Howard University
October 23, 1873.

To the Executive Committee
Howard University
Gentlemen:

I have to report the following statement of an unpleasant occurrence this day, in the discharge of my duties under your direction, to wit, the oversight of putting in the heating apparatus in Clarke Hall.

I was told yesterday by Mr. J. D. Cox, Secy., that some had come to him, that some of the students had not permitted the ashes or rather some had been neglected to be put in the room and wished me to see to it.

I had on the Saturday previous excised most of the rooms in the east end - but found some locked and put off examining them for a few days.

At evening I found the janman and learned that Mr. Hugh M. Bryan had represented to him that none was to be put until he saw them himself. I explained that the Executive Committee had contracted for all and expected none would be neglected, and he promised to have it done this morning.

On leaving breakfast this morning I was
accepted by Mr. Brown who stated that he "would like to know what business I had interfering with his room." I replied that the contract included the entire Hall and I could not deviate in the least.

He claimed authority from Capt. Wilkinson but modified it by excluding Capt. McGurn and said "You have no business to take so much upon yourself! If you will wait a few days I will write the E. Com. Now" His answer was that the Com. had already acted upon it and I should be delinquent in my duty to do otherwise than have it done to day and I walked on, seeing he was angry and not wishing to have any words with him.

At noon I was told that he had prevented the foreman from doing it and on finding him (the foreman) I was told that Mr. Brown had locked up the "pipe" and the (foreman) did not think he (Brown) would then to enter his room.

I walked with him to Mr. Brown's room and found him with a very hot fire in the stove and was greeted with the remark "I don't know what business you have in my room." I asked you to go out of there." I stated that I wanted no works at all and should leave mine, and asked him if he would move his stove, so that the workmen could proceed and he said "I want you to leave my room."
I then took his store to the Hall and he shut the door on me. I opened it by force and was greeted with "You have no right to interfere with me. I have as much right to tell what shall be done here as you have." No.

You do business. Bell (Heeadly) (No) You are nothing but poor white trash anyhow.

"If the University could get rid of you and thirty or forty more poor white nigger haters it would do well and I guess that affair will fix you anyway. We just want to get rid of a few of the poor white trash." No.

My only reply that was repeated after that was "I would hear no words with him and did not expect to try to say that. I would be delinquent in my duty if I failed to have the work done as contracted."

I then demanded the pipes which he had lost up and he refused to give them up. Whereupon I directed the workmen to put in others.

Now Gentlemen: I hope for the closest examination into this affair and if I am wrong I desire to be so informed.

I shall furnish a copy of this to the Dean of the College faculty.

I want to quote one more sentence of the many used by Mr. Brown which was as
follows.

"The only reason the University men

were not able to make a

lot of poor white trash Nigger beaters like you

are.

"I am Gentlemen

with just as much

Gum Chewing..." said

J. P. Johnson

(both for the Dean of

the College Life)"
Dear Sir,

Can you let me know if we can have our dinner at Green Point (Brooklyn) about the first week in December? We shall have our church building dedicated and I want you sure of the week the dedication.

I can then fill the house. Only have my ticket and panel in my closet.

I want this early that we may be certain of having my dinner.

Yours truly,

J. W. Stearns
Stearns J.N.
NY, 10-23-73

Wants the General to lecture in Brooklyn. Work in Dec.
War Department,
Adjutant General's Office,
Washington, D.C. Oct 23, 1876

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

Sir:

Referring to letter of Jan'y 28th 1876, from this Office, I have the honor to again invite attention to the deficiency in the records of the subordinate offices of the late Freedmen's Bureau, and to inform you that, notwithstanding numerous records have been received as the result of your efforts - of which receipt you have been duly advised - the bulk of those reported missing, are still absent from the files.

In illustration of the general subject and with special reference to the still missing records
of the Hilo Post Office, I again have no recourse to the letter of Captain Sladen of your staff, of date Decr 13th, 1849, to which reference was made in the Department letter of Janr 28th, 1848.

Captain Sladen, after expressing the opinion that "many of the agents, on their discharge, took with them either the books or the papers, or both, or if not all, at least a part of the records of their office," says, "this opinion was recently confirmed by the statement of Major Delany, ex-agent at Hilo Post Office, who informed my clerk that he still held possession of all his official books and papers, and that he had never been called upon to turn them in."

The continued withholding of the records by Major Delany, would seem to justify the presumption that he views himself as their legitimate custodian, and the general absence of records of the local offices...
indicated that the same opinion obtains with other ex-agents of the Bureau.

Of the more important records now missing and immediately required, may be mentioned the county registers for the State of Louisiana and other records pertaining to the Disbursing Office for that State, and the records of the Louisville Office subsequent to Jan'y. 1869, save the county registers of the latter office which have recently been received from the Bureau of Military Justice, where they were filed with the proceedings of the

Runkle Court-Martial.

Colonel E. B. Berman, the late Disbursing officer at New Orleans, is believed to be now a resident of this city.

I am, general,

Very Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

E.D. Townsend
Adjutant General.
Vindland Pa.
Oct 23 1673,

Dear Sir,

I am informed

one of any agency by which
I can get colored servants
from Richmond Va. certain
portions of the south.

Very Respectfully

Thos. K. Landor

[Signature]

Gent. Howard.
Brooklyn Oct 24th 1873

Genl. O.O. Howard

My dear Friend,

Some time since the Presbyterian Church granted "a letter" to Mr. & Mrs. Weed commending them to the Cong. Church in Washington, a church that I remember with peculiar pleasure and much as I personally regret their departure from us, I feel they have chosen wisely.

My faith is very large in those who carry inclusiveness into their work, and doubtless you have discovered already that "Mr. W" is unusually endowed in this respect. Feeling a warm interest in Howard University, its founder
and the close it is destined to raise to a larger and better manhood, I am happy to think that in Mr. Reed—a thorough scholar, and an ardent Christian—we have made no small contribution to its interests.

You will love him for his own sake, you will prize him for his valuable services, and hundreds will join with you in thanking him for the warm devotion with which he was laboring in the cause to which he has consecrated his best powers.

With sincere regard for yourself and family, I remain

Your brother,

Chattler Everett.
Evinston Chas. Hall
Brooklyn 10-24-73

Write friendly letter for Mr. & Mrs. Reed.

[Handwritten text with legible portions]
Sulphur Springs
Oct 24th 73

Gen C. B. Howard, Sir

Your letter has been received. You wish to be informed why I did not present your bill to the store. If you will be kind enough to recollect there was no other paper joining between us except my acknowledgment to you that I had bought a horse. The horse was returned to the owner after being branded and kept in the store employ about three weeks and no satisfaction given of which fact I have already informed you through a letter when the horse was given up.

Very Respectfully,

[Signature]

[Handwritten Signature]
Rogers W. Nickell
States that the desired information has already been given.
Phil. Oct. 25, 73

Gen. C. C. Howard

Dear Gen.

I was

over to Washington to see you and Gen. Sherman while you were absent. Gen. Sherman

said he would come with you to meet the Carolina Singers at the Academy of

Music on the 3rd of Nov.

He would be in NY until

his daughter came who he was quite sure would arrive before that time.

I am very curious about

for the prestige and the money.

We want an interest in

your University as well as our
for both, and I hope we may go with you to England. Please write me as soon as possible.

Respectfully,

Willard Richardson

1226 Chestnut St.

P.S. Pay all expenses you may incur from proceeds of concert and devise as you think best; but please do not fail —
Richardson, William
Philad., Pa., Oct. 25, 73

Wants General U. to come
with Gen. Sherman to
hear Carolina Singers
at Academy of Music,
Nov. 4, 73, at Philad.
Hub Adams, Town of R. I.,
October 25, '73.

My dear Senator:

I beg to return my acknowledgments
unto for your letter in my hand to President
provided by the University of Vermont. That
statement thus applied, in close form, for my
detail as such a - and I see no reason as far
as my present knowledge extends, why the department
should not accede to your request.

Availing myself of this
opportunity to thank you for former acts of kindness
I remain,

very respectfully,

Hub. Robinson

Rev. C. C. Stewart

Washington D.C.
October 27th, 1873

Sir, Mr. Major General V. Howard.

Sir, I wrote to you at last but I have not yet heard from you. I have been waiting to hear from you but I have never heard from you yet but I hope that when you receive this letter you will answer it. So I may know what to do in the matter and I would like to know what turns I can send him on and then I can make it an arrangement so that you will all write and let me know soon.

Ever your father,

Rev. Isaac W. Brown
Washington, D.C.
Oct. 27, 1873.

Dear [Name],

I received a note from you today in regard to the kindness of the young ladies at the table. I know it is not right & I have explained it to them for it - but the reason for it - is that Mr. Thomas has been ringing the bell so long before the young men were in the dining room, that it was disagreeable to stand by the table & wait. I have not in any way deserted the
young ladies. Last year, I did not take a meal at the same time they did & nothing was said about it. I had a complaint about the attendances was reported to me.

I am taking my meals at all Pinnador for a short time, because I was not well & found a change necessary. I spoke to Mrs. Thomas about the noise in the dining-room, & told him I could not eat there unless it was more quiet, & the noise inceased, instead I listened, & I had it from very good authority, that the young men were making an effort to make a noise, because they had been complained of.

Mrs. Thomas has not tried to stop me when I have not been well.