Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> [187]3

Rev. Geo. Whipple

Dear friend -

I was obliged to lay my

resignation before the Board (enclosed letters

will explain).. Gen Whittlesey's resignation was

accepted to take effect at the close of the

term - mine was laid on the table and an

indefinite leave granted to me. At my suggestion

(when I was asked) John M. Langston was

not made Vice President. I ought to say that

I laid before the Board my views of his fitness &c.

for the office, and the Board took him.

The more I think of it in view of all the

the more

circumstances I think the action was wise.

I wish you, whom he loves & respects, would write

him respecting his religious stand. If he would only

unite with some evangelical church! In all other respects he is admirable. Financially, in learning, in energy, in honesty, in national endowments & reputation had comes to the standard. The institution is [ ? ] doing well in all studies & conduct.

I do not know where I will be ordered.

I must give some time to my private affairs. I was anxious for your wise christian counsel - but think [nothing ?] suffered. The telegram should have been at your office by 2 P.M. at latest.

The gentleman's name was Wyatt. He declines to come -

Yours truly 0.0.H.

to reach you - but that is no excuse - I telegraphed you the last time.

With kind regards

I am as ever your friend

O.O.H.

Washington D.C.

Rev. Geo. Whipple Dec. 14. 1873

Dear friend -

My letters to Gens.

Sherman & Grant were

right I believe - I had two

of our students copy my

retained copy asking Capt.

Sladen to forward to you. I

had not the time to stay & see

the copying done. I feel

deeply ashamed - Do please

correct your copy as you

suggest.

You are on our Board.

I have called Barber to account
and ask him to reply to your
letter. They have adjourned
at my call and I presume he
has thoughts the [time ?] not enough

NOTE: This letter was originally arranged in two columns, side by side, but they were too long to fit on one page when typed.

Washington D.C.

Dec 17. 1873

Dear Bro. Whipple

Your letter

came the first and I am deeply grateful - You state the case procisely precisely - but God is raising up warm friends in the right place. I had a preliminary hearing before the mil. committee this morning. I like its appearance and believe they will do me justice. You will probably see in print my preliminary statement before this reaches you. The committee have [sic] so much on hand that they are reluctant to make the investigation - and some at least incline to ask the appointment of a military commission to try my case. As the administration is committed against me, I feel inclined to press a hearing where the case now is. The usual

prepublication of charges made & judgements rendered in the N.Y. press, even two days before they are brought to Congress with a view to prejudice me in the eyes of multitudes who only know my name will surely react in my favor. I have been some cast ? 1 down but this morning I get a glimpse of the light behind the clouds. The charges are brought by the next highest official. A triumphant vindication will be read & remembered. Pray for me that I may have wisdom and that God may fight my battle for me. He looked into my heart. Will he not purge it that it may be clean? My kind regards to all friends around you & at home.

With much affection & confidence
I am yours

0.0.H.

Hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs Sir

I have the honor to enclose recipient bill for subsistence stores r purchased whilst special Commowhich then was stopped against me in your Dept. on account of absence of [?] voucher.

Very resp'y your obb. serv.

(sgd.) O. O. Howard

Brig. Genl. U. S. A.

Jan. 7<u>th</u> [187]4

Rev. Geo. Whipple

Dear friend:

Please see Maj.

A. Coats 108  $_{\text{\tiny [}}$  ?  $_{\text{\tiny ]}}$  Street New York

and deliver the accompanying documents. [Maj. ?] Coats If he is not in N.Y. or not likely to be there  $\hat{}$  soon, please return them to me.

It will help me much if he can attend to my requests immediately.

Yours truly

O.O. Howard

Hon. E. P. Smith

Com of Indian Affairs

Dear Sir

Permit me to introduce to you Maj. McClermont, late Capt.U. S.

Army. Converse with him with regard to a frontier agency.

Yours resp'y

(sgd.) O. O. Howard

Brig. Genl. U. S. A.

P. C. Beam
Dear Major —

Please look into the case of Mr. E. W. Hall and see which sort of case he was & advise him what to do.

Yours truly, 0.0. Howard

Washington, D. C. Mar 24th 1874 March 27th 1874

O. F. Presbry, Esq.

Sir:

There will be due from
you to Genl. 0. 0. Howard, on April 1st — 3rd,
the sum of \$690.10, interest on notes
amounting to \$19,71736 in his hands
This amt may be deposited to his
credit in Freedmens Savings Bank.
Very ably your obt. servt.,

J. A. Sladen A. D. C. Washington D C May 12th 1874

P. C. Beam Esq. My Dear Bro.,

Please
accept my warmest thanks for all you have done for me & let me know how much I owe you for legal services & oblige. Your Friend,
0.0 Howard

Hon. Fred. Douglass

Dear Sir

Allow to introduce to you my friend Capt. [Naler?], a retired officer of the Army, who is engaged in business in this city.

He is an high minded, honorable man and you may rely with full confidence upon any statement he may make.

Very truly yours

O.O. Howard Brig. Genl. U.S.A.

Wash. D.C. May 23, 1874

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Washington D.C. May 27th 1874

Rev. Geo. Whipple

My dear sir:

I sent to the Freedmen's Branch to my old records but my A.D.C. was not permitted to examine. Then I took your letter to Gen. Townsend and this morning received the reply which I enclose. I am sorry not to be able to afford you any better information but every letter of mine and every visit afford new hopes of misrepresentation.

If I can get any further information I will let you know.

Very truly yours

0.0. Howard

Brig. Genl. U.S.A.

Washington D. C.

June 30th 1874

Presbrey & Greene Real Estate Agents Gentlemen:

Please deliver all the keys of my "T" Street house to the bearer, Mr. Geo. W. Trueheart, and as I am about to take charge of the sale and renting of any property, you may strike it from your books to state July 1st.

Very truly yours. 0. 0. Howard Brig Genl U. S. A.

## Washington D. C. July 20th 1874

Dear Friends

Your postal card is just rec'd, and I send you herewith the "Deeds". Dreadfully in need of money. Sell if you can and do with them just as if they were your own.

With kind regards.

Yours truly

0.0. Howard

Dr. O. F. Presbrey