& delightful sense. As to War or Peace, our Eastern Hemisphere is intensibly electric, & the scales of both ~~Peace & War~~ still tremble in the balance. The game of North & South ~~[illegible]~~ variations is being played out in the Eastern hemisphere, as it was in the Western - A vigorous self-free North, contending with a slave holding polygamous South, brave but sensual, & despotic. The same rotten core, in our otherwise sound national trunk, has lunged to plunge us into war, on behalf of the Turk, that would have done so for the Western slave master - Blood howls for it, still. Long before this reaches you the wires will have told to what extent they have succeeded

This country is passing through one of those cycles of commercial depression, that are not confined to it alone, & are so far one

The Grange Mold
March 5. 1878

Dear Sir

General Eaton, writing to me from the Bureau at Washington informs me that you are well employed on military duty, at a place which to us, is indeed an Ultima Thule viz Portland Oregon. I asked him about you, having a very vivid recollection of yourself & the noble institution at Alexandria, where I had the pleasure of being introduced to you, & where I had as it were a new vista of the possible & probable future of the human race without distinction of color, sex, or nationality.

It is a pleasure to me to know that you are, Sir, alive & well & doing professional duty in a Pacific field, in a double

of the worlds mysteries. The next generations will be able, by some social changes, & a wider form expenditure, to exalt these valleys of elevation, & lay low the hills of feverish prosperity

With sincere wishes for your health & happiness socially & professionally. I remain

Dear General

Yours faithfully

Jas H Rawlins

General Howard
Portland
Oregon

Rawlins, Jas. H.
Mch. 5. 1878.

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A. B. BREWER, Sec'y. WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.

Dated Portland Oregon Mch 6 1878

Received at N. E. COR. 14TH ST. AND PENN. AVE., WASHINGTON, D. C. 12 33 am

To Lenl Howard
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be Ordered East Latest intelligence
Alaska affairs deplorable
Lawlessness and debauchery rampant
Howchinow unlimited Sitka & Wrangel
malignant Ulcers upon our civilization
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any instant may fire the mine
Troops on armed Vessel

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To _____ 2

Should be permanently there
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mining interests Jeopardized
Please see Grover Mitchell
War & navy departments and
have something reliable Satisfactory
& permanent accomplished

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Headquarters of the Army,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

L. B. 23/565.

976 A.G.O. 1878.

Washington, March 6, 1878.

Brigadier General O. O. Howard,
U.S. Army,
Commanding Department of the Columbia,
Portland, Oregon,

[Thro' Headqrs Mil. Div. Pac & Dept. of California]

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 1st instant, I have the honor to inform you that the appointment of 2nd Lieutenant Charles C. Wood, 21st Infantry, as Aide de Camp on your staff, to take effect from July 22, 1877, — the date of his assignment as acting Aide de Camp — is authorized by the Secretary of War.

I am, Sir,
Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
(signed) E. D. Townsend,
Adjutant General.

Official:
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Asst. Adjutant General.

Brig. General O. O. Howard,
U. S. Army,
Washington, D.C.

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Dated Elmira NY 7 1878

Received at Mch 7

To Capt J. A. Sladen

A. D. C.
Care of Geo W.
Dyer
514 Seventh St
Washn

Wrote Saturday last
Shall I Come for
two Days answer

M C Wilkinson

10 paid

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READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Dear Sir:

My son Leonard is
sick & unable to work
for the I am for
your day answer

H. C. Wellmer
Respectfully
Yours

Pier 11, Stewart St., San Francisco. Redwood City.

HANSON, ACKERSON & CO.

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Manufacturers and Dealers in

Lumber and General Merchandise,

Tacoma, Wash. T. March 7th 1878,

E S Wood

Dear Sir,

Mr Boyd the young man sent to me by Gen Howard, arrived here and was given a position in the store, last Monday morning he was not at his post, and inquiry failed to find him, but yesterday at Seattle I met him, and enquired why he left his reply was that he thought he would not suit, and concluded to leave, "Why not give us notice, we feared you had fallen overboard", I replied, "& I did not think it necessary" was the answer,

So you see "White man is very uncertain"

Very Truly Yours
John A. Ackerson,

Ackerman & Co.
Market St. Phila.

Lonewood Glen,
Owing's Mills,
Baltimore Co., Md., March 7 1874

Gen O. O Howard
Dear Sir:

As you are now in our vicinity I will be glad if you will take the opportunity to make us a visit - The approach to us is very easy by the Balto and Potomac road, which connects with our road at 8 A.M. - 12 M. & and 6 P.M, If you would let me know what day and train to expect you I will ~~have~~ a conveyance to meet you at the Station. Yours truly and respectfully

Wm Maxwell Wood

The most convenient connection is at Union Depot - Charles Street

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1704 H St.
March 7. 1878

Maj. General O. O. Howard
U. S. Army

Esteemed General.

A poor disabled old soldier of the U. S. A. begs leave to most respectfully submit for your kind consideration:

I have served in 2d U. S. Infantry fr. 1857 to '61 in Kansas, Nebr. Wyoming & Dacotah Ter's, then in Missouri until our Capt. N. Lyon was killed at Wilson's Creek Mo May 1861. then in 5 Corps A. of P. until wounded & taken prisoner. 8 mos afterwards exchanged & served along in the Invalid Corps until honorably discharged at Sacketts Harbor N.Y. April 9. 1864 from Co I 42 U.S. Inf. (V.R.C.) a total of service of over 12 years.

us relief when we were in extreme need. Capt. C. has left the city as I understand but with pride I refer to him. If your stay should be prolonged I should be most happy to enjoy a meeting with such an illustrious man as yourself.

Spearer is my oldest child.

With extreme esteem
Your humble servt
Chas. Baker
late Q. M. Serg't Co I
42d U.S. Inf (V.R.C.)

Attend'd to
O.O.H.

I now receives a pension of $8 - pr mo. with bones cut out of my body & a bullet still lodged in it & my health totally shattered by cruel treatment while prisoner of war - For the last 2 years I have at most times been prostrated on a sick - bed & am now troubled with my recently re-opened wound. Employment is sure to me under Col. J. L. Casey Supt of Public B. & G. as soon as I shall be able to work which with God's help, I trust to be by Monday next - My small means are exhausted - I paid what & as long I could - but am in arrears with rent and suffer with want for the necessaries of life - with wife & five children depending upon me - Dear General! imagine the idea: to educate clothe & feed - rate of $8 - pr mo - when I have to pay $5 - for rent -

About 3 weeks ago I had the pleasure to meet at Lincoln Hall Capt. M. C. Wilkinson in whose Company (42 Inf.) I served at Madison Barracks N.Y. fr '63 to 69 until disbanded - this gentleman told me so much about you as to encourage me to plead a favor at your hands: - may I take the liberty to implore you in my present distress for a mite of help? it will be extended to no undeserving - all of us shall ever in deepest gratitude cherish the kindness & remember the hand that afforded

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON,

March 7, 1878.

Genl. O. O. Howard,
U.S. Army,
Washington, D.C.

General:

In accordance with the wishes of the Secretary of War, and to avoid an embarrassing precedent, I regret that I am under the necessity of recalling my permission to Mr. Moodey to take into Court the books you requested this morning.

It is thought better that the formal summons should be served in the usual

way on the Secretary of War for the production of the books in question, when they can be at once sent down.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant.
E D Townsend
Adjt. General.

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Hoosierville Clay Co ind
March the 8 1878.
general o o howard
you may be some what
surprised when you
receive this; But i am
an old woman near
sixty years of age and
not able to work for
my support ~~my living~~
~~and~~ my husband is
dead and george
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on earth & heave
and he is in your
department
as a gentle man &
pray you to send
to send him home
or i am bound to
suffer times is very
hard here particular
for an old woman
that has no way to
support herself

you have it in your
power to send him
home and as &
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Margaret A Reperteller
general o o howard

please answer this
letter and oblige
a friend

Leeds Ma 8 1878

Dear Cousin Otis

I see by the papers that you are at Washington at another trial. I do think it is too bad that you should have so much trouble may the Lord put it in the hearts of those men to do just right. I know you are innocent I want all the world to know it. I do want to see you oh so much. do come if you cant stop but one day. I have so many things I want to talk with you about. I have no one here to advise or tell me what to do. I feel very anxious that Ensign should have an education. and he cant get it in Leeds. and if I could afford to send him to school I could not live here alone we had a yanney man from Bates College to teach our winter term and boarded with us 13 weeks took a great liking to Ennie and helped him with his studies out of school was very anxious he should go to the Latin

Mrs Manuel John Turner wife Mother I have sent in all their names but Mrs Manuels I did not know that she could get it. when I wrote, what a great help it will be to us all if we get it I do hope that those who belong to the Church will give one tenth to support the gospel in this place for Mr Snyder is having a hard time with a sick wife. I feel that we do not do half enough for him. what do you hear from Charles. I feel anxious to know how his health is give my love to Lissie and all your dear family by how I should like to see them. I never shall forget my pleasant visit; now do come and see me if you can I have so much I want to talk with you about. when your Uncle was living Perry Lee told Ensign he would help him through college. I have thought of writing to him and if he could help him I would try get him prepared I see Ensign feels anxious to go pray for me that I may be directed in the right way your affectionate Cousin Laura B Otis

school at Lewiston

and get prepared to teach or enter college he will be 15 this summer and begins to feel anxious to know something the Teacher brought up several books from the Library and we enjoyed reading them very much. I have written to your Mother and Rowland something about it. your Mother has not answered it yet but Rowland wrote me a good letter. I feel grateful for his kind advice. I have thought some of letting my place another year and go to Lewiston if I could get a few boarders, I find it hard to make both ends meet and could not without some help from your Mother Rowland and Sarah has almost clothed us; and you have been very good to me; I feel to bless the Lord for his many blessings. a year ago this winter Ennie had a breaking out on his legs, and arms and back and it still troubles him some think it salt rheum humor, I got a bottle of vegetine but it cost so much, I have not got any more yet. we are both taken now sulpher and rum. last summer I was troubled with a lame arm and in the fall it grew worse and this winter I have not been able to raise it to my head or put it behind me and it has been quite painful especially nights. the Doctor calls it Waralgia nothing that I have done has seemed to do any good till the past week I have been rubbing on cocosine cayenne pepper and vineger I have got some rest and it is little better. I am so thankful, week before last I had a card from George E Lemon a lawer at Washington and one that gets pensions that there was a prospect of my getting a pension. and I wish if you can find time call on him and see if there is any chance for me, his address is 916 F St Washington D C I see by the papers that the law has passed the house last Monday. and passed the Senate some few weeks ago and if I should there are 6 other widows here that will get one Mrs Thomas Francis Mrs Reuben Lane Mrs Benjamin Grant Mrs Dalilitha Rose Mrs Cyrus Alden

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POST OFFICE

CLINTON COUNTY,

W. P. WOLF, Postmaster.
C. R. FISHER, Assistant.

Wilmington, O. March 8 1878

Dr. Sir.

At the close of the war at Mount Sterling Ky. A man by the name of Ernest Connected with the Freedman's Bureau got my discharge to collect back bounty. I have been trying for years to get my discharge, but cannot hear anything about when the party is. Judge Ernest I think they called him, Hearing that you was in Washington City and knowing that you was a friend to the Colored man I concluded to write to you. Will you see whether you can find it for me. I was in Co. "G" 109. ~~U.S.~~ ~~Ohio~~ Regt Col troops. Please hand this to the proper Dept & oblige Yours truly

Lewis White

P.S. Send in care of W. P. Wolf

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Utica. N.Y.
No 70. Elizabeth St
March 8th 1878

My dear Genl. –

I take the liberty of writing to you today having seen your arrival in Phila. mentioned in the newspapers – and trust this will reach you before you turn your face Westward again – I am very anxious to join my husband (Genl. Frank Wheaton, Col 2nd Infantry) and have only waited this long to hear from him that the Columbia is open to navigation – As the Yukon is now considered open I thought that if you were returning to Oregon in the next few weeks I would ask as a favor that we might travel with you – as we are without an escort of course, though old soldiers

it is always so much pleasanter for
ladies to have some one to call upon
in case of emergencies — Our party
is small, consisting of our daughter
Sallie, just grown up, and our little
girl Amy, ten years old and myself —
You may have learned this the
papers of the sad bereavement that
has fallen upon us — three lovely
children buried on the same day,
and not three weeks after we buried
a lovely young sister, just twenty one —
all died of Scarlet-fever after very
~~sort~~ illnesses — I shall consider
it a great favor, my dear General
if you could find it convenient
for us to join you on your homeward
journey — and would be thankful
if you could find time to send
me a line as to your plans —
Trusting you will pardon my
boldness I remain ever yours truly
Maria B. Wheaton —
Genl. C. C. Howard — U. S. A. —

March 9th 1878.

Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir:

If you have leisure while here any evening, I should be very glad to have you call & see me. You know how dearly my beloved husband loved you. I am at my Mother's for the present.

Yours &c.

Mrs. B. F. Winslow.

1025 9th st. N. W.

Portland Mich. 9th 1878

Dear Son.

We miss you so much, my Wife and children when you will be back.
You have done so much for my Family that we really look on you as we would on a dear Father.

My Family are out in the country but we have not purchased any Cow yet. We bought 30 Chickens but I did not use any of the money you so generously let me have.
We are all happy and the Lord is blessing and comforting us. Praise be to his holy name.
You have the good wishes and prayers not only of our Family but of all Gods People.

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No more at present.
But we pray our heavenly
Father that in His own good
time he will bring you home
to us again. I remain
Your Brother in Christ
Ped Chambrean.