Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

Washington, D. C., December , 1873.

My Dear General

I cannot tell you how sorry I was on account of the very unnecessary trouble I was the means of causing you. I hope you donot lay it to any intention on my part to do anything that would cause you the least trouble. It was purely heedlessness and thoughtlessness on my part. In fact I did not think at the time what I was doing and then did not fully understand the relations between the Comr. of Indian Affairs and Mr. Welsh.

The way it happened was this; I was talking with one of the Clerks in this office concerning the absence of Mr. Irwin, and made the re

mark that you made. My reas
were asked with assurance o
confidence, and like a foolish
fellow I told it and then this
man told somebody else and then
it got to Mr. Irwin.

I can only say that
are the last one in the world t
I would try to injure and assu
you of my sincere sorrow.

It seems hard to ha
that added to your troubles, just
at this time especially, when you
have so much to worry you.

It is really very strang
that you cannot say anything in the ho
of one of your best friends, witho
its going any farther, and I assure
you if I had thought but for one
moment I should never have told
it.

Hoping that you will forgive this indiscretion on my part I am

Yours Very Truly
James B. Rankin.

Washington D.C.
Dec. 1873.

Rankins E.B.

An Apology

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To the Ladies at
Military Post of the U.S. Army

Albany N.Y.
Dec 4/73.

Dear Friends

In behalf of the Ladies Union Mission School Association, I am deputed, as its Secretary, to express to you the deep concern of its members in the spiritual welfare of all at this Post, and to inform you of the plan proposed by the Association, whereby a religious interest may be awakened and maintained through a concert of action in the various Military Posts of the Army. As our name "Union" implies we are a Society composed of members of all the Evangelical churches, associated together in working for our common Lord and Master, and seeking to do good in a very humble manner by aiding in establishing schools in the frontier states and territories of our country & helping by contributions of books, clothing &c, those already established. Some of our members connected with the Army have represented to us the need that exists at most if not all of the Military Posts, of schools for the children of the soldiers, both religious & secular, and of Industrial Schools, where their wives and daughters may be instructed in sewing and other branches of household industry. The children of the white settlers near the frontier Posts, and those of the Mexican and Indian population might be gathered into these schools. And thus a real Mission work be done. We are persuaded that at most of the Military Posts there are Christian women who would gladly undertake such work for the Lord's dear sake, and to them we would offer our sympathy and help. The "United States Military Post Library Association" has most kindly offered us to send free of expense on our part, anything necessary for the use of such schools, and we will therefore be glad to send to those who may desire them, books for secular and Sunday schools, maps, picture cards, and any aids of that kind that we can procure. Also materials for Sewing in the Industrial Schools; and we will have the clothing cut out if desired.

We ~~trust~~ invite the ladies of this Post, as well as others to become members of our Society by the payment of the Annual Fee of one dollar to our Treasurer, Mrs James B. Kelley, No. 244 State Street, Albany New York; and for further particulars in regard to this work proposed, to correspond with the Secretary

Mrs. Frederick Townsend
No. 8 Elk Street
Albany
N.Y.

ئے ایک گورنمنٹ ہائے اسکول کے ایک ہیڈ ماسٹر کے

کلکتہ

ڈیئر سر

آپ کو معلوم ہے کہ ایک گورنمنٹ سکول

ہیڈ ماسٹر کے ایک ماتحت ٹیچر کے درمیان

ایک مقدمہ دائر ہوا ہے۔ ہیڈ ماسٹر کا بیان ہے کہ

ٹیچر نے اپنے ماتحت کلرک کو ایک خط لکھا

جس میں ہیڈ ماسٹر کو گالیاں دی گئی تھیں

اور ٹیچر نے اس کلرک کو اس خط کے لکھنے

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کا بیان ہے کہ ٹیچر نے اسے خط لکھنے

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O. H. PALMER, Sec'y. WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.

Dated Chattanooga Tenn Dec 3 1873

Received at 12 27 pm

To Genl O O Howard

Cannot come will explain by letter

H D Hyatt
Chattanooga Tenn

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Chattanooga Tenn.

Dec. 22 1876.

Hyatt H. D.

States that he will explain why he cannot come in a letter.

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New Haven Conn.
Dec 1st 1873

Dear Father

I received your note enclosing $110.00. yesterday. As we had no recitations from Wednesday noon to the end of the week, I went home with a former member of our class to New York. Atterbury is his name & some relation to Mr. Wm E. Dodge. He left College because his eyes gave out. I called at Mr. Dodges Sr. & Jr. Mrs. Dodge Jr. is in mourning for her father. I also went to see Mrs. Greatorex, Mr. L S Pratt's sister & her studio, & enjoyed my visit very much. I expect now to go up to Vassar & see Grace, though perhaps I cann[illegible]

obtain permission, on acct. of the nearness of time to this Thanksgiving Holiday — Dating this letter reminds me that this is Jamie's birth-day. Tell him I remember it. but am sorry I have no present to send. I hope mother is better & all well by the time you receive this. Give my love to all.

Affectionately your son
Leon Howard

New Orleans Dec 1st 1873

Brig Genl O O Howard
Washington DC

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Dear Sir, Your of Nov 25th 1873 this moment received, and I hasten to answer.

Genl Ballock wrote me under date of 21st March 1873. I answered March 29th 73. My letter covers all points.

All Books & papers, with the exception of my receipt Books, which I consider private vouchers, were transferred to Col C. C. Beman my Successor. These books give the full amount of Business done by me. Lt Col Beman has not transferred them over to the Adjutant Genls office, he should have them in his possession as I made enquiry at the office of the Major Disbursing Officer at this city, and am told that no books nor whatever papers have ever been received by transfer to him.

I would then ask to refer to that letter of mine to Genl Ballock. If at any time it was desirable to you to obtain any further informations, I would do my best to furnish them to you.

I remain, General, Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
C. S. Sawyer

New Orleans Dec. 4 1873

C. S. Sauvinet

Makes explanation in regard to letters written Gen. Bullock

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New York, Dec. 1st 1873

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

Dear General,

Saturday night about 7 o'clock, I received the following telegram.

"Do come to Washington to-
"night and return Monday
"night — all important to me
"and to the University. Learn
"all about Hogatt of Chat-
"tanooga — answer by bearer."

signed, O. O. Howard.

I was very sorry to be compelled to decline as I did. I had three engagements which would have been materially interfered with by a com-

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[illegible]ence with your request.
I was just getting ready to go out to meet one of them when your telegram came. I was under engagement to preach Sunday evening, and our Ex. Com. meet this P.M.
Had I received your telegram before noon Saturday, I might have made provisions to satisfy these engagements so as to have taken the early afternoon train reaching Washington Sat. night; but it was impossible for me to postpone or provide for these engagements at the late hour at which your telegram was received. I should be glad to learn that no inconvenience has resulted to you in consequence of my not going. Please let me hear. Yours truly,

Geo. Whipple
Cor. Sec'y.

Fort McHenry, Md.

Dec. 1, 1873.

Dear General -

Please accept a great many thanks for the very kind letter addressed by you to S. L. Merchant, Esqr., in my behalf. It was duly received & forwarded. Should I succeed in obtaining the position I seek in the army of

the Khedive, I hope I shall merit the expressions of commendation which it contains.

I am General,

Very Respectfully & Sincerely,

Robt. M. Rogers,

1st Lt. 2d Arty.

General O. O. Howard,

U.S. Army.

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Fort McHenry Md,
Dec. 1. 1873

Rogers Robt. M.

Thanks you for your
kind letter written
to S. L. Merchant.

Newburyport Mass.
Dec 1 1873

Maj. Gen Howard -

My dear Sir -
Enclosed please find Check for One Hundred Dollars payable to your order. This was the amt. I pledged to the Freedmen Institute, Washington D. C.
Please acknowledge; and oblige Yours,
Very Truly
S. M. Gale

Indianapolis Dec 1 1873

My dear Friend –

My dear Sir:
Enclosed please
find check for $10 thereof
which please acknowledge
& oblige. Will see the most
deserving & needy
Institution, Orphanage, &c
Please notices by
and oblige Yours, Very Truly
Allen Hale

40 Livingston Street.
Brooklyn.

Dec. 2nd 1873

My dear friend

I am informed by my friend Mr S. W. Jones of Green Point, that you are expected to deliver an address there on Monday eve. the 2nd inst. Now if not preengaged we should be very happy to have you come on Saturday and spend Sunday with us & hear Dr Storrs, Why can't you do this?

You will like to know more about the Plymouth Church and may become as deeply interested in this matter, as we were in our Washington Church, — We are all well

as usual & trust it is so, with Mrs Howard & your family to whom please present the kind regards of us all.

Truly your friend

Richd. P. Buck

P.S. Gun Point, you know is the N.E. part of Brooklyn about 6 miles from here an hours ride by horse R. Road, very near my house for starting — Mr Jones, was formerly from Maine, his wife is a sister of Hon. John A. Peters of Bangor & cousin to Mrs Buck. Jones says, tell the Gnl. I will meet him anywhere, and welcome him to my house at Gun Point —

PAUL WHITIN.
President.

AUTHORIZED
1865.

H. A. GOODELL.
Cashier.

Whitinsville National Bank.

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1873
O. O. H.

Whitinsville, Mass. Dec 2 1873

Gen. O. O. Howard
Washington
D.C.

Dear Sir I enclose a check on Redemption Boston for one hundred dollars to be credited to and used for assistance of Simeon P. Smith a colt student in your Institution, who has been assisted somewhat before by parties here. Hon Paul Whitin gives $50. of the amt and Chas P Whitin $50. I understand from Rev. E. F. Williams that he will need about $200. for the year. and hope I may be able to secure the other $100. during the winter Please acknowledge receipt

Respectfully H. A. Goodell Cs

Amherst Mass
Dec. 2 1873

Goodell H. A

Encloses a check
for $100.

ansd. Dec 5. 1873.

Board of Indian Commissioners,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Phila. Dec. 3rd 1873.
[December]

Genl. O. O. Howard.

My dear Friend.

Owing to a constant press of business I entirely overlooked yours of 8th ult. stating that the Grable Professorship was completed and that consequently my contingent subscription was overdue.

I have great pleasure in enclosing you my check for same No. 132. for $100. on Mechanics Natl. Bank - With kind regards

Remain

Yours in Christian bonds.

Geo. H. Stuart

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New York, Dec 3rd 1873

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

My dear Friend. Your very highly esteemed favor of yesterday with its enclosures is before me, for which please accept my sincere thanks. I earnestly hope that I may see you, before you enter upon any new field of labor. If you are soon assigned to any distant post, and do not pass thro' New York in going to it, I beg of you to let me know, before you leave Wn.

Permit me to invite your attention to some slips of the pen in the copy which you sent

one, of your letter to Gen. Sherman. I should dislike to see the errors in print. At the bottom of the first page, speaking of the work of the Bureau your copyist makes you say that it developed into "erroneous proportions". You doubtless wrote enormous.

Soon on the next to the last page, bottom line, you are made to "desire to preserve an in[illegible] record". You doubtless wrote unexpelled.

On the last line, of the letter you doubtless wrote "belongs" The copy omits the s.

These matters are of no account as in my copy. But if a like copy, and not your own MS. was sent to Gen. S. I think you will want to correct it. Pardon me, my dear friend, for noting them.

Yours very truly, Geo. Whipple

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58 Reade Street, New York, Dec 3 1873

Friend Howard —
We are expecting you Monday night —
"Battle of Gettysburg"

Wish you would come right to my house and stay in Green Point —
I am 141 Noble st. Just opposite the Church —

Yours
J. N. Stearns

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New York
Dec. 3/73

Stearns J. M.

Expects you
monday night.

Ans'd Dec 4. 73.

Omaha Dec. 4th
1873

Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir;

The accompanying generous letter from Gen. Armstrong is written in behalf of my two sons. Geo. & William Milliken. Their father. Geo. S. Milliken of Augusta Maine, you will doubtless remember, and I have myself pleasant memories of an acquaintance with yourself and Mrs. Howard.

My sons, I am happy to say are in every way worthy of good positions, which I feel sure they would honorably fill, and should it be in your power to aid us in that direction, we shall feel deeply grateful. Will you kindly

address us a line at Omaha,
as soon as convenient?

Yours with Respect
M. O. Lindlow

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Ludlow M.O.

States that the enclosed letter is from Lieut. Armstrong.

GEO. S. PRINDLE.
MECHANICAL ENGINEER.

L. DEANE.
ATTORNEY AT LAW.

Office of Prindle & Deane.

(LATE PRINDLE & CO.)

ATTORNEYS AT LAW AND SOLICITORS OF PATENTS.

No 515. SEVENTH STREET.

P.O. LOCK BOX 73.

Washington D.C. Dec 4 1873

Dear General.

I have only just now heard the report that you have some idea of leaving our city. This is indeed very unexpected to me & very unpleasant tidings. I hardly see how we can get along without you. I hope I may soon know more particularly of your plans.

If you can find time in the hurry & worry of your own affairs, will you again favor me by sending my card to Page, Fletcher & Co. dealers in Coal Tar &c. New York. I am not sure that I have the name correct - but I wish to get my card to the Mr. Page who sometimes comes to our church and who, of a Thursday evening a few weeks ago, made such a capital recital of what had been in his neighborhood to better the condition of the people.

Very Sincerely Yours

L. Deane.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard.
Wash.n D.C.

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Washington D. C.

Dec. 4th 1873.

Mr. Lane

Desires his card sent to Page Fletcher & Co.

Ans'd

DEC 10 1873.

Providence Dec. 4. 1873.

Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

Your of 2nd. at hand. Father has gone West on business. Think he will be back in about ten days. On his return your letter will have attention.

Yours truly

Geo. E. Paston.
atty.

Providence R.I.
Dec. 4 1873

Brauston Bros.

states that his father has gone west — but your letter will be referred to him.

Filed
DEC 10 1873

Gen O O Howard
Dear Sir

There are two deed in my office awaiting your signature

Yours truly

N Callan
Atty Pubic

Washington
Dec 5 1873

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States that
there are two
deeds in his of-
fice awaiting
your signature

Filed

DEC 16 1873

No: 606 10th St. N. W.
Gen. O. Howard U. S. A.

Respected Friend,

I delivered your kind note to Mr: Vanderbilt on friday Dec 5th

He desired me to say to you, he was sorry, he could not comply with your request in my regard — I understood him, that hereafter there would not be any more examinations for nine hundred dollar clerkships — Also Asst Sec: & Lawyer has the Appointing power for a limited number at Sixty dollars per month — Gen Spinner makes his own Appointments — Mr: N. think, affairs will be even worse than the present in Mr: McCarter's Bureau of Pri. & Eng. We are now

only employed three weeks
in each month —

I see Ladies constantly transferred for Sixty and Seventy five dollar positions — Some have never gone before the C. S. Board —
I have been told it was strong personal influence alone that could obtain a position forthwith.

Allow me to thank you, for your kind efforts in the behalf of the widows & orphans

Yours Respectfully
Martha Newton Hopkins

Washington Dec, 6th 1873

To Gen. O. O. Howard

Glencoe

Dec. 6 1873

My Dear Brother

Your kindness in writing a word with Rowland's letter relieved our painful anxiety a little — but we shall be very solicitous until we know Sunny is restored in strength —

The letter to Gen. Sherman was good & I approve your action. I hoped that Leavenworth would be a place of usefulness in the relations of that Department to the Indians. Perhaps a new Dept could be constructed with Headquarters in Colorado or Indian Country. But ~~[illegible]~~ will leave all this to the War Dept & Gen. S. I suppose & take what

Got a letter I suppose from Mr Poston — Please ask Mr. Pratt or tell me if you already know whether the Natl Int. Co. has written for another person & stating some age & sex in that it is no longer a matter of our firm —

Our Indian must be hurried now I may be able to keep Sunny here — for a few days longer — but I fear that the last letter be lost into God's hands — Perhaps the Department will write the most — Have written very — This letter of the Dec. 11 before — that will be the first under [illegible]

for you all pray & be hopeful

Yr affl Brother

comes without question or complaint — I know that is your way & is soldierly.

Capt Wilkinson arrived here yesterday — I shd be deprived a little, leaving Washington.

A word or two in the letter to Gen. Sherman I would like to change, if you permit publication — One place smacked too much of boasting. I thought where you reminded him of how you faced death — I would rather say "You know what my conduct was in the campaign & on the field of battle" — merely implying that you did not lack energy or bravery. But this is only a matter of taste —

Now as to my business

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Robinson wrote for my terms as a lecturer — I have heard out Russia to come the Rolling thing — Crowns write in opposition — I've also written Bartlett also. I think on the whole it would be best for me to go — If he don't hit Nov 11th but by Night I must push with tremendous energy in these "hard times" or I shall sink to the $25 stage.

I must investigate & learn my chances — Please energize Clark & Robinson — Have you the 1000 nearly? Some are ready to take the Baltimore — Why not Robinson & Crowns & Clark? — Do you know the Pastor? Do you think he would do so? Write him a letter & let

Madison Wis.
Dec. 6th 1873.

Genl O. O. Howard
Washington D. C.

My dear Genl

I understand if newspaper stories are correct that you have resigned the presidency of "Howard University." I was in hopes that before you left there I might have obtained an appointment with you as professor of some department. Am afraid that it is too late now. Do you go back into Army life? In case you do and the U.S. should go to war with Spain I should like a place on your staff or under you somewhere. Will you remember me? I shall be ready for service whenever wanted.

If you are coming West this season the people of Madison would like to see you and hear from you and I shall

be glad to give you an audience for one of your lectures - I will promise that it shall pay you - Mrs. Chase and myself shall endeavor to do our best to make your stay here pleasant - and Mr. & Mrs. Ross should feel since pleasure entertaining you -

Please let me hear a word from you and oblige

Yours very sincerely

W. H. Chase

Middletown Ohio
Dec. 6th 73

Chase W. H.
Declines a
professorship

Read Dec 8th
DEC 10 1873

Office of BARTLEY & JENNER,

Attorneys-at-Law,

May Building, N. E. corner of 7th and E Streets.

J. W. Bartley,
Residence, 216 I Street.

S. E. Jenner,
Residence, 219 Third St. N. W.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec, 8th 1873

Gen O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

A meeting of the Trustees of the Excelsior Chair Company will be held at the Law office of Bartley & Jenner on Wednesday Dec, 10th inst.

You are respectfully requested to be present.

Yours &c
S E Jenner
Secty

Wash^n D.C.
Dec. 8th 1873

Jenner S.C.

States there will be a meeting of the Elsbeer Chair Company

Henderson O
Decr 8th 1873

Genl O. O. Howard
Dear General;

At one distance from Washington & with the means at one disposal for forming an opinion. A war with Spain seems not improbable. In such an event should you go into active service & could make me useful on your Staff. Please consider me at your service & ready to report at short notice.

I am very respectfully & sincerely Your's etc
W. H. Ruler Jr.

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N Orleans La. Dec 10th 1873

Genl Howard, Dear friend.

I take great pleasure, in addressing A few lines to you.

I think it my indispensable duty, to tender to you my humble thanks, for the great favor that you bestowed upon me, when I was about to leave the City of Washington, in the act of sparing no pains, to get the money to help me out of the City, on my way home, no greater love hath any man manifested towards me, in all my Christian life, but I would wish to say to you, that I had in view, the education of my family in the Strait University of N Orleans, but I am afraid that my two sons that are young ministers, will not be able to accomplish the object, but if I could have received half of the money that is due to me for my labors and expenditures for the freedmen and there children in the South, I could have educated my family, and also, I would give myself to the strait University for a time, that I might be benefited as a Minister, but my two sons that are engaged in the ministry, and myself are all deprived of the the blessing, that we could have enjoid, if I could have received only one half of my losses, of the eight years services. Therefore dear friend, it is a great pitty, that in this Christian age, that a man and his family should do as I and my sons have done in sacrifising so many years of our time, and all we have and then to be slighted as we have been, to sink down in poverty and want, I think it a slang upon the Christian commun-

ity

I also wish to say to you that I only have one son going to the University, instead of four of them, and myself also, therefore I am now discouraged, and I never intend to make another struggle for Education, when struggling thirty years and miss the mark, I shall now let go. because what I have lost, is too much for one man, I am yours in behalf of the oppressed

Henry Lott

N. Orleans La
Dec. 10, 73.

Lott Henry

Acknowledges the favor conferred upon him.

File.

DEC 16 1873

Recd Dec 16th 1873

Office of THE ADVANCE,

No. 107 FIFTH AVE.

HOWARD, TURNER & CO.,
Publishers.

Chicago, Dec 11 1875

Dear Bro

I think I could have had liberty to publish your letter next week - send that of Sherman in answer & let me have them by next Thursday (18th) if you can - The Secy of War's Report shows pretty bad to the public & should be met by a second counter-statement. I know you I think - showing 1st the facts to be not accurately given there or stated so as to mislead - 2nd the difficulties in the case & the impossibility of proving that the present applicants for bounty are more likely to be genuine than those paid &c. 3d The supposed individual responsibility of the disbursing officers and the measures

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requiring bonds of my cross-county delinquents as soon as known —

Did you see my telegram to Secy Delano published in Assoc. Press despatches, bearing as a falsehood Wm Welch, Internal Rev. Mr. Smith, Mr. Williams & myself?

Mother has a very bad cold — all the rest at home well — I wish you were nearer to us — When will you go — Porter has been here since Wilkins — appointed

Yours Truly
C. A. H.

I send you Assessor's — Rec. — on one sheet —

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New York, Dec 11th 1873

Gen. O. O. Howard.

My dear Bro.

My prayer for you this morning is, that God may be with you, guide you by his own wisdom, shield you by his protection, defeat the machinations of your enemies, and bring forth your righteousness (which you have in Christ) clear as the light.

It seems to me that you were never in a more critical condition than now, never so much in the power of your enemies, never so much in need of a sustaining faith in God, never so much in need of

the help of prayer as now.

Your enemies have taken from you your defense. The papers which constitute your defense have been taken out of your hands, and been for months in the hands of those whose purpose is to destroy you. Their conduct in the past, the unmitigated falsehoods they have circulated, their falsifying of testimony, leaves no ground for hope that your vouchers and records have been preserved inviolate. Yet God is wiser than your enemies, he can make their wisdom foolishness, and he will do it. Let us trust him implicitly. Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? Assuredly he will.

Yours most truly. Geo. Whipple.

Princeton Ills
Dec. 11. 1873

Dear Brother

The knowledge that you can hardly feel that you have time for family gossip keeps me from writing. Your note about Lizzie made me feel sad for her. She will be relieved of the care of another little one, but I fear her health will suffer from the turn which affairs took. We are all well as usual. Alice & Dadie at School. Frankie always at play with cars, hacks &c. most of the time apparently with his Aunt in Pittsburg. Nee & Hector are much alone together & they

popular with his party. They will believe or profess to what he does about you. It seems the Senate think Carpenter unjustly abused. Corn & Hogs are rising & the people grow cheerful after the panic.

Charles has taken all he can carry in the Advance. Pecuniarily he has run great risk. I hope & pray that he may succeed. If his facility for publishing business was as great as his principles are sound there would be no doubt. Helen joins me in love to you & Lizzie. We have a very blessed home, at which we never grow glad of welcome you all. — Affy. Rowland

love each other dearly. I have just declined an invitation to preach in Ottawa Ills as a candidate. I am contented here & mean to be as long as God seems contented with my stay. We are in the midst of a religious temperance campaign & you will see by enclosed that I am busy away from home a day or two each week.

The papers say you have resigned the Pres. of H. C. which I believe. They also say you have asked to be retired & then asked to recall your resignation.

You wrote me you would ask for active army duty. May God guide you every step. Fernando seems

Princeton Ills
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Roland W. S.

Friendly letter.

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