

The Indians at Grant were to go
to the new grounds before planting - Have
they gone yet?

Washington D.C.

Dec. 30. 1872

Gen. Geo. Crook

Dear General

I gave to
Stevens agent power to
procure farming utensils
and other things promised
by the President, but owing
to a bad letter that he
wrote to a friend in Hartford
Connecticut, Stevens will
have to give way to a
successor who is an excellent
man & one you will like=

His name is Larabee & he
has been in the Army & on
Indian duty successfully -

I will attend to what you ask
without fail. Yours truly O.O.Howard

Jan 7th 1873

Dr. Robert Reyburn

Dear Dr —

The Sec. of War quotes "fuel" as
part of our compensation from the War Dept.
Do please relieve my over-burdened heart by
giving the Med. Dept. sufficient heat at
all costs.

Yours Truly,

O. O. Howard

Pres. H. U.

January 7th 1873

Dear Bro. Whipple

Your meeting coming monday hindered my being present with you - for I would have been obliged to have gone to N.Y. Saturday. I made all my arrangements to go to N.Y. Monday when Bro. Smith said I could not get to the "Ex. Com. Meeting" as it was at 3 1/2 P.M. & the train arrives later. I will try to do better next time if you can have the meeting on any other day.

Yours truly

O.O. Howard

To \ Rev. Geo. Whipple

69 [sic] Reade Street

N.Y.

Washington D.C.

Jan. 14.th 1873

Rev. Geo. Whipple

New York

My dear Sir:

General Howard

returned this A.M. from Philadelphia. he [sic] directs me to say, that there is nothing in the "[new ?] presentation" that should prevent the publication of the article by Mr. Strieby, but that the present is a good time for it; that he is also very grateful, and hopes to be with you at Hampton on the [23rd ?] inst.

The Am't. expended by the Bureau
was some \$13.000.000

Respectfully, Your obt. Sert.

M. C. Wilkinson

1st Lieut, 3rd Inft.

A.D.C.

Washington D.C.

January 27. 1873

Gen. Geo. Crook

Comdg. Dept. Arizona

Dear General,

The reporter
made me speak against you -
On the contrary I spoke warmly
in your favor. If we really
did differ in opinion I should
make no remark calculated
to reflect upon you. I wrote
the Chronicle. The correction
is a little lame, but about
as the newspapers do things.

My kind regards to your excellent
wife. Little "Florence [Dritz ?] Nickerson"
is daily remembered. Yours truly

O.O.Howard

Washington D. C.

January 29th, 1873

Robert Reyburn, MD

Late Chief Medical Officer

Bureau Refugees & Freedmen & A. L.

Doctor

I have the honor to request of you a statement of the condition of the hospitals and the records appertaining thereto, during the time (and please state the length of time) that you were connected with the Bureau. Was the condition of the records such that they could be of use for reference? Have you reason to believe that records were withheld? Can you give an approximation of the number cared for? Please state what you know of the number furnished with food, especially here in the District of Columbia.

Very respectfully yours,

O. O. Howard

Brig Genl U. S. A.

Washington, D. C.
Feb. 6, 1873.

Hon. David Clark
Hartford, Conn.

My dear Sir:

Mr Fessenden writes me that he saw you & describes the interviews. I think a few minutes interview between you & me will clear up a misunderstanding that surely exists. I never breathed a word against you in my life. You accused me of a high misdemeanor against the executive - I believed you mistaken and was obliged to answer. Hence my reply. I did with your letter just what you asked

Faithfully your friend,
O. O. Howard

Feb 12th 1873

Jonathan C Gibbs Esq
My Dear Sir:

Your kind letter is just received:
and your last question noted. I cannot answer for
the Hon Secretary because not authorized by him
to do so, but permit me to say that I think
probably
West Point "is not yet full" in accord with the
Nations pledges to colored men," not on account of
any defect of law or regulation but from the
remaining dregs of wicked prejudice in the minds &
hearts of so many persons with whom a colored cadet
must have to do. It is, however, wearing away
and will be conquered by the endurance of the
young colored men who go there. I am
deeply anxious for them to be well prepared
for all they must encounter physically, intellectu
ally and morally.

Sincerely your friend,
O. O. Howard

Washington, D. C.
Feb 21. 1873.

David Clark, Esq.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of Feb 14th is received and I have delayed replying till I could look up the entire correspondence between us. I am truly sorry for your opinion of me, yet I am conscious of being right. Yesterday the letter to which you referred was found in the hands of Mr. Page at Mr. Page's house, where he had taken it with a large bundle of others to paste into the "File Book" - Your letter with Smith's was taken to the Secretary of War as per endorsement. I remember to have carried them both to the President & Secretary of War. After the Secretary had read them or I read them to the Secretary they were placed on file in my Bureau which you know is a branch of the War Department. Mr. Page took them home to arrange them in my semi-official "File Book" and only returned them this Morning, (my A. D. C. Capt Sladen having traced the package to him). Whatever I told you I did that I did do.

Notice in my letter of July 17th I promised to read the copy of Smith's letter. Your own letter I feel quite sure I carried to him at the same time. With reference to your subscription I am sorry at your decision, but I am not to blame - The language to my aid in Arizona was in sorrows - it was "I feared you would be offended but I must speak the truth, I fear the dispatch would cost the university 25,000. I never had seen your letter to the "Tribune" except the extract in the Secretary's dispatch till you send it now.

In your letter of July 18th you ask me to see the President & Secretary of War. You enclosed Smith's letter which I had copied and took to them - and returned the original to you - Just as I promised & just as you asked me to do, I did. As God knows my heart I desire to speak only the truth. I thank you again for many past favors & kindnesses and for the attention shown me & mine by your family and for all you have done for the poor here & elsewhere - If you ever shall wish it I think I can make it plain as day that I have not deviated from the path of honor - The Lord God judge between us -

Yours truly
O. O. Howard

Late

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Dr. Robert Reyburn

Dear Dr.

I have seen
Lucy Williams & her Grand
mother — Lucy exhonerates
any & every student — says
that the father of her child lives
down in the city — Her
grandmother says she has
no knowledge, was surprised
that a student was accused &
I therefore withdraw the
charge against Mr. King

gladly, I hope he will
re-enter the Med.
Dept. and do what the faculty
can commend.

Yours Truly,

O. O. Howard

Pres. H. U.

Please notify Dr. Palmer —

O O H

Your obedient Servt

O. O. Howard

Brig Genl U. S. A.

Late Com. BRF. & A.L.

Washington D.C.

March 10th 1873

Rev. Geo. Whipple

56 Reade St. New York City,

My dear Sir:

Yours of the 6th Inst. received.

I have instructed our Treasurer to forward
receipt for the \$150⁰⁰/₁₀₀ to Mr. Whiting.

I do think it would be best for the
Chinese lad to know how to read and
write our language before coming, yet
we can take him, and with the help
of the other Chinese boys here he
may do better than elsewhere.

Very Truly Yours

O.O.Howard

Brig. Genl. U.S.A.

Washington D. C.
Mar 21, 1873

Prof. W. F. Bascom

Dear Sir,

By authority vested
in me by the Board of Trustees, I hereby
appoint you to act as President of
the University during my absence.

Yours Truly,
O. O. Howard
Brig. Gen. U. S. A.