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Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.

Nov. 29, 1870.

Dear General -

May I trouble you once more by asking your advice? I have been thinking seriously of going out of the service under the Act of Congress of July 15<sup>th</sup>. At present I have nothing definite in view, but if I go out would like to get some appointment in the civil service in Europe. Do you think such a thing could be obtained? - If I were at all sure that by remaining in the service I could eventually

obtain an appointment in the  
Adjutant General's Dept., or in  
any of the staff corps, I  
should not think of going out,  
but at present the prospect  
in that direction does not ap-  
pear to me very flattering.  
Will you please tell me  
what you think of it? - You  
know about what influence  
I should have in my favor.  
The same as when I was  
trying for it last winter. If I  
do, conclude to stay in the  
service, do you think it would  
be possible for me to get on  
duty in the east? - If I  
could get on duty in the West



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on any duty in the East, I  
should be very much pleased.  
Such a thing is, for many  
reasons, a great object with  
me. Now that changes are  
being made there might be  
a chance for something of  
the kind.

I shall be under ob-  
ligations if you will give  
me the benefit of your knowl-  
edge & advice on these subjects  
as soon as possible.

I am General,

Very Sincerely Yours,  
Robt. M. Rogers,  
1<sup>st</sup> Lieut. 2<sup>d</sup> Art'y.





obliged if you will  
tell me how to  
proceed to secure  
that end.

With high esteem.

I am always  
truly yours,

J. B. Chittenden

New York Nov 30. 1870



My dear Genl Bonard.

You will remember  
that I spoke to you  
lately of a boy seeking  
my influence to secure  
his discharge from the  
Army. Daniel Naelis, a  
boy 18 years old last  
January - enlisted 14<sup>th</sup>  
June 1870, in the Tenth  
Infantry now at



Ringgold's letter.

He is an ~~at~~ only child - his father is a policeman now in active service in this city. The father says Dan "was always a good boy", but was enticed to enlist without speaking a word to any of his friends on the subject.

The enclosed letters show that he is anxious to return to his parents.

If I understood you correctly, his discharge can be obtained on account of his youth.

I am convinced that the boy should be allowed to return to his home and shall feel greatly

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Union League Club Rooms  
New Orleans

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Dear Genl.:

Your statement before  
the Com. on Labor and Education  
concerning charges made by Mr.  
Wood, came duly to hand.

It has been perused by many  
members of our club who,  
without exception, speak of it  
as grand.

No respectable man ever thought  
you deserved these charges. Indeed  
your Southern enemies often speak  
of you as "Honest but fanatical."  
The former expression is well <sup>for you</sup>  
and the latter manifests only what  
they are. You still live notwithstanding  
persecution. So do I.

Your old friend  
Thomas W. Conway  
Secretary



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State of Alabama <sup>196</sup>

Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction

Montgomery Nov 30 1870

Gen O. O. Howard  
Washington City  
D.C

Sir

This will introduce to you my son Mr  
John B. Cloud he visits your City with the  
view of getting employment in some one  
of the Depts in the capacity of Clerk  
any assistance you may render him will  
be highly remembered.

I am very Respectfully  
Your Obedient Servant  
J. B. Cloud U.S.  
Supt of Public Inst



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The Department of Public Instruction  
The Hon. J. B. Williams

Washington 27<sup>th</sup> Dec 18  
Dear Sir  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25<sup>th</sup> inst. in relation to the application of the Board of Public Instruction for the purpose of having the same reviewed by the Department of Public Instruction. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been referred to the Board of Public Instruction for their consideration and report. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
J. B. Williams





State of South Carolina,

Executive Department,

Columbia, Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> 1870



General O. O. Howard,

Washington D. C.

Dear General:

My Nephew W. L. Mauw, 2<sup>d</sup> Lieut 13<sup>th</sup> U. S. Infantry is ordered before the Army Retiring Board in the City of Washington. I desire to ask of you as a personal favor to use your influence to have him retained in the Army, unless there should be reasons for his being retired that would render his retention impossible. His mother is my sister, and is a widows lady, her husband having died a few months since. This young man was a good soldier during the war, having entered the service when very young.

I feel confident that your influence can prevent his being retired.

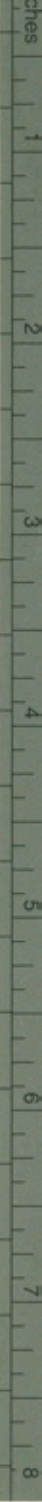
Very Truly Yours,

R. C. Scott



State of South Carolina

Executive Department





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Washington, D.C.  
Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1870

Dear Sir:

The Corporators of the  
Washington Zoological Society, pro-  
pose to meet for Organization at  
my Office No 710 E Street Oppo-  
site the Post Office Department, on  
next Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of Decem-  
ber, at 4 o'clock P.M. Will you  
have the kindness to attend.

Respectfully

Geo. Taylor

Gen. O. O. Howard

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Headquarters of the Army,  
Adjutant General's Office,  
Washington, Novem. 30, 1870.

Brigadier General O. O. Howard,  
Commissioner Freedmen's Bureau,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:  
Referring to your communication of the 25<sup>th</sup> instant, requesting that 2<sup>d</sup> Lieutenant M. C. Wilkinson, 3<sup>d</sup> Infantry, be detailed to relieve 2<sup>d</sup> Lieutenant S. M. Piatt, Missassigned, as Aide-de-Camp on your Staff, in view of the retirement of the latter, I have the honor to inform you that Lieutenant Piatt has not yet been retired, as the number of 2<sup>d</sup> Lieutenants is very much reduced, and any other grade, except Captain, could be better spared, I am directed by

Washington, D. C.,  
Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> 1870

Yours S<sup>ty</sup> J<sup>no</sup>. of  
Adjutant Genl's Office  
Wm L. Estlin

Charles West (in com. & letter of Gen. of 25<sup>th</sup> inst.) - 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. M. Pratt (1870) has not yet been retired & except that in view of the small number of 2<sup>d</sup> Lieut. available, the detail of Capt. M. C. Wilkinson & dependents until more 2<sup>d</sup> Lieut. are appointed.

P.L.

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the General of the Army to inquire  
whether action in the matter might  
not be deferred until more 2<sup>d</sup> Lieu-  
tenants are appointed, which will  
doubtless be very soon after January  
1, 1841.

Very respectfully,  
your obedient servant,  
E. D. Townsend  
Adjutant General.

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Wakefield Nov 30/1870

Mr Howard

Dear Sir

Will you please send me your  
Autograph on the cards enclosed by so  
doing you will add greatly to our collection  
and oblige

Yours truly  
A.S. Upham.

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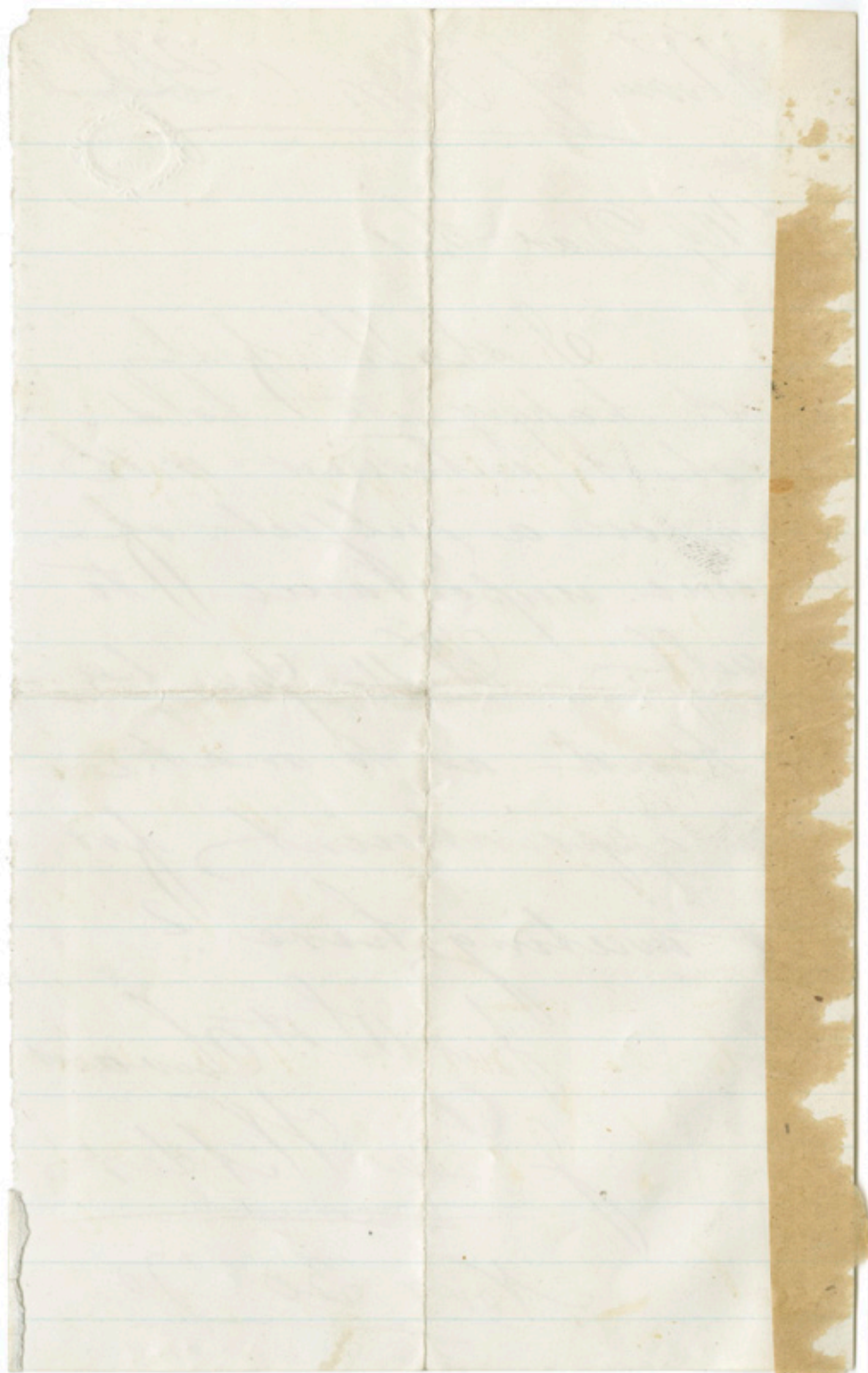
Room of J. M. C. 24

My Dear Sir

I shall feel  
most happy to hold  
a short interview with  
you on a subject of  
some importance to  
myself. Will you be  
so kind as to make  
an appointment for  
our meeting here?

Yours Obedt Servant  
J. De Wittes

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Fort Sycamore C. T.  
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Brig. General O. O. Howard, U.S.A.,  
Washington D.C.

My dear General:

Yours of the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst.  
was received this A.M.

If I can be of service to you, in  
any position in which you may be pleased  
to place me, I shall much prefer it, to  
a transfer to the Cavalry. If Providence  
seems to point in that direction, I may  
be able to transfer at some future time.

I do wonder, so much, whether I  
had better take a few days for the

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purpose of ascertaining whether or no there  
are not quite a number of Self Supporting  
Students, for the University, among the civilized  
Indians, and colored people, <sup>in</sup> that part of  
the Indian Territory where I have spent  
considerable time.

Very kindest remembrances to Mrs.  
Howard & the Children.

Very Respectfully, <sup>and</sup> Most Sincerely,

Mcville C. Wilkinson

P.S. My health is very much better, have  
gained some fifteen pounds; since I  
left Washington. M.C.W.