

A delightful sense. As to War or  
peace, our Eastern Hemisphere is  
extremely electric, & the scales of both  
Peace & War still tremble in the  
balance. The <sup>war</sup> game of North & South  
<sup>with</sup> variations is being played  
out in the Eastern <sup>Hemisphere</sup>, 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 tried to  
 plunge us into war, on behalf  
of the Turk, that would have done  
us for the Western slave master.  
And how for it, still. Long before  
you 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 Mill 24  
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 or  
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 nation.  
ability.

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 world's mysteries. The next  
generations will be able, by some  
social changes, & a wiser form  
expenditure, to exalt these  
valleys of stagnation, & lay low  
the hills of feverish prosperity.

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

Yours faithfully  
Jacob Rawlin

General Howard  
Portland  
Oregon

Rawlin. Jas. H.  
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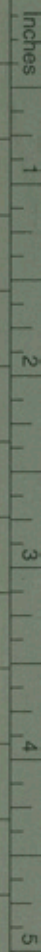
To Genl Howard

Post office Box

One hundred 100 Wash City 2

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Copies telegram Ordering you  
 Cast by Mail shall I  
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 Alaska affairs deplorable  
 Lawlessness and sebauchery rampant  
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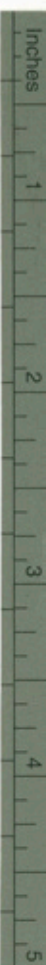
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READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Should be permanently there  
 but above all strong  
 Arm of Law Whites fearful  
 mining interests jeopardized  
 Please see Grover Mitchell  
 War & navy departments and  
 have something reliable satisfactory  
 & permanent accomplished

Wood  
 Adjt Genl 125

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THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

THE COMPANY'S OFFICE IS AT WASHINGTON, D. C. AND BRANCHES ARE AT ALL THE PRINCIPAL PLACES OF BUSINESS IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

W. J. M. O'NEILL, Pres.

A. H. BROWN, Secy.

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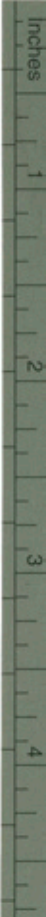
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Should be preserved  
but above are  
Wm of ...  
Dressing ...  
I have been  
War & Navy  
have something  
\*furniture

SEND THE NOTICE BY THE JOB

Washed  
off

to ...



APB  
Headquarters of the Army,

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

L. B. 23/565.

Washington, March 6, 1878.

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

[Also Headquarters Div. Pac & Dept. of California]

Sir:  
Referring to your letter of the 1st  
instant, I have the honor to in-  
form you that the appointment  
of 2nd Lieutenant Charles C. St. 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:

Amos D. Rich

Asst. Adjutant General



Dir. General O. C. Howard,

U.S. Army,

Washington, D.C.

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C. S. M.

Received in  
Washington the 11th.

Townsend, E. D.  
Adj. General, Asst.  
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A. R. BREWER, Sec'y.

54 WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.

Dated Amira NY 7 187 8

Received of

To

McKoy  
Capt J. A. Bladen

A. D. O.

Care of Geo. W.

Dyer

579 Seventh St  
Washn

Wrote Saturday last  
shall I come for  
few days answer

M. C. Wilkinson

10 paid by

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READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Inches 1 2 3 4



# HANSON, ACKERSON & CO.

Manufacturers and Dealers in

## Lumber and General Merchandise,

Tacoma, Wash. D. C. March 7<sup>th</sup> 1878,

C. E. I. Wood

Dear Sir,

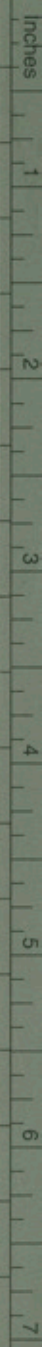
Mr Boyd the young man sent to me by Gen Howard, arrived here and was given a position in the store, last Monday morning he was not at his post, and inquiry failed to find him, but yesterday at Seattle I met him, and enquired why he left his reply was that he thought he would not suit, and concluded to 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 W. Ackerson,

Ackerson  
March 9 1878

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O.O.H.



Rosewood Glen,

Obing's Mills,

Baltimore Co., Md., March 7 1879

Gen O. C. 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. 4 and  
6 P.M. If you would let me know  
what day and train to expect you I  
will bring a carriage to meet you  
at the Station. Yours truly and Respectfully  
J. M. Powell

The most convenient connection is at  
Union Depot - Charles Street

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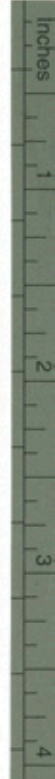
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Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st inst. in relation to the application for a patent for an improvement in the manufacture of paper. The application is hereby referred to the Commissioner of Patents for his consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Yours truly,  
J. P. Thompson

The Commissioner of Patents

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us relief when we were in  
extreme need - Capt. [unclear] 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 -

Pepper is my oldest child,  
with extreme esteem,

Your humble servant  
Chas. Parker  
late Co. "C" 42<sup>d</sup> U.S. Inf. (V.R.C.)

Attended to  
O.O.W.

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1704 2<sup>d</sup> Str.  
March 7. 1878

May General V. V. Howard  
U. S. Army

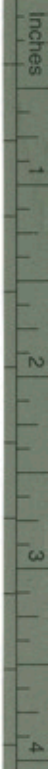
Esteemed General.

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

I have served in 2<sup>d</sup> U. S. Infantry  
fr. 1857 to '61 in Kansas, Nebr., Wyoming  
& Dakota Terr's, then in Missouri  
until our Capt. W. Lyon was killed  
at Wilson's Creek Mo. May 10th. then  
in 5<sup>th</sup> Corps A. of P. until wounded  
& taken prisoner - 8 mos afterwards  
exchanged I served along in the In-  
valid Corps until honorably discharged  
at Sacketts Harbor N. Y. April 9. 1869  
from Co "E" 42<sup>d</sup> U. S. Inf. (V. R. C.) a  
total of service of over 12 years -

I now receive a pension of \$8-<sup>pr mo</sup> 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, Supdt 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 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 - out of \$8-<sup>pr mo</sup> - 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<sup>d</sup> Inf.) I served at Madison Barracks, N.Y. fr 67 to 69 until discharged - 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 underserving - all of us shall ever in deepest gratitude cherish the kindness word - remember the hands 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. Moody 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  
Adj't. General.

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Hosierwill Clay Co ind  
March the 8 1878.  
General Co Howard  
you may be somewhat  
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~~  
~~and~~ my husband is  
dead and George  
Reperteller is my  
only son all support  
on earth I have  
and he is in your  
department.

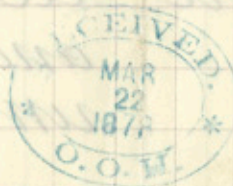
as a gentleman I  
pray you to send

to send him home  
or I am bound to  
supper 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 I  
believe you to be  
a gentleman I be-  
lieve you will  
and oblige your  
unble sufferer

Margaret J Reperteller  
General Co Howard

please answer this  
letter and oblige  
a friend





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Leeds, March 1878

Dear Cousin Otis

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 Ensign 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 ~~get~~ 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 being  
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

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 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 young man from Bates College  
to teach our winter term and boarded  
with us 3 weeks took a great liking to Annie  
and helped him with his studies out of school  
was very anxious he should go to the Latin

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 about  
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 or humors, I got a bottle of vegetable  
but it cost so much, I have not got any more  
yet. we are both taken now sulphur and

run. 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 Neuralgia nothing that I have done  
has seemed to do any good till the past week  
I have been rubbing on Cocaine Eyewash  
and vinegar I have got some rest and it is  
little better. I am so thankful week before  
last I had a card from George & Linnou a  
lawyer 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  
see 6 other widows here that will get one  
Mrs Thomas Francis Mrs Egan Love Mrs Benjamin  
Cyrant Mrs Dabitha 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 Guest 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 Guest 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. <sup>1st Regt Ky.</sup> U.S. 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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CLINTON COUNTY

POST OFFICE



Washington, D.C. March 8 1878

Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page. The text appears to be a letter or a set of notes, with some words like 'At the close of the year' and 'I have' being partially discernible.







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Albion, N.Y.

No 70. Elizabeth St

March 8<sup>th</sup> 1878

My dear Genl. -

I take the liberty  
of writing to you today having  
seen your arrival in Phil<sup>a</sup>  
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  
Eherton, Col 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry) and  
have only waited this long to hear  
from him that the Columbia  
is open to navigation - As the Hudson  
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

File

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  
Sally, just grown up, and our little  
girl Amy, ten years old and myself -  
You may have learned thro' 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  
short 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 believe me yours truly  
Maria B. Wheaton -  
Genl. C. C. Howard - U. S. A. -

March 9<sup>th</sup> 1878.

Rev. C. 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.

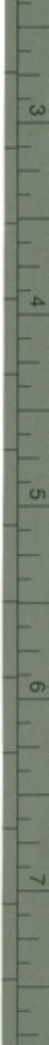
Yours &c.

Mrs. B. F. Winslow  
1025 9<sup>th</sup> St. N. W.

W.H. [unclear]

Rev. Dr. J. M. [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

WASHINGTON  
10 [unclear]



Portland N.H. 9<sup>th</sup> 1878

Dear Sir,

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  
Wm Chamberlain.