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Boston April 20th

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Dear Sir

I recd your circ^r stating you were ready for the subscriptions for the Congregational Meeting House in Washington.

My notice was directed (Frank Jones) which may have occasioned some delay in the reception.

I now enclose my Check on Hide & Leather Bank of this City for Five Hundred dollars in full =

Please receipt to

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Gen. C. C. Brown 15

I have a young bird

which you were

very good for the

purpose for the

purpose of breeding

in Washington

My father was

interested (I think for)

which was very

valuable and very

interesting.

I am sure you

look on this letter

with this gift

to give him a

in full

There were 11

one for the enclosed
on receipt of the
same, that I may
know it is safe
to hand.

Hoping that you
have been successful
in your appeals &
remain truly yours

Frederick Jones
Boston

Mrs.

Boston Mass.

April 20. '67.

James Fred '6.

Enclosed check
for \$500. in full
payment of his
Subscription to 1st
Cong. Church

Recd. Apr. 24. '67.

Washington D.C. April 20th 1867.
Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
Dear Sir,

Major J. S.
Rogers, a young man of my acquaintance
from Maine, who served in the Army,
desires to know you.

He would be glad if you would
accord him an interview at your residence,
as he does not wish to intrude his business
upon your official duties.

I should be glad to intro-
duce him,

If you grant the request,
will you please endorse hereon the time you
will entertain him?

Very Respectfully,
J. B. Bigelow

Washington D.C.

April 26th 1869

Dearest J.D.

Regrets Gen. Howard's
de grand'père's friend Major
J.D. Rogers an interesting
atho' residence,

St Louis April 20th 1867.

Genl

In view of the possible, nay even probable failure to obtain a situation on the Union Pacific Railroad, I beg that you will write a word in my behalf to Genl G. K. Warren, who is to proceed about the 1st prox, on a survey in the north west, similar to that on which I was engaged with R. S. Williamson, Top Engr^s in California & Oregon, in 1855. I know Genl Warren quite well, and he intimated that he would be pleased to give me a position if I could manage to fortify him somewhat in a political sense, with such an endorsement as you could furnish yourself or could procure for me from ^{some} member of Congress. It is not at all likely that the circumstance of my humble connection with such an expedition would attract attention, as I would be exposed to the observation of Indians only; and then the risk of losing my scalp ought certainly to shield me in a measure from legislative proscription. I again appeal to you Genl under the peculiar circumstances which surround & hamper me in every way because I feel confident of your power & willingness to extricate me, and know that you are far above reproach in the eye of the political & moral world, and therefore not afraid

to aid me. Please pardon my importunity, but really the case is urgent as you know, and I must neglect no opportunity that offers a shadow of hope. I must have something to do, and that speedily.

Genl Warren may be in New York, and might telegraph me where to meet him, in case he should require my services. My address will be No 615 Walnut Street, St Louis, Mo.

I wish I had brought a letter of recommendation from you with me to this place. It would have helped me wonderfully. But I thought only of going along with Craig. Please remember me gratefully to Genl Pelouze & Tompkins.

Your Obedt Servt
C. D. Anderson.

Maj Genl O. O. Howard.
Washington,
D. C.

Office of A. Grant & Co, 500, ⁹⁷Scout St,
Washington, D.C. }
April 20, 1867.

General, I beg most respectfully
to ask your kind permission to refer
to you, on our business-cards — among
other influential-friends, Army and
Navy Officers, Senators, Representatives, &c. —
as we are re-organizing our business,
and heavily engaged in Government-
work, Contracts, &c. &c., I'm sure 'per-
mission of reference, kindly granted,
may be of the greatest service to us;
and we beg to assure you, will
be most highly and gratefully ap-
preciated.

We have the honor to be,

Very truly & respectfully,

Your Obedt Servt,

A. Grant & Co

Architects,
Contractors,
& Builders

Maj. Genl. O. O. Steward,
Washington, D.C.

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Boston April 20th 1867

Dear General,

I have the
pleasure to acknowledge
receipt of your note
with receipts enclosed
which have been
distributed to the
several parties.

I thank you
for pointing out an
error in the mem.^o
statement forwarded,
which was as you

rightly supported, an entry
of my clerk. My
statement included all
the contributions which
had come into my hands
as also my own contribution
that of my son's for
may therefore at your
convenience remit to me
the amount of one payment
\$500. I regret that
the contribution has not
equalled your expectations
I am apprehensive
that nothing short of
another person's appeal

from you will increase
the present amount &
even then I think the
state of business (now
peculiarly depressed)
would render large
collections difficult.
I trust that the enterprise
is progressing satisfactorily.
Appreciating the kind
expressions of sympathy
for an recent affliction,
Remain

as ever

Yours sincerely

J. F. Tober

Major Genl
O. O. Howard
Washington

Boston Mass.
April 20. '57.

Frederic G. S.

Acknowledges the
receipt of note from
Genl. Shwood containing
Receipt for money sent.
States that there was a
mistake as the Genl
supposed. wishes the
\$500. returned to him.
Thinks that nothing but
a personal appeal will
increase the Qu. in Boston

Recd. Apr. 22. '57.

Philad^a April 20/67
 To Maj Genl O. O. Howard
 D^r Sir

My Son late Col Charles C
 Cresson, 73rd P^{re} Vols now 2nd
Lieut 35th ¹² US Infantry, actg Adjutant
 of Fort, at Indianola, Texas, has just
 written, asking me to solicit thy kind
 influence, to obtain him the Brevet
appointment of Lieut: Colonel
 to which we are informed he is
 entitled by a recent act of US State
 Senate, viz that all Officers appointed
 to the Regular from the Volunteers
 should be entitled to the Brevet of
 the highest Rank they held in the Vols.
 Col Cresson was Commissioned by Gen Easton Col
 but Mastered in the US service only as St Col.

Respectfully thy Friend
 John B Cresson
 No 319 North 3rd St.

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Willard's Hotel, April 20, 1867.

General:

I have known Mr. A. W. Murtagh, of New Orleans, many years. He has been deputy clerk of our Courts and held other public positions. He writes a good hand, has good practical business knowledge, and has always been loyal to the Union. He informs me that he is an applicant for a clerkship in your department. I think him fit and deserving, and consequently recommend him for such a position.

Respectfully, &c.

Michael Hahn.

Major Gen.

C. C. Howard.

Wilson's Hotel, April 22, 1867.

Dear Sir:

I have known Mr. W. M. Montgomery of New Orleans many years. He has been deputy clerk of our Court and held other public positions. He writes a good hand, has good penmanship, is a business man, and has always been loyal to the Union. The information that he is an applicant for a clerk in your department. I think him fit and deserving and consequently recommend him for such a position.

Respectfully,
Wm. M. Montgomery

Office of Internal Revenue
April 20th 1867.

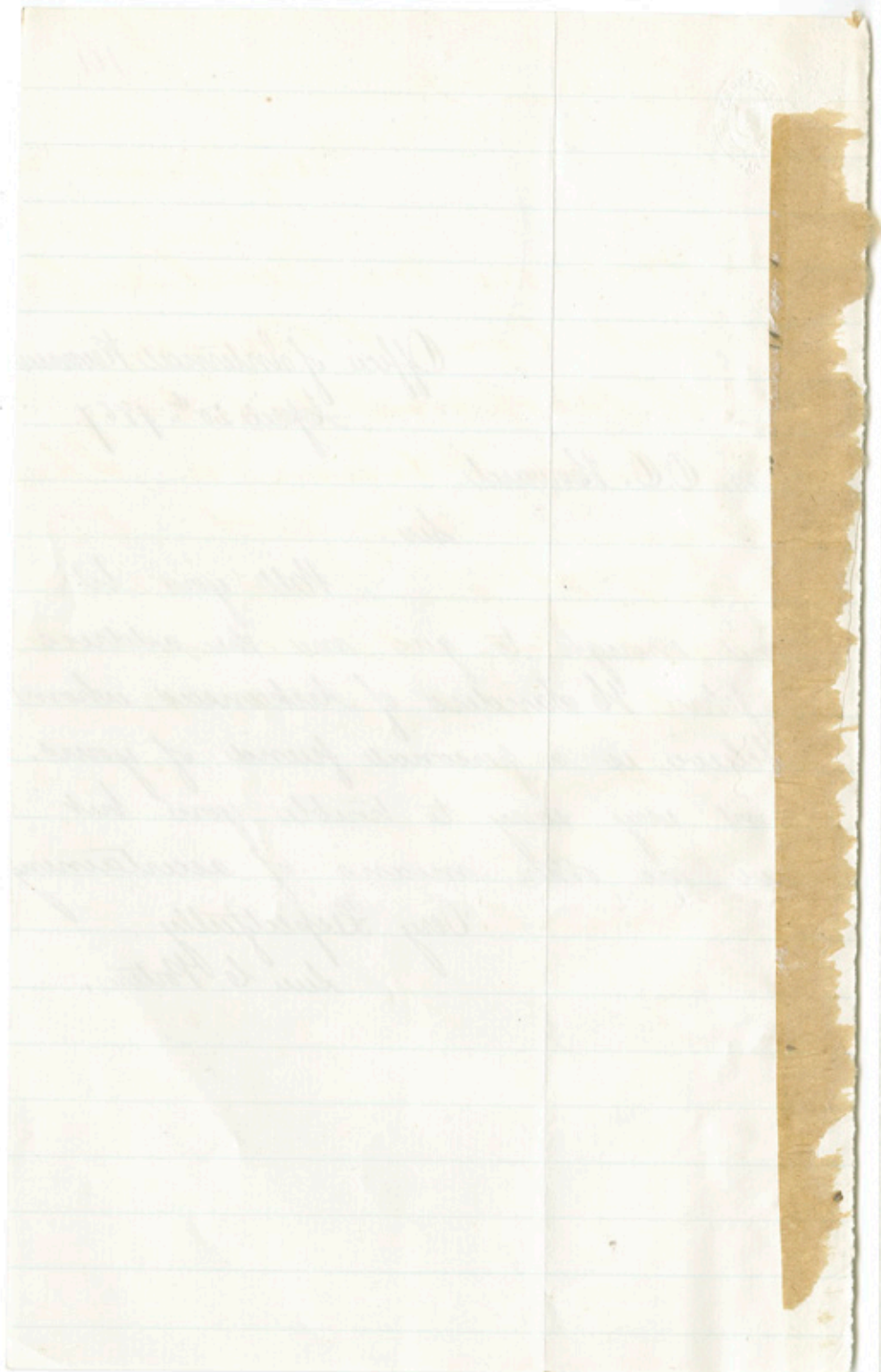
Gen. O. O. Howard.

Sir,

Will you be
kind enough to give me the address
of John Sanders of Arkansas, whom
I believe is a personal friend of yours.
I am very sorry to trouble you but
have no other means of ascertaining

Very Respectfully,

Sam'l L. Porter,



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New York April 22nd 1867

Major Genl. Howard

My dear Sir

We have replied
as well as we could to your inquiry
about Corn & Bacon.

I propose visiting Washington this
week, as I have a Ship at Baltimore
requiring my attention, and I can
easily run up and see you shall
probably do so on Thursday the 25th
when I hope to have the pleasure
of meeting you and Mr Whittlesey,
and can then give you further in-
formation if needed about Corn
&c.

Very yours

R. R. Buck

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.

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Personal

Head Quarters Assistant Commissioner, State of Virginia.

Richmond, Va., ~~Sept~~ 29 1867.

Major Genl O O Howard

Dear General

The bearer

Major Buttz has been on duty
in the Bureau since June last
and has proved himself a meri-
-tious and valuable Officer.

If you can aid him in securing
an appointment in the Regular Army
you will I believe assist a
worthy young Man and confer a
favor on
Your Friend
Of course

Reclined
May 1st 1869
Maj. Barry visited
Washington with
this letter but
found Genl Howard
absent.

The Major's
application was
forwarded ~~apparently~~
favorably ~~truders~~
by Genl Leary, Scholfield
and Henry Rucker
and, is I presume
on file in the War
Department.

O'Brien

Important
~~United States Sanitary Commission.~~

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American Freedmans Union Commission,

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

LYMAN ABBOTT, Gen. Sec.

J. M. McKIM, Cor. Sec.

New York, April 22 1863

My dear General:

Mr. Deke & Mr. (Capt.)
Lin (rich & leading men in
Beecher's Church) are of the
opinion, as we are here, that
a ~~a~~ lecturing or preach-
ing tour by H. W. Beecher
~~and~~ through the Southern
States, would be of immense
benefit every where; & Mr
Beecher is willing to
make such a tour when
invited by the South. (Could
you not - & would you
not undertake through
your facilities for the pur-
pose - to set up a call
from well disposed people

each a letter from the ladies of the
to this that you can do with us
as faithful as we can, and as I hear
it is the best you can do I have with-
out further to say.

But a speech like that you & I
heard from Webster in Baltimore dis-
cussed in all the northern papers would
be an awfully good - political & so:
I hope, great & important every time that
you do kindly calculate how my Mother & I
C¹¹ -

for them people? Please
consider it.

The word "important"
at the head of this is
a sure of mine to
ensure attention. I write
to you so often that
I fear you will consider
me a bore.

Mr Kennedy tells me
that the \$1000. for transpor-
tation granted to us is not
for the NY Branch but for
the AZ U Com. mission! This
is not as I understood it
when I wrote you that your
letter was "entirely satisfac-
tory".

The Com. mission has
nearly 500 teachers in the
field. a thousand dollars
therefore would give to:

New York,
April 22. '67.

McKim J. M.

States that Rev. H.
W. Beecher is
willing to deliver
lectures through the
South if invited
wishes Genl. Howard
to try and arrange
the trip for him.

Does not fully
understand the
donation of Genl.
Howard for transportation.

Recd. apt. 23. '67.

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Young Men's Christian Association,

Washington, D.C., April 22, 1867

Gen Howard

Dear Sir

At the special business meeting of the Association last Saturday evening you were appointed to read an essay at the meeting (monthly) June 17 on the question How can the Asso. be made more beneficial to the members and community? Time not to exceed fifteen minutes.

Messrs C. B. Ransdell & C. H. Merwin were appointed alternates and in case you can not perform the duty you will please request one of these gentlemen to read the essay.

Yours Sincerely,
C. H. Merwin
Rec. Sec.

Young Men's Christian Association

Washington, D.C., July 1, 1887

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th inst.

in relation to the Christian Association of the District of Columbia.

I am sorry to hear that you are unable to visit the city at the present time.

I am, however, glad to hear that you are still interested in the work of the Association.

I am, therefore, sending you the enclosed report of the Association for the year 1886.

I am, also, sending you a copy of the report of the Executive Committee for the same year.

I am, further, sending you a copy of the report of the Finance Committee for the same year.

I am, finally, sending you a copy of the report of the Committee on the Christian Literature Campaign for the same year.

I am, very respectfully, yours,

Wm. A. Rorer, Secretary

Young Men's Christian Association

Washington, D.C.

July 1, 1887

Washington, April, 22nd 1867-
Major Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir -

Mr Radcliff has written to D. A. Burr their agent here, the nature of the Telegraph you sent on Saturday - and asking what the detail of that proposition is - as they wish to have the matter closed - after reading their letter I would respectfully suggest - that you Telegraph them something like the following -

"If you will accept Seventy five hundred Cash, and twenty five hundred on time, in royalties Consider matter closed" - "Cash ready in Bank" I add the last sentence because in their letter they wished "Cash" to mean Cash

Mr Burr would be glad to have an interest in the Co - but - he is like myself - without

money at present; he understands the whole working of the Machinery - and knows the strength of the patent he having been their attorney in the Case - He would give it enough of his time to make every thing work right - with a proper foreman and would be willing the Co should be named Burr & Co - He is a perfectly reliable man -

I was thinking after I heard you say you did not care to be in the Co - that if agreeable - your brother Charles Ben Whittlesey - Col Eaton, Burr and my self - might form such a Co - Father would like an interest in it; but - I might put his with mine - and take a larger share

I merely make these suggestions to you -

I have not yet received the plot of the

farm -
Very Respectfully Yours Henry R. Searle

Providence, April 22. 1867

General Howard,

My dear Sir:

I infer from your letter that you do not disapprove of the general tenor of my Circular. Your plan, in regard to Normal Schools, opens the first feasible way of doing something in that line that has been presented to me. Your aim is chiefly to educate the colored people; mine extends equally to the blacks & whites. For the present, at least, I think there must be two or three Normal Schools for the white population. If the people wish to have such separate schools & will establish them, I propose to let them have their own way,

I to aid them, to some extent, by scholarships.

But for the blacks, there you see I have before us one & the same field. I see, at present, no reason why ~~we~~ each cannot pursue his own course, & yet direct that course so as to result in an effectual cooperation. The way in which we desire to aid normal schools is to give a moderate amount to a select number who will promise to become teachers. There are two reasons why we would aid, but not support normal pupils. All experience shows that self-reliance & the habit of meeting & overcoming difficulties produce the most energetic characters. Persons who are supported by others are apt to be passive, inefficient, & helpless.

Again, the negro teacher must be very industrious & economical

after he enters upon his work, &
should not be spoiled by ease
& indulgence. I might add a
third reason, namely the great
number that will need some
support. These views, I admit,
are somewhat theoretical, & may
need a little modification when
I enter upon the work & see things
in the light of experience. I would
like to know how low we
can safely, in your judgment,
put the scholarships in amount.
also, what difference it will be
best to make between the amounts
for male & for female teachers.
I suppose their style of living will
be less expensive than that of others.
I hope soon to meet our Executive
Committee & should like to
present this subject for their
consideration.

Very respectfully & truly yours,

B. Sears, Agent.

Providence A.S.
April 22. '67.

Dear S.
Agent Peabody Fund.

Letter in reference
to Education.

Wishes further
advice from Genl.
Howard, also
an estimate of
the cost of Schol-
arships.

Recd. Apr. 24. '67.

(Private.)

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Charleston So. Ca. April 22nd. 1867.

General:

I beg leave to invite your attention to the enclosed copy of a letter addressed by Gov. Orr of this State to the Sheriffs &c. of the several Districts, directing them to select the persons who are to be appointed "Registers" by the General Commanding, in the election now pending under the "Military Reconstruction Bill" (This letter was issued with all the privacy possible, and has not yet been published.) If the authority thus vested in Gov. Orr by Genl. Sickles, is not at once revoked, the entire Union element of the State will be discredited, and also utterly excluded from the Boards of Registration. The Colored voters in this State are estimated at sixty (60.000) thousand, and form the main body of the Union Organization. The white voters number forty thousand (40.000) who constitute chiefly the rank and file of the

disunion organization. Fifteen (15) days ago
an authorized delegation of "Colored" Citizens
called upon Genl. Sickles, and respectfully
requested that he would select some of the
Registers from among the Colored population,
as they constitute the majority of the voters
in the State. Genl. Sickles informed them
that their request should be "considered."
It has been answered, by the authority granted
to Gov. Orr, who is a silent partner in the
great disunion firm of Barnwell Rhett & Co.,
and who is himself disqualified as an elec-
tor! This is putting "the new wine into the old
bottles": sewing the "old cloth into the new
garment" of liberty. Gov. Orr was late a seces-
sion leader; later a Col. in the "C. S. A."; latest
(and now) a "Conservative Union man"; and
Conservative Unionist *here*, is simply disunion-
ist written in italics. His present scheme is a
Trojan horse, with its belly full of armed men!
On the 8th of November 1860, the news reached
Charleston that Abraham Lincoln had been
elected President of the United States. At
that time the "Hon. A. G. Magrath U. S. Dist.

Judge was presiding in the United States Court in this City, and he instantly arose from his seat, and taking off his robes of office, flung them in the dust, and declared that the Court was adjourned "forever," and that to longer serve the United ^{States} would be dishonor! That was done in the presence of the assembled multitude, as he stood surrounded and overshadowed by the symbols of the Union, and with its broad seal upon his Commission! On the next day a large painting was hung across Meeting Street, in front of the Hibernian Hall, representing Judge Magrath in the act of firing a cannon, and above him the motto - "The first Gun!"

The Court is again in session, under the shield of the Union. Judge Magrath still lives, and is the Chief Counsellor of the Major Genl. U.S.A. now Commanding in this Military District! If you doubt this statement, ask the representative Union men here, and they will confirm it.

I have written to you thus, General, be-
cause I know that you are just, and
desire that the law which declares equal-
ity of rights, shall prevail.

I am General,
Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
D. J. Mackey.

General C. C. Howard.
Washington.
D. C.

(Copy.)

Executive Department, South Carolina
Columbia April 12. 1867.

Gentlemen:

With the view of being able to furnish Major Genl. Sickles, Commanding this District, with the names of suitable persons who may act as Registers of the voters of the several Districts in this State, and also as Managers of Elections, under the Military Reconstruction Act, and its Supplement, passed by the last Congress of the United States,

1. I respectfully request you to furnish me with the names of four (4) intelligent and trustworthy citizens in each Bat-talion of your District, if that number can be found, and if not, any less number who are competent to act as Registers.
2. The names of three (3) persons, if they can be found, and if not, any less number at each one of the Election precincts in your District, who will be competent to act as Managers of Elections. These

Registers and Managers will be required to take the following Oath, prescribed by the Act of July 2.nd 1862. x x x x x x x x x x

(Here follows the Oath.)

You will also designate the precincts where there is no competent person able to take the above oath. It is very desirable that you should authoritatively ascertain from each person named, whether he can do so. You will also give the Post Office address of each person named. The Registers, and perhaps the Managers of Elections will be compensated for their services. I cannot too earnestly impress upon you the vital importance of promptly acting upon the request contained in this Communication, and of transmitting your answer at the earliest day practicable. If an earnest and energetic effort is not made to procure the services of trustworthy Citizens to discharge these respective duties, they will be performed by strangers, who may not have a correct appreciation of the wants of the Community.

(Turn Over)

(Signed) James L. Orr.
Governor of South Carolina.

To the
Clerk; Sheriff;
Ordinary, and Masters in Equity, }
for Charleston District.

Executive Department

Columbia South Carolina.

April 12. 1867.

Gov. Jas. L. Orr;

directing the Sheriff

to select the persons

to be appointed as

Registers, and Man-

agers of Elections

under the Military

Reconstruction Act.

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