Binghampton,
Dec. 18th, 1858.

My Dear Grant,

Lie. The ladies of the
Frederick's Hotel in this place are
composing a few definite statements
on the conditions of the Freedmen.
Very little information has been
spread among the people of this and
the neighboring counties. Annual
societies do all they can, within a few
hard-working members. But the people
is not general. Ministers and editors
tear off uninformed and of course
the majority of the country people
know lies. We have been unable to
obtain the combined yet attested
Statements we need from New York.

Mr. Shiphead, one line. Cordially, send me the best documents I have seen. I have the evidence is now definite and authentic of actual distribution. Together with a few words on the readiness of a majority of the freed people to work at reasonable rates when given the opportunity. Thus easing the groundlessness of a fear or indeed somewhat generally entertained that they are and will be supported at the nation's expense.

We shall be very grateful for a few lines, with the permission to publish them on your name.

Statements from the press, or...
unknown agents. In a little influence. Our object is to provide something cheap and wholesome. To the point. Which we care scatter widely. It would not trouble you if we did not believe you could thus do a real service to the cause in this part of our State.

Respectfully yours,

Lionel H. Cook
Sec'y.
Binghamton N.Y.
Dec. 18, 1863

Look, Susan

Desires to know if the reports of suffering in the Binghamton area are true.

Dec. 22nd, 1863
Head-Quarters, Seventh Regiment,
NATIONAL GUARD, S. N. Y.

New York, December, 1865.

Sir:

The Seventh Regiment of New York will give a reception at the Academy of Music on the 31st of January, 1866, to its members who have served in the regular and volunteer Army and Navy of the United States during the Great Rebellion. You are most respectfully invited to honor the occasion with your presence.

I am, Sir,

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

Geo. MooreSmith

Chairman Committee on Invitations.
Port Huron, Mich.
Dec. 18th 1866

Maj. Gen. Howard

As his,

The Ehoaes

Society of this City would most respectfully inquire if you will deliver a lecture this season before the Ehoaes of Port Huron under their auspices. If so at what time and for what compensation? An early and favorable reply would oblige.

 Yours Truly,
on behalf of the Society

To
Maj. Gen. Howard

L. C. Welton

Washington

Dec.
Treasury Department,
Second Auditor's Office,
Dec 19th, 1866.

Sir,

At your first convenience pray oblige me with five or eight copies of your report (a synopsis of which appeared in the paper of the day) for the purpose of being transmitted to some of the liberal newspapers of Scotland, the editors of which will be but too happy to receive & notice it. They are my personal friends.

With

[Signature]

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

Major Genl. B. D. Howard
M.I. A.
Lancaster, Pa, Dec 19th, 1866

[Addressed to C.C. Howard, Washington, D.C., as General.]

I have the honor to state that we have been appointed a Committee, by the Soldiers and Sailors Union of this place, to arrange a course of lectures and procure lecturers. We hereby extend an invitation to you to lecture for us on Wednesday evening, Jan 30th, 1867. If any other day at the week will suit you better, or if you will designate any day upon which you will be here, we will make our arrangements accordingly.

The object of these lectures is to raise funds to erect a mon-
unto to the memory of our comrades from this County who fell during the Rebellion. The lectures will be delivered in our Court Room, which is large and commodious. Please let us know whether you can come, on what day and upon what terms as soon as possible.

Very Respectfully,
our true friends,

W. R. Hopkins
formerly Capt. 79th P.V. R. I. S. C.

M. Reinert
late 1st Lieut. 16th Regt. Cal. Army

J. P. Rosenmiller Jr.
later 1st Lieut. Master U.S. Navy
Lancaster, Pa.
Dec. 19th 1868

Hopkins W.W.
Lake Captain & Others

Request you to send word to
come at that place

and

[Signature]
General

Understanding that there has been a reorganization of the Board of Directors of the Soldiers and Sailors Orphans' Home, onward it not be well for the present Treasurer, or a Finance Committee, to make a written demand upon us for the funds collected at the Marine Table, at the Fair, if it meets with your approval that they should be so paid over.

The funds remain in the hands of one Treasurer, Mr. D.C. Sprandeling, as there seems a disinclination on the part of an Executive Committee (which I fully share) to pay it over to the old management.

A conference with Mr. Sprandeling this evening has led me to suggest this to you. He desires an order for the payment of the money, which order as a member
of the Finance Committee, will cheerfully draw and I doubt not the other member of Committee would cheerfully sign, in favor of the new Treasurer, upon a written official request. We would simply wish such anoucher to justify our action.

The fact that Hon. Howard is interested in the matter, is a sufficient guarantee that the money is going into proper hands.

Very truly,

W.H. Babcock

Maj. Gen. O.O. Howard
Boston, Dec. 19, 1866.

To Maj. Genl. Howard, U.S.A.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Perhaps you will remember me as one whom you met at the house of Mr. Tobey, at the evening just in this city, the evening just previous to your return to Ball's Island, at your last visit, and whom you did the kindness to give some information concerning Texas, over a map.
of that State. I have been compelled to abandon the practice of law on account of my health and to seek a business that demands less confined mental and habitual severe mental labor. It is my intention, if I should find no more suitable permanent employment, to go the coming Spring to the South or West, buy a little land, and engage in some branch of farming. In the meantime I am without means or any occupation by which to pay my way. I am very anxious to get something to do, and
Am ready to do anything I can, even if it pays only insufficient to enable me to barely live until I shall have procured permanent business.

It has occurred to me to ask you whether there is not some place at your disposal in which I could make myself useful, and if so, at what rate. I can simply assure you I should bring to it integrity of purpose and an earnest spirit. I trust you will not deem this request obtrusive, and shall feel under great obligation to you, if at your
Convenience, you will consider it, and favor me with a reply.

I am, with great respect,

Your obedient servant,

Walter L. Cutler

Address:

Care of Hon. E. D. Tobey

Boston.

Boston Dec 27 1866

Dear sir,

If given me pleasure to be able to bear testimony to the estimable character fidelity of the bushman who I have known from childhood, if I shall be gratified if it is possible for you to make his services available consistently with the public interest.

May Heaven Reward
Dubuque, La.

Gen. S.D. Howard

Dec 19, '66

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed $20.00, being a portion of our Thanksgiving-day collection. Receiptingly consecrated to the Congregational Church, i.e. Meeting House in Washington, to which please apply it.

By order of Treasurer

Lyman Whiting

Pastor, Congregational Church, Dubuque

(Ann over)
April 19, 1943

Dear Miss P[L]ank,

We received a letter from Mr. Anderson and Miss P[L]ank, as you requested.

We have been thinking about the matter of your transfer to another office and we have decided to recommend that you be transferred to the mail room.

We believe that this will be a good opportunity for you to gain experience in a different area of work.

We hope that this will be a satisfactory arrangement for you.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Office Name]
We all are happy in expecting a Lecture from you in a few weeks, & this is, respectfully, to ask you to accept the hospitality of the Congregational Parsonage, - the house during your stay in the city. "Church Lane." is the style, which means that it is the next door to the Congregational Church - it will be happy in putting its hospitality at your service.

Yours Very Sincerely,

L. Whiting
Pastor, etc.

To Gen. P. O. Howard.
Dulaguo on Dec. 19th 1862

Wishing you...

...and his children to his home in Washington, D.C.

Dec 1864
Richmond, Va. Dec 19, 65

Gen. O.O. Howard
Honored Sir.

I am extra

only to the trouble you, which

necessaries, enough to be exempt

from gratuitous favors. But

I am anxious to know something

of my poor case and if it is

practicable for you to devote

a little attention to it you will

oblige a special favor by advising

me that I may be relieved of

some anxiety or sent to other

means to consummate the object

Arthur wrote from Washington in

full confidence of success

still I am apprehensive of unfavourable

results

Very Respectfully,

Hon. [Signature]