

- Montreal -

Jan. 16, 1907

Tuesday A.M.  
8 o'clock.

My dear Harry.

It was only  
late last ev'g Ike's  
word enabling me  
to reply. Learning  
here ~~not~~ at first  
expecting to stay but  
2 Sundays - They

now wish me very  
much to stay another  
2<sup>pts</sup>, and circum-  
stances are such  
it seems I had better  
do so. I hope it will  
not discourage yr  
com<sup>te</sup> on you.

As soon as I  
know further

I will write you  
but probably  
I shall stay here  
only one more  
Sunday.

Please give my  
love to all &  
accept my  
thanks.

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Excuse haste.

I want to get  
this off  
with much love

A D Shumil.

The cruelty of the history of that  
people & the manner in which it has  
survived the most fearful & bloody  
persecution it was destined to have  
shows a share in the world's redemption.

Abdul Hamid with his mighty  
army of splendid fighters has not  
destroyed the little & defenseless people,  
without one friend in the world.  
Russia & France backing up Hamid  
England comes, Armenia independent  
not even defending Armenian property  
of a today connection with missions.

The horrible slaughter of least 100,000  
destroyed 2,400 villages more than  
500 churches, all the school houses down  
600,000 into the forests either at least  
another 100,000 have died of exposure,  
want, famine, disease & yet the

London Jan 17 1908

My dear General Howard

I feel sure that by divine  
guidance you have entered upon  
a work that will be as much more  
more to you than any other than  
all your military achievements  
great & honorable as they have been.

That is a truly wonderful people  
to labor there will be a rich field  
of the laborer is at rest.

I sympathize with your grand  
decision. for when I entered  
upon the Armenian work I felt  
sure from what little I knew of

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UNITED STATES LEGATION,  
TOKIO.

January 17, 1900.

General O. O. Howard,

*Burlington Vt.*

My Dear General,

Your son, Major of the 48th Regiment Infantry (Colored,- which arrived here last week the 11th instant on the transport Grant, under command of Col. Wm. P. Duval-), having come up to Tokio to call upon me, gives occasion for me to write you and to say that he is in good health and spirits and that I was very glad to see him and the enthusiasm he manifests in going to the Philippines where his brother met his untimely death in the cause of our country. Here permit me to express to you my profound sympathy for the loss of your noble and patriotic son, who died for his country in the line of heroic duty.

Your son's Regiment is a credit to the country in all that goes to make up a command of enthusiastic, well disciplined and well drilled soldiers. The Japanese Government permitted Col. Duval to take his regiment on shore under arms last Saturday to hold dress parade and drill in one of the public grounds of Yokohama. Never before, as I am informed, has such a concession been granted to the troops of any nation.

UNITED STATES LEGATION,  
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General O. O. Howard,

My Dear General,

Your son, Major of the 4th Regiment Infantry, 1st  
Division, who arrived here last week, has been  
transported to the United States by the ship  
"Albatross" and will arrive here on the 20th inst.  
I was very glad to hear of his return and  
to hear that he is in good health and spirits and  
that he is going to the Philippines where his brother  
has been killed in the course of our country. I have  
expressed to you my profound sympathy for the loss of your  
noble and patriotic son, who died for his country in the line  
of duty.

Your son's Government is a credit to the country. I  
trust that you will take up a command of enthusiastic  
and well drilled soldiers. The Japanese Government  
has killed Col. Dyer, who was the commandant of the  
1st Division at Manila. I have been informed that  
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tionality and it was especially gratifying to me and American residents in Yokohama and Tokyo. I witnessed the parade which in all respects was remarkably well executed. In the march and the manual of arms there was great perfection and they aroused the enthusiastic applause of the people of all nationalities. I was proud of our colored soldiers and the credit they did to my country, as also of the officers of the Regiment who had brought the men to such a degree of perfection in drill and soldierly bearing, and I have taken occasion to address a despatch to the State Department in consequence calling attention also to the great courtesy extended by the Japanese Government in permitting the armed parade. The Regiment left Yokohama on the transport Grant on the 14th instant.

Trusting that your son may be spared to you and his family and return to you and them in good health with the satisfaction that comes from "duty nobly done", I am,

Yours sincerely,

A. E. Buck

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I trust that your report of what I saw and did will  
be of interest to you and that in need health with the satis-  
faction that comes from "doing duty done," I am,  
Very respectfully,  
Yours sincerely,  
John B. ...

The Presbyterian Hospital,

70th ST. and MADISON AVE.,

C. IRVING FISHER, M. D.

SUPERINTENDENT.

New York, Jan. 19 1900

My dear General, I wrote you a postal-card a day or two ago saying how glad I would be to see you here a few minutes when convenient. I have been bed-ridden now for nearly four months, and although I cannot talk very long at a time I am most anxious to grasp your friendly hand and see your beaming face, if only for a few minutes. I am most grateful for the affectionate messages which you have sent me. During the many weeks past I have been quite unable to write a letter to any of my friends.

Yours affectionately, and  
with love to all your family  
B. Howard  
per K. S.

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Grant Lee, C Gap. Tenn., Jan 19, 1900  
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Dear General:-

Your remitting check  
for 60.00 at hand. For this prompt-  
ness, many thanks. I rather ex-  
pected when I came here I  
should be able to get into the  
field a little more and thus  
raise money, but it is very  
plain to me that I must hold  
things with a firm grasp here  
to have the gleaners like yourself,  
Col. Adams, Fairchild and others  
have a steadily progressing insti-  
tution to present to the people.

With the Lord's help I feel equal  
to the task before me, with all  
its peculiar complications. If money  
is ever plenty I shall appreciate more  
on acct, but while there is scarcity  
I will adapt myself to circumstances.

The Master has made my way  
very plain before me. I have never  
detained to you the trying circumstances

~~that~~ I have met, for I have thought  
you should not be fretted with  
the petty, trying things. I am very  
glad to report peace and progress.  
All are pulling nicely together.  
I enclose you Rev. Lausens' letter.  
Perhaps he means well, but he cer-  
tainly lacks a certain mental  
balance. I don't think he will  
trouble you much more, for I have  
written Mr. Chetlet in a way  
that I think will modify his  
pastor. I shall have more time  
to write you now that I have this  
school at Grant-Lee, well started.  
As to Mr. Blanchard's comment  
on Cumberland Gap after my name,  
he should remember these circulars  
were printed before I came to the  
Gap and we can print no more  
with our type till we have power.  
Then we will have plenty of  
circulars, letter heads etc. etc.

One of my sons is here, a student  
but a helper also. The other son  
will come here in February. Mrs.  
L would be remembered to you. The  
students all pray for you tho' many  
have never seen you.

Yours faithfully  
John Hale Larrey.

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*A/26* Cumberland Gap, Tenn, June 19, 1900

Dear Gen. Howard:—

Yours from Boston  
at hand. I will attend to the  
"Carnegie Letter" at once. As to  
that stucco matter on the tower, it  
would be folly to patch it. You  
see the tower sways some, no more  
than any such tower, and also it  
freezes and thaws in this country  
in winter so that such a finish  
will not stand. I am planning  
as soon as inside matters  
are put in careful shape,  
to get shingles and cover the  
whole tower, and if need be fix  
loose, & paint it the color of  
the finish.

As to furnishing rooms, We can  
get here materials as follows:—  
Bed 1.50, Chair .50 Table 1.00 Spring 1.50  
Mattress 1.60, so you see prices are  
better here than there.



We have the great Grant Lee  
nearly filled already, with bright,  
hard working young men and  
women. We have 275 students  
enrolled in all the schools and  
there are 40 here and more  
coming. Military discipline was  
rather straight for with mountains  
at first, though it is still of a  
mild sort, but all works smoothly  
and they are all happy and industrious.

Be assured that we pray for you.  
It would have done Andrew Carnegie  
good, could he have heard the  
prayers offered for him, and then  
thanking the Lord for directing his  
heart this way.

I have been working, and so  
has Mrs. L. about 15 hours  
daily to get everything started straight.

Schur, I am looking up farm  
matters. Mr. Overtw is a good fellow  
but he don't cutab in to line  
methods. I am right along with  
him now for a few weeks. We  
need more horses and cows.  
We must have a good lot of seed.



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think of us buying potatoes at  
100 per bushel while we have  
a fine hundred acre farm!

We have our store started  
and well stocked with goods.

Book-Keeping is taught from  
the daily transactions in the store.

Strangers, seeing so much remaining  
to be done cannot understand  
what has been accomplished, but  
we are making long strides  
at a rapid rate considering  
the little money being put into  
new work. Count it on your  
fingers.

Telephone Line.

Water Works.

Steam heating

Interior repairs

Store.

Printing Dept. nearly ready.

Grant-Lee School opened  
with full corps of teachers  
and 40 students.

All fusses squelched and forces well  
in line, and we are only in the beginning  
of things. Let us praise God!

Yours etc., John Hale Lamp



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EAST NORTHFIELD, MASS.

Jan. 19, 1900.

Dear Sir:--

Mr. W. R. Moody being away from home at present in connection with the work of the Schools, I write at his request to ask if you can favor him with any incidents, anecdotes, letters from his father, or other material relating to his life which can be used in the Biography of which he is Author. Personal, rather than general, information is especially desired, and where it is possible a date and place should be added. Letters and important papers will be carefully copied and returned when a request is made. It is believed that a few of Mr. Moody's closest friends will be able in this way to add materially to the interest and completeness of the Authorized Biography. As the book will be issued at the earliest date consistent with thorough preparation, the sooner a reply is received the greater will be the service rendered. As little change as possible will be made in the manuscript received, but space limits and possible duplication may make some condensation and revision necessary.

Your reply should be addressed to Mr. Moody and marked "For Biography," in order to expedite matters.

I have been engaged to assist in the preparation of the volume, and time is an important element in book-making as you doubtless know.

Very Respectfully,

John Hancock Oliver



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Headquarters First Division, Eighth Army Corps.

Office of the Chief Quartermaster,

Manila, P. I., Jan. 19, 1900.

My dear General Howard:--

Early in August last your son, the late Col. Guy Howard, did me the honor, in a personal communication to the Quartermaster General of the Army, to recommend me for a volunteer commission as Captain and Asst. Quartermaster. In view of all that has happened since, and as my services in this office may soon terminate, may I ask you, if you can see your way clear, to supplement his recommendation by personally laying this matter before the Secretary of War; or, if your judgment so dictates, the President.

I am aware that to secure a staff appointment requires much political and social influence, but as I can wield neither, I must leave the entire matter with you, should you care to act.

Allow me, in this connection, to express my appreciation of, and thanks for, your kindness to Mrs. Stedman when she was so intensely worried as to my fate. I feel that I am deeply indebted to you for your considerate action, and beg that you will accept my thanks therefor.

I had intended to write to you weeks ago, but owing to accumulated work, and the vast amount of clerical work necessitated by the Northern Expedition, I have not had a minute's leisure for many weeks.

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Yours sincerely,

(Signed) T. J. Stedman.

To Major Gen'l O. O. Howard,

U. S. Army,

New York, N. Y.

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(Signed) T. J. Steadman.

To Major Gen'l O. O. Howard,

U. S. Army,

New York, N. Y.

*To file*

St. Denis Hotel,  
Broadway and Eleventh Street.

New York, Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> 1900

Dear Genl. Howard,

I was just in to see the  
"Christian Herald" people. The  
Editor L. K. (Can not spell his  
name) said he would send you  
\$200. or \$250. Monday, also would  
give us some books &c. &c. &  
ship with our car load. He  
seems anxious to help all he  
can. The new circulars will be  
out Tues. noon and I will  
send you some. Please approve  
the enclosed bill and return to  
me or Col. Adams.

It has been a very wet  
day here

Yours Sincerely  
Ed. Fairchild

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Office of the Appraiser of Merchandise,

Port of Boston, Mass., 177 State St.

My dear General, January 20. 1800

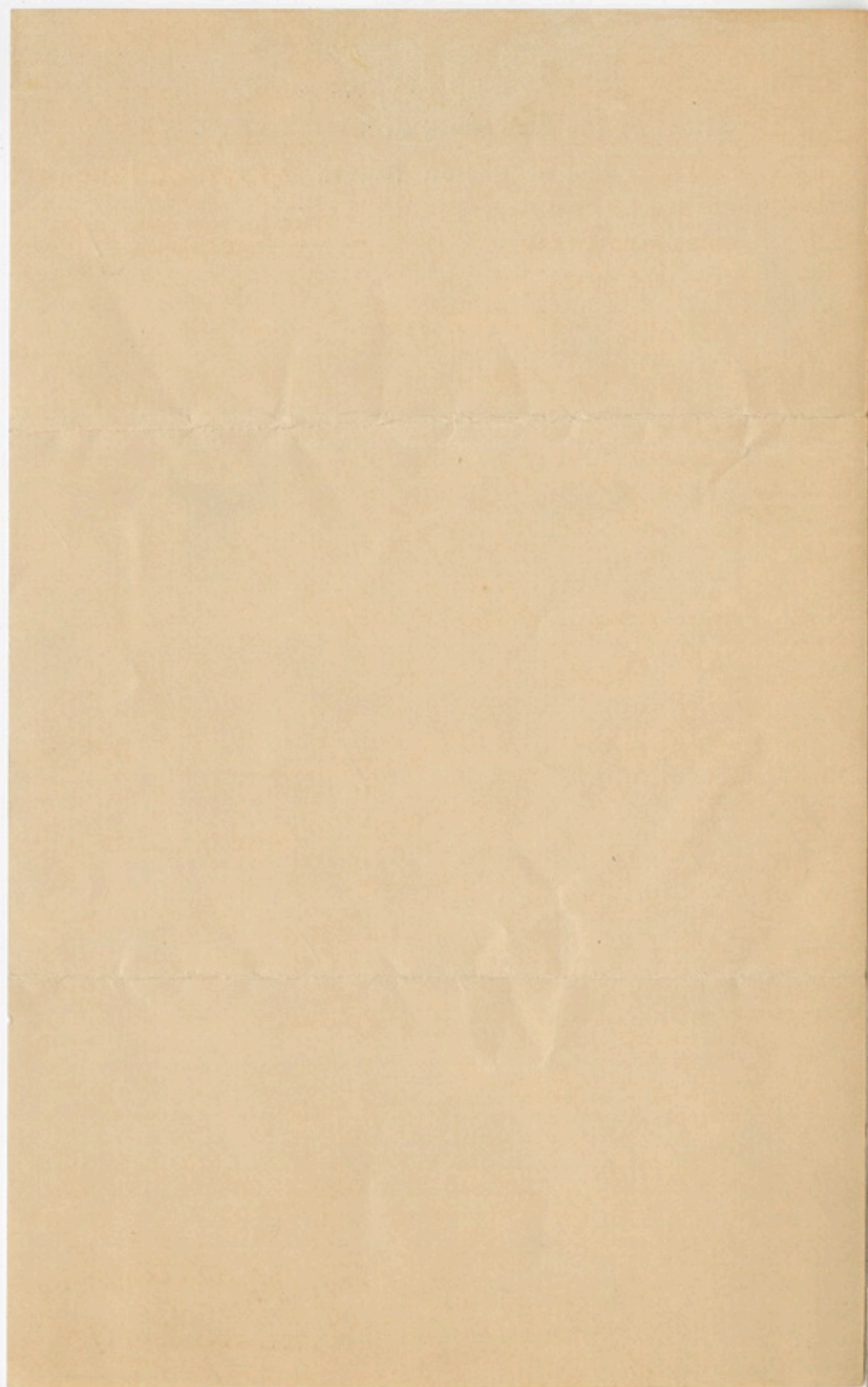
Your letter from N.Y. was read  
at the breakfast and cheered all present.

The letter from down town read at my  
office. Glad you feel so hopeful about  
Mr. Carnegie. Will report on Col. Haskell  
and Mr. Pratt later.

Enclosed please find the Herald  
report of the Pine Tree Club dinner  
also a picture of young Gen. Howard;  
but the "gen," a little editorial from  
the Journal of this morning, I want  
you especially to read.

With kind regards to Mrs. Howard  
your daughter & son, and thanking them  
for the loan of yourself for a few days  
I am cordially  
Maj. Gen. O. D. Howard.

E. S. Blanchard



Adams NY Jan'y 20 1900

Major General O. O. Howard Dear Sir

I write this to inquire of your speaking at the Battle of Chancellorsville. I have read Grant's Book of the battle and his Book does not state whether his headquarters and Thomas were on Orchard Knob the morning of the first days Battle, and that the Confederates were first driven off of Orchard Knob.

I wish you would inform me if you know the conclusion I have formed in reading Grant's Memoirs that that Grant & Thomas was on Orchard Knob early the morning of the first day. My reason for asking you this is that I have read an Army Correspondent's reason of this question that our forces had to drive the Confederates off of the Knob for to get the possession of it.

The correspondent name was Taylor  
I have contended that Grant & Thomas  
were fully in possession first and was their  
all during the Freedmen's Fight. Please  
inform me if you know I was in the  
Army of the Potomack nearly three years  
and saw you in the City of Petersburg  
in June 65. My Regiment done duty  
in that City as before said

Yours Truly

Abner Whitford

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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH. Jan'y 20th, 1900.

Gen'l O. O. Howard,  
Burlington, Vt.

Please find enclosed our check No. D2570 for \$12.00  
being amount of Dividend No. 62, due on stock of this Com-  
pany standing in your name.

Respectfully,

C. W. LYMAN,  
Treasurer.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, JAN. 10TH, 1900.

Genl O. O. Howard,  
Burlington, Vt.

Please find enclosed our check No. D2570 for \$12.00  
being amount of Dividend No. 82, due on stock of this Com-  
pany standing in your name.

Respectfully,

O. W. LYMAN,

Treasurer.

# The Bowdoin Quill

Kenneth C. M. Sills, '01, Chairman  
Roland E. Clark, '01, Business Manager

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Brunswick, Me., January 20 1900.

General Oliver Otis Howard,

Dear General Howard; -

Primarily in the interests of the Quill and after that in the interest of both alumni and undergraduates I am taking the liberty of asking you for a few words for the Bowdoin Quill. I am aware that you must have perhaps too many demands on your time, of this nature; but sincerely trust that you have some short article prepared or some little thing about Bowdoin or any thing else in your mind so that to grant my request would not be a great tax upon you. One of the characteristics of the Quill is that the alumni have contributed so generously to its columns; and I am hoping that you will be so very kind as to contribute some thing to the present volume. The subject and date I leave free to you. Trusting I have not bothered you by this appeal I am

Yours sincerely,  
Kenneth C. M. Sills.

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**The Chicago Tribune.**

OFFICE OF THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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Washington, D. C.,

Dear Sir:-

The Tribune will on February 12, the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, print a special supplement calling attention anew to his character and public services. An important feature of the supplement will be a collection of contributions from the small and constantly lessening circle of those who know him personally and from others who for various reasons may be in possession of interesting information not generally known, concerning him. Can you not favor the Tribune with a statement of Lincoln as he impressed himself upon you, some reminiscences of your intercourse with him and your opinion of him as a man and a statesman. The idea of this supplement is to educate the people, more particularly school children, to a better knowledge of Lincoln. The opinions and impressions of those who knew him will add to the interest of the supplement and increase its value. A contribution from you would be appreciated very highly.

Yours truly,

*J. H. Kelley*  
Managing Editor.

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Yours truly,

*J. C. Sullivan*  
Managing Editor.

Wethersfield Ct.

Jan 21. 1900

My Dear Gen. Horwath

May I ask you to give me as brief as you must, or as much as length as you can afford, and may be helpful, your estimate of Rev. Mr. Howe, - formerly of Burlington, and at present residing in Hartford.

My pupil - as it was, for ten years, - in this place, is now and has been for a year past vacant. We want a good minister, and I want a certain sort of good minister, clear headed, warm hearted and vigorous. We have a pretty large

compensation, and a pretty large  
church, but, I fear, need tending  
up an' arripin', as indeed so  
many of our churches do,

Mr. Howe, ha, preached here  
twice, and ha, impresses people  
favorably. If he were half a,  
old, or if he had less religion  
and more poetry I think they  
would, without doubt, give him  
a call - possibly they may  
at any rate. Will you have  
the goodness to write me such  
a letter as you would be willing  
to have me show to our board,  
(or hold back as whichever you  
call them,) in respect to him?  
I should esteem it a great favor.

your estimate of him, especially  
from - what I suppose to be an  
intimate acquaintance would  
carry weight.

We have not met, save  
once for a moment, I think since  
I came to Connecticut thirty  
years ago and more; but I have  
remembered you with an ad-  
miring affection through all  
these years, and have sympath-  
ized with you and with your  
family in the great sorrow that  
has, of late come upon you.

When will the nation, learn  
- they evidently have not yet -  
that One is our Father and that  
all we are brethren. And now

our poor mother land is going  
through the apoplexy!

Please give my very kind  
repects to Mr. Fournier, and  
especially the expression of sym-  
pathy in her deep sorrow.

Yours, with most pleasant  
remembrance, and with a  
profound Christian regard

A. C. Adams

Morristown N.J.  
Aug 22/1900

Gen. O. O. Howard.  
Burlington. Vt.

Dear General. I am in receipt  
of 8 Books from you - 2 more than  
your bill calls for - namely  
"Agénor de Gasparin" & "The  
Triumphs of a Maid". Enclose  
check for \$6.<sup>00</sup> & will be glad to  
send check for balance if you  
will kindly send me the bill.

With my best regards I am  
Very truly yours  
J. F. Moore

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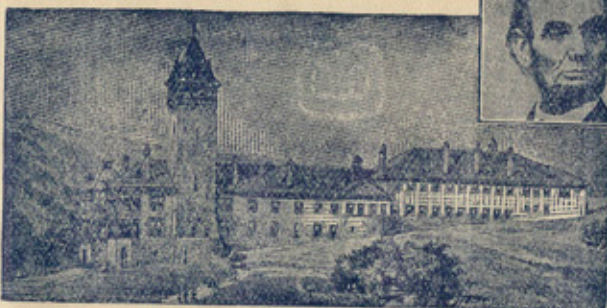


Lincoln Memorial University.

Outgrowth of Harrow School, Founded by Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Myers, in 1890.

CUMBERLAND GAP, TENN.

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COL. H. H. ADAMS, Treas.  
177 Broadway, N. Y.  
REVS. A. A. MYERS, and  
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CHAS. F. EAGER,  
Sec'y and Asst. Treasurer.  
Cumberland Gap, Tenn.

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Cumberland Gap Tenn. Jan. 22, 1900.

Gen. O. O. Howard, Pres.  
Burlington, Vt.

Dear Gen. Howard:- Your report for Dec. 1899.  
has been received, and the proper entries made  
therefrom on my books.

We are much gratified to learn that you  
are meeting with fair success.

I have today made a careful estimate of  
the salaries and bills that will be due on  
the first of Feb. and find that it will require  
Twelve hundred dollars. (\$1200.<sup>00</sup>) to pay them.  
Please direct Col. Adams to deposit that  
amount to my credit in N. Y. Bank.

I trust you will not think that we are ex-  
pending money too freely. I want to assure  
you that we are using utmost economy  
in every detail.

It has cost considerable to put Grant Lee  
Hall in order, and furnish it for 40

inches 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

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University of Tennessee

Department of History, Geography, and Political Science

CUMBERLAND GAP, TENN.

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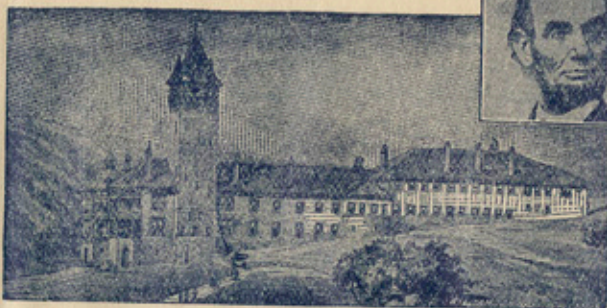
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Dear Sir,  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Yours very truly,  
J. H. Mendenhall

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Howard # 2.

Students, who now room and board there,  
The building is now heated by steam, and is  
supplied throughout with hot and cold  
water.

There is a boarding club in the upper part  
of the building where some 30 to 35 students  
take their meals.

The total enrolment of the school since  
Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> is 278 in all departments.

Sincerely Yours.

Chas. F. Eager  
*Sec'y.*

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University of the South, founded by Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Lipscomb, in 1890.  
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DR. C. O. HOWARD  
Rising Spring  
Rock Hill, S. C.  
John Howard

Forward \$ 2.

Students, who now come and board there.  
The building is now heated by steam and is  
supplied throughout with hot and cold  
water.  
There is a boarding club in the upper part  
of the building where some 30 to 35 students  
take their meals.

The total endowment of the school since  
Sept. 1st is \$78 in all departments.  
Sincerely yours,  
Chas. E. Harris  
Pres.

# AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY,

150 Nassau Street,  
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New York, Jan. 22, 1900.

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Wishing you all joy and great success in your labor of love for Lincoln University, I am,

Yours in the best bonds,

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*For Howard*

Fort Trumbull  
New London Conn  
Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> 1900

General O. O. Howard,  
156 College St.  
Burlington Vt.

My dear friend:-

Many thanks  
for your kind and valuable suggestions.  
Unfortunately I have never been very much  
of a politician and do not even know  
who is the M.C. from my district.

I have thought of writing to Gov. Roosevelt  
though unknown to him, his uncle James  
and my father were neighbors on the Hudson  
and I have known of the present Governor  
since my boyhood. Perhaps he might be  
interested in my behalf.

I have also thought of the Rev. Dr. Hamlin of the  
Church of the Covenant Washington, with whom  
I am slightly acquainted, who knows of my Red  
Cross work. Outside of these two gentlemen

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and yourself, I can think of no one whose influence in Washington would be great enough to aid me. I will write to these two gentlemen and acquaint you with the results, but I really believe my dear General that you are my "big gun" and could present my case better than anyone else. Of course I could not expect you to make any special journey on my account, but when you do have occasion to visit Washington I will trust that you will not then forget me. In the mean time, dear General Howard you may by letter accomplish the result. I think that the Surg. Gen'l would help me if he could, as he has always been very kind and considerate, but I think that his hands are tied by the regulations and it will require the action of the Sec'y of War or of the President. Would there be harm for some one to approach

them on this subject. I would not do it without the knowledge and consent of my Surgeon General.

Perhaps the President might commission me as a Captain, it would be more in keeping with my age and might remove some of the difficulties attending it for entering the service at a junior grade.

My war record might be useful in securing this.

Wishing my dear friend, that you are enjoying the blessing of health in the midst of your family and thanking you very much for what ever you may be able to do for me I remain as ever

Sincerely and affectionately yours  
Charles R. Felt.

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My dear General Howard:-

Your notice of taxation was sent as requested as you will see by the enclosed letter. Please find herewith the answer of the Department

Very truly yours,

G. L. Shearer

AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY,

150 Nassau Street,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

New York, Jan. 25, 1887.

W. W. BIRD, D. D.,  
S. S. BARNARD, D. D.,  
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