Broome Co. N.Y.
Binghamton.
Dec. 18th 1865.

Maj. Gen. Howard

Sir,

The ladies of the Freedmens Aid in this place are compiling a few definite statements on the condition of the freedmen. Very little information has been spread among the people of this and the neighboring counties. Our small societies do all they can - with a few hard-working members. But the interest is not general. Ministers and editors remain uninformed - and of course the majority of the country people know less. We have been unable to obtain the condensed yet attested

statements we read from Rev
Dr. Shipherd, our Gen. Sec
sent me the best documents
have seen. We here the Freedm
be much more definite and auth
statements. Chiefly of the prese
actual destitution. Together wit
a few words on the readiness of
majority of the freed people
work at reasonable rates when
have the opportunity. This
the groundlessness of a fear we
somewhat generally entertain
that they are and will be par
mere
living at the nations expense.
We shall be very grateful fo
few lines, with the permissio
to publish them over your nam
statements from the papers. or f

unknown agents have had little influence. Our object is to provide something cheap and short yet to the point - which we can scatter widely. We 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.

Susan K. Cook.
Sec'y.

Binghamton N.Y.
Dec. 18. 1860

Book. Lucan

Desires to know
if the reports of
Differing in the
Bureau are true.

Answered 22nd 1860

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Head-Quarters, Seventh Regiment,

NATIONAL GUARD, S. N. Y.

New York, December, 1865.
[18?]

Maj Genl O. O. Howard
U. S. V

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 Moore Smith

Chairman Committee on Invitations.

Port Huron Mich
Dec 18th 1866

Maj. Gen Howard

Dr Sir

The Eohaeres Society of this City would most respectfully inquire if you will deliver a lecture this Season before the Eohaeres 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

L C Walton
Cor Sec

To
Maj. Gen Howard
Washington
DC

Port Huron Mich
Decr 18th 1866

Nelson L. G.
Cor Secretary

Requests Isaac Howard
to deliver a Lecture

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Treasury Department,

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Second Auditor's Office,

Dec 18th, 1866.

Sir

At your first convenience pray oblige me with six or eight copies of your Report (a synopsis of which appeared in the papers of Friday) 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. I am,

Sir

Yours very Obt

Alex Wilkinson

Majr Genl O. O. Howard
U. S. A.

Treasy. Deptmt Washington
December 18th 76

Williamson Alex D
2d Auditor's Office

Requests that at the earliest convenience, six or Eight copies of the Sec's last report be sent him for distribution among liberal newspapers in Scotland

Read Dec 19 76

Lancaster Pa Dec 19th 1866

Maj Gen O. O. Howard
Washington D. C.

General

We 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 in 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 objects of these lectures is to raise funds to erect a mon-

amount 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
Your Obt Servts
W. W. Hopkins
formerly Capt 79th P.V. & A.S.C.
Army of Cumberland
M. Reinoehl
Late Bvt Major 76th Regt P.V.

J. V. Rosenmiller Jr
Late Act. Master U.S. Navy

Lancaster Pa
Decr 19th 1866

Hopkins W. W.
Late Captain &c) &c Others

Request Send Forward to
Richmond at that Place

ans'd
Cant Come

Department of the Interior.
Pension Office.
Dec 19 1866

General

Understanding that there has been a reorganization of the Board of Directors of the Soldiers and Sailor's Orphan's Home, would it not be well for the present Treasurer, or 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 our Treasurer, Mr. A. C. Spaulding, as there seemed a disinclination on the part of our Executive Committee (which I fully shared) to pay it over to the old management

A conference with Mr. Spaulding 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 members of Committee would cheerfully sign, in favor of the new Treasurer, upon a written, official request. We would simply wish such as a voucher to justify our action.

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

Very Truly
G. W. Babson

Maj Genl O. O. Howard

Interior Dept. Washington
December 19th 1882

Babson J. W.
Member of Committee

Concerning the management of the S. o. S. Orphan Home Association

ans'd by letter

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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, in this city, the evening just previous to your return to Washington, at your last visit, and to 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 confinement 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 farm, 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 suf=
ficient to enable me to barely live until I shall have se=
cured permanent business.

It has occurred to me to ask you whether there is not some place at your dis=
posal in which I could make myself useful, and if so, to solicit it. I can simply assure you I should bring to it integ=
rity of purpose and an ear=
nest 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 obdt. Servant
Walter S. Cushman

Address:
Care of Hon. E. S. Tobey,
Boston.

Boston Dec 24th 1864

Dear Sir,

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

Very Respy
E S Tobey

Pd Mr C. was appointed in the Military Agency a part of the year

Maj Genl Howard

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Dubuque Ia.

Gen: O. O. Howard Dec 19th 66

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed $20.00: being a portion of our Thanksgiving-Day collection & "Christmas" consecrated to the Congregational Church i.e. "Meeting House" on Washington - to which please apply it

By order of Treasurer

Lyman Whiting

Pastor of Congtnl Ch

Dubuque

(Turn over)

We all are happy in expecting a Lecture from You in a few weeks, — & this is, respectfully to ask You to accept the hospitalities of the Congtnl Parsonage, — my house during Your stay in the city. — "Church Eaves," tis styled, which means that it is the next door to the Congtnl Church — & it will be happy in putting its hospitalities at Your service.

Yours Very Sincerely
L. Whiting
Pastor. etc

Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dubuque Ia - Dec. 19th -66

Whiting - L.

Enclosed find
Thanksgiving benefit
of his church, to the
Sing - Co - at Washington
Ia.

Recd Dec - 18th -

Richmond Ky Dec 19, 65

Gen O. O. Howard
Honored Sir

I am extremely loth to trouble you, while aware that your duties are onerous enough to be exempt from gratuitous favors — But I am anxious to know something of my sons case and if it is practicable for you to devote a little attention to it you will confer a special favor by advising me that I may be relieved of some anxiety or resort to other means to consummate the object

Arthur writes from New Orleans in fine confidence of success still I am apprehensive of unfavorable results

Very Respectfully
Your ob Servt
Jno Rice