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June 20<sup>th</sup> 1891

Dear friend,

Inclosed I send  
you a small map of  
Chasangua - that you  
may know where it is.

We desire very soon  
to arrange to begin  
program at Ocean  
Springs. Mr. Warramaker  
agrees to preside in the

Afternoon - Now shall  
I place you Morning &  
evening in the chair?

Baby is a little better  
So we had him out in  
his carriage Saturday

Regards to all

Yours

Geo A Hall

N. Y.  
June 20. 1881

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Gen. Howard

Dear Sir

Do not

I pray you - think me presuming, but I cannot divest myself of the impression that you can give me the information I am seeking with regard to a school for my boy. as I know of none except those of the Episcopal Church, and Morgan prefers a Presbyterian school - Military in discipline of which I am very glad.

Please permit me to tell you how I came to appeal to you for advice. Do you recollect passing an evening at Chief Justice Hollister's during your stay at Boise City, in the summer of eighteen-seventy-eight and do you recall a young lady present who was a sort of adopted daughter of those dear old people? If so - you recollect one - but Gen. Hewitt could not be expected to remember one, as I would him, whom I was so proud to know.

The following October, I became the happy wife of a valued friend of Judge and Mrs.

Hollister, who took me to his beautiful home at Madade, to fill the place of a mother to his four children then - the twenty-second of the following February - Death took my Husband - since which time, I have striven to fill the place of both parents. As we had no school near us - and they did not want to be separated from me - I took a house here a year ago January. Now the eldest - a youth of nineteen - has gone to take charge of our farm, and I want to find the best place to send the other son - the coming Autumn

Morgan, L. B.

Salt Lake City  
June 20, 1881.

Answered by the ~~mail~~  
June 28, 1881—

Recd June 27th

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He will soon be sixteen  
turn. and his Father wanted  
him to make the Law his  
profession. I feel more and  
more each day the necess-  
ity of his being under  
the supervision of some  
judicious gentleman -  
for mother's pets never  
amount to much, hence  
I have ventured to trouble  
you - if I may - to tell me  
of a good Boarding-School for  
boys - or of some nice gentle-  
man who will take him

as one of the family - where  
he would have Christian  
influence and training  
and attend school.

The children will  
have about twenty thous-  
and each when they are  
of age. and I want to  
do all in my power to  
fit them for useful  
men and women.

Please present my regards  
to Mrs. Howard, and with  
best wishes - believe me

Most respectfully

Lorraine B. Morgan  
Salt Lake City  
Utah

June 20<sup>th</sup> 1881



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THE BAPTIST  
Normal and Theological Institute.

REV. WM. J. SIMMONS, A. B., PRESIDENT.  
No. 276 Kentucky Street,  
Lexington, Ky.

June 20<sup>th</sup> 1881.

Gen. O. O. Howard,  
Commandant West Point;  
Dear Sir:

You will be surprised to hear from me after the lapse of eight years. You remember perhaps that G. N. Oley and myself were probably the last graduates of Howard University whose diplomas you signed. However that may be I know you take great pleasure in the elevation of our race. When you were sent to the command of West Point my heart was glad. I sat down to write you congratulations. But when I thought how humble was my station in life I laid my pen aside. I know of no man in the United States more likely to give justice to our boys than your-  
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self. Your old students have a peculiar love for you, and a strong, abiding confidence in your friendship. Now surely we were glad to hear of your appointment.

Since I left college I have been teaching and preaching. I am where the heading of my letter indicates. We are very poor. We had 111 students this, the first, year. We own valuable property which <sup>we</sup> use for the school. I am coming North to raise money for our work. I write to ask you if you can and will give me letters of introduction to anyone whom you know to be generously disposed to the cause I represent. It is our intention to change the name of the institute to some — College. I can assure you that it would be our pleasure to name it after some liberal donor. Allow me to be free. If you could carry that into effect we would like to name the school: The Howard Kentucky College. As I shall not have time to get answer here you will please for the next 10 days write me at Washington D.C. Simply send to general delivery. Should you be later than that please address me



THE BAPTIST  
Normal and Theological Institute.

REV. WM. J. SIMMONS, A. B., PRESIDENT.  
No. 276 Kentucky Street,  
Louisville, Ky.

Mr. J. Simmons, Bordentown, New Jersey. Care  
of Bunting Hawkins, Esq. I am going to New-  
York and if you think it worth the while  
I can come to West Point. I can bring  
you all kinds of endorsement of the school.  
Do not think me presumptuous in send-  
ing you this. Vacation has commenced.

Yours Truly.

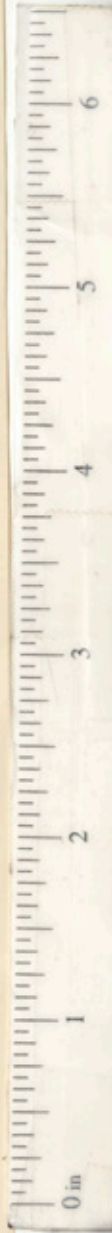
Wm. J. Simmons.

W. J. Linnons.

Lexington, Ky.  
June 20. 1881.

Answered by the  
General June 27/81.

Recd June 23. 1881.



Have seen sight-seer daily

# THE ADVANCE

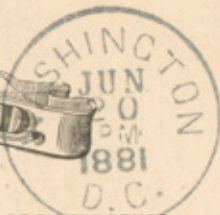
Washington D.C. ~~not~~  
Chicago, June 20 1881

We have fixed upon tomorrow night  
(Tuesday) to start from here, reach  
N.Y. at 7 a.m., take 9 a.m. boat  
up Hudson for West Point, Windsor  
day & hope to find you all well  
no off<sup>t</sup> yet. It must wait President  
return. I think Secretary is favorable  
But politics, State Claims &c. seem to be  
considered - Kitty rode out today - all well - C. H. H.

Thank's mother for letter

C. H. HOWARD & CO. Publishers.

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

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

*Howard, O. O.  
June 20/81.*

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Dated

Cleveland O 6/21 1881

Received at

Gen Howard

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Please carefully listen  
to any statement  
from Cadet Clarence  
Edwards

John M Wilson

Wilson, J. M.

Cleveland, O.  
June 21. 1881.

Astoria

Oregon

June 21<sup>st</sup>  
1881

Gen Howard

Dear Sir.

Since writing you  
my last, my youngest sister has  
died. This leaves at home, my  
Father, Mother, & one sister. The latter  
is consumption. and her sickness  
as a matter of course, creates more  
expense. It is my earnest  
desire to go home and support  
them. My Father is not able to  
work but a portion of the time  
and if I could secure the  
appointment, of which I have written  
before, I could support them  
without my Father working as he  
does. Please see what you

Cade, O.A.

Astoria

June 21, 1881.

Received by J. C. Cade  
1881. by Cade  
Cade, O.A.

Recd Aug 1. 1881.

You can do for me in the matter  
of an appointment. They are  
begging me to come home to them  
But I do not think it wise for  
me to do so, unless I am sure  
of employment. Then I can help  
them some where I am. But  
if I were out of employment  
I do not know what they would  
do. Thanking you for past favors  
and trusting that you will pardon  
me for troubling you so often.

I am

Very Respectfully Yours  
Chas. A. Cole

The Dalles, Oregon June 21<sup>st</sup> 1881

Gen. O. O. Howard

My dear friend

Your kindness in endeavoring to help in obtaining the survey of the Malheur, Indian, Res - leads me to write you again in my own interest. I failed to obtain the survey of the territory above named, the Department declining to place the tract upon the market without a special act of Congress. I am led to conclude that this was planned by Portland parties who have, as I understand made "a pool", to divide the profit by subletting the survey after getting a special act taking its management out of the regular course.

I have just closed my survey of the Fort Dalles Military Res - My report and maps for which, seemed quite a success. and were approved without change in any particular. Mr Williamson the late Comr. of the Land Dep. at Washington very frankly, through the request of my friends. signified to our Surveyor General, that my my Appointment to the Malheur, Survey, would be acceptable and Judge Tolman the Surveyor Gen, at once notified me of the fact, saying that when opened I should have its management. but the interference to which I have referred probably arrested it. and now Mr Williamson has been replaced by a stranger to all my efforts. Judge Tolman offered me a small job with another

Received  
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O. O. Howard  
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party, with whom I felt unwilling to join as all the proceeds, when closed would not be sufficient to pay out fit for two parties. The judge could do no better, as he spent us one fourth of all of the appropriation allowed Oregon.

While in Portland Judge T. said to me that he and a few friends had been consulting, and urged that I should make application for the position of Appraiser in the Portland Custom House. a place filled by Mr Tho. Patten of Salem. He said he was indifferent to his position, could not be depended upon in the disintegration creeping on to Republican Unity, that he was an unwilling worker and that as he had been in the place 7 years, with a salary of \$3000 per year, besides being wealthy. They would be glad to replace him with me, This argument was followed up with offers of assistance, from many quarters. The Editor of the Statesman at Salem, came to me urging my application, offering to write to Mr. Blaine. Dr. Irving the President & others, which he has. Our Editors here in this city; Judge Whittier & Curry. Mr Stone the Sheriff Both Officers of the Land Office, and leading men offer to take such steps to endorse me as may be acceptable.

Our Member of Congress Hon. M. C. George, came to me and voluntarily said he was pleased so as not to wish to have Mr. Patten the present incumbent of the Appraisers office removed through his application, yet he had asked him to resign, and an application for the place had been made to him which would qualify any action espoused of my wishes. but he said "go ahead" I shall in no way oppose you. I shall be entirely satisfied to see

you.

placed in that situation, and you are at liberty to write to Mr Blaine, that "I have discussed the matter with you, and shall be glad to see you placed in the position without reference to any points of privacy of mine." And you may write to Mr Blaine and your friends that I told you to do so, and he said "I shall be glad to see you succeed." Can you see your way clear to write to the President and represent what I have applied for - or rather your view of my ability, integrity, earnest habit; my life record, and position in civil life and honorable society?

Do not do so if in any way it would embarrass you?

I can fill the place acceptably. It would be a superior favor to my daughters to have the privilege of pursuing their education, and to my very dear companion & wife, keeping us together from day to day.

Do not my dear friend conclude that I am shiftless. Oh, gladly wheel coal, if it is best, and an opportunity - offer, rather than burden my friends asking their endorsement - Please dismiss the matter if any objection appears, I'd rather have your kind wishes when I and my family are recalled to your memory, than to profit by what would embarrass you.

Mary sends her kindest wishes and the girls do also. To you and yours, We all notice your Sunday change the point and hope you will be sustained in the movement - Yours Truly Tho. S. Long

If you see but don't write can you do so at once

Quincy Florida, June 21<sup>st</sup>

1881

Gen O. O. Howard

Dear Sir. I hope you will appreciate my motive, in writing you & not feel that I am taking an unusual course in asking your advice. The enclosed letter, from my step son Albert Gilchrist will explain itself. I am not acquainted with the custom & usage at the Institute but if there is any possible way, that a reconsideration of his case is possible I would be most glad to have it. At all events I shall be glad to have your advice as to what is best in the matter stands -

It would be nothing but natural for me to speak in high terms of Albert - but nearly laying all parental affection & prejudice aside. I must say that he is a young man of first rate talents & quite a model, for high tone & moral character - His failure was totally unexpected & a terrible shock to his mother whose whole heart has been centered on him - His father was a wealthy man, every dollar of his property, however, was made away with, by dishonest executors and the boy was left without one cent

I myself, built the Jacksonville Pensacola & Mobile  
R.R. Co here - which failed & ruined me &  
~~and~~ I have looked forward, to the future  
of this boy with great hope;

Let me appeal to you, for advice in  
the matter - If there is any chance in  
the world to have a re-examination - let  
me know, If influence (political) will  
have any weight - I can get all of  
the Senators & Representatives from Fla.  
So Can. & No Can to help me in the matter  
They all being my warm personal friends  
I know not if this is possible, but  
will urge you to aid me as you  
can —

Yours most truly  
James I. Hubbs

Quincy, Ill.  
June 21, 1881.

Answered by the  
General June 25/81.

Recd June 25/81.

Hubbs

9 Grant Place,  
June 21st '81

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My dear Gen. Howard:

In such a matter as  
this, your judgment would be valuable. It was  
a momentary impulse. I believe, I should like  
it, but I may be entirely mistaken. Faxon would  
make a good man. He said, "I am ten years older,  
I could take it." That would make him about my age.

Rankin, J. C.  
June 21/81.

There is a Rev. E. F. Collins of Cleveland, who  
would make a capital man for the place: is  
Chap. of the Cleveland Church, & a very excellent  
preacher. Truly, tr.

As to the next Sunday, I cannot wait till after  
the 1st Sunday in July. My family are at Atlantic  
City. We shall probably go to Ocean Grove. That will be  
much nearer Next Term. Will you be there, all  
summer? Are the cadets there, all summer?

With kind compliments to Mrs. O. W. Hall  
the rest.  
Yrs. Love, J. Franklin.

Geo. A. Torrence

Wash<sup>n</sup>. D.C.  
June 22, 1881.

Answered by Capt. Stanton  
June 24, 1881—

(S.T.)

June 23, 1881

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Washington D.C.  
June 22/81.

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

Dear Sir:

I have been in the  
Adjutant General's office for  
nearly two months Am appointed  
till July 1<sup>st</sup> on the lapse  
fund. As my family are here  
I would like to be retained Would  
it be consistent for you to recom-  
=mend to the Sec. of War or Adjutant  
Gen. that I be retained. I am  
getting familiar with the work.  
If you feel like helping me

you will have to write at  
once. If you remember I  
sent you all my recommendations  
when I was in the Census Office.

If I could stay I should  
save just half my salary  
or \$500. a year. When I see men  
in there that dissipate and  
don't save a cent. I think I  
ought to have a chance to  
hold on & serve the Country  
in time of peace as well  
as war

Yours Resp.

Geo. S. Torrance

1571 Eighth St.

N.W. Washington D.C.

CHAS. H. VOORHIS,  
COUNSELOR AT LAW,  
BANK BUILDING,  
(Near Ferry.)  
Rooms 9 and 10, 3d floor.

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Hoboken, N. J., June 22<sup>d</sup> - 1881.

Gen. O. O. Howard,  
Dear Sir -

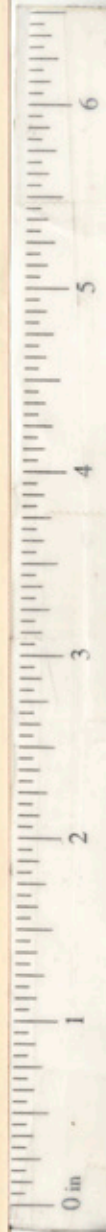
As Representative in Congress from 5<sup>th</sup> District of N. J. I nominated Mr. Arthur F. Curtis of Hackensack for a Cadetship at the Military Academy. He was to have been examined on June 10, 1881.

I have not heard the result and would be happy to know how the case stands -

Yours truly,  
Chas. H. Voorhis.

Forbis, C. H.

Approved by The Medical & Acad. Bds.  
June 24, 1881.



Office of

John Thomas,

Dealer in Hats, Caps and Furs,

66 Main Street,

Batavia, N. Y., June 22<sup>d</sup> 1881

To

Maj. Gen. A. C. Howard  
Commander of the Post  
West Point N. Y.

Dear Sir

Please answer  
the following question to decide a dispute  
which Title outranks in the U. S. Service  
That of Brevet Major General or Brigadier  
General. And oblige Yours Truly

John Thomas  
Brevet-Major General is a higher "title"  
than Brigadier General, but is worth  
nothing unless the holder is assigned  
to duty by his brevet rank. Many  
Colonels are Brevet Major Generals, but are  
ranked and commanded by Brig.  
Generals. Very respectfully,  
J. T. Thomas

John Thomas

Batavia NY  
June 22/88

Recd Jun 23/88

