



Youngs Hotel
Boston

Sept 1st 1901

Dear General Howard

On our arrival here yesterday we found your list of contributors for which many thanks.

We have made a list for Boston & vicinity.

On our way, at Dalton, picked up \$100.00 & found \$53.00 here from old Cleveland friends and today Henry Woods added \$100.00. We are both well and will push the work.

Someday we must have a fine building - or day chapel - amidst the L.M.U. - pile to mark the realization of your wishes

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Young Men's
Boston

Your prayer and indefatigable
labor - "Howard Chapel"
a House of prayer - through
all generations - should be a
gate to heaven - where you are
still growing in grace in the
Paradise of God's Elect -
where loyal hearts and true
stand ever in the Light -
All replete through and through
In God's most Holy Light
I do hope that you have recovered from
your cold. My faithful
friend in loving regards
Faithfully yours
Genl. W. Howard Smith B. Army
Burlington H.

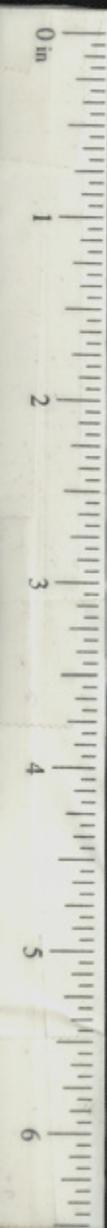


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CHAS. HAMILTON,
COUNTY ^{and} SURVEYOR,
C—S. COUNTY.
BRANCH COUNTY.

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Bronson, Mich., ^{Sept.} 9-16, 1907

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard.

Burlington, Vt.

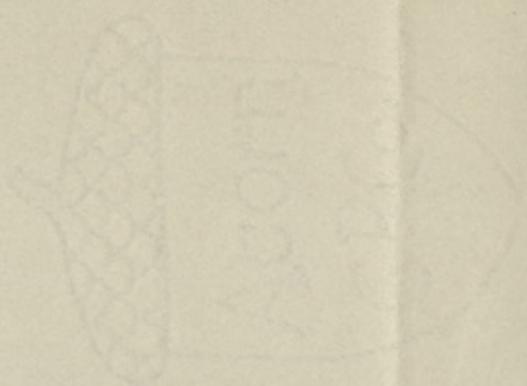
Dear Sir ^{and} Comrade.

I am in receipt of a copy of the Farm-Field and Fireside published by the Howard Company of Chicago, Ill. containing your account of the crossing the Rappahannock River by the 7th Mich. in response to my letter to you of an earlier date.

The account seems to be so thorough and correct that it leaves nothing to be added; and as the representative of the surviving members of the Regiment I wish to convey to you these sincere thanks for your favourable notice of this request.

Respectfully Yours.

Chas Hamilton.



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Randolph, N. York,
Sept. 16th, '01.

Genl O. O. Howard,

My Dear Sir :-

Last Dec. I received from you a very kind, encouraging and helpful letter, promising me your influence, in case I'd come to N. York and find a suitable opening, &c. - I did not do so for two reasons:

1st. I couldn't spare the money, incident to such a trip, with the uncertainty involved.

2nd. My throat was much better and I entertained the hope, I would be able to take work in my profession, either by way of lecturing or preaching.

The first condition, through economy, has improved & I could now come providing I had some assurance of success, even in a small way.

A very meagre remuneration, added to my little income, would enable me to maintain my

good wife and myself in comfort.

My throat (Chronic Pharyngitis) for which I receive a pension of \$6.00 is worse and I cannot do public speaking to any extent - indeed it is wholly out of the question to think about it. So I am driven to something else. ~ I have one resort, which if I can summon the right sort of influence, I will avail myself of, viz.: - The Soldiers' Home, of Va. I was there two years ago & remained 30 days, just long enough to gain a residence, when, because all places were filled, I left on furlough, & have been on furlough ever since. Governor Woodfin, who died on or about the 15th ult. promised me a position if I remained, or when I returned, & wrote me some months ago that if I returned "this fall" a place of trust & emolument, as he expressed it was open to me. As he is now gone & a successor has not been elected, this promise will not hold. My present furlough expires Dec. 7th & I am making preparations to return next month if nothing else offers itself. There are very pleasant positions in the Home, which, considering one board, &c., are supplied, pay a fair salary & enable one to live and save something besides.

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Then, the climate is very helpful in Catarrhal, or
bronchial troubles. During the short time I was there
I was greatly relieved, & this is better than money.
Since Governor Woodfin's death I've written to Gen. Sewell,
1st vice Pres. of the Bird of Managers; & his Sec'y
wrote me he would do what he could for me, when the
Gen'l returned from Europe. What I need now is a
testimonial or letter commending me for position, which
in addition to those I have, will secure me work, when
I return to Home. I am sorry to make this application
to you, but I believe a word from you to Gen'l Mc
Mahon, (532-4 N. York Life Building, N.Y.) Pres. Bird Managers,
N. Homes D.V. Soldiers, or a letter (only a few lines would
do) which I could present in person, would do the work.
As I commenced this letter before our noble President
was shot and laid it aside, pending the issue, it
is not just as I'd write now, but as I inclose my
article, written on the 10th (last Tuesday) & printed in our
home paper Friday 13th, I'll not change it. This is the cruel-
est stab our nation has ever had, and it is time our
government banishes this class of enemies from our

border. Banishment is the only remedy.

When you have time please read the inclosed article & if you can help me to anything, I will be most grateful for your influence.

Thanking you for your friendly words (though I've mislaid your letter, which if I could find would perhaps be all I need) and wishing you many years of unalloyed pleasure, and hoping for the best, for our sadly stricken country, I am,

Yours most respectfully, &c. &c.
in "F.C. & L."

M. P. Pittain,
Box 442.

I desire to go to Washington, D.C., where I have relatives & friends, & then probably direct to "Home" within ten days or a fortnight. — A letter or a word to some one of your many influential friends in Washington, might aid towards securing something I could do. — The Home is my last resort, though position there is better than nothing.

M. P. —

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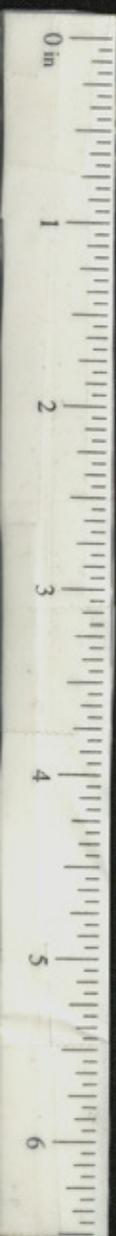
My dear General:

Yours of Sept 17,
at hand. Give yourself no
uneasiness, when I speak
of the "best young people."

You cite the Dinnys. This
helps me explain. Robert
Denny is a sample of
what I mean by "best"
young people. George Denny
his brother is of the opposite
class, and we waste money on such.

It has fallen to my lot
to stand here in the opening
days of this work and receive
every kind of opposition that
a crazy jealous man could,
by every conceivable
method frown. I have a
record of being a success
of and for the people.

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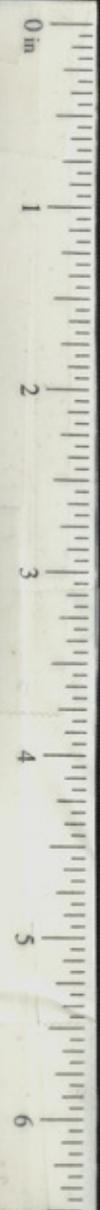
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Do I appear to you or to any
of the board as one who
curries favors of those in
power or of the rich and
aristocratic? Did my 18
years in a church of
the people in Providence
show me as a man fawn-
ing before the "aristocratic"?
Did I not raise a little
storm last year by discharging
two aristocrats who would
not come on the common
level and do their share
of the poorer duties? Have
I not stood up for Maggie
S. ? and you may rest
assured that I shall never
drop the exultation ^{until} the lord
of the "manor" acknowledges
her as his lady.

Did not the aristocratic
class of the Gap undertake to
dictate terms to me last winter
as to the Normal School, and now
they stand as a man by my

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side, and have said to me, "You
did your duty!"

I have today a solid patriotic
backing to that I never could
have had but for the
peculiar troubles which I
have been through.

The students of Grant-See,
marched as a body to town
for the first time yesterday
since they were jered a year
ago, and they were royally
received and got the respect
of all at the Gap inn.

They filed into the church
and filled every vacant space.

Mr. M. has lost his
partner with the "best" people
I mean best as God means
it. He controls Mr. Oesterlin
somewhat and this makes
the Exp. Com. business hard.

My class "Defer" to that Mr.
M. has gathered, is mostly of
little girls of poor families, and
this does not trouble us.

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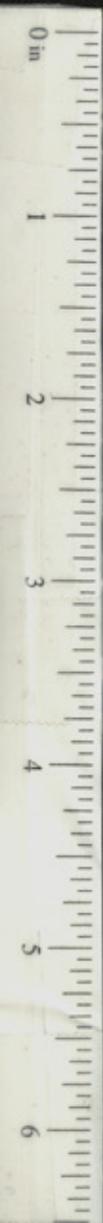


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Of course it confuses the North,
but you can very easily
rectify that. I shall certainly
do it myself if he dares
to do another year what
he did last. I have no reason
whatever to fear him or those
associated with him. Any man
who strikes at my reputation, will
for my own sake and the sake
of my family find me ready
to face the whole country.
And I say all this in the spirit
of Prayer.

Now General, we have
a splendid school, but we
are obliged already to say
"We cannot find room for
you." Somebody is responsible
for the fact that we have
not a roof to cover students
as they apply. Now my dear
Sir, think of me, as sweet
in spirit as I am, what
is to follow. In seeing all this
I planned to meet it,
and planned with you.

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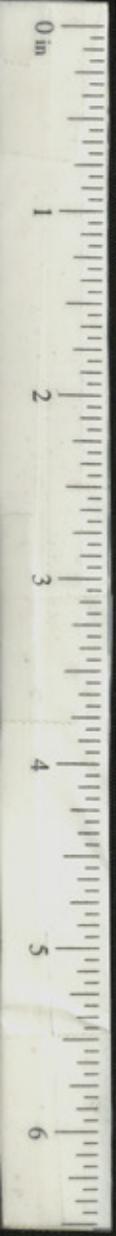


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I have your letter asking me
to make requisition etc. and
I too would be sent to me
to make the purchases of
tools required to do the woodwork.
It was sent, but not to me
as plainly promised. It is doing
nothing, neither are we doing
anything, because of the lack
of these tools. I great work
is delayed. It makes my heart
ache to see such a waste of
time and energy. You have
full authority to have that money
paid to me and to demand
of me an exact account.
My salary can be held for it
if necessary. Don't you think
that faith should be kept
with a man in my position?
I have tried to get the Com.
together. Col. Patterson goes South
in a day or so for his health.
I am utterly tied up, helpless to
act. I shall wait no longer for
the Com. To-day I start to put up
a building for machinery to do the
wood work. The Mechanical Dept
can earn enough on the Dormitory

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to pay for the machinery. If they
cannot I can raise it
in fact I know where half
the amt is now. I must
close for there is so much
to see to, but I will write more
fully in regard to the building
later. I feel that it is your
duty to see that that money
is placed to my drawing.
I know the Ex. Com. will
review my acts when
they get together. They have
always done so when
at last they have seen
the making out of my plans.

Ms L joins me in
kindest regards,

Yours faithfully,
Wm Hale Lacey.

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Before since I
did not believe the
matter need be
agitated by me
too long in advance

I will be grate-
ful to you for
whatever you may
do or be able to get
some one else to
do for me -

With warm
regards to your
family -

Sincerely

W. H. Woodcock

Benicia Arsenal
Sept 19. 1901. Cal

My dear Genl Howard

Something over
two years ago you
were kind enough
to express your will-
ingness to assist me,
in so far as you were
able, from being
passed in the select-
ion of a Chief of
Ordnance -

At that time
my senior was
appointed, so I

was not slighted.

Now a vacancy occurs again, this November and I am the Senior Col of Ordnance and in fact of the entire Army; so I am come again to ask your assistance.

My entire service in the Army, in both Peace & War has been more prominent and important and

more faithfully & continuously performed than that of any Ordnance Officer living, and it seems to me that if my case could be properly presented to the Secty War, for I believe he is the important one, I could not be passed over.

I have not written of this