
3033 10/13/1865 *From:* Ellis Malone M.D.

To: Maj. Genl. [OO] Howard

OOH-2979

Louisburg NC

Source: Bowdoin

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Louisburg NC Oct 13th 1865

To Maj. Genl. Howard

Dear Sir

I wrote some days ago to Major Whittlesey at Raleigh, (I did not know until recently that he was the same identical Major Whittlesey who was at my house with you & others last spring), inviting him to come over to my house on a visit & notifying him if he would let me know the morning he would be at the depot I would have my carriage there to meet him.

I see by Raleigh papers that you had arrived in Raleigh. Can you spare time from your perplexing duties to come over & see us. I wrote you at Washington City some time ago, but know not whether you received the letter before you left the city. I should like to have some hours with you. You & Major Whittlesey impressed me & my family more favorably than any of the officers of the Federal army we have seen & if convenient should like to see you again under more <quiet> circumstances

It can give you some information which might be of service to you in your office & to others who are out of office. Please let me hear how you – many care & trouble, and <anxieties> treated me since I saw you.

Yours respectfully &c

Ellis Malone M.D.

P.S. If you can come & bring the Major with you. Come if possible in-cog - as otherwise you will be so besieged that your visit will be of little pleasure to me or yourselves.

[Written sideways on the last page, in a different hand.]

Lousburg N.C. Oct 13 65

Malone, Elliss

Desires Gen. Howard to call upon him whilst in Raleigh N.C.

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[Written in a third hand.]

Private letter to Gen Howard from Ellis Malone M.D.

3034 10/14/1865 *From:* Otis [OO Howard]

To: Dearest [Lizzie Howard]

OOH-2980

Source: Bowdoin

Bureau Refugees,
Freedmen and
Abandoned Lands,
Headq'rs Southern
District of N.C.,
Wilmington, N.C.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Headq'rs Southern District of N.C.,
Wilmington, N.C. Oct 14 1865

Dearest

I meant to have written you from Raleigh, but I really could not get time opportunity or strength. Being separated from you & from servants bother me considerably. I am getting spoilt by receiving too much assistance at home <>. I had on the whole a very pleasant visit at Raleigh. The convention was in session and I had the privilege of addressing that august body & of pleading the interest of my charge. Some men have come to see me.

Good bye & God bless you. We are quite well. Love to the children.

Lovingly
Otis

3035 10/14/1865 *From:* Randal Ross

To: Dear Gen [OO Howard]

OOH-2981

San Antonio De Bexar
Texas

Source: Bowdoin

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San Antonio De Bexar Texas
Oct. 14th 1865

Dear Gen.

We expect soon to be mustered out of the service, as we hope so. I will then be at liberty to engage in some other vocation than that of Chaplain of a Regiment.

I feel that the great duty of Christians and good men and women not claimed men as Christians, is the speedy elevation of the Colored people now free in the Government.

As a Christian Minister I am willing to do my part in this work. I have in my discharge of duty as a private soldier for two years in Virginia North Carolina and South Carolina, done what I could in preaching to the colored folks and distributing spelling books among them. And for the last two years as Chaplain in the Cumberland Army I have paid special attention to this race wherever opportunity offered in which I have distributed over 5000 spelling books. I love the work and these people and would feel honored by having an opportunity of assisting in this work. If you need my humble services in any part of the work I am at your service. I send you such testimonials as I have at hand that you can use if my services are needed.

I have not yet had an opportunity of seeing Gen Gregory. The Colored folks of San Antonio have organized a school on their own responsibility. Many negroes have been carried to this state from other Southern States thinking to save them from freedom. But it overtook them even here, and the colored folks are left here to shift for themselves.

Very respectfully yours &c
Randal Ross
Chaplain 16th D.V.V.I.
1st Brig. 3D Div 4th A.C.

P.S. I will be glad to hear from you if convenient.

3036 10/17/1865 *From:* W. E. Boardman

To: Maj Gen O.O. Howard

OOH-2982

334 S 12th St.
Phila

Source: Bowdoin

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334 S 12th St.
Phila Oct 17th 1865

Dear Bro,

The meeting of the American Christian Commission to organize add to its number and enter upon its work, is to be held in the room of the American Board of Commissions for Foreign Missions Bible House, New York at 19 A.M. Wednesday Oct 25th.

The great importance of the meeting renders it highly desirable that every member should be present.

Very respectfully and truly yours,
W. E. Boardman
<Tempay> Secy

Maj Gen O.O. Howard

[Written on the back page, in a different hand.]

Phila. Oct. 17th 1865

Boardman, W.E.

Gives notice of a meeting of the Am. Chris. Com. in New York Oct 25 inst.

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3037 10/18/1865 *From:* Saml. M.
Warrington Jr.
OOH-2983 Wilmington Del.

To: Maj. Gen'l. O.O. Howard

Source: Bowdoin

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Wilmington Del. Oct. 18. 1865

Maj. Gen'l. O.O. Howard,
Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Executive Committee of the Wilmington Institute, a copy of whose annual report is herewith sent, to invite you to deliver one of a course of lectures in this city during the coming season.

Permit me to assure you of a cordial welcome and a warm hospitality, due to your gallant services in the field, and to your <pensive efficient> and <fluceant of efforts>.

I trust that you can reply naming time and terms, will signify your acceptance.

Very Truly Yours,
Saml. M. Warrington Jr.
Chm'n Lect Com.

3038 10/19/1865 *From:* Calvin Holley

To: Major General [OO]
Howard,

OOH-2984A

Vicksburg, Miss

Source: Bowdoin

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Vicksburg, Miss, Oct, 19th 1865
Sir Major, General, Howard,

I wish to ask your advice in regard to getting up a Colored Bank or place of safety where, col. people can deposit their money so they can have something to fall back upon on case of need.

And we want to get the privilege to manage this thing ourselves.

We are thankful fo our friends for all they have done for us and Still ask their cooperation to help us get those rights we need to protect our person and property, and we do believe that our interest is best Secured when we can help manage and manage our own business.

You will please suggest the best place to form Such an association, I have written to Chief Justice Chase, and Secretary Stanton in reguarde to the matter you will please consult, and if it meets your approbation you will please give me an anseer as soon as convenient

Calvin Holley, of Shelby Co O. Privte on detch Lut at Col Thomas hed. qur. address Vicks. Miss Box 2d C.
Holley.

Your most Respectfully,

[Enclosed was a letter to Mr Stanton, dated Oct 19, 1865.]

3039 10/19/1865 *From:* Calvin Holley

To: Mr. [Edwin] Stanton

OOH-2984B

Vicksburg, Miss

Source: Bowdoin

[This letter was enclosed in a letter to OO Howard, dated Oct 19, 1865.]

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Vicksburg, Miss, Oct 19th 1865.

Sir, Mr. [Edwin] Stanton,

I wish to ask your advice, in regard to getting up a Colored Bank, or place of Safety where Col. people can deposit their money, So they can have Something to fall back upon in case of need.

And we want to get the privilege to manage this thing ourselves.

We are thankful to our friends for all they have done for us, and Still ask their cooperation to help us get all those rights, we so much stand in need of to protect our person and property, and we do believe that our interest is best secured when we can help to manage and manage our own business.

You will please suggest the best place to form Such an association. I would suggest Vicks. Miss. If it meets your approbation, Calvin Holley, of Shelby Co. O. privt, on detch, Leut. at Col Thomas head qur. I have written to Chief Justice Chase and General Howard concerning this matter you will please consult, and give me an anseer as soon as convenient.

And dress, Vicksburg, Miss.

Box 2d C. Holley,

Yours most Respectfully

[Written sideways on the last page, in a different hand.]

Vicksburg Miss

Oct. 19, 1865

C. Holly

Writes respecting the organizing of a Bank in Miss. to be exclusively managed, and controlled by col'd persons.

H. 2347 Nov. 2nd/65

Freed. Bureau

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3040 10/19/1865 *From:* Jno D Myrick

To: Major Gen O O Howard

OOH-2985

Norfolk Va

Source: Bowdoin

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Norfolk Va
Oct 19th 65

Major Gen O O Howard
My Dear Sir

I recd my pardon this morning –and permit me to return my many thanks for the kindness you extended to me. If you should want any thing done in the South that I can attend to for you I will do it with great pleasure. Again I return you my many thanks. One of your staff I saw in N York, & he says he will accompany me to Florida this winter. I would be pleased to have the pleasure of your company.

I am Gen.
Vy Resly
Jno D Myrick

[Written on the back side, in a different hand.]

Norfolk Va
19th October
Myrick J.D.
Letter of thanks.
Recd Oct 23rd 1865
Ans. Nov 24

3041 10/19/1865 *From:* William Whaley

To: General [OO] Howard

OOH-2986

99 Broad Street
Charleston

Source: Bowdoin

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99 Broad Street
Thursday 19 Oct [1865]

General

I have the honor to acknowledge your informing me of your intention to restore the lands upon the terms agreed upon. I trust that full justice will always be done to the people by the Land owners, and that you will never have cause to regret it. With many thanks for kind consideration.

I am your faithfully
William Whaley

General Howard

[Written on the back page, in a different hand.]

Charleston Oct 19th / 65
Whaley, William

Acknowledges receipt of Genl Howards communication informing him of the intention to restore the Sea Islands.

3042 10/22/1865 *From:* Jno D. Myrick

To: Maj Gen O O Howard

OOH-2987

Norfolk Va.

Source: Bowdoin

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Norfolk Va.
Oct. 22nd 65

Maj Gen O O Howard
Gen.

I have arrived at the point my book, which I will publish in a month or so. Where I am discussing the Slavery Question, you will recollect I spoke to you when I was in Washington, & you recommend that there should be a meeting of delegates of all the Southern States, who should meet at some place to discuss, & consider the question. What place do you recommend? Richmond, Montgomery or Columbia? In speaking of the convention shall I make it as a suggestion from you? Or myself. I would rather use your name in this question. It will have more influence? Write me your view if you please in order that we may agree.

I am General
Most Resply
Your obt svt
Jno D. Myrick

P.S. Let me use your name. I will not in any way commit you. For your <sentiments> mine on the <> agree in full.

[Written sideways on the back page in a different hand.]
Norfolk Oct 22 1865
Myrick, John D.
Concerning a convention to settle the labor question.
Recd Oct 23rd 1865
Ansd Nov 24 1865

3044 10/23/1865 *From:* Alfred T. Goodman *To:* Gen. [OO] Howard

OOH-2988

Hon W. H. Miller,
M.C.Harrisburg, Pa.

Source: Bowdoin

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Harrisburg, Pa.
October 23, 1865

My dear Sir,

I am directed to write and ask whether your engagements are such as will permit you to favor the citizens of Harrisburg with a lecture or address during the coming season. We are endeavoring to inaugurate a course of lectures, and our people would be delighted to hear you. I have no doubt you would enjoy a visit to our State Capitol. The proceeds of our lectures are to be applied to benevolent objects. Please have the kindness to favor me with an early reply, stating what evening either in Nov'r, Dec'r or January you can be with us –also your terms, subject &c.

Hoping to receive your favorable answer, I remain
Very truly a friend
Alfred T. Goodman

Address
Care Hon W. H. Miller, M.C.
Harrisburg, Pa

Gen. Howard

[Written on the last page, in a different hand.]

Harrisburg Pa
Oct. 23 / 65
Goodman, A.T.

Inquires if Genl Howard can lecture in that place during the coming season.

3045 10/23/1865 *From:* Esther Graves

To: Maj. Gen. [OO] Howard

OOH-2989

Barnwell Island Box 74
Beaufort SC.

Source: Bowdoin

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Barnwell Island Oct 23d 1865

Maj. Gen. Howard

Having the honor to address you asking a favor. Your staff has made appropriation for army nurses. I wish to apply for my services, as I left the hospital impaired in health & low in purse. If you can conscientiously give a testimonial in my favor, I would esteem it a great kindness.

I will state I was in hospital different kinds near three years since I left having given what time I could to the soldier.

Yours most respectfully
Esther Graves

Address Box 74 Beaufort SC.

3047 10/27/1865 *From:* Wm. H. Morris

To: Gen O.O. Howard

OOH-2990

No 50 Public Square
Cleveland Ohio

Source: Bowdoin

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Cleveland, Oct 27th 65

Gen O.O. Howard
Dear Sir

I am requested by the Freedmans Aid Society (Colord) to correspond with you extending an invitation to Lecture during the Season and if favourable about what time and upon what terms, our object is to send clothing and Teachers among our destitute Bretherin in the South hoping a favourable reply,

I am Dear Sir

Yours truly
Wm. H. Morris

No 50 Public Square
Cleveland Ohio

[Written on the back page, in a different hand.]

Cleveland, Oct 27 65

Morris, Wm H.

Invites Genl. Howard to lecture in that place.

Recd Oct 30th 1865

3048 10/27/1865 *From:* H.W. Cobb

To: Maj. Gen. [OO] Howard

OOH-2991

Chicago

Source: Bowdoin

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Office A. U. Comn. 90 Washington St.
Chicago Oct 27th / 65

Maj. Gen. Howard
Dear Sir

When you were in Chicago, perhaps you will recollect we talked with you about returning Refugees to their homes in the South. Your answer was something to this effect. If we should have any of that class who could be cared for at their old homes, you would secure a gratuitous passage for them. We have one family of that class, a widow with three children, she formally lived in Chesterfield County South Carolina, near Society Hill.

Will you please send the "Pass" on immediately so the Family can return before cold weather sets in, name, "Mrs Rebecca Winburn, & three children."

One thing more. We are in receipt of letters from Arkansas almost every week saying the Refugees of which there is about 2700 and all the Union Soldiers families in five counties and perhaps more, will perish for want of food and clothing unless the North West sends with a liberal hand. Can you secure Government transportation for Boxes of Clothing, and large quantities of wheat, corn &c. we find it hard work, to rouse up the northern people to noble deed of charity, after having done so much during the War, for our Soldiers, now the War is ended, and excitement died away, We as a people feel like lying down and resting awhile, therefore the slowness to take hold of new enterprises, or even caring for the poor & need of another State, but we hope to stimulate them to good works and not shut their ears to the cry of the perishing.

Please be particular about the Transportation matter,

Yours Truly
Mr. H.W. Cobb Cor. Sec'y

[Written on the last page, in a different hand.]
Chicago Oct 27, 1865
Cobb, H.W.
Cor. Secy. Am. U. Com.
Asks for transportation for Loyal refugees.
Rec Oct. 20, 1865
Ansd Oct 31 / 1865

3049 10/28/1865 *From:* G. Weitzel

To: Maj. Genl. O.O. Howard

Maj. Genl.

OOH-2992

Headquarters Twenty-fifth Army Corps,
In the field, Texas

Superintendent of
Freedmen's Bureau
Washington City
D.C.

Source: Bowdoin

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Headquarters Twenty-fifth Army Corps,
In the field, Texas Oct 28th 1865

My dear General

Col. and Bvt Brig General Samuel C. Armstrong is very desirous to be placed on duty in your bureau and assigned to duty in South Carolina if possible.

He is the finest colonel I have in my corps, but his regiment is mustered out. He is in addition a most accomplished scholar and gentleman, whose whole heart and soul is interested in the welfare of the colored race.

He will be a valuable acquisition to your bureau if appointed.

I hope that he will be. With sincere regards

I am, Truly Yours
G. Weitzel [USMA, Class of 1855]
Maj. Genl.

Maj. Genl. O.O. Howard
U.S. Army
Superintendent of Freedmen's Bureau
Washington City
D.C.

[Written on the last page, in a different hand.]

In the Field, Texas

Dec 22nd 1865

Weitzel, G.

Maj. Genl.

Recommends for a position in the Bureau –Col. & Brevet Brig. Genl. Saml. C. Armstrong

3050 10/28/1865 *From:* Otto Botticher

To: Major General O.O.
Howard

OOH-2993

No. 458 Broadway
Room No. 3
New York

Chief of the Freedmen
Bureau
Washington D.C.

Source: Bowdoin

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No. 458 Broadway Room No. 3
New York October 28th 1865.

Major General O.O. Howard
Chief of the Freedmen Bureau
Washington D.C.
Sir!

I ask hereby to present to you a copy of my historical picture of

“ Sherman at Savannah Ga”

When I at the same time avail myself of the opportunity to say with pride, that I served under you at Gettysburgh and at Missionary Ridge, the spirit will be better understood, that moved me in the composition of the work hereby enclosed.

I have the honor, to remain
the Major Generals
devoted Soldier & obedient servant
Otto Botticher
Bt. Lt. Col. N.Y. Vol.

3052 10/30/1865 *From:* Mrs R. N. Hallowell

To: Major General [OO]
Howard

OOH-2994

Sentry Fancy Depot
2121 Arch St
Phil.

Source: Bowdoin

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Major General Howard
Sir

If it accords with your views to forward a few of your autographs for the benefit of the Great Fair, the favor will be most Thankfully received and ever cherished with the most grateful remembrance.

Very respectfully
Mrs R. N. Hallowell
Sentry Fancy Depot
2121 Arch St
Phil. Oct 30, 1865

[Transcription of the attached newspaper clipping.]

The Great Fair for the Soldiers and Sailors Home, RACE and CROWN Streets to be held at the Academy of Music, October 23, 1865. The Chairman of the Fancy Department, assisted by a number of Ladies of the Pennsylvania Relief Association, earnestly solicit contributions in Money or Fancy Articles, which may be sent to the following addresses:-

Mrs. M. Hallowell, No. 2121 Arch street.

Mrs. David Weatherby, No. 150 N. Twentieth street.

Mrs. Wm. B. Webb, Tenth and Spring Garden sts.

Mrs. J. Canby, No. 806 Cherry street,

Mrs Henry J. Morris,

Mrs. JOHN CARROW, Chairman of Fancy Department, No. 2015 ARCH street.