

A. S. PRATT & SON,

401 Ninth Street N. W.,

Washington, D. C., April 13 1874

My Dear Friend

I Enclose Mr Savd & My Sons
Application to American Tract Society. I
thought this the best way to put it - Will
you write such an endorsement or separate
letter in favor of my Son as you think will
best further the object also please ask
Mr Smith to do the same Professors Dwight
& Bacon of New Haven will endorse Savd.

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

Yr O O Howard

Pratt, A. S.

Ans. by Geo. H.
Apr. 15. 74

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401 Ninth Street N. W.

Washington, D. C.,

Apr 14 1874

Dear General Howard

My son made two
applications - one to Am. Bible
Soc. & one to Am. Tract Soc
I sent you the former and
now send you the other as
it is to the Tract Soc. You
& Mr. Smith are to write

Truly Yrs

A. S. Pratt

Apr. 14, 1874

Pratt, A.S.

Ans. by Gen H
april. 15.74



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Harrisburg, April 15, 1874.

*May. Gen. 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.



Harrisburg, April 15, 1874.

My dear 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 Re-
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to request your attendance upon that occasion, and to extend to you an in-
vitation 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

OFFICE OF THE ADVANCE,

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Nos. 151 and 153, Fifth Avenue.

C. H. HOWARD & Co.,
Publishers.

Chicago, April 15 1874

Dear Brother Otis,

I have a good deal of sympathy with you about Potter - and feel sorry when I read that to find it was put so harshly - Rowland made it up from your letter - Yours was too sweeping condemnation of a man who has never done anything to secure the confidence of Christian people & would publicly condemn him in their estimation - But I want no harsh personalities against any man in my paper - and had not Rowland written it should have examined it more

Criticall before printing -

I enclose a letter from Mr.
Frank Smith which will
explain it self - He speaks
in behalf of a man that our
Mr. Riggs sincerely believes is
an adulterer & he has come
with a mile of him for several
years - He was also tried
previously for adultery some
ten years ago in Cincinnati -
Have you any more printed
records of your Court?

Be certain I am predisposed
to believe men are falsely ac-
cused - but that must not
make us defend really bad men
nor would some persons. Did or good
habit shield them - Yours affly
C. C. Smith

Mother is always happy than a letter from you - She is at Princeton -

P.S. Please don't fail to write me, to receive Saturday, in return to yours; love -

S.K.
Don't let Mr. Dyer
fail to give time
for full consulta-
tion - S.K.



Office of Edgar Tetchum,

Kultun

No. 129 ~~John~~ Street, (near ~~Hallway~~)

Bennett Building.

New York, April 16th, 1874

Dear General Your welcome letter came this a.m. and w'th
the printed slips from newspapers; soon afterwards the
instalments of printed sheets of testimony and exhibits -
the later to be read. Mr. Garrison's revelations are com-
plete, and good Dr. Brodhead always brings treasures
of knowledge with him. It seems then that you
are to take up the defense next week. Pray tell
me (in mere brief your own) how many witnesses we
shall have, and the line of the defense. It seems
to me the prosecutors have here, as in the case of Dr.
T. W. W., supplied very much testimony for us.

I expect to take 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 Susan is here with her oldest
(10 years) and youngest (8 months) and all of us improve
the time. Dear little Bessie! my salutations to her
dear General if you please; - and so to your excellent
wife, and to the children -

Yours affectionately
Edgar Tetchum

Office of Edgar Allan Poe

Public
75 Madison Street (New Building)

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O.O.H.

My dear Mr. [illegible]
I have just received your letter of the 14th inst. and am
glad to hear that you are well. I am well at present.
I have been thinking of you very much lately and
wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are
as well as ever. I have been very busy lately
and have not had time to write you more often.
I am sure you will understand me. I am
very truly yours,
Edgar Allan Poe

House of Representatives,

Washington, D. C. Apr 16th, 1844.

Genl O O Howard

I have a communication from Col R Ely from
Grafton Co N.H. in relation
to his claim against the
Gov^t for services rendered ^{monies expended} in
South Carolina under your
command while in charge of
the Freedmen's Bureau also
for services & monies in Florida
as agent in aiding the Freed
people in procuring supplies
in securing lands for homes
over -

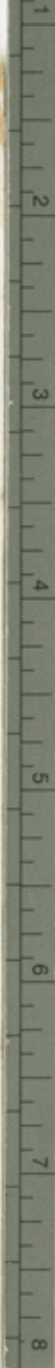
I have sent his papers to
the war department & they re-
turn them to me with the
information that they have
no vouchers or data from wh-
ich they can investigate the
claim. Col Ely claims to
have sent you his accounts
from time to time with the
vouchers. and failed to get the
approval of the former. or the re-
turn of the latter. I would like
to hear from you. & if convenient
to you: have an interview with
you upon the subject Truly Yours
N. B. Bradley M C

House of Representatives,

Washington, D. C. Apr. 16th, 1844.

Genl O O Howard

Sir Your very prompt reply to mine of this morning is before me this evening. If convenient to you I would name Saturday from 9. to 10 O'clock A.M. at my room. No 218 3rd St. N.W. Respectfully Yours
N. B. Bradley



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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. C. 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 disalcation for which he was responsible. Unfortunately for him he is a very careless person with his accounts as all know

State of Mississippi

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Jackson April 16 1874

Col. H. H. Howard

Washington D.C.

Dear General

I think Capt. O. O. French

is the state of the current situation

and I believe of the army. They were

associated together during the war

and have been united through the war

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Adm. Ames

State of Mississippi,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Jackson, 1877.

who come in contact with him.

Permit me to say, General, though you do not ask my opinion, that you were ^{not only} 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. Gillum.

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 cadet} ~~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 *Adelbert Ames*

P.S. I do not remember that I ever spoke to you about Capt. F. but if I did I do certainly spoke in his favor.

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Jackson, Miss.,
Executive Dept.,
April 16th 1874

Ames, Adelbert

Writes concerning
the appt of O.C.
French.



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Office of Edgar Ketchum,

Bennett Building, 4th Floor, Rooms 2 and 3,

Cor. Fulton and Nassau Streets,

(Entrance for Elevator, No. 129 Fulton Street.)

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New York, Apr. 18th, 1874.

Dear General

Col. Dyer writes me a good letter. I ask him under the circumstances he shows, he can be willing to leave the Court next week. He tells me that upon a suggestion that we might move he judg^t without offering any testimony on our part Gen. Sherman said "Do that" 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 this the calling of the Sec. of War. Now the Judge adv. want call him, the Court probably want, and then how can we make him our witness? I would not be very ready to do that. And if we can win by "Non suit of the plaintiff" - or 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 Sec. 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 a. m.

Yours
Edgar Ketchum

APR 20 1874
O.O.H.

Office of Edgar Ritchie,

Bennett Building, 360 Floor, Boston,

Cor. Public and Faneuil Streets.

(Postmaster for Boston, No. 150 Faneuil Street)

APR 20 1874

My dear Sir, Oct. 18th 1871.

Col. B. B. Smith has a good letter. I am
 sure under the circumstances he should, he can be well
 because the fact is very much. He tells me that you
 speak that we might have a first without offering
 of testimony we can have for, however, "So that
 and the fact will meet you from them half
 way." This is good evidence. But the fact remains
 evidence that they were a change, and then the fact
 of the fact of the fact. Now the fact is, we must call
 it, the fact is, we must call it, and then we can see
 that there are no witnesses? I would not be very
 sure that. And if we can see it, we must call it
 "fact" - on this, we must call it, why would that be
 best way? I would like to see the fact, and
 I hope witnesses that to show the fact would be
 "fact" in the whole case. That would be a good
 matter. But we will tell our side the other
 side. We must call it a fact, and we must call it a fact.



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 Professorships therein named, would suit me, came to hand this morning.

The Professorship of "Ancient Languages and Comparative Philology," is one which would quite suit me, other things being satisfactory, as in this case they promise to be. I have no arrangement for next year, yet matured, which negotiation. The Circular is herewith returned.

With thanks for your inquiry of me in this matter.

I am, Very Truly, Yours.

W. A. Pascoe.



My dear Mr. Brewster

Apr 20 1874

Dear Sir:

I have just received your letter of the 17th inst. in relation to the proposed change in the name of the Society. I am sorry to hear that you are so much interested in the matter.

The proposed change from "The American Ornithologist" to "The American Ornithological Society" is a most interesting one. I have given it much thought, and I am inclined to think that the change is for the best. The new name is more descriptive of the Society's objects, and it is more in keeping with the names of other similar societies.

With thanks for your inquiry I am,

Very truly,

Wm. Brewster

Wm. Brewster

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A. L. Barber & Co.

Real Estate & Securities,

708 E Street,

Washington, D. C. April 20th 1874

Proprietors of
Le Droit Park.

Wm. O. Howard,
Dr. Sir:

If it is perfectly convenient,
will you have the kindness to call at our office
a moment, on Tuesday or Wednesday,²

Yours truly,

A. L. Barber

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April 20. 1874

Wm. A. L.

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All Official Letters to the Department proper must be addressed to the "Secretary of the Treasury," and in replying to Letters from the Department the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

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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
Wm. Milwordon,
Secretary.

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

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Treasury Department.

April 20th 1874

Richardson, H. A.

Secretary

Designates the
Second Auditor as
the proper person to
render the final
Account of the irreg-
ular fund, under Act
of March 2, 1867.



Mr. Harriet Green.
April 21st 1874

Dear Father,

I am sorry to
have to ask you for some
more money before the end
of the month; but although I have
paid out all of the hundred dollars
I have still thirty five dollars
that it is quite necessary to
pay. If it is possible I should
like to have this amount
besides that which I will
have at the beginning of next
month. I received a letter

from Grace today, saying that she
went to our Blue-Club Concert
at Poughkeepsie, & sending me
an invitation to come up there
next week for "Founder's Day",
but ~~for~~ which I shall write her
a letter tonight declining.

Miss Billie French says that they
are house-cleaning at Prof. Wiers
& on that account in no hurry
for her mother to return.

Major Gardner does not seem
to like the way your case was
worked up at the War Dept.
& said that, in the condition it
was given him, had he understood
it better than a five days' acquaintance ^{with it},
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,
Guy Howard.

attack in his head but was able to
join his wife in a letter to me, &
fear for the consequence, but he
will leave no means untied to get
help, & saw Mrs Nathaniel Dearly's
death in the Lewiston paper, and
immediately R.B.G. wrote him a letter
of sympathy which he answered and
I ^{will} enclose it, when Mr thermich died
he wrote to R.B.G. to come to them and
attend the funeral but he was
gone to Maine, my old acquaintance
one heart passing away, & am two
years and a half younger than Mrs
Berley but I well recollect her honest
way of checking my waywardness
when school children, by saying
"there Eliza Ois!" with a look of reproach
which was always a check upon
me. Your ever affectionate mother

Eliza Gilmore

O O Howard

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Princeton Ill, April 23. 1874
Apr. 23rd 1874

My dear son Ois,
This is indeed a beautiful morn-
ing, and I have enjoyed in my own
quiet way, & enjoyed the beautiful sun
shining into my room, and I trust
a thankful heart for a night's
sweet rest, and the sound of my
grand son's voices about the house
and our half hour of family
worship, and our nice warm
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 to
bring me Wood says in his sweet
voice I will ^{bring} you some to night.

I was very happy in receiving
your kind letter of 17th and ^{the} doings
of the investigation, that with Grace's
letter of the 20th gave me quite an
idea of your family and surroundings.
I am glad you, self and family, are
in so good health yesterday's mail
brought us another Washington Chronicle
showing us further doings of the court
and so K.B.H. and your mother ^{and} ~~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 ^{you} at
all times, this life brings many dark
shadows, accompanying the sweet
sustaining light that is carrying
us along to that haven at rest pre-
pared for us in Our Father's house above.
I was very happy in reading Grace's
letter and knowing of her enjoy-
ments while at home, we never
have but one youth, and I trust

she will have her share of youthful
enjoyments, I hope she ^{will} ~~not~~ have her
heart fill'd with unworthy doubts
but put her whole trust in God and
abide the trials of life in that trust,
I think of Sammie, a good deal, I hope as
years bring in his youthful propensities
he will remember that he is made in
the image of God, and responsible to ^{him} ~~God~~
for the manner in which ^{he} carries that
image back to him, but has such a
deep hold on all of us, it must be divine
grace, that will give him, or any
of us, a due sense of what is committed
unto us, Chancy and Jonny and Harry
are all remembered by Grandma
with much love, and I am truly
glad Lennie is such a little happy
child to comfort her mother in
her cares, Give much love to Lennie
and remember me to Guy in your
letters, Nellie has had a very severe

ms.
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Treasury Department,

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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 McMillan, 3rd Art, C. D. O., F. B. A. G. O., that you turned 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. (Cert no 484833) 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

James M. Hillman.

Second Auditor's Office.

April 23. 1874

French, G. B.

Auditor

States that in the examination of the accounts of Capt. James M. Hillman it has been discovered that Gen. Howard turned over to him Jan. 15. 1873 the sum of $8209 \frac{96}{100}$ which will be placed to the credit of Gen. Howard and will offset that amount of charges against him in any other case.



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Washington D.C. Apr. 23rd. 1874

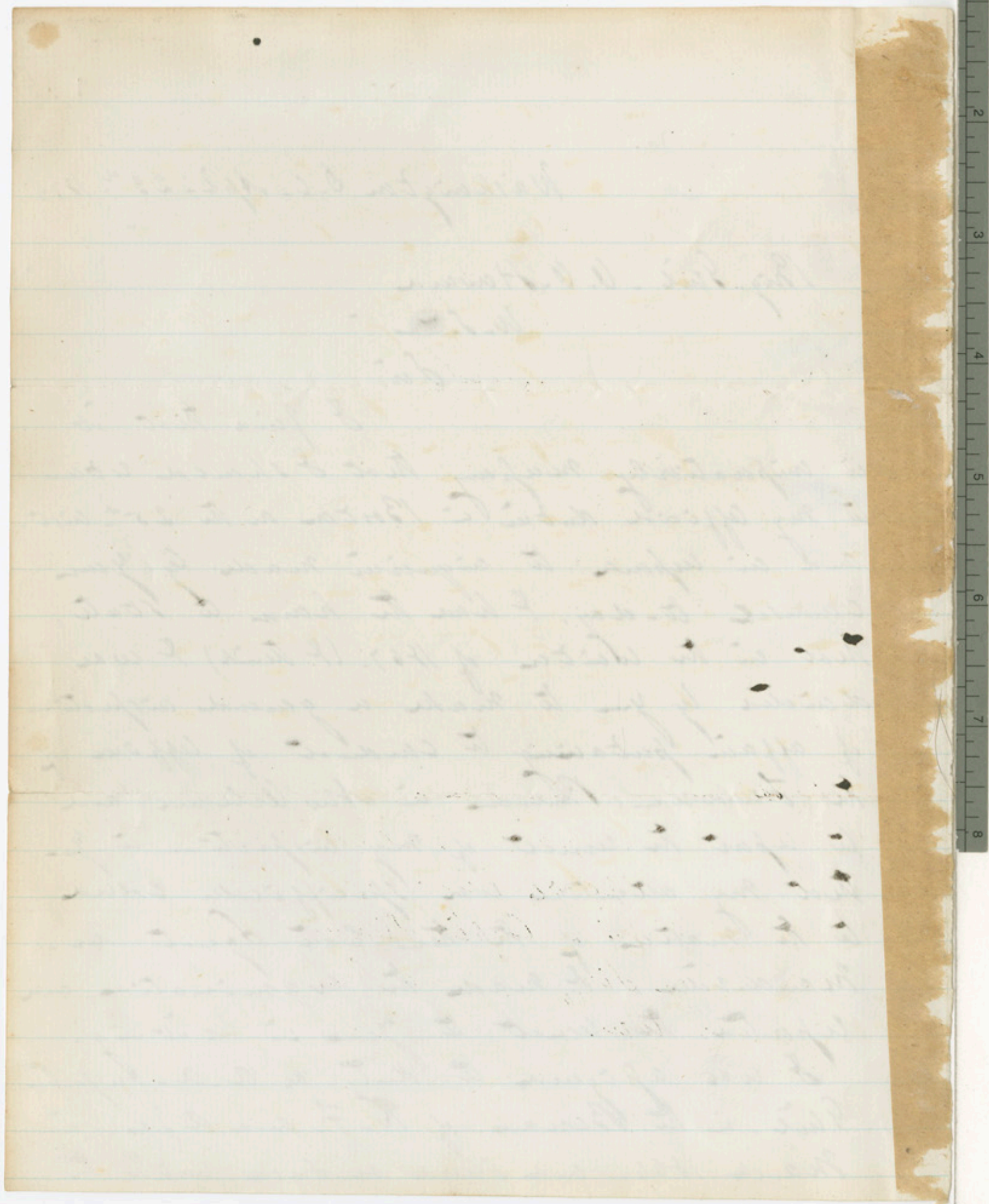
Brig. Genl. A. C. Howard

U.S.A.

Sir

I find that it is imperatively necessary that I should return to my official duties in Boston on the 25th inst. and in response to inquiries made by you caused to-day, I have the honor to state, that in the winter of 1867. (I think) I was directed by you to make a general inspection of affairs pertaining to conduct of officers of the Freedmen. Bureau in New Orleans and to report the result of my inspection to you. That my attention was specifically called to the matters of the then late Agent Mr. Mandeville. I made the examination, and reported the result to you in writing.

I was assigned to duty as A.A. Inspector Genl. in the Bureau of N. F. and A. L. in March 1866. and served as such under the



Spring or Summer of 1869. That during
that time I made very frequent inspections
of the Officers of the Art. Cannibians, and
Sub Art. Cannib. in the Southern States. That
by your direction I frequently made special
inspections and investigations. That it
was your custom, whenever complaint was
made to you from responsible sources, or when-
ever any irregularity came to your knowledge,
to order an immediate investigation.

That you gave your more attention to
your duties, and in my opinion exercised
unwarranted diligence and care in the ad-
ministration of your Office. That the duties
were multifarious.

That on two occasions, I accompanied
you, when you made personal inspections
of Bureau affairs throughout all of the
Southern States. Capt. Staden, then and
now of your Staff, knows how frequently in-
spections were ordered and made.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yr. Obedt. Servt.

L. D. Swall



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