McGin 0 0 Howard  
Washington D.C.  
My Dear Sir:

I learn by Chaplain  
Bravo T. Sec'y of A.M. Association that they have  
invited you to visit our city during the  
winter to address our people in behalf of  
the freedmen. I trust you will accept, and  
I write you at this time to again urge the  
visit the hospitality of my house. I trust  
you will decide upon a time early in January  
and so arrange your plans as to remain with  
us a week or more. Mrs. Chamberlain will  
visit me in this request and be delighted  
to have Mrs. Howard with you. We learn here  
there for a flying trip down into Georgia effort to  
leave about the 25th of the month, and hope  
to find your acceptance of our invitation shortly  
our return.

By truly your Sir  
A. E. Chamberlain
Mr. Gen. O. Howard

My dear Sir:

Our English Consul in the place does efforts to aid the Freedmen Movement are met with the Calvinistic inquiry: "Why does not the American Government, which boasts of its great financial resources, meet the necessities of the freed men?" Perhaps, instead of leaving the work to the voluntary benevolences...
"If it concerns others in foreign lands, it they it is answer:
29 that the American
30 went too much to
31 wad relieving the distress
32 of the Freedmen in
33 does not leave the
34 work wth be<br>
35 benevolent. For he heard
36 "that millions of dollars
37 have been expended in
38 this last two years in
39 providing clothing, shelters,
40 clothing by the Freed-41
41 ment at Washington
42 through the Bureau of
43 others for the benefit
44 the Freedmen."
45 "Where is your heart?"
46 it is asked. "What are
No. 16 5th St. N. E. West York
Dec. 5, 1866

M. Kim J. W. Cor. Secy.

Desires the figures, relate to
show the amount expended
by the Government in aid
of the freedmen.

[Signature]

Red Dec. 6, 1866
Washington, Dec. 5, 1866.

Gentleman: So often identified with some benevolent mission or enterprise, I, who am one of “God’s heritage,” feel that I might have a claim also, upon your sympathy and feeling thus, without any grand introduction or distinguished patronage, I take the liberty of soliciting a personal interview at your very earliest convenience, and give as an apology for so doing, that I am a housed invalid, unable to leave home.

I am very desirous of conversing with you “face to face” — believing that you may be able to render me a very important service, at all events, a visit will trespass but little upon leisure — detract nothing from your rank or position as a Christian gentleman. To say nothing of course by your kindness while at the same...
time, it would gratify exceedingly
ly, and perhaps essentially aid,
used daughter of affliction—who
can only in the present return
beg leave to subscribe herself
very respectfully your friend.

Mrs Maria M. D. Brown.

Residence.
6 Street. Between 12 & 13th
120. Island.

With respect, I have the honor to
an old friend of yours,

A. R.
Washington D.C.
Dec 6th 1866.

O.O. Howard
Maj Gen USA.

Sir

From the favorable consideration you have been pleased to bestow upon me through Mr- Moody I am induced with your permission to lay my exact position personally before you, hoping and trusting in your Christian inclination to help one who desires to do well for the future and retrieve what ever the care of the past.

When I left home to enlist in the Surgeons office I was and has been for several years in busine
on my own account as a Burgess and had lost most of my stock by fire in 1863. Should have become comfortable.

During my first three months of service in the 4th Ohio Vols. I judge from the fact that I was promoted to a more important duty than the one I first entered on that I proved diligent and efficient. My friend Mr. Mattingly has told you how I came to be discharged and the bitter consequences followed. One to this day and probably into the end of life unless it is placed within my power to regain the position I then lost.

My father is a good religious man but he is a very strict one and I can never think of his favor as I once enjoyed it or instead of any of my relatives' friends unless I can return home as
honorably as I left it. So I hope you will forgive my earnestness in endeavouring to resume the position which can alone assure me of a welcome home. I have hopes that the time might come when someone who has the influence necessary for success might lend an ear to my appeal and judge that I have sufficient moments which is to one of the greatest earthly importance to further my desire for a good name among my fellows. It is for no less a purpose I take the liberty of addressing you trusting in your good feeling for one who has deeply died but for the grace of God has he hopes earnestly depicted. Shown by fervent aspiration be realised if being enabled to
Place my wife & children in a life of honor & comfort by your exertions, and that through your benign instrumentality a new life will be opened before me, and the grateful remembrance of my dear wife & father, wife & children will be yours together with the heartfelt gratitude of

Yours Respectfully,

Mr. T. Tucker

Maj. Gen. O.O. Howard

Sir:

Having been dismissed from office because of my non-concurrence with certain measures of the President, I most respectfully apply to you for a situation as a Clerk. In case there is no vacancy in your Bureau, I would, in like respectful manner, solicit your influence to secure for me a situation in some other department.

I am, Sir, most respectfully,

Your Ht. Servt.

John S. Peters
Washington, D.C. Dec. 6th, 1866.

Brig. Genl. O. C. Howard

[Signature]

Sirs:

I have deferred filing my application for several days, hoping that the Secretary would, after reflection and becoming convinced, as he admits himself fully to be, of the falsity of the charges made against me, revoke his decision and reinstate me again. But I am sure there is no longer any room for hope. In fact, three more men have been dismissed, who were soldiers, against whom there is no charge. They refused to endorse the monstrous measures of the President, and gave their reasons for not accepting them. For this they are removed, to open places for the enemies of the Country.

If I remember correctly, I stated to you the grounds of my dismissal. They are that I was habitually in the use of cursing and swearing language against the President and the Secretary of the Interior.

Several Christian men and a minister of the Gospel have called upon Mr. Browning and assured him the allegations were false in every particular, and not only so, but they informed him that I was
actively and constantly identified with the prominent reforms of the day. They, also, informed him that, during all the sad, dark years of the war that I devoted all my energies and resources to the maintenance of the Union Cause & for the comfort of the soldiers. Hundreds of citizens and thousands are familiar with my labors at 2nd Bull Run, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Culpeper, Gettysburg, Spotsylvania Court House & the Wilderness. And for the cause, other than the exercise of the rights of an American, to speak in defense of, or against measures that affect every citizen of the land, both for the present & the future, I am displaced at Middlesex, with a family to feed, clothe and educate. Providence saw fit to deprive me of one limb in my childhood and hence I am illly fitted to earn my bread amid the rough and taxing hardships of active physical occupations.

I ask pardon for troubling you, General, but my necessity is great and a helpless family look to me for support.

Most Respectfully

John S. Porter
Memphis, Tenn.,
Dec. 7th, 1865.

Major Gen. Horner,

Dear Sir,

One of the reasons
which we have for giving and praising Army is the recent visit of Genl. Foster to this city, the good book he accom-
plished before leaving. I do refer to his removal of Genl. Butler. This

...correct a complaint of Thirtor-... along with the stop he put the...

In order that three men work, I am... As we were accordingly to lay open this
matters to you, but you had come and gone before I knew of it...

...he is in the habit of this... and you...
left us as you did. This city of Memphis is to-day the
hot spot of the rebel uprising. It has been a sink of treason
to-night all through the town. My
fear of our Federal officers who had
confined them here—have escaped
Comptons or Contaminations with me
from 6 had many times been
wished that these 'Angloans' might be cleaned
of armed foe will have a
full report of this book of God.
Fisk is one time. But I know
you to be prepared for any kind
which may come from the inge-
rebellious men of this city
against God. Fisk, Riss believes
that God & Fisk is right & life
no. Come from—be charged to
cried aloud & exposed the whole
thing to the country, already
one of the miserable rebel shots.
here--calls for the removal of
Genl F--. It is such persons as their
supporters who are the friends of Genl
Dudley. This of itself is enough to
condemn him in part. When you
think of his granting old rebels
permission to go about our streets and
pick up quiet--well-disposed colored
people (as they did in my own county) as
an instance--I think he
that such old criminals might help
for their Cotton—at the bond is
now strong with a just indignation.
But this is not the help.
The truly loyal here have
delivered themselves to this my Bro-
then. Has you his open--that the Con-
gress refuses to listen the proposed
Representatives of this Southern region,
and is the time to bring the Rebel
truth to your own terms--I pray
that it may be done—before one of
them gets into Congress. It is late.
I have here the forms designed by Mr. Lewis to be used as a kind of license for all the others.

The relief thus far accorded by the Southern Representatives is unquestionably well. It is voluntary—bringing down the 'high hand' and making their rebel spirits here feel that they can no longer be considered 'masters of the situation.'

But I must write no more now. I have to go to the Freedmen's Reading Society.

should be happy to hear from you.

My very love to you.

F. E. Bliss, pastor

The Common (Congregational) Church of Chicago.

Red Dec. 12th, 1863.
Hon. Simon H. Philp, Dec. 9
Major General O. O. Howard
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

I expect to be in Washington on Tuesday next in order to converse with you about going to Tennessee in earnest, or with your Bureau. I do not think it is necessary to answer this note unless you are about at that time.

I am, dear Sir,

Sincerely yours,

Armstrong B. Kirkman
Philadelphia Pa
Dec. 1st 66

Bokum Re: Herman

Will be in Washington
on Tuesday next

no ans

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Pd Dec 8/66
Baltimore Dec 7th 1866

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

In a letter recently received from my son, Mr. W. Symth, he mentions incidentally, that you may want him to come to Washington to take charge of the Dept. ofAcid and abandoned lands.

I am very陰りous that he should be engaged more usefully than in mere service duty. I think he is admirably qualified for service in your department, and have no doubt he would fill the place named to your entire satisfaction.

Should any political influence be essential to secure the defeat, Senator Ferrand or Morris, or Senator of Virginia if still in the Senate, would อก
have no doubt very cordially recommend him.
You know, my dear Sir, how often I
have wished him to be associated with you.
The election of Prof. Marcy to the Presiden-
cy here gives very general satisfaction.
I'd considered by all, I believe, as emi-
nently judicious. The only drawback in
Most of elevating Marcy on of their
most important men, I cannot but sym-
pathize very deeply with the sorrow of
Prof. Humphreys at their loss.
Most truly,

Yours, 

H. Smith
Rockford, Dec 7, 1866

Maj. Genl. O.O. Howard
Washington, D. C.
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours naming the evening of the 28th of March as the time when you will be here to lecture to our people. We should have been gratified to have seen you earlier, as early as Feb. but more favorable for large audiences on account of the weather in our climate. Still our people are all anxious to hear you, and I have no doubt we shall have a very good audience. Many of our citizens will be most happy to make even a short acquaintance with one who has been so identified with the great interests that are stirring our county. Please advise us in time of any thing that should create a necessity for a change. With respectfully,
P.S. Emerson will expect to see you at his house.
Oberlin, Ohio Dec 31st 1864

S. J. Howard

Budweiser Bureau

Washington
D.C.

Dear Sir,

I have great delight in receiving the copy of your Department's Report of your Department.

Very respectfully

A. W. Wheeler
Cincinnati, Dec 7th 1860

Selznick to C.C. Howard

General

Excuse the trouble

I give you some opinions of my conduct as a soldier while I served with you. It is my intention to use it in the Senate to aid in procuring my appointment as Collector of the 2nd District of Ohio to which I have been appointed on my military record. I have the honor or to enclose a copy of an autograph letter from Mr. Secy. Stanton to which I owe my appointment. Hoping that you will do me this great favor I have the honor to be

Your obedient servant

L.C. Broudy
War Department
Washington City
Oct 19th 1866

SIR,

But send me extracts of the Ohio Volunteer Troops' orders with pleasure and distinction during the war, and I have an excellent record in this Department.

Yours truly,

Eugene B. Hunter

Hon. H.R. clutter, Sec'y

Lord Long.
Brooklyn, N.Y. Nov 7 Decr. 1866.

Sir,

Can you oblige me with a copy of your annual report recently presented to Congress.

Respectfully,

Gordon L. Ford

Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees.
Brooklyn N. Y.,

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