know the truth, for I should be most unwilling to connect myself with Howard University unless I could be of use to it. The field for teachers is large, & my only desire is to be where I can accomplish the most good.

I do not hesitate to say that I should be unwilling to be associated with Mr. Barbour, for he made my former position as unpleasant & difficult, as it was possible for man to make it. The amount of work which he literally piled upon me was too much for any human frame to bear, & I should have failed long before I did, had it not been for the affection of my scholars, & the kindness of friends.

With the best wishes for your welfare & the prosperity of your Institution I remain, Very Respectfully Yours

Julia A. Ford

Miss Ford,

Lincoln Me.
June 18. 1873

Dear General:

Since the receipt of your kind note, I have been in much doubt as to the wisest course to be pursued with Anna. She was a faithful attendant, & I can never be so ungrateful as to forget her kindness. She has many very excellent qualities, but some which make her an exceedingly unsafe person to have in a family, or to have any correspondence with. She hears everything, tells everything, & misrepresents everything, & her stories seem

so plausible, that one can hardly fail to believe them. I had no idea of the extent of her mischief among my own friends, until after she had left us. Still I am a friend to Anna, & will write her, if you think it best to renew the acquaintance — Her health was almost perfect during her stay in Maine. She was well paid for services here & at W. & we even urged her to remain with us, notwithstanding our partial knowledge of her unfortunate disposition. I am sorry to learn of her sickness, & will most cheerfully do anything for her comfort, which you may suggest — I have spoken plainly, but I am sure, you will not allow anything I have said to injure Anna.

I have long wished to speak to you, General, of my plans for the future, My life (if health will permit) will probably be spent in teaching. I love the work, & there is no reason, why I should not devote myself wholly to it. I wrote Gen. Whittlesey some weeks since, asking him whether or no my services would be desired at the University another year, & inferred from his reply, that it was somewhat doubtful. This may be a wrong inference, but if there is anything which causes you & the Trustees to think it best for me not to return to your institution, I should consider it a friendly act, if you would tell me so plainly. I am anxious to

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Woodstock Vt.
June 13th
[1873]

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Sir:-
Enclosed please find a letter from Commissioner Smith wh. I hope will be satisfactory-
I have waited for the return of Judge Poland - who is now absent - before again addressing you - and should you prefer it - I will forward his recommendation when it arrives -
I am greatly obliged for your promised condescension
and I remain
Gratefully yrs.
H. E. Hatch.

Woodstock Vt.
June 13. 93

Hatch H. E.

Enclosing recommendation
of Hon. E. P. Smith.
Comr Ind Affairs,

Office of The Watchman.

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MOBILE, ALA., June 13th 1873.

Maj Gen O. O. Howard.
Adjt Gen's Office
U. S. A.
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir.

I beg to call your attention to The Watchman newspaper issued in Mobile, it being the only Republican newspaper published in Alabama excepting the State Journal which is printed in Montgomery.

We mail you a specimen copy and respectfully request the patronage of your department in the matter of advertising

Very Respectfully
Philip Joseph
Publisher of The Watchman.

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ans. by Capt. W.
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National Savings Bank

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Washington, D.C. June 13 1873

My dear General,

Your favor of yesterday is rcd.

It would afford me great pleasure to aid in the establishment of a "commercial school" or any other enterprise looking to the moral or intellectual elevation of any of our fellow men, but my hands head and heart are already full and I cannot in justice to interests of a religious & benevolent character to which I am already committed, to say nothing of my

private interests, assume any new responsibilities.

I write this reluctantly, for, though I know nothing of what is contemplated, the interest you take in it is sufficient guaranty that the object is a good one. Please present my thanks to the gentlemen for the honor they have done me and inform them of the substance of the rule.

& Oblige Very truly Yours

William Stickney.

Gen O. O. Howard.

Present.

Brewster's Ins. Office.
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New Jersey Mutual Life Ins. Co.,

BRANCH OFFICE, LAKE DISTRICT,

Rochester, N.Y., June 16 *1873.*

Gen O O Howard
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

Yours of 12th inst rec'd yesterday. I will duly mail your Memorial as requested. My Mother & myself are Exr & Exrx of my late father & I will communicate your remarks on subscriptions to Howard University & inform you - As she (my Mother) is the bold one I cannot do other than as she wishes

Yours Resp
T R P Brooke

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Brewster N.Y.

U. S. Indian Agency.

GILA RIVER RESERVATION, A. T.

June 14th, 1873.

Gen. O. O. Howard, U.S.A.
Washington, D.C.
Dear Sir,

In your letter of April 29th you said that Commr Smith would write me relative to the visit of our Indians to the Indian Territory. Having heard nothing from him, I fear the letter was lost, and have therefore written him the enclosed, which be so kind as to place in his hands.

It contains an application for permission to visit that country this summer if possible, and if not, that I may go next Spring. Nothing new from the San Carlos reserve since the death of Lieut Almy. My wife's health is again failing, and she goes to San Diego in a few days.

Let us hear from you whenever you can spare time for a line or two. Very Respectfully Your obt. Serv.

J. H. Stout

Personal

Tucson A. T.
June 16th 1873.

Dear General

I take the liberty of enclosing to you a copy of the letter addressed to the Hon Commissioner, also a paper (the Miner) which will explain my reason for so doing. As you have already been made acquainted with the unpleasantness which once existed between Major C. F. Larabee and myself will only state that all was amicably settled leaving none but the pleasantest feelings on my part and an earnest desire that he might be successful in his new field of labor.

Several months have passed since then and now that serious trouble has arisen on the San Carlos resulting in the death of a most worthy and efficient young Officer Lieut Almy. the commanding Officer, if I have been rightly informed attributes all blame to me, and is

securing affidavits from unreliable parties and enemies of mine with the intention of forwarding the same on to the Indian Bureau for the purpose of procuring my removal from Office

No one can regret more deeply than I that this outbreak should have occurred, but so far as having anything to do towards inciting the Indians to injure any one in any manner shape or form I never did, and God knows that I am innocent of the infamous charges which the Miner sets forth against me

While I was Agent on the San Carlos I labored to procure the devoted friendship of Eskiminzin and his Sub Captains the better to enable me in the successful discharge of my duties in promoting their welfare. While with them all was peace and harmony and I had so far succeeded in gaining their confidence that when the time came to move them over to the San Carlos it was made a success and no one murmured against it. My relations with the Papagos as well as being present at the Treaty of

Peace made by you had the healthiest influence in securing for me their confidence as in my talks with them they frequently made mention of the same

On account of the uniform kindness which you have always shown me and the confidence you have reposed in me I deem it but just to myself and you this statement feeling confident that a full, fair and impartial investigation of the matter will exhonorate me from any intended wrong

In conclusion I would say that I learn from Hon Mr McCormick that the Commissioner of Indian Affairs has not received any Official notice of the allegations, and it is to anticipate anything of the kind that I address you with a letter enclosed to the Commissioner asking that you will act as my friend in the matter and see that I have full justice done me leaving it to your judgement whether or no the letter shall be delivered-

Again thanking you for your kindness and hoping to hear from you I remain

Very truly
Your Obedient Servant
R. A. Dillon

General O. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

Dear. I herewith enclose a copy of my Report to Gen Commissioner referred to in my communication to him which is also enclosed –

R A Dillon

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Agency Papago Indians
Tucson A. T.
June 16th 1873.

Hon E. P. Smith
Commr: Ind Affrs:
Washington D.C.
Sir

Enclosed please find copy of the Arizona Miner of June 2nd You will observe by the marked articles of the very damaging charges made against me and others connected with the management of Indian Affairs in this Territory for the past eighteen months.

The scurilous onslaught on Gen: O.O. Howard is nothing from this check but I believe it is the first in which my name has been mentioned

I have been informed that a case is being made out by enemies supported by interested Affidavits for presentation to the Indian Bureau

in keeping with the infamous charges contained in this copy of the Mines, and in order that the truth may be present with the falsehood I wish to make the following statements for your disinterested consideration.

As set forth by me in my report of the 31st of March last, it was mainly thro' the influence of the Chief Eskiminzin that I succeeded in moving the Indians without trouble to the new reservation on the San Carlos.-

I considered it essentially necessary for a successful management of these Indians that Eskiminzin's devoted friendship should be procured and retained.

He was the recognised chief at the time the treaty was made by Gen: Howard, and has so continued since- and I sought by every opportunity to uphold his authority with the Indians and secure his friendship for the whites.

This course I considered all the more necessary from the fact that a party was in process of formation by the Indian Bucow hostile to the reservation system and a permanent peace

So far as I have any knowledge of the Indian Tribes in this Territory that have lately made peace there are disaffected Indians in them all, and I consider that the true way to offset their evil influence is to encourage the well disposed, and this I did on the San Carlos Reservation.

Eskiminzin has substantially observed the terms of the Treaty made with General Howard on the San Pedro, one year ago, and so far as I know has exhibited no disposition to break it and I therefore sought to increase his influence for good for the purpose of weakening the influence of Bucow, Chunlz and Cochenay for evil.

It is a good proof that I in a measure succeeded in these endeavors in that in the late outbreak in which Lieut Almy was killed and agent Larabee's life was threatened none of the Indians included in Eskiminzin's band were involved, and the very Indians whose influence I labored to destroy were they who incited the outbreak and committed the bloody deed.

The infamy of the charges contained in the Miner is its own refutation and I should not have occupied the time of the Hon Commissioner with a notice of it were it not that I am convinced that it will be pushed at the Indian Bureau with all the venom with which it was originally conceived.

In all my actions in the management of Indians under my charge I have labored scrupulously to promote the policy of the Indian Department and in all accusations made against me I only ask that the truth may be shown

In all my proceedings I want the fullest and most thorough investigation

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servt

K. A. Wilson
Nf Indian Agent

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plans were totally defeated and that you had been mistakenness in my ability or your own judgement of what was the proper course to pursue with these people. Whereas if we had not been interfered with. I believe that the best results would have followed your efforts, and we would have been able in time — notwithstanding the malicious opposition, and seeming desire for a failure, shown by the newspapers — to prove the practicability of the policy adopted with reference to these Indians.

To be sure, the same line of action in the management of the Pakagos or Maricopas

White Mountain Reservation.
SAN CARLOS DIVISION.
Agency Aribaipa and Pinal Apaches.

San 17th 1873.

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My dear General.

I am sure that you will be pained to hear the bad news that I am about to communicate, I would spare you the disappointment if it were possible, knowing how deeply interested you are in the Apache Indian Question, and particularly in all that appertains to the San Carlos Reservation; but you have undoubtedly already heard enough to make you anxious for the facts.

On the 12 inst I reported to the Commissioner by telegraph that I had turned the Agency over to the Military authorities.

I presume you were informed of the message.

I did not take this important step without due deliberation, and positive conviction, that it was for the best interest of all persons and things concerned — The Indians, the people of the Country, the Peace Policy of the Govt., and your own personal hopes and feelings:

The Indians, because my continuance would under the existing circumstances keep them in a constant state of uneasiness and doubt.

The People:— because — While public notice has been given of peaceful settlement of these Indians on their Reservation, they were liable at any time to take to the highways and rob and murder those who have left their places of security

relying on official report of the safe condition of affairs.

'The Peace Policy': because, at this time, it is infinitely better to be sure of peace by holding the sword over those who may be inclined or induced to break it, than to endanger it, by continuing a policy — under adverse circumstances — and where it cannot be fairly tested, and where the responsibility of failure and the odium that would result from it would be heaped upon it.

'Your own feelings': because in case of a general outbreak — which I believe the military can avert — You would naturally feel that your efforts and

that the repeated threats
that were made against
my life meant something
but I kept on, trying
all the time to find out
who our
enemies were. I knew
that I had never outlived
the mischief that resulted
from Wilber's perfidy, and
I felt confident that there
were other influences at work
against me.

As Kimingine disliked me
from the beginning on acct.
of Wilber's work, and
although I believe he thoroughly
desires peace, he has
been so worked upon
as to be beyond reconciliation so far as I
am concerned.

Everything was against
me — and the original

would not necessarily
follow as good for the
Apaches. The Apaches are
wild. They require very
firm as well as kind
treatment, and while
there are many who desire
peace, there may be, and
undoubtedly are others who
regard it as desirable only
for a time — a sort of rest,
when they can recruit
themselves and animals, and
increase their war material.
But the hold we have upon
those who are firmly attached
to peace, gives us a starting
point. Their influence is
felt, and when it is clearly
shown that there is a decided
advantage in peace, the
turbulent ones will be

induced to adopt the life of their more peaceful brothers.

I knew that there were many bad ones amongst them, and I spared no pains to meet the case; but, as you already know, my feet were knocked from under me in the start, and I found the Indians prepared to distrust my authority and good intentions.

During the last 3 months I have suffered everything but death, and barely escaped that. Although warned and threatened time and time again, I kept on hoping to outlive all prejudices and in the end succeed,

You know the unpromising circumstances I took ~~to~~ in order to show to these people that we were anxious to benefit them.

Well, I thought for a time that we were getting on finely, but whenever our condition seemed bright and hopeful, some outside power or influence, jealous of our approach success would break in and upset everything — literally sow seeds of dissension — and I would be obliged to begin anew with redoubled disadvantages.

And so matters went on, I have been fearful for some time that trouble would come, I knew

affairs.

The military — unintentionally I think — made a blunder that tended very much to destroy my influence. Major Brown Cmdg. at new Camp Grant, though honest in his intention is indiscreet in action at times. About a month since, he came onto the Reservation (with a large force) where at the time, all was peace and quiet, and held big councils! made himself a big chief! told "them he was glad to find "that they were doing well — "But if they were not "well behaved and obedient "he would kill them — and all that kind of nonsense. All the Indians thought that I brought

(the) of murder (and I cannot doubt that such was the intention) to get rid of me was never set aside. Many were the warnings that I had, but I paid no attention to them. Of course I was worried, but I did not want to fail in my undertaking.

Whether the recent attempt to murder me was a part of the original plan or whether it has any connection with it — or is the result of other under hand work I cannot say. There are many — including the military — who believe that they have been determined to kill me for

some time

Judge Titus - the Chief Justice - believes, from the evidence he has heard that there is no doubt that a conspiracy was gotten up to murder me for the purpose of securing the agency for speculating purposes;

He intends to arrest Wilber and thoroughly investigate the matter.

General Crook is now on the Sunbarlas and I believe intends to take hold of the matter also.

The fact is, General, there are a great many here who would rather have war, than a peace that was brought about by any action of yours. And I believe that they would do almost any thing to prevent good results following, anything that originated with you. For this reason my trial has been greater, and I have been more determined to make a success of the thing. But tampering with wild Indians is a terrible thing. Mr. Gleason has told me often, that he would not be in my position for any thing in the world. As he has been badly treated himself I suppose he could not be likely to aid matters in trying to bring about a satisfactory condition of

that Dr. Tourner is no better and that an investigation of the Colorado River Agency affairs would show him to be unworthy of trust. Can it be possible? It is said that Bradell and Tourner were working together in fraudulent transactions, I hope and pray that some system of investigation may be had and these things looked into. An honest man need not be offended if his affairs are looked into.

I have many many things to say, but I dislike to trust to paper.

I am glad that the superintendency has been abolished. Give us the Indians have honest and efficient agents, and a much better state of affairs may be hoped for.

him there, and they have been very much confused ever since.

Then, after Almy's death, he came again, and without saying a word to me grabbed Concepcion - put up a gallows, formed a hollow square with his command, had the rope ready, and would have hung him without giving him an opportunity to say a word for himself, but for the intercession of myself and others, who felt that he was innocent of the charge brought against him.

All of this of course tended to destroy my influence, and I felt that

I was powerless to do any further good.

The Indians fear Maj. Brown and his soldiers, and will obey his orders. If they do not he can compel them to.

Estimiing ni like him, and will co-operate with him - and I believe Brown will be able to keep them at peace.

While his course destroyed my influence, I think his intentions were good, and that he is desirous of seeing the Indians cared for; I believe he will do all in his power to see that justice is done them, and will at the same time be able to punish the murderers of Lieutenant Almy. No honest civil agent can be successful here at present!! At all events it would be better not to run the risk; Perhaps the terrible results that have come from tampering with the Indians may intimidate persons from committing so inhuman a outrage.

I think Burdell was knowing to Wilber's plans, if not working with him. I cannot charge him with this positively.

It may come to light in the investigation. I think him a scoundrel at all events.

I have been told

I have done everything that man could do under the circumstances, I have had no assistance from Burwell and I believe he was determined not to render any.

I hope the Dept. will leave the San Carlos in the hands of the military - at least for a time - if it is possible to do so.

If I had not turned it over to them, I believe they would have been obliged to take it at no distant day on account of my death.

I have nothing to regret in all my course, and I make the above recommendation in the interest of the Indians, believing that a good faithful military officer can bring

about a satisfactory state of affairs with more certainty and less delay than any civil agency possibly could.

Wales was running in the ditch on the 3rd inst. I left the San Lorenzo on the 4th inst. I have paid and discharged about one half of the laborers, the others will be required for some time yet.

The Mexicans were fired at in the ditch the day of the attack and are much frightened. One received a ball in his shirt. However, they keep on under the eye of the military.

I shall write you again on Sun, I hope to get instructions in answer to my telegram in a few days.

Very sincerely
Your obt. servt
E. P. Sarr
U. S. I. agent

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New York June 17th 73

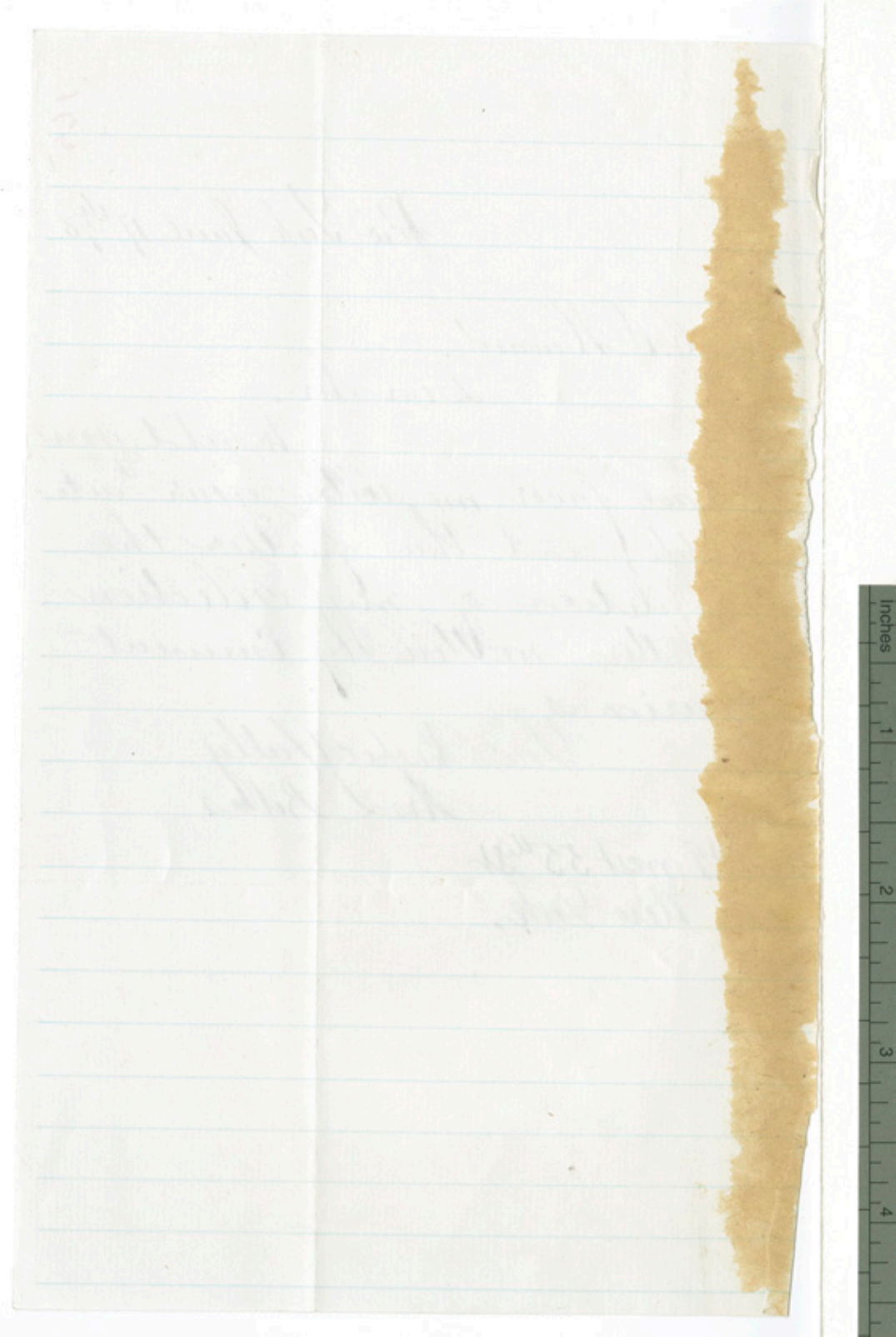
Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir.

Would you please favor me with your autograph, and thus further the completion of my collection of letters written by Eminent Americans.

Yours Respectfully
Mrs L. Bellas

349 West 55th St
New York.



21 Grant Place –
June 17.73

Nelson Mrs. W. F.

Wants the Professorship of Ancient Languages for her son, now in N. O. La.,

and by Capt. W. S. B. June 20.73

N. E.

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21 Grant Place
June 17th 1873

Gen. Howard,
Dear Sir,

Understanding that the Professorship of Ancient Languages in Howard University is vacant, I hasten to remind you of my son's application which is (I presume) on file with credentials in the Office of the University. I know that he is perfectly qualified for that position, and although the

business in which he is engaged in New Orleans is doubtless much more lucrative than such a position I think he would prefer it and know that we should.

Very Respectfully

Yours as ever,

Mrs. W. F. Nelson.

Gen. O. O. Howard.

Glencoe June 17th 1878

My dear son Otis,

Your letter of June 28th I have lately received, it remained at Princeton until K.B.H.'s return from the East, I am very glad to get a letter from you, Glad you occasionally cast a thought on me we are having a hot time of it here at Charles just now; Charles arrived home last evening about four weeks ago left home, probably you know somewhat of his route Kittie was in Chicago last friday and met K.B.H. on his way to Princeton he has since wrote me a few lines, six new members united with the church in Princeton last Sabbath, Nellie went to Maine to the uniting of his ~~Class~~ College Class of 1863, but K.B.H. did not meet with him, and I fear he has

but did not believe one bit of it. This is Mrs Forsyths first meeting with Charles and Kittie since their traversing the valley of Yosemite together Kittie dont write nor Sew, her eyes are so bad, this black spot must remain because I am so weary of writing I cannot write it over, I wish my children could have been located nearer together, so that I could have seen them, and understood them better, Minnie always has my best of wishes for health and all other enjoyments

E. Gilmore

O. O. H.

1878

returned home and I shall not see him, tell Gracie she must write me, I hope she is in good health and not studying much this hot weather I am glad Chaney is gone to Maine hope he will have a nice time and return in vigorous health K.B.H did not see Jennie, he was much disappointed not to have met you, I have visited your Aunt Martha made a visit of two weeks found her and family about as usual, She has one Grandson about two years old Fred's son I did not see Fred or his family they live in Cincinnati

K.B. said Mrs Howard would remain in Washington this Summer, kiss the Little ones for me, I trust your family will grow to be a blessing to you,

Good bye Otis,

Affectionately yours

O. O. Howard

Eliza Gilman

P.S. I often see reflections cast upon your course of conduct, I feel that they are a severe trial in your Christian life, but trust these things do draw you nearer still to the source all love, if he meaneth it for that purpose, we know it is good for you, Charles has gone to his office, and Kittie sends lots of love and is sorry to have you bothered with such meanness, Kittie says have sorry I Brother K.B.H. could not have seen you so that we could have had some words, directly from you, while at Richmond, Friend Coffin came home from a yearly Friends meeting, Henry saw him and taken with him, he told H. his confidence was not at all shaken in Gen Howard Mrs Forsyth is now here on a visit to Kittie she travel'd in the Yosemite with them she says tell your son I have seen the scandal in the papers

War Department,

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D.C. June 17th 1873

Brig. General O. O. Howard. U. S. A.
Late Commissioner Bureau R. F. and A. L.
Washington. D. C.-

General:

I have the honor to inform you that the following records pertaining to the late Bureau of Refugees. Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, were received at this Office on the 16th inst, viz:-

From John H. Wager. late Agent and Disbursing Officer at Huntsville. Ala: 1 Register of claims and a file of letters received.

Very Respectfully.
Your Obedient Servant.
Thoma Ammen
Asst. Adjt. General.

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June 18th – 1873

Gen O O Howard

Sir – I hope you will excuse me, for writing so soon after seeing you, I see Mr Pomroy & hear, as you have so much on your mind, I fear you might forget my case, should he remain but a short time –

The Hot Spring Arkansas is the place I wish to go to, with my nurse,

~~Thre~~ years last sunday I have been a helpless victim to rheumatism, contracted in year sixty two, by exposure during the war –

Most resp

Rebecca H Lyons

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New York June 18. 1873

Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir:

Do you expect to visit New York soon? It would give us great pleasure to see you respecting the matter mentioned in our correspondence of last Spring. It looks now as if a very favorable opportunity for you to connect yourself with us might arise shortly.

Hoping to receive an early reply, I am

Very Truly Yours

A. O. Dell

Supt Agencies

Wilmington N.C. Sept

ans by Gen. A.A.A.G.
June 26th 73

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Clarke Hall

June 19th '73

Gen. O. O. Howard –

My Dear Sir –

Will you be kind enough to let Mr Roome have the $125. voted me by the Com. He will give it to me when I come from my labor today.

There is nothing to be deducted for "Smith on Contracts" bought, for my liabilities are such that I cannot not think of buying the book. I enclose the order on Morrison Bro's to you.

Please do not reproach me for my importunity. I tried to "suffer & be strong", now I am compelled, by my very straightened circumstances & my debts, to press my suit once more, but this shall be the last time, as I promise never to renew the experiences of the past year. I shall never enter the Dep^t^ again until my debts to the Univy are paid, & if this promise made earnestly to myself prevents my completing my law studies it must be so. I shall never trouble you any more about money.

Yrs Respectfully

Henry B. Fry.

$25. paid
[illegible]

Chas. A. Stonard
Esq.
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Bowdoin College.

Brunswick, June 20. 1873

SIR,

A meeting of the Board of Overseers of Bowdoin College (of which body you are a member) will be held at their Room in the College Chapel on Tuesday the 8th day of July 1873 at 10 o'clock. am

Your attendance is respectfully requested by

S. P. Booker

Secretary.

Ans. by Gen H
L.B. June 25, 73

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Howard University,
June 20. 1873.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Prest. Howard University –
Sir,

As you know I have no home in America, and since this building (Clarke Hall) is to be vacated, I would ask you to say a favorable word to Dr. Keyburn, who is in charge of the "Hospital," that I may be allowed to enter the "Hospital" as a resident student. I am willing and ready to do anything he may have for me, such as any other student can do or is asked to do. Most of the Faculty (med.) can testify to my studiousness, and good deportment. – I have not heard from Mr Malcom for some time. He has deserted me – If you can please assist me in the manner desired.

Respectfully, James R. Priest

Rising Sun June 20. 1873

Gen O. O. Howard

My Dear Sir.

We the Temperance workers of Eastern Md. intend assembling in a mass meeting at Rising Sun a Station on the P. & B. C. R.R. on Thursday Aug 7th 1873.

And expecting a large assembly write to you to know if you can come and address the meeting at that time.

This is the 7th mass meeting that has been held in this vicinity and they no. generally about from 10 to 12000 persons and we hope to be able this time to make it more of a success than previous. We need a general arousing just now and if you will consent early to come we promise you a large audience

We have every advantage and will spare no labor to make it a successful meeting. We have had H. Grady, Cardwell,

and others just as able and we hope to be
able to offer you inducement sufficient to
have you this time.

We will pay you well for coming.

Please write us early whether you can
come and your terms &c.

Hoping you will accept our invita
and awaiting your reply

I am Your most obt. Servant

Lincoln K Passmore

Rising Sun

Cecil Co

Md

Chr. of Ex. Com.

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June 20 1873

Passmore, L. K.

Declines the Genl to
address a temperance
meeting.

Ans'd July 23. 73 by Genl.