Headquarters, Assistant Commissioner,
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
SOUTH CAROLINA

Charleston, S.C., Mar 2nd 1867.

My dear O.O. Hawes
Commissioner

Dear General

I am very grateful for your confidence in my ability to discharge the
administrative duties of an officer of another State. And if in your judgment
you think best to entrust My person

I can only assume that I will give everything to My power

to meet your expectations in

making the Bureau efficient and

respectable. I have had a talk

with Judge Edwards and find

that he clings to his old policy

of being Aces Caring Himself and
leave the details to a Staff Officer.
The result in my opinion of this would be to hold the Baccara out of existence in a very short time.

The addition of South Carolina to my garrisons would call for another officer to be assigned to that state.

When one in sympathy with the people of the Baccara who have sufficient opportune to hear the influences that one continually bring brought to bear on the cause can be counteracted. I find even in this state my pretense to maintain offices from protecting their citizens from the French people.

I have no choice as to the Quaintans but think Charles sits Must sit stable. And agree with uncleautly remain here as Quaintans cannot be put.
Mr. Calvachio - I have thought best to send Mr. French to Washington to lay before your column matters of interest before you. And hope my action will meet your approval. With high regard I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

Yours truly,

R.H. Scott

But Myself

Asst. Caun
Maj.-Gen. O.O. Howard

Sir:

The Corporators of the First Congregational Soc.

ety will meet at your office on Monday evening
March 4th at half past seven.

D.L. Eaton
Secy.
Washington D.C.
March 8, 1867.

Eaton, S. T.

Notifies General Howard that a meeting of the Corporation of 1st Cong Church, will meet at Judge Howard's office on the 14th inst.

Postmark: March 8, 1867.
My Dear, O. O. Howard

Dear Sir,

I have just returned from the
Pennsylvania Daughters Convention held in Harrisburg
The battle was about her subjects and a stirring time -
Gen. Lewey was my Chairman.

I had the pleasure of instituting a
new division - Sons of Daughters - Wooley's thing
Gen. Lewey, Gen. Collis, John Bedens
I have a lot of big men in mind - Lewey in the
worthy Patriarch. We have formed 30 new
Division in Eastern New back the last month.

I hope you will write let. Brand
on Howard, Dawg - if he has not already been
I would thrill the Count and help the rising tide
of everybody very much from all quarters come

God bless you and all that is good.

Sincerely,

J. X. Stearns

M. W. P.
Scalor House
Washington, D.C.
March 2nd 1847

My dear Howard,

Dear Sir:

I have reason to know that Gen. Griffin has written you a communication charging me with having left money in the hands of the Editor of the Levison Bulletin to defend my course or cash come, or something to that effect, and taken his note for it as though it were a loan. What Gen. Griffin's object could have been in making this statement & without any just or truthful ground on which to base it, I cannot imagine, but it is certainly my right to show you the nature of said fallacions.

For this purpose I enclose you these papers marked A B C & D. The
one marked "A" will show you that Mr Whiddin settled, but not properly of the paper mentioned, as I came as far as Aug 20 to locate Mr Plumby's son $50, which I did, not knowing that he and his father were so dishonest. The first marked "B" will show his receipt for the same, with the same date of Mr Whiddin's note, Subsequent to that above a growth which it was done are shown to be reason to several of my staff as well as to Mr Plumby himself. When I was about to leave the town I asked Mr Plumby for the $50 I loaned his son, the son having long before absconded leaving many similar debts, and on his refusing to pay, I procured the enclosed draw bill from Mr Whiddin who felt it a duty to become responsible for the amount on account of the note marked "A." This case
Bill M. Whelchlin stated the 1st of Jan. although it was given about the last of that Month. It is true that I hold a note for given by the Exeter of the paper mentioned, but the above are the circumstances under which it was given, and not as stated by Geo. Griffin. May Fleming, among the giving of this note, and undoubtedly to cover up his own basality in not paying it, and for other purposes made the representation to Geo. Griffin, which he very improperly makes to you. Objection without any conclusive ground upon which to found the grave charge, thus I am obliged to consider unoffending and almost unanswer. The Beldin never volunteered any support to my hostile official actions. It published my orders & regulations without comment always. The other dis-
equal share of censure and commendation. I knew before I left Saluteston that Mr. Hamilton \\Mr. Roane, the latter of whom Geo. \\Griffin appointed an Agent imme-
ately on taking charge, on the representations \\& recommendation of the former, were \\making up a trade against me for publica-
\n\n\ndation, and the publication of which the evidence \\say x x is the low & vicious triumphing of these \\two men. This I tell the I asked Mr. Whitley \\not to publish this thing, knowing that Cham-
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\n\nley would not his paper, as he had in \\the 6 trades he published against Chief \\Justice Lecher, from Lecher yourself, \\Mr. Loyalty but it is totally falseThat \\I offended him, money, or that he asked \\ency. The untruthfulness of this state-
\nmment will be a proper criterion for all \\similar ones and all originating in 
\nthe minds of Nummy. Henry (as whether) speak-
\nto you) and Geo. Lecher who took offense at 
\nmy accussing him, and withdrawing 
\nthe public money from the Bank of the 
\nhe is cashier, on his making delin-
\ncred proportions to me with regard to the 
\ncontrol of cotton. To cover up his own 
\nvaseility and as an offset to my clai-
mandatories of him, he circulated the report before I left that he and other "loyal" men had had me relieved because I controlled the cotton market in the interest of disloyal houses. This, however, gives me no trouble. It was not in my power, if I had had the desire, to control a large number of cotton nor did I make any effort to do so. The orders I issued for the protection of the producers, or in control of their cotton were on file in your office. Any similar charge to the above that came to my knowledge I would be will compel me to demand the proof. I am not in fit condition physically at this time to endure such injustice and would rather not know of it, but this fact came to my knowledge without any agency of mine.

I respectfully
heard in Texas, and I endeavor to do my duty; and with the exception of the unfortunate affair
that you know of, have nothing to regret.

I write in haste joined
because I cannot sit up long
at one time, and hope you
will excuse it with high
respect & much gratitude.
I remain
Your ob[edient] Servt.

J. R. Read
St. at W.S. A.

I will put this statement on an
official form for your use if
you so desire it.

9/13/15.
Boston March 4th 1862

SIR: O. C. Howard,

Gent:-

I would have been in Washington by this time had I not been ill with the nervous. My time has been extended six weeks longer. However, I hope to be in Washington about the 20th inst. I presume your have at your Bureau several letters for me. If so please forward them to me at New Bedford Mass., Care of Mrs. Mathew Howland. I am now intending to leave here on the 7th inst.

With great regard, I have the honor to be very truly yours,

O. Howard.
Springfield, Ills. Nov. 14, 1867

Sir:

As a result of our Executive Committee for Sabbath Schools, I urge you to send us at our State Sabbath School Convention to be held at Decatur in June, the following States hold conventions in connection for the "Chain" as follows:

Michigan, May 28, at Algonquin.
Iowa, June 4, at Alton.
Illinois, June 11, Decatur.
Wisconsin, June 18, Oak Park.
Minnesota, June 25, Rochester.

And I hope you will receive invitations from other states. I trust you can be with us in company with others we have invited.

Please let me hear from you soon.

Yours truly,

N. Peet
State Secretary
April 11, 1864

Dear Sister,

I trust this letter finds you well and in good health. I have been thinking of you often and hope that you are doing as well as you can.

Yesterday, I received a letter from my brother about the announcement of his forthcoming marriage. It seems that he has chosen his bride and set a date for the wedding. I am happy for him and wish him all the best.

The weather here has been quite pleasant, with warm days and cool evenings. The gardens are in full bloom, and the birds are singing sweetly.

I have been working on new projects at the office and have been keeping busy. Despite the long hours, I find the work rewarding and fulfilling.

I look forward to hearing from you soon. Please write and let me know how everything is going with you. I miss you dearly.

Yours affectionately,

[Signature]

P.S. I enclosed a small gift for you with this letter. I hope you enjoy it.
Roxbury March 4-67

Dear Sir,

I am greatly obliged to you for your note and reference of my communication to the appropriate office. Major Folsom has communicated with me on the subject of my letter to you.

Thinking men, hereabouts, feel great solicitude for our national future. I am glad to hear from all quarters, that you, for whom I feel great
regard and respect as an old commander, have a just sense of our national and individual responsibility in re-establishing government upon a safe and just basis that of impartial liberty or all things rightfully belonging to a citizen.

I am,
very respectfully,

W. R. Raymond

Gen. O.O. Howard
Washington, D.C.
Washington, D.C.

Feb 21st 1867

Stevens E. L.

Acknowledges the receipt of notice to attend a meeting of the First Cong. Church Society

Rec'd

1867
Washington, D. C. Nov. 11, 1867.

Dr. H. K. Kepp.
74 Boylston St.
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir,

The work on our church building has again commenced. In order to meet the contracts for continuing it, we are in need of money.

Your subscription of $50.00 would be thankfully received at this time.

Very respectfully yours,

[Signature]

Treasurer Cong. Ch. Building Fund.

Dr. General

Please find enclosed

Check to your order for the above $50.00.

Very truly yours,

W. C. Kepp, M.D.