May 9th [18]82

Colonel Daniel Hall
U.S. Custom House, Boston, Mass.

My dear Sir:

Doubleday represents that I sent you to Gen. Reynolds before his death & that you received from him the order to locate my command on the Cemetery Hill. Is that or anything like it the case?

You have once given me some choice nearly recollections & though all my valuable letter are at hand, that one I cannot find. Could you find time to give me facts that you have recorded or have now clearly in mind, relating to the memorable battle of Gettysburg. I hope this will find you well.

Yours very truly

(sgd) O. O. Howard

Brig. Gen. &c.
Col. D. Hall

Dear Colonel:

Did you get a letter from me at Custom House Boston—dated May 9th inst.

Yours truly

O.O. Howard

West Point N.Y.

May 18th 1882.
Col. T. A. Meysenberg

Dear Friend:

Have you any recollection of my receiving or have you any record of the joint order which Doubleday says was sent to Slocum & Howard May 2nd 1863.? I do not remember any such order-

Have you any notes on Chancellorsville? The ordinary journal is not with the Washington Records.

May 18/82

West Point NY

With kindest regards

(sgd) O. O. Howard

I will copy and return your Diary - if you will let me.
May 23d 1862

To/

Colonel Daniel Hall

Boston Custom House

My dear Sir:

I received your letters altogether this morning. I am very, very much obliged.

"Let another praise thee & not thou thyself"! I must try hard to complete my statuettes & not with "Phideas" in the (?) folds at the finish.

You will remember that my primary orders from Gen. Reynolds were to stop within "corps support" i.e. about as far off as the night before. The orders to move on up to Gettysburg proper came from him. If you brot (sic) them you were the one who said: in answer to the query "Where?" "In here anywhere." pointing to the
left of the road as we went northward & not to the cemetery side. I have dimly remembered this & thought it to be "Biddle." I shall be in Boston next Sunday & go to Lewiston to speak Monday. speak Tuesday, Decoration Day & return immediately. to Eastern R.R.S. Could you not come & go with me to Lewiston by morning train. We could say so much about old times. Affectionately yours. I guess you did not see my interview with the reporter in your Tribune! I am glad that you are so happily situated. I did take the "cemetery position" whatever scribblers prove - and if I am shown to be a fool - still[the?] slave-holders rebellion was put down & you & I helped. Affectionately O. O. H.
June 2 [188]2

Genl F. C. Barlow

New York

My dear Sir:

Permit me to introduce to you Col. O. W. Shaw, of Austin, who desires to be present at the reunion to be held at Gettysburg June 14th.

If possible, kindly show him such attention as will make his visit to the old battle ground pleasant, and oblige

Very truly yours

O.O. Howard

Bvt. Major Genl. U.S.A.