

He can afford it and here let me say to you that Alexander R. Shepherd has never been known to take hold of any scheme, to put his money in any enterprise, either as an investment or ostensibly for charitable ends that did not promise large and prompt returns. Of course this would give him ^{with some persons} a reputation for "great energy and enterprise" and a large "interest in the city of Washington".

That he took sides with you in your controversy with Dr. Boynton is true but I did the same and for that I have no more bitter and unscrupulous assailants than Dr. B. and his sons. I too defended you on every occasion when attacked in Congress, and rendered you all the aid in my power when that investigation into your official conduct was being prosecuted. And I have whenever an attack in any business has been made upon you repelled it and defended your personal and official character as above reproach. In the contest between Mr. Shepherd and myself on the question of the Governorship of this District you, for reasons of course satisfactory to yourself, took ground against me and in favor of Shepherd. And your action decided the case against me because it gave the President reason to believe, as he assents, that the colored people did not ^{unanimously} unite in requesting my appointment. But for this, I am assured, the President would not have felt constrained to select a man who had not even been named in connection with the position.

I am now done with this controversy which was forced upon me by what I believe was an unintentional wrong committed by you and which I felt it my duty to make known to you. What I have stated in my letters I believe to be literally true - every line and syllable. But I have written with no ill feeling toward any one and certainly with the kindest feeling toward you. And when I assure you that, although your course toward me in June last and since might be construed into a want of friendship on your part, still I entertain the same sentiments for you I ever did and it will always afford me pleasure to hear of your success in life.

Truly your friend &c. S. J. Bowen

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Washington March 1. 1871-

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir:

Had you based your recommendation of Alexander R. Shepherd on personal grounds - because he had been liberal to your church and Ministry, had stood by you in your controversy with Dr. Boynton &c. I would have been the last to complain. It was your endorsement of him as a republican to which I took exception, and I have yet to see the first colored man who does not feel that you have done them an irreparable injury by this act.

You furnish me with a copy of Mr. Shepherd's letter to you of the 25th ult. to convince me that he has been a republican, a friend to the colored race and in favor of colored schools! I, who have been one of the principal actors in the struggle which has resulted in the establishment of a system of education ^{for colored children} in the District, who drew with my own hands every bill that ever passed Congress on the subject; who was one of two of the original trustees and ^{the} treasurer of colored schools through the entire period of the difficulty and know who were friends and who were enemies of the cause; I say that I needed no evidence from A. R. Shepherd, extorted from him under such a pressure as was bearing on him at the date of this letter, to instruct me on the subject. I have seen and felt his action through eight long years and have been obliged to put my hand in my own pocket to pay money for the support of colored schools which was illegally withheld by the authorities here because of

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his (and others acting with him) factions and determined opposition. And if you had been a close observer of events, had even read the Evening Star for the past ten years, or even four years past, you would have learned what I, it appears by your letter, have been instrumental in bringing to your knowledge. And had you read an extract from the journal of the proceedings of the Board of Aldermen only a little more than two weeks ago, which was furnished you by a Committee of colored citizens, you would have discovered that what Ship-
hurd says in his letter in regard to his status on the school question does not square with his vote as recorded on that occasion.

The specious pleading of Mr. Shiphurd in his letter might answer to deceive and hoodwink those who have not known him, into the belief that he has ever been the friend of the colored race. But he can't deceive the colored people nor expunge the fatal record he has made. He can't deny that he opposed with every power he possessed the emancipation of slaves in the District of Columbia. He can't deny that he opposed the establishment of free colored schools and the appropriations of a dollar for their support. He can't deny that he opposed violently negro suffrage and persecuted me and others in the most shameful manner for advocating it. He can't deny that he has in every case except where he was himself a candidate for office, opposed the election of the regularly nominated candidates of the republican party for several years past. And that he has been one of the most unrelenting enemies to the elevation of the colored race and to placing them on an equality with the whites, I beg leave to refer you to the colored people themselves for proof that should be overwhelming. That Mr. Shiphurd has given employment to colored men may be true; this he did in times of slavery and will no doubt continue to do so as long as he can obtain their services at a cheaper rate than those of white men. And he will doubtless continue to contribute largely to churches, universities, Young Men's Christian Associations and Carnivals provided he can continue to coin money out of the contracts for plumbing and other work connected with the same.

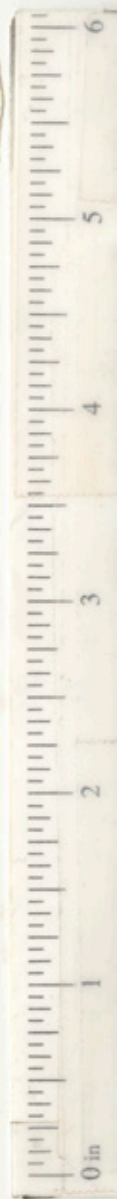
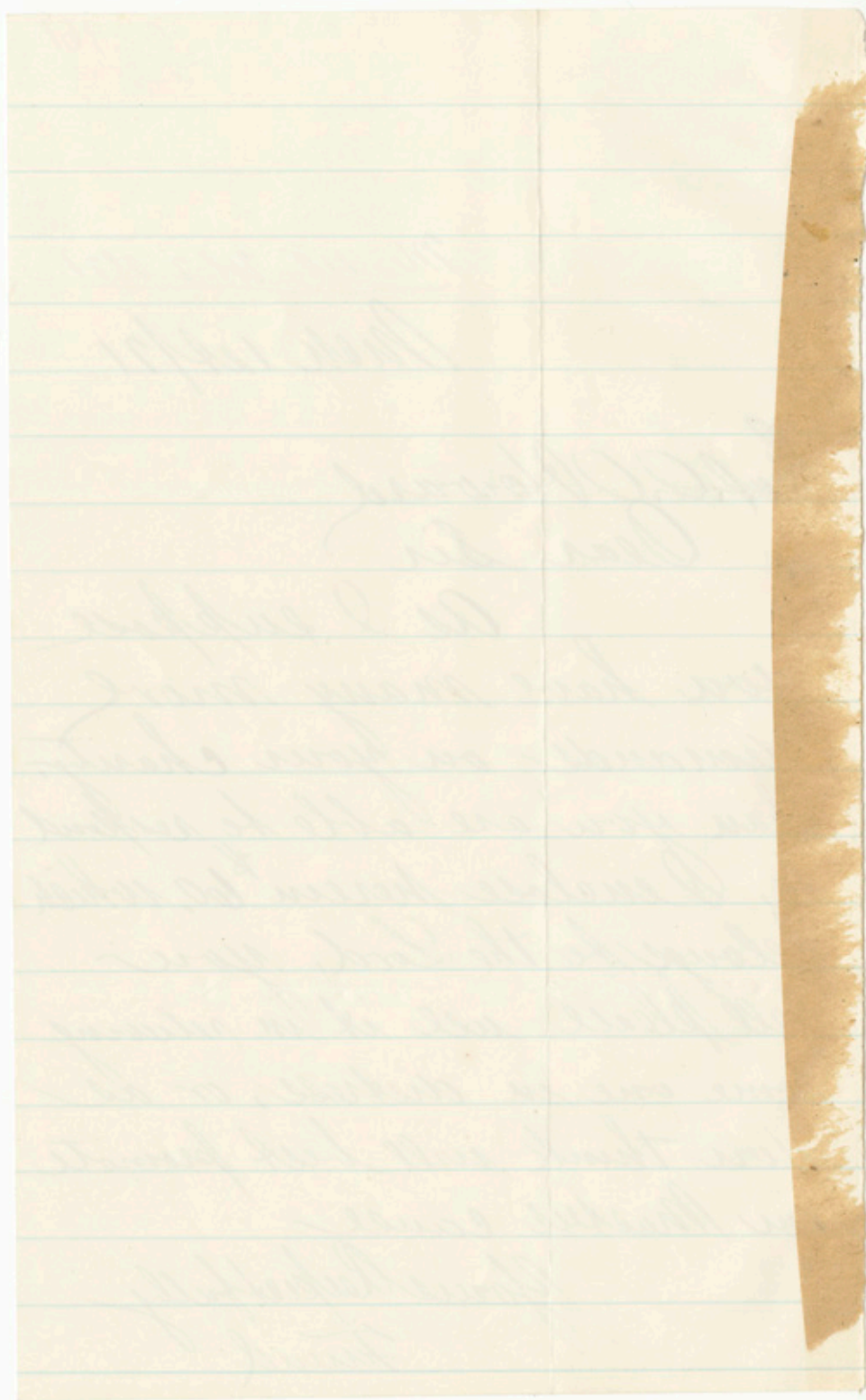
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Genl. O. O. Howard
Dear Sir

As I suppose
you have many more
demands on your charity,
than you are able to respond
to, I enclose herein \$60. which
belong to the Lord, you
will please use it in relieving
some one in distress, or as
you think will best promote
our Master's cause.

Yours Respectfully
Friend



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Washington, D.C.

C. Howard:

My Dear General: I am
making up the recent debate
upon you and the Friedman's
Bureau between the representatives
of light and of darkness in the
House of Representatives into a
document which I hope is
destined to attain a large circulation.
It will be about seven pages,
of the most spicy reading matter
that can be found. I think
it would do good service as a
campaign document for 1872.
How many thousand of these
documents will you wish to

take! I should like to know
at once because if there should
be a sufficient number ordered
I will stereotype the pages,
7,500 have been collected and
subscribed in the House,
I believe. I should like to have
orders for 10,000 at least, before
I stereotype it.

If you have word at
the Bureau of Education, or address
me a note I will be glad.

Hoping you are well
I remain

Very truly
Julia A. Holmes.

Melrose

March 1, 1877



Sir:

There will be a Meeting of the Bowdoin Graduates and those who have been connected with that Institution, now residing in Washington, in the west parlor of the Congregational Church, corner 10th and G streets, Saturday the 4th instant, at 7 P.M. to form an Alumni Association, and act on such other business as may be then presented.

You are particularly requested to attend.

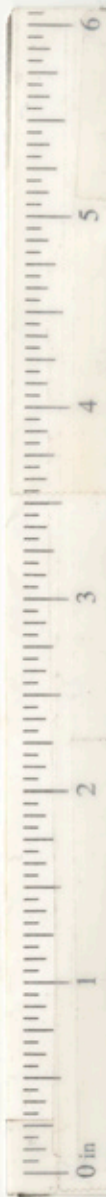
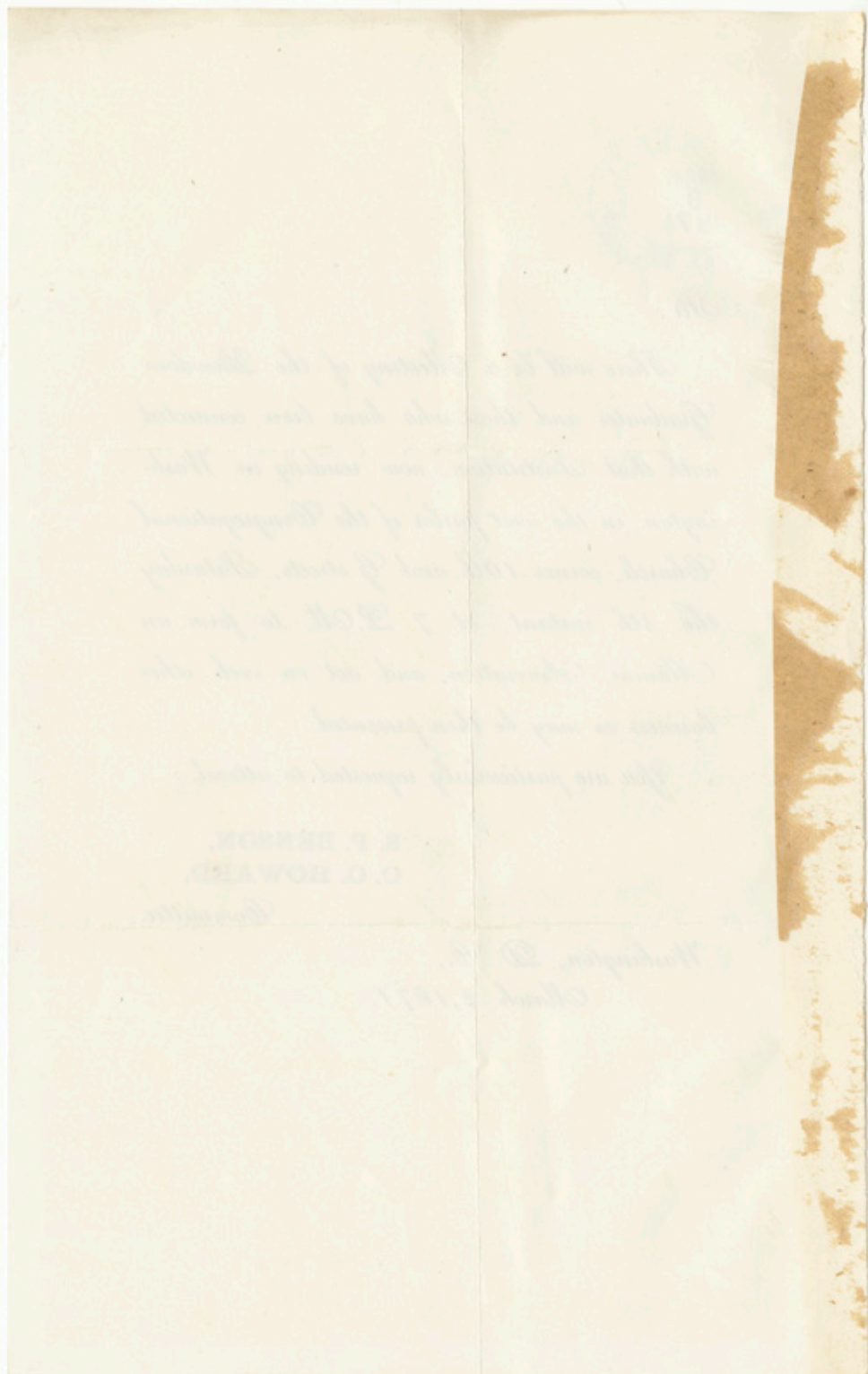
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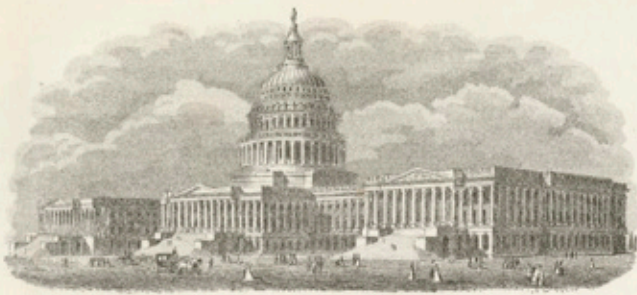
O. O. HOWARD.

Committee.

Washington, D. C.,

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Sixty-first Congress U.S.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

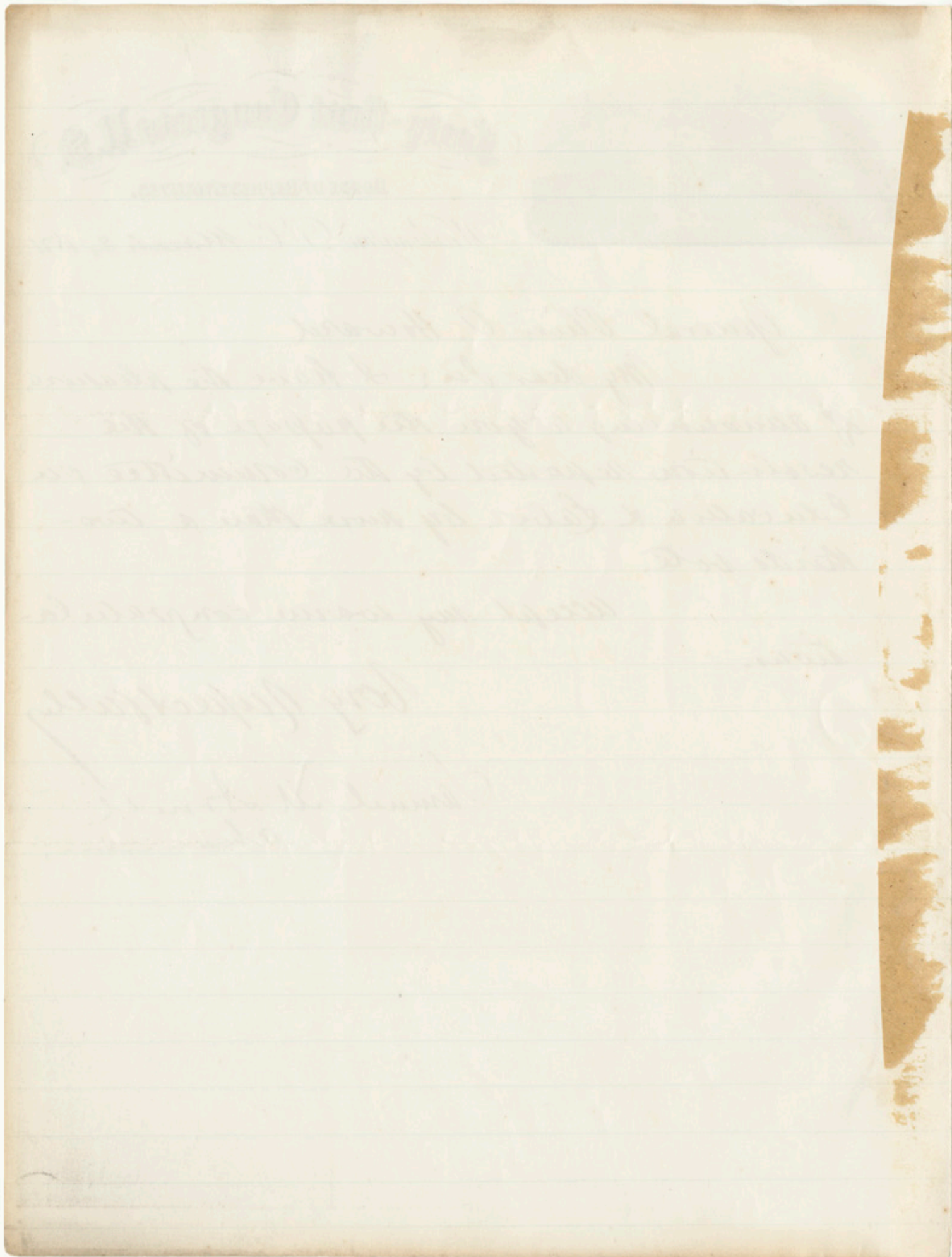
Washington, D.C. March 2, 1871

General Oliver O. Howard

*My dear Sir: I have the pleasure
of announcing to you the passage of the
resolution reported by the Committee on
Education & Labor by more than a two-
thirds vote.*

*Accept my warm congratula-
tions.*

Very Respectfully
Samuel M. Arnold
Chairman.





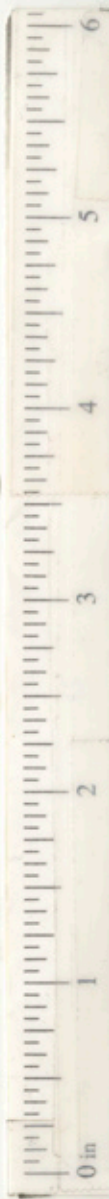
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Washington City March 2nd/71

Gen. O. O. Howard

I avail myself of your
most kind offer to give my husband
some letters of introduction to the
American Consul, or others, which you
will please forward to the Ocean Queen
before she leaves New York, or to the
address of your friend - I regret very
much to trouble you so soon but by
complying with the above you will
greatly oblige yours very respectfully
M. A. Arnold

Philadelphia, 1872

My dear Mr. Lincoln
I have just received
your letter of the 10th inst.
and am glad to hear
that you are so well.
I am well and hope
this finds you the same.
I have no news to write
at present but will
write again soon.
Very respectfully,
Wm. D. Lincoln



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Washington D.C. Mich 2^d 1871

Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Friend

During the last session of our City Council you kindly offered to remember me for some services. I then had the pleasure of performing for you in my official capacity, whenever the opportunity was offered.

I think that opportunity has now arrived when if you can consistently suggest my name to Gov. Cooke for a nomination for some of the numerous offices under the new Government you could do me a great favor and place me under renewed obligations to you. I do not however ask it for anything I have ever done for you. I think I should like to be one of the Council. I was President pro. tem of the last City Council here and at the last election ran far ahead of

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the Brown ticket in my own hand
if that is any recommendation. I think
(Mrs) Governor Cooke is well acquainted with
me and perhaps needs only to have
my name suggested by some friend - &
I know of no one I would like
so well to do that as yourself.
I shall not ask him myself.

I have the honor to be
Very Respectfully
Yours Obit Servt
A. K. Brown

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1329 P. St. Wash

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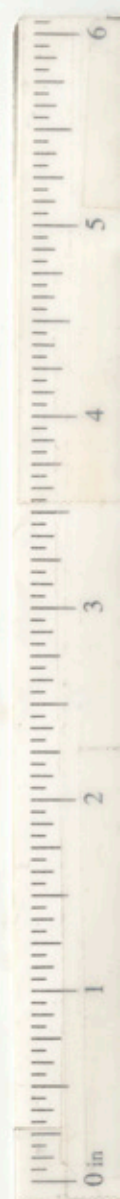
Dear General,

I send for you ac-
- ceptance 50 copies of my Speech
on the Constitutionality of a National
System of Education, which you
can distribute amongst such of
your pupils and friends of educa-
tion as you may think best.

Yrs truly

W. Townsend

Genl. O. O. Howard





Washington March 2nd 1871

Dear Sir:

I write to you in behalf of a gentleman friend of Herndon Virginia - Mr James Graham, who has quite recently arrived in this Country. Mr Graham, has resided in England all of his life prior to coming to the United States. Unexpected reverses in business, was the cause of his leaving England. Thinking this Country afforded the best opportunities for a man of limited means, he purchased a small farm at Herndon, where he has been stopping with his family (a wife and six children, the oldest

a boy of near fourteen years of age for nine months past - Investing all his money in the farm. He has not any means to defray the necessary expenses of living - Not being acquainted with farming, he has suffered loss, instead of deriving benefit, from his operations in Virginia. In England he was employed, as an accountant, is familiar with figures, and can readily correspond on business relating to accounts. If he could obtain a situation in Washington, (even at a moderate salary) it would very materially aid him. If you would interest yourself in this matter, you would confer a great favor, on a worthy

and appreciative gentleman. If convenient I should like to see you with reference to him this week, at any time and place you specify.

Mr Graham, is in Washington until the first of next week, and is of course desirous of learning, what can be accomplished, before returning to Virginia -

Please, excuse the liberty I take in addressing you on this subject -

Very truly yours
J. H. Collins
Office International Commerce

Major Gen. O. O. Howard.
Commissioner of Freedmen's Bureau
Washington,
D. C.

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H. R. Reps.
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MAR 2, 1871



Dear Sir,

We have just passed the Committee's resolution by a vote of 134 to 52. A magnificent vote.

We are having the speeches of Messrs Hoar, Peters, Shanks and Townsend, with the resolution of Censure of J. W. and the resolution vote of thanks to you, and this day's resolution, ^{printed} in an eight page pamphlet.

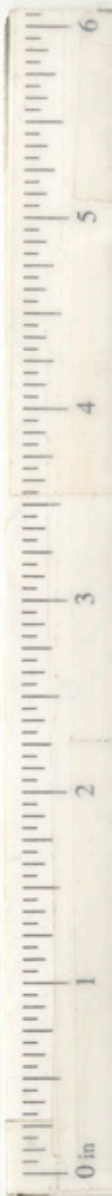
If you want some extra copies you can get them by sending an order to Mrs Julia A. Holmes 132 N. St. Room 42 where the same is about being printed.

I congratulate you on having emerged with flying colors from the malignant attacks of a disloyal enemy.

Yrs Truly

W. Townsend

Genl. O. O. Howard



and as I hope to continue to do so
if I should be permitted to
leave the University to engage
in duties in the South.

Very respectfully
Yours

Mary A. S. Cary.

Acad. by Capt. Adams, Nov. 7th 1871

Washington March 3rd 1871.

May Genl. O. O. Howard,
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Dir—

I am really breaking down - physically, under the effort to keep three students at the University, by teaching day & evening upon inadequate pay.

My obligations here, I shall meet by the help of the Lord, if I live, but I find it exceeding-ly difficult, - in fact cannot meet all my class recitations, (as I must be out at night-school in all weather. - cannot meet in reasonable time, all the expenses incidental to such a position where three are to be provided for ^{respectably} & where for the single item of gas, I pay \$48. per

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hundred per cent advance from last
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items with board, tuition in Law &
another department, fuel, clothing &c.
by contrast with the women's salary
for mens' work at the day school,
& reduced pay at evening school,
& with which alone I cannot meet
properly these charges.

More than all, I cannot
from this steady treadmill round
of duties, & the pressure upon mind
as well as body, have an extra
hour for reading, other than the
bare text for recitation; consequent-
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my fellow students; & as premoni-
tory symptoms of dysipelas in the
head have already warned me,
that I must change my hours for
work, or the kind ^{of} I have thought

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to respectfully petition, that I may have
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instead of continuing the labors at
the evening school; I would then,
including day-school, have but nine
hours work during the day - could
be present at all Law exercises, &
besides, having at least three hours
for reading, could meet much
more readily my obligations at the
financial department & keep my
Children in a manner better suited
to their stations as pupils.

I do not ask Sir, to have
place that should be occupied by
others, but I beg respectfully to remind
you that ^{while} I do not ask for scholarships
for them, I would like to have work,
that I would not feel that I was not
giving any return for advantages &
and work commensurate with that given
students who do not furnish so many
pupils to the school as I do now;

Washington March 3rd 1871.

Maj Genl O.O Howard

Sir-

I am really breaking down- physically, under the effort to keep three students at the University, by teaching day [and] evening upon inadequate pay.

My obligations here, I shall meet by the help of the Lord, if I live, but I find it exceedingly difficult, in fact cannot meet all my class recitations, (as I must be out at night-school in all weather); cannot meet in reasonable time, all the expenses incidental to such a position where three are to be provided for & where for the single item of gas, I pay \$48. per annum.; room rent \$10. per month (one hundred per cent advance from last year [etc]... Now I am not complaining, but I am only offering these items with board, tuition in Law & another department, fuel, clothing, books [etc], by contrast with the women's salary for mens' work at the day school; [and] reduced pay at evening school, [and] with which alone I cannot meet properly these charges.

More than all, I cannot from this steady treadmill round of duties [and] the pressure upon mind as well as body, have an extra hour for reading, other than the bare text for recitation; consequently I feel at a disadvantage with my fellow students; [and], as premonitory symptoms of erysipelas in the head have already warned me, that I must change my hours for work, or the kind of work I have thought to respectfully petition, that I may have writing for three hours of the day, instead of continuing the labors at the evening school; I would then, including day-school, have but nine hours work durring the day- could be present at all Law exercises, [and] besides, having at least three hours for reading, could meet much more readily my obligations at the financial department [and] keep my children in a manner better suited to their stations as pupils.

I do not ask Sir, to have place that should be occupied by others, but I beg respectfully to remind you that while I do not ask for scholarships for them, I would like to have work, that I would not feel that I was not giving any return for advantages and work commensurate with that given students who do not furnish so many pupils to the school as I do now; and as I hope to continue to do if I should be permitted to leave the University to engage in duties in the South.

Very respectfully
Yours
Mary A.S. Cary

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ROOMS OF THE



No. 736 FIFTH STREET N. W.,

Washington, D. C., *March 3^d 1871*

Sir.

*A Meeting of the Managers of this Association
will be held at the Rooms of the Senate Committee
On Indian Affairs on Monday the 6th
inst. at 10 O'clock A. M. And you
are requested to be present*

*Very respectfully
Yours obdly*

*J. M. Edwards
Secy*

*Genl O. O. Howard
of the Managers*

ROOMS OF THE



NO. 205 FIFTH STREET N. W.

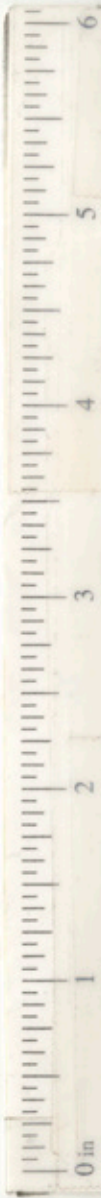
Washington, D. C., November 3, 1911

At meeting of the Executive Committee of the
National American Woman's Suffrage Association
held at 10 O'clock P. M. on Thursday the 2nd
of December 1911

Present
Miss Mary E. Brewster

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Office and Warerooms of **HAMILTON & PEARSON,**

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN

Slate and Marble Mantels, Grates, Summer Pieces, Gas Fixtures, &c., &c.,

No. 4 Young Men's Christian Association Building, 9th and D Streets,

Washington, D. C., *March 31st 1871*

Gul. O. Ottward.
Dear Sir,

We enclose circular of 'Gas Exp-
ander' thinking it a matter ~~that~~ *that* will certainly
interest you. as we are ready to guarantee it as
set forth. A two foot burner with the Expander
will give as much light as a four foot ^{without it} a three
as much as a five foot and so on. You can see
the practical utility of the invention, if you will
take pains to call at our place and see it
demonstrated

We have the sole agency for Washington
and Georgetown, and for the sake of a testimonial
will give you a discount off of the regular ~~these~~
rates, 20 to 25 per cent saving in consumption of Gas
to you. we think you will not overlook

Yours Respectfully

Hamilton & Pearson

Office and Artrooms of HAMILTON & THARROW,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN

Marble and Marble Mantels, Grates, Summer Pieces, Gas Fixtures, &c., &c.,

No. 1 Young Men's Christian Association Building, 215 and 217

Washington, D. C., March 21st 1871

My enclosed contains of the first
the printing of a matter, that every citizen
and you as we are ready to guarantee it as
the first known with the "Epiphany"
give as much light as a few feet, a true
much as a few feet and as you have read
the "Epiphany" of the "Epiphany" of your mind
I have to see at our place and see it

We have the late "Epiphany" for making it
a large time, and for the sake of a testimony
we give you a discount off of the up-
to \$2.50 for each copy in consumption of the
and we think you will not overlook
Yours Respectfully
Hamilton & Tharow



Washington Mar 3/71

Dear General

I saw Mr H S
Cooke yesterday and he has
appointed two (2) o'clock
day to receive us, at his
Office - Will you meet us
at the rooms at 1 1/2 o'clock

Mr Bartens son is so much
worse this morning that we
could not go out to see
you & the School as agreed
upon yesterday

Please answer whether
you can come or not -
but you must come

Yr Obedt Servt

Parent

Truly Yr

A S Pratt

