

Z. Jefferson,

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

May 21<sup>st</sup> 1883

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May 21<sup>st</sup> 1883

My dear General

Since receiving your esteemed favor of February last, I have a letter from Rev. G. L. Riggs of the Dakota Mission, and shall be favored again by the same person, as items of interest come to his attention - I have also a very interesting letter from Gen. C. H. Howard, who was then at the Pine Agency - I find these letters, with others of like nature of deep interest to our people, and I hope they will increase the interest of our people in mission work among the Indians.

I am pleased to say personally, that I have been appointed to a position in the U.S. Appraisers Dept., by Genl. Rotchus, and am at present in the Division under the charge of E. S. Fowler;

who appears to be the man to bring  
that division out of the confused  
state, which has for a time clouded  
Col. F. told me recently that he  
was for a time, with you during  
the war, which added new interest  
to our already pleasant relations.

I am quite certain it will be pleasant  
to you, to know (the fact) that Col. K.  
is placing the affairs of his department  
in an orderly condition, and has  
corrected many improper, loose methods  
of conducting the business; much to the  
satisfaction of merchants and employees -

Allow me to again thank you for  
past favors.

and remain, sincerely  
Yours obt. Servt

Z. Jellison

To Maj Gen O.O. Howard

Omaha

Neb.

Leech, J. G.

Philadelphia  
May 22. 1883

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H<sup>38</sup>/ Philada, May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1883  
To General O. C. Howard,  
Dear Sir:-

I received your very kind letter several days ago and have thought of writing but have not until now had the opportunity of answering it.

I cannot but feel the conviction of your very kind advice but at the same time feel that that it is a very great strain expense to mother of course this would not be so bad if I went in to the duties as one who was interested in the place but as to the contrary I dislike the place very much.

For this any many other reasons I feel that I would like to go in some business in which I could establish myself that I might not feel that I was dependent on the

resources of another. I know you will  
think this very strange in me but  
nevertheless I do not hesitate to  
tell it to you whom I know takes an  
interest in my welfare. I received  
a letter from Ned St John in which he  
enclosed your letter to him, I wrote to  
him ~~about it but~~ and in it I mentioned  
my desire which he very kindly wrote  
to you. I hope you will not think  
that I do not care to heed your  
very good advise but it is my strong  
desire to enter into active life for  
I will have to do it sooner or later  
and the sooner I begin the sooner  
I will be ~~be~~ well started this is, I  
have no doubt, very strange logic  
but at the same time I can but  
feel that it is true. Hoping that  
you are quite well and that I will  
see you soon in Philadelphia  
I remain  
Your affectionate Johnson  
W. Greble Beech.

# MERCHANTS HOTEL

~~11th~~

A. ALLEN.  
PROPRIETOR.

COR. THIRD &  
JACKSON STS.



St. Paul, Minn. May 25, 1883

My friend O. C. Howard,  
My dear Sir -

Come

down from Minneapolis  
this morning. Dall you, but  
must return and start  
for Chicago tonight. I  
regret much not seeing you,  
Hope you & yours all well,  
Expect to see you when we  
departs on the 24th.

Yours truly  
Ed. Powers

Powers, C. H.

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St Paul  
May 25. 1883.

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Gen Howard

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Dear Sir

[May 25, 1883.]

Enclosed please  
find a letter from Mrs. B. B. Lock-  
wood. I was rather surprised  
at its contents, as I had not  
supposed that what I wrote to  
her had suggested a case  
On the contrary I thought that  
my statement of our conser-  
vatives track ~~leaving~~ even the  
ghost of any chance for a  
case by its contents proves  
you are a better judge than  
myself. In order to make  
everything sure she has also  
sent a copy of pension  
laws.

Yours truly  
H. J. Brown

Friday eve

you will be kind enough  
to return this as soon as convenient

Brooks, H. S.

Answered up  
is well  
nearly enough to  
not think any other to  
expectation either now or  
but that it is therefore in  
a few weeks will improve  
and a return you will be

Washington  
May 1883.

Answed by the  
May 26. 1883



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Wash. D. C. May 15<sup>th</sup> 83

Dear Mrs. Brooks,

Beth of your favor rec'd.  
I am glad to hear from you.

I as to Gen. Howard. If you mean Gen. O. O. Howard, I am personally acquainted with him, and he knows something of the struggles through which I have passed.

Gen. John Pope applied to the Sec. of War for the difference of pay between a Brigadier Gen. and a Major Gen. according to his brevet rank, while on duty according to his brevet rank by assignment of the President. His claim amounts to \$26,664.25.

My remembrance of Gen. Howard's case is, that it is a similar one. If he wishes to file his claim and wants us to take it, tell him to make out a clear and itemized statement of his case showing the difference of the pay actually received by him, and that which he would have received in accordance with his brevet rank, and send it to me directly in ~~cooperating~~ a power of attorney.

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To me, or send it to the Secretary of War direct if he chooses, sending me only the Power of Attorney to prosecute it. I will then get the Secretary to send it to the Court of Claims under the Bowman Bill; prepare his declaration and print, and get the case for hearing before the Court.

Gen. Popes case will never be settled unless he employs an Attorney to look after it. for being an Army Officer he is prohibited from appearing himself before the Court and I know of no power in a case per se however weighty, to get itself up and be tried. That may be done before a Department, but not before a Court.

The law in the case seems to be this; The Act of Congress Aps. 16, 1888 granting the pay and emoluments of brevet rank to Officers when on duty, and having a command according to their brevet rank, has never been repealed by any subsequent legislation, the whole effect of which was to reinstate the prohibition that such pay should accrue unless by the conjunction of certain elements and

conditions to wit;

- 1 Brevet rank duly conferred.
- 2 Assignment to duty by the President.
- 3 The being on duty with a command appropriate to such brevet rank.

Atty. Gen. Devins in an opinion delivered Feb. 23. 1881 relative to the validity of full and brevet commissions, favored the payment which would be due to the brevet rank under the above conditions.

Show the above to Gen. Howard, and if he believes he has a case, and chooses to send it to me, it will be carefully and properly attended to. It involves a controverted question of law which only the Court can properly decide; and this is a very opportune time to present it.

The only expense (probably) outside of Attorneys fee, will be the printing of the declaration and the record, which would not I think exceed in all \$25.

If sent soon, the case could I think be decided by Dec. next.

Yours truly  
Belva A. Lockwood.

Loebner, A.

# NIGHT MESSAGE. 48

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To Mrs	O. O. Howard		

Visit Mrs Leiter Chicago First then fourth then if  
convenient visit you answer paid here

S. M. Bright

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New York  
May 25/83

Answered by the  
Post Office May 26/83

C. M. COPP.

F. V. KRATKY.

OFFICE OF

# COPP & KRATKY,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

LOAN, INSURANCE AND COLLECTING AGENTS,

Wahoo, Neb., May 26 1883.

*bH*

Eril O. Howard  
Omaha Neb  
Dear Sir

At a meeting of the Citizens of Wahoo and vicinity last evening it was resolved that a Committee on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration at this place should make an effort to have you deliver the oration on that occasion and was requested to correspond with you in reference to the matter if you are not already engaged please correspond with us before making any promise elsewhere

Yours truly  
C. M. Copp

Capt. C. M.

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LOAN, INSURANCE AND COLLECTING AGENTS.

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Wahoo, Neb.  
May 26. 1883

Answered by the  
Genl. June 2/83

Cale, P. A. L.  
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Omaha  
May 28. 1883-

Answered by Dr Howard  
May 31. 1883.

Answer

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Omaha, Neb,  
May 28<sup>th</sup>, 1883

Genl. Oliver O. Howard,  
Commanding, Dept. of the Platte  
Dear Sir:

In behalf of the members of the  
St. Phillips' <sup>Congregational</sup> Literary Society of this City, we most  
respectfully ask you to address the Society, on  
the subject of "The Condition and behavior of the  
Colored Soldiers in the late war,"

We made preparations,  
week before last, to receive you; having under-  
stood by the Rev. George Williams Hawkins  
that you would be likely to accompany him on  
an evening <sup>there</sup> appointed, also, to be witness,

of the Genl. Genl. state, on what  
Evening, within 10 days, he can favor us with his  
presence we will make it our Especial business  
to get our people out on a body.

We have the honor, Sir,  
Very respectfully to be, your humble

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Servants,

H. R. Gamble

Dr. W. H. G. Stephenson

A. K. Jett,

P. K. L. Cole

H. Bennett.

Maria Colber-

Sarah Richardson

Mrs. H. B. Hill, H. R. Gamble, Mrs A. S.  
Bennett,

Mary Williams

Lulu Corden

Emma Murray, et al.,

Return, Address to

Peter K. L. Cole, 815-19<sup>th</sup> St. North.

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Muskegon. Michigan.  
May 28<sup>th</sup> 1883.

Maj: Gen. D. O. Howard,  
Dear Sir:

It may be that you have forgotten me mostly, who was surgeon of the <sup>7<sup>th</sup> Regt. of Mich. Inf., Vols. But though you have, you may be able to call to mind something of my army life, sufficient to enable you to give me your favorable endorsement for a purpose I have in view, I recollect I many times obtained it for others, during the progress of the war, when it seemed always to be of more than considerable worth.</sup>

To be brief, I will say that there is a vacancy on the board of Pers. Examiners in this city, and soon there may be another, as I understand. Now I would like the appointment; and so far as I can ascertain,

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there is nothing in the way but some  
little differences of political opinion,  
with those who, to some extent, have  
the disposal of the appointment. I  
believe there is no question of my  
character and qualifications, other-  
wise, I also notice that any experi-  
ence, together with years and experience  
in civil practice, are greatly preferred,  
all of which I am confident I can  
lay just claim to. Will you please give  
me such a statement as you concien-  
tiously can, of what you can call to  
mind of me in the volunteer service,  
that I may use it at headquarters, to  
further my object? I was a good deal  
associated with Surg. Dyer of the  
19th Mass., Surg. Howard of the  
20th Mass., and Surg. Sherman of,  
I think, the 34th N.Y. I only mention this  
that you may the more readily call  
me to mind.

So far as my present condition

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is concerned,

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I will say that I am now just what  
I was when I was in the volunteer  
service, except what other years since  
the close of the war would naturally  
make in a sober, steady man's life.

I am confident that I am entirely  
qualified for the appointment, and if you  
will send me such a statement as I  
am confident I can make, - that is, if  
it be that you are able to sufficiently  
remember<sup>me</sup>, I will be greatly obliged.

From what I have now said,  
you will doubtless understand my  
purpose. An early reply will be greatly  
appreciated by

Yours respectfully,  
Gilbert Chaddois.

Bradford S.

Muskegon, Mich.  
May 28. 1883

Answered by the  
Paul June 5<sup>th</sup>

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Clarendon down May 30/83

Gen. O. O. Howard  
Sir

I have been  
requested to write you to ascertain  
if you would give a lecture to the  
citizens of this place. If so, the time  
and your terms. We have a soldiers'  
Monument association here, and  
any surplus remaining will be  
devoted to its construction.

Yours truly  
W. L. Vandeventer

Can. Standard

Clarinda Iowa  
May 30. 1883

Answered by the  
Genl. June 2/83

~~Geneva~~, May 30<sup>th</sup> 83. The letter of May 14  
from Mallet with the check inclosed  
came to-day. I write to acknowledge it.  
Monday next - the 4<sup>th</sup> June I expect to  
go to Chamonix - 3 miles from  
here at the foot of Mont Blanc & I shall  
stay there 3 days & visit a glacier  
there on my bâche again over the  
pass of the "Petit St. Bernard" to the valley of  
the Rhône river & to Martigny.  
Then turning westward I will  
return to the lake of Geneva & follow  
it to Geneva. This will take me  
at least five days as it is in  
the very easiest of mountains. I  
will write you either while on the  
journey or immediately afterward.  
I lead the usual life - but my morn-  
ing lesson is from 6:30 to 7:30 now -  
that the days are long. The other lesson  
is from 1:30 to 2:30 in the afternoon. I  
pay for the afternoon lessons by hear-  
ing English read to me each day  
for  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour by the person who gives me  
my French lessons. For the morning  
lesson I give 20 francs per day. You are very  
well - eat and better. I have a German  
lesson every day - no expense. There  
are now four Germans at the pension  
an one American from Mass. Besides  
one Greek & Mr. Abel the Frenchman. etc.  
with some Swiss.

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SUISSE. SCHWEIZ. SVIZZERA.



Gen. O. P. Howard,

Omaha, Nebraska,

Etats-Unis.

for Mrs Howard also.