Soldiers Home.
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Gen. O O Howard, U S. A.

Dear General.

Feeling Quite sure that it will interest you to learn how we are getting on with our U.S.M.A. Temperance Society, I therefor take this opportunity to say, That the "Work goes bravely on." Since the Evening You talked to us, Six new members have been added to our list. five out of the Six have been Old Drunkards but they are also all thinking men who have discovered that the way of the transgressor is hard, and Gen. your Coming among us in the unassuming manner in which You Came, has had a good effect. and set a good many to thinking. I hope that other prominent men will take an interest in us, and Come to the rescue of these ~~Our~~ brave old Comrades and defenders of our Flag and Country. Our meetings

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are held on Tuesday and Thursday evening but we would Call a Special meeting any time to hear a good lecture on temperance, Certainly there is a Chance for any true minister of Christ to do good Work. for mine own part I am doing all the good I Can in my own humble manner. I have prayed to Jesus for a reformation in this home, and I feel sure that he has heard and will answer my prayers. Your Coming out here to see me, along with Bro Rankin last winter Gen has also with Gods blessing had a good Effect at least on the writer of this letter. I believe God has Spared my life for Some Great and Wise purpose and I am determined to put my trust in him, though all the world forsake me I do not think that any thing I Could do at present or in future would atone for the Sins of my past life, but as you told me last winter to remember the words "Come unto me all Ye that Labor and are heavy Laden and I will give you rest.

So I did Come Cen and I believe that
I have found that rest, that I have been
Looking for the past forty years
rest for my Soul. I am Cen
Yours in bonds of Christian
Love Dennett A Reese

Please Excuse pencil

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Saturday a M
Sept 16/71

Dear Lud

Mr McPherson came in this morning & said he hoped to have his papers prepared by Monday & as soon as he got them ready he would call & see you

Yours truly

William Talbot
575-7th St

P.S. I am anxious to have this settled for a few days. & desire this closed before day Sat — Regret Mrs Talbot

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State of South Carolina,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

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Columbia, Sept 16th 1871.

Genl. O. O. Howard,
President of the Howard University,
Washington, D.C.

Genl:

Miss Agnes M. Gibson, of this State, is ambitious of securing an education of a somewhat superior grade to that which is open to her in the usual channels of her condition in this State, and at the same time to secure some employment which would enable her to defray from its proceeds the necessary expenses. She has appealed to me for an introduction to you, as one likely to be of assistance to her, in her meritorious effort, and sympathizing in it, I would state, that she is a bright Mulatto, of genteel deportment, intelligent and well mannered, and competent and willing to engage in any household or domestic duties, that will contribute to the acquisition of an education. She is familiar with

folding sheets in a book bindery, and would gladly accept a position as folder.

Trusting that you will excuse the liberty I have taken, I remain, General,

Very truly & respectfully,

Jno. Heart.

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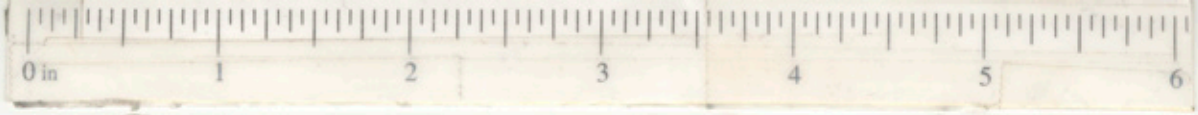
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Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir I wish that you would be kind enough and let me know the lowest terms which you would take a boy 11 years in your department to take Board & school. you will confer a great favor favour upon me by sending information soon yours very respectfully.

Jo. A. Baltimore My address No 100. Sullivan Street New York

please answer soon as possable


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To Major General
O. O. Howard
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Dear & Esteemed Sir:-

In compliance with the above resolutions, which were unanimously addopted at the last meeting of our Band, we the undersigned officers of the Band of Hope of the city of Raleigh, have the honor to transmit to you a copy of the same, hoping and believing that this little compliment - though a small reward to offer for your long services and many sacrifices in the cause of humanity - will be none the less appreciated coming as it does from the gratefull hearts of those who have been the recipients of your many favors and kindnesses.

We are happy to state that we have succeeded in organizing a flourishing division of the Band of Hope in our community which promises much good. Our membership at present is about One Hundred & Forty (140.) We held our third meeting last evening at which the enclosed resolutions were adopted. We trust the day is not far distant when you will favor us with a visit, and attend one of our meetings and witness the earnestness with which the little ones more especially have espoused the cause. Many lasting impressions have doubtless been made on their little minds, and much can yet be done. We shall endeavor to do all

we can to impress upon them and ourselves the evils of intemperance and the only safe way by which we may become honorable men and women — Total Abstinence.

Trusting that our little compliment may be appreciated and with our hearty wishes for of our health and prosperity,

We are sincerely and truly co-workers in the good cause,

Chas. A. Hunter President & Superintendent

Hubbert O'Kelley
E.R. Nicholas
Elizabeth Manley
Kitty Bishop
} Vice presidents & Asst Superintendents.

Dana Curtis Treas.

T. B. Smith Secretary
T. B. Curtis
A.S. Brodie
} asst Secretaries

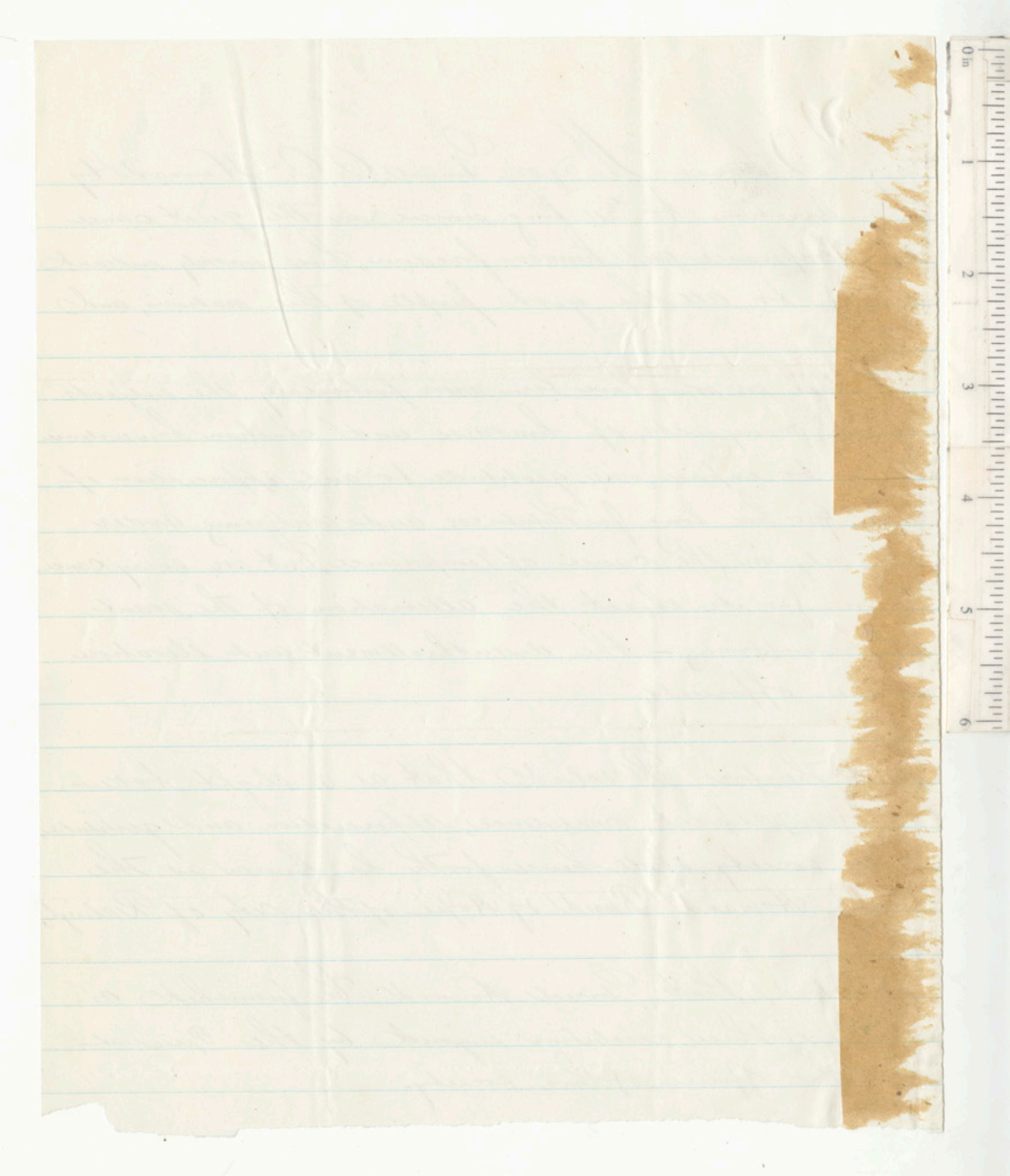
Frank Norwood
J. W. Butler
W.A. Davis
} ushers

Whereas Major Genal O. O. Howard by his devotion to & long service in the great cause of Temperance and human freedom, has purely endeard himself to all the good people of this nation, and

Whereas we who have been more particularly the subjects of his many acts of kindness and christian benevolence desire to express our gratitude to and appreciation of him for his long faithfulness and untiring order not only in the cause of Temperance, but in every cause having for its object the alleviation of the wants of the suffering – the disenthrallment and elevation of the oppressed,

Be it Therefore Resolved: That as a slight token of our respect, confidence, appreciation and gratitude, this society shall hence forth be known as The O. O. Howard Band of Hope of the city of Raleigh,

Resolved, that Genral Howard be furnished a copy of these resolutions signed by the President and other officers of this society.



P. O. BOX 734.

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New York, 19 Sept 1871

My Dear General

From our mutual Taylor I received yesterday a parcel of Books for you which I have, as instructed by him, sent you by Adams's Express Co, as per enclosed receipt.

Yours always

A. A. Stanley

Gen O. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

GREAT EASTERN, WESTERN, AND SOUTHERN EXPRESS FORWARDERS.

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For the Company,

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Washington, Sept. 19th 1871.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir

I desire to ask as a personal favor, that you sign the enclosed letter of recommendation Mr. Hazard is my wife's brother, and is one of the best young men I know in Washington. For years past, he has been the support of an aged father and mother, and they are yet almost entirely dependent upon him. He is an earnest Christian man, and a Son of Temperance. He has been employed since his seventeenth year, (he is now twenty-five) at the Music-store of Mr. G. F. Ellis,— he is now Book-Keeper of that establishment; but the exacting duties of that position, during twelve to fourteen hours out of every twenty-four, have been too much for him and his health is gradually failing, and I fully believe that his life will be sacrificed if he remains there. I believe there is now an opportunity to obtain for him a position in the Surgeon Generals' Office: this will enable him to take both the rest and the exercise needed. If you will so far accept my testimony in his behalf, as to sign the enclosed letter, I will guarantee that you will have no cause to regret it.

Sincerely Yours

F. M. Bradley.

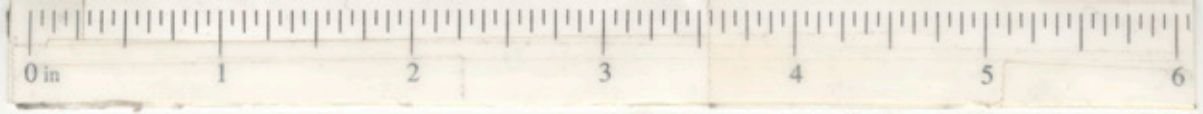
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Washington, Sept. 19th 1871.

Hon. J. K. Barnes,
Surgeon Gen. U.S.A.

Sir,

Permit me to commend to your favorable consideration the claims of Mr. H. Harvey Hazard, of this city. Strictly honest and sober, industrious and intelligent, he cannot fail to discharge satisfactorily the duties of the position for which he is an applicant in your Department.


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Washington, Sept 19th 1871

The regular ~~quarterly~~ annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Columbia Hospital and Dispensary for Women, will convene at the Hospital Building, on Thursday, the 21st day of Sept at 7½ Oclock P. M.

A full attendance is desired.

Respectfully,

J. R. Coombs

Secretary.

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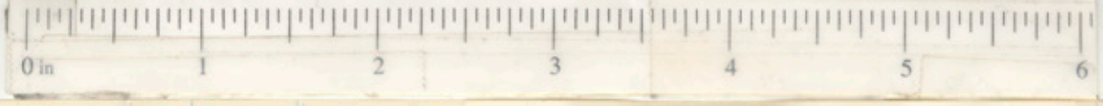
Dear Sir

I beg leave to submit to you confidentially a true State of my affairs after days of deep study, and at times on the Verge of throwing myself away - believing almost that I was forsaken of God and man - I have come to the conclusion after seeking God's help and direction to lay the matter before you and ask your advice and assistance - I know the cares you have already to bear: and feel as if I was bold in thus encroaching upon your time but you aided me and I must save you -
I therefore write submitting my paper - and let you appoint a time for interview - when I can fully explain all = I would say that it is necessary that Some action Should be taken before Oct 1 For the reason that the 3 Mortgage for 550 with 16[00] Interest must be paid at that date or foreclosure is Inevitable - There are also Some other payments to be met on the list which I Submit but others could be delayed or so arranged that the Cash would not be needed now - There matters here So troubled me that Even my prayers Seem useless So burdensom have they been on my mind. and I fear that unless relief comes Soon - I Shall like Job curse the day of my birth - I Send this letter with a Prayer that God will direct the

Answer in his own way, and his own good time
Any home you may see fit to assert will
be acceptable to me - and will be promptly
kept and may God's blessing rest upon you
and yours - Mrs Cooke is confined to her bed
having presented me with a daughter a week
ago to day - She knows my troubles but I
talk as little as possible with her in regard to
them - may I ask that our correspondence may
be considered confidential - so far as you
deem it best to aid me

Very truly Yours

Geo. T. Cooke
Lock Box 126
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Assests

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Liabilities

Mortgage held by Mutual Benefit Life Ins Newark		3500	
Int due Nov 1 1871		245	
" to S L Penfield Catskill NY		1500	
Int due Aug 1 1871		105	
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Taxes & Assessments due		350	6.266 00
Charles Ball	100.00	90	
Otis Morrill	258 03 Money	215 83	
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Harvey E Jones	100.00	90	575 83
John R Lambert Co E 17 Wis Vol	133.33	115	
James McGee	142.	128	
John Holleran	89 25	85	
Jams Aitkin Co A 1st Mich	208.24	187	
Delos Grover	231.83	166	
T Little	79.03	50	
Maria Root		"	
Westfall & Platts Com	266 96	200	
T H Allen	134 00	104	
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W H Woodin		350	
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E T Keller	1890	16	
Mark Wilson	1993	16	
John Shuy	16.60	14	
Mrs Clark	2100	20	1.619
Overdraft at Bank		153 96	
Borrowed Money		182	
Due Gul Smith (Furniture)		429	
" " O O Howard Cash		625	2.389 96
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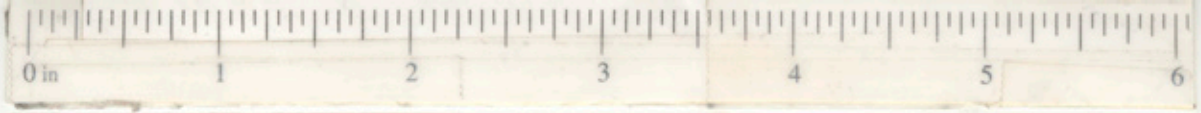
Is there any employment about the University you can give to a blind man; sufficient to pay for his board. He has been blind from infancy but knows his way all over the city.

His mother died a few months ago leaving him destitute.

Anything you can do for him will be esteemed as a favor by

Mrs Seidmore,
1335 F Street,
Washington,
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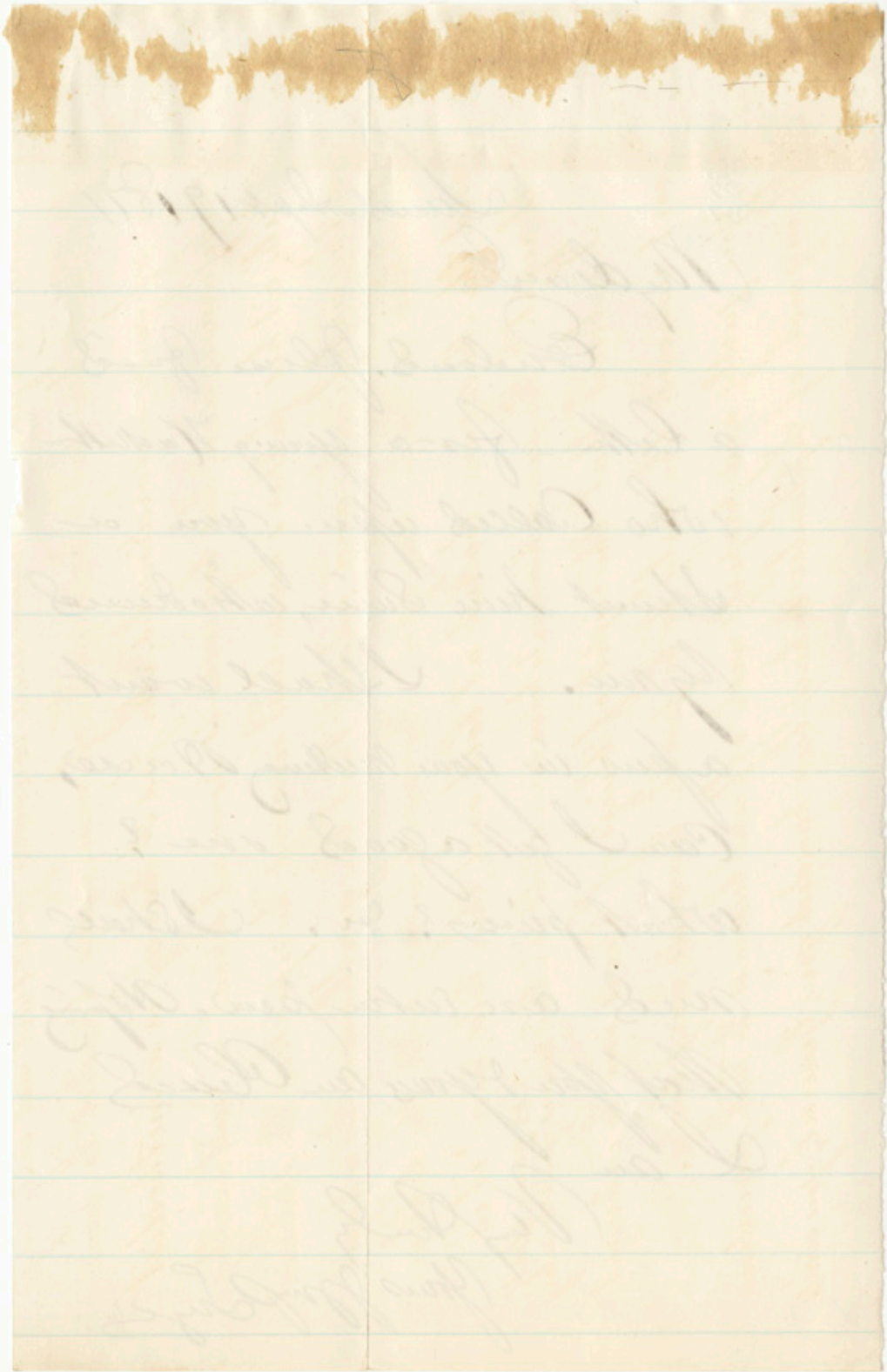
Lincoln Sept 19 1871

My dear Sir

Enclosed please find a letter for a young Yankee who calls upon you as Stuart Nine Sons, Methodist Hymn. I shall want a pew in your meeting House, can I get a good one? what price? &c. I shall need an entire pew. Nothing more for yours as Ever I am

Very Truly
Yours J. M. Sayre

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No 1209 16th St, N.W. Washington D.C. September 19 1871

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General: Your letter of September 16th came to hand yesterday evening.

You say: "I was quite mortified by your faithful portraiture of my impoliteness in your last number." The truth is that I mentioned your kindness to an old gentleman and your christian courtesy to me. I am not aware that this is any "faithful portraiture of impoliteness. Most people would call it the opposite.

The certificate within will convince you that not only my first number but also a note of mine was handed to some one of your subordinates. Mr Jas A Handy is a methodist clergyman, and his boy, who is now at school, is trustworthy. While at his father's house last evening he repeated the statement in the certificate and added that the gentleman to whom he delivered them tore open the envelopes of both the letter and the Magazine, looked at both, and then told him "it is all right." He seemed however to have some doubt whether he was your clerk (or your Secretary)

I submit that the right of Chiefs of Divisions to interrupt don't remove the duty to be polite towards every body.

You justly and properly wish official business to take precedence. If my note of September 8. had been handed you, General, you would

have seen that I called on official business. Had my business been personal or private I would have called at your house.

Your invitation to call again, with the assurance to find improved manners is gladly and thankfully received. I reciprocate the same invitation to you, Sir, with the positive assurance that no one shall be permitted to treat you rudely while in my house.

I regret sincerely having "greatly mortified" so good and noble a man as I take you to be. It is but a feble ~~and only a~~ consolation to recall under the circumstance the old proverb: It is an ill wind &c, &c; and that perhaps some good will come out of it.

Very Respectfully
Victor Hannot

This is to certify that I carried to the Howard University, on Friday the 8th of June, 1871. A letter and a copy of the Little Christian Magazine, both addressed to Gen'l Howard, and that I delivered them to a gentleman, whom I was told was the Gen'l's Secretary.

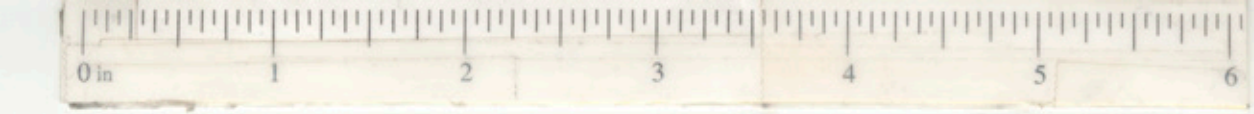
Geo A Handy

Washington D C
Sept. 19 4/71

I certify that my Son George made the above statement.

Jas A Handy

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MEMORANDUM.

FROM

B. H. WARNER,

(SUCCESSOR TO JOSHUA WHITNEY & CO.)

REAL ESTATE BROKER,

729 7th street bet. G and H streets,

WASHINGTON, D.C.

To Genl O. O. Howard

University Hill

Washington

D.C.

Dear Sir:

Please call on Mr Corcoran, as he has expressed a desire to see you.

Very Truly,

B. H. Warner

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