Asheville
N. Carolina
July 12, 1871

To G. W. Howard

Dear sir,

I was gratified at the interest you took in my enterprise for the colored people of this town, when I saw you last fall. Since then I have struggled along with it. Our own people have given me lately $100, toward the Chapel & School Building & 50 colored men have signed work or small sums of money. I have bought a convenient site. I need $200 dollars on Carpenter's account & four Carpenters is a respectable colored
man) Would it be in your power to make up $25 toward the sum? If I can get small help for this can I hope to see the building up and out of debt in 2 months?

Very respectfully
Jared Buxton
Asheville
N. Carolina

P.S. A Congregational Friend of Stamford Ct. (of the firm Baldwin, Star & Co. Ct.) sent me by last mail $40 toward the Building
Genl. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir,

I have submitted your proposition under to my principal, and she instructs me to decline taking less than the sum stated to you.

The property will be sold under the Deced of Trust on Friday evening next at 6 o'clock.

Iahmed have called in person, sure that the excessive heat of yesterday has quite knocked me up.

Very respectfully,

Chas. W. Callan
Office of Time Gone Gallery

Office of Time Gone Gallery.

1921, Oct 17th, 11:30

[Handwritten text containing a letter and various illegible entries.]

Yours truly,

[Signature]

[Receipt or note of payment]
Dear Sir:

Tell the Gen. Grant the war deserves, for pursuing upon this notice, a matter in which he has no interest.

In short, if discernible, would solicit a favor at your hands.

It is needless to say to you, that I have given evidence of gratuitous labor in this vineyard, planted by you.

Now, fearing that the condition of my lung would compel me to forget the labor of the school doors, for employment. When the accident that curtailed it occurred.

Shall through a position in one of the Departments, without proof from real relief.
A stranger distant influence, could avail nothing, in this particular.

Whether the Law, has the inclination or ability, to render assistance, he knows I do not.

I refer the matter to you, as I know you to be a gentleman, with correct opinion, not to be readily expatriated.

I know, every petition will obtain a hearing with you, hence the appeal.

What ever the result - let the matter of this mode, rest with you.

With kind wishes for your temporal and spiritual welfare, permit me to say,

Respectfully yours,

[Signature]

July 12, 1871.
American Missionary Association,
47 Lombard Block,
Chicago, July 12 1871

To C. W. Howard

Dear Brother,

Your favor of July 8 is at hand — P. M. 11 P. M. Fuller merely confirmed the report, which I have heard before of the word of sympathy of Gen. B. with the Freedmen. I heard it when I was in New Orleans — No doubt he is prompt in his business but is sometimes harsh to the poor people. Prof. A. is not here to give any offense — Besides,
Does it seem to be necessary — From what I have seen B is just as he always has been — He works for joy & does his work well — not considering that feelings enter into the matter.

We were pleased to hear of the loss of little Ethel. Glad to hear your family are well this summer. Wish you could visit us at our new home upon the lake.

More — Glencoe — More at longer timeConvenient house now to accommodate all — Very affectionate W. H. Howard.
of 25, twelve years old with her,
Laune says the church is prosperous and
have a good Sabbath School. I see
by the papers that Capt. Wall was
shot, not he totally wounded.
Brother Ensign gives his opinion
of your position as a very opportuni-
tic one for that place, give my love
to Gerrie, Anna, young; and Lenny
and my especial regards to
Lizzie, and Guy, and Grace.
I suppose Guy is at Hartford this
week. I met Mrs. Hinson, her sister
where days since in St. Louis, she
made apologies because she has
not called on me but need not
have done that as I have no
particular interest her now any
other person only to live just as
long as God calls. I designs her me
to, and up in peace when called
to lay down this life. Affectionately
Laune send of love to
Youngmother
Elin Gilmer
ends love E.G.

Leeds July 19th 1871
My dear son Otis,
I came to this place
the 1st of this month, two days since,
accompanying Rosa and her three little
ones, Mr. Lemaan met us at the depot and
took us to and habite home with him.
Brother Ensign took me home with him.
Our happiness here than I thought I should
be, my health is good. Rosa stooped with me a
Month, has now returned to her father's to
make arrangements to return west. Her
sister returns with her. I hope and trust
she will reach her Western home, with
her three little ones, in safety. My brother's health
is improved very much, since I saw him
in May. He has been to the sea shore
was from home ten days, and last week
went to Farmington, and visited the
towns among the mountains, and I find
a very different looking man from what he was a few months since, I rode out there yesterday and enjoyed my ride with him very much, the weather is heavy and uneventful, and the scenery is pleasant and reminds me of times when I enjoyed the same, Mrs. K and has made her visit in Marine and returned to her home, and has lately written Laura and all seems right with her, and her family I am much obliged to you and pray for your kind letters and the newspaper giving me some idea of where you were the last of July. Mrs. Laura and I propose going to North Leeds and make some calls, on you are interested, Mr. McMillan has returned, his family have returned to Marine, Mrs. B is very nervous about Ella's cough, she is under care here on a visit from Minnesota, where she has lived for years, she is now Mrs. Edwin McMillan, she has a daughter.
Post July 13th

Dear General,

I left a part of my family at Copper Springs, very well and surrounded by good Washington people. My journey here was with the intention of taking Mrs. Mead to the same Mountain resort, but I am sorry to find her too weak to undertake the journey. She is just able to ride out a short time, has no appetite, and very considerably prostrated. I shall remain here till Monday, as if she
I must bring the children to some quiet place in Maine, I leave them for the summer. I hope you will not be discouraged by my long absence. As soon as possible after seeing those who are special to me settled, I shall return to my post. So much traveling in this hot weather, after the severe mental trials of the last month, have worn upon me, but I am thankful that I am not worn out nor sick.

I shall be glad to hear from you about your own family and affairs in the office.
Dear Brother,

I have to clear my schedule for vacation. I plan to go on a steamship from Chicago to Northern Maine next week. Will you join me on this trip? It's a rare opportunity to enjoy the beauty of the area. The weather has been very nice; I hope it continues so we can enjoy our trip.

I have been busy with my work, but I managed to write a few letters. I hope you are doing well.

Best regards,

[Signature]

Princeton, Feb. 14, 1871
Thanks for your Bull Run 4th of July speech. I read it with great interest. Charles spoke last Sun. Feb. 15th. I went with him to Providence 18 miles in the P.M. Uncle Joseph writes me a good long letter I think he is about well again. Mother seems happy with Rosa and the little ones. I must be sick as left. Now mother and father are coming in 10 o'clock. Miss is at Glenora already. Ella was there Feb 15th. 4th of July. I enjoyed a fire pie on the Lake shore and ate the first with a few of Charles city friends. Charles has a nice large house on the banks of the lake. 

Eight of my Church have died since I have been here. 16. have been added. Our prayer meetings are small yet. A place does not seem to be much spiritual life. Our Sunday services have been the finest known in the oldest inhabitant. Mrs. Lister was here last week. Because you to be on the road at noon. Wick today to enter Miss. Give my love to Guy. You were missed. Disappointed that he didn't answer his letter. C. A. Burnett spent a night with me. We were about the Y. M. C. A. meeting 2 p.m. I also heard you had been trying to "lift"
Washington July 14th 71

Chautauqua Building

Dear Sir,

... have been written to for the three last reports of the Beekman's Bureau.

... to know where else to get them... and ask you for them.

If any expense is incurred will gladly refund it.

With sincere respect,

Chas Howard

William H. Bryce
Washington, D. C., July 14, 1871.

Gentlemen: Howards,

Dear Sir,

I would like to have an interview with you. I am in deep trouble. God has laid his hand heavily upon me. And I have thought that a talk with you and a statement from me would perhaps be of great relief. Can you tell me when I can see you and where? I am at home until 9 in the morning or after 4 in the afternoon or I will meet you at my place you may name.

Yours in sorrow,

[Signature]

No. 6 Grand St.
Dear Mr. Howard,

My dear Sir:

The enclosed letter from my friend Colonel George Parker, late of the 13th Wols, explains itself. Let it be one of our best, and most influential citizens, an earnest Republican, and will give you a large intelligent, and appreciative audience. I sincerely hope...
you will comply with his request. Please do so and personally oblige.

Yours truly,

J.H. Ketcham.
Poughkeepsie, July 13, 1871

My J. H. Ketcham

Dear Sir,

Our Part of the G. A. R. desire to secure Genl. O. O. Howard for a lecture, for the benefit of our union fund. Lecture to be given at the Opera House on the night of Nov. 3 (Friday) - I write you because I do not know when I shall have an opportunity to come and because if I did, I think you might help me by your endorsement.

With many thanks for past favors,

I am, Sir,

Respectfully,

[Signature]

Poughkeepsie
Why he can do any
work if it is
commissioned
well & completed.
I will look into it again,

and then send you a good
account of the work.

Dear Sir,

I start on my vacation
trip, call your attention

to Mr. Smellie who preached
for us yesterday. He has

labeled me at the

"Piney Hope" station.

Mr. Smellie is to

take his travel

notes, and if

he comes to care

for him or a good

friend.

Mrs. E. B. Howard.

Washington D.C.
Effortless cheerfulness.

He grows on me the better and more
I know him. Now he was living in affluence
a year ago and since
he has come here not
for office but to work
for the Master cannot
he find something that
will help him in his
straightened circumstances
to mend and better.

I don't understand
he is poor but he
can't do justice to
his generous faculty
continue to work for
nothing.

I would like
to have him commis-
sioned by the Home
missionary force
at once, if possible,
and then, if he had
best take Collins for

Galveston Depot, 16 July 1871.
Gen. O.O. Howard

Dear Sir,

I have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your obliging letter, dated the 10th inst., and also in asserting open of the satisfaction it affords me to remember open among my friends.

Frank Peas, Richard Nelson.
J. P. G. B.
Curator and I had our care in the Museum. I expect to make arrangements with a friend here in Rome to obtain curiosities for the Museum, and forward them to the University, from time to time. I have written to purchase a complete set of large photographs of the noted places here in Rome, which will be of great interest to the classical student in the University. There are about twenty five in the series, and each costs only 60c each. In case the University does not want them, I shall be quite willing to keep them myself, leaving Paris on the 27th of June, we came by easy stages to Italy. The 30th of June we passed in Genoa, Italy, and the "Villas Borghi" found us fairly in Rome. Resting one day in Naples, Monti, Bolognese very wholesome, we returned to Rome on the 11th of September.

My dear General and Friend:

Of I had written to you as often as I have thought of you and the University, Mr. Reed would have received many letters from Europe, from the necessity of doing which my silence has spared him. Whether anything more than the trusting would have commended your attention is somewhat doubtful in my mind, for no one tells him and how little time you have for business letters. To say nothing of friendly correspondence, it occurs to me, however that you may be pleased to hear from me and, as you have refused to express any more than ordinary interest in my welfare, I feel the
... greatest pleasure on "reporting" to you, not "for further orders," but for your information.

Doubtless you heard of our pleasant voyage across the Atlantic and our arrival at Cunardon, through Dr. Nichols to whom I am very sorry to say @ have not written as often as I intended. My time and strength have not been sufficient for the task. Especially because we changed our plans, as soon as we reached England, and instead of taking our tour through Ireland, Scotland, England and Germany, first @ decided to hasten on to Italy as to spend the latter part of the season in more northern latitudes. That our decision was a wise one, we are now fully convinced. A few days more, in Florence, Venice and Milan, and we shall enter the 'Corto region of the Alps and Switzerland,' then I hope to find more time for writing to my many friends in America—particularly at Washington.

After spending a single day in Liverpool to desecrate ourselves (if I may so speak) of salt water, we hastened to London, where we spent two days in seeing the sights of that modern Babylon. To be sure it was but a taste, which we hope to repeat upon our return, yet as different was the city—the buildings, the people, their customs, we were quite prepared for the entirely new world which we found when after crossing that noble harbor to the rich coasts, the English Channel, we at last put foot on French soil and took the chalk cliff of Dieppe. We spent five days in Paris, which we found to be emphatically a city in ruins. @ was fortunate enough to obtain a piece of the chain used to destroy the celebrated Column Vendome, which piece together with other curiosities of greater or less value @ shall bring with me upon our return to gladden the eyes of our
To name all the wonderful things we see would be difficult if it were desirable – to decay them would be impossible. The " Eternal City" alone, with its wonders of ancient and modern times, its Torre, Colosseum, Pantheon, Thermae, temples old and new, Catacombs, Cathedrals or Basilicas, galleries of paintings, the masterpieces of the world, museums of statues and mosaics, years would enable one (to) only see much less to study and become familiar with them. Nevertheless I feel many times paid already, for the time and money I have given to this journey.

July 19 – I have been interrupted by the sickness of my wife, Monday she had pain, which has now lifted, but her throat is very raw and she is very weak. We have been delayed these two days already beyond our calculations, but hope to get away by tomorrow. On Monday we went to the Vatican and were permitted to see the Pope and to shake his hand. He is a fine looking old gentleman, but certainly does not look infallible. Contrary to
The custom observed by all Catholics and most Protestants who are sufficiently favored as to the records of "hebdomades," or weekly schools, in their presence was to discard this hand.

He seemed to be quite well and strong for one so old, 179, and those Protestants here say he is quite well for his age, and upon the whole I think he is quite right. The Vatican and the guards bringing the sick are the sole terror in Italy, and inside the house he has control. At the door of the Vatican, on the outside, is the guard of Victor Emmanuel, and on the inside the soldiers of the Pope. That Rome itself is no longer under his thumb is evidenced by the election of the present pontiff, which followed the signing of the treaties of Victor Emmanuel. His forces cast 630,000 votes in favor of the Italian government and only 35 against. It is an interesting fact that accompanying them in their entry was a Valdese or Valachie pastor who filled their pulpit and has been preaching successfully here.

For the establishment of Protestant religion, our churches are now formed by the Waldenses and one for the Baptists. A very interesting day school under Protestant teachers, has been in operation for three or four months, beginning with three scholars, and now increasing daily. I visited it today. A real Protestant here, who is also a loyal American, boasts that Rome is today, as good and paper than New York. I am not sure but he is right. He shall hear him as soon as my wife's health will permit — in a day or so, we trust, for Norway, Sweden, Finland, England, England, and the others which in close are greatly rejoiced in. I am already looking forward to the work of the next year in the University, with greater interest than ever. Produce permitting we shall reach home by the beginning of the fall. Russia does not permit me to all friends at the University. My wife and I am greatly pleased to learn if your call upon her friends in Paris and only regret your absence at our wedding. Both of us wish to recommend yourself to your wife. I will not trouble you to answer this very hasty letter. I do hope you can manage time to read this. With the proudest regard, ever faithful friend A.D. Boston.
To General Howard,

The Good Templars of Chester County, Pennsylvania are making arrangements to hold a Temperance Hall Meeting in Copley Wood Creek Post Office Station on the Baltimore, Con. Railroad. To be on the Sabbath, the Sunday of 25th of July (1871). The Meeting to consist of Good Templar Lodge and Broadus & Lodges. And wishing to know if you can speak for us on that important subject the Temperance Cause on the 26th of 8th (sic) mo. 1871, and also what the charge will be coming on that occasion. Please to make good accommodations for all that are interested in the Temperance Cause.

Please answer as soon as possible. My address is West Side of Chester Co. Pa. Yours truly, Gideon Bailey.
July 17th 1871

July 21st 1871

[Signature]
July 19th 1871
Bowling Green Ky
July 17th 1871

Maj Gen O.O. Howard

Having unshakable confidence in you as a lover and well-wisher for the elevation of our down-trodden race, we extend to you a cordial invitation to participate with us in our first celebration of the British West India Emancipation, which will take place on Tuesday Aug 14th at this place.

Our distinguished friend and brother J. Morris Chester will be present and we desire other distinguished friends from abroad with us.

Hoping this will meet your favorable consideration.

We remain clear of
Done for truth & justice.
R. Green [Signature]

Virgil Loring [Signature]

To


P.S. Direct to Dr. R. Green.
Washington, D. C. July 31st, 1871

Genl C. Howard

Dear Sir:—

I regret not seeing you and your Friend when you called this morning. Mr. Hays of the Star, and Mr. Brown of the Legislative Council went with me to the Governor to get George T. Mc. Sellan appointed Trustee of Public Schools. The Governor was not at home. Mr. Brown says he will set a day with the Governor to notify me thereof.

I left letters, petitions &c. with Mr. Browne, and it may be as well for all of us to go together to see the Governor on this important Business.

I feel deeply interested in the matter, for I believe Mr. Mc. Sellan is the best man in the City of Washington for the position. He is devoted to the work of public schools and we ought to encourage men of his caliber.

Yours truly,

Robt W. Penwick
Lowell Institution for Savings,

Lowell, July 17, 1871

Rt. Hon. Sec'y O. H. Howard
Hon. Washington D.C.
General

Your favor of July 19 is received.

Enclosed is a check on Boston for one hundred forty one dollars for subsistence and burial expenses of a colored W. Asylum by Dennis Hospital for Col. to your order. Please ask receipt of same.

Very Respectfully,

Geo. Hawes
Agent.
June 15th, 1871

July 21st, 1871

[Handwritten text not legible]
Dear General,

Sometime ago, I spoke to you in regard to getting a map of Colorado from the Engineers office for the use of a Home Missionary in that section.

I did not expect that with your numerous engagements, you would be able to remember so small a matter, and so take this method of bringing the matter to your attention.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]