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Board of Indian Commissioners,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 26, 1875

Brig. Gen. O. O. Howard, U. S. A.
Washington

Sir:

I am directed by W. Ere, Secretary of the Board, who left the city yesterday, to return to you the enclosed account of Governor Safford’s visit to Cochise, with thanks, and to say that he thinks it ought to be published.

Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

Samuel Walker
South Granville Dec 26 1872

My dear General,

If you will pardon the liberty
I am taking in view of the conversation which we had at the University on Monday I will venture to make a suggestion that has occurred to me. The project of making the University partly self-supporting by some arrangements for manual labor with doubtless be a matter of some difficulty. Industrial project require an industrial neighborhood where all the means and appliances of industry are at hand. But it seems to me that you might commence something like a publishing house — like the Methodists' Press in Berlin. It would of course be a matter of slow growth but I deem it to me that it might be done. You might start a paper, illustrated or otherwise for the Poles, you might then begin with books and
often found matter. Of course you will have to make your constitution, such as you have the material, and I believe it would become valuable in a short time. If you could by cold postage or otherwise awaken the spirit of the whole black race and create every negro in the U.S. find that he is in some degree responsible for the success of the University and that he must do what he can to sustain its publication I should think you would have been employed for a good many hands. In the first place you could of course give illustrations that had been used by the Ames, Dray, S.C., or other book after a time you could introduce drawing engraving if you would have the sympathy and assistance of publishers.

Houses in the U.S. and Europe in starting and sustaining such an enterprise and if it seems to one that you would do about as much educating out of the University as in it, perhaps you have thought of this whole matter and decided it to be impracticable both. It seems to me that this opens a field as promising and as practical as any. I fear you are too much afraid of making a noise but I think you could rely upon the sympathy of the nation in any movement you might undertake.

Yours very truly

T.W. Hungerford
San Francisco, Cal.
Dec. 24, 1872

Emil O. C. Howard
Washington, D.C.

Dear General,

I have received your letter of Dec. 14. and wish at once write to send back on the subject. I have now two telegrams. I am about to forward to the War Dept. a report from Emil Brockton, dated Dec. 12th, from which you will see that he has been over the ground since your latest information and that he approves what Capt. Brown had done under his orders, and shows a very manifest necessity for doing it.

I have never apprehended
any difficulty from a rigid mode of my actual order No. 10 and have never doubted to necessity, and I do not now think there is any reason to apprehend trouble from it, unless indeed promises have since been made to the Indians inconsistent with their order. If this is the case, as I judge from your letter it must be in fact between Echichi. I ought to have been as informed and instructed from the U.S. Dept. to modify any order accordingly. But you tell me I have been left sitting in the dark on the subject, and that both you and Mr. Brock find what we propose very strong grounds of objection to going Echichi reservation. I may be mistaken in going to your understanding with Echichi, for I have
Official information on the subject, but from your letter of the 14th and the news reports, I suppose Buchan’s band is to remain at our camp over the large reservation for him assigned him, sail into Memphis at pleasure and receive food and protection from us as long as no depredations are committed on our side of the line. If this is the case how can we to prevent our faithful towans Memphis? How can we to prevent such raids on either side of the line, how know who commits depredations, or how know the good Indians from the bad? Unless we keep them under our observation I do not no how we can do it. I have no faith in any measures less stringent than those I presented last year, and I believe the
more strictly they are enforced
the less difficulty there will be
in enforcing them. According
to Genl. Brock's opinion, in which
I have a good deal of faith,
this plan seems to be working
well to far as he has tried it.
But if it is not applicable
to method there will be
by ample time to change it
before Genl. Brock will be
in a position in that
situation. Please let me know
through the War Department
my order cannot be modified.
I do not believe, from Genl.
Brock's report, that he is going
beyond a just execution of
it. At all events let us hope
an end of uncertainty in this
matter, and if possible an
end of double-headed action.
Either you go to Arizona or

manage the whole business or let Brook do it. Either
I or you alone might do it very well. Both together are certain. Prove it, for it
is manifest that your views of the situation and modes of action are essentially different.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

M. L. [Signature]
New York Oct. 36 1792

Sgt. Genl. O. O'Conor

My dear General,

My valued friend,

Sam'l Budgeett Esq. of London.

Making a hurried Visit to Washington D.C.

Washington Budgeett is a gentleman of very high standing and a

Most Earnest & gen'lemanly Christian

Man, great interest in all good things. I am sure you

Will be glad to know him and

Both my father and myself

Will be particular gratified if

You will afford him facilities for

Writing abroad, University and

The Elite Schools. Commanding

With kind Esteem I am

My dear General,

Yours truly,

O.C. Dodge
The Officers of the New England Society in the city of New York request the honor of the company of Maj. Gen. Howard at their Reception at Delmonico's, 14th Street, on Friday Evening December 27th at 8 o'clock. An answer is requested.

Address

E. P. Hubbard
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Bellefonte, Pa. Dec 27 1872

My Son P. B. Howard,

Dear Son,

I read your letter on Thursday 26th yesterday. I feel deeply interested in the success of your great work. If I send you $50, it would be but a drop in the way of supplying your great need, but if I could induce 100 others to raise the same I or more raised in that same sum, it would assuredly a construction of such a sum as you seek. But how can one not so shape an appeal for 1000 five dollars among a people that we shall do once start a thousand little streams of prayerful sympathy toward your great & good work? Each may then serve others if this can be done, I shall consider this the best investment I have made if for dollars.
I shall want some seed of my friends represented in this work by at least one signature. This thought brought into circulation sent to one thousand of your friends, would I hope with the blessing of God, do much good. I send it to you, as I have been informed, I hope that it may be desired. Please send me kind acknowledgment. Accept for yourself, my congratulations on the occasion of the season.

McBride in Christ,

W.T. M.

Billardale-Rd.

Dec. 8th, 1842

[Signature]
AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION

ROOM 6, 302 WEST MADISON STREET.

C. H. HOWARD,
Western Secretary.

Chicago, Dec. 7th, 1872.

Dear Brother,

I send you a

statement for you to compare to

your book. I desire you to

send a copy to me. I suppose you will

not find it too much trouble if it

is hard as usual of your table. I was

looking over a letter from

Miss Mary Breckinridge. Do you hear any news

about her being on the Commission?

I think you should not least receive

legislation holding in behalf of the

American Indies. It is estimated to cost

500 miles of

country and more. Sometimes when

you can visit N. Y. I would like to bring the

brother of the A. M. A. to know to know to

her how many women at the house
particularly from seeing that Mrs. R.,
there will probably be married to
Mrs. B. to spend the rest of the
winter with us at New Gloucester.
Mac is most pleased with a
how-rolled jack-knife S. C. found
him. Aunt Margaret's picture took
from Uncle Dickie; but they both
had a long list of presents that they
wished the trunk to show to their
friends. Please join today,
messages of love to your little one
come not so little—don't forget to go
I almost forgot to say that you
must see her there before I finally leave.
She is making it home with you. We
are both now making a new fence.
Otherwise all very well.

Very affectionately,

C. H. Bowers

P.S. Do Haden still write you? Are you
sure to remain unimportant if you have no
armed duty?
Leakesville, N.C., Carolina
Feb. 28, 1872

Jan. O.C. Howard:

Dear Sir: My object in writing is to acquaint you with the facts that during the year 1865 I taught a colored school in this county (Rockingham, N.C.) for the benefit of Col. Robert, for which work I have never been rewarded although application was made to the Superintendent of Public Instruction at Raleigh for it. Under these circumstances I have thought it advisable to address you, as a prominent friend of the cause, as to the proper steps to be pursued by me to obtain my just rights in the matter.

I was induced to embark in the business of teaching the colored youth in this neighborhood, by appearances from U.S. officers connected at the time with the Freedmen’s Bureau in this county, that it would be promptly paid for my services in that respect. But having been disappointed in receiving anything after this time, I have taken the liberty of addressing you upon the subject and asking what course I had best pursue to obtain my rights in the matter.

The welfare of the poor and uneducated is my hope and services were thus devoted, I hope you will take this
trouble in advising with me by letter at your earliest convenience, for which you will receive my profoundest thanks.

Respectfully,

R. J. Hopper
Department of State
Washington.

December 28, 1792

My dear Franklin,

The enclosed letter is from a particular friend of mine, the widow of Julius Pringle, who was the life-like portrait of M. Prinsep, formerly Secre- 

tary of War.

I continue to submit it to you, to ask if any relief, in the direction above, 

by M. Pringle, can be obtained.

and if
And if it come what steps should be taken.

you will do me a favour if you can advise me in the matter. I would ask the advice of Mr. Pringle's letter.

With much respect,

H. W. C.

Sent 6. 6. Howard
Washington, D.C.
Dec. 28th, 1842.

Elisha Hamilton
Secretary of State

[Handwritten text in the lower portion of the page, not legible in this image]
Washington, Dec 30th, 1872

Gentleman:

Dear Sir,

Pardon the liberty I take in addressing you and in presuming to request a favor at your hands. I have learned that the place now occupied by Mr. Tate Wood in the Post Office Dept. will be vacated in the event of his marriage, which will take place early in the month of January. I am not certain whether he will take me in the Dead Letter Office or if he is engaged in simply handling letters. I have wondered if I might not obtain the position and thereby receive better compensation for my labor.

I have been for some time past in the store of Mr. Fred Tilling and only think of leaving on the ground of insufficient wages. I receive 

letters per month being all I receive. Dear Sir, this “asking for something more,” is a war
thing to me, and I surely know how to ask you for your influence, the benefit of which has more than once done good to my dear husband, and which for his sake as well as the comfort I thereby gained, shall ever be held in grateful remembrance. To believe I would like this situation, could you be willing to give a lease to the Post Master-Gall in my behalf. I had much rather speak with you in person, but my duties at the store prevent. Be kind enough to give me the necessary information in writing at your earliest convenience, and advise me how to act in the matter, and I shall feel greatly indebted.

I am, dear Sir, very truly

[Signature]

1103 Penn Ave near 11th St.
Washington City,
Dec. 30

Gen. O.O. Howard

Dear Sir:

Excuse this note,

but I am in trouble.

I have ever been a friend

of supporter of this administration

and yet have been ruined by it,

and I am now here with a wife

and child dependent upon me,

in distress. I came here

trusting in the Lord that he

would provide & raise up friends

and influence the hearts of those

in power in view of the peculiar

circumstances, to give me some

beneficial position whereby I can

live.

Please help me if you can once.
Abundance evidence on file in the Treasury and Interior Dept. as to my character and efficiency.

I take the liberty to enclose a reference.

I will call to see you.

Any case is urgent. Can I not get some position in some one of the Departments?

Please do not cast this aside.

Rally present.

E. S. Zeveng
Cincinnati: Ohio-
Dec. 30, 1872.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
My Dear Brother:

May I write a
word for your private eyes?
I have heard a men-
ner of a probable vacancy in
The pulpit of the Congregational
Church in Baltimore. Do you
know if it be so? And if
so, would that Church look in
the direction of, or as far as
Cincinnati for a pastor?

With much love,

Yours truly,

Henry H. More.
Office of the U. S. A. M.
Camp Bowie, C. T.
December 20, 1872

General O. C. Howard, U.S. Army
Washington, D.C.

General,

On the 25th of October I forwarded to you three duplicate vouchers for 5000 lbs. of corn, delivered to Mr. Jefferson Hunt, Agent. He requested you to have them paid and the amount deposited in my account with the U.S. Treasurer in the office of the Gen. Dept. I would respectfully request to know what action you have taken in the matter as I have not received any reply.

Very Respectfully,
Your Ob. Servant

Charles P. Beers
1st Lieut., 23rd Infantry
U. S. A. M.
Platsmouth, Neb., Dec. 31, 187—

M. O. O'Hara

Dear Sir:

Mr. Duke, who acted as your Agent in this county, is deceased. The subscriber, (his son-in-law) having had charge of his business, to some extent, previous to his death, will still attend to it. I have had several years experience in the Tax Paying and General Real Estate Agency, and think I am prepared to transact any kind of business in that line. All communications will be promptly answered, and all business intrusted to my care will be promptly attended to.

As the taxes of 1872 are now due in this county, I give below the amount on your property.

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On receipt of amount in N. Y. Exchange, or money order, I will forward Tax Receipt by return mail.

If you wish to place your lands in the market, please furnish me with your price and terms. If your figures are too low, I will try and obtain an advance on them, and when sold, report at once, so that you may furnish deed, &c.

My Commission, when a sale is effected, is 5 per cent. on the first $1,000, and 3 per cent. on all sums over that amount.

L. D. BENNETT.
Dear Sir:

I have also noted on your hand the fact that the quantity is irrevocable. The express is yours. Provisions to be made to receive goods will still attend the business. To some extent, the provisions to be made will still attend the business and that is why I am writing to you to understand your mind. I am writing to you to understand your mind.

I hope you will receive my letter in time and I will make arrangements accordingly. I will keep your interest.

Yours respectfully,

I. D. Bennett
It's begin the New year with free seats to Weekly offerings for the support of the Gospel and a Panama trip in God to raise our margin 5000 for our National Home. The last quarter finished with the prize by subscriptions that week to prepare the way for free seats. The times are hard, but God gives the disposition to the money. Our only mean to help his Son was through his Mother for times. Our House was quiet. I ate Church at the own prayer meeting held at Mother of home, excepted the big turkey presented to our Annual meeting tomorrow a wedding at 12:30. Eliza's death has helped me understand my selfishness better. I am now praying to get out of this.
as a mistake on his part, for I seem to have a better line, and my spirit of prayer than for a long time. We have a little prayer meeting about us in the lecture room. I found sisters about when I came home. When I went to meeting I sat down by him, after my good nights kiss, and asked him to try to make sure that no sin went over into the New year's book.

Mother says he trusted to have been all forgiven up to tonight to be guided just right tomorrow, next year. To end your letter to him,

I love you, Frankie... I love you... I have a good talk till after. We read the 37th Psalm.

and we made a long prayer not "for a lifetime," in which you Reggie & the children were mentioned, especially you. I pray that Charles who is perplexed by the circumstances of his illness & then to whom the burden of motherhood fell, may then be delivered, not forgetting Lorna & Emma. I asked God to give you character in the place of reputation, balancing for every day you lose to suffering. I asked money for Charles & his present - a kind ambition for Colleen & Co. How Mother came to his rescue before anything else. Are the houses, the Oakley store... I send it along to John. Lorna & the little ones, & especially Grace x.