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March 17. 1867

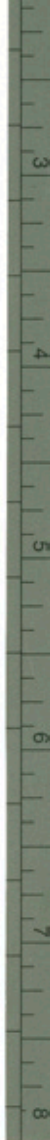
Maj. Genl. C. C. Howard USW

& Comr Freedmens Bureau DC

General

The bearer here of
Abison Chapman is personally known
 to me to be a truthful, industrious man
 His statements you may confidently
 receive as reliable. Mr Chapman
 has just returned from Memphis Tenn
 & his treatment there by his employer
 is another of the many instances of
 the measure of justice or rather injustice
 that is being practiced on "freedmen", in
 spite of the laws of Congress & the vigilance
 of the Bureau - what would be their
 condition without it needs no vivid
 imaginations to conceive

Abison's Mother is now & has for a
 long time been a servant in my family



& I am able to speak from personal
knowledge of the instructional merit &
credibility of the Law

I enclose herewith a copy of an argu-
ment prepared in support of the House
Bill that passed the House a few days
ago by a vote of one hundred & eleven (111)
to twenty eight (28). & is now in the hands
of the Senate Judiciary Committee
repealing the act of 1840 by which Vir-
ginia in violation of the constitution
& in the interests of Slavery & treason
reclaimed one half of the District of
Columbia. I hope you will read
the enclosed "Synopsis" & I will procure
& send to you a copy of the bill.

Thirteen Hundred & seventy three (1373)
of the loyal citizens of this city &
county have by petition asked con-
gress to pass this bill. & there is no
opposition to the bill except from "re-
constructed" & unreconstructed, rebels.
Besides immensely enhancing the

Security of the Capital & Congress
& would at once bring within
the reach & benefit of the municipal
school system. Congress is now in
rating for the Dist. of Columbia
of poor children both white & black
that can never hope for its blessing
under the rule of Virginia

I have reason to believe that the
Senate will pass the bill. if the
Committee on the Judiciary who have
have it in custody will report
Senators Johnson & Hendricks are in
that Committee & are opposed to it
I hope you will aid this important
measure with your potent influence
- I have the honor to be with high
very Respectfully your most Obedt

W D Stewart MD
Asst Surg & late Surgeon
U S A

To be for General O. O. Howard,
h. f. a.

"J." St. Cir 19th, Washington.

My friend J. Leaven presents to
Major General Howard, h. f. a.,
Miss Eliza Kemmelt, daughter of
Hon John Kemmelt, of Verre, Mass^{tts}
who is on visit to the National Capitol
only to see and hear all the men of the
great work doing for the Freedmen.
If General Howard will instruct her
where to go, & what to see, he will do
her a great kindness.

My friend Lay sent her to Miss Harris
& to Miss Walker's Industrial School.

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To the Genl. Howard.
19th St. S. I.

~~United States Sanitary Commission.~~

American Freedmans Union Commission,

No. 76 John Street. — P. O. Box 5,733.

LYMAN ABBOTT, Gen. Sec.

J. M. McKIM, Cor. Sec.

New York, March 11 1864

Major Gen. O. O. Howard
Bureau of War

My dear Sir

I will be doing
you a favor to write and to
the Cause if you will give
to Rev Dr. Hayes, D.D.

A good letter of recommendation
to the Publisher of
California & of the Pacific
Coast. Dr. Hayes has a
good standing as a man
a Christian all our
Country & has made
himself eminently useful

the delegation to the Convention
which is crossing a 'joke' which I send
with out because you observed. They that
a delegation to from this country to the anti-
slavery Conference at Paris in a first letter
has proposed for the further of the 17th of
June; the delegation is cannot pay, send
Howard, Dick Thompson, etc. and citizens
Gardner, its spirit etc. I have written
to the Council that the doctrine are not
at first time can send with a very few
of subjects.

as an advocate of the
Freedman at home and
abroad.

You will see by the
enclosed copy of Chief Jus-
tices Chase's letter that
the Doctor cher-
ishes such in his an-
swer as it is in ours, to
invite him to hearty
cooperation.

Yours truly

Wm McKim

The Doctor is a fair in
all of next month, but
would like to leave the letter
now. If you write our people
send it to me Wm McK.

New York
Mch 18. 1867

McKim J. W.

Wishes Genl. Howard
to give the Rev. S.
B. Hays, D.D. a
letter of recommendation
to the people of California
and the Pacific Coast.

Encloses copy of
a letter from Chief
Justice S.P. Chase.

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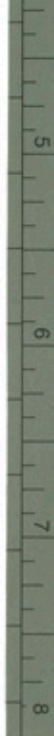
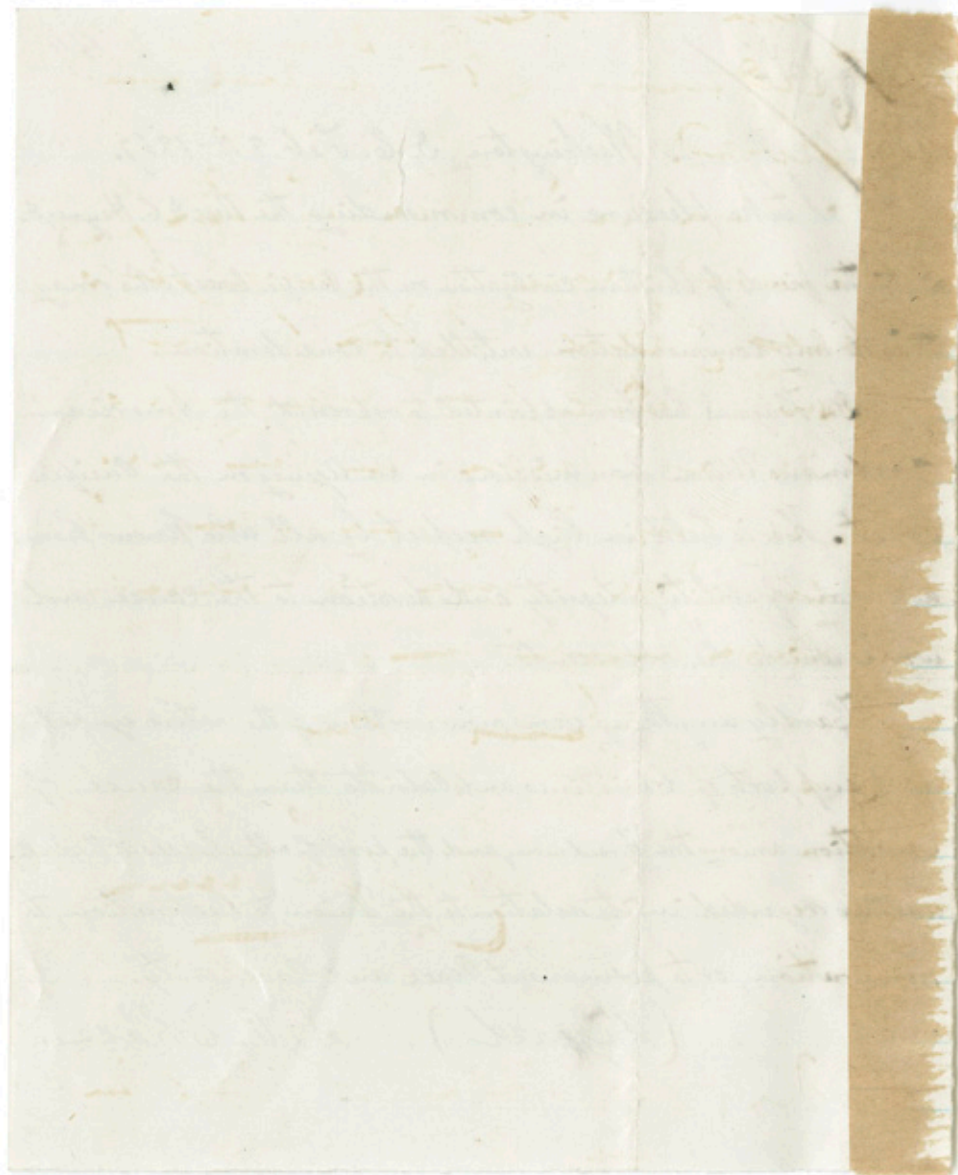
Washington, D. C. Feb. 8th, 1867.

I take pleasure in commending the Rev. S. C. Haynes, D. S., to the friends of Christian civilization on the Pacific Coast who may think my commendation entitled to consideration.

Dr. Haynes has been appointed to represent the American Freedmans Union Commission in an Agency on the Pacific Coast. He is held in high respect by all who know him as a man of ability, integrity and devotion to the cause and work which he represents.

Hardly anything seems now worthier of the active sympathy and support of Christians and Patriots than the cause of Education among the Freedmen, and the poor of all classes at the South, whether regarded in its relation to the Union, to Restoration, to Renovation, or to permanent Peace and Prosperity.

(Signed) S. P. Chase.



Ionesboro Washington C: March 18. 1869

To Major General C. O. Howard

Dear Sir,

I enclose an address which I delivered the other day. When I had done a lawyer who is a sympathizer with the rebellion rose and asked me to repeat it at the next County Court in order to advance the interests of this region of country. You have expressed the conviction that a Bureau Agent who can enlist the kind feelings of the sympathizers with the rebellion and who at the same time so conducts himself, that he secures for himself the approval of the loyalists fills well his position. I desire that you should know that I am endeavoring to do my duty in this respect and I have reason to believe that Genl. Carlisle is satisfied with my course.

I have sent a copy of this address to Mr. Greble. I should like to have it printed in some Northern paper, because it is likely to do good here.

My wife and daughters arrived safely on the 6th of March.

Yours very truly

Armann Bokum

P.S. Owing I suppose to the freshet we have been for some time without mail facilities, and I have not yet received my salary for February. I feel the more deeply the non-arrival of my share of my appointments. I very soon to trouble you about it.

Jacobus D. Smith
Feb 18. 67

Dothum Hermann.
Dussan Agard

Enclosed copy of
an address delivered
by him, named his
to have it printed
What is that he has
but secured his salary
for February.

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Providence March 18th 1867.
General O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir

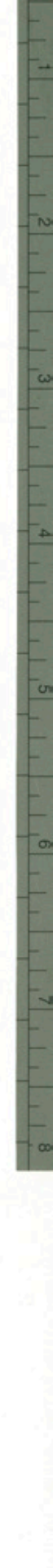
Enclosed please find Three Dollars towards the fund for the destitute poor of the South. This is contributed by three brothers, one thinking the other two, too, strongly tainted with the Black Man. This, ^{if} ^{therefore} it can be so applied, is for the poor White of the South.

Most Resp^{ly} Yours

Obdy's servant

H. P. Parker.

[Faint, illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page. The text is mirrored across the horizontal lines.]



1419. Charleston, S.C.
 Saint Louis, Mo. 18/67

My Dear General Howard

Your reminder
 under date of 25th ult. followed me
 in my journeying through the
 white-west & caught up with me
 in the 16th inst at my home in
 this city -

I did not send you
 the other \$50⁰⁰; but I do now -
 I have had rather a close winter
 meeting many married
 engagements; but have fifty ahead
 just now and give it to you.
 I was sorry not to see you
 in New-York when you last
 called at the office -

My family yet remain
 in St-Louis - excepting Mary who
 is in New-York at school -

When I get out work again I find
my heart quite at home. & I am
not a little dissatisfied with myself
for ever going eastward at all -
and I may yet come back to
my old stamping ground and
fight it out on this line -

I am more encouraged
for the South. since Congress does
a sensible thing in inaugurating
a Government of bayonets for slaves.
I hope it will now be demonstrated
that killing negroes is rather
an expensive luxury -

My good wife wishes
me to send her love to the Good
"Sizzie" and the branches. She
prays that your church enterprise
may be a grand success.
and so do I -

I shall be making
a reciprocal draft upon you for
our Methodist Metropolitan Washington

church "one these days" when I
take the field for them -

I would be very
glad if Bro Aboud would keep
me supplied with whatever
of his educational documents
that may be published -

With sincere Respect

Your Obedt. Servant

Clinton B. Smith

Maj. Genl Howard

Ind &c -

I hope to be in N.Y. next week
A.

St. Louis Mo.

Feb. 18. '67.

First Clinton Co.

Encloses balance
of Subscription to
1st Cong. Church.
Friendly letter.

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Colcombe Burke Co. Ga.
March 18th 1867

Maj Genl. Howard-
Washington
D.C.

Dear Sir-

At the urgent request of
a Lady. (A Mrs Belt who resides near here) - I take the
liberty of addressing you - to obtain if possible the P.O.
Address of the Genl^s whose names I herewith inclose.

You will probably remember me when I informed
you that during the war I belonged to the 1st Mo.
Engineers - Army of the Tennessee - & accompanied
you through these last Campaigns in charge of the
Pontoon Train for the right wing of the Army -

As soon as I was mustered out in July '65 -
I came down here & took a Contract repairing the
Ga. Central Rail Road - (which we so effectually destroyed)
& since completing that I have been raising Cotton
with free labor & have no reason to complain at the
result - I have met with

Hoping you will favor me
with the Address of those men - if you can do so - at
your earliest convenience -

I have the honor to be
Yours Obedt. Servt
E. M. Hill

Late Col. 1st Mo Engineers U.S. Vol.

March 18, '67.

Wm. B. W.

late Col. 1st Mo. Engin.

Articles received of
Capt. Duncan, and
Benjamin A. Davis,

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Captain — Duncan Capt of Scouts A. I. I. I.
 Benjamin R. Paine Clerk at Genl. Howard's 2nd

Are they alive & where is their Post Office address
 I believe they protected this Indian family & saved some
 property for doing the work this Genl. & she is anxious
 to make them some pecuniary reward — hence her
 anxiety to obtain their address —

Address

Col. E. M. Hill

Holcomb's Bank Co.

Georgia

Col. J. M. McKim
Capt. J. M. McKim
Capt. J. M. McKim

For the above I have in this book
I have the history of the
I have the history of the
I have the history of the
I have the history of the

Col. J. M. McKim
Capt. J. M. McKim
Capt. J. M. McKim

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Seaton House D.C.

March 18th 1864

Dear General:

What evening and at
what time and place will it be
a pleasure for me to meet you to
become a member of the H Temper-
ance organization you spoke of?

Respectfully

Your friend

J. B. Kiddoo

Washington D.C.

March 18. 67

Kiddos J.B.

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LYMAN ABBOTT, Gen. Sec.

J. M. McKIM, Cor. Sec.

New York, 19 March, 1867

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir:

I am
sorry to see, by the morning
papers, that Dr. Boynton has
resigned the pastorate of
your church. I guess we
will have to spare you Mr.
Beecher to take the Doctor's
place and help build up a
strong church in Washington.

But, seriously speaking,
some strong man must be
found to take Dr. Boynton's
place; for, after him, no com-
mon man could fill the
position with satisfaction to
the hearers of Dr. B.

I told Mr. McKim and Mr. Abbott, quietly, the substance of our conversation. They now understand the case fully and will know how to act in the future.

If leave of absence can be obtained — without your doing anything in the matter; or, rather, if sent, by order of the Secretary of War, for that purpose — when would it suit you to attend a meeting in Patterson, New Jersey?

An early answer will greatly oblige

Yours most truly
A. N. Rankin
Genl. Bus. Asst.
Am. Fr. W. Com.

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Washington D.C. March 19, 1867

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard

President M. M. Union Association

Dear Brother:-

Permit me to congratulate you on your election last evening as President of our Association. I also congratulate myself on having such a Successor. You have a great ~~and~~ noble and blessed work before you.

My object in addressing you this note is to request your approval of my resignation as first Vice President of the Association. While I would feel highly honored in serving under you as your "right hand man" in the Association yet I do most sincerely believe my duty to my family to my professional business and to the Association demands my resignation.

I am certain another can be elected

who will be of more service to you and to the
Association and while I would not wish to
take such a step without your approbation yet
I earnestly hope you will consider it in the same
light I do and cheerfully yield your assent.

Awaiting your reply I have the honor to
be,

Very Truly & Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

A K Browne

Bridgeport, Ct., March 19.

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Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir:

I have resigned
my position as a correspondent of the
New York Herald. For eight years I was
an attache of that establishment.

When I was with your corps
(the Eleventh) at Battle Station and
people were asking "Who is General
Howard? Is ^{he} a graduate of West
Point?" &c, I wrote a letter that
appeared in the Herald which pro-
duced a good effect. After that
those who did not know Gen.
Howard personally had very little,
^{which was} unkind to say about him.

I think of going to Canada.
Possibly I may go to Europe.
Will you favor me with a
letter merely setting forth that-

was with your Corps in Virginia and
th it in battles in Tennessee &
Georgia! You may remember
was at Wabatchie, Missionary
idge, & near Ringgold. I
erely want something to
ow that, while only a citizen,
behaved like a soldier &
s fearless and enterprising.
am seeking for similar
ters from all my "General"
ends and acquaintances.

Yours Truly,
Theodore C. Wilson.

S. - Address. -

("Atlantic Hotel"

Bridgeport, Conn.)

Bridgeport Ct.
Mch 19th '67

Wilson Theodore C.
Capt. Co. N.Y. Guards

States that he is
going to Europe,
wished a letter
from Genl. Howard
showing that he
was with the Genl
in Battle &c

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