My dear General,

Your words to me once were like those of an angel of God. So great was the consolation they gave me in the death of my dear father. Very, very sorry am I that this evening I am obliged to preach at Peoria and deliver a charge to a church.

This will be handed to you by Mr. Duffelt. Who will also hand you a copy of a rare pamphlet on a rare occasion in which perhaps you may take some interest.

Gratefully and sincerely,

Yours in Christ,

Saturday, 16th 1869

George Duffelt

March
Oxford Ohio March 1874

Gen. Howard

Dear Sir,

I see by Harper's Weekly that the University of Washington is crumbling away for the last 12 or 14 years I have made a cement for roofing for myself. This cement did not crack in cold weather, but ran in the heat of summer a little. Last summer I was called upon by some of my neighbors to assist them. I found I could make a cement that would not run more than lime mortar and I should think could be applied to the walls of the University. The principal ingredients are coal tar & gravel. I put something in the tar to make a body that makes it dry, and is durable. I have no patent, but have not let any one into the full secret.

I have taken the American Missionary
for many years, but have not been able to contribute much to the Association.
I helped nominate James G. Birney for President. I can refer you to Levi Coffin of Cincinnati and C. B. Camp.
I have a Brother in Boston Mass. L. H. Haskell Editor of the Transcript.
When a boy I knew your Todd of your City.
Yours truly

Crock Haskell

N.B. I am acquainted with Prof. Cooper of New Brunswick N. J. College.
To Maj.-Gen. Howard:

General,—Should you require the services of a Printer in the Department to which you are ordered, I would be most happy to serve you in that capacity. You will, perhaps, remember my name as having had charge of the Printing Office at the Freedmen's Bureau Headquarters, for some eighteen months.

Respectfully yours,

Charles Cadbeaver.

30 Sharon Street.
My dear Aunt

I am so sorry you have assigned. You take both for the grateful remembrance of one man. Before you have studied many kindness — please let me know if your journey will help you both any of your part legs. — You knew the present of the rest of my School time for the year up to see first to begin in it. I have made engage. — It has been paid myself up to now but Feb has just been paid up to this date 15 of March. I will all your other letters tell that he too. I have told you can manage to the kindness of your Order. — I have been free of the attacks since you in this paper but you have been.
Humphrey brother for mine that
I hope you will be able
to only me a line that
One of the old state
Of the love that have you
Resigned for. I had a
Long talk with at Law to
By who is your friend.
friends. I like him much
Your love ing.
A former Peter.

[Signature]
[Signature]
Washington City Savings Bank

WASHINGTON D.C.  March 18, 1869

Mr. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir:

Mr. E. H. Stanton has failed to pay her note ($200) held by us endorsed by you. Please attend to the same at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
New York, March 18, 1869

My Dear General,

I have never yet asked for the letter you were so kind as to offer to give me after one of our heaviest battles (Chancellorsville, I believe) but having determined on applying for a position of some kind under the present administration I beg to be excused for pressing upon you this time now. Having no political connections, I rely entirely upon my military record to aid me in my pursuit, and have very flattering testimony made from Gentle. Mudge, Porter, and others. I am convinced however, that energy and integrity.
Having a wife to take care of and business being dull I desire something fixed for a few years until things begin to move along as of old. With best wishes for your success in your new sphere of duty, I remain very respectfully,

[Signature: J. E. Driskill, Jr."


[Signature: Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard

Washington, D.C.
Maj. Gen. Howard,

Dr. Sir,

By the paper,

I see you are ordered to the command of the Dept. of Louisiana. I have a son stationed in New Orleans. in the 6th cavalry. Henry B. Mellen by name: I wish to recommend him to your notice. and beg you if you have favors to bestow, think of him. I hope I am a stranger but I am a mother. 

I am anxious for the prosperity of my son, who I know is an honest a man, as our President. I am a Republican! The first favor I can do, is to grant him a fair and long if consistent with the interest of my son. He had ordered from California, to this station! I have only seen him once within twenty years! Hoping you will pardon my intention.

I remain Your truly, Melchisedech Mellen
Dubuque Iowa
March 19, 1869

My Dear General

Some two or three weeks ago I had the honor to address you relative to an application for my appointment as Collector of Customs for the Port of Ogdensburg. My native place, stating my reasons for desiring this appointment and soliciting your influence as far as you might deem proper in my behalf. As I have heard nothing from you on the subject I presume you have not received same. I am desirous of this appointment for two reasons, one of which is that I may be near my mother in her last days which can not now be many for she is nearly seventy; and
the other on my own account personally and because I believe I am as much (if not more) entitled to the office as any of the half-dozen scheming old politicians who are trying for it on the ground of having served the party. Served the Country for four and a half years and you know pretty well what some of that service was. I wish General you would in conjunction with Generals Logan Sherman Rawlins Dent & Col. J. B. Baleson & P. Banks & Mr. Wheeler members of Congress favorably endorse my application with such recommendations as you think I deserve. If you had time to see the above named gentlemen in person and confer with them about it it would greatly augment my chances I am sure. Mr. Wheeler made from the Ogdensburg District his sum-

and well have more, strong endorsements from prominent Republicans of the district and if you will only take it upon yourself to lay this whole matter before Carl Grant or Secretary Boutwell I shall feel quite certain of success. I know I ask a great deal more than I should or have any reason to but do so believing that you will accept in all you can. Your kindness in this as on all past occasions will ever be gratefully remembered by

Truly yours etc

Sam L. Taggart
late Col. 104th
ArmyTexas
To 315 Fulton St., New York.
March 19th, 1869.

Major General O.C. Howard:
Washington, D.C.

My dear General:

I see by the newspapers that you are soon to leave Washington for the South, and that consequently I may not have the pleasure of seeing you for some time. I therefore take the liberty of asking you for a favor.

You are aware that when I left the Army I returned to the practice of my profession in New York and have so remained up to the present time. My long absence, of course, has lost me nearly all my old clients, which together with the continued depression of business, rendered it very difficult indeed to make more than a bare living.

I was advised long since by my friends to solicit an office from the late Administration but as I could not conscientiously endorse Mr. Johnson's policy I declined to ask any favors from him or his supporters. The same reason, thank God, does not apply in the present case and I have no hesitation in approaching President Grant.

I am now growing old, with the prospect of a
family growing around me and I have resolved to leave New York and immigrate to the far west—probably to Montana where I have some friends. I'm going there I would like, as the best letter of introduction to have some subordinate appointment under the General Government. I do not desire a lucrative office, and I am perfectly willing and able to serve the Government in the future as faithfully as I have endeavored to do in the past. Will you assist me in this matter? I am so little conversant with the routine of such affairs that I hardly know how or to whom an application is made. I would go to Washington but I presume that your city is over-crowded with applicants and I do not wish to be confounded with the ordinary herd of office-seekers. Should you have a few leisure moments to spare, I would feel deeply obliged by your giving me your advice and opinion. I would not trouble you in this matter but unfortunately (for themselves) most of my personal friends, even some who held high position in the Army are Democrats, to whom I have always been opposed and from whom I expect no favor.

Hoping to have the pleasure of hearing from you soon.

Yours, General,

Very respectfully,

Your old serv.

James E. W. Gee.

[Signature]

24th U. S. Vol. (Smith Brigade)
Albany, March 19, 1869

My dear Sir,

I duly received your letter of the 19th and reply to my invitation to be with us at our Anniversary. As you are so kind as to say you will consider my invitation further, and indicate a possibility that you may be able to accept, I am encouraged to hope, and I write now to renew my invitation, hoping that you may once give it consistent to receive some Sabbath, in April, when you can be with us.

Our School is a Union Meeting, one of the oldest in the City, and our Anniversaries have usually been interesting, and I am sure, while your presence with us on the occasion would add greatly to its interest, you would yourself be pleasantly interested, and would not regret the visit to Albany. Still hoping I remain,

Yours truly,

C. D. O. Howard
Rec 21st Feb

Ellington Con March 1956

Mr. Howard

An appeal for almost any kind of help for the color people in Washington
met my eye in the Harper's Consent.
based on alleged on the personal statement of lady
promising to her return to their City, and
they were made to yourself as one
who would be willing to take the trouble
of seeing articles, well disposed off. It had
been my design to avail myself of the chance
of making a frank account of the manner in
which my mind is exercised in the matter, and
the difficulties both in securing liberty in the way of acting
upon them, but it seems upon my mind to read them
articles to day, and by prominent with again most respectfully,

Clarissa L. Potteri,