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"The Knoll"
Cornwall-on-Hudson
NEW YORK

19 February 1881.

My Dear General.

The literary editor to
whom the enclosed poems were
submitted returns them to me
instead of directly ^{to you,} enclosed:
"I fear there are too far below par
for our use;" and I fear he is
right. The truth is the condition
& circumstances of the writer are
not favorable to writing poetry;
and the hope of gaining a
livelihood by poetical contributions

to newspaper smugayners! — there
is no hope; and it will be
only kind to tell this lady so.
There is very little demand;
there is an enormous supply.

The case is one of those which
tries sympathies; but a newspaper
cannot be edited by sympa-
thy, but by purely critical
judgment.

Yours sincerely
Lyman Allen.

Rooms of the American Home Missionary Society, 91

REV. DAVID B. COE, } Secretaries.
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BIBLE HOUSE, ASTOR PLACE,

New York, 19 Feb. 1881

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

My Dear Sir & Brother.

Enclosed please find a note from the
Rev. C. J. Hiltner who seeks your influence to open
for him, if possible, some State prison Chaplaincy
or other similar position.

I forward it believing that often a man's own
note tells his story more fairly than another's.
Mr. S. came to this country from England some
eight years ago & has been employed in our Congl
ministry in N.Y. & Vt. since then - approving
himself in each place, I believe, as a true man,
& Christian, & a remarkably successful minister. I
think his heart is in the work.

His "Circumstances" are what he reports them.
He loves books & study & is often applying for, here,
to secure for him exegetical books of high value.
I could do no less for him than write you as requested
by this his 2^d note on the subject. I wish him success,
but really I know not that you can fairly be expected

to do anything in the matter - except it be on the
broad ground that any of the stronger ones among
us are to help the weaker & weak ones if
we can.

I need not say, my honored & beloved friend,
that I welcome you back to the Atlantic coast,
even though it robs our missionary work on
the Pacific - so small as yet & weak - of
one of its best friends & helpers there. We
shall hope, however, to have the strong support
of your (one) arm - so much stronger than
most men's two - in striking good blows for
^{better} the missionary supply of that coast, far distant
indeed, but never forgotten or overlooked!

With most cordial personal regards to

Dear General, I remain yours

Wm. M. Storrs

Per. M.

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Feb. 19/81

Answered Feb. 23/81

Recd Feb. 21/81

THE ADVANCE

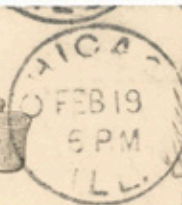
Chicago, Feb. 19 1881.

Your Advance had been
changed for some weeks to

~~West Point~~. Have you inquired
at the Post Office? Mr. Council
understand why you do not get
it and will look up the mailing.

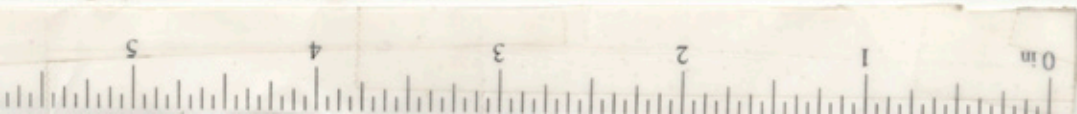
Lawrence is all well - The rest pretty
well - C. H. H.

C. H. HOWARD & CO. Publishers.



WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE - THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Gen. O. O. Howard
West Point
New York



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Agden A. Ty.
Feb 19- 1881

Genl. A. Q. Howard
West Point.
N. Y.

Dear Sir

You may remember being on my train on your way to California and my telling you of having a brother at West Point. Now I have just heard from home that he is in trouble & will probably be dismissed from the Academy, while on my train I think you said if you could do any thing for him you would be very glad to do so. Now all I ask is that you will look into the case and if there is any way in which he can be reinstated that you will give him a chance & I will pledge my word he shall graduate honorably. By aiding him a little you will confer a very very

W. C. Patterson

Agden A. Ty.

Feb. 19. 1881

Dear Sir

Very truly

Yours
A. Q. Howard

Recd Feb. 24. 1881

W. L. Patterson
P. P. Car. conducting
A. P. R. R.

Agnes M. J.

Dear Mr. Brown

in 1921

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Fort Simcoe Indian Reservation, N. I.

February 20th 1881

Brother Gena O O Howart

I send letter to you we know you
When you com in our Reservation and
Talk with us how to live right and you
Laern how to Pray to God and I think
About that all time I never forget what
you say to the Pople and now I say to you
About George Paul you know him very well
you see him in his face and he see you face
to and I tell you what dead he fine
One girl is sick rheumatism or consumption
and she dead about three or four weeks
and some of the Indian Doctor say George
Paul kill her because Paul is a Doctor
And I say who is the man who lost his
Girl his name Jalimes you ^{knowing} where Jostwire
House is six miles from Fort and Jostwire
he is down where is battle range he is
There when the girl is dead and Jalimes
Send Bell to Joe Stwire till him about

the ^{Indian} Doaktar and Jalimes say to Joe Stwire
I think this I want George Paul to kill him
Because he kill my girl and Joe Stwire
say to Pell if a man stold my horse
Or kill my horse I think I get my rifle
And go to him who kill my horse I kill
the man right off and Joe Stwire say
to Pell if Jalimes want kill George Paul
and let him what Pest he ~~cares~~ about
if he want kill all right
When Pell com Peck he say what Joe Stwire
say and Jalimes say to elliks you may
kill George Paul and George Paul is in his house
and he ~~watch~~ himself and One Old man
came to his house and I Paul in the house
he sent his floor and Abraham is the name
of the Old man so Paul Open to him and
Old man com in and Paul say to him when girl
Perit and Old man say when snow off and ^{was} falling
and One man came in with his hogget in his hand
and kill him he strike him two times in his haet

this I sand to you you naver see
him again and now we wand Law
what United States Law and some of the
Pople^{they} wand Indian old law they wand give
some of horses and now we have very Pet
luck this year when Father Milbur is out
I wand you sand Peck to me if you recall
this latter and we think some Pople to I Paul
he never kill that Girl and we know
Consumption is very Pet Sick never get well
and I wand you show the law of
the United States law I know little
About law man you naver kill Indian
Doctor because no Indian Doctor kill man
he is no Power to kill Only God who
is know all thing he know when man
dead and when he go because he know two
road one leads to heaven and one go town
to hall

Yours truly Tecumseh Wakotawit

Samuel J. Tokohi

Amiee and. Blenheim

Feb. 20. 1881.

Called by General.
Mar 29. 1881.

Recd Jan. 24. 1881.

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Orange New Jersey.
Feb 20 1881.

Gen. O. O. Howard
Commanding at West Point
N. Y.

Dear Sir,

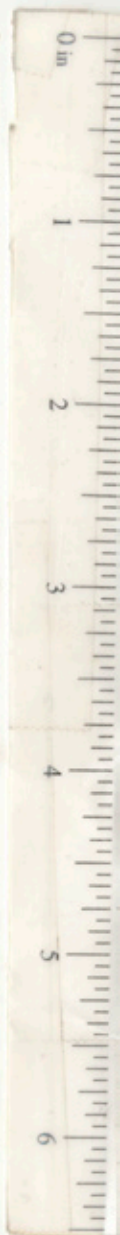
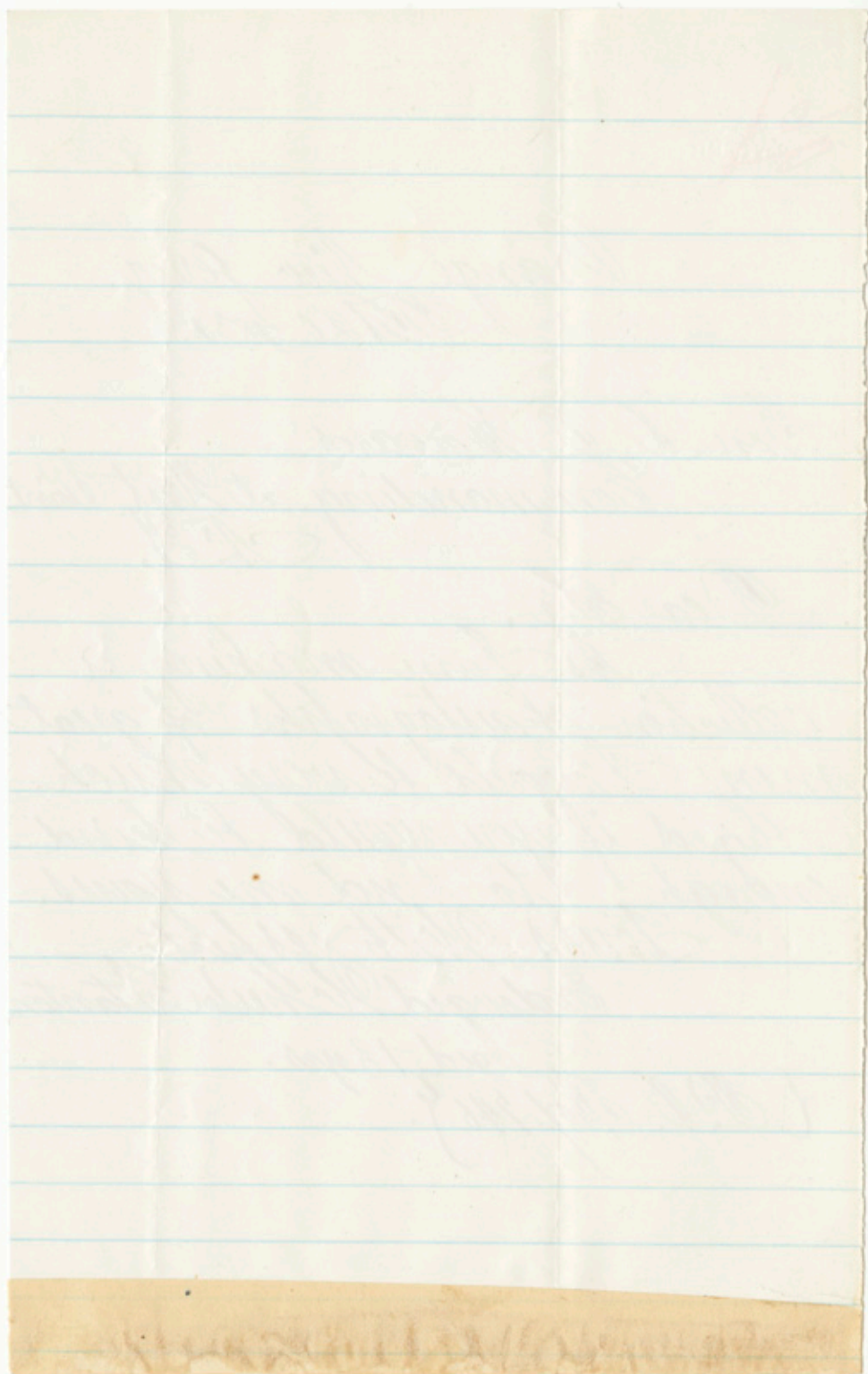
As I am making a
collection of autographs of great
men I would be very much
obliged if you would be kind
enough to send me yours.

Yours With respect.

Edward W. Huber Stanton

Aged 13 yrs.

{ P. O. Box 746 }.





San Francisco, Feb 21st 1881

My dear Cousin

Your postal Card
from Chicago, and note from
West Point were duly received -

We were glad you escaped the storm
that followed so soon after you left.

We were very sorry to hear of
Johnny's illness, and trust long before
this he is well again -

I was sadly disappointed in
not seeing you the morning you
left S. F. - I went to your room
at the Palace & not finding you asked

for you in Capt. Hadner room - They
said you had left your room but
were somewhere about the Hotel -

I then went to the reception room
& that I saw your cloak lying on
a chair - but finding you did not
make your appearance, asked the
driver of the Army Ambulance &
he said you had gone - Too, then too
late to see you at the Ferry -

I hope you are all pleasantly &
comfortably settled and that you
will be more than successful
in your work. I know you will
have difficulties that will require
much wisdom to overcome,
but I have confidence ^{that your} ~~in~~ ^{business}
and patience will see you thro.



San Francisco, 188

Mrs Wetmore has been very ill at the Palace - Mr Van Blarcom has gone East, & you will probably see him before ~~he~~^{he} returns.

We are all well - Dora hard at work painting & giving lessons - Ollie is in the San Francisco pipe yard & very happy -

Our weather has at last become pleasant and flowers & fruit show the appearance of Spring -

We shall be very glad if you would

write us a few lines now and
then -

Please remember us kindly to your
wife and children, and believe
me ever affedly Yours

A. Martin.

J. L.
Feb. 21. 1888

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War Department,

Quartermaster General's Office,

Washington, D. C. Feby 21, 1881

General O. O. Howard,
Commanding, Miliz Academy,
West Point, N. Y.

General:

Yours of 17th instant received.

I reported officially on this subject, in
reply, through Adjutant General, to your
letter sent through same channel.

I am glad to see that you have
very much like opinions as myself on
the subject.

If you find Captain Hoyt not
competent or not willing to do the work
of the Quartermaster's Department, or prefer
that a Lieutenant ^{act} as heretofore, I think

you should say so to the Secretary of War,
and of course I should support you.

Captain H. is an officer of service
and of merit. But that is no reason for
clogging the Military Academy with
superfluous officers, or the Treasury with
officers not fully employed.

You will note what I wrote in re-
gard to replacing men withdrawn by
order of the War Department by others
hired by your authority to be paid by
the Quartermaster's Department. In this
there is no economy, and the Secretary's
authority should be asked before Quar-
termaster's Department insufficient appro-
priations are taxed in this manner.

Very respectfully, Your obt. servant,

WCM
Quartermaster General,
Col. Major General, U.S.A.

Walla Walla, Wash. Ter. Feb. 21. 1881.

Brig. Genl. O. O. Howard.

my Br Genl.

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your kind favor

of 27th ult. recd.

Before it arrived, I had the honor to receive a personal letter from the President and also one from Atty Genl. Davis, assuring me against molestation.

I enclose a letter from Hon. R. B. Green, Chief Justice, which is only one of many warnings I have had from friends, that certain restless Puget Sound politicians and my enemies here, will combine in a "grand assault" upon us as soon as Presr Garfield is inaugurated.

As yet, we do not know who will be Atty Genl. in the new administration, and I have no acquaintance with the new President. I have written to him however and took the liberty of referring to you, which I trust you will pardon me for doing.

I dislike exceedingly to trouble you Genl., but as you doubtless know President Garfield well, and will also know the next Atty Genl. I shall feel exceedingly grateful if you can feel warranted in sprashing an

writing to either or both of them in my behalf.

as I formerly stated to you, I have no reason
to apprehend any harm after ^{shall} I have had an
opportunity to be heard in reply to any charges
which may be brought against me.

Please accept my thanks for your disinterested
favor and allow me to remain

very truly yours
S. C. Wingard.

S. C. Wingard

Walla Walla, W. T.
Feb. 21, 1881

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Seattle

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My dear judge,

In my note of a few days ago, I presume I informed you of the bruit in the air to the effect that you, Allen, Hopkins & I are to be displaced - if possible - on incoming of the new administration. I don't know what I said what I need not say & yet what I will say (because it delights me to say it) that anything that I can do with a good conscience to sustain you I will gladly do.

Please have your friends in Wash. advised for you to be on the alert. With love to you, Mrs. W. & Benny from me & mine
To Judge Wingard & Walter Wells Truly R. Brown

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Howard University
Washington D.C.

Feb. 21st 1881

Genl O. O. Howard

My dear friend

I do not know
that you remember me by name
but I am confident that you would
were you to see me. Enclosed letter
will introduce me to you. It will
be another year before I finish my
course here when I intend to go as
a missionary to Africa meanwhile I
would like to obtain government
employment in order to procure suf-
ficient means to pay a visit to my
aged mother and render her, whom
I have not seen for nine years, some
pecuniary assistance before entering
on my life work. I have an

application on file at the War
Department endorsed by Genl McCook
and Levi. P. Morton both of N.Y. of
which state I have become a
naturalized citizen. If you know
personally Sect. Ramsey will you
kindly send me a letter of intro-
duction at your earliest possible con-
venience. If you grant me this fa-
vor I will spare no effort to justi-
fy any confidence reposed in me
or any aid accorded me.

Very truly

Your Obedt servant

Lionel C. Joell

P.S. Please return enclosed letter
as soon as possible.

Wm. Alley Warner

Schools, this measure

Phila. Feb. 21. 1881

should be secured from
a similar fate; and to render
it acceptable to the South
I think it would be
both just & expedient to
make the distribution in
the South & irrespective
of colour.

Ans.

~~London~~

I am sorry that my
duties in connexion with
School work in Jonesboro
prevent my giving to
the matter above, suitable
time & support; but hope
it will find more able
advocates.

Truly Yrs. Warner

Recd. Mar. 1. 1881

Jonesboro Tenn

Gtn Phila

2/21 1881

Dear Genl. Howard

The thought just now
strikes me that no person can
more fitly than the former head
of the Freedmen's Bureau move
foremost in the application of
the Surplus of the General
Award to the education of the
Freedmen. There is no time for
Congressional action this session.
I regret the idea of writing to
you did not sooner occur to
my mind. I have been nearly
five years in England, and just
home. While abroad the thought
first dawned upon me and
I wrote to John Bright. He gave
me an answer favouring it.
Several other members of Par

liament coincided.

I think we ^{need} not rely much
on English opinion. Mr
Ward & Washington Townsend
(the former is the present mem-
ber from Chester, the latter ^{is} the
former member from West
Chester Pa) have been in
correspondence on the sub-
ject. I have sent this by
Mr Ward. There is still
time for a word to Garfield.
So send it if the proposal
finds favour, as I hope it
will in a soul so alive to
the interests of the Freed m

Truly

Yardley Warner

Address

Jonestown Tennessee

P.S. The prominent
thought with regard
to the use of the Surplus
is that in this way as
proposed it would

continue or supplement
the ^{work of the} Freedmen's Bureau
which was an aim cher-
ished warmly by Thad-
deus Stevens and other
able men when that
Bureau ceased by its
own limitation.

As the Public Land
Bill was shorn of its
usefulness by diversions
away from common

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HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE
UNITED STATES,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Feb'y, 22^d 1881

Gen. O. O. Howard
West Point, N.Y.

Dear General:-

Upon my return from
the West, last evening, my
wife handed me yours of
the 15th inst, with its enclosure,
and I have endorsed the pay-
ment upon the note, of the
date 15th Feb'y.-

Don't give the matter a
single thought, Pay the balance
whenever it suits you. Should

I need the money at any
time I will not hesitate
to let you know,

Yours truly
O. M. Poe

N. S. Taker
man

Ant. Acad.
N. P.
Feb. 22, /81

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West Point, N. Y.
Feb. 22^d 1881.

Gen. C. C. Howard.

Dear General:

I owe you
a most humble apology. Dr Hor-
ryte has informed me that I
wrote 7.30 to 7.40 instead of
6.30 to 6.40 as the hour for the
opening of the Cadet Prayer-
meeting. By reference to the note
you will see that it was in
my mind to write 6.30
as I referred to the supper hour

as about 6.00 P.M. and the
Prayer meeting as occurring
one half hour later.

Trusting you will
understand my regret
at this mistake, one which
I would not have made for
a great deal, on account of
an honest interest in the
welfare of the Prayer meet-
ing. I remain

Very Respectfully
Yours Chas. Lerol
H. S. Taber,
1st Lt. of Cong^y.

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BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,

BANGOR, MAINE,

Feb. 22, 1881

My dear Howard

I suppose
you receive many letters of
congratulation on yr. transfer
fr. the far West - & I want
to add mine. There are none
who rejoice more than I
th. West Point is at last
under the command of a
Christian man - & a man who
has notions of justice. What
the truth may be about
Whittaker, of course I have no
means of knowing, beyond the
papers; but the system of

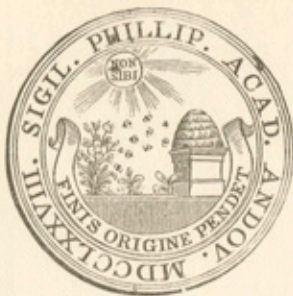
John S. Sewall

Bangor, Me. Feb. 22, 1881.

aristocracy under w^h the poor
fellow suffered needs to have
the sunlight let thro' it - &
I think you are the man to
do it. I fancy the command
of West Point is not altogether
a bed of roses; & yet I heartily
congratulate you on yr. return
among old friends, & yr. position
of such honorable responsibility.
I trust the Lord will guide
you, & bless you.

I see by the papers the yr.
family is growing up, as well
as mine. The little daughter
you took in yr. arms at the
station in Brunswick has long been
in heaven; & our sole remaining child
is now nearly thro' his Sophomore
year at Bowdoin. Our classmates
Harding & Jewett have sons there, & Gardner
a nephew. — The Lord be with you
in yr. new duties. Your friend & classmate
John S. Sewall.

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C. F. P. BANCROFT,
PRINCIPAL.



ANDOVER, MASS.,

Feb. 22, 1880.

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard, U. S. A.,
West Point, N. Y.

My Dear Sir - I make no doubt that
you have had almost no end of con-
gratulations for yourself and the country
that you have been appointed, assigned,
to West Point. There's a world of significance and
of justice in it - I take some pride in the fact
that Chamberlain and Greene are both "old
Phillips boys" and are doing their best
for the "color-sergeant" of the Academy! It
is some satisfaction to have a man at the
head of the Academy who is more than a
soldier and takes orders from the Bible
as well as from the command-in-chief
of the Army. With sincere felicitations
Yours most truly C. F. P. Bancroft



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