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Seattle
Wednesday evening
Aug 4th [1875]

Dear Bro.

We have just-
returned from Olympia
I start ^{at} ~~at~~ early in the morning
for Victoria.

Good work going on
here.

Our united kind
regards to yourself
Mrs Howard

I am yours in
E. P. Hammond

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Headquarters Military Division of the Pacific,

San Francisco, Cal.,

August 14, 1875.

Aug 4, 1875



General W. C. Steward
Portland, Oregon,
Dear General:

The General
Commanding has ordered Surgeon
W. E. Kee to Sitka rather for personal
considerations; incidentally however he
has been instructed to report to you
for your verbal orders in regard to
inspecting and reporting to you in
regard to the proper building to occupy
as a hospital at Sitka, about which
there has been and perhaps is yet a
question between the Commanding, &
Medical officer.

Very respectfully,

(W. E. K.)

Your obdt servant
J. C. Kelton
M. Col. N. Y.

fence was - so it is all a common now & I
often see those people on the ~~street~~ digging
Mr A's low cut of the lot and they frequent-
ly have pretty sharp spats about it.

I hope this will find you and family
all well I dare say you are more pleasantly
situated in many respects where you are
than you were here I can readily see
now that you undoubtedly had surroundings
here that were not in accordance with
your generous & noble character - I shall
be glad to hear from you I was not apprised
that you had written to any one about my
having the Boarding Hall until a few weeks
ago when Langston casually remarked that
you had done so I do not even know
what you wrote him or whether you wrote
to any one else connected with the University.
My wife wishes to be remembered to Mrs A &
yourself & your humble servant unites with
her in the same

Yours friend
Wm A Mac. Mitty P.O. Dep
watchman

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Washington D.C.
Augt. 4th - 78 -
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Dear General

The Trustees of Howard
University did not appoint me as the Librarian
of the Institution notwithstanding your
kindness in writing in my behalf -
Gen Balloch promised to do all he could
for me but nothing came of it. That man
Page who was so unpopular with the
Students still occupies the same place
he did last term so I suppose he is
to be retained. It would have been a
great help to me but it seems if one
does not intrigue and "lay pipe" he
cannot get anything here no matter how
mentious he may be. Mrs Schoolcraft

has not disposed of the House yet though
she expected to do so long ago. I often
see Mr Smith (L.P.) and Alvord, (on the street)
and about the first questions they ask is
whether Mrs Schoucraft has sold her
property yet. They seem to be very much
interested about it. I do not fancy any
of these people who figure so prominently here
in this University business. I think them very
selfish people. I like Langston pretty
well though he is as selfish as any of them
but is much more able than any the
rest of them. Matters are very much
mixed as regards the future of the University.
Prof Wilson has taken a place in the
O.B. Dept Prof Mitchell has got his
ticket of leave & a white man put in
his place which has made quite a flutter.
Dr Parris & Langston have been having

"Tilt" in the papers over the late election
for President Parris opposes Langston and
intimates that Langston is disgruntled becau-
se he was not elected President instead
of Whipple. Whether ~~this~~ pulling &
hauling will injure the future usefulness
of the University remains to be seen but
from what I hear of Mr Whipple I am in-
clined to think it will not. So far as
sociability is concerned we feel that there
is nothing to brag of in this neighborhood &
we shall move from here sometime this month.
Mr Alvord took down the fence between
Mrs Schoucraft & himself entire without
saying a word & the old cow has been
grazing all over the lot injuring the shrubbery
&c and greatly annoying those people who
take charge of the lot for Mrs S. Mr A
is setting out a hedge where the line

Sitka, Alaska;

Aug. 8th 1895.

To the

Assistant Adjutant General,
Higgins, Dept of the Columbia;
Portland, Oregon.

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Sir:

In the early part of June last, when General Howard was at this place, he had the loan from me - through the Post Commander - of a "Dall's History of Alaska." Captain Campbell told me that the book would be returned by mail. The same having not yet to come to hand, and I being in need of information from it, and not being able to procure another copy of the same at this place, I would respectfully request that you remind the General thereof - he, in the discharge of his manifold duties doubtless having forgotten all about the book.

Begging pardon for the trouble I am causing you,

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Fred. C. Pratz.

Address:

F.C. Pratz.

P.O. Box No. 6 - Sitka, Alaska.

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Walla Walla W.T.

August-8, 1875

Dear General,

It may seem rather singular to you that I should decline taking advantage of my leave, after having been so very anxious to get it ^{and} consequently I wish to tell you why I have not gone. I wanted to get to New York by a certain time and had my telegram reached you at once, I could have gone without trouble, but the line was down and I got no reply till it was utterly impossible for me to reach my destination by the 14th. Therefore I have no desire to go East ^{and} as I believe that my leave was granted merely to enable me to go East I did not consider myself at liberty to take a leave ^{and} not leave the Department.

I am General

Very Respectfully
 Louis D. Hunt
 2nd Hunt-21st Infantry.

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New York, Aug 10th 1875

Gen. A. C. Howland
Portland, Oregon

My dear Friend & Brother,

Your esteemed favor of July 29th is this day received. Brother Kitchum came in, a few moments after your letter was received, and we read it together.

I trust that you did not regard my former letter as in any sense reflecting on you. It was certainly not so intended. The design was to see if there was not some way so to arrange the matter, that even your enemies could find no way of perverting it to your injury.

I thank you for suggesting a letter to Mr. Pratt. I have written him.

The stock was never the property of the A. M. A. It was given specifically to Hampton N. & A. Institute.

In much love, and with kindest regards to your family, I am Dear General,
Very truly Yours, Geo. Whipple.

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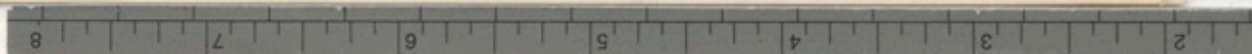
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Killingly, Ct. Aug. 10th 1875.
Gen^l.

Having become
somewhat interested in the
people & country of Alaska,
I take the liberty of writing
you in hope of obtaining
more information.

Several months since, I
saw an item in a paper, sta-
ting that teachers were desired
by the natives of Alaska and
that they were willing to
build places for instruction
and assist in the work every
way. And I saw recently
in the "Illus Christian Weekly"
an extract from a letter of yours
saying that schools, secular,

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and Sabbath, were greatly
needed there.

Do you know of any
teachers or missionaries having
gone to this field, or of any
society that desires to send
them? Does the Govt. provide
teachers, or is there any local
revenue for their support?

Are teachers needed most
for the natives (Esquimaux) or
emigrants to the country?

Are our preemption laws
available in Alaska?

If I could do
anything personally or
by assisting others, for the
religious and mental cul-
ture of the inhabitants
of our boughten territory,
I should be much pleased.

Yours Respectfully,

De Witt C. Kenck.
Genl. O. O. Howard.

Wm. B. Hooper & Co.

WM. B. HOOPER,
San Francisco, Cal.

{ JAMES M. BARNEY,
Arizona.

San Francisco, August 11th 1875.

General O. C. Howard, U. S. A.
Comdy Depot of the Columbia,
Portland, Oregon,
Dear General,

Your esteemed
favor of the 6th inst enclosing Dr on Messrs
Donohoe Kelly & Co for One hundred & twenty
five currency dollars came to hand this
morning & the amount has been endorsed
on your note as requested. I hope you
are not cramping yourself financially,
if I had so for one moment I would
return the draft, Take your time & let the
note be the least of your trouble. "Guy" re-
ported & lunched with me yesterday, & with Miss
Grace will visit us at San Rafael tonight,
with assurances of regard & remembrance to your
family & staff I remain your friend Wm B Hooper

I am much pleased with Guy & will do all I can to help him along.

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JAMES M. BARNETT,
ARIZONA.

WM. B. HOOPER,
San Francisco, Cal.

San Francisco, August 11th 1892.

Friend W. B. Hooper,
County Agent of the Columbia,
Portland, Oregon,
Dear Sir,

Your statement
of the fact regarding the
Columbia Hotel for our
financial emergency seems to have
reaching the amount has been
on your note as requested. I
am not carrying myself financially,
if I had so of our movement I would
return the draft, but you have to let
me to the best of your trouble - "I" re-
-futed & checked with our statement, & with
Grace will visit me at San Rafael Hotel
with assurance of regard & remembrance to you.
Sincerely & truly
James M. Barnett

General Howard
Commanding the **Board of Trade,**
Department of the North Pacific,
Portland, Oregon, 11 August 1875.
Portland

Sir -

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I am directed to invite you to
be present this evening at a quarter of
Eight O'clock to hear the discussion in
reference to a proposal to be sub-
mitted by members of the Board for
petitioning the Government & Congress
for placing Alaska Civil affairs under
the management of Washington Territory
TC

May I ask you kindly
to say whether you will favor us
with your presence.

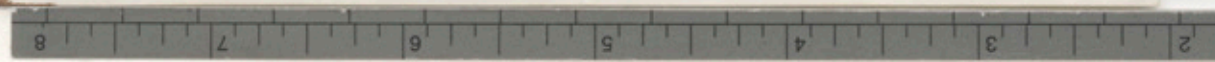
Yours respectfully
William Reid
Secretary

General Howard
Commanding the
Department of the Pacific
Portland

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Mr. Management of Washington Territory
for placing the Government
with the members of the Board for
reference to a proposal to be and
right to elect to have the decision in
be present the evening at a quarter 8
can directed to write you to

Yours faithfully
Wm. H. H. H.
12-20-1878
Have not yet heard
of you whether you have
with your presence



108 HESTER STREET,

New York, Aug 12th 1875

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

General

I take the liberty
of addressing you to ask you if you can
give me any position in your Department
where I will be able to earn a living for
myself and Family. I have been unsuccessful
in civil life - I served from April 19th 1861 until
1870 in the Volunteer service. (serving in the Bur.
R. F. & A S from the close of the war until 1870)
I do not desire to importune you in this matter.
but if you can do anything for me you will
confer a great blessing on my dear little
children (a girl 5 years and a boy 2 years)

Yours respectfully
Andrew Coak

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Recd by mail
Aug 3. 1875

Mr. C. O. Johnson
W. D. C.

of following you to ask you to
give me any further in your
when I will be able to send a copy for
myself and family. I have been
in this life - I came from Africa in 1871
1872 in the Baltimore service (serving in the
U.S.A. from the time of the war until 1875)
I do not desire to interfere now in this matter
but if you can do anything for me you will
order a great blessing on my dear little
children (a girl 5 years and a boy 3 years)
Yours respectfully
Thomas Brown

43 years Home, and in "Oregon" my ^{new} residence; and to do a wrong act of any kind, as you justly said. one of our Thursday Evening Prayer meetings "My very Soul alibors" — My ^{sole and} only crime was that for my legal services ^{you} left the San alibors me! "O. tempo o. mores!!!"

Now Brother, I cannot tell you, how much good my sermons, of late, received, through words on Prayer, on Bread, on Sc. Sc. — our Master, in whom we trust and always strive to serve, tell you — "He" soon will Command O.O.H. & O.S.E. his servants to come higher and bring their sheaves with them in the meantime. Set your work watch wait & Pray!! — Amen — Yours

Confidential.

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Office
Portland
Oregon

Aug 14, 1875.

My Dear General,
And Brother in Christ,
Pardon me, please, for this intrusion on your precious time; but your ^{earnest} wise words, uttered at the Bible Class, last Sord's Day, somewhat personal to yourself, started up a host of similar reflections in my own bosom of a personal character about myself — "You could not stop in the masters work", in which you are so actively engaged, and "zealously affected" to explain all the ground less charges and false accusations, babble by Blackheads against you, from time to time; knowing their falsity, and remembering the Great Captain of your Salvation's saying, "If they have persecuted me they will also persecute you"; and "The servant

JUDGE O. S. PHELPS, Portland, Oregon; born at Ludlowville, Tompkins County, New York, January 12, 1816; married, first, Hester Ann Dexter, of Lockport, New York, May 6, 1838, who died at Lewiston, New York, January 26, 1842; married, second, Eliza Rebecca Layton, of Lockport, New York, July 31, 1850; lived ten years in his native valley village, Ludlowville, New York; dwelt 45 years in, at, and about the city of St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada, and has resided now, over six years, in Corvallis and Portland, Oregon; who is the twelfth child of the 17 children of—
2—OLIVER (and Abigail St John, married January 16, 1800) PHELPS; born at Salmon Brook, Granby, Connecticut, December 12, 1779; lived at Austerlitz, Cazenovia, Fabius, Ludlowville, New York; and later, St Catharines, Ontario, Canada. He died at Cayuga, Ontario, Canada, May 4, 1851; who was the third child of the 9 children of—
3—NOAH (and Sarah Adams, married July 12, 1775) PHELPS; born in Granby, Connecticut, August 1, 1754; who died at Austerlitz, Columbia County, New York, June 10, 1795; who was the seventh child of the 10 children of—
4—NOAH (and Mary Tillotson, married in 1742) PHELPS; born at Hebron, Connecticut, November 21, 1729; who was the first child of the 6 children of—
5—NOAH (and Anne Dyer, married October 1, 1717) PHELPS; born at Hebron, Connecticut, January 23, 1694, who was the third child of the 5 children of—
6—TIMOTHY (and Martha Crow, married November 4, 1686) PHELPS; born at Windsor, Connecticut, November 1, 1663; who was the first child of the 12 children of—
7—TIMOTHY (and Mary Griswold, married May 19, 1661) PHELPS; born at Windsor, Connecticut, September 1, 1632; who was the sixth child of the 7 children of—
8—WILLIAM (and Mary Dover, second wife, married in 1628) PHELPS; born probably at, or near, Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire, old England, about the year 1590; married in the FATHERLAND, and emigrated with his first wife and 5 children, and his two unmarried brothers, George and Richard, and sailed from PLYMOUTH, where the "MAYFLOWER, with the 101 Pilgrim Fathers of 1620 waved her last farewell," on the ship "MARY AND JOHN," Capt. Sque, 400 tons burden, 140 passengers, on March 20, 1620, and landed at Hull, Massachusetts, New England on May 30, 1620; lived at Dorchester, Mass., about five years; thence went down to the FOUNDATION of Windsor, Conn., in 1635, where he was a very PROMINENT PERSON, in both Church and State, and where he died, July 14, "buried on the 15th," 1672; and where his wife died, November 27, 1675. — "Blessed are the dead, who die in the Lord."

P.S. I love to think on — "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report." — O. S. Phelps.

Our Master Bless us both, and our Households, always, — Amen — O. S. Phelps.

is not greater than his Lord's —
I, too, like yourself, have been most
shamefully pursued and persecuted
during these six years sojourn
in Portland, Oregon; more
especially, during the last year
and since, by the partiality of
my fellow-Citizens in June,
1874, I was elected a Justice of
the Peace, for Southern Portland
Precinct! — Twice, have my
enemies, persecutors, slanderers,
and conspirators been before
the Grand Jury of Multnomah
County here, and had me
indicted for malfeasance in
office: — The first charge,
Judge E. S. Shattuck, kicked it out
of his Court, by sustaining my
denial; — On the second charge
I went to trial; and the same just
Judge charged the Jury, at the

close of the testimony, from the papers
of the case before him, that, for my
services therein, I was entitled
to receive \$4.20, from Bingham,
the Lawyer, instead of
\$3.50, which I collected
from him, and which the
said, second indictment was
founder, and so, I was honorably
acquitted, though out of pocket
some \$50. for my defence!!

As you will see below,
I am now, nearly, 60 years old;
found my Saviour nearly a
half a century ago, at Sockpot
I. S. in the old Brick Pres. Church,
under the labors of that "Saver
of the Lost" and Minister, that
did His pleasure, now, unhappily
resting in his Cemetery. But,
Chas G. Finney; and since then,
tried, in my own feeble way,
to serve my Lord and Master, as
best I could, both, in "Ontario", my

Fort Vancouver

15th August 1875

To

Brigd. Genl. Howan
Portland.

Sir.

I have the honor ^{to} acknowledge
the receipt of your kind and encour-
aging letter of the 10th inst., and
the manuscript of the 'Syllabus'.

I return you my most
sincere thanks for your kind-
ness, and will mail the manu-
script to Messrs A. S. Barnes & Co.
in a few days.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obed. Servt.

Jas. M. McLary

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15th August 1872

Dear Mr. Holmes

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your kind and most
kind letter of the 10th inst. and
the accompanying of the 'Globe'.
I believe you are very correct
in your remarks for your kind-
ness, and will send the same
receipt to the printer of the 'Globe'.
in a few days.
I have the honor to be
Yours truly
for Mr. Holmes

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Portland August 16th, 1875

To my friend General O O Howard

I feel reluctant to trouble you again with regard to my son but in compliance with an earnest request I received from him last week. I feel it my duty to comply, and if it does not avail, I trust no harm will come in consequence of the effort.

He thinks if you can endorse the enclosed letter I have penned to Hon W W Belknap that he may be released from Prison at the expiration of one years confinement I have received good letters from him since the month of March, and thinks he has become a new man he writes me that he has received a letter from you while in that place for which I thank you very much

I have felt a deep interest in
your family ever since I passed
parts of two summers with them in
Augusto. I frequently look back on
that time with pleasurable thought.
I feel a strong affection for your wife.
She endeared herself to me by her
gentle composedness united with
firmness in all circumstances.

I trust she is still succeeding well
with her growing family, and that the
blessing of God may ever rest on your
household. I am still with my
Sister Mrs. White, we are both rather
feeble this summer, Mr. White is in
usual health. we send love and esteem
to your wife and all the children.

and my friend if you can endorse
the enclosed letter, and forward to
the Hon Wm Belknap Secretary of
War Washington D C I shall be greatly
obliged yours Susan W Jackson



F. A. SEELY,
Manufacturer of
School, Church and Hall
FURNITURE,
Blackboards, Liquid Slating, Etc.

HONESDALE, PA., Aug 17th, 1872

Dear General

I am under the necessity
of looking for employment.

Mr Whittier has kindly recom-
mended for a place in the Indian
Bureau. both to the Prot Epis

Board of Missions for the Red Cloud
Agency, & to the Presbyterian Board
for the Navajo Agency. Gen.
Army being about to resign -

I would be very thankful if
You would give me a letter of
recommendation, so much of my

service in the field was under
Your command. and I was
so long in the Freedmens
Bureau, that I trust you
will not fail to say for
me whatever Your kindness
may dictate. I am not
insensible to the fact that
a word from you will be
of great weight.

Possibly you could suggest
other employment for me on
the Pacific coast.

I have failed in business
and my bread must now
be earned in some way.
Any assistance you can

Remedy me and be graciously
Appreciated.

Very truly Yours

Chas. Luby

Portland August 18th
[1875]

Gen. O. O. Howard U.S.A.
Sir

Having been sick for
4 months and unable to work
I most Respectfully ask your aid
in procuring me a Situation
of some kind as I am without
money or means to procure the
necessaries of life and not having
had any food for 24 hours
for which I would gladly thank
you. I have served in the army
for 7 years and last at Vancouver
hoping that this will meet your just
Consideration

Yours Very Respectfully

Edward T Banta

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