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War Department,

BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN, AND ABANDONED LANDS,

Washington, [May, 1869?], *1869.*

Gen Howard.

You will remember I called once about a month ago at your house with Gen Dates & Coon about some lands belonging to the late C.S. He has written to me & says he can find some property — one piece about which there can be but little doubt if properly worked up amounting to say $10,000. He wants an agreement from you to give him half of what he shall be able to recover.

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With this agreement he thinks he can be able to get a clear title for the N.S.

I called up to see you about it. I shall come up again in a day or two to see you and get the matter fixed. He wants to go into it right away if at all. Other persons are getting into the title with a view to confiscation before the Court & thus enabling them to get one half as informers.

Yours truly
Thomas Wilson

Knoxville Tenn.
May The 1st 1869

General O. O. Howard

Genl I would like to know that you are engoying good health. and hopes that you are not angry about me appearing before you under the influence of Whiskey. I am engoying good health since I left washington and whiskey behind me. I am very much obliged to you for your good advise and hopes that you will live long to give the same good counsell to others. I am very much obliged to Dr Littlewood and the clerks under him for their good advise

I am working at the National
cemetrie and in sight of the battlegrounds
between generals Burnsides and Longstreet
here is respected here and the only
contention is to see who makes the
most money white and black gets on
together without any dispute
crops looks well in this part of the
State. and promises a large return
general for your good advice
I wish you prosperity in this world
and happiness in the next
Very respectfully Yr.
Patrick Keegan

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Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard.

I have ventured to give the bearer of this, the Rev. Prof. Fisk of our Theological Sem'y, a note of introduction to you. Prof. Fisk is deeply interested in the work coming to Freedmen in this University, and in the Congregational Church in Washington. He visits Washington now for the first time, and any information you can spare

time to give him, will
be thoroughly appreciated
by him, and gratefully re=
membered by

Your obt servant

Edward F. Williams.

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Genl O. O. Howard
Washington

Dear Sir Your letter came here to Charles and I sent it to him at Chicago, where he now lives. and he returned it to me. and I have seen Mr. Deering he says that if Mr H. was living here the first of Apr. 1868 the tax is due, if not it will be abated if you should write me wether he was or not that would decide the case.

Very Respt.
Your
F E Mulliken

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Raleigh N. C.

May 3rd 1869

To General Howard

Honored Sir,

Having been to Communion at the Baptist Church here today I was presented with a crumb of fine bread, such as Bt: Lt: Col: Ritter of the 33rd used to give us. & also Capt: Lord of late.

The contrast between that and this is as three to one I think, especially when a fellow has to throw away every day the Bean or Rice swill which sickens him by it's nothingness.

The Coffee also is a mere weak imposture, and I have to spend nearly all my pay in tea sugar bread etc.

That is not fair, neither are the feasts 3 times a day for fat Cooks and Sergeants, while we can hardly drag our legs after us.

Yrs faithfully

D. Morgan

Box 422 Post Office

Raleigh N. C.

I wish Col Ritter or Capt: Lord were in Co "R" with the Pr all the time.

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Genl. O. O. Howard

My Dear Sir,

Since you were here, the name of Rev Llewellyn Pratt, of the D. Dumb College — my brother-in-law — has come prominently before our Board, for the Professorship of Latin in Knox College. I think him admirably qualified for the place, but of course cannot speak of him as freely as I would of one not my relative. Your opinion would have great weight with our trustees both as to Mr Pratt's fitness for that place, and as to his general character as a man. If you can

spare
a moment, amid your many cares,
to write your estimate of him.
I shall be greatly obliged by yours.

If your brother is in Wash.n
I would be very glad to get a
similar testimonial from him.

I rejoice with you in the
happy termination of your
church troubles.

The Lord ever be with you

With the greatest respect

Yours truly

John P. Gallion

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Athens Ga. May 3d 1869 —

Dear General: —

We are expecting to lay the Cornerstone of our new Normal School building about the first of June. We are anxious to make something of an event of it, as we think it will be for the advantage of the institution to do so. We desire very much to have Dr Langston deliver the address that occasion, and wish, if you can, you would order him here, that he may do it —

Very truly —
C. A. Ware —

Maj. Gen. A. E. Howard —
Comr. Bu. R.F. & A.L. —
Washington, D.C.

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New York May 4th 1869

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To General Howard

Dear Sir

I saw by the papers that Gen. Harder had acted in the investigation of the material used in the construction of the Howard Hospital building - and being desirous of knowing the result of the tests made to determine the bearing quality of the samples tested - I wrote the General who being called to a new field of duty refers me to you -

I now take the liberty of asking if you can kindly let me have the facts - I do not wish to intrude upon you asking a lengthy document but would be thankfull to know what has been the weight p.r square inch which the different specimens have

sustained before crushing.

If you can procure me these figures it will be gratefully received by

Yours Most Respectfully

A. Genembre Herbert

Room 2.
No 169 Broadway

COMMITTEE OF CORRESPONDENCE
WITH
AMERICAN FREEDMEN'S-AID ASSOCIATIONS,
Friends' Institute, 12, Bishopsgate St. Without,
London, E.C. May 4 1869.

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General Howard

Dear Sir

I take the liberty of introducing my brother in law Wm. Fedk. G. Cash, the bearer of this note who is about to pay a visit to your Country. Any information you can give him respecting the Freedmen's &c Bureau

Washington.

Freedmen will observe
interest to us in the
furtherance of their
cause;

Remain

Yours truly & respectfully

Tom Taylor.

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Rec'd June 25th 1869.

OFFICE OF

National Freedman's Savings and Trust Company,

No. 472 Seventh Street, opposite the Post-Office,

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Washington, D. C. May 4 1869

My Dear Gail.

My papers "the financial Educator" for the colored people cost me last month, just for transportation to our branches, more than $50.

Under your frank it would go for nothing. I think, as you may see by reference to copies sent herewith that you will see it is in the line of your work in educating the colored people. Please send by the bearer yr frank, if you can give it.

Yrs Truly.

D. L. Eaton

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Oberlin College O.
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Genl. Howard
My Dear Sir,

Your letter is just received. I am not aware that there has ever been any consultation or comparison of views in our Faculty in reference to the prospects of Howard University, & I do not myself know what the present views of my associates are, in reference to the question. I do not think any one of us has emergency any public expression

I think we both have some fears that a University for the Colored people at Washington, would encounter great difficulties — that there was promise for greater success as to place & time. In a few instances I have personally expressed this fear. When Mr. Barlow asked the opportunity of proposing to some of our students to go to Howard University, I told him we would not object if it appeared for their interest to go, — that they ought to advise with their teachers & friends. One young man came to consult me, & one other, with him I spoke frankly of what seemed to be the difficulties in the way of the University, but did not give positive advice.

These are the facts

in any form, of doubt as to its success, Certainly there is not one of us who does not earnestly desire its success, or who would not most heartily rejoice in it, — Not one of us who does not hope for it, This I can say because I know the men we have here.

Nor is there one of us who has not the highest regard for & confidence in its noble projector & President, I am sure that not one of us has ever for a moment had his confidence shaken by any misrepresentations or insinuations which malicious persons may have put in circulation, If our unlimited confidence & esteem should ever seem to be of any use to you, please accept the assurance of it, We have all confidence in Mr. Barber whom we know well, & hold in high esteem, His success at Washington is matter of great satisfaction to us.

If any of us have had any apprehension in reference to the ultimate success of the enterprise, it has arisen from difficulties, which, in our experience, seem to be inherent in the work itself, My brother had, as you know, an invitation to join in the work, & looked at the matter with some care & sometimes consulted with me about it,

in the Case, so far as I know them, We would be glad to share in the assurance of success which those on the ground seem to feel, & we hail welcome with gratitude every indication that our apprehensions are groundless. If we can do anything to help we shall be most glad to do it.

With the highest esteem, Yours truly,

J. H. Fairchild

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Genl O O Howard

Dear Genl

A party who is making his Will called on me to know if the Howard University is incorporated, & if so, what is the corporate title.

Yrs Francis T. King

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5. 4. 1869

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