

F. H. SMITH,
REAL ESTATE BROKER.

LE DROIT BUILDING,

Corner of Eighth and F Sts.

Washington, D. C., Jan 27 1879

Dear Genl.

I enclose the acc letter
Knowing nothing of the matters it
refers to. You of course understand
that that you cannot be sued
here without obtaining personal
service on you, and then in
case of a judgment, the
only recourse in any material
interest for property not in your name
you may have, is
to commence proceedings anew
in the Equity Court which
is so long a process that you
do not need to lie awake
nights on account of danger of
new legal proceedings in con-
nection with your obligations

F. H. SMITH,



REAL ESTATE BROKER.

Real or supposed here. I

have taken this for granted
all along but after receiving
the enclosed I consulted
one of the Charrest haded lawyers
in the City, who gave the same
opinion without qualification

Yours

F. H. Smith



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(OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
Freedman's Savings and Trust Company)

Washington, D.C. Jan. 25th 1879.

J. H. Smith, Esq.

Washington D.C.

Sir:

Having been advised that you are General
O. O. Howard's business representative in this city
you are respectfully informed that the General is
indebted to this Company on what is known as the
"Fowler" note in the sum of \$3,921.⁶³ & interest,
& on the "Hall" note in the sum of \$735.³⁵

Please notify the General that unless some
satisfactory arrangement is made at once for
the payment of these balances we shall be com-
pelled to put them in suit.

Very respectfully
R. B. P. Leopold
Of the Comrs.

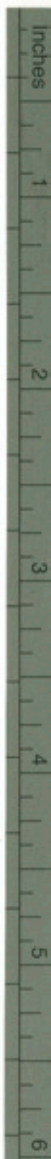
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OFFICE OF THE
COMMISSIONER OF THE
LAND OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Washington, D.C. Jan 22 1877

The Commissioner of the
Land Office, D.C.

Having been advised that you are desirous
to purchase certain sections in the
survey of the public lands in the
State of Texas, and in the sum of \$1000.00
and in the sum of \$1000.00
I have notified the Bureau of the
necessary arrangements to make at once
the purchase of these sections, which is
to be made in cash.

Very respectfully,
Wm. B. Smith
Wm. B. Smith



Portland Oregon Jan. 27 '79

General Howard,

Dear sir:- By order of the Executive Committee of the Oregon State Woman Suffrage Association, I hereby tender you a cordial and earnest invitation to be present at and cooperate with the work of a convention of that body which will be held in this city ^{at Masonic Hall} on the 11th & 12th proximo. Please notify the President, Mrs S. J. Durinay, whether it will suit your pleasure and convenience to accept. Be assured that an address from you upon that occasion ~~pro or con~~, will greatly oblige the officers of the Association.

Very Respectfully
L. B. Coburn

Sub. Com. Ex. Com. O. S. W. S. A.

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Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir-

My object
in writing to you is to ask the
favor of a writing from you to
aid me in securing a pension.
I think you are pretty well
acquainted with my case. I en-
listed in April 1861 in the 3^d ~~Regt~~
Regt and served faithfully until
I was disabled, which was ow-
ing to severe marching and
exposure on the 21st & 22^d of July '61
resulting in a severe cold, which
settled on my lungs, and in a
few weeks I became very much
reduced and very weak, though
able to get about with the use

Answered by Gen. O. O. Howard

Rec'd Feb. 14, 1879, O.O.H.

of a cane. At this time my friends as well as Doct. Palmer believing me to be going in consumption advised me to apply for a discharge which I did and received my papers on the 18th of September of the same year. After I arrived home, with good care, I recovered in a measure so as to be able to do considerable work on the farm, but have not been able to do much more than half a man's work, or half what I could previously perform, and for the last four or five years the disease has been increasing and whatever I have accomplished physically, has been with a great deal of weariness and pain. Since September 1877 I have been unable to do anything of any account, and am now confined

to the house altogether. I consider my claim a just one. Am confident that my army experience condition is owing to my army experience, and that if I had not entered the army, I should have been a well man today. Yet I have never regreted it and should probably do the same thing again, under the same circumstances. Should not think of applying for a pension if I was able to do anything to support myself. If you can conscientiously send me a writing to favor my case I shall be under great obligation to you.

Yours Respectfully
Horatio A. Atherton

Oregonian Office,

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EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT,

Portland, Oregon, Jan 27 1879.

My dear Sir:

I forward you enclosed, thinking that perhaps you have not seen a copy.

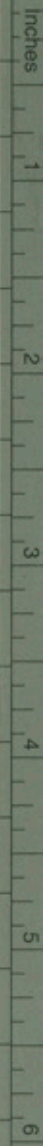
Nothing could exceed the absurdity of this production. The copy I send is from a friend at Canyonville (not Canyon City) Oreg. I have no idea how it could have wandered off in that direction.

Very truly yours
Gen. D. O. Howard, N.W. Scott,
Vancouver, W. T.

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OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF THE U. S. SENATE,

Washington, Jan 27. 1879.

General

This being you may not have received. The army bills & especially the last. I have through the courtesy of my friend Mr. Gorham Clerk of the Senate forwarded them all to you. The last one just published this morning -

The chances are against the passage of any of them in present shape. & it is more than probably no radical change will be made this session - & except for the great efforts of Gen. Miles for Adjutant - Gen. Hazen for Dr. & Genl. The whole matter would fall to the ground. Their friends will make an effort but from all I can gather from friends inside & who know. The army can be the only ~~the~~ ^{the} service be reached anywhere this session.

Very Respectfully

R. L. Ogden



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Ellensburg W.T.
Jan'y "27th" 1878

Dear Sir:

"None inhumanity to man
make countless millions mourn."

I have just been shown a petition, which
is being circulated criticising your military
career, and asking the Secretary of War to
have you removed, and asking that Gen. Crooks
be sent here in your stead. It made me ashamed
of my neighbors when I read it; but thank
God the most of the signers are foreigners, men
who do not know, what they are doing, they
do not read the papers, and only act upon the
sayings of some irresponsible person, but to
think, after all that you have done for this
Country, and especially this section, that there is
a man so mean as to try to defame your
fair name, makes me sick, sick, sick, that
the petition will ever amount to anything I
have not the least fear, but then I cannot

help but feel hurt to think that such an instrument should go out of "Our neighborhood."

But one thing General, I am thankful for, and that is, that this Petition did not originate in this section, and none of the business portions of the Community have signed it; now I will tell you how this thing has started, as near as I can trace it up.

It originated in Yakima City, and some of your bogus friends (the Indian fighters) there are the fathers of it, they are jealous of your feelings of friendship for this valley, and are jealous because you have recommended a Military Post here, and they have gotten up this petition knowing that a good many persons of the floating class would sign it, and they would represent it in as bad a light as possible, in the hopes thereby to make a bad feeling exist between you and the people of this section of the Country.

Genl. My motto is, "that a true friend is hard to find, but, when I find one just and true I change not an old one for a new,"

That you are a true friend to the people of this section, all your acts go to prove, and every reasoning man will say, and that you have been more than just, every business man, the bone and sinew of the Country cannot help but acknowledge. I know your sensitive nature, I know how you feel over these false accusations. But Genl. you must not condemn us all for what a few may do. you have some warm friends here, friends who will stand by you, as for me. I shall try to have this petition torn up, but if it is sent out at all, it will be only sparsely signed.

The winter is passing a way very pleasantly, we have had only about four inches of snow, the sun shines bright every day, and nearly every body is enjoying "God's blessing" "good health"

I will not worry your patience or take up more of your valuable time.

Believe me General your true friend.

To General
O O Howard
Vancouver B.C.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servant
John A. Howard

E. Y. M. C. A.

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Omaha, Neb., January 23th 1879.

General O. O. Howard.

My dear Sir, Friend & Bro.

It is a good long time since you heard from me. You will pardon the neglect. Pressure of business for our Captain Jesus made it impossible for me to write to such friends of mine who love the Jews for Christ's sake. Occasionally I take up the Chicago "Advance" and read your articles. I am really glad to know that you, my dear General, are the same Soldier of the Cross. The first time we met in San Francisco I noticed through your remarks that Christ's Grace is also sufficient for you. I am sure it is enough for me. Oh what a precious thought it is, to know, that Jesus is our Friend and while the world looks upon us sneeringly and with mocking eyes, Jesus turns to us saying: It is I, be not afraid. Therefore let us keep on: believing and rejoicing, for the end is all glory. As you would watch the enemy "Moses" not the great charitable Jew but the Indian, so let us watch for it was in the darkest hour that our blessed Lord said: "Watch and pray," and why? Because it is necessary.

and especially when the world takes hold of our hearts. I often think that I am wronged by someone, but Christ tells us to love our enemies. —

Now, dear General, how are you? Is your health good? How is Captain Wilkinson? Is the religious interest amongst the soldiers increasing? —

I am General Sec'y of the Y. M. C. A. here, try to serve the Lord as much may be possible for me and my crutch. —

What do you think of Lord Beaconsfield? Do you think he is a real lover of Jesus? But I think he is getting very selfish. At every occasion he seems to tell his audience that he is of Jewish origin, but what of that. If he has not the Love of Jesus in his heart, his being a Jew by birth, want save him. Faith in Christ alone can & will save.

Now in conclusion allow me to say that I often pray for you. God bless you.

With best wishes and prayers for you
your Department and your loved ones

Believe the converted Jew

Robert W. Beck, M. D.
Supt. & Gen'l. Sec'y Y. M. C. A.,
Omaha, Nebraska

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H. Abbott:

Washington, D. C. Jan, 29 1879

My dear General Howard,

I have mailed you today some papers picked up on the way over and collected since, which will give you the drift of the Reno case, and which I think may prove of interest to you. After the Court is over it will undoubtedly be published in pamphlet form and I will take pleasure in sending you a copy.

I stopped at a few houses in Chicago, did not see Steindaw, he being at a club dinner, but had a long talk over with Rufus Ingalls. I told him your views as you stated to me in regard to the transfer of the Indians to the War Dept. wh. he promised

to say to Sheridan, but he
remarked; "it will not be done"
and I quite agree with him.
The Committee are divided, I will
procure the reports and send them
to you.

Dick Ogden has sent you all
the Army Bills, probably forshaw.
An Omnium Gatherum. It is
impossible now to say what will
be done, but the Bumside bill
is dead beyond the hope of
political resurrection. My
own opinion, ~~as~~ from all I can
gather is, that no hostile legislation
will be had this winter. Very
likely promotions will be stopped
and that is all.

Ingalls is on the warpath as
the programme is to make Hager
G. M. Genl. Drun is making
a persistent and determined
fight, to block the game of
having Miles at the head

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Abbitt.

C. C. WILLARD.

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of the adpt. Genl's death. I think
Congress is being waked up to the
belief that two men are to be
benefited, and they instead
of staff corps.

Drum is a true and sincere
friend of yours. When in Oregon
I mailed him a copy of your
Field Order No. 1. last campaign,
and he took it at once to Sherman,
it being as Drum said to me,
the first intelligence of what
your plans were.

I left Francisco at 24
hours notice being telegraphed
by the Secrelary to report in
person. I have a great many
things to tell you personally.
I am at work preparing.

my Alaska report for publication.
I must go to Congress next week.

Have only been here three days
and busy as a bee all the time.

Joseph was the lion a few evenings
since at a levee at the White
House call the women crowding
forward to "shake the Indians
by the hand".

I am making a big
fight for Alaska, but do not expect
much this session. Sure to aid
Mitchell in passing his bill
for the construction of a new
Revenue Steamer for Alaskan
Service. The bill however is
opened and we are keeping it
rolling.

My kindest regards to May
Tuckerson.

Yours Truly
Wm. Stevenson Morris

Gov. Swann.



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Quartermaster's Office,

Portland, Oregon, January 29 1879

General.

Mr. Med. Chamberlain brought
me an order from you today
to pay him up to the 23^d
inst. The paper also stated
that he was to hold himself
in readiness to go at your
order. I take this to mean
that he is to be paid not
only for the time he is absent
but for the time he is waiting
orders, until you notify me
of his discharge. If I am
wrong please set me right.

Yours respec.

G. B. Dandy

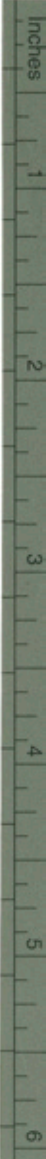
Maj. L. G. L.

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Chartermaster's Office

Portland, Oregon January 29 1919

Dear Mr. Chairman
I am very glad to hear
that you have been able
to get the papers for the
the 1st of the month
in connection with the
other. I take this to mean
that the law is being met
for the time being. I am
glad for the time being
and will continue to
keep you posted.
Very truly yours
J. B. [Signature]



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War Department,

Office Commissary-General of Subsistence,

Washington, D. C., January 30th 1879.

General.

Your communication of the 1st inst. having been submitted to the Secretary of War and returned with approval of your action, as recommended by this office, you are respectfully informed that the sum of \$98.²⁴ heretofore charged against you on account of the payment made on voucher no 12 to Capt W H Ouel's Abstract of Contingencies for Oct 1878 has been passed to your credit, and your letter above mentioned, referred to the Third Auditor of the Treasury.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant.
Rellaefely
Comd'g Fort.

Brig Genl O O Howard
Adj Genl Dept of the Columbia
Fort Vancouver.
Tract Com

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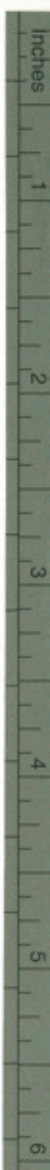
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Office of Commissioner of Indian Affairs

Washington, D. C.



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Office Commissary-General of Subsistence,

Washington, D. C., January 31, 1879

General.

The Secretary of War having approved your action in ordering the payment of Voucher to Lt. J. C. Shofner's Abstract of Anchorage for July 1878 viz account in favor of French & Shinn for 300 pounds of fresh beef @ 8 ct per pound dated Oct. 14, 1878, as recommended by this office under date of Jan'y 25, 1879 in indorsement on a communication from Lt. Shofner of Jan'y 3, 79, you are respectfully informed that the sum of \$240.00 heretofore charged against you on account of the payment of the above mentioned voucher has been passed to your credit.

Sig. Genl. D. S. Howard
H. Q. Dep't of the Columbia
Fort Vancouver.
Wash D. C.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
R. Masfely
Comd'g Gen'l.

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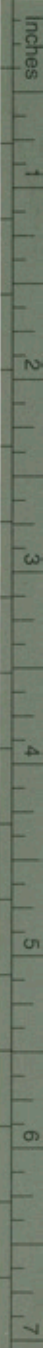
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Seattle, W. T., Jan 31, 1879.
Dear Gen Howard -

I'm just
hungry to see your face & hear
your voice once more. Every
day we remember you with af-
fection & prayer.

I write this morning to learn
what you know about Capt.
H. K. W. Ayres who served under
you in the Freedmen Bureau, at
Warren, Va. He is here in
need of confidence to get a
start in business. Apparently
he is energetic & capable but
is a stranger & cannot get
a foothold. He has a job
printing office rented but can
raise no money to get stock
with wh to do work.

Answer by Gen. Feb. 4. 1879.

Recd. 20th Feb. 8. 1879.

I wd be pleased to be
remembered to whole-souled Capt
Wilkinson

He has reformed & was
converted in the Boston Moody
meetings 2 yrs ago. Everything
about him seems to be genuine.
He has the best of letters from
men in Boston but they are
unfortunately unknown here. He
professes to be an earnest
Christian & temperance worker;
& I believe his profession. Is
a member of Port St Church, Boston.
Has written for his church letter.

If you remember him as an
officer of integrity & efficiency please
tell me.

We make headway slowly in
our Church work.

Accept love from self &
wife for yourself & family.

J. T. Ellis.

Port St Church.