My dear Sir

I received your letter of June by Mr Porter. There will be no difficulty in raising a few shoes of the size he requires here if we can get the proper machinery or tools.

I have applied to the Freedmen's aid to consider later it. but while they unanimously favor it they hesitate as to the propriety of a General association as theirs lending special aid to a sectarian work. I have sent Mr Porter to have a free talk with them on Monday afternoon at their office and if you can come to any of your friends in that soc'y. so as to reach Monday morning it will help him much & I shall do what I can to aid him.

I shall be pleased to hear that Mr H. is once more free from trouble

Yours truly

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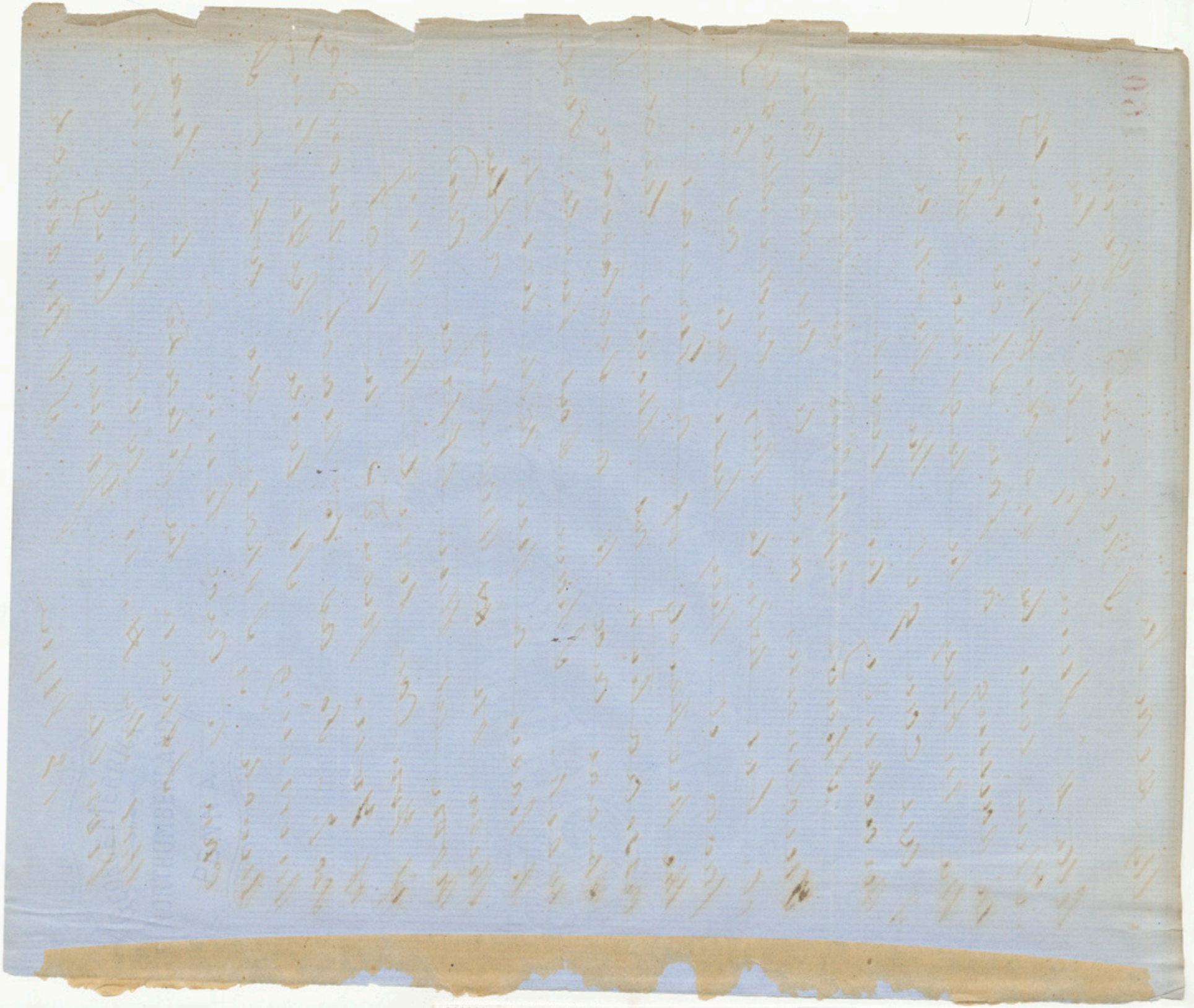

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR FREEDMEN.—On last Sabbath a Sunday school for the Freedmen was organized at the Baptist church in this place, with over eighty scholars. Some of our best citizens and first ladies of the place are teachers in it. We understand that similar movements are contemplated by the other churches of the city.

Washington D. C.
June 13th 1866

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
Comr. Bu. F., R & A Lands

Sir

Enclosed I send you a slip taken from the Rome Courier, a paper published in the city of Rome Ga; for two purposes; first as an evidence of a gratifying change of Public sentiments, and secondly, to ask your assistance in obtaining for the colored people in the District I am from, some forty or fifty Sunday School Libraries to be distributed in the Counties of Dekalb, Fulton Cobb, Cass, Cherokee, Gordon, Polk, Floyd, Chattooga, Walker, Dade, Catoosa, Whitfield and Murray. If the Bureau over which you preside do not furnish such Books, will you aid me in obtaining them from Christian Publication societies! The colored people have not the

means to pay for Libraries, neither have their white friends in the Counties named, this being the section of Georgia so completely devastated by the armies of Sherman and Johnson in the many and bloody battles for the possession of Atlanta.

Very respectfully your
obedient servant,
Wm. J. Wofford

Bureau R. F. and A. Lands
Richmond Va
15th June 1866

Major Genl O. O. Howard
Commissioner B.R.F. & A.L.
Washington D.C.

General

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 21st ult., and in compliance with your instructions respectfully forward you the papers pertaining to my Brevet appointment with the endorsement of Bvt Brig Genl O. Brown, which I trust will meet with your favorable consideration.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servant
Brig. Genl. Clerk
2nd Lt. 24th U.S.C.
and Asst Supt 3rd Dist Va
Bureau R.F. and A.L.

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Richmond, June 13th 1866.

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Cook, Benj. C.

2nd Lieut. & Asst. Supt. &c.

Transmits papers relative to his Brevet appointment.

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Washington, 13th June, 1866. 150

Major Genl. O. O. Howard,
Commissioner of the Bureau of
Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands:

Dear Sir:

I enclose a petition for the establishment of a Public Park near the cities of Washington and Georgetown.

If you approve the object, please cause it to be placed where it may be signed by those whom you know and cause it to be presented to Congress by some member of the House or Senate, or return it to me to be transmitted to the Chairman of the Committee on the District of Columbia.

I am, Very respectfully,
Your Obt. servant,
M Mannings

Inclosure

Washington DC
June 13th 1866.

Meigs. M.C.
Louisville.

Encloses petition for a public Park.

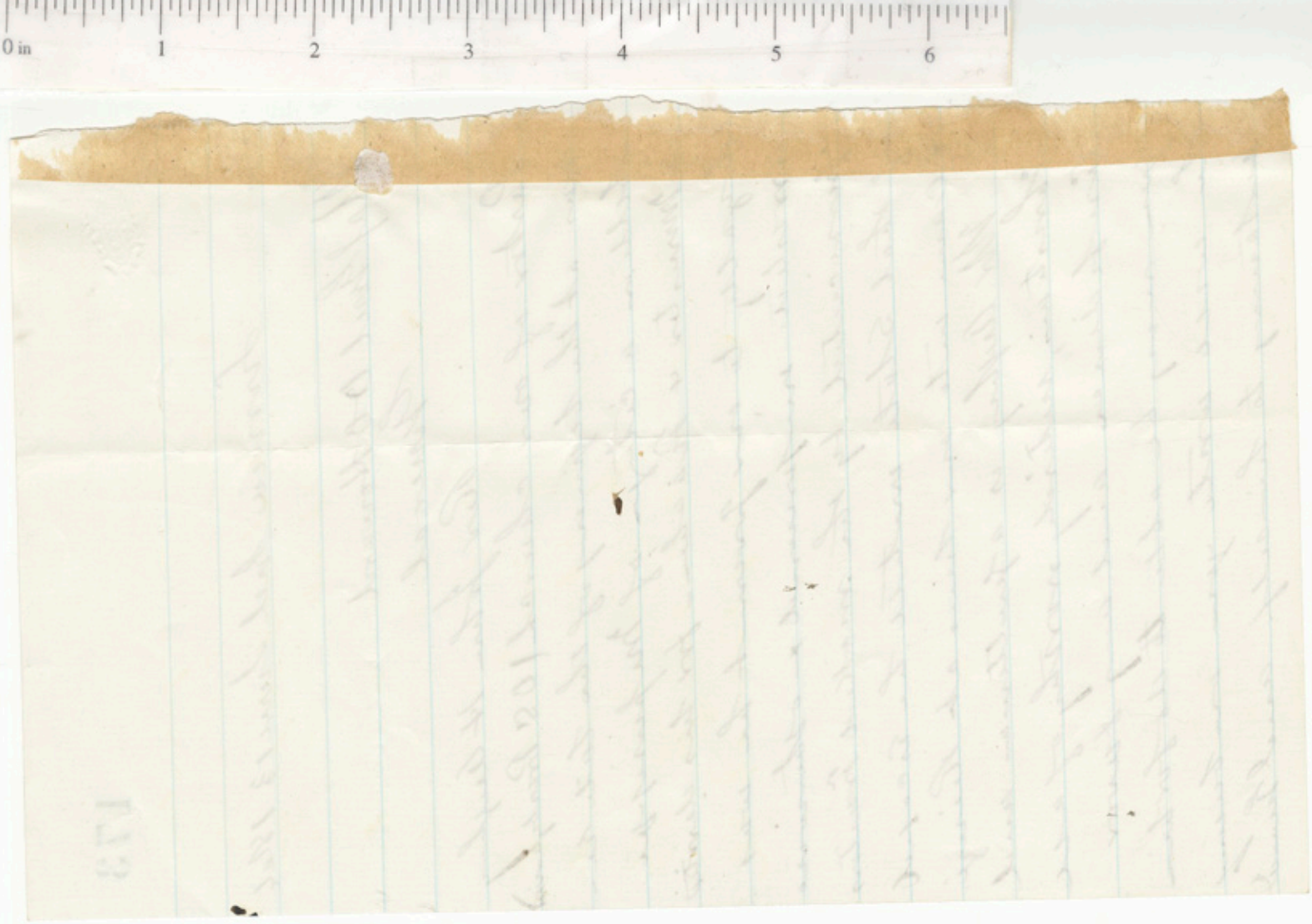
Recd June 13th 1866

Lowell Ind June 13 1864

Maj Genl O O Howard
General

Rev John H Ansley
Pastor of our church (O S Presbyterian)
was at the beginning of the late re-
-bellion a citizen of Mississippi
a Minister & Teacher - for his decided
loyalty to our government he was
arrested imprisoned & otherwise
persecuted by the wicked traitors
of that State until he escaped
& came into our lines at Corinth.

Mr Ansley is a gentleman and
Christian, entirely worthy of all
confidence and any favor
you may be able to do for him
he will write you on business
pertaining to himself. and Remain



presuming upon my acquaintance
with you. formed while under
your Command I write to you in
his behalf & respect for him in
favorable consideration & action
&c I am Dear General with
the highest regard

Truly Your Friend and
Most obt Servant
Nathan Kimball
Late Brvt Maj Genl vol
& Comdg 1st Divn 4th C.

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Tract House, 28 Cornhill,

Boston, June 13, 1866

Maj. Gen. Howard
Com. Freedmen's Bureau
My dear Sir,

Have you seen the little book published by us from the pen of Gen Fisk, entitled "Plain Counsels for Freedmen"? I think it admirably adapted to this use.

It has occurred to me that if you have the needed time you might also prepare some thing which would be of great value to those people. Your intimate knowledge of their circumstances and wants would enable you to speak intelligently, and your name will carry with it more weight than probably any other living man's. We should be exceedingly pleased to publish any such work that

you might prepare in such style as you would prefer, and furnish large quantities for distribution by you.

You have seen our school books I believe. We have heard intimations in a few cases that we have not done well in calling them "Freedman's Readers"; that they do not like the idea of having any thing made for them as a class, but want just the same sort of books as the white people. Now, dear Sir, please inform me how much there is in this. We can change the title if necessary. What would you think of our calling them the "Lincoln Readers", the Lincoln Spelling Book, in honor of the great & good friend of the colored people? Or can you make any other suggestion which will help us make our books more acceptable & useful.

Pardon me for troubling you in this matter & believe me

Most respectfully & cordially yours,

J. P. Warren, &c

Parkersburg W Va June 13th 66

Gen. O. O. Howard. Chief of
Freedmen's Bureau Washington D. C.

My dear Sir

I am preparing a pamphlet, subject Negro Education, and any information as to the number of schools for freedmen, pupils in attendance, provision in the late rebelling state for the instruction of colored children and any remarks you would be pleased to make in furtherance of the subject will be thankfully received.

Hon. J. A. Plants of the House from Ohio is well acquainted with me.

Hoping to hear from you soon I am truly your obt servt

J. J. Ferguson

Lathrop, Ludington & Co.
325, 327 & 330 BROADWAY.

New York June 13th 1864

Maj. Genl O. O. Howard
U.S.A
Washington
D.C.

My dear Sir

You will probably remember a few days ago when going up the river to attend the funeral of Genl Scott, being spoken to by delegates of the "Brooklyn Young Men's Christian Association" en route for the Albany convention & on whose behalf I have now the honour to address you. Our association is very desirous of having a lecture from you during the fall say in Oct. or later if more convenient for you, at the Academy of Music, As this building promises to be much in demand & we are about arranging for a course of lectures I will esteem it a favour

if you will write me as early as convenient advising me if you will find it agreeable to comply with our wishes. Be kind enough should you able to favour us with a lecture, to designate more than one date so that should our Academy be engaged for the first Evening we may get it on some other one.

With much respect
Yours Sincerely
Wm Selzall
Cor. Secty.

Please address me Redyork
R.D. Box 1444.

New York June 13 1866

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Delivers Rev. Howard
Lecture in Brooklyn
next.

Recd. June 14th. 1866.

Middlesex Mechanics Association.

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Incorporated 1825.

Lowell, Mass., June 14, 1866.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir:

It affords me pleasure to inform you that the Lecture Committee of the Middlesex Mechanics Association have unanimously voted to instruct their Corresponding Secretary to invite you to speak in a course of lectures to be given under the auspices of the Association, commencing about the first of November next. The Committee sincerely hope you will find it desirable and convenient to accept this invitation; and may I ask your early attention to the matter, as it is quite necessary to complete the list of speakers at an early day in the season? In communicating with me, be good enough to name terms, subject of lecture (if possible), and also in what month you will be most likely to come North, if remaining in Washington next season. Very respectfully yours,

L. E. Stone, Sect.