May 8, 1868

My dear Sir,

Will your engagements on the 4th of July next be such as to permit you to spend the day in this city and deliver an address before the City Council & Citizens? I am sure your presence here would give us great pleasure and we will endeavor to make your visit agreeable.

The City Council has
taken no action in regard
to the celebration of the July
but I am sure they will
favor it if you can come.
For this reason I have
taken the liberty of writing
and should be glad to
hear from you as soon
as convenient.

As I shall leave for
the Chicago convention
on Wednesday next I
wish you would send your
reply to me at the Briggs
House Chicago Ill.

I am very resp

Sincerely

George F. Richardson
American Tract Society
New York, May 1, 1868

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir, Your telegram reads,
The society through its system of self-help rigorously pushing its work in the South aiming to establish a prayer meeting in every community, to afford every child without regard to race or color an opportunity of receiving Sabbath school instruction and to give each family a Christian visit and some appropriate religious reading. A view of this was presented in January in D. Kelly's speech. To do this the moral support, as well as the material aid of the Northern Church is necessary. Your presence and approving address are esteemed of great importance and be therefore respectfully but earnestly renew the invitation and request of our former letter.

We feel assured that with your official experience and the facts in the annual report of the Richmond agency of which I send a proof copy, you will be prepared after hearing the several speeches which precede you, to occupy from 20 to 30 minutes to the edification of the audience.
I enclose the resolutions provided for the meeting upon the second of which it is proposed that you speak.

We hope that you may be able to inform us by telegraphable (labourers' expenses) of your presence and to be present so that we may publish your names, but even if the program has been arranged without it a place will be reserved for you.

Very respectfully yours,

G.H. Shearer
Secy. Secy. C.M.T.A.
The American Tract Society, an expression of Christian unity and an instrument in the hands of Christ Church,

(1) In annually furnishing to individuals and congregations $60,000 dollars' worth of religious literature for personal and institutional distribution.

(2) In carrying by Missionary Colportage printed and spoken truth to the millions of the estate of Southe and West and in gathering into Sabbath schools more than 100,000 scholars.

(3) In reaching with a saving literature through missionaries and others the 300,000,000 of Spanish and Portuguese speaking people in Mexico and South America.

(4) In aiding foreign Missions by printing the common faith in 1141 Languages for the heathen world.
Brunswick May 9, 1868

Gen. O.C. Howard,

My dear Sir,

You have undoubtedly heard of the death of Prof. Swift, whose name and fame have long been honorable to the College. From your acquaintance with West Point graduates & with the Engineer Corps of the army perhaps you can suggest to me the right man for the place. Will you do me the favor to give a little thought to the subject & inform me if any one whom you may regard as qualified to fill the place & at the same time probably attain the need a man who will add...
February 8th

Humbert

From Mr. A. C. in New York.

The President, Governor, Secretary of War, and other
officials have been informed, and from Cairo to St.
Louis the Grand Trunk Canal Company is known by
the Grand Union.

The state officers are at

...
decidedly to the strength & reputation of the college & would appoint a young man, provide his mathematical abilities at-
tainments gave decided promise of his growth, reputation & success. The purpose will consist in
not philosophy & astronomy & as far as he has time in the higher math-
ematics. His salary as present is £1500 - We shall increase it
as the earliest moment practical.

I wish for the sake of myself
of the college you could return to
your former pursuits & teach
& take hold with us; but I cer-
tainly do not wish to undo the
illustrious history by which you
have pleased yourself for beyond
such humble positions than have
it impossible for it matters to show
you -

My sincere respects to Bowdoin
Brunswick, May 9th, 1868

Casimir Samuel
Prep. Bowdoin College

Inquirez whether the General knows of any person who will take the place of Prof. Wingth deceased.

Mr. Benjamin Ass' Prof. at Marsh Point is mentioned. Does the General know him and is he the man for the place? etc., etc., etc.
New Orleans May 9th 1869.

Dear General,

after a severe contest, the Radicals have succeeded in enacting the State, we have adopted our constitution of at least 20,000 majority to elect the Radical State Rights also have a fair occasion. Majority in each branch of the Legislature also elect the four of the five Congressmen. We will also vote and seat Radicals we have had great obstacles to overcome and this week I'm sure we are pretty sure we are a great improvement to the Reconstruction, give all the credit and credit for his to the Rebels and not the Unionists all sit his presence and subsequently time. But since we were more than just a week in, he went to call the chief. Plains knew had commenced. And well did he do his work, but with all...
I have succeeded, and if our Congress shall be true to the principles
and the spirit we will doubtless place the Rebel Farr in a question
when they will ultimately become extinct.

We are watching closely the progress of emancipation. There is almost
our only salvation. Senators become exact and faithful. On the whole they have commenced
our Radical Party and their efforts are realized. We hope for the best,
entire belief that long we shall have the first tendencies of a rising
and the Depradations of Johnson's
his conduct.

General the Colonel

 Freem have announced me as their
Candidate for the U.S. Senate, and
as it is a question of great honor
and importance, it is characteristic
I am quite ambitious to attain it.
and can you advance me or my claims. Could you not write me a letter of such an character that I could publish the same, pur influence here is great, and any such form of a favorable character would be greatly to my advantage, especially my conduct as a soldier while under your command. If you can accommodate me in that manner please do so.

with my regards for your health and welfare I am most respectfully your obd. serv.

[Signature]
Brooklyn May 9th, 1868

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

Dear Sir,

The Young Men's Christian Association of Brooklyn, requests the honor of your presence and participation in the exercises of their 41st. Anniversary.

The meeting will be held on Monday evening 28th inst., in the Church of the Pilgrims, Brooklyn. The Rev. Dr. W. S. Stearns &c., and others, have consented to take part on that occasion.

Many of our prominent citizens interested in the work of Christian Associations, having expressed a desire to hear you speak, we trust you may find it convenient to qualify their wishes and ours.

With great respect,

Very truly yours,

John E. Stowell
Cor. Secy. N.Y.C.A.
New York, May 9, 1868

My dear Gen. Howard,

I sincerely hope you can stay and give me your consent to be present at the anniversary meeting of the Brooklyn 4th Milt. Ordnance Art. on the 25th inst. I hope you will. And my good wife, says ask the Admiral to make this headquarters at our house - which I do with a hearty welcome. Very truly,

Your friend,

A. S. Barnes
New York May 9th 1868

A. S. BARNES & CO

Barnes, A. S.

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Cedar Rapids, May 10, 1888

My dear Son A.J.,

This is a beautiful Sabbath morning, all nature seems, in one united effort to render praise to the great giver of every good and perfect gift. Would, that I could render it also to my Heavenly Father, one small mite of pure and holy love, but sanctified by the grace of God, or the love of the Saviour, & hope and trust, I shall be kept, by faith, in right way until the end, I feel your trials my dear son, and I desire to feel them sufficiently to your case to the throne of grace. But my dear Son, how live just as near to God as you did when in the battle field of your country fighting your country's cause? Cannon's Mouth. I have just now read the 4th. 8th. and enjoyed much. I pray God that I do not praise God enough, for his many blessings, and his blessed promise to the
humble, I have often thought when in trials of the promise "Strength shall be equal to the day" and many others to numerous to mention in one short letter, I know it is hard to be wronged by our fellow men, and especially by those whom we have considered of the "household of faith" but still for some reason God permits these trials, for some wise purpose, I wrote to Missie one week since, I hope to hear her health is better whenever I hear of her being unwell, I have a terrible feeling comes over me that she may sink under her weight of care, then I have no where to go but to the throne of grace, and to have her saved to you and the clear ones she has given you and her. I think I never felt such a strong desire for you and yours, as at the present time, I know a large trust of country lies between us, but I feel very near you in spirit and trust our prayers and regarded by the same written head, I remain at home this morning with little Ralph. It is the Presbyterian communion service today and
Kosa has a rule, not to leave her boy with the hired help, this rule commenced at the time she had convulsions a few months since, Kosa holds her little very close, if tenderness will save him, she will have a long while, I almost tremble for her sometimes, when I see how close she holds him, I took a walk a few days ago to the cedar river, with Miss Seymore from Brooklyn N.Y. she is staying here with a feeble sister, and finds great benefit from the climate, the river is very handsome, it passes this city and makes a curve below which leaves a handsome lawn, which is quite green at this time, the river ripples along with considerable facility, not such rapids as we see in the Linderooggan coming over the stones which lay up insight. I am told that the bed of river is limestone and the force of water continually erases it which keeps up a constant ripple like our rapids at the north only nothing is to be seen, I intend crossing the river in my next walk, there are beautiful trees on
on the opposite side of Seymour will walk with me, I wish Grace could be home with me; the coming Summer she would find much to enjoy with grandma & don't allow any useless regrets to weigh upon me, but I do feel the loss of my home, when I think of having my home for my children & all grandchildren, but when I think of those old fences, and having so much to do, and paying so much for work and not having it done after all, I am glad that part of the cane is not mine, I am gaining flesh and strength, & have been here one month. Dellie has business enough to be doing well, and has the daily society of a cheerful and happy companion, her grounds are new, and she is putting in fruit trees and for his future comfort he seems to feel perfectly at home, in every respect, was three weeks in the house with John & his family and if he had made it his study to make me feel uncomfortable he could not have succeeded. Any letter he is constantly complaining to all her relations because he is poor and can look back and see wherein he could have been saved from his poverty, and he owes everybody that ever could get to trust him and he has to pronounce a sentence of scandal on each one, and he has that Eaton there half of the time, when I left the second day of April Eaton left in the same train & heard through a letter of Mrs. Beamer that there was there when Sheller's little daughter was born which is now three weeks old, the people are
Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard  
Washington City

Dear Sir,

Permit me once more to trouble you for a small piece of advice. Your kind letter of the 1st of last March, through your Abb. informed me, that if I would make out my claim and have it laid before the Committee in Congress, you would gladly aid me with your valuable testimony. For that kind offer allow me to thank you.

Please inform me to whom I may direct the document in Washington, that will take the trouble to lay it before that Committee. At whom would you advise me to make a Power of attorney to act for me? I am entirely dependent on you for the necessary information. Should I be fortunate enough to succeed in getting what I desire, I ought to have, at least, I shall put myself under an additional obligation to my Benefactor, Gen. O. O. Howard, and hope you would allow me to make him ample compensation. I have had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of fine thinking gentlemen, Gen. Blatch at the Post, and your estimable ladies— I find them very clever people, talk them very much. I hope this is a good understanding with
us. And I think, says he, I will do any thing in my power to aid me to live again.

These gentlemen are highly respected here. By the native citizens of this section, I had the pleasure of taking a look at my Peppernony Wine that I made myself. With this fine lady yesterday. I wish you had been with us.

New! Pardon me for the long letter. I believe it conveys your friend.

[A. H. Moses]

At once drop me a line as soon as it can:

Put your Commissary, for I suppose you will not, see Sucan in getting any assistance. The sooner the better, I am much in want of doors, windows, &c. for my family.

My plantation has brought me in nothing since 1864. I am inclined to sell it to you. I will take $50 new of what I owe, others for it in 1859. I want them offered $30,000 in good money & notes.
Beaver Springs
Toward, Nebr.  
May 10, 1869.

My Gen. O’K. Howard
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir,

Having any letter to you a short time either promised and your satisfactory explanation of my search for ant-spring to be able on your land if applicable. With the contract I can’t lay and explain more clearly but the first place as I stated on my other letter that I could not get a team strong enough to plough Beaver with about 200 acres and if burned it broke it would cost from 75 cents per acre. Further more described this way seldom plant after land the first reason at all for this
reason that—the first-century
pages for planting flowering the
I suppose could not go to your land, as you know any of
were new planted. But I cannot
do what you think right in
our contract. But if you would
one from it altogether I should
gratefully obliged to you. As I have
and nearly have a hard time to get
the first year. If I had a lake,
could break up 20 acres this year
and next year be able to keep
I have not been living on one
place for 2 acres and begin to grow
at home. But—rather horrible for
my nearest neighbor is 8 miles
away. The state of affairs in the
neighborhood of the community are all
for and Randalls are very kind
from. They are all the attendance
That's from the farmers which make it very good. But I hope as the \nAmerican gets settled we things will \nprove it better. There is nothing \nmore of importance to wish to \nand close. Hoping these few \nline may find you well and \nwriting the hear from you again \nI remain your \nYours respectfully \nFrank J. MacNamara

Beaver Grocery
Seward Co.
Nebraska
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Feb. May 10th 1868

Manning Frank J.

Explain why he did not
cate as the General's land
according to promise; but
is willing to do what the
General thinks best. Would
like to be released from
the contract altogether, in
view of the fact stated, etc.

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PRIVATE
Philadelphia
May 11th, 1868

O.O. Howard

Dear O.O. Howard,

I most respectfully beg leave to state that I am the father of the late Lieut. Col. O. H. Howard, who was killed under your command near Chalmarwaga. He was my only son and having lost him, I lost all I had to depend on and am now almost helpless having lost my two feet by a railroad accident about fourteen years ago. Understanding that my son had two horses then, he was killed. I think I am justly entitled to receive
Compensation for one now have taken the expense of writing to you knowing that you are the only person who could properly bring the matter before the proper authorities and have my claim attended to.

Should you be pleased to interest yourself in my behalf & share as in duty bound ever pray,

James McAlon
5-05 Somerset St
Philadelphia
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