OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Washington City, 25 June, 1869.

Gen. O.O. Howard,

My dear Sir,

Again I have stormed the fortress to no purpose. I retreated however in good order and without the loss of a single gun. If the article on the Freedmen's Bureau is a failure, it is not the fault of Bond Island.
Washington June 25, 1869.

Gentlemen:

Dear Sir:

We should be pleased to have you attend a meeting of the teachers of our City Public Schools on Saturday morning at 9½ o'clock precisely, at the Miller School Building, on H Street, between 6th and 7th Streets. The occasion will be improved by Way of inaugurating my work as Superintendent. The Mayor will preside.

Yours Respectfully,

Z. Richards.
Rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association,
CORNER OF NINTH AND D STREETS.
Washington, D. C., 1860.

D ear B r. B. Hall,

A d for the last call to buy life, pray for $8. Please inform Mr. Howard in my case. H eavy will tell you how the matter stands. That the true party have my case held over until I am free to work again or if I am this changed to hear my case begin from the expiration of the one. I know you and many that hard service the last cruel help apps that whatever it may be it will be to the good of our souls. One who are left to others.

Yours Truly,

F. B. H."

Entirely if you can

Drennan

Loudon Co.

Pa.

Genl.

Bro. H. remit in as deep affection.

Enclose this receipt.

Yours, Geo. A. Hall.
New Bern, N.C.
June 25th, 1869

Major
Hon. O. O. Howard
Connc. R. F. & A. L.

Sir:

As the immediate representative of the people of this Congressional district, I have been urgently requested to ask you attention to a matter of very great importance to the Colonel and soldiers in this portion of the state, and that is, whether any official bond has been signed by the President designating Agent of your Bureau in this place.

I am informed that large sums of money come into their hands; sometimes it is said
Ashland, May 21, 1863, this occurred much later, and that it is understood by the said Agent has given notice that if this is the case, I hereby order it as a duty to ask that efficient steps may be taken by which the public money goes to the discharged colored soldiers. It may be better for you, and consider this frame entirely convinced that no one will feel a deeper interest than yourself. I will that it be put into an order, is to solicit your attention to the circumstances in Connection with this fact. I will add, that I have informed Charles J. Belding, the present Captain of Freedmen's Bank in this place.
will, in this event he is appointed as Disbursing Agent, give a Bond and sufficient funds to cover an amount of $20,000, $30,000 or $40,000, if required.

This is a matter of decided importance, in my judgement, and I expect it will receive early consideration.

Very Respectfully,

S. Heaton

M. Co.
General: My information from Texas leads me to think that Mr. Welch has failed to accomplish what was hoped in the erection of school-houses. The lot in Houston was secured before my visit there in April. A lot in Galveston has never been paid for by A.M.A.

I am greatly disappointed that nothing has been accomplished where I expected so much.

Please do not refer this letter to your relations with Mr. Welch but if you would write him up a little to complete your hours before the Fall sessions of the school, I think it would perhaps secure that result.

A gentleman residing in Houston writes of Mr. Welch. "He is principally absorbed by his chief business as
"a Preluding Elder. He would doubtless like to see the Freedmen educated but that is not his chief object. It is a difficult matter to work in the interest of both races. The whites are prejudiced against those who work for the blacks. You need much in Texas a class of men who will give themselves wholly to the welfare of the Freedmen and who have confidence in their susceptibility of improvement."

I give the above as a specimen of what I have regarding Mr. Wild. The writer is Mr. James Brink who is an old resident of Texas but an acknowledged friend of the Freedmen.

My best regards

Very Respectfully,

[Signature]
American Missionary Association,

Secretaries:
George Whipple, New York.
Michael E. Strieby.
Chas. H. Howard, Dist. Soc'y, Chicago.

Chicago. 1869.
Vicksburg June 26th /69

S. N. Clark

My dear Brother,

given power of the 2d covering a
Draft for $300. is received. I here with return vouchers
for the same - I have instructed all the teachers to
report traveling expenses to me, as it has been custom-
ary for them to do & make their final settlement
with me. I have advanced funds to most of them
for traveling expenses in part. I shall be able to
settle in full, with all teachers, without further
drafts upon the Treasury, including traveling expenses,
and I hope to do the same with all teachers. I will
be able to send them home, at least.

Telegram this morning informs us that Rev. James Lynch, the
Presiding Elder of M. E. Church, has been appointed Sup.
of Education in M. If true I shall deeply regret it.
Mr. Lynch is a colored Man of some Education, but much
thinner than any thing to do with the Management of schools.
He is a fluent Speaker, & has an immense amount of
Self control. In all his Movements he is 1st & altogether
for James Lynch, 2d for M. E. Church & do for as he
can will run every thing in that channel. He
lives in Jackson, & on the night after the Murder of Col. Crane, was arrested & put in the Stock for disorderly conduct. (Said to have been drunk) and I hear from Bro. Harris, Gen. Inspector of Swimming Banks, that it is a new thing with him. I fear if the change has been made, it will throw us back again about the Tangaloo business—war that is not yet completed—I think some misrepresentations have been made to gent. Howard, in regard to Capt. Pease which have induced him to relieve him. The rumor about Capt. Pease being appointed Mayor, was unfounded.

Yours Truly,

J. G. Cardwell

Agt. A. M. R.
Majr Genl, Allan O. Howard

Dear Sir,

In May 1865 there was in Washington a grand review of the U.S. Army, occupying two days. I am exceedingly anxious to obtain a copy of the order issued at that time directing the route and order of the procession. I do not know where to obtain them. I thought through your facilities of the War Department you might be able to obtain them without much trouble. If so it will save me much time. I would like to make a trip with you and be in New York a week.

Hoping you will pardon the liberty, I take in making the request. I am

Yrs Very Truly

Wm. D. Porter

Of George Nolley.
Nixburg, June 26th, 1869

Mr. G. O. Howard

Dear Sir: I have been somewhat surprised to learn by the telegraph that you had appointed Mr. James Lynch, a son of Edenton, for this state; as we are sorry to see your appointment made. We have been informed that on the 7th of June he was found under influence of liquor and this greatly distressed us. We hope you will not impose such men on us, and we hope to see you will consult our feelings to that end. We urge you to give us some one else.

Captn. Please have our home in full as soon as possible.

We are, gentlemen, your obedient servants,

[Signature]

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Army of the Potomac Re-union.

New York, June 26th, 1869.

May Gne O.O. Howard
Washington D.C.

Sir:

You are respectfully invited to attend the Re-union of the
ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, in this city, on the 5th
of July next.

On behalf of the Association:

RUFUS INGALLS, Brevet Maj-General, U. S. A., Chairman.
W. B. FRANKLIN, Brevet Maj-General, U. S. A.
DANIEL BUTTERFIELD, Brevet Maj-General, U. S. A.
WM. McCANDLESS, Brevet Brigadier-General.
A. SHALER, Brevet Maj-General.
GEORGE J. STANNARD, Brevet Brigadier-General.
W. B. TIBBETTS, Brevet Maj-General.
G. S. HAWES, Brevet Major.

F. T. LOCKE, Brevet Brigadier-General.
Secretary.

1290 Broadway.

An answer is requested.
Philada.  
June 26, 1869

Dear Howard,

My dear brother,

I think that you pursued a wise course with respect to the matter that was the subject of your note. And what answer shall I return? I want it to be the right one, and am forced to say that I do not think it would be my duty to accept a call from the Cn. in Washington. It seemed to me a few weeks ago that the prospects of the Centh Cn. here would by this time be definitely settled, but that is not the case, and the way is not yet open for one to go anywhere away.
from Phil. But if it were, I think I should shirk from it— for various reasons that I could talk with you about more satisfactorily than I can write of them. Please excuse the seeming abruptness of this reply, for it is not a careless one.

Shall I see you at Gettysburg next week? I hope to be there several days.

With kind regards to Mrs. Howard and the children.

Very truly yours,
Edward Hawes
June 26, 1869.

My dear Sir,

I come to you an apology on not returning to town of the 25th inst., but it reached me in Boston. As I see your minute of closing on the 26th, I rite yet to the reason of not being able to see and hear for myself. I know how heavily I am from you, and that I am always to be a most grateful friend.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

[Addressee's Name]
Sir,

We celebrate the tenth anniversary of our Seminary this summer and consider this a fitting occasion to call together our scattered graduates and our friends, and we cordially invite you to meet with us.

The examination will commence on the morning of Tuesday, July 6th. Wednesday, especially the afternoon, will be devoted to the exercises of Commemoration, at which we particularly desire your presence.

The regular exercises of our Anniversary will take place on Thursday, July 8th.

Yours truly,

Mary A. Evans

Lake Erie Seminary

Cincinnati, O.

June 26, 1869.
Brunswick, June 26, 69

Gen. O.O. Howard,

My dear Sir,

We will at Commencement to make a vigorous effort at the Alumni meeting Tuesday July 13, to start an effort to raise an Alumni fund for the purpose of finishing the Memorial Hall & getting possibly a surplus of funds for Col. It gives me great pleasure to know that you are to be present. We shall wish to hear from you at the Alumni meeting & I think you may aid us if you
course if you remark, you say something to encourage this effort. The walls are now going up, but work was not enough yet to finish.

I hope we may hear from you also at Commencement dinner.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel Harris.