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New York, Dec 1st 1870

Gen'l O. O. Howard.
Washington
D. C.

Dear Sir:

My dear Pastor, Rev. Doct. Eddy, of Brooklyn addressed a letter to you in reference to a Temperance Meeting to have been held in his Church Nov. 29th. We were disappointed and were obliged to postpone our meeting from various reasons. This meeting is one of very great importance, and we hope to open a wide field of usefullness. There is a dearth of the Temperance element in our church & Mission & this meeting is to initiate a forward movement. We expect to have the Rev. T. L. Cuyler. & desire if possible to obtain your services in connection with him, for Tuesday evening Week after next. I cannot tell you how very important

this meeting is to the cause of Temperance in our Society. And O, Sir permit me to urge upon you, your presence, aid and in this great work, by all that is pure & exalting in the ~~my~~ cause of Temperance.

I beg that you will pardon the freedom I have taken, and believe me on behalf of the Temperance Committee of the Young Peoples Association of our Church

Most Respectfully Sir

Yours Very Truly

A. Comstock

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Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts.

Philadelphia, Dec. 1st, 1870.

To Genl. Howard

In a spirit of commendable patriotism and liberality the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania at the close of the civil war, ordered from our distinguished artist, P. F. ROTHERMEL, a picture of the Battle of Gettysburg, of such dimensions as would give a good idea of this great and decisive struggle. The picture is now finished. The friends of the artist, deeming his success so striking in the great work which he has conceived and executed, wish to present it to the public for the first time in such way as will mark the event as an epoch in American Art, and as an appeal to the patriotism of our people in all coming time. The picture, under the auspices of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, will be unveiled at the Academy of Music in this city, on the Evening of December, 20th inst., accompanied by appropriate ceremonies.

You are respectfully invited to be present on this occasion. If accepted, an early answer is requested, so that tickets may be sent you in due time.

Respectfully,

JAMES L. CLAGHORN,
JOSEPH HARRISON, JR.,
WILLIAM STRUTHERS,
Committee of Arrangements.

Rec'd 1st Dec 1870
Ans

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Washington city D.C.
December 1st 1870

Gen. O. O. Howard
Comm, &c Washington D.C.

General

I have the honor to say that time or three days after you requested General Whittlesey to say to Mr Cole that you wished him Mr Cole to give to me all the work of his Department necessary to be done by a justice of the Peace, I called at Mr Cole's ~~room~~ office and informed him what your wish was, he said that General Whittlesey had said nothing to him about the matter. But that he would be candid and say that my penmanship is so very poor that he preferred to have Mr Callaway

name to papers going from his office
now sir to say nothing of the propriety of
giving the work of the Bureau sir Immerality
to one of the Callans of Washington city.
or of the fact of my being colored debars
me from the patronage of persons who have
the kind of work referred to, and to say
nothing of the fact that I patronize the Law &
other departments of Harvard University by my
money and influence. with a Salary of $32.00
per month and family of six persons to pro-
=vide for. not=withstanding all this I claim
that there is not enough difference (in
favor of Mr Callan) between Mr Callan's &
my penmanship in signatures to justify
Mr Cole in his preference. I hope he
is as just as he seems to be fastidious
with reference to my poor penmanship.
which I confess I wish was better,

General thanking you sincerely for your
kindness in this and many former
occasions I conclude to make no further
efforts to get into favor with your
Subordinates, to the end that I may get their
work to do, but sir with much love
and great admiration for yourself,
I am as ever your obedient Servant

O. B. Wall

Depositions taken, and Legal Papers certified, for all the States and Territories, in this Office.

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BLACKSTONE wrote:—"A corruption of morals usually follows a profanation of the sabbath."

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New York, Dec. 2d 1870

Dear General:

You probably remember selecting the plate something more than a year ago, which I delivered to you when I met you on the street near the "Times Office" in this City a few weeks since.

It is for use as the above "Condensed plate tract" on the Sabbath is. — This is a kind of work by which we for 2¢ can reach an issue and distribution of a million statements of truth, any of which may be of eternally vital importance to souls. — The above (Blackstone &c) printed on a letter head from this office, resulted a few weeks since in closing the office of a prominent lawyer in the State of Mississippi on the Sabbath.

Please use your plate as soon as you can, & send us specimens of the different uses you make from time to time.

Earnestly yours in the best of bonds

G. Powell

To Gen. O. O. Howard — Washington D.C.

P.S. It will give me great pleasure to entertain you on the Sabbath at my house. J. B. N.

~~Dec. 5th~~

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Rooms of Young Men's Chr Association, Elizabeth, N.J.
December 2nd 1870

Major Genl O. O. Howard,
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

Our Assn has fixed upon Sunday, December 18th, next, as the time for holding a grand union meeting. It will be in the evening and the object is to set the work of the Asst family before the people and stir them up to a sense of their duty &c. to the Government. We expect to fasten up the meeting by personal application to our citizens for financial aid. This to be done thro' the week whether any appeal will be

made at the time, I am not as yet certain. We desire to make this meeting a grand success, as it will undoubtedly be in point of numbers, all or nearly all the pastors having consented to close their churches, and preach a sermon in the morning in the work of Young Men's Chr. Assns. My purpose in writing to you is to invite you most earnestly and cordially to be with us on the 18th and speak for about half an hour. My time is so short now that I fear we will be unable to procure any one with more than a local reputation, if you can not come; but of course that is our fault and not yours. Will you not favor us by your presence? There will be one other speaker probably Rev. Dr. Tiffany of Newark. I think of no mutual friend just now, to whom to refer you as to myself, unless it be Mr. A. G. P. Dodge (son of Wm. E. Dodge) but he is in Canada. I do not know whether or not you know Mr. D. after all — he was the first Pres't of our Assn. If you can not possibly come, will you please telegraph me at once (at my expense of course) directing to No 111 Morris Ave. Elizabeth N.J. But I, in common with all our members, do most sincerely hope you will not feel obliged to give a negative reply.

Very truly yours

Wm B. Wheeler

Chairman Special

Com. on Public Meeting.

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[Cs-Dec 3, 1870]

Major Gen. O. O. Howard
U. S. Army

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P.O. Box 425

New York Dec. 3rd 1870

General O. O. Howard,
Washington,
D. C.

Dear Sir:

I was informed last evening, by my Pastor, Rev Doct. Eddy, that you had written him you would not be able to come over here at present to aid us.

Our meeting has been deffered by request of Rev. T. L. Cuyler till Tuesday Evening Dec. 26th. It being Holiday week, will you be able to be present at that meeting?

I neglected to say, that our Committee would defray your expenses. I beg to trespass thus much, by asking one word of reply in order that we may perfect other arangements if you cannot come.

On behalf of the Temperance Committee of the Peoples Association of the Reformed Church on the Hights, Brooklyn L.I.

I have the honor to be
Most Respectfully Sir
Your Obedient Servant
A. Comstock,
Chairman

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San Francisco Dec 8th [1870]

Dear Cousin

Enclosed I send you a slip giving a report of the friendly ovation to E A Washburn - It was very flattering to him - Maine was well represented, & several were from Hallowell - E H Chamberlin & Geo A Nourse, son of Dr Nourse, were among the number -

Washburne intends returning here to live -

I suppose Charles is with you - Tell him we have heard of the safe arrival of Mrs Fordick & son at Cincinnati Ohio -

All well - Remember us all to your family & believe me affectly Yrs

A Martin.

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Houston: Dec 8th 1870.

Major Gen O. O. Howard:

Dear Sir:

I have read your statement before Committee on Education and Labor in defence against the charges preferred by Hon: Fernando Wood &c &c & this I shall take great pleasure in giving a careful perusal. I have never entertained any doubt as to your innocence. Allow me, my dear Sir, to congratulate you on your triumphant acquittal & believing that you and your bro: Gen O. H. H. are engaged in a noble work I feel a special interest in the Howard family.

I regret I cannot report favorably of Freedmen progress in Texas this year. They feel the depressing influence of the withdrawal of Bureau aid & the curtailment of no of teachers from A. M. A. The Gregory Freedmans Academy at this place — a fine brick building — cannot be —

if properly supplied with teachers
be made a great success. It ought to
have at least four (4) teachers - has only two.
Please me for another suggestion.
A Periodical - weekly (or less frequently) for
the Youth of Freedmen, is much
needed. Cannot such be
published at office of "New Era"?
The New Era is of rather too high a
grade of literary excellence to reach the
minds of Freed people of my age.
Please cause to be sent to
me some late copies of that paper.
Have you yet considered my
suggestion of the publication of a
series of tracts specially written for &
suited to capacities of these people.
Shall be pleased, at any time,
to hear from you.

Yours Truly.
James Duke

Major Genl
O. O. Howard
Washington, D.C.

ment, which cryon on us to turn good for evil, as we are, as the immortal soul, is obliged for a time, to be a tenant of this frail and perishable body, we shall all be subject to the passions and infirmities incident to our career on Earth —

But of course you need no encouragement from me — Your knowledge of these things, is much greater than mine, mouths ago from childhood I have always been the friend of the trembling slave, and regard the best fruit of the recent war to be, that it has resulted in the raising up to freedom and manhood rights, an oppressed and down trodden race —

Worcester Dec 5th 70

General

Having been obliged to give up my regular occupation of book keeper on account of ill health, I am making efforts to obtain a position in the Custom House, or some other Government office, and I thought a line from some of the Generals, with whom I served while in the Army, might be of some use to me, while pushing the affair —

I was clerk at Hed. Qrs. 2d Div 2d Corps for over two years, and during that time eight different Generals commanded the Division, with most of whom I was thrown in direct contact, and who would not have retained me, had I failed to perform my

duty [illegible]
nearly all new West Pointers —

Of them, Generals Sedgwick and Yonnelfmne the most prominent, and subsequently commanded Corps, but General Sedgwick having fallen on the field, like the brave Soldier that he was, can of course do nothing for me, though at one time he did give me a recommendation for a Commission, ~~but~~ which I never used on account of a fit of deafness (to which I was subject) coming on, and effectually precluding me from service in the Ranks —

I have no knowledge of the whereabouts of any of the Generals of the Regular Service, with the exception of yourself, who are generally pretty prominently before the public, and therefore venture to trouble you in the matter, hoping to receive a reply —

[illegible] you a line, at the time the finding of the Court Martial in the case of Cadet Smith at West Point, was given to the public, as I recollect the indiscretion of which he was guilty, as the result of a long series of ~~affronts~~ insults, and covert petty persecution, more aggravating, and harder to bear than open insult

As I have ever believed that all men are, or should be, free and equal I was much pleased with the result, for it certainly cannot be expected that a schoolboy should show a more Christian spirit, and a greater control over his temper, than veterans of many a battle field, high in rank in the Army and Navy

I know that all should place their reliance, on the splendid passages of the new Rata

I trust you will pardon this
hy epistle, as I intended to
e brief when I set out, and
e almost tempted now, to do
e this, and begin again, but
remember, that unlike many
fficers of high rank, you al-
ays look an interest in your
nbordinates, and will let it

Trusting that you are in
e enjoyment of good health, &
I remain
Very respectfully
E A Rice

Brig Genl J Howard
U. S. Army

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Boston Dec 5. 1878

Dear Sam.

Enclosed ~~one~~ is check in exchange for chts left with me.

Hope you got safely home.

All well

Ever cordially

E. B. Webb

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Dec. 5th 1870

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Washington
Dec. 9th 1870

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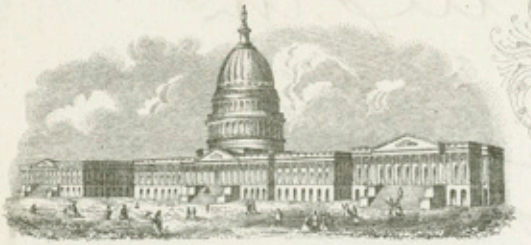
Genl. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir,

I would be glad to see you at my rooms (1329 F. St.) this evening or tomorrow evening at 7 or 8 o'clock.

Very truly
W. Townsend



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