Helena, Oct. 1st, 1875

Gen. O.O. Howard

Dear Sir,

Rev. Dr. Slavin, having heard that you kindly offered us a chance to bury our heads when homeless, ask the Garrison at the Dallas has requested a letter to you to enquire if you would allow him to place his library in one of the rooms and the privilege of occupying it freely and also some place for his horse if the request or your granting it is consistent with your views. If you can do so please adddress Dr. Slavin at the Dallas with your decision and oblige yours truly.

7:3 p.m.
Oct. 6th 1876

Anna, H.

[Handwritten text not legible]
Fort Walla Walla, W.T.
Sunday Oct 1875

10 a.m. The Capt. rests very well nearly all night. Is at present entirely freed of pain but restless on account of continued constraint by lying in same position. Letters arrived by last night's mail. Appetite is not as good today as yesterday. Has just fallen into a sound sleep.

4 P.M. Rests quite easily but is unable to sleep. Will undoubtedly pass a quiet night. Eat me this afternoon and suffers no pain.

St. Bonaventure.

8/9/75
St. Louis Bolt & Iron Co.
Office, Republican Building, Third & Chestnut Streets,

St. Louis, Oct 2, 1875

My dear Emmanuel,

Your letter signed by Col. St. John A.D.C. has come to hand. Dr. E. anxious to see this report, it is possible that my memory may be refreshed sufficiently to give a few essential data. You will remember Emmanuel, that when you assumed command of the 1st Corps into the 11th on the death of Genl. Reynolds, remained with the Corps Staff.

Should I see Emmanuel...
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shortly, I will talk it over with him and we may eliminate some facts while at the moment have escaped my memory.

Trusting you and your family are enjoying this hot weather. Love,

very truly yours,

P. Heemstra

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Portland, Oct. 2, 1878.

Sir,

A course of 15 lectures being contemplated for the benefit of the First Cong'gt Church, we desire to know if you will count to furnish one.

The time proposed is from the third week in October to the middle of December.

Will you favor us with an early reply and name the time most convenient to you?

Very Respectfully Yours,

Mrs. A. F. Anderson
Secretary Ladies Sewing Society.
Chicago Oct 2nd 1876

Portland Oregon

Dear Sir

Will you kindly favor me with your autograph on the enclosed slip? and greatly oblige.

Yours Respectfully

H. S. Vail

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A VALUABLE REPORT ON ALASKA BY GEN. HOWARD.

Gen. Howard has made a very full and valuable report to the War Department upon the condition, wants, and resources of Alaska. It is the most complete paper on that country which has come into the possession of the Government since the purchase. The unfortunate state of the people, owing to a want of all civil government, is set forth at length. The people are virtually outlaws, and there is no protection for life. Gen. Howard represents the mineral resources of the country as very promising, and the supply of valuable timber as unlimited. But no lands can be entered, or mine worked to advantage, and none of the timber can be cut. The decision of ex-Attorney-General Williams that Alaska was an Indian Territory really banished all persons except the military and the Indians, and it became the duty of the Indian Agent, a military officer, to compel all traders to leave the Territory. Gen. Howard urges that a part at least of the machinery of Territorial Government be set up; that a magistrate be appointed in each county; that courts of record be established, and that means be provided for entering lands. He wants the country thrown open to trade, and thinks the Government should extend full protection to the natives. If Congress does not desire to make it a Territory, he advises that it be attached as a county to Washington Territory, so that the jurisdiction of that Territory may be thus extended over Alaska. His report is not favorable to the Alaska Seal Fur Company, and considerable space is devoted to this branch of the subject.

THE LOSS OF THE SARANAC.

It now appears that the United States steamer Saranac was lost on the coast of British Columbia, through a plain violation of the sailing directions of the Coast Survey, which order that the straits where the steamer struck should only be passed at certain conditions of the tide. In spite of this the Saranac attempted to make the passage at the wrong time. The court of inquiry is now in session in regard to the matter at Mare Island, California.
B. said it gave him the greatest pleasure to say something in favor of you, and he would do his utmost with your assistance.
My Dear Sir: Your note addressed to my publishers, bearing upon my account of the battle of Gettysburg, has been received. But scarcely had it been read before I noticed it in the New York Herald. I was intending to have answered your note point by point in a private way, but as you have seen fit to rush it into print with it before I have had the opportunity, my only alternative is to respond the same channel.

There is one assumption which you make that is entirely at variance with the facts. I do not think I have received information from individual officers. But I can assure you that I do not know a single Corps commander or any member of any one of their staffs, nor had I, when the Mass. 54th died, that history was prepared even had a...
word of communication with any one of them upon the subject of the battle. Neither have I ever had any communication with any personal officer with whom these events General Ealy and Kane and with the men had conference upon any matter concerning the management of the battle—only an occasional incident. I did once have a few minutes with Major Henry E. Lee on the field, but only in a casual way and only regarding incidents.

My knowledge of the battle was gained exclusively from official papers and documentary evidence, and a thorough study of the field by frequent visits. You must do me the justice to believe that I have not been influenced by any other human being not having heard a word of conference with one upon the subject of the battle further than an occasional incident.

I can assure you that I entered upon the study of the subject and the writing with no feeling for or against a single soldier who fought.

There, and that nothing would give me greater pain than to be accused that I have done any man a serious injustice, nor is there any who would go further to convict such an error. On the other hand I should despise myself if while claiming to speak impartially, I should shield any from merited reproach.

Very truly, yours,

[Signature]

Samuel P. Bates.


Portland, Oregon.
Spokane Falls, W.T. Oct. 7, 1875

Brig. Gen. C. O. Howard:

Dear Br. Your favor of the 28th Sept. is at hand. Be assured it was far from my thought to ascribe any intention of detriment to our work as the result of my pleasant interview at the Bridge. Only one thoroughly familiar with the state of affairs among us could have anticipated any drawback resulting from the revival of the reservation question. It is only Garry's faith in your influence as a 'great chief' with the authorities at Washington which gives him the impression that his earnest desire for a reservation will be granted. And his ideas of the benefit of a reserve are derived from his observation of matters on the Nez Perces and Umatilla reservations.

No, General, the interview you so kindly arranged for us, was meant for our greatest good, and I shall yet look for much good resulting from it. There is temporary anticipation of much that God will do for the Spokans which they are able, and which they...
relaxation of efforts; but if it is made apparent that some action is necessary in the direction of gathering into narrower bounds these scattered natives, constraining them to remain at home and cultivate their farms, and putting before them some degree of firm authority in government, if these results can be accomplished by what the knowledge you gained during your visit—then the growing conviction which I have been gathering by experience of the necessity of some such arrangement, will have to allow of some temporary disadvantages.

The same mail which brought your letter, brought information also of the exhaustion of the "Civilization fund" and the consequent deficit of fifty dollars on my quarters salary, together with word that there is no provision by the Dept. for the continuation of the service among the Spokanes. I write to Dr. Lindsley by this mail of the matter, and hope something may be done to continue. I hope to depire before the last of this mo.

With sentiments of highest esteem

Yours in Christ

W. T. Conkay
HOWARD UNIVERSITY,
OFFICE OF SECRETARY and TREASURER.

Washington, D. C., Oct 9th, 1875

My Dear Friend,

I did not reply to your letter in the summer as I could not write definitely. The Thespian department is open again. As Dr. Butler expressed it, "it has had a new birth." We offered to leave it when they said they could do nothing to sustain it, so that it would be abandoned. So matters stood. After anxious consideration, believing the work is of God, I concluded to proceed. The Committee agree to provide $500 for its support. All else must be raised. How we shall come out remains to be seen. I want $2000 more for its support. Dr. Butler, Mr. T. R. Rankin, Mr. P. W. Brown are to instruct. I give my whole time to it. (There is some doubt, possibly, about Dr. Rankin's instructing. He wishes to if he possibly can.) I ought to be here constantly, but will have to make some effort for money. We have seventeen students—a larger number than at this time last year, which I think remarkable. Considering the uncertainties of the summer, 

#火花 the amanuensis also, give $250.
My correspondence indicates the number will be very much increased. The Law Department has run down to two—probably a third we will see. Prof. Bascom and Mr. Cook are the instructors. Mr. Bascom's salary is paid for and by the College and Law Department. Mr. Cook depends on tuition fees for what he receives. The colored people are well satisfied with the institution and the course of its affairs. It is in a far better condition internally than it has been.

How cannot you write some of your friends to aid me. Would not Mr. Field or some other to whom you have before appealed, send some funds to the Treasurer for this department? I need help from all the friends of the special work of this department. If, as you see, we are not big enough in any human purposes—must we go to the Lord? The last of next month. Can you introduce me to any who would help? Put your letter direct to some who would help. I am glad to learn of your joys over your two sons brought into the Church. My two children made profession of their faith last May. I think the indications here are favorable in very many of our churches. How really one hand needs a visitation of divine grace—shall we not join in witness? My very kind regards to Mr. Howard. Let me hear from you. As ever Yours,

Lunzor Westcott
Fort Walla Walla, Oct. 12th, 1876

To Mrs. O. O. Howard.
Portland, Oregon.

Sladen fractured his leg, not dangerous. Send his wife and baby with an officer. See that she has money and pass. He fears to frighten her.

(Signed) O. O. Howard.

35 pd 70¢
Fort Reno Oct 12 1873

General

I am in much doubt on private affairs but wish to understand from Col. Recool that an application for leave will probably not be acted upon until Mr. Pink's case is disposed of. It appears the War Dept has ordered Mr. Pink to go or remain at one post or another whether any leave will be granted. I am in a quandary as to which to advise you to select. Would you object informing the War Dept by telegraph that you cannot furnish
An Officer among Wounded had & not wishes that God and Wishing partly
An Officer & differed &
and for a comment

was such a suggestion
& and care人類 to
get away some time

in November or before
Winter sets in too soon

Very Respectfully

Capt. A. J. Safford

To: Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard

7th Dep. Colossus

Portland, O.
Fort Monroe, Ala.
Oct. 12, 1878.

Dear Sir:

I feel this attack by the other side you may have from us, and be assured that though it maintains its quiet dignity —

The one among 350 miners have awaiting passage below, but they are as great as and orderly as a like number of
Dear Sir,

I am close to leaving for the San Francisco area to start my new occupation. I have been a miner in the area, and I am quite familiar with the local customs and practices.

The weather is nice here, and I have been busy with various tasks. I am writing to let you know that I have heard from the miners, and they are doing well.

The other miners have also left for the California gold fields. I hope to join them soon.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

The O’Toole Mining Co.
Fort Wallawalla W. T.
15th Oct., 1875

General Howard:
for Col. Gladie.


4 P.M. Capt. eating naturally & soundly for past two hours.

St. Benoit
My dear Son, Ohio.

I am very happy to tell you that Grace's letter of Sept. 27th was duly received, for which I thank her very much, and her brother sometime since with the drawing of the house which you occupy, it is very gratifying to me to have some idea of the house you occupy, and I am, you don't know how much, gratified when you drop me a few lines, or send me one of your lectures, or a paper containing a synopsis of your addresses, &c. I know that your heart is yet warm in a good cause.

I am glad George and Chancy have been enabled to fix their hearts on the Saviour, and to acknowledge that heart felt cry before the world. I hope they will dwell daily communion with their Saviour, and seek her help to resist temptations that will wound...
the cause they have loved and worked for. They truly, and heartily, ask his help, it will be easy to withstand temptation. Jesus will direct their consciences.

He has gone to Maine to be gone about a month. He is probably with his family to stay and fix their plans for the winter. I preach at Tannington tomorrow, the 17th, he is to attend a convention in the state of New York, and the 19th of November the Congregational Association is in Connecticut. After that time he will probably be in Chicago again unless Charles makes some other plan.

We have had meeting of the American Board of Missions in Chicago. It is like a big army of leading men in Christ's Kingdom, and I trust from the death of Charles Knapp, aged 81 years, Leeds, I have just received a long letter from Kelvin, he is in about the same circumstances as when I left him in April. His wife has an illness.