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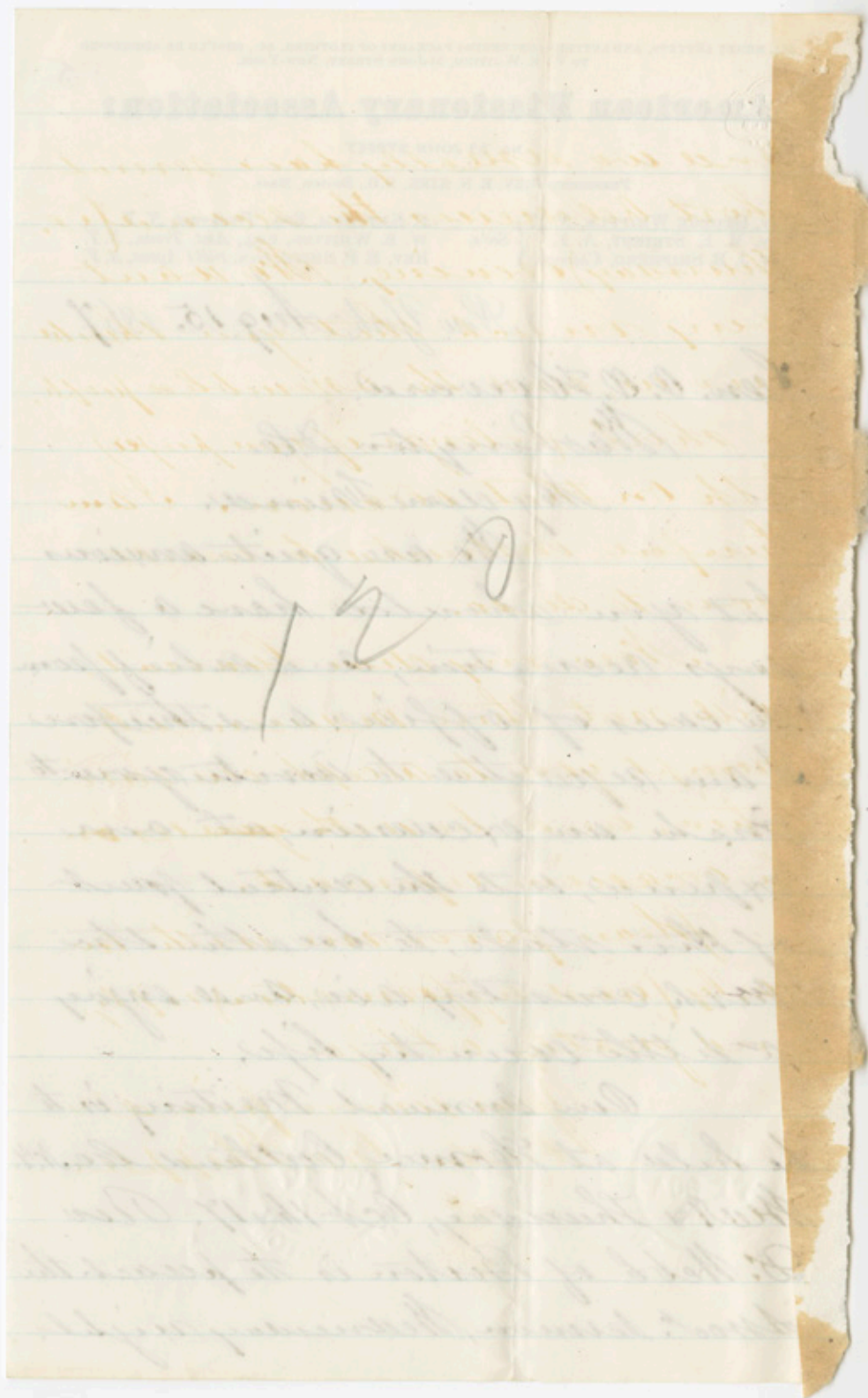
Gen. O. O. Howard.

Washington D.C.

My dear Friend,

We are quite anxious that you should have a few days recreation, and relief from the cares of office: and therefore I am requested to invite you to make an excursion, at our expense, into the central part of this state, to breathe the fresh country air, and enjoy a little country life.

Our Annual Meeting is to be held at Homer, Portland Co., N.H. Wed & Thursday, Oct 16 & 17. Rev D. Webb of Boston is to preach the Assocⁿ. sermon, Wednesday night.



and we usually have several
short addresses the second (i.e.
Thursday) evening. We want
very much that you should
give us, and the assembly people,
a short (or longer if you prefer)
talk on that occasion. I am
therefore instructed to invite
you to do so.

Now my dear General,
will not these inducements
prompt you to accept our invi-
tation, and be with ~~you~~ us on
the occasion referred to.

I shall favor me with an
early (and affirmative) reply,
and greatly oblige.

Your sincere friend, &
brother, Geo. Whipple.

New York

Aug. 13th 1867

Whipple Rev. & Geo.

Invites Genl. Howard
to make an excursion
at their expense into
the central part of N.Y.
State, Oct. 16th Aug. 17th
on the occasion of the
annual meeting to be
held at Homer Court-
land Co. N.Y. and to
address them also at that
time



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 Essex Aug 15th 1867
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To Maj Gen. Howard

Dear Sir

The Essex North Sav. School
 of which Hon David Choate
 is Supt, Send you ten dollars
 to aid in building the Cong'l
 Church in Washington D.C.

Success to the Enterprise

Yours

With true Regard

Caleb C. Snell

For the Com

Essex Mass, th
Aug. 15th 1867

Cogswell, Caleb

Encloses \$11 from the
Essex North L. School
\$1st Cong. Sch. Wash. D.C.

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Lowell Mass. Aug 15. 1867

General Howard,

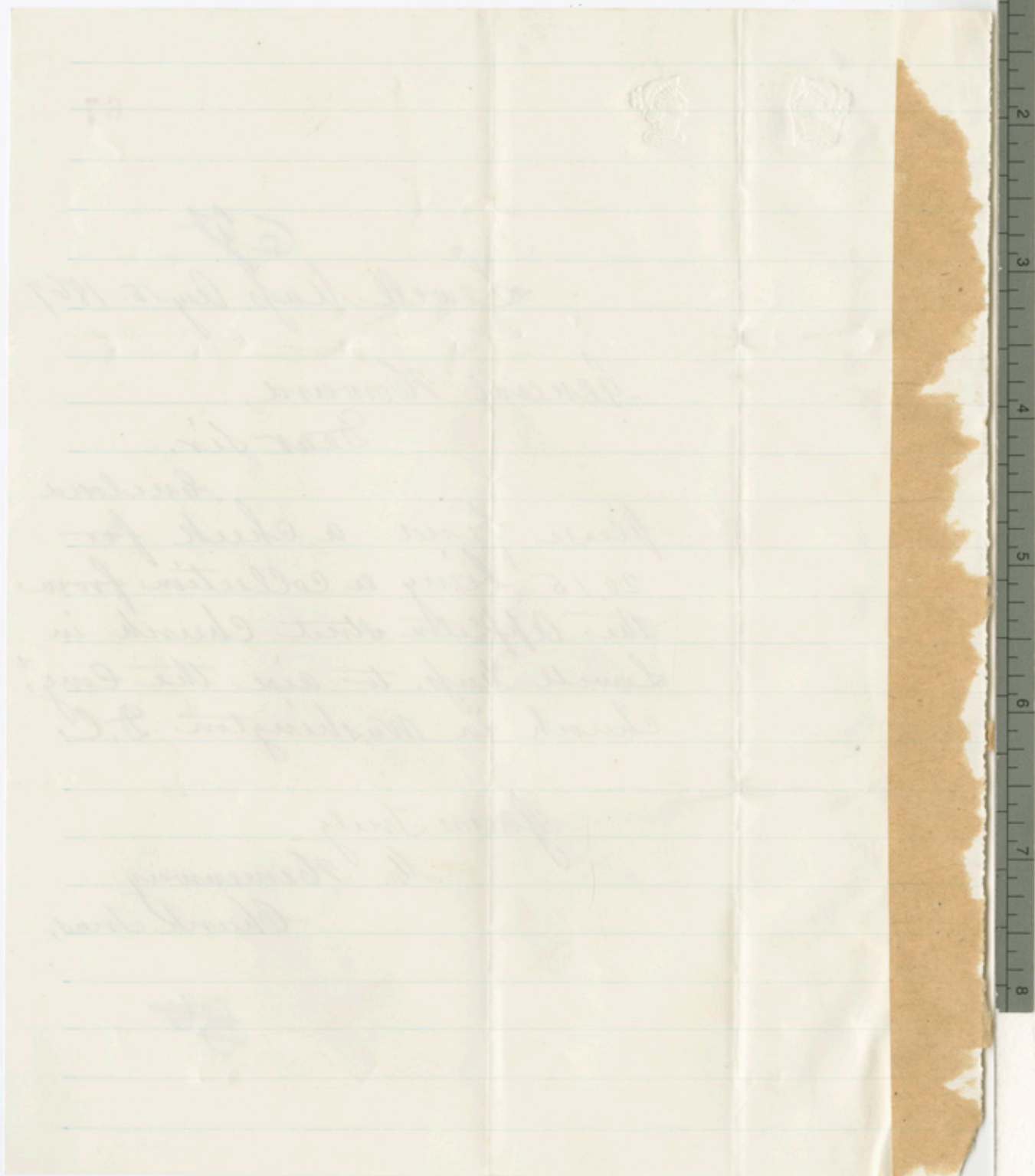
Dear Sir,

Enclosed
please find a check for
20.15 being a collection from
the Appleton Street Church in
Lowell Mass. to aid the Cong.^l
church in Washington D.C.

Yours Truly

M. Hemenway
Church Treas,

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Parsonage 84
Hackensack N. J.
Aug. 15th 1867

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard U.S.A.
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

An adjourned
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
of Lincoln University - of which
you are a member - will be held
in Philadelphia - at the "Conti-
nental Hotel", on Thursday
September 5th at $7\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock P.M.

Business of importance will
come before the Board.

By order

Thomas M. Cauley
Secretary -

Hackettstown N.J.
August 15 - 1867

Board of Trustees
Lincoln University
by Thos M. Cauley
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States that an adjourned
meeting of the Board will be
held at Continental Hotel
Phila. Pa Sept. 5th 7 1/2 p.m.

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Sharon, ^{Mass} Aug. 15th 1867
Maj. Gen. Howard

Dear Sir

Enclosed
please find Ten Dollars, \$10.
for building Cong. Church in Wash.
from Cong. Sabbath School
in Sharon Mass.

Truly yours
D. W. Pettie Supt.

Sharon Mass,
Aug 15th 1897

Petee D W,
Supt. S. S.

Encloses \$10 for Post
Congr. Ch. Washington

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Post Hospital No 1st Street

Major Genl. O. C. Howard
General

When you were kind enough to call and see me last week I thought you had a mistaken idea about my family going to the Country the have not gone to a fashionable resort, but to a quite Country house at Middleburgh Loudon County Va. board &c. being, but forty five dollars per. month, for wife and three children. my sister staying at home to Cook &c. for me. I have asked you to give me the loan of, 100., one hundred dollars. After we get fixed in our house I can I think repay ten dollars per. month. Without this assistance, our entirely at a loss how to get along. I am entirely unable to help myself by my back here. The stopping of my commutation. leaves me but twenty dollars per. month. I am here
I would like fifty on the 15th Aug. and fifty on the 1st Sept.

Your Obedt Servant
A. N. Rothery

Washington D.C.

Aug¹⁵ 1867.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard

Commissioner -

Bureau R. H. & A. L.

General -

The enclosed note came to me through mail - You will see Lt. Sladen addressed it to Rev. John L. Williams, East Capt. Barnack.

Not feeling fully satisfied that it was intended for me, I returned it to the Lt. with note of inquiry, but as he was absent the note was returned unopened.

Now if it was intended for me, I assure you I shall feel grateful in accepting the Courtesy you extend.

It is my wish to be frank in every thing I have to do, and having in the matter of my "Complaint" advised with your friends, I am disposed to believe that you, with the many duties of a general character pressing upon you, may not know the intricate and less important matters over which you can have but a general supervision only; therefore I beg to trespass upon your time and trust you will pardon me for so doing.

I received a note of explanation from your brother, in which he says my "discharge was chiefly to liquidate expenses in accordance with notification from War Department". Now I wish to say in justification of myself - that during six, or eight months of the first of my labors here, I attended to the duties of my office without any help - subsequently Mr. Toney was assigned to duty here, and as business increased, & the matter of relief for this district

was assigned to me. James Johnson was directed to report for duty as Clerk - soon after which Mr Torrey was discharged.

In the Spring, when we had nearly completed the work of policing our grounds, after new roofing the barracks, and our white-washing had been commenced, unasked-for by me, Mr. Sylvester reported for duty at a salary of \$50 pr. month and rations. He gave us to understand that his duties had been specified, that he was to collect the rents, and if the people did not do better than they had been doing in this particular, they would be evicted at once, and a paying class of tenants substituted.

Mr. Hemmery, soon thereafter recd. an appointment as Asst. Agr. at \$50 pr. month - making an expense in the two appointments of more than the entire receipts for tenements rented; while Mr. Sylvester collected less pr. month than I had collected for some previous months.

I had collected & paid over to the Quartermaster - beginning with the month of March 1866 - - March \$71,98
April, this was the month in which rations stopped 49,44
88 May \$94, 87 - June \$88, 17 July \$89, 43 - Aug \$107, 81 -
Sept \$126, 91 - Oct \$98, 21 - Nov \$112, 28 - December this was one of the several months expensed here for many years \$43,76 - Jan'y 1867 - the cold continued; received \$32,50 February the people reduced to extreme destitution \$24,88 - March \$41,13 - April \$78,03 - May \$83,95 - June \$110,80 - July \$95,04 -

Total \$1351,21. This I believe to be as much as could have been collected from this class of people by any one; and if I ever feel any compunction, it will be for expecting too much, rather than not enough -

Some of these families I found in the cold winter
occupying new apologies for houses, shivering & freezing
over the flickerings of the last lumps taken from their
Mattresses, this class I admitted to the barracks, gave
them homes & cheerful words - 280 of them have been
furnished with homes, ^{in the city & suburbs} & most of them are now doing
well, the balance remaining with us, have become nearly
self supporting, paying on an average, as few will sur-
mise, nearly one dollar per month for a room - (our
average has been less than one hundred families per month)
I came here to labor in some capacity, for the
elevation & comfort of these people, I have regarded it as
a missionary field - And I assure you that I have never
for once sat at my table & finished a meal, when I
knew there were parties standing in the cold desiring to
see me, nor have I ever turned any away rudely,
or unkindly treated - Order has been maintained in
Camp, religious meetings conducted every Sabbath & a
good Sabbath school sustained -

I have visited the sick and dying by night and
by day, speaking to them kind words and offering to
God, pray in their behalf - I have felt for, and expressed
toward them Christian sympathy.

I do not know what more I could have done,
nor do I feel that I have done anything I ought not
to have done - I appeal to the people, & those agents who
have been conversant with me & my efforts - And
now, I am informed that I am "discharged chiefly, to
liquidate expenses," I wish then, that you would entrust
in your mind, some who may be retained that
have as yet to express the first feelings of Christian kindness

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towards these poor degraded people - I have seen the door
closed in their faces when the clock happened to designate
the hour to close the office before they had finished their
appeals for relief - I know men who Cure & Swear their
speaking to, or of the husbandmen, and yet they are retained.

And thus are the reasons why I complain - I
consider the work in a great measure, a Christian
work; & the appropriation placed at your disposal the
gift of a Christian nation, & I do not believe you would
have one dollar of all that is intrusted to you misap-
plied, but as I said at first, you cannot know all
the intricate workings of the great machine -

I do not Br. Gen., complain that I am discharged
but the manner in which I am disposed of under the
circumstances justified my appeal to you for redress -

My pile is deeply wounded, & I believe a great injury
done me - I do not charge this upon you or your brother
nor am I particularly surprised that you have allowed my
discharge to be consummated, the necessity might have
been made to appear clear when designing men chose to
impose their wills - I assure you I have the kindest of
feelings toward you personally, am on a committee who
are counseling secretly, with reference to those honors we
believe are justly due you - and would not be treacherous.

I wish now to say in conclusion, that I greatly
desire to be reinstated, with, or without pay - I trust you will
consider my communication in the light of Christian charity
and exert your influence favorably if you regard me worthy
your confidence - I am Genlly.
Very Truly Yours
J. Roberts

N Y Aug 15 1867
Dear Sir

Being
very desirous of
your Autograph I
will cut a collection
of our Generals. I
take the liberty; I
to ask you to favor
me.

I am afire
very respectfully

W W Leonard

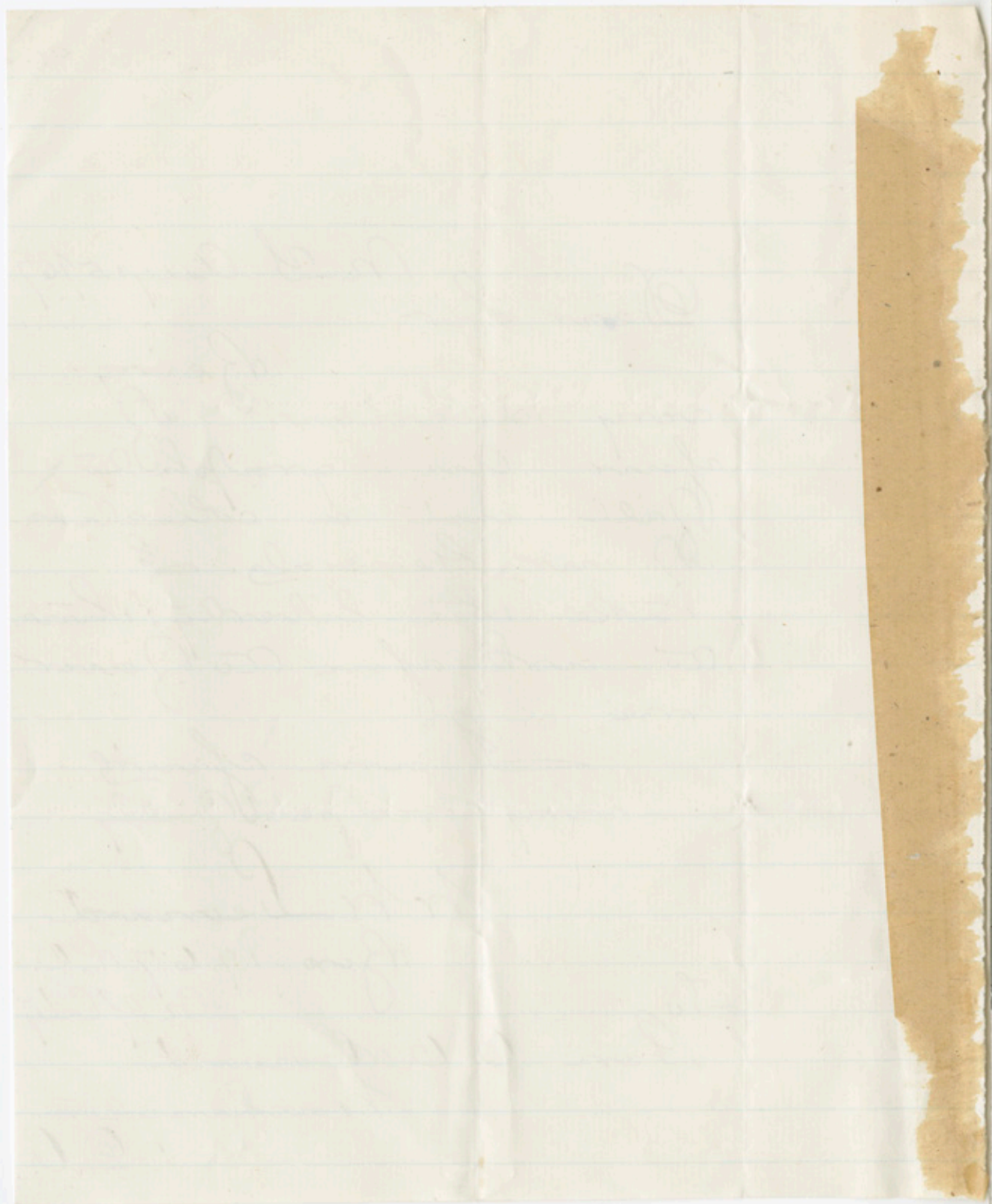
Box 1967 P.O.

N Y City

To

Gen W W Howard

Washington
D.C.



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Office of the Soc. of the
Baton Aug 15. 1867

Gen Howard

Dear Sir

I sent you
by mail some time ago
my large Lithograph
Section of the Black
Valley Rail Road.
As I have not heard
from you I conclude
you did not get
it or that among your
numerous cares you
have not found time
to look at it. If you
have not received it
I shall be glad to
forward another copy.
If you check it well

adapted to help on the
Temperance movement
among the colored
people more of the
documents will be
forwarded for their
use. The American
Missionary Society are
sending out to them
teachers to some extent
and it seems to be
doing good execution
Sincerely
J. M. McKim

May I see C. C. Howard

Refer to Rev J. M. Alford
Washington

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Bank of the Metropolis,

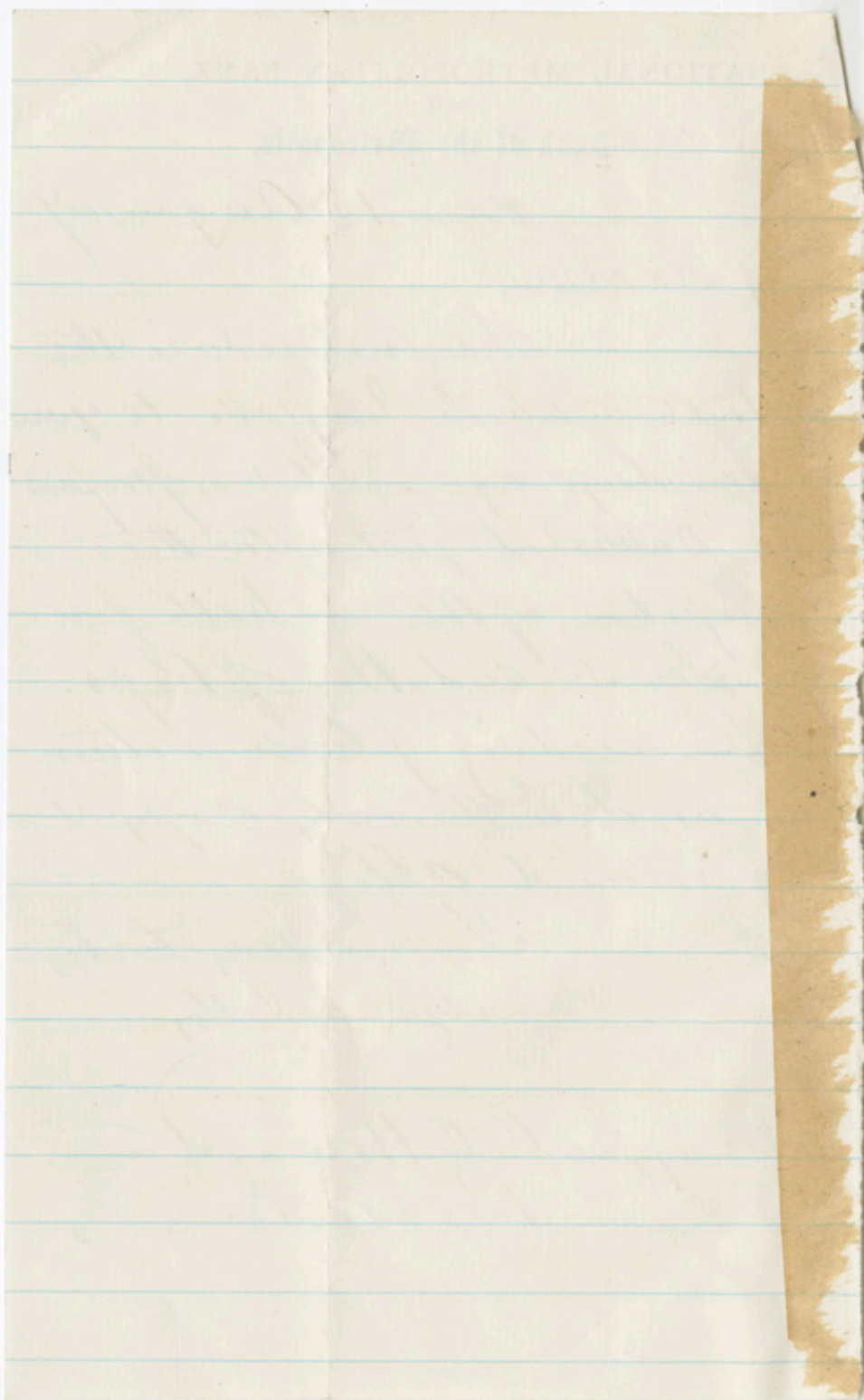
Washington, 15 Aug: 1867

My Dear Gen.

The enclosed is the
article of which I spoke to you
a few days ago. It was prepared
and published just after the
completion of the new halls for
the Senate and Ho. of Reps.
After reading please return
it as it is the only copy I
have and oblige

Yours very truly
Moses Kelly

Maj: Gen. O. O. Howard
President.



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Woodstock Shenandoah
Co. Va. Aug. 16th / 1867.

To Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
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Dear Sir!

I forwarded a today's
Paper from here
which will give
you a splendid
illustration of
Southern feelings
and cultivation
of Mind —

I presented your
letter to Genl.
Hall of the Bureau
in order to get
information of the
Place - not soon
was it known that
I was acquainted
with the Bureau
that all sorts of
strange rumors
went about, an
account of my -

During the month
credited are; that
I am painting
this Coloured People
for Northern
Radicals, in order
to agitate for the
confiscation of
their lands to
be divided among
Coloured People
et c et c
I hope to make
a fine Picture

here if not prevented
by sheer force -
I am only one
week here, and
in this week
so much curiosity
has been found
out of myself
I send both letter and
Paper to amuse you
for a moment
Most Respectfully
Yours
Frank Buchser



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Grand Division Sons of Temperance, D. C.

Office of Grand Moribn Patriarch,

Alexandria August 16 1867
Washington.

Magn Genl C. C. Howard, P. W. P.
Bro -

By resolution of G. S. S. of T. S. to. it was
Made my duty, to deputize some members
of the, G. S. S. to visit all the Divisions composed
of Colored people in this Jurisdiction.
You are hereby, appointed, and earnestly
Requested, to visit any division so organized

Fraternally Yours
J. C. O'Neal G. S. W. P.

Memorandum

Aug. 16th 1867

Genl H.C.
G.W.P.

States, that by a
resolution of G. D.
S of T. S.C. it was
made his duty to
defranchise some members
of the G. D. to visit all
the divisions composed
of colored people in this
jurisdiction. He hereby
appoints Genl. Howard,
and earnestly requests
him to visit any div.
so organized.

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Any person sending the names of ten subscribers, with Five Dollars, will receive a splendid Steel Plate Portrait of President LINCOLN, Admiral FARRAGUT, or Generals GRANT, SHERMAN, SHERIDAN, or other officers.

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Office of "THE SOLDIER'S FRIEND,"

No. 12 CENTRE STREET,

New York, Aug 16 1867.

My Genl O O Howard
Do Sir

I have the
honor to acknowledge the
receipt of the List of Officers
of your Department.

Accept my sincere
and grateful acknowledgments
for this valuable addition
to my facilities for reaching
the South.

Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Wm Oland Bourne

New York City
Aug 16th 1867

Soldier's Friend
Wm. Claud Bourne
Editor

Thanks Genl. Leonard for
List of Officers of Bureau

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Taunton, Mass, Aug. 16, '62

Maj Gen. Howard,

Dear Sir,

I enclose
herewith twenty dollars (\$20) in
response to your appeal for aid
in completing the Congregational
Church in Washington, contributed
by the "Winston Congregational
Church" and Sabbath School in
this city - ten dollars from the
church and ten from the School.
Rev. Montimer Blake is the
pastor of the Church. Please acknowl-
edge the receipt of this,

Wishing you success in your
noble and christian undertaking,
I am Very truly Yours,

James H. Dean,
Superintendent of Winston S. School,
Taunton. Mass.

Taunton Mass.

Aug. 16th 1867

Dean James H.

Encloses \$20 from
the Winslow Cong. Ch.
and S. School Hst.
Cong. Ch. Nash. V. C.

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^{Mich}
Detroit Aug 16 1867

Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

Inclosed please
find ten dollars (\$10) from
the Summit Cong. Ch. of
Washtenaw Co. Michigan to
the Cong. Ch. of Washington
D. C.

Please acknowledge the
receipt of this to me at
~~Detroit~~

Yours truly
O. C. Thompson

Detroit Mich
Aug 16th 67

Thompson O. C.

Encloses Ten dollars from
Summit Washtenaw County
Congregational Church
to Cong. Ch Washington D.C.

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My dear General

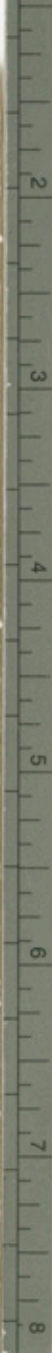
I leave for Montgomery to-morrow, after a brief visit home which will furnish me material for pleasurable reflection for a great while to come.

I have a letter from Mr Crinkshank, "Commissioner for the destitute" in Alabama, making anxious inquiry as to what is to be done with supplies on hand and undistributed after the 20th inst. He very much desires that they be divided out.

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Col. J. M. Smith
 Aug. 1817

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the purchase of land for the purpose of building a school house for the use of the Indians in the town of New York. I have the pleasure to inform you that the land has been purchased and the building is now in progress. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 J. M. Smith



There does not seem to be a great
necessity for this, yet I suppose
that it would hardly be good
policy to sell them. Please
send me your instructions
upon this point, to Mont-
gomery, as early as convenient.

Very respectfully & truly yours
Wager Swaine
Maj: Gen. O. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

Columbus Ohio
Aug. 16th 1867

Swayne, Wager
Bot. Maj' Genl.

States that he will leave
for Montgomery tomorrow
17th inst. Has recd. a letter
from Mr. Quickshank
Commr. for the destitute
in Alabama, making
inquiries as to what is to
be done with supplies
on hand and funds -
distributed after the 20th inst.
He very much desires
that they be divided
out. Requests Genl. Howard's
instructions with regard
to it.

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