Southern Apache Sec. Agency.

Gentlemen:

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 25th December, 1872, received today. Please accept my thanks.

Superintendent Dudley visited my Indians a few weeks ago. He, of course, adhered to your letter of the 7th of July, Maj. Coleman, in front of Victoria. He asked the same question of location for them (most satisfactorily). They, of course, desired to be taken back to Canada, but the wording of your letter should all their old arguments. They have not mentioned Canada since. They said they, the photos, convinced them that the words were from you. I
Now always tell the truth.

Sick Indians do behoving you well indied. We have been for two months except one or two that left. Very shortly after I got charge of the agency. One of these returned a few days ago and brought four stolen horses from deep St. James. The process of the horses occurred then. As Victoria helped me inquire them in such a manner as to effectually that I give him great credit for getting three of the best horses. I turned them over to the owner. The fourth is still out, but no fault of Victoria's, because the thief lied to both. He took the horse off, after receiving what he demanded to bring him in. Poor started sometime ago to Cheyenne. As the Indians have a rumor that he was killed by an American. I do not credit it. If it be true, it may be true. Very truly yours

Rev. H. Thomas
W. S. Res. Agent
Ann Arbor, March 24th, 1873.

Gen.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 17th inst., and in reply have to state, that while acting as agent for the late Freedman's Bureau at Fort Griffin, Texas, I kept retained copies of all reports then required of me, and of all letters forwarding said reports. I transferred these records then to Capt. Fort Griffin to Lt. Charles C. Greene, 36th Inf. Regt., with all the Post Records. Moreover, no records remain relating to said Bureau. These reports were of little, if any, value. The only case in which I was called upon to act, so far as my recollection serves me, was upon the complaint of my own servant, and which was not important.

Very respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant.
S. H. Hayman
2d. Col. U. S. A.

U. S. A.
Late Commr. Bureau R. F. & P. L.
Carr Adjt. Gen. U. S. A.
Washington City.

Sir,

I have assembled the 2nd Regiment of Refugees from the following towns:

1st. Clarion, Wisconsin
2d. Oregon, Illinois
3d. Humbolt, Iowa
4th. Holland, Michigan

I have dedicated this letter to you as I am sure it will be of great service to the refugees. I have referred to General Howard for your instructions.

Yours very respectfully,

H. H. Hayman

March 4, 1873

[Signature]

[Red ink notes at the bottom of the page]
G.R. Howard
March 24th 1879
My dear Howard,

These days by April their

Mr. Howard's
detection of the officers of

Richard — and how near

the Morningside

naturalist. And that as a

valuable official. To publish

I signify the utmost good
Today with the best he said had been said. It is the
French who enter the field if I could get back into his
help destroy the Americans
from the owls of the lesser
I hold all their clear in such
thing contrary that perhaps
I ought not to come and in
which may be a time to read
view of their course fifty

Pete.
Philadelphia, March 24th, 1873

My dear Mrs. Howard,

When I left you, it was with the determination to write to you as soon as I reached home. But I have been here a week tomorrow, and you have had no letter. I hope that you will pardon my not writing; indeed, this is the first day that I have felt like myself since I reached here. I spent one week in Baltimore. I spent for the Physician Dr. Hughes and he attended me until the day before I left. I was real glad that I was not in Washington to trouble you. When I reached the depot in our city the first person my eyes rested on was Jethie M. She exclaimed in an instant, dear mamma, you have been ill, how badly you look. I told her she must not talk about that. She must tell me some thing. That I did not know. I was not but once in Baltimore, and that to...
I have not been out of the house since my return. The weather for the most part has been very unpleasant to say the least. Mother has received a letter from her mother this day which she was in New York with Lettie at the Swedish Movement Institute. She wrote very encouragingly of Lettie and said that the doctor thought she would be all right in three weeks. I was able to let her know that we have not seen each other since last Monday. I am very happy to hear that you are all right again and that you are doing well in your studies. It is good to hear that you are doing well in your work at school.

I wish that I knew of something to tell you that would interest you. May the General that Lieut. Callender is now in his way to this City where he has been ordered to Recruiting Service. This brings him into his native City and where his lovely home is. I must make it very pleasant for him.

My husband and the ladies send a great deal of love to you all. You may be sure always to find a great deal in the heart of your loving friend.

Susan B. Beadle

138 W. 19th St.
Treasury Department.
Second Auditor's Office.

March 24, 1873.

Mr. J. M. Brodhead

Sir,

It appears that
this newspaper, publishing
the statement of the Howard
apparent indebtedness, as
appears from the statements
reported by this Office to you,
without stating how the
indebtedness occurred. It
is doing great injustice
and I write to ask you, if you


opinion it would not be in either to
give to Sam Howard a copy of
the statement of differences
as reported. It will be some
months probably before the case
can be revised & reported back
and in the meantime the
expectations of the every man
suffer unless he is at liberty
to use the facts.

I return the subject to
your judgment & care.

Very respectfully,

E. B. French

Enclosed w/ #11
War Department,
Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D.C., March 24th, 1873

Brig. Genl. P. H. Howard, U. S. Army,
Late Commissioner Bureau Refugees, Freedmen
and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Referring to recent correspondence with regard to missing records of the late Freedmen's Bureau, I have the honor to inform you that, in accordance with arrangement made by Capt. Fladen of your staff, for the receipt at this office of packages addressed to you in the care of the Adjutant General, the following were received on the 20th instant, viz:

1st. From Freedmen's Savings and Trust Company, Mobile, Ala., one (1) Bounty Register, eleven
11. Discharge certificates; thirteen (13) sets unsigned bounty receipts.

2d. From Freedmens Savings and Trust Company, Savannah, Ga., one Bounty Register.

3d. From Charleston, S.C., one Bounty Register.

4d. From Treasury Certificate, 41 Discharge certificates, 64 sets unsigned bounty receipts.

5d. From Raleigh, N.C., one book and certain papers, pertaining to the Educational Division of the Assistant Commissioners Office at Raleigh.

Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

[Signature]

Howard University
March 25 1873

Dr. J.

Howard has obtained a school for him to teach.

Howard University
March 25 1873

Genl. O. C. Howard
President Howard University

Sir,

I am told that you are often applied to from the South for teachers. I am very desirous of doing something to aid me in obtaining such an education as will enable me to be useful in my native land. If you can obtain for me a school I shall certainly endeavor to prove worthy of the trust imposed upon me. Being an alien I am unable to get an appointment.
under the Civil Service. I would be greatly pleased to have your aid in the manner mentioned. Yours respectfu[l]

James E. Priest
War Department,
Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D.C., March 25th, 1873

Brig. General O.O. Howard, U.S. Army,
Late Commissioner, Bureau Refugees,
Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, D.C.

General,

I have the honor to inform you that a package, (from Norfolk, Va.) addressed to you in care of the Adjutant General, was received at this office, on the 25th instant, in pursuance of an arrangement made by Captain Pladen of your staff. The package contained 1 Volume "Claim Docket" and 2 Bounty Registers.

It is proper to remark that the "box" referred to, is your endorsement of Decr. 26th, 1872, on a letter of Frank Huger, Master of Transportation.
Lynchburg, Va., has been received and is found to contain the records of the late Superintendent of Education, State of Texas.

Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

Thomas J. Fircas

Chief Audit General

[Handwritten text in the margins, possibly notes or additional information.]
Jan. 26, 1773

To Gen. J. C. Howard

Dear Sir,

Enclosed is my kind letter bearing the date of the first of April, and in fully appreciating the object of this letter, I shall be highly pleased to have an opportunity to send it to you in person. I enclose with this letter my address and shall be glad to hear from you at your earliest convenience. I enclose also a letter from Mr. Davenport, who has forwarded your letter to me. He states that he has received a letter from you, which he considers to be suitable for a building for St. Mark's Church. He has delivered the same to the gaoler and will forward it to you. The contractor wants $2,000 and I will advance the necessary amount.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. J. Johnson

Brooklyn, March 26, 1773
Brooklyn Howard Colored Orphan Asylum.

To All Whom It May Concern:

This may certify that I am acquainted with Rev. W. F. Johnson, the General Agent and Business Manager of the Howard Colored Orphan Asylum, and also with Mrs. Craft, the First Doctor.

Both Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Craft are reliable persons, and are entitled to regard and confidence.

My wife and myself have visited the institution more than once, and are well satisfied with its merits.

We cordially recommend it to the confidence and support of the friends of humanity and of the Redeemer, in Brooklyn, New York, and elsewhere; and believe that all money entrusted to Rev. W. F. Johnson, the above-named General Agent, for the above purpose, will be faithfully paid over to the Orphan Asylum.

LEWIS TAPPAN, 318 Degraw Street, Brooklyn.

At the Annual Meeting of the Brooklyn Howard Colored Orphan Asylum, held September 12th, 1872, Rev. W. F. Johnson was reappointed as Business Manager and General Agent for said Asylum.

The undersigned, upon personal knowledge and reliable information, are satisfied that the Brooklyn Howard Colored Orphan Asylum, located on Dean Street, near Troy Avenue, is doing a humane and much-needed work, having under its care at present sixty-five children; that it is faithfully and competently administered, and is deserving of public confidence.

Owing to insufficient accommodations on the present site, the Trustees have purchased four adjoining lots, on which is a large wooden dwelling, suited to the wants of the Institution. On this purchase remains three thousand two hundred and fifty dollars ($3,250.00) the installment of which soon falls due.

We gladly commend it and the Orphans' cause to the patronage of the public.

WM. IVES BUNDINGTON, D.D., Clinton Avenue Church.
HOMER B. SPENCER, Principal of Adelphi Academy.
A. M. FREEMAN, Second Presbyterian Church.
D. C. MOORE, Principal of Washington Avenue Baptist Church.
Geo. P. PETERS, Second Baptist Church.
O. W. WEISS, Second Baptist Church.
J. B. HARRISON, Unitarian Church, Montclair, N. J.
J. E. PEIRCE, Central M. E. Church, E. D.
D. R. BROWN, D. D., Pres., Episcopal Church, Gates Ave.
J. W. CLAYTON, Second Unitarian Church, Clinton St.
R. S. WATKINS, Street Street A. M. E. Church.

I have kept myself informed as to the condition of the Asylum. The ladies connected with my Church are pleased to visit with and work a little for it. I regard it as the most worthy charity in Brooklyn.

STEPHEN W. CAMP, Unitarian Chapel.

This Institution was incorporated in 1868, under the General Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, and is under the direct management of an organized Board of twelve ladies.

The Trustee Board consists of five gentlemen.

Rev. A. N. Freeman, Rev. T. Gould, and Mr. S. A. Thompson, Auditing Committee.

Asylum Counsel and Attorney at Law, Mr. A. C. Farnham, No. 322 Broadway, New York.

All Letters may be addressed to

REV. W. F. JOHNSON,
Gen. Agent and Business Manager, Society Buildings.

Brooklyn, Nov. 14, 1872.

Dean Street, near Troy Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Dear Sir,

We are shocked to see in the newspaper that Mr. Joe has gone into an insane asylum. Can you spare a moment to tell us about his case. This prospect whether a letter of sympathy to his wife and he as acceptable, to give more pleasure than pain.

Yours,
You and yours are well. I trust you are not still planning to add to your burdens.

Ps. Paternal

E. P. Web
638 Tremont St
Boston

Mar 26
1673.

Do remember
the very kind 2 you
wife & children.
March 26, 1873

O.O. Howard

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 22d of July reached me just in the midst of the late crop our Bank during which time I could not conveniently reply to it. I beg leave now however to state that all the record which I have had in my possession touching Baronet matters were forwarded to J.M. Brown Major 5510 on the 11th of June 1872, at which time I ceased to act in the capacity of agent for the department. Duplicate receipts having been furnished him of all payments made by me, and as return of the unpaid checks was made at the same time.

Most respectfully your obedient servant,

John D. Carlyle
Hinton, Hardin County, Ohio
March 26, 1878.

Hon. O.C. Howard
State Commandant, A.A. L.A. States.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to apply to your communication of March 1, 1878, to submit the following facts. I take up the incident from where it is reported in the papers and in no records, stating:

Paris, Breckinridge County, Kentucky - To: J.H. Hastings.

I have no knowledge, official or personal, that J.H. Hastings was ever an agent of the Regency. He certainly was not under any administration. If I should be mistaken in this and he was at any time, he must have been a Sub-Agent (i.e., a subordinate county agent) under Capt. James L. Howard who had, at the time, charge as an Assistant Agent of Montgomery, Barren, and adjoining counties, under the orders of Captain Joel E. Hobson, Second Assistant Commissioner for the district of Eastern Kentucky.

J.H. Hastings is a resident of Paris, Kentucky.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Capt. D.B. Howard, Kentucky

John S. Howard

Mr. Howard was a sub-agent (or clerk) for Col. H.B. Howard, Assistant Agent, as above, and in the belief of the latter, if he acted as an agent, he was made to Col. Howard. At the time of Capt. Col. Howard, Hardin, Barren, Hardin, Montgomery, County, Ky., will probably reach him.
Augusta
Brackney County Kentucky
I have no knowledge official or personal that [illegible] was ever an Agent of the Bureau in Kentucky. He certainly was not under any administration. If I am mistaken in this and he was at any time such Agent he was probably a Sub Agent of a subordinate county' Agent under the direction of Capt. Henry J. Scott, Assistant Agent for Illinois and adjoining counties, under orders of Capt. Robt. S. Schenck and at said last Commissioner as aforesaid. The whereabouts of both said persons are unknown to me.

Smithland
Henderson County Kentucky
J. L. Littlefield
This gentleman was not, to the best of any recollection, an Agent of the Bureau after I took charge of it October 5th 1867. I think he was an agent for some time during the administration of Genl. Jeff. B. Davis or Genl. Clinton B. Fisk and whenever it was, he must have been in an exceedingly small way.

New Littlefield lives at Smithland Kentucky

Brandenburg
Meade County Kentucky
Capt. John A. Woodard
This gentleman was an office of the Bureau for a time. He transacted very little of any business. It was being burned. I think the same person commanded Capt. Wm. H. King (I think that was the date of the general shift want to find the date. Captains Woodward's office is not known to me.

Shelby County, Kentucky

My remarks in regard to Littlefield apply in this case. I do not know his address.

Greenup County, Kentucky

This quartmest was an agent and was stationed at different points through the state from time to time. He is now at a United States Internal Revenue Office at Lexington. The office is not in a position to make his case clear.

In regard to all the aforementioned cases it may be remarked that the Bureau was first organized on July 4th by Ed. Sheaff & Buck, suspended and was afterwards conducted by Edward L. Lyon under the assistant commissionership of John D. B. Sanborn, U.S. Army. A large number of agents were appointed throughout the state. Shortly afterwards, and before the organization was fairly organized, and in various orders, agents were paid and continued (periodically, as he was with various intervals), each agent being paid from time to time discharged.

When an agent was relieved he was ordered to turn over the records of his office to his sux immediate superior. The records were kept in Cleveland. About the 1st of January, 1867, this date is given from memory, by order from the office of the Commissioner, L. C. Howard, all the records of all the offices up to that date were brought in to Louisville and shipped to him (L. C. Howard) at Washington. All records subsequent to that shipment were turned over to my successor or shipped to the Commissioner at Washington when I was relieved.
July 1871. It is my impression that since Maj. John P. Ely is dead there is no one who can furnish information in regard to the gentlemen named in your letter except it should be Such & Such & Such & Such 1st Regiment W & S Infantry who was the Capt. Adjutant.

Louisville, Kentucky

The office of the Assistant Commissioner and Deputizing Officer for Kentucky was removed to Covington in April 1870 (as I remember dates) The records of the Louisville Office from that date back as far as January 1869 date of general shipment will be found in the books of the Covington Office. The books were never changed. These records were turned over to my successor.

Subsequent to the removal of my office to Covington Said J. S. Ireland was agent at Louisville. It was his duty to keep full records and he was furnished with a clerk & S. Warer to enable him to do so. When J. S. Ireland was retired he was directed to turn over his records to the said S. Warer his successor. He did so as I was informed. When I was recalled Warer became a Subordinate of my successor and was in charge of the Records. He made of the same I do not know.

I am informed that the said Warer is now a clerk in, or connected with the War Department.

The Subordinate agents of the Bureau were required to keep any separate book records pertaining to Benefits. The vouchers and money were sent to them and they were required to attach the vouchers signed and witnessed of the vouchers matched with the money. Their accounts were kept in the
Books of my office.

General Bounties Records for the State of Kentucky.

As to the books and records pertaining to my office as Chief Esigning Officer.

The General Bounties Records were kept over the whole time during which I acted.

No. One: I large ruled book with printed headings, green cover.
No. Two: A large ruled book with printed headings, black cover.

I have both over to my successor Capt. H. H. Ray and he transferred these to P. C. Overley who succeeded him. I saw the books in Overley's possession. No two were produced at my trial by Court Martial, by Lieut. Colony H. B. I gave notice to the Judge Advocate of the Court to produce No. One (1) which he failed to deliver stating that it had not been found at the Provost's office. P. C. Overley stated that he sent it to the Commissioner when he was relieved in 1872, this statement was not made in County. Overley lives at Louisville, Kentucky.

Besides the above-mentioned. Records the following books were (as I am prepared to prove) kept in my office:

One Individual Account Books (suicide officers and Agents)
One ledger Account Books (with land holders and U.S. Deposiaries)
One memorandum Book (the miscellaneous, debtors to various parties throughout Kentucky for payment)

Two books, especially, and among all the latter which showed exactly what paid amounts cases entered on the
Be sure Record in my name was invaluable to me.

My trip at the Hotel in Washington was when I was in Washington in the Summer of 1871 for the purpose of settling with Henry Bulkley intended, during my absence and the aforesaid books stolen thence read by parties to me unknown. Delighted search was made and every effort to recover them but without success. If necessary I saw their thing.

It may here, with propriety, remark that I was not required to keep any of the books aforesaid by any order but the same were kept for my own protection.

Their loss has been a terrible one to me.

I am yours,

Very respectfully,

John Bulkley

[Handwritten signature]
Dear General:

I send you today the copies of the Journal of the proceedings of the meeting held in January, for distribution among such of your friends as are interested in Indian Affairs.

Very Respectfully yours,

Thomas R. Cree
Secretary.

Geo. O. O. Howard, N.D.C.
Fallston, Md. Mar 27, 1878

Sir Howard,

Sir, I received your kind reply to my letter, and thank you for your information, as respects students. I did not expect a definite promise about a situation, but only wanted to learn that should there be an opportunity. It might be considered an applicant aspiring and perseverance is the road to success, and my motto is if at first you don’t succeed, try, try again.

I am at present teaching in a Pub. School, No. 3, Fallston Md. But it is probable that it will close at the end of the term. I intend to enter the Summer,  a Vacation School for teachers, no preventing Providence.
I remain

Sincerely,

Adolf T. Strauss.
Sir, O. O. Howard,
Washington, D.C.

My friends here, to fill the position of Indian Inspector under the law recently passed by Congress.

I am influenced more particularly in this matter from the fact that it may be opening in which I can do more good than in any other situation.

As doubtless these offices will not be filled by persons to reward them for political services during the last campaign, but to carry out the policy of the President, I write to ask your candid opinion whether you hope that I will be appointed.

Will you give me as a Christian brother the necessary qualifications to fill such an office as it should be filled, and would it be desirable to accept the position if obtained?

If not, tell me frankly and I will thank you the more for your kindness. If so, what course to be taken to secure the situation?
Please answer immediately.

I am at Denver, Colorado, 15th of May.

We expect to leave here on the 5th of June.

After visiting some friends in Seco, we will remain with friends at Fairmont, West Va., while attending the meeting of the Assembly of our church in Baltimore, Md., to meet May 15th.

Mrs. W. wishes to be kindly remembered.

With kindest regards I am

Most truly yours,

M.M. Garland

P.S. Please consider this letter strictly confidential.
I have heard from you all. I wish you and Mrs. Howard and the dear children are well. I have not suffered from the severity of the winter. It is exceedingly cold here with the snow and ice and the wind. I have just finished cleaning the room and the cold has made me feel very much cold.

West Point, N.Y.
March 27, 1873.

My dear Mr. Howard, knowing how fully occupied you are, I do not like to put you to the trouble of writing a letter, and to show that I would prefer that you dispute my naughty little god-child to do it for you. I call him naughty because it is now I think she has a year since I wrote to her and sent her a copy of "Godwin's Thoughts on Personal Religion" and yet I have not received any reply to my letter, nor an acknowledgment of the receipt of the book. Still she may have written, for she is Sam's...
is my desire to prove this, that I even ventured to write to Secretary Fish to ask if it could be obtained through the Dept. of State. He replies very courteously and promptly, but not formally. It occurs to me that, if I may, possibly, suggest some means by which I can get it, and so with due haste, but on the principle of the proverb: 

No trentes, nothing have. I write for about it. My second request is a long one. What more reasonable one, you ask for. Please send me some of your autograph, crude, if quite easily and conveniently you could send me any of the above distinguished in military or civil life. I should feel exceedingly obliged. It is a long, long letter.
War Department,
Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D.C., March 27, 1873

Brig. Genl. O. O. Howard, U.S.A.,
Late Commissioner Bureau R.R. & L.R.,
Washington, D.C.,

General:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of communication of Mr. A. Percy, late Agent Bureau R.R. & L.R., dated "Norfolk, Va. March 22, 1873," forwarded by your endorsement of the 24th inst., and to state, that the record book therein referred to will at all times be accessible to Mr. Percy.

Very respectfully,
your obedient servant,

Thomas McKenney

Assistant Adjutant General

1847 A.O. (31st) 1873
War Department,
Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D.C. March 29th, 1873


I communicate from the Adjutant General's Office that the records of the Blacksville Office, Please send all such to me by mail or express care of the Adjutant General.

and direct yours,
O. O. Howard.

Brig. Gen. U. S. A.

Clarksville, Tenn., April 7th, 1873. Late Agent B. R. & N. R. A. L.

The records, books, etc., pertaining to the Clarksville Office were delivered to J. B. Toons, agent in the town of Nashville, Oct. 8th, 1871, and his receipts taken for the same. Respectfully yours, J. J. Mc. Mullen, etc. Toons.