

War Department,

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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 Datus E. 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 amount  
ing to say \$10,000. He  
wants an agreement from  
you to give him half of  
what he shall be able to  
recover.

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

I called up to see you about  
it. I shall come up again  
in a day or two to see you  
and 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 making  
them get one half as  
informers.

Yours truly  
Thomas Wilson

Knowville Tenn.

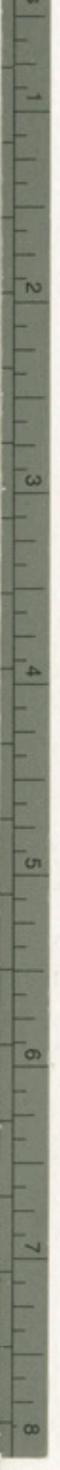
May The 1<sup>st</sup> 1869

General O. Howard

Genl. I would  
like to know that you are enjoying  
good health, and hope that you  
are not angry about me appearing  
before you under the influence of  
Whiskey. I am enjoying good health  
since I left Washington and whiskey  
behind me. I am very much obliged to you  
for your good advice and hope 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 advice

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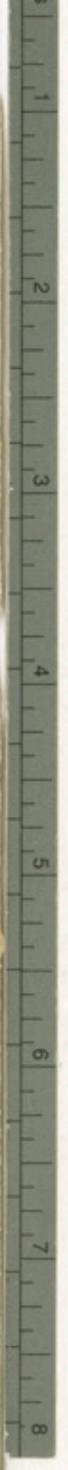


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I am working at the National  
cemetery and in sight of the battleground  
between generals Burnside and Longstreet  
war is respected here and the only  
contention is to see who makes the  
most money. White and black get on  
together without any dispute  
crops looks well in this part of the  
State. and promise a large return  
general for your good advice  
I wish you prosperity in this world  
and happiness in the next

Very respectfully,

Patrick Keegan

Answer by the hand  
May 6-69



Chicago, Ills.

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May 1, 1869.

Mrs. Sewal, D.D., Harvard.

I have returned to  
give the brown of this, the  
Rev. Prof. Fiske of our Theolog-  
ical Sem<sup>y</sup>, a note of intro-  
duction to you - Prof. Fiske is  
deeply interested in the work  
among the Freed men, in his  
University, and in the Congressional  
Church in Washington; he visits  
Washington - now for the first time,  
and by information you can spare

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Chicopee, Mass.

Nov. 1. 1824.

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to  
 receive the favor of your letter  
 of the 27th inst. and in reply  
 to inform you that the  
 same has been forwarded  
 to the proper authorities  
 for their consideration  
 and that I have no further  
 to say at present.



time to give him, will  
be thoroughly appreciated  
I think, and gratefully re-  
membered of

Yours with remembrance  
Edward F. Williams.

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Augusta May 1/69

Genl. G. 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 whether he was or not that would decide the case.

Very Resp<sup>tly</sup>.

Yours  
 F. E. Mulliken

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Raleigh N. C.

May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1869

To General Howard  
Honoured Sir,

Having been to Communion  
at the Baptist Church here today I was presented  
with a crumb of fine bread, such as Port: Lt: Col: Ritter  
of the 33<sup>rd</sup> 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 & all  
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 just Cooks and Sergeants, while we can  
hardly drag our legs after us.

Yrs faithfully

D. Morgan's

Box 422 Post Office  
Raleigh N. C.

I wish Col Ritter or Capt. Lord were in Co "K"  
with the P<sup>th</sup> all the time.



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Galesburg Ill. 54

May 3 1869

Gen. C. C. Howard



My Dear Sir,

Since you were here, the name of Rev Sewell R Brate, of the W. 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 if we were not my relatives.

Your opinion would have great weight with our Trustees both as to Mr Brate's fitness for that place, and as to his general character as a man. If you can



<sup>spare</sup>  
a moment, amid your many cares,  
to write your estimate of him.  
I shall be greatly obliged to you.

If your brother is in Wash<sup>on</sup>,  
I would be very glad to get a  
similar testimonial from him.

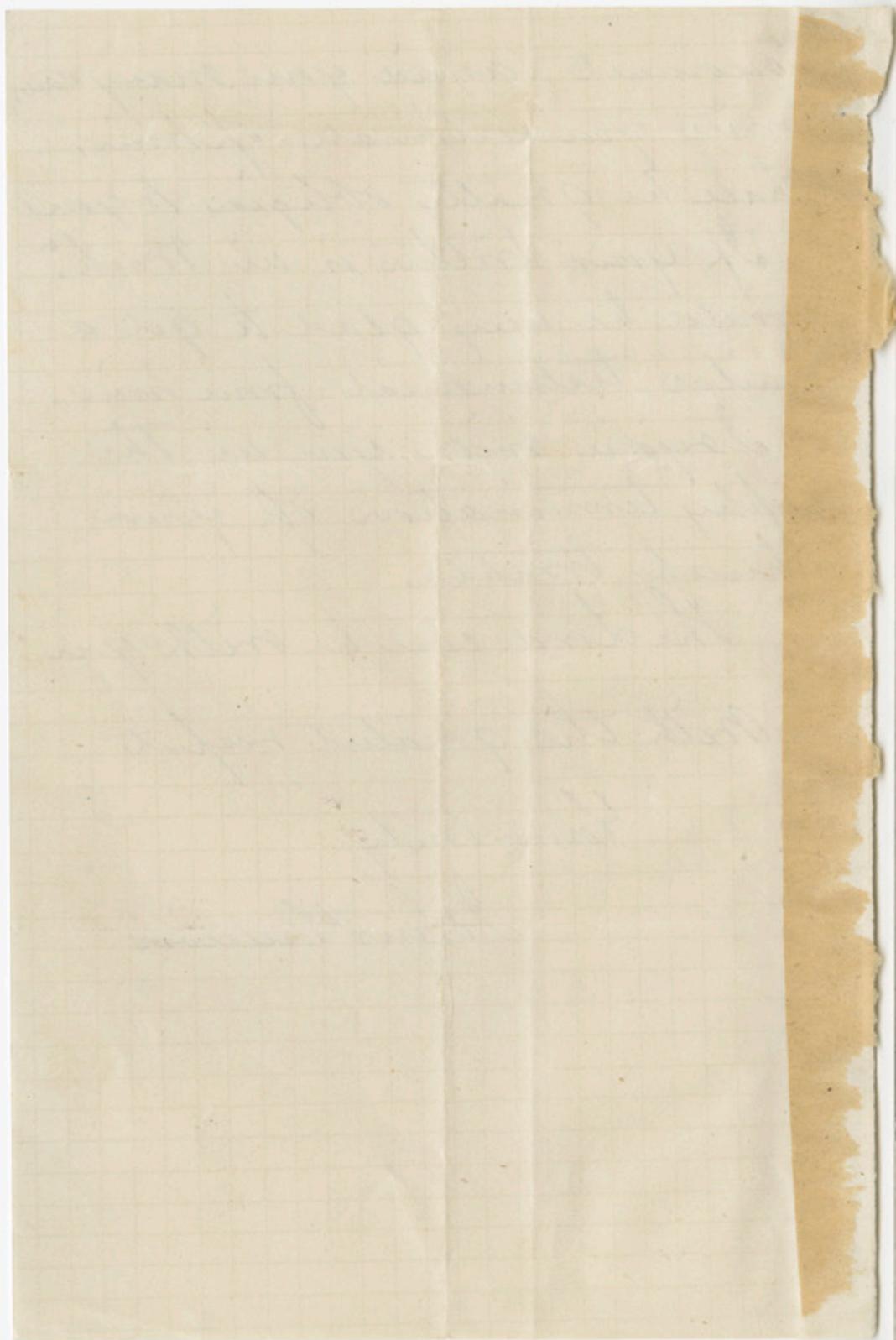
I rejoice with you in the  
happy termination of your  
church troubles.

The Lord ever be with you

With the greatest respect

Yours truly

John P. Sullivan





Atlanta Ga. May 3<sup>d</sup> 1869 -

Dear General:-

We are expecting to lay the  
corner stone 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 Mr Laysman  
deliver the address that occasion, and wish  
if you can, you would order him here. That  
he may do it.

Very truly -  
E. S. Ware -

Wm. A. Alford -  
Comm. Bn. R. F. & M. -  
Washington, D. C.



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New York May 4<sup>th</sup> 1864

To General Howard  
Dear Sir

I saw by the papers that Gen. Hardee 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 & 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 thankful to know what has been the weight p. square incl. which the different specimens have

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sustained before crushing -

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

Yours most respectfully,

A. Augustus Herbert

Room 2.

4<sup>th</sup> 76<sup>th</sup> Broadway.

COMMITTEE OF CORRESPONDENCE

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WITH

AMERICAN FREEDMEN'S-AID ASSOCIATIONS,

Friends' Institute, 12, Bishopsgate St. Without,

London, E.C. May 4 1869.

General Howard  
Dear Sir

I take the liberty of introducing my brother in law Mr. Fred<sup>k</sup>. G. Lash, 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 & Murens Washington.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 11, 1897

Dear Sir,

Enclosed

is a copy of the

report of the

commissioner of

the general land

office for the

year ending

March 31, 1897.

I am, Sir,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

John W. Foster



Needmen with of service  
finterest to us in the  
furtherance of their  
Cause;

Remain

Yours truly & respectfully

Tom Taylor.

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Rec'd June 25<sup>th</sup> 1869.



OFFICE OF

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National Freedman's Savings and Trust Company,

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



Washington, D. C. May 4 1869

My Dear Guil

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

Would you please pay 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 up front, if you can give it.

Yrs Ever,

D. L. Eaton

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OFFICE OF

National Education Association and (rest illegible)

No. 175 Seventh Street, opposite the Post-Office



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I think we better had  
some power that a Univer-  
sity for the Colored people  
at Washington, would encounter  
too great difficulties - that  
there was ground for ques-  
tion as to place & time.  
In a few instances I have  
minutely expressed this  
When Mr. Barber asked  
opportunity of proposing to  
some of our students to go  
to Howard University, & that  
him we would not object  
if it appeared for their  
best to go, - that they ought  
to advise with their teachers  
& friends, One young man  
came to consult me, & one  
more, 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



Chubb College  
May 4. 1869

Genl. Howard

My Dear Sir,

Your  
letter is just received,  
I am not aware that  
there has ever been any  
consultation or compar-  
ison of views in our  
Faculty in reference  
to the prospects of How-  
ard University, & I do  
not myself know what  
the present views of my  
associates are, in refer-  
ence to the question,  
I do not think any  
one of us has ever given  
any public expression

in any form, of doubt  
as to its success, Certain  
ly 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.

Now is there one of us  
who has not the highest  
regard for & confidence  
in its noble project &  
President, I am sure  
that not one of us has  
ever for a moment had  
his confidence shaken  
by any misrepresenta-  
tions 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. Parker 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 apprehensions in refer-  
ence 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 has, as  
you know, our invitation  
to join in the work, & look-  
ed at the matter with some  
care & sometimes confer-  
red with me about it,

in the case, so far as  
I know them, they would  
be glad to share in the  
assurance of success  
which those in the ground  
seem to feel, & we will  
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 re-  
spects,  
Yours truly,

J. H. Fairchild



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Genl O'Shara



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.

Yours Truly  
Francis T. King

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