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Washington, D. C., Feb 4 1881

Dear General Howard-

Your application
 for my assignment
 has been approved.
 Please accept
 my sincerest thanks
 for your kindness.

I will be in
 New York City on
 Monday next and
 will endeavor
 to run up to "Wey
 Point" for a few
 moments or hours.

Yours sincerely
 E. C. Willard.

E. S. Farrow,

Wash. DC
Feb. 4, 1881

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Boston Feb 4. 1881.

Genl. Howard,

I saw you & your family reported in the news paper as on yr way to yr new home - if such as you ever have a home, at West Point.

I congratulate you most sincerely on your change of residence, & I shall hope, Someday, now that you are there to see a place that I only know by the hearing of the ear. But how about

knowing of this writing Mrs
Wetmore and
being me
in Capt.
-ulatives.
Mrs. H.
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The child Grace - the daughter of her "Eastern Papa", who bro^{t her} across the continent? How is she to get on without the presence & company of any of you? Rather a trial, perhaps a good discipline for the dear child.

I rather rejoice in your isolation for the time. I tho^t it wd give time for a thousand insinuations & specious lies to exhaust themselves & withdraw.

And now I cannot

fail to notice that an old
spirit of envy & jealousy
is waiting to put such
obstacles as are at hand
in your path. The army is
not wholly sanctified. I
fear, nor wholly without
strong prejudice & bitter
feeling. But I rejoice
in the ample field of
your usefulness, & the
confidence that your ad-
ministration of that most
important & influential
institution will be such
as to command the hon-
or of your detractors.

Charles Webb and that you
have the esteem & confi-
dence of 4th men all
over the North, & their pray-
ers that in your new,
difficult, & delicate rela-
tions you may win the fa-
vor of the succeeding ad-
ministrations, & enjoy the
blessing of God. You are
to make army officers,
who make the army.

Send them forth, Genl. ed-
ucated, excellent & imi-
neut in every qualif to
honor the nation & honor
God, & believe me your

Affectionate brother C. B. Webb
1881

Knowing of this writing Mrs
J. Webb

Daniel H. Chamberlain.
Walter S. Carter.
Sherburne Blake Eaton.
William B. Hornblower.
Eugene H. Lewis.

Law Office of

Chamberlain, Carter & Eaton,

346 Broadway,

New York Apr. 4 1881

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Major Gen. O. O. Howard,
Quaid's Dept of West Point,
West Point, N.Y.

General:
In the course of the trial
of Capt Whittaker now in progress here
it becomes important to know on
what day Gen. Schofield's General
Order No. 14, dated April 21, 1880
was published, that is, read to the
Army at the evening parade.

Of course the records at West
Point show this. Will you have
the proper officer to direct some
officer to examine the records
carefully and send me a line
informing me on what day
it was actually read to the
Capts. The adjutant can
I suppose do this, and make
a brief statement to me of the
result.

With sincere personal regards
Yours very truly
D. H. Chamberlain

D. W. Chamberlain

New York Feb. 4. 1881.

Dear Mr. Chamberlain,

Please Feb. 5. 1881.

Richard T. Greener

New York
Feb. 4. 1881

Answered by Gen. Feb. 5. 1881.

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My dear General:-

It is quite important
in view of General Scho-
field's testimony today
relative to General Order No.
14, U. M. S., that we
should have official
testimony as to the day
it was read to the cadets
at evening parade.

My impression is it was
read on the 21, April.

May I ask, as counsel
for cadet Whittaker, an
official note from the
Adjutant of the Post as

to the precise date.

Gov. Chamberlain and
I, would like the note
by Monday morning's mail
if practicable, and con-
sistent with the rules
and regulations of the
Academy.

Very respectfully,
Richard T. Greener,
Care, S. H. Cham-
berlain, No. 346 Broad-
way, New York City,
Feb. 4, 1861.

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard,
Superintendent,
West Point, Military Academy,

Office of Benton Line

Helena M. T.
Feb 5th 1881

Dear Sir

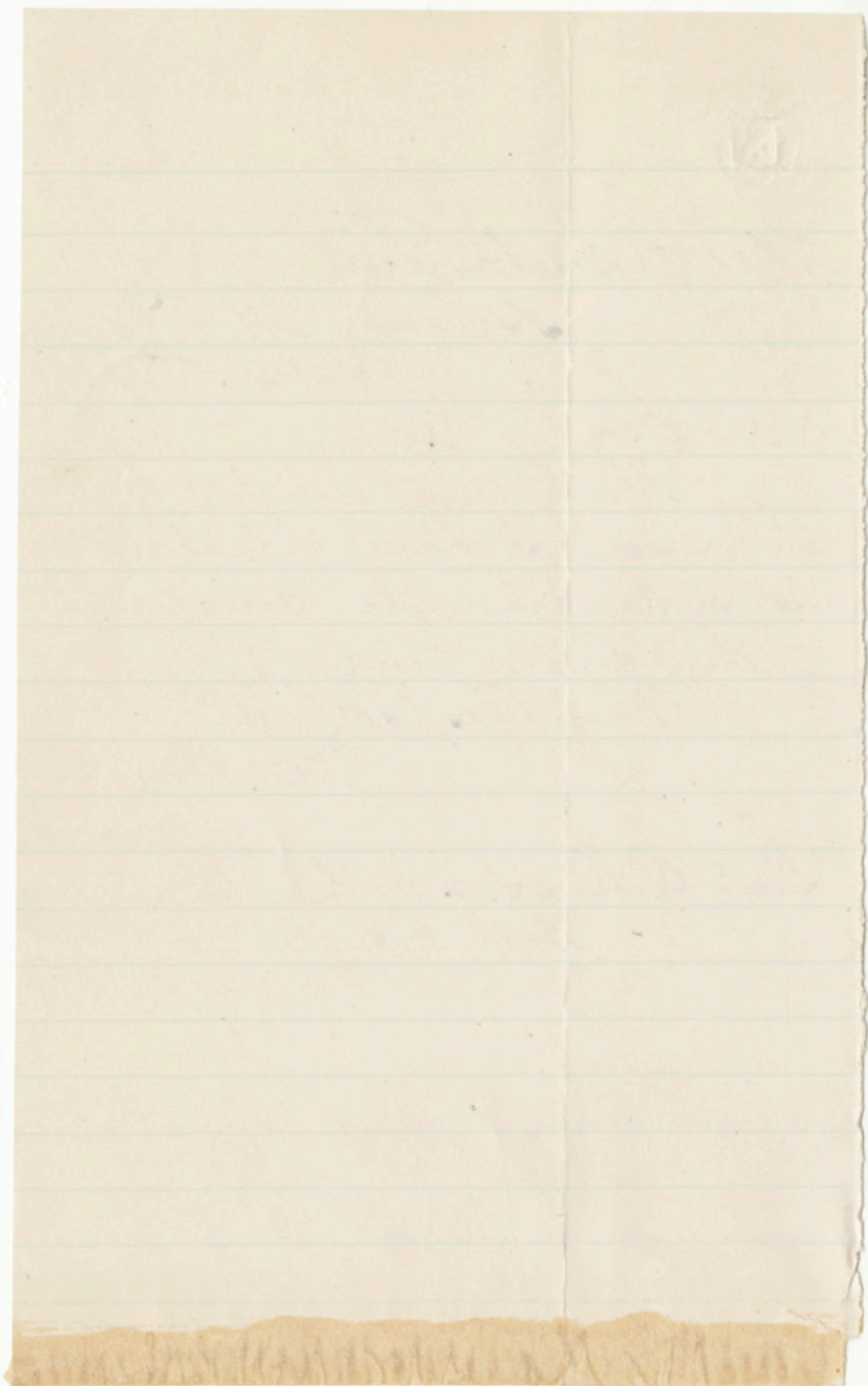
With compliments of
the season I take pleasure
in extending the courtesies
of the Benton Line

Very Respectfully

J. C. Porter

Mgr
Lieut. O. Q. Howard U.S.A.
West Point

N.Y.



R. P. Buck.

Brooklyn

Feb. 3. 1881.

Saturday

40 Livingston Street,
Brooklyn.



Feb. 5th 1881

My dear Friend

Your kind note of 31st Jan^y reached me on Wednesday the 2nd and we were very sorry to hear of the illness of your son. We feared that the change of climate & the severe weather would make you all sick, it was a marvel to us how well Mr Howard bore so long a journey, hope now you are settled, the boy I all will be well.

As for myself I continue to improve gradually, my feet still trouble me, but I ventured down to the dining yesterday for

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the first time since New Years
& took dinner with my family
which is a matter great
thankfulness.

You ask about a Bank
through which to transact
your business & keep you safe.

The firm of R. P. Buck & Co
have had their office for
40 years at the old
"Leather Manufacturers

Bank" Wall St, Mr Palmer
President. I have had my
own private office for many
years at the "Hanover
National Bank" Nassau St
Cor Pine, near the U. States
Treasury Building, and am
a stock holder there as well
as in the Leather Manufacturers
Bank, both are good Banks,
and will treat you well.

The "Seamens Bank for Savings"
Corner of Wall and Pearl St
is an old sound, well man-
aged Institution, Mr Macy
the President is well known
to me. If you please you
can use my name at
either of these Institutions
or Mr Barnes my partner
will introduce you, if you
wish to deposit before I
am able to go out.

We are all pretty well, and
Mr B. Emme Miss Spofford
write with me in kind
regards to Mrs Howard &
yourself. Very truly your
friend.

To Genl.
O. O. Howard
West Point
N.Y.

Richard P. Buck

American Missionary Association:

56 READE STREET,

President—HON. E. S. TOBEY, MASS.

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

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

New York, Feb 5 1880,
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Gen. O. O. Howard,
West Point, N. Y.

Dear Brother,

Our good friend, Dr. G. H. Atkinson is pressing on our Committee the urgent request that we supplement the salary of Rev. H. T. Cowley, which I understand is \$720 a year, and that we appoint him as a missionary among the Spokans, who are disposed to have Protestant services.

When you were here you gave Miss Horton to understand that you had some doubts as to the propriety of our employing

Mr. Cowley, and that you thought
it best that the ~~the~~ Presbyter-
ian missionaries among the
Neg Peres should look after the
spiritual welfare of these Spokans.
Please give me your views on
the subject as fully as you
can conveniently.

M. E. Strieby.

Ms. A. 5. 1881.

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New York City.
February 5, 1881.

General:

I crave your indulgence and beg to state that, I am especially interested in Cadet Alfred Bawry Jackson, U.S.M.A.

He is the nephew of my old friend Capt. Fred. F. Bawry, whose cause you once assisted me to espouse with President

Grant, at a time when Babcock was not friendly. I mention the fact that you may know who he is. I am informed that Cadet Jackson is a young man of more than ordinary ability. He is the son of a Naval Officer, and any consideration you are pleased to show him will be duly appreciated by me. Commending him to your favorable notice

I am with respect,
Faithfully yours,

To
Edward F. Fowler,
Gen. Howard, U.S.A.

Ed. S. Fowler

N. Y. Feb. 5. 1881,

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Cleveland, O. Feb. 5th 1881

My dear General Howard:

Cadet Edwards of Ohio, of the present third class is the son of one of my warmest and dearest friends, his father also being an intimate personal friend of your friend Genl Garfield.

May I ask that you will send for him and let him know you personally and that you will occasionally speak a good word towards cheering him up; you know full well how far such things go and how deeply they are appreciated by Cadets.

I propose to run up from New York and spend part of a day with you about the middle of March. Please remember us all most kindly to your family and to Shaden and Wood.

Genl O. Howard
West Point

Very sincerely Yours
John M. Wilson

John W. Nelson

Wendland, Ohio

Feb. 5th 1881

Recd by Shaden
Feb 10. 1881.

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Mrs. McFarland

West Point: }
Feb. 5. 1881

answered
J. V. H.

West Point. N.Y.

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Dear General.

Pardon me,
if I trespass a few moments
on your valuable time. I
will be brief.

A rumor is in
circulation that you intend
removing my son-in-law
Lieut. England from the
Department of Law. I trust
the rumor is without
foundation but my daughter
& myself naturally feel
some uneasiness lest it
prove true. By the request

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have prevented my calling upon Mr. Howard. I hope soon to have the pleasure of making her acquaintance.

With best wishes for your health & happiness & with sentiments of esteem

I am Respectfully
Yours.

Mary C. G. Fardane

P.S. This note is written at my own instance & wholly upon my own responsibility.

Saturday. Feb. 5. '81.

of the President. Mr. England was added to this place. His detail will not expire until the fall of '82. Mr. Hayes is ^{one of my} nearest relatives. Both the President & his wife are your warm friends. It has seemed to me that knowing their wishes in this matter, you would respect them. Is it not so? And will you not dear General give me an assurance to that effect?

We are glad to learn that your son is convalescent. His illness & my own indisposition

S. W. Farnham

Brooklyn, Cal. Feb. 6, 1881.

I trust you and your family are all well and enjoying your new home. I saw the Martins last Friday evening and Miss Van Blarcom (Miss Van Lile) club met with Miss Dora. They were all well. Mrs. Wetmore has not been well since you were here. She is at the Palace and under the Doctor's care and is slowly improving. Mrs. Perin is there also and just convalescing from a severe cold. Mr. Farnham joins me in sending best wishes to yourself and family. Please excuse this long letter, and if anything comes of the poetry, please let us know. I shall be happy to hear from you in any event.

Very truly yours,
S. W. Farnham

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Brooklyn, Cal. Feb. 6, 1881
General Howard.

My Dear Friend.

Do you recollect the Sunday evening at Mrs. Wetmore's, and the conversation on Poetry, the piece which was read, the gift bestowed upon the writer, Ayer, Eastly the promise to lend you aid to put the authoress before the public in such a way that she might be able to make something for herself and her more than fatherless children? If so, this shall be my excuse for troubling you with this

letter. I have had
two of these articles
in my possession for
some time, but have
neglected to send them,
and now when the
winter is here, to know
whether I have heard
from you, I have to
reimburse my neglect.

The third article, entitled
"Such is my faith" she
sent me to day, with the
title yellow, note, and
I send it to you just
as I received it, as it
will best explain itself.

From the reading, I judge
the form comes from that
our recent personal
experience in the
long weeks of waiting

for news of her husband.
He has not been at home
lately, and sometimes, for
weeks at a time, she
does not know when he
is. The poem entitled
"The Sabbath" I think is
very excellent. Several
years ago, her brother
a Mr. Lloyd, was editor
of the North Magazine
and I believe published
this poem, but without
pay, and she has
never sold it to any
one. I state this, I
behave I consider it
honorable, not running
the rules of etiquette
among editors - in
such matters -
so much for business.

I suppose the fourth of March is to be
a grand day in Washington. Is the "Oregonian"
sent to you? if not. will you
please indicate which you would like
the "Daily" or "Weekly"

Grace sends lots of love to all,
and says she is a student of
Marion Harland's "Common Sense in
the household"

Give my love to Mrs. Howard, and
the little ones (whom we miss very
much.) the Woods and Gladys.

Ever, A. C. Howard. Very truly yours

Best
to y.

James T. Gray

Jan. T. Gray

Vancouver B.C.
Feb. 6. 1881

Rice Feb. 22. 1881.

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Vancouver Feb 6th 1881

Dear General,

There is little else to write
about - than the weather, ourselves and
those immediately connected with
us. The weather has principally engaged
our attention the past four weeks on
account of its unprecedented variability
and severity. we have been frozen up
three times and are by no means safe
from another this winter. The Willamette
river has been higher twice in two weeks
than ever known before with one exception.
(in 1862) the damage to farmers by the
overflowing of lands, to Rail roads. loss of
bridges &c. will amount to several hun-
dred thousand dollars. Rain fell at
Shasta Cal. ten and a fourteen hundredths

inches in four hours. A mountain
slid into the Coquille valley and covered
farms and every thing in its way for
a mile and a half to the depth of thirty
feet.

Genl Wheaton has returned and is settled for the winter: his suggestions about housekeeping help us considerably. We still have the little house in town rented, we have an opportunity to sublet, with the privilege of taking the house again in two months. Grace received a letter from Guy in which he speaks of Jamie with great pride.

The "Vancouver" is again on the Vancouver route, with new and more powerful engines. The opposition company's boat was launched Friday. It is my opinion that Mr Kamm will sell the Surline to the C. R. & N. Co. or combine with them in some way soon, as they have approached him on the subject.

(Capt. Pierce sprained his ankle, remained a week at the hotel in S. A. & got so homesick that he returned - All rumors proved false.)

Fannie is beautiful, bright, strong and well. Grace is not as strong as she ought to be, but is gaining slowly. She was ill and low-spirited during the second freeze and I was obliged to run away to Portland on account of ice in the river. I felt very badly at having to leave her in such a condition, but Dr and Mrs Moore and Miss Minnie Moore were very kind, and then Guil Wheaton came full of freshness from San Francisco and news from you so that when I returned after nine days absence she was feeling quite well.

Mr Leavins sent a man up the river
to the proposed site of the sawmill for
getting out our railroad ties but the
report on the quality of the timber was
so adverse I decided not to go into it.
I shall present ^{the} ~~you~~ note against - Mr Ayer.
for payment - tomorrow.

Capt-Pierce has returned from California. it has given ^{among the Soldiers} rise to a rumor that the 21st Regt. will be removed soon