THE PERUVIAN COMPANY,
10 SPRUCE STREET,
Post Office Box 3448. NEW YORK.

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Oct 12th 1881

My dear General:

We are now organized & already deep in business. General Grant is one of us, & most heartily favors the proposal to "push things." His autographic approval of the enclosed demands lies before me. They were filed in the Department of State yesterday & the originals will be served in a day or two by Ex-Sec. Boutwell who is our attorney in Washington. Until you see it announced that the originals have been served I must beg you to keep these copies locked up.

I never got quite ready to redeem my pledge of $5.000 to the University. I now redeem it to you personally & add $5.000 to it for Mrs. Howard. Accept the whole with assurances of my unchangeable regard. L.R.S.

Gen O. O. Howard.

Oct 12 1881

G. P. Putnam's Sons

Publishers, Booksellers, and Importing Stationers

27 and 29 West 23d Street

New York Oct. 12 1881

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Gen. O. O. Howard
U.S. Military Academy

Dear Sir

We have not received the check sent by you on Oct. 4th. Your note was made payable at the Leather Mfrs Nat. Bank, and was presented there for payment by our bank, and it was duly paid with interest computed by the bank, amt'g to $1.26 - total $123.26

Since your check has miscarried it would be advisable to notify the bank on which it was drawn, and stop payment of it

Yours very truly
G. P. Putnam's Sons
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G. [illegible]

New York
Oct 12/81.

Gard. wrote to Leav. Manuf. Nat
Bank Oct 13/81.

Recd. Oct 13/81.

HENRY P. MARSHALL, Cashier.
S. F. JENKINS, Treasurer,

(P. O. Box 2807.)

WM. H. MACY, President.

Seamen's Bank for Savings,

ASSETS,
January 1st, 1881,
$24,077,476.64.

74 & 76 WALL STREET.

New York, Oct 12 1881

O O Howard Esq
Major Gen U S A
Dear Sir

Please send your pass book by mail, that we may give you Credit thereon for your remittance of $150 this day rec^d —

The Pass Book must be presented at Each transaction

Respectfully
Yours
Henry P Marshall
Cash

Seamen's Bank

for Savings

New York
Oct 12. 1881.

Book sent Oct 13/81.

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Barnum Hotel
New York
Oct. 12/81

Gen. O. O. Howard:

May I have the pleasure of reserving a seat for you at our first representation? It is a good way to ask a man to go to see a play but there is no one it would give one greater pleasure to welcome on that occasion.

If you will come, please let me know by the 20th inst in order that I may reserve good seats for yourself and party.

Yours very truly

A. M. Tourgee

Tourgee, A. W.

New York
Oct 12, 1881.

Answd by the Genl
Oct 18 -

would assist his appointment.

When at West Point I saw a copy of the proceedings of the West Point Alumni at their last annual meeting. It contains certain facts and statistics which would be of service to me and the Academy during the approaching session of Congress, and if you can send me a copy I will be grateful.

I am rejoiced to know that my son is making fair progress, and thankful for your kind notice of him.

I trust you will not fail to call upon me whenever I can be of service to the Academy or to you personally. With kindest regards and best wishes for your success I am

Yours

Genl. O. O. Howard } John M. Carson

Carson, J. M.

The New York Times
WASHINGTON BUREAU.

Oct. 12, 1881.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of the 10th inst., inclosing a communication to the Editor of The Times was received yesterday. Acting on your suggestion I called at the War Dept., and after talking with Genl. McKeever, who is acting in the absence of Genl. Drum, forwarded your communication to the Editor in chief of The Times. In doing this I gave the Editor my estimate, based on personal observation and inquiry, of your peculiar fitness for the office you now hold; explained to him the delicate relations sustained by the Superintendent to the Cadets, and informed him

of the character and value of certain reforms you have already made, ~~and~~ in the general administration of your office, and of the fatherly interest you manifest in the mental progress and moral welfare of the Cadets I felt that it was but just to you that I should improve this opportunity to acquaint the Editor of The Times (Mr John Ford) with these facts. Having a personal interest in the success and welfare of the Academy, I felt also that in thus acting I was but performing a duty to myself. I believe that the best interests of the Academy will be promoted so long as you are continued as Superintendent, and so write The Times. The question of rank is of little consequence, in my judgment, compared with moral worth, military reputation and adaptability for the important work of superintending the instruction and guarding the morals of the young men committed to the Military Academy.

I presume your letter will be published in The Times of tomorrow or Friday.

There is some talk here of the Rev. Dr. Mitchell being appointed Chaplain for the Academy. You doubtless remember Dr. M. as the former pastor of the Ny. avenue Presbyterian Church of this city. He is an excellent man in every respect, and if you think favorably of him I have no doubt your recommendation

THE WHIG AND COURIER

EDITORIAL ROOMS.

Bangor, Oct. 12 1881

My dear General:

Your valued favor with enclosures have come to hand and I am greatly obliged. I have not yet received the text of the two reports (except the rough draft of Gen. Greene's) and if I feel well enough I shall be strongly inclined to give some views of my own. I shall be glad to have your report, as it will undoubtedly touch a number of the points I have in mind.

I think I appreciate your position fully and am glad to hear that your administration is progressing so favorably.

With sincere regards to you and yours, I am,

Very truly

C. A. Boutelle.

Gen. O. O. Howard
West Point.

Boutelle, C. A.
Senator U. S.

Bangor, Me
Oct 12, 1881.

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OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF THE

Freedman's Savings and Trust Company.

Washington, D.C. October 13th 1881

Genl. O. O. Howard
West Point N.Y.
Dear Sir

An abstract of title just prepared by Mr. Robert N. Ward of this City for Michael Murphy, the purchaser, from the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, of lot 25, in Coltman and Adams's, Executors and Trustees subdivision of Square 309, which abstract is herewith enclosed for your information, shows a deed of trust to have been executed May 27th 1868, by Hock Robinson and wife, former owners, to yourself and Anthony Bowen as trustees of the Linden Co-operative Building and Deposit Association, to secure to A. K. Browne, Treasurer of said association in the sum of $330.00. This deed of trust and the one following it on the abstract, executed by the same parties, October 22nd 1870, to Taggart and Vashon, Trustees &c. to secure the same Building Association in the sum of $1200.00, were released by Messrs. Taggart and Vashon, February 16th 1872, see their release enclosed

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for your information. At the time of the execution of this release it was held by the Attorney of the F.S.T.Co. to be sufficient to release both trusts, Mrs. Taggart and Vashon having been selected by said Building Association to succeed yourself and Mr. Brown as trustees vice. Mr. Ward, however, disputes the correctness of this proposition and insists that a release from you is necessary to perfect the title to this property and as Mr. Murphy, the purchaser, also insists upon it, I have the honor to enclose such release for your execution. That the debt secured by the trust to you and Mr. Brown has been paid and satisfied is shown by the release from Mrs. Taggart & Vashon.

Please execute the release before a Notary and have the usual Certificate of the Clerk of a Court of Record, under its seal, that the notary is duly authorized to take acknowledgments annexed thereto.

Any expense you may be put to in this matter will be refunded upon receipt of a memorandum showing the amount. By giving this matter early attention

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and returning the enclosures by registered mail you will greatly oblige

Very respectfully

J. W. Day Hall

Commissioner

Hon. [illegible]

Freedman's Savings
& Trust Co
Washington, D.C.
Oct 12, 1881.

Answered Oct 27 by [illegible]
by the Seal

Recd. Oct 15, 1881.

Edmund P. Platt, Chairman,
W. H. Michales, Secretary,
Walter Hughson, Treasurer,
George A. Hall, State Secretary.

Executive Committee
of the State Association
of the Young Men's Christian Associations
of the State of New York
Cor. of 23d Street and Fourth Ave.,
New York.

October 13th 1881.

Dear Sir & Bro:

I am troubled that so much of our time is occupied in keeping up the machinery of our organizations, and as far as I can learn, so few conversions,- Excuse me if I say I fear our members need to be impressed with the need of definite work for the conversion of young men. We are reaching many, but how few are led to the Savior.

I would suggest, if it meets your approval, a conference of your active members,- perhaps a Members Tea - at which two or three of your men who sympathize with you shall socially present what has been done, and what has not, especially the field and its condition, and urge the need

of this work. Then ask for suggestions of methods, plans, &c. &c. Follow this with a season of personal consecration and prayer.

You will understand I would not have less secular work, but I would have every member fully alive to the fact that it is but means to an end.

Let me urge some definite action in your Association at the very beginning of our Winter's work.

I am yours very truly,
Geo. A. Hall.
State Sec'y.

Executive Committee of the State Association

of the

Young Men's Christian Associations

of the State of New York.

New York, October 13th 1881.

Quarterly Report of Geo. A. Hall, State Secretary.

During the Quarter ending Oct. 13th have visited thirty different Associations.

Attended State Sunday School Convention.
" Association Grove Meeting at Bliss Station.
" Y. M. C. A. day at Ocean Grove.
" Bible Conference at Grimsby, Ontario.
and visited Hamilton "
" State Conventions of Illinois and Wisconsin.
" Parlor Conference at Minneapolis, Minn.

ASSOCIATIONS ORGANIZED. CLIFTON; DEWITT R.R.; NEW YORK CITY CHINESE; OLEAN; PORT HENRY R.R.; WINDSOR; YONKERS.

ASSOCIATION AT WATERLOO, SUSPENDED.

There are encouraging prospects for Association Buildings at Rome; Troy R.R. and Elmira R.R.

Three new places were opened for General Secretaries, viz: CORTLAND, W. P. DREW. YONKERS, F. R. WARDLE. DEWITT R.R. CHAS. E. HEAD.

Secretaries are desired at CORNING, CARTHAGE & CATSKILL.

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Important changes in Secretaries.

Auburn.	Van Franken	vice	Goodrich (resigned)
Binghamton.		"	Head.
Clifton Springs.	Burgess	"	Brooks.
Hudson.	Richter	"	Simmons.
Hornellsville.	Adams	"	Sheldon.
Little Falls. R.R.	Searles (acting)	"	Crocker.
Oneonta.	Bush	"	Judd
Rochester R.R.		"	Abbott.
Rondout.	More	"	
Syracuse.	Warburton	"	Hudson.
Watertown	Speares	"	Warburton.

Hall, Pen. Sec.

Ch. to Cro.
Oct 29/81.

Answered
Nov 1. 1881.

Regular Quarterly Meeting of the State Executive Committee in rooms at Association Building, cor. 23d St. & 4th Ave. Thursday, Oct. 13th at 8 O'clock P.M.

Present. Messrs. Platt. Havemeyer, Munger. Hughson Stockwell, Michales, and State Secretary Hall.

Prayer by Mr. Munger.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Report of Treasurer showed subscriptions still unpaid $696.80

Bills due; State Secretary $60.69
Nesbitt & Co 87.25
Estimated expenses balance of year 675.
$822.94

making estimated deficiency $126.14

Report of State Secretary (see enclosed)

Mr. Stekwell for Committee on Railroad work reported that Association at Little Falls would cease as a Railroad Association on November 1st because of removal of the men from that place. Effort was being made to organize a Town Association.

Railroad work generally prosperous.

Recommended that the members of Railroad Committees be asigned supervision of Special Associations

It was voted as follows:

Mr. Brown, Buffalo, Hornellsville, Elmira.
Mr. Durand, Rochester, Syracuse, DeWitt.
Mr. Stockwell, N.Y. City, Albany, East and West Albany, Troy, Green Island, Oneonta, Port Henry.

Buildings by aid of the Railroad Companies were being erected at Elmira and Troy.

Mr. Munger reported for Commercial Travelers Committee that some progress had been made but not what could be desired, Weekly

Regular quarterly meeting of the state Executive Committee in room at Lake Erie Building, on 23rd St. & 4th Ave. Thursday Oct. 13th at 8 o'clock P.M.

Present. Messrs. Platt, Treasurer, Manager, Trafficker, Storrowell, Mitchell, and State Secretary Hall.

Prayer by Mr. Manager.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Report of Treasurer showed subscriptions

	$ 196.80
Bills due: State Secretary	$ 60.69
Publication	87.25
Estimated expense balance of year	675.-
	$ 822.94
Leaving estimated deficiency	$ 126.14

Report of State Secretary (see enclosed)

Mr. Storrowell for Committee on Railroad work reported that Association at Little Falls would cease as a Railroad Association in November / on account of removal of the men from that place, effort was being made to organize a new Association.

Railroad work generally prosperous.

Recommended that the number of Railroad Committee to be assigned supervision of special Association be increased as follows:

Mr. Brown, Buffalo, Horseheads, Elmira.
Mr. Durand, Rochester, Geneva, Penn Yan.
Mr. Storrowell, N.Y. City, Albany, Saratoga, Troy, Albany, Troy, Green, Schenectady, Port Henry.

Installing by said of the Railroad Gymnasia were being arranged at Elmira and Troy.

Mr. Manager reported for Commercial Travelers Committee that some progress had been made but not what could be desired. Monthly

meeting at New York Rooms all Summer, asked for authority to divide the work as the other Committees had done,

Resolved, That Southampton Association be admitted to State Association, and that all Branches of Associations belonging to State Association be designated in the Report as Members of the State Association.

Resolved, that Mr. Dalley's resignation be not accepted as Member of the Committee, because of his valuable services.

Resolved, that Mr. Hardings resignation be accepted with regret, by reason of removal from the State.

Resolved, that the action of the Chairman in consenting to Mr. Hall's visits to Illinois and Wisconsin be approved.

Resolved, that the date of next Convention at Auburn be fixed for Feb. 16-19. 1882. if Local Committee approve.

Resolved, that, Messrs. McBurney, Lyon, Havemeyer, Munger and Platt be the Committee of arrangements, with power.

Resolved, that arrangements for Secretaries' Conference be referred to same Committee.

Report from Committee on District work stated that but little Summer work had been done aside from preparing for following District Conventions.

1st	District	to	meet	at	Mt. Vernon.	Nov 1-2.
2d	"	"	"	"	Rondout.	" 8-9
3d	"	"	"	"	Cohoes.	
5th	"	"	"	"	Clifton Springs	Oct 25-26
6th	"	"	"	"	Lisle	" 21-22
9th	"	"	"	"	Elmira.	

A local Conference was held at Ogdensburg Sept 10-12. Vacancies in a number of District

meeting a few work forms all summer, lacked for authority to divide the work as the other Committee had done.

Resolved, that Southampton Association be authorized to erect dormitories, and that all Presidents of Associations belonging to State Association be designated as the Board of Managers of the State association.

Resolved, that Mr. Bailey's resignation be accepted as Member of the Committee, in view of his valuable services.

Resolved, that Mr. Hardinge's resignation be accepted with regret by reason of removal from the state.

Resolved, that the action of the Chairman in consulting Mr. Hall and Mr. Illinois and Minnesota be approved.

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Conference be joined for Feb. 18-19, 1882, of Local Committee officers.

Resolved, that Messrs. Mr Mooney, Lyon, Mooney or Hunger and Platt be the Committee of arrangements with power.

Resolved, that earnest search for Secretary and Treasurer be renewed by Home Committee.

Report from Committee on District and State that for little Summer work had been done, with thanks from Pacific for following District Conventions,

1st District to meet at Port Townsend, Nov 1-3.
2d " " " Portland 8-9
3d " " " Salem
4th " " " Philip Sheridan Oct 26-28
5th " " " Lewis " 21-23
6th " " " Ellensburg

A local Conference was held at Spokane Feb 10-12. Represented was a number of districts

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Mount Morris Bank

NEW YORK CITY.

A. P. Ketchum, President.
T. W. Robinson, Cashier.

New York Oct 14 1881

My Dear General

My friend General O. O. Howard an whom I served during the latter part of the war has a son about 18 years old namely Chauncey O. Howard, whom he would like to have nominated to a cadetship at West Point. No son of the General has ever received or applied for such a nomination, and in view of the important services the General has rendered the country it has occured to me that you would perhaps, favor the son's application. I know Chauncey well and have known him since he was quite young. He is a fellow of fine personal appearance, thoroughly correct in all his habits and of excellent capacity. Should you see the way to include his name among the nominations at large which may be made I feel that you will not be disappointed in the record he will afterward make for himself.

Sincerely Yours
(sgd) A. P. Ketchum

Hon. Chester A. Arthur
President of the United States.

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Barr, T. F.
U. S. A.

Washington
Oct 14, 1881.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON.
Oct. 14-1881.

My dear General:

I thank you sincerely for the compliment conveyed in your note of the 10th inst. and, should Mr. Lincoln retire from the cabinet, will take the matter into serious consideration, and confer with

you in regard to it. My education is purely that of a lawyer, and has not fitted me to pass upon the proficiency of students in scientific studies. Does the Law Professor in this behalf go beyond his own specialty?

It is probable that we shall learn, soon after the Yorktown celebration, the constitution of the new Cabinet.

Sincerely yours
Thomas T. Parr

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
U. S. Army.

Maxwell, G. J.

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Philadelphia
Oct 14th 1881

Dear Sir

As from your position you are well acquainted with the wants of our frontier Army Posts in reference to Chaplains, Religious Service on Sunday, Post Libraries, and Post Schools, if it is not putting you to too much trouble, would you kindly at your convenience give me some facts in reference to the same.

The War Department has kindly sent me at my request a printed

do you think on the subject.

How is the education of children at these Posts provided for? Do they have Sunday School Libraries, and proper Sunday, and Day Schools regularly conducted at these Posts. Or is their education carried on in an irregular way, and if so, what is it due to, is it because they have not the proper books for the purpose, and if they were sent to them, would they be availed of by those for improvement.

About what number of Posts are without Post

list of the different Army Posts with the Posts at which there are Chaplains marked on it, so that I have been able to tell the number of those that have none. What is the feeling in general at Posts where there are no Chaplains, do they try to have regular Religious Service on Sunday, or if not, do you think they would if the proper Religious Books for the purpose were furnished them?

About what proportion of Posts are without Libraries, and where Libraries exist do the men seem disposed to make use of them to improve themselves?

From a remark I once heard made by an officer who had served on the frontier, I have suspected that much of the card playing, and drinking sometimes complained of in the Army, was due to the fact that at such Posts there was no Library or other means of improving themselves, and that card playing and drinking were resorted to, to kill time by the thoughtless, and that if such Posts had good Libraries much of the bad influence would be overcome? From your experience what

Sunday Schools or Day Schools.

As soon as I have more definite data, and better understand the needs of the Frontier Posts in reference to Religious and Secular Improvement, I shall try to see if more cannot be accomplished than at present to help those who need help.

In my Opinion Army Posts should be made centres from which a good influence should be exerted morally as well as physically throughout the parts of our country

in which they are located but of course in order to accomplish that result, those at those Post must have the right-influence about them, by having proper means of improving themselves in the right way. To what extent do those means exist at present?

Hoping to hear from you at your convenience I remain

yours truly
Gifford J. Maxwell
1532 Spruce Street
Philadelphia
Pa.

Cincinnati 15 Oct. 1881.

Gen. O. O. Howard:

My dear General:

I return you herewith the portions of your report which you were kind enough to loan me. They have enabled me to be much more specific & accurate in some portions of the story of the Atlanta campaign than I could otherwise have been. That volume has gone to the publishers and I am beginning on the "March to the Sea" &c. This will cover the whole period from the taking of Atlanta down to the surrender of Joe Johnston.

May I beg that you will do me a similar favor in sending me your reports of that period? It is the best means I have of getting at the part done by the Army of the Tennessee. Yours

Cincinnati
Oct 15. 1881.

indeed the only really satisfactory way.

Can you give me also the title & date of the Congressional report of the Commission on claims for property burned in Columbia? I shall refer very briefly to that incident, but I shall wish to read all the testimony, so that even a brief summary may be accurate & fair, as far as it goes. I should be glad also to have your personal opinion of the matter with reference to the question whether the fires which were burning when you entered the town were probably spread wilfully by the troops - though without orders.

I am anxious to be negatively as well as affirmatively accurate, & to make no strong assertions that future investigations may be likely to overthrow.

The tendency to destroy the property of the wealthy class, which our soldiers held responsible for the war, was a growing one, and I often had occasion to note it. I feel no need of blinking this or of much apology for it. My own resistance to it was based upon reasons of discipline rather than of ~~[illegible]~~ consideration due the public Enemy. I strove to stop it, for the reason stated.

Very sincerely Yours

J. R. Cox

J. H. Gilman

Washington D.C. Oct. 15, 81

Genl. O. O. Howard U.S. Army.
West Point, N.Y.

Dear General:

In reply to yours of 11th inst. am sorry to say that I have not a copy of the decision referred to & think I never saw it except in the newspapers.

It was given, I believe, in the form of a letter from the Adjt Genls office to the member from my Dist – & to the effect that the real residence of a minor is held to be that of the Father or parent – that a minor cannot acquire a residence distinct from that of his father or parent & that an officer does not

defined & understood – If it means anything else – the place where one is in person at the time, when he eats & sleeps &c for – a day – a month – or a year – anything in fact except bona fide legal residence, the object of the Law would seem to be entirely defeated.

If, as you say, your bona fide residence is Leeds Me, the same is no doubt the real legal residence of your Minor Children, & if Chauncey is still a minor he is eligible to appt from your Dist & I hope he will get it. My son I hear is doing well at the Academy & hope & think he will continue to do so. Mrs Gilman joins me in kind regards to yourself & Mrs Howard. – Yours Very truly J. H. Gilman

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usually lose his residence by reason of his being absent in the service of the U.S. — The letter I think was to about the above effect. We have all been to call on the President to day (Army & Navy Officers) & I have not had time to get away from the Office to go over to the A.G.O. but will do so Monday & if I can get a copy of it will send it to you at once.

Any construction to discriminate against Officers Sons in the matter — to debar them from privileges accorded to others — not allow them residence any where on account of their Fathers serving the County would be manifestly unjust & I think is generally so regarded. It certainly is difficult to define what actual residence is or to say what constitutes it for any legal purpose whatever, if it be not the legal bona fide residence. —

The law was apparently made to prevent the passing from one State or Dist to another in order to get an appointment — in other words to secure to each Dist. an appt. from its own real bona fide residents as distinguished from those temporarily residing there — & therefore limited the appts to actual residents which if it means anything tangible would seem to mean legal bona fide residence, which is a thing

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Extracts from letter of Col. Gilman.

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Washington, D.C. Oct 15, 1881.

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Yours very truly
(Signed) J. H. Gilman

Origl copy:
P. Jackson
Adj-Gen-Camp.

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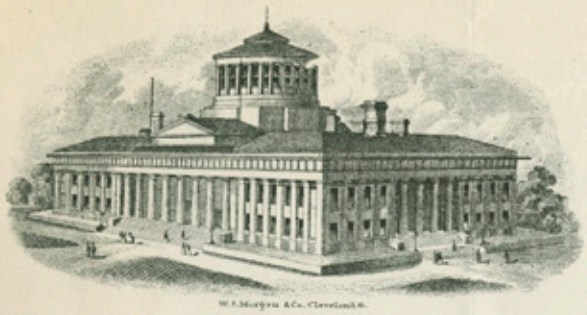

General Assembly of Ohio.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Columbus, Oct, 15, 1881

Maj. Gen'l. O. O. Howard,
Comander U. S. Military Academy, West Point, N. Y.

My Dear General :

I am writing the History of the Colored People in America from 1620 to 1880 : Negroes as Slaves, as Soldiers and as Citizens. I write to you as my personal friend to ask that you give me whatever information you can as to the origin of the Freedmen's Bereau for refugees or abandoned lands also the Freedmen's Saving Bank and Trust Company. I desire to know of their statutory origin and whatever you have to say of your official relation to them. Whatever information, my dear General, you cannot furnish, be so good as to refer me to any documentary evidence you know in exhistance. I am anxious to honor you for the noble self-sacrificing labors which you bestowed upon that hapless people to which I am joined by ties of consanguinity. I desire to justify your official conduct by the official record.. I would be glad also to have such information as you can impart in reference to the origin, extent and efficency of Night Schools for the Freedmen established under the Freedmen's Bereau.

I expect to be in New York either in November or December and shall avail myself of the opportunity to call upon you at West Point. I expect both volumes to be in the hands of the printers by April and trust your answer will be as complete and speedy as possible.

With very great respect, I am your friend,

Geo. W. Williams.

Williams, E. H.

Columbus
Oct 15. 1881.

Answd by Geo Gould
Oct 18/81

Headquarters, Dahlgren Post No. 113,

Department of New York, G. A. R.

Walhalla Hall 48 – 52 Orchard St.

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New York, October 15th 1881

General O O Howard, U.S.A.
West Point, New York.

General,

Enclosed kindly find Subscription Card, and Circular, towards the erection of a Headstone or Monument over the Remains of General Charles G. Halpine, "Miles O'Reilly".

If you will use your valuable aid & services amongst his many admirers under your Command the Committee appointed for the purpose named will feel under deep obligations. And sincerely trusting to have a favorable reply, Remain

General with deep respect
Your obedient Servant.

H Ward Powell.
Chairman Committee.

New York
Oct 15, 1881.

$24.00/100 check sent
Jas Stillman, Esq.
Dec 8. 1881. result
of subscriptions.

F. H. SMITH & SON,
Real Estate Brokers,
LIFE AND FIRE
INSURANCE,
515 Seventh Street Northwest.

Washington, D. C., October 15th 1881.

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Mr Genl O. O. Howard U. S. Army

In account with F. H. SMITH & SON,

		Dr.	Cr.
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	July 8. By bal. as per a/c to date.		$52 20
	Aug 23. " ck of Lee + Shepherd		49 93
	Oct 1 " H. Wex - 3 mos rent to date		120 00
Sept 6	Paid J T Lenman. Interest due on 427-7th	$160 00	
20	Repairs 427-7th	3 00	
20	Hartford Life + Annuity Ins Co	15 65	
Oct 1	Mutual " of Hartford	28 32	
"	Suit Justice Court vs. Fry (M St) 3.00 Commissions 6.	9 00	
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Inclosed find statement

Agents.

OFFICE OF

Washington, D. C., Oct 15th 1881

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

Dear Sir.

Enclosed find statement of your a/c to Oct 15th Mess A. S. Pratt & Son send notice of premium of $71.10 policy 23047 Natl Life Ins Co. falling due in a couple of days which we shall have to take up. We shall receive $40 from 7th st store Nov. 1. and shall have to ask you for a check for - say $30.00 to cover balance. Mr Fry the man in the old barracks building on M st East, failing to come to time, we tried the remedy we have successfully tried heretofore - notice to - Git - but this time he contested it. & owing to some unknown technical difficulty - ~~the notice~~ he won. & we have had to serve another notice. & this time hope for better results. My father is away for a couple of weeks, & I take his place

I became the father of an unusually promising young man Monday morning. Give me your congratulations

In haste very truly

Frank B. Smith

Chicago Oct 19

Washington
Oct 19 1881

Answered by this
Wed Oct 19 81

Lincoln, R. I.

Washington
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WAR DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON.

October 15-1881.

My dear General:

I have your letter of October first, respecting the appointment of your son to a Cadetship-at-large at West Point.

When you wrote before, the pressure upon the President was, as I knew, such that there was no chance for your son in the last list of appointments.

The situation at present is this: As I understand it, there are four Cadets-at-large to graduate in June, 1882. President Garfield, in June of this year, designated four regular candidates for these places, and three alternates.

Our experience this year indicates that there may possibly be a good many lapses in this list, so that your son might have a chance to get on the list somewhere: and it will give me pleasure to bring your application to the attention of the President on the first occasion, and to recommend myself the nomination desired by you.

Believe me, General,

Very respectfully yours.

R. W. Thom

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