

Fort Sherman, Idaho.

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Feb 9, 1899

Major General O. O. Howard U.S.A.

My Dear General:-

Your picture in the last issue of Christian Herald has served to recall my association with you at Tampa in the work of the Christian Commission. In fact the only particularly happy memories I have of Tampa cluster about you and your band of workers. My personal life in camp was very unhappy much of time because of poor Col. Theaker who was and is his own worst enemy. He continued to make my pathway a my thorny one. He dropped me at Siboney, Cuba, promising to send for me soon which he soon did. I made

repeated effort to gain his consent to rejoin but
was discouraged and ^{he} finally sent a
message expressing the hope that I would
"soon be in the U. S. and with my family."
I waited like a slave in the hospital at
Siboney where I found a most
inviting field and my services greatly
in demand. I went up to First Divisional
Hospital near El Pazo upon earnest
invitation of ^{the} Chief Surgeon. As I was
leaving Siboney the Chief Surgeon there
surprised and cheered my heart with
a note of generous appreciation of
my services to sick and wounded.
I was at First Divisional Hospital during
last bombardment of Santiago remaining
until the station was broken up
for want of wounded; and rejoining
Sixteenth Infantry shortly after the

Capitulation sorry that I had
been separated from the regiment
but glad that the Lord opened
a large door for me in the hospital
service.

I found I. in a complete state of
demoralization. His officers were
making ready to prefer the most
damaging charges against him.
His adjutant, George, was down sick.
He informed me that he wished to
retire and desired me to draw
up the application for retirement
on 37 years service together with application
for 1 month's leave of absence with
permission to return to U. S. pending

action on application. He also wished
 me to take the whole matter
 in hand and get Gen Kent (commander
 division) and General Shafter to approve
 same and let him go the next
 day. I had no idea that I could
 do all that in one day. But I
 did and the next night he
 was on the ship Cornal where
 you found him. I did my best
 at all times for him, obeyed every
 order, observed every wish and
 in return I have never heard that
 Colonel Shearer has spoken or written
 a single good word for me during
 the whole campaign or since.
 I grievously erred in taking so
 much from him; I should

presented something and made an
official report of some of his
transactions. I was long suffering
on account of his two daughters
who have received private
tutition from me and to whom
I am still attached — they are
fine girls. I had asked to
accompany the regiment and
earnestly sought to go and I
was accordingly resolved to bear
almost anything. But no day
was ever treated worse than the
treated me in his debauches.
I was not struck and beaten physically
but I was otherwise abused as I

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I shall never suffer any man to abuse
me again. Theaker sober was my
friend; Theaker drunk was my
enemy and as he was drunk
about all the time my only relief
was when away from him.

I see he has been brottered. He
deserves it. During the early part
of the day July 1. he was heroic.
later in that day he was oblivious
to pain and spirits from drink.
He would have been a Major General before
we left Cuba if the old curse had
not followed him. But alas! that
awful curse of appetite.

I learned through various channels
that you had a great trial with
him coming up on the Conal

from Cuba.

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Shortly after arriving at Montauk I was detached from regiment and placed on duty at General Hospital where I worked night and day and, until I went to Pittsburg to bury the remains of Captain Morrison, when I broke down from nervous exhaustion and over work and from the long, hard strain I have not wholly recovered.

Well, I did not intend to write such a long letter but I have wanted to tell you my "tale

of work".

I should greatly prize a few
lines from, you reminiscent
of the days at Tampa that
I may preserve along with some
beautiful letters I have from
Generals Kent, & Hawkins and
Clara Barton, Mrs. Logan and
others.

I inclose a lecture folder; also
a chip from San Juan Hill Block House
near Santiago which may interest you
slightly.

Sincerely Yours,

Cephas C. Bateman

Post Chaplain U. S. Army

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*Practices before the Supreme Court of the United States, Court of Claims,
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and all Departments of the Government.*

Washington, D. C., February 9th., 189 9.

Gen'l. O. O. Howard,

12-5th. Ave.,

New York.

My Dear General:-

Yours of yesterday is received. I have succeeded in getting the House Military Committee to favorably report the Senate Bill (Senate Bill 4306) and it is now on the "Union Calendar" of the House. The whole point now is if Speaker Reed will let it come up, if he opposes it it can't possibly be taken up. I have worked so hard on this measure for a number of years, and have got it now with ⁱⁿ the very last point of success that I should feel very much discouraged if it should fail. I am ^{is} satisfied it will pass if it once brought before the House, and that rests entirely with the Speaker.

Sincerely Yours,

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Washington, D. C., February 22nd, 1892.

Genl. O. O. Howard.

12-5th Ave.

New York.

My Dear General:

Yours of yesterday is received. I have succeeded in
getting the House Military Committee to favorably report the Senate Bill
(Senate Bill 430) and it is now on the Union Calendar of the House. The
House will not take it up now. It is possible that it will be taken up in
the near future. I have worked so hard on this matter for
a number of years, and have got it now with the very last point of success
in my power. I should feel very much discouraged if it should fail. I am
very glad that it will pass. It is once enough called the House and that
will be the end of it. Sincerely yours,

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ALLAN RUTHERFORD

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Lakeside, February 9, 1899.

Major-General O.O. Howard,

10 East 23rd St., New York City.

Dear General:-

Yesterday evening I received your letter of the 6th enclosing your annuals over the Pennsylvania and asking that I leave not later than to-morrow night or else return them to you and come later. There are several things which make it inconvenient for me to leave as early as to-morrow evening, so I return the passes as requested. I will finish up some matters which I have on hand and be ready when you can send the passes again. For anything I know now I can be ready any time next week.

I do not know whether I have ever spoken to you about making a careful effort to interest Andrew Carnegie. I see by yesterday morning's paper that he has just made an offer of \$100000 for a library at Atlanta. It is stated in connection with the matter that he feels a strong interest in the South and wishes to help the Southern people. As a large element of Scotch among the Southern Highlanders are his kinsmen, it seems to me that if the matter could be properly presented to him he would become interested. We can talk this over when I see you and possibly you may think it well to see Mr. Carnegie at Pittsburg if he is at home. Possibly he spends part of his time at New York, so that he may be seen there.

The other matter which I mentioned in a former letter will involve a trip to Atlanta and I should like it if you could arrange to go with me on that trip. When I present it to you, I think you will see that it is a prospect full of promise. Please do not mention this to any one else. I think that you and I are the only ones who can do anything with it.

I retain the card of introduction to use when I have your annuals again. I shall see also if the daily papers will not publish what you had in the New York Sun.

Very truly,

Cyrus K. K.

Lakeside, February 3, 1892.

Major-General O.O. Howard,

10 East 23rd St., New York City.

Dear General:-

Yesterday evening I received your letter of the 28th enclosing your annuals over the Pennsylvania and asking that I leave not later than to-morrow night or else return them to you and come later. There are several things which make it inconvenient for me to leave as early as to-morrow evening, so I return the passes as requested. I will finish up some matters which I have on hand and be ready when you can send the passes again. For anything I know now I can be ready any time next week.

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Very truly,

James O. Beane

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Bevea Ky

Feb. 9th 99

Dear Genl. Howard.

I found Mr Smith and Mr Cox of Louisville very much in sympathy with the work at the Gap. and ^(they) have been doing and are still trying to do all they can for us. I am still of the opinion that we ought to trust them when they say they will be in a position to do much more for us if we pay in a little right now. of course the amt. has long since been due them and if we are not willing to pay when we have the money in hand it is rather trying to their patience. Mr Eager has probably written you as he has me. and I hope they will give us a definite Extension but we can not blame them if they do not. Sincerely Yours Ed. Baird

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Dear Brother:

Your kind letter of the 3^d, with that of Mr. Foster returned, came duly. and I thank you for the prompt action. I feel sure it would be fortunate for our government to secure the permanent services of such a man. I think Mr. Fletcher M.B. will call on the Secretary of War about it.

Do you ever grow tired of doing and writing for other people. The Assistant Secretary of the Interior (Genl Webster Davis) acted favorably on Mrs. Capt. Wilson's ^{on our appeal} pension case - reversing the decision which had been against her. But it now remains to take it up over. He merely sent it back to Com^r H. Clay Evans. There it will be in the hands of the same clerks who for years have ruled against it; and really we cannot submit any new proof. However I think we can meet some of their quibbles and merely technical obstructions. One point worth that your and my letters were not under oath. When really we did not enter the case as witnesses

P.S. No 2 - I have just received a letter from John from Pence -
What is the object of your going there? And who is
intended to benefit you? You did not explain.

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Since we had three surgeons as well,
but mainly to ask the attention of the
Officials to the justice of the claim and
that we secured.

I have still another and similar
matter to write you about today. You
have (with your usual ^{and} unselfishness,
generosity) taken an interest in
Mr. Hooker's (H.C.) Claims. I
threw it last June in Arizona working
it up. But De Witt (the Sub-Attorney
who conducted the investigation on behalf
of the Assistant Attorney General Thompson)
now brings forward the plea that the
prices claimed for the animals were too
high. Mr. Hooker offers to substitute the
prices paid him at those dates (1866-72) for
beef as evidenced by contracts on file in the
Interior and War Departments. I enclose
a letter I have just written to Butterfield
about it. If he thinks favorable of my plan
would you (this winter or Spring) say the first
time you could find it convenient to go to
Washington, go with him as I have indicated.
As a matter of justice they ought to grant
our request and fix the prices in that way; the

P.S. It has been too cold for me
even to visit South - but I hope to get off
by way of Tuesday - Cough better - Kitty not well
but improving -

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object is to save time and expense both to the
government and ourselves. We have plenty
of witnesses who will support the prices
named by Mr. Hooker. You yourself
from the prices you paid in 1872 or 3 would
do so. So that the further worry and bother
of a rehearing will probably save the
government nothing in the end. It is
an outrage (often keeping him out of his
money - getting not a cent of interest for over
30 years - to remand this case for the sake
of cutting down the prices below what the gov-
ernment itself paid at the time.

Please write Butterfield 2419 Fourth St. N.W.
and inform me at South States what you can do. Affectionately
C. H. Howard

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Farm, Field and Fireside

Chicago

(COPY.)

Chicago, February 9, 1899.

J. W. Butterfield, Esq.,

419 Fourth St., N. W.,

Washington, D. C.

My Dear Sir:-

I am in some doubt whether I have acknowledged the receipt of yours of January 20th. The fact is that I have not yet returned to my business since my illness (Pneumonia). You probably found my card at your residence. I have not been back at the office for work since that date - about December 15th. Of course my correspondence has suffered.

I write now to ask whether we cannot wisely take an appeal from this decision of DeWitt - to demand the reduction of the prices as you name and propose what Mr. Hook^{er} said viz: the prices of the contracts which he had at the dates when the cattle were lost? Would not the department (Attorney General) consider such a proposition as a compromise? Would it help for me to get brother General O. O. to go with you to the Attorney General or Assistant Attorney General Thompson (whom you name) and request such an agreement in lieu of putting Mr. Hooker and the Government to all the additional expense and trouble of a rehearing? I suppose, also, I could get the help of the Delegate from Arizona.

Mr. Hooker is now over 70 years of age. It is a most unjust and cruel thing to adopt a course to occasion more delay in the settlement of his claim. Gen. O. O. could plead the justice of the mode of fixing the prices suggested and the wrong of adopting a course to cause further unnecessary delay - perhaps with more effect than could you or I as attorneys. However, I am not certain that Gen. O. O. could come on

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100 N. Dearborn St.
Chicago, Ill.
W. E. Fitts
J. W. Farin
J. H. Field

Chicago, February 9, 1892.

J. W. Butterfield, Esq.,

412 Fourth St., N. W.,

Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:-

I am in some doubt whether I have acknowledged the receipt of yours of January 30th. The fact is that I have not yet returned to my business since my illness (Pneumonia). You probably found my card at your residence. I have not been back at the office for work since that date - about December 15th. Of course my correspondence has all been delayed.

I write now to ask whether we cannot wisely take an appeal from this decision of Hewitt - to demand the reduction of the prices as you name and propose what Mr. Hook said viz: the prices of the contracts which he had at the date when the cattle were lost? Would not the department (Attorney General) consider such a proposition as a compromise? Would it help for me to get brother General O. O. to go with you to the Attorney General or Assistant Attorney General Thompson (your name) and request such an agreement in lieu of paying Mr. Hooker and the Government for all the additional expense and trouble of a rehearing? I suppose, also, I could get the help of the delegate from Arizona.

Mr. Hooker is now over 70 years of age. It is a most unjust and cruel thing to expect a course to be taken with delay in the case of his estate. Gen. O. O. could find the justice of the mode of taking the prices suggested and the wrong of allowing a course to cause further unnecessary delay - perhaps with more effect than could you or I as attorneys. However, I am not certain that Gen. O. O. would come on

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We might compromise on some figures between those now suggested by DeWitt and those in the claim - if such a compromise could be agreed upon better than the figures of the Contracts in the War and Interior Departments at the dates of the losses, 1866 to 1871.

You understand I would like much to relieve Mr. Hooker from the great annoyance and trouble as well as the expense of this additional investigation of prices. Mr. Hooker is an old man and is utterly tired of the repeated investigations. He said to me when I spent an entire summer in the heat of an Arizona summer at Tucson last June that he would not bother any further about the claims but for my compensation. He would give up in despair except that I had devoted so much time and expense to them and he wanted to see me properly compensated.

Please give me your best judgment in the matter. I go this week to San Mateo, Florida. Please answer me there and oblige

Yours truly,

C. H. Howard

Copy for Gen. O. O. Howard

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Yonkers, N. Y. Feb. 9, 1899.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
10 E. 23 rd St.,
N. Y. City.

My dear General:

Yours with enclosures received in which you mention
Colonel H. H. Adam's high opinion of my financial ability.

While I know your cause is a good one and one
deserving of much aid, I must say to you that my circumstances
at present are such that it would be impossible for me to comply
with your request unless I do an injustice to myself and family.

I am glad to know that you have such good friends
among us as you mention, Colgate and others. These men are all
very wealthy men and can very well afford to give you financial
assistance. Nothing would give me greater pleasure than to do so
if I could see my way clear at the present. Perhaps some time
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With best wishes and kind regards, I remain,

Faternally yours,

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Tratefully yours,

John C. Shotts

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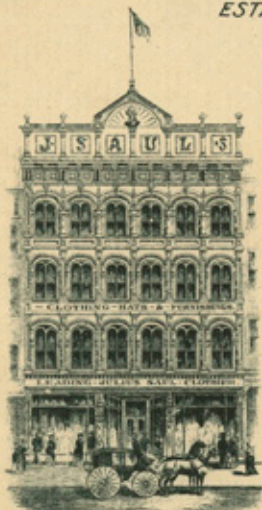
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Burlington Vt.

Dear Sir. I have mislaid
the address in New York that I was
to send our collection for the Lincoln
Memorial University. Will you kindly
send same to me at the above address,
and I will send check at once.

Yours very truly

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Dear J. D. Howard,
Cherishing the
the address in New York that I was
to send over the letter for the printer
Memorial University. Will you kindly
send some to me at the above address
and will send back at once.
Yours very truly
Robert D. Howard
First & Second St.
Albany N.Y.

Kewaunee, Wis., Feb. 10th 1899.

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General O. O. Howard,

12 Fifth Ave. New York City.

Dear sir:-

You will pardon my further intrusion on your time and strength. I fear my first letter was not clear as to my purpose.

I do not wish to enter the army as a commissioned chaplain. I have two reasons. The number of congregationalists commissioned will be limited. There will be plenty of abler men than I who will accept those few commissions. AND, my desire is to touch the men from a different angle and more constantly, less officially. A friend of mine in the regular service tells me that his chaplain was a good man, but he only heard him speak once during the entire time from May until November. *a com. officer*

My idea was this:- there promises to be a number of Second Lieutenants appointed from civil life, if the Army Bill passes. Other kinds of men will be commissioned. Why not a trained Christian worker? The work of some of our family in the British Army, particular of Col. Rigby on the Zanzibar post at the opening of the East African Explorations, makes me think that a Christian officer, if patient and consecrated, can do more to save the men, than the average Chaplain.

I would not ask it either to escape work, or for pay. I am too old to work out of a Company position. If I desired to leave the active ministry, my old Master Mechanic has told me there would always be a paying place open for me on the Ill. Cent. R.R., better financially, permanent home, and more healthful, I think, than the prospective army life. But that I do not want. I left that to carry the Gospel into places where God might use my Scotch persistency and particular experience.

God has twice given me my desires, and won where men said the Gospel could not enter. The field where I am, though refusing the Gospel for forty-eight years, under many attempts, is ready for a sensitive man of the usual training. There are many men who could carry it well. Why should not I move on into some other nook where they cannot go?

I would not suggest it, except that in addition to the College and Theological Seminary training, I took an interest in the Military training and have followed it up constantly, and for a number of years have been employed as drillmaster for all sorts of civil military companies, and thus kept up with the times, so far as man can, outside the actual army life.

Before I apply through our representatives at Washington, I wanted to ask advice which your long experience can give:- Would the Department appoint a married man of 31 years, with my partial preparation, to a position as Second Lieutenant? In the present social and official conditions of our army, could a junior officer conduct himself so as to keep in harmony with his superiors, and be of some influence with the younger commissioned officers, and at the same time be a spiritual help to the enlisted men, frequently in touch with those whose hearts are open to the Gospel?

In view of what I have written, would you say that the best part of my life would be well spent if given over to such opportunities as would open in army life?

The Ministry is my choice. *of labor* I am satisfied in it and in nothing else. It is only a question of method and support. And the spiritual condition of the parts of the army with which I have come in contact has weighed heavily upon me for a few years. If God can use me to brighten one nook of it, I want to be so used.

Pardon my intrusion and length. Please tell me what you truly think of my "vision". A young man can't afford to waste the only life he has, if his elders can lend him their experience and help him.

Respectfully W. E. R. Rigby

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God has twice given me my desires, and the whole world and the Gospel would not enter. The field where I am, though refusing the Gospel for forty-eight years, under many attempts, is ready for a sensitive man of the usual training. There are many men who could carry it well. Why should not I move on into some other work where they cannot go?

I would not suggest it, except that in addition to the College and Theological Seminary training, I took an interest in the Military training and have followed it up constantly and for a number of years have been employed as drillmaster for all sorts of civil military companies, and this kept up with the times, so far as man can, outside the actual army life.

Before I apply through our representatives at Washington, I wanted to ask advice which your long experience can give:- Would the Department appoint a married man of 31 years, with my partial preparation to a position as Second Lieutenant? In the present social and official conditions of our army, could a Junior officer conduct himself so as to keep in harmony with his superiors, and be of some influence with the younger commissioned officers, and at the same time be a spiritual help to the enlisted men, frequently in touch with those whose hearts are open to the Gospel?

In view of what I have written, would you say that the best part of my life would be well spent if given over to such opportunities as would open in army life?

The Ministry is my choice. I am satisfied in it and in nothing else. It is only a question of method and support. And the spiritual condition of the parts of the army with which I have come in contact has weighed heavily upon me for a few years. If God can use me to brighten one soul of it, I want to be so used.

Pardon my intrusion and length. Please tell me what you truly think of my "vision". A young man can't afford to waste the only life he has. If his elders can lend him their experience and help him.

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*The Military Service Institution
of the United States
requests the honor of your presence
at the celebration of its
Twentieth Anniversary,
on Friday evening, February tenth,
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*The favor of an answer is requested,
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call when I was absent a day or
two since. I understand from him
that you desire me to subscribe
\$200, with the understanding that
I will only be expected to pay it at
my convenience, and at no partic-
ular time. Of course I should pay
it as soon as I may be able to, but
if you will address me a commu-
nication covering the conditions, as
stated, I shall be happy to respond
promptly. Very sincerely yours

A. P. Kelchum

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The Hon. Secy.
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The letter in from myself
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that you have not yet
received the accompanying letter
I was very sorry to hear of
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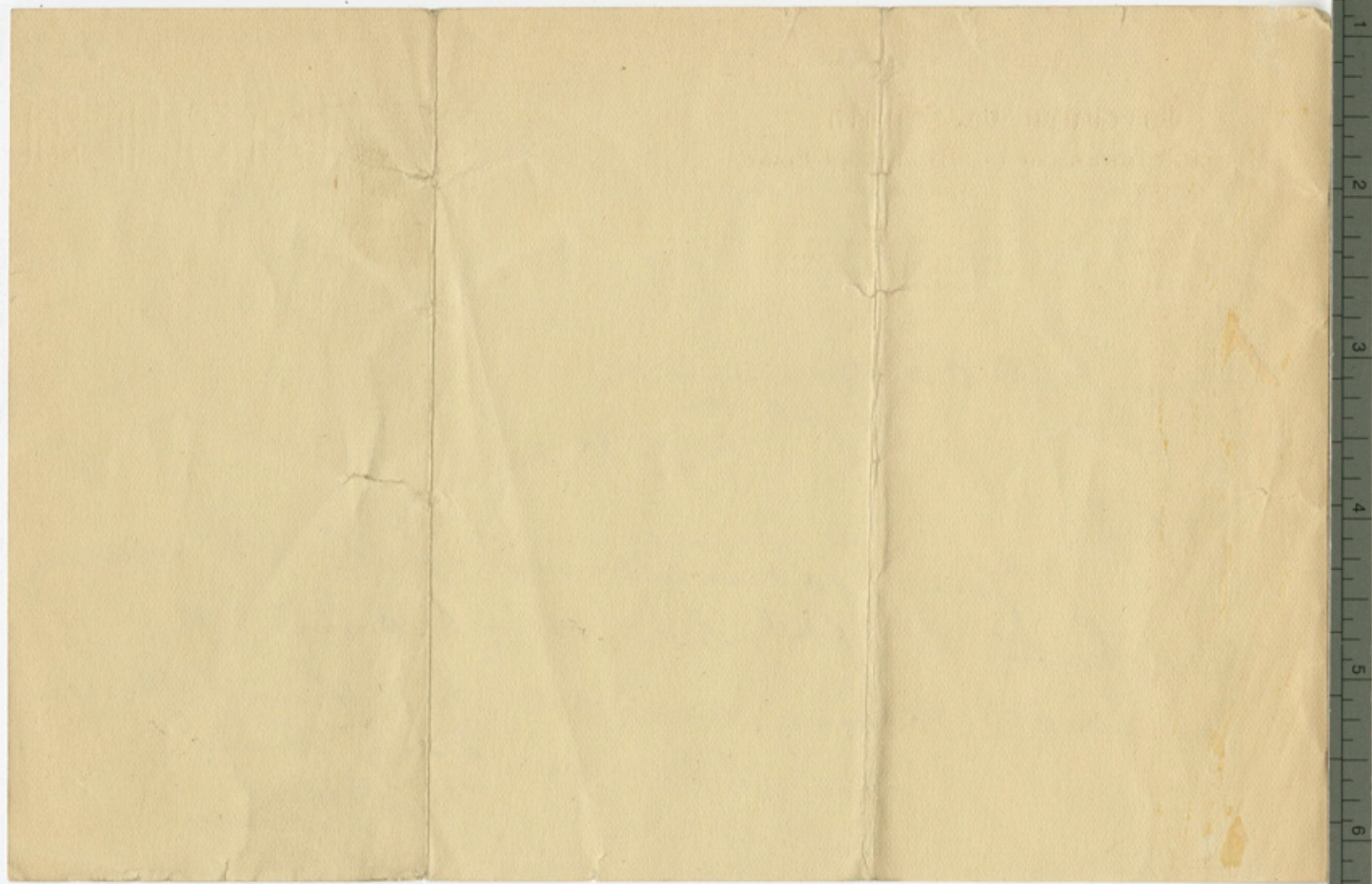
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Your valued favor of the 9th introducing
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you will please accept his thanks therefor.
Yours Very truly
J. G. Smith
Holloway



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that I have been
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a little collecting this
morning and have
met with such
poor payments that
I thought I would
leave the street, come
home and write you,
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of the Adams Mission

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Very Sincerely
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