Brooklyn June 1 1865

Sir Howard,

 Freedmen Bureau Department

You know from your known status throughout the Country in the question of humanity, and of eminent loyal service to the Country, we cannot but rejoice at your recent appointment at the head of Freedmen affairs, as colored men.

Some of us for a long time have looked forward with hope, when things in behalf of the Freedmen would take some definite permanent shape, and the many abuses under which they have suffered be satisfactorily adjusted.

Early in the war your Correspondents with several of his brethren, made the subjects of the freed people a matter of deep inquiry, as far as we had then the power, and then we were fully persuaded of the fact, that the Government had a vast accumulative power on its hands, and if but wisely directed would result to the Governments, in the eminence of the Bureau, subsequent events had shown, that our impetuous new Congress, and what
has failed on the part of advantage to the government must be attributed to the lack of experience, and in some cases to the want of humanity and moral honesty in those who had hitherto had the care, and control of these men.

The report of the Commissioners of Inquiry into the condition of the freed people as appointed by the war department—Roberts Dale Owen, Col. James MacKay and Dr. Howe—and subsequently the report of H. E. Judah of their condition along the valley of the Mississippi justify all and more than I have said.

Immediately after the published report of the Commissioners, I submitted in connection with Professor H. V. Wilson now Principal of one of the most successful Freedmen Schools in Washington the result of our joint investigation into the condition of the freed people and earnestly solicited these Gentlemen in their present plan of a Freedmen's Aid to give the appointment of resident Superintendent to intelligent, experienced, educated, upright Colored men. They answered that though they had not the appointing power, yet would unanimously recommend it.
and we rejoice to say - It was also recommended by Senator Sumner, to have J.P. Chase Judge Underwood of Virginia, then President of the Freedmen's aid Society of Washington.

but in the recent measure of a bureau, the claims of much colored men, we fear has been entirely overlooked. At the same time we are free to say, that to live the now proposed bureau, a permanent liberal colored men to it, an important respectable position are an indispensable element.

and in this view we are joined by some of the most eminent, thoughtful men of the country; we do hope for that which and your matured views, and the proper lead to that they will be called to fill such positions.

allow me to say in connection with the papers sent you, that I have not only been identified, with the cause of the freed people as the papers indicate, but was one among the first to move in the matter of colored troops and visited our Excellent lamented Chief magistrate, the President, with a committee of Gentlemen from New York, introduced to him by Senator Sumner, the President invited him to dinner, our object was to make a tender.
of (10,000) Black men as a nucleus to (100,000) who would respond to the call of Government. Whether it was the settled policy of the Government is for them; our meeting on the part of the President was liberal, frank and cordial and I need not say to you that the result to the Country has been glorious.

That you will perceive that I have not been a stranger to our necessities, as a country or to the freedman, as my returned brothers.

Most respectfully,
your obedient servant,

James A. Garfield

P.S. Berkeley, January 15th, [1868].
Adrian.

Michigan

June 1, 85

Chas. F. J. Howard

Dear Sir—Will your engagements allow you to deliver a Lecture in this City next Fall or Winter? I am engaging a Course in the subject of Cold Water Bath and Steam and Salt Bath Work. Have a Young Army of 500 Pledgees. I also engaged Young Miss Dickerson and Mr. and Mrs. Fick (two UA like nurses). I desire your aid at any price you choose to ask you. You can have as many engagements in connection cities as you desire.
You can defer paying rent for some months if you choose.

Allow me in sending this invitation to thank you for your

Yours sincerely,

E. P. Pope

Pastor J. Plymouth Ch.
Pompee Camp, Sumterville
1st June 1865

Sail C. G. Howard Se

The kindness of heart attributed to you by those who knew you best, the sympathy even after you were brave for a vanquished foe - and above all, the high regard entertained for you by my deceased brother, Capt. C. H. Dade, of the State, while at the Academy kindled one to appeal to your generous sympathetic heart in the home of trouble in behalf of my husband, Col. J. H. B. Sumter, a graduate of West Point a late of the Rebel Army - having just been the President's Proclamation. I had been to ride and bring away of my husband's horsemen, this he has been prevented by Col. John Taylor, my husband, is actuated by a feeling of grief that no one can feel for
a letter on the corner of your name. She has been familiar to me for many years. I am sorry to hear of your brother. A letter presented by himself, while at the Academy, he was at daily prayer to his death and the news was brought to me. I regret very much. I understand you did not see your sister.

The army was dead, but I was not aware of your having attached to the army of the army until you had passed through the state. I should certainly have sought an opportunity of seeing you. I saw it was hopeless.

If he was ever going to me, I thought as to send you an immediate reply and possible pardon for my husband. I assume mine must be a life-time of gratitude, if this is friendly and I wish you all well. I am family done to the present. Thank you for the

Yours sincerely, Anna Kendrick
My address:

Mrs. Martha B. Smith

23 Main St.

Springfield, Mass.

Please send the money.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Murphree Pk.  Rm.  
June 1, 1651

Benjamin Mrs. M.

Sawris due to arrive 
his about getting a 
Bandon for his 
husband Col. 
Love R. B. Benjamin 
Cali of Rebel army. 
Asks an answer.

[Signature]

Pardon,

Please arrest 
Jim they know the 
Queen of Selby 
A panion. 
The word comes of 
there is a 
Calamity over 
there. 
Who was not on my 
side.

[Signature]

Read & R, April 6, 1829
Richmond, Va., June 27, 1865.

Maj Genl C C Howard
Dear General

I inclose herewith the Order of
Genl Terry published to
stay with The editorial
of The Richmond Times
for The purpose of
showing you how really
our Southern friend
"don't see The Noes" of an Order when
Mother Santas is involved.

I am General

O V Brown

[Signature]
Richmond, June 12, 1865

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145 BROADWAY, N. Y.
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Dated New York June 1st, 1865.

Rec’d, Washington, 1865, o’clock, min. M.

To Gen O C Howard

I give a reception to
Gen’l Sherman Friday will
be happy to see you

Wm Scott

End w
New York June 25th 1865

Scott. H. C.

Direct Genl. Howard
to be present at his reception of Gen. Sherman.
Rochelle Jan. 2nd 63

Gen. Howard

Dear Sir,

I beg by the papers that you have taken charge of the Freedmen I have thought you would find it laborious and that perhaps I may be of some service to you if you want a fellow earnest hardworking man to assist you in any capacity let me know and I am at your service and believe I can give satisfactory letter than, wholly unacquainted with their character and want a letter which way it will afford me a good deal of pride and pleasure to receive a few line from so brave a man.
and one to earnestly
welfare of the black man
You have a big field for
labor and if I was able
would offer my services to
you for nothing but as
I am not I shall need
some position that will
pay my expenses would
prefer some position in
Ala, but I will make my
choice I remain as ever
friend & well wisher

John R. Hotaling
Gate of Dogans Mill

By direction of
Josephine
Duchelle
Ogle Co.

JCS
Camp near Washington
June 22nd 1865

My dear Sir,

Pardon me for trespassing upon your time by sending you this note. My object is to say that I was ordered to move early the next day, but left for Linwood, Ky. And shall probably go in a few days. As I judged to you twice before I should be pleased to have been de-
laid into your septent
provided you considered it
practicable, and the prospect
of an early departure from
this septent—which would
probably render such detail
wholly impracticable, or
at least improbable—has
prompted me to send this note.

With my best wishes for
a continuance of your
success. I have the honor
to be

very respectfully,

E. A. Powers,
æCal 53° 00'
Camp near Washington D.C.
June 22, 1865

E. H. Porter
Lieut Col 55th O. V. I.

Appeals to be detained until Freedman's Bureau

Brief & record

Rev. Freeman A. Park: June 25
H. G. Cavalry Capt. M.O.T.

General, I desire to introduce
my acquaintance, and to
commend to your kind attention
Col. O.H. LaGrange, 1st Vinc. Ca-
valry and Adjutant Officer of
the 2d Brig. of U.S. Corps d
im. The Colonel can give you
much valuable information in
regard to the condition and
feelings of the people in Georgia
and will express my views in regard to the Freedmen.

With great respect
I am very truly yours,

Friends and Obedient Servant,

J. H. Wilson
Mr. Maj. Reid

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard,
Clue of Freedmen's Bureau,
Washington, D.C.
Field Hospital First Division 9th Army Corps.

Sapin Gen. O. O. Howard to

General.

I take this opportunity of bringing to your notice a matter which has engaged my attention through the suggestion of some of my friends in Massachusetts. It is some special actness which they think I possess for work among the freedmen.

I may say that I am by birth a southern man - but educated at a Northern college - and for ten years was Pastor of the Church in Stockbridge, Mass. My father was President of a college in East Tennessee and is not unknown to President Johnson. His large family of children are still residing in Tennessee. Many of them living near the battle field of Stone's River and have maintained their loyalty. My father at the disruption of the Presbyterian Church came North because of his conscientious beliefs on slavery having always been opposed the system and thus escaped the horrors of a secession which the Rebelion has brought upon the State.

I have been in the Army as Chaplain of the 37th Ohio, 6th Inf. Since April 1864, having been obliged to resign my charge previously on account of dyspepsia. Such are my antecedents, and it has been supposed that from my early education & knowledge of the Negroes from my family connections, my Northern experience...
as a Pastor— and my experience in the Army as a Chaplain. I might be useful in the great work which you have undertaken in reconstructing society in the South.

I am no office-seeker, and I am not disposed to encroach on your time by a presentation of any claims I may have on your attention. Should you desire an interview with me in view of the possibility of bestowing any favor I will be happy to await upon you at such time and place as you may designate.


I entered the Army to aid in suppressing this Rebellion. I have been detailed since the battle of the Wilderness to the field hospital of the 9th Division A. A. C. and have ministered to thousands of our wounded soldiers—and as my regiment may soon be mustered out. I am ready to enter any field, which Providence may then present. The sedentary life of a Pastor may provoke the return of my clan.
Malady—and some first in your department may furnish one occupation, where I may do something to repair the wrongs and build up our beloved country.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. W. Dashiel Jr.
Field Hosp. 1st Div. 9 A. C.

Near Georgetown
D.C.

P.S. I would also refer you to the Hon. Geo. Dudley Field of New York.
Dear Sir,

We have the honor to invite you to be present at a meeting of welcome to be held at the Academy of Music in this city on Wednesday Evening, June 9th, at 7 o'clock P.M., to welcome the Delegates to the 10th Annual Convention of Young Men's Christian Associations, which will commence its sessions that day.

About 300 Delegates from all parts of the United States and British Provinces will be present. The widespread influence of these Associations, in alleviating the calamities of the past year, will render this Convention one of special interest, and coming as it does at the dawning of the bright new epoch of salvation, it deserves of attention from all distinguished men.

We hope nothing will prevent you from coming with us on that evening.

With high esteem,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

[Address]
Huntsville, Ala July 3 1865

Hon. O. O. Howard
of Freedman's Bureau

Sir,

Please send me a copy of the law establishing a freedman's bureau, also any instructions or orders relative thereto which may have been issued from your office.

Respectfully yours,

Henry David

Huntsville

Date
No 2, 1st Div. Cavalry
Macon Va. June 3, 1865

Dear General:

Allow me to congratulate you upon your appointment to so important a position as that of Superintendent of the Bureau of Refugees. It is a position where you can do more for philanthropy and the country than any other in the army. Since our first K ennedy meeting at Cleveland, and that terrible Atlanta Campaign we served together; I have followed your career, and with pleasure seen how your good work has grown from fortune to fortune. Now let us wish you and all the soldiers of Sherman's army that glorious march to Savannah!

I have just returned from Florida. I suppose you of all others will feel most interested in hearing of the condition of the country and its people. I received the surrender of some 60,000 troops in that State and...
found the people acquiesced in the new order of things with apparent cheerfulness. When I announced to the negroes their freedom, they seemed to me in many instances to think it much freer from all future labor. The negro population now outnumber the whites, and while they seemed to fully realize the change in their status, they did not appear to feel that any new responsibilities or care devolved upon themselves.

It will require a word or two from us to ensure sufficient labor to gather the coming crop and I fear very much that...
in the hands I left it in. Neither wisdom nor firmness can be looked for. Only the most energetic and decisive administration of affairs in that state can prevent untold suffering in the ranks of both white and black. I wish to see you and have a long talk with you about this. I am going north provided I get a leave of absence to marry a young girl who has waited patiently for me until the war was over. I am going to take her to Washington and know that her pretty face and guileless heart will make you her friend if you see her.

I wrote this because I thought you ought to have your attention directed to the Country through which I have passed.

Very truly your friend,

Ed. W. McCook

May 18th, Q.O. Howard.
McCork & M. Bay

letter partly erased

no answer required

Rocky July 21st 1868, Nevada
Louisville Ky. June 3rd. 1865.

My Dear Sir,

Since the Army split last fall near Gaylesville Alabama - the old Corps (Fourth) which you commanded a year ago, has moved hither and thither Auxiliary & I suppose, to the main design, fighting well, towards the close of the year, and since then marching and changing stations often. Finally I believe it is to come here to Louisville to be paid & mustered out, along with two other Corps. which you have also commanded.

I shall go back to the practice of law and strongly meditate.
settling South. After finishing my duty as a member of the
Examining Board (upon which I have been since March) I
want to make an actual observation of some parts of
Georgia and Alabama, in view of a suitable place.
It occurred to me to ask you whether any services
could be rendered by me in the way of communicating
information relative to the
matter which you have in
Charge, or of doing
ought else, in the advancement
of the public policy towards
the Freedmen.
The status of this class
becomes one of the greatest
questions to be settled
without preening to have
opinions worth mentioning.
I am for giving them citizenship and privileges as fast as earned by industry, good behavior and intelligence under the most favorable conditions that can be given them.

Very Respectfully,
Your Old Comrade,

W. Hayes,
St. Coch. As 1st Co. 42d C.

Maj Genl. C. C. Howard
Freedmen's Bureau,
Washington, D.C.
Major General
O. O. Howard,
Bureau of Freedmen, &c,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to present to you the bearer, Rev. J. P. Chown of Bradford, England, who comes to us highly recommended by friends there, not only for personal qualities extended influence, but for deep interest in our work. Mr. Chown wishes to obtain information respecting the system maintained by you as Head of the Bureau, in order that he may make it known to the British public on his return. I will be much obliged to you, as shall we, for any facilities which you may extend to him in furtherance of this object.

I remain, Sir,
with much respect,
Your Servant,

Hant Geo. Shaw, President.
Augusta June 3 1865

Gen. O.O. Howard:
Dear Sir:

Allow me to recommend to you Lieut P. A. Gatehell of the 1st Maine Heavy Arty, as a most worthy young man, who has been promoted for his brave deeds. He is an elegant penman, and should you require a man of reliable habits, a man of honor and good morals, trust-worthy and correct in business and in life, you will find such an one in Lieut Gatehell.

He is a resident of Lincoln in Penobscot County. He was pursuing his college course when the war broke out and left
the College for the Army.
I know him well and have the fullest confidence in his ability, probity, and moral worth. He would like employment in some place in your Bureau, and I trust that you will find it convenient to give him a place.

Lieut. Gatechell, while a Sergeant of Infantry was on duty in the city as a clerk in the office of Maj. Gardiners, and was appointed for his intelligence and devotion to business. I do not deem it necessary to make to you an argument in favor of employment being given to those patriotic capable young men who have been actively
engaged in the service of their country, in the battle field. You understand
all that. I think it cannot fail before long. I am all places to
act accordingly.

I feel that in this request I am equally serving both yourself and Sir
Gatelli.

Yours truly with prayers

John S. Halewood.

Maj. Gen. O. C. Howard
Friedman's Bureau
Washington, D.C.
Augusta, June 5, 1863

Maj. Gen. C. C. Howard

Dear Sir,

I wish to do something to aid in the cause of the freedmen, and if you have a situation that I can fill to your acceptance, I should be very glad of it.

You will probably remember me as a Monmouth boy and a graduate of Bowdoin College. The most of my life since 1845 has been passed in teaching high schools and academies in Maine. I have been a member of the State Board of Education and think I have a tolerable acquaintance with the habits and ways of children.
Previous to the breaking out of the Rebellion I had been in Georgia about three years and in teaching there in 1860 I lost the earnings of my life. I would like to return to that state and assist in some capacity in the education of the black children. I think my heart is in the work and I believe I can bring to your notice satisfactory certificates of fitness for the situation. I do not know what has been done or is being done in this direction, but I would like the privilege of submitting my testimonials for your consideration.

If there is anything for me to do, a line addressed to me at Houlton, Maine will be promptly attended to, and if there is not I shall be content.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Milton Welch,
June 5th, 1865

General

The people of Wisconsin purpose to erect a perpetual "State's Home" for the benefit of disabled soldiers. In furtherance of which the State has appropriated five thousand dollars ($5,000) and in obedience to a proclamation from Gov. Lewis, a State Fair is to be held at Milwaukee commencing June 28th, with the view of raising funds for the same. The "Home" Committee having appealed to the several Wis. Rgts. in the field to contribute "tokens" etc., I have undertaken in behalf of the 24th Wis. V. I. to secure an autograph letter from each of the distinguished Generals under whom we have had the honor of serving, who, so far, have responded in a most gratifying manner. Presuming that you have not forgotten the 24th Wis. as a portion of those gallant heroes whom you so nobly led on the "Atlanta" campaign, and also that you heartily sympathize with the benevolent object in view, I most respectfully request of you, General, an autograph letter at my address, Milwaukee, Wis., in aid of our "Soldiers Home" Fund.

I have the honor to subscribe myself, General,
Your obedient servant,

John C. Roe, Capt. 24th Wis. V. I.
Headquarters, Twentieth Army Corps,
OFFICE CHIEF COMMISSARY,

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
Commissioner of Bureau
of Freedmen &c. &c.

General:

I am informed that considerable numbers of officers of the various departments and armies of the service are being detailed for duty in your Bureau. I had thought to leave the service wherever this military organization should be discontinued, but if I can be ordered to report to you, I will cheerfully work in whatever capacity you may find me most useful.

I am with great respect,
Your obedient servant,

W. H. Kilpatrick
C.S.A.
Washington, June 6th

Major General Howard, Sir, 

I had the pleasure of seeing you some time since, and have received an appointment as a clerkship for the balance of the salary of 388.00 per month. I find honest I shall not carry with few for the task and watching my child and myself and without the means of support, I shall be obliged to resign the clerkship, and wish to live at home on my pension of 60.00 a month. I could receive my pension in monthly payments, I might be able to make both ends meet, but it is only possible once a year in March and September. I will let you know that it may be in your power to join your department, which I could take home with me and mornings and evenings and will be for a while. I should say it is faithfully and well. I am not to have surprised so long on yourValuate
I trust you will take the matter under consideration, and give me a favorable answer. May I hope to hear from you at as early a moment as possible as all my movements depend upon your assent.

April, Richardson, Texas

Wm. J. B. Richardson

Major General O. A. Howard
Commissioned Freedmen
Bread
Re: [Redacted], S.C.
June 6th, 1865

My dear General: I received your most kind letter, and I assure you, your approval of the step I had taken in accepting my appointment gave me more pleasure than that of any other friend would have done. Not only because I regard your friendship so highly, but I knew of your former prejudices, and the working out in your own mind the wise policy of Government in regard to these people, and overcoming a prejudice against color which years of education had not stampeded. Convinces me that thinking men everywhere, will eventually become of the same mind, and aspiring for colored votes may feel that their
position & respect. by reasonable 
and good men.

Nothing of interest has 
transpired in the Department 
since the Capture of Jeff. Davis.
The old residents are returning to 
Beaufort every day. Bent-failed and 
furcacious.

You will perhaps feel interested 
to learn how we are getting on with 
our Regiment. We have had our 
Army - Springfield rifles - for two or 
three weeks - and the progress of its 
use in the Manual is surprising. Our 
Battalion drills are very good also. -
I had the pleasure and honor of 
commanding the Regiment on the 
occasion of its review by Chief Justice 
Chase. a few weeks since, his 
daughter was also present.

I am very happy to hear 
from Capt. Cole of 2nd. Edmunds Staff who 
arived here yesterday. that you are
Commanding the 15th Corps. — and there are along probabilities of its being retained in the Army as an organization for some time at least.

Col. Howard secured this morning five brevets — as Colonel and Col. of Volunteers, detect the days prior to his appointment as Col. of this regt. — Captains Edison and Gilbreath have also each been brevetted Major. Will you think me unreasonable and unreasonable General, if I ask you for your influence to obtain for me a similar recognition of services? I do not think I am particularly entitled to it, but I do feel that I have rendered as faithful and constant service as either of these officers. For the time I served with you, Howard, I have not received any recognition of services the Order relieving me being simply to relieve me to accept an appointment as
a new regiment. A new division. If Faggart mitcht the Generals, why not General? How much each matter influence a man's life, and the fact that I am the only officer of the General's personal staff who have received no recognition of just service will have its influence among all to whom I am known. If I could obtain a brevet as Major—upon my own rank as Captain, it would be of considerable importance to me just now.

Regarding the examination of officers desirous of re-maing in the service are being considered in this Dept., and I expect daily to be ordered before the one of which Mr. Hulburt Potter is President.

My friends at home continue to speak of you in all their letters. I trust that I have not taken too great liberty in asking you for influence to obtain the long wished-for brevet. I remain, with sincere regards,

Yours truly,

W. A. G. Smith
Dauphine Barracks, Wednesday June 6th 1861

My own dearest

I will just write you a few lines this morning to tell you the news about my examination and ask your advice about going before the board. I am summoned by order of the War Office to examine officers for the regular army and had Warewell was detailed as president with instructions to relieve the other members of the board and the appointees to Palmer and a Leach, McElroy (a laundry man) and had thought it over. I had in mind only all officers of the 6th that want to remain in uniform must be examined now if I go before the board I feel satisfied that Mr. H. would not recommend me for a higher position than I am or less as I think they have some sort to recommend in my place. And the question that arises in my mind is shall I humiliate myself to an examination when their minds are made up before hand I have been examined once and should not wish to be again before a board of disinterested officers. What shall I do my answer is not to go before the board and he must win out in a month or so or else and accept a lower appointment. I leave it for you to judge and will do just as you say about it. I think this are better than a letter in this case. Write me as soon as you can this. I feel very sorry now and think you
can Stephon. I am open as he thinks f.N. my thing.

As certain the feelings are all right. They will take care of their own self. I am not in a writing humor this morning and I will try good lip. As you can imagine my feelings at the time. Things are taking things to what you think. I am much love to mother and take note for your self from your own loving. Perry

P.S.


dear Sir Perry

Faithfully

[Signature]

R.D.

The Cooper's

[Signature]

[Signature]
Southwark Foundry.

Merrick & Sons.

Philad...June 6, 1865

My dear Otis,

I see by the papers that you are to be in Phila on Friday to address a meeting. Please do not let the Stewards' detectives get hold of you to the exclusion of your friends.

I have the sad task of informing you that Uncle John Vaughan died quite suddenly last night—he had been very sick during the morning but at noon when I was there, was thought to be very much better—he had a relapse however & died about 10 O'clock. As you know he was fully prepared for the great change but to about it the news is a much severe one.
He had a very pleasant visit from Lyman Abbott on Sunday. I think he is in a fair way of getting a good organization for his new enterprise here as Draper & Chive a few other gentlemen will probably take hold of it. I hope to see you & your wife soon.

Yours sincerely,

W. H. Murray

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Dated___Philadelphia___1865.

Rec'd, Washington, June 1865, o'clock, min. M.

To: Messrs. O'Keeffe

Dr. 1872

Rev. Dr. Vaughan's funeral

Thursday afternoon

at eter at church

of the Covenant family

Desirous to have you present. Mrs. Howard is at my house.

Winthrop Dallas

28 Feb. 1869 Chestnut St.
Philadelphia, July 27, 1865

S. G. [Signature]

Refers to have sent, Howard present at Rev. Dr. Vaughan’s funeral.
Sir, My Dear Sir of the South

New Orleans, La.

June 7th 1865

Major General O. O. Howard,

General,

In your letter of the 9th of September last, you kindly gave me the privilege of calling upon you as a friend, whenever you could be of service to me.

Major General Sherman has just written a strong letter to the Secretary of War asking that I be made a Major in the Signal Corps.

There are two vacancies in that grade in our Corps. Since the personal difficul
ty of making Mr. Stanton
And Col. Wm. Mr. Stanton
was requested to fill an
announcement in the Corps.
I have good reason to believe
that Col. Wm. Thimble's letter will be put
forward as soon as one, when
Mr. Stanton might meet the
same, should ask, during
his request for the same
letter, that the offensive
must be made, in which
case he would do no mat-
ner than to sustain full responsibility
in the General Court.
Perhaps you have
conquered whose influence
would secure your favor.
Should Mr. Stanton
feel so inclined, the issue
should be tried, and the thing is done.
It is a matter of no con
sequence to this.
Considerable importance to me, expecting you to remain permanently in the service.

I feel that I have fairly earned the appointment, and think of the good fortune it belongs to any other Corps in the Army. This beggarly letter would be unnecessary unless some influence other than the General's letter will effect so braggart

business. I should not yet my appointment, simply because it was in the "risky" line of the Signal Corps. I respectfully pray.

W. H. Angell
Capt. Signal Corps
U.S.A.
I am a poor dependent having already presented at many names and if this is a different suit I am in attachment of my security in New York. I will do what I can at any expense.
Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
Head Quarters, Fort
Charlotta N. C., June 7, 1865.

General,

Pardon me for troubling you amid the manifold duties to which you have been called, much to my gratification, but I desire to say that I have been recommended for promotion by General Cox & Schuyler and to ask your aid with the Secretary of War of consistent with your peace of duty and propriety.

My position of Fort Conrad brings me in frequent contact with the great Negro question.
My success in dealing both with master and slave, has been much greater than I anticipated. Considering the wonderful transition which the negro has undergone, a little good sense the great deal of patience and perseverance he, another year to make the change from master and slave to equal and responsible, with the good feelings of both parties. I shall be in Washington about the 15th.

Respectfully,

Your obedient servant

William Ranna

Oct. 18th 1863

Gen. C. C. Howard

Comrs. Post

Washington D.C.
Charlotte, N. C.
June 7, 1865.

Wm. P. Warner,
Col. 180th Ohio Vol. 
Command. Post.

Request assistance
for promotion.
New York

June 7, 1867

Dear General,

The present

reply of your Secretary

reached us here

just as our Committee

had voted to

authorize me to

add to my first

request of your

the additional

favor of including

of including at

the forthcoming

Convention.

I can imagine

our dear friend

Wish your health
merry meeting you
To day to this
That you are
a man of conscience
also; & I am sure
That if you knew
the importance
of our hearing
in Christian work
— a man known
a military man
in real positions,
you & @ not decline
if other duties
permit you to
attend
Such were our
St. Cloud, Minnesota
Dear Mr. Lincoln,

I am humbly self, just wishing you a name not to laugh Endure all in public, while your presidency we give just the character the other whole thing.

In haste I write in a country room, occurring thoughts.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
made my brother
plane of the case
clear.

You will need
two weeks at
Yonkers to

true — Aug

a dynaur million

protector will

be all the better.

Joe is. At

least do think

Y. very truly

J. M. Chickering
Major General,

O. O. Howard,
Washington, D.C.

General,

You will please excuse me for taking the liberty of addressing you to day upon a subject of this kind but being assured that you are desirous of seeing justice done to every one I would crave your assistance in this.

You will remember in passing through the country where I reside near Midway, S.C. you gave me a guard to protect my property until your Army had passed & they remained two days & half, they had scarcely left when five men (Soldiers) entered my house under pretense of searching for arms and took with them numerous articles, many of which I have labored for years to obtain articles which I could not do without particularly in the country. I showed them the letter which you kindly gave me, but they did not pay any attention to it. I will give you a list of the articles taken and Dear Sir, will you be so kind as to assist me in procuring pay for the same, for I know not what I shall do I will not be able to obtain the necessaries of life.

I trust you will allow this for I have been living in

own
The List of Articles Taken,

One Buggy & horse, they burned the buggy.

A lot of Bacon (200 lbs)

1 doz. Silver Spoons,

1 gold & four silver watches,

Valuable Music box

all the valuable clothing belonging to me.

I also had five bales of Cotton stored in

Charleston, which has been taken by the

U. S. State forces, and sent North, will you be

so kind as to see to that also for me if possible. By attending to this request

Dear Sir you will confer a favor on

a family who really needs the above assistance, and will be received with

lasting gratitude by

Paul & Mary Schubert
Charleston, but knowing that I would have to go in the C. Army I endeavored through a friend to get a passport for the country, for being a staunch Unionist, I was determined not to fight against the Union. I am truly thankful that I have escaped, but now having lost so many things without which I cannot live in the country, and to go to the city now I am afraid on account of sickness until you come. Therefore my reasons for appealing to you treating that you will endeavor to do all that you can for me. My little daughter if you recollect who played when requested on the piano ask you to be as kind as to all that you can for her. Father & Mother so that she may be enabled to get her education and the name of C. A. C. Howard will ever be remembered with gratitude by little Anna Sheet. Yours obediently.

Carl. Schubert

P.S. Please direct to me care of Mr. M. Payzer.
464 King St.
Charleston, S.C.
Scheibert Carl.

Requests assistance
about securing farm property.

Refused to aid applicant
who faked the column.

Aug. 21, 1907.
Philadelphia, June 7th 1865.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
Commissioner of Freedmen, &c.

General:—Mr. Stuart wishes me to remind you of your engagement for Friday evening next, to speak at the Academy of Music, on occasion of the Anniversary of the Ladies Christian Commission. He takes this precaution lest your numerous and pressing public duties cause you to overlook this more distant service.

The Young Men's Christian Association in the United States & British Provinces are now represented here in their Annual Convention. It may be practicable for you, as it will be greatly for their gratification & advantage, to remain in our city long enough to visit & address them.

Further, I am requested to suggest, that in your address on Friday evening—as much as the special work of the U. S. Char. Commission is drawing to a close—you may be able to say a word that will more deeply interest the ladies & others in the noble work among the Freedmen.

Mr. Stuart expects you for his guest during your stay in the city, & is holding in reserve accommodations for yourself & Mrs. Howard.

Very truly yours, Lemuel Moss, M. A. S.

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JOS. PATTERSON, Treasurer, Western Bank.
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