

Raleigh June 24th 1865

My dear General

I have not been long enough in my work to find material for an official report, but as an opportunity occurs to send directly to Washington, I will write a few lines. In the three days since my arrival, I have had interviews with the Gov^r, Generals Cox & Ames, & many prominent persons. All receive me with many kind words, & seem glad that somebody is sent to take from their shoulders a work & responsibility which they do not know what to do with.

I have looked at the
Condition of Freedmen + Refugees
in + about the city. A good
beginning has been made
by Capt. Beal in their be-
half. About 500 poor blacks
(Women + Children) are gathered
in log huts about 2 miles
from town, + doing well. They
have gardens, + a field of
corn which will yield a
part of their support.

The whites are in a worse
state. I have drawn some
Hospital tents, + will have
a Camp for them today.

I have not yet assumed
the work of issuing rations
to whites, as I have no
Officers to help me.

Medical Attendance is
much needed, and Surgeons
are not to be obtained.

The Medical Director seems ready to help me, but says his force is reduced very much below the wants of the Army. I have however got the promise of a Hospital Steward today.

Reports from the Western part of the State represent all quiet in the Country. Freedmen are at work, having made some bargain with their former Masters.

At Fayetteville some suffering & disorder exists. I have applied for an Officer to be sent there at once.

I propose to visit Newbern, Roanoke, Beaufort & Wilmington next week, after Capt. James arrives.

Under Gen. Schofield's
orders a large amount
of supplies is being is-
sued to poor whites - I
think four times as
much as to blacks, tho'
I cannot give the figures.
Yours truly,

E. Whittier

P. S. & Private

I don't know
Col. Granger's object in visiting
Washington; but I am
convinced that he is not
the right man for the
Post he now fills, nor for
any position in this Bureau.

I see very suspicious
indications, & fear that
he will give me trouble if
he gets promotion, & remains
Commandant of the Post.
E. W.

to be actually employed - But should it appear that these agents have the military power at hand, it would I think not only facilitate all operations, but prevent actual shedding of blood in the future.

If I could see you I could in a short time express what is difficult to bring out upon paper.

I find that the Department of the South has been virtually broken up since South Carolina is in Meade's Mil. Div - Georgia in Thomas' and Florida in the Gulf Dept. So I suppose there will be or has been an entire reorganization and perhaps So. Carolina will constitute a Department by itself - If so, Gen. Saxton could as well and better than anyone exercise the military command which is becoming of less and less importance (merely a military) and his operations for the Freedmen's interests would be incalculably facilitated. As it is it operates not only negatively against him but the military authorities now have one a constant and positive hindrance to him as he will undoubtedly explain to you in person. —

(28th 7704th under my command)
These two Regts. (which I expected to retain had he continued to raise his Colored Corps) are to be turned over to Gen. Gillmore. This will not be very agreeable to me personally as I will be brought under men who know nothing of me or my past military experience and record. Besides it will occasion probably my removal from Beaufort which will neither be so pleasant for me nor so advantageous for the Regt. at present. We are just finishing some fine quarters for the men from a school house or rather tent with nice writing benches, &c. &c. arranged - No corrupting influences of a large city for the officers & men - Good drill ground and ^{in short} everything in good running order.

Gen. Saxton has asked me to take the position of an agent or art. Com^{dr} for him to be located, say, at Columbia or other important point. I think I would accept such a place if I could see the means at hand for executing orders & carrying out your plans & wishes - But I am not willing to be a do-nothing - I always desire to accomplish something & especially what I undertake.

Louisville Ky
 Head Quarters Army Train
 June 24th 1865

Dear General

I take the liberty to add a few lines to you = All of your old friends are anxiously watching the movements and progress in the Freedmen's Bureau = Some favor our thing and some another, but we who know you think and believe that you will do what you conscientiously think is right and that you are not a fanatic nor will not allow yourself to become one and that you will not over rush measures that would be detrimental to both white and black but wait for the black to progress and when the proper time comes you will advocate that they be permitted to take part in the Gen. by voting etc but probably that time will not come for ten years yet = We all pray and hope that you will succeed and believe that you will = Our Army is here, a portion of them being ^{out} mustered and paid of we leave the 14th 15th 17th and a part of

the 20th A.C. in all about 6700 troops

The 2^d Division 15th A.C. is ordered to
Little Rock Arkansas and start
tomorrow morning - Genl Stabins
brigade go to St Louis - The Staff remains
about as they were when with ~~the~~
Col was Woodhull is the Adj Genl
and a fine gentleman he is - Col
Conklin is very as formerly -

They have sent me a Brevet rank
of Col - I dont feel very much flattered
with that kind of promotion when offers
all around me are receiving full colonelcy

There is Capt Read & with Genl
Thomas as Chief of had received his
full Colonelcy and he done his duty
until six months ago at which time
he was assigned as Chief Commissary
of that Department - also his Interim
received full Colonelcy - The Interim
in this Department is a full Colonel and
other Departments the same but they exclude
me for some reason and for what I cant
contrive - I have worked faithfully
and have the highest recommendations
from Genl Breckinridge and also from
myself and Genl Sherman endorsed
me but all without effect - Genl Logan

Said he was going to write about
 it that why I should be excluded when
 there was provision by law to make
 Army Chief Commr rank of Col
 and they were doing it in other departments
 both ~~Department~~ and ~~Commr~~ department
 that I should be excluded he could not
 continue = If I had not arranged
 and systematized the foraging parties
 the men in ranks would have starved
 and I worked constantly to keep up papers
 organization to keep them moving =

Paul Logan advised me to write
 to you to ask you to be the Secretary of
 War personally and he believed if you
 would see him he would readily
 accede to my being the rank that
 I am entitled to under the law and
 practice to others of Intendant & Commr
 Depts = I'd Col Bullock with you - Please
 give my kind regards to all of my
 acquaintances on your staff = I saw Col
 Hays to day = he wished to be remembered to you
 All of our officers feel grateful to you
 May God bless you

I have the honor to be Dear Genl
 Very truly Yours Humble Servt
 D. Rerrick Chief of A.S. Bureau
 Maj Genl Howard }
 Headquarters }
 Washington }

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the proposed purchase of the land for the proposed site of the new building for the U.S. Army at Fort Mifflin. I am pleased to hear that you are so interested in the project and that you are willing to contribute to the success of the same. I am sure that your efforts will be most appreciated. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the proposed purchase of the land for the proposed site of the new building for the U.S. Army at Fort Mifflin. I am pleased to hear that you are so interested in the project and that you are willing to contribute to the success of the same. I am sure that your efforts will be most appreciated.



me
24th 1865,

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influence
Colonel
Troops &c

8th 1865,

Saco, Maine, June 24, 1865.

My dear General;

I am desirous of obtaining a Colonelcy of Colonel Troops, and would like your influence in my behalf.

I have just been honorably discharged as Lieut. Col. of the 17th Maine, because my services were no longer required, and because of disability arising from wound received April 6.

As I suppose you know, I taught the High School in this town for nine years before entering the service. The people here desire me to take the school again, but the life is too confined for me. I imagine that the fact that I had been a successful teacher would be an additional recommendation for

the office I desire.

If necessary, I will send documents to show my standing as an officer in the Reg. I had command of the Reg. for five months previous to being wounded. During that time, your brother Charles visited us, and if you happen to see him, you may ask him concerning the appearance of the Reg, and my standing in it. Your cousin, Dexter, was under my command for some time, and can tell you how I was regarded in the Reg.

An early answer will much oblige.

With all wishes for your success
I am

Very truly yrs

Wm. Hobson.

New York June 25th 1865.

Dear Friend,

It is with feelings of the deepest respect, that we have read the record of your consistent christian walk and conversation, during these years of war, now, happily, past; and while our people and government, have gratefully acknowledged your services, as a soldier in the cause of Liberty, we would desire you to receive at our hands, an humble testimonial, in the form of a Certificate of Life-Membership to our Society, of our appreciation of your services, during the same period, in wielding the Sword of the Spirit as a good Soldier of the Lord Jesus, and of the godly influence, which you have ever exerted upon the brave men under your command.

"Remember the words of the Lord Jesus how he said
"Thou shalt in no wise lose thy reward."

We beg to subscribe ourselves most truly Yours

John A. Brown.

Frank E. Andersson

Frank W. Vonderbrink

Mellie F. Pelhemus

Wm. A. Allen

To

Major Genl. O. O. Howard

Teacher Male Class No 14

S. S. First Baptist Church

Clothing and Equipage Office, 145

Fort Monroe, Va., June 6 1865.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
Washington, D. C.

General: On the 20th instant Cor. Henry Wilson made an application to War. Dept. for my appointment as A. L. No. with rank of Captain. During the war I have filled the position of chf. clk. in this office and now retain that position. I have acquired a thorough knowledge of the organization and working of the L. M. Dept. and if

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appointed I should be pleased to be
assigned to duty in the dept. now being
organized and perfected by you. Should
you deem it expedient to recommend me
after seeing Mr. Wilson's application now on
file in War Dept., please ^{to add your} request to him for
my appointment. I can give bonds if
required and enter upon such duties as you
may be pleased to give me, immediately.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant

W. E. Forbes
Chief Clerk.

Major Gen. O. O. Howard
Commissioner Bureau of Freedmen
Washington
D. C.

BUREAU OF THE
AMERICAN FREEDMEN'S AID UNION,
130 Nassau-Street.

New-York, June 20 1865-

May. Gen. O. O. Howard
Com^r Bureau, Freedmen &c

Y. S.

I enclose you a
corrected proof of the proposed
address.

Mr Shaw who will hand
it to you, will receive and
duly note any suggestion you
may have to make on the subject.

He will also show a copy
to Mr Stanton, and put a:
notion in the way of reach:
ing the President

I am dear Sir

Yours very respectfully

J. M. Kim

Sec. A. F. A. U.

Frankford Arsenal,

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Philadelphia, Pa.,

June 26 - 1865 -

My dear Howard.

I have been intending, for some time back, to tender you my hearty congratulations on your promotion to a Brig Genl of the Regular Army. As the only Ordnance Officer who has risen to that high position, & whose long & faithful services so richly merited this mark of the Nation's acknowledgments, I, for one, think of you with pride. It seems but yesterday that we parted at West Point, yet how different our lives have been since then. In the tented field, mid dangers, toils & privations, you have lost an arm in the defence of our nationality, but placed your name high on the roll of our successful Generals. In the more peaceful pursuits of the Ordnance Profession, I have labored long, & steadily, & faithfully, in aiding the armies with those munitions, without which, battles could not have been fought nor victories gained - services only appreciated by soldiers but which carry with them no éclat - seldom, recognition. I am glad

that the future of the negro has been placed
in your hands. In my opinion, this war has
been permitted by Providence, with the purpose
is giving freedom to the slave - I believe
in twenty years, the South will with one
voice thank Heaven, that the stain of slavery
has been thus washed out, & in their increased
prosperity from the labor of freedmen, see the
workings of an all wise God. In the endeavor
to raise the status of the negro, religion must
form part of the motive power - & the Heraldry
of the Army is the proper instrument - I lay
claim to little religion myself, but I honor
the man who while serving the State, forgets
not to serve his Maker. I again congrat-
-ulate ^{you} on your success, so well deserved.

We, of the Ordnance, have
gained nothing by the war, except the happy
consciousness of duty well performed. With
the exception of two or three juniors who have
been in the field, not even the empty honors
of a brevet have been given us, & while the
War Dept has time & again expressed its
high appreciation of our services, nothing has
been done for us - Whether Mr Stanton has
had his attention called to the matter I
know not, but I trust we may yet get
our due - To the world at large, the
Ordnance must seem a failure, otherwise

why are all others brevetted, & we remain with
the same rank, with which the war found us.
I am the 2^d Capt on the list, & one of the oldest
in the Army.

I did not intend touching on
my own personal matters, but it is a sore
subject, & just now rather uppermost in our
minds. I only intended to write, that
your career had been followed by me, with
all the interest of old comrades, & that
your promotion had given me unalloyed
pleasure.

Should you ever have the time
& inclination, I hope you will come to see
me. I shall welcome you with open arms.

Yours very sincerely,
S. J. Penit

Genl Howard.
Brant.

Philadelphia Pa.

June 26th 1865.

Mr. Bonet S. V.

Congratulation on Promotion
as Maj. General Regular
Army &c.

Rec. B. R. H. A. S. Jun 28th 1865.

Rec. Jun 28th 1865.

My dear Sir
I have the honor to receive
your kind and generous
letter of congratulation
on the occasion
of my promotion to
Major General in the
Regular Army. I am
truly grateful for the
kindness of your
words and the
confidence of your
country. I shall
endeavor to
deserve the
honors which
have been conferred
upon me. I am,
Dear Sir,
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
B. R. H. A. S.

Philadelphia June 25. 1863

Major General Howard

Dear Sir

I thank you for the information regarding the transportation of Refugees, and if any cases come under our notice whose welfare will be enhanced by returning home all the facts will be represented to you —

Those for whom we particularly apply have been reduced from affluence to penury and a prospect of regaining lost property induced our assa. & furnish means for them to return without delay.

Our attention has been particularly directed to E. Tenn. and we are now forwarding supplies to the Upper Counties where much distress prevails —

The policy of establishing an Orphan's Home in Hampvill has been under consideration, and if transportation for two of our agents can be obtained to take charge of the matter I think much good will result —

Very respectfully yours — M. M. Halloull. Secy.

Excerpt from a letter 150
from Edward Maynard
dated Marshall May 31st / 85

"Gov. Brownlow directs me
to say, that he hopes you
will present his warmest
thanks and kindest regards
to those noble ladies who
have joined themselves into an
Association to relieve the des-
titute and suffering portion
of his state -

In regard to the Orphan's home
I am sorry to say there is no
such Institution in E. Tenn.

Many children of deceased
soldiers are now suffering and
would be incalculably benefited
by such an establishment."

Washington DC June 26th 1865

Hon E M Stanton
Secy of War
Sir

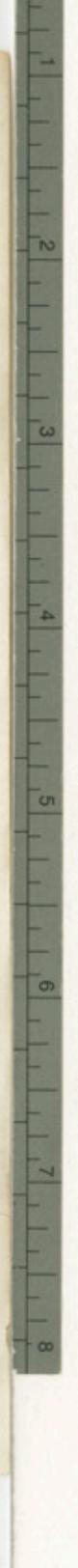
In behalf of the Christian Young
Men's Association I have the honor to request
that the negatives of the photographic views
of the interior ~~and~~ exterior ^{if there are any} of Ford's Theatre
be turned over to the President of the Associa-
tion (Mr Thompson), or to the President of the
board of trustees for the purchase of the theatre
with the view to being used for the benefit
of the Christian Young men's association
as a source of revenue.

Very Respectfully
O. O. Brown
M. M.

The union
negotiations were
held on
yesterday for
the artist who
works there - &
his application
had been
made in
Seaman before
the order had
been given it
would have
been granted
June 29/1905

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New Orleans La June 27th 1865
 Maj Genl Howard

Dear General

Having been fortunate in having
 been under your Command for several months
 and under your Command at Wauhatchie
 and Indian Ridge, I have the honor to request
 from you a statement or recommendation as
 regards my services as a Colonel of a Regiment
 being located in the City of New Orleans in
 the Customs House, believing while under your
 Command my conduct was such as to
 merit your confidence

A Communication or above
 requested would be valuable to me

General if consistent with your
 views please accommodate me

I am Sir with respect

Your obt. Servt

Charles H. Fox late Col
 101st Ill Vol Infy

Box No 58

New Orleans
 La

My dear Mother
 I received your kind letter
 of the 10th and was glad
 to hear from you and
 to hear that you were
 all well. I am well
 at present and hope
 these few lines will
 find you all the same.
 I have not much news
 to write at present.
 I am in the city
 and hope to be home
 soon. I will write
 again when I have
 more news to tell.
 Love from
 your affectionate
 son
 John Smith
 Oct 10th 1858



Cheraw, South Carolina

June 27th 1865.

(Private)

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My Dear Sir I have been unable to remove my family, as yet, to Virginia, and beg leave to solicit your kind interest in the matter. I wrote to Capt. Buel, some weeks ago, but am afraid that he did not receive my letter, tho' our mail communications have not been re-opened, and we had great difficulty in forwarding and receiving letters.

It was my wish to return to my old home and parish in Fairfax, but understand that my house near the Court House was destroyed some time ago. I am so much attached to that part of the State, that I am exceedingly anxious to ^{return} ~~be~~ ~~so~~, if possible. The war, I believe, has sadly desolated that part of the country; most of my former parishioners are dispersed, and probably will

never again be gathered in earthly folds. God knows
how earnestly I have humbled myself before Him
for my share of the sin contributing to such
sad results: He who hath smitten will heal.

I think with the assistance of friends I may
be able to settle again in Fairfax: if I can
procure a suitable place near Washington, you
would greatly aid me if you could secure me
a Clerkship in your Department, or some other
Dpt, which I would only retain long enough
to give me a start in life again; as it is my
desire to devote myself solely to the ministry.

I am conscious of taking a great liberty in
thus intruding upon your time and thoughts,
our interview when in Chesaw with the King
convinced me that you have a heart to feel for
others' woes. In addition to the distressing

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situation of my family, I am very anxious in behalf
of our two sons lately returned from the Army,
who are without employment, having been
forced from school by our unnatural conscrip-
tion. It would fulfil a desire very dear to
my heart to establish them in a position in
which they could perform their whole duty to
our now re-united country.

My Dear Gen. Howard, please excuse me
for troubling you upon a subject of this
kind; but in my situation, I assure you it
is asking ~~the~~ a cup of water in the name of a
disciple, and I believe, it will not go without
its reward. I am very anxious to remove
my family from South Carolina; we have a
sorrowful time here; it is my earnest prayer
that God will permit me to return to Virginia.

If you have time to write please address me
at this place, under cover, to the Rev. J. M.
Green, Charleston, who will forward my
letters until the mails are resumed.

Yours very truly and respectfully
R. J. Brown

Gen: O. O. Howard
Washington
D. C.

Brown R. J.

Remains to return
this home at
Harrisburg O. M. Va.

Recd July 13, 1845

Received 20. 1845

War Department,

Washington, June 28th, 1865.

Sir:

You are hereby informed that the President of the United States has appointed you, for gallant and meritorious services during the War, a Major General by Brevet, in the service of the United States, to rank as such from the thirteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five. Should the Senate, at their next session, advise and consent thereto, you will be commissioned accordingly.

Immediately on receipt hereof, please to communicate to this Department, through the ADJUTANT GENERAL of the Army, your acceptance or non-acceptance; and, with your letter of acceptance, return the OATH herewith enclosed, properly filled up, SUBSCRIBED and ATTESTED, and report your AGE, BIRTHPLACE, and the STATE of which you were a permanent RESIDENT.

~~You will report for duty to~~ _____

Edwin M. Stanton

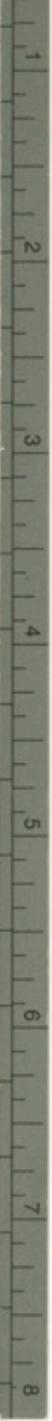
Secretary of War.
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Brevet Major General Oliver C. Howard,
U. S. Army,

1841

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[Faint signature or name]



Detroit June 28. 1865

Dear Sir

With personally a stranger to
you I venture to introduce the
Rev. Wm King of Canada, a great
man of education & great experience
in the management of ~~colored~~^{colored}
prisons. I think you may derive
useful ideas from his conversations
& try to command him to your
kindly attention.

Very respectfully
Yr obt servt

J. M. Howard

Genl O. O. Howard

Dated Jan 28 1850

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter of the 27th inst. in relation to the purchase of a quantity of the same. I have the pleasure to inform you that the same has been forwarded to you by express of the 29th inst. and will reach you in a few days. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Wm. G. Wood

Wm. G. Wood
No. 10 N. 2nd St.
Philadelphia

Wm. G. Wood

Allen Hotel

Onida N.Y.

June 28th 1865

My Dear Gulicai;

I was glad to see your kind note & thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy for me.

I am still surprised at Onida where the accident occurred with a fair prospect of unioning here several days yet; the arm is doing well but the fracture is of such a nature that it does not admit of substantial dressing & the surgeon objects to my working outside the junction is complete enough to permit the splints to be taken off.

This will require from one to two weeks yet; A sister is with me & I am getting on

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very much. The townspeople too
are very kind & considerate.

I regret this necessity of
being compelled to remove away
& that an other affair should
be required to go to Ula. on record
of it. I shall try however to
reach Washington as soon
as possible & will then be
ready for whatever duty may
be required of me.

I suppose your labors
of the Bureau & the approaching
anniversary of Gettysburg must
give you a large allotment of
work for the present.

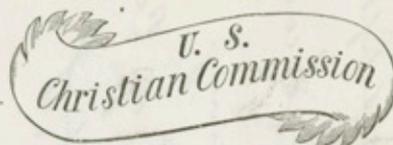
Please remember me
kindly to Mrs Howard.

Very Resp

Your Obed Servt

W. O. Brown

GEO. H. STUART, Chairman, 11 Bank Street.
JOS. PATTERSON, Treasurer, Western Bank.
Rev. LEMUEL MOSS, Home Secretary, 11 Bank Street.
Rev. E. P. SMITH, Field Secretary, 11 Bank Street.



Central Office,

No. 11 BANK STREET.

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Philadelphia, June - 28. 1865

Maj-Gen. O. O. Howard
Freedmen's Bureau
Washington D.C.

My Dear Friend

It is with very great pleasure that I endorsed the request of Captain Beath, to be detached for duty in the Freedmen's Bureau. My intimate knowledge of Captain B. gained by my observation of his conduct and character while a scholar in the Sabbath School of which I am Superintendent, and my persuasion that the good qualities he then and there exhibited will be equally well shown wherever his duties may call him, are the reasons why I cordially second his application. I feel confident, that in case you accede to his request, you will have opportunity to test the confirmation of my statements. Captain Beath will doubtless avail himself of the opportunities thrown in his way to make known that religion of which he is a consistent profuser, a feature of his character which I know you can appreciate.

Hoping that you may have it in your power to grant his request, which I will consider a personal favor, I am

Yours very truly
Geo. H. Stuart

Office U. S. Christian Com.

Philadelphia, Pa.

June 28, 1865

Stuart, Geo. W.

Chairman U. S. C. C.

Recommends Capt. Beath
for detail in Bureau R. I. &
A. S.

I have referred several applicants
for letters & only give the because
of a want of duty being a
long & intricate knowledge of Capt.
G. W. J. Beath

National Freedman's Relief Association,

No. 76 JOHN STREET,

New York, 28 June 1865.

Dear Sir:

As my unexpected departure from Washington yesterday evening deprived me of the opportunity for another interview with you, I beg to express my gratification at having become personally acquainted with you & to thank you for the readiness with which you met my official requests.

Allow me also to thank you as before inadequately, for your kind invitation to accompany you on your projected tour of inspection.

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National Teachers' Guild Association

No. 10 JOHN STREET



Dear Mr. ...

Main body of the letter containing several paragraphs of handwritten text, which is mostly illegible due to fading and bleed-through from the reverse side.



At any other season I should most gladly have availed of your kindness to visit under your auspices those places so interesting to me in every respect, while some of them possess to me a stronger attraction than to most who have never seen them, & I beg you to believe that my having declined to do so was not accompanied by any want of appreciation on my part.

Believe me, Dear Sir,
with great esteem & respect,
Yours sincerely,

Wm Geo. Shaw

Major General O. O. Howard.

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New York

June 28th 1865.

Shaw Fran. Geo.

Friendly letter &c.

Rec^d June 30th 1865.

F. GUTEKUNST'S
IMPERIAL
Photograph Galleries,
Nos. 702, 704 & 706 Arch Street.

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Philadelphia, June 29. 1865.

Maj. Genl O. O. Howard,
Dear Sir,

By Adams's
Express I forward an
Imperial of yourself
which please accept
with my best wishes.
With it is an Imperial
of Genl Fiske for him-
self which you will have
the kindness to hand him.

Most Respectly
F. Gutekunst
Per S. G. Gayley,

Philadelphia Pa.
June 29th 1865.

Gayley T. G.

Writes, relating to
Photographs sent
etc

Rec^d June 30th 1865.

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New York June 29th

W^{ts}:

1865

Maj. Geo. Howard.

General

Permit me to send you for
trial a knife and fork and
have improved it for the use
of persons who have lost an arm
to enable them to cut up their own
food, which the knife will readily
do by a little rolling pressure
the fork being attached to the
back of the knife.

If you find the contrivance
useful will it be asking you
too much in the interest of the
men who have lost an arm
in the service of the Country

To express your opinion on
the subject to Surg. Genl. Barnes
to whom I have also sent such
a knife, with the suggestion of
introducing it into the U. S. Hospi-
tal, and furnishing the men
with one on leaving.

As I am probably entirely
unknown to you, General, allow
me to add, that I am a Surgeon
and Professor of Military Surgery
in New York, and that I have
no other interest or motive
in the matter, than to diminish
(be it in ever so small a degree)
the discomfort of a large class
of men who have suffered for
this Country.

very respectfully
Wm Detmold, M.D.

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Gettysburg June 29th 65
Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard,
My Dear Sir,

Genl. Grant

is not here and in his absence
I will answer your telegram.

There will be connections
made from Honover Junction
on the Northern Central R.R.
on Monday with ^{every} train
on that road north & south.

I would advise you to leave
Washington at 6.30 A.M.
so as to connect with the
9.20 A.M. from Baltimore
reaching Gettysburg at 1 P.M.
Telegraph me what train
you will come on.

Yours sincerely
David Wills

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Gettysburg Pa.

June 29th 1865.

Letter at this hour

David Hills.

Writes regarding
Rail Road Connections
from Washington to Gettysburg

Rec^d July 1st 1865.

Head Quarters 2^d Div 15th A.C.

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EXHIBIT

Steamer Rose Kate Miss River June 29th 1864
Major Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir,

In command of the 2^d Div 15th A.C.
I am ordered to Little Rock Ark to report to Major
Genl J. F. Reynolds. Since the last eight months the
friend who had my money in charge went into
the oil speculation with it and his own, so far
with no success, leaving me at the close of 4 years
service, without means, without of the little
independence I had. I am desirous of being
appointed Asst Commissioner or some position like
that in the Freedman's bureau for the State of
Arkansas under yourself. I make this application
then frankly because you know my qualifications
well & because I am fully assured of your sym-
-pathy with your old army friends. I do not know
how such applications should be made, but if it
requires any form will you be good enough to
have your clerk furnish me with what is necessary.
Any references needed will at once furnish.
I do not wish to plead poverty with you for this
position for I am well & strong. I only state the fact

God. Ord. 2nd Div. 15th A.C.

that you may see that my whole interests would
be in the success of my work & my whole surplus
given to it. I believe & hope too that I will bring
to this work a faith in & a hope for its full accomplish-
= ment that very many lack

Hoping for your continued health & success

I am Truly Yours

Medical Servant

John M. Allen

Bay View col

P.S. Last references might be needed at once I
would respectfully refer you to Am J. C. Braman M.C.
1st Dist. Michigan. ~~Michigan~~ & Cass County Mich
Am J. P. Chastancey Judge Supreme Court Michigan
Am Frank Johnson Judge of Circuit Court for
first District Michigan. Residence at Warsaw
Mich. Don't forget this letter is written on a
shaky old crumpled paper. Truly Yours & Servant
J. M. Allen



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State of Maine.

Head Quarters,

Adjutant General's Office,

August 29th 1863

My Dear General

I shall want
to see you personally at
Ytterbury, about
the practicality of
Capt. Twitchell's lot of
up Battery, 100 vols. of
training, my placing in
P. Dept. in the South.
He is the most perfect
& unexceptionable man
in morals & capacity,
within my knowledge.
If you are restricted to
officers in service, nothing
remains to be said, for he

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State of Ohio
Board of Examiners

Account Books Office

Wm. H. ...

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is out, *Yours most truly*

John L. Howard,

Asst. Surg.

Major Gen.
C. O. Howard
U. S. A.
Washington
D. C.

Augusta Me
June 29, 1865.

Rodden, John L
Adj. Genl Maine

Friendly letter

A. by
Merrill Lewis at
Deddingburg

Recd July 1st 1865.

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War Department

Washington City, D. C.

June 29 1862.

General

I gratefully accept
the invitation you have been
pleased to extend to me, to ac-
company you to Gettysburg on
the 3rd of July next.

Respectfully your
most obed^t serv^t

Wm. A. Miles
Major & Asst. Surg.
U. S. Army
War Dept.

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
Washington
D. C.

War Department
Washington D.C.
June 29th 1865.

Murphy Tho: W. A. S.
[Ch. W. Asmussen]

Accepting invitation to
accompany Gen Howard
to Gettysburg &c

Rec^d June 30th 1865.

New York, June 20th 1845

Gen O. C. Howard
Pres of the Freedmen Bureau,
War Department.
Washington D. C.
Dear Sir.

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The Committee of Home Missions in the Presbyterian Church, in the U. S. A. having just appointed Rev. A. A. Garnett of Washington D. C. and Rev. John B. Reeve of Philadelphia Pa. Colored ministers in our Church, exploring agents in the South and South West. for the period of a few months. beg of you to furnish them free transportation (if it be consistent with your regulations) within the Army lines, and any other facilities which may be in your power, for the successful prosecution of missionary work among the Freedmen.

Any aid of this kind bestowed on these gentlemen, will add to their safety and gratification and will be appreciated by the Committee. Certificates if any be issued, may be sent direct to this office, or forwarded respectively to the parties themselves.

Edw. A. Lambert

In behalf of the Committee,
H. Kendall

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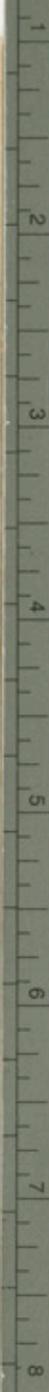
Wm. A. Boy
Treasurer
Chas. Finnan Comdr

Presbyterian Rooms
New York.

June 30th 1865.

Hendrick A. Sec.

Writes, asking for
Transportation for
Rev. W. H. Garrison and
Rev. John B. Reece &c



Leviy Cass to Iowa
June 30th 1845

Dear General

I arrived safely at home on the 28th and found my friends much better than I expected. but I find that I can not consistently remain in the service any longer and have tendered my Resignation by telegraph last night. will you be kind enough to favor me with getting it accepted. General I would on many accounts prefer staying in the service. but our business at home will not admit of my staying away any longer. I told Maj Gilbreth how matters stand before I came away I thank you for your kindness to me while I was on your

Staff and shall feel an interest in
your prosperity. Hoping that you may be
successful in all your undertakings I
remain Your Most Obedt. Servt.
St John. A Mills

P.S.

Genl perhaps I am asking to much, but if
you feel that you would be justified in
doing so I would like to have a testimonial
of your regard.

North Anson June 30. 1865.

Genl Howard:- I see that
B. W. Norris of Skowhegan has
been appointed to superintend the
sale of confiscated property at
Machilis. - This is a responsible
position requiring a man of
unquestioned integrity and
business capacity - it would
be well to inquire, if not too late,
whether Mr Norris has those qual-
ities. I would refer you to Hon
Mr Rowell of Skowhegan Pres-
ident of the Bank of Somerset
and to Hon John S Tenney, of
Norridgewock, late Chf Justice of
the S. P. S. J. C. and to W. H. Thom-
es Esq of this place for information
It is the with regard to his
management of the affairs of the

Skouhagan Oil & Lumber Company
of which he has been agent, and
in regard to his integrity and business
capacity.

It is currently reported that when
agent of said company, and when
the company was in failing circum-
stances, he raised money on the
company's notes and declared a
dividend, and that on a capital
stock of only \$12,000, the company
sustained a loss of over \$100,000
through his profligacy & mismanagement.

Samuel G. Arnold Esq. of Skouhagan
a member of said company, might
give you more reliable information
as to his capacity & integrity if he
would. Arnold told me last
March that his had received
him. Very respectfully yours
Wm. A. Thomson

National Freedman's Relief Association,

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No. 76 JOHN STREET,

New York, 30 June 1865.

Major General

O. O. Howard.

Commissioner and
Sir:

I have the honor to
state that, the opportunity
having occurred, I have
inserted the words "when
practicable" in your letter of
16th Inst, addressed to the
Associations, & borne by Mr
Boardman, as requested by
you.

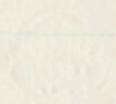
With much respect,

~~W. B. Shaw~~
Wm Geo. Shaw
Pres

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National Franchise Association

100 TO 10000 STREET



Dear Sir

Wm. H. ...

C. O. ...

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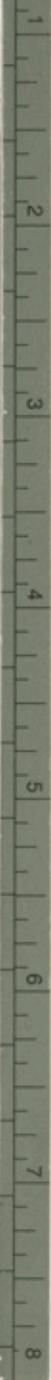
Sir

I have the honor to

acknowledge the receipt of your letter of

the 15th inst. in relation to

the matter of the ...



Office U. S. Military Telegraph,
WAR DEPARTMENT.

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The following Telegram received at Washington, 9. 30 / M. June 30 1865.

100 From Augusta Me June 30 1865.

Maj Gen S. Forward

Guy leaves with me this
morning for Petersburg
G. B. Hodson

872 195



Telegram

Washington, D.C.

August 18th

June 30th

States that
they have met
New York

Recd from 8th 1868

BARNES & BURR,

Publishers, Booksellers, & Stationers,
NEW YORK.

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Nos. 51, 53 & 55 JOHN STREET.

New York June 31 1865
Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

We have taken the liberty of sending to your address the following School Books for your examination, with reference to their adaptation to the Colored Schools under your charge, viz

"Parker & Watsons Reader & Speller"
"Munroe & Melallys Geog"
"Munroe & Millards History"
& "Clarks English Gram"

Our Agent Mr Hulse informs us that you will take pleasure in looking at these Books, and also place them in the hands of Capt. Saggart, ^{your true} Respy
for examination Barnes & Burr

HARRIS & BURR,

Publishers, Booksellers & Stationers,
NEW YORK

No. 51, 53 & 55 JOHN STREET

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Dear Sir,
 I have the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the
 above mentioned matter, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the
 proper authorities for their consideration, and that you will receive their answer in due season.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours,
 Wm. Harris & Burr

