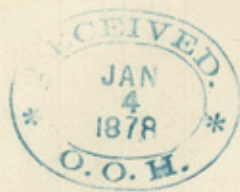


Mrs. Mary A. Morris.

Dec. 21. 1877

Answer by General  
Jan. 13. 1878.



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Fort-McHenry, Baltimore  
Maryland, Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1877

My dear Gen Howard

I have wished to write to you ever  
since the receipt of my eldest-son's letter telling  
me what you had said about our dear Arthur.

I have felt all along ever since you have  
had him that if you only knew him you would  
appreciate him, but the difference in rank seemed  
to be so great - I could only pray it might be, without  
much hope that he could come under your personal  
influence, but - Will say you have drawn  
him closely to you, and for it I thank God and  
bless you!

I rejoice truly that you  
appreciate Arthur's courage, his endurance,  
and uncomplaining spirit, his character is  
a perfect reproduction of his father, by whose  
side I walked thirty years in the Army, and  
never heard him mentioned as an ordinary



a single duty, with great firmness  
purpose he was a most-venery & acid  
temper and his whole family love him almost  
to idolatry, you can then tell how much we  
all thank you for your kind words and interest  
in him. Before the appearance of them came  
I had been moved to write to you feeling that  
you could not but feel gratified after all the  
evening the newspapers had thrown on you.  
I know the how truly the old officers of the Army  
have and when I have met them have  
admired and approved you ever during  
the whole Campaign, but Gen. Sherman  
report did you so much justice I felt my  
email say would be of little moment, but  
I was tempted to have copied and state here  
and will send to you a short letter written  
by one of the officers in Capt. Ransay (my  
son in law) and sent to Sen. Booth of California  
immediately after he had made a call in the  
Senate on the President for the information

he had in regard to the Mexican Campaign.

I have another scrap, duplicate of  
the one that accompanied his letter - both enclosed.

I sent Mills letter to you a firm of my dear  
Cory to his wife, a most lovely woman and she was  
greatly gratified by all you said of her husband.

I have dear General to give my cordial  
regards to Mr. Howard and believe me your  
attached friend

Mary A. Lewis.





He deprived, of his  
Earned laurels, in an  
Exhausting Indian  
campaign

Very Respectfully  
Yours at St. Louis  
J. H. Kausner  
U.S.A.

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Fitchell Henry Md,  
Novr 23. 1877

My dear Sir: Some remarks  
of yours in the senate  
must be my apology for  
reflecting newspaper scraps  
upon you. There seems in the  
enclosed to be some thought  
that you wished to express

I can only add that  
I was stationed on the Pa-  
cific Coast some seven  
years, and feel deeply  
for its interest - and do



of course feel for my  
Army profession - and  
now in Genl. Howard's  
case they seem to come  
together.

Think if ever  
the case is properly put  
before any public - that  
case enough to distinguish,  
that instead of a poor  
and shabby style of wit  
of Howard's expense,  
that he will come to the  
front as a most gallant  
and indefatigable Com-  
mander.

He has never been a pop-  
ular Idol, and all of  
the thanks, work of  
Medman's Bureau &c  
was on his shoulders,  
wh. in itself would  
have broken down an  
Angel.

The only further  
interest I have in this  
topic is the matter of a  
brother in law, who having  
gained a high and hon-  
orable fame in one  
war, ought not, with  
his brothers in arms



New York Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> 1847 279

Dear Genl. Harvard I receive a letter from Mr Dyer this morning. The paper on Monday said your case had been indefinitely postponed because the Govt wanted you at your post and not away from it. Mr Dyer says the report is incorrect and that the probability is that the case will come on in March next. He also says that he thinks it w<sup>d</sup> be better to have the case tried with you away, and also that the Dist. Atty. is sick and that his son would be an easy sort of person to oppose to.

I cannot agree in this opinion because Col Dyer will be in the case in a manner that shows he is not fully rested and that is not a good way to go into the trial.

About the 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. Col Dyer wrote of the case without much definiteness. There was "a hitch pitch" of accounts, and he "had not lately looked into them".

On 14<sup>th</sup> Dec. he answered three questions of mine and said 1. That the Tr. Dept holds that accounts may be reopened and restated for errors discovered at any subsequent period of time and this without regard to certificates of acquittal. 2. Monies held by the Com. of Tr. Bu. and disposed of and never held by the after distributing agent I think could not be brought forward after settlement, and charged to the agent and his successor on his bond. I have understood the two words and suppose that the principle would be correctly stated with their omission. For how could monies be fore-



"before disburse of and never held by the disbursing agent he charged to the disbursing agent and his trustees?" But Col Dyer goes on under No 2, then, in regard to this question however I do not know of any such instance. Gen: Howard received personally certain money and disbursed them, and all that class of accounts have been settled, and Gen: Howard has the proper acquittances. Gen: Balloch as disbursing officer received other money and disbursed them and the Gov. claimed a balance from him personally. Afterwards the balance against Gen: Balloch was transferred and charged against Gen: Howard, and Gen: Balloch rec<sup>d</sup> his full acquittance. The claim ag<sup>t</sup> Howard is for money he never had, and never disbursed. But the Gov. claims that Howard is liable alone for the acts of his disbursing officer and that consequently his bond is liable for the mistakes and erroneous payments by Balloch.

This claim of the Gov. seems to me a most unreasonable claim. Col. Dyer has kindly given me a copy of the Condition of the bond which, as I always knew (I had a copy of it) limited the responsibility of the trustees to that officer, and not retrospectively, but from "henceforth" etc.

I know it takes long time to send and get return but when I do hear from you I shall be very glad.

But don't want - come then to attend them trials.

I am faithfully your friend

Edwin Kelton

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Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> 1877Leviston L. Ly  
General Howard!

Reports  
considered reliable having  
reached me that parties  
have been slandering me,  
asserting that I am  
constantly addicted to  
intemperate habits, I take  
this liberty of assuring  
you that such is a  
thorough mistake, and  
a malicious falsehood.  
Certain parties having  
failed to secure the  
removal of my husband  
from the Army through  
his own weakness are  
now endeavoring to  
effect it by aspersions



upon me - I have  
sufficient personal  
pride in my position  
and associations to  
conduct myself as  
a lady.

Yours Respectfully  
M<sup>rs</sup> D. P. Hancock

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*Wm. L. Smith*  
School together & would  
not have been able to do so  
had I not taken the steps I  
did & had it regularly organized  
a Methodist Sabbath School  
soon after Mr. Howard came  
you was here the children  
never would go upon the  
hill, to S. S., I have heard  
through friends, that you are  
engaged in S. S. work, may  
God bless you & your work  
abundant success,

Can you  
tell Mr. Genl Howard if  
H. C. & W. W. were among  
the killed or wounded of you  
Command, say things about W. W.  
is about the same as when  
you left, Mr. Parrot died  
to day, perhaps you knew  
him he lived at Cold Spring  
with him regards for  
yourself & family I am his  
perfectly your friend  
To Major Genl Howard

Brookfield High Land  
Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 1877 Fall  
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General Howard  
Dear Sir

Permit me to give you  
my congratulations, on the  
safe return, to the bosom  
of your family, after such  
a long & tedious, struggle  
I hope you will never be  
called upon, to suffer  
as you and your Command  
must, have suffered, again  
If you have not done enough  
for your Country, then I am  
that has, I received a paper  
from a friend that was present  
at your reception on your ar-  
rival home, at New York  
It did me so much good to  
read the address, and your  
own gentle speech, I  
could see you so plain



and, get. so to the point  
May God Bless you, & keep  
you, from such Perilous  
Work, But if you con-  
sider Call, I believe you able  
for the Conflict

Don't Deny Gen:  
just say as you see  
till we talk about the  
Sabbath School at West Point  
under the Hill, When you  
spent some of your valuable  
time, you remember when  
you was at the point, in 1870  
you sent me down nine of  
the first Class, was Mr.  
Woodruff C. T. was one of that  
number, and was chosen Super-  
intendent, the Little School  
was then two years old it  
is now in its tenth year  
and has been very prosperous

A good number of Cadets  
have graduated and left, for  
their different fields of  
Labor, in the Army, &  
I am ~~great~~ happy to  
say, some of them

are engaged in Sabbath  
School work I think the  
Little School has been a  
Blessing to more than one  
Cadet God has prosper-  
ed the Little School and  
raised up many friends  
we have quite a number  
of children, the average  
attendance of Cadets, perhaps  
will be about, 16, through-  
out the year, I think  
there are twenty five  
belonging to the School  
But what a struggle  
I have had to keep that



I shall have to add a  
 P.S. just to tell you how  
 much the Corps of Cadets  
 are doing for the Sabbath  
 School, they subscribed  
 over seventy dollars for a  
 new organ for the S.S.,  
 & the Superintendent  
 granted them the money.  
 General Schoofield is very  
 kind, but his wife is a  
 Roman Catholic, much to  
 be regretted, General if you  
 think my letter worth ans-  
 wering please tell me if St  
 Charles at Woodruff is living &  
 send he was seriously wounded  
 I wrote him two months ago  
 but have not heard from him  
 M L J  
 To General C O Howard







P. O. Lock-Box 800. OFFICE 428 7th. Street.

Washington City D. C. Dec 24 1877-

Gen. O. O. Howard

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Dear Sir,

I have written  
to Dr. Lindley, Dr. Atkinson, and  
Mr. Eliot of Portland in relation  
to the establishment of a State  
Reform School in Oregon. I am  
very desirous of getting into that  
work, having had 16 years experience  
and would like to assist the  
people of Oregon in that noble  
work. If they would appoint me  
to the position of Superintendent  
- Mrs Parks Matron at the usual  
salary and allow us to come on  
- go to work organizing and estab-  
lishing a school. If you are in  
a way to push the matter forward  
I know you will. Please reply.  
Yours truly, C. C. Parks



Washington City D. C. Dec 24 1877

Mr. C. C. Howard

Dear Sir,

I have written  
to you in relation  
to the establishment of a  
school in Japan, I am  
glad to hear of your  
desire of getting into that  
country. Having had 15 years experience  
I would like to assist the  
people of Japan in that matter  
if they would appoint me  
to the position of superintendent  
of the public schools at the usual  
salary and allow us to come to  
live with the organizing committee  
of the school. If you are in  
a position to make the necessary  
arrangements for my family  
I shall be with you very  
soon.





# American Missionary Association:

56 READE STREET, NEW YORK.

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HON. E. S. TOBEY, MASS., *President.*

REV. M. E. STRIEBY, *Cor. Sec'y.*, N. Y.

H. W. HUBBARD, *Asst. Treas.*, N. Y.

New York, December 24<sup>th</sup> 1877.

Gen. O. O. Howard,  
Portland, Oregon.  
Dear Brother,

Your telegram put us in the way of getting information in regard to Bureau Lands, and your letter of Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> gives us still farther information. I believe Bro. Kitchum regards the title as beyond controversy. I should have written you sooner, but have waited for an opportunity for a full conversation with Bro. K. on the subject. But I cannot wait longer to make acknowledgment of your esteemed favors, and to thank you most heartily for your prompt and satisfactory replies to our inquiries.

With very great esteem and kindest Christian regards,

Yours truly,

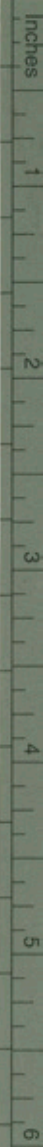
M. E. Strieby  
Cor. Sec.



Dec 24, 1877



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# ST. CHARLES HOTEL,

Corner Front and Morrison Streets,

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GEO. COGGAN, PROPRIETOR.

Portland, Oregon, Dec 25 1877

Brig Genl O. O. Howard

My dear Sir and friend -

I have been undergoing medical treatment and have only left my room to night, feeling I can steer the wheel in the right direction. I have abandoned my trip to the Sound for prudent reasons. I can be of service to myself and others in the upper country. I cannot go east for a month for financial reasons, having to arrange business matters. If you deem it necessary to hear any or coming your views to the Indian about, please employ <sup>me</sup> if you have made <sup>me</sup> other arrangements. All that I have done for a long time past has been at my own expense, and I need all the assistance



I can get. I am satisfied I can  
be of service in explaining your  
views to the Indians while making  
my procuring arrangements  
to reach Washington.

I am now well and sound  
in mind and body, but weak  
and must keep my mind legiti-  
mately employed to overcome  
the evil habits that grew upon  
me. I proceed to - mention my  
direct to Dayton.

I have the honor to be  
very respectfully and  
truly your friend  
J. H. Allen

P. S. I should if remained over a day  
to pay my respects, but it is impor-  
tant for me to spend a day at  
Dallas. All of the newspapers of the  
upper country must be collected.



Dec 26. 1877.



Headquarters Department of Columbia, 286

PORTLAND, OREGON, Dec 25<sup>th</sup>, 1877.

Gen O. O. Howard.

It was the wish of my wife  
that I should send you the accompany-  
ing volumes, as a token of our  
regard for you, and in consideration  
of your regard for myself

Yours Truly

W. W. Page  
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FORTY-THIRD OREGON, Dec 25, 1877.

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GEO. W. DYER,

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Attorney and Counsellor at Law,

519 Seventh Street.

Lock Box 100.

Washington, D. C. Dec<sup>r</sup> 26 1877  
Genl O. O. Howard. 25673

Portland Oregon. Dear General. Since I wrote to you a few days ago. I have been looking into the matter of the suits of the U.S. against you with a view to a defence. if the trial is forced on. You will remember that there are three suits. viz No 1. U.S. vs yourself, Shepherd, and Ketchum on the bond for \$10,000 dated Oct 31, 1871.

Deficit alleged \$22,718.<sup>89</sup>

The transcript shows that these were payments of regular bounty by Balloch, where the Govt says the proper parties never got the money, and all of the transactions were prior to the date of the bond. I do not see how the Govt can prevail in this suit.

No 2. U.S. vs yourself. on "retained bounty"

Deficit alleged \$130,404.<sup>68</sup>.

This suit depends mainly upon the evidence of Balloch



GEO. W. DYER

Attorney and Counsellor at Law

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And by Geo. Jan 9. 1871



GEO. W. DYER,

Attorney and Counsellor at Law, 288

519 Seventh Street,

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and I think the Govt cannot make out a case.

No. 3. U.S. in yourself on prement on bonds.

Deficit claimed \$20,000.

This is a curious case. there are no papers on file with the Dist Atty. He says there were none sent to him. My recollection is, that he did have a transcript and that it covered the prement on \$20,000 out of which Ballou paid the Shepherd rancher, and upon which Ballou was sued, and which was in May last settled by him. What do you recollect about this? The Dist Atty says that he is to get a transcript for this suit in a few days. I have looked over your papers in the trunk carefully, and do not find any acquittances or evidences of settlement with the Treasury Dept. If you have them send copies!

Very truly  
Geo. W. Dyer.



Dec 26.





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for, and treated for it  
them to have <sup>him</sup> suffer pen-  
ishment for what he does  
Seem to be responsible for  
with my best wishes for  
your happiness and well  
I am very truly your friend

B. F. Pratt

Genl O. O. Howard  
Comdg Dpt of the Columbia  
Oregon.

If at any time, you should  
hear of his being in trouble,  
please do for him, what  
you consistently can, or  
what <sup>1879</sup> <sup>O. O. H.</sup> it may be necessary for  
to do, and inform me and his  
mother and myself will be under

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Chicago Dec 27<sup>th</sup>  
1877

My dear General

Yours of  
11<sup>th</sup> is at hand, and in reply  
can only say that I thank  
you sincerely, and from the  
bottom of my heart, for the  
kindness and sympathy  
manifested in your letter, and  
for the interest you have  
taken in my sons welfare.  
There seems to be an error,  
either in your letter, or in the  
printed court martial pro-  
ceedings, Your letter says,  
you have remitted all pen-  
ishment except "dishonorable  
discharge", and the printed report  
says, "so much of the sentence

the greatest obligations of thankfulness are due to you



But I am so glad that Harry cannot  
learn from you what I suspected and dreaded  
might be the case) he will be led into  
temptations by drinking, and do something  
that will be the means of his undergoing  
as severe, or a worse punishment, than that

from which he has so recently escaped.  
I hope for the best, but if he should not  
be able to take care of himself, I agree  
with you that the asylum would be the  
best place for him, and should rather have  
him placed there, where he will be cared

as impose hard labor, and  
confinement is remitted".  
I also feel truly thankful  
for your offer of assistance,  
in enabling me to obtain control  
of him, and shall cheerfully  
avail myself of it, if it should  
be thought best in future.

I agree with you in your  
fears concerning him, but still  
hope for the best, as he prom-  
ises well, says he will take  
my advice, have an eye  
to business, keep good hours,  
be honest, and industrious,  
and keep clear of bad  
company, and Legion,  
and be a good man.

Very good resolutions,  
if he will live up to them.



32 Russell St. Charlestown, Mass. Dec. 1877  
 Dear Sir: The Poplar Mountain Coal Co. of Ky.  
 was chartered in 1865, Capital a million  
 dollars, now reduced one half: for reasons  
 too numerous to mention, desire to sell  
 their property, at a price that it will pay  
 for itself, say in three years, if well managed.  
 They are at the head of Steamboat navigation  
 on the Cumberland River, which gives a  
 monopoly of the Nashville Coal Market.  
 The Cincinnati Southern R.R. is nearly  
 completed to the Cumberland. The property  
 consists of lands in fee, & Mineral rights,  
 12,639 acres, (350,000 acres of other lands are  
 owned by the stockholders of this Co. but are  
 not now offered for sale, unless wanted)  
 Rail road & rolling stock, Steam Tow Boat &  
 Barges, Lock & Dam, Sawing & Corn Mills,  
 Stone selling \$40,000 a year, local, Iron ore,  
 Fire clay, Oil, Salt Springs, Roofing Slate, Zinc &  
 Paper pulp can be made there by the Fletcher  
 patents, at great profit. Price \$200,000 easy terms.  
 (The improvements have cost near double)  
 I have been requested to enquire if you  
 or any of your friends, will take an interest  
 in the property. I am, Respectfully, Yr.  
 obt. Svt.

B. Franklin Clark M.D.







3: Russell-st. Charlestown, Mass. Dec. 27. 1877

Dear Sir:

I have been advised to send you the enclosed description of property in Ky. which is strictly true.

It is no broken down concern, but is paying now, & with more capital the coal alone can be made to pay now 30 or 40.00 pr. annum.

But the owner, Mr. Cyrus Clark, is an old man, & Pres. of a R R in a distant state & can't attend to it.

You being a very active man, it was thought might feel an interest in so valuable a property, either for yourself or a friend.

I can pay a commission for aid in selling. I am, very Respectfully, your friend &  
obt. Serv.

B. Franklin Clark M. S.

Genl. O. Howard.



Ms. A. 1. 1. 1.

London (1876)  
Dec. 21, 1876

Friend Mr. Lincoln  
Jan. 21, 1876

Dear Sir

My dear Sir

in the month of June

at the place of the

the same place

the same place

the same place

the same place

the same place

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