Washington City D.C.
May 9th, 1867

To General C. O. Howard,

Sir, at a meeting of colored men held in the city of Washington the object of which was to organize a Military company for our mutual benefit and social enjoyment. There has been a great deal said about the authority to raise Military companies in the District. Therefore Sir, before we go to any further expense we would like to have some information on the subject and for this reason this note has been addressed to you. Knowing full well that you will give us all the required information I am, your sunk.
To address you with this note hoping you will please give us all the information to enable us to organize a company of it is lawfully.

Yours very respectfully,

Committee Charles Butler

[signature]

Lieutenant 2nd

Wm. C. Goldsmith
Richmond Ind. May 17

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

Dear Sir: I wrote you some time ago from Powne asking if you could give me an appointment somewhere in the south. I have been unsatisfactory in languages since then, having lost all my work of that kind in your favor, and can be of little service as well as not. I would like to obtain some situation under you. All are well at home.

Respectfully yours,

F. C. Stuckland.
Richmond Ind. May 7th 1861

During an assessment conducted the Bureau Committee on the South.
New York
May 7th 1867

O. O. Howard,
Major Gen. V. Commiss
Dear General,

I held a conference
of the two Associations today.
Results entirely satisfactory as
far as they went. Our state
are to decide upon yet. The gentle-
men expressed gratification at
being called in common coun-
cil.

Haas made substantial
progress in the matter of
cuts for School Houses &
homes. Some old friends join
the use grate. Think best to
attend to this a little longer in
order to get them out soon.

Capt. Wm. J. Stetson Chase
sp. 1st. C. H. A. Chase
...
Washington, May 8th, 1867.

General C. C. Howard

Dear Sir:

The Rev. Principal Fairbairn and the Rev. Mr. Kelly, delegates from Scotland to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in America, expect to reach this city on Friday, May 10th. A few friends will meet them at my house, No. 321 W. Y. Av., below 9th, on that evening at 8 o'clock. I shall be pleased to have the honor of your company on that occasion.

Your Obedient Servant,

[Signature]

[Address]
Washington City, May 8th, 1867

General

I enclose a letter from Col. Milledge of Augusta, Georgia, for you, Admiral and Acting Attorney, and recommend him for the appointment, altogether respectable. Be good enough to let me know your decision as soon as possible. I am prevented by the business of the Supreme Court from calling upon you personally.

Very truly yours,

J. M. Wayne

O. O. Howard

May 8th, 1867

[Handwritten note:]

[Handwritten note:] Have you any objection to Commissioner S. Teague of Augusta, Georgia?
My dear Sir—

Permit, one who has always considered you as his friend, whom you have not seen for many years, and who has not beenblotted from your memory by the
changes of this severe revolution through which we have passed, to ask a favour which will not put you to much trouble in granting—

Some time since at the suggestion of many friends I wrote to Washington urging to be appointed Minister for the Freedman in and near this city. I am really pleased at the

favorable word, to be sent to you, likely either at your own request, or to afford aid at all times. I sincerely hope that you will help in the matter and that God will direct

and aid you in the same. Your opinion and the near

recommendation from God I carry with me more

time ago, but until this date have written from Head Country. in answer to the letter

My dear Sir, in your last not to say this, which

from you by way of recommendation to God.
would bring trouble again, as I believe they avoid the great change that has recently taken place, been prepared for something of more general importance.

I think there unfortunate people who are continually before our courts for various crimes, demand that they should be punished with a mild and lenient legal sentence, that those who have position and character enough to be able to stand squarely up in defense of their people when the occasion requires it, constitute a fund of public sentiment or prejudice that might at the time expire. For the man of such a one, in pursuing cases for trial, getting up testimony, there have been many a case in which it was hearing, and the result has necessarily been any conviction instead of an acquitted man. Others have been the results. But Great Britons must stand on the point of one whom they have trampled upon with insolence and violence, and not merely take as a gain or advantage of some new victory in their power.
I have by saying that it must and my family this appointment is a matter of great importance, as it will enable me to make the business to provide in finding and clothing them. I think they are not to your living friend and tofeel the heavy and very kindly interested himself to my behalf in such things as the previous assurances that I must get the appointment through a great degree how trained in wearing my patience in my patient and leniently and sworn to this cause. Public officers report with the hope of hearing from you in reference to this matter.

Yours respectfully,

Thos. Milledge.
New York, May 6th, 1869

My dear Sir,

I much gratified at what you say in your letter to me of the 20th, that "as far as possible you will hasten all teachers from the South to Northern." It will be a great help to us in our work.

Very sincerely yours,

J. M. McKim
Baltimore, May 8th 1867

Major Gen. Harford,

Dear Sir:

I take the liberty of saying a word in regard to Col. Weigel. I hear that he is about to go to Alabama. Of course cannot hear the need of the department as the reasons. And can only say that if the department can accommodate him near his home of the freemen here. With yours of the 18th. Have kept here if you can make it. Very truly,

A. Stirling.
May, 1857

My dear Mr. [Name]

I have just received your kind letter of May 9th, and am pleased to learn that you are well and in good spirits. I trust that you will continue to enjoy good health and prosperity.

Your letter was most welcome, and I shall be glad to hear from you again.

Yours faithfully,

[Name]
Washington, D.C.,
May 5, 1867.

Geil Howard,

Dear Sir,

I feel a deep interest in the work of the Young Men's Christian Association, and an earnest desire that it be vigorously prosecuted, and am anxious to do all in my power, both in my individual capacity and in connection with the committee on churches, of which you appointed me chairman, to promote its efficiency.

I think it does not admit of question, that the committees of our association are essential to its prosperity, and the accomplishment of its mission, and that they can be made of great service if proper interest is felt and manifested by those who compose them.

I do not know that is the experience of the Chairman of other committees. I have made several successes.
ful attempts to interest the members of our committee in its work, to persuade them to attend the meetings of the Association and of the committee, and to suggest subjects which may be properly considered by the Committee.

It is my impression that a letter from yourself to the chairman of each Committee, (or to myself alone if you think it best) urging the importance of the work of the Association, and the necessity that it be zealously prosecuted by the committee will be of great service, to awaken a deeper interest on the part of the members of the committees.

Would it not be well able to suggest that those who find it impossible to be present at the meeting, state that such is the fact, and request to be excused from being absent, that their place may be filled by others who have more time to devote to the Association and its interest?

Very respectfully,

A.H. Springer.
Dear General,

I have only recently received your letter enclosing receipt for one of CW Freelander's contributions to the Church Building Fund. Your kind letter enclosing check for five hundred dollars returned to me in my care in reminder that also been received for which I beg you to receive my thanks. I hope that you had a successful mission to Chicago. I have recently been enjoying the pleasure of extending some hospitality to Mr. Fairchild of Wisconsin who I believe is one of your personal friends, as I certainly am.
Companions in arms, with you at Gettysburg, with assurances of continued friendship remain as ever truly yours,

C. G. Sedgwick

Maj. Genl. Howard
Washington
May 8, 1865

By Telegraph from New York 1865.

To Maj. Gen. E. Howard

I am engaged on Friday in Salto will attend at Christian Association Anniversary of fifteenth of October.

Stephen F. Tyng Jr.

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U.S. War Telegram
New York
May 8, 1867

Young Stephen H. Jr.

Engaged on Friday
in Baltimore, Md.
GEN. O. O. HOWARD.

Gen. Howard, the chief of the Freedmen's Bureau, is one of the very best men in public service in the nation. In Maine we often met him in religious conventions and in temperance conventions. We were very happy to meet him again, as we did this week in our city.

We were glad to learn from his own lips that he is very hopeful as to the future prospects of the Freedmen. He also told us that he has offered our brethren to go to the extent of the law in aiding us, if we raise the proposed $10,000 for Freedmen's College, according to the plan proposed through the Morning Star. He also spoke very encouraging words to our Western agent, Bro. Chase, in regard to aiding our work on the Mississippi, and our laborious missionaries there will rejoice with us when they hear the particulars.
will bear committing to memory by younger Christians who have but just started upon the race set before them. "When we know that all we think, and say, and do, all that we enjoy and suffer, all that elevates us with hope, or depresses us with sorrow, all our calms and our storms, our weariness and our rest, are having a direct bearing upon our everlasting state, how does life loom up into an importance that overshadows all worlds?" Yes, it is a solemn thing to live, and it is a great blessing to have learned this fact while yet dwelling upon the earth. Many never appreciate the importance of life till called upon to give it up—never realise that it is a priceless, glorious gift, till too late to use it in the service of God the great Giver of Life. But after coming to something like an apprehension of its worth, how does every trial, every disappointment, every seemingly adverse provi-
Maj. Gen. Howard,

Agreeable to your request I enclose a copy of order on Maj. Seely of St. Louis.

The blessing of the poor and unfortunate be upon you.

Graham and respect,

Your Fraternally,

A. H. Chase
Gen. Capt. Western Ins. Committee
Washington, May 8, 1867

Gentleman:

I have written a contract (instead of a bond) simple as I could, and I think easy to be understood— to be executed in duplicate— giving one copy and retaining one, and not to be transferable or assigned to any party without our consent, and not good in the hands of any one but the real original, purchaser, or his heirs. If you think of a better form, please adopt it. If you adopt this, or something like it, have double the number printed, you will have lots—and keep bound in one book all the duplicate contracts.

I am yours,

[Signature]