Dubuque Iowa
January 25th 1868
4 1/2 AM.

Dear Mr.:

I have just a letter of yours. I find it filled with appreciations. I shall have to write at least two long telegraph sides. My December Saturday night (something him) was
simply exquisite. His (Republican) price has lasted all but 1 night. I spoke
in Mrs. Whiting's church (long) at 6th. Experience in the army and
nothing I think could have interested the people more. The
house was filled. I am quite

morning. Mrs. Whiting buys all
are well at home. Can't suggest
mind. Her Mrs. Whiting's can find
a nice little wife married 8 months.
This is a pleasant cottage where
My are living with a great deal of comfort. I saw Mrs. W. Robinson, who was angular.
Meeting with Mr. Webster's wife.
I know Mrs. Webster as Elizabeth
Young as Waver business.
I will enclose a check in
this letter. I hope after I get it...
write soon yesterday. I shall
be delighted if you can write me
again, if not. I have to write letters
for I have many friends. What will we
in our Mount Vernon. I will leave my
children. I understand
President's position. I speak
of this in my letter
but where you—? lovingly,

Mrs. E. Otis.
I am sorry I will have to go to
sleep in the car, so as not to
wake Otis.
Personal

May 1st

Washington, D.C.

New York, Jan 25, 1868

Dear Sir,

I have sent you by mail today a proof copy of the print, from noble picture of John Brown. Please accept the engraving from me.

You will infer upon me a personal favor by acknowledging the receipt of such a letter as can be reproduced in a circular. You can make this reply as short and complimentary as your convenience will allow, but the picture will please it. Mr. Callin your brother Charles saw the original in Boston. Hoping soon to hear from you, I remain...

[Signature]
New York 26 January 1868

Major Genl O. O. Howard
Bureau Ref. Bread &c. &c. Sands
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir,

Believing you would be interested in a letter received yesterday from W. Bancroft, the Principal of the School on Lookout Mountain. I send you a copy of the same for your personal, and such friends, judicious friends as you think will be interested in it. But it is not best that it should get into print. There were at the Institution at my last dates 98, of whom 80, or thereabouts, had been sent by agents of the Bureau.

Very Respectfully Yours,

[Signature]

C.H. Roberts
Sorry Mountain Educat. Instro
Sunday Evening Jan. 19, 1868

To R. Roberts, New York

My dear Sir,

In my last I had time only to mention that there was a good state of religious feeling on the mountain. So tonight I must write a few words before I rest. The interest is great, and for the most part in the right direction. I believe not more than a dozen are unaffected by it. We have had several meetings for conversation with the boys, and Miss Osborn has met the girls twice. There are in all about thirty who think themselves Christians including six or eight who think they have become so during the past week. You will rejoice with us to know that both the Miss Browns give very pleasing evidence of a genuine conversion. Cutchfield Osborn are particularly hopeful cases among the boys. Coleman just arrived from Nashville a tall handsome young man, says he has been everything that is bad, but now he is determined to be a Christian. Some of the little fellows are very promising.

The whole place seems pervaded with the Divine presence. The boys have started a noon prayer meeting, and seem to understand that Christianity demands activity. The solemnity, and attentiveness which so encouraged us at the commencement of the term are followed by a very precious outpouring of the Spirit. I hope you will inform the friends of the school as you meet them of this religious interest and join us in renewed supplication for the Conversion of all assembled here.

Yours in joy

Sgd. C. F. P. Bancroft.
Major Genl Howard. I have met you several times but don't think you forgot me, still you know all about the Sunday school work & upon that subject I address you to say that on the outskirts of our city we have a great mission field & we have just built an immense Mission School Hall. The largest on the continent of America. Holding full 2000 perhaps 2500 children. Yes it meets twice of our best friends with whom I have just been consulting (at whose office I wrote this) about the dedication ceremonies. Pray with us that this occasion is one worthy of special note & so we are making an effort to bring
Stuart & Brother,

13 Bank & 16 & 18 Strawberry St.

Sole Agents for
Stuart's
Celebrated Plain Six Cord and Soft Enamelled Spool Threads.
For Hand or Machine Use, put up in neat Boxes of one dozen each.

Philada., 1867.

Together some of the leading spirits of our country & the first to whom we write, & the one we want most of all to come is yourself. The night fixed is Thursday, Feb. 13th. Your part to formally dedicate this great hall (costing over $50,000) to our Lord & Master, Jesus Christ.

This is a work of City Mission the people of the entire city are interested in. All Christians & citizens of every name will join in making this invitation upon you; it breaks badly to meet you again in Phila. We know you have pleased with work & this will be a pleasant relief for you & will take but a little time.

Should your engagement,...
be such that this night will not suit we will change the time to suit you so anywhere are we but have you come.

Very Truly Yours

Geo. Stuart

President & Directors

Stuart & Brother

13 Bank & 16 & 18 Strawberry St.

I really cannot do the above if you come it make your home at my house it will be a personal favour, this is no ordinary occasion— it is one of great public interest.

Geo. Stuart
Philadelphia Jan. 27th 1865

Wavemaker, Jr., etc.
First Col. Trustee, etc.
Superintendent Sabbath School, etc.

States that they have just erected an immense mission Sunday school; it is proposed to secure the presence of some of the leading men in this country to dedicate it.

The first person written to, whom they want, by all means is Gen. Howard. A promise of work must not detain him.

The day fixed is Feb. 13th, 1865, but will be changed to suit the General's convenience. The General will confer a favor by accompanying me.

Stuart, Esq., etc.
Philae. Jan 27. 1868

S. O. Howard

Washington

My dear Friend,

The copy of your valuable favour of Dec. 30/67 reached me a few days since, and I fear that you did not fully understand my letter of Dec 20. I had supposed from the public papers that your public duties would cease about the 1st July next, and that after that you would be ready to enter upon some such work as that indicated in my letter. We needed the whole time of some such man as yourself, who would bring to the office a warm Christian heart, combined with the executive abilities which you have already so eminently displayed. Our Committee have again instructed me to write you, and offer you Five Thousand Dollars per annum, and earnestly hope you may see your way clear to come to us as soon as you can. Compare with your duties to the public, and I shall hope for an early and final response. You are invited to the dedication of our great Monument S. Y. on the 13th July, and I hope you can come and make your home at my house when
Dear Mr. Adams,

I am writing to express my gratitude for your kind words of praise in the Intelligencer of 11th May. Your generosity has not gone unnoticed, and I am deeply moved by your kind remarks. I have always admired your work and your commitment to the public service, and your support has meant a great deal to me.

I am confident that the Light Brigade will continue to shine as a beacon of hope and progress, and I look forward to seeing more of your fine writing in the future. Thank you again for your kind words, and please accept my sincere appreciation.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

[Stamp: Rec'd Jan 28 1868]
Sir Howard

My dear Sir,

As Mr. Samm is not in I have taken this liberty of opening your note. I think he will agree with you that a more judicious manner would be preferable for writing the Public Buildings. With many thanks for your kindness I am yours most sincerely

John S. Sammons

Pott's House
Jan. 27th
[1868]
Cincinnati: Ohio

Jan. 27, 1868

Gen. G. G. Howard,

My dear Brother,

I write again on behalf of our dear friend, Rev. John B. Bee, and in his name, the precious name of our "Elder Brother." He wants $2,000 for present emergency. Here he is in the heart of Kentucky with a noble institution of learning.

Last year he had 257 pupils—three hundred of them white, just as harmonious, happy as any family. More than fifty prepared for college; several preachers, others preparing for the ministry; three, preparing for the Foreign mission work. All their names are...
full. The pupils are crowding up into the attic to sleep, where the storms drive in upon them.

Mr. Dey tells me that he finds of scholarship is higher than in the "Frihe" School. First class teachers, through instruction and discipline.

The top of the school has a fine social and trade character to all.

The surrounding neighborhood, it is in all the important respects the finest school in the town.

When I look at his Man Fees, I remember, as I do, that for twenty-five years, he has fought his battle upon the very front of the enemy, planting is prevailing himself.
+ every one things but love for the 
+ sake of Christ, as the same thing is 
+ but beaks brother, I cannot but 
+ rejoice in the undaunted work of 
+ these faces in the human heart, 
+ making any one to be so like 
+ Christ.

What can we do for him 
+ in this emergency? When I told 
+ him I would write to you, he tear 
+ row from his cheeks for joy.

I have a great mind, if the 
+ Republican Convention meets here in 
+ Cincinnati, to nominate you for 
+ President. Here is a mighty current 
+ in favor of a Christian for Presid.
Cincinnati, Ohio.
Jan. 27th 1868

Moore & Henry

Wrote on behalf of Rev. John G. Fee, of Pocahontas Institute, requesting a further contribution of $2000 for a pressing emergency, etc.

[Signature]

RECEIVED
JAN 30 1868
PRIVATE
14 Market Square
Washington, Jan. 27th 68

General

Understanding that you are interested in that part of the 6th Ward which lies just north of the west front of the "Lincoln Hotel," I take the liberty of calling your attention to certain improvements made thereabout, and hope that you will give me your assistance in our long endeavors to procure them.

First. An opening of the Avenues thereabout, and filling of the ponds on Square 1009, and Lyric 1011 & 12.

Second. An extension of "Lincoln Square" to the line of North & South A Streets, and the opening of North Streets, or putting them in the plan of that part of the City (they being omitted there). Also the erection of the proposed Lincoln Monument in such Square.

Third. An opening or grading of North B Street to 14th East; and of North C Street to 19th East,—the "Cool Branch Road."
And herein, to the great necessity and manifest advantage in the present status of affairs, of relocating that part of North C Street which lies east of east 15th Street, further North than at present to wit as far North as that part of C Street which lies west of said 15th Street.

To do this would require the purchase or condemnation of a strip of land the County about four or five thousand feet long (from East to West) by about seventythree feet seven inches wide (from North to South).

This County land now belongs to but one party and on sale for Partition. By reet James it may belong to many parties who will not sell. It is now unimproved: then buildings may be in way of such relocation. The name of the City Cynars on North side of such part of said C Street. Now it is easy to enlarge and reallocate such Cynars thus it may be less so.

This relocation should be made because the present offset (of 93 1/2 feet) to the north
is singular, unhandsome, unhandy and anomalous. Because the gradient or ascent from the valley of the Anacostia to the elivated plateau (of 14th Street) would, owing to the northern slope of the hills, be much easier on the new than on the old location. And this consideration derives additional importance from the self-evident fact that were not C street openings for travel, as far east as to the "Cool Branch" Country Road, it would immediately be a great thoroughfare from and to those rich Countries which communicate with our City vii Remmings Bridge.

The additions thus made to the Square thus enlarged would, as City Lots, fully if not more than compensate government for the requisite expenditure.

Respectfully yours,

[Signature]

[Note: Additional handwriting at the bottom]
Washington
27 Jan. 1868

Maj. Genl. O.O. Howard
Commander.

Sir: I have the honor to respectfully urge my attention to my application for a colored servant woman of middle age and capable of doing honest work. I am in need of her services. I would be greatly obliged if such a claim could be forwarded by you to my home in Caudy, Ohio, either by mail or sled towards Pittsburgh then by the Baltimore and Ohio R.R. to Wheeling and thence to Steubenville and thence to Caudy.

Very truly yours,

W.H. Bethune
Topeka, Jan. 17, 1868.

SIR:—We are now more and more anxious, as have other of our friends, to have your favorable consideration of our request that you and give us your name, presence, and labors in our work of forming a Pre-college in Kansas.

With the constant and rapid increase of our population, there is a growing need of stronger moral forces to aid in shaping our future, and an institution which
Shall have as its vital great work and
end the supply of educators. The num-
ter of ministers is more and more evidently
a necessity to the Commonwealth and the
church. With their internal political
or political-religious denominational
workings, a failure to work, I feel
hope that for a score of years if ever,
our state institutions will do anything
toward improving the State.
For instance - at a late meeting
of Regents of St. University, to vote
for a President, your name was pre-
sented. There was no dispute who
you wished, but there is no reason to
doubt that the invitation went to
a member of another denomination.
simply, because Mr. S. says—"I cannot get it, so it is better to give it to my weaker brother P. I mean to my stronger friend E." It is not yet a paramount question "Who is the best man for the place?" but if we cannot get the man who will help us most, let us get the one who will hurt us least." So says nothing about religion, even education cannot stand the test. Control of a denominational or the institution without sectarian bias is now the prime want of Kansas. I would avoid even the appearance of any thing like complaisance, but I must present our appeal in...
The statement of what I believe is the deliberate conviction of my ministerial profession, to which I do not question my ability to secure the name of New York in the State. Our urgent appeal then is that you will consent to come to our help so soon after the matter has been released you from your present work, as we shall be able to offer you the needed support. We ask this because 1st. We believe in connection with the college, we have been found in securing its permanent endowment, to be not less than five to eight or even ten years. By thus much hasten its entrance upon full work.
All the old + wise wealthy
institutions of the East, are now
selling for $5000 to $500,000 each. I
avoid all this. We see no help for aught
but a long penurious infamy. Unless
by the influence of a well known name,
we could, as we believe, at once secure
the needed help.

We dare believe that the same
influence would within a year triple
or quadruple our strength. All
spread through this and adjoining
states, our banners of our youth who
by personal service in the war, or by
that of fathers or brothers, know to
regard their fellow soldier, Paul Howard.
They now scatter here + there to white.
institutions & hence go into the world. We believe that you can draw them further & that from among these, in answer to the prayers of the, you might draw many of them to the work of the ministry.

3rd We ask this of you for what we believe would be in this work, is at this point, its influence upon all the future of our State. The twig is now being bent, & one man can now do a work which perhaps ten years hence a thousand could not do or undo. In other places you can help to build beautiful structures whose foundation others have laid. Here known, felt in every household of our State
may God willing, lay the foundation
of many generations.

I need not argue at length
on present men fully there on other
points. Our appeal is the strong cry
for help, the cry of ruin, the political
moral & religious wants of Kansas &
this whole Trans-Missouri valley.

We speak no words of flattery. We do
not count more than we are. But real-
ing the story of what by God's grace you
have done for the land: we call you
to come, & with that grace & with our
prayers, do what you can in laying
the foundation, for Tho. W. Ellis &
the ministry of His word, in this
the central State of the Union.
After many conversations upon the subject, I felt constrained to write you thus: fully confident that with any encouragement from you we can in official or private action address manoeuvres censursing to the utmost of this appeal. Truly, generally yours,

Sarnet Bodwell

Mrs. B. Justice

[Signature]
Staffordville Conn.
Jan. 27, 1868.

Gen. G. G. Howard,
Dear Sir,

As pastor of the Cong. Church of this place, I have received a circular from you inviting and soliciting aid for the Cong. Church in Washington.

In reply I would say that if the policy of the Church is as indicated by the Congregationalists and Records, the structure, upon Dr. Boynton's sermon with
reference to the colored race, you will please excuse me, and my Church, Sabbath School, and Congregation from rendering aid in that direction. You will find a host more of Congregationalists of the same feelings here at the North and West.

Yours,
J. Y. Stone
Staffordville Cove,
Jan. 27th 1868

Hence S.,
Pater Cong. Church.

In reply to Circular so:
preciting aid for Cong.
Church at Washington,
bege to be excused from
contributing, if the policy
of the Church is indicated
as Congregationalist, in,
structures upon her
Boynon’s sermon,
etc., etc., etc.
Plainville Conn. Jan. 27th 1868

May. Gen. A.O. Howard
Supt. Freedmen's Bureau
Washington D.C.

General

I have the honor
to apply for information.

In the Congregationalist and Recorder published in Boston under date of Jan. 23rd 1868 there is a statement respecting Dr. Boynton which culminates the Congregational Church of Washington before the country and the world. The statement in substance is that two colored, worthy characters applied for admission to the Church. It is not distinctly affirmed that they were denied admission nor is there any intimation that they were received only we are told that

the Rev. Dr. delivered a sermon whose teaching was that black men should seek as such a Church fellowship intimacy with Christians of Concordian type, etc.

The inference surely is that the wicked sentiment

(over)
A White Man's Government is to prevail in that church which represents Gospel freedom in our Nation's Capital. This General, I am sure from your own words, heard with great interest, cannot the idea of that church. I shall do me the great favor of sending a few words which will enable me to know the exact facts.

With greatest respect I am yours,

Moses Smith
Pastor A.M.E. Church
Milford Mass.
Jan. 27th 1868

Gen. C.C. Howard

Sir,

I send you an order for thirty dollars, for the building of the Cong. Church, in Washington D.C., in behalf of the First Cong. Church, in Milford Mass. May God bless the labourers in bringing down wickedness in high places.

Yours in behalf of the Church,
D. B. Rockwood
Treasurer,
Milford, Mass.
Jan. 27th, 1868

Rockwood O.P.
Treasurer

In behalf of 1st Cong.
Church of Milford, sends
check for $50.00 to aid
in building Congregational
Church at Washington,
Invokes blessings of
God upon the work.
Grafton Jan 21st 1868

Gen. C. C. Howard
Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find Ten dollars

To assist in the building

Of the Congregational Church
In Washington D.C.

A collection from the even Cong. Sabbath School in Grafton

Yours in Christ's Love

James W. McKenzie
Superintendent
Grafton Jan. 27th 1865

M. Kenzie James M.
Sept Evan. Cong. S. Sch.

Enclose $10. a contribution to 1st cong.
Check at Washington,
from Evan. Cong. S.
School at Grafton.

[Signature]

Private

Received

Feb 3 1868
U. S. MILITARY TELEGRAPH.

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Jan 27, 1868

By Telegraph from Casine MO, 1868

To Maj. Gen. McDougal

I am at present engaged here. Expect a letter Wednesday.

G. F. Fisher

10 Di qo 330 Collie

Mr.

Shall we charge this to your office?
Castine Me fire
Jany 24th 1863

Atkinson J. T.

Telegram that he is of present engaged at that place. Will send a letter immediately.
Headquarters, Third Military District,
(Georgia, Alabama & Florida.)

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 27, 1868

May Gen. G. O. Howard.

Dear Gen.:

I am glad to learn my cause was to your advantage for the benefit of the Union and the wishes of my friends, which is always pleasant to know that it is in accordance with them.

I have no reason to be dissatisfied with the cause of your and General action. I take this opportunity to say that from the highest compliment you gave to me of arbitrary acts on the part of some of those, I have under consideration the ability of an order which will perhaps not be amenable to them.
I have come to apprehend that some of these, so will give the civil courts any opportunity to show whether they will or will not do justice to the Freedmen, but I am of the opinion that they will not. They seem to say runaway action, seizing & selling property, and giving notice the rights of the owners for it. Now this I do not think right & I am sure you will agree with me. I am convinced the Freedmen will have justice, & I am also determined the planter shall have the same — and which I am prepared to secure to the utmost extent.
unwilling to receive justice to the freedmen, I am not prepared to give the rights of the planter, or deny the civil courts the opportunity to do justice, until I am satisfied they will not evade themselves of the chances given them. You are perhaps aware that I have given free to the relief ordinance of the latter of law & all passing revenue for slaves to receive contracts with laborers & secure to them the fruits of their labor. I never believe in both clubs the law gives priority of lien to the landlord & factor. The success of my cash & check of the censiters in the South calls for the treasure where such
From your reports, we will ensure this evil by giving precedence to the laws of the

I shall be very glad at all times to receive your co-operation. I will not hesitate to call

Mr. John Jones
Capt. C. Muller

Mary Smith