You may be assured, my dear general, that we feel a very deep tender interest in you and your brother. In pursuance with watchful eyes you are moving, commending you to your army to the God of Battles, I hope to see our God as he was, our Father's God.

With best regards to your brother believe me much cordially yours,

Alpheus S. Packard

Brunswick, April 1, 1864

My dear Sir,

Your very kind letter of March 22, was received a day or two since. I find that Edward sent you a copy of the Telegraph, as you have not yet heard from him before this.

My brother's removal was an unexpected and sudden as possible. It was a great mercy to him, as he was saved all the anxiety which would have attended ordinary disease. He had been through divine grace preparing for such a departure for three or four years. The end of his conversation was such as becomes a Christian minister. As you may suppose the bereavement is a very heavy one to me.

My dear Sir,

[Signature]

1864
There is nothing that I would like to express more, since the day of my graduation from the Department of the Army, than a deep appreciation of the period of your death. I thank you most sincerely for your thoughts, of which we are in tears.

Allow me to express the sincere regret of the United States Senate, which has passed to the General Assembly of Maine, for the loss of one of our own. I shall hope for other matters of which he made a promise for the same depositary.

We never knew how much to believe of the story of the rebel massing in large force in your front. I hope it is not to be delayed. The death blow to the rebellion may not be long delayed. It sickens and depresses me to see evidence of failure of the rebels, and to see evidence of failure of the Union army. I have been disgusted at recent attacks on the Union army. I wish I could report more favorably of our course regarding its religious state.

Williams (who is now in Reynolds) has received a powerful revival of religious interest, I hope, but I have evidence that the Lord is not with the day to hear of his presence.
August 24th, 1854.

Dearest,

I do not write as often lately as I ought. If I am interrupted during the evening, or have work that needs my immediate attention, you do not get a letter, and in the morning it is next to impossible to write. I might write and must without regard to the mail. My last letter received from you was dated the 15th ult., and gave a description of your ride to Trenton. Since I think I should like very much to go with you on those rides but I should have to practice riding a long time before I should be able to keep up. Since 9 and 10 of the fall and death of the cousin, Mr. B. I don’t want to hear of you going to the very top of Lookout Mountain. I have not written as I wish. I wish I could go to Idaho—run away from all the children for a day or two. I do not hear of my house as yet but I am not going to make myself miserable if I do have to remain here.
I don't know about the Brownes' house, who called on you. But I don't want his house. I told you the reasons.
Mrs. Brown and I went out for a walk this afternoon. It is very bad walking now all year round. It is coming over my head. It has rained these days. It's hot and while we were out, at times when we started it was pleasant weather. It rained very hard soon after we returned. Do you get the Andrew? Good!
I write them to you. Send me with this letter. We have no daily papers. Now the Legislature has adjourned. I have been writing to Portland and Ellen. This evening consequently have not written a very long letter. I can write no more now. Good night. Dear, with your love from your
Ann Diggie.
Washington Apr. 74

Dear Lizzie

I send a jug of maple syrup by Supt. which I hope you will receive in good order. With much love from Ella and to yourself, children, Mrs. Wendover, &c. 16th with you. No late news from Ophelia. There is an interesting revival in deeds, in the blessings of which Oscar Solomon & Laths &c. and other of our friends participated.

I sent a week ago last week night with Mother & attended an interesting meeting but have not heard from her since. I hope you are all well. Alice
of a very good girl whose
contented & happy she
would like to see Julia
& the children very much.
Give her love to them.

Dadie is almost sick
with Cancer in the throat.
I am very humble.

I think a great deal
of Nancy Reg, during
this long storm in
Boston.

Yours truly,

Roulard.
General Prince
Inquiring me from
Mrs. Maj. Gen. Dana
April 2, 1864.

Head Quarters, 3rd Army Corps,
April 2, 1864.

Maj. Gen. Howard,

My Dear Howard,

To show you the entire
foundation of the request I have to
make, I incline it, a letter from
the wife of Maj. Gen. Dana in whose
behalf the request is made. The
request is for nothing less than an
image of yourself—and she wants
me to get it, but I am sure it
will be the more acceptable still
if you send it to her directly, with
an autograph committed on the
upper of the moment. Allow me to
to say that making allowance for the
difference between her and me—she
being a most estimable asinine lady
and I being just the opposite in the
matter of administration for honest
men.
I hope you find these gifts to your liking, and that you will enjoy them as much as I have enjoyed selecting them for you.

Yours truly,

Mary Stevens

p. 2: dear friends, we are equal. And I should be very glad if you would send me your photograph and some autographs.
Head-Quarters, Army of the Potomac,

April 32

1864

Dear General,

I have received your letter of the 22d ultimo, and in reply desire to say that I did not carry to you any order to place any troops on Cemetery Hill, nor do I know that General Reynolds sent you such order by any of his staff at Gettysburg.

I am the only one of the old staff here, but I will act them as I see them and advise you; and if in any way at any time I can be of service to you, believe me it will gratify me to serve one who had the confidence and love of my old Chief.

I am General

Very Truly Yours,

William Biddle

Major X. A. E.
Dear [Name],

I hope this letter finds you well.

I have been busy with [activity] recently. I have enjoyed [activity] as it has been a great way to [benefit].

I have also [activity] which has been very enjoyable.

I am looking forward to [future event] as it will be a great opportunity to [attend].

Please keep in touch and let me know how you are.

Best regards,

[Your Name]
You are all well today.

I am in the nearest hotel pleased and thank you very much for your kind letter received last evening and for your remembrance of my birthday. I am glad you and I may have the opportunity to meet with your friends. I am glad to hear you want a minister. Sometimes, at

I have been been before he went and have argued him with fear and forebodings, but insufficient until the day is the

Write me soon - Charley

Letter about the 1st we say
interesting to let me and I will read it at S.C. Concert &c. As
are going to contribute to send the First aid's public announcements to the
Army's Freedmen - cant you write me a letter before the
Campaign opens - Write as you would to your own children.
Believe you - Thanks, thank us ought to have an interesting
letter once a month - and via
payment. I will promise you increased prayer & contributions?
I will always ask prayers
for the Author - Eliza speaks
from the neighboring room.
I say give my love to your
I tell Charles that Popple-
Cates ten presented more favor.
that & Sadie have been miserable
in a sick past. He has
& canker in his mouth
& expect breath & cover when

The makes up cries when
he tries to eat & is generally
punish I unreasonable. One of
our neighbors lost a little boy today. I wonder if I would
pick up my dear child without
a measurement - Not so I feel
now but "as the day, thy strength"
and I ask these - Better now
see that there has a plenium
of feeling arisen in seeds - It
almost uplifted my stock to
two of the giving of the spirit's
life gone his particular. Mother
has well I had a letter
from Eppie Shickland with the
"honor & personal self", if not
I do found true fault! It
announced me to see Charles
me in Justice of a fry to nurse
will go in business matters
in Military style - mother
how he gets be! I have
Dear Sir,

I have just received the last two of your letters dated respectively the 15th and 21st of March. They are full of those thoughtful considerations here to be taken. The earth with its beauty, the skies with their wonder, the forests with their majesty, the mountains with their sublimity. I am in my study, writing, preparing my future for the world. My own thoughts and musings fill my mind. What is the future of the world without us? I think the report of the battle being A.A. is incorrect. It is Major and A.D.G.

Gen. Mache's first order for what was preparatory and the issue from the field and the forms of the matter of the world. I do not think he ought to beahide. I would rather not have censured those who are my...
The detention of other people. My friends are severely at work for me. I have intentions to get into a regiment of the regular Army. I cannot resign it in the light of a great fact. But I know now it is eating into my spirit, into my constitution. I may be driven to any place but in the Army. However, I mean to go on as much as possible in the mean time of my way. If a position in the regular Army is tendered me, then there will be time to consider it. If there is no such offer, then well I believe that a good saucepan would do in a different direction. The soldier is well suited to it. He must be a homely, sturdy man. I have been assigned to the West with the North. I have no line with me. I have been forced to go with the Army. I am a willing soldier. I am ready to follow the command of the Major General, in the absence of the Colonel. Midway in May I was on the trail. The Col. Wheeler. The Col. Wheeler and I must to the Regular School as the line.

Dear Aunt, We found quite amurder of children and the writer
care.

Ottis

We are about to leave. A few words,

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Ottis
San Marino, Apr. 7, 1864

Dear Lizzie

A letter from you is a great treat. We were glad that you were so well when you wrote.

The Zephyrs, Mr. Zucke &c are all

think that Real Estate in

Augusta is still cheap. If so,

that much change my idea

Of Old baking. There are

obvious advantages in his

being at the Capitol. I

think his numerous friends

in Q. might make some

effort to secure you a new

convenient house. We

are glad the trip proved

acceptable & wish for us

safety in return. But

you write twice enclosing

noticing & the letter was

empty on its arrival. I
feared it was cost. He would like to have Guy come to stay as long as he is contented. May can't be come when Mr. W. comes to Milton. A letter & Harrison's costs but 150 & a boy. His will he half price.

We don't hear from you. We will look for train the last of the week. He will our plane to get into one of our two hacks. I ride right to my close. You know, I as he is almost a man now. I think he will like to do it. Ella joins me in love to you all. hopes Guy will come. Affections of Geo. Pre. Fremont.
Camp of Mines &
April 5th

Dear Sir,

I have just been reading your letter before the Christian Commission at Philadelphia—which recently was put into my hands. I want to tell you how much I was interested in the personal joke which it tendered. I want to thank God that He has raised up a General who has done much to support and for his country. I am ready on all occasions to assist in the fight in the cause of Jesus Christ. I have a love for such an officer and I mean to think that we have not more of the character that a new agent would be given to our armies. If all of our friends would remember the same charge, not whether ye eat a drink, or a whetstone ye do, or all the glory of God? I pray God that you are not in the Army, so that ye get

Yours,

J. R. 

Lieut.-Col.
Hooray God may be bountiful your christi-
ian influence.
I regret that I did not see you on your last
visit to Mount. I was then at home, and did
not hear of your arrival till the day before
I left for the Army, gladly would I have
visited Augusta — but I might have been more
taken by the hand, if it had been possible.
Let me say a word for the Man's 5th.
The number are greatly reduced — half of
the effective men of the Regt have succumbed.
Several of the officers have been killed or
wounded and the Soldier by one of the officers — the old man is a veteran
now — I went to see the end of the fight.
In our winter quarters, we have a chapel
30 x 13, it is the man must to our use.
There have been several conversions — the
religious interest in on the increase — several
of the officers have become decided Christians,
we have a flourishing temperance society.
All of the field, staff & line officers have signed
the pledge with the exception of one or two.

The men have signed it like soldiers, the
last meeting was very encouraging, of the
one, on this sort, I hope will be still more
helpful.

Dr. Leffin commands the Brigade & lands
all his influence in support of the temperance
movement. He is a graduate of West Point &
probably known to you as having helped in
Remember me very affectionately to yourself
the Major & to Prof. Brown — address me
James & Bird in Amherst.

John H. Adams
The Plains of Mo.

Good Howard

Commander

Put, I write to you, because I could not
help it after reading your circulars — I think
if you but do not feel, under your own laws, 
carried off to reply — hereon grateful it would
be then for you a great benefit.

My son writes home, a little day, from his
Holly in Williamsville, Ohio, that on his return,
leaving his officers none saving horses, for
money so not this too bad I do not conden...
Washington D.C. April 6th 64

Maj. Gen'l U.S. Howard

General

I have the pleasure of informing you that I have the $3.50 third dollars ready. Shall I send it on to you or pay it to some body here for you? I should have sent it on to you with this letter but I wished first to see if I had the proper address.

My family are all well and it has pleased God to make an addition in the person of a little daughter who was baptized Clara by Mr. Call a month since. We have now three little ones (girls) the oldest of which is old enough and does attend Sunday school every Sunday. We feel that we have great cause to
give thanks to Almighty God for all his mercies and blessings to us which we do not fail to do in our daily family prayers. Mrs. Rothen (my hope) I wishes to be remembered to your estimable Cady in your next letter to her. Robinson was well at last accounts he is married to a young lady a school mistress of Phil - a delphian. My wife and family join me in kind regards to yourself and also to your brother. I am Sir,

Very Respectfully,
Your Obed. Servant

Henry N. Rothen
403 4th Street
The public are notified, that in order to guard against mistakes in the transmission of messages, every message of importance ought to be repeated by being sent back from the station at which it is to be received to the station from which it is originally sent. Half the usual price for transmission will be charged for repeating the message, and while this Company will, as heretofore, use every precaution to ensure correctness, it will not be responsible for mistakes or delays in the transmission or delivery of repeated messages beyond an amount exceeding two hundred times the amount paid for sending the message; nor will it be responsible for mistakes or delays in the transmission of un-repeated messages from whatever cause they may arise, nor for delays arising from interruptions in the workings of its Telegraphs, nor for any mistake or omission of any other Company over whose lines a message is to be sent to reach the place of destination. All messages will hereafter be received by this Company for transmission subject to the above conditions.

SAM. BRUCH, Supt., Louisville, Ky.

By Telegraph from
Chattanooga
To
Pittsburgh

June 20th

I have heard Dr. Slaton is at
Chattanooga. He is with
You Know of his request
for you to visit
him, it will be granted

Carthage

Arlingtn

24th 1873 A
Albany April 5

Major Genl O. C. Howard
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have been for some time greatly engaged in collecting the autographs of distinguished persons & I have already a great number and I have often thought of paying for them and have as often put it off but on Sunday last I attended a meeting called in our city by the U. S. Christian Commission which was addressed by its honored Presd. & his committee & I was told of an incident which happened at the Battle of Kittyby in which Major Genl Howard showed himself to be a true Christian & Neal of the right stamp. That incident will never be forgotten, and as the speaker held up a letter which he had recently read from this one armed hero written in his ( htt’) left hand writing...
every age was maintained and, I do not think there was one in the room but what would have cried out [but for the ascension of the hour] All Honor to Fred Howard.

Now sir I hope you will grant my request and give me at least your Autograph which I assure you will be prized in my collection on account of its author’s trim name and more particularly by reason of his also being a Christian friend who is not a peer or advanced to run or serve his master under any and every circumstance.

Accept this from your sincere friend and well wishes.

Fred W. Munson

Albany

Mar. 1st. 1876

U.S.}

Major Rev. C. O. Howard

U.S.
Nashville Tenn.
April 5th 1864

Maj. Genl. Howard
Comdg. 11th Army Corps

Enclosed please find telegraph dispatch from the Prov. Mar. Genl. at Chattanooga, saying that if you request it, he will grant me permission to visit you. I have business of importance to me to attend to, and I would be very glad to have an interview with you.

My regards to Maj. Howard, and my best wishes for your health and prosperity.

I have the honor to be,

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Arthur H. Reed

Post Office Box 549
Compliments

Col. Butterfield

Head-Quarters Third Division 3rd Corps

5th Div.

1st Ammo. Brigade

11th A. C. H. and 26th (his added)

3rd Corps Brigade

20th Conn. added

What shall we call

Pine Church when dedicated

Howard Chapel —

or 1st Anti-Trench Chapel.

D.B.
HEAD-COURTRES THIRD DIVISION, 20TH CORPS,

GENERAL ORDERS,  

No. 1.  

ARMY OF THE CUMBERLAND,  

Lookout Valley, Tenn., April 18th, 1864.

In compliance with Department Orders the undersigned hereby assumes command of the 3d Division, 20th Corps.

The following named Staff Officers are announced:


L. Y. STUART, " " Commissary of Subsistence.

HENRY A. LACEY, U. S. Vols., Division Quartermaster.

H. M. SCOTT, 70th Ind. Vols., " Inspector.

ROBT. M. MCDOWELL, " Topographical Officer.

PAUL A. OLIVER, 12th N. Y. Vols., A. D. C.

Lieut. JAS. C. MCKELL, 73d O. Vols., " Ordnance "


R. E. BEECHER, 73d O. Vols., Division Commissary of Musters.

They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Acting and other Staff Officers of the First and Second Divisions, Eleventh Corps, belonging to Regiments within this Division, who are not assigned by this order will report to their Regiments or Batteries. Those not belonging to this Division and not provided for in this order, will report in person to these Headquarters.

DAN'L BUTTERFIELD,

Major General.

OFFICIAL:

A. A. G.
U. S. Military Telegraph.

2nd May 1864

By Telegraph from Washington 5

To Maj Gen Howard

The following orders have just been received by Telegraph from the Secretaries of War and Navy.

Maj Gen Hooker is commanded by the Secretaries of War and Navy to Command the 12th Corps. Maj Gen M. S. Field to Command the 1st Corps. Maj Gen H. W. Slocum is ordered to the Command of Vicksburg.

My Sherman,

My Kin.

R. L. Penney

2nd May 1864
Dear Lester Fippe,

I received your letter last seeing and answered it. Hoping you are well.

I was over at the Depot tonight, looking out for Ellas Mother, whom I did not see appear. But the dear little woman herself with Mr. R. in the back company.

All the way a Dr. move over behind me. Last on a Povice gave me your message, & here. Jillian ate a good lunch supper & went to bed about 8 or 9 o'clock.

He unpacked his basket. I placed his things myself in the dinner that I gave them for themselves.

We brought them up Making remarks on each article.
I approval - especially pleasing the looking and calling my attention to the Orleans Home. We is now keeping quietly up the hill in the Orta flowered florin room (spice calls it) room.

She brushed her hair before she was bathed for having our cut hair awn;
He is going out with me to see the loveliest trees - the sugar maple. I will visit "Frankie" School (Otsu, etc.) I hope will have a good time - New year for A Concert is "angel" and we will send him some good verse to repeat - I think he and daddy are alike in many things & they will get on splendidly together -

Thank you for your present - It must not make you think that ours was left a present. Maple syrup is about all the thing that Harrison is distinguished for. Mrs. Partridge is at Mr. Cramby's. Still - I had a letter from Frank Glidden did the 23 ½ - he likes I hope will be liked. I know him to be capable & courteous.

We had also a hint letter from Our Laur.

Night Gay here a dull two hours in Brunswick dirt weeks on R.R. How fast he gets up - Ella & Mrs. Patton join me in love to you & Gracie & the rest - Remember us most affectionately in Warren & wife.

Yours, Mrs. Rialand
Leavenworth Valley Temperance
Ha. A.M. 11th A.M.
April 6th 1861

Dear Sir,

War was yesterday declared by the President, that my troops of the 12th
are consolidated and I am now to command the 19th Corps. Most kindly.

As you have come to us in the new "19th Corps," the order
was received last night; so that after
a sleep and some days of rest with
the rest it goes out and I begin again.

The new corps is a large one and needing
Western. Two of the Div. "Commander
Wood and Stanley " are Army Officers
who are here. At the Brigade two
Hagedorn and other are to be also. The plain
motion will be at Salem for the
presidency. It will reach twenty miles

from your letter to go. I love


...well, I don't know what to say. It seems so strange that the war is finally over. I hope you and Julia are doing well. I hear that Mr. Smith is coming back in a few weeks. I'm looking forward to seeing him again. It's hard to believe that the war is really over. It seems like only yesterday when we were young and playing together. I hope that life will never be the same again. I'm looking forward to seeing you soon.
April 6, 186

By Telegraph from Chattanooga, 186

To Major General Command

Do you wish?

My contest assigned to you as Chief of Artillery of the South Army Corps.

Antwerp

John Brannan

Portland April 6, 1864
Mrs. O. O. Howard
Dear Miss,

You are probably aware that the time has come round for the payment of Bank dividends. The amount due you from the Bank here is $141 dollars, and there was also a balance to your credit last October to the amount of $143 dollars, on which I think you ought to receive some interest if you will please to write me what you wish to have done with the above named amounts. I will attend to it with pleasure; you can now have your money invested in the Government 5-20 Bonds in any amount you choose, and those Bonds will be ready in a few days probably— or I will send you the bills if you wish—

From your affectionate uncle
E. Waits
P. Please inform me how many
shares you now have in Canal Bank

...
Portland April 16, 1864

Mr. O. O. Howard
Dear Sir,

I read your letter this afternoon after I had deposited my letter in the office.

I will attend to collecting the coupons of R. R. Bonds and Treasurer Notes. Interest on R. R. Bonds $150, from which they deduct 3 1/2% Cent Revenue Tax - amount 145.50. Interest on U. S. Coupons $14, on which I shall get 62 1/2% Cent premium $22.68. Making the amount to collect now $168.18 to your credit before I believe $142.14 which will make the amount in all $152.18.

You will please let me know what you wish to have done with this amount and I will attend to it with pleasure.

Very glad to hear of the General's good health - spirits may it long continue. You oblige uncle.

Love to yourself & family.

Uncle E. W. E. W.
Augusta April 1864

My dear Brother,

I write to acknowledge the many obligations you & your family have placed me under during the past few months. I can never forget them & fear never repay.

Emmeline Lippy has been very kind to us indeed. We shall never forget her many act of kindness. She is all that could be asked for in one. Valuable as a wife, mother & friend. I fear her warm heart prompts her to give too much. She hesitated to take anything for our board, but I trust you understand my feelings. When I say that I prefer to pay & it has been inconvenient made pretty hard this.

The crew began to move on the 10 March but want of transport is bad
Mother has delayed us. The last of the Rept. will set away tonight.

Our destination has not been changed. We are going to Long Branch.

The people express all confidence in Genl. Grant.

I will inform you of our arrival in New Orleans.

Mrs. R. Curfey

Horace Woodman
Bath Me, Apr. 8, 1864

Major Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir,

Knowing your feelings towards the U.S. Christian Commission, I take the liberty to ask you if you would favor us to read at meetings we propose to get up in the counties of Franklin, Androscoggin, Sagadahock, and Lincoln to raise funds for the noble cause.

We are told by Mr. Stuart its worthy President, by Mr. Osmond, the New England Agent, and by Mr. Cole the General Field Agent of the Army of the Potomac that means are wanted to accompany the army in the Bloody Spring campaign now before it.
We at home are anxious to comply with the demand. We think such a letter from you would do us good in Maine.

Having been a delegate myself, I feel the need of prompt action in this matter. In short, I am respectfully yours.

[Signature]

Chas. Douglas
Portland April 9, 1864

Mr. O. O'Flanagan
Dear Neil,

Your letter of the 5th enclosing Bank Check for $367 3/10 Dollars was duly received and yesterday I made a deposit for you in the Government Bank here of $800 Dollars and took a Certificate for the delivery of the U.S. 5-40 Bonds to draw interest from date of the deposit as soon as the Bonds are received here from Government. I will forward them to you—there is to be one for $500 and three of $100 each, and there will be a balance due to you of two Dollars 70c. I got that much more premium on your Treasury Note than I expected—will send it to you with the Bonds from you affectionately,

Uncle Elliott.
HEAD-QUARTERS MILITARY DIVISION OF THE MISSISSIPPI.

Nashville, Tenn., April 9, 1864

Gen. OTTOWAY,

Chrm. 4th Cases.

Sirs:

Your report of Apr. 7 is accented with hope and purpose. While I have read and studied your report with interest, I think it is necessary that I express my views on the subject. It appears to me that I agree with the general conclusions of your report. It will be necessary, however, to make some changes in the details of your report. I am, therefore, in favor of your troops.

I am with respect,

Your truly,

[Signature]

Capt. Geo. Cook.
April 9th, 1864.

Dear Howard,

I have attended to your request in your note of March 25th. The order to carry out your wishes.

Gibbon has resumed the command of the Division.

I am well, probably here, and I have a good excuse; I shall not waste the opportunity.

With best wishes for you and yours.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Augusta, April 10th 1864

Dearest,

I must write you a few lines this quiet Sabbath evening. Peace and tranquility have been
the morning school concert. I went to church this morning. I am alone that is cold and the
Woodman have gone. I presume he sailed from
Tullahoma yesterday, and she is at her sisters in
Wilton. I miss her very much indeed. I am
just now very anxious to hear from you. I
do not know where the 21st Corps is. I am
under the impression that it is near Knoxville.
When you went to the cabin to see Brumfield was not
Ben Granger with you? And did he not remain after
your return return to "look out"? If he is not in town
he must be in the "Army of the Potomac". I don't think
you will be particularly pleased to come back to
Virginia, but must be willing to leave the corps
you now have. If you come back to Virginia you
may expect a visit some time from your humble
April 11th 1864

By Telegraph from Chattanooga forwarded from London

To Maj Gen Howard

Knoxville

I would strongly recommend Maj. W. Arnold late Genl.
Sheridan's Topographical Engineer, as Chief Topographical
Engineer of the
4th Army Corps

Wm. E. Merrill
Capt & Chief
Topographical Eng.
Telegram

Recommending Major

Morhardt.

April 11th, 1864.
Last November I wrote to you asking for information regarding the position of our regiment at Gettysburg, but as I have now received an answer I fear that my letter midwinter, I started to visit you in Ohain last winter but learned on arriving in Boston that you had taken passage on the City in the same day on your way for the Army, I have been constantly engaged in the battle of Gettysburg and in preparing a historic picture of the battle field on which I wish to show the positions of both armies.
I have not obtained the Confederate positions, after much of labor with the prisoners. I spent the entire winter with the army of the Potomac, and met the dead at Ream's Island. With the officers and men of the 12th Corps, Col. Davis, Spears, and Schurz, I have given up. I question the wisdom of the 11th Corps which I now tend, and it is still imperfect. I now that I have the entire army beside, it would seem like my last word is an imperfect end to this subject. I have sent a copy of this outline map and the particular form attached to each Regt of the 11th Corps. It is yet, however, in need of another to move through all this writing if may be to early to do so. I intend

Yours with respectful regards,

Major Genl Howard

John Rockeber.
our affairs, the greatest
the prospect of our Society
are fraught with troubling
under a sense of responsibility
It has been in outward
things wonderful. When I
took the Society, it was
small—everything at loss
and a debt of more
than 15,000 dollars
upon us. We have steadily
increased & prospered, till
now we are in a state that
has cost us 77,500$ all
paid for. The debt also
wiped off. All from the sale
of peans—our heel is off the
top now & we are on our course.

638 Tremont St.
Boston, Apr. 11, 1864
My Dear Brother

Your welcome letter
came to hand yesterday.
This, as you perceive, 12
Munday, Monday. Yesterday
was very stormy, after 12 o'clock.
This morning there is an
incredible snow with
all over the city. We have
had a cold, raw sore-throat
Northeast Wind blowing for
more than 2 weeks.

I was already to make
a visit to the army of the
Potomac last week, in com-
pany with your friend Mr.
Tobbs, Dr. Klock, Mr. Diamond
& Mr. Stewart of Phi. but
When the time came to start
I was really only there to find out the true size of the army, like a coward. I think however, that prudence in this case, as in most others, is the better part of valor, for I have been rather sick of all the work, preaching yesterday with a bad throat.

Are you coming to the Army of the Potomac again? I heard Mr. Jones say that Phil Kear (I am not sure that I remember the name correctly, but if the rest I am sure) Commanding the 4th Army Corps is to be relieved by Maj. Genl. Howard. If you do come into that old race ground again I may visit you if I can get a pass.

I saw also a letter from Col.l. Keowen, Mass 13th, who says that some portion of the Western Army is coming east, and that the talk is of a forward, combined move, north toward Richmond. Whatever stands in the way? it’s capture. Perhaps you will write me 5 lines on the reception of this, or when you hear any change appointed for yourself.

Dear Sir,

I am a very poor Christian, I have little power with God or man. I feel sometimes like one who finds himself standing upon a cliff, but without knowing how he got there. And when I hear other people talking about

Please note that some parts of the text are difficult to read due to the handwriting style.
Do you ever feel disturbed in such ways? If I were there in H., with blame with the redeemed, where there is no sin, no conflict, no war, no proud

I have two boxes for the army at my disposal—in addition to $500 just taken as a collection for the support of the Commission. One has flannel, shirts, drawers, 50 bales with needles, thread, pins, buttons, scissors &c. &c. — the other a general variety. I'd like to take these personally and men ten & 50 round with me & distribute these. 


Capt. E. D. Webb.

Our house seats about 150—three as many as the old one & it is as full as the old one was. If we kindle your inspiration, if it did not crush you with a sense of responsibility & stand up. We salt the minute & speak to such a large dispose cooperation. Our Chapel is Capacious, light, light air. We have all the appointments necessary to comfort. Outwardly we are very prosperous, but what I admire is the absence of the spirit. This is what we need. The quickening, converting influence of the Holy Ghost. My soul is not cohesive. 

Do not be like our Old—don't be like us? Is the difficult in my poor
frailstess, unconverted heart. That is what troubles me at times a good deal. I am not what I ought to be - nor what I desire to be - nor what I conceive a Christian minister occupying my place ought to be. God! If it were harder to gain a height in bitterness than to gain the bow of Solomon's Mountain? I am seldom on the Mt. My way seldom of men. Gain a victory, thus do not know that I am ever quite driven from the field, or pushed aside from my course. I really need more time for myself. Nine time to read the Bible and pray for myself. One will think this a strange confession perhaps, but it is just about the truth. I am always thinking of sickness for others. I have no time to think of place or act for myself. I sometimes get a clear view of the rest beyond - the blessed presence of Jesus, of the grateful employment of the redeemed of our Comfort and cheer by the Spirit, till I remember how simple and humble I am, how little assurance I have that my name is written in the Sacred book of life. Then it is as when a cloud arises the wind just disturbs the calm bosom of the lake. A beautiful picture is done. Dear Jan! Do you think that wrote a poor, vile creature as I am will ever be fit for His or be reconciled there?