HAMPSON NORMAL AND AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTE.

Hampton, Va., June 11, 1870

Mr. Geo. G. Howard,

Dear Sir:

An informal meeting of the Board of Trustees of this Institute, there being no quorum present— it was decided that the interests of the Institute require a meeting of Trustees at the twelfth day of next October at this place and the undersigned was requested to inform the Trustees of the appointment.

At that time it was expected to dedicate the new building which owes its existence to your liberality.

Yours respectfully,

S. C. Armstrong

Principal.
Hampton, Va., June 11, 1870

[Handwritten text]

Will you be so kind as to sign this enclosed paper and transmit it to Senator John J. Lewis U.S. Senate with request that he sign it and send it Gen. J. A. Garfield of the House of Representaives and ask him to return it with his signature.

If you get this I wish you once more the kindness to secure his signature. And gratefully,

[Handwritten signature]
Harrisburg, June 11st, 1870

Dear Mr. Howard,

Will you have the goodness to furnish me a copy of your report of the Battle of Chancellorsville?

Very truly yours,

Samuel P. Bates
St. Hist.
At Your Home
Saturday morning
June 11, 1870

My dear friend as I go I bid You farewell—and so I feel well assured you will.

When I came just two months ago I commended to you the 37th Psalm. As I go now I recur to it. I thought I had felt its full excellence, perceived as I followed its verses its full meaning. But this morning I see and feel more than I ever did before. The beautiful verse which the polish had revealed, do cover under new attention more surprising beauty.
The dark cloud whose aspect was terrible was approaching us, while we waited. It rose and covered the sky. Its blast bent the trees and the air was thick with dust. We stood still.

Then dashed the rain and poured the torrents, while we trod one way with as much steadiness as we could command — with as much strength as was given us.

The storm as threat its fury, it is not all cleared away, but the sun light appears in the west and a bow of promise even against it in the very cloud that threatened destruction so lately.

"When my spirit was overwhelmed within me — then thou knewest my path!"

Farewell. May blessing rest upon you and yours.

Your wife and children.

And if you go hence before them they may yet go over the rough places left the mark of this storm, and feel as they go that altho' your circum.

meant it for evil — God meant it for good —

"You find all the better."

Agasethum

May 9th, C. O. Howa.
June 12, 78

San Francisco

Dear Brother,

Cousin Addison says he has written you to show me that he has been all about our journeys in this state. He has been very kind and attentive to both Cousin and I. I would like to be in all my cousins, when they visit Chicago. I am writing at her desk yesterday met the Cong. minister. Had my mother's illness before them. They (major) approved the Judge. He began with more show of emotion for the speeches and for the office. My plan is to leave.

Addison hopes you will command this depot. It would certainly be pleasant if you came some present place. San Francisco is a center of great influence. The climate here is cool and healthy, thick flannel under clothing necessary.

I left Thursday morning. Stepping in Sacramento again. At Colfax—going out through to Cross Valley (Para. district) returning at 7 to start Eastern for 5 o'clock, to reach Chicago (R.P.) on Saturday night. Please visit me there.

Love blessing to all the dear children.

Nannie and Nellie wonderful.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard.

P.T. Howland will be our neighbor.

Kitty is once again 5 days from the Party.
good department for this.

Miss (possibly to your president)
who will stir up every Cong.
church when there are chances
to organize Sunday School of
least, then in other places
appoint Missions. The
or two in a place to do
the same. Conduct all
night schools. It
students have a man
who can preach and ad-
s, local help, for that
region. The Cong. Church
cannot be brought up to
its duty at once — The
feeling is much like
that toward negroes in
the South. In some church,
they say they will accept
heritage if a church
is started. In other places
they fear that Churches will

cannot see where the
leaders are coming from.
There is no much of any
prejudice and yet
that it is clearly evident
an outside independent
organization like A.M.A.
is indispensable. So
the ministers agreed.
We cannot hear what
has been the result of the
in Committee except a
line of two saying the report
clearing you from all blame

must found you fit for the
Penetration — Please write

Addendum that he may have
the facts published in the
Coast. It is a fine coun-
try. You would enjoy being
here & entering into the local
amount of exciting work.
Hampton, Pa., June 13th, 1870

Dear Sir,

Will you please accept a small model sized steamboat made by one of the pupils of this Institute. It has been sent by express and will I hope reach you in good order.

Yours respectfully,

S. C. Armstrong
O. D. Howard, Esq.,

Dear Brother:

SPECIAL

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Managers will be held Monday Evening, the 25th, at 7:00 o'clock, in the Association Rooms.

Respectfully,

S. J. Barrows

Recording Secretary.
Dear Brother:

I am writing to inform you about a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Association for next week. The meeting will be held on [date] at 7:30 am. Please be punctual as there is an important matter to be discussed.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

[Name]
Wash June 13th 170,

O.O. Howard

Dear General,

Failing to see you at the University on Sat. and knowing how you are pressed for time — may I ask in short — if you can let my note due next month lay for a while — if I pay the interest due at that time?

My petition to the Council for compensation for services to the city’s poor was in the hands of Mr. Emory and never produced from his hands — although he spoke to me earnestly in regard to it.

My lands in Trinity is in the hands of an Agent to sell.
not yet sold. There is a product however of it all. Mr. Williams Florida to whom I loaned $15, Indianer writes me now, that he has bought 120 acres for it, has 30 acres in Cotton, and 25 in corn, looking well at present and that he shall be able if nothing destroys his crops to pay me this fall.

If you can let the note lay it will be an impossible favor to my children. Most sincerely, faithfully,
Your Oct. 1st.

Jonathan S. Griffing
Port Huron, Michigan,
14th June 1870

Gen. O.O. Howard, U.S.A.
Washington.

Personal

Respected Sir:

Please pardon my presumption in acting, what I shall as a soldier most highly prize, a personal favor, that, of your endorsement of my career in the Bureau while on duty in Kentucky, from February 1861 to April 1869, when relieved at my own request to join my regiment for consolidation with 14th Infantry. You may recall having given my name in Gen. Rubbinly's Ellys' or Hunkler's Reports; it is further endorsed by a copy of a letter kindly offered me by Col. Hunkler.
A sign from you, will fill a page in my personal record, which I have oftentimes sought for.

With highest consideration,

Your loving friend,

[Signature]

Capt. D. Lind & Staff

late 43rd Staff, 11 Dec, 93. Thinking as far over than you, in the RF's.
Lieutenant P. F. A. S.

Louisville, Ky., March 17th, 1870.

Br. Capt. A. Sessions Brown, U. S. T.

Captains:

I take pleasure in certifying to the energy, efficiency and faithfulness with which you discharged your duties while in the service of the Pursue in this state.

The duty which you were called upon to perform was important and arduous and often attended with danger, yet you discharged it with credit to yourself and to the advantage of both the crewmen and the Government.

Trusting that you will meet with success wherever you may go,

I remain truly yours,

[Signature]

Capt. A. Sessions Brown

St. Col. U. S. T.

New York, November 1870

June 14th

Dear Howard,

My business called me from Chicago East some weeks, since which I have made it in my way the best day at the opening of the State Sabbath School Convention. I feel the need of such spiritual help amid the midst of business. But after all the most precious spot on earth is in the closet with Christ.

Preserve with me that the only kind of close communion with God the Holy Spirit. These things I say.
Much of what I have to say on account of what I have from the first believe that the Red persuasion harbor against you. And I have been looking hoping to believing that in the end you would be fully vindicated. And I was glad to see in today's paper the Enchanted Ship which I cut from a Philadelphia paper.

But for your further instructions to my corni, I would refer you to the best in the maritime society.

Last week as recorded by Matthew Butter,
Washington, June 14, 1870

Annual

The regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Columbia Hospital and Dispensary for Women, will convene at the Hospital Building, on Thursday, the 16th day of June at 7 1/2 O’clock P.M.

A full attendance is desired.

Respectfully,

J.H. Coombs
Secretary.

If unable to attend in person, please send a Substitute.
Dear Sir:

I endeavored to have our Board of Trustees at their last meeting a proposition to sell the Union H. Library a set of Harper's Magazine, 20 vols (2 of which are unbound) at the lowest market price. The Harper ask $2.49. I think, but this set could be sold at $1.00 or even $0.80. I hope that the provenance would be given. The set is in good order.

There is also a set of Albert's History of...
books. And would ask you to lay the matter before the Trustees at any early day.

I suppose that Mr. Necholl would have been brought up at your last meeting. I wrote him about the matter two weeks ago.

Yours truly,

Maj. Sam Howard
Nashville, Tenn.

E. Beard

[Handwritten text on the back of the paper, partially visible, possibly discussing military or historical matters.]
Private.

Treasury Department,

Third Auditor's Office,

June 11th, 1870.

Gen'l O. O. Howard
President of the Howard University
Near Brother.

I presume you have been
informed of the fact that in "W. Post I was
requested by two members of the Board of Trustees
(without any official authority) to send to the Board
my resignation to act as a suspension until the
charges made against me in the National Republic
could be investigated by the Church and
other Associations. In good faith I at once sent
in my resignation, the acceptance of which I expected
to be dependent upon the action of the Church.
I was informed by Brother Anderson shortly afterward
that the Board had reviewed my papers but did not
take final action on it at the time but resolved
to await the action of the Church, which was
just what I desired. The Church took a long time to
investigate the matter and finally made a report.

(cover)
though the Standing Committee, in which they
acted, they found no grounds on which any change
could be made. The Church received and adopted
the report and removed the suspension and restored
me to the Communion of the same. I thought then
it was proper to send to the board my request to
withdraw my formal resignation and act again
with the board. In this course I was advised by
some of the members of the board. When it came
before the board, it was at once claimed by the
very member of the board who understood well
the reason of my formal resignation, that it was
unconditional and not in any way dependent on the
action of the Church, and that she had taken no
action on my case. This statement is so far from
what I knew to be the facts in the case, that it
not only surprised, but vexed me and I came to
the conclusion that it was not much safer to be in
the hands of some Church Member than those who
were not. Now General I submit it to you as a Christian
and a lover of justice, whether you think this is
fair and Christian treatment of one who has done
all in his power to advance the interests of the
University from the beginning, and all through its
darkest days? If a majority of the board wish
me to resign and so expose it I will do so, but
to be thus pushed out to gratify the selfishness
of a few members I do not think it right
or that it will prove an advantage to the
University. If I am to be put out of the board
I would be glad to have some official notice
of it. I have not received any such notice
and yet I have heard that I am not a
member of the board now in any sense.
Please answer this at your earliest con
venience and advise as to my duty in the
matter, as I feel much grieved on account of the treatment of some of the board of
trustees. I am Gent with great respect
Your humble and Ob. Servant,

Wm. G. Finney

P.S. I will enclose a copy of
this.
Stanwix, Va.
June 14th, 1870.
Hon. C. H. Howard,

Dear Sir:

I am authorized by G. R. Staples C. W. P. of Va. as to go along to institute die of the 1874, but find little to do in this way, but have opportunity to institute colored clubs under a separate organization. Started under the auspices of the Grand Sir. A letter from you will help me very much with them.

An antagonistic association to the C. W. P. has been formed in this called the Friends of Temperance, it has nothing to do with...
Mr. Commissary Board

any more than if he was not a man at all. Division of the E.S. 1. have given over to this new tolerancy organization, in many cases keeping possession of halls belonging to the E.S. 1. and few real instances have heard where they have had money to the amount of two or three thousand dollars. I shall be at Salem Va. by the time a letter would reach there.

Yours Respectfully

[Signature]

I learned here today a Bedford Div. of the E.S. 1. for the State of Va. and declared to do the same in Tenn. N.C. Kentucky