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Cornwall Heights

May 16th 1882

Gen. Howard

My dear Sir:

I send
herewith statement.

I have sufficient funds
till the 1st of July.

Very truly yours

Coble

Cobb, D.

Cornwall-on-
Hudson

May 16. 1883.

Answered by
the Seal June 20/82



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Genl O. Howard J.
West Point

You are cordially invited to attend the Thirtieth Anniversary of St. John's Methodist Episcopal Church, of Newburgh, N. Y., on

Tuesday, May 23, 1882.

The services will take place in the church, commencing with a re-union of former pastors and members at 2.30 p. m.

Rev. Bishop Matthew Simpson, D. D., LL. D., the world renowned orator, will preach at 7.30 p. m.

The entire exercises are expected to be of the most interesting character.

By order of the Committee of Arrangements.

ALEXANDER McLEAN, Pastor.

Newburgh, May 16, 1882.

Handwritten signature: Wm. W. ...

You are cordially invited to attend the ...
... of Newburgh, N. Y. on

Wednesday, May 23, 1882

The services will take place in the church, commencing
... with a session of former pastors and members at
8:30 p. m.

Rev. Bishop, Matthew Stephen, D. D., LL. D., the
... will preach at 7:30 p. m.

The entire services are expected to be of the most
... interesting character.

By order of the Committee of Arrangements,
ALEXANDER MELLAN, Tutor.

Newburgh, May 16, 1882.

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New York May 16. 82

My dear General

I have taken the liberty to give this note of introduction to Mr. W. C. Butler Jr. of So. Ca. who will present himself for admission into the Military Academy. He is the son of Senator Butler, a staunch friend of the Army & the Academy, and I bespeak for the young gentleman your good offices in smoothing down the rougher aspects of early cadetship, in so far as you are able to do so by suggestion and advice, or such other ways as may occur to you. The appearance of my

plebe encampment were such,
that I am not disposed to undervalue
the advantages of social intercourse
between the new cadet and the authorities,
and I believe your view on this point
are in accord with mine.

I regret that I was obliged
to leave the Point so early last
Monday, that I could not call
to see you.

Very truly
Yours,
J. J. Gillman

Yours O. O. Hanson
Superintendent to
New Point

The high appreciation of your character and distinguished
 services for our beloved country and of your special qual-
 ifications for the honor Eugene City Gov. May 16th 1882
 Major Genl. O. O. Howard U. S. A.
 Supt. U. S. M. A. West. Point A. N.

Dear Sir: Edward Brooks

Among the young men who will
 be present at West Point as candidates for Cadet Ship will be
 Edward Cranston Brooks who won his recommendation at a
 competitive examination in the city of Portland in the sum-
 mer of 1880. He is the son of D. C. Brooks Esq. a gentleman well
 known in our state and of superior clerical capacity having been
 successively the chief clerk of Gen J. S. Stevens, Gen Jas. Desmuth and
 myself in the Indian Superintendencies of Washington & Ore-
 -gon. The young man has been favorably known to me from
 his childhood, is small but of fine physique, of manly and correct
 deportment, good morals, studious habits and aptness in his
 studies. He was one year in the preparatory department of our
 State University and is held in high esteem for proficiency in
 study by those of the faculty to whom he recited. With their concurrence
 I take the honor to address you this note attesting his reputation and
 capacity, and recommending him to your favorable regard. He leaves
 home with but little acquaintance with the world, but with the moral
 and intellectual qualities that with with persistent culture promises
 a useful and honorable future.

[Faint, mostly illegible handwriting on lined paper]

Chicago City, Ill.
May 16, 1882



[Handwritten scribbles and markings on the right edge of the paper]

Harner, Miss Jettie etc. had in
ed mathematics with in 4 new quarters
up; to know - names of, says it elsewhere
says me D, etc. 'Right etc in print etc
says me C, ed P, with of our list not
it says principal of base oil - has been
quarters etc in - names returns in well
- good sets of certain materials etc go

West Point
May 16, 1882

Received by the
Genl. May 19, 1882.

MAY 18 1882
O. O. H.

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Martler's Rock,
West Point, N. Y.

May 16/82

Dear General Howard,
May I thank you for your
kindness in remembering your promise
to me - "letting my cadet friends come
over to read with me on Sundays".
I am very glad to have them, I would
be quite unable in the warm season
to go over to meet them in the Hall.
I thank you the more, because I
know the Commandant makes it in
a sort - unhesitatingly for you - I
truly so he does for me! he is my
"Alexander the coppersmith". But - but -
so me please our Master, it does not
matter whom else we displease; or
before I know you have learned to taste

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Chicago, May 16th 1882

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

My Dear General
I am trying to
get up to read before a
Club here - and possibly
before our Illinois Com-
mandery of the Loyal Legions
a careful account of the
first day of the Battle of
Bentonville - I want to
write it with absolute
truthfulness, but not with the
idea of picking flaws in any

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NO. 117 & 119 STATE STREET.

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Chicago, May 16th 1852

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

My dear General
I am trying to
get up a book before a
week has - and possibly
before our Illinois Gov.
inauguration of the 1st day of
a careful account of the
first day of the battle of
Gettysburg - I would
write it with absolute
truthfulness, but not with the
view of making them in any

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our military record.

May I ask you for a few items from your post of observation during the day - anything you may choose to send me -

I would especially like to know at what time you first heard the sounds of the conflict in our wing?

Whether they seemed to you to indicate serious work?

When and through whom you first heard of the actual

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apprehension the ~~first~~ left wing
had encountered?

How far your line of march
lay south of ours - and what
the relative position of your
two corps was during the day
and at nightfall? and
how far you went into camp
that night from the battle field?

I have seen Strong's diary
and from that I infer you
were quite apprehensive and
anxious for the fate of the left
wing during the afternoon.
I am sorry to trouble

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My dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the purchase of your
and at nightfall? and

to order was during the day
the relative position of your
day books of - and what
I have for your line of business
I have found through my
and from that I wish you
were quite apprehensive and
convinced for the fact of the
very serious situation.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. J. Janssen

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you thus, General, but I do
not wish to fail in any
effort to make my account
correct.

It is very likely you
have entirely forgotten me,
and my name, and I
will only add I was at
that time Adjutant General
of the Ninth Corps.

I am, General.

Very Truly Yours

A. C. McClurg

McClurg, A.C.

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Chicago, Ill.

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May 16. 1882.

Answered by the
Soul. May 19. 1882.



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Howard University.

Washington, D. C., May 16th 1882.

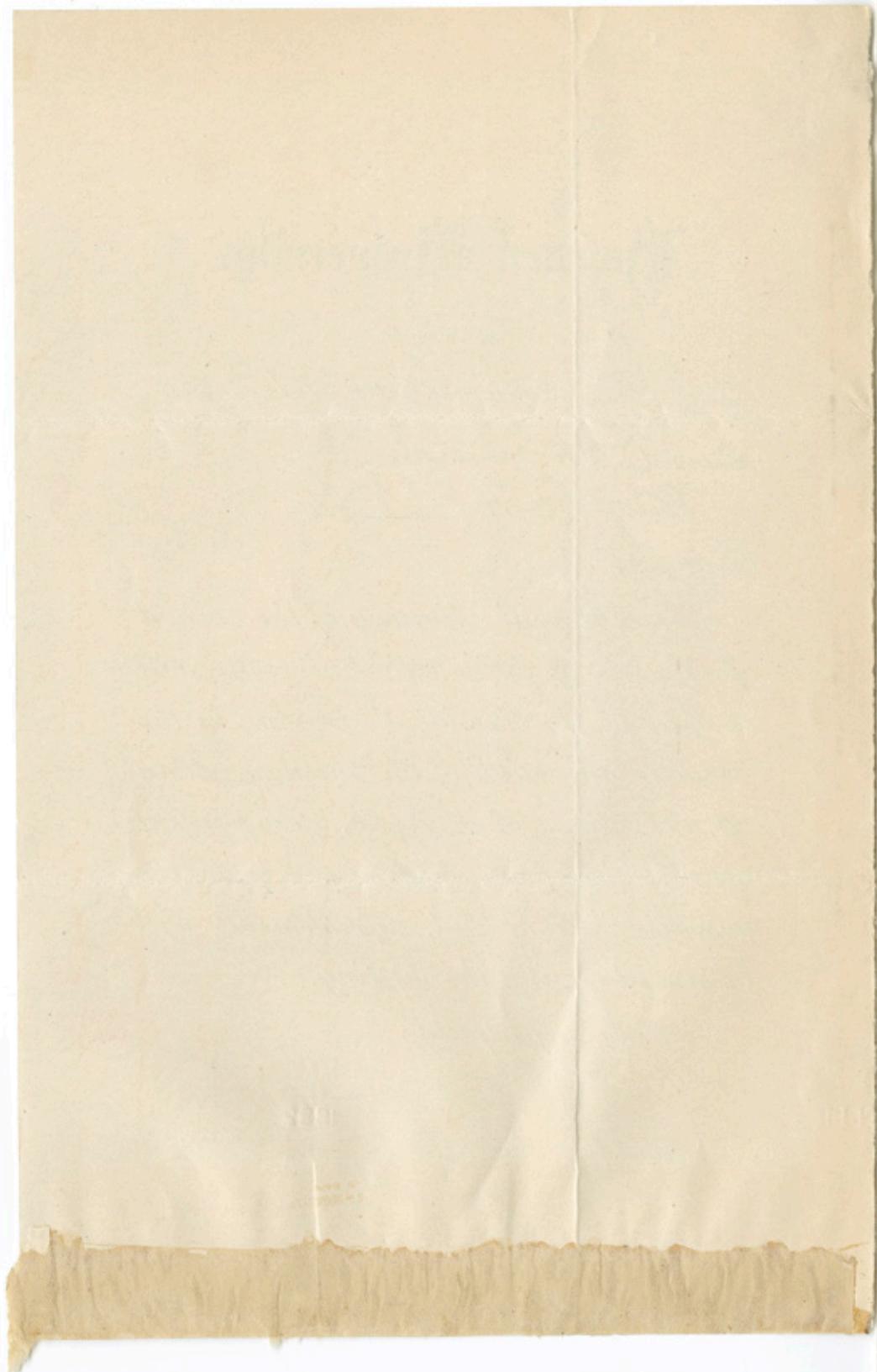
Gen O'Donoghue.
West Point N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Howard University will be held in the President's Room, in the University Building, on Tuesday, May 30, 1882, at 3 o'clock P. M. To prevent the necessity of an adjournment before the business is completed, refreshments will be served during the meeting.

Very respectfully,

J. B. Johnson.
Secretary.



LAW OFFICE OF
ALEXANDER P. KETCHUM,
139 FULTON STREET.

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BENNETT BUILDING,
Rooms 2 & 3, Fourth Floor.

New York, May 17. 1885

My dear General,

I am in the neighborhood
fix of having to secure speakers, to
deliver 15 minute speeches, in our
church at Harlem on Thursday
afternoon of next week at 3 o'clock
the occasion being the Anniversary
meeting of the Sunday School of
Harlem that evening that day
gathered in the various churches. Will
you come down to be one of the speakers
and help me out of my difficulty.
You would be very cordially wel-
comed. You can lunch with
me at Harlem at 1 o'clock.

Yours sincerely A. P. Ketchum

Ketchum, A. P.

ALEXANDER P. KETCHUM

120 FULTON STREET

BENNETT BUILDING
Rooms 2 & 3, South 1100

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Dear Sir,
I am in the unfortunate
position to be unable to
attend to your letter of the
12th inst.

New York
May 17, 1882

Yours truly,
A. P. Ketchum

MAY 18 1882
O. O. B.

Committee on Ways and Means,

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, D. C., May 17, 1882.

Dear General:

I have made numerous appeals to members of the House Committee on Appropriations to finish up the Academy Bill, but what is known here as "political expediency" has stronger claims upon the average legislator than public necessity, and therefore your bill has remained locked up. This delay is not owing to any opposition to the further amendments to the M. A. Bill. All appropriations bills passed lately by the two Houses are held up in the same manner and for the same reason. The Republicans desire to secure certain objects before final adjournment, among others the seating ^{in the House} of certain Republican contestants, and therefore have decided to hold back the appropriation bills in order to insure these results. So long

as the necessary supplies for the government are unprovided for Congress cannot dissolve. If all the appropriation bills were through the leaders could not hold Congress here for many days after the warm weather strikes us, particularly as this is the year that members of the House are needed at home to look after their re-election. I write you thus at length in order to explain a delay which, I have no doubt, appears to you ^{very} mysterious and unnecessary.

My opinion is that the first amendments - all of them - will be concurred in. Those members of the Committee to whom I have talked expressed a willingness to vote for them. As I wrote you once before, there can be no doubt about the Swimming bath and porter train. As for the "incident of the 'tel' item I have more hope than when I last wrote, and will not be surprised if it gets through. I had a talk yesterday with Mr. Blackburn about pushing the bill to completion. He said he had

been unable to do anything thus far, but
 added that he would finish it this week.
 After urging upon him the necessity of the
 three items inserted by the Senate, I told him
 that you were naturally anxious to have the
 bill disposed of, that I proposed writing you
 in a day or two and asked him what I should
 say to you about the bill. To this he replied -
 "I'll give Howard I will not hurt him." I
 think this means that if Blackburn don't
 vote for concurring in the Senate amendments
 he will not fight against them.

Mrs. Camp of N.Y.; Davis of Mo.;
 and Blackburn of Ky. have been appointed
 by the Speaker to the Board of Visitors. Black-
 burn you know. Camp and Davis are
 pleasant gentlemen, and will be good visitors
 for the Academy. Camp was not, but Davis
 was, in the military service. They are fair
 men. Camp is the more positive of the two
 and will give Davis - that is Davis will
 ordinarily
 favor Camp rather than Blackburn. The
 latter is the prime factor in the House

End of the Board, and I have no doubt
 will be felt in the joint body. He can be
 great service to the Academy next year, and
 it would be advisable to let him know
 what is needed, and to show him why you
 need it. I hope you will be able to induce
 the Congressional Visitors to condemn that
 antique gymnasium. The entire outfit
 is discreditable to the government.

By the Agent's report for March
 I find that my boy received for the month 6
 demerits and 2 credits. Of the demerits 4
 were given for "communicating" which reciting
 mathematics. The punishment administered
 was 4 demerits, zero for recitation, and a
 number of confinements. The punishment
 was just, but I think unnecessarily severe
 and out of proportion to the offence. The
 zero, would have been, in my judgment,
 sufficient punishment. Penalties are
 administered more to correct abuses
 than to degrade or torture the guilty party
 and no greater penalty should be ad:

Committee on Ways and Means,

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, D. C., 1888

administered than is necessary to bring about
 the desired reform. In this instance
 the boy - for a first offence - is crushed with a
 zero, and then punished with 4 demerits, under
 the double effect of which he will be forced
 down to a position in his class below
 that to which he would rise should either
 might be removed. I know the instructor
 did right in administering the penalty, if
 that be the prescribed penalty he has
 out, and should not have discretion in such
 cases. But an appeal can be made to
 the Executive for clemency and therefore I
 respectfully call your attention to the case
 and if it be not too late, ask that the
 4 demerits be remitted. At the time of
 the occurrence I think the boy wrote you
 about it, making such explanation as
 could be made, but you left the Point
 for Philadelphia a day or two after his
 communication was laid before you. From
 what you said to him at the time he
 was under the impression that you

would cause the demerits to be permitted. I would not have you do anything for my boy that would not be done for every other boy at the institution under similar circumstances, nor would I have you do anything that is not warranted by the regulations. It may be that there is no remedy under existing law, but if this be so, I think the law should be changed so the Executive might review such cases, and come at the verdict when, in his judgment, it imposes a sentence whose severity is out of proportion to the offence. You know, my dear General, introduced a number of reforms that materially assist the cadets in their studies and add to their general comfort, and I trust you will not fail to look into some of the practices in reference to the dealing out of punishment through demerits. Pardon the liberty with which I have written you on this subject. You know that I do not write in any spirit of harsh finding, but because of my earnest interest in the welfare of the institution.

and an equally earnest desire for the success
of your administration. I know you will
do justice in every case that is brought
your attention, and should you feel called
upon to inquire into the case I have presented
the decision, I assume you, will be satis-
factors, because I know it will be just ~~as~~
~~far as the law~~ Yours
John M. Barsan.

Genl. O. O. Howard
West Point
New York

I hope to see you during the June
Exercises.

Received by the
Genl. May 28/82

W. Washington, D.C.
May 17. 1882.

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Genl. May 28/82

Caston, Miss, Ms.

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Pittston May 17th 1882

Gen Howard

My Dear Friend

It was very kind in you to send me your picture, it makes me very happy for it proves you believe me to be a good girl. I think more of it because you gave it to me. It would not seem half so precious if I had bought it I am so glad you like my letter and flower you have so many friends I was afraid you would not care much for the admiration of a

Pittston, Me.
May 17th 1882.

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young girl whome you never
saw I would like to see you
very much I hope I may some
time when the flowers come again
I will remember you with the
finest bouquet I can gather.
I shall have my picture taken
this summer. I will send you
one Hoping I will never give
you any cause to regret your
kindness to me

I am affectionately
your friend

Marion W. Easton

your service" for God + World. C. H. H.

THE ADVANCE

Chicago, May 17 1882

I see Webster is to be a subject
as late as June 14

The book and your letter I should
re'c'd. The Secy has approved my
report & recommendations. It is
probable I will be ordered to N. Y. to
attend the annual opening of bids
for Annuity goods, next Monday.
Gen. Whittsey & Com^{rs} Price will be
there after Monday - We will be at St Michols.
I get good news from Kitty.

have often recommended

C. H. HOWARD & CO. Publishers.

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WASHINGTON
MAY 17
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D. C.



WRITE THE ADDRESS



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THE CHRISTIAN UNION.

20 LAFAYETTE PLACE,
NEW YORK.

NEW YORK.

MAY 17, 1882.

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HENRY WARD BEECHER, } Editors.
LYMAN ABBOTT, }

GEN. O. O. HOWARD

WEST POINT

N. Y.

MY DEAR GENERAL :

I ENCLOSE YOU A CHECK FOR \$15,00 FOR THE ARMY STORIES WHICH HAD NOT BEEN PAID FOR. MY ASSOCIATE, MR. MC CORMICK, WHO HAS HAD CHARGE OF THE BUSINESS AFFAIRS OF THE PAPER HAS JUST TAKEN A LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR THE SUMMER AND IN THE CONFUSION INCIDENT TO MOVING AND TO THIS TRANSFERENCE OF ADMINISTRATIVE DETAIL FROM HIS HANDS, SOME MATTERS HAVE BEEN ACCIDENTALLY OVERLOOKED THIS MONTH. I SUPPOSE THE EXPLANATION TO BE THAT HE WAS WAITING UNTIL THE SERIES WAS COMPLETED INTENDING THEN TO SEND YOU A CHECK FOR THE WHOLE. I FIND THAT I LOOK MYSELF TO THIS PAGE OF THE PAPER EACH WEEK TO READ YOUR STORY, WHICH I ALWAYS FIND INTERESTING AND I HOPE YOU WILL WEAVE THEM TOGETHER EVENTUALLY WITH SOME ADDED MATERIAL IN BOOK FORM.

YOURS TRULY,

Lyman Abbott
a.

Christian Union

Dear Sir
May 19 1882

Received by the
Genl. May 18/82



I enclose you a check for \$15.00 for the Army stories
which had not been paid for. My associate, Mr. W. Conner, who had had
charge of the business affairs of the paper, had just taken a leave of
absence for the summer and in the confusion incident to moving and
to his transportation of administrative detail from his hands, some
matters have been accidentally overlooked this month. I suppose the
explanation to be that he was waiting until the period was completed
intending then to send you a check for the whole. I find that I look
upheld to this page of the paper each week to read your story, which I
found the interesting and I hope you will have the pleasure
eventually with some added material in book form.
Yours truly,

PHILLIPS EXETER ACADEMY.

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A. C. PERKINS, PRINCIPAL.

Exeter, N. H., May 18 1882

The Commandant
U.S. Military Academy

Sir: I wish to know
whether ~~the~~ a regulation
forbidding the use of
tobacco by the Cadets
at West Point is in
force at present. If
you will inform me
you will much oblige
me.

Very Respectfully Yours
Albert C Perkins.

Exeter, N. H., May 18, 1885

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The Government
 Mr. J. M. Butler, Secretary

Sir: I would be pleased
 to hear from you
 regarding the use of
 tobacco by the
 at West Point in
 force at present. If
 you will inform me
 you will much oblige
 me,
 Very Respectfully,
 Albert Perkins.

Sargent, Estes

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New York
May 18. 1882.

2 letters of recommendation sent as requested.
May 20. 1882.



23 Marley Place
New York May 18th 1882

My dear Otis

The old adage what is the use of having a friend without using him I think will apply pretty well in my case. Still I fear you will write me down a bore. While I do not despair of getting the Consulate at Nassau I feel I had better not place too much dependence upon it and to this end I am advised to make application for a Clerkship in one of the departments at Washington, either the Pension or Medical Bureau, and in case I am appointed Consul can resign. I heard from Dr

J. N. Baxter Medical Purveyor
who is an old friend of my
Wife's and who has given me the
"modus operandi" in the matter,
and promises to do all in his
power to assist me.

Among other suggestions he says
a letter from Genl Howard
would be of much service to you
in either department and as
it is not certain ^{which} I shall
make application to would it
be asking too much of you for
a letter to the heads of both
so that I could use either.

I am sorry to trouble you so
soon again but feel that out
of the kindness of your heart
you will be glad to help me
as you always have been.

I am very anxious to get settled
down to some steady employment

and not place too much dependence
upon getting the Consularship which
I wouldn't get if at all until late
in the fall. Dr Baxter promises
to render me all the aid in
his power and has laid out the
course for me to pursue, as soon
as the Appropriation is made
by Congress there will be some
12 or 13 appointments made and
I am anxious to file my appli-
-cation at once so as to secure
a good position.

If you will kindly grant my
request and pardon me for
again troubling you I will feel
under a deep obligation, to you
Mrs I joins me in kind regards
to Mrs H. yourself & family.

Sincerely yours
Epes Sargent