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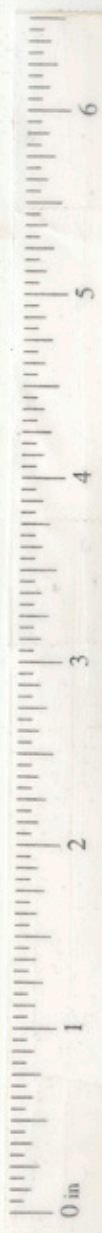
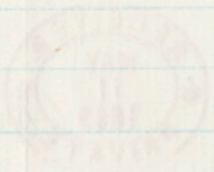
May 9th 1869

Major Gen. O. O. Howard, U. S. A.
Commr Bureau of India Affairs,
Washington D. C.
General.

You
will not perhaps be able to recall me
at present to Your recollection. I am
the Young man, who had the
honor of being introduced and recom-
mended to You by Gen. S. H. Kelcham
M. G. last July, and, was so kindly
appointed by You, as an Agent in
the Bureau, and ordered to report to
Gen. O. Brown, Agent Commr State
of Virginia, and up to Dec 31st 1868,
I was stationed in the 11th Sub. Dist
Va.

You was so kind at Washington in
helping me, and knowing that Your

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heart is always open to help the
deserving, and especially one of Your
former Agents. I beg leave to take
the great liberty of applying to You
again, if You would be so obliging
and condescending as to honor me
with a Letter to Gen. P. H. Jones
Post Master of N. Y. for an appointment
in the Post Office. You will confer
an everlasting favor on.

Your humble Servt.
Laurence, S. Davids,

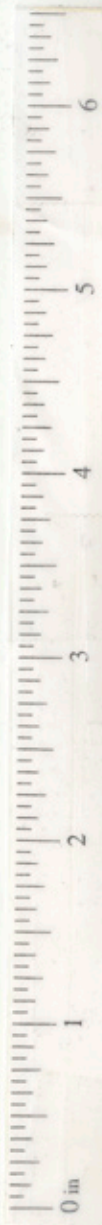
formerly, Sergt. 4th N. Y. Art.

P. O. Address,

217 Front Street

Brooklyn, N. Y.

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HEADQUARTERS
AMERICAN UNION CLUB.

No. 116 Carondelet Street.

New Orleans, La., May 10th 1869.

Sir. I have the honor to inform you. that at the last regular meeting of this club. (Saturday evening. 8th inst). you was unanimously elected to Honorary Membership. I enclose herewith a copy of the "Constitution and By Laws" of this organization. and the badge of an honorary member. The club will be gratified to receive an acknowledgement of this communication.

Yours Respectfully,
E. E. Adams,
Secretary.

Brew. Maj Gen. O. O. Howard }
United States Army. }

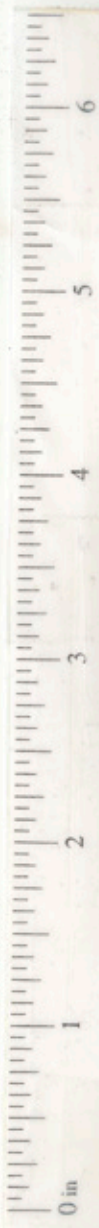
Secretary's P.O. Address. }
Lock Box 808. }

Received May 14, 1869.

AMERICAN UNION CLUB

May 10 1869

Sir, I have the honor to inform
you that at the last regular meeting
of this club (Saturday evening, 8th inst.) for
the purpose of electing a new
committee, the following members
of the "Constitution and By Laws"
of the corporation and the proper
of our honorary members. The club will
be entitled to receive an acknowledgment
of the same. I am, Sir,
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. W. Brown



Boston, May 10, 1859.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard:

Dear Sir - I feel both honored and gratified by the kind invitation contained in your letter; and if I can see my way clear to do so, it will give ^{me} great pleasure to accept of it at the earliest practicable period. At present, I can make no definite calculations as to the time I may visit Washington. It is most gratifying to me to hear of the success attending your University enterprise - a success which augurs the grandest results in the future. Your name eminently deserves to be associated with the University; for no one has occupied so responsible a position in regard to the freedmen in our land as yourself, nor shown a more disinterested concern for their physical, intellectual and moral improvement. As the head of the Freedmen's Bureau, you have faith-

fully used all the means and powers with which you have been entrusted to protect them against the brutality of their enemies, and to raise them from a state of fearful degradation and utter helplessness to the high plane of manly independence and Christian civilization.

Several months ago, I sent you a letter expressive in full of my high estimate of your official labors in behalf of a race so long "peeled, melted out, and trodden under foot." I am inclined to think, however, that it went to the Dead Letter Office, inasmuch as it had no postage stamp upon it; though the clerk at the Post-office assured me that none was needed in your case, and so I omitted to do what I otherwise should have done. I suppose he blundered in the ^{matter,} ~~case,~~ and so you never received what I wrote simply to convey to you the expressions of my personal respect and admiring approval of your course.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Lloyd Garrison.



Raleigh, N.C.
May 10th 1869

May. Gen. O. O. Howard,
My dear General.

I delayed replying to your note until I could see Mr Kemp P. Battle, our Secretary and Treasurer, who was out of town. We have no doubt that the Trustees will be willing to sell, but we cannot speak positively or with authority. There will be a meeting of the Board next week, when we submit the question. In the meantime, it might greatly forward matters, if you could have the gentleman, who wishes to purchase, make a definite offer. How much does he want? Part or whole? What will he give? What is your opinion of the offer?

You will remember that, when we received the deeds, you were of the opinion that the land would be very much more valuable this spring than it was at that time. Please write me at once and give me particulars and your confidential opinion that I may bring the matter before the Trustees next week.

Yours faithfully,
J. B. Smith

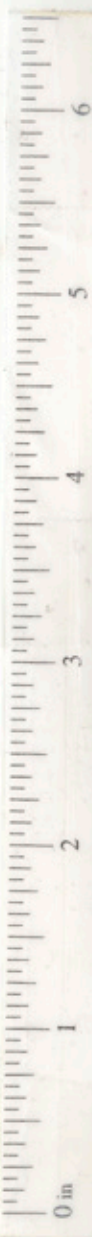
Colony, N.C.
May 10 1869



My dear Gen. D. D. Howard,
My dear General,

I delayed replying to you
until I could see the Hon. D. D. Howard.
I was out of town
and I doubt that the Trustees will
be willing to sell, but we cannot speak
with authority. There will be
a meeting of the Board next week, when
the subject of the question. As the Trustees
ought greatly forward matters, if you could
use the gentleman, who makes the plan, to
make a definite offer. How much does
he want? \$2000 or \$2500? What will he give
in return of the office?
You will remember that, when we re-
ceived the books you were of the opinion
that the land would be very much more
valuable than offering them at once at that
time. Please write me at once and give
me particulars and your confidential opinion
that I may send the matter before the Board
next week.

Yours faithfully,
Wm. W. Howard





Willerforce University,
NEAR XENIA, GREENE COUNTY, OHIO.

Brigadier General C. C. Howard,
Chf. of B. F. A. Lands,

Dear Sir:

The 6th Annual
Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Willerforce
University, will be held at the Institution, Tuesday,
June 29, 1869, at 10 o'clock A. M.

You are earnestly requested to be present, as
business of vital importance to the University is to
be transacted.

Yours, Very Respectfully,

John Cousins

Chairman of the Board.

J. T. Jerrier

Secretary.

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MAY 10 1864
UNIVERSITY
OF THE STATE OF OHIO
NEAR XENIA, GREENE COUNTY, OHIO.

Mr. Chief of B. & O. R.R.
Bridgman General O. O. Howard

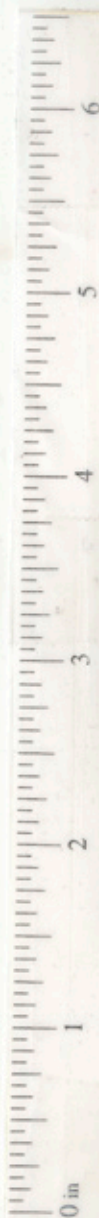
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John C. Brown
Chairman of the Board.

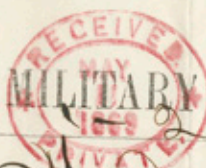
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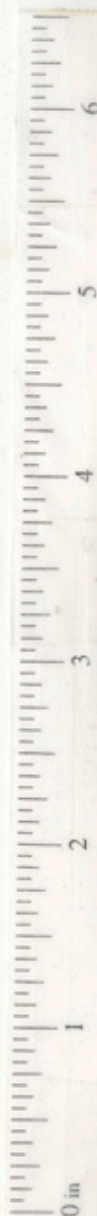
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By Telegraph from
 To May Gen

Howard
 Breachmens Bureau

Can Mr James
 see you tomorrow
 If not when
 John Love
 O. W. Co Cortlandt &
 Saratoga Sts
 P. B. 10 Paid



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And by

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W. S. Lathrop, 89

formerly 4th July, A. 2. m.



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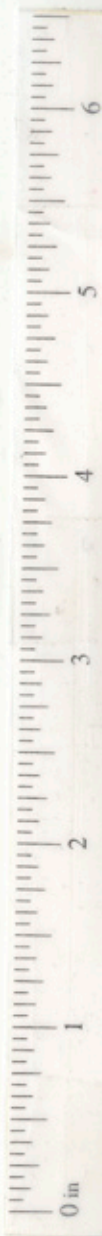
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Gen Howard

Dear Sir I had

Recd a Communication
from their Third Auditor
Office at Washington stating
that Brother Warrens acct
had been examined and
that he was indebted to
the Quartermasters department
\$12,447.40, and that if the
acct was not adjusted
within thirty days that
a suit would be brought
against the Bondsmen.

I am one of his bondsmen.
He wrote me that he had
sent me a Schedule of the
property charged to Warren
last March but I never
Recd it I cannot understand



What it can be,

I recd. one letter from the Third Auditors Office in the fall of 67. Stating that Warrens acct had been examined up to Oct first 66 and found correct that was about a month before he died. I do not understand how he could have overdrawn during that month, and appropriate it to his own use. You do not think that he used any of the governments property you knew him, and the way he did his business.

As you may suppose Friend Howard, I am in great trouble about this I do not know what to do. it is out of my line of business.

I signed Warrens Bond
because I knew him
to be an honest man
it may be that he has not
kept his acct correct,
you know that he died
without any warning he
no opportunity to arrange his
affairs. there was none of
his books or papers sent
from Florida. I supposed
they were in the hands of
the government.

You can do me a great
favour if you can help
to adjust this affair I
want you to go to the
third Auditors Office and
find out what you
can get me a schedule
of the things charged and
the credits if any and
send them to me

I hope you will do it
immediately. The time
is up for them to come
I suit the 28 of this
advise me what to do

Yours Respectfully Davis & Little

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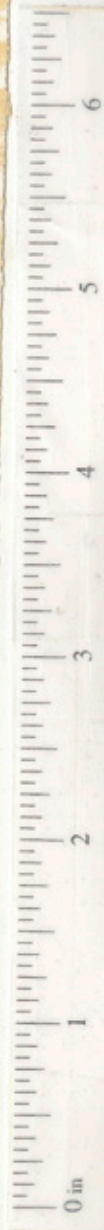
Genl. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

Yours of
May 4th by J. A. Stedman was
duly recd and I showed
it to Mr. Seering and he
laid it before the board
and they have abated
it. So think you will
not be troubled any more
with the matter

Yours
F. E. Mulliken

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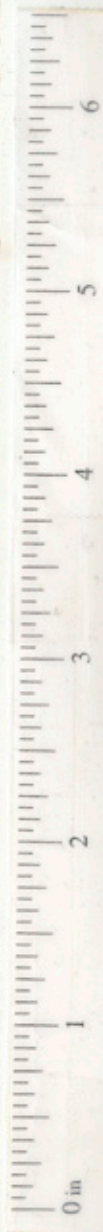
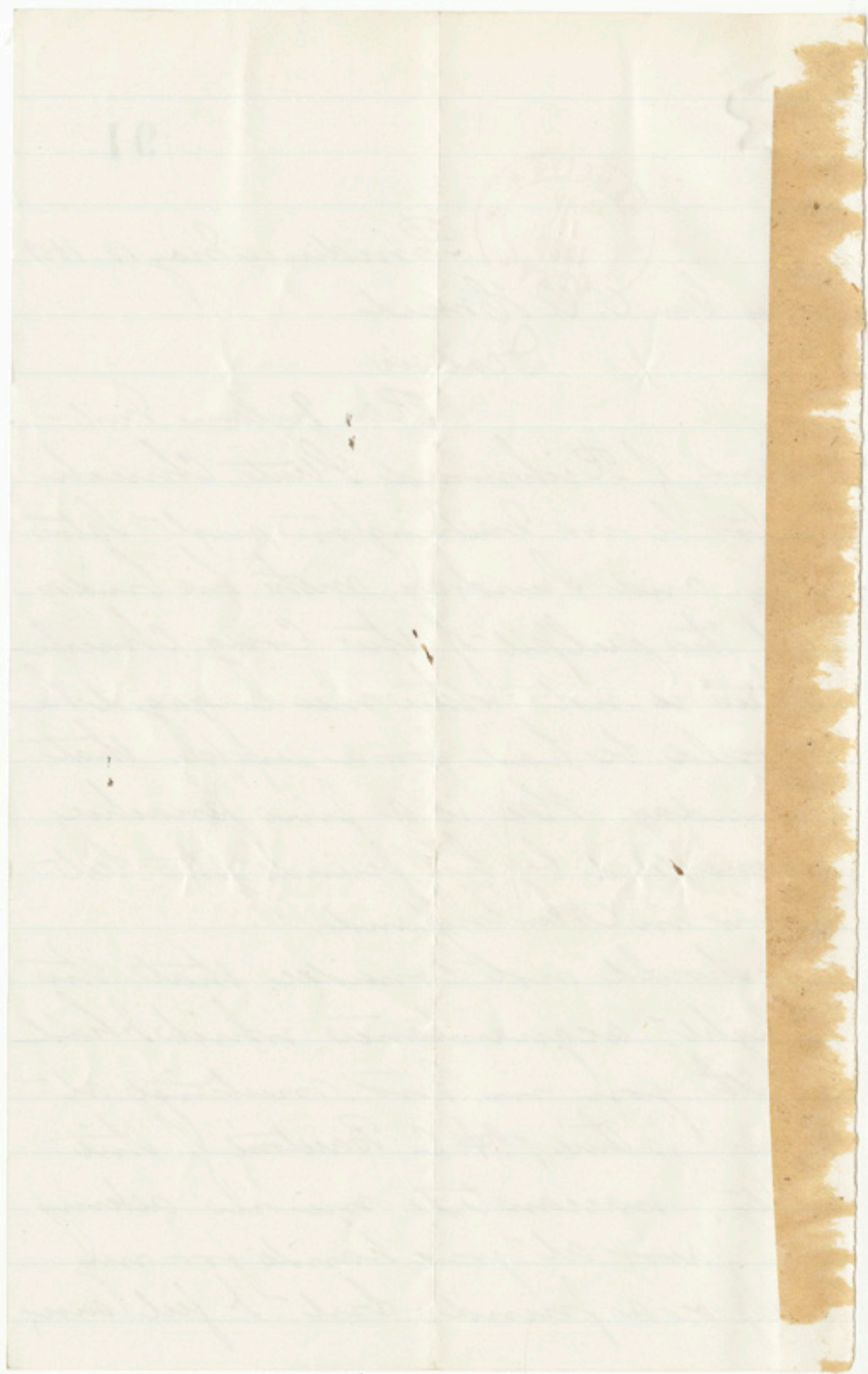




Providence May 10. 1869
 Maj. Gen. C. C. Conrad
 Dear Sir

Rev. Nelson Mil-
 lard, of Richmond Street Church,
 is to be in Washington, next Sat-
 urday and Sunday, with his bride.
 If the pulpit of the Cong. Church
 there is not otherwise engaged, he
 could be had for a supply that
 Sunday. He is a fine preacher,
 considered by his friends the best
 now in New England.

I should not consider that the
 slight acquaintance which I had
 with you in two meetings at
 my father's, A. C. Buxton's of this
 city, warranted me in asking
 a favor at your hands for my-
 self or a friend; but I feel sure,



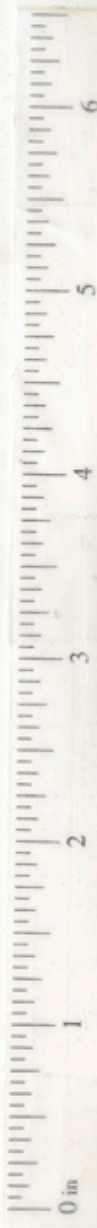
if you hear Mr. Williard preach
you will consider the obligation
cancelled by a good sermon.
Mr. Bartlett and Mr. Williard
have been intimate for a long
time, and are like brothers to-
gether.

Mr. Bartlett and I often look
with satisfaction at the encour-
aging greeting you gave us, with
your autograph; and are much
interested in the welfare of the
church, with which you are iden-
tified.

Mr. Williard can be found
at Willard's Hotel on Saturday
afternoon, the 15.

Yours very respectfully
Mr. E. C. Bartlett

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Gen A. A. Howard:

(Herndon, Va. May 11th 69.)

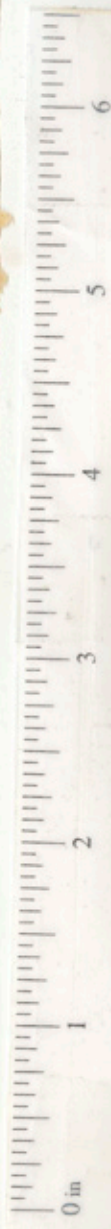
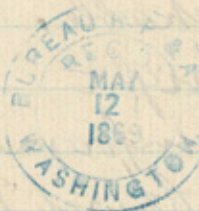
My Brother in Christ:

I did not find employment for Miss Read. Let me ask you to make a careful memorandum of her case.

She is a daughter of John D. Read who was murdered by the guerrillas in Oct 1864. He was taken at night from his own home.

Charlotte Read can write well. She is about 14 - her character is unimpeachable. If you should find the right place for her, please inform her by a line to Falls Church Va Yours in the Gospel - L. R. Johnson.

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Headquarters Fourth Military District,

(DEPARTMENT OF MISSISSIPPI.)

Jackson, Miss., May 11th 1869.

Genl O. Howard,
Washington D.C.

My dear Genl:

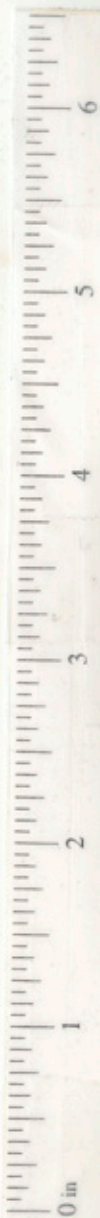
Genl Sewell when
here said he would write
you asking you to
appoint the Rev. James
Lynch of this city an
Assistant Superintendent
of Schools for this state

Mr Lynch is as
you know a colored man
and is in my opinion one
of the most honest and

city —

Very truly Your friend
H. C. Brown

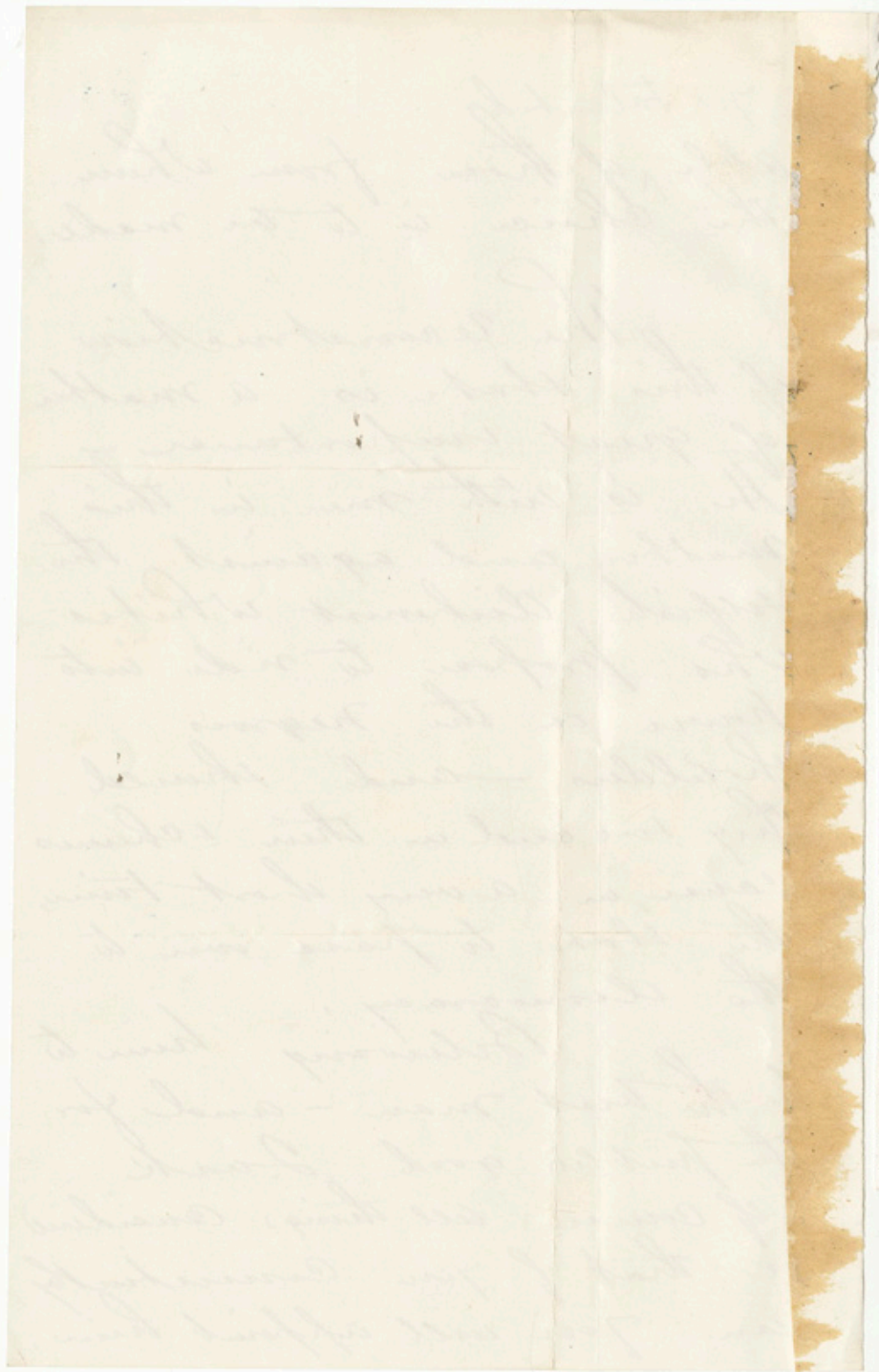
When made here admission of this



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able, of those from whom
the choice is to be made.

The reconstruction
of this state is a matter
of great importance -
He is with me in this
matter and against the
selfish, dishonest whites
who propose to ride into
power on the negroes
shoulders - and should
they succeed in their schemes
cause, in a very short time,
the state to pass over to
the democracy.

Believing him to
be the best man - and for
the public good I ask
if course all things considered
&c - that if you consistently
can you will appoint him.



Tuesday, May 11th 1869

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Genl. A. C. Howard.

Dear Sir,

I would esteem it an
Honour if (in addition to many Heroes
already obtained) You would place your
Autograph in my Album - And
suggest it a favor if you will add your
Signature to the enclosed Paper. As I
intend instituting Colored Lodges in the
North. (In May 1870) this Summer -

Genl. Permits me to inquire
If you have engaged any one to officiate as
Pastor of the 1st Congl. Church?

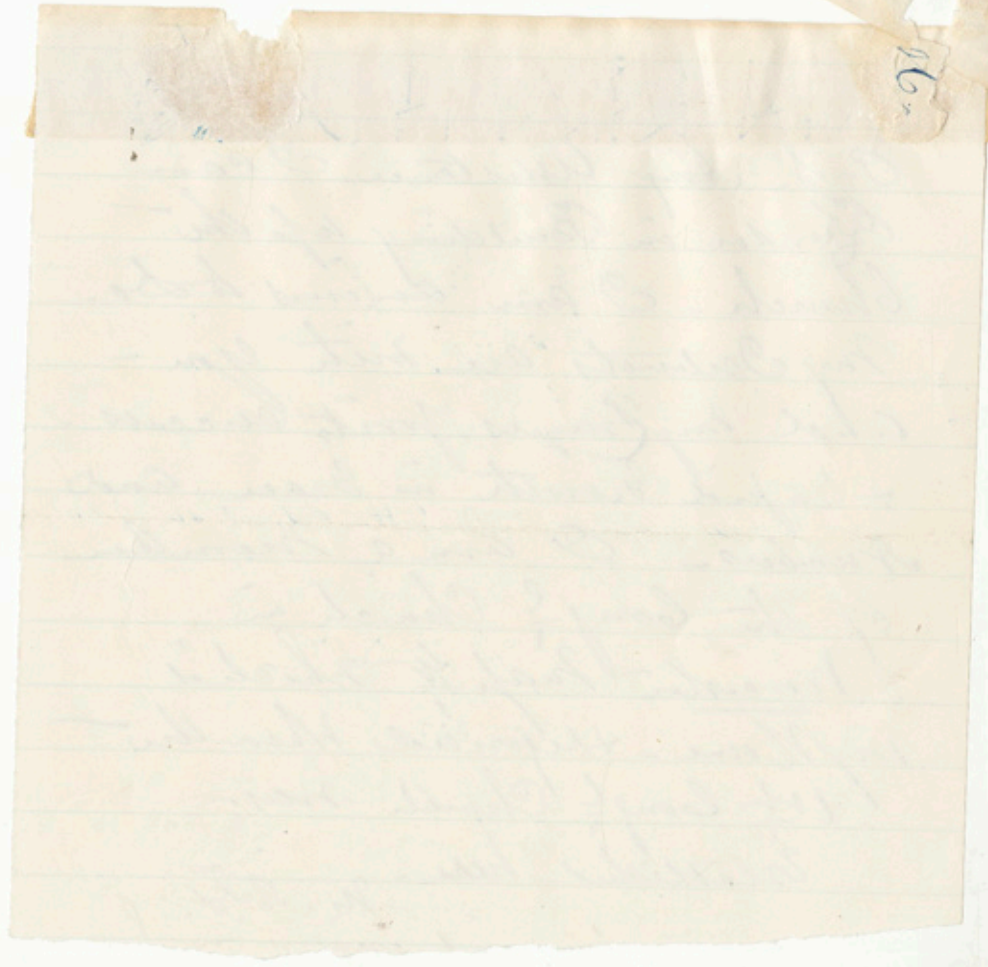
I have a Brother - Young - Ardently and
Aspiring - about to enter the Ministry
Late Officer in the Union Army. and
Seriously Wounded - who I know
can bring untarnished Fame -
and Honest Heart & Purpose
Ambition Sacrifice & Zeal which
could not fail of Success in any

Good Cause = Has never yet been
Obedient regularly. But Has
officiated in that Capacity more
orders - for several years = Can
Bring you Testimonials - fully
Satisfactory from well known
Clergymen - and Public Men
in the North. Not only in regard to
His Qualifications as fitting a Clergyman
But as Public Advocate of Temperance
And Immunity in any Social work &
Cause - Will you not allow Him
to come on trial - a few weeks -
for I feel assured you would not regret
it - And unless He - Gave perfect
Satisfaction to you & the People - He
would not get a moment - more as
Claim - But quietly return to His
Home - Please reply when you
return Home - either to 340. N. 11th St.
(Between M. & N. - or to the Dead End
Office - I Remain Very Truly
Yr Obedt Servt
Mrs. Maria Barton Green

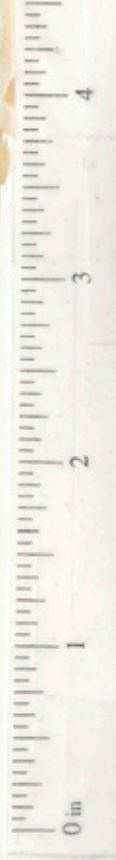
of special in that capacity more
Orders - for several years - Can

P.S. Any Assistance I can
Render in Building up the
Church - I am anxious to do.
My Intentions are with you -
and my Prayers for its Success -
& rapid growth in Grace - and
Numbers - I am a member
of the Cong^l Church in
Worcester Mass & which is
my Home - rejoiced when the
1st Cong^l Church was
established here - M. B. G.

Return Home
Return M. B.



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Ariel Insurance Co
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May 14/69

Gen O O Howard
Washington D C

Dear Friend.

The faculty of Berea College
requested me to write to you
and ask you if you can
come to Berea and address the
people at our commencement
1 day of July - Thursday -

Our dormitory will not then
be completed, as we suppose,
but it will be so that we can
be sheltered under its roof if
we shall so choose; & you could
dedicate it in advance.

Mr E H Fairchild formerly of
Oxford now our acting president
at Brea will ^{then} make his in-
augural address

We expect Mr Whipple of New
York to attend

Then if the "Benevolent Societies"
Colored - not merit - shall
have a Celebration at Camp
Nelson on the 4. Could you
go there (32 miles from Berea)
and address the people - Colored
if they shall assemble at
Paris - Barton Co., would you
go there? If you will be
at Berea & go to Camp Nelson
please say so in a line to Mr
Fulso in care to Rev Gabriel
Burdett - at Lissamine P.O.

Lissamine Co Ky - near to
Camp Nelson Ky.

If you ^{can} ~~could~~ not come then
could you come 14 of August
if not then say first of September
when our dormitory will
be completed - perhaps a better
time for you - Please write to
Mr. at Berea.

Yours

There is a movement among the colored soldiers in this state to try to have their bounty money come directly through a permanent paymaster to a Committee of their own appointment rather than claim agents.

I have advised this Bro Burdett to get advice from you before he consents to go into any definite movement. He is a good and ~~disciplined~~ man, who as a preacher and soldier shared largely in the confidence of Genl Fisk. He has a commission from the American Missionary Association.

Yours John G Lee

I go from this school to Berea
this day - J G L