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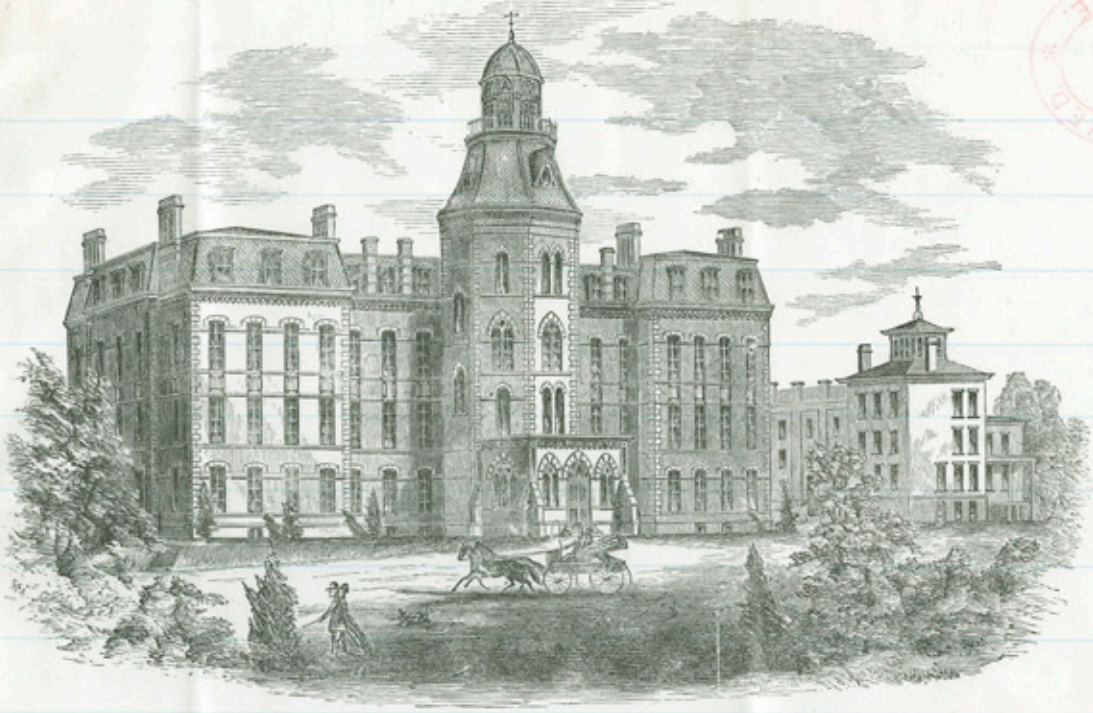

HOWARD UNIVERSITY,

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Normal Department.

A. L. BARBER, A. B., Principal.
Miss JULIA A. LORD, Assistant.

Buffalo. N.Y.
July 15th 1868.

Gen. O. O. Howard.—

Dear Friend:

I have reached this place, in the course of my "swinging round the circle:" am feeling well, and am progressing in a sort of general way, about my business.— I set the ball to rolling in Cleveland, by way of getting a comprehensive article into the "Cleveland Leader." The Editor himself wrote it.— On Sunday P.M. I addressed a fair

address in Geneva, on "Education among the Freedmen." – I think much interest was awakened which will bear fruit in due time. At Ashtabula, O. I met Rev. Col. Ed. Andrews, who said he was acquainted with you, and he, at once, entered into the spirit of our work. He will do all he can for us. A strong friend of the cause, at that place promised to do something. His name is "B. Nellis, – Ashtabula, Ohio." – A single line from you, at any time will bring a response, in the shape of money. –

Friends at Oberlin are rejoiced at our success. Prin. Fairchild told me that he thinks we can get a donation of $20,000 or $25,000 from the Exr. of Avery Estate, at Pittsburgh, Pa. J. C. Howe, Esq. is the Exr. —

The clergymen here (Buffalo?) are deeply interested. I expect to get full notices into all the papers. I shall go to see Fred. Douglass tomorrow.

Yours, Most Truly,

A. L. Barber.

Buffalo N. Y.
July 15th 1868

Barber A. L.

Writes in regard to his reception, at Cleveland, Buffalo and other places, and the prospect of success in prosecuting his work.

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Savannah Ga
July 15th 1868

O. O. Howard,
Maj Genl Commdg
Dear General —

Nearly every Southern man I meet expresses a strong wish that you might be allowed to expend funds in aid of Educating white as well as colored children. It would indeed be most fortunate. It would popularize the work from this time on to its close & make the southern people friendly instead of exciting their bitterness — Can't you attempt the thing? Or get authority to do so?

Truly yrs &c
C. Thurston Chase

NATIONAL METROPOLITAN BANK,
LATE
Bank of the Metropolis,

Washington, 16 July 1868

My Dear Gen.

I do not know yet whether we will be able to carry out the so much desired plan to which you refer in your note although I have strong hope that we may. Should we be so favored, however, it will give me sincere pleasure to do what you suggest for I feel as you do on this point. Indeed those with whom I have been associated in building operations this season have been employing colored men in various capacities at my suggestion

and with entire satisfaction
so far as I am advised.

Very truly
Your friend
Moses Kelly

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
Present.

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NO. 12 CENTRE STREET.

New-York, July 16th 1868

Genl O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir, I have taken the liberty of forwarding to your address a copy of a work entitled "The New Yankee Doodle" a poem on the war, which while historically interesting, I think is calculated to do very considerable service in the present campaign, I shall esteem it an honor to be favored with your influence, and upon examination you approve of it, you will confer upon me a great favor if you will acknowledge its receipt in a commendatory note, which you will permit me to publish.

I have the honor ~~the~~ to be

Your Obt. & Obliged Servant,

Wm Oland Bourne

War Department,

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN, AND ABANDONED LANDS,

OFFICE OF SOLICITORS, No. 2 Four-and-a-half Street,

Washington, D. C., July 17th, 1868.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard, U. S. A.,
Commissioner, Bu. R. F. & A. L.

General,

I venture to encroach upon your valuable time sufficiently long to offer for your acceptance the accompanying jeu d'esprit; which, humble and frivolous as it may be, has, at least, the merit of being a slight token of the high regard entertained for you, General, by

Your much obliged
and obedient servant,
George B. Vashon.

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Washington D.C. July 17th 68.

Maj. Gen. O.O. Howard.

Dear Sir,

It is my desire to study Book Keeping and receive business instruction at Howard University when the Fall Term commences. I have been informed that if a class can be gotten up, there will be a teacher for it.

I would rather recite in the day, unless I can get some permanent employment that will demand my attention at that time; as it is now — whatever time will best accommodate the majority of the class, I will make suit me.

If I would better apply in person I will do so at any time you may appoint.

Very Respectfully Yours

James E. Carter

address

No 410 West 8th Street

Washington City D.C.

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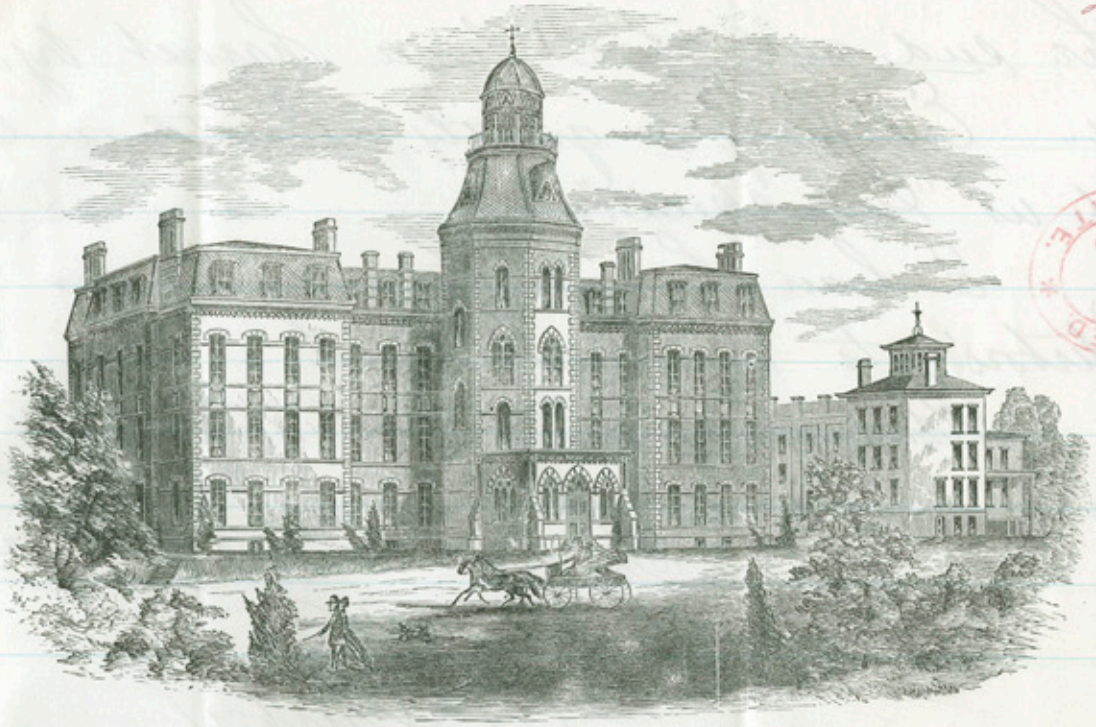

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Syracuse N.Y.
July 17th 1868.—

Dear General;—

Am getting on bravely. Have got notices into of papers already. Frederick Douglass handed me $25.00 — as he said a small token of his interest.

I find I am compelled to go so rapidly for the ground that I cannot see many persons individually, but I am succeeding admirably with the Newspapers.— I saw Sow

the seed and look for a harvest by and by. Everybody is greatly interested and all bid us "God speed!" –

I leave here in the morning for Peterboro' to see Gerrit Smith. –

Remember me to Gen. Whittlesey and all friends.

Yours Truly

A. L. Barber.

The Ministers in Buffalo promised to do all they can for us. –

New York July 17th 1868

My dear Miss Haley!

Your letter of the 3d inst. reached me several days ago, and I should have answered it at once - but that I ~~supposed~~ was out of town & also because we both (Mrs. Lowell & I) thought that after you wrote you must have received my last letter in which I told you I could not encourage you to think we should need your services another year.

I was sorry to say it then - but now I must add more definitely that we shall not need you - and I begin to doubt whether we shall send any one to Columbia at all. I heard from Miss Hall that you had remained in Columbia & understood you had joined Miss Loomis in keeping a day school for

the summer months. It will be very satisfactory if it should prove a success; if such a school could be supported all summer - why not next winter? How large is it likely to be? When you return, it will oblige me if you will come and tell me about it. Every man effort goes to place their people in an independent position - and the sooner they can take up the burden for themselves the better.

I see that the Bureau will be withdrawn from S. C. as soon as possible. Your paper did reach me. I hoped you or Miss Loomis or Mr. Tomlinson would prepare an account of the Examination for the Journal.

Truly Yours

Ellen Collins

Ch. Com. &c.

Copy of Miss Collins letter.

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Portland July 18 1868

Genl. O O Howard

Dear Sir

Please find Enclosed $100 by check on Importers & Traders National Bank of N. York —

Whole amt dividends $177.25

Taxes unpaid per Bill Enclosed 72.73

104.52

Balance 4.52 due

I suppose the tax must be paid — I have not fully decided but think there is no way to avoid it — will Endeavor to make it certain before paying —

Yours Respectfully

E Waite

Treasury Department.

July 20th 1868.

Dear Grant:

I have just received a letter from Mr Gough in answer to a communication of mine asking whether he could give us one or more lectures next season.

As it is a matter requiring our action without delay, I would be glad if you will

mmey; Gough, Curtis
Phillips, Beecher and
Agassiz.

Em Jones

Sincerely

N. P. Rogers

Gen'l Howard

this evening at the regular monthly meeting call a session of the Board of Managers to take place immediately after the adjournment of the above meeting.

I propose to introduce a Resolution repealing the lectures next season, confining them to simply five persons

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Private & Confidential

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Lexington Ky July 20th 1868

My Dear General

Your note is received. I cannot understand what advantage the President expects to derive from my presence with my Regiment. I have no doubt at all but that the order was pleasing to the Secretary who is not personally fond of me though he should be. There is however no use to kick against the pricks and it must go for this time. The stories told of my meddling in politics are not at all true. I have nothing to do with politics but when I see a rebel who wants his hide opened I proceed to do it. At present I am only anxious to keep my credits with the President but next year I will call for a statement of differences and insist upon a settlement of our accounts. When Grant comes in can't you make a Bureau Dist of Greenville Tenn and let me have charge of it

Yours Truly Jas. S. Brisbin

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No 26 Bible House July 20 1868

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard U.S.A.

General,

Last week the members of our Executive Committee met at Buffalo, & after careful consultation it was thought best to issue a call for a National rather than a State Convention, & to defer the time till after the Presidential election.

A National Christian Convention has therefore been fixed for Nov 18th to 20th, to be followed on Sabbath Evening Nov 22, by a large & important meeting briefly stating the purposes & plans of the Commission, & gathering up & directing to practical results the impressions which may have been made by the Convention.

We would be much pleased if you could attend the entire Session

but it is at this latter meeting, in which all the time will be given to our invited guests that the Executive Com. particularly desire to secure your presence. Our work is growing upon our hands & our prospects rapidly enlarging; thus a change of arrangements & time has seemed in every respect necessary. We trust this will not prevent your being with us.

Might we have the pleasure of hearing from you soon, General?

Yours, &c.

With very much Respt

Alfred E Roe

Sec. Am. Chris^tn Com.

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Surgeon General's Office

Washington City, July 20. 1868.

Dear Sir:

Pardon me for taking the liberty to address you respecting the lot of land, transferred to you last winter, viz "Lot 4 Block 21 Howard University Estate".

I have not had opportunity to speak with you except at Church meetings, and did not wish to speak of business matters there.

Only because I am very much in need of a little money do I mention it, having to help a brother who is in need beside my own expenses.

The sum paid by me was $57.— If you can in any way make it agreable to help me just now I shall feel very grateful to you, or even were I to receive a portion now, it would be of much benefit to me. Were you so good as to comply with my request, I should deem it a great kindness & would forward you receipt immediately for the amount & consider it settled.

Believe me your humble servant.

Maj. Genl O. O. Howard, } W. H. Paulon.