

to whom I have showed the letters
for I regard letters as sacred; but
sometimes in special cases I show
a convict's letter to a friend whose
prayers I wish to solicit on the
individuals behalf. I know not
if I can recommend him to
you as a brother in Christ, for
I have been so ill for three months
that I have not been able to be
at the prison one Sabbath in
all the time. But, I believe, I am
safe in saying that he is sorry
for his crimes, and that he is
heartily willing to return to his
duty under your command, and
I also ^{can say} believe he is desirous
of becoming a soldier in the
service of our dear Redeemer.

May God give you wisdom as
your duty demands in your criti-
cal position. If you may not
grant a free pardon in Mr.
Hoban's case, may it please our

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Salem, Apr. 22^d 1878
Gen. O. W. Howard -
Dear Sir -

Please pardon
the liberty I now assume in
writing to you. It will I take this
liberty I confess that I feel
straitened as to the manner
in which I should address
you. I must, therefore, appeal to
you, simply, as a brother in
the faith and hope of the Gos-
pel of our blessed Lord and
Savior, that you will bear with
me patiently, and take under
your most prayerful consid-
eration the case of the young
man, Hadden Nolan, who for some

months had been an inmate of the State Prison, and who is now under arrest, as a deserter from the United States army, having, I understand, deserted during the time of battle.

I know very little of the merits of the case and do not presume to dictate to you as to your duty in the matter. But I do wish you to deal as gently with the young man as the circumstances will at all justify.

If there are mitigating considerations I am sure that you, in your Christian charity, will give them due weight, and deal leniently with this person.

I believe that he is sincerely sorry for the crime he has committed in deserting, and that he is ready and willing to return

to his duty.

My attention was first directed to him in the prison by his quiet demeanor in the chapel, on Sabbath days. I approached him and one, ^{who} seemed to be his companion and particular friend, and they both manifested an eagerness to converse upon the great theme of their souls' salvation. They made no appeals to me tending to call forth my sympathies on their behalf as prisoners. But did seem anxious to receive religious instruction. The few letters I have received from these persons have been read with feelings of deep interest by Mrs. Hatch Mrs. Clason, and one of our most spiritually minded pastors. These are the only persons

seems that we must, in looking
back from heaven over our service,
while in the flesh, that we will
feel regret at our want of faith-
fulness.

I most respectfully
subscribe myself your
sister in Christ

M. M. Thornton.

P. S.

There is a Mr. George
Litchfield doing business in
this city, who, for a brief peri-
od, has been laboring in
the Prison work most faith-
fully, as an es. bearer, who has
taken a deep interest in
Mr. Nolan, but I am not
able to see him, or I am sure
he would speak favorably of
this young man -

M. M. Thornton

Heavenly Father to enable you
to see your way clear to deal
with him leniently - I pray
God that, hence forth, you may
find this man not, only, a faith-
ful soldier in arms, but also
a true brother in Christ.

I should have written earlier,
but owing to my illness I have
not been able, until to day, to
learn, with certainty, his situ-
ation -

I ask the continuance
of your prayerful interest
on behalf of the cause of Christ
in the penitentiary. There are
many weary spirits there. But
we who labor among them have
not that power with God which
would enable us promptly
to lead them to Him, who gives
the weary rest. Yet, I feel
assured that weak as is the ef-

pent it is owned of the master,
for no labor of love done in
his name is overlooked or for-
gotten. I feel assured that
when he comes to gather the
redeemed, among them, will
be found precious ones who
will ascribe praise to God for
the words of truth spoken
to them while convicts in
the Oregon State Prison.

Please pardon me if I
have taken too great a liberty
in addressing you upon the present
occasion. Please, also, to overlook
defects in my communication
for I am writing under consid-
erable physical frustration,
and amidst frequent interrup-
tions.

When you come to Salem,
please, always, to visit the pris-
on and to hold religious services

with the prisoners. If not
held over the Sabbath, the
authorities will grant you,
as a stranger, the privilege
on a week day evening.

The Friend of God is no
 respecter of persons. We see
not as man sees. With what
importance does the fact of the
son of God having died for the
salvation of ^{now} ~~each~~ the each
individual soul. How great
the obligation of all, who believe
that they have been made
actual partakers in this
redemption, to labor diligently
to lead others to become co-workers
with them in its benefits. It
is the privilege and duty of every
child of God to be a co-worker
with Jesus in humiliation
on earth. An eternity of glory
awaits all such. Sometimes it

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San Francisco Cal

April 13th 1878

Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

I am ashamed
to trouble you again, but am
obliged to do so, my work has
been cut down again & as
I have heard nothing from
Washington I do not know
what to do, I intended to ask
you about my papers, but
think I understood you to
say that Genl Butler had
them, now Genl what am
I to do, I am getting in debt
every day with no prospects of
paying & what I do I must
do quickly, the times are so
hard that I cannot get

Ans'd. Apr. 30.
O.O.H.



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work to do outside the govern-
ment, if it will not be asking
to much of you should like
that you advise me in this
matter as soon as possible
by so doing you will place
me under still greater obligations
to you, remember me kindly
to your wife & family & believe
me to be very truly

Amelia S. Truheart

204, 22nd St.



I freely promise Gen. O. O. Howard ^{77 1/2}
that I will never drink strong drink, (I mean
liquor, malt or otherwise that intoxicates) except
as medicine regularly prescribed by a phy-
sician.

This I do without any mental reservation;
And I pray Almighty God to help me
keep this pledge.

Given this 23rd day of April, 1878,
at Portland, Or.

W. L. Black

Wiz. Vouchers 63 & 64. Frank Henger

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Treasury Department, 78

Second Auditor's Office,

April 23, 1878.

Sir,

I respectfully invite your attention to explanations received on the 15th ultimo relating to the disposition of property for which you are accountable as Special Commissioner to the Indians in 1872. Viz. Bouchers 63 & 64. Frank Frenger \$626.54 for supplies, and J. F. Harwood \$1,676.00 for cattle.

It is important that the certificates of those who witnessed the issues of the property to the Indians, those of your interpreters, if possible, be furnished.

If from lapse of time or other reason the interpreters cannot be found, the witnessed certificates of any disinterested

Answered by
General May 11. 1878.

persons who had personal knowledge
of the issues will be received.

Very respectfully.

E. P. French
Second Auditor.

Brevet Maj Gen.
O. O. Howard.
Through War. Dep't.

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Ames, May 11, 1878
By H. W. Stone



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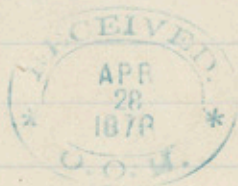
Office State Penitentiary
Salem April 27th
1878

Gen: O. Q. Howard
Portland
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Dear Sir:

Holand's Crime was
Adultery. Sent up for six (6) months
excepting perhaps a couple of we-
eks. He was a tridly during the
whole time of his imprisonment
kept at work on the out side of
the Prison enclosure.

The Soldiers sent to arrest
and take charge of him came
out to the prison the day before
his release. Holan was then on



the out-side; alone at work
he saw them. Knew their object,
after they had left. He came in
told the Warden that he was a
deserter and those Soldiers came
to arrest me, I shall run no
more, I am tired of being an -
Outlaw and submit to my pun-
ishment whatever it may be.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

B. F. Burch
Supt.

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Hoosierville Ind Clay Co Apr 24
1878

Mr. C. R. Wood

Dear Sir in
your letter of March 22nd 1878 to Mrs Margaret
Jeffertellu in regard to the discharge of her son
who is under ^{Gen} A. Howard. you state that Mr
Howard said he would do all he could to aid
her in getting his discharge and directed her to write
to the Sec of War which has been done and the
enclosed is his reply. the old lady is in a
suffering condition and can not get along
without the help of her son now you will
please be kind enough to aid her in this trying
and destitute time I don't think that the
gentleman who replies to our letter from
Washington has had time to get any reply
from you Gentlemen let alone referring it to
Mr Howard as you can see from the date
his and the date of ours Apr 3 1878
therefore I the under signed in the interest

of Mrs Margot Peffutelle do pray
you may use your influence in his behalf
hoping to hear from you at an early date
I remain yours

Most obedient servant
— Winifred J. Bridway

Headquarters of the Army,

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, April 19th, 1878.

W. J. Bridwell, Esq.
Hooierville, Ind.

Sir,

In reply to the application of the 3^d inst. signed by yourself and others, for the discharge from service of George Teffertiller, Co. "E", 1st Cav., I respectfully inform you that the General of the Army, to whom the application has been referred, considers that discharges for the reasons advanced in this case, would not be consistent with the interests and economy of the public service.

Very respectfully,
your obt. Servant.
C. W. Cunningham
Asst. Adjt. Genl.

In. 4626-a-78.

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that she could not go with you
when you went home. but if we
had been able to have her go her
health would not have been good
enough.

As you may imagine I am
not very well, and find it hard
to keep up. I am sorry to have
to write such a doleful letter
but things do look very dark,
& I knew if you heard of any thing
that Adolphe could do, you
would let him know; at any
rate, I will be sure of your
sympathy, and I trust you will
soon write to him.

I hope this will find you &
yours etc well. Please give my
love to Mother. Is the Miss
Brookline of Boston whom wedding
cards we received this week and
who is to marry a Mr Kimble (a
relation of mine) any relation of the
one with whom we hear Leg's name
mentioned?



I have written much more than I intended - but
Adolphe is so
disappointed
I am afraid I shall
never see you again
and his friends
know how much he
needs a distraction.
I am sorry to hear
of your illness -
I hope you will
soon be better.
I am
Dear
Adolphe
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we found you had gone home
and we had not seen you.
If Adolphe had been at home
he would have met you on the
train, but he has been away
since December 11th.
If I had not seen by the
papers how long it would be
before another steamer sailed
I should have been certain
of seeing you at the house,
your room was all ready, but
still I felt almost sure you
would go on.
I received your note

from the Palace, and we
much obliged for the attention,
you mention receiving one from
Addison - I suppose written when
he was in good spirits, as in
February he was much encouraged
by his prospects; but in his
progress with the work, since
then, he has found nothing to
pay them for their trouble,
a law-suit has been commenced
against the Company, a rather
assessment levied, which will
take more than all of his back
pay; he has resigned - and expects
to be at home the first of the
month - He is discouraged &
disheartened, but well in health
he says; what we are to do, I
know not, as we have used up
every thing that we had except
the house - to live on the part two
years; sometimes he feels he will

succeed in finding something that
will support us. (and if we are
all together I will not ask for
more, but I am very tired of living
in this way.) Then again he feels
he cannot try to do any thing.
Ellie will finish at the Pension
School, next month, and thinks
he can take care of herself, after
that, of course, there are many
frinches he would like to go on
with in his studies, but he will
have to wait.

Lora has been miserably
since January - rheumatism -
seems to be the trouble, she
is a little better but we have
had very cold weather and all
agree that she needs to be in a
warmer climate, before it cures
her entirely. She keeps about the
house - but cannot go out much.
She was much disappointed.

Portland, Oregon,
April 25, 1878

To,
Hon. W. W. Apleton
Second Comptroller of the Treasury
Washington D. C.

Sir:

Your communication of April 6, 1878, is received. I am unable, from my retained papers to ascertain how I am indebted to the Government in the sum of six hundred and sixty-seven ⁶⁸/₁₀₀ dollars. My abstract of disbursements for the fourth quarter of 1872, shows a credit in my favor of Three hundred and sixty two ⁸²/₁₀₀ dollars, and there is now in the hands of the Assistant Treasurer in New York, three hundred dollars to my credit, awaiting the settlement of these accounts that I may draw it in part payment of this sum. By an error of the Assistant Treasurer at New York a check drawn on the Freedmen's Bureau account was paid from this fund and the error was only recently reported to me, and the amount replaced to my credit as Special Indian Commissioner.

I enclose you herewith an official copy of my last abstract of disbursements alluded to above. You state "It also appears

Approved. O. O.
Scribble. W. W.

April 25. 1878.

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"from your own admission that item 4 of voucher 49, 4th quarter
"1872, is a duplicate and erroneous payment, and that voucher 51
"of the same quarter is erroneous thus making your indebtedness
"to the United States in the above mentioned capacity \$66⁴/₁₀₀"
(first amount stated at \$63⁴/₁₀₀).

There is certainly some misunderstanding about this voucher 49,
fourth quarter 1872 is for the authorized expenses of the interpreters
and as there are only five items. I find no item 4, as alleged,
and voucher No. 51, is for the traveling expenses of the authorized
clerks to the commission, and I do not remember to have
admitted any portion of it as erroneous.

The only admission of error, that I recollect having made,
was in either voucher 10 or 12, and I did this, because my
attention was called, in the Indian Department to the simil-
arity in the amounts and the name of the payee, but I
find on re-examination, that there was no error. I hold re-
ceipts for each amount and of different dates, and the reason
for the amounts being the same, is because when just on the
point of starting from Camp Grant to a distant point
I duplicate in voucher 12 the amount of stores purchased in
voucher 10, and there probably was not time to obtain an
itemized bill.

Please cause a re-examination of my accounts and
see if I am not right.

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
(Signed) O. O. Howard
Brigadier General U.S. Army.

J. Orange NB Apr 26/78
Dear Mother

I sent you article on
"Lochine". Charles is back
in Fla. setting out Orange
trees - Edw. Boynton
of Salem Mass. Saw-maker
in Newark - Store so. Rich-
man St. was disappointed
not to see you - says he
wants "are you boys" to
take agency of his saws
in Oregon. It is a great
business of fine articles -
I wrote him Jannie
would want - go to school
Edw was in Army - He
also mentioned an
agency for some Steamer
& P.R. line on the Potomac
in which he had an in-
terest - Jackson writes that
Lee & Shepard will publish
in Sept & anticipate the Army
book will be more interesting
than this. They said nothing to
Frank about Perry. Rowland

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C. W. Knowles

At. Zieber.

Clarendon Hotel, 80

Zieber & Knowles, Prop's

Portland, Oregon, April 29th 1878

Gen O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

I leave in
the morning for Victoria - Expect to return
the last of the week - will then see you

Yours truly

James H. Wilkin

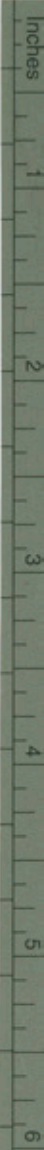
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WILLIAM ORTON, President, } NEW YORK.
T. R. BREWER, Secretary.

Washington DC Apr 29 1878

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To Gen. O. O. Howard

Send a fair draughtsman
not a topographical engineer

F. H. Smith

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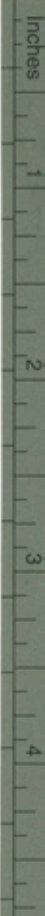
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GEO. W. DYER,
Attorney and Counsellor at Law,

519 Seventh Street,

Lock Box 100.

Washington, D. C. April 30 1878

General O. O. Newau,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear General, I
take occasion of forwarding the enclosed
letters to say, that I sent you some two
weeks ago the quitance of the Second Comp^{ty}
and shortly afterwards saw District Attorney
Wells, who told me that he had received the
same information, and considered the suits
at an end.

I hope that you had a pleasant
journey home, and found your wife and
family in good health. Please remember
me kindly to them and also to Capt. Staden
and family.

Yours truly
Geo. W. Dyer.

Dyer Geo. W.
Apr. 30.

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