

are not as heavy as yesterday.

Gen. H. Keep your men well in hand, we have a strong position here, and this smoke indicates that they will attack very soon.

Cot. S. All night General, you selected this position, but I fear you will get into trouble about it, after the battle is over -

Gen. H. What do you mean? I then pointed to a post with a sign board ^{recently} on it, on which was the following: On Riding, driving or shooting on these grounds is strictly prohibited. Any person found violating this Ordinance will be fined \$5.00 and Costs - You violated that ordinance -

You laughed very heartily, and had hardly got out of sight when a shell struck that sign board knocking it into 100 pieces



Olympia Dec. 19th 1874.

My dear General.

I thank you for your kind letter informing me of the time of your lecture. I shall not fail to be present, as I desire to hear it very much - I cannot say much about myself but my Regiment (82^d Illinois) which I commanded during that battle behaved with great gallantry. On the first day I held with the 82^d the extreme left of the 11th Corps joining the right of the 1st, and as the retreat commenced on both flanks about the same time I had the task of covering the retreat of our division, which was com. by Schimmelfennig, who directed

me personally to cover the retreat
with the 61st Ohio and my own
Regiment. My Regiment was the
last to leave the ground. We
retreated in good order, never
broke ranks and contested
every inch of ground. In
marching through the town
I posted a Company at every
cross street, and demanded to
sue the fine of the
Rebels, while the Regiment passed
the cross street. The Company
defending the crossing falling
in in the rear of the Regiment.
I had a horse shot under
me (the first day) while thus
retreating, near the Orchard
in front of the Cemetery.

My loss was 157 Killed, Wounded
and missing. 131 Killed & wounded
and 26 missing out of about

360 men. On the second
day during the Cannovade
in the afternoon my horse and
my Adjutant's horse were both
killed by one and the same
shell which passed through
both of them, while we were
on the horses - but fortunately
injured the Adjutant (Capt Weigel)
now Secy of State of Missouri)
only slightly, and I escaped
unhurt - Immediately after
that happened you came along
in the shells flying thick in
all directions, and I want to
relate the incident, you might
deem fit to use it. The following
conversation took place between
you and me. Gen. H. M. Well
Colonel how are you getting
along today. Col. S. Very
well General, my losses today

I recollect this little job of course distinctly; ~~It~~ cannot be expected that you should, as the great responsibility and duty of the time occupied your mind fully. On the Evening of the 2^d day, I made a charge on our right and succeeded in driving the Rebels from the Rifle pits they had ~~captured~~ a few hours before. The 45th New York and my own Regiment were under my Command. It was very dark. We charged through the woods and fell upon the Rebel line before we were aware of it. For a short period a hand to hand encounter ensued. I shot a Rebel through the head, ^{with my revolver} in the moment when

he was wresting our flag out
of our Colorbearers hands.
We drove the Rebels back and
retook the Rifle pits. I enclose
an extract from Gen. Schurz's
Report on that particular
charge. Capt Dilger thanked
me for saving two pieces of
his Battery from being captured
by the Rebs on the first day.
Now I think I have been
blowing my horn about myself,
but I cannot help feeling a little
pride in the conduct of my
Regiment in that memorable
battle. There were ~~masses~~ ^{murderous}
men in the 11th Corps, who agitated
against you constantly, but from
the battle of Gettysburg, you
were loved and honored by
all who fought under you,
and it caused a great feeling

of sorrow and regret ^{in the 11th} when
you took command of the
4th Corps. I hope your lecture
will be printed as I desire
to send copies to some of
my old soldiers and officers
in Chicago, many of whom
occupy prominent positions
in that City.

With my best wishes
and regards I am

Very truly

Yours friend

J. W. S. Salomon

My Gen. O. O. Howard
Portland

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ourselves for a higher price
as it was we got nothing
for ourselves - a clear loss
of about 1,000 men - of &
remember eight out of the
1st & 2nd Brigades - 2nd Div - 5th Corps
- to the Army. so it appears
to me.

With many thanks for
your kind invitation to give
my experience & remain
Yours

Geo. Williams

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Salem Oregon
Dec. 19th 1874
Genl O O Howard U.S.A.
Comd'g Dept of Col.
Portland Oreg
General

Your kind note
of yesterday received. I
am glad to hear that you
have accepted the second
invitation. truly glad &
but for writing long letters
I might give many reasons
for ^{my} feeling so.

I could give many stories
of what I remember of that
campaign from the time
we left Camp Storeman until
the second day in the evening
about 1/2 past six o'clock

at which time on Flint
Hill I was wounded in
the right leg about seven
inches above the ankle
next morning my leg was
amputated.

But my stories would be only
ordinary stories of Camp life
which are only interesting to
those concerned. I might
give some of the many blunders
made (in my opinion) while
we were finally doubled up
on Flint Hill more like a
lot of men in Camp than
on the Field & left there
until the enemy came
upon us or nearly so. &
but for the timely discovery
by Lieut Henry Patterson
4th Inf. ^{acting staff officer on my side} ~~staff~~
we would doubtless
have been captured in a body.

but before we could fall
back to our proper place
the enemy was on both
flanks & in front & under
a cross fire from all directions
except the rear - and past
the time ^{from there} ~~that~~ from our
own Batteries - we tried
to fall back & about half
succeeded, ⁱⁿ doing so, the rest
stayed and till this day
part ^{are still there some away} of were hauled, that
evening and next morning.
So you can see that being
crippled for life in a
blunder of the worst sort
I have no very pleasant
recollections of that fight
If we had been in good
line of battle - & there is
no excuse for us being out
of one - we might have sold

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2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Please write me, who, to send the Circulars to, about the sale of Effingham Place, as I have no money to advertise it.

Gen O O Howard.
Portland
Oregon.

315. E. Street. S. E.
Capital Hill
Washington
D. C.

JAN 5 1875
My most esteemed friend

1874 Dec 22nd

I have written twice to you, this month, in the greatest distress, but have received no answer. You know that for 18 months months past, friends in New York, have paid my board, here. and that my great enterprise has been to keep my real estate, from being confiscated under the hammer of the Auctioneer, to foreclose the mortgages. Mrs Boston, will sell Effingham Place, right away, if the interest is not promptly paid. You promised me, the cost in advance. Do write by return mail when I may expect your remittance. I am so much interested to bring you back to your mission among the colored people here, that I am writing to rich Christians, to give you a home, & competence, independent of the War Department. God bless you, & yours, my dear Christian, persecuted brother, is the prayer, of Mary Howard Schoolcraft

San Francisco

December 22/74.

Dear General.

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It at the time I made the remark referred to in your note of the 14th inst I was ignorant of the fact that authority had been obtained for the retention on duty in Portland of the officers you speak of, I subsequently became aware of it, and therefore deemed it unnecessary to speak of the subject to you, or to refer to it in my reports to Genl. Schofield.

Observation has shown me that an officer once taken from his

appropriate duties with troops
returns to them reluctantly, & I
have also noticed there is usually
some difficulty getting them relieved
after having been for a considerable
time on Staff duty. I only speak
of this as an abstract fact, with-
out designing any reflection upon
any one.

In the case of the officers at
Portland, I am aware that no
order has been violated in retain-
ing them there.

Trusting you continue pleased
with your new home & com-

mand,

Respectfully,

Yrs. Truly,

R. D. Jones.

To

Genl. Howard.

Portland

Me.

Astoria Dec^r 22. 1844

Major Gen. Howan

Sir

according to your instructions I now to let
you know where I could be found I expect to
remain in Astoria for a short time I have
given up the voyage to Europe I have been
going to sea for over thirty years over twelve
years in this time I have had the Honor to
Command a government vessel I have been
married twenty six years in that time I
have only been at Home four years and twelve
days yesterday I applied for a situation in
a light House I was examined before Mr. Han
the Collector every thing went off first Rate
I have to wait my turn I may be one year
before there is a vacancy I left the Cape yesterday
for the last time Major Smith told me he
wished me very much he also told me the
mails was very irregular since I left the
Columbia While I was at the Cape I went

on board the Columbian and put every thing
in its proper place her sails are bent
yet they will be ruined in a short time
if she is not unladen since I have been in
the government Employ I have always been in
Charge of the quarter Master I heard Major
Botchelder was going up in the Bounty for
a short time this is the reason I write to you
in regard to that Back pay that is Due
and you can send them to me ^{any} time you
think proper I thought in this way to let
you and the Major know so many papers
to make out my Claim might be forgotten

Very Respectfully yours

Most Obedient servant

George W. Harris

Lt. Capt. Wilkerson Delivered two very interesting
lectures in Astoria if the young men here was
to steer by his Compass he would run them
Clear of all sinking rocks and quick sands
every body was very much pleased with his
Remarks

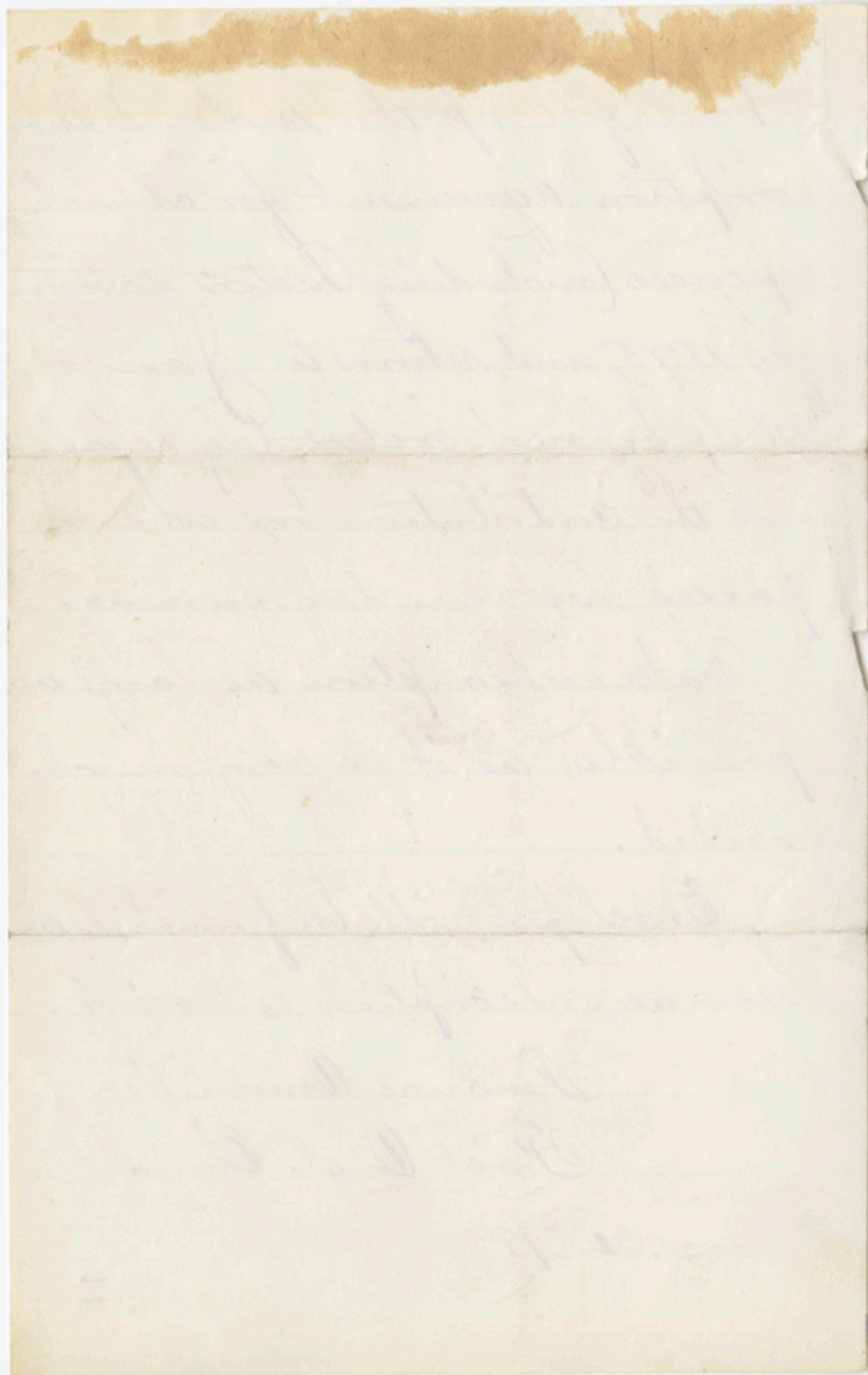
Please fill up the enclosed subscription agreement for church expenses (including Pastor's salary) for 1875, and return to James Steel by next Wednesday or put into the contribution box when passed next Sunday morning.

Make subscription as large as possible, as it is very much needed.

Envelopes will be furnished as soon as subscription is received.

Finance Committee
First Congl. Church

Dec. 24th 1874.



Secretaries Office
Perless Lodge #215. D.O. P.S.
Portland, Dec 24. 1874.

Brigadier General O.O. Howard U.S.A.
Comdg' Dept of So Columbia
Portland, Oregon.

General

By direction of Perless Lodge #215 D.O. P.S.
I have the honor to enclose herewith card of invitation
to an Entertainment given by the Lodge on New
Years Eve

I am Sir

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

George F. Jackson.

Sec. Secretary.

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Eugene City Oregon
Dec. 28th. 1874

General A. O. Howard

Dear Brother—

When in Portland
a few days since I mentioned to you and Capt. Wil
Kinson the fact of my having published an address
to the Christians of this country on the subject Church
Unity, and also expressed a desire that you should
read it; I herewith inclose a copy of the same.

I do not desire you to read because I think it pos-
sesses theological or literary merit; but because I wish
you to know the views and feelings that I entertain
in reference to unity of the family of Christ, and the
embarrassments that hang around his cause generally,
and especially in this country or upon this coast.

When you have read it I would be pleased to
receive any suggestions, additions or changes you may
feel disposed to make — I feel myself in a great meas-
ure standing alone upon this question and will be pleased
to receive encouragement or correction as may be proper.

If it will not put you to too much trouble I

would be pleased you would return this slip to me
at your convenience, as I have but one more copy of it
and I wish to send this to my Son, in China, who has
recently become much interested upon the subject of reli-
gion.

When you can make it convenient we will be
much pleased to see in Longueville, and ^{when} you come
let me know and I will meet you at the depot—
otherwise, feel yourself invited to come directly to my
house—my regards to your family.

Fraternally

J. H. Henderson.

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Boston Mass.
Dec 28th 1874

Dear Father.

I came here the last
part of last week to spend
Christmas with Col. Brodhead's
family & will return to New
Haven in a few days. I
received a Postal Card, forwarded
from New Haven, from Uncle Charles
at Washington saying that
he was coming to New York,
perhaps to New Haven & to Boston
& that Grace had arrived safely
in Wash. Wilkinson not yet
arrived there. In Saturday
night's Journal I saw that

Governor Arny was in town
with a delegation of Navajo
Indians. So I went down to
the Quincy House yesterday
afternoon to call on him
& see the Indians. The Indian-
Spanish interpreter, Manileto
remembered me. I saw several
others that I remembered were
at Fort Wingate. Gov. Arny
was as pleasant as possible &
has great confidence in
civilizing these Indians - now
that he is their agent. I will
enclose a notice of the delegation
from one of the papers giving
their names. Miquil. Ex-kel-tes-lan
& Es-kim-m-green are dead, having
been killed by other Indians, I understood
+ ... with ... a ... Much ...

& Es-kin-en-geen are dead, having
been killed by other Indians, I understood
in a tes-win fight. There is a Sam. Muck-
here but it is not the old chief who
is still alive but too old to come East.
We went to church yesterday at Mr. Cookman's
Methodist Church & I will call on
Mr. Webb this afternoon. In order that
the Post Man may take this this
morning. I must stop now after
sending love to all the family.

Yours affectionately

Guy Howard

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JOHN H. COOK,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.

No. 1511½ PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE.

Washington, D. C. Dec 28th 1874

Dear General:

I have your very kind letter of the 12th inst and telegram of the 24th inst notifying me of \$1000.⁰⁰ sent to be applied on 2nd Nat. Note. Today I called on the Cashier and stated that I would at an early day pay that amount and asked time on the balance which he readily promised to give. I shall do my best to manage the balance without calling on you.

As yet I have heard nothing of any effort on the part of Col Oyer to secure relief for you, but presume of course that he is doing something. Will call on him tomorrow and promise him aid by individual effort with several members of Congress who are friendly towards me.

Mr Prestrey in an interview to-day mentioned the receipt of a letter from you and about concluded to back down on his claim for taxes on the Mendham Hill property.

The "M" street house is still on my hands. Three of the houses in that same block are for sale or rent. It is an unusually dull time here in real estate matters. Almost every broker is complaining. Saturday an offer of 285 acres of land subject to a \$2000⁰⁰ mortgage, was made me for this house. This land

is located ^{in Maryland} about 12 miles from this City (on the B & O. R.R. lying between this road and the Baltimore and Potomac R.R.) and is said to be worth \$2000⁰⁰. Of course I shall consider it, but cannot tell as to the outcome. If the property proves to be worth that sum I shall make the trade.

It is to be hoped that before long I shall be able to make sale of one or two of the T. St. houses, now that they have good roofs. On the completion of the tin roofs I paid \$210^{cash} and gave my note for \$179⁷⁶ payable in 90 days for the balance.

Did you, before leaving here, have all the policies of insurance assigned to you in cases of the T. St. and M. Street houses?

The two cottages west of Prof. Revere I had insured for \$1000. ~~These~~ These cottages and lot back of them had been sold for taxes, and I had to redeem them. I have not paid taxes for 1895, as yet; have only been able to clean up taxes for past years, entirely I hope. Some of these things escaped your notice.

Of course I am grateful for your kind words, and interest in my behalf. Engaged in a daily struggle for the maintenance of an honest living, I frequently work night and day unconscious of the effect upon me until my physical system gives away. There has been no return of the hemorrhage difficulty, but fearful pains now and then plough through my lungs. In time I may be compelled to leave this climate.

Just now, we have the signs of a struggle over the Presidency of the University. Your resignation I learn is accepted to take effect upon the election of a successor, and many of the trustees are in favor of electing one Mr. Atherton; but the friends of Mr. L. are not disposed to have changes at present. A meeting will be held next Saturday, after which I will write you.

Sincerely yours
Geo. H. Cook

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Astoria Dec. 29th 1894

General O. Howard & Co.

Portland Oregon,

Dear General:

Yours of the 24th rec'd.
last evening. There were two weeks, at least,
that I could have been. To be idle all
this time I could not be, and so, in part,
the Posters! There were but few struck off,
merely as a sort of reminder. I sent
two to Mr. Chatter & was sorry two minutes
after. If Eggleston had been here, there would
have been nothing of the kind, but I felt
so free, that Judge Bates' "pitch in" seemed
to fit & I did! But of course no more
of that sort of thing while I am really
enroute. Oh, General, I wish you could
come & help these young people. Poor
Mr. Tenny has been so long here without

any apparent fruit, that without knowing it
he has, or had, become cross & fault finding.
So many of his people say so, Tertio & I
could not shut our eyes to it.

Great tenderness was manifested Sunday
before last, increasing during the evening
meetings of the week - there were held, Sunday
night however was marked by the sweet
going up of Mr. Timms daughter. Monday
the daughter of the Sunday School Supt. came
very decidedly, both of these cases were marked.

In Sunday school last Sunday four,
including these two, arose in testimony of having
commenced the new life. Last night at a
little meeting, which I had tried to designate
as "one around the stove, in the corner", grew
into larger proportions - a sailor whom we
had been compelled to put out of the church
the night previous came back sober and
instead of being bold of speech came quite
to ask our prayers. At the close of this
meeting a large number raised hands for
prayer, among them a man quite advanced

in years. Have met this P.M. the young lady
of whom Mrs. Wilkinson will tell you. She too
is happy. 9-o'clock P.M. Have just
returned from the good bye at the Church.

Col. Green & I have a perfect understanding,
now that we have Eggleston, that two eyes
shall be upon him. You know the honor I
have at stake, so that there absence from
duty is by a strict understanding. Now
for the meeting - About two thirds of those
present were not Christian, yet with
but two or three exceptions, hands & hearts
were lifted in earnest prayer. Two more
young ladies, sisters, were made happy in
the Saviors love. Oh, what precious God given
work there have been. How can I keep
being a better, truer Soldier for my
God & Country. And the work has been so
quiet so graceful if I may use that word.

I want to see you face to face that I may
tell you. I had such a hard time, yet it

was of God, at least He permitted it, in
Washington. But I must tell you of the
only old time revival thing I have done.
To night the first meeting was dismissed,
these two sisters, last referred to, came to bid, or
as I was bidding them good bye they seemed
so happy I could only help singing the
verse of our old Arizona hymn:-

"There is a nobler sweeter song" &c &c
in which the business meeting joined heartily.
It has been a meeting long to be remembered.

To night, for the first time, I took Col. Green's
arm and walked up & down in the office of the hotel
& I told him, very quietly, of some of these
things, after which he spoke freely of the importance
of improving time &c I am afraid that while
at Fort Stevens, in fact, I am fully persuaded
that the Col. while there commenced again to
drink, but he has reformed himself
& now that actual duty is upon us, he
is sober & thoughtful. I had a score this
a.m. that will last me to the end of my
journey to Albany. Eggleston we have

given the freedom of the Hotel, of course with
one of us always with him. He passed into the
bar room, ^{when under my charge} of course I followed, ^{however} preferring
to step into the billiard room just behind it,
E - stepped to the stove, stood a little time &
my eyes for a moment were not on him, just
at this time he stepped back into the office,
I did not want to rush, but when I came
to the office no Eggleston! I jumped for our
room, no Eggleston - I fairly flew to the
water closet, no Eggleston - back into the
bar room, no E - There was not one
drop of blood in my face or heart either,
seemingly, just then the little office boy
said "why Cal. Green just called Maj.
Eggleston out doors & has sent down St.
with him". So I postponed blowing my
trains out, at least for the present.
What a custody can he with be until
we are safe at Albany

Eggleston has commenced with the first
chapter of his life, he will tell me the
whole story, so far, it implicates some

who are high in position, both in
the Army & in the Civil Service. I
mean implicates them in the destruction
of his home. I shall listen patiently &
in the end help all I may. So far I
feel confident that these two Officers need
as Mr. Ans. who might have saved him.

I wish we might have known him
before. He might have been saved, he has
been ruined, if ruined he is, first by his
wife! But not now his story. My first work
is to try to get all wrongs out of his heart so
that his fight may be on principle.

But what of this dear people? Can
you help in any way?

With many thanks for your com-
munication & for me.

Respectfully & Sincerely Yours

McKinsay

Capt. W. is a rare compound
of Christian graces. He com-
bines the simplicity, tender-
ness & affection of a bride, with
the fearlessness & determina-
tion of a veteran raider. He
exhibits good sense, wonder-
ful perception of character &
spirit, & an intense & almost
reckless earnestness which
never seems to miss its
mark. He is every way the
best evangelist I have ever
seen. He has been of inval-
uable service to our soci-
ety & to me personally.
Please do not censure him
for making himself prom-
inent in this work. He has
not neglected any duty in the
army by his efforts as a Soldier
of Christ. We hope you may
be able to drop in among
us, & spend a few days,

Ans 2 36
JAN 2 1876
O. O. H.
Astoria Dec 31, 1874
Gen, O. O. Howard,
Dear Brother.
When you were at our
house, you told me about
Capt. Wilkinson's rare fit-
ness for Christian work
among the masses. We
have had an opportunity
to prove your commen-
dation. It was a singular
providence that detained
Capt. W. at Astoria just
at the time he was ur-
gently needed for the most
important work on this
earth. A remarkable
awakening was visible to
a few eyes before he came,
but the obstacles in the way
seemed like Alps upon Alps & ice.

I had thought of writing to you to see if you could not allow the Capt. to spend a few days with me, & help the work along, when all unexpected, he stepped into our ^{house}, & reported himself here for 10 days. I received him as an angel of God, & put him into my pulpit & at the head of such meetings as we could get together. Holidays interposed strong barriers, but the Holy Spirit helped us. The Capt. seemed to find access to many aching hearts. At first he fairly stormed a few castles with volleys of love, & led the subdued souls willingly & joyfully into the Kingdom of Christ.

When the wall was once broken it seemed comparatively easy to lead one after another to the cross. Some 10 or more have taken their stand on the Lord's side, the Church has been greatly revived, & an extensive interest is apparent outside. We regret exceedingly to have the Capt. leave us just at the seeming commencement of a great harvest. In its general features this has been the most remarkable religious awakening I have ever known on this coast. The meetings are (except the subdued tones of the speaker) as still & solemn as the hour of death.

& aid in our revival
work. Our working
force in Astoria is ex-
ceedingly weak. Satan has
the wealth, the talent, the
influence & many
strong holds. We have
only the hand of God.

But if God be for us
who can be against us?
Astoria has been settled
more than half a centu-
ry & this is the first gen-
eral revival season
& we feel so fearful lest
some adverse breath

Should stop it. I hope to
See you before long.

Yours Truly
W.A. Tenney