Darlington
June 9th, 1889

My dear O. O. Howard

Born of Bureaus.

Dear Sir,

I shall be in Washington on the 12th and desire very much to see you upon some very important matter in my State. I will call upon you about 1 o'clock P.M.

Yours truly,

B. E. Whittemore
The Work assistant Steby and it may be he never gave it the second thought as for that I cannot tell. But by the splitting of States between Mr. Richeson, I am thrown out of employment with poor health, no Means to subsist on my income I have in hand almost made up. By teaching and during the past week I have made out to live. But can see it as my nerves and my physical strength are both failing one. General as a lover, woman ignorant and very illiterate. Striving to do the best I can. Know I am from that maybe rebuilding no right which I think you do not. Although in sustaining that right I may be to the sore test. And by it be almost the design to despair yet I will say I am right I write you this in confidence you may see the justice of the thing although your position is such you dare not mention it.  

Washington City DC  
June 7th 1869.  

Genl. D. C. Howard  

Dear Sir,  

I have written letter after letter, and after reading them they would be throwed aside until I have come to the conclusion to write this one, and it without reading it. Days have passed into weeks weeks have passed into months and your money has not been returned to you. Your confidence in me has failed to plead my case. And only for the pure and delicate Christian feeling which ever warms each pulsation of your kind and noble heart. You would proceed with me. But General do not in your in most do not judge me so harshly. I know I have faults. And those faults grieve me as much as myself. And one of those faults if a fault it can be called
is the manner in which I manage my own affairs. Persons fail to pay me, and through their failures I fail to pay my debts. Of General Scott, I have no idea. Distressed by his condition, it is a cruel wrong that I still think I am right. In I am compelled to write. Not able to pay you, my candid opinion I think it was yet. Through a little officiousness and an act of small thing for the higher or the highest offices in the United States. I was discharged from the Treasury by Mr. Richerson in the absence of Mr. Baldwin. I was fired. On the 1st of last April. The case was just this. I owed Mr. T. Smith $500 of several money. And he applied the head of the division wherein I was at work. I shall pay my debts. This is none of to compel me to pay him or be discharged. This business. If I discharge my when Paid Mr. Carter sent me these letters, I am employed as a clerk. He has no business with the Assistant Secretary's name, and one out side of that. Just think attachment. Setting forth the penalties. I now ascend it would sound for an did not pay it. My organ of communication article to appear in one of our newspapers at once. And I felt that this thing be private affairs, had nothing to do with the public. It is to correct my record. I have no malice in my heart towards
Now General it always take the third party to settle a dispute will you be this third I ask this of you as I believe you are a Christian as a man as a true friend to the poor and the needy. Will you go to Carl Buswell and ask him to give me my position again (He did not take it from me it was done in his absence) a great favour. So that I may be able to live and pay what I owe you. I feel I shall not be able to live by teaching and doing another for my health is very poor. I can only do a few hours at a time.

I have written a much longer letter than I intended when I began. Please excuse the length. While I beg of you to please favour it with an answer

Your humble petitioner

Direct. No. 5 25th St. NW E. H. Stanton
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky,
Corner Third and Walnut Streets, (Up Stairs.)

Louisville, Ky., June 7, 1869.

Dear Sir:

We are preparing to hold an educational convention on July 21.

I have included all the best men—white and black—to aid in the enterprise. The object is to have the leading colored men from all over the state here. We want you to come, and some other prominent friends and address the people—May I say to the committee that you will be here. The while, members of committee are:

Joe Speed, Rev. J.W. Reynolds
Judge Blind, Ballard, Edgar Medhann

Any one may reply by:

Chas. Jones.

May 1st, 1869.
Moffeed
St. Louis, Mo., April 7, 1865

My dear Brother,

I am sure you can remember my assignment and your order to refund the rent or taxes of the amount paid by A.M. A. for the lots of Holly Springs, Columbia. It was upon this express understanding (that, too, with Gen. E. Whittney as well as yourself) that I authorized them to be held in by our agent because we had not the money to pay. Now I merely ask that the Legislature in this be specifically authorized to expend the same in payment to our teachers. I see no reason why it may not be so expanded as in Texas. Certainly there...
the case. Description of sound
is applied ineptly to support
letting. But if the decision
is adhered to that it must go
as yet this legal process can
to make the novelty an end
building as we have in Miss.

Print unofficially because
the indoor letter seems to have
been sufficient to tone down
the desired end and I know
our how to put the case plainly.

I think you will remember that
this was distinctly understood in
my conversation with you at your
house -

Very objectively

[Signature]
Sir,

Your communication of the 9th inst., to the Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting, has been referred to this Bureau, and I have pleasure in informing you that instructions have been sent to Rear Admiral F. D. Porter, U.S.N., Commandant of the Navy Yard, Washington, authorizing him to loan you, say, a half dozen British Ensigns, as requested by you.

Br. Majr. Jno. S. Navy, Asst. Adm. of W. I., Your obedient servant,


Washington
St Louis, Mo., June 8, 1869

Dear Brother,

I have sent an official report but it came not my own, as I learned in this. What I wrote here I could not want referred - I do not think it would help the right man for the place. I have considerable testimony and can judge some at first appearance. His office is not accessible - indeed it seems that he desires to avoid it, then find the colored people - that he cannot suit them in the public sentiment against them and the Bureau. He might combine with the Bank in some corner building and one rent instead of two it seems can be accessible instead. I am an out of the way Boston man - I am told that there is little business or active business now. He might therefore write the new time to Education - I am personally friendly to all. Seely but he seems to almost entirely neglect his duty as superintendent of education. I hope no one to mention but our sure you should not go wrong in selecting some.
other persons for this position—
Rev. Wm. Ripley (of the M. E. Church) 
and Rev. Wm. Dickey (Col) — Peter 
Breed & Rev. Mr. Baskin (Col) — First 
President of the Savings Bank. — I 
have talked with them, with leading and 
others. — If you will I will look 
up some one whom I can recommend 
for this place — I have conferred 
with some besides with him. Pea since 
I come and now go on to Fremont 
thence to Nebraska.

It has been more than six months 
that I have last seen his attention was called 
to the mission of Lewis the burning 
of the house etc. but the he has not 
ever visited that place. — There with 
and when about it and the most prefers 
ago till on his return from Can-

I hear he is to offer $3,000 
there — has to promise — If seems to 
one a long time to promise without
first visiting the place. I thought it best to write frankly my views and you can attach to them your own estimate— I find that when I write unofficially my communication is liable to come back without being read. Please do not regard this as a fault, but take it as an excuse for writing you something unofficial on subjects pertaining to business.

Yours,

C. H. Howard
Rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association,
CORNER OF NINTH AND D STREETS,
Washington, D.C., June 8th, 1860.

Genl. O.O. Howard,
Dear Sir:

As a member of the Association over which you preside, I have, according to your directions this evening at the interview with which you honored me, taken the liberty of addressing you. You asked me to make known my case to you in writing. I will endeavor to do so. I am in need of, and desire earnestly clerical employment. My needs are the more pressing, inasmuch as I have a mother, brother and sister directly and entirely dependent upon me for support.

In applying to the various Executive Departments for employment, I find that I will be more likely to meet with success at the War Department than any other, as my father served several terms of service in various capacities, in the Army of the United States amounting in the aggregate to over twenty years, receiving at the expiration of each an honorable discharge. Having exhausted every other means, as a last resort I have applied to you, hoping that it may not be in vain of my own character and qualifications, you can judge for yourself; from my references.

These are Mr. Ballantyne, Rev. Geo. F. Markham, former
pastor of Waugh Chapel M.E. Church, of which I am a member. Also Senators Conkling, Williams, Ramsey &. and Mr. Eldridge of the House of Representatives. Some of these gentlemen have known me for several years. I have proved my competency in the form of a Freshman Certificate signed by Rev. G. W. Samson, President of Columbian College, presented to me while a student in that Institution, on the occasion of my graduation from the High School connected therewith. All of these I will, if you think proper, lay before you.

Fitting in College for a Teacher, and had advanced as far as my junior year, when a lack of means compelled a suspension of my course. I am a Virginian by birth, but have been reared several years, and all through the War, in the District of Columbia; being at that time, too young to enter the service, but always an ardent lover of Free Institutions. My father had already died in the service of his country. If you will give consideration of these facts furnish me with employment you will confer a lasting favor upon me. Be so kind as to answer as early as convenient:

Very Respectfully Yours,

Elbert Turner

No. 8 street north, between 2nd and 3rd streets

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Philada. June 8, 1869.

Sir, O. O. Howard,
My Dear Sir,

I send you by Express this day, prepaid, a Copy of Bradstreet's Commercial Report which will furnish you all the information you desire. You can retain this Copy keeping it of course confidential, as far as the standing of the Houses are concerned. Command my service at all times and believe me,

My dear General,

Yours very truly,

Geo. H. Stuart.
TO THE

Officers of the Army of the Potomac.

New York, June 9th, 1869.

The Executive Committee of the Proposed Society of the Army of the Potomac, presents the following programme for the

Re-union,

To be held in this city on the 5th of July next.

At 9 A.M. A review of the 1st Division National Guard.

At 11 A.M. the general meeting for adoption of Constitution and By-Laws, and Election of Officers, at Steinway Hall.

At 8 P.M., an Oration will be delivered at the Grand Opera House, by General Joshua L. Chamberlin, to be followed by the Banquet, Feasts, Speeches, &c.

Badges admitting the holder to the Grand Stand for the review, and to all meetings of the Society, except the Banquet, will be forwarded on application to the undersigned.

The price of Tickets to the Banquet has been fixed at $8.50, which should be sent to the Secretary of the Joint Committee, when he will forward the necessary tickets.

The Committee not feeling authorized to make any arrangement for the Banquet save for those who give notice of their intention to be present, it is earnestly requested that every Officer receiving this circular will at once notify the Secretary if he propose to participate in the Banquet.

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The following Railroad Companies have agreed to return free tickets to members attending the Re-union:

Erie Railroad.
Penn. Central Railroad.
New Jersey Central Railroad.
New Jersey Railroad & Transportation Co.
Orange & Alexandria Railroad.
Jeffersonville Railroad.
Pittsburg, Cin. & St. Louis Railroad.

The following roads will issue tickets at two-thirds the usual fare:

Camden & Amboy Railroad.
Philadelphia & Trenton Railroad.
The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

will issue tickets from Washington to New York and return, for $10.70, and the

New York & Boston Railroad

will issue tickets from Boston to New York and return, for $7.00, provided fifty tickets are purchased at one time.

It is hoped that every officer receiving this, will join with the Committee in using his best endeavors to make the Re-union a success, and will see that proper steps are taken to give publicity to the proceedings of the Committee.

Further particulars will be found in the Army and Navy Journal of May 22d, 1869.

CHAS. E. PEASE,
Secretary Joint Committee.

69 Liberty Street.
Portland, Me., June 9, 1869.

Genl. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir:

The Fourteenth Annual International Convention of the YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS of the United States and British Provinces, will be held in this city, commencing

Wednesday, July 14th, 1869, and Continue until the 19th.

I am requested, in behalf of the Committee of Arrangements, to extend to you a cordial invitation to be present.

The meeting of welcome will be held in the City Hall on the evening of the 14th. The growing interest in these associations, the earnest efforts put forth by the young men through these organizations to advance the cause of Christ, and the encouraging results which have crowned these efforts, inspire us with renewed interest and activity in this extended portion of our Lord's vineyard.

We trust its interests may be increased by your presence on this occasion. Arrangements for travel are being made, which will enable those who attend, to do so at reduced rates. Awaiting your reply, which we trust will be a favorable one, that we may provide for your reception and entertainment,

I am, yours, very truly,

JAMES E. HASELTINE,
Chairman Executive Committee.

P. O. BOX 1781.
DEAR SIR:

The Honorable Annual International Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of the United States and British Provinces will be held in this city, commencing Wednesday, July 14th, 1897, and continuing until the 16th.

I am requested in behalf of the Committee of Arrangements to extend to you a cordial invitation to be present at the opening exercises of the Convention. The arrangements for the opening exercises will be held in the City Hall, and the Committee of Arrangements has made every provision to make the opening exercises as interesting as possible. The Committee of Arrangements will also make arrangements for the reception of the Convention, and every effort will be made to accommodate the needs of the Convention.

I am sure that you will wish to be present at the opening exercises of the Convention, and I regret that I cannot be present myself to extend you a cordial welcome. I hope that you will find the Convention as satisfactory as possible.

Yours very truly,

JAMES E. HASELTON
Convention President Committee