

OFFICE OF
Gen. O. O. HOWARD
U. S. HOWARD.

Recd FEB 25 1895

Secy of State
W. Q. Graham

Feb 9, 1895

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
WASHINGTON.

My dear General:

I have
just received your
telegram letter of Jan
21st regarding Col
Edw. Hall for Currier
and Mitton in Gettysburg
Battlefield Currier. I
have sent it to the
Secretary of War & will speak
to him on the subject as the
next cabinet meeting.

Very truly yrs

W. Q. Graham

July 9, 1896

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

My dear Sir,

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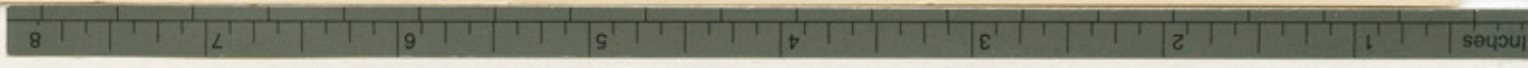
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Very truly yours,

John Hay

Secretary of State



Dear Gen.:

Please read, take copy
if you like & return.
I now think I would not
dislike the case, by any more
Western pleading from what
Ruggles writes
Yours truly
O. O. Howard

Portland, Oregon
Feb. 15th 1895

To / Gen. Edward Hill
Medford, Oregon

FEB 20 1895

February 9, 1895.

My dear General:--

Your letter of January 31st
from Roseburg, ^(Oregon) Ohio, was received yester-
day, and I placed it before the Secretary
of War. To-day I leave it with Major Geo.
B. Davis of the War Publication Office, who
has charge of all papers in the matter of
the appointment of a successor to Col.
Batchelder on the Gettysburg Commission.
I have already had occasion to mention the
name of Colonel Edward Hill of the 16th
Michigan Volunteers to Major Davis.
The Secretary informed me yesterday that

Colonel Hill is warmly supported by Generals Sickles, Butterfield and others of New York. While I cannot tell what may be the future outcome in the matter, yet I think it probable that the appointment will go to a New York man, rather than to a Western man, for the reason that the State of New York had many more organizations in the battle than the entire West. The western troops, with the exception of a few in the Army of the Potomac, served, ~~as a rule~~, in the Western armies.

With kindest regards, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Major Gen. O.O. Howard,
263 Yamhill St.,
Portland, Oregon.

L. A. Hughes

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P. O. BOX 154

Portland, Oregon, Feb. 9 1895

Dear General:

This is an ideal day. I want to show you some of the glories of Portland. In order to do this it will be necessary to place you at an elevation of 1200 feet above the river. This I will do, you being willing, by means of horse power. So I will call at your office, with my buggy, say at 1:30 today. To take you where I want to and back again will require from two to two and a half hours of time. If another hour than that mentioned will suit you better, please so state. As it may be a little colder where we shall go than ^{it is} down here, a little extra wrapping may be best for you.

Yours Sincerely,

Geo H Himes

Please answer by letter, my daughter Grace

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FOR THE YEAR 1892

OFFICE OF
Gen. O. O. HOWARD,
H. S. HOWARD

Geo H. Hines

Portland, Oregon, Feb. 2, 1892

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your office, and my buggy, and at 1230 take you
where I want to see back again. Will require about 10
two or three hours of time. If you can find time that
measures well but you later, please as state that
may be a little earlier when we shall go. I shall
then, with other stopping over, be just for you.

Yours sincerely,
Geo H. Hines

Yours very truly,
O. O. Howard



— OFFICE OF THE —

Pacific Gas Improvement Co.

CORNER ANNIE AND STEVENSON STREETS,

SAN FRANCISCO.

San Francisco, Feb'y 10. 1895

Major Genl, O. O. Howards. U. S. Army &
No 273, Tomhill Street,

Dear Sir, Portland, Oregon.

Enclosed please find ~~an~~ check

No., of this date, ~~on~~ Wells
draft on New York
Fargo Co.'s Bank, for \$20.⁰⁰

in payment of dividend No. 119.

upon your ~~in~~ 400 shares of stock
in this company.

Respectfully, your obt Servt

Wm Livingston

Secretary.

Paal Gas

OFFICE OF
Gen. O. O. HOWARD,
H. S. HOWARD

and
FEB 14 1895

Gen. Edw. Hill

General O. O. Howard.
Portland, Oregon.

My Dear General,
I hope that you have
returned in good health
from a successful mission.

I send you by mail
to-day, Legislative Journal
Daily Proceedings, Lansing,
Michigan, Tuesday, Jan. 29th,
which I have just received.

From it you will see that
my Michigan friends have
not forgotten me. Although

this Resolution may not
avail with the Secretary of
War, yet I hold it in the
highest esteem, coming as it
does, from the patriotic State
with whose loyal sons I served
on many a battle-field.

We are stopping at Medford,
in preference to Jacksonville,
where mails reach us more
promptly.

With kindest regards for
yourself and Captain Gray,
in which Mrs. Hill joins,

I have the honor to remain.

Medford, Oregon.
Feb. 10 - 1895.

Very Sincerely Yours,
Edward Hill.

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Dated

Chicago, 11, Feb.

To

Gen. O. O. Howard,

263 Yamhill St, Portland, Ore.

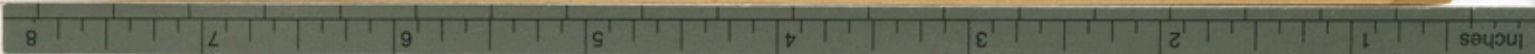
Telegram received. Are your reports favorable to one or both tracts? answer mail duplicate reports. Devereaux remains and summons Wilson.

C. H. Howard.

Good

Dec-11/1891

Jeff Howard



spend a few days with me
in Dayton, and help me in get-
ting ^{FEB 25 1895} ~~used~~ ^{Russ} ~~of~~ ^{W. Whittle} the six or seven
thousand ~~used~~ ^{ded} soldiers in the
Home there? I will fix the
date to suit you, any where
from April 5th to 20th. I am
authorized by the Committee
to say that all expenses of
traveling &c. will be paid.

The S. A. R. hosts in the city
would desire to give you a
reception, and your welcome
by all classes would be most
cordial. Good would be done
by your visit, and, perhaps, by
personal conference with those
interested, we might be led into
wise and right plans for the
Organization spoken of.

With my kind regards to Mrs
Howard and your family, I am
General. Yours very truly
W. Whittle

Mercer Penn
Feby 11th 1895

My dear General Howard:
I have ^{been} invited to
Dayton Ohio for any time in
the month of April. For meetings
of Evangelistic Character for
all classes, under the aus-
pices of the S. M. C. A.,
and, Special meetings at the
Soldiers Home for ~~ded~~ Soldiers.

In Conference
with the Committee at Dayton
last week, I told them that,
if I came, it would be on
pt of the soldiers, and my
desire that a stimulus ~~might~~
be given to more direct
efforts to lead them to Christ.

Now, General my purpose in writing to you, is two fold. First, many Christian Ex Soldiers, have been spoken to, by me, and some have spoken to, or written me, about something being done at the next G. A. R. Encampment, to organize a "G. A. R. Christian Organization," for fellowship, and for the encouragement of Evangelization work among the comrades, and at our Soldiers Homes. The question is constantly asked, would General Howard encourage this? would he consent to become the President of such an organization? I have answered that I thought you would. Would you, General, kindly write me your views upon the subject? I need not

enlarge to you upon the need, or, upon the fact, that our opportunity will soon be gone. The average age of the members of the G. A. R. is about 53. They are dying rapidly. Within fifteen years over $\frac{3}{4}$ of them will be gone. They can be reached by the efforts of their comrades, where other efforts fail. I believe that by organization, we can promote such efforts. I should like to have employed a capable Evangelist - an old Soldier, full of the Holy Ghost, who would spend his time in having meetings at the various Homes scattered over the Country. Second. Can you not, General,

Farm, Field and Fireside,

FORMERLY FARM, FIELD AND STOCKMAN.

GEN. C. H. HOWARD, Managing Editor.

JAS. W. WILSON, Business Manager.

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Chicago, Feb. 11th. 1895

Gen'l. O. O. Howard,
263 Yamhill St.,
Portland, Ore.

Dear Brother:-

I have just sent you a telegram in answer to yours from Cottonwood, in which I ask for information by telegraph. Devereaux telegraphs for Mr. Wilson to come out immediately. We are surprised at this because we have not information definite enough for us to take such a step. We have not determined fully whether to do anything with either one of the two tracts and will not determine until we get your report. You telegraphed that Devereaux would convey your reports. We are uncertain whether this means he will mail them or bring them. If the latter, it seems from his own telegram that he is going to wait there until Mr. Wilson comes out, so all your examination will be comparatively useless to us if this is the result.

We must wait now until we get some reports from you and Capt. Gray on the lines ^{indicated} in letter to him, specific and conclusive. We shall so telegraph Devereaux.

But, meanwhile, I hope we will get a telegram from you in answer to mine, which will enable us to lay some preliminary plans.

Very truly yours,

C. H. Howard

Farm, Field and Fireside,
W. WATSON,
Managing Editor,
JAMES BUILDING.

Chicago, Feb. 18th, 1895

FEB 20 1895

Mr. C. H. Howard.

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But, meanwhile, I hope we will get a reference from you to
to this, which will enable us to lay some preliminary plans.

Very truly yours,
W. Watson

LAW OFFICE OF
EDGAR KETCHUM,
4 WILLIAM STREET.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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New York, Feb 11th 1895

May Gen O. O. Howard

Dear General

I thank you sincerely
for your letter to Mayor Strong on my
behalf, and I know it will help me
materially with him.

It may be several weeks before
the Mayor determines whom he will ap-
point, but I do not think anyone will
have better support than I have.

He is supposed to be a non partisan
Mayor, and if that idea is carried out
in the selections he concludes to make,
I can hardly see how he can disregard
the expressed wishes of all the substan-
tial and distinguished men who have
asked him to appoint me. But it must
not be forgotten that other applicants

may have very substantial support.

Your letter was very kind, and whatever shall be the result of this matter, your favorable expressions on my behalf will always be most gratefully remembered.

Thanking you again for your kindness

I am Very Respectfully
And Truly Yours
Edgar Ketchum

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COTTONWOOD PARK FRUIT COLONY.

Main Office, 1320 Chamber of Commerce,
CHICAGO.

F. M. SWEARINGEN.

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P. H. EARLY.

Resident Office, COTTONWOOD, CAL.

Cottonwood, Cal. Feb. 12th 1898

Gen. O. C. Howard

Portland Or.

Dear Sir:- I mailed your report Sunday night. Mr Hubbs went down to San Francisco at that time and Mr Carlisle is there yet although we think he will start east soon. I have made some good developments since you left. Gen Chipman is assisting me very much. he has two large tracts in his hands for sale and belongs to Mr A. V. Hatch the Gen. is going down to see Mr Ashurst with you tomorrow and we hope to get him down an price. Mr Craft is disposed to anything reasonable to have us come into the county but Ashurst is foxey.

The Hatch tract is only two miles from Red Bluff and is crossed by the railroad, do you remember

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P. H. EARLY.

Cottonwood, Cal. 189

the orchard of eighty acres just west
of the RR. Charlie is on the track.
I wired Mr. Wilson that I thought it
best for him to come out and spend
about two days here now I have got
things in shape so he can decide in
that time without doubt and then he
will feel ^{more} like recommending it then he
would if he had not seen it.

Mr. Wilson wired me this morning
that he would wait until they had
seen your report that you had wired
him to do so.

I will mail you Gen. Chipman's
report on this part of the state tomorrow.
I will undoubtedly hear from Mr.
Wilson by wire Thursday as he
will get your report that morning
and if he agrees I will wait until he
comes and then go back with him, my
regards to Prof. Gray. The folks are all
well and wish to be remembered. Yours C. A. Overman

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C. A. Devereaux,
Cottonwood Cal.
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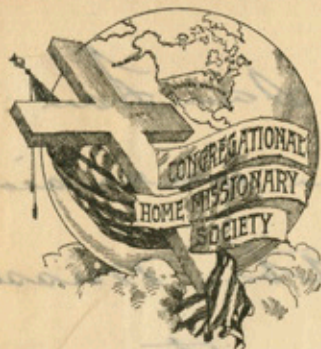
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CONGREGATIONAL HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
JAMES K. HARRISON,
Superintendent of Northern California and Nevada,

735 Market Street,

San Francisco, Feb. 12 1895

The CONGREGATIONAL HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, as an Organization, began in 1826. Its principles, however, have been dominant in our churches from 1620 onward. Our fathers believed that righteousness alone exalts a nation, and that the strength of government is the virtue of its subjects. As the embodiment of such principles,

Its aim is the realization of the ideal Christian State.

Its method, to carry the Gospel into destitute regions, and to aid christian institutions temporarily needy.

In such service it has expended \$18,086,475 in money and supplies. (\$621,608.25 during the year 1893-4.) It has organized and maintained 6,100 churches, into which have been gathered 422,041 members.

It is practically a Foreign Missionary Society also, having at present 218 missionaries on its roll who are preaching in the German, Slavic and Scandinavian tongues.

In Northern California 63 missionaries have, during the past year, ministered to 88 churches and about 50 out-stations; 14 churches have been organized, all but one of these in communities hitherto churchless; 16 counties in Northern California are without a Congregational Church. Twenty-five new churches could be organized within six months in localities where now no religious services are held. That the State would be benefited by these churches, social life sweetened, and business aided, seems altogether probable.

For effectively carrying on its appropriate work the Society imperatively needs and seeks from christian men and women—

1. A larger sympathy, as the outcome of more careful study of its aims, methods, and practical workings.
2. Prayer—More and more fervent.
3. Offerings of money, in their spirit,—the expression of each one's personal responsibility for the common weal, and of his regard for property as a trust; in their amount,—proportioned to the blessing of the Lord.

"We are laborers together with God." "Go ye, therefore, and preach the Gospel to every creature."

God Save the Common-wealth of California, and the United States of America.

Gen. O. O. Howard

Portland, Oregon.

Dear Gen. Howard:

I have been upon the point of writing for some time—but have only just now found your address.

Are your engagements such that you could come to San Francisco and help in our closing campaign for Home Missionary money? It would be of almost incalculable benefit to our work. Our Congl. Club is anxious to give you a

reception at the 1st Church. San Fran-
cisco, and to make it an occasion,
also, to interest people in the missio-
nary work in California and the
whole Country.

If you can come would
you allow us to arrange a re-
ception for you as early as the
22nd of February, Washington's Birth-
day? I have consulted with
several of our leading pastors
and write at their unanimous
request. Would you be able to
remain with us at least a month
and consent to speak in a series
of Home Missionary Meetings in the
principal Churches around the
Bay? I am the more free to make
this request since I have been informed
that you had purposed coming to San Francisco
soon. May I hope for an answer at your
first convenience. Sincerely & Respectfully,
James H. Harrison. Jr.



Tacoma City Schools

C. W. Mock, Secretary

Tacoma, Washington Feb. 12, 1895.

Major General O. O. Howard.

Portland, Oregon.

My dear Sir.

Some days ago I wrote you with regard to the proposed visit - to us, urging you to accept our invitation to appear as principal guest at the next meeting of the Congregational Club, which will be held March 13, next. As I have not heard from you I am afraid there has been some miscarriage of letters, and we are anxious to hear from you very soon.

We were unable to make any arrangement with the Puget Sound people, and are too poor to offer you anything beyond your expenses, but are very desirous of having you come.

I hope you will send me a favorable answer by return mail.

With kindest regards to the family and the hope that we may see you next month I am
Yours very truly, H. M. Jackson.

OFFICE OF
Gen. O. O. HOWARD,
H. S. HOWARD.

Answer
FEB 14 1895

Mr. James

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CYRUS KEHR,
THE ROOKERY, - ROOM 639,
CHICAGO.

LYCEUM ENTERTAINMENTS.

February 12th, 1895.

CHICAGO,

General O. O. Howard,
263 Yamhill St.,
Portland, Ore.

Dear General:-

Your letter of the 8th inst. has been received. I had already made an engagement at Pittsburgh, for Shady Ave. Baptist Church. This congregation has just completed a large building. I have written to Mr. Woods.

In one of your late letters you ask that I make no dates earlier than April 5th or 6th, "the later the better." I accordingly asked to have the Denver date fixed for April 8th or 9th. I shall now ask to have this date chosen in the first week of April, if not too late. Webster City is fixed for the 16th, and Sioux City for the 15th. As your railroad ticket expires March 31st, you can reach Denver March 30th. You have stated that you wish to be at Denver a week. According to this you might leave Denver April 8th or 9th. Perhaps I can get engagements at Lincoln, Omaha, and Council Bluffs for the week beginning April 8th, thus consuming the time before the Sioux City date. I have engaged at Bloomington for April 25th, and at Pittsburgh for April 30th. Others are under consideration, so that I can probably make engagements nearly consecutive to May 1st.

Yours truly,

Cyrus Kehr.

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CYRUS KEHR,
THE BOOKERY-ROOM 632,
CHICAGO.

Handwritten: Feb 16 1895

Handwritten: C. O. Howard

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Yours truly,

Handwritten: Cyrus Kehr.

Michigan's desire for a
representative upon the
Commission.

Hoping this is not asking
too much.

I remain.

Very Sincerely Yours,
Edmund Hill.

General Oliver O. Howard.
Portland, Oregon.

OFFICE OF
Gen. O. O. HOWARD,
H. S. HOWARD.

Medford, Oregon.

February 12th, 1895.

My Dear General,

The action of the Mich-
igan Legislature, (copy sent
you yesterday,) asking the
Secretary of War for his favour-
able action relative to my
appointment to succeed
Col. Batchelder, induces
me to request you to write
a letter to Secretary Lamont
direct, supplementing
this request, introducing
the fact that one of Mich-
igan's Regiments, fighting

under your command,
(the 24th, Missouri's) at
Gettysburg, lost in that battle
a greater number of men
than any Regiment upon any
battle-field, during the entire
War, its losses being
8 Officers and 50 men
killed, 13 Officers, 201 men,
wounded, 3 Officers and
88 men missing. A total
of 363.

Michigan's losses, as
a State, were third upon
this field - and greater than
any other State in proportion
to her population. These
facts in emphasis to

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 12 1892

Major-General O. O. Howard,

My dear Friend: -

I was very glad to receive your letter & to know that you would be in California in March. Please arrange to be with us one sabbath. As soon as you know & can give date please inform me as I want to advertise you & invite the Y. A. R. and the public generally to hear you. I expect to give you an audience that will be like an ovation.

I have arranged for an electrotype, a good photograph of you, for the face of our Church bulletin. You know I appreciate you.

Very sincerely yours
C. C. McLean

MINISTER'S RESIDENCE
205 SOUTH OLIVE STREET
H. S. HOWARD
Gen. O. O. HOWARD

OFFICE OF
FEB 25 1895

Rev C C McLean

Simpson
M. E. Tabernacle



Seating Capacity, 2500 HOPE STREET BET. SEVENTH AND EIGHTH Seats Free

REV. C. C. McLEAN, D. D., MINISTER

The Minister and members extend to you the welcome of this Church, and will be pleased to have you worship with them.

(10-9-91-2 M.)

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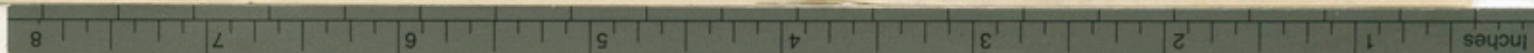
Gen. O. O. Howard,

Major General, U.S. Army, Retired, 263 Yamhill St., Portland, Or.

My dear General: Answering yours of the 8th instant. Herewith
I send you the transportation from Coles to Los Angeles as requested.

Yours truly,

A. N. Donald



OFFICE OF
Gen. O. O. HOWARD,
H. S. HOWARD.

Recd
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Feb. 18, 1895.

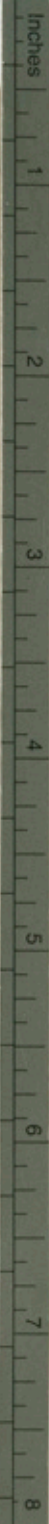
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Gen. O. O. Howard,

Yours truly,



R. H. PRATT,
Capt. 10th Cav'y., Supt.

United States
Indian Industrial School,
Carlisle, Pa.

February 12th 1895.

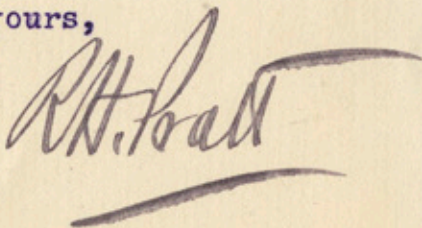
Dear General:-

I do not forget our conversation. If you are anywhere within reach and will let me know I will arrange transportation for you and Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Pratt and I will be so glad to have you as our guests.

This promises to be the most important of our anniversaries, and I would like to have you talk for five to eight minutes on the Commencement occasion.

Very truly yours,

(Dictated)

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R. H. Pratt', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

General O. O. Howard,

% Capt. Guy Howard, A.Q.M., U.S.A.,

Fort Ethan Allen,

Burlington, Vt.

OFFICE OF
Gen. O. O. HOWARD,

FEB 25 1895

Capt. R. W. Pratt

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(Enclosed)

General O. O. Howard,

Capt. R. W. Pratt, U.S.A.,

Fort Worth, Texas,

February 25, 1895.

Sutter Club.

Sacramento.

Genl O. O. H.

Tue. Ev.
Feb. 12, 1873

Dear Brother: I have seen
the cards here & am very
favorably impressed. One
of the proprietors is absent
& I shall hardly be able
to conclude anything but am
going down to Merced County
tomorrow - my address there
c/o J. J. Stephenson, New-
man, Calif - till Friday
when I will return to S. F.
on Sunday arriving Friday Evg
5-45 P.M. & going directly to
Mrs. Martin's as invited -
I have to see Mr. Davis in
S. F. Monday^{18th} & will start

What swing about 5 for Los
Angeles - coming as I under-
stand about noon Tuesday
19th - Let me hear from you
Can H. P. Sweet, Thomson
Blk, Los Angeles - and if
possible arrange to join me
here Victor Narrows on
the 21st Thursday - I am
afraid you have not allowed
time for this - If you can
go 20th it will probably do
as well - But I should think
it would take two or three days
even to reach you & much
more than that for me -

Please see Sweet, if you
can, when you go down &
Wear the visit to Victor -
I will, I expect him tonight -
With love to your family -

Yours,
E. H. Howard
P.S. Please inform Mr. J. & Helene of my plans.

Mount Vernon Suburban Land Company,

Post Office Building, Room 2.
BANK OF MOUNT VERNON BUILDING, ROOM 6.

Mount Vernon, N.Y., Feb. 12 1895

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Portland,
Oregon.

Dear General:

It was my desire to see you before you left New York, but I was not fortunate enough to meet you, although I went two or three times, and found that you were not on the Island.

I now write regarding Bro. Ernest Kuehs-Schreiber, who was converted at Camp Memorial Mission when Bro. Jaeger was laboring there. He was converted March 6th 1893, and has been a true Christian since that time. He joined Camp Memorial Church - first as a candidate for membership, and then in full con-

nection, and has remained a member of the Church since that time, although Bro. Gaeger and the other converts who joined the Church have left.

Bro. Ruchs-Schrieber is the son of a German Physician of Berlin. When his father died he left considerable property. Bro. Ruchs lost all of his share, partly, at least, through the dishonesty of those he trusted, and became dissipated, and, like so many others, sank down, until he came to Camp Memorial Mission destitute and "lost". As before stated he came to Christ March 6th 1893, and started on a new life. I have known him since that time, and have watched with great pleasure his spiritual growth. He was in my Bible Class at Camp Memorial Church, and through my effort came to Mount Vernon in the fall of 1893. In June 1894 he came into our office as bookkeeper.

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and has been with us since that time. He gives entire satisfaction. He is accurate and every way reliable. He has taken great interest in Christian work, and has been the means of leading several persons to Christ.

When Bro. Gaejer broke away from Camp Memorial Church, I very strongly advised against it, and declined to have any further connection with his work so long as Mr. Richards was the controlling spirit, and unless he was again in harmony with the Church, and I have not since that time led a meeting there, or taught in the Sunday School. I did all in my power to hold Bro. Gaejer and his converts to the Church, but, as before stated, all except Bro. Ruhs have left. I pre-

sume that he has remained partly through
my influence. I have believed all the
time that matters would ^{some time} assume such
shape at Camp Memorial Church that
the work of Bro. Jaeger would be in harmony
with it, and I think that time is near
at hand. Bro. Miller the new pastor and
Bro. Jaeger in in accord. Lewis who has
been one of the disturbing spirits, and, I am
informed, has been on several drunken since
you left; has been dismissed. I hope and
believe that all cause of disagreement
will be removed, and in my judgment
Bro. Ruck's will be influential in
securing a union of effort between the
mission and the Church.

The second husband of Bro. Ruck's
mother was a Maj. in the German
Army, and Bro. R. was with this

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step father in the army, and this training has been of great help to him. He was an educated gentleman when he left Germany.

His mother is living, and is a woman of considerable wealth - Bro. Jaeger visited her last summer, when he was in Germany, and has told me about her. When Bro. Ruckes was dissipated his mother lost confidence in him, and since his change of life he has not been able to regain her confidence. He is her only child, and naturally feels very anxious to again have her love and confidence. To that end, he finds it necessary to go to Germany to see his mother. But she has an agent or attorney who is evidently hostile to Bro. Ruckes, and seems determined to prevent a reconciliation. It may therefore be necessary for him to

be prepared with influential recommendations, and a letter from you would be of great service.

His mother lives at Wiesbaden, and the nearest Consul or Consul General is at Frankfurt. His name is Frank H. Mason. He is Consul General. It may be necessary for Bro. Ruchs to have the support of this Consul General.

If you can see your way clear to recommend Bro. Ruchs from your knowledge of him, and from what I say of him, it will be of very great service to him. A letter directed to the Consul General, Mason, and another, "To whom it may concern", which Bro Ruchs can carry with him, will be invaluable. If you think best to give these letters, please send them to me at your earliest convenience, and I will forward one

to the Consul General, and give the
other to Bro. Ruck. I have perfect ~~con-~~²
fidence in him, or I would not make
this request for him.

His step-father's name was Ruck and
he was known by that name in Germany,
and in this country, but his mother de-
sires him to take the name of his father,
Schreiber, and hence his name is
Ernest Ruck-Schreiber.

I have written at length that you
may have all the facts before you
to enable you to decide in this matter
which is of very great importance to
him; for if he is reconciled to his
mother, it means the return of a mother's
love, and probably the securing of
a considerable amount of property.

When you return east, I shall

hope to meet you again

With great esteem

I am

Your friend

J. E. Bryant

P.S. I enclose a photograph of Bro.
Ruehs.

J. E. B.

OFFICE OF

Gen. O. O. HOWARD,

H. S. HOWARD.

FEB 25 1895

J. E. Bryant.