Lanesboro, Mass
April 11, 1882.

Hon. Dear Sir:-

Very much has been said about our American poetical genius Edgar Allan Poe long since deceased and the stories are very contradictory. Some say he was subject to dissipation and died of delirium tremens while others deny it. His physician, J. J. Moran M.D. in his last illness in the Washington College University Hospital in Baltimore says; "He did not die under the influence of any kind of intoxicating drink." See "Boston Home Journal" March 11, 1882.

He was a total abstainer from 1841 to 1849 and was drugged and robbed even to his clothes before he was taken to the hospital where he died.

Having been a cadet at
West Point Military Academy

Having been a cadet at West Point Military Academy where he is said to have been cashiered on March 6, 1831 for neglect of duties and drunkenness, I would be very much obliged if you would copy the official record in brief relating to his sojourn with you and forward by return mail.

Very truly,
John Martin,
Pastor M.E.Ch.

P.S. Please send your last annual report by same mail.
J. M.

Martin, Rev J.

Lawrence, Mass
April 11. 1882.

Answd by the
Secul. Apl 19/82.

Rockport Mass
Apr 11. 1882 28

Friends Jan 10th & Tribune
Article & letter. If
I had to ask
you to pay for your
own place & I do not
hesitate to mention
it - but with 4 of us
out of that Coll. & not
one has you with any
chance but of being
mentioned. It seemed
to save family disgrace
if we could have a good
looking representative -
All pretty well. Hope the
bill will get through
and sometimes I
care little how soon
I do. Frank Gilman
has lost his dear sister
Sattie Bundy -

Hope you are
Independent review

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O O Howard

Bvt Maj Genl U.S.A.

West Point N.Y.

Dear Sir

Yours of Yesterday received. The Manuscript belonging to Maj D P Hancock U.S.A. Decease in your possession. You May if you please Send to me by Express any Suggestion by you in regard to them. will be received with gratitude you possibly may know of some use that can be made of it. I feel greatly obliged for the care you have taken of it and any expense

of forwarding it - I will bear

Yours Respectfully

Wm Hancock

Administrator

of Estate of David P Hancock

Deceased

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Luzerne Co

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Answered by the

Genl April

13. 1882.

Barrell, Prof. J. S.

Cambridgeport, Mass.
April 11. 1882.

Answered by the
General Apl 12/82

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342 Broadway,
Cambridgeport, Mass.,
April 11. 1882.

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

Dear Sir;

My class has begun the study of the late Civil War.

In that struggle for national existence, you well illustrated loyalty to country and loyalty to God.

I wish to inspire my pupils with these two ideas, and with gratitude

to those who served the country.

As a mean to this end, permit me to ask a few lines from you, written by your own hand, which I may read to this and successive classes, as we study the history of the Great Rebellion.

Very respectfully yours,

Jas. S. Barnell,

Master Ulmarc Grammar School

The Mississippi River Commission.
Presidents Office,
Army Building, 33 W. Houston St.
New York, April 11 1882

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My dear General

I have enclosed to you a copy of a letter on the subject of Sea coast defense.

If you have not seen it before please detach a half hour to its perusal, at your convenience time.

Our obligation

Yours truly
D. A. Gilmore

Gillmore, Genl Q.A.

New York
April 11. 1882.

Answd by the
Genl Apl 12/82

249 West 43d St N.Y. Apr. 12/82

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Dear General: Sometimes two or three Sunday Schools join together in their annual Excursion. There are two smaller schools that would like to come with us to West Point, all to be under our direction & control. Will it make any difference in the matter of "Permit." Please drop me a card in reply as soon as possible. Yours with "Permit" or Pass was duly & thankfully recd. - all send love -

Sincerely Yours
W. H. Mickle

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Genl O. O. Howard.

West Point

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U. S. Penitentiary
Deer Lodge, Mont.

[CCA - Apr. 12, 1882]

APR 12 1882 C.O.T.A.

O. O. Howard.
Major General
U. S. Army.

Dear Sir

I have received no answer to the letter I wrote you last February. I am sorry that I am so constantly importuning you for help. my getting out of this place will in a measure depend upon my getting a certificate from you certifying that I served with you during the Nez Perces and Blackfoot Indian War, on the 7th day of July on Clear Water we captured a squaw, I cite this circumstance merely to call your mind to the time so you may possibly remember me, which I am afraid may be more difficult than I immagine. In the evening the squaw was setting in front of your Tent, you sent for Jackie Lubbus and myself and we took her to our

Camp. during the Pagnack War. I carried to you a note from the Quartermaster of our command. I delivered it to you on the Walloga Hill. I left Steamboat landing on that morning and overtook you. you must certainly remember the circumstance if you would send me a written certificate acknowledging the above mentioned the Governor when he was over here mentioned that fact. and if I could get from you a certificate he would favorably consider my case. I am suffering from Lung disease. and have got Best a short hold on life. I have now been in confinement two years and four months. if you would write to General Wheaton. he would very well remember me. I went to Spokane with General Wheaton and Col Watkins

Please write

Yours Respectfully
John Lannan.

P.O.B. 124

Lothrop, C. D. F.

Leeds, Me
Apl 12. 1882.

Answered by the Genl
April 14. 1882

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Leeds Apr 12 82

Dear Gen Howard;

I recd an Enclosed letter from you containing an enquiry for the heirs of my brother Warren intimating that there was something due on his pay while in the Army,

If so I suppose you know all about it: you served in the Volunteers the same as he did and entered the Regular Army again the same the only difference being that you resigned I believe from the Regulars and he did not.

If you can give me any information concerning the matter it would be thankfully received

I thought that there might

be something in it as the
Pension Agents seem to be
making the enquiry.
and can you tell me if
they are reliable men whose
prospectus you sent me
We were very much
disappointed that your wife
did not come to see us when
she was here last fall
If James or Chancy come this
way next summer we should
be very happy to see them

Warren died Oct 31 1866
you can probably tell
me how much if any thing
is due under the recent construct-
-ion of the act of Congress
Yours Truly D. F. LaRoy

Field, Rev. G. W.

Bangor, Me.
April 13. 1882.

Answd by the
Secl. Apl 18/82

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Bangor April 13
[1882]

Dear Sir

The Maine Conference meets in this city on the 20th of June with the Church of which I am Pastor — and it is appointed to me to make arrangements for it. It has occurred to me that you might possibly find it convenient to pay a visit to your native state at that time — There is no man in the order whom the churches would more gladly welcome —

And if you should come

some words from you on
the American Miss. Cause
– the Education of the Freedmen –
would be specially desired

Please let me know
at your earliest convenience
whether we may have the
great pleasure of seeing you
hearing you on the occasion –

Yours
G. W. Field

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Fort Monroe Va.
13th Apl 1882

Dear Father.

I have decided to sell the land in Nebraska. Mother has the deed. You held it the land in trust for me & it has never been deeded over. I would like you to compare the descriptions in the enclosed deeds with the old one and then execute them and send them back to me as soon as convenient. The President and Secretary of War are here today at the Soldiers Home. I spent Tuesday in Washington. I feared they were going to take too long in granting my leave

but found it all right. I also got a passport at Jamie's suggestion but fear it is rather unnecessary. I have just finished the second day of our horse examination. We have one more - next week horse examinations in artillery drill. I have not heard from home for some time but fancy all are well.

With much love to mother and all the others

Lovingly your son

Guy Howard

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CHURCH OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR, (Lee Ave. Congregational.)

Memorandum from Rev. W. F. CRAFTS.

184 Hewes St., Brooklyn, E. D., N. Y., 4/13 *1882*

Can not find any Van Borden's in Brooklyn Directory. We have pleasant memories of your visit & Mrs Crafts joins me in regards.

Yours Cordially

W. F. Crafts

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Dr. N. Rice

249 West 43d St. N. Y. City.
April 13th 1882.

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Dear General,

Your note of yesterday is at hand. I generally address Mr. Richardson as follows —

Capt. Ben. Richardson.
Lincoln Cottage, 125th Street,
Harlem, N. Y. City. N. Y.

I shall invite him to go with us on our Excursion to West Point, June 20th and if he cannot go then, I promised to go with him sometime this year and call on you.

I was about to write him when your note came. I will call his attention to Mr. Slater's gift for the Education of Freed-men.

I hope you will succeed.

Sincerely Yours.
W. K. Mickle.

Michler, Rev W. H.

New York City
April 13, 1882.

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C. B. WARE & CO.

Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers,

20 to 24 State Street,

New London, Conn.,

April 14 1882

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Mr O. O. Howard

Sir having seen your Book (Chief Joseph) on the outbreak of the Indians and having lost track of my Brother who was a volunteer from Lower Baise in the engagements I think you the right person to write for Information he was on a ranche at Lower Baise the last that I heard from him but the Post Master wrote me that he went with a company of Valunteerz to fight the Indians and I have not heard from him since

see No 2

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His Name is Andrew Mussel but
Assumes the Name Wm. Ross he was
in the 5th Reg Artilery During the Rebellion
and afterwards served in the Service
at Portland Walla Walla and other places
he is 36 years of Age Light Complexion
about 5 ft 8 or 10 inches has a scar on his
Nose a part of which is gone
is American by Birth Light Hair
if you can give me any
information I wil be willing
to pay for your Trouble

yours &c

R Mussel

New London

Ct

P.S

He may have Assumed
some other Name

Murcel, R.

New London
April 14/82

Answered by Geo
Geul Apl 25/82

ta, Ga. OFFICE OF
~~H. J. KIMBALL HOUSE.~~
SCOVILLE & TERRY,
Proprietors.
Also, Proprietors of the "NORVELL" and "ARLINGTON," Lynchburg, Virginia.

Atlanta, Ga. April 14 1882

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Gen. O. O. Howard
Supt. U.S. Military Acad.

Sir,

In behalf of my stepson and client, Cadet W. P. Maury, I have the honor herewith of applying for leave of absence from May 1 to Jany 1883, or at least for two months from above date.

He has no guardian, came of age March 81. He has valuable property rights which have fallen into litigation, during which I have been, and still am, his Attorney. Fully appreciating, with himself, the advantage of uninterrupted stay at the Academy, I have striven to dispense with his appearance.

I regret very much, however, to say that it is no longer practicable; that, in the coming May and September Courts, unless I can secure his personal attendance, his legal rights will be

put in great jeopardy, if not entirely sacrificed. His intention and wish would be to repeat, in January, the three 4th class

Submitting the facts and craving yr speedy action in the case, as one of extreme urgency, I have the honor to be

With most respect
Your Obet Servt
R. E. Pinford
Atty.

Address
#18 West Garnett
St Atlanta Ga

Adt Mr.

Chatham England
14 April 1882

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
Superintendant U.S. Mil. Academy
West Point N.Y.

Dear Sir;

I must apologise for not having sooner answered your letter of the 30th of January, which reached me in London towards the last of February.

The delay is not entirely my fault, but is due a little to (sickness, a little to) delay in my getting some information I sought for, and a little to my being at the present moment obliged to attempt

or two years as he may desire.

I send you by this same mail one of its programmes, giving object, conditions of admission, and course of study.

I think you will find an English version of this programme in Barnard's "Technical Education in Europe" of which a copy is, I believe, to be found in the U.S. M. A. Library.

The French spoken in Lausanne is very good indeed, and I know of no pleasanter situation for a years residence. If you should think of sending your son to that city, I can warmly recommend you to place him under the charge of a Mr. G. Olivier de Speyr, who is the head of an institution for

to do twice the work I have time for.

The best polytechnic education to be got in any French speaking European country is at the Ecole des Arts et Metiers in Paris. However this school requires the pupil to give up three years to its course of study, and moreover to be conversant with French before entering. Besides all this it would require his constant residence in Paris, which you object to.

The next best school is at Zurich (Zurich Polytechnic School) where the scholar can remain as many or as few years as he likes, but where he ought to know both French and German

at entrance.

$600 would just about cover all expenses of teaching and living in either Paris or Zurich if properly spent.

Geneva would be, in my opinion, as objectionable as Paris for your son's residence. Besides this there is no first class polytechnic school there.

Lausanne, in Switzerland, on Lake Geneva, might serve your purpose very well. The atmosphere of the place is very clear morally as well as meteorologically. There is a very fair technical school there (Academie de Lausanne) where your son could follow the course of study for one

you can do better than send him to Lausanne for his first year.

As regards instruction in Civil and Mechanical Engineering, it is taught better at the Mass. Institute of Technology, and the Troy Polytechnic schools, than at any place in Europe except Paris (Ecole des Arts et Metiers, & Ecole des Ponts et Chaussées, both three years courses).

As to printed matter on the subject of Technical schools abroad, I have been on the look-out for such literature during all my stay in Europe and I can assure you that for accuracy, completeness, combined with conciseness, and general usefulness, there is no work

equal to it.

I met Mr. de Speyr last summer while he was travelling in Switzerland with his pupils; the latter were all very gentlemanly in their manners, and I was very favorably impressed by both himself and them. In fact, the first condition he requires of his pupils is that they shall be gentlemen.

Most of his scholars are under 18 years of age; still if your son should desire to go there he would be treated by Mr de Speyr more as a fellow-student than as a pupil, and he would not

be subjected to the annoyances of the house as the younger and less responsible men.

Mr de Speyr's house is on the high ground above the lake, is comfortable and healthy (so he says). I send you a photograph of it in the Lausanne's Academy's programme.

His terms, including board, lodging, washing, French, German, Italian, Greek, Latin, Mathematics, Mathematical Drawing, & in his classes is in all $530 a year.

The tuition at the Academy of Lausanne costs about $440 a year.

You son could select his studies according to his choice, partly under the de Speyrs, and partly at the Academy.

Mr de Speyr is in the habit of spending three or four weeks every summer walking through the mountain region of Switzerland and he takes his scholars (those who so desire) with him, thus enabling them to get air, exercise & fine scenery at a minimum of expense.

If you wish fresh air, a healthy location, pleasant and good surroundings, a good advser, a good chance to learn French, German & Italian, combined with an outlook towards civil & mechanical engineering, I don't believe

Bixby, W. H.
Lt. U.S.A.

Chatham
Apl 14. 1882.

half as valuable as "Barnard's Technical Education in Europe" an octavo volume published in New York and of which I think the U.S.M.A library possesses a copy. This work is almost as up-to-date today as when published.

Hoping that you will excuse my unintentional delay, and that my letter may prove of some real use to you I remain, very truly yours

W. H. Bixby
Lieut. of Engrs
U.S. Army

Mr de Speyr's address is
M. Olivier de Speyr
La Colline
Lausanne
Switzerland

Truly so valuable as "Barnard's Technical Education in Europe" an extra volume published in New York and Virtual Print at U.S.M.A. library possesses a copy. This work is almost as up-to-date today as when published.

Hoping that your visit proves my recollection of delay, and that my letter may prove of some real use to you

Yours, very truly yours,

[illegible]

Lieut. of Engs

U.S.A.

Mr. de Lamy's address is
Mr. Adrien de Lamy
de Collins
Tennessee

Lieut. W.H.
U.S.A.

Mr. Adrien
April 14, 1882.