Dear General,

The writer of the enclosed is one of the clerks of the Independent—a paper of respectable circulation. I trust that you will be
I can not...
He is greatly
the Congregationalist of Boston 5
among the Lecture
Which you are
solicited for.

Ever yours,

Theodore Tilton
WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 1866.

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 “efficacious 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,

[Signature]

Committee Ways and Means.
General Howard Requested:

I return this request with a trifle. We have just sent 84 boys to Provo and I find more who think they can do nothing for good object.

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

It must be Congress. The north thinks ought not adjourn at this critical juncture by no means.

For the Lord I do not mean Congress or any authority put a stop. The sin and the suffering, produced by distilling such enormous quantities of grain in to poison. And, in, as the General.

Yours truly,

A. Manning
East Concord N. W. July 6, 18--

We are glad to have the use of your spare land to aid in building a Congregational Meeting house in the city of Washington.

Abel Manning Jr. Esq.
My dear friend

The bearer of this note, Loucy Forbes, is a most excellent industrious woman, who, owing to the ruin of her master's property in the War, has been obliged to leave her home. She 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...
Bracey Day.

Mrs. Smith's party.

Mrs. Smith's friend.

Her a nice supsised party & etc.

She is a delicious ear & suchood a pleasure.
She had something to do with it. I saw a large sum had been appropriated to the Freedman's Bureau, and I 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, and I think from mismanagement & ignorance on this fact has not received his proper pay.

I shall feel personally obliged if you can give my poor old friend any advice that will benefit her.
Headquarters, State of South Carolina,

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

Maj. Gen. O. C. Howard,
Commissioned B. B. Brewers

General,

As Dr. DeWitt has just gotten orders to go to Washington and contract 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. At present looking anxiously for some order which will define clearly how we are to obey in regard to printed orders, the tone of the Regulators is so hostile to the Government I am fearful that that of the Military are to have the control of the State is reported as fearful, and I think some thing should be done to relieve the suffering both of the White and Colored population.
Dr. W. Nott is waiting to dinner.

Close,

I am General

Very Respectfully,

Your old friend

H. W. Smith

President

General Scott has the unbounded confidence of all the people here as is honest and straightforward.

Friend.
American Missionary Association,
No. 61 John Street,
New York, July 2, 1866

Gen. C. O. Howard

Dear Sir:

Enclosed I send you a letter of this day from Col. Whitley, and the letter from you, to which he refers.

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

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

Yours truly,

Geo. Whipple
Gen. W.C.
Mr. O. G. Richardson

Dear Mr. Richardson,

I am writing to express my appreciation for your kind words and support in the past. It means a lot to me to have your encouragement and confidence.

Please accept this letter as a small token of gratitude.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
Warsaw, July 2, 1866

Gen. C. H. Howard

Dr. Sir,

Your letter was received in regard to a collection for Cong. Ch. at Washington, by the Pastor of the Cong. 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 $50,000 which we are determined shall not be indebted until it is paid for.

We are glad that you are going to build and you have our best wishes of success.

Yours truly,

J. H. Darling
Cong. Ch.
I feel no hesitation in assuring you that it shall be equal to that of Amherst, Bowdoin, Dartmouth, Williams, or Yale. I do not think it would be right to ask you to come out fees on any other condition.

II. The higher motives.

1. Your name will be a tower of strength to Lincoln College. It will draw money. It will draw students.
of your accepting the Presidency of that young Institution. If I have accepted the Professorship 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. I have heartily endorsed it. I will only say that the capital of every more must multiply its influence. If the arguments for immediate Endowment of Equipment, just a... soon as the Institution is tolerably endowed and able to maintain the students, they will crowd its halls. And now comes the question: Ought you to become its Head? 1. The worldly motives. It is a highly honorable position. No one in civil life is more honorable. I much rather be a Woodsey, or a Hopkins, than a Senator or Congress. 2. The Salary, though inferior to that for position in the Army. Decrees, will not be a pinching one.
Bellsford, Maine
July 2nd 1866

Butterfield M. D.

Relative to the Presidency
of Lincoln College. This
is urged upon you.

3. You will have a vast influence
in shaping the morals, 
and indirectly,
the fundamental political
principles of
host of young men. 

You will have an
influence permeating
the whole valley of
the Missouri.

3. Best of all, you
will be shaping
and training young men
and become the everlasting
Gospel via
those rapidly filling
States. I do not
think ten years
will elapse before
we shall feel
the need of having "The Topeka Theological Seminar" joined to Lincoln College as New Haven Seminar was added to Yale. The Seminar at Chicago will be too far off. Now, my good brother, I hope you will give these suggestions your prayerful consideration. If the question lies between this position and a post in the army, I re-directly submit that you can do far more good at Lincoln College than in the army.

If the question lies between this position and the great task of training young men for the duties of life. May God guide you to do right. Conclusively, I most cordially wish you to do.

H. E. Butterfield.
Augusta, Ga., July 2nd 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 same toward my affair. I wish to explain, at the time I wrote him a letter of one page which so stirred him up that he wrote me in answer to which I replied and received still another letter from him besides his favorable notice in the Tribune. I may have made a mistake in putting a "Shanks"'s tail with my own hand; 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 upon him, let me call your attention to his
articles. The paper calling attention to my case says - "The Tillson evades the accusation which he supposed we brought against him" and omits any notice of the order turning over all cases where testimony of colored persons is admitted to in the Civil Court.

On turning to my case, which is part in an old and portion if the paper, it will be seen that I quote his own words as reply to them direct. Not much evasion or suppression about that. I omitted to mention the order because it has no bearing the allusion or the part of the Tillson to such an order being simply dishonored. In his paper of the 27th he says "The Tillson told the Mayor he was totally opposed to the movement, relying on the declaration of the years of our sufferings."
and give the Chronicle Sentinel
and Loyal Georgian as authentical
I can prove by the map
and much worse than I never made
such a Statement to him and
by a friend of Bryant who was
present that I did not make
such a statement in the interim
until May 13. at which time he informs
I started with the belief that
there was no impracticible but
honest man. The correspondence
with him shows that he is a
bitter and unscrupulous partisan
coming nothing for truth or justice
disinterested office nor an interested
one with the state who have commenced the
Correspondence State that it forces
them to the conviction. I have
taken the wind out of Bryant's
sail about the 4th of June.
Augusta, Ga., 186

The Mayor very promptly consented to it, and is giving the colored people air and assistance to get it up. I am also affording them every assistance in my power. This is gall and wormwood. I hope to Bryant who helped to place me in a false position.

I am yours very truly,

Davis Tilton

Post Office


May Oilers & Oilman

Cur. Bureau R.G. A.A.

Washing'ton D.C.
(Reserved)

Mrs. Brown's address, please.

Endorsing endorsements, address.

The completed report.

Duplicate endorsement number.

Cherishings after leaving.

Believe best to all.

Get along, best.

Miss Rose.

D. Robertson.

July 4, 1878.
Wichita, Miss., July 25th, 1866.

Sir: May I call your attention,

Come on R. E. & Co.

Washington, D.C.

Yours,

This note will be handed you by 1st Lieut. Edging.

It having been arranged with Gen. of the Bureau in this State since its establishment. He is the most competent young men for the position in all my opinion. I want much to lose his services. I trust you will do him the thing for him and especially avoid any service of his at present in the Department for which he is so eminently qualified.

Any contradiction or attention you may be able to show him will be considered as best interest.
me. With kind regards, I am, still, your good friend

Mrs. S. Wood
May Sand
A.H. Amstutz
R. F. & Co.
Gen. Sherman: This mail informs me that the deed has been signed, so that the Bierzi affairs need not your attention. I enclose Dr. Stevens letter. Youssig

Steinheil
Rienzi, July 3rd, 1866

Rev. J. H. Longley

My Father returned last evening from Yancey when I saw your brother in law Mr. Pardey. He had just examined the records and found I owe your land executed by Graham to Summervy property and 2nd. If this thought to be well I would write to you, but I did not examine the records personally but requested Col. Brown to do so for me. He did so and his answer, I believe, is as follows:}

Your Predecessor occupied the house and land until he completed his own. If applied to after Predecessor moved out, as I have been instructed, 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 matters in connection therewith.

We have had an unusual amount of rain this summer, injuring the prospects of farming.
very much, I have never seen cotton so promising as it is now. Irregular in size and stand. Small at best and font with vermin and gnat. The latter especially.

In my respect to Mr. Andrews and consider me an ever

Oscar L. Ford

P.S. Our Male Building upon which we are now building by the Federals we are making an effort to rebuild and on a more extensive scale. We cannot 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 in think you? How safely may influence me one way or the other? We would ask not more than $2000.00. Please give me your opinion.

J.R. L.
Confidential

American Missionary Association

New-York, July 3, 1866

Major Gen. Howard,

Commissioner to

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 actually derived from the injurious insinuations, that have been so freely cast upon him. Having known and esteemed Mr. Fitz, in past years, I should be glad that these insinuations had