Howard University.
Washington, D.C. Feb. 11th 73.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
President Howard University.

Sir;

We hope that no sentiment in this communication may seem disrespectful or censorious. Our intention in sending this paper to you, is simply to express the feelings, which took possession of our souls when we heard of the manner in which you had assumed the control of the Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting.

In 1869, a few christian students, irrespective of de-

nominational lines, met and organized themselves into an Association under a constitution prepared, in the main, by Prof. Whittlesey. From that time this organization has been steadily increasing, until at length it has gathered within its folds nearly every christian student on University Hill. This Institution being unsectarian we felt the need of a society in which all christians coned feel a lively interest. The Christian Association has met our wants in this respect. We shall not speak of our labors in the University and of our Sunday School and [illegible] held in its [illegible] will

know to you; and speaking of them would be egotistical in us.

We have held our business meetings on Saturday evenings, and our Weekly Prayer Meetings on Wednesday. Our Constitution provides for a General Secretary. In connection with other duties, he is called upon to appoint some member of the Association to lead the Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting. Remember, Sir, that we have had entire charge of that meeting ever since the organization of the Association.

On Saturday, Jan. 25th, we met and as usual appointed one of our members to lead the meeting to which we are referring. You may

imagine how surprised we were to hear you, on the Monday or Tuesday immediately preceding that meeting, say that "the Faculty" had called upon you to take charge of the Prayer Meeting which is held on Wednesday from 5½ to 6½ P.M.! We have learned from the Dean of the College Faculty that no action was ever taken by the College Professors in this matter.— Who, then, could have been the perpetrators of such a surprising and painful movement?

We were not only surprised but also felt that the Association had been treated by

those who seized the Prayer Meeting with very little consideration.

We cannot enter into these gatherings, Sir, with the right spirit, because we feel sore whenever we remember the manner in which you assumed the control of a meeting which has always been ours.

We do not mean to censure those in whose possession the Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting now is — we do not intend to question their authority in this matter; but we do mean with all respect to assert that as an organization we feel that we were entitled to more consideration from the [illegible] Faculty.

To be successful in our christian work there must be a feeling of harmony and unity and brotherly love between the authorities and the students.

This Institution publishes itself to the world as unsectarian. The church can not take the place of the Association, for the former cannot gather all christian students within its folds, while the latter can.

In conclusion, Mr. President, we again disclaim any intention of being disrespectful or censorious; but as an Association we take the liberty to assure you that we feel ~~very~~ keenly the action of the Faculty as to our Wednesday ~~Day~~-

Evening Meetings.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servants.

Isaac Wheeler
Moses Gary.
W. W. Stewart

Committee unanimously appointed to draft the above communication.

The above letter was unanimously adopted by the Association.

Riley Lane,
President.

Rufus Michael
Secretary.

141.

Brooklyn Feb. 11th/73

Gen. Howard -

Howard University - D.C.

Dear Sir.

Enclosed please find check for $75.00 in favor of Rose Ward, with receipt for her to sign & return to me - In view of favorable accounts rec^d of Rose Ward's progress this Winter, the Board of Deacons of Plymouth Church reconsidered their former action and voted to advance her $75.00 more. She must not expect any further supplies from this source - We hope to hear that she graduates acceptably & will soon be engaged in

imparting instruction
for the benefit of her
race.

Very truly yours

W. B. White

63 Cranberry st

Feb. 10. 1873.

Hatch

Brooklyn N.Y.
Feb 11, 73

H. B. White.

One of the board of Deacons
Pas. Bucher Ch. Sundy
$75. to Rosa Ward.

Ans. by Miss Hayne

14 1/2.

State Reform School of Connecticut,

E. W. HATCH, Sup't.

West Meriden, Conn., 10 Feby 1873

A record of 100.000 prisoners from 15 different prisons shows that 58% were living without any family influence. 42% had some family influence. but consider the fact that if Massachusetts 50% were born in foreign countries & 76% were the children of foreigners parents.

16% were between the ages of 16 & 20 42% were between 20 & 30 or 58% were under 30 yrs of age & 42% over. 82% had no trade or profession were laborers or servants & only 8 74 of the whole number were from the learned professions.

82% were intemperate & only 18% abstinent & intemperate 44000 were without education & the 56000 only able to read & write or almost wholly without mental culture.

805 Bdway

Feb. 10. 1873.

Mutch E. M.

C.C.WILLARD.

EBBITT HOUSE.

WASHINGTON D.C. Feb. 11th 1873.

Genl O. O. Howard,

My Dear General,

I have done all in my power to get a Bill before Congress for the payment of the Money to Augusta Institute & Lincoln University.

Senator Sawyer & all his Com.ee have treated me & the Claim, with every possible Consideration & Favor – They pledge me that they will recommend the passage of the Bill which Senator Sawyer introduced & had referred to his Com.ee & which has been printed & lies on the Senators tables – He hopes to get it in this week & thinks it is so just that it ought to pass the Senate without difficulty – But "we shall see what we see" – If it does go thro the Senate, I think the House will pass it – The Com.ee on Education

in the House, have assured me they wd recommend its passage, as soon as it wd come down from the Senate —

I want to bespeak yr influence in its behalf, just as far as its possible for you to exert it — It will need pushing I fear, to get it thro at this session, but I am not without hope that if properly aided by all our friends, we shall be successful —

We so greatly need it, & it wd put us forwarded so far in our work in both these places, that I feel deeply anxious for its success. I want all yr influence with Members of both Houses, for it —

With high Esteem

Sincerely Yrs.

E. E. L. Taylor

I must return to N. Y. to night or

Chicago, Ill.
Feb. 11th, 1893.

Chamberlain L. S.

142.

"Clarendon House"
Chicago. Feb. 11. 1893.

Dear General.

The note of explanation and the enclosed check of five hundred and twenty seven dollars and eighty cents ($527.80) came today. I

will, of course, delay drawing for the amount until the date you suggest, and can do so without inconvenience.

Thanking you most sincerely for your kindness,

I remain, yours truly,

L. T. Chamberlain

Pastor of Northfield church.

Castleton Vt. Feb 12th 1873.

Gen. O. O. Howard —

Dear Sir —

I was in Washington a few days since, and fully intended to see you before my return, but was compelled to leave for Vt. sooner than expected, on acct of sickness in my family. I regret very much that circumstances were against me, and that I was not permitted to make your acquaintance. With this brief introduction, permit me to say, that, at the beginning of the late war I was in South Western Pa, and had been from 1850. was engaged at teaching, was successful and always had flourishing schools. Most of my accumulations were absorbed by the war, & I returned North in the Autumn of 1861. My

wife is now in the Asylum at Brattleboro. She has been insane for more than six years and the prospects for her ultimate recovery are not flattering. We have four children, two daughters and two sons. The eldest is fourteen, and is in delicate health, and her physician recommends a milder climate. Now Sir – I went to W hoping to get a situation somewhere, but failed. I should have remained longer, and made further effort, if as before stated I had not been called home. I made a brief call on Dr. Rankin a class mate, who gave me a letter to Judge Poland & Mr Willard, both of whom I called on hoping that perhaps they might assist me in getting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Departments. Also saw Sen Morrice of Vt. but did not see much encouragement from either; and yet am not wholly discouraged, for I am extremely anxious to get out of this terrible climate. I am willing to do any thing, any where, whereby I can make an honest living. I know Sir — that you have little time to interest yourself in the affairs of others, but believing that you are willing to lend a helping hand to one "worthy and well qualified", I venture to address you at the present time. I send with this a letter from Hon Merritt Clark, one of the members of our State Board of Education, and assure you that others of the same character could be had by asking for them.

Hoping to hear something
favorable from you
I remain

Yours Sincerely
Rev. E. Marsaville

Ans. by Capt. H.
L.B.

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Washington D.C. Feb. 13. 1873.

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the suggestion made by you to my wife I have written to Genl. Van Buren of New York & enclose the letter to you for your endorsement & transmittal to N.Y. — I trust it may meet your approval, & furthermore that Genl. VanBuren may consider the case favorably. Every one of Frank's friends, particularly his Father, would be highly gratified if he could but succeed in getting on the Commission — In the event of his doing so he would income the utmost credit to himself & all concerned.

Should Genl. VanBuren communicate with you regarding the matter, I should be pleased to know the result — Assure yourself of our sincere thanks for your kindness in his behalf, & believe me

Yours very truly,

N. F. Dumpho

726 - 13th St. N.W.

Washington, D.C.
Feb. 13th 1873

Dunphe N. F.

Ans by Genl. H
S.B. Feb. 14. 73

Recd

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Phila Pa Feby 13 1873

Gen O O Howard
Washington DC

Dear Gen Yours of Yesterday has just come. In my former letter I did not exaggerate my condition I did my best to raise enough to pay the costs and interest on the old note and to thus renew it, but could not
But at the present time my condition is worse than it has been before for I am pressed for rent due for my office and my residence and have not one dollar wherewith to buy food, but I am daily expecting to collect enough to alleviate my present distress

My anxiety is torturing to me just so soon as I can make a payment upon the debt I will

Yours truly

A Wistar

Philadelphia, Pa.
Feb. 13th, 1873.

Stout A. M.

Recd.

dropped back of his own accord from the class immediately ahead of mine. I shall only omit some recitations if I come on to the Inauguration, ~~leaving~~ here Friday Evening & returning Thursday Morning. I think I can afford the expense. I presume I can get a ticket at a reduced rate as there is a Regiment of National Guards going on from here. Next Spring Vacation I want to go to Andover to our Class reunion, & if I can go will not be able to come home. I have a promise of being one of the aides attending the day of the Procession, & am in hopes of getting a pass to the Ball in the evening. I hardly think I shall be at the Inauguration of our next President, as then I probably shall be more closely confined than

now as by that time I hope to be in some employment or other. With much love to all the family, I remain

Your affectionate son

Lucy Stoughton.

New Haven, Ct.
Feb. 13th 1873

What a rumor, which some kind friend, with good enough intentions, perhaps, has reported to you, is current in school and made a very uncomfortable impression on your uncomfortable feelings. The library stable keeper is quite a friend of mine, in whom I have thrown a large share of my troubles & he always lets me have his best. The people behind are on a horse twice that & I don't care this. Mel Pender spent

Thanksgiving Day with me & we took a sleigh-ride in the afternoon. The time at which I took the other ride I have forgotten. My stand in the class is not very high but it is fair; we received our half-term averages to day. I dropped a division, as it is called, last term on account of the two weeks absence at the beginning, though my recitation stand, that is mark for reciting was sufficiently high to retain my usual place. But by todays average I know that I have the highest stand in my division, with but perhaps one exception that of a man, who has been teaching school for a year, having

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Norristown Penna. Feb. 13 1873.

My dear Howard

A short time ago, I saw it stated, that a bill had passed Congress authorizing the appointment of Five Inspectors of Indian Agencies. Having seen but this single mention of the matter, it may be that such bill has not passed. As you are prominently associated with other gentlemen of the Commission in the conduct of Indian Affairs, under the new and very successful system adopted by Gen Grant, you will know all about the bill to which I have referred. If the bill has passed or should pass, how will it be about the Inspectors. I presume the appointments will be made on the recommendation of yourself & the members of the Commission. For several years before the war I lived in Oregon and Washington Territory in the midst of the Indians

and for one year stand with twenty men at the Warm Spring Reservation in Oregon long enough to discover the dreadful abuses that existed under the old political system of dealing with Indians, and the necessity for just such reforms as have been so happily made.

The duties of an Inspector of Indian Reservations would be very agreeable and if faithfully performed would produce the best possible results. Do you know if selection of persons for those positions have been made? If not, might I enter as a candidate with any chance of success. You are so closely identified with the present Indian system that your influence in its affairs has general recognition. Will you oblige by dropping me a line.

I hope you are very well. Am sorry that I can not conveniently run over to Washington to ask you these questions. I am living very quietly enjoying myself in my own family.

Sincerely Yours

Wm. Gregg.

Morristown, Pa.
Feb 13th/73

Gregg D. M. M.

Ans. by Emil H.

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Hartford Feby 14th 1873

Genl O O Howard.

Dear Sir.

Your favors of 28th Dec last. and 5th inst. were re. and noted.

To the first I have no reply to make.

To the latter I have — and say, that my letter to Hon S J Bowen, is Either true or false. I said then — and repeat now — that it was substantially true. Your dispatch 8th of Augt. to the Secretary of War says it was not true. This makes up the issue between us.

I cannot see how "a few minutes interview between us will clear up a misunderstanding ~~between us~~ that Exists."

You say, "I did with your

Genl O O Howard
Hartford Conn.
Feb 14, 73

Ans by Genl Howard
S.J.B. Feb 21st 73

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Ans by Genl

letter just what you asked." That cannot be so. for I asked you to show it to the President and Secty of War.

You subsequently informed me that you sent each a copy of it - and stated the effect. They both denied receiving a copy.

I owe allegiance to truth and God - not to the President or any other fallable man.

Mr Fessenden said - that you told those who were with you when you rec'd the dispatch from the Secty of War - and you made your reply - "that will cause a loss to Howard University of twenty five thousand dollars". In this you was right.

I now ask you to erase the conditional subscription of twenty five thousand dollars made at West Point in October 1870 - by me - and consider it null and void.

Hereafter I decline any further interest in Howard University.

Yours Resp'y

David Clark

150.

United States Senate Chamber,

Washington, Feb. 14th 1873

Dear Sir:

The Sec. of War informs me he will make a detail of a 1st Lieut of Light Artillery for duty at the University at Knoxville but will not detail an officer from any other branch of the service.

Will you be so kind as to give me the name of a Lieut (1st) of Artillery of the character of man described by Rev. Dr. Humes.

Very Respectfully,

W. G. Brownlow

Brig. Gen. O. O. Howard,

Washington,

D. C.

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Jefferson City, Mo.
Feb: 14th 1873.

Major Gen: O. O. Howard,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: Pardon me, if any thing in this appeal offends you.

I am a Graduate of Lincoln University of the class of '69. I came to Missouri in 1870, to teach, on your reference of my application to Col. F. A. Seeley of St. Louis. While here, I invested my earnings in 5 acres of Land - intending to settle thereon. In order to finish payment thereon, I borrowed $300 of the 1st National Bank of this City, for three months, at 10 per. cent. The times being short & interest high, and business dull, I have never been able to do more than pay

interest. Now, I have been notified that the Bank will not renew the note any more, but payment must be had, or the land must be sold. Should it be sold, I shall be reduced to utter penury — for it is all that I own in the world. The failure of both my health and strength, makes it impossible for me to earn a future support by teaching any more.

Now this is my request, which I hereby respectfully venture to make; — Will you loan me $300.00/00, for three years, and take a Deed of Trust on the land for security? I will pay any interest demanded: or will you donate that amount to me for this end? I am compelled to make this plea, because a Gentleman endorsed my note, who being unable to meet payment — thinks hard of me, as though I had gotten him into a scrape. It is harder for me to bear this injustice from him than [illegible] to lose the land. The note is due on the [illegible] of next mo.

(Please answer soon)

Yours Truly

Wm. H. Ethelbert

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New York February 14th 1873.

Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir.

Would you be kind enough to send me one of your catalogues and oblige yours very Respectfully

G. Schroeder.
P. O. Box 3146.

New York Feb. 14th 1873

Schraeder E

153.

New York Feb 14th 1873

Gen Howard

Dr Sir

I see by the New York Observer Year Book that you are President of Howard University. Knowing your christian character I write to you, to see if you can forward my interest when I visit Washington in the course of a week or two.

In this day of humbug, it seems as if there was no chance for any one who deals in realities.

I have been engaged for nearly 30 years in lecturing on the Microscope and its revelations. I put up my own specimens which are rare and very fine, and also exhibit living specimens.

I have lectured in Yale in the days of Prof Olmsted, in Harvard, Union, Williams, Dartmouth Beloit, Bowdoin. Oberlin, Hillsdale Mich. Ann Arbor, and a host of other colleges, and the larger seminaries from Main to Iowa illustrating the lecture with the Hydro-Oxygen Microscope.

My instrument is great magnifying power and also fine difinition and all of our Professors tell me it exceeds any thing of the kind they ever witnessed.

I give private entertainments in the parlors of our citizens. A great part of my business in the city is in our churches for the benefit of Sabbath schools when they wish to raise funds.

If the school where you attend church should like such an exhibition I should like to give it for $50. which any congregation can easily raise at 25 cts pr ticket.

I shall give one at the Deaf + Dumb Asylum as soon as I arrive, Dr Gallaudet I knew when he was a boy with his brothers at home, as also with his father + mother.

I have tried to get before our Christian Associations, but it seems as if it is impossible to do any thing of the kind unless you are a Professor in some college with a fine

salary. I try to use this wonderful display of God's works for his glory. I shall bring with me also my compound Microscope with some very rare specimens, and the Polariscope, and if I can spend a night with you and a few friends show you some very curious things in the way of animal life.

I should like to get up an Exhibition if possible at the Polytechnic,

Hoping to see you soon I remain yours Truly

A Astarr

No -2-

No ans. required.
M.E.H.

☞ *PLEASE KEEP THIS FOR REFERENCE.*

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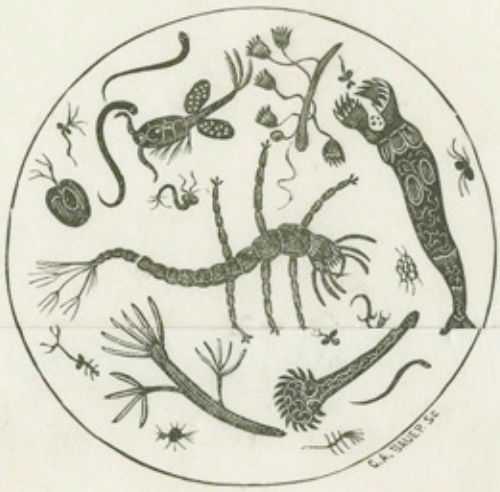

In Water, Drawn From Life.

Those wishing to raise funds for Schools, or Societies, will find this illustrated Lecture one of the most satisfactory to a refined or mixed audience, of any in the whole range of Lectures. It is full of amusement, while it is of the most instructive character. And while the audience receive facts by the ear, they are stamped on the memory through the eye.

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The illustrations include also a number of living specimens, some of them so minute, that thousands can be taken upon the point of a needle, and yet each one will appear as large as a man's wrist, and six feet long each.

Having been engaged for nearly thirty years on this subject as a specialty, and preparing my own specimens, I am prepared to give the first exhibition of this kind probably in the world, as attested by the highest authority.

Thankful for past favors, I would ask the patronage of those organizations who never had this Lecture. The highest testimonials can be shown. As a Public Entertainment, this will probably die with me, and an obituary as to my enthusiasm in this department of natural science may be read with pleasure by thousands of my friends, yet what I would like better, would be constant employment while living, and those witnessing this Exhibition as an illustration of the Lecture, will acknowledge that it is not necessary to be connected with some prominent college, as Professor with a large salary to do a thing well.

It is a fine thing for Sunday Schools, Y. M. C. Associations, and Gentlemen or Ladies' Private Parties, in the Parlor.

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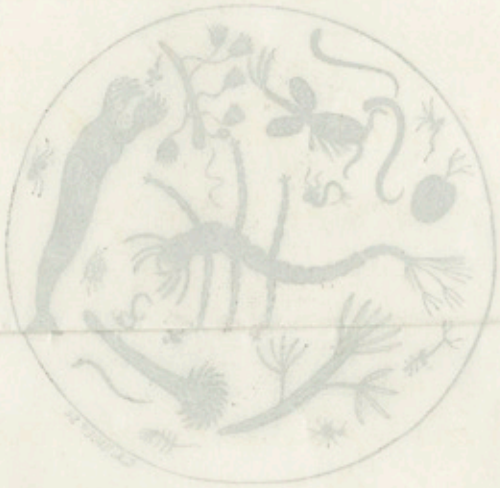

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ADDRESS,
P. O. Lock Box 47.

OFFICE OF

JOHN R. ELVANS,

Attorney at Law,

CONVEYANCER, AND NOTARY PUBLIC,

NO. 4 AND 6 COLE'S BLOCK,

Denver, Colorado, Feby 15th 1873

Mr General O. B. Howard

My dear quondam (when I was rich) friend.

It has just occurred to me from the developments in the Pomeroy Case (I mean Hon. S. C. Pomeroy whom you published as a Christian Gentleman – Sunday School teacher – and two third already on the road to heaven) that maybe I might have a chance to make some money by "a twist of the wrists." Of course you two Gentlemen know all about these things.

A "nice thing" of course you both know how to manipulate, and you both know how to buy votes and influence & investigating Committees, – York was an accident – Don't despair!

Yr Truly
O Evans

Feb. 18—

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ans. by Capt. N
B.B. Feb 21, 93

Windsor 2.15.1893
Feb 15

Gen O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

Your communication was received last evening & am very grateful for the interest you have taken in my behalf. I conclude after reading your letter that you intended for me to write to the superintendant of your sunday school and ask of him the relief which I seek. Perhaps you did not think I am unacquainted with his name and therefore cannot direct any writing to him. Therefore I will try to write what I think perhaps you intended I should

and send to you and if
can divert, and do as you
think proper. Hope I have
intruded you might, and you
will be enabled to have some
things done for me. I can not
you too grateful I shall be
receive some aid at your
Please do not make names
but I do not like to be made
conspicuous. I hope to hear
you again soon.

Yours truly
Miss Mary E Gillet
Windsor
Broome
N Y

If what I send does not answer well to your intentions, write Home as to have an other particular as to the alteration wanted or otherwise.

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War Department

Washington City,

February 15th 1873.

Brigadier General O. O. Howard, U. S. A.

Late Commissioner Bureau R. F. & A. L.

Howard University,

Washington, D.C.

General:

I have received, from the House of Representatives, Executive Document 87, 43d Congress 3d Session, the same being a communication from you to the Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs relative to the report from the Adjutant General's Office, as to the condition of affairs of the Freedmen's Bureau, which

Washington, D.C.
Feb. 15th 1873

Respectfully H. M.

Why Genl. Howard would direct it to Hon. J. Rips.

Ans'd Genl. H. —
L. B. Fish 17. 73

I transmitted to House of Representatives, under its Resolution of December 3. 1872.

As I am not aware of any call, by the House or the Committee on Military Affairs, on you for the communication referred to, it is proper for me to invite your attention to the propriety, and necessity, of your conducting your correspondence, upon subjects which have been officially considered by the War Department, through the Secretary of War.

Further, I desire that you will explain to me the reasons for your departure from that course, in the present instance.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Wm. W. Belknap
Secretary of War.

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[CCA-Feb 16, 1873]

Genl Howard.

My Dear Friend

May I ask you to tender to those young Students my heartfelt thanks for their sweet service, so touchingly rendered at the funeral of my dear husband.
Their music was sweetly soothing & beautiful.

Yrs faithfully,

F. N. Eaton

Friday Morng.

157.

Office of The Christian Recorder.
631 Pine St.
Phila da Pa.

Feb. 17th 1876

Hon. W. W. Belknap
Secy of War etc;

Dear Sir:

This is to request you to have the kindness to send, to my address a copy of the Report of the Inspector of Education, on Wilberforce University near Xenia Ohio, as made to General O. O. Howard, during the existence of the Freedmen's Bureau.

Mr Langston's Report;

and oblige,

I have the honor to be

Mr Secretary

Your Most obt Servt,

(Signed) E. W. M. Wonter

Business Manager,

of Christian Recorder.

Title

New York Feby 17, 1873

General O. O. Howard

Washington D.C.

Dear General

Through Capt. Wilkinson we have received letters of Mssrs McFarland and Roberts of New Mexico addressed to you. We hardly know what to do with them.

1. From all we have heard, I conclude that Mr Cole is incompetent and ought to be removed. But unfortunately I do not know to whom application should be made for this purpose. He was nominated, I understand, by the Christians – a small, scattered people, without general organization, so far as I know, such as market most of the Denomination. I believe they hold Baptist and Unitarian views. How it happens that they should be asked to make a nomination, when such bodies as the Lutherans, German Reformed, United Presbyterian, and Cumberland Presbyterian were passed by, is somewhat of a mystery. But I have no objection to make an denominational question. So far as we are concerned, we will be glad to see any capable and good man appointed.

2. Mr McFarland goes quite too far when he says that any of the Agents [referring to those nominated by our Board, as it would seem] were nominated on the ground of their being "special favorites." The members of our Board have no personal acquaintance with any of these gentlemen, and in all cases the best recommendations are required. It may happen that unsuitable men receive nomination, but thus far – with perhaps one or two exceptions, we have not had reason to form this opinion. And it is quite certain that we should ask promptly for their removal, if we learned that they were not the right men.

With great respect, Yours very truly

Orlando Lowrie Secy

Washington Ter.
Feb. 19. 73

Respectfully forwarded to Hon. O. O. Howard
by direction of
Genl Howard and
has written this minister
to Chicago.
Will Mr McFarland
please return to
Genl. O. O. Howard after
reading.

M. C. Wilkinson
A.D.C.

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Fitzhugh Coyle, President.

UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY.

Charles Bradley, Cashier.

The National Bank of the Republic of Washington D.C.

Washington, D.C. July 18 1873

Genl O. O. Howard
U.S.A.

Sir

We have a bill for flour furnished the apache Indians, due L & H Heminway amt of $3,759.04 on Indian Department U.S., certified to by Mr Soule

Acting U.S. Special Indn Agt Camp apaches

We have presented it to the department and they require before acting upon the same, a certificate from you, or from the Superintendent of Indian affairs for said Territory.

Before returning it to the parties from whom we receive it, I thought it best to apply to you, and ask you if you can give the necessary paper

Respectfully yours
Chas Bradley
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United States Internal Revenue,

Assessor's Office, 3d District, Virginia,

Richmond, February 18th, 1873.

Genl. O. O. Howard.

General,

It gives me great pleasure to bear testimony to the good qualities of Mr Patrick O'Brien, a gentleman competent by intelligence, integrity, sobriety and industry for the discharge of most any duty.

During the existence of the Freedmen's Bureau, Mr O'Brien was employed in that department, and from my personal acquaintence with him during that time I can truly say that his conduct was such as to give the highest satisfaction to all. Previous to his holding this position Mr O'Brien had been employed in the

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E. H. SMITH,

Assessor of Internal Revenue, 3d District, Va.

Richmond, Va., ..., 187 .

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No. of Enclosures .....

Officers of Internal Revenue must fill out the endorsement and brief on the back of each letter to the Department.

Ack'd & filed
E. H. S.
Feb. 24, 73

Quartermaster's, Commissary's, and various other branches of Government service, which are tendered to him after his escape from Richmond, and in the discharge of the duties of which he is known to have given universal satisfaction.

By reason of Mr O'Brien's ardent devotion to the Government he has, during the past two years, been excluded from employment, and has consequently suffered much therefrom. Knowing as well as I do Mr O'Brien's qualifications, of heart as well as of head, I would take it to myself as a personal favor if you would give him some employment under you, or elsewhere. Mr O'Brien encloses herein a few testimonials relative to his former occupations.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant
E. P. Smith

J. F. CAKE.

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WILLARD'S HOTEL,

Washington, D. C., February 18th 1873.

Dear General:

The President sent Smith's nomination to the Senate today, but we have not given the matter up and do not propose to.— We are under obligations to you for your kindness, and you know if I can at anytime serve you, you have only to command me.— I return to N.Y. City tonight, consequently cannot see you again as I had desired.

With respect,

Gratefully your friend,

Ned Gordon

Brig. Gen. O. O. Howard, U.S. Army,
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Gen

Today I called upon Mr David Clark & said that in a recent interview with you (he) you expressed a willingness to lecture in Hartford if everything in your relations to Mr C were pleasant. He ~~soon~~ made a curt reply & then made a statement to me, ~~as~~ positive as usual & no more satisfactory. ~~He~~ He was sure that you told him that Gen Grant told the Secy of War that Red Grant said the colored cadet was ~~a~~ — fellow & that he ought be (in some way disposed of) I cannot recollect how.

& intimated something about
a letter he had written
you wh you promised to
transmit to the President
& Secy of War
but wh they said they
had never rec'd. — He fi-
nally said that he would
see you only in the pres-
ence of other parties &
sh'd write you. — He was
evidently in a very
unsettled state & ready
to believe every thing
charged upon Wilson,
Patterson Grant
Pomeroy &c — said that he had
[illegible] wh his
[illegible] more

for the Bedmen —

I was sorry to see him in such a state, but write you as truthfully as possible the results of our interview, leaving you to draw your own inferences. He is so committed as an Anti Grant man that he can see nothing but the blackness of darkness at Washington & in Gen Grant's friends —

I need not assure you that I said to him that he could never convince others but that there was a misunderstanding between

you, & that I believed a brief & friendly interview would easily solve all difficulties.

Was you not much pleased with the aspect of things at Hampton – saving only Gen Armstrong's plan for a singing campaign. This will give him much trouble, & no pay. I think a brief trial will demonstrate that it costs more than it comes to. Mr Whipple said to me that he was much of Mr Pike's opinion that the whole posse of the Fisk University singers & managers do not earn as much money as I do – I procure $3500 last week – Most truly & respy your friend

Thos W Higginson

I send Reports &c

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