

Geo. D. D. Donkleben.

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November 20. 1884.

Topeka, Kansas.
Nov. 20th 1884.

Genl D. D. Howard,

Dear General,

You may not

remember me - but you came to
my church in Topeka to hear Bro.
Barnitz preach Sunday Evening -
and made a prayer.

Since that time we have built a
new church, and have placed a
"Soldier Memorial" window in the
front of it - having 50 Emblems
set in the glass - illustrating the
heroism, and sacrifice, and a -
chievements of the Soldier.

We intend having a special ser-
vice, with reference to the significance
of the window - on the first Sabbath
in January 1885, and it is the
desire of the old soldiers in Topeka,
that you be with us on that

occupation - and give us a talk -
on Sunday and lecture on your
travels in Europe - on Monday
evening following.

We hope you will consent to
come - as you have many warm
friends in Topeka, as well as
elsewhere - We are trying also to
have general Sherman present.

Dear General - if it is possible
be with us on the first Sunday in
January - 1883.

The Old Soldiers have paid forth
window 255\$ - and it is for
them that I urge your presence.
It shall cost you nothing to come,
and nothing during your stay.

Wishing to have a favorable reply
I remain -

Yours Respectfully,

J.T. Dombreaser,

Pastor Eng. Luth. Ch

Topeka Kans.

for Dr Mayer, if he had better
write now, for promotion, or
wait till March? And to whom
would it be best to write?
And will you again advise
that he may refer to you?

Did you receive that
MS I sent to London for you
addressed to Y M C A - ?
if not, I will copy it again & send
you.

With greatest respect
we are,

Dear General Howard
Yours in Christian love
Richard Beatoe Blanch
Mary Blanch

Elberfeld Venetiech 92

21st Nov /84

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Dear General Howard,

I have sent you
from the "Christian World"
two extracts on "Theosophy": if I see
more on the subject I will do
myself the pleasure of sending them
to you. It seems nonsense, and
evil are strutting about under the
fine name of "occult science" but
the more I read my bible - the more
I am in love with it, and want
"no other name under heaven" (whereby
man can be saved) than that of my
Jesus I have just been reading
Colossians and see that He has a
Name which is above every name
that at the Name of Jesus every knee shall

bow "

We have, dear General Howard,
very pleasant remembrances of your
visit here and my husband, who
is busy by me: as I write says
I am to give his best respects to
you. & say what a pleasing
episode it was in our dull
life here. Meeting with you; and
he would be so happy to hear that
you had safely arrived at Home

Our good friend Dr Mayes
late vice consul wishes to be kindly
remembered to you. He thanks you
most sincerely & gratefully for your
kind offer, through my husband, to advance
his interest had Blain been elected; but
~~would~~ from you, would be respected
and honoured. My husband begs to know

January 27, 1884

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My dear Genl Howard,-

Long ago you would have heard from me but I have been waiting for your address. But as it has been more than a month since I wrote to Goble for it I fear that he has forgotten it so well send you later to Omaha hoping that you will receive it — just after you left your photographs were finished and I have pairs for them, I will send them with the letter, I will also inclose a note which came for you, I am sorry that I have been unable to send them before.

Everything goes on the same in this little house here except the baby who has commenced to walk

which has caused us all great
rejoicing and great excitement -
I hear from her ^{every day} who is at Academie
d'Amiens in Paris with her
brother who is very miserable -
I cannot tell you how strange
it seems to be without them,
and never to hear a word of
English except when I see a
Scottish girl who is in France
studying French, we have become
great friends, and I see her
very often as we are both going
to the same school. I was
very thankful to hear that
you had reached dear old
America in safety. I have
been on the sick list for the
last few weeks, and as I am
not perfectly stronger I will
have to ask you to excuse a
short note. I have charming
letters from the home people
all are well except poor Aunt
Julie who is very ill. And ~~she~~

Long by your best daughter

Charlotte L.

The American Exhibition,
LONDON, 1886.

John Robinson Whitley,
Director-General and
Executive Commissioner.

Charles B. Norton,
Secretary.

TELEPHONE
No 1781.



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CITY OFFICES,

7. Poultry. London. E. C.

November 22nd 1884

Dear Sir The enclosed programme of the American Exhibition (London 1886) is submitted for your attention.

A number of eminent Englishmen, - a list of whose names I enclose, - have already formed a Council to welcome the American People on the occasion. -

It is desired to publish the names of representative Americans as Members of a General Council of the undertaking, which cannot but be of mutual service to the United States and Europe, and I shall be pleased by your kindly assenting to your name being added to the list.

This, of course, involves you in no liability whatsoever, pecuniary or otherwise.

Yours very truly

Genl. O. O. Howard

Charles B. Norton
Secretary.

Charles

Londres,
Nov 22. 1814

Answer

The National Tribune,

(Established 1877.)

A First-Class Weekly Newspaper for the Farm and Fireside.

Washington, D. C.,

Nov. 22, 1884.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir:

We wrote you sometime ago asking for a statement of your account against us. It has not yet arrived. Will you kindly forward it at your earliest convenience?

Very respectfully

The National Tribune.

Chats

Washington

Nov 22. 1884

Inches

New Orleans Exposition

Nov 24. 1884

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Grand Opening & Grand Finale

1784.

1884.

Admit to the Opening Ceremonies
of the
World's Industrial & Cotton Centennial Exposition.





The Board of Management
respectfully invite you to be present
at the opening ceremonies of the
World's Industrial & Cotton Centennial Exposition
on Tuesday 16th of December 1884.

To Genl. Oliver Q. Howard
Washington
O.C.

New Orleans, 24th November 1884.

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Office of
Young Men's Christian Association,

~~CH~~ 12 North Main Street,

Council Bluffs, Iowa, Nov 21, 1884.

Gen. Q. O. Howard
Omaha Neb.

Dear Sir & Mrs.

What would
be your lowest rates for
which you would come
out and lecture for our
association on some interesting
subject? Also please name
some Friday night when it
would be most convenient for
you.

Sincerely,
Harry Curtis.
Ses.

Curtis, H.

Council Bluffs
Nov 31. 1884.

Answered

are out of patience with
me, but I hope it will
be all right when they
find that the book will
sell, but I must deliver
the copy in a short time.
The contract is for this
year not next. Every
day now is invaluable
to me; as soon as possible
will you send me what
you think will illustrate
the Christian & kindly side
of your nature, and the
war period, (latter part,) &
just after I think the best
time to introduce them. May
I use the incident in Donald's
School Day's where Donald gives his
graduation address & quote words
of speech (any) & time if you? I
will in fading light & am very
reckless in writing. sincerely
L. C. Holman.

Brooklyn Nov. 24. 87.
Dear Friend. ~~9/~~ ^{9/} Thank you for
your opportune incident sent
me in letter; I wish I had
a hundred more, and I
know they exist if I can
only get them. I thank
you now also for his ^{suggestion} offer
to make selections from
your correspondence for
me, and I gratefully ac-
cept the offer. The regret
I am experiencing now is
that I did not copy
from the book when I had
it in Paris. I find a mem-
oranda which I will

copy and send; it may help him in choosing what is needed. At first I could not patiently consider the refusal of Capt. Lemon, but I came to feel that it was a good thing perhaps - and I am sure, I have made my work better for the extra care it has been. The man & not the soldier must be depicted in my book and I am writing of the man. A few letters or parts of letters in which you write of heart-experiences, or touch upon public matters from the personal standpoint

will illustrate the characteristics I bring forward prominently. My strong desire is to write a book that will be helpful and elevating in its teachings, for the best lessons are those that are indirectly learned from the aims and efforts of others. In summing up my estimate of you after the Elberfeld days I fell - that I could write with more sincerity and earnestness than before because I knew you better. When you had gone I missed you greatly. My publishers

Letter 86. (Home influence)
282 References to Generals &
to home influences.

Gettysburg - Letter to Lincoln.

These are the only letters dis-
figured in such a way that
I can give you a clue to them
easily.

Have you any in which you
give opinion of the Generals
or any of your associates?
I want to quote, in place
of part taken out, (opinion re-
garding Generals McClellan
& Burnside) your views of
some of your noted fellow
officers. How I regretted giving
up that reminiscence of
Melo - this successor: & your
description of the demands of
the former. By the way, will
you something if you can spare
time. He will be in the next cab-
inet and you will be glad

you have said handsome things
of him.

George is improving & looks
much stronger; I was very
unhappy about him when
I returned. He is your firm
admirer & friend.

1881 Feb 20

George

"Here am I send one," and the cry "come over and help us" comes to us so often, and with such force that we are impelled to ask your cooperation, and knowing as we do, that there is a large number of persons in this country who feel a deep interest in the evangelization of Africa, and hoping you are of the number I address you this letter.

The object of course is to increase our facilities for the further extention of our Missionary and educational work on the dark Continent.

You will not fail to observe that the central idea in our work in Africa, is, the employment of colored men and women. The success of Sherbro mission under this management is without parallel in that country.

This statement will be corroborated by M. E. Struby D. D. Cor Secy of the American Missionary Association 56 Reader St N. Y. and Dr. D. Bevan 18 adams st Strand London W.C. Information in detail will be given if desired.

I have the honor to be

Very truly J. K. Billheimer Treas.

REV. D. K. FLICKINGER, D. D., Cor. Sec'y.
REV. J. K. BILLHEIMER, Treasurer.

ROOMS OF

IN CONNECTION WITH
The Freedman's Mission Aid Society,
18 Adam Street, STRAND, LONDON.

Home, Frontier & Foreign Missionary Society.

Dayton, Ohio, Nov 25th 1884.

Mr. O. O. Howard
Dr. S. H. T.

The Venerable Dr. Moffat said: "Africa must go to teach and save Africans. It is the - Divine plan. There is no hope for the masses of Africa by any white labor possible to be sent to that country."

The evangelization of Africa must be effected by colored missionaries and teachers.

The London Times recently said, "Late events have called particular attention to the evangelization and civilization of Africa. The opening up of the interior has lead to the establishment of missions in which nearly all the Agents employed have been white men. It is certain, however, that the natural method is that which employs natives or those of kindred descent. At four missions recently opened in Tropical Africa, more than twenty missionaries have died within five years. But during a much longer period colored missionaries have

been able to live and work in that country.

One of the most successful missions is that carried on upon the West Coast by the United Brethren of America, in which the Agents employed are of African descent. The American Missionary Association has recently transferred Mendi Mission to the United Brethren Board which brings the English Society known as the Freedmen's Mission Aid Society of which Earl Shaftesbury is the president into cooperation with this Board.

I beg your indulgence while I again quote. The S.S. Lines of Philadelphia Pa says. "After a few years residence on the west Coast of Africa, white men have to seek a healthier climate in which to recuperate. Many indeed fall victims to the terrible climate before so long a time has elapsed. Mission work in that country has, therefore, been attended with much loss of time and life, which, however, it seems possible to avoid. At least in addressing the Freedmen's Mission Aid Society of London, Rev. J. K. Billhimer recently said, that during the twenty seven years in which the Society of which he is the Treasurer, had supported mission in Africa, not a man had been lost by death. Its missionaries are colored

men which the climate does not affect, and whose interest in their fatherland makes them zealous for its evangelization.

The Society has twenty eight missionaries and helpers in the field in Sherbro-Mendi."

In connection with, and in addition to the more direct missionary work, we have in the Sherbro-Mendi mission industrial departments, such as farming, by which rice, cassava, ginger, arrowroot &c are produced. A large number of coffee trees have been planted and one now bearing excellent coffee, and a saw mill has been in successful operation for a number of years.

Trade is carried on with the people on strictly christian principles. Two hundred and seventy towns are reached by our teachers and evangelists. The people overwhelm our Agents with request to establish schools and preach to them the "God word". A score of workers could be found to day, among the educated Freedmen, and the colored population of the North, to enter that field but the lack of funds precludes their employment.

Fremont Baptist Church,

PASTOR:

REV. J. C. LEWIS.

For God so loved the world,
that He gave His only begot-
ten Son, that whosoever be-
lieveth in Him, should not
perish, but have everlasting
life.—John III, 16.

~~84~~ Fremont, Dodge Co., Neb.

Nov 24 1884.

Brigadier Gen O Howard
Omaha Neb

My Dear General.

yours of the 24 at
hand. Contents noted.

In reply would say your many
friends here would like to
hear you very much. but times
are very close and it is the general
impression that we cannot afford
to pay that amount. You know
perhaps, that this is not a good
lecture town.

If you cannot afford to come
for less I am afraid we will have
to give up the matter at present.

Yours very truly
J. C. Lewis.

Lewis, J. C.

Fremont, Neb.
Nov 26. 1884

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ANDREW ATWOOD, President.

3073.

H. E. SPAULDING, Cashier.

CHARTERED, 1883.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK
OF AYER.

49 Ayer, Mass., Nov. 26. 1884
Gen. O. O. Howard
Washington, D.C.

Sir. Will have the
kindness to give me your
autograph upon these oblong
slips & greatly obligt.

Respectfully.

H. E. Spaulding.
Cashier.

H. C.
Spaulding,

Ayer, Mass.
Nov 26. 1884.

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Angel Island, California
November 27th 1884.

Dear General,

I had Considered the importance
for informing you regarding your
promotion. Some persons in and
out of the Army will deprive you
of promotion if they can. The
feeling has grown since the "turn
in the tide". In order to bring
desire and defeat into his
Camp, General Pope should be induced
to retire on his senior grade within
of age and do so before the 4th of
March.

I know what I am writing
about General and I am not
writing any idle rum or either
any help I can give

Answered

Angel Island
Nov 27. 1884

your wife Michigan Senator will
be rendered with pleasure.

I am very respectfully
Yours sincerely
A. G. T. Wells
USA

To
Genl O. O. Howard
USA
Ottawa
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Blair Feb 28. '84

Mr Howard, Dear Sir;

We desire your

(Gettysburg) Thursday evening Jan 15th
1885. upon the terms named
in your favor of the 24th.
Unless otherwise advised, will
bill accordingly.

Rsp yours

W. C. Vaughan.
Post C.

Vaughan, W.C.

Plain, Neb.

Nov 28. 1884

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that your soldier son
had also safely reached
his destination.

Apropos, we much
regret that you cannot
give us any present
prospect of making
the acquaintance of
your student son
whom it would have
been, & would be a great
pleasure to welcome for
his father's sake.

Your presidential election
must have been an exciting
national event.
With kindred regards
Yours very sincerely
W Howard Lloyd

T.C.

H. Lloyd

Cannon Hill House,
near Birmingham.

29 November
1884

Dear General Howard,
I have delayed for a
few days writing to
thank you for your
very kind & pleasant
letter, & for the
two books which
you have been good
enough to send me,

because I had some
hope of being able to
read & examine the
letter before doing so.
I must plead as
an excuse for not
having yet enjoyed
this pleasure that I
have had a week of
much preoccupation of my
time & thoughts; but
I must not on this
account still further
delay the expression

of the obligation &
pleasure with which
your letter & the volume
accompanying are
received by us. I hope
as soon as Sunday is
over, or in a few hours
after to have the
necessary leisure for
reading with appreciation
& enjoyment the products
of your pen.

We were glad to
hear of your prosperous
and safe arrival

Oorbaugh, A. W.

Rutherford, N.J.
Nov 29. 1884,

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Rutherford, N.J. Nov 29/84.
Gen. O.O. Howard

Dear Sir I received your kind
answer, for which receive
my thanks, I do not know
knowes if I mentioned a cir-
cumstance in proof of what
I said in regard to my
sons weakness of mind.

When he was 14 years old
I noticed him one day
winding a red string
around his finger, I
asked him why he did
it, he said that the
day before he had shamed
his finger ring to a boy
in New York and he
did not return it and

Answered

that was to remind ^{to get} it. I went with him to see the boy, and he said that he had returned it, by the advice of the boy's employer I had him arrested, the Judge said he could not hold him, but thought he might frighten him so that he would produce the ring if he had it, which he did. The Judge said you have the ring, I suppose that is all you want and then putting his hand on his head said he (my boy) is not right here. I might mention other instances, but I will leave his case with you. Again thanking

you for your kindness
I remain
Yours truly
A.W. Everbaugh



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Omaha, Neb Nov 29 1884

Genl O. O. Howard,
Omaha Neb }
My Dear Genl

It is a long
time since I have seen you
Want to see you very much
I feel under great obligation
and lasting obligations for
your extreme and continual
kindness to me while I was
with you - Twenty years ago
to day we went into camp at
Kings Bridge fifteen miles
from Savannah. three times
flies - I live at Lincoln
Neb and when here again
hope to see you - Ex Senator
Seward ~~his~~ wife will hand
you this - Would like a
letter from you very much
I have the honor to be
Genl Very Truly Yo Rbldt
D. Remick

Penick, D.

Lincoln, Neb.
Nov 29. 1884.

Anecdote

Oliver, C.

Omaha, Neb
Nov 29. 1884.

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Gen. Howard

Omaha, Nov 29 1884.

Dear Sir, I am a military and civil adventurer, with more offences at my back, than I have time to utter, or words to phrase them in. Notwithstanding this savagery in unclaimed blood, my conduct and conscience proclaim me the man upon whose countenance the gleam of Diogenes' lantern failed to light, in the streets of Athens, for the reason that I was hid behind a dry goods box. I have talent, unlimited - whether histrionic, literary, commercial, or common sense, but my impractical application and lack of tenacity fails to stick a purpose long enough to materialize the income of a bootblack. Impenitence is my malady, the acute symptoms being developed when I would clutch it with my index finger and thumb, and find it not.

Knowing the size of your heart and generous impulse from away back to the historic scenes of our late Civil War, in which I was

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as an actor, I have shamed by timidity, and
assumed the courage required to stand as
target for a sharpshooter, to request of you,
if you have any favor to dispense in the
way of a poultry office, or clerkship, to deign
to remember me as not the most unworthy
son of earth.

I am well known by prominent
men in St Louis and Chicago, and would
endeavor to do honor to their esteem.

Very truly

Your Obedt Servt
Chas. Oliver
City P.O

Quartermaster's Department, U. S. A.,

Rawlins, W. T., November 30th, 1884.

Gen O. O. Howard.

Comdg' Department of the Platte,

Omaha, Neb.

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My Dear General—

I have read with much interest
the abstract of your lecture on Egypt &c, as pub-
lished in the Omaha papers, also some of your
Personal Reminiscences of the War, as published in
the National Tribune of Washington, which paper
is occasionally sent me by a friend in Wash-
ington,

I should be extremely gratified could I
obtain all of your Personal Reminiscences of the
War. And I trust they may be published in book
or pamphlet form, so that your friends may have
them in shape to be preserved,

Answer

Rawlins, W. T.
Nov 30, 1884

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Permit me to congratulate you on your safe
return from your foreign journey. And to assure you
that so far as we could follow you in your wanderings,
we were much interested in watching your progress,
and keeping you in sight until your return,

I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

R H Wilbur
Genl Agent
Late Major & Capt Lt Col
U.S.A.