph from New York 4 1869

To Gen O Howard

*Chief of Ordnance
Bureau*

*Received first letter &
Sent money by Adams
Express Saturday
A. J. Ketchum
10 NY 40 Paid
fax*



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NEW YORK, Aug. 4, 1869.

My dear Scott—

I have just rec^d your last
note and am greatly disappointed
that the checks didn't reach you
at once. Perhaps I should have
sent them by mail. As I have
just telegraphed you, I sent
them by Adams Express on
Saturday. I learn at the Ex-
press office that they will for-
warded on Saturday night
& reached Washington Sun-
day morning. I enclose a
receipt from me here—

I will make enquiry &—

filed.

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but \$20,000. My father doesn't
know where I can get.

Lenders here on real property
I have never known to be willing
to lend on property outside of the
city, except with a very large
bonus. On what property, exactly,
would you have it secured?

Very truly yours

J. P. Ketchum

Genl. O. O. Howard