Washington Feb 3, 1865

My Gro. Col. Honored Sir,

If you do not think the former itself a sufficient answer to such letters as your report, would it not be well to refer the matter to my statement in the copy of Jan 30 or to the proposition submitted to the Church last Tuesday, so you can give them my verbal statement of yesterday. You might at least say that the article in the Recorder is an entire perversion of the sermon a misrepresentation of my opinion.

Very Truly

Yr A.G.

A.M. Draptow
4 Market Square
February 3rd 1868.

General,

Yours (to A.D.C.) of 31st ult.,
in reply to mine of 27th ult., is at hand. The initiative is taken.

A Bill passed City Council, and was ap-
proved, last May, to drain the Ponds
around Lincoln Square and to fill in
north 13 thereabout. But the Mayor
fails to have the work done, saying the
plan ordered is ephemeral and impracticable.

We have repeatedly asked him to have
Surveys and Report made therein to him;
and that the Report came to Council with
better plan for amended action, else to
execute the Bill as passed. He does
not appear to act. Cannot you
ask him to do so?

Genl. Birchler has been
asked to grade all avenues to access and
about said Ponds, and to extend Lincoln
Square to the two A streets prolonged.
Cannot you reinforce such request?
General Bickler has also been asked to act of Congress the relocation of their part of North C street which lies east of east 15th st. so as to align with their part west thereof. And, with the objections to opening this much needed great thoroughfare of travel, east to the County road to Remmings Bridge, is first the offset, complaining of, any reason for the deeper cuttings for grade on the present line. Alderman McCallum, of 6th Ward, introduced last Monday agy, a resolution of instruction to the Committee before them to seek to obtain from Congress the desired relocation, and as early as an early day. This resolution, together with maps, arguments, and Bill, is probably now in the hands of Mr. Richards, the Chairman of said Committee. Cannot you assist me herein before Gent Bickler, Mr. Richards, said Committee and Congress?

As to the matter of appropriateness adorning Lincoln's grave with the proposed Monumental Statue of President Lincoln, I know not what is being done.
Flowman, of the "Philadelphia Building Company," may or may know, and would at your request impart to you the requisite information. Also, Mrs. McCollman is also operating to that end, but calls for assistance. Cannot you help us in this matter also?

Respectfully Yours,

[Signature]

Major Genl O. O. Howard
Bureau Refugees &c.
Washington, D.C.
Penfield Mts.

February 25, 1868

Dear Gent:

Allow me to trouble you again for a few moments.

I took your advice and went and saw Grant about the next morning after I was at your house.

He said they were going to reduce the Army the first thing in the Spring and he could not do any thing until after the West Point Cadets graduated. He thought that I could have a situation about the first of July.

I see that Congress has reported adversely to reducing the Army, and also that all officers holding positions from other Dept. must resign their commissions in the Army and the vacancies filled by promotion. I doubt this will make many vacancies, and as Lie. Strong is now in the War Office, and you think I might receive an appointment sooner than this, Grant could then...
Please address
J. M. Path et al.,
Penfield
Monroe Co., NY.

To My Dear O.O. Howard
Washington, D.C.

P.S. Ask one of A.S.'s blacksmiths whether! Excuse this paper, as it is all I have in the house.
Could you do anything for me in your
Beaver?
Promise one. As you are at the War Dept every day, would it be asking too much for you to state my case to the Secretary and get his views? As you may have forgotten, in the press of your other business about me, I will briefly state the case. I am 26 yrs old - entered service as Private June 1876, have been wounded seven times, worked my way from Private to Capt & 1st Major. Am strongly backed by Genl Cox whose Staff I was on 9th Offrcs & Capt. 1st Inf. Endorsed by love for Fenton - Genl Sherman and yourself, Senator's House & Morgan - also by McCarty & Libby, Member of Congress, & Ann Lyte & Mat'lv's due service.

I desire a position in the Cavalry if possible. I was the only Scout Genl Bumstead had when we first went to the Dakota and was wounded twice while performing those duties. But was never taken prisoners. I trust, please give this your attention and let me hear from you, if only a line and your kindness will ever be appreciated by yours respectfully J.M. Fish
Elmfield, Monroeville Co., N.Y.
February 3d, 1868

Fisk J. H.
Post Master

States that (at the suggestion of the Commissioner, where last of his house) he saw Gen. Grant who, on account of expected reduction of the Army, could not give definite answer as to position till the 1st of July.

Notices that there will be no reduction, but many vacancies. Requests that the Board, if not too much trouble, state his case to the Secretary of War and get the Secretary's views.

Lest the Board may have forgotten, reiterates briefly his war record together with name of Generals, Senators, and members of Congress. Would like positive e.g. cavalry etc., etc., etc.
Dear Mr. Gil:—

Credit yourself with $1042.50 on your private account with this bank.

In accordance with your order of Saturday I have taken one one thousand 10-40 bond at that price—Make Value Cash.

Yours truly,

D. T. Salvin
Actuary

July 3, 1868.

Please send me Mr. Bryant's article on Allegiance.
Washington Feb. 3d 1863

Eaton Col. U.S.

States that General's private account is to be credited with $1042.50.

In accordance with order, he has taken one more one thousand 10-40 bond.
FROM THE
Law Office of Edwin A. Darling,
36 & 37 Old State House.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 3 1868

My dear Sir,

I have been intending to write to you for some time past, but thought I would defer keeping upon your attention until in my judgment it became unavoidable. For the past six months I have been practicing law in Boston, and during the whole of that time I have not made one cent. This is both discouraging and demoralizing, more especially as I can conscientiously say that I have attended closely to my business, and tried very hard to work into a practice. Although I am surrounded by wealthy relations, I don't want to accept any pecuniary assistance while I am able and willing to work. But having been engaged for some time past in trying something to do, and not finding anything whatever, and having pretty nearly run out of money, the future commence to look very black. My wife and child dont
to New York last December, though I expected they will return in the Spring. After all that my
sister has done for me, especially in view of her recent severe pecuniary distress, I could not and would not ask any aid from them. It has occurred to me that a brief
sacrifice of your business, just might find something for me to do; the well-educated as you know, can expect
fifty or both French and Spanish, and am steady and willing to work hard.
My father deliberately and from principle sacrificed a large, in fact an enormous
fortune during the war in support of the Union, and as he has never asked anything from the government, I
think they might do something for me, especially as I propose to render them a "quid pro quo." I do like to give up
my profession even temporarily, but unless I get something to do equally clear,
starvation staring me in the face.
but our former acquaintance as well
your knowledge of my family may plead an excuse for打扰ing upon your time, and
wish the hope that I may hear from
you at your leisure, believe me,

Your very truly,

E. H. Darling

Should Rev. Lee be at H., please remember
me kindly to him.
36 & 37 Old State House
Boston Mass.
Feb. 3, 1868

Darling E. W.
Att'y at Law.

States that he has been practicing law for six months, and has not made one cent.

Is needy and willing to work, and is well educated. Hopes that the commissioners may see something for him to do, to prevent himself and family from starving.

So, etc., etc., etc.

[Handwritten note: 'No civil']

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[Stamp: 'Received Feb 5, 1868']

[Stamp: 'Private']
Boston, Oct. 3rd, 1867

Maj. Genl. O.C. Howard

Dear Sir:

Enclosed

Received $2.50 Eighteen dollars and
fifty cents - a contribution from
the 7th Vermont S.S. (Dr. woods) to be
appropriated by you for the purpose
of aiding in the erection of a
Church edifice for Cong. Wardship
in Washington.

Be pleased as to
acknowledge receipt of the same as
early as possible. Wishing you
success in your noble enterprises.

Cherish the honor to remain
Your Old Servt.

No. 1 Marble County, P.O. Merrill
Boston
Collinsville, Conn.

Jan 6, O O Howard, Feb 4, 1865

Sir,

Enclosed find a.

RO money order, $18,75 to aid in completing the Congregational Church in Washington. It is a small contribution for so worthy an object, to enable a church to own.

Very truly yours,

A. Hall

O O Howard, Post. Capt. 4th Col. Collinsville

Conn.
Eufaipia, Dec. 11th, 1856. 6 p.m.

Gen. Howard dear Sir —

I have the honor to express my surprise and concern at the request by the conventionist, at Boston, that S.D. Pooingten refuses the request of the membership to write with the chh. in this case. I am direct ed by the convention an order to refuses the request of the chh. I am direct ed by the convention an order to refuses the request of the chh. I think a very important matter, and the ministry of 50 years in that case. Most of that time I have labored to free and remove the abolition of slavery and not wholly without success. You may remember sending some 3 years in prison to me at Easton, to aid in carrying a plan to free some of the interest, but the small sound. It is not that I regret it. But I must say I would not give one parting breath a sentient of a minister whose chh. is wise in the light of the chh. and only at this most critical period. It is against the chh. and reconstruction, and the chh. and the chh. and the chh. are not pleased, you will certainly know. But this is not only against man, but against the Bible. V.S.P. 6th 7th and 8th. They hold good things any one one else. I shall be the order of the Lord without blame of place. That you do the same things unto men, knowing that your chh. is known not in the place of their very much. This the uniform teaching of the bitter lot to God. That oh of the S.D. Pooingten, or the article in Cong. Boston, quoted above, is does not prevent feeling of the great body of Congreg一封 misdelivered. The scriptural might aid good building.
Every thing about your building and church is of very peculiar interest. We wanted you to be a model of our Dunkirk practice
and I believe it is important a place where we are so little known. It should be a
model entering wedge point into your community. We have a neg'o who takes care of and
meeting house, and we esteem him highly and very fair if any are more decent,
or casual and interesting in living. Several of his children are members.
I hope the cause will be renewed and there are colored persons in one of the
white chds. who pray in the church you have taken, and in many you have
accompanied for the freed men. You have our thanks, and our prayers. In more,
that there are many garden important stations south. May God bless all
your efforts for clearing the lower Francis.

Another thing. Have not Congress
know of the right in time of anything
like this, to prohibit turning treason to kill and not treasons.

God has begun to deliver the oppressed, and He
will accomplish it; if need be, by more terrible judgments. If rebels won't turn righteousness
The Lord guide and establish our legal Congress
and all our mfg's and abuse the people.

A trembling hand & o in March. Mannings
Yours truly for justice. H. E. Manning.
Confidential, Washington Tuesday, Sept. 4, 1865.

At the office.

Dear Brother Howard,

God bless you. I hoped that I might be able to go to the gathering last meeting at the Columbia and Shaw buildings. This Friday I might perhaps meet you but I could not. I wanted to say to you how truly and deeply I sympathize with you and that my prayers in the closet as my family prayers are daily ascending for you and that in the Little Union weekday prayers that every morning I attend you are most especially remembered. Like your blest master, placed as you are by the Providence of God in that important you are ministering to the wants and woes of thousands and that you may be sustained you as He kept you in the thick of the fight in the day of battle He will still keep you forever.
you faith make you a help in your pealong time to the church. The country at the world. Sue Samantha love an many who will rise up to call you blessed. I am not who is accustomed to flatter, but I am mine that saw in the East Union grape a meeting just after the battle of Bull before Run & heard you express your feeling as a Christian Soldier, you then to us in pray, my heart has gone by you I have loved you. I did not know indeed then what great thing our God had in store for you but after we parted at the Avenue a few weeks subsequent, all them a year glorious career of heroic service I followed you with my prayers then crowned with laurels I first saw you at the meeting of the Christian Communion still standing up for Christ, and I feel as I now feel I but gave glory to God to recognize W
inquiring in you one by whom He had wrought so great things, while you as His own love your honors so weekly. I did my dear Brother most truly feel for you last Sabbath. It was all strange to me, I had not heard a word of the meetings of the week before for I was unable to go out, but it did seem to me such an utter perversion of the text and such an extraordinary course for a pastor to withhold so many longing hearts from the ordinance where the Saviour was the all in all to us and it to remember them in complaint with His dying words, just as He was going to Gethsemane where His soul to be 
seedling sorrowful even unto, to turn off our minds from the tender touching words He recalled me to make what I could not but view as a most ungenerous unmanly use of his position to attack you to whom your and b

to ask me questions, and I am the best person to ask. I have been studying the ancient text for some time, and I believe it contains valuable information.

The text is written in ancient Greek, which is difficult to read. However, I have been working on it for a few months, and I think I can make a good translation.

The text refers to the teachings of Alexander the Great and the idea of the Golden Fleece. It describes how the Golden Fleece was created and how it was distributed among the various countries.

I believe that the Golden Fleece represents the power and prestige of Alexander the Great. It was a symbol of his authority and a source of wealth for his followers. The text also mentions that the Golden Fleece was kept in a chest that was guarded by a dragon.

I would be happy to share my findings with you if you are interested. Let me know if you would like to see a copy of the text or if you have any questions.

As you can see, the text is quite detailed. It contains many references to other texts and events, which makes it difficult to understand at first. However, I believe that with some effort, we can decode the meaning of the text and learn more about the history of Alexander the Great.

I am also interested in hearing your thoughts on the matter. Do you have any questions or comments? I would be happy to discuss this further with you.
The Lord helped you to the right reply. He doubt not will give you the same crown of His broad shield of faith, now worn off the fiery darts of the adversary in whatsoever shape they are true. Now dear brother I have written, as you see most hurriedly, have this letter and I trust it to your discretion. Its design is to let you know particularly how most truly I deeply sympathize with you. How truly you are ever home on my poor prayers. Again say to you yourself and all the great fruits committed to and make you further as you have largely been a blessing to this church to the church which I am a fellow member with you. May His spirit be with us all to guide us as in the way of all truth and after He has in any manner mortgage hill with us only take all the glory to Himself and thus perseve
how more than ever day by day
He is with us and gives to the
Christian by blessing others
So being doubly bless ourselves.
May your children under their
father's & mother's teaching of
ample grow up to make you
blessed in them & to love the
Lord.

I do not ask angrily
we may see each other some
time, perhaps in some prayer meet-
ing—but I should be glad if you
have one to spare you write sent
me one of your printed papers where
I have read one—but I may see the
whole in the English and Advance
both of which I take my address
as Bop 509 P. O.

Your brother in Christ

Goodrich Smith

Washington Feb 4th 1868

Smith E. Goodrich

Expresses at length his great respect for the Commissioner, who is ever remonstrant in his petitions to God. Sympathizes with the dead, in the unchristian attack made upon him at the communion last Sabbath, etc., etc., etc.
New York,
12th February 1868.

May Gen. G. O. Howard

Sir,

W. Henry R. Arnold of Washington, proposing at this time to become a Member of the American Institute of Architects, has referred the Trustees to you for information in regard to certain points, which are fully set forth in his application, of which a copy is enclosed.

Hoping that you may find it convenient to forward a reply at an early day.

I remain, Sir,

Your Respectfully,

F. C. Withers Sec.
No. 76, Post Office, Washington, D.C.
4th Feb. 1868

Major G. A. [illegible]

Dear Sir:

This will introduce to your favorable consideration

Gene J. W. Barnes of Texas. He is

President of one of our Texas rail

roads; and he authorizes me to present

to you some views in regard to the labor of freedmen. I take

pleasure in saying that Gene Barnes

is thoroughly reconstructed and

that he has humane and liberal

views. Whatever he recommends

will be done in good faith, and for the benefit of our

freedmen and the country.

You can implicitly rely

upon his statements.

Any facilities I may

afford him will I most cheerfully

afford. I remain with great

respect.

Geo. W. Prendergast
Office of Public Buildings Grounds Works,  
Washington, February 4, 1868

Major General O. O. Howard  
Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau,  
Washington, D.C.

General:

I have the honor to enclose herewith an Indenture properly signed and witnessed, conveying to you Square 1065 in the City of Washington. I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant,

J. Evillen  
Major of Engineers,  
U.S. Army
Dear Gentleman,

I would like very much to remain in the city until any other tomorrow might attend some little (private) matters of importance, if you are willing? I wish that I am able to take your generosity as I have done, and thank you for giving me so long but as soon now in this city I should like to arrange all of my affairs before going south.
To the Hon.

FRM.

With the highest respect,

Nelson A. Miles

Rear-Adm.