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Washington D.C.

Jan 29th 1870

Sir

at a meeting of gentlemen favorable
to the development of wool growing and
mining interests of west virginia held
at the Genness house next to national
theatre on the evening of the 26th inst
it was resolved to hold an adjourned
meeting at the same place on next Tuesday
1st Feby at 8 P.M.

You are severally and respectfully
invited to attend on this occasion several
distinguished gentlemen will address
the meeting

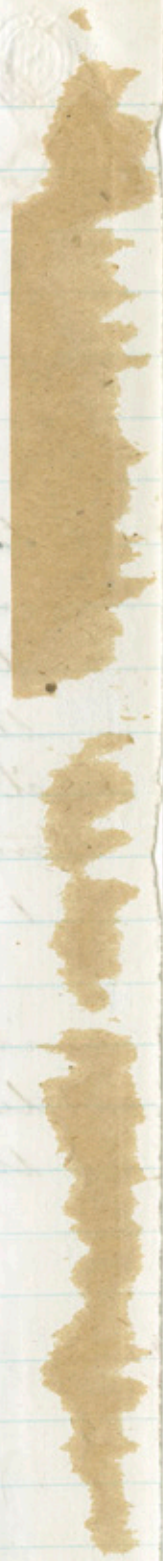
Wm. C. Cox

Chas. W. Proctor

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Navy Department.



Washington, Jan'y 29th 1876

My dear General:

We so

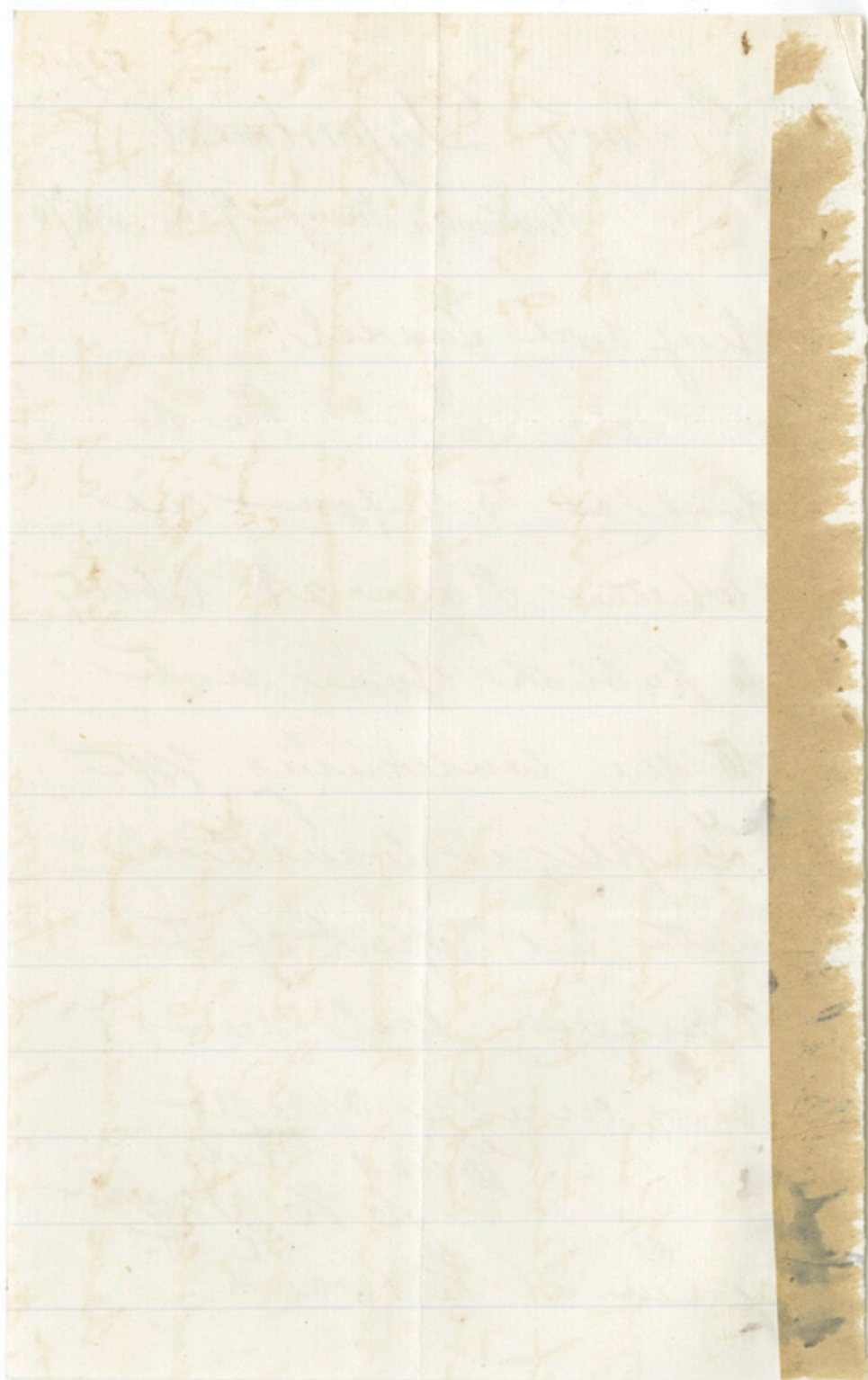
glad as to inform me
whether I am at liberty
to publish your note
to me concerning Mr
Lumpkin, in connection
with his report of the
Panama coal mines; &

Very much able

Yours truly,

C. H. Davis +
H. A.

Maj. Gen. A. C. Howard -



Normal and Industrial school
under the direction of General
Armstrong. What we want
is a brief statement of the
organization and extent of
such institutions Number
of pupils, course of study
and an indication of what
further development and
^{expansion}
~~additions~~ are needed to bring
the system up to the spirit
of the age. Whatever you can
prepare should be done as
early as possible as the Printer
is rapidly finishing up the
Reports. Yours most truly
H. D. Pratt

Department of State
Washington. 29 Jan 1870

My dear General

I can hardly
expect you to identify me
from a casual introduction
by my Uncle M^r S. V. Miles
of this City, but I know
you as the Country knows
you appreciatively and
gratefully - for your devotion
to its service and to the
great reform movement
of the age; and I believe
Major Genl
O. C. Howard

you are better qualified and disposed to give me certain information which I desire than any one else.

Among the Paris Exposition Reports is one on Educational institutions; and it is defective in containing nothing concerning the educational establishments for the freedmen and the colored population generally. Professor Blake who is editing the Reports for this Department would regard it as a great addition

to the instructions and value of this Report in the public estimation if you could supply him with information as to the names and localities of all such institutions - from the university which you have so successfully founded in our midst down to the simplest primary schools. My estimable uncle, General Marshall late Paymaster General of Mass has interested me in the



Mystic River, Conn. Jan'y 30. 1870
Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard.

Sir,

I write at the desire of
friends to learn the date and place
of death & place of burial, of

Orrin D. Barker, private, Co. C.
21st Conn. wounded at Drury's Bluff.
May 16. '64. & taken prisoner.

Lyman Green, private, Co. E.
21st Conn. Killed in same battle.

Cyrus J. Pease, private, Co. C.
21st Conn. Killed in same battle.

Elias W. Watrous, private, Co. G.
8th Conn. wounded in same battle, and
taken prisoner.

If I have not addressed my inquiries
to the right quarter, I beg pardon, and
hope you will be kind enough to forward

my letter.

Yours with great respect

Wm. H. Randall

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Clinton, Aug 31 1870.

Major Genl C. O. Howard:
Dear Sir

I am pleased
to receive through your kindness, a copy
No 10 "New Era". With its appearance &
contents I am much pleased. I will do
all I can to add to the No of its paying Subs
in Dixie, and may occasionally contribute
to its columns.

I think there should be at
the National Capital, a leading paper,
emanating from a large Central Printing
establishment, in which books, pamphlets
&c required by the colored race shall
be printed, and where the rising race
of F.M. may be taught the art of printing
To you a military, the conception of the idea
of such an establishment owes its origin
I trust under your guidance it will
attain to great success.
Yours truly,
Genl Howard, allow me

have to say that I have no confidence
in the usefulness of the great body of
colored preachers in the South. They are not
only wanting in mental cultivation, but,
also in moral. They are especially deficient
in the item of charity. By their conduct,
the females of the church are to
an alarming extent, debauched. What,
then, can be expected of daughters
trained by such mothers? If a
pure, (charitable) ministry can not be
found some where, supplied the colored
race the day of their moral &
spiritual elevation is yet far off.

What can a school teacher do to raise
the elevation of daughters whose mothers
are whores? As is the mother so is the
daughter is as applicable to the
Free people as to the rest of mankind.

Allow me to suggest
that you have printed some where -

say at the office of the "New Era" - a
series of short pointed plain language
tracts, not to exceed four or five each
of, especially adapted to usefulness among
Free men. It would be desirable they
should be written by a party understanding
their character and in full sympathy
with their wants, and requirements.
No such tracts have yet been published.
All who have any thing to do in evan-
gelistic labor, among the colored race
feel and speak of the importance
of such tracts as I have endeavored
to indicate. Will you use the subject in
conjunction?

I am glad Bro W. Wells
has retired from Texas. I am sure as one
whom any disinterested sympathy with the
colored race - hope he may for me
not be a northern Methodist who are
exceedingly unpopular in Texas - almost the
whole of them connecting some ^{political} office
with their ministry. Yours faithfully
James Burke



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1325 F. St

Jan 31, 1870

My dear Sir,

Will you allow
me to introduce Dr. Simpson,
an intelligent & reliable gentleman
from Pennsylvania,
who desires a conference with
you in regard to an enterprise
in which he is pecuniarily inter-
ested, and which, I think, all
concerned truly to your good
sense & judgment. I am also
largely interested in the matter,
or are other of



an citizen. The Doctor
will explain fully the whole
subject, & I trust may be able
to secure your valuable voice
& cooperation.

With great respect,
Yours,

Chas C. Cook

Gen. Howard.

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Baltimore
31, Jan'y. '70

Dear General -

The S. S. Anniversary of our
Congl Ch. occurs on Sunday Evening
Feb'y 13th - our next per next
Sunday - Our people have heard
you on similar occasions before
and the desire is earnest and
unanimous to hear you again
at that time -

We feel diffident in making
such demand upon your time
& strength but still beg you to
consider the matter favorably -
the more especially as our
isolated position here renders
it more difficult for us to secure
the assistance needed at such times

Please give us an early answer
Yours faithfully
Mr. O. O. Howard } + oblige
Washington D. C. } Martin Hawley
Sup.

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Washington D. C.

Jan. 31 1870

Dear Mrs Abbott

Your letter was
at hand some time since, but as
they had written that you proposed
to write us, Mrs Brown & myself
thought we had better wait till
he answered a letter she wrote
him in reply. Certainly he must
obey the rules of your house. He
has always had considerable latitude
at home as to hours, yet it is
far better not to sit up late, unless
study shall require. We hope I can
but believe that he will be kind
& gentlemanly to you & cooperate
with the good ones of his companions

to give your household as little
annoyance as possible. May God
help him to be true & dutiful
during his separation from his
home

With thanks for the
interest you express. I remain
Very truly yours.
O. O. Howard