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Dear General

I called at yr qrs. yesterday to report proceedings in the Feaster case. From present appearances the bill for $10,000 will pass the Senate to-night, as the Com. on C. will report favorably & nearly every Senator has been seen or written to about the relief. If you can meanwhile meet any objections, say a good word for it.

Wishes at our charitable work adently

S. it pass, it will go to the
Com. on Claims in the H.
several of the members
of wh. have been seen
A favorable & prompt
report from them w.d go
far to passing it in the
H.o. — Now I hope you
will have time & inclination to urge it with
some of yr influential
friends at once. I am
so tied down here that
I can only <u>invite</u> to my
members; but as you see
has got over the shoals so
successfully, I think you

Model Farm School
FOR THE
CHILDREN OF COLORED SOLDIERS
AND COLORED ORPHANS.
Eastern Branch.
Washington, D. C.

New-York ~~Washington~~, July 17th 1866.

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To Major General O. O. Howard, Commissioner of the freedmen's Bureau, Washington D.C.

General,

Of all possible means of hurrying up the work on the buildings and of developping the farm-school, we have chosen the worst. In fact, in awarding our work by contract to a builder or to a carpenter, we will expose ourselves to endless delays and we will pay double the amount of what I would spend if I was to build them myself.

I had already made prices for the doors, windows, iron, and for all that could be made by machinery. I had engaged a good foreman carpenter, and we intended to engage in New-York all the working men that would be required. Your objections to advance me the two years location I had counted upon, has ruined all those projects.

Your refusal, allow me to say it, general, has been very sensible to me; I thought I had deserved your confidence well enough not to fear such a traitement. Moreover, the interference of agents and clerks of a lower classe, and belonging to your offices, would make my position unbearable, and I am far from accepting such interference. I have told you, general, that so far I have done alone all the expentes of the farm. Except one thousand dollars lent to me by a friend, all the rest came from my own resources. I am sure that I will attain my end. I have no doubt but, when the establishment is finished and inaugurated, our friends from France and Switzerland will contribute to its prosperity; but I intend to be entirely master of my affairs.

To Major General F. C. Barnard, Commissioner of the
Freedmen's Bureau, Washington D.C.

General,

It will possibly prevent of hindering us the work on the
building and of developing the farm. Indeed, we have chosen the
spot. In fact, in awarding our work by contract to a builder
to a carpenter, he will create employ to another deserving
and we will pay double the amount of which I would have
I wish to build them myself.

I had already made prices for the doors, windows, stairs,
and for all that could be made by machinery. I had engaged
good freedmen carpenters, and we intended to employ
manifest all the working men that would be required. Our
intention to advance me the two years location I had counted
upon for insured all these projects.

Your letter received, reflection may to me it appears, has been
favorable to me; I thought I had deserved your confidence
enough not to fear such a treatment. Moreover, the
interference of agents and clerks of a lower class, and below
me in your offices, would make my position unbearable.
I am for your accepting such interference. I have told
you, general, that to you I have done alone all I have achieved
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will attain my end. I have no doubt but when the establishment
is finished and arrangeated, our friends whom I have made
in Freedmen will contribute to its prosperity; but I intend
to be entirely master of my affairs.

So, General, I will sum up. I ask you again to advance me the three thousand dollars, amount of the two years lease I am ready to sign. Or, if the rules of your administration do not allow you to advance me immediatly the full amount, to open for me an account in some Washington bank. I would then draw those three thousand dollars according to my wants. And if that arrangement is not possible, I would propose you to take the farm, either by sale or by lease, with all the inventary thereon, and to follow yourself my project.

Hoping for a decided answer, I trust myself and my pupils to your well known benevolence and

I remain, General

Your most obt servt.

H. de Murat

Louisville Ky. Oct

Gen. Thos. J. Wood
Commdg. Corps
Nashville Tenn.

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New Berne N.C. July 17th 1866.

Major General O. O. Howard.
Commissioner of B.R.F.&A.L.
Honored Sir.

I sincerely hope that you will pardon me, for addressing you a private Communication, in reference to public matters, and my own private affairs—. I have been on duty as Superintendent of the Eastern District of North Carolina - since beginning of June of this year. When I left my home, my family was quite sick and have not improved since. in fact my wife has I fear, gone into a decline - and was compelled to leave a house, which I had rented for a year, and which year has expired. Through the kindness of General Sickles who passed through here, I obtained an informal leave of Absence, for Six (6) days and removed my furniture, to many different places, such as I could find in a hurry and selling other portions which could not be stored easily - Had General Sickles not granted me this leave, God alone knows, how my poor sick wife would, (with no male relatives living and all her female relatives Rebel Sympathizers) succeeded. I sent her to the country, on the line of the N. C. R. R. where she now is with our only surviving child, and in her weak health, with no friends, no home, and most likely worrying about me, at my absence - I fear the results.

I myself have not had a days good health since I arrived here. I desire much to be relieved from duty in this State, if possible, and assigned to duty on your Staff

as an Inspector, or on the Staff of Major Genl Fessenden, who has
appointed Assistant Commissioner of my native State of Maryland
any position or capacity, where I can see my wife, to look after
wants, at least once a week, I ask this as a great favor, well
ing that your good heartedness and sympathetic nature, will not refuse
h a request. I am satisfied that Mr. Stanton, (who has been
most a father to me) will sanction anything tending to the welfare
for myself and family - he knowing how we have suffered, for our
own, loyalty and devotion to the Government.

Hoping that you will grant my request, and
my pardon me for this irregularity - on account of the necessity - and with
I offer many wishes and prayers for Your continued good health and success

I remain, General

most truly & sincerely

Your most obedient Servant

Wm H. Wieger

Major & Bt Col & Paymr & Supt.

Eastern District of N.C.

New Bern N. C.
July 17th 1866

Vogel Wm. H.
Brt Col. Supt. E. Dist. N. C.

Requesting a location further North on account of ill health of himself and family

Answered July 20 S R S. B.

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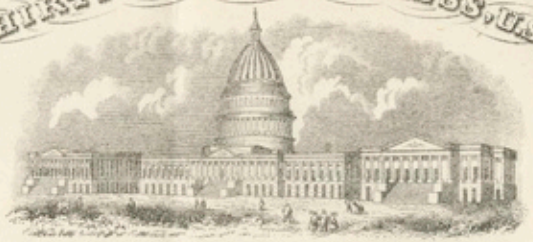
THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS, U.S.



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

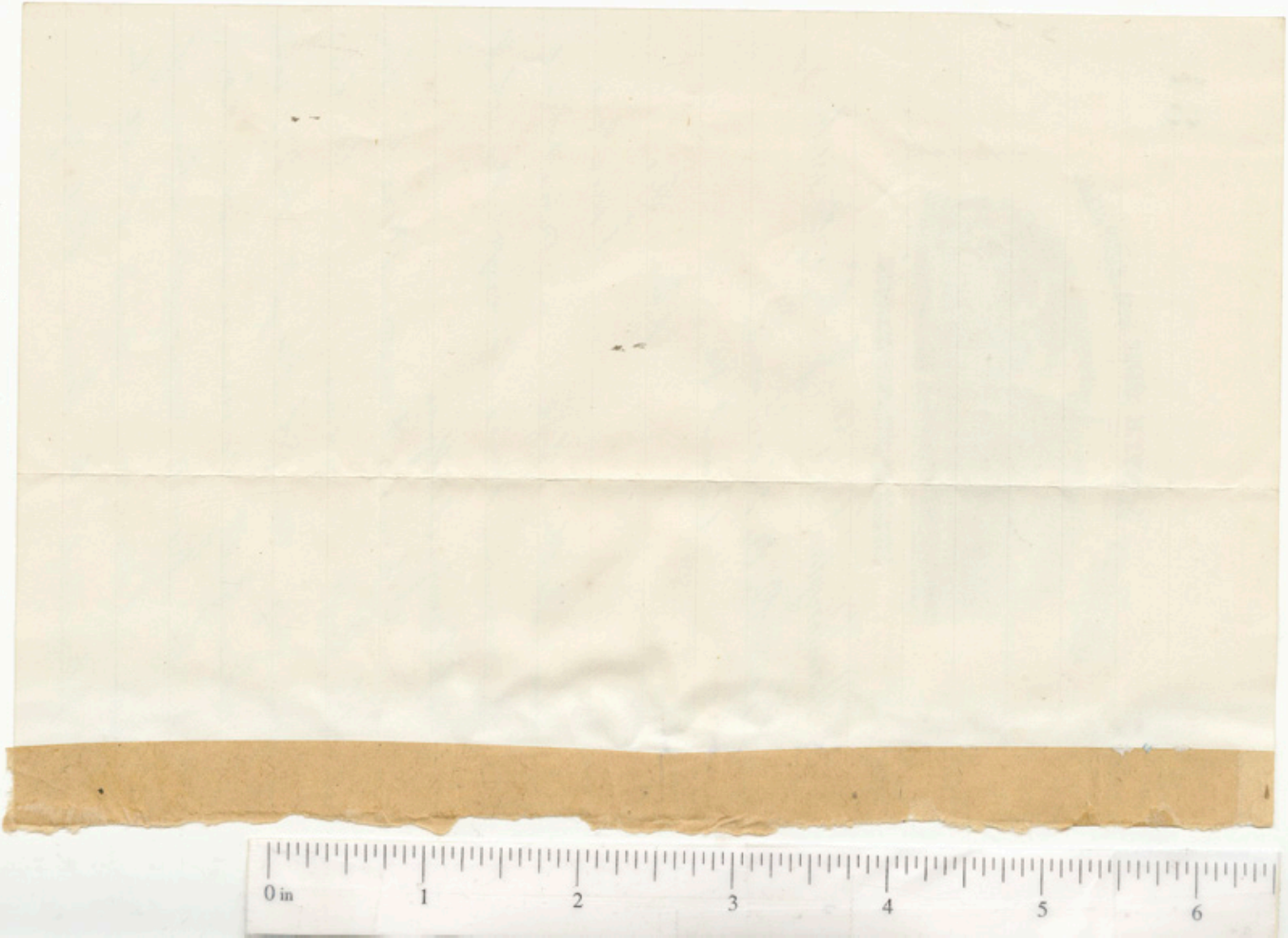
Washington, D.C. July 17th 1866.

Genl O. O. Howard,
Comdt &c,

Dear Sir,

I enclose you letter from a constituent of mine, Miss Campbell, which explains itself.

I have known Miss C. for the last 15 years as a teacher in my town (Lafayette Ind'a) and cheerfully commend her to the kind consideration of your Bureau, and shall be pleased to learn that you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have it in your power to gratify her wishes

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Respectfully

Godlove S. Orth

Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Office Supt. Schools.
Augusta Ga.
Sept. 12th. 1866.

Respectfully returned referring Miss E. M. Campbell to Rev. Samuel Hunt, 53 John St. N. Y. and Miss H. E. Stevenson No. 8 Studio Building Bennet St. Boston, Mass. one of whom will doubtlessly give her employment as a teacher of freedmen in this State. I have no authority to employ teachers.

Very respectfully
J. S. Oberhart
State Supt. F. S. Ga

Office A. Com'r Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Augusta, Ga., Sept. 18, 1866.

Respectfully returned to Maj. Gen. Howard Com'r, whose attention is invited to statement of Mr. J. L. Oberhart, Supt. F. S. for State of Georgia.

W W Deane
Bt. Maj. & A. A. G.
In the absence of the Asst Com'r.

E & M. 321.

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Orth. G
Member Congress

Encloses an
application from
Miss Campbell for
position as
School-teacher.

Referred, Washington, D. C., July 21 1866.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS,
Washington, July 1866.

Respectfully referred to

School Supt. Eberhardt
Offer. Gen. Bvt. Maj.
Wm. L. Fillon. - to
know if Mr. Eberhardt
can employ or cause
to be employed the
applicant, as a teacher

By order of Maj. Gen'l O. O. HOWARD,
Commissioner.

J. Alton Hunter U.S.A.
Lieut. and Aid-de-Camp.

Private Secretary.

Office A. Com'r Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Augusta, Ga., Sept. 12, 1866.

Respectfully referred to
G. L. Eberhart Esq., Supt.
F. S. for State of Georgia,
with reference to preceding
Endorsement from Major
Gen'l Howard Com'r.

By Command of
Bt. Maj. Gen. Fullom,
W. W. Deane
Bt. Maj. & A.A.G.

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Over.

Lafayette July 14th 1866

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Hon. Godlove Orth
Washington
D.C.

Dear Sir allow me to introduce my self to save you the trouble of looking for my name

Pis E. M. Campbell Alias as you style me Mrs Nancy. How I wish I had died when a baby or married when a young lady rather than to have to intrude my self on the dignitaries of the Nation at this momentous period. Will you pleas speak to some member of the Freedmans Bureau to find me a place in the Bremary department of their schools. My lungs do not suit

this climate the Winters are to
I have no doubts as to my su
as a Teacher if I can succeed
getting to some good point
I can have the countenance
or protection of some influen
person residing in the place.
I love my vocation & heart
out something to love is a sad
session. A School of White C
dren or Contrabands any thing
looks up to me for aid & tha
I can teach defend or protect
any way adds to my happiness
there are so many Teachers here
& so many impediments that if

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my health made it practicable
would prevent me. I shall prefer
the State of Georgia or the City
of New Orleans Not a location
any where on the Mississippi but
the Crescent City, —

Pleas reply as soon
as convenient I am anxious to pro-
vide for the approach of Autumn
now a formidable Season to me
time passes so rapidly there are
so many of my name here I
do not get my letters unless di-
rected to the care of James B.
Talley —

Respectfully
E. N. Campbell

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Washington D. C.
July 17th 1866.

My Dear General,

The bearer S. Morris Chester of Harrisburg, Pa. and corresponding Secretary of the Garnet League, being about to start for England for the purpose of making collections for the improvement of the freedmen of the United States, is warmly recommended to me by Governor Curtin and other eminent citizens of my native State, and I have pleasure in presenting him to your favorable consideration. Mr. Chester was correspondent of the Philadelphia Press and Washington Chronicle during the war and exhibited great ability and courage in that responsible capacity.

Yours Very Truly
B. Rosenfeld

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
Chief Comr. of Freedmens Bureau.

Washington D.C
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Maj. Genl. O. O Howard.

Sir. Mr Chester is well known to me — and is one of the most respected men amongst us — he is also a gentleman of education, and zealous in the work of improving his people. I have gladly given him letters to some of my English friends. and Genl Howard may be assured that a note, or introduction from you, will be most warmly welcomed.

Your obedient Servant
Henry Highland Garnet

Westport Mo. July 17. 1862

My dear Sister Charlotte

I have been waiting for a single person to go to the Dead Letter office at Washington so I could write to you & tell you how I was delayed & why I did not write before. I have staid here in Westport to serve as Clerk for Lieut. Colonel Phillips & Major Foster. and I have been very busy. and I shall be busy for a while longer but I will write to you more fully hereafter.

Your affectionate brother
Henry Highland Scott

Brooklyn N.Y.
July 17th 1866.

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

Sir,

I have just returned from Florida, where I have been teaching the freedmen, the past year at Palatka.

I would ask, if by personal interview, I should make known to you the condition of the freedmen in that locality; it could or would result in any benefit to them?

To avoid unnecessary

and unpleasant wand to Washington, unless such benefit result from it: has prompted me to write you now.

If it would be well for the freedmen, that I see you: I will go to Washington at any time you may designate between this time, and Oct. first, when I return to my work among them, at Palatka Fla.

Very Respect.
Mrs C. S. Henry.
Care of
G. W. Henry
48 Wall St. N.Y.C.

To.
Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard U.S.A.
War Dept.
Washington.
D.C.

Brooklyn July 7. 66

Henry. Miss E.

Has just returned from Fla. desires to know if her St would like to see her.

Recd. July 10. 1866