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Brig. Gen. John Gibbon

Comd'g Dept. Columbia.

Vancouver Bks., W. T.

Dear General:

As J. C. Beardsley

is now a soldier in your

Dept., I forward you

this letter of Mr. James,

who takes an interest in

Beardsley's advancement.

Mr. James you

probably know. He is

an excellent gentleman

of high character.

Very truly Yours

O. O. Howard

Maj. Gen. U. S. A.

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Capt. T. J. Jeffords

Tucson A.T.

Dear Captain:

I have drawn
up the enclosed letter
which I think will
procure you what you
want.

Hoping this will filed

find you very well

I remain

Sincerely yours

0.0.Howard

Maj. Gen1.

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Major W. Sinclair

(or the C.O. of Mt. Vernon Bks)

Mt. Vernon Bks. Ala.

Dear Major:

Will you kindly allow
an interview between Mr. T. J.

Jeffords and some of your the
Indians under your care. He
wishes only to ascertain certain
facts concerning real estate and
mineral lands, knowledge of
which, he thinks they possess.

Capt. Jefford has so often risked his life to settle difficulties with the Indians - and done so much

for small compensation,
that I think he is entitled
to this small favor.
I know you will allow
him this interview if
in your power. If not
in your power please ask
the essential authority in
my name and greatly
oblige Capt. Jeffords.

Very truly

Yours

0.0.Howard

Major General.

U.S.Army.