Otashington D. C. December 14 1865 It a session of our Sabbath-School Class on the Dut inst, How Smith and migrely nevel selected as a committee to present to you, with and expression of sentiment, on behalf of the class, the sund of \$1000 contributed to aid in constructing the Congregational Church. In the absence of My Smith, at Soctor, the duty devolves enterely upon me. This money, collected at the suggestion of our northy teacher Rev. J. W. Alvord, I have the pleasure of transmitting herewith, as per in-If in expressing what I conceived to be the sentiments of the Class, any personal reference is made to yourself and your worth in this great enterprise, I hope that no modesty on that account, at least, will hinder you from makTo the see.

ing known these sentenents of the Class. It must not be forgotten, General, that your precence in the vant of this movement has had much to do with bringing forth this contribution from the depthe of poverty. No Class , perhaps , all things considered , has a great er love for, and interest in such a cause?" yet there is no question, that profound respect and admiration for the kerson soliciting the subscription, on behalf of the Church, have exexted no small influence in gaining our note. The are not alone in this feel ing. Doubles many thousands of the dollars, southerly from pa sunder inflying the rit; on recomb of respect for, and faith on the percon presenting the cause. He would not be underctood as assert ing there is not a very great appreciation for the cause itself. There is, but the channels through

which the money is solicited, may greatly increase the number and amount of the contributions, and constitute in reality the basis of final success. From our views therefore of your influence in this great undertaking, and because of your long, untiring, and and consistent course, as the practical Christian advocate of the rights of all humanity, and especially the negro, may me not still hope and expect runch from you in the establishing of a Congregational Church here, which shall truly be in faith and practice a christian tem ple; which shall believe, in practice, and only tolerate the spirit and teachings of Christ. May me not hear your voice, in favor gather ing from the highways and by mays , and welcoming, untrammeled, any and all of God's

creatures, of whatever nationality, needing sal-You have, feel for frequently noted the fast greatly to be negretted, that the religious and churches of this country have ever been, in main, the outgrowth and exponent a topul, of public sentiment. In the people of the North Land been, the meldy it cate first considered, so has their religion been. As the people of the South have been on account of their peculiar in stitutions, so has their religion beend. In short in whatever direction the selfish desires or frej. udices of the people have led them, they have always twisted their religion accordingly. Shall there be a great temple reared here to continue such a state of things in this country! This is a grand apportunity to begin right; to practically adopt in all respects the teachings of our Saviour as the foundation

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principles of this Church, to which every man and woman shall subscribe. Then shall me have a church, composed of members whose lives will be moulded by their religion, and not their religion by their lives. It does not appear to us that such has been made the mission of this Church. There are those in it, who do not heritate to express their preference to reach Hoven through at white man's church; and those in high places who practically sauction such a preference. Two unfortunate attempts have been ruade in this direction, though perhaps not intentional. The first a labored effort, resulting in a vindication of the prejudices of the people. It would seem in this day and time to be any thing but the more of po christian preacher to come to the rescue of the prejudice of mon

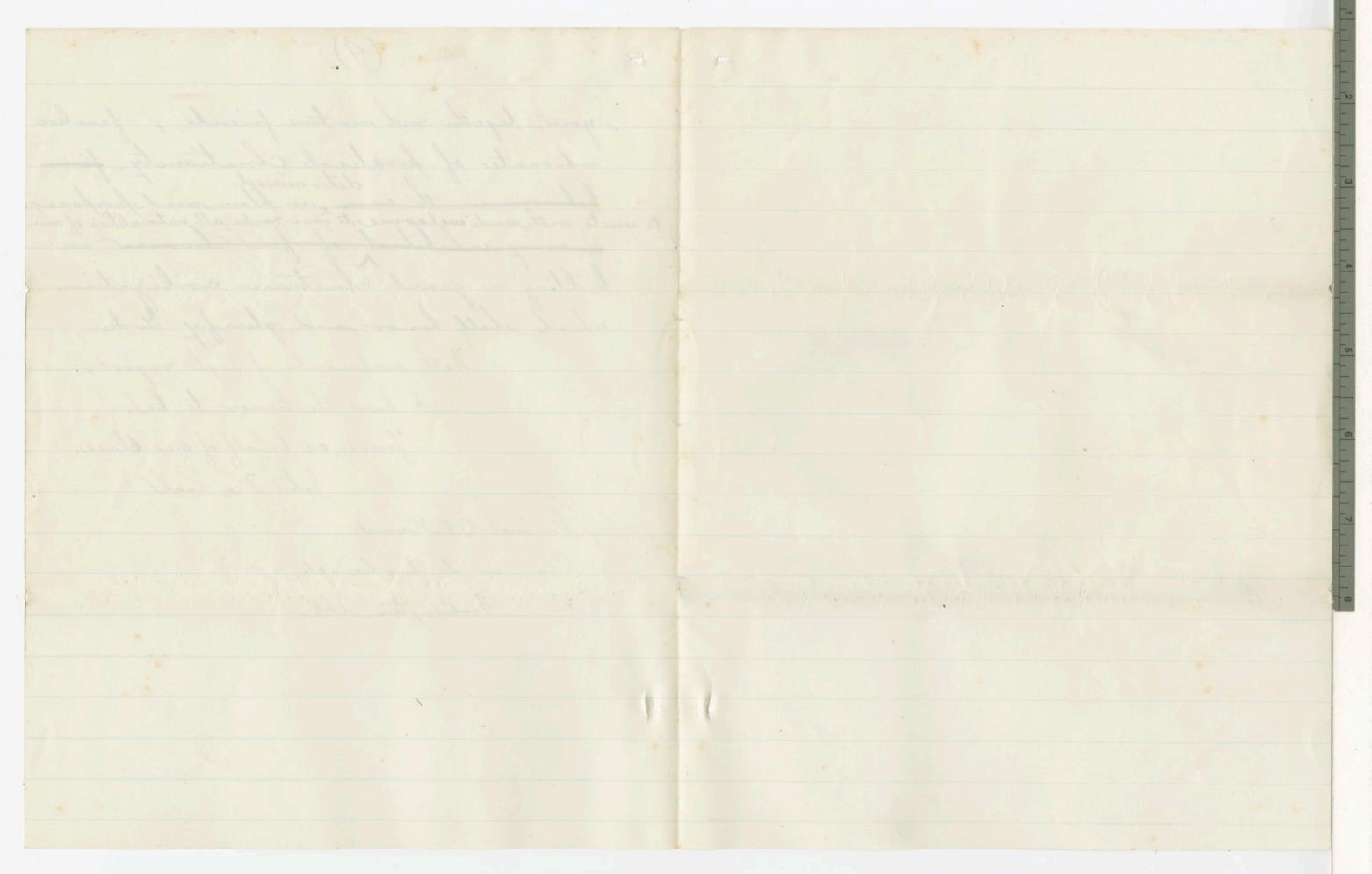
kind, lest it may be rooted from them. To say that the prejudices of men should be respected only so far as they do not con flict with the laws of God, is simply to say nothing; or to inform men that their little selfish preferences as to color, race or condition are allowable. Whatever may be the purpose in such assertions, the results, to a large portion of our countryment are tobe jection wang. The public mind gladly seizes any thing looking towards a same tion of the old state of things. The second , a recent sermon, to perone that the interests of humanity, and especially the negroes would be best conserved, if they could be induced to run the race of life by themselves. One on two of the Class, believing thenselve christians, had taken occasion to rapply for

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(7) previously lat in a town, where they were educated in the congregational faith, and tought to believe that the best interests of humanity would be furthered by a commingling of the races, in State and church. But when the very opposite position was taken, in the sermon referred to, there two brethren natur rally withdrew their requests, and sent state. ments, giving their reasons therefor, to the Deacons of the Church, supposing them to be. the proper channels through which the comme meations would reach the Church. Stat to stop now to rectarate the reason given by our brethrew or to matice the sor men not length, nel mould to God, Since our future position in this country is a matter of doubt, and since me are in the mil-

derivere of ignorance, degradation and #appression, no would to God that me could have had the benefit of the doubt, rather than our offereess. Such an argument, as presented in the servine, to our offriesens and equipocal friends, - that it is best for colored people to seek separate organizations, can only put off the day of our deliverance from the heavy burdens of prejudice and inequal ity. He venture the assertion that the noted Hame in his celebrated argument to sak the foundation of the miracles of Jesus Christ did no more to injure the cause of Christianity, than such an argument will do to retard the cause of humanity in this country. But, General, in spite of all this, me willingly and cheerfully contribute our portion, feeling satisfied that we shall ever find

you, together with our true friends, fearless to unite with, and welcome, to your ranks, all nationalities of men building a grand christian civilization which shall honor and glorify Lod. With sentiments of high regard, I have the honor to be, Jours, ou behalf of our blass, To John Ho Cook May Teneral O. O. Howard Chairman Building Com. etc, Hashington, Dle



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Major General O. O. Howard

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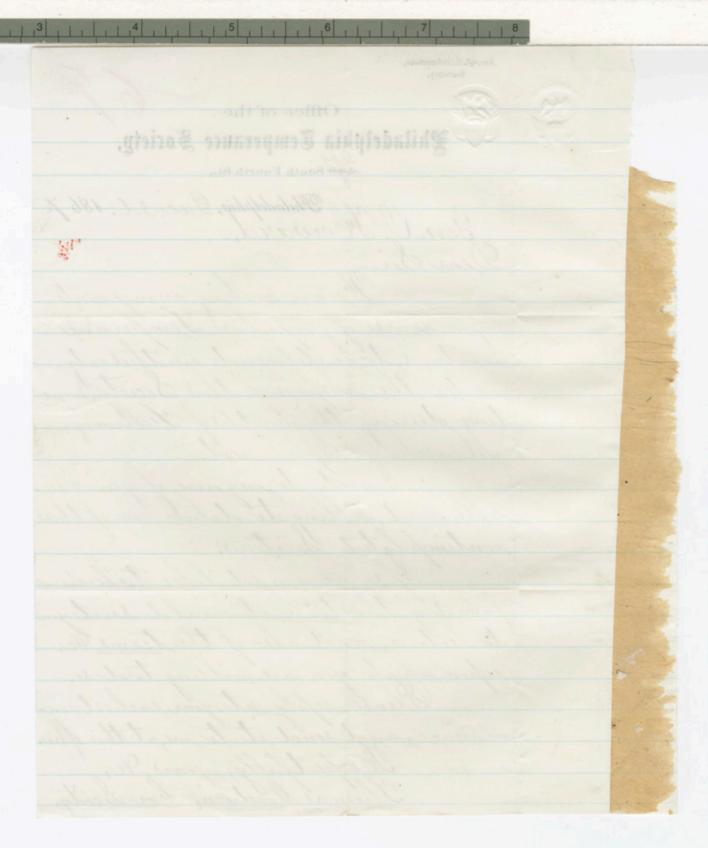
Office of South West Pacific Pailross, St. Louis, De 3 1 1867 Dear Soul Homand I have recieved your faint 30" uel with cash as stated - I return you my Check **334 Day Cake 6 13,111 your Committee held a meeting at my affice + drafted a Circular which MN S. B. Kellogg has sent out to the friends - I have - rleines buy plud lein to I read with much interest of your wish in Cucinnati The horr treated you handronery So fan as I could discover . He will always give you a

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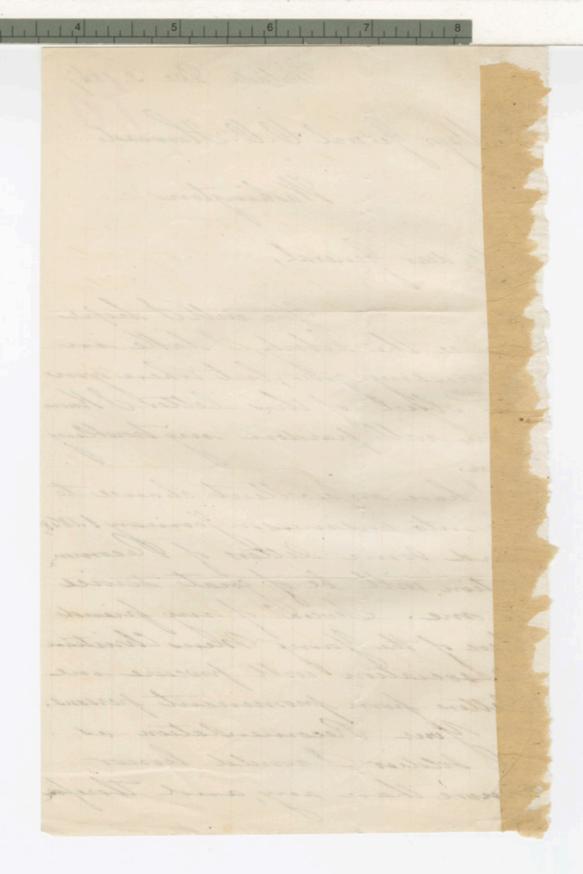
Office of South West Pacific Bailrond, (SUPERINTENDENT'S DEPARTMENT,) St. Louis, .. hearty welcome in I Davis have you will have a pleasant Time at the wedding - Well See you next much -My household unite in messages of love to your & your Very Snely Chities B, First Maj Del O.O. Homand Marlington D.C

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Rev. W. C. Hendrickson Secretary. Office of the Philadelphia Temperance Society, 148 South Fourth St. Gen. O. Howard, Dec. 3 L. 186 7. He are making arrangements Le extures, to be delivered in this city, under the auspices of this Society, Some time during the months of February March, of April next. I write to inquire if you are able and willing to deliver one of these contemplated Dectures: If so, we would like to be in formed of the time it would suit you to lecture, and also of the terms, Ic. refron which you are willing to do so. Thease reply at your earliest nonvenuence, and send it to me, at this spice Hespectfully, yours, to, homas Goodwing bor Decty.



Thilada Dec. 3. 18/17 Major General O. O. Howard My dear General, You will hope excuse the liberty, I take in Andresding you but when you The object of this letter & Know you will pardon my houtling I have an excellent chance to go into business on Jameany 1.1868 and some letters of Plecomen to me. Several of my priends here of the James Meses Christian association will procure me letters from prominent persons. Your Recommendation as a Soldier I would honor more than any, and therefore



I take the liberty of astling this favor from you. General Teling I understand is in Washington but as I do not know his address, I would request you to show bin this letter, and request him to procure me letters from several prominent men such as Judge Chase, Senators Juner, Wilson and others. Thanking you in advance for your Kindness Ladding the complements of my family Fremain very truly your obedient Sevant Frit Tiedemana late Capil Ladjen to Jen Carl Johney III Sivision 11th Carps I asures 206 Chesmit It. Would perhaps Gen. Frant endorse what you would tell bring

Philadelphia Dec. 3 1869 Tiedeman Fritz - States that he has an excellent opportunity to go into business on the Poffan, and therefore requests a letter of recommendation from Green Howard States that he was a last racy tolker Carl Schurz

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quilly- The the most quilly in all rebeldon are that elep Known as secepion candidates for the secepion Conve of the several Southern States . Their inflamatory spec madered the mapes, and every member of any of any That signed the ordinance of secepion ong It to be from in some form - Their property should be confiscated, for not to be jos gotten, and reffects would tele upon unbor generalions - In their mad and morelles course they have co dismay and death through the land, poverly and ruin to lold munibers - In The general crush, I have been preuniare ruined. As the results of the war, I have lost over one Hundred Sand Hollars - Immediately after the surrender I ment to me not so much to orgain my lost footime, as to pay my hor debto- The unfavorable Deasons and The indisphrition The Laborers to morth, the fale in the price of Collows The lop of nine work Mules by a disease incurableplaced in in a position of atter helplefines - Ninles Can get help I know not what I shale do I could in well bry plantation, for which I refused Lifty Thousan dollars in 1860 for hen Thousand dollars Indeed a not believe I shall be able to rent it-if I gail to get means to run it myself - I have now on the place a number of Colered laborers with large jamilies who e be turned out of Cloors-unles I succeed in raising m to carry on my farm- In a conversation with Man yes Use at his head gas last week, I made Known my sit to him and enquired of him if he thought I could a sin

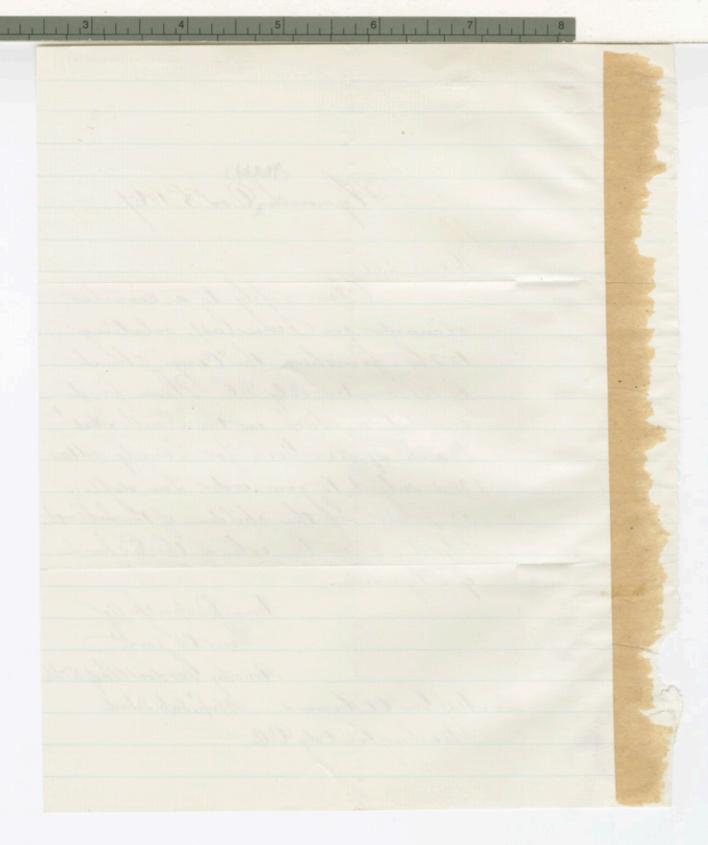
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help From Congress by being properly represented before That body - He assured me that he was unable to say, but his opinion was I could not I told hind I had seen your and That I had some slight acquaintane with & and Buchland He then stated I had better mite to you, and be governed by your advice of you Thought you route aid me and I could accomplish any thing by visiting Trashing Town I could then go on and present my claims to Congres (etc) As To my loyalty- 1 Should have no trouble in establishing That - Before The war broke out I was outspoken against Decepion. After the secession of my State- preidence and safety dietated a different courses, was sitent Though often appealed to foraid ino The way of Loans-I never gave a dollar My Known hostilety to secepion by the Confederate Souldiers Zurnish Them with an execuse to quarter on me, and wettint the least compunction to consume whatever I had. Living on the bank of the Mipipippie hiver I was alike Subjected to the same breakment by the Federal Soldiers so between the two I have been reduced to my pomo ent state of destitution. As I was the most of the time within the Federal lines at Nashville Tenn- I could not give day or date or vary by whose command I had fost my property - Never Theles The zact can be sustained That my los independant of the los of my servants, would amount To to nearly one hundred Thousand dollars - Here I could Spacefulant I forbear - My letter is already loo long-I Wave mother to you not as a melitary the faind or as a politicians but as a man of God, a brother who has a heart

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to feel for The ills and woes of others - In God's name I ask you to help me if you can- Surely my Government will not suffer an old and jaithful subject now four years old with his family to storve - while They The means and the power to prevent it. bacuse the le I have taken and believe me Bours in charstian F. A. Owen. I'm The Time is short what I do must be down quickly So write me at your earliest comminee. Austin Hickory 6:

1,1,3,1,1,4,1,1,1,5,1,1,1,6,1,1,1,7,1,1,1,8 54 Hymouth Oed 3. 1864 Dear Sir On reply to a circular ricaved in June last, relating to the finishing the Cong church of Washington City D.C. Blease find emboud, a church on the Ninth Nat Bank of New York" for Junty dollars (20.) subject to your order. Ten dollars is paid by the children of the Sabbath Ichool, & Ten by vote of the 3. Church of Plymouth. Very Respectfully Your OU Serd Timothy Gordon Chaf 3. Chl. To Maj Gut C.O. Howard Asufr. Sab. School. Washington City Q.C.



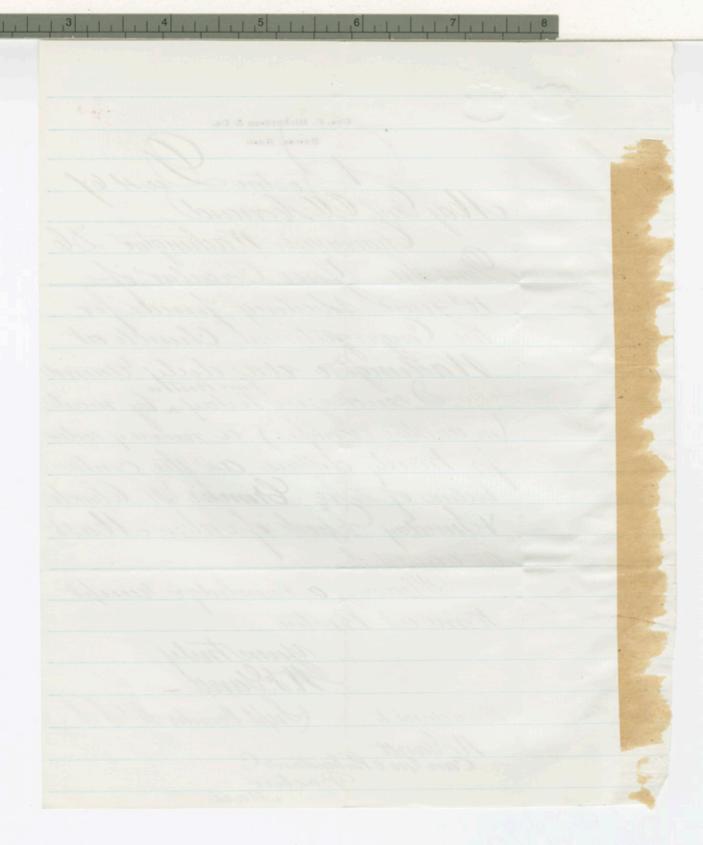
Gen O.O. Morrand. " In the Supposed absence of your Brother. Our Worthy Chief of Purity Todge Line that My Could propose or recommund a Large number of worthy and respectable Colored men Das Candadates for admission To Laid Lodge - Cy Oak unacquainted with any Luck Parties, | Colonel) and as me desir to make a large accession to our Merubers tomorrow (Shursday Evening morile you please lend, me the manus of Donof Suitable persons Connected with The Bureau of or Marnice in Leason to allow me to insite them to be present and become members tomorno Evening. Please Level me then

Address me either Sead Letter Office or 242 - Senseth Sheet Beh M. A.V.
Very Respectfully
Mes marie B. Lucen

Nooms Baltimore Association for the Moral & Educational Improvement of the Colored People. Daltimore Dec 4" 1867 The intend to formally open our Hormal School for the Education of Colored Teachers on the Evening of Monday December 16 7867. Emboldened by the interest you have always manifested in the work four association, we now ask of you to be present on that occasion and make the opening address. He do not ask for a speech of more than 30 or 40 minutes because we know you are much engaged and we have therefore made arrangements In divide the labor of the Evening among LEveral Speakers; as Res. Phillips Brooks Judge Bond, Sew. Wegory, Ker. Mr Ware Ker, mr Dixson of theirs. 10 the Freedmans Dureau we are indibled

1 2 1 1 1 3 1 1 1 4 1 1 1 5 1 1 1 6 1 1 1 7 1 1 1 8 for much aid and many Kindnesses and we hope you will add to them your presence on this occasion. Mr R. M. Janney will, on notification to himself or to me, mut you on your arrival here and conduct I his own honse, or to Judger Donde or wherever else you may perefer. Four kind reply in acceptance mil much oblige en. Jos. M. Cushing Cor. Very Major Fredman Bureau Hashington

Geo. C. Richardson & Co. Boston, Mass. Your Circular Soliciting Junds for the Congregational Church at Waitington das duly received (in another Envelope) a money order for threnty dellars as the contr bution or LE Crombie St Church Hunday School of Salend Mass. ar requested. Tleare acknowledge to me at Boston Mans/hule My Savett -(Supt Combie St. S. S.) Werne direct to Whilavett Care Geo. C. Richardson Co Baston



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