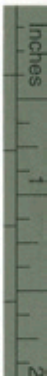


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My dear Bro.
I
will never
be how coming
you worked in
the meetings
in Ferguson
I am and you
ever since.
So you think
we should go to
Portland.
810 Ben Jones
Christ & the
union hall is
filled night
long in
P. Hammond



very little, & would be clear to the
comprehension of every farmer in
a state ^{like} Ill. It is a ditching plow
so simple & so cheap as will at once
supercede all other ditching plows
that are not used for fencing purposes.
Now I do not wish to trouble you
~~about~~ in communicating this unless
you write me your express permission
as before. I think that, if the br. idea
were only secured by patent, then the
ditching instrument secured, & be
with a very small expence pushed,
the sale of rights would immediately
be so great as to at once enable me
to push the bridge idea. So just
be so kind as write immediately
& say whether I may trouble you
or not with the ditching plow
idea, & I will act ~~as~~ accordingly.
I am wrong in calling it a ditching
plow. It is a draining plow, a mole
plow, but with such arrangements
as makes it a very valuable plow
superceding all ditching plows.
Ditching is not necessary. In my
haste I used the word ditching
where I should have written draining.
Respectfully T.B.

Dr. T.B.
Yr. very kind ltr. just recd. But if I succeed
you must take a present if not for yourself, as a
testament of the manifold grace of God. You conclude
by saying, God bless you. Now, I am conscious of the prayers
of Christian people. Do continue, as you have
pleasure to pray for me. I am 68. And not working
for myself but as a steward of the talent if it be small
given to me. Respectfully T.B. Portland
I will probably send another model by mail in a day or two

Earl Claire Wis
1st May - 78

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Dr. T.B.?

Many thanks to you for your
kind proposals about assistance. If you
accept of the terms which I mentioned, ^{if}
(supposing that my letters have reached you)
that is, patent, the br. idea, then do you
not know of some one who would loan
\$100. or so up to \$500. on the security of
one or two states. ^{rights} I would suggest ~~that~~
"line of action which you may consider"
(your own words). — Briefly — I will
re-state a point or two to save you the
trouble of looking over former writings —
It is an improvement on the wire bridge
that The present wire bridge can only bear
up to 9 ^{tons} to the sq. in. of ~~cast~~ ^{drawn} iron wire,
in practice bears 5 tons. By theory mine
with (say) $\frac{1}{20}$ th of the expence bears much
more. In illustration of this. Took a $\frac{1}{4}$ in.
rod 4 feet long. ends not fastened — loaded
it. It bore 8 lbs, with a certain degree of
bending & tilting up. Enveloped with spools
& screwed up it bore 24 lbs — in another
trial, more carefully made, 16 lbs. Hence
& from many other experiments I infer
that corroborating ~~my~~ the theoretical
reasoning I begin with in the paper I
requested Mr Deane to send you, & you
to get from Mr Deane, I infer the general
theory, that to whatever length wire
may be hung, & bear a load the same
wire arranged on my plan will bear
a much greater load. But steel wire
can be hung & up to 7 miles. Hence

steel wire 1 in. sq. can ~~be~~ ^{in a curve} ~~arranged~~ ^{to} span 6 miles ^{in a curve} & bear upwards of 10 tons, & also, as much more as my ~~superior~~ arrangements are superior, ~~as~~ as proved by the rod & spools namely, at the lowest to 20 tons additional or in all 30 tons without adding to the great additional strength derived from the two truss arrangements. The additional weight of the envelopes is not considered; for the 16 or 24 lbs weight in the case of the rod & spools was in addition to a surplus of strength gained by using the spools - And where the trusses are used - they, as I formerly stated, do not add one ounce of weight to the horizontal spanning wire. Without reasoning minutely any farther I will say that I am not confident I do not exaggerate when I claim for wire (1 sq. in) enveloped with wooden blocks proportional & correct ^{mentioned above} & corresponding to the spools, & whose weight (as above) is not an element in the calculation - when I claim, I say, for such wire a burden bearing power of 30 tons for 6 miles. The expense of material for 3000 tons does not exceed \$1,300,000 for 6 miles. The construction is exceedingly easy & rapid - The pier is expensive. Will not this take the world by surprise? Will not my name then guarantee patronage for other inventions of still greater

usefulness, & I have other ideas (ship construction & impulsion) ideas of very much greater importance. Excuse abruptness of expression owing to conciseness & haste. Respectfully
Yours

Thos Barland

Be pleased to remember what I formerly suggested more than once the probabilities of attempted revolution & civil war. Does not every honest & intelligent Ed. in the land begin to corroborate that idea. The military bridge need not be patented, lest traitors get the knowledge of it. That is best reserved in your own power, & in the power of whosoever you may communicate it to. Be so kind as to write soon. T.B.

Another "definite line of action" which a patron, or partner (I would much rather that the patronage conferred on me would be the quid pro quo patronage of a partner. He might if his vocation required it be a sleeping partner, as the phrase is in Scotland, & I would ensure him that my expenses should be at the minimum, for I would rather live on bread & water than not a whole year that than not succeed in any important project consistent with the service of God, & for the good of man) - A "line of action" might be to push another (I am certain very important invention which ~~cost~~ would cost

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Seattle, W. T., May 1. 1878.

Gen. O. O. Howard:

Dear Sir:

At the request of the Cor. Sec. of the G. M. C. A. of this place, I ~~write~~ ^{to ask} you, if it will be consistent with your duties and your wishes, to lecture in this place during the present month for the benefit of the Seattle G. M. C. A. The expenses back and forth have been paid for other lectures, but I think we are ready to comply with other terms, if you desire.

Yours Truly,

A. J. Anderson,

Rec. Sec. G. M. C. A.

P.S. Mr. A. & I congratulate you on your complete vindication. We are well. Our school prospers.
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London N.Y.
May 1. 9.

Dear Mr. May 7.
Dear.



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Phil^d. Pa 1940 Hancock St May the Second 1878

Major Gen O O Howard

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General

I rec^d A letter from your Aide D. Camp C. E. Wood
in Answer to one I sent nearly 10 months ago I thank him for his Courtesy
& you for your Kindness. I have no desire to be either offensive or Dis-
respectfully to you and no shadowth of Egotism has ever rested on my person.
I have no desire to play the Role of A Magician I am an humble & Educated
man & I don't believe my Children are bound to support a father who was
Disabled that this Union might live who believes he has Earned the Right
to worship God & Vote for any Person he thinks proper to hold any
Office in the Gift of these United States. and I have a Right to Employment
under the Gov^t of the Land I went with his Life in his hands to save.
I was a Soldier from the 19th day of April 1861 until the 14th day of June 1865
I was Born raised & Lived 44 years in this City In Religion I am a
Roman Catholic & I vote all ways for the Best Honest man If they don't like
me I don't vote. and my proclivities are Democratic. I was in good
circumstances the day I went into the Army to day I am almost a
Beggar. I was one of the few men who helped to save your Corps
Artillery at Chancellorsville I was the first man to volunteer to
serve the Battery on Cemetery Hill Gettysburg. & In going with order
I came across & took off the field John Burns of Gettysburg I knew
your Aide D. Camp Col McAlone well we charged side by side at
Gettysburg when the 73rd Regt faltered & Gained our point I was at
his Grave some time ago & I thought it was well for him may the Lord
have mercy on him. It is the fashion in this City to look with disfavor
on Prisoners of war as if there was some disgrace attached to it

I write to you because you wear Cognisance of the Circumstances under
which my Legt was Captured the night before that Capture I stood close
to you when you said you wear your's to send us to an other Command
& to do our duty like Brave men I am a Begger but thank I done my
Whole Duty all through ^{the} war the 73rd Lgt was Captured through the
Incompetency & Cowardice of officers whom God will bring to a just
acc for it. After the Death of the New York officer who you sent to
Command us & who was killed by my side I just as he was
Leaving to go to Bushbuck (who may the Devil admire for I don't
to get ammunition he was going to find me but as I was only a
private he thought that Dutch Shaddow would not believe me.
Col Mac Alon Cried like a Child when his Glorious 27th P.V.
Laid down in the Dyle. Then Chaps know they would get as much
thanks to take things Comfortable. after nearly all was lost I offered
to take the Collors & lead the Legt to the Rear & I was ordered
to stay where I was and my Regard for my Soldiers Oaths
& Obedience to Orders has left me a Begger in the Chair to day
I was put in the Stocks because I would not give Information
of the Escape of my fellow Prisoners I made the
acquaintance of Bishop Vesot of Florida & the Rev^d Father Pellet
Whaler V.G. of San Se at Andersonville & much of their Charity
to my fellow Prisoners passed through my hands. I was kept a
Prisoner ten months after my term of Service had expired &
because I could not give the exact state of my Health
on the day of my Discharge I can get no pension in four months
Imprisonment on Bell Isle I was Reduced from ¹⁴⁶146 lbs to 86 lbs
a loss of 60 lbs in less than 120 days does any sane man think
I could stand a strain like that & Bear Inspection for
the Mounted Rangers. & that during the first 4 months Impris

The Flago my Regt had with them in the Moshon Ridge fight and when
Capt. Kennedy, since dead saved from capture I had the Honor
to Deliver to Gov Curtin of this State in Independence Square
July 4th 1865 taken precedence of all the other enlisted men of the Regt
I never held any other Rank but that of a private Soldier
inment and I staid nearly eleven months a prisoner after that
well I came home and such a home well we will leave all
that pass. General If I was ^{the} Cursee of man & God I would desire
Sympathy & Compassion for my sufferings & Brave Struggles to
leave my 3 Children Home & in the fear & love of God & to sum
It all up I am very Proud of my Three Noble Girls. God Bless them
Speak the Hon Saml Randall has brought a petition in my behalf to
get me a Pension & all my Papers &c are now before a Sub Comm
of Congress. may God Bless him. I was a year in the
Navy yard placed there by the Charity of Com John B Hull
as soon as he left I was discharged I was three years in the
Post office as a letter Carrier and was discharged because I
was the Democratic ticket Gen I will sum It up in two words
I can give Security in ten Thousand dollars or more I have many
friends a petition nearly three yards long strong letters of recom-
-dation &c were sent to the Post Master to save me no use I am
a Roman Catholic & have Democratic proclivities, & they
never ^{was} any party under Heaven will ever get me to vote against
my Conscience. I went to the Soldiers Home at Dayton to release
my family of my support & found It a good place for Protestants
But no provision made for the Catholic inmates, and a man
would run Great Risk as Dayton is three miles from the Home
of Dayton without the priest. a Risk I would not take except
under most Urgent necessity. besides a Roman Catholic is bound
to be present at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass every Sunday
and I should walk to Dayton & Back & so I came Home
again as in case of the worst we have a pretty Good Poor House
Near in Phil^a where I at least can get mass every Sunday



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and I would not ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~risk~~ ^{of} ~~dying~~ ^{dying} ~~without~~ ^{without} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~President~~ ^{President} at all
Events. I wrote to the present Gov^t at Washington, ^{to} the ~~Post~~ ^{Post} ~~marks~~ ^{marks}
Gen. was Referred to the Post master Gen. Donny No Vacancies
to Gen Case Shirley No Vacancies. Senator I Don Command
No Answer Secretary Everett No Answer the President
No Answer I have wrote. begged prayed beckoned I
have gained them the Record of an honorable Usefull
though humble Life & that Record is now in the Hands
of the Sub Committee of Congress I am a Roman Catholic
and a Democrat what Claim have I on this
Free Enlightened Protestant Government and yet I
never took twenty five Cents in all ^{my} Soldiering from any
one and I Refused Promotion because I would not take
Other men lives into my keeping even as a petty officer
I am not Capable of any Longer doing Manual Labor
I can no longer stand the Exhausting Houses of a City Car
I had served under you I believed you would com-
passionate a poor humble Soldier in Striving to earn
at least some portion of the Bread he was eating at
the sole Expense of his Children whose Prospects in Life
he had Blighted by believing that this was a Count-
rey with Suffering & dejection for, and who yet Formely
Believes his time was not misspent and that others will
 reap the Harvest of a Glorious Free & Happy land
when both he & his Children shall sleep in the
Bottom of that Earth ^{that} he father suffered so much to save
I have the Honor to be Very Respectfully your
Obedient Servant
Augustine Henery

(Personal).

Fort Vancouver, W.T.

May 2nd 1878.

Genl O.O. Howard
Comd' Dept Calum

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Dear General:-

I have heard, indirectly, from several sources, that you were displeased with the remarks that I made at some time since, in your hearing, relative to your Campaign against the Nez Percés. I mean on the occasion of my remarks, for the benefit of the Ladies' Night Society, in the Methodist Church of this city. These reports I did not countenance, for were they well founded, I should expect you to call me to account for any indiscretions on my part. Further, I hear that you are of the impression that I have written letters concerning the Campaign, some at least tinged with Malice.

It is in justice to myself & in
consequence of my most perfect
respect (officially at least) for
every Superior Officer, that I avail
myself of this opportunity to correct
any wrong impression that might
exist. An extract was publish-
ed not long since, from one of
my private letters to Prof Metz-
a copy of which, I cheerfully
submit to you - please find
it enclosed. This is all I have
at any time written concerning
the Campaign.

I would much prefer to pass this
matter in silence, general & but
I feel that I should have an
opportunity to speak - if necessary
in my own behalf.

There is an impression at Fort
H. J., that I am inclined
to be insubordinate & sev-
eral attempts have been made
to "sit down on" me. This is
only founded on the fact that
I am a man & do not
"boot-lick". It has been
only a few days, since a

letter from your H. L. - was sent
me through official channels,
containing the most interesting
& far-fetched attempts at sarcasm
imaginable. This official course
was taken in reference to an
affair strictly private. A
private letter from me, declaring
my stand was never noticed.
Perhaps I should not allude
to matters like these.

I wish to assure you, gener-
al, that I entertain the kindest
of feelings for all my friends -
Am cheerful & zealous in the
performance of all duty, &
am ready & anxious to con-
front any one who misrepresents
me. My age would not permit
me to take the course to which
some have assigned me.

With much respect, I am
Your obedient servant
Edward D. Farrow.
2^d Lieut 21 Regt.

A circular blue ink stamp. The outer ring contains the text "RECEIVED" at the top and "O.O.T." at the bottom, separated by two small stars. The center of the stamp contains the date "MAY 3 1878".

May. 2. 1878.

W. S. Mason

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Lewiston Idaho Id
May 2nd 1878

Gen O. O. Howard Esq }
Comdg Department Columbia }
Portland Oregon }

Dear Sir
Learning indirectly that you intend soon to visit Lewiston and wishing to be apprised of the fact a few days in advance "We would most respectfully request you to advise us of the time" As we wish to extend you a hearty welcome after so long an absence"

I make the request at the solicitation of our best Citizens" And hope to receive an early reply.

Very Respectfully
Yours Obt Servt
C. P. Coburn



Ans. May 3.
Coburn.

Coburn. C. P.
May. 2. 1878.

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Dear May 11
H. 20

Good H. Day

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San Francisco.

Pelace Hotel.

May 2, 1878.

My dear General:

After a run of 43 hours from bar to bar, we arrived in San Francisco Sunday afternoon at 2.30, 52½ down running time from dock to dock. In time gone by I have made the trip between "bars" in less than 43 hours.

I spoke to General McDowell of the changes you contemplate, and will leave a memorandum of them with Kelton.

General McDowell was pleased to
say, no change could be made
in fiscal year, and as to
effecting them next year,
matters were so uncertain at
Washington, nothing could be
decided upon at the present
time.

We leave for the East the
morning of the 4th Saturday.

Please say to Leaden I have
to this writing received no
letter or telegram from him,
and consequently presume he
is not in receipt of any letter
for me.

Chaplain and Mr. Collins
leave Saturday at 12 M. for
Panama on the Grenada.

The Northern portion of our
voyage was rough. The "Edwin"
~~Edwin~~ promotion by Capt.
She outrolled the famous
"rolling Moses". I trust her
Bishop.

Trusting you will write
me at your convenience,
I remain, General.

Sincerely, Your Friend.

D. Clay Good

Gen. O. O. Howard

U. S. Army

Dr. Smith is in the dock, and
goes East next Sunday. Captain
Davis and wife on Monday.

Good.

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PUBLISHERS AND BOOKSELLERS,

41-43 FRANKLIN AND 78 HAWLEY STREET.

New York Office,
678 Broadway.

BOSTON, May 2nd. 1878.

General O. J. Howard

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Portland - Oregon -

General

Your esteemed favor of the 18th. ult. in regard to the Vols. of "Charles Sumner's Works" due on your subscription have been received & is entirely satisfactory - We will hold Vols. 8-9-10-11 & 12 for you, until such time as you are ready to receive them & as soon as we publish Vols. 13 & 14 to complete these works, we will add them to the other five, so that there will be no chance of your having a broken set, as that would detract a great deal from their value -

We send you a little pamphlet in this same mail which we think will be of interest to you if you have not already seen it -

Yours very respectfully
Lee & Shepard
per Lox.

Lee & Shepard

41-43 FRANKLIN AND 78 HAWLEY STREET

BOSTON, May 16th 1873

New York Office,
678 Broadway.

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James B. L. Thompson

Portsmouth - New Hampshire

Dear Sir,

Your statement of June 1st

the 1st ult. in regard to the Order of Exchange

has been received and your statement has

been examined and is entirely satisfactory. We

will hold the \$2-10-11 & 12 for you, until

such time as you are ready to receive them

and we have no further to do with them.

We will send you a bill for the same

as soon as we have them, so that there will be no

change of your having a broken set, as the

set is a great deal better than the one

you have now. We send you a bill for the same

as soon as we have them, so that there will be no

change of your having a broken set, as the

set is a great deal better than the one



Washⁿ May ⁸⁷2/2/88

MAY 2, 1878

My dear General.

Your postal of
18 ult just received.

I congratulate you upon your
safe return & restoration to the
bosom of your family.

I have just returned from
attendance upon the International
S. S. Convention at Atlanta.
Wish you could have been
present. It was a good old
fashioned love feast - I also
visited Nashville and saw the
work among the freedmen there.

It is simply grand & in a
few years will tell largely
upon the colored race.

We have an occasional
call to know if Gen O. O.
Howard is still in the City.

Mr O'Brien yesterday & Miss
Schelling today - The former
said she was going to join
First Church! Miss Schelling
is still among the outs trying
to get in. She says I have
promised her a place but
she is still knocking at the
door. File

Mr S & Will are in
usual health - We are looking
about for a place of settlement.

We remember with great
satisfaction your visit and
trust we may have another
soon long. The weather is warm,
strawberries & spring vegetables
are abundant. Give much
love to Mr H & all the boys
not forgetting "Bessie".

Love from W. Stickney

we. May 3^d 1878

Dear Brother - The brethren
of the Cong^l Ch - in Sa-
coma, write to ask if you
can give them your lecture
on the Battle of Gettysburg
on behalf of their church building
soon? It will be helping the poor!
Yours truly G. H. Atkinson

ATLAN

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W. O. Howard

Portland
Oregon

Back

Recd. May 11
O.O.H.



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Fort Leavenworth
I. D.

May 4th 1878

Genl O.O. Howard

Dear Sir

It is with regret that I approach you on this subject after your many kindnesses to me and I hope I shall not sacrifice your good opinion -

Enclosed you will find copy of Letter to Commr. in chief at Coeur D'Alene-Leake wherein all mention of where my pay commences or of Rations has been neglected. The reason I speak to you about it is this, when talking together at Mr. Herscys I thought from what you said there that you intended Rations should be included

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In conclusion I beg to
tender my apologies for
having intruded on your valuable
time.

& Subscribe myself
Yours gratefully
Black

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To be most Lovingly your friend,
Sarah B. F. Greble.

Mrs. S. B. F. Greble.

May 5. 1878



128 S. 19th Street.
Phil^a. May 5th 1878

My dear Friends

It was very good in the General to send the postcard & tell of his safe arrival. And good and kind in my sweet friend Lizzie to feel anxious about me, but I write to tell you that I really am better, the good little Capsicum plaster proved an excellent remedy & I am almost free from the ugly neuralgic pains. Dr. Agnew says that my neck is decidedly better. It is 5/8 of an inch smaller than when the General was here. Indeed if prayers & good wishes could make me well, I should never be sick or have a pain or an ache. Last week I was fearfully dissipated, ^{that is the city} he ^{entertained} President & Mrs. Hayes. I went to the reception at the Union League, also the beautiful one at our Academy of Fine Arts. I was out morning, noon & night.

Papa Goble took me to both ^{receptions} Mr. George
H. Childs gave me the pleasure of seeing
all of the beautiful presents given to
Mr. Grant while in England. We saw
them at Mr. Childs' office. I have had
a very enjoyable Sunday - for after
Sunday School & Church with the Holy
Communion, I returned home for dinner
& then went to our beautiful Memorial
Chapel for the Anniversary, 15 yrs ago we
started with six Teachers and thirty six
scholars, to day there are nine hundred &
ninety nine - almost equal to the church.
Sheila went to Annapolis the day
before Easter Sunday - she is visiting Mr.
Edson inside the Yard. She says she
is perfectly happy there & makes no
allusion to returning home. She will
stop at Fort Detrick with sister Clara
Huntington before returning home. Edson
is doing well, and is in the second section
in everything. Papa Goble keeps well.
All but a slight cold. Edson & Mary
are in Paris & will not return until
September 15th. Mr & Mrs Baker are as

usual & Louie's family too are well,
but poor Hannah is miserable herself
& little Fannie has been in bed for
three weeks, the Dr. says she has
Bright's disease of the kidneys & that
she can never be well, but whether it
is to be a matter of days weeks or
months, that she can be with us I
do not know. She does not seem to
suffer much. The New Heaven people
are well I believe. It seems almost
a dream that you have been with
us, now that you are once more on
that far Pacific Coast. Please give
my love to each member of your
dear family. He forgot to give
you the little foot warmers which
Clara knit for Mrs. Howard I sent
them by mail to her. They are to
put on when she lies down for a nap
or when her feet are cold at night.
When you see Col. & Mrs. Jack Wilson
please give them my best love.
Good night God bless you all
With dearest love believe me ever

The Advance,

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151 & 153 FIFTH AVE.

John Lotter (P.O. Salotka) Fla.

Chicago, May 15 1878

C. H. Howard & Co.,
Publishers.

Dear Brother:

Your letter from
Bangor was the last from you except
that Rowland mentioned you visit
to brother Dell & mother. I was very
much pleased that you found time
to visit Bangor. I should find
something Dr. Howland wished you
to see & which Litty sent me. I
am plowing, hoeing, shoveling &
carting chip-dirt &c for our small
sawp trees. We have out about
1000 in all. Walter Hammond is
with me. I am looking up oxen, tools,
Cows &c for the place. It is heavy
work for me. The soil is sandy &
dry - the tall pines all around
within a short distance. Dr. Dewitt
(who lives near here) likes to read your articles

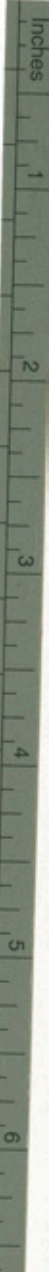
More articles & strips were planned than from 9-10-11. I have
They have been very profitable & the C. H. Co. have

C. H. Howard

presented for the
Advance. Your Sergeant wanted all
that had your article & so I donated
your subscription to him. I hope
to hear from you by the time I get
home & know how you found
your family. I think I wrote you
what I thought about schools. Kitty's
brother John (you saw I suppose) fitted
for College at Exeter. I like Ob-
lin. Hair President & many of the
professors like the students of me.
The whole influence of the school
& surroundings is wholesome. One
of our neighbors (Mr. Lockwood) has
just sent his son there - a very
promising young man.

Dr. Potter seems much pleased
to have the Southern man on the Board.
I think it wise & hope it will win the
friends. I made acquaintance with a pretty
man who has \$50,000 to give away & is
considering Howard University. I hope to meet
him in Washington the last of May. Kitty will be
home May 15 - Give my love to the dear children
all & to Lizzy - I hope the time will come when

we can be more of one another - your affectionate brother



Mark L.H.

Ans May 11
O.O.H.



North River May 6.
Genl. O.O. Howard
Dear Sir.

I am not
able to preach the Baccalaureate
Sermon this year.

Could you not address our
students at the time set for the
Sermon, the Sunday before Com-
mencement in my place? It
would be most gratifying, & be
accounted a great honor by
all concerned.

You have already cheerfully
helped us by your presence on
several occasions. This honor
don not satisfy us as perhaps
you may think it should. We
are the more anxious to have you
with us again. Very truly yours
S.A. Marsh
P.S. My address is Fort Green.

Thank you

May 11
O.D.H.



My dear Sir,
I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th inst. in relation to the purchase of a new set of books for the library of the Board of Education. I am glad to hear that you are so interested in the subject, and I am sure that the books will be of great value to you. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th inst. in relation to the purchase of a new set of books for the library of the Board of Education. I am glad to hear that you are so interested in the subject, and I am sure that the books will be of great value to you.

Dear Friends
I have not I suppose
posed the Gen was in great haste &
had relatives to give his time, I should
have felt slighted at least. When
he was in Auburn. I thought I was
one of his good friends. I would
have trespassed on his time, had
I known he was here, I should
have walked half a mile, ^{at least} to see
him, & made if it had been father.
I have often thought of writing
you, Mrs H, but have thought you
were so far off, & also had so
many friends would hardly care
for it. I should like to have en-
quired all about you & the
children, whom I suppose are
"grown up" ere this. I hear
class know so much about one case
Think one great reason is simply because

Leicester, Maine
May 6, 1878

Dear Friends

Had not I sup. 1878

for my

elapsd children not those,

to ages note I that this

class know so much about one case

Think one great reason is simply because

Much love
from
to you
sincerely
O. H. Clark

you are in my own dear Louis
Parish in Portland, O. Is it so?
I shall try & write him soon &
tell him, how near we were
to his ~~son~~; & his brother & other
friends, in Philadelphia, at the
^{& did not know it. We were next House to them}
Centennial!! I often visited the
exhibit, from Connecong, & those who
had charge, knew you all & it
made it doubly interesting to
me - Perhaps you thought we
were in Portland, we came to
Leicester four years ago, as my
husband was appointed Agent
of the Boston & Me. R.R., also of the
Grand Trunk. He is not now
Agent of the Boston Me., as they
have consolidated with the Eastern
& Me. Central. We board & have
boarded at the De Witt House.
I spend my vacation with
Charley, & Mr C. comes a
day or two at a time; but

now Mrs Harland's "little S. School
boy" is 24 years old, & is a "Dr.
"looking after, & waiting for patients"
as he says, in Boston Mass.
He graduated first at High School in
Portland, then at Bowdoin College
& one year ago at Harvard
Medical School. He has an
Office in the house where he
lives, or I might say where his
home is, as he is sort of gent. of the
house, where by his thoughtfulness
of the old, he was invited after
his death to come & sort of be
guaranteed, & we visit him there
& they visit us, which makes it
much more pleasant for him. &
I hope so, for them. They are still
happy to have him. He has another
office on Hanover St. 51 Allen
St. opposite the Mass Genl Hospital
is his home, & he would have
been delighted to have seen the

class know so well about me & the

Mr Howard - He saw Dr. Oth-
brother Joseph, at Park St Ch
in Boston, & he called - I have
perhaps too much about ourselves,
I want you to do the same.

you take the trouble & ~~time~~ ^{trouble}
time to answer this.

He is a member of Park St, Ch
(Dr Withman's). he is also interested in
North End Mission of which you
heard so much. My health is very bad
most of the time, although at my
age, cannot expect me to do quite as
although I have tried to do my
in Relief Soc, & we have had the
one of paying off our Church debt.
& we are trying to do more now for Mr
I am Treas. of Woman's Board, & we
have the Genl Conf. of Maine to meet
Arden next month. Sister Pickard is
Mrs Wiggins live in the same place
both widows, & brother Edward's
widow & son George are in Concord.
I hope to hear from you & Geo.
I want you as a favor, to give
on will you write a line & your
autograph, & if you please give
on two

DAN P. EELLS, PRESIDENT.
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O. O. Howard
Portland Oregon.

My Dear Sir.

Many thanks for
the full, and satisfactory answers to my
questions.

As you know, 13 years have elapsed
since the close of the war, making children
13 yrs. old in 1865, now 18 years old. and those
who were then 10 yrs. old. are now 23 yrs.
5000,000 young people between the ages
of 10 & 20 would be a low estimate I
believe, and I am daily surprised, that this
class know so little about the late rebellion.
Think one great reason is simply because

There doesn't exist a popular "Boys
and Girls History of America"
E. C. Botton

It should be nice, Christian in
tone, and illustrated by the best artist
in the country. Think you are the
person to write the book, and it would
I am confident, have an immense success
as a subscription book.

Please pardon the
emphasis I give the matter by another
reference to the matter. Very likely my
mind turns towards the subject, as I desire
just such a book for my Charlie boy,
of 10. With kind regards to your
friends, whom I met.

I am, Yours, Sincerely,

E. C. Botton

Gen. Howard

Dear Sir

You are hereby notified
of a meeting of the Directors
of the Chinese Mission
to be held in the office
of J. N. Golph on
Tuesday night of this
week at eight o'clock.

Very Respectfully Yours,

A. J. Coats

Sec. of the Board.

Portland May 6. 78

