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Walton Del Co N.Y
Jan 30/67

O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

I have a small Contribution for the church at Washington D.C. I write you asking how I shd send it & how direct it

Yours Respectfully
H. E. St John

Walton Del. Co. N.Y.

St. John H. E.

States that he has a small contribution for the Cong'l Church at Nash'e, and desires to know how to send it.

Nov 18

Charlotte No Ca. November 20th [1867]

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My dear General

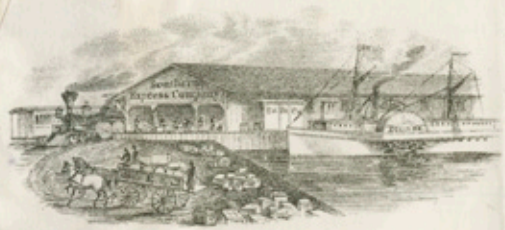
As I have heard nothing of the things you sent to me by Express up to this day, I thought I would write again to you and enclose a note I received from the Express Office at this place, this morning. I am very much afraid that the things are lost, but if you have a receipt I will make them find the boxes or pay me the value. It has been a dreadful disappointment to me. for your kind letter telling me of their departure made my heart light and cheerful. as I thought of them anxious once now to see them altogether is a great disappointment I enclose a note of inquiry from the the Express Office in this town. they do not seem to care much about them. Love to Mrs Howard.

Yours truly
Annie P Lee

Elizabeth N.C.

Lu Annie S.

Enclosed a note received by her from the Southern Express Agent. She has not yet received the Barrels and Box.



Southern Express Company

Express Forwarders.

Charlotte N.C. Nov 17th 1867

Mrs O. P. Lee

Madam,

I have heard nothing of your Bbls & Box, but would suggest that you send to the N.C.R.R. Depot, & enquire if such Freight is there. The Gentlemen may have sent it by the Freight and not Advised.

Yours

W. P. Hill

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Young Men's Christian Association,

November 20, 1867.

General O. O. Howard
Commissioner Bureau R.F.A.L.

You are respectfully invited to be present at the laying of the Corner-Stone of the New Building of the Young Men's Christian Association of Washington, D. C., corner of 9th and D streets, on Wednesday, November 27, at 1 P. M.

☞ Seat reserved.

Committee of Arrangements.

A. S. PRATT, *Chairman.*

A. K. BROWNE, C. H. HOWARD,
A. Y. LEECH, OCTAVIUS KNIGHT.

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Charleston S C Nov 20th 1867

General Howard

Bureau of R F & A L

Washington City

Dear General

I have sent in a Petition addressed to Congress, praying for increase of Pension, and such influential letters as my friends sent me I have addressed to Senators Wilson, Chandler and Schenck. May I beg your influence in the matter dear General and that you will do all you can to get other Senators interested although I am sure those I have named, especially Hon Senator Wilson who has always strongly advocated the claims of a Soldiers orphans have powerful influence. My present Pension is only $360 per year and as I have four children it is utterly inadequate. If you will see Senator Wilson on the subject I shall be truly thankful.

With high regards

Very respectfully

Your grateful servant

Mary C Ringgold

Charleston S.C.
Nov. 20th 1867

Ringgold Mary C.

States that she has sent a petition to Congress praying for an increase of Pension, and requests Genl. Howard to use his influence in the same direction. States that she has four children, and only receives 360 pr year

Call & file after

RLB Dec 5, 67

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Brooklyn Nov. 21st 1867

Dear Sir,

I am desirous of obtaining the autographs of the distinguished men of the times, and do most respectfully solicit yours.

Ida. M. Mitchell

Address.

288 Schermerhorn St
Brooklyn L. I.

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New Orleans 21st Nov 1864

Genl. O. O. Howard,

Respected Genl.

please accept the enclosed Circular announcing the Call for an agricultural Convention, our Body of Colored Ministers of the Baptist order, organised a Bureau of Industry through the State as near as we could, for the purpose of encouraging Industry among our Race — without interfearing with the freedmens Bureau in any way whatever, our object was to impress Industry, Morality & Religion upon our congregation, & the same have been done with Success — a Letter of encouragement from you to read before our Convention, would be thankfully received

By your Obedient Servant

S. W. Rogers

Pastor St. Thomas Church

New Orleans La.
Nov. 21st 1867

Rogers Revd S. W.

Encloses a call for a Convention of the Louisiana Working mens Bureau — Its object will be to consider the most profitable production for the next year, whether cotton, corn, sugar, tobacco, Rice or wheat, Request a letter of encouragement from Genl. Howard to be read before the Convention.

Ans P L B Dec 5th by

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Charlotte Nov. 22nd 1867.

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My dear Friend

The Barrel & Boxes arrived here this morning & I write to return you my sincere thanks for them. May God bless you for them for my wants are many & your means inadequate to express my gratitude to you for your kindness. You must excuse this small piece of paper as I have none other. I will write again as soon as I get some more paper. Love to Mrs Howard and believe me to be yours gratefully and sincerely

Yours truly
Annie Lee

Nov. 22nd 1867

Lee Annie P.

States that the Barrel and Boxes have been received, and returns her thanks for the same.

ans'd R.L.B. Dec 30th
~~No ans'd required~~

(ESTABLISHED 1858.)

Banking House of Simpson Brothers,

Lawrence, Kansas. Nov. 22 1867.

Genl. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the

is received, with stated enclosures.

We enclose for ~~Credit of~~ Plymouth Congregational Society, amount collected, Sabbath day Nov. 17th.

The amt collected was hastily reported $57 but proved to be only this amt. $52.35. for which find draft —

With High esteem
Your Obt. Servt
W M Johnson Treas.
Society

Nov. 22nd 1867

Johnson W. M.

Encloses draft for 52.85 from donated by Plymouth Congregational Society Lawrence Kansas to 1st Cong Church Washington D.C.

Brattleboro Nov 23rd 1867

Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

Enclosed you will find check for Thirty dollars a donation from our Sabbath School to aid you in building your Church Edifice I know you are burdened with Care & Responsibility still I would like you to write a few lines to the children of our Sabbath School if you can find the time to do so

God bless you in your noble work

Your truly

C. B. Rice

Supt of Sabbath School Connected with Congl Church E. Brattleboro Vt

Brattleboro Vt.
Nov. 23rd 1867

Rev C. B.

Enclosed check for 30$ donated by the Cong. S. School Brattleboro to aid in completing 1st Cong. Ch. Washington D.C.

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Rooms of the Hermean Society
Ripon College Wis. Nov. 23/67

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

General;

I have the honor respectfully to address you in behalf of this literary Society, to ascertain if your services can be obtained to deliver an address before this Society at the Commencement Exercise of this College, which close on the 10th of July 1868.

Although our Institution is not as large nor as widely known as some others – because it is, comparatively speaking, in its infancy – yet it is growing very rapidly and promises soon to take its position among the first of Western Colleges.

If you should come, I think you would yourself acknowledge; that our little City (3000, inhabitants) and the surrounding Country, (Rolling prairie with light belts of timber) cannot be surpassed in this State for beauty; especially at that season of the year.

Our City is reached from Chicago by the Chicago & N. Western and a branch of the Milwaukee & St Paul R. Rd — from Milwaukee Wis. by the Milwaukee & Horicon and a branch of the Mil. & St Paul R.R.

Hoping soon to receive a favorable reply, together with your Terms,

I am General

Very Respy

Your Ob'dt Servant

M. E. Evans

Cor. Sec. Hermean Society

Ripon College Wis.

P. S.

General, if you should conclude to come we would first like it — they are doubtless many other Societies in the State, that would like to obtain your services.

Ripon College Wis.
Nov. 23rd 1867

Evans M.E.

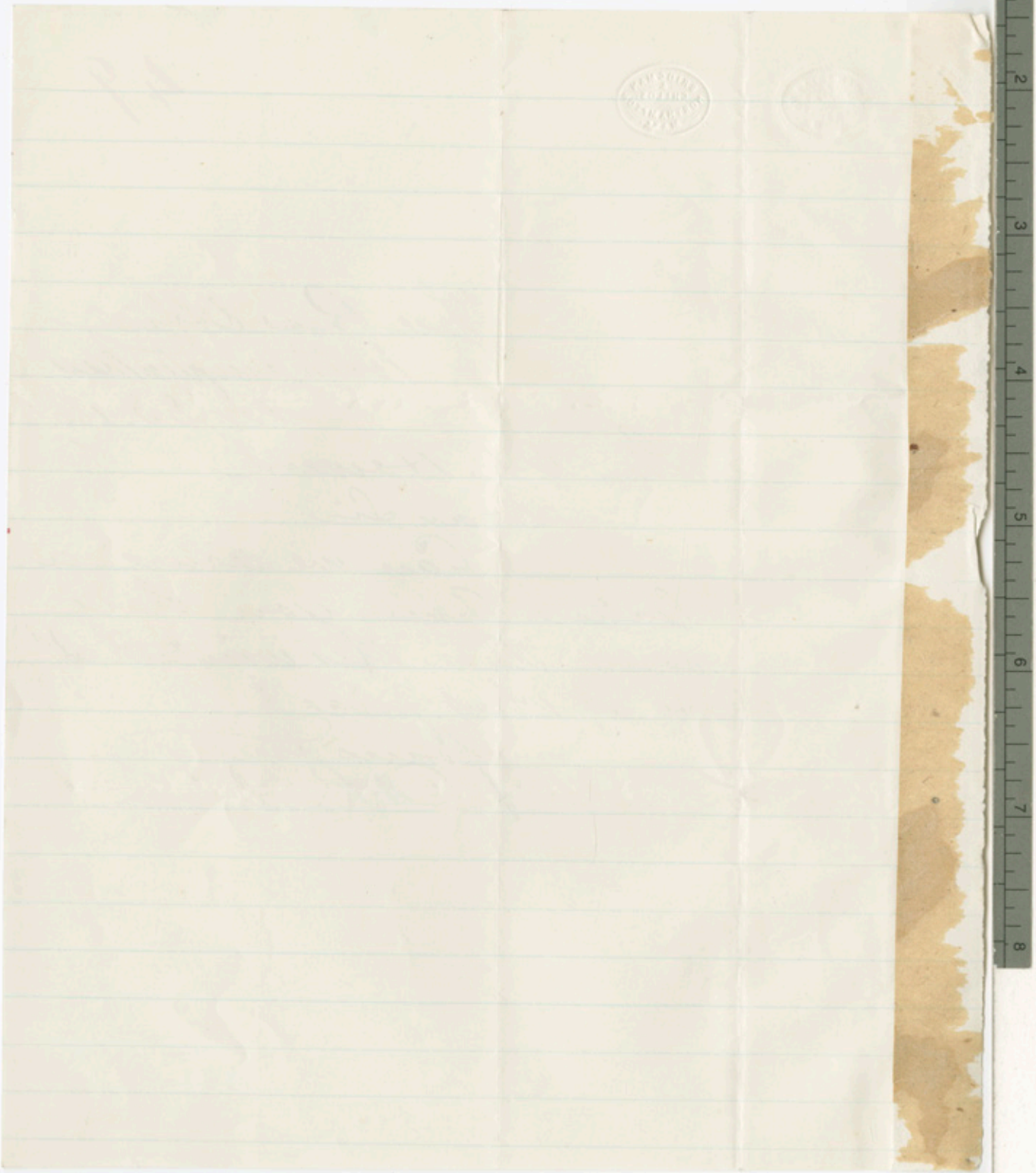
Desires to engage Bent. Howard to lecture at their Commencement in July next

tell him to com ady to present prospect of duty

R L B Dec 13 d by

Free Press Office
Northampton Mass
Nov 23. 1867

Gen. O. O. Howard
Dear Sir
Can we secure a lecture from you here some time this winter? If so at what price?
Yours truly
A. R. Parson



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St. Louis - Nov. 23d 67.

Dear General -

It seems droll, that any one friendly to you cause sh. insist that you did say, what you affirm that you did not say nor think - But I do not see what more we can do about it.

I hope you will have rec'd the paper in which I made the correction you desired. I enclose a rejoinder cut from next day's Democrat.

I sh. be glad to know if my part has been done satisfactorily to you.

Neither of us will probably keep clear of

DR. NELSON'S CORRECTION.—The card of the Rev. Dr. Nelson, in yesterday's *Democrat*, compels the writer of the notice of Gen. Howard's remarks in Dr. Post's church, to reiterate the assertion that the General did speak of the coldness and want of liberality on the part of the regular churches in Washington, towards those who were temporary sojourners in that city—and upon this very idea is founded the National church. This remark of the General was not intended as a reflection upon the churches there, so far as regards their course towards their own members and citizens—in this respect no fault is to be found—but towards those who are tempary sojourners there the question is a different one. They go to Washington, filling clerkships in the departments for instance, but their homes and their church connections are elsewhere. These they do not choose to dissolve, but they go each to the church of his own denomination. Here they meet with no reception—no one receives them as brothers, and the coldness of this reception soon leads to their staying away from church. Such men must have somewhere to worship where they can look around upon the audience and know that all are influenced by a fellow feeling. This, we take it, was the spirit that led to the meeting of that little handful of sixty, of which General Howard spoke, and it was the coldness towards this class of men of which he certainly did remark. It is no reflection upon the Washington churches as to the efficacy of ther labors among their own citizens. F.

misconstructions, unless we go to doing less of that wh some folks don't like to have done.

God bless you & strengthen you & multiply his mercies unto you -

Most fraternally -

H. A. Nelson.

St. Louis Mo.
Novr. 23d 1867

Nelson H. A.

Friendly letter
enclosing a slip from
the St. Louis Democrat
with regard to Genl. Howards
remarks in Dr. Posts church

Call Gen's attention

RLB Dec 5, 67

that has transpired ~~within the last year~~ in political matters, within the past year, I am confident as to the balance of the programme ~~being~~ coming out according to the predictions - hence I hope you will preserve these documents (however weak may be your faith in them) and use them in the manner suggested as soon as the blow shall have been struck by A. J. through Grant, Sherman, the Southern rebels and the Fenians, and not before.

L. M. S

Cincinnati, Nov. 24, 1867.

Maj-Gen. O. O. Howard:

Sir - Permit me to inform you that this Country is on the eve of another Civil war - a war in which the religious as well as the political elements will be involved. It will be precipitated upon the Country through the treachery of Andrew Johnson and the Leaders of the Democratic party; and the Reconstruction laws, and other Radical measures of Congress, will be the pretext. Grant, Sherman, Meade (and probably Thomas) will go with the President. The former has been promised, by "A. J." the sum of $1,000,000 in gold, to be paid out of the National Treasury, and also the position of Chief Marshal of the prospective Empire, under His Majesty, King Andrew the First, as the price of his Loyalty. Sherman is also committed to the policy and fortunes of A. J. and through similar motives.

The war will probably come at such a time and in such a manner as to either prevent the next Presidential Election, or the succession of the successful Candidate, should one be elected; as the democrats are determined that we shall have no more Republican Presidents. Sheridan will be the Coming Military man in the North; he will also be Military Dictator for a while in place of the regularly-chosen Executive of the Nation.

Please preserve this and give it to the public as soon it shall be determined on which side, in the Coming Conflict, for a final adjustment of our National difficulties, these two vile and infamous men (Grant and Sherman) array themselves, as it will, in a measure, counteract the influence of their example.

(Revelations from the Spirits of Washington, Franklin, Jefferson, Lincoln, etc.)

Truly Yours.
L. M. Smith.

P. S. Of course I do not expect that you, or any one else, will give full credence to the statements herein made, now; but if you will watch the course of political events, in Washington, this coming session of Congress, you will perceive them coming true as fast as said events can bring them around. No human power can prevent the collision between Congress and the President, as it is the only way in which our domestic difficulties can be settled upon a firm and equitable basis. The effects of the war, which will be short but desperate, will be the downfall of Democracy, so-called, and the end of Catholicism in this Country, as both will, thereafter, be forever politically and religiously ignored. The past elections will, in all probability, be the last, of general importance, in which the democracy, as a party, will be allowed to participate; as all who take part in the coming conflict, on the wrong side of the issue, both North and South, will be forever disfranchised.

Having been foretold, more than one year ago, nearly everything of importance