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Worcester Dec 16th 1870

Capt. J. E. Maddox

U.S. A. A. Le & Genl Howard

Dear Sir

In reply to yours of 9th
would say that though somewhat surprised that
the General does not remember me yet I suppose
in the course of his service in the Army and ^{Frederick} ~~Frederick~~
Buman, he has had intercourse with so many Clerks
and other subordinates, that it would be difficult,
if not impossible for him, to recall each one,
without some better data to go by, than simply the
name.

But I think I can mention a fact or
two, that will assist his memory in regard to me;

In the first place during the time he
commanded the Division, I was extremely deaf,
and had that infirmity annoyed him, one half
as much as it did Genl. Sedgwick, he would now
have forgotten it.

Again while there, he was made a Major

General and his staff presented him with a horse,
(and equipments too I think) and the enlisted
men on duty at his Ad. Qrs. with a pair of
double stam'd shoulder straps, the gift of which
he acknowledged in a very polite & kind letter,
which I was called into his tent to receive, by
one of his aids —

I was a private in the 15th Mass. Inf. &
as I stated in my former letter, Clerk at ~~Ad~~
Ad. Qrs. 2d Div. 2d Corps ^{Ad. Qrs.} for over two years, and
the first Genl. who commanded the Division
was Brig Genl C. P. Stone ^{now in Egypt}; his Adj. Genl was
Capt Chas. Stewart, a British Officer afterwards
dismissed the service —

The next was the well known Genl. Sedgwick
whose Adj. Genl. was Maj. Wm. D. Sedgwick ^{Capt Sedgwick}; he
fell at Antietam; his successor was Genl
Howard, with Capt (now General) E. Whittling
for Adj. Genl. and Lieut Howard and others
for aids —

During the time he commanded, he was
off on leave of absence, a couple of months or so,
and Brig Genl W. A. Gorman assumed command
his Adj. Genl. was Capt J. A. Gorman, since

died of disease —

Then came Brig. Genl. John Gibbon
with Capt J. P. Wood for Adj. General
then Brig Genl Wm. Harrow, Adj. Genl. Wood
followed by Brig Genl. A. S. Mott. Adj. Genl
Wood. — Capt Wood died of disease during the
time Mott commanded —

Thus you see it would be impossible for
me to communicate with a single one of the
Adj. Genls. under whom I served with the exception
of Genl. Howards own (of whose present residence
I know nothing) as most of them are dead,
or scattered over the earth —

Trusting that this explanation will
far satisfy the General, that he will feel dis-
posed to forward me the asked for recommenda-
tion, I remain

Yours respectfully

E. Rice

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Senate Chamber

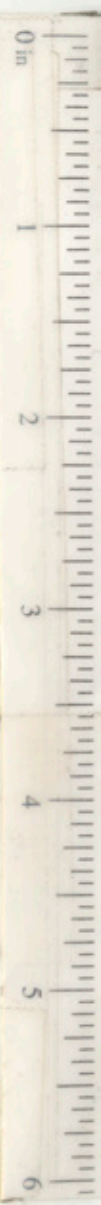
Dec, 16th, 1870.

Maj. Gen. P. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

I send you
note for \$100 payable in four
years. I wish I was able to make
it more.

Yours Truly
H. Wilson



[Faint, illegible handwriting on lined paper, possibly a letter or document.]



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Written Dec^r 16-70.

Genl. A. S. Howard
Washington
D. C.

My Dear Sir,

Thanks for your
prompt & full letter. The
plans you name would
not facilitate my son's plan
I think he will study Law.

Very truly Yours
Alpheus Hardy.

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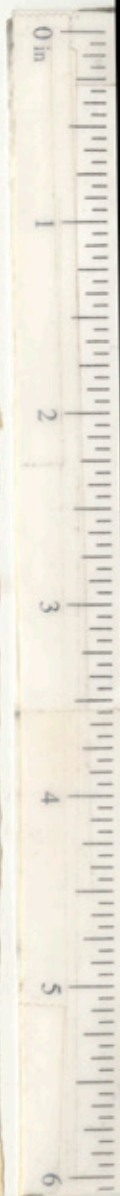
My dear Mr. [illegible]

Thank you for the [illegible]

Yours truly

[illegible handwritten text]

Very truly yours
[illegible signature]





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Forty-first Congress U.S.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, D.C. Dec. 16th 1870

Genl. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir,

Please to send me a copy of the pamphlet containing your "Statement" and Mr Ketchum's argument.

Mr Hoar was called home today, not to return till after the holidays and borrowed my copy.

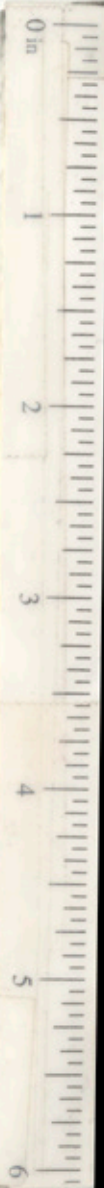
The resolution will not be called up until after the holidays, Mr Arnell says.

Yrs truly

W. Townsend

Dec. 16/1870

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Wm. Lloyd Garrison & Co.
Printers
No. 15 N. 2nd St. N. Y.

Washington, D. C. Dec. 15. 1870

Rev. O. W. Holmes

Dear Sir,

Wm. Lloyd Garrison & Co.

copy of the pamphlet containing your statement

and the Liberator's argument

for those who believe in the right of

resistance to the laws of the country

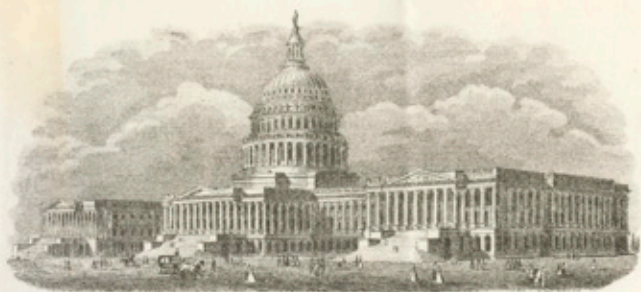
is hereby acknowledged

the Liberator will not be called up until

after the Liberator has been sent

very truly

Wm. Lloyd Garrison



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Forty-first Congress U.S.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, D.C. Dec. 16 1870

Genl. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir,

Two or three of the friends
of the education of Freedmen and the colored
race generally, desire to meet you at my rooms,
1329 F. St, next Monday evening next.

If convenient please to meet us ^{there}, if not conve-
= nient state the earliest evening on which you
can be there.

Yrs truly

W. Townsend

Dec. 16th 1890

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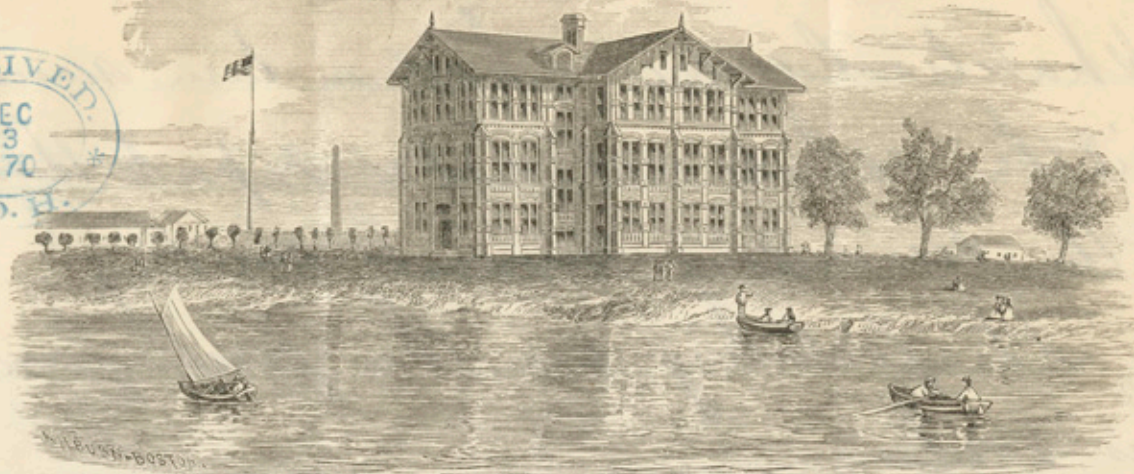
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Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute.

INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL ACT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF VIRGINIA
OPENED APRIL, 1868.

S. C. ARMSTRONG, *Principal.*
ALBERT HOWE, *Farm Manager.*

Miss R. T. BACON, *Assistant Principal.*
Miss JANE STUART WOOLSEY, *Manager Girls' Industrial Dept.*

Hampton, Va.

Dec 17 1870

Major Gen. A. S. Howard;
Dear Sir:

I beg leave to transmit
to you the following from the records of
proceedings of the Trustees of this Institute
at their last meeting held November 17th 1870

Extract

"On motion of Mr. Strickland
the following By Law was voted: That
four of the Trustees taken in

"alphabetical order shall in turn annually
"visit the school and make report thereon
"at the succeeding annual meeting"

The following are the first four on
this roster.

Gen. Garfield

Gen. A. A. Howard

Mr Samuel Holmes

Mr. Alex. Hyde

Hoping that it
will be convenient for you to visit this
place within the course of the coming winter
or Spring

I am very sincerely yours
S. C. Mustang
Secretary Board Trustees

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LOWELL INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS,

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Lowell,

Dec. 17 1870

General O. O. Howard.

B. R. F. & A. L. Washington D. C.

General

Your favor of _____ is

received.

Enclosed is dft. on N. Y. to y^r. order
for four hundred thirty eight $48\frac{1}{100}$ dolls.
to pay T. Admin's Hospital for Subistence
\$395⁵⁰ + clothing \$42⁹⁸ furnished on N. Y.
National Asylum. Please advise me
of its receipt and oblige.

Respectfully.

Geo. J. Lamer
Finan. agt.

LOWELL INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS

Lowell, Dec. 17 1870

C. C. Johnson

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 15th

is received.

I have been thinking of you
and your kind letter of the 15th
and I am glad to hear
that you are well and
hope to see you soon.

Very truly,
C. C. Johnson

John C. Johnson

Dec. 17 1870

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Washington D.C.,
Dec 17th 1870.

Dear General:

I sent the note of Frank J. Manning (who was said to own land near Nebraska City) to Nebraska for collection. My correspondents inform me that after diligent inquiry both at Omaha and Nebraska City, they can obtain no information concerning him. But they will continue the search.

Very truly yours

Gen. O. O. Howard, Edwin Stanton
Washington D.C.

Washington D.C.
Dec 17th 1870

Dear General:
I sent the
Hand of Learning (with
our letter to our friends
at Washington City) to
the collection. My
information was that after
the report of the
committee on the
Hand of Learning
you could obtain no
information from the
Hand of Learning
committee.

Very truly yours

Wm. Brewster

all the evidence ^{12th} ¹⁸⁷⁰
your statement with Mr.
Ketchem's argument and you
will allow me to say that my
admiration of your character is
greatly heightened by it.

I feel you had one with you
in that furnace who has caused
you to come forth like tried gold
and if there a record above of those
who seek to do good to their fellow
men out of love to their Saviour
(as I believe there is) your name
my dear Christian brother will
stand out high & bright on those
pages and your reward will be
glorious. Go on valiant virtute
and God be with as I feel sure
you will, and pray will you
not for a poor underserving crea-
ture like myself, who in this provi-
dence is cut off from aspirations to
bless others if I might - I who count
it an honor & privilege to be numbered
among your friends & in fellowship
of the church with you as a Christian
brother - Sincerely yours
E. Woodruff Smith

329. Ch. Saturday Evening
Dec. 17. 1870.

My dear friend.

I thank you for your kind
letter with inclosure just recd.
I think I understand it - but
I will mention how it stands in
my mind - as regards the Church
bonds & notes - I mean the \$1000.
The \$1000. is considered due as
all other subscriptions Dec. 21.
The interest on that is to be paid
me according to the issue of the
Bonds - and I am to pay the
University all the accrued interest
on them previous to my taking
them on Sept. 16. - I receive
my note then executed to the
University - This gives me the \$1000.
Then I am to receive the \$2000
of Ch. Bonds I hold with the ac-
crued interest whatever it be up
to Dec 21. &c

As the 3rd of Jan. is Sunday I should like to send you
Eighty Shares - on the 1st of Jan.
there is due to me the interest -
and as they were not taken
at par but 80 per ct. am I to
to pay back any accrued interest
previous to taking them - on Sept
16. - They were not registered to me
(though transferred by you on the
16th) before Sept 22. - but I
suppose that makes no difference
as to the accrued interest.

I am not so clear as to what
is to be done in this case -
I shall gladly avail myself of
your kind offer to help me -
I understand Brother White is
now sick - If you can explain
the whole thing to him and
thus the matter of payment be
arranged before he could go with
me to him & have the thing
all properly fixed, say on Wed

the payments, to discharge some
debts of borrowed money and also
make a New Years offering as
usual to the Am. Church Missy
Assn. B. of Y. and other Societies,
besides some other payments
falling due for which I rely
on this money coming to me.

I do not know whether Bro.
White settles these matters at
his house or at his office, or
where his office is -

Of course ^{ask} the B. M. Ch. Assn
Board I go to B. D. Cooke's
Banking House -

Do you know of any one
who wants to buy there?

May I ask you to drop me
line by the mail Monday or other
wise advise me -

I have gone through with all

I thought I would be allowed a little peace now, but I find I am not yet "out of the dark". Nevertheless I am hopeful, quite well and determined to "stick".

Please don't let my difficulties give you any uneasiness. I shall keep you advised as to the course of events.

Please remember me kindly to all, and write me at your convenience.

I am, as ever,

Your obedient servant,
J. W. Smith.



West Point N. Y.

Dec. 18th. 1870.

My Kind Benefactor,

I wrote you a day or two ago, and to-day I have the painful duty to tell you that I am again in difficulty. On the 13th. inst. I was on guard, and while the guard was being reviewed the cadet who was on my right stepped on my toe two or three times, which annoyed me considerably, and I started to turn my head towards him, but a corporal ordered me to pay attention in ranks. So after the command "Place Rest" was given I said to the cadet, "I wish you would keep off my toe." He said, "Keep your d-d toes out of my way." Nothing more passed between us. On the 14th. I was reported for this inattention in

ranked on my bed. I submitted to the Commandant a written statement of the facts, and he then sent for the Cadet and asked him about stepping on my toes. He denied it. The Commandant then called as witnesses the Cadets who were near at the time, and they said they heard some words pass between us, but I believe none knew exactly what they were. This Cadet then said that when I turned around and said something, which he did not understand, he said "Keep your eyes off me". Upon this the Commandant placed me in arrest for submitting a false statement, and calls upon me for proof that the cadet did step on me. Yesterday I left my room at 11.30 to go to fencing, and returning at 12. I found my room in a terrible condition. During that half hour some one had pulled everything out my clothes press and scattered them over the floor, and emptied both pails of water

on my bed. The Officer of the day says he inspected my ^{it} directly after I left it and found everything in perfect order. The Commandant issued an order yesterday asking the Cadet who did it or knew anything about ^{it} to report the fact to him. Of course no one knows anything about ^{it} and so it will remain. Thus it is, the Commandant tells me to report to him any insults or injuries I may receive, and then when I do so, he punishes me because the Cadet who injures me denies the charge. It makes me almost ready to give up in despair when I think of the justice that I am always to receive here. There are hundreds of insults which I take every day, and dare not complain of, because I know I will be called on for proof which I cannot produce. But I have made up my mind to bear everything patiently, and take the consequences. I am in an unfavorable position and must take anything.

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THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

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THOS. T. ECKERT, Gen'l Sup't,
New York.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't,
O. H. PALMER, Sec'y, } NEW YORK

Dated Henderson Dec 19 1880.

Received at 9:20 - P.M.

To Brig Gen O.O. Howard.

Can you delay action
in my case until Father's
arrival in Washington he
will start tomorrow.

Williams Beebe,
16 Paid '38 J.

THIS TELEGRAM HAS JUST BEEN RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE IN

511 Penna Ave.

WHERE ANY REPLY SHOULD BE SENT.

Direct Wires.

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JAY COOKE & CO., BANKERS,
Fifteenth Street,

Washington, D. C. Dec. 19th 1870.

Gen. O. O. Howard

My Dear Sir:-

In response to your inquiries in regard to the value of the building occupied by the Young Men's Christian Association in this City, I would state that the cost of the same was about \$125,000. exclusive of the lot on which it stands which is fully worth from \$40,000 to \$50,000. additional. I paid \$40,000, some years ago. The only lien against the property is a deferred

payment upon the ground a-
mounting to \$5000 - which ma-
tures May 31st next, This
note could, of course, be paid
off immediately, if desirable,
thus leaving the building free
from any lien whatsoever.

The building is insured a-
gainst fire to the amount
of \$85,000 =

Very truly Yours
A. D. Cooke

Mas^r & Dist. Stork Co.
S. M. C. A.

Private & personal,

OFFICE OF
National Freedman's Savings and Trust Company,

No. 507 Seventh Street, opposite the Post Office,

Washington, D. C. Dec^r 19 1870

Maj Gen. A. A. Howard:

Dear Friend:

I am still confined for the most part to the house, unable to throw off the cold & cough which seem to possess me. I know that this condition of body is ordinarily no recommendation for a special service; but it has nevertheless occurred to me that if I were able to spend this winter in a tropical climate, it might restore me to complete health & I might still be useful.

Hence it was that in a former way I alluded to the Commission to St. Domingo. I think my position in the financial work among the colored people here might make it appear fitting that I should be an aid in bringing St. Domingo under our flag - for I fully agree with Gen

Grant as to the policy of possessing
that Island without delay. I have
made the subject of that Island
its history a special study in
connection with my work.

Now the object of this note
to ask your advice - Do you think
it will be best for me to ask
your board of trustees leave of
absence till spring with a view
to seeking this appointment?

If so, would you & Mr. Cook
aid me with Gen. Grant with this?
I have no acquaintance. You know
however how I feel toward him and
his administration. Please let me hear
your views. I will not take any other
step than this till I know.

Of course I know the contingency
that Congress may not authorize the Com-
mission. But even in that case I would
undertake to "instruct" the public mind on
a commission from Gen. Grant himself.

Yrs Truly
D. L. Eaton

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Ans'd by Genl.
Dec. 29, 1870.



Fr. Fred Steele W. T.
December, 19th 1870

Brigadier General O. O. Howard,
United States Army,
Sir:

Knowing
your reputation for kindness,
I have no hesitation in making
of you the following request:
I would like very much to serve
on your staff, as an aide-de-
camp or in any other capacity.
As I am not personally known to
you, I would respectfully state,
that I lost my right arm
in May '66 at West Point and
graduated June 15th 1868.
I add the following certificate

W. T.

from Maj. Gen J. C. Robinson
and Lieut Col. H. W. Wessells,
U. S. A. under whom I have
served.

2^d Lieut, P. Fitzpatrick
13th U. S. Inf., a graduate of the
Military Academy, served for
several months under my com-
mand, & it affords me pleasure
to certify to his faithful atten-
tion to duty, gentlemanly conduct
& perfectly correct habits.

(signed) John C. Robinson
Maj. Gen. U. S. A.

Lieut. Fitzpatrick, 13th Inf. has
served under my immediate
command during the past fourteen
months, as 2^d Adjutant and
Company Company Bth Recruits:
with correct habits and integrity
of character, this Officer has

at all times given strict
and conscientious attention
to the discharge of his duties,
(signed) H. W. Wessells

Lieut Colonel
Comdg.

If my request is granted, I
shall do all in my power in order
that you may never regret
the selection. In hopes of an
answer, I remain

Very respectfully,
Your Obedt Servt,
P. Fitzpatrick
2^d Lieut, 13th Inf.

Howard College
Med Dept
Dec 19 1870



R. G. M. D. 1890

Dear Gen. Your humble
Correspondent has served many
years as a Soldier. My last term
of service was at Benton Bk St Louis^{Mo}
where I served as Drill master &
Instructor of Colored recruits, a
duty of my own choice, I am at
present in poor health and needy
Circumstances. I enclose a copy
of Certificate of Character sent
me by my very dear & kind
Brother Dr. Nelson. the original I
was advised to send to the Sec.
of War accompanied with a detailed
Statement of my military ser-
vices. I am at present waiting
for a decision of the Sec of war
in regard to my Claim for
pension. I need the advice of
kind Sympathizing Christian
friends. as I have four

young children in the northwest
(Iowa) who by the hand of death
were deprived (three years ago) of
a mother's care, and I their
father am too infirm to labor
for the support of my children
as I did prior to the late war
they are kind and obedient
children. have had Sabbath
School instruction, and good
home instruction whilst their
mother lived. but since my
wife died. my little ones have
had a hard time among selfish
strangers. my eldest child a
daughter is 17 years of age. she is
working for her board this winter
and attending the Dist School
hoping to get a diploma to teach
School herself next summer.
any little present in shape of
good books or clothing from my
Christian friends will be gratefully
accepted. and forwarded to my
Noble Lillie, Fannie, Edward, or
Charles Reese.

I remain Gen.

Your humble Bro in Christ

Bennet M Reese
Late Sergt & Drill master of Co. 4th
Regt. Benton Bks Mo

This may certify that I have been
~~acquainted~~ acquainted with Bennet M Reese
Several years. know that he
has served many years as a
Soldier in U.S.A. I believe now
Reese is a man with great kind-
ness of heart & true piety and
would labor as faithfully for
the good of his fellow men as
any person that I know, especially
for those in humble circumstances.

I first became acquainted
with Mr. Reese in St Louis where
I was pastor. Since that time I
have held ^{frequent} correspondence with
Mr Reese. he was for some time
a Teacher in Soldiers Home at
Milwaukee Wis

Henry A Nelson.

Prof Theo. Lane Sem.
Cincinnati Ohio.

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Treasury Department,

Washington, D. C.,

December 19, 1870.

Personal
Dear General,

In reply to your inquiry as to the cause of the removal of Mr. A. M. Reid. I have to inform you that he was removed because his services were not considered of sufficient value to the Department to affect his political ineffectiveness. Since his removal I understand that he claims to be in full sympathy with the administration. He is poor; if he can find employment elsewhere I sincerely trust he may. He is no longer young and should not be allowed to suffer.

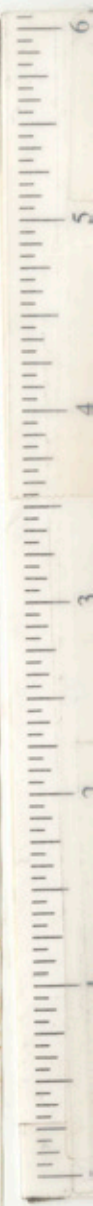
Very truly yours

H. S. Vanderbilt

General

O. O. Howard U.S.A.

Washington D.C.



Received of the Treasurer of the

of the sum of \$100.00

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You are invited to meet a few gentlemen
at Jewish Hall, Tremont Temple Boston
at 6 P.M. December 20th

The subject of "SYSTEM IN CHURCH REVENUE," and
also, of the use of the Secular Press in the interest of religion
and reform — especially in respect to the Sabbath question, — will
be discussed for a half-hour after tea. Please send us a letter to read
at the meeting, if you cannot be present. William Claflin.

