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Department of Vermont

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

W. G. YEAZEY, Dep't Commander.
J. H. GOULDING, Asst. Adj't General.
L. G. KINGSLEY, Asst. Q. M. General.

Rutland, Vt., July 11th 1873

Gen. Howard -
Dear General -

There is to be an encampment and general reunion of all the soldiers of Vermont at Rutland on the 6th, 7th and 8th August next and you are cordially invited to be present.

One of the greatest inducements of the Veterans of Vermont to meet together in camp would be to have an opportunity to extend to you a soldier's welcome to the pure, cool air of these mountain slopes to which the achievements of the "Green Mountain Boys" early gave an historic interest. Their sons who served with you in the war of the rebellion sincerely hope that you will afford them this opportunity of expressing the regard and appreciation with which your service and record inspired them. Will you please give as early a reply as convenient.

Very Truly Yours W. G. Yeazey
Chairman Com.

July 11-1873

Major J. J.

Please the Genl to
be present at
an encampment
of the officers of
Penn.

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Kirwin Phillips Co. Rs.
July 13th. 1873.

Deane Cedar L.

Desires information
as to whether his office is
implicated in the charges
against the Commissioners of B.R.
Treas.

Said by Deane
July 30th 1873.



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Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

General

Greatly to my astonishment
and regret, I learn that charges
have been made against you
regarding the disbursement of the
Bureau funds. I wish to know
how far the investigation is
likely to extend, as I left
all of my vouchers in S.C. and
do not now know what has be-
come of them. I have a
small amount of property and
vouchers still open in the
Auditors Office but nothing but
what can easily be accounted
for, if I was in reach of my
papers & vouchers.

If I mistake not on
turning over to Gen. Balboa
on my final settlement. I
transferred a large sum
for which I was not account-
able on the records of his
office. I shall be greatly
obliged to you if you will
inform me if my office
is in any manner implicated
in these charges.

I stand ready at all
times to defend your course
in A.C. at all hazards.

I am very respectfully
Yours Obedt. Servt.
Edw. L. Deane

Confidential



War Department,
Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C. *July 11th 1873*

*To the Honorable,
The Secretary of War.
Sir:*

*I have the honor to
report that from the records of the
late Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and
Abandoned Lands the following is
obtained:*

*That on March 24, 1871, the late
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Aban-
doned Lands received the amount
appropriated to supply deficiencies
for the fiscal years ending June
30, 1870, and June 30, 1871, and for
former years and other purposes.*

This, with the balance then on hand,
placed at the disposal of the Bureau,
of the "Appropriation funds," the sum
of \$128,391.98.

From March 24, 1871, to June 30,
1871, \$125,707.00 of this amount was
expended, leaving a balance on hand
of \$2,684.98, available for the purpose
of paying expenses incurred prior
to June 30, 1871.

On the 25th day of July, 1871, the
appropriations for the fiscal year
ending June 30, 1872, having become
available, the amount appropriated,
together with the balance standing
on the books of the Treasury to
the credit of the Bureau appropriations,

was drawn. The sum obtained was \$173,919.21. This sum, with the balance on hand June 30, 1871 - \$2,684.98 - and the amount received during the year ending June 30, 1872, from various sources - \$9,580.05 - made the sum of \$186,184.24, available to meet current expenses for year ending June 30, 1872, and expenses incurred prior to June 30, 1871. Of this sum, all but \$11.17 was expended at the time the Bureau was abolished and the records transferred to this office.

Among the items of disbursements entered in Cash Book in the month of July, 1871, are the following:

"Schools and Asylums"

Paid H. C. Turner

\$ 3000.00

Paid H. M. Tupper	16,500.82
" Joseph Dickinson	5,000.00
" E. C. Tade	1,500.00
" John Page	1,279.40
" J. Fillard & Son	27.35
" Francis Mahum & Son	83.10
" W. H. Cissell	32.45
" W. W. Jackson	951.50
" C. F. Pratt	<u>2,048.50</u>
	\$ 28,421.42

The appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1845, were as follows:

For collection and payment of County, prize-money and other legitimate claims of colored soldiers and sailors
\$ 87,500.

For support of freedmen's Hospital and asylum at Washington, D. C. 78,000.

Total appropriations \$165,500.

Added to this the amount
received from the District of
Columbia, for medicine, sub-
sistence and medical attendance
rendered destitute citizens at
Freedmens Hospital 4,224.10
Total \$172,724.10

Deduct this amount from
the total sum available to
pay expenses for year ending
June 30, 1872, and for expenses
incurred prior to June 30, 1871,
and the balance is \$13,460.14.

This sum deducted from
the amount paid on account of
Schools and Asylums - 28,424.42 -
leaves \$14,964.28

of appropriations for 1872 expended for
schools and asylums, as it now
appears, in violation of Section 2
of the Act of 1868 [15 Stat. page 35-6]
as follows:

"and no money appropriated for one
purpose shall, hereafter, be used for
any other purpose than that for
which it is appropriated."

On examination as to whether
the balance on hand June 30, 1871,
-\$2,684.98- amount of unexpended
balances in Treasury drawn July
22, 1871, - \$8,419.21- and amounts received
during fiscal year ending June 30,
1872, from sales of public property
and other sources - \$2,355.95-, in all
\$13,460.14, was applicable for schools

and Asylum has not been made.

I have furthered to invite attention to the fact that while the vouchers for these disbursements were not placed with the Officers' accounts until July, 1871, some of the payments were actually made long prior to that date, as appears by copies of letters, now of record, transmitting checks. Therefore, it would appear that the money (if not obtained from private sources) was actually paid from the funds received to pay Comities to colored soldiers, sailors &c., or that expenses incident to the transaction of the current business of the late Bureau were paid from funds not legalized for that purpose, &c.

inbursement being subsequently
made when appropriations for
1872, "For collection and payment
of County, prize-money and other
legitimate claims of colored soldiers
and sailors", and "For support
of Freedmens Hospital and Asylum
at Washington, District of Columbia",
became available.

It is suggested that I
be permitted to place this subject
before the late Commissioner for
his information, and with the
view to his informing this office
if there be any error in the state-
ments, now submitted, which, as
they stand, indicate a violation
of the Act of 1868, before recited.

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Thomas M. Vincent
Assistant Adjutant-General.

Read by the Secretary of War, who has
approved the suggestion, as above.

I therefore respectfully transmit this to
the late Comdr Bureau R. G. & A. L.

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Thomas M. Vincent
Adj. Genl.

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Mr. Dept

July 14 1873

Vincent, H. M.

Forward a full
State ment in-
reference to the
Bureau of P. & S.

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Hudson O
July 14th 1873

My dear General; I have just finished a letter
to Genl Wager requesting his assistance in obtain-
ing a reappointment to the Army. and thought
that perhaps you would be willing to aid me also.

Mr Monroe, Mr Upson & Genl Garfield were
all here at the recent College Commencement,
and Mr Monroe & Genl Garfield were approached
on the subject by Mr Cutler, the Pres't of the
College. They not only expressed themselves
willing to do anything in their power in my
behalf. but after satisfying themselves that
any thing which had heretofore stood in the
way of my success as an officer no longer
existed. & that my habits were thoroughly & as
they felt assured permanently reformed. They
summed anxious to aid me in the matter.

Mr Monroe - as the Representative of this
District, will take the lead & Genl Garfield
assures my friends that he will cheerfully co-
-operate with him in his efforts.

As, dear General, you can
consistently aid me by writing to Mr Monroe

W. L. W. W.

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W. L. W. W.

sent
by mail.
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anything in my favor. that will be useful in
his hands at the War Department or with the
President. You will confer a lasting favor on me
on my family.

I trust that you will not think
General, that because I have written to you only
when in need of your assistance that I have
ever ceased, even for an hour ^{to remember} your former un-
-remitting kindness to me. but I have felt mortified
that your confidence should have proved to be
misplaced. I thank God however that my eyes
were at last opened & that through the influence
of my sainted Sister & kind Parents I have been
able to overcome my greatest enemy. You too dear
General will be glad to know this.

You must know General
how indignant we all feel at the repeated
cowardly attacks of those enemies of all God
men, the Democratic Papers. but it is unnecessary
in this Community to say a word in your defense
for there all seem to be your friends.

Hoping that you may feel it
proper to say what good you can of me - in
a letter to Mr Monroe. & with respectful regards
to Mrs Howard

I am General, with much respect
& sincere regards - Yours etc Wm. B. Seaboard (over)

P.S.

Mr Monroe's address during the recess
of Congress is: Oberlin O.
Wm. B. Seaboard.

National Normal School,

Lebanon, O., July 14 1873.

Dear Gen. Howard

A great many persons
ask me about the troubles
at the University & invariably
tell ^{them} that Pascoe is at the
bottom of it & voted for the very
measures he now censures you
for.

I am staying at
home attending to the business
part of my Father's institution.
Wishing you a complete
victory.

I am Yours Truly
Josiah Holbrook

Lebanon - Ont.
July 14 - 1873

Walbrook Place

Friendly letter

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*In
closed to last Thursday*

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War Department,
Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C. July 14 1873

General O. O. Howard, U. S. Army,
Late Commissioner Bureau P. I. and A. I.
Washington, D. C.

General:

Your telegram of the 11th instant,
stating you have read the opinion of the
Attorney General, and asking for a full
statement of all that the Government claims
that I (you) owe, naming the disbursing
officers through whom I (you) am made
liable with their respective accounts" has
been referred to this office by the Secretary
of War, and I have the honor to inform
you that you will be advised in due time

In this connection the Secretary of War deems it proper to invite your attention to the matter of the irregular funds, or retained bounty funds (amounting to \$115,236.49) under the act of Congress approved March 2, 1867 which was the subject of a letter to you, dated January 24, 1873, (receipt acknowledged by you, January 27, 1873.) It is desired that the instructions conveyed by said letter be complied with without further delay. If the accounts for disbursement from the said funds, accompanied by vouchers, cannot be rendered by you, it is important that the fact should be promptly communicated.

Very respectfully, General,
Your obedient servant
Thomas M. Vincent
Assistant Adjutant General



War Department,
Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C. July 15th 1873

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

General:

I have respectfully to acknowledge
the receipt, through 2nd Lieut E. J. Dudley,
2nd Artillery. Disbursing Officer at Fort Mason,
N. C., of six (6) Discharge certificates of enlisted
men - the same having been found among the
records of the Agent of the late Bureau of Refugees,
Freedmen and Abandoned Lands at Newberne. N. C.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant,

Thos M. Vincent
Asst. Adj. General.

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Washington, D. C. July 13, 1871

Major General O. O. Johnson, U. S. A.

Adjutant General's Office, U. S. A.

Washington, D. C.

General:
I have respectfully to acknowledge
the receipt through the hands of
2nd Artillery, Acting Officer at Fort Monmouth
of the 1st of July 1871, of the
order - the same having been found among the
records of the Adjutant of the 1st Bureau of Refugees,
and the enclosed number of the same.

Very Respectfully
Yours,
James A. McPherson
Adj. Gen.

Gen. O. C. Howard,

Washington D.C. July 15. 1873.

Howard University.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Girls' Reform School at the parlors of the A. M. C. A. to-morrow (Wed) at 5 o'clock P. M. It is urgently desired that all members of the Board may be present, as an important business transaction must be discussed and a decision rendered. As we could not find you yesterday, we invited Frederic Douglass to accompany us to examine property and report the result to you, but he was engaged at that hour.

You have our entire confidence
and sympathy in your anxiety
& trouble!

Respectfully
Sara P. Spencer
Tack Sec.

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To Prof. C. I. ... ward
University Hill
Washington D. C.

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