Washington, D.C. May 12, 75

Genl. C. C. Howard,

My Dear Friend,

I have been intending to write you for some time, but the immediate occasion now is the payment of taxes by Mr. Shepherd which he agreed to pay as we understood when we bought this house. The particulars under date of April 23rd, in the handwriting of Mr. Urban, which I copy are: "House as it is at $1,700. Also, we will pay all assessments, taxes, grading, sodding, fence in front complete," i.e., adding some things not there in the house. The bill of sale is subject "free of all incumbrances." Our purchase was April 23, 75. I was surprised to find in fairly last that the taxes due June 75 also a previous year's taxes remained.

As ever your sincere friend

Lawrence Scott
I called Mr. Wilson's attention to it - as after some delay he
paid - Mr. Wilson told me the trouble in his firm he had been
paid by the subscription - he knew to pay the
amount of tax - in June 1873. Mr. Wilson
admits also that not only by this subscription
ought to pay the whole, but even
of these had been no agreement, the
Custom is that the seller keeps the
proportion of taxes for the part of the
year which is paid - in this case
Ten months of the year from July 15
1872 to June 30th 1873
the Company declines positively to pay either
the whole or any part - paying that as he made a contribution
we ought not to ask it.

The subscription was made after
the price was fixed - the payment
of it is credited on the bill of sale -
the tax with interest is now 

I received this decision from Mr.
Wilson today - he does not hesitate
to pay it is not right - that it ought
to be paid.

As you are trustee with me, I
thought I ought to inform you - consult
you - right we to pay or do any
thing more? I certainly do not
feel like paying that sum myself,
the course taken is not just toward
the trust in our hands - I will
say nothing I do nothing till I
hear from you - tell you what
I am going to tell you.
I hope you are well - all
your family - my kind regards
to Mrs. Howard - Mr. Smith tells
me you all are lovely - I wish
you were here just for your own
like - perhaps, but for the institution.
It is running down steadily.
Dr. Reeve has resigned - leaves in
June - he does not think of
Maj Gen. O.O. Howard
315 E Street S East
Capitol Hill
Washington, 05-6.

May most appreciated Christian brother. 1875 May 12.

This house that I am living in, was last year $24,500.00, may be before yesterday sold right over my head, under the hammer of the auctioneer, to satisfy a Deed of Trust for $11,000. It did not bring one cent over the mortgage, as property is known at its lowest cost. So I made the $12,500. So day the current

= 3 years, who knows what it, gave me notice to leave, so I should move right out of your home and go 3 months not more then, as the said house was also a Deed of Trust of $11,000 and will be sold, right over your head too as strange not a dollar to pay the Tax last November, of $50. What has been done

= and ten per cent, interest ever since.

Neither you or myself have been able to rent out Howard house, and the whole year, I have been working, working, to sell it, without success. Indeed there are only

= odds of large elegant houses here that cannot be rented at all, and the most miserable people in this metropolis.
are the longest lengths of real estate. Indeed in all the other, there was been a perfect cash
in the values of all real estate—the taxes eating them up. Can you my loved brother,
read me the ledger next, that like in the 3d of June? I think you paid me $700 before you left,
and your book was paid me $506. Second deposit of wheat was gone to the
mortgagee and to awhile the stock,
This gives a balance of 600 dollars.
When will we be in heaven, where the
wheat are at rest? I examined into the
second causes of my soul to find out why
and coming forward was this quickened con
traveling with me. Sam diligent in all my
businesses, but never succeed. I feel no
apprehensions, that I cannot plead for the
approbation of Jesus Christ, in accomplishing
thence out. Yet still and sustained daily,
by men who should be the given proof of
consummation. But still from all these oppress
1946, my philosophy was a satisfaction
where peace passing all understanding
wield. My only hope of immediate
relief is in a check for that rent, from yest.
Do secure immediate! Remember me
kindly to Miss Movements, all dear precious
children. Many love in schoolcraft.
Portland, Oregon, May 18th, 1875.

Mr. W. E. Simms, O. O. Commanding
Corps. Dpts. 9th. Inf.

Gentleman,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th inst., containing a
 Summon P. R. A. at Camp which I have fully
 accept and am greatly
 obliged to you for the
 circumstance contained in

Your obedient servant,

W. D. Bragg
1st Lt. 21st Regt.
Fort Vancouver
May 14

Dear Son,

I’m sure you might be prevented by rain from coming over tomorrow. I write you to tell you there is a man in B Co by the name of Springer who is said to be a first-rate man. I know all about him. I was with Wheaten for a while. I can send him a wife, but his children. His wife is said to be a nice sort of woman.
Woman was Mrs. W. -
Muse. The man
has not been spoken
to. Will wait till
I see him, or hear
from him. Hope you
and your family will
be able to get over
tomorrow.

Yours,

[Signature]

[Addressee]
May 19, 1873

S.R. Mariner, May 19, 1873

Maj. J. O. O. Howard

My dear General,

I left home on the 5th inst. with Mr. Nanticoke, her brother. I came to
her brother, Rev. J. S. Howard, a
member of Episcopal Church in this city.

Rev. C. O. Hartlett of Pittsfield,
Mass. (successor to Dr. Tooth.)

The journey was planned as
one for business and pleasure,
but a few days before leaving
I agreed to attend it two or three
weeks to attend to some
business here and in Portland,
Oreg., for the Indian Commis-

sion. The Commissioner agreed
to advance for such business
as were wanted in season for

Arrived for letter.
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The Herald,

New York, May 17, 1875

Gen. C. C. Howard

Dear sir—The deep interest taken in the Memoirs of General Sherman now published and reviews of which will be found in accompanying copies of The Herald leads me to write you for the purpose of offering you our columns should you care to make any comment upon the criticisms or narratives contained in those volumes. The stupendous magnitude of the civil war as an historical event will always give value to any contributions to its true history, and I should be glad to have you as a notoriety actor in these events and yourself in our columns should you feel that you care to say anything in reference to the war and its events.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY,

Washington, D.C., May 19th, 1875.

Dear Sir:

The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of this University will be held on Tuesday, June 15th, 1875, in the President's room, University Building.

Due notice of the hour of the meeting will be given.

By vote of the Board,

J. B. Johnson
Secretary

Mrs. J. joins in affectionate regards to the entire family.

J. B. J.
I often think - I was in the war 4 years wounded twice - was shot through the thigh in Antietam and taken Prisoner - there again at the same time in front of Fredericksburg wounded that time - Prisoner 5 months - I heard a Pension & wish that you had I could do it was able to provide for my family very well - although I now have been in possession of a small property of my own I am glad to say that I have always been there with many kind friends -
And to finish this I have much to tell you - I feel so much sympathy & pity as you can & as for me under the circumstances as you would wish to be done by - This is all I can say in part to you - Where you may send me I am not in - I only give me some money so I can support myself & family - Please give me a full answer and as much advice as possible on your earliest convenience - Shrewdly acting a poor but industrious man - May God in his goodness help you in my prayer.

Your most aff.servant

C. J. Bowen

Hickford R.S.
May 17th 1875

Maj Gen C. C. Rosewall
Washington D.C.

My Dear Sir

You may not read this letter at once but I shall tell you who I am, & the circumstances under which I write - There is no doubt in my mind that whether recognized or not - your sympathy would enable you in my behalf. I was a Capt. in the 4th R.I. - in your Command at Camp Full, near Eldbridge - in 1861. You may have attached from you went under Gen Burnside - on the R. J. Campaign - also called on me after I was exchanged again being a Prisoner of War 5 months. You will also recollect Dr. Handley our Chaplain and as good a man as can be - He thought under the circumstances I would do well to write you - He will always join me in kind regards & good wishes to you - & to the matter of which I am now more interested than others can be unless in like condition as before - Last December I was very seriously injured by the breaking of a ladder and falling some 15 or 20 feet, cutting me in my stomach - was brought in insolvent & my life was sustained if for
Some six weeks - but by good influence of a faithful wife & attention of Skilled Baptists I came more so I came wide about some with a cane & as I went fever with my lovely Children - it now looks very gloomy for a living & keep the children at school.

The oldest at Boy. He has been at high school for two years it is very anxious to fit himself for seaport - The Gil 18 attends a Select School here in the village - since I have been sick for the last six months expenses have increased very much & Wife has worked to hard to keep up & for the past two months she has been obliged to give up. I have tried to make little I have written Gov. Ranald & ask also to Senator Anthony - They write to me encouraging letters & offer me the benefit of their influence.

No. 3 Anthony Senator wrote me yesterday to get up a formal Petition signed by Gov. Howard. A.F. Swine & he would approve of mine to Washington for a Position, as Ordonian Clerk or in the Land Department.

Now my dear Son will you please write me. Your advice in the matter the proper way for me to pursue, in order to obtain the much needed employment. I am told by the Surgeon that I can take charge of some business - which will not require lifting by 1% or middle of July. In his opinion - I have always thought 1 worked many times. That it could be placed in some position where I might benefit the Indian. They are a Race much abused but for love & consider - Our President Grant & your own Noble self are doing much & hard to build them up & enlighten them - God has a work for all good men & he has seen to place you there. I trust you are still higher. I have written you an extended letter that you can know my true condition & assist me to obtain something by which I can sustain myself & family. Give my loving children on child a time in my present state of health it is all I can do – about one 40 years of age. Thus of my life, except the 4 years in the War from 61 to 65. It has been spent in mercantile Business - Has seen a farm & well acquainted with all kinds of stocks & farming in every particular. Howard's article are quite well understood by me. Having had charge of all the Books & Store in one of Hill Sprague - large Village - Paid the help for five years. Had I strength I could now get plant. In the future - But as I have not. I can but do what I can. That awful anxiety! Hills coming in & I cannot meet them - But God will do things well why I was not killed outright - he only knows.