San Francisco, Cal.
Feb. 1st, 1876

My dear friend,

Last week I wrote to you to ask the library of our paper, I believe, for a copy of a paper reflecting upon you about Alaska affairs. How again this article from the same paper came to hand you that I no longer had nothing that I sympathize with you. I believe no. I think there was no that the "Alta California" would sustain the Alaska Commercial Co. In respect to such mean arguments for the new purposes of defending the Alaska Commercial Co. And now, Friend, to show you that I sympathize with you, I can furnish proof at any time. I now am called upon to show that the Alaska Commercial Co. here furnishes (interpreting reasons) to the...
(alluring, not the Rufus-ans) I made them drunk — This of course you can use if you desire — I can prove it — And now, Samuel, about another thing — about a month ago my brother received a letter from you of Master asking what he would carry Government freight for from San Francisco to St.etta — he gave the information but although my brother was awarded the contract about November a December 1875 you and the Division Commander altered no written contract, but kindly wrote a proposition from your brother — Last month a letter was received from the Master at Portion asking what we would carry the freight from San Francisco to St.etta for this was answered but nothing further has been heard from the Alaska Commercial Company is said to the masters and known to the natives of the lead.

Islands, I can prove that one of the natives came to San Francisco on one of the Company’s ships about two years ago, and the Company would never take that poor fellow back to the Islands — As to the 11 of Fur seals, I think a careful examination at the Custom House in New York would give some light on the number of seals shipped —

Respectfully yours,

J. Shipton
Personal

Headquarters Department of California,

San Francisco. July 15, 1876

Fred O. O. Howard

Dear Fred,

I have just seen the mother of the wife of Luci Garvey,
1st Caic (at 7 Calville) and
drop upon their line to explain Mrs. Garvey's condition. Mrs. Garvey
is not nearly as well as when she came here
last spring, an ovarian
tumor has developed.
itself and she is now con-
fined to her room and
will probably know it
leading an operation from
which hardly more than
half recover, and it
is for that reason one
of those periods in life
when death itself is almost
more tolerable than separation
from his wife—Frad
Schofield showed me
guarantee on this
outfit and I only write
to inform you more
fully and to ask that
the order for lot 4
may be issued at as
early a day as possible.
His assistance in taking
Can of his wife is almost
indispensable it gives her
a prospect of recovery.
will you kindly take
this matter to heart.

Bennett

[Signature]
328 Washington St. Boston Feb. 15th 1876

Gentleman U.S. Harvard U.S.A.

Portland Oregon

Dear Gentleman

I was enclosing Mr. Mitchell's letter just received. I have had rather an extensive correspondence with Mr. Ellulce on Alaska matters, he has made no reference to his letter to me. I guess he is ashamed of it. I am confident Mr. Mitchell's writings for the Atlantic will be well received and appreciated. The paper reports Governor Kilpatrick doing the same for a New York monthly, recounting up the battles in which he was engaged during the war. I am told the Count de Paris' book is having an extensive sale.

Alaska is now fairly before the country, exciting considerable interest, and good will result from the agitation of the question. Your report will have much to do in this work. The Secretary of War calls special attention to that part recommending a government as the treaty with Russia plainly contemplated, as ends to that effect.

With regards to all Dear Mr. Smith,

Foster Famps
Feb 26, 74

Gen. O. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

My dear Sir:

Enveloped please find an extract from Phila Bull Jan 31, and which has probably escaped your notice.

God bless you General Howard.

God bless our country and those who have made her free.

That he will be pleased to grant you a long, useful & happy life is the humble, yet sincere prayer of one who remains in great haste.

Yours, Very Respt.

[Signature]
Portland, Oregon,
Feb 2nd 1870.

Gen' Howard!

Dear Sir: I desire to thank you for calling me to lead in prayer last night. I felt rebuked at the time, knowing that my voice had never been heard giving thanks to Him whom I pretend to address. My prayer in secret has ever been an unuttered expression of praise. I have felt reluctant about trying before an audience, not having the spirit of prayer in my heart and fearing that I might indulge in the cant expressions of others; but I owe my apology to God. Remember me in your prayers, please.

Yours Obediently,

Will B. Cowen.
San Francisco, Cal.
3rd Feb'y 94.

Mr. O. D. Humphreys,

Mr. and Mrs. Humphreys,

My Dear Sirs,

I venture to write you to ask if there is any business of my kind in your district that I could engage in to get a start. If you remember when you saw me I was in the Army Pay Office under Pay Inspector Goddard. Since the departure of Paymaster, Pay Inspector Goddard has been relieved, and I have been out of employment ever since. I have tried speculation in security stocks, but have not been fortunate because I did not have money enough to operate on in my frame to have anything endured to get started. I made bold to write this in the hopes that you may know of some thing that I could do in that vicinity to earn a living for the present. I would be willing to take a clerical job if one will earn all I get. It seems extremely necessary.
To assure you that I was not one of the Prince-unknown-rings, that I was not complicated in any way.

If you know of a first cousin, Frank, or any of the others, in your office, whom a change might be desired, I believe I could become the applicant through Endol

Berkunck & P.H.C. I know Endol Berkunck personally & he was offered me the choice of several positions as in January -

I have written Endol lately in this subject.

Your P.H.C. joins me in remembrances

Wiltzimde Rinnich
Your farthest
Kathrin L. Fox.

P.S. 14-195.

Please answer soon.

With a kinder accept, I trust commend
The capital necessary to carry on the business.
Dear Sir

I mail you a wash plate of the date with an article of your c A. T. ST. 9. C. if there has been anything published in your paper, reflecting on the maker. Will you have this article reprinted all will have others.

Fred B. Allston
San Francisco, Cal.
Feb. 4, 1876.

Dear General,

Until now I have been sending you copies of papers that you felt now share the
pleasure of sending you one of the " Examiner" of yesterday, that contains
a reply to the "Alta" I am editorial.
The "Anti-Monopol" Association are fighting hard; but we are afraid Mr. Hutchinson
who resides in Washington City

is too magnificent for his

has too much hard substantial
reasons why Alaska should not have a Civil form of Government

Why the should own the entire territory of Alaska

Respectfully,
J. Shipper
Gentlemens:

Your favor of the 25th

I have received and in reply will say that I have been trying to dispose of your land but have been unable to find a purchaser at the price you fixed. The land is selling in the vicinity of your farm, from $5 to $10 per acre, giving to the holder 25 years from today on one third of the stock. I may be able to find a purchaser this spring on the terms mentioned. If you think it will justify you to take that price.

Yours truly,

D. H. Wheeler
Add by Geo. H.  
Feb. 23. 76
Hague, Ontario, Canada,
Feb. 7, 1876.

Bap. Gen. O. C. Howard
Commander U.S. Forces
Oregon,

General:

Pursuant to the request made by Dr. A. W. Biscoe, who is desirous of receiving a certificate of employment, &c., which he has the pleasure of forwarding with this letter, I have the honor to submit the following:—

I am, etc.,

[Signature]

[Address]
...
Morganton N.C.  
Feb 7th, 1876.  

My Dear General 

Writhe you 
be kind enough to 

honor we with a 

photograph of yourself.  
I desire it for a select 

photographic album 

of my officers. 

With great esteem, 

your truly, 

H. Green 

Capt. 2nd Artillery 

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

Portland 

Oregon
Portland Feb 3 the 76

Gen. O.O. Howard

Sir,

My object in writing this is to let you know the unfortunate condition of a discharged soldier named Wallace who up to about a week ago was in the Hospital at Vancouver under treatment for heart disease. I met him this morning on Front St. and he told me that he had no place to sleep for several nights and had nothing to eat for over thirty hours. He tried to get into some of the Hospitals in the City, but they would not admit him. He is an object of charity and I sincerely hope you will do something for him. Yours respectfully,

Henry Dickerson late of Co. E 31st Inf.
Gen. O. O. Howard

Dr.

By this letter and you will see that I find your name on the list and your order is honored and awaiting your one by this mail.

As you did not know the conditions and should you not approve of the instrument if you will drop me a line it shall be returned at my expense. I hope you will like it. The true hundred silver plated one I mentioned the front page of circulars is indeed a future one.

Should you like the one I send you I will at your request send the silver-plated one to examine.

I am Most Truly

B. F. Rausch

My right arm was amputated by a rebel surgeon in Rebel prison in 1864.

B.F.R.
Corydon, Wayne Co., Iowa,  

1876,

Mr. O. Howard 

Dear Sir:

I this day send you by mail, at my expense, one Combined Table Knife and Fork. The following is an exact copy of the request and agreement signed by you.

COPY

B. T. RAISOR.—You may send me, by mail at your expense, a one-armed man's combined table knife and fork. I agree to receive it, and try it, and if it proves satisfactory I will send you $2.00 by P. O. order, registered letter, or draft, at the expiration of 20 days from the day I receive it. If it does not give satisfaction, I agree to return it to you by mail, registered, within ten days from the day I receive it.

Mr. recommended you as a gentleman who would comply promptly and strictly with the above agreement. I send copy so that you may know just what the agreement was. By referring to it you will see that if the instrument suits you, you are to send me $2.00 by P. O. order, registered letter, or draft, at the expiration of 20 days. It is not safe to send money in a common letter, and if you send it in that way, you do it at your own risk. If you do not wish to keep it, you are to return it to me by mail, registered, within ten days. Should it not meet with your approbation, and you conclude to return it, I desire that you comply strictly with the agreement, and return it within the ten days, and in accordance with the agreement; that is, by mail, registered. By so doing you get a receipt showing that you did actually return it; and on the other hand, I will know to a certainty by whom it was returned. There has been but few returned, and in almost every case it has been where parties met with disappointment in money matters, and felt as if they could not spare the money at that time. Therefore, I will say that, if from any cause you at this time are short of funds and desire an extension of time, you can drop me a card and I will extend the time of payment 30 days. I do not, by any means, want a scarcity of funds to prevent any one-armed man from having one of these useful instruments. Since you have ten days in which to try it, I desire that you give it a fair trial. The more you use it the better, I am sure, you will like it. Please sign and fill up the enclosed postal card receipt, and mail the same to me. The knife may possibly need sharpening. If it does not reach you within four days from the day you receive this, please notify me. I give 20 days, but if you can remit before that time I shall regard it as a favor to me.

Now, in regard to price; $2.00 would be too high a price for such an instrument, provided it were possible to have them put on the market in the regular way; but the one-armed men are so few and so widely separated, that the method I have adopted is the only successful one to reach every one-armed man. And to place it before every one-armed man on trial is an expensive business; the printing, envelopes, cards, stamps, &c., used in getting the names and P. O. address of every one-armed man, and the printing, circulars, cards, envelopes, and stamps used in supplying every such person with circular and order, added to the cost of the instrument and stamps, envelopes, cards, &c., used in sending them to be ordered, all cost me so much that I was obliged to sell them for $2.00, which is a two State charge. I operated them and I have met with good success, and have been able to supply $2.00 each to every man and hoping that you will do the same.

B. T. RAISOR.
San Francisco  
February 8/76

Dear General,

Your esteemed favor of January 28th came to hand today & the check in closed therein, to say, $125 50 has been duly endorsed on your note of which please accept thanks. I am very sorry that Captain Slade has to endure another operation, but painful as what he has undergone may have been, it is unfortunate as has been his lot, from what Captain Wilkins write me, he has been a great
New York, 62 Bible House,
Oct. 9, 1876.

Major Gen. O.O. Howard:

Dear Bro.

Yours of the 14th nght. came duly.

I am much pleased with its contents. In my judgment, it covers the whole ground & entirely supersedes the necessity of any thing further from me. I will present it to the Directors via Mr. F., at a virtual request upon the service we (asked you to perform) at our family meeting. May "let us have peace" all around.

Pet.
Donally, I want to thank you for what you have done; I have no doubt the directors will feel like doing the same.

Cordially yours,

H. D. Butterfield

[Stamp: Received Feb 25, 1876]
NOTICE OF PROTEST.

$1000#.

PORTLAND, OREGON. Feb 9, 1876

A Promissory Note for One Thousand Dollars,
dated November 9, 1875, payable Ninety days after date.
to James D. Gordon, signed by Hattie Burr,
endorsed by James D. Gordon, B. H. Holaday and yourself,
having been duly presented for payment this day, and payment refused, has been protested by me for non-payment. I now hereby give you notice that the holder looks to you for payment, interest, cost and damages.

(Handwritten signature)
Notary Public.

To O.O. Howard

Portland, Or.
Dear Sir,

Jones of even date received
the receipt in the hands of Mr. Gallup
in personal property held as
collateral security and I think
no authorization from me is
necessary to enable him to use
it for the purpose contemplated in
depositing it with him.

Yours Truly

Platte Burr