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Dated: Montague, Iowa, Oct. 14, 1865

Received at: Washington, Oct. 14

To: Gen. C. C. Toward

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lecture have many applications for you shall know how many very soon will write

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Oct. 14th, 1868

My dear O. O. Howard,
Washington, D. C.

General

Through your kind courtesy I have this day been the recipient of your able address delivered in the Congregational Church at Washington City, and hasten to tender you my sincere thanks for your kind attention.

I perused the address with infinite pleasure and instruction, and was much gratified to find the facts and truth it contained &ographical by you portrayed. If it contains any error at all it should be ascribed to the ever abundance of magnanimity on your part, to extend to the Southern people all praise for the very small amount of courtesy they dispense to Government Officers. I hope you have...
been thrown in daily contact with these people, as we Officers are, I fear you would hardly have been able to speak thus courteously of them. How speaks truly when you say there is a "social ostracism" created by the Southern people. It is effective. It is eternal. They will meet us on the streets, and at other public places, and greet us as warmly (apparently) as our own people, but the string which lifts the social latch is always inside the door. It is this "social ostracism" which ruins so many of our Officers. Man must have society, companionship, and if he be possessed of refined sentiments—accustomed to the fond endearment which clusters around a happy home, he must have female society and association with it, refining and refining influences. This he cannot have here. They will not allow it to him, no matter how accomplished, or what merit he possesses. How strong this claim may be upon society. The result of all this is simply to drive them out into the world, and cast them among the roughest, the most pernicious classes of
Society. Those who are ever ready to entrap them.

Perhaps no one has felt this "ostracism" so keenly as myself. Time I have been in Mass. and yet there is not a Post that I have occupied but what the people regretted my leaving. Say that I have faithfully done my duty—let them now convince me that Bureau Office can be an Honest man—may a gentleman. This same "social ostracism" to one has become intolerable. I have twice sought to resign, since I have been there, and each time Col. Bellows persuaded me to remain. In them I find everything I could wish. He is the Soldier, Statesman, Patriot and Honest man. With many apologies General for my intrusion and wishes for your good health and prosperity through life allow me to subscribe myself.

With the Greatest Respect and Gratitude,

Your Most Obvt Servt

[Signature]

Thad. H. Preuss
State of Alabama,

BUREAU OF REFUGEES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS,

Montgomery, Ala., October 14th, 1868.

Maj. General O. O. Howard

Commissary

Washington D.C.

General:

In compliance with instructions from your office dated October 1st, 1868, I have the honor to transmit herewith a complete file of General Orders & Circulars issued from this Office during the years 1866, 66, 67, & 68, also duplicates of the same, except Circulars nos. 6, 8 of 1867 and no. 2 of 1868.

I would have had these printed as directed, but our printers being exiles, it is impossible.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient Servant,

Ezra C. Borden.

Registrar and Col. U. S. V.

Acting Commissioner.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
For the State of Arkansas,

Office of Assistant Commissioner.

Little Rock, Ark., October 15, 1868.

Major General O. O. Howard
Commissioner of
Washington D.C.

General,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication dated Oct 1, 1868, calling for complete files of all General Orders and circulars issued from this office, and in answer to the same respectfully transmit herewith two copies of all circulars issued from the office of Assistant Commissioner for Arkansas from 1865 to present date. No General Orders have ever been issued.

Yours very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

W.H. Work
Colomb 25th U.S. Infantry
Brunt Major Genl U.S. Army
Assistant Commissioner.
Washington City, D. C.,
Oct., 15th, 1868.

Officers of the Army of the Tennessee:

You are respectfully notified that in accordance with the following call issued by Lt. Gen. W. T. Sherman, the Third Annual meeting of the "Society of the Army of the Tennessee," will be held in the City of Chicago, on the 15th, day of December, 1868 at 10 o'clock A. M.

Every officer who has at any time served in the Army, or Department, of the Tennessee, is entitled to membership, and to all such an earnest invitation is extended to be present, to unite with our brother officers of the Armies of the Cumberland, Ohio, and Georgia, in perpetuating that kindly, cordial, and social feeling, which amidst scenes and events now historical, ever marked our intercourse with the soldiers of these armies, whose hearts still beat in friendly unison when touched by the memories of the past.

All necessary arrangements for the meeting will be made by the following Local Committee, residents of Chicago:

GEN. WM. E. STRONG,       GEN. JOHN McARTHUR,
GEN. J. M. CORSE,          GEN. JAMES STOCKTON,
COL. HARRY GILE,           COL. JOHN M. LOOMIS,

To whom letters of inquiry may be addressed.

Maj. Gen. Jno. A. Rawlins,
President.

Brig. Gen. A. Hickethlooper, Cor. Sec'y., Cincinnati, O.
Lt. Col. L. M. Dayton, Recording Sec'y.
On the 13th of July, 1776,

The Right Hon. Mr. Deane,

...
Washington, D. C.

April, 20th, 1868.

Notice is hereby given that the Societies representing the Armies of the Tennessee, Cumberland, Ohio and Georgia, will meet on the 15th and 16th days of December, 1868, at Chicago, Ills. The object is purely social; and designed to preserve the memories of the war, and to cherish the friendships formed during that period of our National History. All are cheerfully invited to be present and participate.

An orator has been appointed for each army, and addresses will be delivered on the night of the 15th of December, and a grand banquet will be held on the night of the 16th.

Letters of inquiry may be addressed to General Wm. E. Strong, Chicago, Ills., who will attend to all preliminary business until a joint committee of arrangements has been appointed to carry into effect the above plan.

W. T. Sherman,

Lt. Gen., U. S. A.
S. T. & H. C. McCormick,
Attorneys at Law,
Williamsport, PA.
Montebello, Pa. Oct. 15, 1868

Gent. O. O. Howard

Washington, D.C.,

Dear Sir,—Some time since I wrote you requesting you to lecture before our Y. M. C. A. in this City, in answer to a note from J. H. L. Davis, stating that you would give us a positive answer in a few days, I hope that it will be in the affirmative. Our people have been very anxious to have you come and we will try to accommodate ourselves to any evening you may name during the coming lecture season. When you answer please give terms, etc., I am

Most Respectfully,

H. C. McCormick

of Sec., Conn.

P.S. We are now making up our lecture list and you will greatly oblige us by an early answer.
Philadelphia, Oct. 16, 1868

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

Dear Sir:

Will you please be kind enough to place your autograph upon the within?

Very Respectfully,

A.T. Smeegey,
122 East 12th St.
Hartford, Oct. 16th, 1868

May Grant,

Dear Sir,

I have
sent half of the day with Mr. Clark, who seems inclined to put off our thorough effort in this city till about the middle of next month, when he hopes the Republicans will be in a quiet and grateful state of mind. Then in May we will see what can be done.

He pledges to give five thousand more but says he cannot do that quietly yet, but it may be relied on for next year.

He advises me to visit a few more outside this city who are not immediately...
Interested in the political contest, which I decide to do, I will report accordingly.

I saw Mr. Shaw and Watson in N.Y., and they will attend a meeting, that is to be called after the election, for action on the Minor fund. They will both favor having it with the University.

I also saw Mr. Mayor 53, John St., in reference to the two students in Charleston, and I think removed the objections to placing them in the Howard W. I think we will bring another from Charleston S.C. and place him there also.

I hope you have recovered from the attack that threatened you, when I last saw you, do not take rest.

Yours truly, J.B. Griffing.
To Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard, Commissioner, Washington, D.C.

In compliance with instructions contained in communication of the 1st inst., I have the honor to transmit by this mail two complete files of all circulars and general orders issued by Acting Commissioners of this State since the organization of the Bureau; as well two circulars and one general order, pertaining to Bureau affairs, issued by the Military Commander.

I am, General, Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. J. Reynolds
Acting Commissioner
State of Texas
Providence, Oct 17, 1868

Gen O'O'Howard
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your esteemed favor of to-night and as the health of one of our students engaged will not permit of his being here on the 16th of this date, so that I am left with that evening blanks. Now, if you could come to the exhibition, could you not be here at that time as well as any? Most respectfully,

L.B. Darling.

P.S. Committee.