

OFFICE
OF
ELLIOTT. W. RICE,
Attorney at Law,

1424 F ST.
Washington, D.C. Apr 1873

Dear General

Allow me to introduce Mr
Frank Minor of this city who is desirous
of obtaining the appointment of General
Agent of the Phoenix Mutual Life Ins Co
of Hartford in place of Mr Brewster just
decd. Mr Minor desires to obtain as far
as possible the endorsement of the policy
holders in the Company, and already
has that of many of the most prom-
inent citizens. I know him well and
can assure you that any confidence
reposed in him will not be misplaced.
I hope he will get the desired position as
I believe the policy holders as well as the
Company's interests will be conscientiously
guarded in his hands.

I have the honor to be
General

Very truly your friend

and obt^l servant

Edw Rice

Genl O. O. Steward.

Washington.

Dec.

Rice, E.

Washington D.C.
Apr. 1873.



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J. W. BROWN, Pres. 105 J. G. SMITH, Supt.

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By Telegraph from Cleveland 1873
To Gen. O. O. Howard
Washn

Did my letter reach
you can you deliver
address before association
one May eighth

Geo W Stockley
Chairman of M C A
14 Rd 42

This message has just been received at the office,

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Cleveland, O.
Apr. 1873.
Rockley, Geo. W.



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By Telegraph from
Cleveland, O.
Apr. 1873

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This message has just been received at the office.



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Howard University.

Washington D.C. April 1. 1872.

Gen. B. O. Howard.

Dear Sir:

I wrote you yesterday, giving some general information about University matters, and to-day inclose Mr. Bliss' statement of the income from July 1. 1872.

He said it would require several days to make out an exact statement of the income of each Department, derived from students, and thus only the aggregate is given. This, as you will see, is a statement for three fourths of the fiscal year & for two thirds of the Academic year. Probably the income for the remainder of the year will be nearly one fourth, if not more, of the sum here given, or a total of \$38,000 or \$39,000.

Thinking the statement of expenditures

(over)

might be convenient for you, that, also,
is included, covering the same period.

Mr. Blue & Mr. Johnson both say
the income has exceeded the estimates,
made sometime since - but that the expen-
ditures have in a yet larger amount over-
run the estimates.

Nothing of special importance has
arisen since I wrote yesterday.

A letter came last evening from Mr.
Cummings, repeating the statement of
his telegram, that he cannot leave Sweden
at present - but saying, if the place can
be kept open for him, he will come and
take the ground over and decide the question
of acceptance. The special Committee
have the subject under consideration. I suppose,
we this.

Very Truly Yrs.
W. F. Bassett.

J. W. THOMPSON,
President.

WM. W. MOORE,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Office of the Metropolitan Railroad Company,

NEW YORK AVENUE AND SEVENTEENTH STREET.

Washington, D. C. April 1 1873

Maj Genl. O. O. Howard

Dear Genl.

You will find

enclosed a private letter addressed
to myself, the writer ^{of which} (a cousin of
my wife) is desirous of obtaining
something which will take him into
the Indian Country as you will
observe. if you will take the trouble
to read his letter. I do not know
of course just the qualifications necessary
for an agent but I have no hesitation
in saying that I do not know of a
man that I think better fitted for
a position of trust to a class of people
that he would be likely to meet, or one
I could so fully endorse as R. N. Howard.
He is about thirty five years old and a
true Christian man and Sabbath school worker

a Carpenter by trade, although was brought up on a farm.

If there is any position which could be obtained for him under the Indian Commission which would afford him a living, I know that he would acquit himself to the entire satisfaction of the Commission.

Unless I have an opportunity to call upon you soon, may I ask you to say by letter in a word whether there is any position which could be obtained ^{under Indian Com.} providing the applicant proved to be in every particular fitted for it.

Very truly Yours
Alfred Wood

Washington, D.C.
April 1, 1873.

Wood Alfred.

Forwards letter of
his leaving and desires his
influence of his influence in
obtaining a position in the
Indian Country.

Done by Sec. 44-

1873. April 9, 73



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Sarah thinks it would be nice if we could both get a situation in Washington. I think it would be as well for her & I.

as much
interested in
Sunday school.
Orest has been
and expect
to be as long
as I live.
There is
considerable
Religious
interest in
the town
around here
and we hope
for a good
week here.

Dear Cousin

Wm. H. Wood

Take my wife with me
And I wish to be in a dryer
climate than this, for health
is the principal object in view,
though I should not overlook the ^{fact of it} money.
If it is necessary to make an
application please give me some
idea of the proper form.

As I hardly knew what to do
about making a change I thought
I would do this much to see if
there was any opening.

Sarah sends love to you all. She
has been sewing much for Lucy
this winter and is busy now making
herself a black alafacca dress. The
sewing circle takes some of her time
she being one of the directors. She
sends this item to Aunt Mary. We
like our new Church, our pews, our Pastor
and our prayer meetings, I am just

Wakefield, ^{Mass} March 27th, 1873.
Cousin Alfred:

Your letter was
duly received, and I should have
replied sooner had I not known
that your time must be well filled
with cases and duties that must
be attended to, and I did not wish
to add to them, any thing on my
account. I thank you for ^{to} kindness
offering to use your influence in
my behalf. We were glad to hear
by way of Lucy that Helen was
again gaining, and had so much
encouragement of being able to sit
up soon. How much we ought to ap-
preciate the blessing of health; yet do
not fully appreciate it until deprived
of it. When I wrote my last letter
I had to close abruptly on account
of going to Boston. I had to run to

get the train. My Throat
is troubling me again, and
I fear the Disease is working
down to my lungs. so that I some-
times feel that it may be necessary
to change climate again. I should
prefer to stay here; hardly know
yet which way duty calls.

I have been thinking of going West
as my former sojourn in Minne-
sota proved beneficial, and for
the sake of a comfortable support
and perhaps being the means of
doing some good, I thought of a
Government Situation among the Indians
where efforts were being made to
civilize and Christianize them.

Knowing something about farming
operations and being a builder
also, I thought perhaps I might
be qualified for some situation
that is at the disposal of the
Indian Commissioner. I wrote

in my last that I did ^{not} seek an
Agency but on thinking more of
it although ignorant of all the duties
of an Agent, I would be ready to
take a place of some responsibility
rather than be subject to men
who have no regard for the Sabbath
or for the interests of the red man.

You would know what kind of
a situation I would like, and as
you are acquainted with Mr. Smith
I would like to have you make some
inquiries and ascertain if there
is a place for such a person
as I. and if necessary I will
come on to Washington.

If recommendations are desired
I can ^{probably} obtain them from any
of our Church or Town officials.
I am not personally acquainted
with our Representative to Congress.
I should not wish to take up
my residence where I could not

Personal

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Salveston Texas
Apr. 1st 1873.

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
Washington D. C.
Dear Genl.

I have written
in reply to your official communication
that I desire to call your attention personally
to the fact that agents of this State
under the administration of Genl. Gregory
received no pay and that his administration was
during the time indicated by the war
dept., 1863-1866, neither did they do much work.

Regular army officers you know did not
take much stock in ^{the} Bureau and
the most of the stations indicated by your list
had not a dozen good people in them.

By noticing your list you will observe
most of the stations are known as
Frontier posts in Texas.

[Faint handwriting visible through the paper]

Written for
Apr 10/73

Mr. Eugene L. Bartholomud was for
a long time Chief Clerk of the Bureau;
he is now at Austin Tex by corresp-
-onding with him he might aid you
materially in straightening out any
suming irregularities.

I am your Obedt Servt,
Wm H. Sinclair

William Dumas

Apr. 1st 1873

Dear Sir

states that agents
need no pay.

and also that Mr
Batholmeu Chufarik
of the Bureau might
aid in capturing
any vagabonds

Recd. 1874. Apr. 6-73

MANUFACTURER OF

School and Church Furniture.

Honesdale, Pa., April 1st, 1873

General

Yours of recent date making inquiry concerning the records from my office as Disturbing Officer of the Bureau at St Louis Mo. was forwarded to me from that City and reached me here. I am happy to have the honor to say that at the discontinuance of my office my books and records were all carefully packed and shipped to Col. Brown Chf Supt. as directed. I found subsequently that one volume was omitted, the last volume of Endowment & Memoranda, and that I have with me here. But the volumes described as missing and the complete records of my office except the single book named, were sent to Washington a year ago. Please instruct me how to send this book,

I have the honor to be

Very respectfully

Brig Gen O. Howard U.S.A.,
Washington D.C.

Yr Obedt Servt

F. A. Seely

Late D.O. Bu. R. O. Ad.

Galveston Texas

April 1st 1873,

Brig. Genl. O.O. Howard
Washington D.C.

Sir

I have the honor
to acknowledge the receipt of your
letter of the 14th March calling my atten-
-tion to extract from a letter of the adjt.
Genl. of the army.

In reference to the "records" of the agents
therein referred to I find there are 17 delinquents
12 of whom are regular army officers
and 5 civilians. It was a very common
practice for officers of the army who
were assigned to duty as Sub. Asst. Comd^{rs}
to blend the Bureau business with that
of other matters pertaining to Post duty.

In most of the names and stations furnished
I find the duties were merely nominal and
the most of the agents never had any business
out of which to make records.

Bellevue Island
April 12/12

My Dear Mr. Brewster

I have the honor

to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th. I am sorry to hear that you are not well.

I am glad to hear that you are well. I am glad to hear that you are well. I am glad to hear that you are well. I am glad to hear that you are well.

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The appointments were made and territory assigned by the Asst. Commr in order to cover the whole State.

In the case of
Indiana, Capt. J. H. Bailey U. S. A.
He was Post Commander and undoubtedly blended his Bureau business with the other business of the post.

Victoria J. H. Shuley He was agent for but a short time & I doubt if he ever kept any records.

Jasper Thos. Downing. I believe this agent never received any pay and I do not think he ever kept any books or did any business.

Hampstead Alex. B. Coggs Hall Cannot account for his records being missing. He is still living at Hampstead. He may be able to give you some information.

Bellows Capt. Geo. Lancaster U. S. A.
This officer undoubtedly kept his Bureau business with the post records. He was a careful officer. He is dead -

Chapman's report was made and
history of the last 20 years
in order to show the whole state.

On the 20th of
October, Capt. W. H. Boardman
of the 1st Cavalry, and another, visited
his division during the winter of
the year.

Victor J. A. Dwyer was again
for a short time absent from
the 1st Cavalry.

Major J. H. Boardman
again was in the 1st Cavalry
and was not there for a long
time.

Shipboard, John B. Boardman
was sent for his division during
the winter. He is still serving at
the 1st Cavalry.

John B. Boardman, 1st Cavalry
The officer mentioned in the
report was sent to the 1st Cavalry
as a Cavalry officer. He is now -

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Pais D. Witt C. Brown, unable to
account for his records being missing,
He is living at New Orleans & Bellevue-
Dallas Henry Norton 'U. S. A.,

probably kept his Bureau records in
post books if he kept any at all which
I very much doubt.

Sherman E. L. Huntig 'U. S. A.,

I am unable to account for his records
being missing unless he kept them with the
post records as many regular army
officers did.

Rio Grande City Capt. J. H. Bradford 'U. S. A.,

Duties merely nominal. I doubt if he
ever had any business out of which
to make records if he did have any busi-
ness in the way of correspondence he probably
entered it in Post Books. Nothing but
miscellaneous here.

Brownsville Lt. Col. A. D. M. Crook, 'U. S.

All miscellaneous here, and if Gen. M. Crook
ever did any business he probably used
the Post Records

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the ...

I am much obliged to you for the information you have given me, and I will endeavor to ...

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Corpus Christi John Ditt

Civilian appointment - Served without
compensation during the most of the time
mentioned. Had but little to do except attend
to schools the population being mostly
Mexican and knew nothing about keeping
records, I presume it safe to say he never
kept any.

Lamp Verdi Sp. A. L. Lewis U. S. A.

Duties merely nominal. His district was
an uninhabited territory and he had no records
I presume. A frontier post

Port Griffin, Lt. Col. S. B. Hayman U. S. A.

A frontier post no records

Port Mason Lt. P. Strauss U. S. A.

A frontier post. no records -

Jackboro Maj. S. A. Starr

A frontier post no records -

Lizard Capt. J. A. Hilcox U. S. A.

A frontier post - no records

At present back in month

On the 1st of August we again appointed to pay
the amount in full during the month
of the 1st of August.

Wm. K. Thompson

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Fort Orge Capt M Sells U. S. A.
A frontier post no records.

There were no agents appointed to pay
bounties in Texas during the entire
absence of the Bureau here,

Very Resp.

J. M. Duncan

April 1973

Shelton Smith

States that in refer-
ence to the records
of the agents, the funds
17 delinquents - 12
of them are among others
to civilians - (a) (b) (c)
on to give accordance,

Aug. April 6. 1973 -

OFFICE OF

SLATE & SIMMONS,

PRODUCE DEALERS,

153 AND 155 STATE STREET,

Hartford, Conn., 2 Apr 1873

Mr Howard

My dear Sir

I have a
tided this morning from Brother
Williams that Mr Smith left
Chicago last eve direct
for Washington He will
then reach there tomorrow
morning. I wrote you yesterday
a little for you can use
back Feb Mr Shipper will
probably meet you there (I mean)
as soon as you get matters
arranged Put that matter off
over though I do hope there
will be no hitch in it.

Please write me that I
may know how it looks. G. B. Simmons

PRODUCE DEALERS,

158 AND 156 STATE STREET,

Hartford, Conn. 2/1/73

Handwritten notes in the right margin, including "2/1/73" and "158 State St."

My dear Sir,

My dear Sir,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the
order for the purchase of the above mentioned
quantity of goods has been placed with the
proper authorities and the same will be
delivered to you as soon as possible.
Very respectfully,
J. H. [Signature]

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Harpers Ferry, W. Va.
April 2. '73

Brackets H. B.

Desires to use Neil
Leonards name in connection
with his school.

Ans. by Gen. H.
S.B. Apr. 9, '73



Harpers Ferry, W. Va.
Apr. 2. 1873.

Dear O. B. Howard:

Dear Sir:

We have a
company of fine singers.
That we have for a
number of weeks been training,
with a plan to send
them forth. We expect
to be second in the
field. But are too late
for that. We are in very
great need of a new Hall.
Now you will readily
perceive that we need your
name, in approval of
the School, and as an

assurance to the public
that funds put in our
hands will be properly
used. Will you allow
us to use your name
in that way?

Very truly,
Yours,

A. C. MacArthur.

I am not personally con-
cerned about these Schools
I have no little Children
to reap the benefit - but my
whole heart yearns to see the
means of education put within
the reach of these young minds
and I feel sad to see these
Children idle & exposed to so
many temptations, which a
good school & occupation would
guard them from.

May God reward you
and bless & prosper your efforts
to help us.

Yrs very truly
Sarah D. Chisolm
Beaufort S.C.

2nd April 1873.



To

Genl O. O. Howard

My dear Sir

I thank
you very much for the kind
Letter I rec^d from you this
morning. There is no free
School now in Beaufort
for white Children. Most
grateful would our people
be to you, to assist us, in
again giving to our Children
the means of education.

Miss Mary Daniels
has been our Teacher for
girls for seven years past
and was so unwilling to
see these girls without a
Teacher, that in January^{last}

she commenced a School. requiring a very small payment as small as it was, our people failed to meet it and only a few days ago, she told me she would be obliged to close her school & go away. It is a struggle still for bread and we are unable to save a dollar.

My Uncle Dr Richard Fuller of Baltimore speaks of you as "a Christian Gentleman, with the warmest heart & sympathy" and as such dear Sir, I appeal to you for help. only give this matter your personal attention and your great influence, and all will be done. Our boys are most

of them now idle, none are at school.

The 3 gentlemen Mr Sanger named, Mr William Elliott. Mr Pollitz and Mr Waterhouse, are fully capable to attend to the business.

I beg that you will do me the favor to name Miss Mary S Hamilton as the Teacher for the Female Department she has taught here for years & has won the confidence & respect & the love & admiration of the whole community; and if possible pay her, or let her salary commence from 1st Jan 7 last -

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Columbia S.C.
Apr. 3. '73.

Scott B. K.

Deines Geil. Howard
to aid him in the sale
of his Stock in the
S. M. C. S.

ans by Geo. A.
S.B. M.L. 9.73



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Columbia S.C. Apr 3rd 73
Genl O. O. Nourse
Wash.

Learning
that you are in Wash-
ing-ton City I avail myself
of your presence there
to put you to aid me in
the sale of my Stock in
the Young Men's Christian
Association. I find my-
self so circumstanced that
I am compelled to sell
it I have been a very heavy
loser in the past two
years and therefore need
this money to meet current
demands upon me

I have not received
the interest due on
the first of January

Be sure the power
to let me know what
can be done with it and
also send me the interest
post card

I made a mistake
in not again buying a can-
didate for Governor last
fall. My power is not
gone with the people

I have kept track of
your work among the
Indians and must con-
gratulate you

With high regards
I am truly &c

R. H. Scott

Savannah Ga. April 3rd 1873
 Gen. O. O. Howard
 Washington D.C.
 Sir

I take the present opportunity to write you a few lines to let you know the true condition of the Republican party in this State, and also inform you that the most of the Gentlemen who have been recommended by the Ring calling themselves the Republican party of the State, have been life long Democrats, and are so at heart today. And particularly so is this the case with Mr. J. S. Clark, who has been recommended for Post Master at this place. He is among the bitterest of the Democrats. And the Ring who recommended him well knew it at the time, and should he succeed in

Received by a.
 Apr. 3rd '73

Washington D.C.
 April 8th 1873

While R. W.

Gives information concerning the political condition of Ga. and shows the influence of his appointment of certain men

O. O. Department,

Washington, Apr. 10th 73.

Received, contents noted, and

letter respectfully returned to

Brig. Gen. O. O. Howard as

per his request,

James A. Hall
 Acting Chief Clerk

Respectfully informs
 to the Hon. Post Master
 General.

Please read and
 return.

O. O. Howard
 Brig. Gen. U.S.A.

getting the place it will be the means
of destroying our party entirely - not
only in Savannah but through out
the State.

Therefore I hope you will
use your influence against the appor-
intment of Mr Clark. And for the
retention of Hon. C. K. Osgood who
is a true and tried Republican.
Having been during the late war
a Union Man. And acted for
our Army during the Campaign in
in Fla. as a Guide. And I
assure you his retention will
give the best satisfaction to every
true Republican in the State.

I Am Gent

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
R. W. White

Member Georgia State Central Comm.

War Department,
Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C. April 3rd 1878

Gen. O. O. Howard,

U. S. Army.

General:

I have the honor to inform you that the Secretary of War will, if you so desire, loan, for temporary use in the Howard University, the following property pertaining to the late Bureau of R. F. & A. S.

5 Office Desks

13 " Chairs

1 Book Case, two sections,

1 Storm Flag

1 Letter Press

40 Fire Buckets

The said articles to be receipted for by you and accounted for when called upon.

I am General
very respectfully
your obedient servant
Thoma M. Vincent
Adjutant General

There is no probability that the articles
will be needed by this office - at least
until after the lapse of a considerable
period of time.

TMV

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April 3, 1873

Boston 4/3/73

Dear Sir

Will you be so kind
as to favor me with your autograph
& oblige.

Yours Respectfully
Walter D Briggs

To
Gen. O. O. Howard

Washington
D. C.

October 4/32

Dear Mr. [illegible]

I have just received your letter of the 2nd inst. and am glad to hear that you are well and happy.

Yours very truly,
John D. Thompson

John D. Thompson

Washington, D.C.

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John Francis

April 3, 1873

3 I went to Bristol - had
a good meeting. - Thence to see
Mr Bradford at Middlebury Conn

Went back to Farmington -
gave a lecture - then Monday

Fuller - then Tuesday went to
Providence R.I. and thence

to Mrs. dined with Mr Taylor -
 then with Mr. & Mrs. G. & Mrs. G.

last night - cannot return till
next day. Am here in a lot

Thursday - day has an intention
to dine with Carl Dodge this

I will give you all details as soon

from as I go home - I send (Bro. W.) -
strings to you - loveingly Otes

