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Brooklyn 22 July 1870.

Lt/Maj Gen
O. O. Howard

Dear Sir — Permit me to express my thanks for the Rep. of Com. charged with drawing charges vs. Jos. Jackson & Mr. Wood of N.Y. in Cong.
It reaches me this A.M. under 'frank' of your Department.
I am gratified to be able to this means in the way to satisfy any inquiring friend as to that of which I needed no assurance.

you have been called to suffer, not exactly as Job, the misconceptions of friends but the misrepresentations of enemies - We all thank God that "He has brought forth thy righteousness as the light & thy judgment as the noonday" - By the way that whole 37th Ps. is worth reading -

Trusting that many more years of honored usefulness, even amongst the contradictions of sinners vs. yourself, are in store for you, I am as ever

Yours very truly

Henry M. Storrs

OFFICE OF

R. H. GILMORE,

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Cedar Rapids, Iowa, July 23, 1870

My dear Brother,

I have received from Mr. Smyth our Congressman a Copy of the Majority & also of the Minority report in the investigation of the Charges against you. The report of the Majority is clear & Conclusive. Please send me as many Copies as you can. - say 50 to 100 as I can use them to advantage. Martha is well and appears to be enjoying herself. She will probably go to Maine in September to see to her things though I may go in her Stead. My family are all quietly through this hot weather. I suppose Charles has reached home by this time. He wrote us he would be in Chicago today. We are all pleased that Rowland is coming West. Much love to Lizzie & the little ones - Affectionately Your bro.

R. H. Gilmore

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Fort Gibson I.T. July 24th/70

My dear Cousin

I see by the papers that the new army bill has become a law, and as there will be a great many applicants for enlistment I fear my application will be late that if some one does not help me in Washington. I may lose my chance, and be thrown on the cold charities of this world the 1st of next January. Now I know that you are greatly hurried with your own business cares & it is a great bother to have to ask favors for others but as I have no one in W— who I would like to trouble with my case will you attend to it for me. Pay in my fee Twenty-five dollars & the fee of your or the nearest & send me the receipt & call their attention to my claims which I think are as strong as

and I call on any one that they can find unprotected. The Quaker policy has been a perfect failure here. The agent is constantly telling them about bad white men, and never does anything to punish them for their depredations. In fact it is a part of their religion to use moral suasion what other course can be expected of them for I believe there to be all good men & Christians and they must be consistent. But this kind of doctrine creates a proper contempt for them in the minds of the Indians. They can appreciate power and a brave man but anything else they cannot see. We are all well. Diggin likes this country very much. We are rather isolated and our unexpected visitors are Indians. We sleep with our pistols under our pillows and the loaded carbines side of the bed. Diggin shoots a pistol splendidly we practice often. A few days ago we were from

any on file but no most of the applicants have funds at command to push their claims they may go through and the vacancies all filled before mine comes up in regular turn. Will you please do this at once and write me what they say about my chance so I can be making my arrangements to leave as I have turned over all the Indian property to the Indian agent and have nothing to do. Mr Jackson wants me to take charge of the Post Commissary here but I do not care to do it for a month as it would give me a large property responsibility which for a short time it would not pay to assume. I would like to be retained and remain here in the Indian Dept. I think I have been very successful and that my business here are appreciated by those to whom I account. (Company

Dept.) If you have a favorable opportunity please ask the commissioner how I stand if I have given satisfaction. The Indians about here (Kiowas, Comanches, Cheyennes & Apaches) are still on the war path the past ten days they have killed four men wounded three and captured one woman and six children. (the latter are now in the Kiowa camp two days ride west of here.) besides a large number of horses. They have also had a fight with some cavalry on the border of Texas (about 100 miles from here)

The Indians claim that they drove the troops back killing two officers and capturing a number of horses & equipments. These wild Indians are perfect devils have no mercy or any respect for anything but force! They will come in here one day and pretend to be good friends to the whites and the next day kill

in our yard and as he was one of war Chiefs of the Commanches came in he looked on for a little while and I asked him to pose at the mark he took the pistol and with a look as much as to say now I will show you a good shot. he fired. and made a splendid shot. Lizzie then fired and her ball went half an inch nearer the centre than his. I then shot beating them both (more by accident than anything else.) The Indian would not fire again but since then he has treated Lizzie with marked consideration. Lizzie Boatten is still with us. also my boy William who is as faithfull as ever. we do not get many letters so that we know little of our friends. I wish you would send me a copy of the evidence on your investigation. Also a copy of the army bill. as all I know is from short extracts in the newspaper

Postpone. I am much sorry to
course by you and the children
also by your letting call for
who may have be with you. What
are you going to do now. Be satisfied
or go on duty. Do not get disgusted
and resign. For our Country owes
you a good support for yourself
and family. Take my advice and be
satisfied there you can be independent
keep your place as president of the
University and live in Washington
and continue the good work you
have so nobly begun. And there
your services are needed you can
assigned to duty at any time, as I
understand the new army bill, or
not if we have a war you would have
no trouble in getting a good command
as the country would have to call for
volunteers. Remember me kindly
to Capt Wilkinson I sent him a check
two weeks ago which I hope he received
I am your ever in much love Percy

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Chicago, July 25 1870

Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Brother

I write you briefly from California - We reached home yesterday morning - Have much to tell you of our altogether pleasant trip - Cousin Addison Martin was particularly kind - I like him in all respects better than I expected. He has the reputation, also, of being an excellent business man. Has, apparently, no bad habits - I go tonight to Oberlin to meet our Board of C. M. A. Officers. Have laid out an important work for the Chinese

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Affectionately C. H. Howard

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Fort Sill I.T. June 25th/70

My dear Cousin

Yours of the 14th is at hand I am very glad to hear that your investigations is nearly over and that you will come out all right (which I have never doubted) we are all well and have our scalps still on our heads how long they will remain it is hard to say as the Indians are on the war path and have killed a scalped two men within two miles of my quarters (one man within a mile) about 100 yards of the Cheyennes all of the Kiowas and 2/3 of the Comanches and one party have gone towards Red River another towards the Canadian to operate on the roads in that direction and another is operating about this place. they come in nearly every night and run off horses & mules

Kill off two of these cursed devils shot with our guns loaded by our beds and clothes on ready at any time. These Devils are a cruel bloodthirsty set three nights ago they shot a man within 100 yards of the agency killed another within a 100 yards of Mr Chandlers house (a white man who has lived about here a number of years) Mr Chandler tells me that about 20 Indians rode up to the man put several arrows into him then pounced of their ponies and before he died held him down by his nose while they scalped him the poor man crying out all the time "Good Lord save me" "save me" after they took his scalp they danced on and over his body & mutilated it in Mr C heard it all. I afterwards saw the body the sight of which killed all the sparks of sympathy left in my breast for these red devils. and yet some of the Eastern Humanitarians want to do anything for them

Sioux 100 have been cut off the past week and kill every one they can get near enough to put an arrow into. The friendly Indians have all moved in close to the fort for protection and say that we have not yet seen the beginning. and that large numbers of wild indians are coming this way to commit depredations. They think that during the next moon we shall have a hot time of it. The cause of the trouble is that last year a good many of them died, and that their medicine man tell them that they were bewitched by the whites and that they must kill + scalp an equal number of white men to propitiate the great spirit or they will not be admitted to the happy hunting ground. Mr Dodge one of the peace commissioners who was here last year. At the commencement of a council that was held made a speech and all the Indians think it made bad medicine. They also complain that they did not get anuity goods enough to supply all of their people. with blankets & clothing. and that they do not like the agent here (who is a good honest speaker & farmer without diplomacy — judgement & sufficient tact to make friends with those wild & shrewd cunning Indians) who does all he can for their good but does not do it in the right way. These some trouble would have gone to war last fall but they decided to put it off till this spring fearing that the grass would not last long enough. and they would have their horses. They have been saying all winter that they intended to fight as soon as the grass grew in the spring but no one believed them. I am living 4 miles from the Post have a friend of 18 (6) years and if I hear of hostilities or of their coming to attack me I can

I shall be here. I turn over all the Indian supplies on hand to the agent on the last of this fiscal year (30th inst) so I shall then have nothing to do but wait orders. With your pleasure I absent my application to be extended. I do not want you to suppose that I am offended at anyone here for I would like nothing better than to do so for year longer I like the climate and have confidence enough in my own shrewdness to take care of my head. Give much love to Louisa Lizzie and the children also to enquiring friends. We are all in the hands of an all wise Father who will take care of us whatever we need so we can but let his will be done

Yours affectionately Love

Berry.

let them have their pleasant homes & comforts and come here and live with them or hold their prating cavorting tongues from talking about that brave soldiers who have to deal with these scoundrels as they find them. These scoundrels who do these acts have been to my house twice a month all winter have eat at my table and professed friendship. I have had more rations given them than they could carry away or eat they have had their own way in everything and there is no excuse for the war. and in fact the principle one they make is our Dodges Proclamation which they have spoken to me about a great many times and it has been explained to them that said Proclamation was for their good too. Now please tell me what you think will eventually

them. My opinion is first send a sufficient force here to give them a good whipping then put them on the reservation take all of their horses and arms from them keep up a regular military discipline over them which shall be the supreme law until they go to work & support themselves. In the mean time (after they are subdued) let the Quakers have charge of their forming and education and ten years from now they may be tough as that they must give up their Blood thirsty treacherous life. The Quaker Policy is a failure among the Wild Indians It will work well with the half civilized but the Sioux make no distinction and the Government must do it if they are to be contented at all. They have no respect for anything but power which must be used

Gen Sherman and everything here is a strong Humanitarian and has done all he could to carry out the Quaker policy & he has had as much faith as he has success that was through his friends that he has been deceived all along & nearly petty him he feels so bad.

A strong force pushing with a sufficient number of troops over after this reservation in a few months but if that thing is delayed these Indians who have been found by with joining the others and it will cost the Government millions of money to bring them back

Sigsbee is very brave through all of the excitement of death taking so near us she has learned to fire a pistol and I am a good shot with a Carbine with my left arm so that we intend to give them a few shots before they get our scalps. I do not know how long

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Milford Pike Co Pa

~~Middletown N.Y.~~ July 25 1870

25, 1870

My Dr. General

I am very kindly
bid me to send a clerk at any time
but I thought it best not to
send him until about Aug 1st
If you can find a place
for him at that time please
let me know. He is an
excellent man was a capt
in my regiment. His name
is Marshall Balsford
I will be ready to come any
time. I am spending a few
weeks at Milford, Pike Co. Pa
Please direct me there

Yours
C A Vanderick

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Genl O. O. Howard

My Dear Sir

My fearless course on the pension question has brought upon me a bitter warfare from pension agents and their accomplices. They have turned the Western News Co against me, and bought off my agents wherever money could reach them, thus forcing upon me heavy losses. I have been compelled to retrench, ~~is~~ and in so doing am compelled to strike off my list, all public institutions, Soldiers Sanitaria, &c which I have sent hundreds of copies gratis, every week.

If you feel that you can aid this journal by subscribing for a few copies for the Howard University or some other public institution, I shall esteem it a special favor.

Truly Yours

C. Augustus Haviland

83 Nassau Street
New York July 26. 1870

Dear General

Your telegram came last evening and I ~~have~~ sent it to the clerk of the Company (an excellent person) and have had inquiry made on board the boat, but nothing can be learned about it as yet. How unfortunate that loss! I fear it was lost in the street.

I discovered your rolled up sheets of Review and will send them to you by mail, but really think it well they were left, for I am getting them copied. I find the printing we want can be comprised within 48 pages, (a good number, for they go by sixteens) This will be about 40 pages for March and 7 or 8 for your statements. I think there may be ~~[illegible]~~ space enough left for brief review of Mr: report. As I say by telegraph, the printer's estimate, (taken as good as a, M.A.) is $240 for 5000 copies and $170 for 50.000 copies. All we want is the 5000, I think. But it is lame. That minute of proceedings in respect to Burbridge, and Wood's offer, and its exclusion, is wanting. Cant you at once get it for me? It is short. Not more than a page.

I have this Day paid Tribune Association the $ 400 for publishing the May report

I hope you all reached home comfortably, including John and the Baby —

That out doors meeting will long be remembered by all who were there — and plenty more wd have been there had it been known 2 before hand —

adieu

Yours ever faithfully

Edgar Ketchum

Only 2 leaves 1840

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Williamstown
July 26 1870.

Gen. Howard

My dear General.

When I contrast the action of the Chinese government toward the widow of Burlingame & his memory with the public ingratitude slanders & injustice that prevail in our own, I am tempted to inquire whether a heathen monarchy can really be better than a Christian republic

Being a New Yorker & knowing Fernando Wood's infamous character & vile unprincipled life, I was indignant that Congress noticed the charges of a man once indicted (and never acquitted) for perjury. And I have not gotten over the fit yet. But I sat down to say that I have just read Mr. the report of the committee and that with all good citizens I congratulate you on the unneeded vindication, regretting at the same time the harassment, expence and wasted weeks of time that you have suffered

Yours truly

Charles C. Nott.

President Hopkins is now in California or he would join me in these congratulations.

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Bath Me. 26th July 70

Dear Genl -

Will you please send me six or eight copies of the Majority report of the Investigating Committee.

The Minority rep. has been pub. in the Boston Post. But the Maj. rep. has not generally reached the public here. I will let it out that it is put before the people, and justice demands it. Remember me kindly to Mrs. H. and the children. I will not you would visit us.

Yrs. truly
J Lewis

Maj. Genl. Howard

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Maj Gen O. O. Howard

Dear Sir.

The Commission appointed to investigate the charges preferred against you having brought in a report exonerating you therefrom we take the liberty pursuant to previous conversation with you to ask that you submit in brief and as early as possible the main points of the investigation as you suggested

doing. From these we
will deduce and publish
Conclusions which in view
of the circulation at our
command will we believe
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tage to you publicly and
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Yours Respectfully
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