

328 Washington Street
Boston February 10th 76
Greetings. Yours of January
26th, received yesterday.
Nothing new -

With regards

Love

Yours truly

S. Forster Tappan

File

1876
F.O.O.
WRITE THE
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Gene

Order



Department of the Interior.

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Washington, February, 10. 1876.

Sir:

Your letter of the 19th ultimo, recommending the appointment of Jas. A. Hayden to a position of some importance has been received and placed on file with other papers of a similar import, for consideration when such a vacancy may occur.

Very respectfully
Your obed^t. serv^t.

E. Chandler

Secretary.

Genl. O. O. Howard,

Portland, Oregon.

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War Department,
Quartermaster General's Office,

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Washington, D. C. February 10, 1876.

Brig. Genl. O. O. Howard
U. S. Army.
Portland, Oregon.

General:

In reply to your letter of the 15th ultimo, asking information in reference to claim of M^r Francis A. Effinger, formerly of Marion Junction, Alabama, for Horses & Mules, alleged to have been taken by "General Andrews," you are informed that the records of this Office do not show any claim filed by, or in behalf of, said M^r Effinger.

By Order of the Actg. Qu^{rs} Mas^r General.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

J. D. Bingham

Deputy Quartermaster Genl.

1293. Q. M. G. O. 1876.

State Department

Quartermaster General's Office

Washington, D. C.

Prof. B. C. C. C.

W. D. C.

Quartermaster, Captain

General

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th inst. asking information in reference to claim of Mr. Principal's family of Maine Junction, Maine, for losses & claims alleged to have been taken by General Jackson; you are informed that the records of this office do not show any claim filed by, or in behalf of, said Mr. Principal. By order of the Chief of the Bureau I have respectfully referred your inquiry to the Adjutant General's Office.

Very respectfully,
1862

Fort Vancouver
July 11. '76

Dear Gene

Mr Wood handed
me your note. We will
be very happy to take
care of you during
your stay. I will
be at the boat on
its arrival Saturday
evening as I suppose
that is the time you
intend to arrive.

Yours truly
Alf Sully



62 Bible House

Feb 11th 1876

Genl. O. O. Howard

My Dear Sir,

My journey
from home & toward this
miserable business in which
I am to be engaged was dis-
piriting my. I know you
will in your kindness concei-
ve this when disposed to crit-
icise my letter as querulous.

Your reply to my note left
on your table reached here
just as I did. & shows that
my fears as to the effect of
your letter were unfounded.

Besides Dr. Buttfield seems
satisfied with what you note
& to have received no prejudice.

now should rest. Let us have
peace. As I am not the
attacking party it does not be-
come me perhaps to say so - how-
ever, I hope I shall not be dis-
turbed any more at least while
away from Br. - I am burden-
ed with all that I can bear
here.

The Times are crushing.
if I had not already done
something should say that
nothing could be done.

I am moving ahead all
the time into the blackness
of darkness - can't see a foot-
length ahead - but I can
move & am thankful.

very truly yours
W. H. Clark

Portland Ore
Feb 12th 1875

General Howard

Dear Sir

I have
given you as Reference To
Mr Korne the gentlemen
who I wish to get Employm
ent from I have been working
at Messers Fabre & Barnes But
the wages was so small that
it would not take care of
me & my family Mr Korne will
give living wages if I can
satisfy him of my Character
you will do me a great
favor if you will give him
as good a recomend of me as you
can consistently if you will
Remember I called On you

about 11 week ago with My
discharge with ~~good~~ Character
good. Hope you will do what
you can for me & Oblige
yourself

Servt &c
W. S. Seyer

Ans. verbatim by
Am H



Ans. by Genl
St. Mark 29/6

Personal

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Prudis. H. Cal.

February 17th 1876 -

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My dear General

It can hardly be expected, from the length of time that has elapsed since I last had the honor of your recognition officially & socially, that you will be able, readily, to place me in your remembrance - and to aid you in your personal recollections, I beg to state that I had the honor & pleasure of serving under your command in the Eleventh Corps up to & a short time subsequently to the battle of Gettysburg - being then in command of Battery "G" 4th Artillery - and for services in which a brevet was accorded to me upon your recommendation -

With this introduction, I beg to state the object of the present communication -

From information I have received, it is reasonably within the range of possibilities, that one of the companies

now garrisoning the posts at the mouth of the Columbia
will be relieved this year - In the proposed changes of
stations for companies of my Regiment which it is presumed
will take place next June or July, I am certain of the
next detail for Sitka with my company -

I most humbly request the favor at your hands,
if perfectly agreeable to your judgment & wishes, to
suggest upon favorable opportunity, to the General Commanding
the Division, that my Company may be designated to relieve
either of these garrisons, whenever the contingency, referred
to in ~~the~~ part of this letter may occur - in trustful confidence
that any suggestion or recommendation of yours to the
General Commanding Division of the Pacific will accomplish
any desired object -

If no changes are to be made with companies
at Fort Stevens & Canby this year, then I have no
occasion to trouble you further & remain

My dear General, with great respect

Your obliged servant

Ed Barcroft

Capt & Adj - Comd Co "A"

Major General

Olivier O. Howard USA -

Commanding Department of Columbia
Portland

Oregon

Wangel Feb 17/75
Dear General

It has been suggested to me that Congress may abolish the office of Chaplain, & attach to it some conditions which a proud man may be unwilling to comply with. If either of these contingencies should arise, I beg of you to order me from Alaska, that when I leave the Service, I may be so much nearer home. A sense of duty will compel me to bear, without complaining, a reduction of pay. If I were only after money I could get more pay than I now do, in civil life, but I feel that my work is in the Army & desire to remain, but if legislated out I do not wish to spend all my small savings I get by to the Eastern States or



Am by Sea 44-
 Nov 9.76

The voyage has been very stormy
but as, in addition to my other
duties, I have been preparing a course
of 'Centennial Talk' for the Soldiers, my
time has passed pleasantly.

With grateful recollections of your
kindness

Yours truly

H. Collins

P.S. My present thought is to remain up
here a year without asking to be re-
lieved. Unless there is a vacancy
at Vancouver, or in the contingency
arises to allow

H.C.



Wm. by Gen. H.
Feb. 23. 76

The Dalles. Or
Feb. 17. 1876
Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Brother.

I have been wondering what could be done for this people, and have come to the conclusion that possibly yourself, Capt Wilkinson, one or both, could lend us a lift in the Lord's work. There is an interest here that amounts to good congregations, willingness to converse on religion, but, goes no farther. It is an unfledged interest, and a

few of us have thought per-
haps a stranger hand may
drive them from their nests.

Can you or the Leaph^m or both
of you come up the latter
part of next week, or the
beginning of the week after?

Please let me hear from you.

Kind regards to friends at H. V. A. S.

Excuse my boldness in making
the request, or rather lay it at
the door of your uniform kind
interest in the church & pastor
at The Dalles.

Respectfully Yours
W. R. Butcher.

T. T. I.

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—OF THE—

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A. P. MINEAR, President, } San Francisco.
WM. WILLIS, Secretary, }

PLATTE BURR, Gen'l Supt.
Portland.

Wash.^a 18, 1876.

Received at Portland Feb 18. 1876 4 1/2 M.

To Capt Jos Sladen

Care Gen. O. O. Howard

Portland.

Waiting anxiously for
your return of Wolford
Shelburny release. Answer
John St. Croix.

10th paid 100

Please Answer by this Line.

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Release sent & forwarded
last Tuesday, all well.

Atlantic & Pacific Telegraph Company

The rates of this Company remain that all messages received by transmission shall be written on the message
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by the several of the following messages.
A. P. MEXICO, President, San Francisco.
W. W. WILSON, Secretary.

Received at Portland Feb 18. 1876
No. 18. 1876
Cable sent to O. Howard
Portland

Waiting answers for
your return of Portland
Shipping release through
John A. Cook

10th Jan 1876

cc

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT

PORTLAND, OREGON FEBRUARY

[19, 1876]

TO

HON. E. B. FRENCH,

SECOND AUDITOR, U. S. TREASURY.

SIR:--

YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY 15TH, 1876 -PROBABLY PREPARED BY J. M. S. AS HIS INITIALS APPEAR IN THE LEFT HAND CORNER OF THE FIRST PAGE- IS JUST RECEIVED WITH AN ACCOMPANYING LIST OF CASES.

THE SECOND AND THIRD ON THE LIST PERTAIN TO MY DISBURSEMENTS AS AP- PEAR FROM THE DATE, VIZ; JANUARY 1872, OF THESE I WILL RENDER AN EXPLANA- TION IN A SEPARATE LETTER OF THIS DATE.

ALL THE OTHER CASES ARE ANSWERED BY MY LETTER TO YOURSELF OF NOVEN- BER 17TH, 1875.

1ST. I REMARK THAT NOT ONE OF THOSE NUMEROUS CASES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE TWO JUST NAMED WERE SETTLED BY ME.

I WAS NOT AT THE TIME THE RECOGNIZED DISBURSING OFFICER, AS IS KNOWN AND ADMITTED BY ALL HANDS.

THEREFORE I ENTREAT YOU AS A MAN, A GENTLEMAN, AND A CONSCIENTIOUS PUBLIC OFFICIAL, TO DIRECT "J. M. S." AND OTHER ASSISTANTS AND CLERKS TO ME THE SIMPLE JUSTICE OF STATING MY ACCOUNTS, AND THOSE OF GENERAL GEO. W. BALLOCH LATE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER OF THE FREEDMENS BUREAU, SEPAR- ATELY.

I KNOW IT IS NOT INTENDED BY YOURSELF, BUT THERE IS A REFINED CRUEL

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT

PORTLAND, OREGON, FEBRUARY 1918

HON. E. B. FRENCH

SECOND AUDITOR, U. S. TREASURY

SIR:--

YOUR LETTER OF JANUARY 18TH, 1918 - PROBABLY PREPARED BY J. V. S. AS HIS INITIALS APPEAR IN THE LEFT HAND CORNER OF THE FIRST PAGE - IS JUST RECEIVED WITH AN ACCOMPANYING LIST OF CASES. THE SECOND AND THIRD ON THE LIST PERTAIN TO MY DISBURSEMENTS AS AP- PARS FROM THE DATE, VIZ: JANUARY 18TH, 1918, OF THESE I WILL RENDER AN EXPLAN- TION IN A SEPARATE LETTER OF THIS DATE.

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IN THE EXPRESSION, AT THE HEAD OF YOUR LIST "THE VOUCHERS FILED BY HIM, OR HIS CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER" WHEN IT APPEARS, AND IS WELL KNOWN TO YOUR OFFICE, THAT BUT TWO CASES, EASY OF ADJUSTMENT, APPERTAIN TO "HIM."

THAT IS MYSELF, AND ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN-115-TO "CHIEF DISBURSING OF- FICER"

2ND. THE WHOLE TENOR OF YOUR COMMUNICATION BEING BASED UPON WHAT APPEARS TO ME TO BE THE UTTERLY ABSURD HYPOTHESIS, THAT I AM TO BE HELD PECUNI- ARILY ACCOUNTABLE FOR ALL THE DISBURSEMENTS OF AN OFFICER WHO WAS DEALT WITH FOR YEARS, AS THE LEGAL AND RESPONSIBLE DISBURSING OFFICER, AND SO RECOGNIZED BY ALL DEPARTMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT, YOUR OWN OFFICE INCLUDED, RENDERS IT UNNECESSARY FOR ME TO MAKE ANY DETAILED STATEMENT, EVEN IF I COULD DO SO WITH REGARD TO THE SPECIFIC ALLEGATIONS AND CHARGES AGAINST ME.

3RD. BUT LEST I OMIT AN IOTA OF DUTY I BEG LEAVE TO INFORM YOU THAT GEN- ERAL GEO. W. BALLOCH RESIDING IN WASHINGTON, D. C. HAS ALL THE RETAINED PAPERS IN THE 115 CASES AT ISSUE OR HAD WHEN I LEFT WASHINGTON, AND HE IS ABUN- DANTLY ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF HIS OWN AFFAIRS.

ALL THE AUTHORITY I EVER HAD OVER HIM AFTER HIS DISCHARGE FROM THE SERVICE IS TRANSFERRED TO MY SUCCESSORS IN LAW, WHOEVER THEY MAY BE.

4TH. I AGAIN SOLEMNLY PROTEST, IN THE NAME OF JUSTICE, AGAINST THE COURSE PURSUED BY THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS OF THE WAR DEPARTMENT, AND OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, WITH REGARD TO MYSELF.

FIRST BY A CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE, AND THEN BY A LARGE COURT OF IN- QUIRY, COMPOSED OF DISTINGUISHED ARMY OFFICERS, THE SUBJECT OF OFFICIAL

AND PERSONAL ACCOUNTABILITY, EVEN TO INCLUDE TECHNICALITIES, HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY PROBED AND SET FORTH, TO MY COMPLETE AND HONORABLE VINDICATION.

SINCE THEN, AND NOW THE WAR AND TREASURY DEPARTMENTS ASSUME AND ACT UPON A THEORY THE DIRECT REVERSE.

AND I AM PROCEEDED AGAINST EVEN WHERE THE GOVERNMENT HAS SUFFERED NO LOSS, AND WHERE IT IS VERY DOUBTFUL WHETHER THE CLAIMANTS THEMSELVES, IN MANY CASES, HAVE SUFFERED LOSS, AND WHERE IT IS PLAIN AS THE DAYLIGHT, IF THERE WERE LOSS BY THE GOVERNMENT OR CLAIMANTS, THAT OTHER MEN OF CLEAR AND RECOGNIZED RESPONSIBILITY, AND NOT MYSELF ARE PECUNIARLY ACCOUNTABLE.

I UNDERSTAND THE INGENIOUS SMARTNESS OF CERTAIN WELL KNOWN OFFICIALS WHO HAVE MADE UP THEIR MINDS TO JUSTIFY A COURSE OF CRUELTY AND PERSECUTION, BY THE SIMPLE METHOD OF UNRELENTING PURSUIT.

MY PROPERTY HAS BEEN ENCUMBERED, MY INDEBTEDNESS SO INCREASED AS TO BE ALMOST BEYOND MY POWER OF SETTLEMENT, MY FAMILY KEPT UPON THE MOST MEAGRE SUPPLIES, THAT I MAY PAY COUNSEL.

ALL THIS I FEEL IS OCCASIONED BY THE CRUEL OFFICIAL ATTITUDE ASSUMED BY MY GOVERNMENT TOWARD ME.

THIS HOWEVER WEIGHS VERY LITTLE WITH ME.

THE GOVERNMENT IS WELCOME, IF THAT BE NECESSARY, TO EVERY DOLLAR OF PROPERTY I HAVE IN THIS WORLD, AS IT HAS BEEN TO EVERY DROP OF BLOOD IN MY VEINS.

BUT IT IS NOT WELCOME TO TARNISH MY REPUTATION, TO EXPOSE ME TO THE SNEERS, CAVILS AND SNAKY INNUENDOS OF BAD MEN, AND TO CLASS ME WITH THE NOTORIOUS CRIMINALS OF THIS FRUITFUL AGE.

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AND PERSONAL ACCOUNTABILITY, EVEN TO INCLUDE TECHNICALITIES, HAS BEEN THE

REMOVALS AND OTHERS WILL BE MY GREAT FREQUENT, MY TIME WILL COME AND SOONER
TO MY BUSY COMPATIBLY WILL STOP TO ENQUIRE INTO THE MERITS OF
QUESTIONS AND I FEAR NOT THE FINAL ISSUE.
DO NOT THINK YOU CAN AFFORD TO BE ON THE WRONG SIDE.

VERY RESPECTFULLY,

YOUR OBLIGED SERVANT,

SIGNED O. O. HOWARD

BRIGADIER GENERAL

IT IS NOT WELCOME TO CLOUD MY SPIRIT, AND EMBITTER MY EXISTENCE IN
A WAY THAT MAY EFFECTUALLY CRIPPLE MY USEFULNESS, AND HINDER THE GOOD I
MIGHT DO AMONG MEN.

I ASK NO PERSONAL FAVOR OF ANY OFFICIAL IN EXISTENCE, BUT I PUT MY
PROTEST ON RECORD AGAINST ALL THIS MISERABLE PERSISTENCY IN PUTTING ME
IN A FALSE LIGHT AND KEEPING ME THERE, BY THE STUDIED INCENUITY OF TECH-
NICAL RULINGS.

NOW MR. FRENCH, YOU HAVE BEEN A MANLY OFFICER OF UNSULLIED REPUTATION
RISE IN THE STRENGTH OF YOUR MANHOOD, AND JUDGE BETWEEN ME, AND THE
UNRELENTING PURSUIT.

DO NOT INSTITUTE SUITS AT LAW ANY FURTHER UNTIL THE PRIMARY QUES-
TION SHALL BE SETTLED; THAT IS, AS TO WHETHER THE HEAD OF A BUREAU IS RE-
SPONSIBLE PECUNIARILY, RESPONSIBLE IN HIS PERSONAL PROPERTY AND ESTATE,
FOR THE DEFICIENCY IN THE ACCOUNTS OF A DISBURSING OFFICER OF THAT BU-
REAU WHO IS RECOGNIZED BY ALL THE DEPARTMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT AS THE
ACCOUNTABLE OFFICER, AND WHO FOR FIVE YEARS WITHOUT QUESTION FROM ANY
SOURCE ACTS IN THAT INDEPENDENT CAPACITY.

I APPEAL TO YOU NOT AS A SUPPLIANT, NOT AS ASKING FAVORS, NOT AS EX-
PECTING MERCY, BUT IN THE NAME OF THAT JUSTICE THAT WILL SURELY PREVAIL
AGAINST THOSE WHO ARE NOW SUCCESSFULLY PLANNING AND EXECUTING AGAINST
ME A GREAT WRONG.

OFFICERS OF THE ARMY WHO UNCOVERED THEIR BREASTS TO THE STORM AND
STOOD THE SHOCK THAT CITIZENS MIGHT LIVE AND MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR AC-
COUNTS TO BE SETTLED AT WASHINGTON AT ALL, ARE DROPPING DOWN, AND CLOSING

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VERY RESPECTFULLY,

YOUR OBEIENT SERVANT.

SIGNED O. O. HOWARD.

BRIGADIER GENERAL.

100- Feb 21, 1876

OFFICE INDIANA DEPARTMENT

Security Life Insurance and Annuity Co.

OF NEW YORK,

No. 95 EAST WASHINGTON STREET,

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

W. Howard

Portland Oregon

The Premium on your Policy, No. 12,20, will
be due on the 21 day of Feb 1876
Cash Payment, - - \$49.60
Interest on loans outstanding, - -

Total cash payment, - - - \$

Send as usual

Yours truly,

J. E. SPRINGER,

Manager for Indiana, Kentucky and Central Illinois.

NOTE.—Should you change your Residence please notify me at once.
(OVER.)

NOTICE TO POLICY HOLDERS. *The agreement is mutual (See Application and Policy), that, unless the Premium is paid on or before the day it becomes due, the policy is forfeited and void. Agents are not authorized to make, alter or discharge contracts, or waive forfeitures. Payments of Premiums to Agents are not valid, unless receipts be given, signed by the President, Vice-President, Secretary, or Assistant Secretary. When receipts are sent to Agents for delivery, such Agents shall countersign the same, as evidence of payment to them. All Premiums are due and payable at the office in New York. For the convenience of the insured, they may be made to an Agent, but only upon the production of the receipt above specified.*

(OVER.)

by Gen H—
23,76

will seem to almost any thing I
sincerely believe. - No effort was ever made
with any prosecuting authority
to prevent whiskey smuggling and selling
as far as I can find out; - especially
agents were made frequently. - I have
and have been very late, the so called
city government spoken of was a farce
a well arranged system of extortion for
for miserable political business
line on. - In the present aspect of affairs
I can do nothing; giving no license
as Indian Agent, and not objecting to a
trade other than in liquor & kindred articles
and molasses. - The greatest harm you
can do upon this country would be to induce
the President to embargo the introduction
molasses & heavy sugar except on special
permit. - He clearly has the power, because
he has erected Alaska and Siberia into an
under the law. - I wish you would try
induce Genl. S. by telegraph to send another 4th
- can have; Lt Dyer goes by this steamer, according
instructions from Genl. S. En route to Ft. Mendenhall
Lundeen will by the next steamer receive a detail
as professor at a College, and Lt Duman
cripple; his leg getting well very slowly. - I
will leave only myself. Capt Field and Lt Ford
for duty; I want another officer badly. -

Very truly & Respectfully,
Wm. H. Thompson
Capt 20th

Unofficial

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Admiral Sitka Alaska February 22/76
Mr Maj Genl O. A. Howard U.S.A.

My dear General

Your letter of the 5th was
daily received. - I have now sent a case
to Portland that was not abundantly
established by sworn and signed affidavits
which accompanied the person. - The last
case, Thompsons, the Asst Collector of Customs
McKnight, & Citizens A. Leri, & W Phillipsen, as
well as an Asst. Supt. and two of my own Supts.
and several pirates sworn to frequently buying
liquor of this man by the drink. - The sworn
affidavits were sent to the U.S. Dist. Atty.
but no efforts on his part were made to get
them oral evidence before the court, and the
man Thompson tells me he was indicted on
having committed his offense in Wrangell
instead of Sitka, and that he undertakes it
was done on purpose to get him off. - If
this is the fact Atty. Genl. Pierpont should be
informed of it. - I feel convinced that the
sentiment and desire in Portland is any thing but
law abiding. - I have been very careful
always in this business, and have only acted
when the proof was to my mind very

clear and glaring... I had a case recently
of a Capt. in L' Co. who I feel morally cer-
tain distilled liquor and sold it also, but
I have dropped the case because I could
not legally and technically prove it...
I have now officially asked to have a
Capt. Surgeon Smith relieved from duty here
but I have endured a great deal that
is unnecessary and unpleasant... He is
out of position, ill bred and boorish, and
should never be similarly placed again...
I have endeavored to correct many of his
faults by advice and remarks privately
made to him, but have had little success...
I am glad he is going away... I know
nothing about any such arrest as Capt
Ainsworth spoke to you of... No arrest has
ever been made except by a Commissioned Officer
and but two arrests have ever been made on the
strength of ^{that I can remember} ~~the~~ facts are as follows...
A man named Kerschoff applied for a license
to keep a beer saloon which I refused because he had
been arrested several times by my predecessors;
Fulcrumoff a prisoner under arrest for distilling
(the ex-Russian Officer) had secured permission
to go and take a Russian bath; the Officer of the
day found him in Kerschoff's house which

has all the external appearance of a beer shop,
small table, a keg of beer, many glasses & chairs...
He was drinking beer with the proprietor...
Kerschoff was arrested and held for forty or
fifty days when I released him by your appro-
val under bond... The other case was
under my own observation... I was walking
down the street about 9 o'clock P.M. and
heard a drunken noise in Mr. Coplan's
store; I looked in and saw Mr. Coplan
standing with a man named Wood
both very drunk, with many of beer in
their hands, and a gallon of beer in
a tin pail... When I communicated with
them, I found both too drunk to be coherent,
and Wood made a kind of drunken assault
upon me... I ordered Coplan's store to be
closed, and sent Wood to the grand jury
where I kept him committed about 3 weeks...
I would not allow Coplan to open his
store till he became sober which it took
two or three days to accomplish, I don't know
which now... He was not arrested at all...
I have always used my utmost endeavor
not to avoid anything that would bring
trouble either to you or myself... The people
here, or at least a vast majority of them

Wm. Feb 24/5

1876

Dear General:-

I am here, but
as yet have not commenced
work. Major Campbell gave
me a most hearty & cordial
welcome & has treated me in
the kindest manner, Dr Fitz
gerald speaks of him in the
highest terms & all the officers
speak of him very respectfully.

There is a good school here
& material for a Sunday school
I now think of having two
services on Sunday & a session
of Sunday school. Perhaps a
prayer meeting during the week
I have hopes that there will
be an opening for me else

where during the season, or no
where else get at Lapras, but
while here will do all I can

I cannot speak in too high
terms of Capt. Hays & Dunsen bar
doubt.

I hope I shall not be forgotten
by you when you meet in
the "Room".

I hope also Capt. Melkinsin
will not forget to send me the
papers he promises

Pardon the request, but I
should be pleased to receive
a private note from you

Yours

L. Collins

Hudson O

Feb 22^d 1876

Dear Friend;

Your postal card just received - am much obliged to you for answering so promptly. for I was ^{anxious} lest my importunities had annoyed you -

I am very sorry to learn that they
are not contented to let the General
rest. I hoped that when he went to
Oregon he would be out of the way
of political persecution. but so long
as the Democrats have any hope
of acquiring power there will be no
"let up" to their perseverance.

I think the General is wrong
in his judgement of me: has formed
an exaggerated opinion of my
moral condition - If I had any
doubt of my ability to withstand

temptation in any form whatever
I should not have applied to him for
assistance - I have given cause for
distrust however - & must abide the
consequences.

Please present my kindest
regards when you write to the General
and express my earnest hope that he
may be safely delivered from the power
of those who would injure his fair
name -

Yours sincere friend
Wm. Parker Jr.



Rev. O. O. Howard
Dear Bro:

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I send this that
you may see how
G.W. Parker feels -

Printed in Adena
Your lost letter
was so closely allied
to family & family
in its vicinity that

it was more than
usually interesting to
me, mother & Kith -
Give my love to Lizzie
& the children. I was
delighted to read letters from
Jennie & Charney which
Pamela forwarded to us -
Affectionately
O. O. Howard