

with his consent. Can Republicans feel, under the administration of such a man that they will ^{have} justice done them? These Copperheads have apparently been Dr. B's favorites, and we are all of the opinion that if he is going to stand by them, now that the Republicans have gained the victory, and we are to receive no more consideration than when under Mr. Johnson's administration, the guillotine should do its work, and we have a new Comptroller.

I have written this because I have been informed that Dr. B. was endeavoring to secure your influence to retain this office.

With high esteem

I am Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
W. L. Dailor

Treas. Depart. 183
2d. Compt. Off.
Washington, D.C.
April 15. 1869.

Dear Gen. Howard:—

I am induced by what I learn of Dr. J. M. Brodhead's efforts to retain his office as 2d. Comptroller of the Treasury, to write you about what I know to be his views regarding certain changes which are proposed to be effected in this Bureau. Every Republican in the office is satisfied, from the support Dr. B. has given clerks belonging to the opposition party, that no favors can be had from him, except as they are started from him, and that he is not in sympathy with the spirit or principles of the Republican party.

(At the request of Mr. Tullock, I called on Dr. B. a few evenings since, and had a long conversation with him. At that interview, Dr. B. said to me (and he said it with a good deal of warmth) that he should oppose any changes in our Bureau on account of political opinions, and that, if he had the power to prevent removals, none should be made in his office) (This is Dr. B's position). He has thrown himself directly in the way of any reform, when he cannot be ignorant of the fact that Republicans have been ignored for the past three years, and that those who adhered to principle, retained their places only by sufferance. Personally, Dr. B. has many friends in the

Bureau, but they have been very much pained to see his partiality to those inimical to the best interests of the party from which he received his place. The Republicans of the office would not desire Dr. B's removal could they be satisfied that he sympathized at all with them. He has never done any thing, so far as I know, for the Republican cause, either before or since the war. He was a Breckinridge democrat in 1860, and I have yet to learn wherein he has proved himself to be any thing but a democrat since that time. There are a large number of bitter Copperheads in the 2d Comptroller's Office, and Dr. B. stands by them and declares that not one of them shall be removed

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Headquarters Fifth Military District,

STATE OF TEXAS.

BUREAU OF REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS,

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.

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Apr 15 1869

Dear Brother

I am induced to write a few words about the political situation.

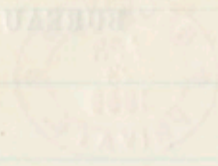
Judge Fayle of the Criminal Court at Galveston with whom I turned at Houston over Sunday says by all means shut off the election another year - that the Control here will otherwise pass into the hands of the enemies of the government. He says they have either bought or black-mailed Ex Gov. Hamilton and are all "lying low" to secure this end by an immediate election.

The ^{Ex} Rebels I am sure all urge an election this summer. A wealthy and intelligent gentleman - an unquestioned loyalist all through - from San Antonio who proposes to give largely in aid of

Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management

STATE OF TEXAS
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

May 17 1869



My Dear Sir

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the land owned by the State of Texas, and to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. M. Smith
Assistant Attorney General



freedmen's School there & has al-
ready promised a site for a new
house - says the same and adds
that to have the election of the term
asked this summer - taking up time
for canvassing &c. would be an in-
jury to the crops - He would fix a
time next year when this difficulty
would be obviated. The Military
Officers from Country places, at a
distance from R.R. and our teachers
are unanimous that the Military
should continue another year. They
say there is no justice for Negro or Colored
in any native jury - Military Commissions
are the only hope for them. - Judge
Fayle is a native of Penn^a but has lived here
17 years - is a quiet sound man of religious
character - I thought you might ^{like to} make
use of these testimonies - I am convinced
Gen. Reynolds is the right man in the right
place - Affectionately

W. Howard

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Messenger waiting

Treasury Department,

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Second Comptroller's Office
April 15th 1869

Gen. O. O. Howard,

My dear General,

The kind
to inform me if you
saw the President
last evening, & what
was said.

The Senators are pretty
unanimous in my favor,

Truly yours

Wm Brewster

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Treasury Department,

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Second Comptroller's Office.

April 15th 1869

Gen O. O. Howard

My dear General, Can you
give young Mr. Bots a
letter to Col. Capron,
Comm^d. &c. He thinks
he may obtain employ-
ment from him.

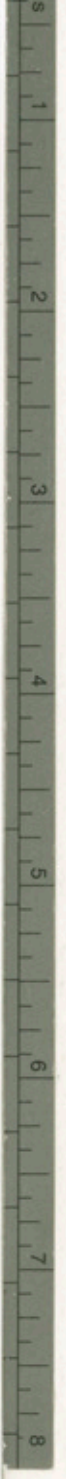
My matter is all right.
I rec^d. this morning a very
kind note from Lucy Boutwell.

Truly yours
Wm. P. Fiske

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General Department

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American Missionary Association: 1869

No. 53 JOHN STREET.

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New York, April 16th 1869

Gen. C. C. Howard.

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

Your favor of the 15th inst is acknowledged with thanks.

We will endeavor to make the arrangement for Sunday May 2nd as you suggest; for which purpose, our Mr. Pike will visit Hartford and will write you from there Monday next. If the friends at Hartford cannot postpone the meeting I hope you will make it your pleasure to be there Sunday the 25th.

Very truly yours, &c

Geo. Whipple, Sec



Washington, D. C. April 16th 1869.

Sir:

In compliance with your request of the 5th inst., I have this day forwarded to your address, per mail, thirty papers of rare vegetable and forty of flower seeds, together with twenty-five grape vines suitable to grow in this climate.

We have no seeds or plants used in hedging, neither have we any shrubbery or ornamental plants.

It would afford me great pleasure to send you a larger supply of seeds, but they are so nearly exhausted that I have found it very difficult to send those I have forwarded you to-day.

Yours, very truly,

Horace Capron

Commissioner.

Major Gen. O. O. Howard,

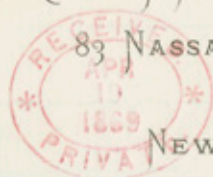
President

Washington D. C. April 24th 1862

My dear Mr. Lincoln
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd inst. in relation to the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States. I am glad to hear that you are so much interested in the subject, and I am sure that your views will be of great value to the country. I have not yet had time to write you a full answer, but I will do so as soon as possible. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Abraham Lincoln

ALEXANDER P. KETCHUM,
ATTORNEY & COUNSELLOR AT LAW,
83 NASSAU STREET,

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NEW YORK, April 16. 1869.

My dear General-

I shall take pleasure
in finding a good place for Mr. Trueheart.
because he has suffered much in the war,
and because you so warmly recommended
him. He is very unfortunate, has just lost
a little girl, and tells me he hasn't
the money with which to meet the funeral
expenses. I have promised to provide him
with ~~it~~ them. -

Very sincerely

Your friend

A. P. Ketchum

General C. O. Howard

ALEXANDER P. KETCHUM
ATTORNEY & COUNSELLOR AT LAW
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War Department

Washington City.

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April 17th 1869

My Dear General:

I send you herewith the report of the Committee. You will find some alterations and omissions at the close, particularly one, interesting to you, which could not be carried through the Committee, I am sorry to say. I beg also to call your attention to the fact that a copy of the contract and specifications stated to have been remitted with the report to you, is not therewith. The specifications were returned to you or to the Architect - I do not remember which, - and I have not now the contract, and will have to ask you to furnish them yourself to make the report complete, if you

you desire it.

Very sincerely Yours,

Geo. A. H. Anderson

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General Howard,

I called this morning to see you
in relation to purchase of Industrial School
building - to say that I shall feel prepared
to make payment as soon as the papers are
ready - that is if my understanding from the Chief
Justice about rent is correct.

Will you please inform me what amount
will be required exclusive of rent to entitle me
to Deed etc -

Very respectfully

Sumner Norton

Maj Gen. Howard



New York April 17th 1869

My dear Aunt

When I last saw
you I think you said
sometime in April you
and your wife would
come to Brooklyn and
make us a visit.

Mr Ruck my daughter
requests me now to write
and give you Mrs Howard
a most cordial invita-
tion to do so, with
your son if you think
he would like to see
New York.

I write now especially
because I shall be
obliged to leave home
early in May, and

Although Mrs B. & Emmie
would always be happy
to see you, I desire to
share the pleasure
with them, please

Write me early your
intentions, I want to
talk with you more
about the Cong^t-Ch.
& Dr Boynton, am
glad to see he is not
elected Chaplain,

With our kindest
regards to Mr Howard

Truly yours

Wm O. O. Howard P. P. Ruck
Washington D.C.

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Boston Mass
7 Court Square
Apr 17. 1869



My dear General

Excuse modesty.

Mine has almost killed me,
Dying to see by the papers that
the law has been sought in
the matter of the Patent Brick
But, the law is my profession.
And if there is anything I can
do for you shall be glad to
to do, indeed more than glad.
I have just met with
a signal success in a
patent case of importance.
- A new Sub Marine drill -

My argument is now in the
hands of the Commission of
Patents, and has been well
spoken of, so expects say
that have come to Boston.

If any apology is needed
from me to you, and I
think my friendship makes
it almost unnecessary to
say this, it is that I
am anxious to go ahead
in my profession, and
leave no stone of effort

intended - y^{rs} sincerely

Wm. H. A. Howard W. H. Gordon
Washington D.C.

