purchased the plan made by the descendants are ready to engage in the work. I do not expect to see it accomplished in my life, but the news of the birth of your youngest daughter is a few days. Laura rejoiced and rejoiced in the rest I have had. Two striking occurrences this past week: the first rain in the west broke up a storm in twenty-four hours clearing us of meals for four days, also a course of lectures for two weeks. In짜당강의 two articles it has wrought its own harm. I shudder but one. Laura sends much love to you and says all the children that your light may continue to shine brightly the rest of the way is still prayer.

Ensign Otei

My dear nephew, your letter of the 18th produced a fresh outburst of gratitude. There was connected with it a special indication of the providence of God, of which you may hear with satisfaction. Laura has been urging for months that I should have a new coat. The objection in my mind was that I should not like to wear it much more than three days before she insisted on it. As she was at leisure to make it, the want of money was then my objection. Your present removed all but the real one. My feeble state has not made me more an egoist than before. All men are inclined to talk of past events in my life coming of my health's eternity of this you'd other accidents. I'm told to know. Up to the last of August my appetite and relish for food was tolerably good for several weeks it has improved so that I relish some kinds of food but my strength has not improved.
I still reside on the same spot as when I first located here. I have not done anything to change the situation of my affairs. I have not wasted any time in looking for other opportunities. I have worked hard and have not given up. I have been carried through this life of poverty and hardship. I have been able to save some money, which has been my object. I have seen many manifestations of God, and these have afforded me the most happiness. I have been able to move in a comparatively low sphere, and have been able to accomplish my object.
Private and Confidential
but to be read by W. D. Averitt
Jackson, Miss
Sept 1st, 1871

Genl O. O. Howard
Secy General

The Republican
Convention of this State has met
and adjourned, and before leaving
for home (Holly Springs) I thought
I would write you a few lines
merely to give you a point which I
showed to Mr. Blaine in Washington
in a conversation with you.

There was a strong effort made
by certain partisans to break the
Convention off and thereby disorganize
our party but think they failed. I have
heard demands that he should
receive an unqualified endorsement.
This I consider but the truth
and as you know what might be called
a COMPROMISE ENDORSEMENT.
I enclose with the resolutions which you will see endorses the Republican Administration only and from which we endorse Governor A as our standard bearer to Thoroughly forego a united action on him and this friends in the cause of the Republican party. We give mine the resolutions but we keep the Executive Committee and to day I can only inform you that while we present a united front to the Democracy and free certain of at least thirty thousand Republcians the fact we also have an Executive Committee which will send delegates to the National Convention pledged for Grant as President and O.H. Howard Vice President, there is no reason to be a member of that Committee and know I but what I write. I have found out while I was attending the Convention a plan which

Alcorn has of making himself a Candidate which I wish to inform you of and Cooner to be and I am sure that his goal be not attained. There is to be in South Carolina a Convention of Colored Men of the Southern States and it is to have doubt a plan to Cooner that Convention not only to endorse his Republicanism but to have them recommend him for Vice President of to send a strong delegation to the National Convention to ask that the Colored Republican be given the 2nd place and that the Colored people with J.L. Alcorn. We are taking steps to have our men on the ground to defeat any such work. There is not the least doubt in my mind that you can have the endorsement of that Convention and in fact they would be glad to give it.
to your. Those hind the whole matter before your friends here. May French and others and we are all ready to work and it is the opinion that you should do it. That your friend Mr. Strong should be in the Convention to look after your interest the Colored people would be unanimous for you and it would put great strength to the Republican ticket. If you were upon it I know this from my association with the people in this state.

Above by money and by men removing officers and putting in Colored men Dupont to carry this point. It is known very close what he does. This not to remove a weak Republican but for the true and right men.
when he can not use you to
grant or use for himself. You
must of course this largely toler
but I feel that the matter is
of the utmost importance not only to
the Republican party generally
but particularly the Republican party
of the Reconstructed States.
There will appear an
article in the Daily Pilot tomorrow
Morning calling upon the public
people to remember you when they
meet and is to be forwarded by
others looking to the same end.
Anne's friends are gone from
and I assure you they are
not few in the State and while
we do not speak out for Anne
in the nomination we did think
in order to have Mr. Brown that
Alcorn would not hesitate to
leave the State this fall as
he is pledged to do and take
his seat in the U.S. Senate.
Washington D.C., September 1, 1871

General Howard.

I have the honor to send you herewith a copy of The Little Christian Magazine, semi-monthly; and would rejoice if you should consider it worthy of giving your subscription for six months, also if it was considered advisable to send it to the teachers of the Freed-men's schools all over the country.

Very Respectfully,

Victor Jannott
Publisher
Office No. 1213, 16th St. S.W.

I propose to call for an answer in a day or two.
Dear Geo. O. Howard,

Reflected Pind,

The Y.C.C.A. Convention of New Hampshinen will be held during the first week in October—probably Monday 3rd Tuesday 2nd & 3rd—and hoping for your attendances, the committee desires to ask if you have any engagements for that time.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

Yours truly,

Frank W. Robinson
Corresp. Sec.
In confidence.

Washington, D.C.,

Sept 14th 1871

Gen'l O. O. Howard

Dear Sir and brother:

My object in addressing you this note at present is to let you know how extreme my necessity is owing to the fact that while I was absent, after my wife's malicious friends Moutaugh Harris sent the Marshall to my house and compelled my son to pay him all the money I had to pay the expenses of the house (over $76.00) to pay the costs of that suit which was so badly managed by A. G. Riddle or rather not attended to at all by him after receiving a retainer's fee. But I do not wish to detail troubles but simply to say that we are in the greatest pecuniary necessity at present having had already to pledge or sell furniture of the house to buy something to eat. This is indeed a dark dispensation of Providence but we are taught by his word that the Lord will provide but he does it by the Ministries of His good Angels, and may we not hope & trust (over)
that you, my good brother, will prove to be one of those good ministers to keep us in our present distress until I can recover from this severe sickness and get into some business by which I can again sustain myself and family. My son has an application for a Clerkship before the Hon. J. M. Edmunds, City Postmaster, and if you & Mr. Brevard, Mr. Bevoeck and others whom I have requested to go see Mr. Edmunds and press the matter according to the necessity of the case, I have faith to believe that he may get the place until Congress shall convene if no longer. By that time I trust, by the blessing of God, I may have something to do. If my son can get the place he has applied for it will keep us from absolute want until I can get into the business I have in view. Please consider our case and act as God may direct you.

Yours as ever in great affliction.

M. D. Finney
Washington, D.C.
Sept. 1st 1871

Hon. J. M. Edmunez
City Postmaster

Sir,

I have the honor to make application for a position as Clerk in the Dept. over which you preside. I am a voting Citizen of this City and have lived in the same over ten years, and beside my extreme necessity, I trust I may be found at least as well qualified as many who are in the Dept. and who are not so loyal to the Government and to the Republican Party. Hoping that my supporters and endorsers may be satisfactory and that you will feel it your duty to grant my request. I am

Very respectfully,
Your Old Friend,

Argyle Finney
Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute,
Hampton, Va., Sept. 4, 1871

My dear Sir,

Yours of the 3d of June. I am now coming by the Washington boat reaching here Sunday morning. I did not like Florida very much as I have enjoyed having you here. If you have been as little lucky as he has, luck.
About Cleamed to take care of himself besides very well. I hope the little boat will reach some safely. With Kind regards Wm. H. Neuman yours sincerely JC Ovstine
My dear Cousin,

I have received a letter from Prof. Page of the East Texas University, saying that you had recommended me for the position of military professor at this institution. Can you give me any information about it? It is a Colonel on White College, and I was only interested in the professorship or Richcliff. It combines a number of benefits for military professors. I am very much obliged for your kindness in recommending me, and I feel that I must do something about it. I may accept the position, although I would prefer something in a different state. I have been in New Haven to see my digger in the fall. We have passed a pleasant summer here, and I am very glad to make friends.
a little more and return to what. The last of the month, my idea is until the 15th will the case of Pettit & Abbott at that special. From then after the 15th is Sept. 18th. I am not the best of having something to do until now or really. I had hard it is to know what to do or what to do. Remember me kindly to your Whittles, he has been himself. My sympathy in his great affliction. How do you all do as your house. I am sorry to think I can't give me information in the above subject but as you have so much to improve your mind to time. But though I could get I quicker from you than any one else and I think I know own how we are at home. When are you (a) to be in Hartford? Her Clara was yesterday last week and you was going to hear him this fall, with love to.
36 Penn St.
Newport R.I.
September 26, 1871

Gen. O. O. Howard, Sir:

I have the honor of address- ing you an application for a recommendation. Since the Spring of 1867, I have been teaching in Maryland, under the auspices of the Freedmen's Bureau and the American Freedmen's Aid Society and the Baltimore Association while it was in operation. I have received
testimonials from the last two named societies, and from Gen. Gregory (late Commissioner of the Bureau in Baltimore) and will be grateful for a credential from you. Rev. John Winchell and Wm. Underhill visited my school at Churchill, and were pleased with its condition. Not knowing where my charge may be another year, it is well for me to have your recommendation particularly.

Most respectfully yours,

Eda S. Marshall
Newport P. O.
Sept. 26, 1871.


Request a recommendation from Genl. Howard.
Washington Sept. 22 1871

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir:

Allow me to commend to your patronage and kindness my son William Mercer Lynch, who is desirous of prosecuting his studies at the Harvard University with the view of preparing himself for the medical profession. To enable him to do so, it is necessary for him to obtain some such employment as will yield him a small salary. He is without means, and I am myself too poor to afford him any pecuniary assistance. I am nearly sixty years old, and have been deaf many years. My sole dependence is on a salary of $400 as clerk in the 1st Controller's Office.

My son desires an appointment in the Department of the Interior, and has a letter to Mr. Delano from Controller Taylor in his favor. If you will please aid him to...
get a place, you will be performing a generous act for a youth, who, I think, will all his life endeavor to honor his benefactor, by a course of diligence and eminent usefulness.

I am not personally acquainted with Mr. Debarre, but am with Col. D. C. Cox, his Acting Chief Clerk. I am sorry that my son did not get a line from you thanking when he was here, but he was so occupied that he left without doing so.

If my son does not succeed in getting employment, it will be impossible for him to go on with his studies; and such failure may seriously affect his future success in life. I am, therefore, very desirous that he may not be disappointed in his present hopes. Williams is unusually free from the follies of youths of his age.

Please show him all the favor you can, and oblige your sincere friend,

[Signature]
Sheriff's Office,
New Orleans, Sept 3rd, 1871

May Earl G. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

Sir,

I have the liberty of introducing to your acquaintance, Mr. Sydney Thegan of this city.

Mr. Thegan is one of our most respected citizens. A warm friend of mine for over twenty years.

He visits the district for the purpose of justifying his son in college. I all favors you could do him, would be an addition to those which you have already graced me with and will be duly appreciated.

I am, General, Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant
M. C. Survivors
Winchester, Virginia, Sept. 3rd

SIR: Howard,

I write to know if you will please to give my son some kind of employment this winter to help to pay this board. I paid last term self till the 1st of July when it closed on the 13th of June.

I would like to know if the first term credit is when I begin this term? I would like to know how much I stand and answer address to Robert Orrick, Winds borough 1853 and please tell me when my school will begin.