

dinner where she reaches the age
of her older sister. It is very cold
today, I dreaded the half-hour of
exercise all the morning, and
am glad now it is over. The wind
blows so, & it is snowing again.
We are now obliged to go to Chapel
three times a day, & have the priv-
ilege of going to Corridor prayer-meeting
again at 8 P.M. but by that time I
always feel like going to bed. I
wish I could be sure of hearing
from home on certain days. I would
like to have a letter from you on
Mamma on Tuesday (written Sunday)
and one on Saturday (written Thurs.).
Saturday is such a dreary day, &
if I get a letter that day, it keeps
me happy all Sunday. I'll agree
to write one to you & one to Mamma.

Guy will write a
week about
when to all
the children
Harry & Ben
especially - a
Mamma.
Your loving
daughter
Grace.

Vassar. Jan. 25. '94.

Dear Papa,
I wrote Guy & directed
the letter to Washington, thinking
he was still there, and sent
messages to you & Mamma & the
children in it. I am glad Guy
is well again, I hope he did
not lose much, staying out of col-
lege. Mr. Rhombus (?) Pres. of William
Jewell College, Missouri "preached
here today, at least that is what
we thought - Pres. Raymond said. The
Society (musical) gave a
Schuman Matinee yesterday, Prof.
Ritter gave a sketch of Schuman's
life, & a short review of his compos-
itions. Prof. Ritter is a German and
says "character," like an Irishman.
The instrumental music was very

classical indeed but not tiresome
"Glückes jung" was a joyous piece
"Ritter vom Fleckenpferd" the Knight
of the Hobbyhorse, was a perfect im-
itation. The Prinnese Carnival was
about half played when a note be-
came out of tune, & the young lady
playing, was so disturbed by it, that
she forgot the rest of the piece.

After three songs, Prof. Ritter
persuaded her to go back & finish
it, with the music before her.
So she did amid great applause.
I have been to the reading room
every day after I get through my
lessons, gym, & exercise, to read
the "Times" & "Tribune" & sometimes
the "World" to see how your case
stands. I was provoked with
one report of the Tribune, which
said, "Gen. Howard was at the
Capitol today & ill at ease, he

is dissatisfied to have the case
tried by a military court - of in-
quiry, etc, etc." I thought it was
needle-dunn & needle-dee, which
it should be, & you did not care.

The "World" is so very "smully" that
I am provoked every time I take
it up. I am anxious to know whom
the President will appoint. You
will have the right to disapprove
if any one is put on you don't want,
want you? Is Mrs. Smith at the

Asylum yet? I should think it
would be worst for her to be alone
than any thing else. Is she so very
much worse than when I left home?
I hear that the last organ-con-
cert was not such a success as
the first one. Tell Harry I hope
he can read by the time I come home.
Bessie can wait some years yet
or I fear she will not be so stu-

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Halida, Woodson Co.

Kansas. January 25, 1874.

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir

I take the liberty to address you, to express my grief and disgust, at the renewal of those charges against your administration of the affairs of the Freedmen's Bureau.

It seems to me that the ugliest propensity of Americans, is their readiness to believe slanders against our public men, who have served the country faithfully for a long time.

Knowing, as I had the opportunity to know, something of the great embarrassments under which you labored, on account of the lack of sympathy of many officers, high in authority, the untried nature of your duties, the multiplicity and immense importance of the affairs, entrusted to your care, and the worthlessness of many of the

agents that were assigned to you,
and knowing the selfsacrificing
patriotism, with which you per-
sisted, for years, in the service of
our country and of humanity. I am
filled with intense indignation at
these persistent efforts to injure you.

It seems to me, that no person
of sense, could expect ^{that} exact and
formal returns could have been
made, for every dollar, where such
large amounts of money and prop-
erty were thrown on your hands,
to be used for purposes, that have
no parallel in history, and where
many thousands of suffering people
required immediate relief; and it
seems to me, that no person that
had the slightest acquaintance
with you, could honestly suspect
that you had not acted truly, in the
disposition of every dollar.

I am confident that history
will place your name, with the

very first of those glorious men,
who have saved our country, and
I trust that I may live to see you
rewarded with ^{the} highest honors that
our nation can bestow.

I only wish that I might be
of some service, in the present matter.

Very respectfully
Your friend and admirer
Deft. E. Clapp

P.S. I have located as a farmer
near Galida, Woodson Co. Kansas.

Charles C.

Wanda

Aug 20th 1874

Prof. W. E.

Trinity College

January 26th 1874

My dear Friend,

Your very kind
letter with its invitation from
your heart, came to us to-day.
I have been quite counting
upon my visit to you.
The girls tell Lillie she ought
to go to the Hotel, but we
will see. We propose
leaving Phil^a at 4 P. M.
on the 28th. Are not you &
the Gen^l coming to the

Wedding? I think you both
promised to come. We intend
staying in Baltimore until
Friday P.M. or Sat. A.M.

But I will write more definitely
from Baltimore. Hannah & Louie
are dressing the Drawing Room
with autumn leaves & ferns.
The house is beautifully dressed
with evergreens. All send
dearest love to you - In the
greatest haste but always
with love your friend
Sarah B. S. Gethle.

Beekmantown, N.Y.

Jan. 26, 1874.

General O. O. Howard.

My dear Sir:

I have already
given out your kind acceptance of
my invitation to lecture for the
Montrose Mission.

Can you indicate a date? #
Thursday is, I suppose, the best day.
Any Thursday in March (or February
or April) will suit us. I
would like to announce my
"course" at once.

Will you also state the subject?

Very truly & gratefully
Yours,

Wm. B. Thompson

I expect to deliver one of the later
lectures, and could take your place
if you should be kept away the day
fixed upon; & you could come in my place.

Peterson, New York
Jan 26-74

Thompson No 13.

Desires the Genl. to
appoint a time
to lecture.



Easthampton
Jan'y 27. 1874

Dear General

Your note is just received, & I return young Strong's thanks, as well as my own for your congratulations & kindly interest. I hesitated in writing you some days, because I do not like to ask the intervention of friends, to secure position & office, in these heartless days, when good men are abused, & bad ones honored, fearing I may induce one to do something that may be misunderstood & his injury, and I was also afraid



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I was asking an improper favor
from one in your position, but
as both the young man and
his father importuned me, I
consented & wrote -

I was delighted to get even
a few words from you, and
hope we may ere long have
another visit from you.

We greatly sympathize
with you, in what seems
to us, the persecution you
are called to endure, for
we know you are, & have
been, right in all your
transactions for & with the
Government.

With kind regards from
Mr. P. & the family

Yours faithfully
E. W. Sawyer

Gen. A. C. Howard

Easthampton
Jan'y 27/74

Sawyer E. A.

Sympathizes
with you in your
trouble.

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O. O. H.



Jan 27th /74.

Washington City. D.C.

Genl. B. O. Howard.

Sir.

I called to see you this afternoon. but you were absent. I cannot have the pleasure of a farther conversation until my return from Cumberland Md. & two other appointments where I am to lecture. This will likely take about ten days. When I will speak in this city. During my absence if you can ascertain under the auspices of what society, or organization I can deliver a lecture. You will confer a favor. I am willing to make it to the procuring intent of the same. I regret not seeing

July 27 - 1884
The following letter
from the
Camp of the
Army of the
United States
at Fort
Campbell, Ky.
to the
Honorable
Secretary of War
at Washington, D.C.
is hereby
referred to the
proper authorities
for their
consideration
and action.
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
John A. Campbell,
Major, U.S. Army,
Camp of the
Army of the
United States,
Fort Campbell,
Ky.

you to day as I had ready
for your inspection a number
of the letters & papers (to which
I referred last night) showing
the expression of those respect-
ing the action of a most un-
scrupulous man. who has made
us both the common object of
his systematic intrigue & of as-
sault. I cannot speak further
upon this revolting subject at
another time you will know more.
During my absence I would re-
spectfully refer you to Senators
Scott & Cassmire. & to Hon W. S.
Holman. of Indiana. Should
an arrangement be made for
me to lecture I flatter myself that
I can place Secty Belknap. in a
most amiable position. without
detracting from the subjects of my
lecture. I am. Respectfully
L. Adams.

Washington D.C.
Jan. 27, 1874

Adams S.

States that he will
call in on his re-
turn to the city.



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O. H.

N. M. January 28 1874

General C. C. Howard,

Dear General:

You said in
the winter I think that you
would come on to our next
Bowdoin dinner. If
you didn't I hoped you
will say so now.

The enclosed documents
will show you the time
and place and I earnest-
ly hope, both for myself
and for the Apⁿ of which

I am very glad to hear
that you will be
there. Genl Chamber-
lain has promised to
come and we expect
to have a pleasant
meeting.

Very truly Yrs.

J. A. Hubbard

E. Thompson Sales Pres.

G. W. Perry, Cashier.

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OF TROY.

Troy, N.Y. January 30, 1874

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Genl O O Howard

~~New York~~
Washington

Dear Sir

Please send autograph
and Mgr

Yours Obedt Servt
John A Moran

Took my
Jan 30/874

Moran J. A.

Desires the Genl's
Autograph.

and

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New York January 30th 1874

End. Q. Q. Howard

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My Dear Sir

Having received of you a "Deed of Trust" of Certain property situated in Washington D.C. executed by Otis F. Parbury Trustee, in your favor, to secure his notes. Also in your favor as follows

1	note	dated	Oct. 1 st	1873,	pay	=	Oct. 1 st	1875.	2469.36
1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1876-2464.00
1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1877-2464.00
1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1878-2464.00
1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1879-2464.00
1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1880-2464.00
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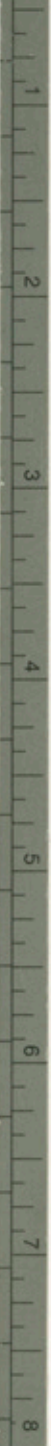
all with interest at 7 per cent per Annum pay - Semi Annually.

This may certify that I hold the above at your risk, only as Collateral Security for a loan made you this day of \$6420 including interest to date of payment, and when said loan is paid the sd. Securities are to be surrendered to you or your heirs & assigns.

Truly yours

R. P. Buck

Handwritten text, likely a letter or document, written in cursive. The text is mirrored across the page, suggesting it was written on a single sheet of paper and then scanned. The handwriting is elegant and characteristic of the 18th or 19th century. The text is mostly illegible due to the mirroring and the quality of the scan.



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P.O. B. 519. Baltimore. Md.

Jan'y 31. 1874.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard. U.S.A.

Dear Sir.

In looking over the proceedings of Congress, I see a Court of Inquiry or Review, to be appointed in the matter of Quarantines, in the Conduct of the "Freedmen's Bureau". Is it Contemplated to be a "Military Court," or a "Civil one", that is, composed of Civil Military Officers of the late War? I think that it ought not to be composed of Army Officers now in Service, as they act under orders of the Sec'y of War & the Genl. of the U.S.A. As the Slave States are more immediately concerned in the matter, it would be but a matter of justice to glance, that the Court should emanate from them, where the largest amount of Col. troops were Taken. I Commended and raised my Regt. The 5th Mod. in Sept.

1861 To Oct. 1864, besides raising in
that time the 4: 6: 7 & 8: Med. Regts.

Since my retirement from the service
have prosecuted claims against the
Govt - a Lawyer of some 24 years
standing and one of the earliest Republicans
served throughout the Mexican War, being
the Serjt. Major of the 3rd Cal. Dragoons,
under Col. E. G. W. Butler of La.

I am convinced in my mind
that there is prejudice somewhere, in
your claim to fair dealing, and your
Honor, Character, Honesty, and Integrity
sustained by impartial men of the
Land. In God your Name and
Christian virtues are known and regarded
with eminent pleasure, and it is but
fair that impartial men, outside
of Wash. The Army and the Regts
should be appointed to hear, investigate
and determine. I see that you
are allowed the matter of Challenge,
to the array of the Govt, how far

it would be prudent to go in that direction,
would be a matter of right and discretion,
on your part. I am convinced in
my mind that you would be safer in
a Civilian Court, for the reason that
Rank, Succession and all its concomitant
Consequences, would not enter the door
of the Respects, disclaiming at the same
time any belief, that the Army Officers,
would be governed in that direction. I
have always regarded you with great
pleasure, though not personally acquainted,
nor as far as I know in your command.
I commanded the 3^d Reg. 1st Div. 18th A. C.
during the summer & fall of 1864, till my
muster out in Oct. 1864, at my own request.
I presume Pres. Grant would select the
Court, and might select from your friends,
or at least those suggested by or through you.
I am, Genl.

With fr. Respects.

Wm. Louis Schley.

Baltimore Md

Jan'y 31 1874

Schley Wm L.

Writes concerning
the investigation.

And states that it
would be better to have
a Civil Court.





E. A. ROLLINS, President.
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HENRY D. COOKE, Vice President.

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Messrs. A. S. Pratt & Son
Washington, D. C.
Gents:

I am back
to hearth and back to my
desk again.

I observe in your cor-
respondence during my absence
an app. in behalf of Genl.
Howard, for a loan. In a subsequent
letter you say he has the promise
of it elsewhere. Let me ask if
he has secured the money or does
he still desire it? We shall take
up the subject of loans again in
a week or ten days and I shall be
very glad if we shall find ourselves
in a condition to accommodate a
man I love so much and in
whom I have so great confidence.

as General Howard - God bless him.
Yours very truly

E A Collins
President

Philadelphia Pa.
Jan'y 31st 1874

Collins E. A.

States that they
will be able to loan
him Howard money
in a few days.

War Department
Washington City

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January 31st 1874

Brig. Gen. O. O. Howard: U. S. A.

Late Commissioner Bureau R. R. & A. S.

Washington D. C.

General:

Your attention is respectfully invited to letter addressed to you under date of the 17th inst. requesting original vouchers covering expenditures made from the amount (\$19,446.57) realized from interest on certain Bonds, together with a list of the claimants, with rank, regiment, and company, who were reimbursed therefrom "for double payment of bounties." Compliance therewith is desired at the earliest practicable date.

Very respectfully your obt. serv.

Wm. H. Bellnap

Secretary of War

Official copy sent - Geo. W. Ballou, Feb. 4th. 1874.

Answer from Ballou received 9th Feb. 1874 & forwarded

Same day -