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Brooklyn, June 16
[1868]

My dear Sir

I should have gone to Washington this week to see you, if it had been possible for me to leave home. But my engagements are such as to put it out of my power, for the present. I have thought a great deal of you, and of those acting with you, in these last days; and I trust that you will not be in the least troubled or dis-

heartened by your failure
to secure at once the Co-
Council. I am certain
that the postponement of
that is best; for the Church
and for the true interests
and success of the mission.
There are grave doubts in
my mind whether an Ec-
clesiastical Council should
be convened to consider the
general administration
of a Church, or the expediting
of ^{terminating} ~~constituting~~ a Pastoral
which the majority of a Church
prefer. The old rule was
and I think is a good and
wholesome one - only to allow

An Re-paré Council in case
where a person, or persons,
had been "aggrieved", and had
"suffered palpable injuries",
for which the Church would
grant no redress. If any
member of your Ministry, be
subjected to unjust dis-
cipline, a case will at
once present itself justifying
the call for an Re-paré Coun-
cil, if a Manual was agreed.
But as long as no such
palpable injuries or wrongs
are inflicted, I think
it very doubtful if an Re-
paré Council is in order;
I am certain that such a
Council would never advise the

murdering a Pastor whom
a majority his Church as-
sured. They were soon
late to recommend the
and the President, the
despatches proceed, for
which, though it may seem
plain to you that they are
all going wrong. There
is after all a basis of
sense, and of some Christian
feeling, in every Church
I have ever seen, which at
last comes to light: the
instants and correct in-
proper action, on the part of
the Pastor; and which
consists & concerns the

menace of the Church. The
only danger that I appreh-
end is, that members
of your minority, will gradu-
ally and wrongly withdraw
from the Church - thus har-
ning the majority more nu-
merous (relatively), and more
determined and passionate
than before. This was what
happened at Dr. Chubb's
Church, in New York; and the
result was its destruction;
the building of a Unitarian shop
on its foundations. It was
party and petulant action
on the part of the minority
- jerking out of the Church, in

which they should have
remained - which caused
that whole disaster. If
you minority simply mean
having & forsaking, making
their moral and spiritual
form felt in the Church - if
we have all things as they
wish them, in the end.

At any rate, they are bound
to give their chance here
for a National Council, and
a safe & solid ground on
which to call me so far as
concerns the freedom with which
I write, and otherwise I am
with great esteem
Yours, Wm. R. L. Smith

U. S. MILITARY TELEGRAPH.

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June 16

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By Telegraph from

Nashville Tenn 15

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Gen ^{To} O. O. Howard

I have the honor to
 invite you to be
 present with us on
 the fourth prox.
 Answer immediately

A. G. Alden
 Major

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night messages

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Kashville Tenn

U. S. MILITARY TELEGRAPH

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Wm. H. Allen

Grayson H. Co.

I have the honor
to invite General Co.
to be present at the
4th of July celebration
at the same time

Wm. H. Allen

Grayson H. Co.

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Washington D.C.

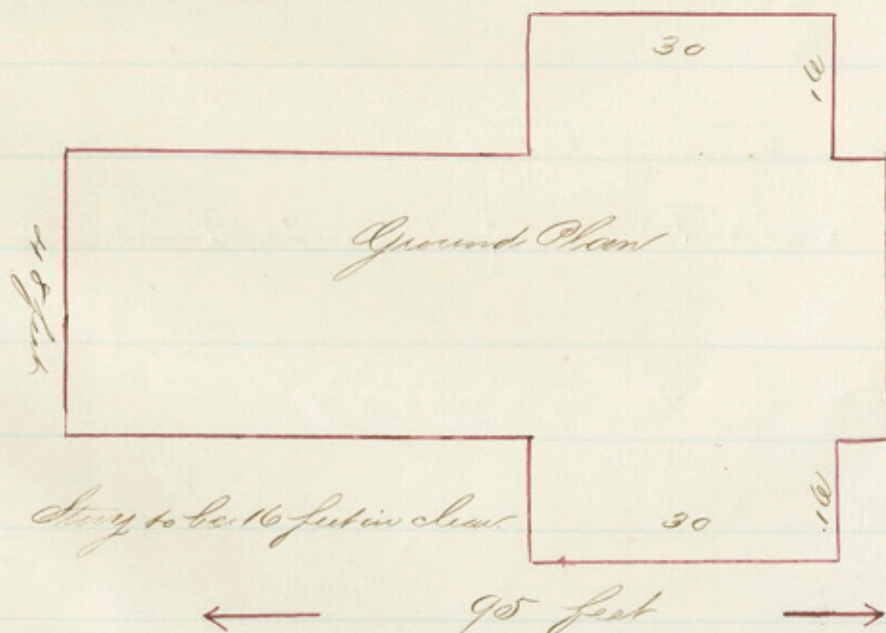
June 10. 1868.

Genl. O. O. Howard

Commr. &c.

Sir:

I propose to erect a
Building of the following sizes & dimensions
48 feet front } with two } For Industrial
95 " Depth } wings 16x30 } School for Ref & Amusement



with 20 windows, frames oak & blinds, to be built
of the Building Block, with good substantial foundation

of Blue Stone or Red Brick, all timber
to be furnished except for windows & doors,
and door frames, which will be furnished by
myself, furnishing all Labor Building Blocks
Foundation material, Plastering & Painting for
the sum of Eight thousand five hundred
and twenty five (\$8525) dollars.

Very respectfully
(sgd) Robt J. Fleming

A true copy

Henry M. Whittles
Chief Quartermaster

Bureau. Ref. J. M. H. S.

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June 16th 1868

Thomson, R. J.

Propose to erect a
building of certain
dimensions for

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WASHINGTON,

June 16th 1868

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The regular ~~monthly~~ meeting of the Board of Directors of the COLUMBIA HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY

FOR WOMEN, will convene at the Hospital Building, on *Thursday* the *18th* day

of *June* at *3 1/2 O'clock P.M.*

A full attendance is desired.

Respectfully,

J. H. Coombs.

Secretary.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Columbia Hospital and Dispensary for Women, will convene at the Hospital Building on the 15th day of October 1898. A full attendance is desired.

Respectfully,
J. H. Campbell

Secretary

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OFFICE OF THE
Washington Gas Light Company,

No. 472 TENTH STREET WEST,

City of Washington, 16th June 1868

General:

I have spoken to the
Engineer in regard to your
service pipe - and he says
that it was probably over-
looked by them being no
written application on file.

Please send me a written
application to have the work
done - and I will see that
it is attended to as soon as

Yours very truly

Chas B Bailey

May I see O. D. Howard
Yrs.

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Office has been

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Bailey Char B.

Suggests that the
General make applica-
tions for service pipe
etc etc

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Brig. Gen. O. O. Howard,

At the close of this our scholastic year we would gladly remember all our friends, but, as we are not able to present tokens of gratitude to all, we must select those who have rendered our school immediate assistance, and prominent among those, stands your name, and that of your brother, Gen. C. H. Howard. As he is not now in the city, we can not today give him a token of our esteem. Had not the school rooms, desks, ^{and} stove ~~be~~ been furnished by the Bureau which you represent, our school would not have now existed.

We present to you this small token, - a book mark, on which is wrought the Bible, God's great gift to man, also, the communion cup, that brings with it remembrance of our suffering Savior's atonement and forgiveness of sins. We

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love and respect you, because you believe
and act upon the great truth taught in
the Bible, that God created all men
equal, and that he hath no respect to
person or complexion. Please accept
this with our love and esteem. ~~but in~~
every nation, he that feareth God and
worketh righteousness, is accepted of Him.
Please accept this with our love and
esteem.

Very Respectfully yours

Sarah J. Jackson

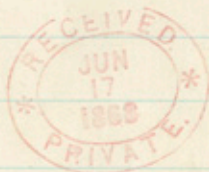
and Schoolmates.

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June 1868

Jackie Sarah J.
my school-mates.

Presented to the General
a book-mate. etc
etc



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Steamer Corinthian

Lake Ontario June 17

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My dear brother

Charles has been
terrifying me all along by
threatening to cross me before
reaching Bangor. I write this
to you now by way of com-
forting you in the hope that
you will relieve me from the
trying suspense. I think
I should find on reaching
Boston that you would not
disappoint his reasoning and
me till after the fourth

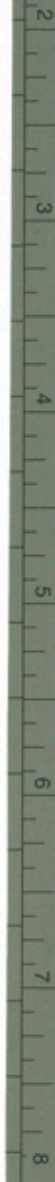


your sister has aged since you
last saw her -
Hoping all are well at your home with much
love, we are well. Love & Farewell

P.S. It is not age we agree that makes
it difficult for me to write but the shaking
of the pen - I playfully referred to that
one day that she never apply to son of the
apostle to keep me till July, that Bro. Gossard
I would like to be her sister in Bangor Maine.
Write your plan which was to spend one night
with Mrs. Ewing on the old farm and spot
where we were born while my wife & 50 were and
a subject of curiosity to our friends -
Yours affectionately
J.B. Hall

of which he seemed just as
happy to be asked to go to
Bangor over, please to my
friends that he has no inten-
tion of giving me up for good.
I'm sure that few ever enjoy
together so well and much to
the completeness and pleasure
of our trip, which has been so
thoroughly enjoyed - We expect
to be in Boston on the 27th inst.
where Arthur will meet us, when
the address of Dr. S. L. Sprague
on 29. Worcester St. Charles will
afford a prospect - but to
me the marriage must cer-
tainly be receiving a favorable
impulse. You will judge from
this penmanship how rapidly

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Raleigh N.C.,
June 17th 1868

Dear General

When Bro^r Small
left R. requested him
to besure and urge you
to attend my wedding
on the 30th of this month.
And I much urgently
renew the request, and

hope that you and Mrs
Howard will honor me
with your presence on
that occasion. I expect
there will be a number
of distinguished generals
of the army present
and there is no one
wh. I should feel

more, complimentary or
delighted to ~~see~~ on
that account then
yourself, and I hope
I may not be dis-
appointed as I certainly
shall be if you are
absent. With kind
regards to Mrs H

I have the honor to remain

With the highest respect

Yours obt. servt

Nelson A. Miles
USA

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Rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association,

Over Metzgerott Hall, 318 Penn. Avenue, bet. 9th and 10th Sts.,

Washington, D. C., June 18th 1868

General.

Can I announce you to speak at our service at Lincoln Barrack Sabbath morning at 10½ o'clock. Only a few of the Officers as yet have attended the service. I thought perhaps your name would draw them out. I would like to see Genl Buell at the Chapel. If you can, please let me know that I may give the notice. I will go with you.

Young Lee, has been disappointed about work and wishes me to ask if you have any thing for him. He has commenced family prayer in his home.

Our daily prayer meeting is excellent.

Yours Truly,

Geo. A. Hall

Boards of the Young Men's Christian Association

Over Marlboro Hall, 318 Penn. Avenue, bet. 10th & 11th Sts.

Washington, D. C., January 17, 1907

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands.

Washington City, ~~June 12~~^{June 13}, 1868.

Rev. R. B. Howard

Farmington, Me.

My dear Brother,

Your letter of the 3rd inst. is just received. I will dictate you an immediate reply. The family at home quite well. Johnny has got the hooping cough, but is not coughing very hard yet. The hot weather is oppressing me a little to-day. I did not suppose you had any hot weather at Farmington. We like our new house very well, but are not quite ready to go into it yet. We shall probably move next week. I propose to go as a Delegate to the National

Convention of the Young Men's Christian
Association to be held at Detroit.
Genl. Whittelsey will assist in moving
while I am gone. Your third question
about Charles' back pay I cannot
answer, but I think he does get some
additional compensation. The organization
of the Bureau is not changed. As yet
no question has arisen between myself
and Genl. Schepfield where there has
been any difference. He seems to
be in sympathy and will doubtless
support me all in his power. Mr.
Johnson is meditating on the subject
of my removal. Schepfield thinks
that after the 4th of July he will not
be inclined to do so. Charles is on
his way to Montreal and will receive
letters there until the 23rd inst. I have

not heard of Mr. Clarke of Hartford
Conn. since he left here. I wrote him
a kind letter just to remind him of
my existence, but have received no
reply. I hear from Brooklyn fre-
quently, but do not know to what you
refer.

You ask about the Church dif-
ficulty. We called an ex parte council;
but the Churches to which we appealed
made an appeal themselves by letter
to the majority. These churches were
all warmly in our interest, but my
impression is that Dr. Boynton has
defeated them all, answering them
that he was willing to have a mutual
council, but making the answer
indefinite, uncertain, and contingent.
He spoke very well last night at the

beginning and end of the prayer
meeting. But it seems to me the
theory is that no members of his
Church are really Christians, or if they
they are so, the subject is at least
doubtful. Did you mean that
William Foy declared that
himself was not a Christian. Mr. W.
Perren has great steadiness of character
is a constant attendant at church
works diligently in the temperance
organization, and does faithfully
whatever is committed to his charge.
William P. Robinson was a class mate of mine
and could he endure the trial and beent
a zealous, manly Christian, I should
like to see his promotion, but as
things are at present it would
be well that I should make no

intimate or distinction between the two
whom I regard as my friends. I am
glad to hear that you are also well,
I hope Sarah will have a very
pleasant wedding, and that she and
her husband will greatly enjoy life
together. My wife and myself visited
Philadelphia, and had a very pleasant
visit with William and family, and
saw the new baby in propria persona.
The new Bureau Bill is not
yet quite through. An amendment
made in the Senate has not yet
been called up in the House. I have
been up to-day to see about it.
Charles gave the very best of
accounts of Mother, Nellie, and family
and of the pleasure he and his wife are
enjoying on their trip. Our anticipa-

tions are looking to our new house. There is some prospect of putting the Indian Bureau upon me before many days, combining it with the Freedmen's Bureau and putting the whole matter in such a way that there will be no fear of removal. I have dictated this letter to Mr Williams, one of my clerks, telling him that by so doing I shall have more time to devote to public duties. In this way conscience makes its compromises.

Pray for me that I may do my duty faithfully and honestly to the end.

Effectually yours
Wm. — O. H. Brown

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War Department
Washington City,
June 18.

1868.

My dear General.

The Sec of
War says there is no
objection to your taking
leave of five or six
days when you desire
to do

I am Gent. Very Resp^t
Your obt^d serv^t
J L Ralston.
A. S. C.

