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New York.

NORVIN GREEN, President.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

Omaha Sept 20<sup>th</sup> 1882

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Gen O O Howard  
Comd'g Dept of the Platte.

Dear Sir

I enclose you herewith  
a book of Complimentary franks  
No E299, over the lines of the  
Western Union Telegraph Co  
for 1882.

Very respectfully.  
J. Dickey  
Supt (RM)

Western Union  
Telegraph Co

Omaha

Sept 20<sup>th</sup>



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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
Surgeon General's Office,

Washington, D. C., September 20<sup>th</sup> 1882

Sir:

Enclosed I transmit duplicate vouchers drawn in your favor for the commutation of an Artificial Arm amounting to \$ 50.00 which please sign and return to this Office, when a check for the amount will be forwarded to your address.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. S. BILLINGS,

Surgeon and A. M. S. K., U. S. A.

Mr. Genl. O. O. Howard

Omaha

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AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CHRISTIAN PHILOSOPHY,

4 Winthrop Place (Greene St., near 8th), New York.

You are respectfully informed that the next Monthly Meeting of  
the Institute will be held at its rooms (as above). Thurs the  
28<sup>th</sup> inst. at 7.45 Pm. There will be read a Paper  
by Rev. Lucius C. Smith  
on Philosophical Method.

Your punctual attendance is earnestly desired. Each Member and  
Associate Member is requested to invite any friends who would probably  
be interested in our proceedings.

CHARLES F. DEEMS, *President.*

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Omaha, Nebraska.

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THE CHRISTIAN UNION,

N. Y. & BROOKLYN P. O. CO., LIMITED,

20 LAFAYETTE PLACE,

NEW YORK.

SEPT. 20, 1882.

MY DEAR GEN. HOWARD:-

I SEND YOU BY THIS MAIL THE LIFE OF GEN.  
G. H. THOMAS. WILL YOU KINDLY GIVE ME FOR  
THE BOOK A SHORT REVIEW OF IT, NOT EXCEEDING  
SIX OR EIGHT PAGES OF NOTE PAPER, WHICH MAY BE  
EITHER AN ESTIMATE OF THE BOOK OR AN ESTIMATE  
OF GEN THOMAS BASED ON THE BOOK OR BOTH.  
PLEASE SEND WITH THE NOTICE A COPY OF THE TITLE  
PAGE.

YOURS VERY TRULY

MAJOR GEN. O. O. HOWARD,

OMAHA,

NEBRASKA.

*Lyman Abbott*

*per S. H. C.*



Abbott, Rev. L.  
"The Christian Union"

SEPT. 20, 1882

New York  
Sept 20. 1882.

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Buckley Sep 21<sup>st</sup> 1882

Mr C C Howard Sir

Will you inform  
me about the Bounty of  
the first Soldiers that went  
into the Service in C I was  
All through the War of the  
Rebellion And All Broken  
Down And Am trying to  
get a Pension But I Cant seem  
to get it Will Do Any good to  
try I have bin old it about  
30 years I have a W Fitzgerald  
I think some of the time  
he Cant learn to write he  
gets it or not As long as  
he gets the money And I have  
the Land Warrants I am willing  
to do any or not Same say I  
am same say not And I

Write you to know if you  
will be kind As to let me  
know yours With Respect

Eli. T. Carter,  
Berket,  
Berkshire Co  
Mass,

I Am A Poor man  
And I did Beland to the  
Grand Army of the Repablick  
But I have not bin where  
they has bin A lodge for  
the last 8 years And the  
So I have to get Along the  
Best Way that I can Withoud  
Any information And As  
I get it By Writy & So on  
and so on



if there should be need  
that you write this thinking  
that the edifying do with the  
effect of acts before him send  
you some assurance which  
I have decided to make more relieve  
your anxiety above the reports  
of I cannot if you prefer most to  
write this I would not neglect it.  
St. thinks I am giving very well -  
I have made over my "mountain"  
return and acquire little moment  
affairs. Most love to all from Charles  
& Mary

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Clifton Spa Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>  
1882

Dear Brother Chas

Charles and I have  
spoken frequently of our  
great oversight in not  
providing Brook with  
money for his travelling  
expenses. It would re-  
lieve us greatly if you  
will let us know  
how much you expend-  
ed for him. My eyes  
being so troublesome  
must be the apology  
for not writing above  
this before. Now the



visiting and, advised me to  
try practicing an hour a day. But  
that on trial the intellectual ef-  
fort proved injurious, so that Dr.  
advised its discontinuance.  
The Dr. thought I could go on  
with the reports but that just  
in wonder retard my recovery.  
So I gave up. I asked the assistant  
in waiting as soon as my doctor  
will advise - and even let send  
some and with me in traveling.

remainder of the letter  
is in Charles's own words.  
If you have no objection  
I would like to have you  
write a personal letter to  
Deey Teller to the effect  
that "in your way west  
you called to see me  
and found me consid-  
erably disabled from  
paralysis of hands, feet  
and throat which the  
Drs. suppose resulted from  
Diphtheria which I had  
in June. That you found  
me anxious to make out  
my reports of recent in-  
spections. That the Dr.  
thinking that this was



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UNITED SERVICE

A MONTHLY REVIEW

OF  
Military and Naval Affairs.

L. R. HAMERSLY & CO.,  
PUBLISHERS AND IMPORTERS,  
NO. 1510 CHESTNUT STREET.

Philadelphia, September 23 1882

Dear Sir:

We send you by to day's mail a sample copy of the United Service Magazine for which we beg to solicit your subscription at the low price of Three Dollars a year. The payment of which may be made anytime within the year that the subscription runs.

We take this course because we believe that all that is needed to obtain the support of the majority of the Officers of the Service, is a personal presentation of the matter. The success we have already attained is a sufficient warrant that with increased patronage we can make it the ablest and best Service periodical in the world, as it is confessedly the most elegant in typography and the most reasonable in price. Assuring you that such shall be our constant aim and soliciting your aid to that end, we are,

Faithfully Yours,  
L. R. Hamersly & Co.





*Amesbury*

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OF THE  
ARMY AND NAVY

L. B. HAMERSLY & CO.,  
PUBLISHERS AND IMPORTERS,  
100 CHESTNUT STREET.

*Philadelphia, Pa.  
Oct 17 23 1882*

*W. H. C.*

*[Faint, mirrored handwriting visible through the paper, likely bleed-through from the reverse side.]*



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West Point, New York  
Sept. 23, 1882.

Gen Howard

Dear Sir - I am requested by the Treasurer of the Association of Graduates to inform that you are indebted to the Assn. for the price of the dinner ticket for the annual dinner last summer. The amount is three dollars.

I suppose that when you paid to Mr. Lusk the initiation fee for membership, \$10, you thought that this included the dinner bill. This dinner fund is separate from the other money of the Assn. and is only collected from those who are present at the dinner.

Yours Very Truly  
Chas Braden  
Lieut U.S.A.  
Acting Secy. of Assn.



Wm. D. Smith, A.B.

Oct 23. 1882

Chenoweth



129 E. 59<sup>th</sup> St. 145  
New York City -  
Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> 1882

My Dear General

How sorry I am not  
to meet you at West  
Point.

Would you kindly give  
me a note of introduc-  
tion to the new Com-  
mandant of that Post?

Neither myself nor  
wife nor son have ever  
visited the place. And  
we would count it a real  
favor to be introduced  
in a single word, by yourself.  
Yours very truly  
James B. Simmons



NOTHING BUT THE AD



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Nebraska



Please  
 receive  
 from Bro  
 Olin to  
 Geo. W.  
 now older  
 & more  
 intimate  
 than B.  
 with Love

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How unbounded is the Love  
 and mercy of our Heavenly Father,  
 that he can forgive and secure  
 us, after we have sinned so long  
 and so much against Him.

My son is at present engaged  
 in teaching. Will you not pray  
 that he too may become a  
 Christian.

I may not spend  
 the Winter in N.Y. Here or elsewhere  
 I should be very very glad to see  
 my old friend and schoolmate.

Hoping this will find  
 you and yours in the enjoyment  
 of health and happiness.

I remain

Very truly yours

L. A. C. Olin

New Sharon Sept 25. 1892

Rev R B Howard

My dear friend

From time to  
 time during the intervening  
 years, since you and I were happy  
 school children, little dreaming  
 of the care and sorrow that  
 after life would bring us, have  
 I received some token of kindly  
 remembrance from yourself.

To-day I wish to thank you,  
 that amidst all your care and  
 work - the demands of a very large  
 circle of friends, you still find  
 time to remember my own  
 unworthy self.

During the years  
 past and gone, the chastening



rod has again and again been  
laid heavily upon me, until  
I have felt that I had secured  
as many stripes as I could in  
any way bear, and yet, to-day I  
can truly say, "Tho' He slay me  
yet will I trust in Him!"

I am at present spend-  
ing a few weeks with my brother,  
the only surviving one of our  
family, except myself.

He lives my brother on the old home  
farm, where we were <sup>all</sup> born, and as

I sit here, I ask myself, where  
are the dear ones who so made  
glad my youthful days; I dearly  
love this old place, every room in  
this old house has its history, the  
pages of which are strangely inter-  
mingled with joy and sorrow.

As I look out upon the  
broad field before me, surrounded

by its stone fence, which stands  
a monument to the ceaseless  
toil of my dear father, I can  
recall many a folie in which I  
had my full share, with our  
beloved father and mother looking  
on, sometimes chiding, ~~but~~ some-  
times joining in our sports.

One by one, father mother six brothers  
and sister, and my dear husband  
have passed "Over the River", and  
to-day I sit here alone. Oh! I pray  
that somewhere "in the House not  
made with hands, our Father may  
have a place for each, where we  
shall know and be known.

I am so glad, my dear friend  
that there came a time, although  
all too late in life, that I listened  
to the tender voice of the Spirit,  
that I felt my cry for pardon was  
heard - my sins forgiven.



16<sup>th</sup>

Council Bluffs Ia.  
Sept 25. 1882.

Gen. A. A. Howard.

Dear Sir:

The Southwestern Iowa,  
and Northwest Mo. Vet. Association hold  
a reunion in this city on Thursday,  
Friday, and Saturday of this week.  
There will be a parade on Friday.  
You and your staff are cordially  
invited to be present to meet com-  
rades of the east and the west. Gen.  
G. M. Dodge the old commander of the  
16<sup>th</sup> Army Corps, is here at home, and  
will participate, and urges your  
compliance. I am an old soldier of  
the 12<sup>th</sup>. A. C. Please signify your  
acceptance

Yours Obedt Servt.

Jno. H. Kentley  
Commander Assn.



Grady, J. C.

Dear Sir:  
Please answer this

in general.  
might send to

State of New York  
2<sup>nd</sup> Div. of  
2<sup>nd</sup> Div. of

Council of  
Sept 25<sup>th</sup>

Answered by Capt  
Bladen Sept 17/88  
by Genl Howard  
Sept 28. 1882.



G. W. WAINWRIGHT,  
DIST. SUPERINTENDENT,  
RESIDENCE:—BLAIR, NEBRASKA.

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AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Blair, Neb. Pueblo Col. Sept 25 1882.

My dear General

Just as I was leaving home for  
a six-weeks tour in Col. I learned of your arrival  
in Omaha.

I should <sup>have</sup> been delighted to be one of the  
first to give you a hand shaking.

I think I have not had that pleasure since  
my regiment left Washington for Camp in  
Louisville. What changes since then. How  
gloriously your record has stood the test, when  
hate & calumny has assailed you. None  
have watched events more closely than the writ-  
ter. May the Good Father be with you is the prayer

Of your obedient servant  
Geo. W. Wainwright.

Late Chap. Cairn & 2 Reg<sup>t</sup> W. Vet<sup>s</sup> Vol. Inf.  
1<sup>st</sup> Brig<sup>e</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Div. 15<sup>th</sup> Army Corps.



Wm. W. Wainwright

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Omaha Reg

Sept. 25 1882

General Howard

Care

Q O Fort Bridger

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McClellan's Indian agent reports  
that black water and two hundred N Cheyenne  
left Saturday for Fort Leigh Montana via trail  
South of Black Hills and Puerblan Buttes  
They leave without permission but I  
instructs him to use no force to halt them  
They say they have been well treated their  
hearts are good but sigh for change of  
they promise to commit no depredation  
enroute. This comes through commanding  
Officer Robinson who I have instructed to  
keep headquarters informed of all he learns



Concerning their progress and behavior  
~~I~~ have notified division headquarters  
at once only two troops of Cavalry  
and one company of infantry at  
Robinson all quiet elsewhere

Taylor Cal. Lt.

Division  
Sept 22/87

Taylor  
A. A. Taylor



1881  
A Loughbridge

Secunderabad (Hyderabad) India

Sept. 26, 1882

General O. Q. Howard,  
Capt U. S. Military Academy -  
West Point. U. S. A.

Sir -

Pardon me, please, for in-  
quiring whether you have for  
distribution calendars of the  
Military Academy giving terms  
of admission, courses of study,  
examinations, conditions of  
graduation & of Cadets, and if  
so, whether you will be good  
enough to cover one or more  
copies to be sent to me as above.

I am a missionary to the  
Leluzus of South India from  
Iowa. When a student at  
Iowa City (State University),  
1867-'71 I was a member of  
the Y. M. C. A. and had the  
pleasure of hearing you lecture

before the Association though I have  
never had the honor to meet you.

Having been a volunteer in the  
ranks from 1861-'65, I natur-  
ally acquired some degree of in-  
terest in Military matters.  
and hence frequently converse  
with officers of the Indian army  
on such topics - They frequently  
ply me with questions about  
our military schools. To enable  
me to give such information  
as I desire, I am anxious to have  
these Calendars. Indeed I would  
like to send one or two to  
certain editors in India  
from whom notices of what  
I regard a much superior system  
to that followed in British  
Military schools, would more  
than likely be drawn to our  
national credit -

It is not my purpose to dis-  
cuss military questions if fit  
+ perhaps I may



I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th inst. in relation to the proposed publication of a book on the subject of the military education of the youth of the United States. I am very glad to hear that you are so much interested in the subject, and I am sure that your efforts will be successful. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th inst. in relation to the proposed publication of a book on the subject of the military education of the youth of the United States. I am very glad to hear that you are so much interested in the subject, and I am sure that your efforts will be successful.

Sir -  
 General D. D. Thompson  
 Capt. D. D. Thompson  
 West Point, N. Y.

Dec. 25, 1885  
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representing Cavalry, Artillery,  
Infantry and to my surprise  
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outline of organization of a  
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other. There were three men  
dullards, one being an author  
of books to be bought in  
New York book stores at  
any time.

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for groups of young subalterns  
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assigned to Regiments must be  
put under instruction of  
experienced officers to learn  
ordinary military duty.

I hear that changes in Military  
schools in England are con-  
templated, but do not know.  
Where every detail of staff ser-  
vice can be looked to, this may  
do, but men who like, Gurney  
Capt. Wilton - could start  
in artillery, pass rapidly  
to command of infantry, to  
the engineers, to Cavalry  
brigades, divisions and Corps  
and distinguish themselves  
in all because the Military  
school fits them for it, are  
not known here in India.

With very great respect

Your obedient servant  
D. Long



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 with very great respect  
 Your obedient servant  
 A. Low



P.S. I do not want to leave this school  
until Christmas any more.

Howard, Geo

Cornwall-on-Hudson

Sept. 26. 1882

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT OF WEST-POINT,

UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY,

West Point, N. Y., Sept 26 1882

My Dear Father:

I smoked not  
more than four times while at  
school last year three times  
while on my way to & from  
school and once at school.

Chamery, Mort Peck, Phil  
Peck and my self were invited  
to Mr. Rice's house on Wednesday  
the 27<sup>th</sup>. Mort & Chamery could  
not go on account of having les-  
sons at the time we were invited  
to be there so Phil & I were  
intending to go. but when I  
asked if we could. Mr. Rice  
said that "Phil could go



but that I could not as  
I turned away for I was  
afraid that I would say  
something I would be sor-  
ry for after.

The reason why I  
could not go was on ac-  
count of my doing  
some thing last year.  
Now, I don't think that  
I ought to be punished  
for my ~~misconduct~~  
conduct of time past.

I would like to have  
Permission from home  
to visit my friends in  
the town and other places  
as long as I am a good  
boy, and keep all strict  
this year. So far I have

had very good lessons  
in each study of mine,  
have not been marked  
nor have <sup>been</sup> given any reason  
this year for punishment.

Please do this for I  
have made up my mind  
not to smoke any more  
this is the first time that  
I have said that I would  
not smoke and I mean  
it.

I study Greek now and  
like it better than Latin a  
great deal.

I received a card from  
mother to day. Good Bye  
from your loving son who  
is trying to be good  
Johnnie Howard.



Real Estate  
Agents.

OFFICE OF  
F. H. SMITH & SON,  
515 7th Street, N. W.

Life and Fire  
Insurance.

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Washington, D. C., Sept 26<sup>th</sup> 1882

Dear General

I enclose statement of A/c, which includes payments on both sides, to date.

The overdraft may remain until made good by rentals. Have you sold your Natl Life Ins policies? The Co is going out of business, and seems to be rolling up a large amt to divide, by shaving its policy holders. As a rule, they will give more than the amt they offer, if the policy holder sticks for it.

If you are going to take more Life Ins. we should be glad to place it for you. The Hartford Life and Annuity, with their "Safety Fund" plan, is by far the best and safest of the Assessment arrangements. They have a second class, in which a party who is in the first, as you are, for \$5,000, may take any additional amount, up to \$10,000. I took \$5000 additional, over a year ago.

Cushman proposes to take your insurance will lot for his claim and give \$850 in cash



which, beside the admission fee, has cost me about \$55- The same amount, in one of the old Companies would cost near \$250. at my age,

In regard to Taxes. The late Law of Congress remits all penalties & allows overdue Taxes to be paid for their face, with 6% interest, if paid before Nov 1<sup>st</sup> when the penalties & 10% interest again attach. I do not know the amount due on your property here, but suppose it must be \$300 or \$400, of which \$100 probably would be saved, if paid in Oct. I do not know whether you can afford to spare the money or not. We have hoped to sell something for you, but everything you have seems to be in the wrong place for any boom to strike. That on Meridian Hill is the best, if it were not so far back. Bishop Brown has not done anything, & does not seem to care anything about the Indiana property & I hardly know what I can do. As you are nearer the location perhaps it would be worth the trouble of sending some one over

Yours truly J. H. Smith



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

Washington, D. C., September 26<sup>th</sup> 1882,

Maj Genl. O. O. Howard U.S.A. <sup>143</sup>  
In account with F. H. SMITH & SON,

		Dr.	Cr.
1882			
Feb	14	By balance. as per $\frac{1}{2}$ of this date	\$38 01
	18	" Check	100 00
Aug	31	" 427-7 <sup>th</sup> S.W. - to date	280 00
Apr	27	" M street E - Barracks	10 00
Feb	26	To Fire Ins, 427-7 <sup>th</sup> SW - \$4000-1 $\frac{1}{2}$ %	12 00
Mar	3	" J. D. Linman - Interest 6 mos	140 00
Apr	14	" Natl Life Ins Co	71 10
	20	" Hartford Life & Annuity Ins Co	12 50
	29	" Plastering - 427-7 <sup>th</sup> SW.	2 00
June	19	" Hartford Life & Annuity Ins Co	17 70
	20	" Natl Life Ins Co	71 10
Sept	11	" J. D. Linman - Interest - 6 mos	140 00
	12	" Hartford Life & Annuity Ins Co	15 45
Oct	1	" Phoenix Mut Life Ins Co	27 94
Sept	26	" Commissions 5% on \$290 rents	14 50
	26	By Balance - overdraft	96 28

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Washington  
Sept 26. 1882

Received by the  
General Oct 2/82.



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Washington D.C.  
Sept 26. 1882

May. Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir :-

Rev S. M.

Merrell is about to report  
to you for duty as Chaplain  
and this note is to com-  
mend him to your kind  
attention. - You will find  
him a faithful minister  
of Christ - and a worthy  
friend.

Yours truly  
Wm. H. H. H.  
Minister of the Tabernacle.



Licks, Geo W. M.

Washington  
Sept 26. 1882.

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A. E. BUCK, Chairman,  
J. E. BRYANT, } Secretaries,  
W. H. JOHNSON, }

Room 1

State Central Committee

OF THE

Republican Party of Georgia,

Atlanta, Ga., Sept 1-26 1882

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Commander Department of the  
Platte.

Dear General:

I have the honor to present to you my friend Rev. S. M. Merrill D. D. recently appointed a Chaplain in the army whom I am informed has been ordered to report to you for duty.

Dr. Merrill is a gentleman of ability and thoroughly devoted to the Union cause. He has lived many years in the South, and his wife is the daughter of a wealthy Southern gentleman.

Any favors which you can show him will be highly appreciated by me

I am very truly

J. E. Bryant-



Benjamin F. C.

Attorneys at Law

Sept 26. 1888

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