Samuel

Headquarters General Recruiting Service, U. S. Army,
(ARMY BUILDINGS,)
Southeast Corner Greene and Houston Streets,
New York City Jan 9 1868

Dear Genl.

I have the honor respectfully to request (if in accordance with your views & opinion) – your favorable recommendation for my appointment to one of the vacancies in the Brig Genl. of the Army – Your knowledge of my services during the war since your its commencement – lead me to prefer this request –

I am General
Very Ret
Yr
[illegible]

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My Dear Sir,

I am just in receipt of a letter from Mr. W. C. Snetten, enclosing one from you of Jan. 5th, 1869, in which you say that it will afford you pleasure to lecture in Salem after March 15th.

I hope you will be able to give me timely notice when it will be convenient for you to come, and also the subject.

Respectfully,
Wm. S. Sharp.

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

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change is for the purpose of making a general substitution of civilians for Army officers in this State, as the law permits & contemplates. I think also that the appointment of the Governor himself as Asst. Comm^r (and I understand that he is not only willing but desirous to serve without compensation) would be received with gratification by all classes in the State — Public opinion would abundantly sustain you and I think events would justify such a course — The Governor's influence is commanding in the State, and I have no doubt that his views and action would be more in harmony with

(Confidential)

Charleston S.C.

Jany - 9th, 69

General:

I regret that circumstances compelled me to retire from service on the Commission on Lands, but I rec^d the appointment of Chief Eng^r of the Blue Ridge R.R. at the same moment with a request for telegraph to meet the President of the Road at Columbia and I was obliged to start at once — Other occupations have separated me from the Bureau Offices, and deprived me of ~~the~~ opportu-

nities of observing the management of Bureau matters in this State during a year, but while attending to this matter of Lewis I have noticed a state of things which I take the liberty of calling your attention to although you may perhaps know something of it already. I refer to the alienation between Gen. Scott and the Asst. Commr, which has reached a point which threatens seriously the useful influence of the Bureau in Educational matters. Without impugning the motives of any person it is enough to say that a bitterness of feeling exists greatly to be deplored. Thinking you may be willing to know my views, receiving them as information to which you will give such weight as your better judgment may dictate, I will say that it seems that it would be best to make such changes as would place at Columbia officers who will be acceptable to the Gov. It would much prefer a civilian Asst Commr and this plan affords an opportunity to remove Col Edie & Lt. Reide to other posts without injurious reflection upon them, under the plea that the

you are, than those of almost any other person whom you could appoint. The Bureau would gain in influence for good very much while under the present condition of affairs it is losing strength, and almost any day may bring about a collision which will greatly injure — us all — Mr Tourgee sees things with me, and I rely greatly on his judgment, and I feel very certain that could you spend two days in the State you would think as we do — I will not add any apology for thus freely stating my

this as I am confident
you will not misunder-
stand the spirit in which
I write

I am General
Very respectfully
and very sincerely yours
Amos B. Lord.

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

Mark. Jan. 9th 1869.

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

The Comte. of arrangements desire to extend to you a cordial invitation to be present and say your good word, at the Convention 19th & 20th. called to advocate Woman Suffrage in the Dist, and to urge a Constitutional Amendment enfranchising all American Citizens.

The high ground you take in declaring for the right, regardless of consequences - entitles your word, to the highest consideration on this as other subjects. Come at any time, convenient - and please advise us. which day or Evening you will favor the Meeting with your presence.

Faithfully & Most Respectfully

J. S. Griffing (for Comte.)

Room 46 Bible House
New York City
Jan. 9th 1869

General:

The importance of the enclosed letter reaching General Grant promptly, and of our receiving his reply at the earliest practicable moment, leads us to take the liberty of asking you to take the trouble of getting his answer.

We feel that we have a great work on hand, and that God is being pleased to prosper it.

Yours with esteem

Franklin Noble
Corresponding Sec.
of the E.A.A.

To
Genl. O. O. Howard
Vice President of
the E. A. A.
Washington D.C.

Brooklyn Jan 9th '69

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My dear General

I shall be in Washington on Wednesday morning to attend Jan Council as a Delegate from Plymouth Church. If I can find your house I may drop in to breakfast with you.

Mr Beecher regrets very much his inability to come, but a lecturing tour, an old engagement which will occupy all the week, will prevent.

I hope you may be able to post your delegates on any points of law that may render a hearing on the case, to this end would suggest if you have not already

done so, consultation with
some good lawyer. For
will do no harm even if
used. Please ma
my kind regards to Mr
Howard & believe me

Truly your friend

R C Drum

Gen O. O. Howard

Dubuque Iowa
January 9th 1869

Maj Genl O O Howard
Washington

Dr Genl

You are announced to visit our City and deliver a lecture on Saturday the 23d inst. This will necessitate your stay over the Sabbath. My good little wife joins with me in urging nay insisting that you make your home with us while here. Our house is only one block or square from the lecture Hall. and we will make your stay in our City as agreable as possible. I have experienced your kindness and hospitality in the camp. and at your own

honor. let me in a very small measure return it as I have opportunity.

It will afford us untold pleasure to thus greet and welcome one whom we so much respect and love

Truly Yours —

Sam L. Taggart

Wash^n D.C.
Jan 10. 1869.

Dear Gen.

I take this way of sending to Gen. Howard the names of the children in our Sab. Sch. (1st Cong. ch) entitled to the prizes he proposed in April. 1867.

I find it practically impossible to get a note to him unless sent by the hand of a special messenger.

Yours very truly
L. Deane.

P.S.

Please hand the list to Gen. H. as from me.
L.D.

Gen Bullock.
Freedmen's Bureau,
Washington,
D.C.

1st Ella Delano.
2d Gracie Howard.
3d. Gertrude Bascom.
4th Minnie Goodhue.
5th Flint Mills.
6th Leof Mills.
7th Edward Gibson. (colored)
8th Lyra Mill.
9th Jamie Howard.
10th Charles Boyd.

I am not sure that all the above named are now members of our School

L. D.

Pt Silk stockings.
34 " Fancy Hosiery.
24 " Ribbons Laces.
50 " Shirt Waists.
6 " Leaf Waists.
12 " Sleeved Kimonos, (white)
8 " Lace Waists.
12 " Fancy Hosiery.
10 " Black Lace.

Now we have the
all Christmas remembrances
now members of our School
Lib.

Washington D.C.
Jany 11. 1869.

Genl:

Permit me to introduce to you the bearer of this Mr. J. R. Bloom of Macon Georgia. Mr. Bloom is one of the most influential business men in Georgia; is a man of great enterprise & intelligence, and fine social qualities.

While in the service in that State, after the close of hostilities, in common with many brother officers, I was the recipient of Mr. B's hospitality & kindness. I beg leave to commend him to you.

Very Respty Yr obt Svt.

Jno. T. Croxton

Maj Genl O. O. Howard
U.S.A.

Treasury Department.

Office of the Supervising Architect.

January 11th 1869.

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Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard,

Sir,

Since my return from New York, I have read your letter to the "Intelligencer" and desire to say to you that my card was written under irritation caused by repeated enquiries as to my reasons for selecting the material of which the Howard University buildings are constructed, the editorial paragraph in the "Tribune" having conveyed the impression that the buildings were erected under my supervision. I regret that the portion italicised was not omitted as I did not wish to be connected in any way with the building or any investigation in regard thereto.

I am unable to see that my adverse opinion of the material reflected in the least degree on your integrity

LETTER FROM THE Office of Supervising Architect.

FROM THE

Brickoff A. G.

Dated *January 11th 69*

Received *January 18th 69*

SUBJECT:

Explains his position in reference to the "Building Block." etc.

or that of the gentlemen associated with you. I certainly had no such intention.

On the contrary I feel confident that had you consulted experienced and practical architects you would not have permitted the use of the material in question. Your statements in regard to the failure of the foundation show that your builders or architects have committed grave errors in determining the character and strength of the buildings and that their opinions are of little value.

Since examining the material and expressing my opinion thereon I have received reliable information from various parts of the country of the failure and fall of buildings erected of it, and have been informed by one of the oldest and best architects in the country that he examined it some years since and expressed the same opinion as myself.

But should I be satisfied that the building block will harden with time as you claim it will (which I am not willing to admit possible) I should still remain of the opinion that its use in the Hospital building in the condition in which it was when placed in its walls was an act of criminal recklessness unparalleled in my experience.

Trusting you will accept this explanation in the same spirit in which it is written.

I remain,

Very Respectfully.

A. N. Muller

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Richmond Ind. Jan 11th 1865.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir.

I learn from your friends in this place, that you contemplate visiting here sometime this winter. I write to inquire whether or not, you would be willing to lecture while here? We have as you are aware, a small Presbyterian Church here, We have become somewhat involved by repairs upon our house, & wish to devise some way to pay. It occurred to me that if I could secure you for one night while here, our end could be accomplished. I should expect you to charge your regular price, we only receiving what could be realized above that sum.

Will you be kind enough to reply, giving not only an answer to the application, but if it be at all possible for you to reply, giving time &c.

I have written this, well knowing the interest you have in anything which relates to the interests of the Redeemers cause,

I am yours most truly & fraternally.

L. W. Chapman
Pastor of 1st Baptist Church
Richmond Ind —

Galena Illinois.
January 11th 1869.

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

General.

Your lecture in this City will be on the 22d inst as announced. I should be happy to have you make my house your home during your stay with us. I beleive that I am the only Officer of the old 4th A.C. here – except those of my own Regt, who served under you in that Command and shall therefore take pleasure in adding to your visit the hospitalities of a soldiers home.

I am Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
J. C. Smith
Brvt Brig Genl & late Col 96th Ills.

GEORGE E. VANDERBURGH, President,
WILLIAM RADCLIFF, Secretary.

American Building Block Company,

OFFICE, 24 VESEY STREET,

New York, Jan 11th 1869

Maj Gen O. O. Howard

My dear Sir —

I saw a likeness of your House built of the "immaculate" (when made for orthodox formula) "American Building Block" If you can forward one to me with your autograph annexed I shall feel very much obliged

I am

Very Respectfully and truly yrs

Jas. MacGregor.

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