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Recd. by Capt. W. H. M.
Sept. 16/92
At my house 23rd May

Gen C. O. Howard
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir

Your name
and fame are familiar to me
although I have not the honor of
a personal acquaintance.

Through the newspapers
you may have heard something of
my sad history and I send you
the copy of a paper which I pub-
lished several weeks ago but
was obliged to discontinue for
inability to get it printed.

My object in addressing you
now is to interest you in behalf
of my children.

I have neither

father Mother & Brother & Sister
and without the many you can
understand their friendless I
stand. Through the past ten
years I have performed the
duties of two women
and had secured as I hoped
a home for myself & children
and had my reason to believe
I should be able to give my children
a liberal education. The father
of my children robbed me
of my dollar I had saved
and turned us homeless
in the streets. We are literally
beggars. I am able to give
my children only bread and
even that only a few days

My health is broken
and I am unable to work.
I am now in a poor state of health.

to my own support. There is
no law to compel the rich father
of these children to support
them. There is no human
justice for a woman.

My two little boys are
promising intelligent children
and have recurred the best care
until within a few months.
Aged 9 and 12 years.

I am not able at present
to keep them with me and I
am anxious abt. their tender age
they should receive scholastic
advantages. I propose to
place them in a boarding
school in New England
provided I can find gentlemen
willing to supervise their expenses
for one year. \$300 each.

Will you please inform me if you
feel disposed to assist me and
if there are other gentlemen of
your acquaintance with liberal
means and hearts to whom I
might apply with any prospect
of success.

I had hoped until
within a few days to have
accomplished something
myself. But all has failed
and I am not able to leave
my room.

In appealing to you I
feel that it is no more than an
human being may do for another
a more than many would feel
it. I am, I believe, I have

Yours truly,
Stephen M. Park

Frankville, Mass.
Aug 23 1872

Dear Gen. Howard

Our good 'Holly School'
of your Bureau Reports
made thro' Capt. Mealy,
at Lottsburgh Va. is
again in peril.

And I am compelled
to appeal to you for the
protection and help we
need, from the Rebel
persecution, which we ex-
pected would assail us
in some form during the
crisis of the Presidential
Campaign.

It comes now from
two Washington colored
ministers, Lee & Jefferson
who lately went down to
hold a "protracted meeting"
and shamefully abused
the hospitality of that roof

put over their head, by
the Bureau, for a School-
House - by artfully inflaming
the zeal & banity of our
poor people to convert it
into a Church -

Miss Holley, whose
devoted efforts have kept
the School in successful
progress since Nov-1868
writes me in the enclosed
letter, that three Minis-
ters are going to join the
Trachorous & Gttsburgh
Minister, Pyramus Pratt,
in an appeal for your
consent - This I do not
believe you will or can
for a moment entertain
the idea of giving -

The facts to aid your
prompt decision are

Pyramus Pratt

Carpenter who built our
School House (I plastered
it in mid winter) and he
was paid one hundred
dollars from the Bureau
for his work. He, and
our Colored people, then,
all distinctly understood,
and do not dispute, now,
their obligation to the Bu-
reau and the Government
to regard it a School House
& not a Church.

Yet last year he ac-
tually tried to sell this
School-house for a debt
still owing him for building.
But his claim was out-
lawed & he failed.

This incident, with much
else I could tell you, shows
his enmity to the School-
and he is as false in pol-
itics to the Republican

Cause -

This is the true explanation why Dr. Smith (who hoped to get pay for his father's Caves -) preside in the School House -

He, & the white Rebels around us, encourage the attempt of Pyramus Hunt to get possession of our School-house as a Church, to prevent Republican meetings & discussions in it.

Then that little spot sacred to light and knowledge of those dear Freedmen ceases to be a daily offense.

I have the Post Office there, and they will not have to take their few letters & papers, in the odious sight of black children learning to read & write.

And I am a Christian.

The Bureau has since
applied another hundred
dollars - of help to this
School-house -

The debt now due is
about \$180 - This as
nearly as I remember is
divided thus -

{ To Erasmus Putt Carpenter
(seventy dollars, about) \$70
To Thornton Parker) \$40
{ These two men give us
the main trouble }
To Leroy Thompson for boarding
P. Putt & workmen \$40
To Saw Mill for lumber \$30
\$180 -

Miss Ellen Collins of
New York, late Sec'y of
N. Y. Freedmen's Commis-
ion has taken the kind
interest to collect the

necessary amount to
free us from debt. so
we can be ready for
the deed which must
be executed to secure
the School Rights.

I have asked Mr B
send it to you, or such
part of it as may be used
to pay Pyramus Pitt
when he calls upon
you. And I beg you
will demand his receipt
in full, & a written obli-
gation that he will never
again, in any way interfere
with the rights of the
School-House.

And now, dear
Gen Howard, to whom
the Trustees of the
South and the
Trustees of the

a debt of gratitude &
love & I entrust you
from ^{your} earnest devo-
tion to the education
& welfare of these dear
colored people to prevent
this cruel mischief so
cunningly devised by
their enemies.

I trust & believe
you will utterly refuse
to sanction this design.

The great body of our
Scottish people are
our true friends - and
it will greatly encourage
us to have your declaration
made in writing that we
are endorsed by you -
and that you have no
sympathy with the attempt
of P. Kutz, Thornton Parker
& Glasgow & Co. to
take our property.

Miss Holly, & I would
rejoice to welcome you
to our home, if you
could possibly visit us
& our people - And cheer
& gladden us all by your
counsel and friendliness.

I have written to
Mr. Langston, who was an
Oberlin Class-mate of ours -
& hope he will go down
and help settle all this
matter - with - your
advice - as soon as possible.

I have asked Mr -
E. Nash the faithful
friend & founder of our
Northumberland County
Schools to call on you
and give you any further
information.

With very high regards,
truly yrs. Caroline R. Putnam

with Dr. Smith &
the other old rebels
are all at work
in the matter.

You must write
at once to Gen. Howard
and give him a
true statement
how they have no
right - have no
legal power &
Gen. H. must not
consent to a
church.

You must get
from Gen. Howard
a written statement
that will settle the
matter forever.

I hope you get all
the letters I send
you and the one
Miss Sterling wrote
giving a full account
of what was said
and done last
week in the meeting
about it -

in haste S. H. - w/ letter 67
Aug 23,
1872

General.

I have told you that my husband was
disappeared I have told you the truth - so much so
everything that he can convert into whiskey he does

and should you write to me or find it in your
to aid which I hope you will please address my
whose address - you will find inclosed. should
find a letter in the office to my address he would
it and apply anything in it to use ~~of~~ his own use
friends and carouse on until the last cent was spent
Please let me hear from you as soon as you

I am with great respect

Henrietta Warden

N.B. Please address all letters to
my sister as follows and I will be sure to get them

Address

Miss Elizabeth Oggs

Collett Station O. & N. R. R.

Langhorne County
Virginia

Ans. by Capt. W.
S.B. 1872

Weaverville Fauquier County Va,
August 25th 1872

Genl O. D. Howard

General.

I hope the liberty I take in writing, and
addressing - you the following lines will be pardon by you - after you
have read them, Perhaps you may have some recollection of me when
I call your attention to the fact of your taking Breakfast with me at
my house one mile South East of Collett Station when your command was
passing through this section of country. I was then the Widow Samuel
Weaver. But the war has wrought great changes. It was during that
sad war that I lost the Best of Husbands. he died in 1863 while General
Buford's command was quartered at this place. The Surgeons belonging
to his command rendered him medical advice and assistance. But a
constitution already shattered could not rally under the excitement
which pervaded the whole country at that time, his property being swept from
him and the care of his family were too much for his delicate health to
withstand and he died. and thus I was left a widow with four children
one an Infant in my arms, to the mercy of the vicious and unfeeling
Soldiers - who frequently under the pretext of Orders from head
quarters would deprive me of the little that yet remained to supply
the necessities of life and comfort for myself and children - The
Government of the United States took from us Twelve Thousand dollars
worth of Property for which they gave Vouchers - But not one cent

have I received - I yet hope they may grant myself and children something - This Twelve Thousand Dollars is outside of fifteen servants who belonged to my husband. Some of them were turned over to the United States Government under President Lincoln's Proclamation promising an indemnity for all so turned over and vouchers taken for them - The vouchers for all turned over I hold - The other servants having fled from home and sought the protection of the Union forces prior to the issuing of the before mentioned proclamation. For all this myself and children have received not one cent. But troubles it really seems comes not single handed and the close of the war when everything was in confusion the whole civil authority disorganised and avarice and fraud reigning paramount - There was claims set forth against my late husband's estate to the amount of near ten thousand dollars not over a hundred dollars appearing to be debts of his own making but all claimed by the would be claimants as sureties - and while everything was in confusion the courts a mere mockery, judgements were obtained on these claims and thus myself and children have been deprived of what remained to us in real estate excepting a small piece of land and house - my life time only -

But my troubles end not here. I in an unfortunate hour married the second husband - He is dissipated and worthless. I have had to support him - until I have brought myself to penury and want, and my children are deprived of the

chances of education. My two eldest are girls. The eldest in her fourteenth year and the next in her eleventh. They have been going to a free school walking three miles and the school is composed both male and female scholars ranging from six years old up to young men grown - and I do not think it prudent to send girls of the age of my daughters to such a school as their names and reputations is all that they at present can expect to build upon to insure happiness and comfort in life. And this General brings me to that which it is hard for me to say - I want you to aid me in sending my eldest daughter to a female school - It is to Ringwood female Seminary of this county the principal being Miss Jane Milligan. The cost of tuition and board for a session ten months is one hundred and seventy five dollars. This amount of money will you be kind enough to help me raise not out of your own private purse but by subscription - And possibly if you would be kind enough to do so and interest for my daughter with Miss Milligan (she might under the circumstances reduce the price of tuition in her particular case). General if you will only aid me I will ever be grateful to you and I know my daughter will bless you for she is anxious to learn and will learn fast and then she can instruct her younger sisters & little brother - Any questions you may have to ask I would please to answer myself or by reference

root, having a puffy & gelatinous look. She said it
was all he could take as nourishment. There
was squalor & suffering, a few bushes &
a little grass cover for shelter above & a half
burrow beneath it with the head upon the
sand for resting. The wild people, consisting, tell
us of the nation, began mainly of old women
little children, seemed happy, kept around
us & were ready for an example of heartbreak.
We had to be convenient so that we could not
fill them. But their nations were near &
their corn much of it just ripe. Then,
I find as we go along many natural products
good for food. Something similar to the banana
grows in great abundance in large clusters - or a
variety of the cactus is a reddish, perched fruit.
Their large & cabbage plant called mesquite
that they eat & prepare with great care.
Besides, the sweet little acorns, they dry
& grind & make into bread. We filled our
selves one day with wild grapes.

Monday August 19th we pass westward over
mountain ridges. I wish I could paint the views.
Pictograph valleys studded with hundreds of pointed
hills of every shape & size. In about 20 miles
we come to Captain Celiquito's planting ground.

"The Springs" about 30 miles
south west of "Camp Apache"
August 25th 1892 (Sunday) 200

Dearest Lizzie,

Before this reaches you, you
will have seen Amy (De Valente) and have
heard everything up to the time of
his leaving me. He went from "Camp Apa-
che" Wednesday. The day Mr. Gools and
Eskimizing arrived. I went with him &
his party about seven or eight miles &
placed him under God's protection with a
little checking: It was ^{for our under 16 yrs.} quick an understanding -
coming on escort, with Indians. After Mr.
Portland to care for - a few feet road &
at least four days before he reached a
habitation - Well, Staden May Dallas & St.
Brodie who had accompanied the party
was far, turned back with me to "Apache".
Thursday & Friday I went to the Indians. Eskim-
izing had his complaints to make. Friday
nations were issued to all. Many Indians were
getting lesion (then whiskey). Miguel even
was drinking and invited Eskimizing to his

hooked. Meanwhile Major Dallas sends solution
 and empties the treasury on the ground:
 This angers Estemizing Miguel & his brothers.
 &c. &c. I managed to get their attention & to
 keep the peace. On Saturday the
 Indians start for their places of planting:
 when they live except ration days. Taking
 12 days rations: I made up a party. Sear
 Brother. Capt. Sladen, Mr. May. Mexican
 Interpreter (Miguel) three pack mules,
 a Sergeant & four enlisted ^{men} - making
 ten souls all told & 13 animals =
 Saturday we marched about 36 miles.
 about west and reached a part of Miguel's
 (Eiskaffis) planting ground on the
 river Cariso. We found considerable corn
 planted. We had a pleasant camp under the
 cotton wood trees, near the little Cariso, not
 so large as our old grove on the meadow = Sladen
 now becomes our physician. during the evening
 and all Sunday they bring in their sick - with
 chills, sore throats & fevers - old, middle
 & children: when well & moving, the Indians

by perspiration & occasional washing
do start the dirt, but when sick, with
dirt for a bed & dirt for a pillow, they
become begrimed. I helped Slabin by signing
a daily bath with much rubbing, except
in cases when it could not be done.
One bright little boy that Slabin
named "So" ran along the whole
distance from the Port - He was about
Gamin's age - never tired, carried his
bundle of gun or treacherless now with
spring over his head, now across his
forehead. I gave him some little rides
& ~~dropped~~ his bundle to my pannier
at times - a young Indian woman performed
the same journey with a larger bundle.
Miguel Vin Salazar had following him two
Indian wives ^{on} a horse ^{now on a mule} ^{on foot} ^{with provisions.}
Sunday after noon we ascended the mesa to
visit those sick who were unable to come to
camp. One poor fellow was emaciated from
long fever & exposure - a very old Indian
woman was grinding up some sort of reddish

miles down the river before the loss
was discovered - The looking them up & getting
them back delayed us till 7 (we are generally
on the move before 6 - Today we had a long
march but the trail was mostly level & easy -
About 11 we came to the valley of the San Carlos
and we ^{were} glad to drive our horses under the
large cottonwoods that always in this country
indicate water - We now follow down the
river some times in the shade & sometimes
turning up to the high land to get around the
large & ^{often} ~~almost~~ impassable gulches - By 3
P.M. we are at the "Gila" - Here Mr
Jacobs & the County officer at Camp Grant & the
Indians seem to meet me - Our camp
here was not pleasant - The "Gila" clear when
I crossed it 4 months before is now thick
with mud. The flies are thick - thousands drive
at my eyes with a malignant purpose - I mean
my little tent, but cannot get away - I go on
the mesa but they give chase. I build a
fire & make smoke, but no good results. I
beat myself with tufts of grass & with bushes
but the motion has to be kept up to do any
good. Friday I went along some from below

He is chief of one of the largest bands in
the reservation. He had not returned from
getting rations - besides, his brother had been
killed in the difficulty at Camp Apache - which
happened just before my arrival, and he is
watching over him - We found here many quite
sick - one little one that could not lie, mouth too
sore to nurse - sicknesses in aggregated forms
for Indian's medicines soon run out, as he
did not expect so many patients. This is
a large & fertile valley. Wheat & Corn
have much corn some beans & squash
planted & all looking well - Men and
women's families left us for their summer
homes - also so & the other -
Sunday the 9th we set out just after
sunrise for a ^{what is called the} ~~tributary~~ ^{Black} ~~of the San Carlos~~
River - towards its mouth the salt or
Rio Salado. We made a little upwards of
80 miles over a rougher trail than we had
And on one mountain side the ground was so cov-
ered with stone that the horses walked on a pavement
worse than the stony & stony during the
war - just after this we reach a crest that
opened to us as large an expanse

as I think any of us ever beheld: Then
 soon I beheld our a thousand = puntas
 as Miguel said - hills & mounts of all
 shapes, positions, heights & arrangement.
 Our God only can do such things:
 Sladen, descending this mountain, found
 petrifications that took his eye from the
 might & grandeur before him, to the
 wonders beneath his feet = The country
 below looked level & the river was in
 plain sight & Miguel said "dos leagues"
 six miles, but it was not level, but that
 high hills & deep gorges & terrifically
 rough flats & the distance stretched out
 to 13 miles before I crossed the black water
 (now the color of mud) & went into camp
 clearing the sticks & weeds from beneath
 a mesquite bush. I put saddle for a
 pillow & my little Navajo blanket for a bed
 & went to sleep. In about an hour after
 Sladen, St. Brodie & the May came in
 from their exploring: I wash some of
 my underclothing - took a bath, eat a

beauty dinner, & eaten salmon, potatoes
 bacon & bread (the soldiers have baked
 as soon that is nice in the frying pan [what my
 mother named a spider]). Wednesday morning (day
 21) sets us to wandering amongst ^{nest & soil in} the hills = We had
 named the mountain "as the sleeping dog"
 or rather to be classic put it into Spanish: "Perro
 dormido" = its shape looking would draw = So as
 we find higher hills than "Perro
 dormido". Just before noon
 we pass into the valley of one of the tributaries
 of the San Carlos river: ordinarily it don't pay much
 tribute for though you find quite a stream at a place
 one hundred yards further on there is not a sign of one.
 We kept moving till we had marched at least 30
 miles and then encamped because we were at the
 last water for at least 20 miles. After this
 the sand absorbs all the water: As the sand here
 was black & gave some indications of gold: we
 amused ourselves by "washing it" but no gold was
 found. This camp was named "Miner's Camp"
 In our morning ^{"Thursday"} breakfast, three of the
 mules got away & were some four or five

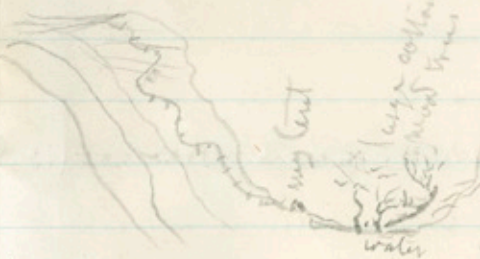


rattle snakes: Shaden is taking
some of the rattles - at the lake, a very
large one was making straight for Cal
Seib not 3 feet from him, when he
jumped with a stick. The snake then
turned towards me. I had just time after
Cal Seib's warning to jump out of the
snakes way. Cal Seib hit him a heavy
blow which stopped him when killed
him. He was four or five feet long
& quite large with seven rattles.
This incident I believe that he was
nine years old. After this, I put new
papers so that they would rattle & catch
me if another came at night. This
morning a cowpoke ran into my coat sleeve, so
see I am having protection when it is needed.
I do hope this will find all well at home. I
hope to be at home by name, I have written this sitting
under a stumpy oak with good shade. I have
no ink = loved by darling: I have thought of
you for hours together while riding. I give
the parting words, I give to you. God bless & keep you
Lovingly O's

with letters - Cal. Royal has gone to Prescott
Mr Jacobs is dangerously sick from his home
journey: New troubles with the Indians 4:11
In an hour Capt (Robert) Seib comes as
the commanding officer of Camp Grant
but the Indians do not come with
him. I hear that they sent back letters for me:
of course the letters are waiting at Camp Apache
they got to Camp Grant all right. Cal & Mrs Seib
entertained him. "He was not all time start
two days & then rode by night to Tucson
with an officer." Older Mr. Harland broke
down with the journey was apparently
lighted from the sun. When I get dis-
mission I shall know more of the real state
of things there. I do hope Mr. Buck
Bour's journey will not be too much
for him. He seems to have very phys-
ical recuperative power in his con-
stitution, he tried hard to get that shoulder
up, did so when not tired, but wearing
weights it down. Saturday (the 24th day)
we leave camp. Cal Seib & his party
for Camp Grant & ours for Camp
Apache = We wish to avoid the

high mountain. That day went over
 it is more miles in the ascent. Capt
 McMenon grew pale with fatigue. when
 he pulled his horse up the steeper of track.
 & that we ascended the valley of the
 San Carlos for some 15 miles & then
 turned suddenly to the left following
 an old trail & going around not only
 the big mountain but several others.
 The day is fearfully hot, a little breeze
 is sent for relief just as my backbon
 began to ache from the heat. I put a
 little water on my handkerchief &
 put it on my hat. My horse is unusually
 finicky - probably owing to the barley feed Col
 sent Granger him - Capt Sladen looks
 more & more ragged - He was a little fagged
 last night, slept under the stars till
 the rain came - then he crept under
 my ^{tent} fly & I left him asleep when I
 went to the spring to bathe & dress.
 In thinking over the fourth command-
 ment, he concluded that necessity
 called him to ride on today & prepare

for the next Tuesday morning's mail.
 I did not oppose his going much
 for they do not know as camp Ap
 she just where we are - so that
 Capt S. & Lieut Brodie is about 7
 this morning. What I am really waiting
 for her is to hear from them I have
 sent out to communicate with Colise
 Mr Stevens who married an Apache
 wife & Concepcion. The interpreter who
 was back with me has gone. The
 instant I get word I shall start for some
 place - This is a curious camp. away down
 in a ravine, closing into a pass just big enough



for the water just north & just south of me, leaving
 a deep ~~hoop~~ for my camp. I call it
 "Lieut Brodie's camp" & the springs
 good clear water under the cotton wood
 trees. There is excellent grass for the
 animals. We have killed several

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Ms 41

97 West 11th street

New York. Aug^r 25. 1872

Gen^l O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

I have just read the enclosed letters, & fearing to lose the opportunity of having this matter settled, I hasten to enclose my check with which I hope you will think best to pay Pyramus Dutt, if he should come to you, and secure the independence of the "Holy John House". I have not as yet collected the full sum required, \$180. but if T. Parker should come to see you also, would you be kind enough to pay him the \$40. due him, and I will return it as soon as I am informed. Such a deed as Miss Putnam seeks, I suppose will secure the school in perpetuity from all such designs to divert

it to other than school uses, and
I cordially unite my request with
hers that you will do all in your
power to make them free from
such annoyance.

With much respect I am
Sincerely yrs
Ellen Collins

I enclose \$70. as mentioned in Miss
Putnam's letter. If the debt proves to
be larger, please let me know that I
may repay you in full.

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Aug 25/72

Raleigh N.C. Aug. 26th 1872

Genl. C.C. Howard

Washington D.C.

General:

I take the liberty of addressing you for the purpose of asking your influence in my behalf, to the end, that, I may receive the appointment of Disbursing Officer of the Freedman's Bureau fund due in this State.

I will briefly refer to my experience in government accounts, that you may form some idea of my business qualifications for the position I seek. Shortly after the commencement of the late war, my father was appointed Asst. Q. Mr., and during the period of his service I acted as his Chief Clerk. Senator Wilson (to whom I would now refer you) afterwards secured me a clerkship in the Quartermaster General's Office. I served in the Money Branch of that office for four years and received from Genl. Elias Thomas A.Q.M. Genl., a letter testifying to my faithful services. In 1868, through the kindness of my friend, the late Hon. Thos. D. Eliot, I was appointed to a position in the Freedman's Bureau and by you assigned to duty in Wash

Carolina. I served in the office of the Supt. of Education under Rev. F. A. Fiske and Dr. H. C. Vogell until within a few months of the close of the operations of the Bureau in this State. I have complimentary testimonials from both of the above named gentlemen, also from Genl. N. A. Miles.

Although Massachusetts is my native State, I have adopted North Carolina for my home and cast my lot with its people, having married here.

Should it be desired by you, it will afford me great satisfaction to furnish you testimonials from any of the leading citizens of Raleigh as to my reputation and standing in this community.

I have always been a firm and zealous republican and am now, even though my former ideal of a statesman - Chas. Sumner - has gone over to the enemy.

You will place me under lasting obligations for any effort you may make in my behalf; and if appointed, I pledge a faithful application of my time and attention to the duties of the position.

I am, General

Very Truly Yours

Wm P. Wetherell

Raleigh, Aug. 26. 1872.

I am well acquainted with Mr. Wetherill, and take pleasure in bearing testimony to his business qualifications and his high integrity. I would be much gratified if he should obtain the place for which he applies.

W. W. Holden.

Camp Apache, AZ. ⁴
July 26th. 1872

Genl. F. Walker

Comd. of Ind. Affairs

General,

I have just returned to this Post-
after making a trip of some two
hundred miles visiting different
Indian ~~planting~~ grounds and camps.

I went to the confluence of the
San Carlos & the Gila rivers to meet
the Comd'g Officer from Camp Grant.

Matters at Grant are not in very
good condition. The Indians are
almost all dissatisfied with their
Agent, Mr. Jacobs, and he does not seem
to have any influence with them. The
Officers think he has not strength enough
for the place, nor the right make up.

There is imminent danger of Indians
breaking from that reservation. First
upon complaint of Mr. Jacobs the guard
tried and failed to arrest an Indian reputed

bad. The Guard then fired upon him, and
this ~~was~~ innocent of any offence; the latter
being Captains took their people immediately
off the reservation. Mr. Jacobs has had a
guard put over the Agency building which
is also an innovation. We met one here with
Bekunizim. The latter did not treat him
with any respect. Now there are painful
things to say but I think some one else
~~will~~ have to be put in charge at Grant,
and that speedily. I regard Mr. Jacobs as
honest, frank, and sincere, but in a peculiarly
false position - not the man for the place.

All the officers with whom I have con-
versed give the same opinion. I have just
heard that many Indians have come in
at Verde - that one was shot, ~~while~~ in
charge of the guard, while trying to escape.

I have no further particulars. I have
sent messengers to look up Cachiso and
if possible appoint a place of meeting.

The Indian Chiefs ^{who went to Wash.} have returned to their
tribes and are exerting a good influence.

My son writes me from Grant that groups
^{nightly} constantly
are around Santa listening to the stories he
tells them of his trip.

Very sorry

Yours old friend

Edward

Binghead. W. A.

Spl. ~~and~~ - look.

about 7th June 1881
 it will be a fine day
 but not so much.

about 10th June
 about 11th June
 about 12th June
 about 13th June

"Chief Apache"

August 26th 1892

Dearest.

I started just as the sun was rising and have ridden my horse all day, coming in to this post at half past five - pretty tired. I want a letter from you. He will probably have reached you so that I will not forward what he says. Capt. Sladen & Mr. Brodie did not reach the Post yesterday till half past 9 at night. We are both well. Your last letter that I have received is dated Augth. The pictures of the children - enjoying themselves, are very pleasant to peruse. I wish they had paper as well as he does them! I have been thinking a great deal of home as I have made my way, after alone, or absent of my escort up & down the ravines.

I must spend more time at home. I must
make some permanent arrangements.
Am I to be a wanderer forever?
If I only could rest my head on
one pillow at home tonight, how
comfortable it would be. Would it
not? Write to Santa Fe on getting
this. I have not heard from Gabeira
yet. Shall wait for him till I hear from
my messengers sent out. Give much
love to Mrs. Grace, Sam, George
Young, Harry & Bessie. Lucy &
Lou (both Yous) are not forgotten.
I expect Lucy enjoyed her trip &
will have much to tell to her home
people. As to when I am coming -
Mrs. Meander, Father only knows,
as soon as he will let me. Meanwhile
Mrs. Barber must set things to rights.
Good night. With a heart full
of love to you and dear
self I am as ever. Ours
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Mr. Offoward
My Dear Sir,

I am de
siring of enlisting Your Services
in our New Enterprise,

May I not appeal with
some expectation of a favora
ble response, for a Lecture
from You during our success
ful Course of Lectures in the
New Lincoln Hall?

I earnestly wish You would
improve an early opportunity,
Why not bring a Delega
tion of Indians?

A portion of the Proceeds from
the Sale of Tickets will go to
the Congregational Church -

Aug 26 - 72

Any time in October will
gladden our hearts & greatly
benefit us.

Yours in T
J. H. Houghton

Care Miss Vail & Stroud
703 Sanson St

Phil^a Pa

recd. by Capt. W -
L.B. Sept 16, 72

L.B.
Nov 16 "1872

OFFICE OF

WILLIAM E. BELL,

Richmond Insurance, Real Estate and General Agency,

SOUTH-EAST COR. MAIN AND FIFTH STREETS,

Richmond, Ind., Aug 27 1872

Gen. Offward
Dear Sir

Please Sign
Enclosed Dividend Receipt
Omitted to be Sent for
Signature at the time of
payment of Your Renewal
And return to obliger

Yours truly
W E Bell

WILLIAM B. RILEY

Richmond Insurance, Real Estate and General Agency,

SOUTH-EAST COR. MAIN AND FIFTH STREETS.

Richmond, Ind., Aug. 27 1872

Mr. O. H. Brown

Dear Sir,

I have been
informed that
you have been
appointed to be
agent for the
Richmond Insurance
Company in
this territory.

Very respectfully,
Wm. B. Riley

here and there, will be best;
but if you ~~do~~ adopt the plan
of making one large post here,
with sub posts, by relief, then
one main Agency here, with a
Sub Agency near the Gila or
San Carlos will be the best.
The Indians at Grant asked that
they might go to the Gila near
the San Carlos. Their petition
was granted and approved
by the Sec of the Interior
and the President. Hence if
there is any variation from this
plan and promise it will be
wise to consult the Indians
and have them satisfied with
the change. Mr Stevens whom
all the Officers and Citizens
commend as just, the Man
for the place will I believe

Beland copy

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Camp Apache Ariz
Aug 29th 1872

Gen Geo Crook

Comdg Dept of Arizona

Dear Genl

I leave
to morrow for New Mexico. I
have probed the country below
here pretty thoroughly with the
hope of meeting Cachise but
have thus far failed to
communicate with him. Some
complications have occurred at
Camp Grant first in attempting
at Mr Jacobs request to arrest
an Indian that had come in
from outside; the Guard fired
not only upon him but upon other
Indians that had come from
the Forts Apaches, this resulted
in their leaving the reservation.
Second, the Rio Bonito Indians

were really forced to leave the reservation. Mr Jacobs will explain to you how it happened. Third Mr Jacobs is almost universally disliked by the Indians at Grant and the prejudice has extended to the Indians here, so that he has no control whatever over them: he keeps a Guard at the agency. The Lieut. in Charge has set a bad example by drinking liquor there. The Comdg. Officer at Grant told me, and two Inspectors that I sent, reported the same thing, that other employees were drinking and one of them was drunk during Mr Jacobs absence. I have conversed with a large number of Officers and Citizens who say that Mr Jacobs never can succeed at the post he now occupies. I have confidence

in his integrity and purpose to do right, and believe that under more favorable circumstances he will honor himself and his department, and have thereof directed him to report to the Supt for assignment to Yrde or Date Creek, where he can commence his problems again with a new slate. With regard to the Indians at Grant the best thing to be done is to make a change of locality as soon as possible. The Agency, or Sub-agency, whichever is finally fixed upon, can be near the post at Aravaipa, for even then the planting grounds would only be 20 miles away, whereas here some of them are even 60 miles from Hd. Qrs. If you do preserve a sizable post here and at the Aravaipa, an Agency,

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I desire
be able to put things aright-
at Grant, bring in and detain
the friendly Indians and cooperate
with you fully in making a sensible
distinction between them and the
hostile. ~~He~~ has resolution; does
not fear the Indians, and they
repose confidence in him.
Again, he understands fully
the absolute necessity of
putting proper upright men in
charge. I feel very sorry to
interfere in Arizona affairs making
such radical changes, but I
must discharge the responsibility
and I feel assured that you
know that my purpose is fixed
to help you all I can.

Yours truly

O.D.H.

Brig Genl W.S.A
Special Indian Comm

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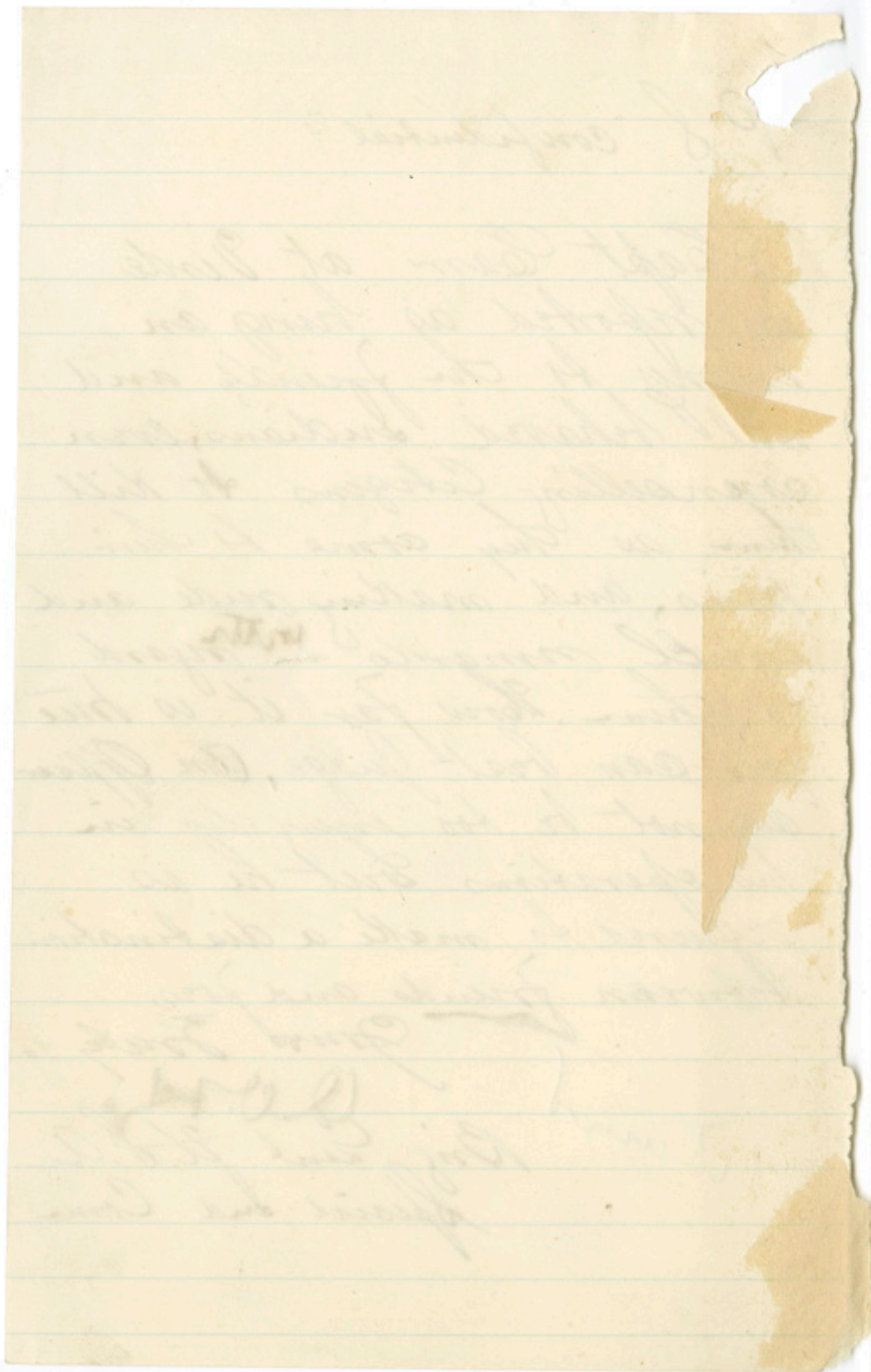
P.S. "confidential"

Capt Carr at Verde
is reported as being an
enemy to the friendly and
well behaved Indians, even
counselling Citizens to kill
them as they come to their
trains, and making rude and
cruel remarks ^{with} regard
to them. How far it is true
you can best judge. An Officer
can not be too energetic in
his operations but he is
required to make a distinction
between friends and foes.

Yours Truly,

W. D. W.
Brig Genl U.S.A.
Special Ind Com

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Camp Upeach Ariz
Aug 29th 1872

Genl J. A. Walker

And Com of Indian Affairs

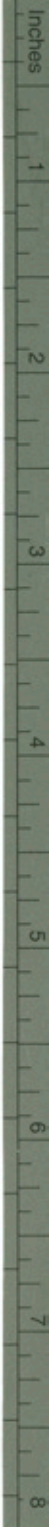
Dr Genl

Enclosed

please find copy of a letter
of appointment and of a
change in locating one of
your Agents. There ~~was~~ such
imperative necessity for this
immediate action that I
know that you will approve
I leave to morrow morning
for New Mexico. I have not
been able yet to communicate
with Cochise and believe he
is at present in Sonora

Yours Truly
J. A. Walker

Brig Genl J. A. Walker
Special Ind Com



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Camp Apache Ariz.
Aug 29. 1872.

Mr Geo. H. Stevens.

Sir,

You are hereby instructed to assume charge of the Indian Agency, now located near Camp Grant, and of the Reservation pertaining to it, relieving the present Special Agent, Mr E. B. Jacobs as soon as possible, after the 1st proximo. He has been instructed, to transfer to you all property, and funds ~~pertaining~~ ^{belonging} to the Reservation for which you will give him proper receipts. As soon as you can do so, you are authorized to change the Hd Qrs of the Agency

to the Vicinity of the ^{Part of} Sanisipia,
or to the Vicinity of the Confluence
of the Gila, and San Carlos,
as soon as in your judgment
it shall be practicable to do
so, please forward as soon as
possible, an estimate of the funds
necessary to accomplish this
change, to the Dept of Indian
Affairs for the Territory, sending
a duplicate to me, at Washington
for my report. I put in your
hands some of the presents,
intended for the permanent
help of the Apaches, to be
given, after, peace shall have
been established beyond question.
And as a reward for good behav-
ior, you are required to be very
careful in the selection of
your employees, that they be
not only honest, but not drunken
licentious, or profane, for ^{good} example

is essentially necessary, at this
time, please keep constantly
in view, the teaching of the
English language to the
Children, with reference in your
law, special trust, and reliance
upon your good judgment,
and energy, for its effectual
and honorable execution, ~~it~~
resting upon your God's blessing

I Remain Yours Truly

O. O. Howard

Brig Genl U. S. A.
Jl Indian Comr.

O. V. Benson

Eng. Genl. U. S. A.
Special and Com

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Camp Apache Ariz
Aug 29 1872

Dr. H. Wendell
Supt of Indian Affairs
Territory of Arizona

Dear Dr. Doctor
I have

been hoping day after day, to hear
from you. But must now leave
without doing so. Under the
operation of Order No 54 War
Dept. which came here directly
from Washington. I appointed
Dr. Soule as civil agent. He
will now remain so till permanent
provision can be made; he will
report to you everything important
concerning this reservation. Why
cannot you get your Beef Contractor
to furnish under his contract -
the Copy approved by the

Secty of the Interior should be
fixed as quickly as possible.
I have asked Dr. Coule to
submit to you for decision
several questions regarding
the reservation. Matters
at Grant became so complicated
while I was here that I have
deemed it best to send
Mr. Jacobs to you for
assignment to Verde or
Dade Creek. Mr. G. H.

Stevens is just the man
for you. I have backed up
my opinion by that of all
the Officers here such
Citizens as I could com-
municate with and the
Indians. I leave for New
Mexico to morrow. I have been
delayed here principally to
communicate with Caches
but thus far have not

been able to do so. I have
visited the planting grounds
of the Indians on the North
fork of the White river on
the Carizos some 30
miles distant and the
little Colorado Civique 50
miles distant. also inspected
the Territory about the Pecos
Chila San Carlos and tributa-
ries. The Indians have very
good crops this year and
are all quiet ^{now} and well
behaved on this reservation.
All presents except the personal
ones the Agent at Grant
will not give until everything
is straight there and peace
is secured beyond question.
Hoping that my visit ^{at} this time
has been a help to you and
not a hindrance I remain
yours truly

Camp Apache at
Fort Huachuca
Aug. 29th 1877.

Mr E. Jacobs.
Indian Agent.
at Camp Grant.

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Dear Sir:

After taking everything into the account. I have thought it best for the public service to vary from the plan we spoke of when together. The difficulties and confusions at Camp Grant will only embarrass you and I did not find the feeling here enough in your favor to risk placing you in charge of this entire Reservation as I desired.

I have every confidence in your integrity and purpose to do well and have made this change, just as I would had you been my brother. Please so explain to Supt. Bendall at Proctor.

That up Country will be made better for your health and your experience will enable you to make a good show at Verde or Salt Creek. Whenever you and he shall fix upon.

Yours Truly.

Lga. W. Howard
Big Bend m. A.
Pl Ind Comr.

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Camp Apache A.T.
Aug. 29th 1872.

Mr E. L. Jacobs.
Indian Agent,

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Dear Sir,

You are hereby relieved from
duty, with the ^{Samp Baile} (Camp Grant) or ~~Samp Baile~~,
division of the reservation, and will report
to the Supt. of Indian Affairs of the
Territory of Arizona, for assignment
to the Verde or Salt Creek reservation.

Mr E. H. Stevens, has been appointed
your successor, and you will turn over
to him, all property and funds, that
pertain to the Agency you leave,
taking his receipts therefore.

~~Very Respy~~

In accordance with instructions
from the Secretary of the Interior.

Very Respy.
Your obt. Servt.

D. B. Brown

Brig Genl U.S.A.
Jl Ind Agent

(Retain copy)

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Camp Apache Ariz

Aug 29th 1872

To
Gov. A. P. K. Safford

Dr Governor

I am very
sorry not to have seen you. I have met
Mr Jacobs. Co Kimmung. Officers from
Grant. Citizens and Indians and
considering the whole situation have
deemed some immediate changes necessary.
Mr Jacobs health is poor and does not
succeed in commanding the confidence of
those Indians on whom we rely to keep
the peace give up stolen property and
cooperate with us in repressing the bad
get he is honest and means to do his
duty. I hope Mr Mason will understand
that the changes I have made are with a view
to the very best interests of all parties
concerned. Mr Stevens is one of your

own Citizens upright in life resolute
and fearless he is recommended by
the Officers and Citizens that you
trust I therefore ask for him
a good welcome and a fair trial.
I have written ~~about~~ Bendell and
Genl Crook fully. Mr Jacobs after
his present experience in the healthier
country of the Verde and without
the curiously adverse circumstances
As again with will do a good work
at the Verde. Give my kind regards
to all my friends especially to that
excellent man Dr Wilbur. I do hope
that the news you send me about
Mr Lord is untrue. I true express
my deepest sympathy for his poor wife
it is a great relief to know that
one in ~~her~~ circumstances can look
straight to Him who alone can give
consolation with warm regard

I remain as ever your friend
W. Howard
Brig Genl U.S.A.
Special and Com

they used to be at Fort Point when
we were there. Dr. Mc Dougall has been
all through New Mexico among the
Indians, & told us about the Zuni
village, & about the ancient cities.
About a rock 500 ft high upon which
inscriptions were written & about
a cañon, up which he went 20
miles, the sides of which were 800
ft high & the Indians had gardens
in the bottom. In one place 7 miles
up the cañon, they had made steps
up the perpendicular ^{rock} sides on the
side, they had made steps, & a place
large enough to build 5 or 6 Adobe
huts on. He said the name of the chief
of the Apaches at that time was "Red
Sleeve". "Colonel" was the word which
means "red" though that is not the way
to spell it. Mother, I think it is
a little about not getting a telegram

you hope to get one this
morning. With
much love from
all, or from your
affectionate
Papa, &
Grand M.
Please write
as soon as you
can, a few lines
to the
Colonel's Spring (J.P.)
Aug 29th 1882.
We expected before this
to receive a telegram from Guy, from
California, but we have not yet. Mo-
ther is writing a note to Guy, which
she will send to Cheyenne, care of
the R.R. hotel, that he will receive as
soon as he reaches there. There is quite
a party going as far as Pittsburg on
next Monday & it would be very pleas-
ant if we could go at the same time.
Perhaps this morning when the coach
comes we will hear from Guy, if so
we will probably spend next Sunday
in Cheyenne. I wish we could have married
till you got back here, but if we had we
would have been too late home for the
beginning of the schools. Do you think

has varied every day & seems to have settled in for
a regular storm, I went up Pikes Peak a week ago
Monday with Miss Sawyer, (the young lady who
you have known & Pittsburg) & several others. It
was a good day & we got to the top quite easily. The Gov.
Guests from Denver were here last week, with some
other ladies, they gave two hops, Tuesday & Wednesday.
Gen. Smith has gone to San Luis Park, & other places.
Harry was down, to see my Smiths go. The hotel is
very full now, but the people with whom we be-
came acquainted at first, have gone away for a week
& we know very few now. Last night another found that
Dr. & Mrs. McCargle from West Point, or rather

that you will be able to send me to
New Haven this year? If I can go, I
shall have to go with Guy before the
15th of next month, & so you will have
to decide, before that time. Mother thinks
that you will not be able to send me
this year, partly on account of this trip
to Colorado. If so, I shall, of course, be
disappointed, but I want you to do
just as you think best, & not send me
if you are not perfectly able to. Then
too I should have to hurry away before
you get home & should leave mamma
rust in the fall sewing, & when she
would be very very other wise.
Mother would be willing that I should
go to school in Washington city, to Miss
Ross, or Mrs. Condon, if you would, &
thinks that I could go in easily in the win-
ter. Of course speaking of expense, this
last would be cheaper. This week is

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Jes L. B. Sept. 2^d, 72

Government Hospital for the Insane.

^{near} Washington, D.C. August 30th 1872

Sir

It will be your turn to make
an inspection of the Hospital on Tuesday
next the 3rd of September.

A Carriage to convey you to the
Institution will call at the Howard
University at 1. O'clock.

Hoping you will be able to
attend to this duty.

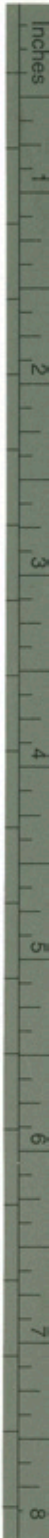
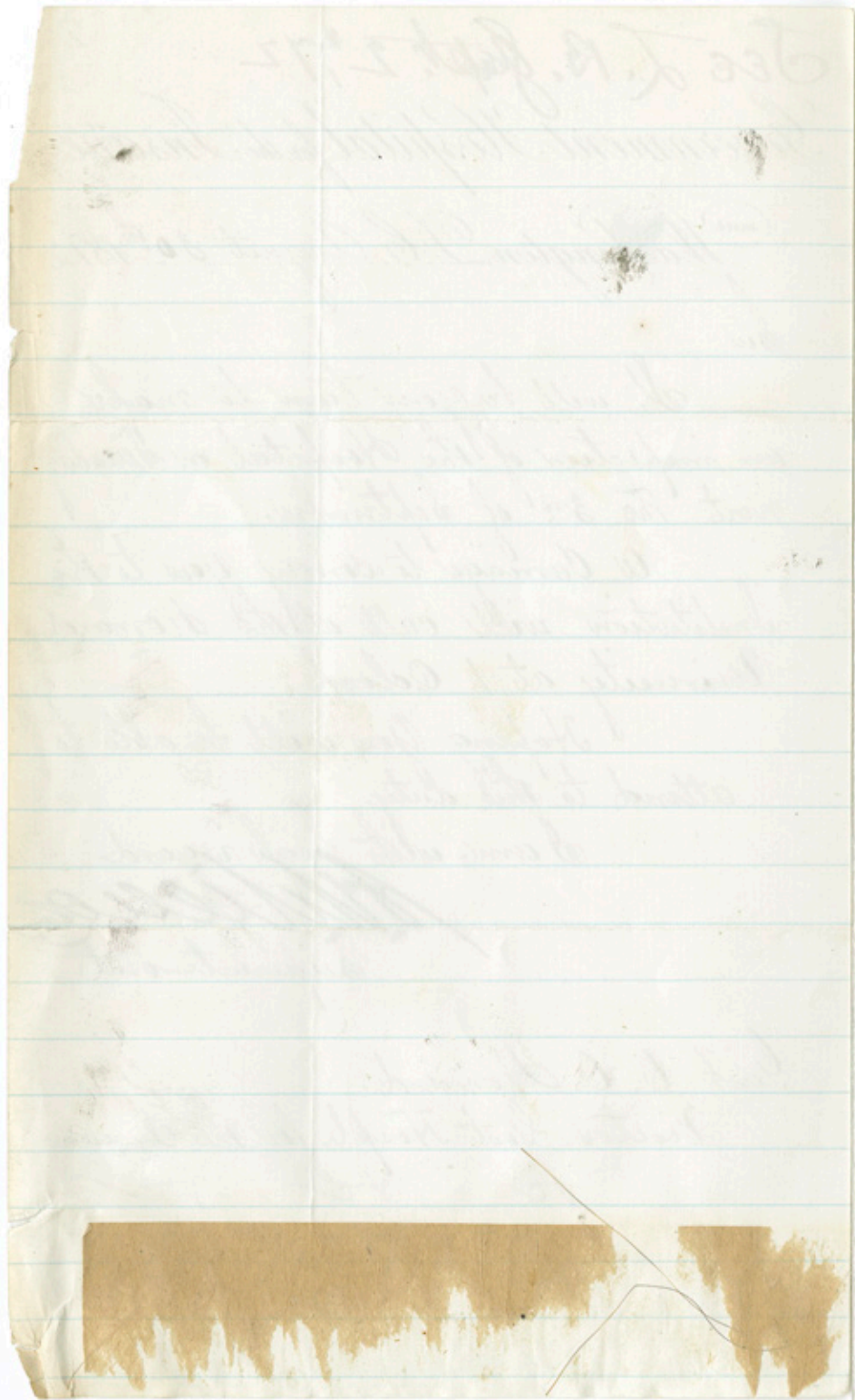
I am, with high regard,

W. M. Lacey
Superintendent

Genl O. O. Howard.

Visitor. Govt Hosp. for the Insane

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Daily & Weekly Standard,

H. L. DIEFFENBACH, Editor,

Williamsport, Pa., Aug. 30 1872.

Maj. Genl O. O. Howard U.S.A.
Washington, D.C.

My Dear Sir:

Mr. Mercer and myself
are engaged in a controversy, in which
he denies ever proceeding against me while
in your employ at the Freedmen's Bureau.
Will you be kind enough to say, as
briefly as possible, that I was dis-
charged at his instance.

You will remember his communication,
that you asked of him to reduce to writing,
which charged me with using money to
defeat his election to Congress.

Very Respectfully &c

(over)

A. J. Trout

I have not replied to this
letter. Mr. Trout, was
at one time employed
in the Printing Office of the
Freemans' Press, when the
Squire was located on
the corner of 19th & 2nd Sts
— I remember him
Red Toole

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OFFICE OF THE GALAXY.

Geo

New York, *30th Aug* 1872

L. R. Sept. 5th 72
Recd

General O. O. Howard

Howard University

Dear Sir,

*You will confer a great favor by
sending us your latest prospectus*

Yrs very truly

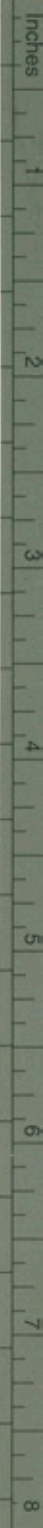
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I will telegraph Mother from St. Diego
L.H.

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Fort Muma, St. Diego Co.
Aug. 31st 1872 Cal.

Dear Father,

I left Mr. Stouts, as I wrote you I would by Dr. McFarland, Wednesday noon, & on account of heavy rains were eighteen hours late & lost the stage to St. Diego, that catches the boat there, & will have to go up the coast by stage & railroad to San Francisco, which will take the same time within a few hours, on account of the progress in building on the rail-road since you went through. Your statement that it never rains in this lower part of Arizona probably should have the limitation of the proverb. "It never rains, but it pours," for never in my life in the same space of time have I been in more rain-storms, & never in severer ones. Night before last our stage was mired in a piece of road

thirty yards long from twelve o'clock
till day light; when we first got into
the mire one of our horses lay down
& the driver unfastened the traces
& let him rest till he went to the
station near at hand for a fresh
team, & upon his return I handed the
reins to another passenger & got out
to help him unfasten the horses & as
I was taking the reins of the one
that was lying down, he floundering
round knocked me down, & as I could
be of no more use there walked to the
station, Quarters Camp, & slept there till
morning. From there to Muma we did not
have a mile of dusty road, though in
some places we had quite fair roads,
so much of the way was bad that the
horses hardly went out of a walk.

After breakfast I came over here to Capt. MacGowan's
quarters to call on him, & he has invited
me to stay here till the next stage leaves,
Monday morning. We then rode over to the hotel
in his ambulance & got my baggage. He wants

very much to have an Indian Agent
appointed here for the Mumas; he
says there is one now in charge &
shows ^{that he is too far off} three hundred miles from here up
the Colorado. Who he recommends very highly
a Mr. L. J. F. Jaeger, living near here, an
American, strange as it may seem from
his name, in appearance. I met him
as we were crossing the ferry this morning.
From the looks of the Indians around
the streets of Arizona City I should think
they needed very much an Agent to
look after them very closely. They are
the poorest specimens I have seen yet,
hardly excepting the Mtes. If I had tried to
bring on those Indian children I could
not have started for two stages as all
the seats were engaged for three stages
except the one they reserved for me at Tucson.
I was not particularly struck with Mr. Jaeger's
appearance, but as Capt. MacGowan asked
me to mention him to you I have done so.
Have off. soon
L. J. F. Jaeger