

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Hd. Q's, Supt. 5th District, Va.

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Fort Monroe, Va.,

May 16th 1867.

Dear Genl,

I have a pleasant
time by the sea shore; good
boating & fishing; and should you
like to pass a few days with me this
summer when breezes are fresh and cool,
you will be cordially welcome. I feel
assured that your strictly earned money
will be well employed, and confident that you will find the
sea air bracing.

Very sincerely,
S. Huntington.

James F. Johnson, Secretary and Abandoned Lands

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National Division, S. of T., N. A.

Office of the Most Worthy Patriarch,

(J. N. STEARNS, M. W. P.)

172 William Street,

New York, May 16 1861

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
Dear Bro.

The Order of the Sons of Temperance for
the State of New York, propose a grand Celebration - on July 24th -
at Saratoga Spring, July 24th - on the occasion of our 20th
anniversary of the Grand Division - we expect a procession of
thousands in regular & a large public meeting
in a pavilion on grounds in the afternoon, and a
class meeting in the evening -

We desire very much that you should be
with us on that occasion - and extend to you a
cordial & hearty invitation - I hope you can arrange
to go with us there - It will be the height of
the season there & we expect a grand turn-out.
We have formed 67 new divisions in three months with
over 5000 new members & hope to do nearly as well
in present quarter

Yours fraternally
J. N. Stearns
M. W. P.
Chairman of Committee

New York City

May 16th 1867

Steamer J. D.
N. H. P.

Wishes Ben. Howard to
be present at the Quarterly
Meeting of the sons of
Simpson for the
State of New York to
take place at Saratoga
Spring July 21st to 26th
There will be a grand
procession and mass
meeting.

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War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, D. C. May 16th 1867.

Dear Sir:

I mentioned the fact, that you had kindly consented to address our Division, at its meeting last evening, and its members determined to invite you to do so on Wednesday evening next (23rd inst). Will you be kind enough to signify if it will be quite convenient for you to oblige us on that occasion. We meet in the Hall on Ninth Street at 7.30. P. M. I am, General, yours

Very Respectfully

W. H. Douglas

Chaplain
Fed. City Div. S. & F.

Major Gen. C. C. Howard.

P. S. Please address at Office
of Dr. W. H. Howard.

W. H.

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Washington D.C.

May 16th 1867

Dear Sir

I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 14th of
May and in reply to
advise you that the same
has been forwarded to the
proper authorities for their
consideration.

I. NEWTON PEIRCE & CO.
MANUFACTURERS OF
Peirce's Patent Slates and Slate Surface,
No. 427 North Eleventh St. 32

Philadelphia, May 16. 1867.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Hon Sir.

By to-day's "Press"
I notice your effort to spread
the cause of Temperance among
the Freedmen. Perhaps it
may be of interest to you to
know that there is an Order
of Temperance, that does not
recognise the distinction
in color, which is so great
a bug-bear among some
societies. It is the "Independ-
ent Order of Good Templars".
It now numbers 21 Grand
Lodges and over 300 000 Members.
In this state we have 200
Lodges. At the last session
of the Right Worthy Grand

J. NEWTON GIBBS & CO.

MANUFACTURERS OF

Water's Patent Plates and Glass Engraving.

No. 427 North Second St.

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Philadelphia, May 11, 1887.

Mr. O. J. Jones,

Dear Sir,

My friend Mr. J. B. Jones has been
kind enough to send me a copy of
your publication. I have read it
and find it very interesting and
valuable. I have also read the
article on the "History of the
United States" and find it very
interesting and valuable. I have
also read the article on the "History
of the United States" and find it
very interesting and valuable. I
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"History of the United States" and
find it very interesting and valuable.

Lodge held in Boston in May
1868. It was decided that
this order knew no more
distinction in color of skin
than in the color of eyes or
hair.

Our next Annual Session
will be held on the 28th inst
at Detroit Mich. At
which I expect to attend
if health permits. I should
be glad to have some expression
of thought or wish from you
on subject of the great want
of temperance labor in that
field or, what ever you
please, to present there, as
the subject will, I believe
be brought up.

Yours for the increase of
Temperance and Intelligence,
J. Newton Peirce.

P.S. Expect to leave here on the 24th inst

Philadelphia Pa.
May 16th 1867

Pierce J. Newton

Writes with the regard to
the different Temperance
organizations, and
states that they have
an organization that
makes no distinction on
account of color. He
would like a letter from
Genl. Howard touching
on the Temperance Cause
and giving some thoughts
for their guidance.

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Office of the Auditor of the Treasury
For the Post Office Department,

Washington, May 16, 1867.

Gen Howard

Dear Sir

I would like to receive an appointment from the "Bureau" for the month of June, for such duty in the Southern States as you may please to assign to me.

I cannot get a furlough for that period, and I have a desire to visit our Southern territory and also to earn some money in addition to my present salary. I would like better to tell you why in a personal interview.

Yours truly

Geo F. Steedman

Office of the Secretary of the Interior

Washington D.C.

May 16th 1867

Necham E. D.

Makes application for an
appointment for the
month of June for such
duty in the Southern
States Genl. Howard may
see fit to assign him.

He states that he can obtain
a furlough for the period
mentioned and would like
to visit the Southern Territory

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Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Head Quarters Assistant Commissioner, State of Virginia.

Richmond, Va., May 17th 1867.

Major Genl. O. O. Howard
Commissioner,
General,

I would respectfully request, that the decision of the Commissioner respecting the appropriation of the "Refugees Fund" for school purposes in this State, be delayed until after I have the opportunity for a personal interview in regard to the matter.

I am, General

Yours respectfully
O. Brown

Col. Brig. Genl. &c
Asst. Commr.

Wm. A. L. W. W.

Richmond, Va.

May 17. 1867.

Virginia

Brown, D.

At Big Rock

Genl. D. C. C.

Request that the decision of the Council
regarding the apt. of "Refugees Fund"
for water purchase in his state be
delayed until he has a personal
interview.

W. C.

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Headquarters, Assistant Commissioner,

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
SOUTH CAROLINA.

Charleston, S.C., May 17 1867 D

May, Genl. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

I hope you will not deem me over-greedy, when I tell you that we want more money, in S. Carolina. We need more than our proportion. This is a hard field & yet one of great importance. The islands are to be more thickly settled with freedmen, than other portions, & there are to be less whites among them, than in other places. The friends of the freedmen will have opportunities to educate them, if they can have facilities for so doing, which will not be enjoyed elsewhere.

The people themselves, are to be
land holders, on these islands & to
possess wealth, after a short
time, in a greater degree than
can be expected of them now.
If therefore they be not educated
they will in their ignorance
be a greater power to do harm.
We must plant schools on most
of these islands which are to num-
ber from one thousand to five,
or six, thousand people on each.
Here we must have the light house
of education to light up
the dark interior back as far
as the mountains.

Armenian Christian teachers can
never be shut out from the

Schools on the coast. The people here will have a business connection with the outside world, that will aid much in their elevation if Christian schools are kept up among them. If we take care of the coast, the coast will take care of the interior, in a great degree.

It is important that permanent foundations, and on a large scale, be laid for all the schools here, and if a few can be started with liberal aid from the Government, all future ones will be started on a corresponding scale.

I hope therefore, you will

I spare for S. Lowther all you
possibility can spare from appro-
priations, & that you put
the knife in very deep, when
you slice off from the loaf
of next year's appropriations.

Emil Seott is disposed to
devise "liberal things" for the
future of this State, & if he can
be backed up with means -
the future will show the
wisdom of his plans.

Yours very truly

M. French

Georgetown D.C. May 17. 67

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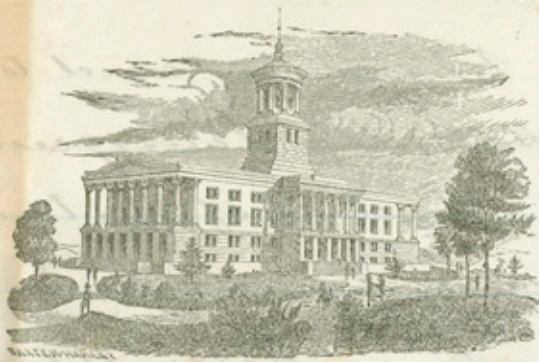
Gen O. O. Howard,

General,

This will
introduce to you Mr Geo H-
French, late Bot Maj. in the
Veteran Reserve Corps, & a personal
friend of the writer -

He desires to be reappointed to
the Army & any influence you
can bring to bear in his favor
will be worthily bestowed, & will be
gratefully acknowledged both by
himself & by
Yours Obt^d Servant
A. A. E. Taylor

Philadelphia 12 May 17.67
Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the purchase of the rights of the author of the "Description of the Country of the United States" by the late John C. Calhoun, Esq. & a friend. I have the pleasure to inform you that the same have been purchased for the sum of \$100.00. I have also the honor to inform you that the same have been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.
J. B. Cooper



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STATE OF TENNESSEE,

Office Secretary of State,

Nashville, May 17, 1867.

Maj. Genl O O Howard

Bureau S. R. & A. &c

General; Having called your attention to the political aspirations of the agent of the Bureau for this County I send you to day a city paper containing what I regard as the most accurate account of the Conf. Convention alluded to in my first letter. I enclose the paper to show you I was not mistaken in my apprehensions of trouble. In point of numbers the majority of the vast assemblage clamored for Lawrence with furious excitement. With but half a dozen exceptions the white union men were for Lincoln. Mr. Lawrence has reconsidered his acceptance and declined the position assigned him at the Market House by his excited followers. By this he has done much to re-

pair the mischief he has done and to prevent still more deplorable consequences which would have resulted if he had persisted in being a Candidate. If he had continued there would have been a division of parties upon color. Indeed we have almost reached that point here now. I need not point out to you the deplorable consequences of such a state of things as would follow the formation of white and black parties in Tennessee. Every true friend of the Freedmen must desire to avoid such a state of affairs. — I allude to now, not to prejudice Mr. Lawrence, for I have strong hopes that he will do good instead of evil hereafter, but to venture a hope that no community in the South will ever be brought so near such a calamity as this has been. I am so much impressed with the importance of guarding against such dangers as have just threatened us that I cannot but feel it a duty to call attention to them.

I am General with the

highest regard your
obt servt

A. J. Fletcher

P. S. The Governor is absent and very
ill, but I express his sentiments

A. J. F.

Office day State.

Archibald Tennison

May 17th

Stetson A. J.

states that he has sent
to Genl. Howard a paper
containing full particulars
of the "Laurence" Convention
and expresses his wish
at length on Howard.

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