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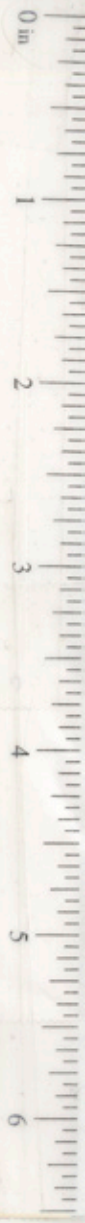
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Dear General,

The writer of
the enclosed is one
of the clerks of the
Independent — a
poor & irresponsible
journalist. I trust
that you will be

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My dear General,
The water of
the brook is one
of the best of the
sublimated - a
hope to replace the
lost lemon.
I will be
at your



all to gratify
the Congregationalists
of Boston by
giving the lecture
which you are
solicited for.

Ever yours,

Wm. Tilton

My dear Mr. Garrison
 I have just received
 your letter of the 17th

and am very glad to hear
 that you are
 so interested in the cause.

Yours very truly,
 Wm. Lloyd Garrison

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 1866.

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Dear Sir:—You are aware of the efforts being made to establish a "Congregational Church" at the Capital of the Nation, and understand how anxious the friends of freedom and progress are to proceed immediately with the work.

We have a good Pastor, fearless in the preaching of the Gospel, and faithful in its application to passing events.

The enterprise is regarded as being entirely beyond mere denominational and local importance; for we are anxious to meet the wants, not only of those who sojourn here, being citizens of all the States, but also of strangers, who visit the Capital at stated periods and during the sessions of Congress.

Our plans are matured. The site for a church edifice is purchased at a cost of \$23,000.—The American Congregational Union have paid for the same \$13,500, and the title is in Trustees, appointed by them. The house will cost about \$65,000. We have a large congregation, but they are of limited means, living on fixed salaries in an expensive city.

Will you look upon our enterprise in a National and philanthropic point of view, as well as with an earnest christian heart, for the good of our cause and progress of Christ's Kingdom?

Remembering how much darkness has already been uplifted, and what great encouragement we have, in rapid progress of events, to go forward, *will you aid us*, and commend our enterprise to the christian brethren of your neighborhood?

We appeal for aid to hold this strategic point, for a free exposition and application of Gospel truth, and to supplement every other christian effort that is being made to extend a free Gospel to regions beyond us.

We feel that there is *here* opened an "effective door" to Christian evangelization farther south, where heretofore our denomination has not been able to enter.

We make this earnest *appeal*, and trust that the Great Head of the Church will crown it with success, by adding His blessing.

In the bonds of a Christian fellowship we are

Very truly,

O. O. Brown
J. C. Pomeroy
H. A. Newton
Committee Ways and Means.

General, Howard Respected Sir.
I return this request with a trifle.
We have just sent ~~500~~ 1000 to Portland
and I find none who think they can do
any thing for your object.

But Sir, can nothing be done to
bring to just punishment those
southern murderers and tormentors
of the colored people.

A word to Congress. The north think
ought not adjourn at this critical
juncture by no means.

Further I and Sir cannot Congress
or some authority put a stop the sin
and the suffering, produced by distil-
ling such enormous quantities of
grain in to poison ~~10~~ 14,000,
here for flesh.

Yours truly

A Manning

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We
to aid
city

East Concord N. H. July 6. 60.

We the ^{subscribers} give as a donation the sum affixed to our names
to aid in building a Congregational Meetinghouse in
city of Washington.

Abel Manning & Co.

East Cornwall N. H.
July 1844

My dear Abel

Return Circular with a
contribution of \$200 &.

Yours

Received July 30th 1844

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My dear friend

The bearer of
this note Lucy Forbes,
is a most excellent indus-
trious woman, who owing
to the ruin of her Masters
property in the War, has
been obliged to leave ~~them~~ ^{him}
& is very anxious to rent
a little place in the
country for herself.

The yearly rent is only
twenty five dollars, but
she cannot rent it unless

She is a capital cook & pickler & preserve
we & could support herself if on
State's family -

Sincerely friend

Virginia A. Taylor

Secretary Org.

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she has something to deposit
its gift. I saw a large
sum had been appropria-
ted to the Freedman's
Bureau & thought she
might possibly have a
claim to some assistance
from it. Her son was in
the Army, during a
great part of the war -
& I think from misman-
agement & ignorance on
his part has not re-
ceived his proper pay -

I shall feel personally
obliged, if you can give
my poor old friend any
advice, that will benefit
her -

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the last something to do
its first I saw a large
one had been apprehensive
to the agreement
business & thought the
might possibly have a
claim to that substance
from it. The one was in
the house, showing a
great part of the house
I think from that man
agreement & appearance in
his part the last to
receive his proper pay-
I shall feel personally
obliged if you can give
any part the present any
thing, that will benefit

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Headquarters, State of South Carolina,

Charleston, S. C., July 1st 1866.

Major Gen. O. O. Howard,

Commissioner B. B. Frazar

General

As Dr DeWitt has just
gotten Orders to go to Washington
and transact some Bureau Business
I will drop you a few lines
In the first place there is a
strong disposition on the part
of some of the military to get
rid of Dr DeWitt, and no one
knows better than you do the
loss that he would be to the
Bureau, which he has fought for
through thick and through thin

and he has managed the
affairs of his department with
marked ability, I sincerely
hope he may be retained,

We are at present looking
anxiously for some order which
will define clearly whom we
are to obey in regard to Bureau
measures, the tone of the "Regular"
is so hostile to the Bureau that
I am fearful that if the
Military are to have the control
our usefulness has "gone up".
The destitution in the upper portion
of the State is reported as
fearful, and I think something
should be done to relieve the suffering
both of the White and Colored
population.

Dr De Witt is waiting so I must
close

I am General

Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servant

J W Smith
Pres Secy & Co

General Scott has the unbounded
Confidence of all the people he
is so honest and straightforward
J W S

Charlotte D. D.

July 12th 1866.

Friend W. W.
Post St. G. 1, 10 St. G. 1
St. G. 1. St. G. 1. St. G. 1.

Concerning the relation
in the Bureau of St. G. 1
the office of the Bureau
generally in St. G. 1

REV. GEO. WHIFFLE, } Sec's.
REV. M. E. STRICKY, }
W. E. WHITING, Asst. Treas.

American Missionary Association,
No. 61 JOHN STREET,

New-York, July 2, 1866

Gen. O. O. Howard

Com. Bureau Re. F. & A. Lands.

Dear Sir

Enclosed I send
you a letter rec'd this day from
Col. Whittier; and the letter
from you, to which he refers.

I do not feel at liberty
to forward it without your
consent, altho I should be
glad to favor Col. W.

If you are willing that
he should use it, please
enclose it in the envelope
and have it mailed to him.

Yours truly,
Geo. Whipple
C. W. H.

ALL NOVEL LETTERS, AND LETTERS, EXCEPTED PACKAGES OR CLOTHING, &c., SHOULD BE REFERRED TO
H. K. WHITING, 61 JOHN STREET, NEW YORK.

American Missionary Association

No. 61 JOHN STREET,

Rev. Geo. W. Whitwell,
Rev. M. K. Stewart,
W. E. Whitman, and others.

Dear Sirs,
New York, July 2, 1856

Rev. O. C. Johnson

Rev. Johnson, Dr. R. A. Johnson.

Dear Sirs

(Enclosed) I have

given in letters are the very best
of Mr. Whitwell; and the letter
from you, to which he refers.
We most feel at liberty

to forward it without your
consent, as the I should be
glad to favor Mr. W.

If you are willing that
in which we it, please
include it in the envelope
and have it mailed to him.

Yours truly
Rev. W. Whitwell
Rev. M. K.

National
Winning County Bank.

J. H. DARLING, President.
J. HARRISON-BARNES, Cashier. }

Warsaw, July 2 1866

Gen. O O Howard

Dear Sir

Your letter was
received in regard to a collection
for Congl Ch. at Washington. by the
Pastor of the Congl Ch. of this place,
and enclosed you will find Draft
for the amount of Col. taken yesterday.
It would have been larger but for the
reason that we are to lay the corner
stone this week of a new Ch. edifice
costing without the site \$20,000 which
we are determined shall not be
dedicated until it is paid for.

We are glad that you are going
to build and you have our
best wishes & prayers for success.

Yours Truly
J. H. Darling Jr.
Congl Church

I feel no hesitation in
assuring you that
it shall be equal
to that of ^{the Pres. of} Amherst,
Bowdoin, Dartmouth,
Williams, or Yale. I
do not think it would
be right to ask you
to become our Pres.
on any other con-
dition.

II. The higher mo-
tives.

1. Your name will be
a tower of strength to
Lincoln College. It
will draw money. It
will draw students.

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Biddeford, Maine,
July 2, 1866.

Major Gen. O. O. Howard,

My dear Bro. Prof.
S. D. Bowker of
Lincoln College
is the bearer of
an important letter
from His Excellency
Gov. Buckingham
by yourself. I presume
he will present it,
ere the week closes.

Therein is sug-
gested for your serious
& Christian Considera-
tion the great question

of your accepting
the Presidency of
that young Institu-
tion. As I have ac-
cepted the Professor-
ship of Ancient
Languages, I feel
the deepest interest
in securing the right
man to preside over
the College.

I regard it as the most
important College that
has been founded at
the West. But you know
all about it, & have
heartily indorsed it.
I will only say that
the lapse of every month
multiplies & intensifies
the arguments for
immediate Endowments
& Equipment. Just as I

soon as the In-
stitution is tolerably
Endowed & ably manned,
the Students will
crowd its halls.

And now comes the
question; Ought you
to become its Pres.
I. The worldly mo-
tives.

1. It is a highly
honorable position.
No one in civil life
is more honorable.
I much rather be
a Woolsey, or a
Hopkins, than a
Senator in Congress.

2. The Salary, though
inferior to what your
position in the Army
Secures, will not
be a pinching one.

Biddeford Maine
July 2nd 1866

Butterfield H. Z.

Relative to the Presidency
of Lincoln College which
is urged upon Genl. Howard.

Recd. July 5. 1866

2. You will have
a vast influence
in shaping the mor-
als, & indirectly,
the fundamental polit-
ical principles of
hosts of young men.
You will have an
influence permeating
the whole valley of
the Missouri.

3. Best of all, you
will be shaping
& training young men
to preach the ever-
lasting Gospel in
those rapidly filling
states. I do not
think ten years
will elapse before
we shall feel

the need of having "The
Topeka Theological
Seminary" joined to
"Lincoln College" as
New Haven Seminary
was added to Yale.

The Seminary at
Chicago will be
too far off.

Now, my good brother,
I hope you will
give these sugges-
tions your pray-
erful consideration.
If the question lies
between this posi-
tion & a post in
the army, I re-
spectfully submit
that you can do
far more good in
Lincoln College
than in the Army.

If the question lies
between this position
& political prefer-
ment, let me hope
that God will give
you the grace to
make a quick
decision in favor
of Lincoln College.

Let me say,
in conclusion, that
it would give me
the profoundest sat-
isfaction to be as-
sociated with you
in the great work
of training young
men for the duties
of life. May
God guide you to a
right conclusion.
Most cordially yrs,
H. L. Butterfield.

Personal

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands.

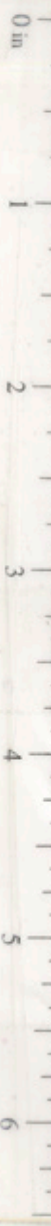
OFFICE ~~AND~~ ASSIST. COMMISSIONER, STATE OF GEORGIA.

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Augusta, Ga., July 2^d 1866.

Dear General

You doubtless have seen the articles in the Tribune reflecting upon your humble servant and may have wondered at the interest taken by the Hon. Haraco in my affairs. I will explain. On the 11th ult I wrote him a letter of one page which so stirred him up that he wrote me in answer - to which I upland an received still another letter from him besides his favorable notices in the Tribune. I may have made a mistake in pulling a "Stump's tail with my own hands" but I enjoy his anger and am perfectly indifferent as to any harm he can do me. To illustrate the temper in which he received the gentle kick I ~~bestowed~~ gave him, let me call your attention to his



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James H. Thompson, Esq.,
Commissioner of the State of Georgia,
Savannah, Ga., July 2nd 1880

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th inst. in relation to the matter of the application of the Georgia Southern & Atlantic Railway Company for a charter to run a line from Savannah to the city of Macon, and in reply to inform you that the same has been referred to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, very truly,
J. H. Thompson

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands.

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Augusta, Ga.,

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articles. The paper calling attention to my card says - "Sue Tillson evades the accusation which he supposes we brought against him" - and "omits any notice of the order turning over all cases where testimony of colored people is admitted to the civil courts." On turning to my card, which is put in an obnoxious portion of the paper, it will be seen that I quote his own words and reply to them direct. Not much evasion or supposition about that. I omitted to mention the order because it has no existence the allusion on the part of the Tribune to such an order being simply disrespectful. In his paper of the 27th ult he says Sue Tillson told the Mayor he was totally opposed to the movement, refusing to the decoration of the graves of our soldiers.

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Augusta, Ga.,

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and gives the ~~Chronicle~~ Sentinel
and Loyal Georgian as authority.
I can prove by the paper
~~and~~ much oath that I never made
such a statement to him - and
by a friend of Bryants who was
present that I did not make
such a statement in the interview
with him B. to which he refers.
I started with the belief that
Bryant was an impracticable but
honest man. The correspondence
with him shows that he is a
bitter and unscrupulous partizan
caring nothing for truth or justice.
Disinterested officers nor on duty in
this state who have examined the
correspondence state that it forces
them to this conclusion. I have
taken the wind out of Bryant's
sail about the 4th of July celebration

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The Mayor very promptly consented
to it and is giving the colored
people aid and assistance as
to get it up to I am also
affording them every assistance in
my power. This is gall and
worm wood to Bryant who hoped
to place me in a false position.
I am yours very truly
Davis Tillam

Wm May Senior
Asst Com

Wm June Oltman
Comr Bureau R.F.A.L.
Washington D.C.

Augusta Ga
July 27 1866.

William Davis
Capt. May, Co. 8, 1st A.C.

Relative hostilities in the
'Southern' reflecting upon Genl.
Sherman's administration in La-
-or the conduct of Mr. Bryant.
Endeavoring communication relative to
Mr. Bryant's opposition to the war.

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HEADQUARTERS

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Department of } BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN, } Mississippi.
AND ABANDONED LANDS. }
OFFICE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,
FOR THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI.

Wicksburg, Miss., July 2^d, 1866.

To Maj Genl D. D. Howard,
Comd Br B. F. & A. L.
Washington,
D. C.

Genl:

This note will be handed
you by 1st Lt Stuart Eldridge.
Lt Eldridge has been with Genl
of the Bureau in this state since
its establishment. He is one of
the most competent young men
for the position in all my acquaint-
ance. I regret much to lose his
services. I trust you will do some-
thing for him, and especially I
wait yourself of his assistance
in the Department for which
he is so eminently qualified.

Any consideration or attention
you may be able to show him
will be considered as bestowed on

me.

With kind regards, I am,
Yours, very truly your
friend and
obdt servant,

W. J. Wood
May June 1864
Apk Court St
R. F. & Co.

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Gen Howard This mail
informs me that the deed
has been found. So that
that the Riegi affairs
need not your attention
I enclose Dr Stevens
letter.

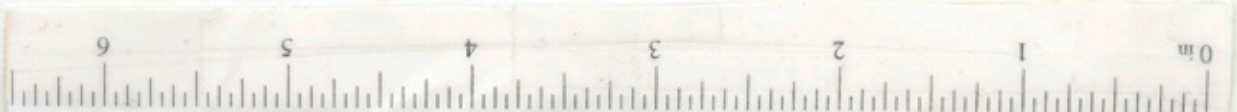
Yours truly

McAuliffe

by Graham is a man any you may see
him. He is a man with the most

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[Faint, illegible handwriting on lined paper]



Rienzi N^y July 3^d 1866
Rev J H Aughey
or his

My father returned
last evening from Jacinto where he
saw your brother in law Mr Paden
Mr P had just examined the Records
and found I have your deed executed
by Graham to Sumeray property on
record. If this though he will no doubt
write you. I did not examine the
records personally but requested Col
Brown to do so for me. He did so
and his answer I herewith inclose

Bynum yet occupies the house and
will until he completes his own

If applied to after Bynum moves
out, as I have been heretofore, shall
I rent the house for school or
other purposes, or shall I permit
it to be occupied at all or for
any purpose? Wish you could
be here in person to arrange some
matter in connection therewith

We have had an unusual
amount of rain this summer
injuring the prospects of farmers

very much. I have never seen
cotton so unpromising as it
this season - irregular in size
stand, small at best and foul with
vermin and grass. The latter especially

Give my respects to Mrs. Angell
and consider me as ever

Yours Truly

J. W. Stevens

P.S. Our Mail already you are
aware was burned by the Federals.

We are making an effort to rebuild
and on a more extensive scale. We

can't raise sufficient funds here
and I have been thinking of making

a tour into the Northern States
represent our cause and condition

and solicit aid. Can I succeed
think you? Your reply may in-

fluence me one way or the other.
We would ask not more than

\$2000.00. Please give me your
opinion.

J. W. S.

Confidential,

Rev. GEO. WHIPPLE, } Sec'y.
Rev. M. E. STANLEY, }
W. E. WHITING, Asst. Treas.

American Missionary Association,

No. 61 JOHN STREET,

New-York, July 3 1866

Major Genl Howard,
Commissioned &c.
Washington D.C.
Dear Sir,

You have had opportunity to inquire into the Administration of Mr Fitz. in North Carolina. Will you be so kind, as to inform me, whether in your estimation, he is morally relieved from the injurious imputations, that have been so freely cast upon him. Having known, and esteemed Mr F. in past years, I should be glad, that these imputations had

been proven false.

Very Respectfully
Yours L.
H. Whipple
Rev. Mr.