

Washington 21<sup>st</sup> Mar 1867

Gen Howard

Dear Sir

You were  
in quite a hurry yesterday when I  
called to see you. I have a great  
many things to tell you of the  
correct actions of the Richmond  
courts towards Northern people.  
I have put repeatedly before  
the courts no end. Tried them in  
court without giving me any  
notice. Recovered judgment never  
presented to me until the time was  
past to appeal and came into my  
house ~~late~~ and demanded the money  
or threatened to take my furniture  
I was obliged to pay them and  
the money is due to me in the City  
I don't can collect a cent. The





claims the Constable has from me  
now I never have even received  
an answer. On one occasion I  
sued a man for Board which was  
due to me and Major Mayo was  
so drunk he did not know whether  
I was the Plaintiff or Defendant.  
And he was a disgrace to his sex  
the appearance he made on the  
Bench. The Richmond Court  
at present is no place for any  
Lady of Respectability to appear  
I wish Gen you would let me  
know when it will be convenient  
for me to see you before I leave  
the City which will be very soon

Yours Respectfully  
Julia Safford

Washington D.C.  
Mch 21. 67.

Saskatchewan, Julia.

Writes a letter  
in reference to in-  
dignities suffered  
by her in Richmond  
wishes to know  
when Genl. Howard  
will see her.

Recd. Mch 22. '67.



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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, March 21. 1867

Gen<sup>l</sup>.

I regret exceedingly not meeting  
with you this morning at your office. &  
yet from conversation with the head of the  
office I know not that the interview  
would have accomplished anything for me  
at present. The truth is my dear Sir!  
my situation at present is necessitous &  
gloom oppressed, and really induced to  
want. have a large family which were  
born a south unpatriotized before the war.  
and my object in visiting Washington  
was to ascertain whether it is the design  
of Government to do justice to Southern  
Citizens who before & during the rebellion  
risked every thing for the cause of the Union  
& have lost all they possessed. I belong  
to that unfortunate class - My losses have  
been quite half to three fourths of a million  
and have nothing left but my land, which

I am really unable to cultivate for want of means.

I lost by Federal Troops under Genl. Osborn on Sun Creek, about twenty mules, fifty or one hundred cattle, rangers, teams of Oxen &c. which I hoped to have some remuneration for — I have evidence indisputable to sustain the charge & I hoped you would be able to give me such aid as would lead me to the recovery of the value of my losses.

I have handed over the plantations and at present see no means of paying them save by borrowing the money.

I have a letter of introduction from my friend Mr. Woodman and one from Gov. Shunk which I leave for you in a packet — Please do me the favour (as I am compelled to leave this evening for the South) to give me the information desired in whether it is possible & if so how to proceed to get the small



amount I ask for is the way of Resue  
-merited, or compensation for my loss  
by Federal troops.

The Confederates burnt  
up my cotton - 900 bales & took off 50  
mules from my plantation paying  
me nothing -

Very truly respectful

P.S

Please address me to J. D. B. B. B.  
Care Boyd Coleman & Co. henn

12 Union St

N. C.

Washington D.C.  
Mch 21. 67

Buttont W. J.

Letter is referred  
to his losses during  
the war - & -



New York Nov. 21. 57  
Maj Genl O O Howard  
Dear Sir

I have in-  
-closed check for my  
subscription to the  
Congregationalist.  
Please accept it  
with my best  
wishes for the success  
and usefulness of  
the new church.  
Very Respectfully  
Yours  
C. B. Armstrong.





Willards Hotel

Washington March 25<sup>th</sup> 69

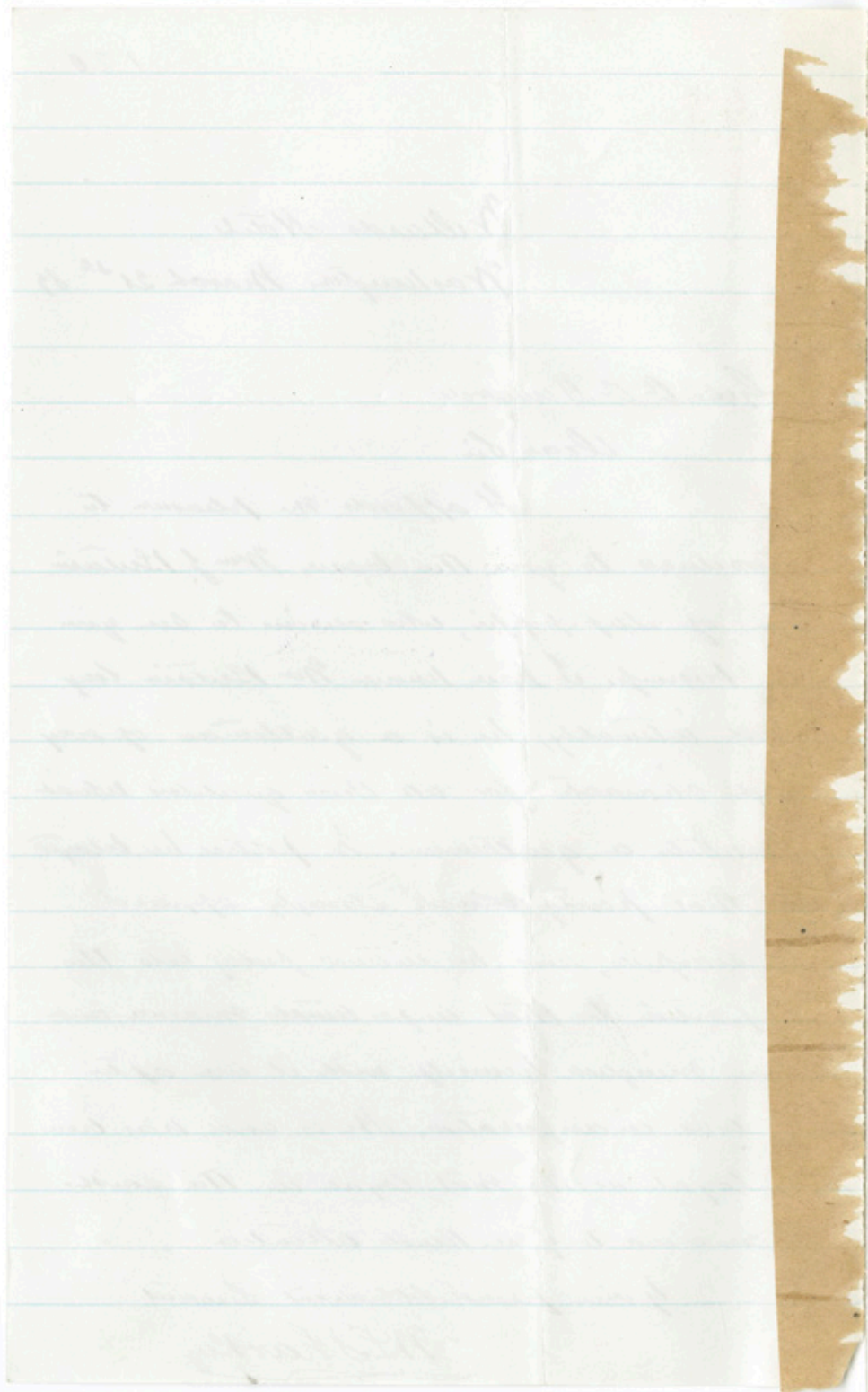
Gen O O Howard

Dear Sir

It affords me pleasure to introduce to you the brave Wm J Britain Esq of Mississippi, who desires to see you on business. I have known Wm Britain long and intimately; he is a gentleman of very high character for all those qualities which constitute a gentleman. In politics he belonged to that party which strongly opposed to secession, and he entered fully into the opposition to that unfortunate measure, and have mingled himself with it even after it was inaugurated. He is and has been as loyal as the most loyal in the South. I commend to your kind attention

Your friend & obedient servant

W L Sharkey





Confidential

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Headquarters Recruiting Bureaus

43d U.S. Infantry (Vet. Res. Corps.)

Madison Wis. March 21<sup>st</sup> 1867.

Major General O.O. Howard  
Washington D.C.

General  
liberty  
Pardon me,

I am taking in writing to you at this time, as it is upon a matter of great importance to me, and my reputation, and unless acted upon before the adjournment of Congress. I may be degraded in the eyes of my former companions in Arms and the public generally.

I have the honor to state that I entered the Military Service of the United States in May 1861. soon after the breaking out of the Rebellion.

I have been very unfortunate and have been many times misrepresented and Maligned owing principally to a little trouble I had with Brig. Gen. Danl. Tyler, with the particulars of which, doubtless you are familiar. I was not particularly to blame in that case, for I was then inexperienced and had not had the experience in the art of discipline and War

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then, that I acquired since - Owing to that our Minister  
Parties have taken advantage of <sup>the</sup> reported any little  
occurrence to my detriment. I am only human  
and liable to be like my fellow beings <sup>and if</sup>, and when  
I have erred, the Cause was of the head <sup>and</sup> not the heart.

I had the honor of serving under you in the  
11<sup>th</sup> Army Corps. Was engaged in the battles of Chan-  
cellorsville <sup>and</sup> Gettysburg <sup>and</sup> you doubtless know how  
I conducted myself. While an Officer in the Army I  
have always endeavored to conduct myself as a gentle  
man maintaining the dignity of my Government and  
myself <sup>and</sup> now after having served in the Army nearly  
six years, faithfully, I dislike to be degraded by being  
rejected by the Senate in my recent appointment of  
1<sup>st</sup> Lieut. 43d Infy (V.R.C.) It having been intimated to  
me that you recommended my rejection, I have  
taken this liberty of addressing you <sup>and</sup> asking that  
you will withdraw your objection <sup>and</sup> aid in pro-  
curing my Confirmation - If you have done so, I  
must have been grossly misrepresented to you, for I have  
entire confidence in your integrity <sup>and</sup> good wishes towards a  
Soldier <sup>and</sup> feel sure you would not for any consideration  
injure one knowingly -

Very respectfully  
Your Obedt Servant  
A. W. Brady  
1<sup>st</sup> Lieut. 43d Infy



Madison Mo.

Mon. 26<sup>th</sup> '67

Brady, A. H.

1 - Sweet. 43<sup>rd</sup> Regt.

States that he has been  
in the Army six years,  
has served faithfully,  
and was in the 11<sup>th</sup>  
Cmpany under General  
Howard at battles  
of Chancellorsville and  
Gettysburg. Says that he  
will be repaid by the  
Senate, as he understands  
that Genl. Howard re-  
quested it. Thinks the Govt.  
acquiesces.

Recd. week 28 '67



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[March 21, 1867]



Gen Howard,

Dear Sir,

Some little  
time ago you spoke to  
my husband on the  
subject of our house at  
the corner of G. & 18th  
Sts, intimating that you  
might possibly like it,  
if not for your own  
use, for the purposes  
of your Bureau.

We are very much

To make some arrange-  
-ment regarding the  
house as soon as possi-  
-ble. I should be very glad  
to show it to you, if  
you have any idea  
of occupying it.

You are aware of  
the advantages of the  
House as to position, it  
being near the Dept.  
of the Unit of Railways.  
It is also very roomy  
& convenient, having



Large number of fine  
rooms, hot & cold water  
all over the house, a  
good dry cellar, a private  
drainage, and a good  
yard & stable. It is  
in excellent order, and  
could be occupied im-  
-mediately.

Trusting you will  
give the matter your  
consideration & excuse  
my intending that  
be your valuable

Trine, I am yours  
very respectfully,

Charlotte F. Wise

225 - N. St.

Thursday A.M.



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Philad. March 22 1863  
Brig Genl Sewall  
Bureau of Refugee Affairs  
Washington D.C.  
D<sup>r</sup> Sir

I thank you for your fav. of 18<sup>th</sup> inst. with  
its full reply to my inquiry. Having consulted with the Committee in  
New York & Boston under the authority of our Com. on Distribution I  
have purchased 3000 bushels of Corn in Wilmington N.C. and have asked  
Gen Wash & Col. Blomsted of Raleigh to receive & distribute it for the relief  
of those suffering for the want of food in N.C. subject only to the condition that  
it shall be distributed "in respect of all social political & religious distinctions".

This action has been communicated to New York & Boston so as to make our  
movements harmonious with each other and that the greatest good may be done  
and for a like purpose I propose to keep you also advised.

A paragraph, which appeared in the <sup>of this city</sup> Inquirer yesterday, state  
that, as coming from Gen Howard, that his Department had quite adequate  
means to <sup>relieve</sup> ~~meet~~ all the distress <sup>up to December next</sup>. This has chilled the contributors here  
very much. If it be so, our labors are quite unnecessary. I cannot think  
that it is, or you would have mentioned it in your letter of the 18<sup>th</sup> but you  
will aid us, materially either by relieving us from further labor or by stimulating  
us to greater effort by affirming or denying the statement.

With great respect

I am yr. Obedt. Servt.

Geo. W. Welch

Chairman Com. on Distribution

No. 218 So Del. Avenue



Albany, March 22 1867

Wm. L. Garrison

Friend Garrison

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

I thank you for your letter of 19th inst. and  
 its full reply to my inquiry. Having connected with the Committee in  
 New York City, I have made the contents of your Com. on Disfranchisement  
 known to Charles E. Cox, brother of Gen. Wm. L. Garrison, and have asked  
 you to ask of Col. Sumner's friends to secure distribution of the report  
 of their efforts for the South Africa in N.C. and send it to the Committee on  
 it. I think it is a valuable contribution of an active political abolitionist.  
 This action has been communicated to the New York Boston as it has been  
 previously transmitted with great care and that the great good may be done  
 and for which purpose I propose to take your advice.  
 I have signed, which appears in the Boston Herald, the  
 at the County Fair, that the Disfranchisement has just occurred  
 means to meet the difficulty. I have chosen the Committee on  
 my part. After so, our labor is just necessary. I cannot think  
 that of the Committee have mentioned a report of the 19th inst.  
 will be a valuable contribution to the cause of the South Africa  
 trying to make effect of opposing a copy of the statement.

Very truly yours

Wm. L. Garrison

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Chairman Com. on Disfranchisement

Wm. L. Garrison



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~~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 22 1867

My dear General

I had not intended  
to print your letter, but I  
thought that I might have  
occasion to make some  
public use of it and there  
fore asked your leave, as  
against such a custom:  
I shall send a dis-  
tinct private, & Boston of  
Mr. Wheelock, allegation. It  
may possibly get into  
print, but I hardly think  
it will.

Yours truly

J. M. McKim

Ms. Lm O. O. Howard Cor Sec

United States Sanitary Commission

American Freedmen's Union Commission

111 West 11th St.

New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir,

I am pleased

to hear from you

and hope you are

well and happy

as ever. I am

very glad to hear

of your success

in your work.

I am sure you

will continue to

be successful.

I am, Sir, very

truly, Sir, your

obedient servant,

Wm. L. Chapin

Secretary

to the Commission



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Quartermaster General's Office,

Washington, D. C. March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1867

Brvt Maj: Genl: O. O. Howard  
Comt Bureau R. F. & A. Lands

General:

It gives me great pleasure to hand  
you the enclosed credentials.

Permit me, in doing so, to express a  
hope, that I may yet be privileged, to witness  
your installation into the highest office, within  
the gift of the American people.

I am - general

very respectfully

Yours in S. F. & B.

J. D. Crocker



A. M. G. D.

Wch 23 '67

Taylor O. S.

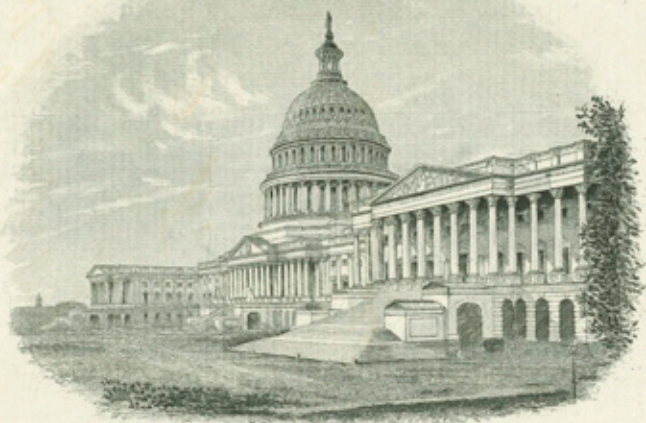
Enclosed enclosed

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## UNITED STATES SENATE CHAMBER

Washington March. 2<sup>d</sup> 1867

My dear Sir, I herewith en-  
 -close you copies of Resolutions  
 of our Legislature, endorsing  
 a University for Freedmen in  
 Kansas. And would respectfully  
 express, that the Freedmen in  
 my State, are numerous -  
 and deserving. This is the  
 only Institution in Kansas of  
 this kind. And if you can  
 aid it. You will place thou-  
 sands, under obligations to you  
 I am, My truly Yc Yc  
 A. C. Pomeroy



UNITED STATES SENATE CHAMBER

Washington, D.C. 20540

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RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
LEGISLATURE OF KANSAS,

IN FAVOR OF

*A grant of lands in that State for the use and benefit of the Freedmen's University.*

FEBRUARY 9, 1867.—Ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

Whereas certain private parties have organized and put in operation in Wyandott county, an institution of learning known as the Freedmen's University, the object of which is to afford to the colored population of Kansas an opportunity to pursue the higher branches of learning; and whereas it is believed that an institution devoted, as this is, to the education and elevation of this neglected people is eminently worthy of the fostering care and encouragement of the general government: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the senate*, (the house of representatives concurring therein,) That the Congress of the United States be, and they are hereby, respectfully memorialized to grant for the use and benefit of the Freedmen's University — sections of land in the State of Kansas, to be selected by the trustees of said institution from any public lands not otherwise disposed of.

*Resolved further*, That the secretary of state be, and he is hereby, instructed to forward certified copies of this preamble and resolutions to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives, and also to each of our senators and representatives in Congress.

Adopted by the senate January 16, 1867.

ALEX. R. BANKS,  
*Secretary of Senate.*

Concurred in by the house of representatives January 31, 1867.

JOHN T. MORTON,  
*Chief Clerk House of Representatives.*

STATE OF KANSAS, OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,  
*Topeka, Kansas, February 1, 1867.*

I, R. A. Barker, secretary of state, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a correct copy of the original, on file in this office.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the great seal of the State, the day and year last above written.

[SEAL.]

R. A. BARKER,  
*Secretary of State.*

# LEGISLATURE OF KANSAS

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Buxton  
Canada  
West.

March 22<sup>nd</sup> 67  
No

Major Gen. O. B. Newman

My Dear Sir.

I have read with  
much interest your  
report on the present  
condition of the Friend  
men in the South  
and especially that  
part that refers to  
their education.

I regret to see the  
little feeling that is  
State manifested towards  
the Freedmen in some  
parts of the South  
and to those who  
are labouring faithfully  
to improve their Moral  
Condition, I hope that  
hostile spirit will soon  
pass away, and with  
it the obstacles that  
~~are~~ now stand in  
the way of their  
Physical and Moral  
improvement. Where  
there are removal  
I have no doubt



The Colonies will  
will soon improve  
their power and  
more state. The  
refugees that I settled  
in Canada several  
years ago have now  
become an independent  
and intelligent community  
each family living  
~~on~~ a home purchased  
by ~~this~~ <sup>their</sup> own industry

I remain

Yours truly

Amos A. Phelps

Boston C.M.  
Mch 22. 67

Ring, Wm

Friendly letter.

Recd. Mch 22. '67



Direct to  
M<sup>rs</sup> Col Charles C Lee,  
Charlotte  
N.C.

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Charlotte March 24<sup>th</sup> 1867.

My dear friends

I am ever for writing to you  
but your proposed friendship for my sanctified husband  
and you and I were always good friends. I now  
write to by you to assist me a little. I am very  
poor, not one cent in the world and little child  
even to take care of. I have sold everything I had  
of any value. my silver spoon, trunks, and the  
best heart pin I had in the world to by bread  
and clothing. Can't you try and get the C. S.  
at this place to give me some rations I  
would not care if it is only hard tack, my  
funds are all done and my chimney's are  
leaving the house. so I write to by you to under  
me some assistance. Give my sincere friendship  
to Mr. Howard and to Roland. I often think of you all  
May God bless you and keep you from want  
I remain Respectfully  
Thomas P. Lee



Charlotte M.C.

Week 24. '67

See Annual O.

State that she is  
in very delicate  
circumstances, and  
wishes Genl. Howard  
to assist her.

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Washington D.C.

Nov 24<sup>th</sup> 1867

Dear Mrs O. L. M. \$10.  
(prints) & order for  
subscriptions —