My Dear Sirs

I enclose Mr. Savo's letter of application to American Tract Society. I thought this the best way to put it - will you write and ask me to make an endorsement on the leaflet. If you think it best further the object, also please ask Mr. Smith to do the same. Professor Wright of Brown will endorse Savo.

With prayer for you ever that God will deliver you out of the hands of your enemies. Bless you abundantly more than you can ask or think.

Yours truly,

A. S. Pratt

Geo. O. Howard
Dear General Howard,

My son made two applications—one to the Libel Law, one to the Civil, Race Law. As one to the Civil, Race Law I sent you. The former one now can be 5, you the other as it is 15. The Race Law, you at Washington, can 15 weeks.

Faithfully,

A. S. Pratt
Harrisburg, April 15, 1874.

Major Genl. O. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

SIR:—

The Committee charged with the arrangements for the meeting of the Society of the Army of the Potomac and other Army Reunions in this city, on the 11th, 12th and 13th of May next, has instructed me to request your attendance upon that occasion, and to extend to you an invitation to a Banquet to be given on the evening of the 12th of May, in honor of the Society.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant

LANE S. HART,
Secretary Executive Committee.
Dear Brother Oto,

I have a good deal of sympathy with you about Potter. I am glad you feel sorry when I read that to find it was put to heart. Rowland made it up from your letter. Yours was too sweeping commendation of a man who has never done anything to deserve the epitaph. I am more than glad just now to condemn him in their estimation. But I want us both personally against one man in my letter and had not Rowland written it there I bore reading it more.
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in behalf of a man that one

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records your Court?

Be certain I am prepared

to believe men as falsely re-
cused — but that much not
make us defend badly for men
nor would time permit. Believe
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W. H. Smith
New York, April 16th, 1874

Dear General,

Your welcome letter came this A.M. and with it the printed copies from newspapers. Soon afterwards the installments of printed sheets of testimony and exhibits in the latter to be read. Mr. Harrison's revelations are complete, and good. Mr. Brodhead always brings treasures of knowledge with him. It seems then that you are to take up the defense next week. I pray tell me (in more detail you know) how many witnesses we shall have, and the line of the defense. It seems to me the monuments have here, as in the case of Mr. T. Houston, supplied very much testimony for us.

I expect to take the 2 o'clock train for Washington on Monday, so as to get the morning here, and avoid the night train. We are well at home, and very happy for my daughter Isanam is here with her oldest (10 years) and youngest (8 months) and all of us enjoy the time. Dearest Bethie! My salutations to her dear General if you please; and so to you, my excellent wife, and to the children.

Yours affectionately,

Edgar Ketchum
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C. April 16th, 1864.

Send O O Howard

I have a communication from Col. R. Ely from
Gratid to Nicks in relation
to his claims against the
money expended
for services rendered
in South Carolina under your
command while in charge of
the Freedmen's Bureau, also
for services and money in Florida
as agent in aiding the Freed
people in procuring subsistence
in securing lands for homes.
I have sent his papers to the war department, they return them to me with the information that they have on vouchers or data from which they can investigate the claim. Col Ely desires to have sent you his account from time to time with the vouchers, and failed to get the approval of the former or the sum of the latter. I would like to hear from you if convenient to you, have an interview with you upon the subject. Yrs, Yours

N B. Bradley.
House of Representatives,  
Washington, D. C., Apr. 16th, 1874

Dear O. O. Howard:

In your very prompt reply to mine of this morning it before one this evening, if convenient to you I would name Saturday from 9. 15 to 10 O'clock A.M. at any room No 218 Eighth St. N.W. Respectfully Yours

W. B. Bradley
November 10

Long ride on a horse.

Went to a dance last night.

Had a good time.

Yours,
[Signature]
State of Mississippi,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Jackson, April 16, 1874.

Genl. O.O. Howard, U.S.A.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear General:

I think Capt. O.C. French came to this state at the earnest solicitation of Genl. A. Gillen of the army. They were associated together during the war. Genl. Gillen recommended French to me in the highest terms. He doubtless recommended him to you.

I have known Capt. F. since '69 and like him much. I do not believe he has been benefited by the depredation for which he was responsible. Unfortunately for him he is a very capable person with his accounts as all know...
Jackson, 1842

who come in contact with him.

Permit me to say, General, though you do not ask my opinion, that you were fully justified but that you could hardly refuse to appoint a man of Capt. French's character and reputation supported as he was (to me) by Genl. Gillen.

How far, my dear General, your present troubles are due to personal or political hostility I of course, do not know but I do believe it to be the chief cause.

I have known you since my early days at West Point and though your good name is now on trial I still hold you as I always have high above reproach and with few peers.

Very truly yours, Alleburt F. Finch
Office of Edgar Ketchum,
Bennett Building, 4th Floor, Rooms 2 and 3,
Cor. Fulton and Nassau Streets,
(Entrance for Elevator, No. 129 Fulton Street.)

New York, Apr. 18th, 1874.

Dear General,

Col. Dyer writes me a good letter. I ask him how under the circumstances he thinks he can be willing to leave the Court next week. He tells me that upon a suggestion that we ought to move at least without offering any testimony on our part Gen. Herman said “Go that way and the Court will meet you more than half way.” This is good indeed. But the Col. mentions an element that may work a change; and thus the calling of the Rev. of War. Now the Judge does not call him, the Court probably would, and then how can we make him our witness? I would not be very ready to do that, and if we can and by "Newman's of the Flannel" on their own testimony, why wouldn't that be the best way? I would be the shortest way certainly; and Col. Dyer intimates that to open with the Rev. I would be "to bring in our whole case." That may be a long matter. But we'll talk over all this when I see you Monday night or Tuesday. G. W. M.,

Yours trulvly

Edgar Ketchum
Washington, D.C., April 18, 1874.

Gen. O.O. Howard.

Dear Sir:

Your note of yesterday, indorsed on a circular letter from the University of Cincinnati, asking if either of the Department Professors named, could suit me, came to hand this morning.

The Professorship of Ancient Languages and Comparative Philology, is one which condeeed quite suit me, other things being satisfactory, as in this case they promise the. Have no arrange- ment for next year, yet matinee, Winder nego- tiation. The Circular is hereof in return.

With thanks for your inquiry of me in this matter.

I am Very Truly, yours.

[Signature]

J.T. F. Pascoe.
A. L. Barber & Co.
Real Estate & Securities,
108 E Street,
Washington, D.C.
April 24th, 1874

Mr. O. Howard,

If it is perfectly convenient,
will you have the kindness to call at our office
a moment, on Tuesday or Wednesday?

Yours truly,

A. L. Barber
Treasury Department,
Washington, D.C., April 20, 1874.

Sir:

In reply to yours of the 14th inst., the Second Auditor is suggested as the proper auditor to whom you should render your accounts of the irregular fund under the act of March 2, 1867.

I have the honor to be, sir,
very respectfully,
your obedient servant,

O. O. Howard
Brig. Gen. U.S.A.
Washington, D.C.
April 20, 1874

Lieutenant J.N.C.

Perkins & Co.

At quay.

Perf. to your order.

P. Townsend

[Handwritten text not legible]
New Haven, Conn.
April 25th, 1874

Dear Mr. Fuller,

I am sorry to have to ask you for a little more money before the end of the month; but although I have spent out all the hundred dollars I have, still thirty-five dollars is quite necessary to pay. If it is possible I should like to have this account balanced at the beginning of next month. I received a letter...
from here today, saying that she went to our Kiwi Club Concert at Poor's Music & sending me an invitation to come up there next week for "Frances's Day," for which I shall write her a letter tonight declining.

Miss hillie French says that they are house cleaning at Mr. Whittaker's and that account in return for her return to return.

Major Gardner does not seem to like the way your case was worked up at the War Dept.

I said that in the condition it was left to him, had he understood it better than a first day acquaintance could make him, he would not have undertaken it for a thousand dollars, & that he had brought out every thing in his power.

Please give my love to mother & the children, & remembrances to whoever may belong to the family at present.

Very affectionately your son,

Mary Howard.
in his head but was able to join his wife in a letter to me. I fear for the consequence, but he will leave no means untried to get help. I saw Mrs. Nathaniel Peabody's death in the Lewiston paper, and immediately R.B.K. wrote him a letter of sympathy which he answered and enclosed it when Mr. Herrick died. We wrote to R.B.K. to come to us and attend the funeral, but he was gone to Maine, my old acquaintance. One heart passing away, I am two years and a half younger than Mrs. Peabody, but I will recollect her honest way of checking my waywardness when school children, by saying, 'thine Eliza, Old One' with a look of reproach which was always a check upon me. You never affectionate brother

Eliza Gilmore

O O Lowman

Princeton 31st April 71 1874

My dear Son Old,

This is indeed a beautiful morning, and I have enjoyed in my own quiet way. I enjoyed the beautiful sun shining into my room, and a thankful heart for a night's rest, and the sound of my grandsons voices about the home and our half hour of family worship, and our thanksgiving breakfast. Since then mostly in my room seeing the students of the two schools walking on the sidewalks to their rooms in the school buildings, and now I am seated comfortably at my little portable desk writing to my son. Frankie has been in to bring me wood says in his sweet voice I'll ill you some to night.
I was very happy in receiving your kind letter of 17th and sayings of the investigation, that with your letter of the 20th gave me quite an idea of your family and surroundings. I am glad yourself and family are in so good health after days' work brought us another Washington Chronicle showing us further doings of the court and so N.B.'s and your mother and watching and praying until the end one of my leading desires is, that you may be kept so near the Saviour, that you feel His sustaining hand about all times, this life brings many dark shadows, accompanying the sweet sustaining light that is carrying us along to that heaven up yest pre sensed for us in our father's house above.

I was very happy in reading Grace's letter and knowing of her enjoyment, while at home. We never have but one youth, and I trust she will have her share of youthful enjoyments. I hope she will have her heart filled with unwavering doubts, but put her whole trust in God and abide the trials of life in that trust. I think of Somme, a good deal I hope as you years living in his youthful propensities he will remember that he is made in the image of God, and responsible to God for the manner in which carries that image back to him. But has such a deep held on all of us, I must be mine opes, that will give him or any of us a due sense of what is committed unto us, Chancey and Jonny and Henry are all remembered by Grandma with much love, and I am truly glad here is such a little happy child to comfort her mother in her cares. Give much love to Lizzie and remember me to Guy in your letter, Lellie has had a very sick
Treasury Department,
Second Auditor's Office,
April 23rd, 1874.

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

Sir:

In answer to your verbal inquiry of this date, I have to state that since your account rendered to this office was reported to the 2nd Comptroller's Office, it has been discovered in the examination of the accounts of Capt. James W. Milligan, 3rd Art., C. O. C., F. B. A. Q. O., that you turn over to him Jan. 15, 1873, the sum of $209.96, in the case of Joseph Lundy, Co. E, 3rd U. S. C. H. A. (Bol. 1 & 2 454833) for which you will receive a personal credit in a supplemental settlement, and which will offset that amount of charges raised against you in any other cases.

Respectfully,

E. B. French
Auditor
However, the sum of $209.95 which will be placed to the credit of said
Howard and will offset any amount of charges against him in any
other case.

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O. O. H.
Washington D.C. Apr. 23rd 1874

My dear A.O. Howard,

Sir,

I join this to say it is impracticable necessary that I should return to my official duties in Boston on the 23rd inst., and in respect to applications made by your connection today, I have the honor to state, that as the date of 1867 (as stated) I was directed by you to make a general inspection of affairs pertaining to the case of attorney of the Freedmen. There was in the Orleans and to report the result of my inspection to you. A report of the inspection was specifically called to the attention of the then late agent Mr. [Name]. I made the examination, and reported the result to you in writing. I was assigned to duty as A.O. Inspector General in the Bureau of the Freedmen, A.O. in March 1866, and served as such until the
During the summer of 1869, that during the
vest Bure, I made many frequent inspections
of the offices of the Bure. Capt. Pearson and
Capt. Scharf, in the Department. That
by your direction I frequented made special
inspections and investigations. That it
was your custom, that any complaint was
made to you than respectable men or men
for any irregularity came to your knowledge,
to order at once to investigate.
That you gave your more attention to
your duties, and in my opinion executed
your duties diligently and care in the ad-
ministration of your offices. That the abuse
was multifaceted.
That in many occasions I accompanied
you, then you made frequent inspections
of Bureau affairs. Nearly all of the
Department. Capt. Scharf, then and
men of your staff, know how frequently my
inspection were ordered and made.

Yours truly, your Respectfully,
Franklin B. Sturtevant

H. S. Russell