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Pennsylvania Freedmen's Relief Association,

No. 711 Sansom Street,

Philadelphia, April 18<sup>th</sup> 1870



My dear General.

I send you the enclosed clip from the "Bulletin" of this evening. Mr Wells may have sent you a copy of the paper.

I saw the "Evening Telegraph" people today, and had some talk with them about your case and about their Washington dispatches.

I should be glad to have any facts that may come to light on this subject. We all feel so sure you must come out all right, that we want the public to know it.

I remain

Very truly Yours

Robt. R. Corson.

Tennyson's Poems, 1842

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Committee on Education and Labor,  
United States Senate Chamber.

Washington, April 18, 1870.

Maj. General O. O. Howard,

Com<sup>r</sup> Bureau of R. F. + A. S.

Washington, D. C.

General.

I am directed  
by the Chairman of this Committee to request  
you to be present at a special meeting of the  
Committee to be held on Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> inst.  
at 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> o'clock A. M. to give them information  
in regard to the present condition of the funds  
of the Freedmen's Bureau, with reference to  
an appropriation of a portion thereof for the  
benefit of Wilberforce University.

I am,

Your obed<sup>t</sup> serv<sup>t</sup>,

James L. Audean,  
Clerk.

Committee on Education and Labor  
United States Senate

Washington April 18, 1950

General  
Mr. [Name]  
Washington, D.C.

I am directed  
to the Chairman of the Committee to request  
to be present at a special meeting of the  
Committee to be held on Wednesday the 26th  
at 11 o'clock A.M. to give their information  
regarding the present condition of the funds  
of the [Name] and to advise as to  
the [Name] of a [Name] for the  
[Name] of the [Name].

Very truly yours,  
[Name]

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Harrington Apr. 18. 1870

Dear Brother

Our Church  
acted on the letter written  
last evening & I enclose the  
result. I fear that neither  
Pastor or delegate will be  
able to attend, but after  
the appointment and a  
brief statement of the  
trying circumstances in which  
you were placed. Bro  
Goddard led us a fervent  
prayer for you in which  
we all heartily joined.

May it be answered  
with abundant blessings.

Yr loving brother  
R. B. Howard



601 N. St. April 19<sup>th</sup> 1841

Tuesday P. M.

Gen. O. C. Howard

Dear Sir

As we now have possession  
of the Judiciary Square build-  
ings - I would like very  
much your views respecting  
the change contemplated of  
our "Refuge House."

With a full appreciation of the  
very great kindness, and generos-  
ity shewed toward me, in this  
Branch of our labor - I do not  
feel willing to impose upon  
the good nature of the Trustees,  
nor do I feel inclined to take  
any action, without the appro-  
bation of yourself, and friends  
composing the Board. Will  
you therefore give me the benefit

of your opinions in this matter?

We have arranged in our buildings, to make the Home "entirely" separate from the "Industrial" branch of labor. That we have no difficulty on that score.

The Mother is quite anxious to make a move immediately in consequence of the discomforts to which she is subjected in the present Home. And we await a reply from you -

With kind regards to Mrs Howard, and much sympathy for yourself in your new persecutions -

Very truly & friend  
Mrs H. Stebbins  
West H. C. A.



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American National Bank,

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Hartford, 19 Apr 1870

Dear General

Your note of 19 Ult  
was duly rec<sup>d</sup>. and my response  
has not been postponed on account of  
any indifference of my own or the  
Sunday School to the scholarship.

We were just then about raising  
\$150 to support a colporteur in Oporto  
Portugal and it would be our choice  
to defer the installment which  
we desire to give for Stewart until  
a little later in the season - to  
about a year from the time that  
we contributed the first.

Shall you not be here by  
and by and could we not have  
the Sunday School concert with

You? We would then raise  
the am<sup>t</sup> at once out of the house.

If you do not expect to be  
here this season we will take  
a favorable opportunity at no  
distant day and the funds  
shall be forthcoming -

We are highly pleased  
with Stewart's letter -

I shall hope to hear from you  
and to hear that we may see  
you in town before long.

Very truly,

Robert Smith

Geo. D. Howard



FISK UNIVERSITY,

O. F. - 111. 1. 1870

Nashville, Tenn., Apr. 19<sup>th</sup> 1870.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard

Our very dear Brother,  
and best friend - I hope you will not  
regard this fulsome or pretentious - for I  
feel every word of it - and more than I  
can express - not merely for your telegram  
from Phila. which was duly recd, and  
transmitted thro. Mr. Cuvath, Gen, to E. P  
Smith N. Y. who holds the Bond, and  
who I presume will draw on you as you request; but  
for your noble bearing and Christian for-  
titude under the most staudous and mo-  
volking and uncalled for attacks from a  
wicked press, and a more wicked pack of  
hungry political hucks - who hate you for  
the same reason that Lucifer hated Micha-  
el the Archangel - Their own souls are spotted  
and smeared with slime and filth, and  
they wish to make yours look like theirs.  
I trust however you dont regard these

malicious attacks, and that you  
may not be hindered in your  
noble projects for the good of the  
people and all the people, by the  
malicious attacks of your political  
enemies.

Excuse this indignation  
for I feel that any thing that affects  
your works, affects me and mine.  
I take this occasion, in behalf  
of the teachers and trustees of this  
stitution to thank you for this timely  
aid you proffer in cashing the  
Bond you so generously donated  
us, while I was with you last  
summer - Hoping and praying  
you may live long enough to  
see all your enemies converted.  
I have the honor to be

Most truly Yours  
John W. Alden

# Military Post Library Association,

335 Broadway, New York.



Organized in the interest of the United States Army— aids officers and chaplains in caring for the moral, intellectual and religious wants of the troops by assisting in the opening of reading-rooms, and the establishment of libraries. Sends supplies of secular and christian reading to all military posts.

Since the breaking up of the "U. S. Christian Commission" in 1865, the soldiers of the regular army— comprising many thousands of active and intelligent men— have been quite destitute of moral and religious care; yet the army of to-day stands in exactly the same need of intellectual and moral pabulum, as did the members of our volunteer forces in 1861.

It will be admitted, by every thinking mind, that nothing can be more important, or more absolutely necessary at each station where any considerable number of men are congregated, than some means of employing, profitably, the vacant hours of the soldiers; to occupy, or even to amuse the great multitude, may well be regarded by the philanthropist, the statesmen, and the moralist as of transcendent importance. All history teaches this lesson. A library and reading-room is, therefore, a powerful means of preserving order and morality, and keeping the men from contracting ruinous habits, not to speak of the weary hours beguiled and softened by such means.

A majority of the posts of the army are altogether remote from the advantages usual to civil life, and present strong claims upon the sympathy and practical benevolence of the country. The duty of contributing to the comfort and entertainment of those upholding our flag on the desolate and destitute frontier is self-evident. Those, therefore, who have any interest in the discipline and intelligence of our army can in no way more signally accomplish their aim, than by lending their influence and means to this Association.

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Gen. O. O. Howard, U. S. Army:

Sir:—

Such has been the very great interest manifested in the cause by leading officers of the Army, and by our Citizens, here, that, at the close of the adjourned Annual Meeting, recently held, it was unanimously resolved to go into a more National organization, and one more commensurate with

the worth and importance of the  
objects aimed at. A Committee  
consisting of Messrs. R. Hoe, J. C. Hoe,  
and John B. Ketchum, of the  
Soc'y, was immediately appointed  
to nominate suitable persons  
for Officers, Executive Committee,  
&c. The Committee, after  
due conference, nominated the  
enclosed Schedule of Nominations  
for an improved general organiza-  
tion. We feel great encour-  
agement, in that nearly all  
of these nominated have been  
addressed, and accepted - cor-  
dially approving of the whole plan.

It now remains for me  
to invite your sympathy and  
co-operation, in like manner,  
and we very much hope, for  
the welfare of the subscribers at  
this juncture, that it may be

accorded. I have the honor  
to ask you to become one of  
the Vice Presidents of the Asso-  
ciation? Please address,  
Dear Sir, at your early conve-  
nience,

Very Respectfully,  
Yours Obt. Servt.

John B. Ketchum,  
Cor. Secy, &  
Secy. Comtee, &c.

N.Y. City, Sept. 19/70.

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TERMS: \$3 a year in advance.

OFFICE OF **The Evangelist,**  
 5 BEEKMAN STREET, NEW YORK.

April 20<sup>th</sup> 1870.

Dear Sir,

I send you half a dozen  
 copies of our paper  
 containing a letter of  
 my friend Rev. S. Howard  
 on the Colored People in  
 Washington and the Howard  
 University.

With the greatest respect  
 for your character & services,  
 I am most truly yours,  
Henry M. Field.

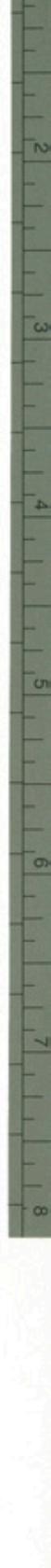
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Private.

United States Senate Chamber.



Washington, April 20 1870.

Dear Sir,

I see that certain colored persons have petitioned to "lease for a term of 10 years portions of the Arlington Estate," - i. e. the Arlington Farm (which you & I talked of for the "Institute".

I have stated privately to Sen. Wilson, Chairman of the Mil. Com. to whom it was referred, that I would communicate with you; that it would be far better for us to provide for their class of persons residing there, & for a life term instead of 10 years; and also not have it go to the County Publicly that Congress is giving the Arlington Farm for the residence of colored persons, &c. It would be to the interest of

the Institute, if the Land are  
to be given to it for Educational pur-  
poses & to rent, lease, or sell portions  
of, for that purpose, to have just  
as many good persons remain  
as possible. I think that when  
both yourself & Senator Wilson  
and also Sen. Sumner consider  
this matter, you will see  
that our plan is best.

I am, dear Sir,  
Very truly

Respectfully,  
R. B. Waterhouse,  
Chairman Coöperating Com.  
Nat. Theo. Inst. &  
Agency.

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# XV AMENDMENT CELEBRATION.

WILMINGTON, N. C.,

April 20th, 1870.

Mr. *St. May, Gen. Co. Honor*

SIR:---The undersigned, a Finance Committee, appointed to raise the necessary funds to defray the expenses of a celebration in honor of the XV Amendment, May 2d, 1870, have the honor to solicit a subscription, such as you may feel disposed to give.

Mr. *Geo M Arnold* who has been appointed as solicitor, will call upon you on or about the 23d of the present month, and you will much oblige us and assist the cause by being as liberal as possible.

Yours Respectfully,

*Geo. F. French*  
*D. M. Eagles*

Committee.

Apr. 20. 1870

XV AMENDMENT CELEBRATION

WILMINGTON, N. C.

April 20th, 1870.

SIR:—The undersigned, a Finance Committee, appointed to raise the necessary funds to defray the expenses of a celebration in honor of the T. Amendment, May 2d, 1870, have the honor to solicit a subscription, such as you may feel disposed to

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Ans. by Slade  
Apr. 22<sup>nd</sup> 1870  
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Committee.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,  
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT EDUCATION,

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

Raleigh, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1870.

Rev. Braxton Hunt  
Kittrells C.C.

Sir:-

Your note of 19<sup>th</sup> inst. has been rec<sup>d</sup>. There is about seventy dollars (\$70.) which can be appropriated for the completion of your school-house, but, I cannot advance this money until I am assured the work is done. This letter will ~~be~~ give you sufficient credit for the amount. I will pay \$70. when the work is done.

D. C. Vogels,  
Supt. of Education  
State of N.C.

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Albion, N. D.  
April 20th 1872

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Ans. by Capt. N.  
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LEGATION  
DES  
AFFAIRES  
ÉTRANGÈRES

Washington, April the 20th 1870.

My dear General,

The bearer of the present is Antony  
Zeroudakis, about whom I had the pleasure  
of entertaining you the day before yesterday.  
He is an intelligent young man, and I  
hope you will find him in every way  
worthy of the interest, that your great  
heart, & your inexhaustible politeness  
may lead you to take in him.

Believe me, my dear General,  
ever gratefully,

Very respectfully yours,  
Alexandre Dumas

General Howard.

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LEGATION  
DE  
GRECE

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# XV AMENDMENT CELEBRATION.

WILMINGTON, N. C.,

*April 20th, 1870.*

*Wm. Geo. O. Howard*

*A cordial invitation is hereby extended to you to participate in a Celebration to take place in this City, May 2d, 1870, in honor of the 15th Amendment.*

*Will you please acknowledge receipt of this communication, and oblige,*

*Your Ob't. Servant,*

JNO. S. W. EAGLES,  
*Chairman.*



XV AMENDMENT CELEBRATION

WILMINGTON, N. D.

April 20th, 1870.

*My Dear Mr. ...*

*Of course ... is hereby extended to ...  
to participate in a Celebration to take place in this City ...  
May 24, 1870, in honor of the 15th Amendment.  
Will you please acknowledge receipt of this communication ...*

*Yours truly,*

JNO S W EAGLES  
Chairman



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Baltimore April 21. 1870.  
May. Gen. O. O. Howard!

My dear General!

You will recollect that on the evening when you delivered your lecture at the Congregational Church in this city on "Christian Life in the Army" I spoke of a book entitled "The Peninsular Campaign in Virginia", by Rev. Jas. S. Marks, D. D. Chaplain of the 63d. Pennsylvania Regiment, as a book full of interesting incidents connected with army life during that eventful period, and containing many most remarkable instances of Christian devotion amongst the rank and file in hospital life. You will also recollect that I promised to endeavor to procure a copy and present it to you. Since that time I have accordingly made two efforts to get the book in

Philadelphia from Lippincott & Co., the  
publishers, but without success.

It is a book of 400 pages and is bound  
in a style especially appropriate to the  
work with a national design. I could  
have got a copy in sheets, with a fly leaf  
cover, which did not accord with my  
views as in a suitable style for presen-  
-tation therefore I did not get it, they  
refusing to bind up one copy alone.

Regretting this disappointment, my  
dear General,

I remain your most truly

W. W. Carter

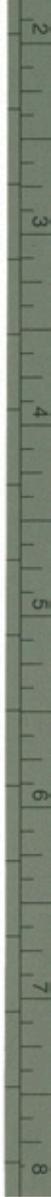
No. 214 Hoffman St.



Poor Hackett, so prominent amongst our colored people <sup>77</sup> for many years past, and whom you saw for the last time at your lecture, died this morning, after an illness of only a few days, growing out of depression and grief, (it is said by the colored people, occasioned by his being so badly defeated at the meeting on last Friday evening held by the colored people for celebrating making arrangements for celebrating the proclamation of the adoption of the 15th Amendment, and at which meeting Hackett made a speech). There were five candidates for the Chief Magistracy. Hackett was the fourth and received but 18 votes whilst Saunders got 309.

I had known poor Hackett for many years, and he had done good service for the colored people.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington City, April 21, 1876

Genl Howard.

Dr. Sir:

Will you add  
to my obligations by  
giving me a personal  
note to A. A. Fargent  
M. C. from Cal.

Mr. Fargent  
is the member from  
my father's District,  
and has already,  
without knowing any-  
thing of me, been  
very kind

I ask this

from you so that  
he may have the  
assurance from  
a source that can-  
not be doubted  
that I am a little  
worthy of his con-  
sideration.

With gratitude  
for your much  
kindness in the past  
I am with high  
esteem

Very respectfully  
G. A. Anderson.  
830 12<sup>th</sup> St.

P.S.

Baltimore April 21. 1870

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Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard.



Freedmen's Bureau

Washington

Dc

My dear Sir

The Association for the moral and educational improvement of the colored people of Maryland have learned with sorrow and indignation of the charges brought against you in the administration of the Freedmen's Bureau. Many of our members know you personally - all of them by the reputation you have won in leading the armies of our country to victory on many a battle field. They rejoiced to see you appointed chief of the Freedmen's Bureau, for in the purity of your life and uprightness of your character there was the best security that the delicate

and often times embarrassing  
duties of the office would be  
discharged with tact, fidelity,  
and skill; and their expectations  
have not been disappointed in  
anything done by you within  
the field of their labors.

The Executive Committee of the  
Association at the last meeting  
requested me to express to you their  
sympathy and good will, and the  
confidence felt by them that your  
character would be vindicated, and  
come ~~out~~ brighter out of the ordeal  
by reason of the attacks made upon you  
by your enemies. I tender you on  
their behalf our services if they  
can assist you in any way.

Very truly

Your friend

W. J. Albert.

"President"

Apr. 18. 21. 1870

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Langesties, N.Y. April 21, 1870.  
Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard:

Dear Sir: I seize the occasion to send you a couple of newspapers which you probably do not see, with mention of your name.

During the year which has elapsed since I saw you I have removed from Tarrytown to this place. Your friends there are well, however. I am in constant communication with them.

I shall not forget your kindness to me when in Washington.

I beg pardon for occupying your time, but could not resist the inclination to assure you of the increasing confidence and sympathy of all good men in your work for the Master.

Respectfully Yours,

John B. Thompson.

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My dear Mr. Brewster:

I have been thinking of writing you a couple of lines for some time, but have not had time to do so. I have been very busy with my work.

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