Charleston, Feb 25th 1866

Genl O.C. Howard

Genl

At the close of the labours of this Lords day, just after returning tonight from preaching to a large congregation of winter stout men, it has occurred tome to enquire in a perfunctory manner of the proceedings of the Protestant Episcopal Diocesan Convention of South Carolina. You may not have seen it, it is part of the history of these times, do any understand the present activist letter. Can any do more. This Church represents the influence of this State, and that it is in earnest. The Committee where the Whole Matter has been referred. Guaranty Rev. C.C. Pinckney Jr Rev. C. P. Gadsden Rev. A. T. Parker Mr George A. Bunche Mr Jno C. Bee Mr E L Kemisse. Though one of the I say these gentlemen never take hold lightly or decentfully of any thing.
The intends to pay at once. The School under the auspices of the Church has been established by the Congregations of colored people in this city. This food and purpose to send from this city. God help the influence in this matter that will fall to the end of the land.

I have thought it would be pleasant for you to see this. Have you heard anything of my friend W. W. Bryan. Have not heard from him for some time. If not objectionable to you may they give you a letter addressed to me stating what you know of my connection with W. W. Bryan. I have been sent out by the Bishop on different missions for the Church and the letter from you would be very helpful. I have written you to let you know by what makes good fortune in some quarters. As a Christian man I feel assured you are willing to further the work of Christ. If very pleased with your cause I am respectfully yours,

R. Torrey Porter, Rector of
The Holy Communion Church巡校
St. Louis, Feb'y 26th, 1866.

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

My Dear Gentleman,

I shall have a wish seen yours address'd to me, and to you, come to hand after being a month on its way—I should have received on receipt but at the time was sick—now I can assure you it is a pleasure to thank you. Though I fully appreciate the kindness it its value, so seldom have I asked for such I am at a loss to know how to properly acknowledge but what this feeling is...
you are the recipient

should I in the end be

unsuccessful, remembering
this, I shall still feel my
service has not been without
value. I appreciate

all our people are
usually well I believe but
no news. Again thanking you

I remain with respect

Your best etc.

W. Dayton

A.L.
Richmond, Va., Feb. 26, 1866.

Major Gen. O.O. Howard,
Commissioner General.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the order
ordering Capt. C.B. Wilder
and beg leave to state
that I have not an officer of sufficient ability
to take his place except
Lt. Col. Mallory and the
(Col. M) says the world
would resign before he would
accept my resignation as
but Capt. B.M. is relied on this other—
do not know of
a man capable. Then
would take the place
and hold it with
Capt. M—living as
For Monroe (as he will request and make his home there) 
Bt Capt. Ltle W. H. 
W. Beadle who is now 
on duty with Col. Witting 
is represented as being a 
suitable man for the 
place. Please send 
him to me or some 
other man strong enough 
to fill the position 
and confer a lasting 
obligation on 

Yrs. 
O. Brown 
ACDA So. Con
Bu. Ref. Pudumon, W.C.,
Richmond, Va.,
July 26, 1866

Brown, Capt., 3d U.S. S. N.

Acknowledges receipt of
order for relief of Capt. C.
R. Wilder.
American Missionary Association,
No. 61 John Street,
New York, Feb. 24, 1866.

Rev. J. H. Atwood,
Washington, D.C.,

Dear Sir,

Your favor of the 22nd was received Saturday. I take the first opportunity to reply.

Without endorsing your topic exactly, we will have the matter arranged with the Am. Bible Society, as Genl. Superint. Howard is being understood to do. It is a matter of a few minutes labor given to us, shall not be cut down below fifteen or twenty. I will notify Dr. Taylor.

I hope to be at Washington this week.

Yours truly,

E. Whipple
Raleigh Feb. 27, 1866

Dear General,

Being alone and at leisure this evening I propose to trouble you with a private letter. Like all the rest of the world I presume you have been stirred up a little by the veto. The people here are agitated. They seem to think our occupation is gone. But I have not so regarded it. The new bill as I told you would not have changed my mode of operations (except for the worse in discontinuing my four general district's making all the subdistricts directly subject to my orders). It contemplated furnishing large means, but that can be done under the present law when the appropriation bill comes up.

On the whole we have not lost much
except the morale of having the President's approval. That indeed is something, but we can do very well yet, if Congress will insist on keeping a sufficient military force here. The chief immediate danger is in a new Proclamation of Peace restoring the privilege of habeas corpus. Without martial law we can do nothing. It will be impossible to try any criminal by military commission. If you have any influence with the President I hope you will use it just here, for without martial law, I do not see how one of your own officers can be protected in the discharge of his duties.

Our N. C. Legislature has discussed the Negro testimony bill, a one hour has passed it, will the proviso that it shall not go into effect until jurisdiction over freedmen is fully committed to civil courts.
The proviso swallows the whole bill. I am having a new circular printed on that and other topics, which I have talked over with General Ruger.

I have matured & begun to put in practice a plan for getting all the dependents out of towns upon farms, where they can partly at least earn their support. If I had meant I would buy the farms, sell off lots from time to time, as it is, I can only rent. My great difficulty will be to get mules & horses, and forage.

I shall send you an official paper requesting you to get authority from the Sec. of War to give or sell to certain societies some of the fort buildings, to be fitted up for school houses. The people of Enfield for instance apply for a building in Weldon, which they will
move and rebuild at their own expense. They have the money raised, and are now patient to begin the work. The Friends of Phil. are willing to buy lots in several places, and put the buildings upon them; we can give them a title to the property; but they are not willing to repair said buildings which may at any time be sold as Lots on the property.

I intended to write only a personal and friendly letter, but I am running into business. I do not wish you to feel that I am disheartened in the least by the unfavorable aspect of the times. We have already done more than we hoped for, the good work will go on. I see that your lecture was everywhere well received, & I think it has done good. My regards to Mrs. & Chas. & all the rest.

Most Sincerely Yours

E. Whipple

Maj. Gen. C. C. Howard
My dear General:

This will be soon you by

the C. J. Hamblin, the pioneer teacher of

Texas, who was a college acquaintance of an

and a fellow worker with me in the West.

I think he will be able to tell you something

of Texas affairs. Try him for the moment, at any

case. I go west tomorrow for 3 or 4 weeks.

 Yours — Shipstead.
Office Special Agent Treasury Department
Alexandria, Va. February 27, 1866

Major General O. O. Howard
Commissioner of Freedmen, Refugees & Abandoned Lands
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

A few days since my friend Judge Underwood of the United States Court presented to you a petition from Francis H. Waymouth of this city for a position in your Department. I have been acquainted with Mr. Waymouth some time and believe him to be a true loyal man. I know also that the colored people of this city took upon him very favorably. If you can give him a position in your Department I think you will confer a favor on the loyal men of this city and advance the interest and welfare of the colored race. Mr. Waymouth has a very amiable Christian wife, a lady from Maine, who from all I now know would be a very efficient and valuable assistant to him in his labors among this class of people.

I, O. O. General

Yours Very Respectfully,

William Silvey
Dear Guild,

Our Prayer Meeting for Colleges will be held at the Columbian Col Law Building on 5th St. on Thursday Eve. and 2 11 22.

You will be able to add to the interest of the Meeting by your presence and words.
I am not sure we have shall have a large meeting so far as numbers, but trust it will be a good and profitable one.

Your friend,

[Signature]
Washington Feb 27th 1866

Drake

Prayer-meeting Thursday evening at Col College Law Building for workers

[Signature]

Read Feb 28th 1866
Dear Mr. Howard,

By report in N[ew] E[ngland] I noticed that you were present as a lecturer. It calls for Mr. Douglass. What lecture he more occasion to speak with disrespect, if our President, you have State officers. How can I an act of your remaining quiet, a minister, or you Governor? you know his much could nor have been said against Mr. Lincoln by a white man and that Negro, I throw out. An old Cap[ital] with a Negro is allowed to. What a white man must be punished for. I am a man of such men as [a Nep] Chas. W. Kelley & Joe Toth & that Mr. bur. I am astonished at your being present & concern evr.
Anonymous, 

Complaining that God, 
Howard listened in silence to language of 
Fred, Douglass, 

Read Mar. 14th 1863.