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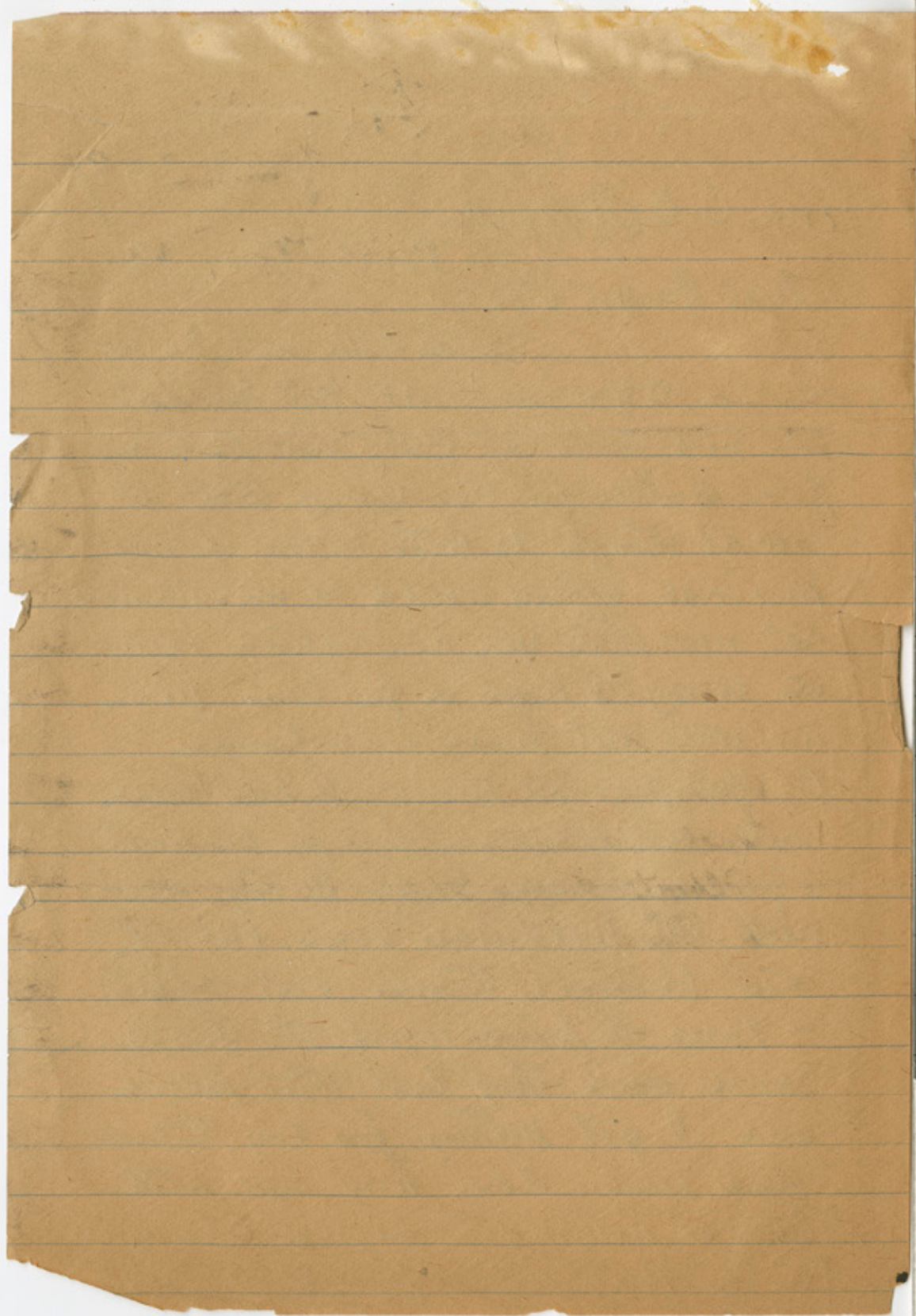
Genl. O. O. Howard

Burlington, Vt.  
Dear Cousin Otis:

This letter will be a surprise to you, no doubt. But heretofore you have been so fully occupied in your duties in the Army that I felt as though to write to you of my personal affairs would be an intrusion, but now that you have retired from the Army I hope a few lines from me will not prove unwelcome.

As you perhaps know I have been back in Mississippi for the past 5 years. I came back to try and help the Woodman boys out of their business troubles but after 4 years of hard work the crisis came and they lost their place and I got nothing for my time and work. I am now left with little or nothing to begin life again in a financial point of view.

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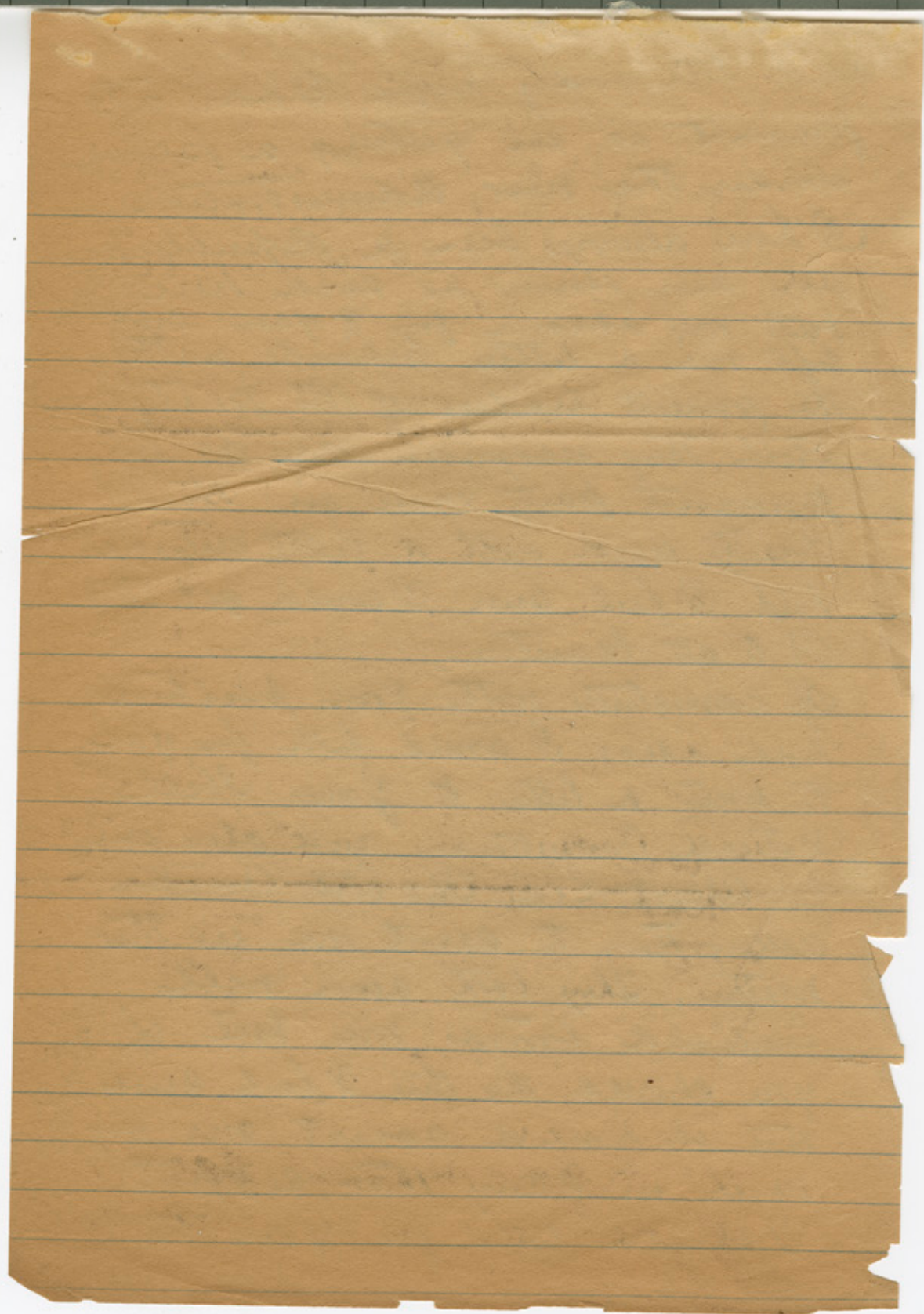
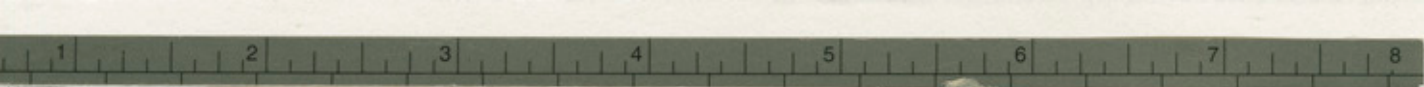
and the only hope I have at  
present is in getting a place  
under the new administration.

I have always been a Republican  
and am known as such here  
but my absence for 8 years has  
left me a little behind with  
the present leaders of the Party.

Still, they recognize me as a  
prominent party man in this  
County and with a little outside  
help I feel sure I could get the  
P. O. at Canton.

If consistent with your position  
and ideas I would like for you  
to write a letter to James Still,  
National Committeeman and also one  
to Albert Lea, Ch. State Committeeman  
asking them to assist me in this  
matter. They both seem well  
inclined towards me but if  
you should do this I feel sure  
that it would assist me very  
much in gaining their support.

I should like for you to



send the letters to me and ask  
me present them.

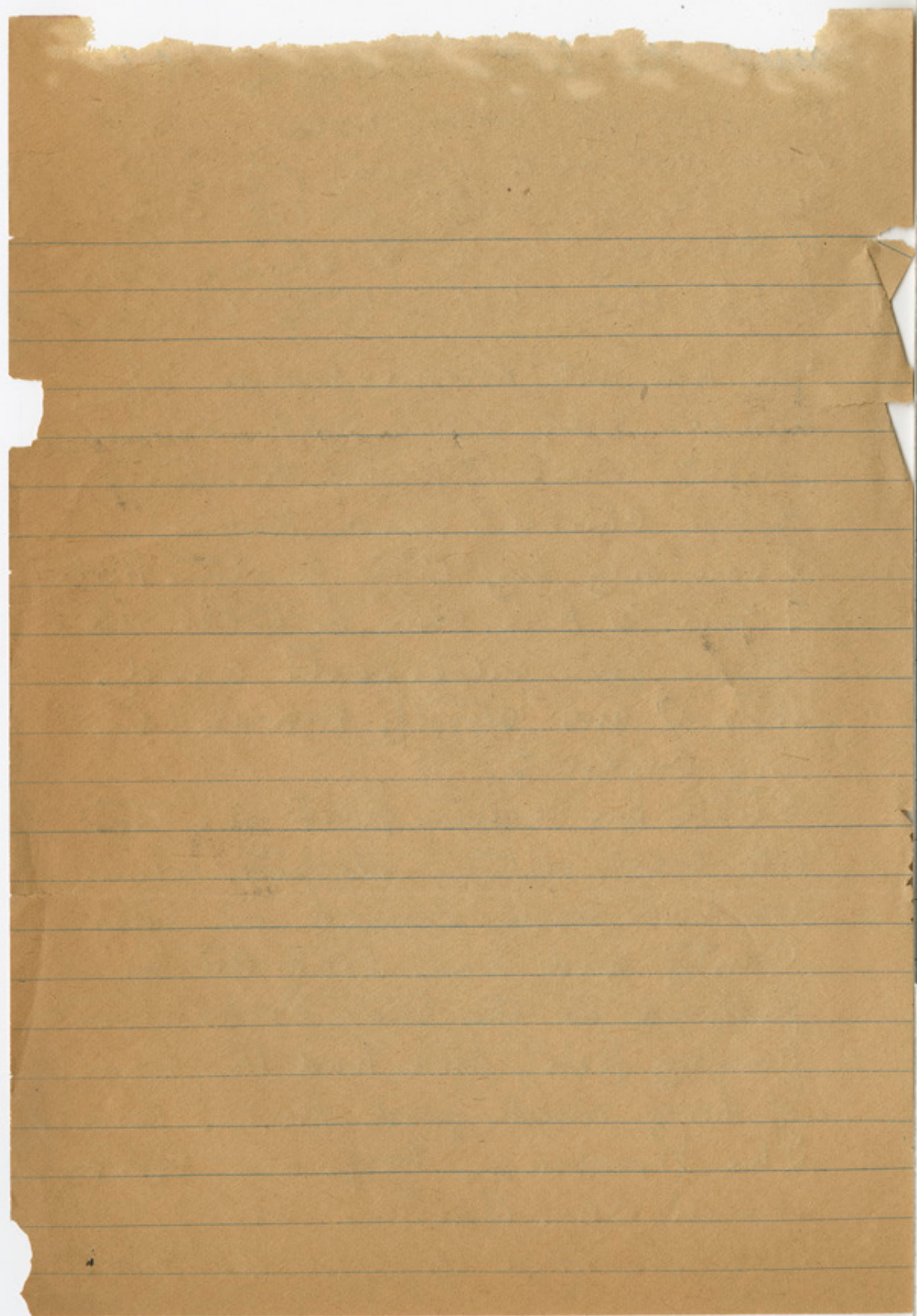
There will be a meeting of the  
State Ex. Committee on the 9th  
of February and I should like  
to have them before that time.

You have not known much of  
me in late years and perhaps  
might want to know something  
of my character and habits.

I can only say that for the past  
7 years I have been a total ab-  
solute from interests and  
that I am strictly moral in  
my conduct.

I took an active part in the  
late local option election which  
we had and carried in this  
County and had 5 or 6 articles  
published in the State Prohibitor  
from my pen. and had the credit  
of doing much good for the cause.  
The Woodman boys are now  
all at San Antonio Tex.

I hope even if you do not

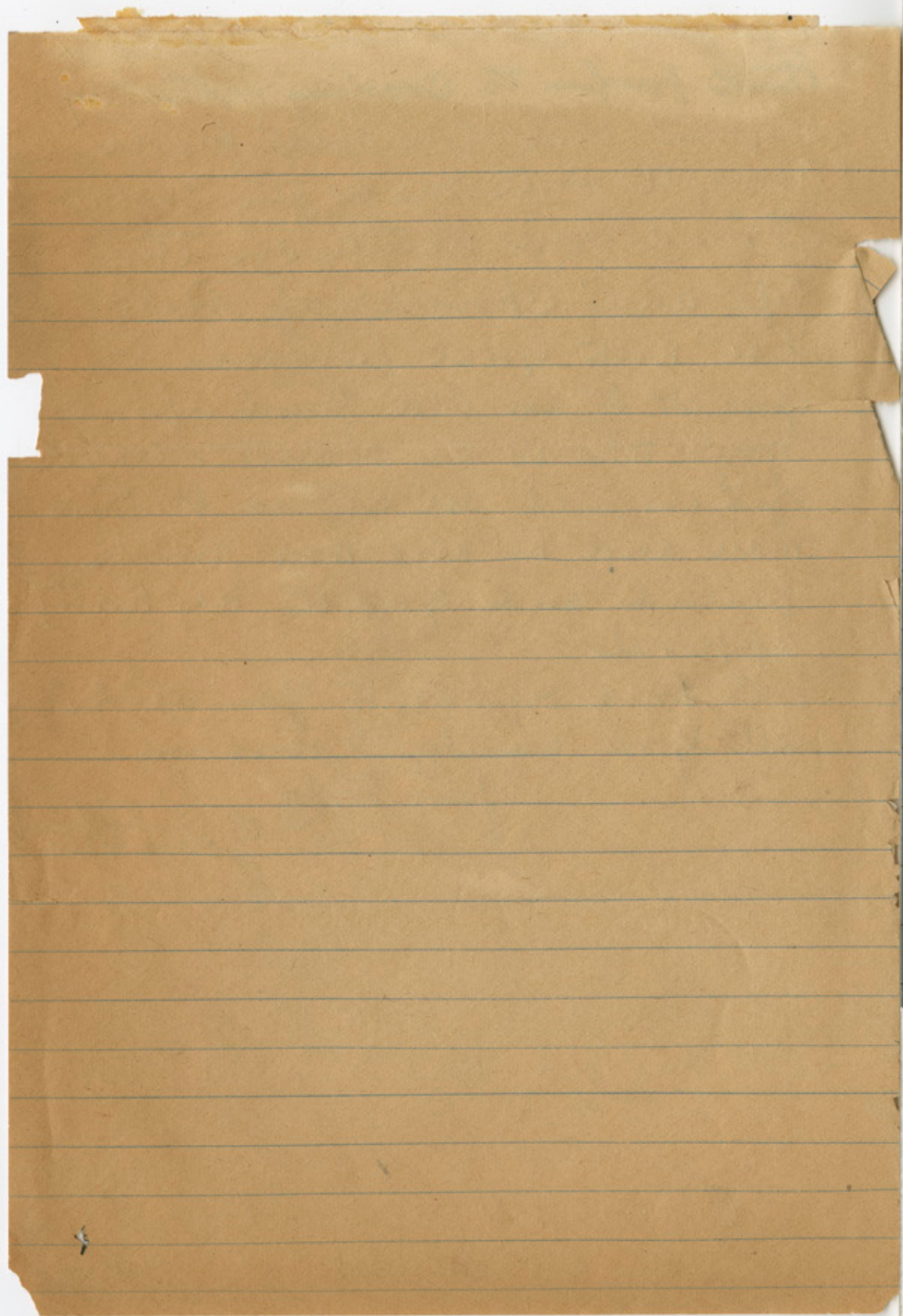


Thank you for to comply with my  
request that you will find  
time to write me a few lines.  
I read your article on the  
life and Character of Robt  
Lee with great pleasure &  
gave it to an old friend of  
mine who is an ardent admirer  
of Lee and an intense Southern  
man and he also was much  
pleased and gave it his hearty  
approval.

With kind regards to you and  
all your family I remain

Yours truly

John A. Lee



Falls Church, Va.,  
Jan 30, 1897.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir:

I am requested to write  
you concerning the Rev. Robert Hourse  
whose friends are urging him for  
the appointment of Minister to  
Turkey.

Mr. Hourse, with his wife and  
two grown daughters and son are  
members of my Church. It is only  
natural therefore that I find it  
necessary to guard myself lest my  
partiality warp my judgment  
when I attempt to write of him.

Mr. Hourse is an Englishman  
thoroughly Americanized and hence  
more intelligently American than

are many who never found it necessary to give any other reason for preferring our government than that they were born under it.

Trained for the ministry rather than for the bar, his life has largely been spent as a popular lecturer.

In this capacity he has become familiar with the best of our people in all parts of our land, and during the last Presidential campaign was found a powerful advocate of Republican principles. His varied experience on the rostrum, and platform together with his business enterprises has made him widely familiar with the general principles of law, & put him in close contact and in active sympathy with the American people, and hence ~~has~~ made him a suitable man to represent them.

He is the opposite of a timid man,

and his associations and principles would make him the courageous advocate of those larger interests which America has in the Turkish empire - those connected with her schools and missions.

My wishes in such a matter are of course, as they of right ought to be, of no value to you; but if the above opinions and facts help you in forming a proper estimate of Mr. Nurse and in giving him such support as he deserves, I may hope to have rendered you and him & perhaps the country a service by thus venturing this intimation upon your time and attention.

Yours very sincerely  
J. S. Jenkins  
Pastor Congl. Ch.

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF COMMISSARY-GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE,  
WASHINGTON, D.C.,

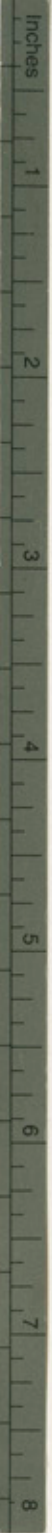
Jan 30 1897

Dear Genl Howard

Many thanks for  
your kind Congratulation  
on my recent promotion,  
by which I step peer  
into the shoes of Genl  
Morgan before they  
were cold.

Very truly yours  
W. C. Fulenwider

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WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF COMMISSARY GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE

WASHINGTON, D.C.

January 20, 1862

Dear General Sherman

I have the honor to

acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th inst.

in relation to the above of the

provisions for the

army at Fort

Monmouth

Very respectfully,  
G. B. Meade

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Headquarters of the Army,  
Washington.

Saturday, Jan. 30.

1897

Dear General:

I have been, or  
am about to be, relieved  
from duty here on the  
Staff of General Miles,  
to rejoin my regiment for  
the purpose of being ap-  
pointed its adjutant, an  
office which has been offered  
me by my Colonel. I  
join with all haste

Since upon my appointment depends the promotion of two officers.

I had hoped to meet you here at the Inauguration ceremonies in which I see you are to take a prominent part, but this call to my regiment is as imperative as it is complimentary. I thought you would

be interested to note the rapidly occurring changes in my station.

Very sincerely yours,

Henry H. Preston



HEADQUARTERS

C. A. CUSTER POST, NO. 42,

DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT.

BENNINGTON, VT., Jan'y 30 1897

Genl C C Howard  
Burlington Vt

Canvassed. Correspondence having been had with you during the past year looking to your services as speaker for this Post at our Memorial services, for the coming year, and as the Secy of the old Committee wrote you in regard to your terms for such services and has not yet rec'd from you any reply thereto. I respectfully ask if you will at your earliest convenience send your terms so that further action can be had by this Post.

I have the honor to be Genl

Respectly your Obedt Servt  
C. A. Custer Post  
at Comm. Secy  
Geo England



REGISTER, NO. 42,

DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT

RECEIVED AT, VERMONT, VT.

*[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the paper.]*

Gen. Brooke for Gov't position.

Headquarters Department of Dakota.

St. Paul, Minnesota.

Jan.  
Decy 31<sup>st</sup> / 89

Dear General Howard

It seems that the next Lieut. has been determined upon, and, as he will have much to do in the matter of selecting Gen. Ruger's successor I thought I should write you asking you to write Gen. Alger in my behalf - Gen. Wheaton is older than I am, in years, but I am his senior in rank and I do not feel it would be right to have him step one man that account as a matter of principle, laying aside the justice of it. Besides if this has been done for a few weeks, why should it not be done for a few months or a few years? Where would this leave me? I am younger than all the General Officers except Miles and I would be left back until almost the date of my retirement by this process.

I think you know my record in War from the time you passed through

my line at Fairbault with your good right arm hanging by a shield up to the present time. Do you know that yours was the only order I received during that battle?

Mr. Brooke joins me in kindest remembrances to you and yours.

Hoping to hear from you soon

My truly Yours  
O. O. Howard

Dear Gen. = Alger;

[Feb, 1897]

Please read this & make note of Gen. Brooke. He is a grand officer. But I would like to talk with you about Gen. Wheaton when we meet.

Sincerely Yrs

O. O. Howard

P.S. After reading, please return to me. O. O. H.

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Dear Genl Howard

I will be  
glad to talk  
with you

sincerely

Robt Hayes

Detroit July 6. 1897

But her going takes a good part of Leeds away from the rest of us, doesn't it?

How is the new house getting on? And Aunt Lizzie, Bessie and Harry; are they well? Give my love to them please. My room-mate is a girl from Hinesburg, near Burlington. So I hear from Burlington occasionally.

The last I heard from Mamma and Rowland they were as well as usual.

My school is Walnut Hill School, near the station at Natick.  
Jan. 31, 1897.  
Lovingly your niece  
Ella Howard.

Walnut Hill.

Natick, Mass.

My dear Uncle Otis, - I learned the other day that you were in Boston about a week ago. I was so sorry not to have known it, for perhaps we might have planned to see one another. Natick is only half an hour's ride from Boston and I go into the city very often. But perhaps you will be coming to Boston again before long. You

will let me know or see  
you then?

Otis and Rowland have  
both been out to see me  
since I have been here.

And it seemed so good to  
see the faces that belonged  
to me. Though Otis I  
saw for only about twenty  
minutes. It happened to  
be away the afternoon he  
came and he waited three  
whole hours for me; when

I did come, we had only  
twenty minutes together.

Mamma wrote me  
of Cousin Theresa's death.  
How hard and sad for  
poor little Lucy. I have  
written her a few lines  
this afternoon, just to let  
her know how sorry I am  
for her. Papa and she will  
be glad to see one another,  
will they not? He always  
thought so much of her.

THE FAULKNER FARM,  
BROOKLINE.

General W. W. Wood,

Dear Sir,

Thank you  
for your letter about Mr. Johnson and  
your kind reference to my grandfather  
on whom the State of Maine con-  
ferred great honor. I can assure  
you that I shall do all that lies in  
my power to help him and under-  
stand fully that my good will as  
a Congressman is useful in the

initiation only, and then a good word  
from you will cause a great deal later  
on.

Hoping to have the honor of meeting  
you in the immediate future and  
with many thanks,

Very truly yours,

Charles V. Spurgeon

Sunday, <sup>Jan</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> [1897]