West Point, N.Y.  
June 9th, 1870

Gen. O.O. Howard
Dear Sir,

We have your name connected with an organization here, known as "The Cadet Prayer Meeting," as being its founder.

If such is the case you will be rejoiced to know that your labor was not in vain; that it has been kept up, I believe, from that time until the present, and so great has been the interest taken in the progress of religion in the Corps, by some of the members of the prayer meeting, that its influence is beginning to be felt, and it is fast becoming a real feature.
This summer the meetings were continued during the encampment, and well attended under the circumstances.

We assemble in the "Dialectic" Hall—over the Sally Port—well fitted up, with singing books &c.

Last May we appointed a committee to draw up resolutions or articles by which the meeting should be governed, in order that the organization should be more perfect and permanent. In the same book in which these are recorded is kept all matters of interest connected with the former members who have gone forth from the Academy, as well as a short record of the former history of the meeting and its members if such can be obtained. It is for this reason I write you now.

I trust you will favor us with anything connected with its early history—no matter how meager it will be. I'd be of great interest to us. Where you were in the habit of meeting how often, and how conducted &c. &c. Also anything you may know concerning those who were then leading minds &c. &c.

I trust you will favor us in this at your earliest convenience.

I remain,

Respectfully yours,

A. P. M. Calvert
Cadet U.S. Mil Academy

P.S. Acting as Recorder for the meeting, is I hope, sufficient excuse for thus addressing you.

A. P. M.
Wilcoxville Conn.

Sept. 5, 1876.

Prof. A. L. Backer.

Dear Sir,

Please excuse my delay in declining to take the music class this fall again.

While I enjoyed teaching your music pupils very much during the spring and summer terms, else from the fact I found to lay a class required more strength and labor there was possible for me to join without injury to my own health.

Many thanks for your kindness.

Very truly yours, Julia M. Along.
Mr. Howard,

Dear Sir,

I send you this enclosed copy of "Evidence." I have not seen one in Mrs. Hutchinson. I have not yet seen his &c. If he has had it printed I should like to have two or three copies.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
New York Sept 5th 1870

Majr Genl O.O. Howard Post
General

You will remember me as serving under you in Virginia.

I have now left Beechmont permanently.

I am seeking some place where I can earn a living—near the Southern climate, after trying to gain a residence in the South both for my wife and myself—especially for her, as she longs very much—so I hear talk about locating in the North. Permit me to ask you, if there is any plan in your mind, Mr. Duff, or others, that I could fill and that you would give one or any plan connected with the State remains of the ‘Carnegie’—If there is any such
Dear that you can be my ever in the winter, it will be a special favor. I am in any place in reality that you can suggest to me as prevision—the house always moved my friend—and then I have to satisfy you in all respect. Any further I knew you might need me still a act of gratitude I already feel towards you. Please try as soon a convenience or I shall remain here awaiting your reply. I have little means that I must do some things and under any circumstances would not be declined to live a civil life.

I am with great respect your obedient

J. J. DeLamater

Addy

J. J. DeLamater
New York, N.Y.
from you about it at your earliest convenience

Respectfully Yours

Edwin Fitch

Boston Sep 5 1870

Meaj Gen O. C. Howard

Dear Sir

You will no doubt be surprised to receive a letter from me. It is through my Wife's influence that I write you you will probably now hear if you do not me. She is Samuel Moore's youngest daughter of Leeds Maine. I now take the liberty of writing to you an
a matter of business in which I am interested. 
operating in the Frumini Americani Medallion and have just returned from Providence R. I. where a copy of the Bronze has been presented to the Athenaeum by Messrs. J. G. Smith. 
Rob. H. Ives. Amasa Sprague Geo. H. Corliss & Amos J. Smith. Some of the prominent residents of Newport have subscribed for a copy for presentation to the Redwood Library. Another copy is being specially prepared for the Emperor of Russia. 
In the Circular I do not see any mention of the Harvard University; being the first Coloured University in the Country, there certainly should be a copy there. I thought I would write to you so if the order had not been given I might make my commission on it. The work you will see is of such a nature that there will be no difficulty of getting copies into all the Libraries & Universities of importance in the Country. the whole number of copies you will see by enclosed subscription paper is limited to two hundred and they are beginning to go off very briskly and I should be glad to hear
American Missionary Association, 38 Lombard Block, Chicago, Sept. 5, 1870

Confidential

Dear Mr. Howard,

I feel bound to write you about Arkansas business in a manner I could not officially. Please do not involve me in trouble with Hon. Rollin To whom I am good sir. I feel very friendly to denote. I love and will be to you before about the work at Helena being des. Post Master. Now is it necessary that there would be two Disturbing agents on this state?

Again, through various means you must have been informed
I have written my account about a certain man, namely, that Page of Little Rock is not in sympathy with the freedom nor with those who labor for them. You have no respect on this last ten in these respects and of this general character. It is not time to make a change and to put in some one who has been one entire day and a part of another. For never in my lifetime have I had a man of twisted integrity then least. Mr. Kelly now one less self-seeking. I do not know that he would now work to better the place. You are sure (from his own words) that he would and like to be instrumental in bettering himself in the honor of others. But these ought, it truly seems to me to be a change. Oh! I beg your pardon with this caution and let it be only by information from me. There we must be the good of the cause. Fortunately, [illegible] please answer. [illegible]
Augusta, Dec. Sept. 6th, 1870

Dear General Howard:

Your kind letter gave me much pleasure and I gladly sent myself to write a few lines in acknowledgment. I often think of the good people in Washington and am grateful to be remembered.

Many and myself are both well as you may have heard from my good husband of mine who made us a lady visit some days since. We are having cool, dry days and nights, delightfully bracing and refreshing after the intense and prolonged heat of the summer.

I thank you heartily for your affectionate interest in my dear husband. It renew my joy and faith to know that the prayers of
that he has but to make confession.

I have great faith that our Lord will answer in His own good time.

She has remembered mine in the past when I had almost felt that she had forgotten me, and I often wonder that faith can ever grow cold or fail again.

I do, and indeed have for many years found my Bible very precious and a comfort in great trials, although I am the meanest child in my knowledge and understanding of it.

I shall feel interested to know about the Sunday's work of your little family. I enjoyed the blessed season of Communion last Sabbath in the Church and among the friends, where and with whom I have many times longed to, but never before felt that I had a right. It was an unspeakable pleasure I thought of you all gathered there.
My Friend Howard

In regard to helping your cause. I would say we are much worse off than you are. We need not put our hand up on the stock plan. We are to buy 6 per cent for the first is not so. Credit (buy) that it is a hard one. I can furnish you 22 12% per. When we will come out or where and in what condition it is going at all we can attend to. I am sorry it is 25 but, when we get...
burnt out we were however worn off then nothing we have not yet done. Our fact. The work goes on well spiritually but financial are all behind.

Joe Bell

H.L. Moody
Dr. - 75. Nov. 11, 1870

139. Bolton St. Baltimore
Sep. 7th 1870.

To Howard
My dear Sir-

When you last saw Mr. McCraw, in Philadelphia, who was engaged in the interests of the Col. Farm he recommended you to the Col. farm, that you might possibly be able to tell my farm. (Braddock Island) for me. The Col. has been somewhat engaged & so constantly away from home ever since, that he has not been able to attend to it. If you will excuse me for troubling you, I thought I would ask, if you still think you could dispose of it. I would sell the
Some preparatory of some of all my people part of the place. You asked the house situated. The whole place has 1200 or 1400 law not exactly certain which of good land with a plenty of good timber in both sides. If you could go down there and look at it, Mr. Bone would go with you, and show you the whole place, and tell you all about it. I dislike to sell it, but I own 750 acres of it ourselves, and it is too large a place to rent to tenants. He could sell all for fifty thousand dollars. I paid cash for the demand, at time, both intending.
My dear General,

I have been away for some days and find your letter of the 1st. You know how glad I would be as you request. Unfortunately, my C.M. Clear building...
From your friend,

Your faithfully,

[Signature]

The shore condition
we have a floating
in debt up to
some 21000, which
must all be paid
within a few weeks.

I have grown more
than I could well
afford to own now.
Carrying this, besides
our furniture and
the unlooked for expense
of our first year
in these hard times.
New York Sept 7, 1870

Dear Gen. Howard,

I must beg you to pardon me for trespassing upon your time but the matter is so valuable to me that I am constrained to ask your assistance in effecting my object. I send herewith a letter to Maj. Gen. King, Chief of Bureau of Steam Engineering, asking of him an order for the issue at the Brooklyn Navy Yard of a lubricating oil in which I am interested. If I send the letter direct to the Navy Department I fear there may be a delay there in answering which will make it too late for use; as there will only be a few more days in which they will continue to test oil. If however a messenger should hand my letter to the officer in charge, no doubt an answer would be given immediately and I could receive it in time to make it available. If therefore you could allow a messenger from your office to present my letter and return the answer to me, it would be deeply grateful and the favor would be very essential as I am entitle confidential that if I can
get the oil tried it will be adopted as it is vastly superior to any thing now in use and the cost is much less.

Hoping you will pardon me for thus necessitating upon your time and trouble.

I remain yours very respectfully

R. Ketcham

78 South St.
Feb.
School books. It would be noticed in the list of books donated as they were thrown in if any were. Could be made of them if the need were.

I shall probably yet add other volumes to the books given as I examine books over the whole collection from time to time.

May I be with you as you greatly assist men than can. Truly yours,

George Smith

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard

The subject suggested for a talk—lecture if I should do any. This winter was a

mode of study, model of reading. Choice of books, if they influence the development of the mind, indeed.

337.65. P.M. Tuesday, Sept. 7. 1870.

Dear Brother Howard,

I have been planning if possible to meet your wishes with regard to the purchase of the books and also some portion towards relieving the Church debt. You mentioned an appropriation by $2,000. G. O. S. Long Bonds of 1,000 Church Bonds, and you deemed desirable that we should give $1,000 to the church. But this I can not do— I suppose these bonds are on 6 per cent semi-annual as others.

Now by calculation I see but one way to meet the case— which is this turn out to you $300 worth of books at a fair book somewhat increased value 

Take the Bonds as proposed— give you $500 of the ch. Bonds and allow $500 in interest with the understanding that if at the end of two years...
Thay, I wish you would take your share of the cash for the over.

Or if the understanding is

that the Y.M.C.A. Bonds

are to be taken at the value

which you sold them. Sherman

then by recovering $2500 of those

bonds I would turn in $3000

worth of books at par value and take $500 Ch. B. Bonds & give

them to the Church.

You see I can not possibly give

more than $500 as I can tell by

a proper valuation even exceeded

above the cash prices over the

$1000. I can do so I think honestly

for $500-

If you had appropriate of some

of Y.M.C.A. Bonds at $1000 Ch.

bonds - then I could afford better

in view of the larger sale to cover

the whole $1200.

understanding as I wished about

the bonds, value - I think perhaps

you might have been able so to

have presented the subject as

to meet the case to neutral

advantage, as it was very desirable

the University should embrace

doing an opportunity to enrich

the Library with a choice variety

of rare & valuable Books -

I thought that the Committee

were coming this evening as

to morrow evening to the prayer

meeting - they will not of course

come come - I should be glad if

you advise as soon as may be when

they do prefer to come as I am

waiting the end of this month

to go forward in other direction

of a portion of my books -

I did not feel that some

of there poor books (in binding)
I pray that God's blessing may ever be with you and the Institution entrusted to your care.

Sam. Gentlemen, very respectfully yours,

Goodrich Smith

Col. D. L. Eaton

Sec'y Pro tem. of

The Board of Trustees of

Washington Thursday Sept. 8th, 1870

To the Trustees of Howard University.

Gentlemen,

Through your Secretary I am in the receipt of your vote of thanks to me for a donation of books to your library.

The gift was hardly deserved such an expression of your kind feeling. I felt able, should have more valuable. But I was glad of an opportunity of so testifying my interest in the prosperity of your Institution, humble as I knew it to be. There was also a considerable collection of books gathered in the course of the past year, on the subject of slavery. presents which I deemed some might with pecuniary appropriation find a place in the sciences of
after soundly to justify to have the privilege of doing it to add yet more volumes to those already given you.

I thank you also for your kind invitation to make an address some time hence to your University in memory of the subject. In mentioning the subject to you Howard, I told him I had no design to deliver a lecture, but merely to give a talk embodying the results of an experience, with close of seventeen and thirty of nearly 50 years, on the Modes of Study, Modes of Reading, Choice of Books, etc. and their influence on the mind.

My object will be if God's blessing allows me to carry it out, to throw out very imperfectly a variety on the above topics and hints on the above topics and con

and could in a familiar and conversational mode, so that you students may have the benefit of what has cost me much time, observation, reflection.

I have had the chance to read once when I was in college days, training in my College days, and been impressed. 


The views I now have feel that I might have been a more useful man, that I have been so can refer to the

You will pardon, I trust, this extended explanation, which I have made to put you in possession of my views on the subject on which by God's blessing, I will try to meet your request, at some time during the coming season.

With a sincere desire
My dear General:

When I heard of Mr. Hunkin's death on Sunday last, I was informed that he 'did not say that God would have saved the long siege of that, but before his destruction which was in that year. I came into my mind that I had often had a mind to write you about the same, and that I have twice made the same time in gathering justice done to my nephews, and have not made a particle of mistake, especially as you have promised me at various times, more particularly on the 17th June. Last, when you promised me that when you thought was over, you would give me an interview, and lastly on the 1st of August, you came out and gave the point on both sides, and cleared up the matter of post, "with hope of claim," which virtually is denying me an interview on the 10th.

Then last the 2nd of January, complaining of the injustice done myself and at that time thought his treatment wholly political,
justified by the National Intelligence establishment and by Abner Johnson, and that the Senate also been laboured to perfect the reconstruction of the whole States; was the proper place for me to make my compliments, at that time, many of whom laboured to get the influence of Circuit to pass an act granting equal suffrage to the Freeborn, and I have him a record in Washington Buildings to hold our meeting. I enclose you a letter of an appreciation, or 1 have never been in getting you like thoughts within 60 days after the inauguration of the City Government, at the next election your nephew and the Chairman of the School Committee, immediately after which you desisted him from your Bureau (appointed him to another place out of the City Board), which was recently done to get him out of the City, he did not entirely, when you came here under appointment in your Bureau, at the mayor salary of $500 per month.

If you had not come South, it would not have come to light, that Gen. Whiting was writing against the Republican cause, with your sanction, and my calling on him in your absence, it gave him the opportunity to throw out his opposition to my stepping which I believe he came out to this way, which I think is the only reason why he was not continued in the service of your Bureau.

There are many things which I wish to say to you, that I am unwilling to put on paper, and I have now, for the last time to request that you may reconsider your last decision, and grant me an interview, as I have been long desiring, which I think will better reflect your will grant it, as it do, and have always kept a copy of my correspondence with you, and that I shall feel it my duty to you to make this request if my request is not granted.

Yours
Very truly,
[Signature]
Lace Clarke.