Dear Sir:

Judge Barley informed me today that Mrs. Belt had got her papers out of your possession. I hope that you retained those letters or copies of them, which she wrote you derogating of my personal character. If you recollect I stated that I desired you to do so. If such is the case I hope you retain in your memory the contents as they will go far to show to what means she would resort to damage private character.

Very respectfully,

your Obl. Servt.

Daniel Welch

Gent. O.O. Howard

[illegible]
Harlem May 24, 1871.

My dear General, I thank you for your good letter of 18th May. I meant it to A.P.K., and would write fully in answer if I could, but it would be too long. Won't you go to Hampton June 6th? I hope so.

My Whipple is to here and I hope to be, and we can have a chance to talk about the bank, whose next meeting comes next day, the 8th, i.e., next day after the Hampton tour day. the 7th, from we start down on the 6th. I have much to say about the bank and can talk it for more easily than I can write.

We are pleased to see Mr. Colfax. At the dinner with Mr. Colfax: May he be restored!

A.P. K. will see in those days of course, then in Washington.

Yours very truly,

Edgar Ketchem
Mr. O. T. Howard
American Missionary Association,
38 Lombard Block,
Chicago, May 24, 1871

Dear Brother: Your kind invitation came but long after the I. E. State Convention. I could not come—yes, I 2 2 0 in 2 2 0 and three dollars, the $75.00 until you are ready to invest if within 3 months. It seems you do not care to take an entire acre 5 5 0. Do not say no—We are very sorry about your Rheumatism. At best it is better for a man to work while you live. A School house has been built near Okaloma—Ezra Alex has looked up & seen his exquisiteness of which I have been told after the K. K.'s in Madison County. Some uniforms & supplies were captured.
Believe they claim that they find fewer of the K. K.'s. The school party in Whiteville have repudiated an address to the levy for support of the high school in Louisa County, and the Kitty. Mr. J. W. Bristow is in great perplexity how to pay his teachers—many of them have not been paid. The teachers

I have not received the letter from Fred. Douglass and surrendered must go to New York without it. He is pretty disappointed. Kitty is now pretty well. We have exchanged our plans for one at Gloucester 15 miles up on the Milwaukee R. R. Here here there is a new house kept there our present one is too small and need a roll year.

W. H. Brown
Brooklyn
May 25, 1871

My dear general,

I wrote you a note with Mr. Arnold on the 4th of this month. Having received no reply, fearing you may still be from home, I write a few lines to ask when it will be convenient for you to see...
Me if I come to Washington.
I have been very busy since my return. It is quite amusing to witness the sudden change that has taken place in people, with regard to the mines. There was a full account of the coal in the Herald of the 20th with a long editorial written by J. B. Bennett.

himself. There was a notice in the Tribune also.
I want to have a little talk with you about the best way of disposing of it.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Howard, Mrs. Grace, and the young gentlemen.

I remain,

Very truly yours,

Richard Temple

Gen. Geo. Howard U.S.A.
Truly for Gospel & Temporal services labor amongst them. I hope a main interest will spring
up. I heard that you were likely to visit this Country in the interest of the University. If this so let me know in good time remain will be ready to further your views to assist you in bringing the subject before the right people.

Remain

Ever truly yours,

John Taylor.

General Howard

Melbourne

I am much obliged by the first MSS report on the neednne the various printed reports you have sent me which are just what I required.
I am solicited to thank that we have too ready a quick up coming for these neednne on this side of the water that there is a wide field & glorious oppor
Larger sum, but of it, to a central university at the capital, or the
Colored people, than was ever in any other to my place. From
this guard, I am now contributing towards the building, which we
are now dedicating," etc.

I am, General, Respectfully,
Your Oth. Bracket
R. L. Scott
From lin. ind.
Let me clearly state an important point connected with the Freedmen's Bureau, that is quite generally misunderstood. It is thought that the funds of that Bureau were in some way to tax on the general revenues of the government, that Massachusetts and Massachusetts, directly or indirectly, to raise that money. That is a mistake. When, in the first years of the war, the colored people of Virginia and Maryland flocked into Washington, the Quartermaster's department set immense numbers of them at work, to preserve them from idleness and starvation. At one time, not less than 50,000 were thus employed. Most of these men were separated from their families: all had recently emerged from a condition of enforced labor, and of dependence upon the care of others for the supply of their daily wants. Then Edwin D. Stanton issued

an order retaining 10 per cent of the wages of the contrabands, for the benefit of their families. How many women and children were saved from suffering by this wise foresight of the poor century never more be known. But that followed one consequence: that it happened to be a large addition to the fund that was never called for. Congress reasoning justly that this was the product of the labor of colored men, and did not belong to the government at all, and, though the individual owners could not be found, was to be used for the benefit of the colored people—transferred it over to the Freedmen's Bureau to be used for educational purposes. And, considering that the money had been earned in Washington, been Howard did well to appropriate a
New York, May 27, 1871

My dear friend,

I am glad to hear from you. I was able to get an audience with President Lincoln on the 30th and was able to reach him, and I hope to make an arrangement so that the Rev. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Buck Emmett and myself could meet you there and from there go on to Gettysburg. Mr. Taylor is delighted with the idea of visiting that glorious battlefield with you.

But before I write more fully, I should like to say that I was held up to go to Hartford and Springfield Tuesday and Wednesday, therefore we cannot go South until next week. On Monday however the 5th of June we can leave here in the morning and reach Baltimore...
[if that is the best way to go] in the afternoon, I think about 1 or 4 o\textsuperscript{clock}. Now if you could come on time and spend Sabbath the 4th come with me and hear one of the best preachers you ever heard, you will enjoy it very much. You know we should, Mr. Howard would also. Mr. B. & Emmie would be delighted to see you both. For you can start the 5th at Wilmington. Why not come right along and send the balance of the check with us, if this cannot be done. Can you meet us Monday evening in Baltimore the 6th? Leased on Tuesday at Gettysburg. Mr. Stuart has engaged Mr. Hoyt to speak in Phila. on Wednesday, etc., the 7th, the work have to get through with Gettysburg in season to return their Wednesday Pm. How far is Gettysburg from Baltimore? It is a better point than Harrisburg to go from? Please write me on Monday about this matter. Truly yours, friend.

P.S. Buck

Major Geo. B. Howard
Washington, D.C.
My kind friend & benefactor:—I was
surprised by your note of this morning.
Did one I love long dearly as a
brother, but whether I have his con-
fidence or not, is more than I know. Reat assured dear sir
if it is so, his trust in me
shall never he betrayed. — I will
always try to do right and if
possible influence him to do the
same. — Pardon me for not
replying to the other subject sir
in your note (I cannot).

Reapy. & Sincerely yours,

W.E. Doane.

University Hill
Washington, D.C.
May 24, 1871.
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Washington, D.C., May 27th, 1874.

General, Howard,

My dear Sir,

I desire to introduce to you His Excellency F. Arinori Mori, Charge de
Affairs of Japan, who expresses a wish to visit your Institution;
The "Howard University" with
a view to a more intimate
acquaintance with its operations,
Curriculum, etc.

May I ask of you to name
an hour on Monday that I
could meet you at your office.

I am, very truly,

Horace Capron
Commod. Co
General: There is no objection. Your application is approved.

Mr. Novy

May 29, 1871

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER,

Washington City, May 29th, 1871.

Mr. W. W. Belknap

Mr. Secretary of War

I have engaged to be at Wilmington, Del. Tomorrow; I shall go thence to New York to visit the offices of two educational associations on public business and go thence to Hampton, Va. to examine the Freedmen's Institute there, and return to this city by the 9th inst. This will meet your approval.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. servt.,

C. O. Howard

Brig. Genl. Banyon
Valhermoso Springs
Morgan County, Ala.

Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir: Knowing you feel a deep interest in the welfare of the colored people of our Common country, I would most respectfully call your attention to the destitution, in regard to school books, Bibles and hymn books, in the two counties, Lawrence and Morgan, one of which I have been appointed, presiding elder. Whatever contribution you can send us, shall be appropriately applied and highly appreciated by the subscriber.

James Lewis

Presiding Elder of Morgan and Lawrence counties

Please address

E. W. S.

Mr. William Farmer
Montgomery, Ala.
Kinston, N. C.
May 23rd, 1847

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

Dear Sir, I felt my self to drop you a few lines hoping to find you well. I would say to you that I wish for you to forward me a catalogue of your university as I wish to come next year and I want to be placed in your Law department and I would be glad if you would write me a letter and inform me of what branches that one will be examined on before he is admitted in the Law department. Please give me the full ground of your school. I have been studying Law since the last year and have read through Blackstone first and second volume and understand all of the English very well but the Latin I do not understand so very well. Let me have from you at your earliest convenience and send me the catalogue.

Your & Co

J. S. Williams
American Missionary Association,
98 Lombard Block.

Secretaries:
George Whipple,
Michael E. Strickland,
Charles H. Howard, Dist. Sec'y, Chicago.

Chicago, May 29, 1871

Dear Brother,

Please do not fail to read through the accompanying letter from Rev. Dr. Goodwin.

It will be a great good fortune if you can secure the appointment of Mr. Huntington before the senate adjourns.

Assemble now these Board at Medina last week.

Yours,

Charles Howard

Dr. Hon. C. D. Howard
Chicago, May 29th, 1871.

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P. M. Dear Sir,

Refers letter of Dr. Sanford dated Rockford May 27, 1871 stating that Mr. C. A. Huntington is a candidate for the St. Louis agency U.S. as recommending him for the position.

States that there will be great good done if the appointment can be secured for him.

Handwritten:

[Signature]

[Handwritten text]

[Handwritten text]

Georgetown May 31st 1871

Sen O.D. Howard

Dear Sir,

As I have been assured through friends that you will keep any case before your mind, and as this seems to be a propitious time, I take the liberty of drawing your attention to the fact, of there having been some thirty clerks removed from office in the Interior Dept. with a view (as I am credibly informed) of putting in others.

The thought occurred to me that a word from you in my behalf just at this time, when these changes are being made, would have
great weight with the Secretary.

My kind friend Mr. Grey,
tells me, that it is all important
that my application which is
now before Mr. Delano, should
be followed up by some strong
influence, which induces me
to apply to you, feeling assured
that your kind Christian
heart will pardon me, when
I tell you, that my present
pressing necessities, my great
anxiety on the subject, is my
only plea for thus again troubl-
ing you.

"Thee Lord recompense
thy work, and a full reward be
given Thee of the Lord God of
Israel, under whose wings Thou
art come to trust."

Sam. S. in all sincerity

your friend

Fannie W. Molzer