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New York, Aug 15, 1867

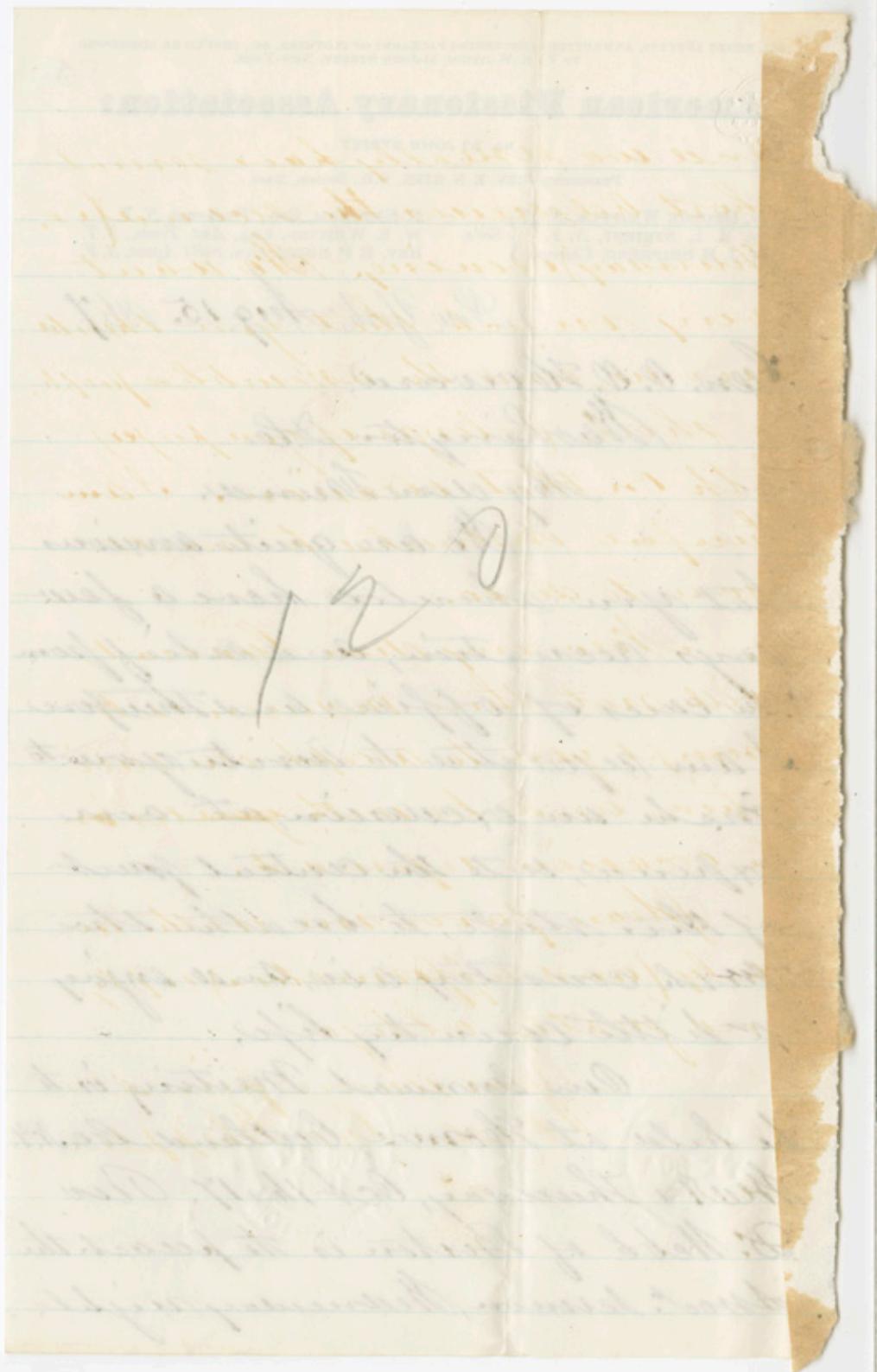
Gen. O. O. Howard.

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, Cortland Co., N.Y. Wed & Thursday, Oct 16 & 17. Rev D. Webb of Boston is to preach the Assoc. 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.

Please 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 Gen. Howard
to make an excursion
at their expense into
the central part of N.Y.
state, Oct. 16th & 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

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

Calde C. Snell

For the Com

Essex Mass, th
Aug. 15th 1867

Cogswell, Calcut

Enclosed \$10 from the
Essex North S. School
11th 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

Ms. 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 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 1867

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. Howard
General

When you were kind enough to call
and see me last week I thought you
had a mistaken idea about my fam-
ily 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
house 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 assis-

tence, am entirely at a loss how to get along. I am en-
tirely unable to help myself by my back here.
The stopping of my commutation. leaves me but
twenty dollars per. month. I am
I would like fifty on the 15th Aug.
and fifty on the 1st Sept.

Your Obedt Servant
W. N. Rothery

Washington D.C.

Aug¹⁵ 1867.

Maj^r Gen^l O. V. Howard

Commissionary -

Bureau R. & A. S. -

General -

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

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 per 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. Kermissey, soon thereafter received an appointment as Quarters Agent at \$50 per month - making an expense in the two appointments of more than the entire receipts for tenements rented; while Mr. Sylvester collected less per 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
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 experienced here for many
years \$43,76 - Jan 1867 - the cold continued; received
\$32,50 February the people reduced to extreme destitution
\$24,88 - March \$41,13 - April \$78,05 - 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 demanding 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 houses & cheerful words - 280 of them had been furnished with ^{in the city & Eldon} houses, & most of them are now doing well, the balance remaining with us, have become nearly self supporting, paying on an average, as you will see, abuse, 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, & show agents who have been condisciples with me & my efforts - And now, I am informed that I am "discharged chiefly, to liquidate expenses," I wish however, that you would contrast in your mind, some who may be retained that have as yet expressed the first feelings of Christian kindness

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 Curse & Swear themselves speaking to, or of the judges, 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 misapplied, but as I said at first, you cannot know all the intricate workings of the great machine -

I do not Dear Gen^l, 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 impair their bonds - I assure you I have the kindest of feelings toward you personally, am on a committee who are counseling secretly, with openness & 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 Gen^l.

Y^r Truly Yours,
S. Roberts

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Dear Sir

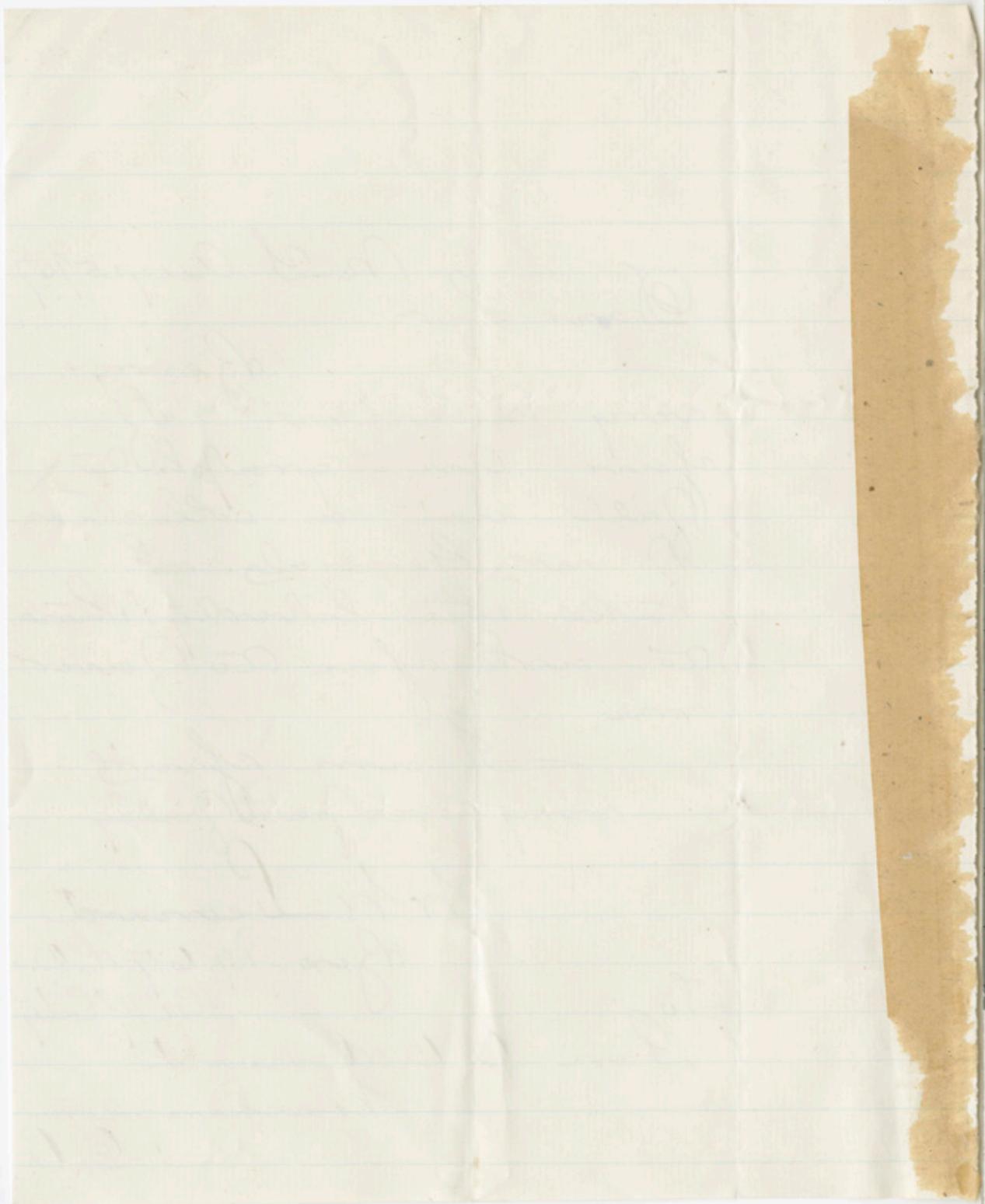
Being very desirous of
your autograph I
will cut a collection
of our Generals. I
take the liberty; thus
to ask you to favor
me.

I am
very respectfully

Yr Leonard

Box 1967 P.O.
N.Y. City

To
Gen W W Howard
Washington
D.C.



Office of Am. Soc. Fr. Society
Boston 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 our City
Temperance movement
among the colored
people more of these
documents will be
forwarded for their
use. The American
Missionary Society are
sending out to them
teachers to help assist
and it seems to be
doing good execution
in Lower tier
S. M. H. K. R.

May Gen. C. C. Howard

Refer to Rev. J. M. Howard
Washington

NATIONAL METROPOLITAN BANK,

LATE

Bank of the Metropolis,

Washington, 15 Aug: 1867

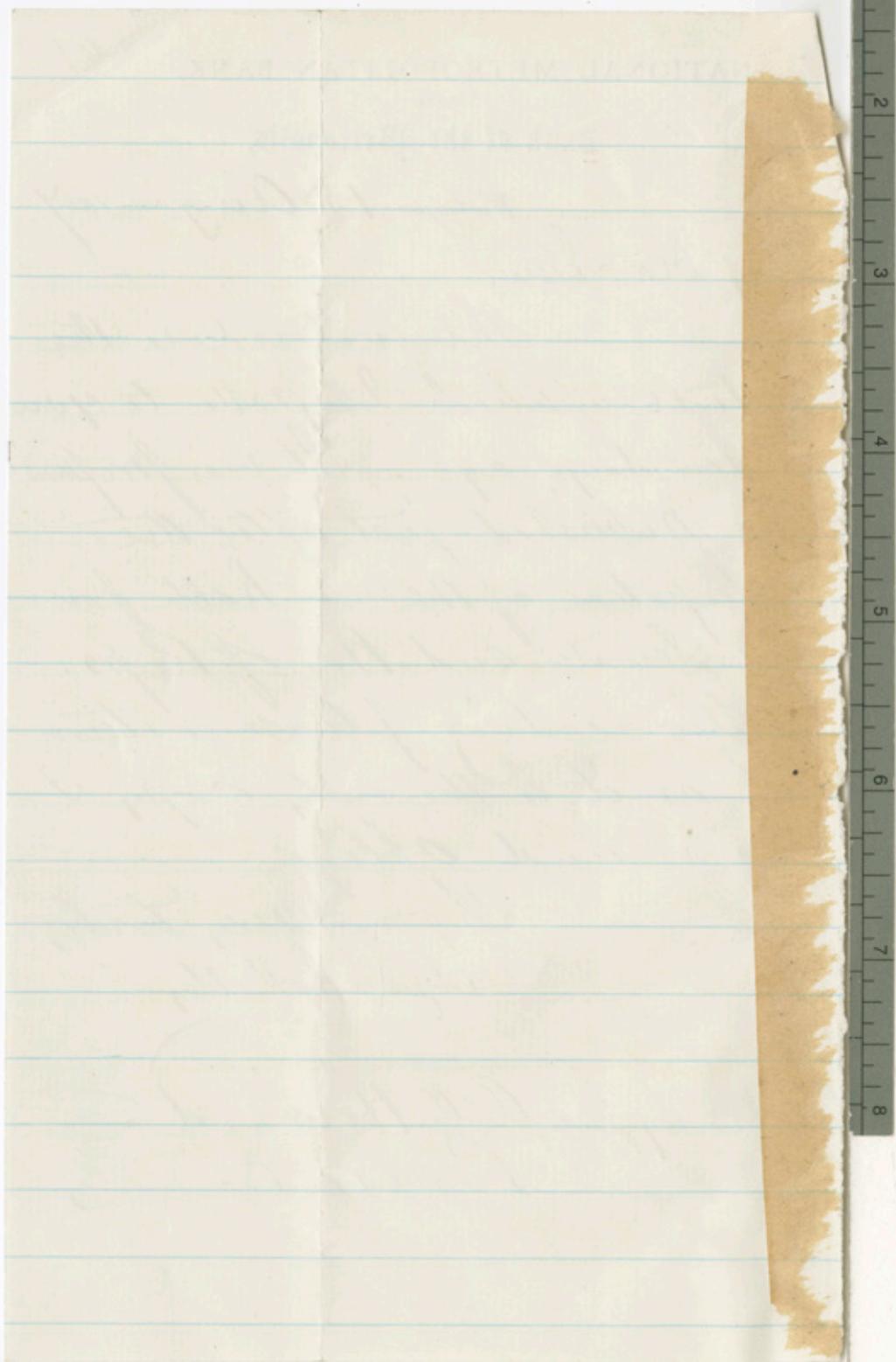
My Dear Gen.

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 -

things the most
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 cetera
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



Grand Division Sons of Temperance, D. C.

Office of Grand Mostby Patriarch,

Alexandria August 16 1867
Washington.

Major Genl C. C. Howard, P. M. 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. 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 his
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, July 16 1867.

Major Genl O O Howard
Dorset

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 & Devt Servt
Wm Oland Bourne

New York City
Aug 15th 1867

Soldier's Friend
Wm. Claud Bourne
Editor

Thanks Genl. Howard for
List of Officers of Bureau

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Taunton, Mass, Aug. 16, '62

Majr 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 G. Sears
Superintendent of Winston S. School,
Taunton, Mass.

Taunton Mass.

Aug. 16th 1864

Dear James H.

Encloses \$20 from
the Winslow Cong. Ch.
and S. School Hst.
Cong. Ch. Wash. D. 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 Washitau County
Congregational Church
to Cong. Ch Washington D.C.

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Columbus Ohio

Aug. 16/67

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 Crickshank, "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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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

Major Gen. O. O. Howard
Washington D. C.

Columbus Ohio
Aug. 16th 1867

Swayne, Nager
Bot. Maj' Genl.

States that he will leave
for Montgomery tomorrow
17th inst. Has recd. a letter
from Mr. Quirk Shank
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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