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My dear General,

Your words to me
once were like those of an angel
of God, so great was the conso-
lation 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. Duppelo - who will also
hand you a copy of a rare
pamphlet on a rare occasion
in which perhaps you may take
some interest.

Gratefully & Sincerely

Yours in Christ,

Galesburg Ill 18/69
March

Georg Duppelo

Chester Ohio March 18th / 69

Gen. Howard

Dear Sir

I see by

Harper's Weekly that the ^{Howard} 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

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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 Cin. and C. B. Camp a Hatter New York & Whitlaw Reid late of the Cin. Gazette but now of the New York Tribune Mr. Reid knew me when he was here at College and Rev. R. L. Stanton D.D.

President of Miami University, Oxford Dr. Stanton's ^{mother} lives in Washington & he is known some there.

I have been poor all my life and have been kept back by being a Stammerer, I was a going to look round to see if there was any thing made like mine to turn water, I have not seen anything in Cincinnati like it.

If I could assist to stay the crumbling of the University wall I should

be happy to do so

I have a Brother in Boston Mass. D. N. Haskell Editor of the Transcript When a boy I knew Wm. Todd of your City. yours truly

Enoch Haskell

N.B. I am acquainted with Prof. Cooper of New Brunswick N. J. College



Boston, Mass., March 15, '69

To Major-General Howard:—

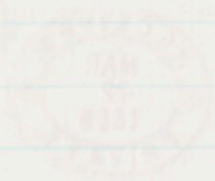
General,—Should you require the services of a Printer in the Department to which you are ordered, I would be most happy to serve you in that capacity.

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 Leadbeater.

50 Sharon Street.



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March 18 1869

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My dear Aunt

I am so sorry you have
resigned. You take with you the
grateful remembrance of one man
to whom you have extended many
kindnesses - please let me
know if your money bill will
be with any of your part before
month - You ordered the payment
of the rent of my school house for
the year up to Dec next - & depend-
ing on it - I have made engage-
ments - it has been paid promptly
up to now but Feb has not been
paid up to this date 15 of March
I with all your other cares shall
not be too much with you ever
more to the kindness of your
sister-in-law - I have seen some
of the attacks upon you in the
papers but you have been

Strongly better for them than -
I hope you will be able
to drop me a line that -
me know the real status
of the case what have you
resolved for - I had an
long talk with Col Low to
day who is your former
friend - & I like him much
Yours very truly -
A former Patient

Yours truly
J. S. Johnson
Frank

Washington City Savings Bank

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mch 18 1869
J. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir:

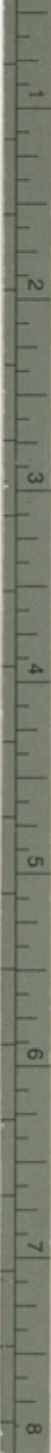
Mrs.

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
J. A. Ruff
H. C. Zimmerman

My dear Mr. [illegible]
I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the
10th inst. and in reply to inform
you that the same has been
forwarded to the proper
authorities for their consideration.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
[illegible]



Care of BUNTING BROTHERS,
Brokers in Iron and other Metals,

(P.O. No. 4501)

112 JOHN STREET,

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 trespassing upon your time now. Being no politician I rely entirely upon my military record to aid me in my purpose, and have very flattering testimonials from Genls. Meade, Hooker & others. I am convinced, however,

that a letter from you - either personal to Genl. Grant or a General letter will prove of greater service to me than all else beside. Should you be kind enough to accede to my wisher I shall esteem a very great favor and be ever grateful.

I should call on you in person but I shrink from mixing up in Washington with the horde of office seekers who are boring the life out of the President and his cabinet.

Having been for years, before the war, a merchant I am flattered with being competent for most positions requiring business tact, energy and integrity.

Having a wife to take 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

Your Obedt. Servant
Geo. Dickinson

Late M. A. Brig. Genl. & A. A. Genl. A. S. T.

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

BUNTING BROTHERS
Brokers in Iron and other Metals
112 JOHN STREET.

Govr. of Hampshire
 Nov. 19. 1869.



Major Gen. Howard.

Sr. Sir.

By the Papers.

I see you are ordered to the command of
 the Dept of Louisiana. I have a son Sta-
 tioned 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.

To you, I am a stranger, but, I am a Mother.

& anxious for the prosperity of my son. who

I know is as honest a man, as our Pres-

ident & as good a Republican. The first

favor, I would ask, to grant him a fur-

longh, if consistent with the interest

of my son. He was ordered from Califor-

nia, to this station, I have only seen him

once within twenty years. Hoping

you will pardon my intrusion.

I remain Yours truly. Mchitable S. Mellen

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Dubuque Iowa
March 19th 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 N.Y. my native place, stating my reasons for desiring the 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 the 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 pecuni-
arily 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. I served
the Country for four & 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 & Hon^{ble} H B Allison
& P Banks & Mr Wheeler members of
Congress, favorably endorse my
application with such recommenda-
tions 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 MC from
the Ogdenburg District has some

and will have more, strong
endorsements from from-
ment republicans of the district
and if you will only take it
upon yourself to lay the whole
matter before Genl 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 believ-
ing that you will assist me
all you can. Your kindness
on this as on all past occasions
will ever be gratefully remembered

by

Truly Yours &c
Sam^l L Taggart
late Genl
Army Team



No 215 Fulton St, New York,
March 19th 1869.

Major General O. O. 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, had 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. In 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 overcrowded with applicants and I do not wish to be confounded with the ordinary head 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 favors.

Hoping to have the pleasure of hearing from you soon.

I am, General,

Very respectfully,

Your alt. Servt.

James E. McGee.

Capt 69th N. Y. Fols. (5th Brigade)

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I am, Dear Sir,
Very respectfully,
Your old friend
James C. McLean
(at the U.S. Capitol)



Albany March 19, 1869

My Dear Sir,

I duly received your letter of the 11th in 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 intimating 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 now find it consistent to name some Sabbath in April, when you can be with us.

Our School is a Union Mission, 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 pleased and interested, and would not regret such a visit to Albany. Still hoping, I remain,
 Yours obt. servt.
 Edwin Safford

J. G. W. C. O. Howard

My dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the matter of the
estate of the late John Smith, deceased, and in answer
to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the
proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir,
very respectfully,
Yours, &c.

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Mr Howard

An appeal for almost any kind
 of help for the colored people in Washington
 met my eye in the Hartford Courant.
 based ~~on~~ alleged on the personal abjection
 of a lady
 previous to her return to that City, and
 reference was 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 avowal of the manner in
 which my mind is exercised in the matter, and
 the difficulties both in Motives & liberty in the way of acting
 upon them, but it presses upon my mind to send them
 articles to-day, and beg permission to write again most respectfully
 Clarissa L. Pitkin.

