Extract from letter sent from Camp Casey, Bladensburg, in Nov. 1861.

"After sermon the general (Howard) said he wished to say a few words, and went on by telling us that, as he had always done in other matters, so he wished to express his views on the subject of religion. He poured himself as a believer in the Christian religion, and a follower of the Ke-
deemer, and desired us, to follow upon all wickedness, and seek to maintain the right. This is the substance of what was said, and I actually had hard work to keep from shedding tears. I was..."
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It is good to find him so noble a man."

This letter sent to his mother from Camp Casey by
Elias H. Manton
Co. D, 5th N.Y. Vols
Afterwards Adjutant.

Now of 27 Maple Ave., Somerville, Mass.
If the Battery should be called away unexpectedly, a letter directed to me, care of Mr. J. Shelling, Rockville, Perry Co., will come to hand.

I am my dear General,
Your most obedient servant,
Frederick Robinson

[Signature]
the Battery next again into action, as in that
case it would be more likely that my claim
would be attended to by the authorities. In
mean time however, he

is persuaded of considerable influence with the present
administration. With thee and the endorsement
of Capt. Griffin, I intend to submit my case to
the proper authorities, and then let matter. Take
their course. Be the ultimate event as it may, I
shall remain satisfied.

There is one point however to which I would
adver, and in doing so I hope you will not deem
me guilty of anything approaching to either covetous
or flattering. I allude to the kindly interest you
always have taken in the enlisted men of the
army, and to myself among the number. Allow
my dear General, there is too little of what
Shakespeare calls the "mirth of human kindness"
exhibited towards us by the unthinking many, for
me to remain insensible of the many little favors
you performed for us at Fort Point. I am too
poor and too dependent to offer any thing more
substantial than my simple acknowledgment
but such as it is I give it heartily. The best
wish I can give is that mischief you ever any
peace connected with you may ever know an
hour of sorrow.

I hope to get a letter from Brig. Genl.
Meadows of New York, who has already expressed
a friendly sympathy in my case. And who I believe

...
Leeds, Me., Dec. 3, 1870.

My dearest Oli:

I have brought my writing into the dining room, because Isabella and the children are very happy in my room, and if I should remain there, little Jamie would soon leave his play and think I must take them but is just as well off and happy if I am a short time ago. Now are Grandmother how ever to ride up the hill on the lounge seems to have finished reading. I am writing after dinner a little past 10 o'clock but it is getting quite dark. Say just ran out and back asked if I was waiting until the soon he gave me. He handed me the a few days before that I was out.
I slept. We have been speaking about the "Reed" and hoping this severe storm does not reach them. command raining in the night and has rained incessantly all day. But I think the wind is not blowing as hard now. Since writing the above I have given the children their tea, and let them go back, they are all sleeping pretty sound at half past seven o'clock. Grace has ceased a little while and asked me to look her occasionally since last Monday and Tuesday except with Ruth very hardly and all over. So I think I shall have to say she has had scarlet fever. I must be very careful that she does not take cold. The room was quite red inside and I immediately got up an invitation on the east side with hot vinegar, salt, and c. pepper and she has had no trouble with it. She and Guy have been very happy today I think nearly all the morning reading to them and hearing them say the "commandments" over.

Grace has had a bath and read and reread, looked at what "Papa said about his letter", and had patience out to her where Grace was written and read over and again "I love papa" and looked at your plan of your tent and held it in her hands so long that she "wonders what makes Grace look at Papa's letter so much." And seems to think you are quite near home if you are this side of Washington, and he seems to think there are no secessionists near you, which gratifies him very much. This last line is not quite well yet. Jamie is well. Oscar was here this evening and I did not know before that William Turner drinks, and pretty hard. I should think. When he was trying to get men he enlisted they would not go with him because they would not that he had been drinking. I hope they
Ephraim Dubuque A. Davis Nov. 30, 1861

Grand Howard,

I write you a friendly line. I am quite certain it will be read in the same spirit that I have read of your lately brilliant deed at the Bull Run battle. If your promotion to the general is a mark of favor in this singular war, I trust I can congratulate you without a becoming presumption. Permit me to say that if I win it with pleasure your loss. I hope you will wear your honors with a grace befitting the true soldier. I have a brother in law in Company D of the regiment where I volunteered, Col. Osborne, who is in the 8th Regt. I am Commodore of a company of the same name. He is a man of great education, the most capable I am sure to be in any place. I thought it would not be for me to tell you that any honor you may attain will be only exhibited that good name of your father which I have done much to retain and I hope you will continue this struggle. I stand for it always. We seem to be moving very cautiously of late. I am very glad to hear you will come.

Yours ever,

[Signature]
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Farmington Nov. 3rd 1861

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with perhaps a dozen persons scattered about, in remote corners. For it is so rainy and wet, and farming friends, as a general rule, are few out there. People are mostly living in the city.

I am hoping to have my niece to visit me this winter, but I believe she has decided to spend the winter of it at home, with her aunt. I have only seen her once, since she came to Maine, and I fear I shall not see her very often while she is at home, as we both love babies! I am hoping to have a visit from her this week before she goes there.

The air is rather unusual at this minute; inquiries about your little nephew, a stranger would have known that you had had many of your own! As to his looks, people when they come to see him say, "very healthy looking child," "quite like a good baby," "looks small, isn't he?" Sometimes one will go so far as to call him "a nice baby," but not by keeping "what a pretty baby!" His father and mother call him a little beauty, and pretend they think he is whether he is or not. I will leave you to judge - a little round head, on which a cap of yellow-white fur seems to be sprouting - we hope it will turn into respectable hair, some of which must exist, but no one is disappointed - a good forehead, and pretty eyes - blue or brown.

The next small baby - a cunning little
Augusta, Nov. 5, 1861

My dear brother,

Now beautiful morning writing. Your letter from New York I have now something further about my command. I was on a long journey yesterday - Their attendance at Mrs. S. Congress. These letters and your letter this morning were then by invitation to U.S. Hospitals, etc. I went once to look that with myself. To the Miss Congress, these women made with any of the family before.He both me once in the house house with the lady Mrs. Pendleton of Augusta. She is one of many I know. They are bound to return come very lightly to my know that the must be so acquainted with me since I received your so much, had a pleasant letter - Miss's coming was there to Young. Yes. Yes.

Proposed a conference yesterday, communique all the sooner with every one of the. I thought of the few their held this Congress. Keep the movement of the Lord, and in my own, I am writing you. to you in New York. Horatio Howard.
attended Church with Tom in the afternoon. He is son of Rev. Mr. Howard. Born named for his brother. He is now Dr. Dr. They resided in the Colley - of a fine fellow but not a Christian - had to leave the Unitarians when he went to sea. There he will soon become one of our finest men in the last Congress. Proper evening. Adjutant The 11th Regt. attached Rev. Mr. Tugger's Church last Sunday. He filled the house, the people from the room. - They came from among men, they must be saved.

He has begun to enlist for the 9th as a 5th battalion and to be named in this State. He will be a St. - His name was written, but it is given to others as its true self-campus calling them Edward. He is quite an easy subject.

Your last letter to Tuggerstheteone - to Lezzi - she received from adding a note of her own. Your letters gone on your way. Please - I and them to the old gentleman. Mr. Carson the best can be said of Mr. Burley at the head of the Marine Home when I do. He is a Christian man. Most of the County Prices heard them but they are not very convenient to me. Lezzi cordially tells her reason - 'Little girl, I guess the

You have told him that I was to go with you of the Committee. So he does not want to go even one as long as the Regt.

Dexter, Mr. Howard is a very fine young man & desire he be in the service attending him. I am sure that he does not like to have him go. There are 20 percent. Maj. Estman has had two just in the 11th Regt. has no right to be in any column without others. Could he not tell one in the cell? And as this is an officer responding me under a recall order as an agent, I beg to tender for one of my accounts. He said the money I would not come to me but that of what I have decided out - Hop to get the remainder in the same way. I have come in know the meaning of the September "red tape."

They call Maj. Estman a "Law Coach."

The Ranger paper said you were assigned to a Brigade at Mattoon. I am in the 100th. I am very glad you is with you. Tell him always think of him when.

I made up his watch. I went to
Boston, March 4th, 1864

My dear Howard,

I received your kind letter of the 21st and am sure of yours for which you have many thanks.

At our last evening meeting last evening I was the happy one to read it and if you could have been at that meeting you would have seen the interest manifested.

I think you would have come to the same conclusion that I did which was that the one letter of yours was doing good in calling the attention to the want of those in the Army. I know you would have enjoyed the meeting very much, for there was a desire expressed to have the letter of yours read. I desire you will find it a better follower of our dear General.

Dear Sir, you have our thanks for the letter and our prayers for your success and we would have more of your letters so much as we were anxious in the cause of Christ.

When you have leisure we should see the glad to hear from you again how the cause of our cause to progress. I wish I might do something to repay you for your trouble but I adore not the how there is more than usual interest.
In our meetings of late and the house of prayer is quiet, we filled it as always the case. The men are lovely. But the house, we loved our fellow sisters and they are looking around to see who they can get to attend.

Saunders. Monday, I sent my bible. Before a package of books to the girls. I have to close the New England School of 12. Boys between the end of 1882 and '83. I raised a collection in the class every Saturday. This money was appropriated to some good object. This year are back some of the boys and they, in turn, have to buy books and materials and send them to you to give to those you think best.

This package goes from them and you can give them to those you think best eider in the camp or hospital.

Although they do not expect it, I would be glad to have you if you have any other letters here or letters. They have received and are encouraging them to do good. They are all good boys, regular in their attendance and been in their lessons.
Augusta Me. Nov 1st

Dear Sir,

Your favor of 28th enclosing check on New York for $30.00 for one dollar, came to hand last evening, for which accept my thanks. I have just at hand the minutes of my account but enclose the order which you gave me on the Treasurer of Maine whose account, to $36.87 the balance $33.05 I shall have to pay presently. I am expecting to leave with the 11th Regiment on Monday next as 2nd Lieutenant. We have in Col Caldwell a man of high character & one who always new in military life gives promise of soon attaining to a high rank as an officer, he is a gentleman in every respect and command...
the unqualified respect of all who are connected with him, he is a strict temperance man and is most assiduous in his endeavours to promote the best interests of all under his command.

Again thanking you for your prompt reply to my request,

I remain with my best wishes for your prosperity ever most respectfully,

Yours truly,

Samuel G. Sewall

Brig Gen O.O. Howard
Head Quarters St. Angles,
Camp Sarratt Nov 6th

Dear General,

I am by appointment on Saturday papers - Monday I went to the Adjutant General's Office to hear up matters & found that the letter of notification had been sent to Genl. McCollum, Head Quarters to be sent to you. On enquiring the your whereabouts they informed me that you had gone down into Maryland some thirty miles.

From the fact of not having heard from you I thought it possible that the letter had failed to reach you. Please inform me if it is important that I should accept as soon as possible if be coming after my orders.

Your Secretary has sent back to Washington a quartermaster who was assigned to have given you much assistance to me, if you will have to fight for me, I am afraid, if you want me.

Permit me to thank you again for your present & energetic efforts in my behalf, etc.,

My letter are nearly addressed now, Head Quarters, Sarratt's Mills, Alexandria, etc.

Your's truly, respectfully, your friend.

[Signature]

Very truly respectfully,
Your's truly

[Signature]
Leeds, Nov. 3, 1861.

Friday evening

I must write you a few lines on your birthday, Dearest, but I am not in the mood for letter writing, for I am a little lirical and consequently down hearted. So you don’t get over the deafness you as soon as you diet, and Janie is restless. His throat is some swollen yet, but I don’t think it worse; there is a kernel under his left ear, and under his right cheek it is swollen. I hope the worst is over with them both.

But it is a treacherous disease. I am quite well, and Isabella is a great help, and willing to do anything for the children. I sat by Janie Tuesday night and kept his mouth wet all the time, and Isabella the next...
night, and last night I went to bed with him and slept about as usual. Grace is not quite as well to-day because she played so hard "hide and seek" yesterday afternoon.

I am tired because I have held her a great part of the day but it is evening now and they are both asleep and I am rest. It seems to be very sickly everywhere. Hannah Leonard who has been sick some time died last Wednesday, and I have to inform you of the sickness and death of our friend and neighbor Mrs. Turner (Scare's mother). She had a fever five days and passed peacefully away last night. Have I ever told you of the death of Scare's mother? She was buried the twelfth of Oct. I knew nothing of it till I want to write the following Monday. I wish I had gone to see her before her death. But
General—Sir: Although you have accredited me greatly heretofore I would respectfully ask your consideration of the letter, hoping it will meet with your approval. On your recommendation Colonel Staples gave me an appointment as 1st Lieut. in "C" Co. But upon the petition of the Col. that one of the Sergeants belonging to it should be commissioned, the Governor of Maine asked their selection. Colonel Staples promises me an early day an appointment as above, but knowing that in whichever Company the appointment is made it will create hard feeling, I think that an appointment in one of the new Regiments now forming in Maine would in many respects be preferable.

If you have confidence in my ability, general, I would like a similar
Recommendation to the one you gave me before, to forward to the Governor of Maine under the endorsement of Colonel Flahive & Major Hunt. Hoping for an early reply. I am Gent. Very Respectfull (your obt Serv)

Brig. Gent & a Howard
Frank W. Haskell
Washington, D.C.
Enteney I. Capt, U.S.M.A.

Feb 21st 1862

Dear Cousin,

Here will learn the story of this Expedition up the Potomac. I will say but little about it. We had a rough time in getting there. Last three days, perhaps Man. The enemy fought hard. My horse and saddle astray. Was taken with Charleston. Never mind the chest. It was a Butterman man. I am an army officer, so will write it the future.

We have sent General McClellan to separate the army and General Banks. They are not likely to gain anything. The enemy fought hard and killed 30 men on that. They are going to lay low. The enemy is keeping up his plan. The President went up yesterday. The President has ordered the troops to keep on fighting. It may be that this Brigade will be put to some other place. April 3, 1862. The President has ordered the troops to keep on fighting. The President has ordered the troops to keep on fighting. The President has ordered the troops to keep on fighting. The President has ordered the troops to keep on fighting.
Me that has not cast much blood on
our side (at least) I wish Caroline
with Cardins must
feel the blow. Her paper which wind from
my camp I say we could not think
our. They knew all about our expedition
in particular - & it not for trade that
we cannot make a more easy - they must
know all about it. Where are all
we will enforcements trade? I am
laid their strength & our weakness,
Our Timor Aid will now return
by fire as a storm - & Men confidence
than ever in the Navy
-

I will write to you as soon
as possibly. Will the present pay
for my horses - Cadwall -
Hope they will find you well -
on action Service

Wring the demand

[Signature]

[Signature]
Head Qu. 1st Brigade Casey's
Division Nov. 10th 1861

My dearest wife,

I am going to take time and give you a little more lengthy account of our expedition to the lower counties of Maryland than I did in my last letter. I was sent for to go to Washington on Saturday last a week ago. I rode in a heavy rain, went to Gen. Casey's head quarters and received orders to move my Brigade into the lower counties of George & Calvert. I was instructed to report to Gen. Merry for further orders, which I did. Gen. Merry told me to take my Brigade to that quarter, consult with Union men and do what I could to prevent an obstruction of the roads. I called to see Hillhouse, wrote a couple of letters.
at Mrs. Pool's, sent John to buy an India rubber coat. Returned to camp. Prepared the order of march and got ready for the next day.

It cleared off before morning. Sudden, but the "Essen Brandy", which flows between camp and Blackburnville had

been so much that it was low

3 rods across when I attempt

to cross over I had to swim my

horses which were pretty cold wet.

Mr. managed to cross the infantry

over the railroad bridge by a foot pole bridge into the town.

A Squadron of Cavalry which

was assigned the day before was

with me. These with the wagons

were able to ford the streams by

ten A. M. We continued the march

till noon making about 14

miles, and Bivouacked at

Centreville Md. without tents in

an extensive piece of woods. The
roads were muddy & slipping with the clay & the troops were tired, but some of them made haste with a widow ladies fence to make it firm to wear their feet. I immediately put one officer of the 4th Rhode Island in arrest. This had the desired effect. I didn't hear any more of burning the fences. The 36th Pennsylvania kept left. Miller started from Good Tide & joined us at Centreville. The next day his regiment with two regiments of the N. Hampshire 5th & 33rd & 80 cavalry were left at Steeler Marlborough. With orders to send two companies to Nottingham & vicinity. Then came on to Providence. We castaway. At daylight we woke up & making ready to march with Gen. Eyler with another Brigade & a just ahead & delayed us a little, but by 11 a.m. the Brigade was in motion. On six miles we came to the
Village of Upper Marlborough Plantation is quite a pretty little town about five to six miles from the Potomac. It was in a wooden house and in two crowns, fully two or two stories. This place seems to be full of that kind of secession man. The only place when there is nopec, there and left me to consult with them. I passed on to the river Potomac, found a part of the Bridge burned away and delayed two hours for its repair. With the advantage of the time to feed men and horses, and then completed our march, making for the day the forced March of 27 miles before dark with the cavalry and came upon a large and beautiful estate owned by Mr. Thomas G. Graham. And you never saw such generous hospitality as I met at his hands. Mrs. Graham had one child just the age and look of
Mr. Graham is a generous soul like Mrs. Graham expected in this village with her husband. Captain Pemberton, Dr. Palmer & I stage from Monday night to Friday morning in this delightful place. All the rest of the brigade besides what was left at Upper Marlborough went into Mr. Graham's woods that Monday night.

Tuesday I went with regiment Col. Woodburn's Rhode Island to the village of Lower Marlborough. Col. Welch's 13 miles to Prince Frederick. Major Hetherill of the cavalry with a hundred of his own & 50 of Col. Welch's 46 Pennsylvania to St. Leonard's, 26 miles. Wednesday morning every voting place in Mr. George & Calvert Counties was occupied by troops. Mr. Soller's several arrests. One man Mr. Soller former at Mr. Frederick was a member of
Congress. He behaved in the most violent manner, threatening to take any Union man he could to the right and left with his bowie knife. Col. Wells arrested him and brought him with John Smith of a like stamp to Lewis Madborough. Mrs. Sellers was taken ill with the gout and unable to move when I left Friday morning, but is under Sellers' promise to make his appearance at Washington as soon as he can. The other T. released on their taking the oath of allegiance and promise never to fight against our forces, and also receiving their word of honor that they never had. Col. Miller brought in one in a reception house, whom he turned over to the Provost Marshall at Washington. On Thursday the forces were concentrated. Friday and Saturday returned to their old grounds.
Today I learned that the 1st Michigan 
Regt. was detached from me, so that 
I now have but four Regiments. We 
have had rather a sad day today 
Two deceased from the 14th Michi-
two from the 45th Penn. One from 
The New Hampshire. Mrs. Carroll 
said in her carriage till her mother 
visited me tonight & asked 
me to go to Washington to 
have dinner with them tomorrow. 
Last night I went in after 
want & have many affairs, went 
to see Gen. Casey who commended 
me highly for my conduct 
& faithfulness. I visited Mr. & Mrs. 
Harwell,asketed Grace their sweet 
little daughter. I got several 
Kisses from Gracie. She says: "I got 
a present," "I got a present." Thank 
Gracie for it? I hope they are jealous 
of little sister because she loves 
Mama. Mama wants all the love 


His children can lean upon me; it isn’t enough to keep them warm their cold nights in a tent. I went to a prayer meeting tonight in the New Hampshire Regiment. I do wish Charlie would get a commission so that I can appoint him my aide. I have one and a Mrs. Wesley of the 22nd Warps. Regt. acting aide. Mrs. Sneed of the 45th Penn. Master Marlowe Banker. But Owen has been appointed & I expect to get him. Commission

Dr. Balloch, Surgeon 40th Penn.

Mr. Harrwell says I can have his house the 1st of March or April as I choose. Shall I engage it? Very much love to all many

Nieces to the children. I acknowledge poor Jamie in cover the secret from—Sprague 5/5
Augusta, Nov. 12, 1861

My dear Brother,

I returned today to this city and found that the letter I wrote the day before I left was not received. I will send it with this.

I saw the Governor today but he had not heard from Washington. I am convinced that it is of no use to wait for him. He has no intention of commending me to the connection with one of the new Regts. He suggested letting him know before I go out to get part in the recovery of the 3rd Maine. Then get commissioned. If there is any vacancy there to there can be none. I hope it may be so. I do not think I could listen with the law any longer here.

Could you possibly get me a commission from the President? If you could have plenty you desire & the difficulty of the being appointed you long company I thought he might be willing to commession me in some way or Mr. Swett. Perhaps it is not far retrievable. You will know. Rosland yours.
To think you might take this chance

I heard the about the

musicians who don't act as such

gives me a chance of a discharge

from the 3rd Ms.

I write down to be discharged me
to go back from this duty early. It is
to join you.

I am, however, very much pressed
now that I am under Wiggins. I cannot

learn or make any come back.

I wish I might join you immediately
if I am going to do so. And then a

vacancy in your army into which I could
be transported when presented. If I could

get a commission in the 3rd Ms.?

Please to write me immediately also how

I am to be relieved from this duty. The

transfer is to be made.

I have been feeling some anxiety about

my children but otherwise I come in

from Leeds fairly well, bread nothing

but that grace and peace is doing well.

Very truly yours,

I have lots to tell you but have

to communicate it some time soon.

Very affectionately,

C. H. Howard
Miss G. was promoted & went separate from Main Troop
and perhaps the Governor thinks I have got enough - but
only Celeste Harris a commissary on her own account. There is
now considerable sickness with us. Last night there were three
deaths in the Brigade. Without
seven goes to a sad extent.
Can you supply stockings?

Miss G. sent your own
a parcel bought some day
so long that it stays in the
post office. Much love to the
men's wives for you -
also to Father there - When
when again going to Aunt Eaton's
there are some elections of
major's from one of the G's.

Opportunely, Duy.

Read By 1st Brigade
Nov 7, 1861

My dearest Wife
I wish to
write you a few lines just to
say that all is well with me.
Yesterday I went over the
lines to my old regiment crossing
by the ferry & returning by the
long bridge leading in all
distance of twenty seven
miles. You can't think how
the distance stretches out in
the country. Monday evening
by invitation I went in to
Washington & took tea to stay
all night coming over in the
first train Tuesday morning.
I found Mrs. Carroll very well
of anyone, enquiring after
you & the children. She sends
her love to you. Mrs. C. is expecting dinner. I believe it
will do you good soon to see
them. Mrs. C. says she heard in
almost brother or half of you & his children. Your child can
never realize his privilege while she had them as she surely
must. Mrs. Sampson's claim
for love or manner many inquiries
about you, & the children. She
is near the only jealous with the
30 Maine. Her heart close to her
husband's. Help women by
one of your grandfathers,
such as the General Longfellow.

Both states, inquired about
you, with all hear & saw you
and. I glad to help feeling anxious
about family no he care with
it & see when his letters come in some
& hope you & covered can all
well. Papa can take her
must be wish to see them.

Mrs. Sampson said it was much
worth & heard for Mrs. Howard
then for me, I told her it
was at 50 for Mrs. Howard
the children to remember them.

I heard that Charley had 4c. Men
between & he gets 50 he is coming
back. John Kennard is report
just from home. I did not say
anything to you about writing
the last month. I am sorry &
neglective. I said writing
your home to Maine. Wood for
which he gave me his note. I
bought another of belt cloth for
which I paid the cost.
I had close to my your letter. I
did not to say your good news.
All of which
introduced my last month. Per-
the rest of the next, I mean
this month. I shall write
you a little letter. I saw your
name in the Register. I have
applied for brother to be
telegraphed also within today. I
don't know at the War Depart-
ment can grant you such a
grant. I have been
in hope the Governor of Maine
would commission Charley
but he has not yet done so.
Camp Reward, November 16th, 1861

My Dear Oldman,

Perhaps you may be surprised at my writing to you, but judging of your character and mind, reckoning from personal observation I have presume to address this letter.

In your present O. Commannder of our Division, I know there are many officers for you to give or at least to be in your favor to recommend, and believing that you know me very well and are aware of the sort of qualifications I possess, I hope this is not for you cannot assist me in obtaining some office (such as Quartermaster of a Regiment) under your Command. I have had some experience in the troops and think I can perform all the duties faithfully and honestly which may be required.

I am not dissatisfied with the 3rd Maine, on the contrary I like the Regiment much, but I have come to the conclusion that there is no chance for further advancement in it for myself, and of course I am anxious to rise higher than my station.
Mr. George C. Howard

My respects to Capt. Smith and all kind. I received the note I gave you.
Danbury Oct. 19, 1861

My Dear Friend,

I've been thinking some time of writing you, and if you could not add, me in getting some situation connected with the Army, or in some capacity under your supervision, I am out of employment and have been since the commencement of the hard times. If you are acquainted or partly so with my abilities and honesty, any thing you can do for me under the circumstances will always be remembered.

I enclose a stamp, please answer.

Rep. Your Friend,

[Signature]

P.S. You look for a clerkship or any other, I think, or any thing else you think could do.
My dear Mary,

My name is Francis Hall and I was born in Litchfield, Connecticut. I graduated from Yale in 1857 and have been a teacher and lawyer since then. I have a son, Charles, who is attending college and a daughter, Elizabeth, who is about to graduate from Yale.

I wrote you a letter today because I felt tired and thought I might as well say some things I have been thinking about. I know you have been busy with your studies and work, but I hope you will find time to read my letter.

I have heard from you for a long time and have been correspondingly in the Post Office Department in New York. I have been trying to get a position, but it has not been easy. Yesterday one of my regimentals, the 5th of Pennsylvania, was called up and I had to report to Fort Monroe. And I was called up again today and was given leave to come home. I am writing to you to let you know that I will be home in a few weeks.

I am looking forward to seeing you again and hearing about your studies. I hope you are doing well and that you have been making progress.

I will be home in a few weeks and I hope to see you then. I miss you very much.

Yours truly,

Charles Hall
Your daughter is a young lady of 18 or 20 yrs. Her son is a lad of 13 who lives generally house and for his 9th birthday last night it seemed to me that he should like to see my family. I thought last night if I should tell him he would like to see my family. I have not seen him since his leave as he is in the army. I have thought of him since his leave as he is in the army. I have seen him since his leave as he is in the army.

I am sure that you and I would like to see him again. I have seen him since his leave as he is in the army. I have seen him since his leave as he is in the army. I have seen him since his leave as he is in the army. I have seen him since his leave as he is in the army.

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Leeds, Me. Nov 21, 1861

Dearest,

I wonder how soon you will take this out of your pocket where I intend to put it. I intend to part with Charlie. I want him to be with you, and I know he must go, but it will be another cruel. I think the store close evening and how we can he wait from this morning. May God bless and take care of you, you own third.
sent quite a little present here of different things, as you saw the name of Mrs. B. C. Howard in the papers. I am sorry, and am sorry it was not in what it did some good to anyone else to do something. I now should have dared thee to have made the offer if I could have known it would be. By any such amount the pictures of acting you sent, she held put himself in the position of all of them even to the men on the bank, but thinks it would be very hard to keep that position (she had put up a little) she is writing a rather painting a letter to Susan. I havent heard from West Point since I left. I must write to Ellen Dalton. I think Charlie will give you the most news after you get this letter. If he goes as soon as most Wednesday. you will find a note with the things I you took sharp enough. I am glad Charlie has been home as long. But I havent seen him much seems to me. He has been a sort of connecting link between us and now he is to be taken.
I wonder if we may have any more sickness at present, and particularly if you are far away and in a tent. Why do you not take quarters in some house near by? I say, "Why don't you live in a house?" I thought all was right until I saw Col. Badgerick's and how much like Mrs. Carroll it was. You must give me your best love. I don't know if Mrs. Carroll is still with Mrs. P. J. Carroll. I suppose they are intending to visit Washington and take Susan with them. Jamie is better than when I last wrote, but I don't like it in this late cold. I fear her blood is poor. Any time of day that I take off her boots and stockings I find her feet like ice. She seems happy when at play. A change may be of benefit to her. I would like to go to Auburn Saturday, but may not till Monday. You may direct all letters there after your return. Charlie and Della come home to take Thanksgiving dinner with us to day, also Roland's family. Mrs. Taylor and daughter. I forgot to tell you that Jimmie can walk, he is very happy about it. Still remember and think of Uncle Charlie little better than the rest. Don't you think the habit that from his mother: (1) Charlie goes to Augusta tomorrow. He will take your thing I have to send. I never should think of a effect many, if you did not speak of it. I have quite plenty now. I am always glad to have you speak of buying things for yourself as outer coat. My freight bill was little more than forty dollars. I think after I go to Auburn I shall
Leeds Nov. 22 1861

Friday Mom.

Dear Brother,

I go to Augusta
this morn, and expect to


go to Washington on Monday
Wed. next.

I hear from the paper that

Capt. Robinson is made Maj.

Then would be a vacancy in
his Co. and the Gov. said

He would commission me

in the Third Manu - Ebyton
Co. also has resigned.

Wish I knew certainly that

I could be transferred after

gaining a commission to some

vacancy in your Brigade or

if not transferred, could

have the assurance that

my place could be filled

when appointed on your stuff.
If you can arrange
more matters with Col.
Stokes perhaps he will
accept a commissary
from Gov. N.

I expect to go directly
to the Third N. and
will do what I can.
You need not have
immediate to get me
transferred in my present
capacity for I can be
discharged from the
3rd according to a recent
order about musicians
when I can re-enlist with
you up for the best.

Affectionately

P.S. I hope
children are well
very happy

[Signature]
Head Quarter, 4th Miss.
Nov. 27, 1861.

Is it really so good?

After some hesitation, I have been induced to accept the colonelcy of the 14th. It is very near the 15th, and I have been induced to do it. I will be ready for the field about the 1st Jan. I should like very much to go into your Brigade, if you can see me in.

The appointment was very limited, as it came. I did not think of any of the new units. It is certainly very kind in the Governor, and I suspect I am quite as much indebted to you as others. I will endeavor that you shall not suffer thereby. I have taken good care while in Mexico that you should not suffer nothing by the disappointment of others.

Any suggestion I should be most happy to receive. Do you know of the right kind
Of a gery marn fir Spt. Amos will
par to to his siste a. I have off liet.

Though you know what I need

The men will be go. The class

of men now existing are for better

than the last in this hor. It will

be a fine fap to I shud like to be

to you Brigade

July 19th

F. Sanderson

My dear. L.C. Howard

From Washington

THen give you adders. I will be wll

th the 4th fer two day at least

20th 20th

I am to the 19th send with it

Treas. of 399th as I will have

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Revival Letter from
Frank Gilman
Portland, Nov. 3 & 5, 1861

My dear Howard,

I waited some time this afternoon to come down and write to you, and greedily enough thought of my way that it would enable me to write you a letter from your hand now. I intended the credit of writing without a reminder, but enough the letter was waiting for me, and found a welcome. As I am all charged for a long letter, really have any heart free of getting more. I have done good things to tell you, but have no means to put them upon paper. We are having such an unusual times of meetings in our church that I hardly have recurred from our astonishment at being away some depth in which are unexpected morn, half of our members are not. Our fully number of what is going on. Some even are the sleeping. May God

Of them from the most satisfactory evidence of Conviction and to my intelligent and thoughtful, I could not be led away by any excitement. This would suggest, perhaps, one of what means to me, away but not, that many of his being a Portland, and the ministry of our denomination effect, Mr. Moody and Dr. Sanborn have turned entirely away from Mr. Hammond, and have no sympathy with the meetings. Why I cannot tell satisfactorily. It is said by some that the Boston clergyman from 8 letters to Dr. Cheever regarding those whom I have; the reason undoubtedly is found in the character of Mr. Hammond's preaching, the manner in which he teats, though to my mind it is no offence at all for Christians who may object to his, some frequently from taking any part in meetings where he evidently do from, if it is preparing the hearts of the communicants between the gospel and the truth. I can hardly give you a description of Mr. Hammond's preaching, he fact he doesn't preach from the Bible, reading every verse and text of them, perhaps 15 minutes in going over a dozen, the Bible reads as few verses, and then, Lucas, perhaps, 15 minutes in going over a dozen, upon which the children all fall him, and men of the congregation. Then saying cannot.
Spirit work convince them that He is
working to bless as well as to trim men. I
ask if we or feel anything of the
Revival. I know I am very much for it,
and hope I feel it. At any rate, it's found it
a delightful labor for eight successive
evenings since Friday last wrote to be
at our church five times a week, half of
the time listening to preaching by Mr. W.
and others, and spending the remainder in
visiting and lawyerly to those who come by
fifty, five hundred to the prayer
and enquiring meetings. Rev. S. Howard
writes a note of blessing on us only to
speak thus of our church members also, I cannot
doubt that the Holy Spirit has been with
us, and that many true conversions attend the
prayer. We cannot as yet measure it on
lay what has been done. I hope to
write you hereafter the result in our own
congregation as the fruit of these
prayer meetings. We shall not now
knew there have been many strangers, soldiers,
fallers, & others in who have received much
aparatus and into their hearts, followed
by prayers that they might bring them to Christ
They have left us, and therefore we shall meet
some of them. I hope in heaven. I wish you
could have been here with us. Thinking
you might be at Both, Thursday, I sent a
message by Mr. R. who preached for us
last Sunday. I wish the young men in our
church had not been present. It pleased me
very much. I wish you could now see me
Come down for a day or two. For those in
Ashland make some arrangement to keep us
here. We make some arrangements to keep us.
There is no decided
end before yet. Mr. Hammond strongly urges
that we should procure preachers, keep
them up. He says the best of the work
preaching only three more nights to
command right. I just a few more nights
these prayer and enquiring meetings. I could
write sheets with telling you of instances
of conversion and of interesting conversions &
bindings. Two of my District school classes
have been very much interested, one
Head Quarters Sedam City
Nov. 24, 1861

Dear General:

Your kind letter was read several days since. I would have answered it immediately but understood from Mrs. Sampson that you were expected here on Thanksgiving Day when I would see you personally. I was disappointed in not seeing you when you were here before I had intended to have you to breakfast with me.

Gen. S. directs me to tell you to dine with us on Thanksgiving Day but Mrs. Sampson protested, so I did not send the invitations. Please consider the invitations a standing one to yourself & staff.
Whence you come or how we shall expect you to make this your kind visit.

I was somewhat surprised at your ill success with Gen Van Cleve with regard to my assignment, after what had transpired between you and the Gen. General. Though at first disposed to reject it on many accounts, yet, like everything else, it was undoubtedly for the best. One of the proofs of it is that my brother has lately been quite seriously ill, and I was enabled to remove him from his narrow and compulsory quarters to my more commodious tent where he could receive every attention.

And in the course of the war, it is very probable that by reason of my position I shall be able to render him still more important service.

Yet with all this, I cannot

harvest a regret at the occasion of plans I had formed of coming back to you, and I cannot help still hoping that the fortunes of war may, in some way, favor us together again.

You may be sure I shall never forget your kindness or what I owe to you; that I shall study to deserve & repay it.

I trust that your Gen. has turned out better than you expected, & that you will suffer no inconvenience from your failure to obtain the man of your choice.

Present my kindest regards to Capt. Sewall.

Very truly your friend,

W.T. Beeman.
Augusta Nov. 25, 1861

My Dear Brother,

I have come to town and the family Friday afternoon. We expect to go on with about 50 men starting Mr. A. M.

I saw Gov. Washburn & Mrs. Blaine together in the Gov's room. They see no way to have me commissioned except either by the Gov. or some of the old men that were your home or seen in the 3'd war and then have that kept transferred to the 1st Brigade. I hear from many sources that they wanted to be transferred to those within Maj. Leuppman at the suggestion of Col. Hord. Hord has had a letter from Leuppman - to me if I could have a commission in his old Co.

There are several reasons in the matter. I am not sure that Col. Hord wishes to be in your Brigade - I don't know about this, but I saw Capt. Richmond last and he says he would like very much to be transferred to the 1st, is confident all the officers named all will at home.

In haste, Co. Mr. Blau.

W. H. Howard.
Leeds, Nov. 27, 1867.

My dearest Ottie,

I will write you a short letter this time for I have not time for a lengthy one.

I went to the "Circle" this evening with Col. Gilmore and Mother at Mr. Sothern's. The boys worked during the evening just the size of Jamie, and was brought out. They are about the same size, but was very happy but looked somewhat astonished at me so many people in his house. He returned about half past nine to bed a while in the dining room and I am now writing fifteen minutes before eleven. I went to Lewiston Monday (and return) in the afternoon train. Went to Farmington
Tuesday afternoon took scared with me. I went directly to Sarah’s and worked nearly all the evening with a man to assist me, opening bins and taking out things I needed.

I waited on the machine and it was not by itself. I returned this Wednesday morning leaving there quarter before nine so I had no time to see Ella as Portland had gone to Portland to see Frank Smith.

Sarah is very comfortly and quiet. She has indeed got her hands full. I don’t feel my case to be so great since I have been here, everything seems to be.

I say I am to leave Eliza Farwell, house. Do I suppose. I am sure I mean by anybody. The people of Farmington, Dakota go away to school tomorrow. I shall miss them ever at first. I will learn

I came at home, and she got along very nicely with him. I worked all these journeys over before I lost her. I shall be here a while longer. Mother wants me to remain till after the first boy is packed, and sent to the post office.

I wonder where they are the most needed, most are directed to the “Minnie Vol’s” and I think that is a very good way for them to get.

Now, through the “Sunday Loc” I am too sleepy to write. Charlie will not leave long time today.

Waiting for Maj. last man to get back from other place. I don’t like to hear you have a cold. I don’t know why, but I do really care too much. Let you join some institution such a work. Why are you at Blackstone? Not guarding the R.R.? Goodnight now Darling. Best love from

Irene Eugene
Boston Nov 28, '81

Genl. Q. Q. Howard

Dear Sir,

I received your welcome letter today and went at once to the "Army Express" to see about the books.

They told me to send the enclosed receipt to you and if you could send it to the office, the books could not be found; they would pay me for it. Please to send same more handy, it can not be found if you will let me know it. I will send another lot like it. I am sorry this has troubled you to much and now hope the books may be found.

The boys will be disappointed to learn that you have not received them. We are all glad to hear from you as it seems nearer to us in this way than when we hear by print.

Again I thank you for your trouble and may the Holy Spirit be with while away and restore you safely to your home while this war is over.

Yours in love of christian

James L. Wilmore

142 Court Street
Dear Bro. Col.,

I have a letter to tell you. I will give you a better idea of the week of work in my office in Portland than anything I can write in the time at my disposal.

I went down to P. Y.U. last Sunday, and we celebrated Sunday School. You can imagine the excitement of that Sunday night. You know Dr. Ford preached at the Tabernacle, and his inspiration was directed from the altar. Thus the evening was very much, as I have never had one even, a splendid one. I was all the more to compose with.

I must tell you that Moses Arnold, who once lived in the Blacksmith house next to my master’s, is now living on the farm. I can never forget him. I have heard so much about his kindness to the children. He takes care of them all well, and is very kind to me. I had a chance to see him.

I am glad to hear from you, Lizzie. I was very much surprised to hear from you. I hope you will be able to hear from me soon.

Your affectionately,

[Signature]
Write me that he has seen you twice you write—always will be with you. Tomorrow see that you are with the Bible, with the rush—be careful to mention all this particularly. 

Last—his Christian character would be riveted in their disappointments. I cannot feel personally averse if Col. Ashley has to be not to be well by them. The purpose of sermon making the forenoon by writing some more. But, 

I hope I will hear from you often how about your stuff—send a list. Give much Christian love to Major Ch.t. and tell him it comes new in Portcullis. Is it done in Bath or here? 


but, through the night, and it not in delightful. It comes to me that he must have great effects upon a class of people who will not come to hear Dr. Huguenot. He must attract. If Professor Washington, I believe that he has not just begun to do its effects as when he draws the lifting of the kettle cover & that man should know me. It was the arm of that great 

Thus far—Can you come down this Friday at 73? For yourself there named meetings? I see no. I think you would prefer such a field for a few evenings later or could be your heart if you do come the minister. I hope he will welcome you to the welcome them perhaps of my visit to

Washington. It was a very pleasant journey. I was disappointed in calling at his house, quarters & find that he was not at home, leaving me to travel by the coming upon. Bring him cordially. The pleasure of my visit, but was fortunate in being 

If you, please, friend, you once more be unceasing to read it. Melancholy fortune in his own responsibility.