

fearfully selfish world - everyone
moving in his own little circle
and can see nothing beyond. Outside
of our Military family there may be
ten who know you, and very many other
dear ones, have gone to face hardship
and danger for their country's good,
and two or three may hope you
may come back. The line in their
midst and help do good in their
town. It is a bright sunny day,
all well but Chancys headache, from
our excursion, ^{yesterday} in getting most in his
boat and eating cherries. I wonder if
the boys try to steal cherries from
Mrs. Costans trees, as they did of us in
older times. I ought to write to
Mrs. Hickory, but I know I wont write
many letters. I will write to Eury.
Capt. MacGowan Co. D. 12 Infantry has
written you kindly saying he and his Co
were not mentioned in your report. They
were at Lewiston all the while, but Gladen

Gladen will send you the letter.
I dont suppose he personally cares but he
would like his Co. mentioned as they
were disappointed to be kept in the
rear but as he says the reserve is as
important as those at the front. He is an
old brother good man, and has a grand
Co. I wonder who will take this
letter to Capt. Ballitt. I do not want
to say good bye again, and I do
not wish him to go to you without a letter.
I got your note written on the steamer
and sent the check to Mr. Holbrook.
I heard what the friends of Dr. A. were
trying to do for him, and forgot to tell you.
The children all send their love.
It is almost our dinner time. Give
my kindest remembrances to Wood. I
hope you will all be home next month.
So let the Indians go. If there are
wounds I am sure just as well satisfied
if you had not gone into the field
last summer. Let the Gouge men

205⁻ Loake
Fort Coeur St. Albans
I. T.
June 10th 1878

General Howard Sir Sir

Enclosed you will
please find \$25: my first month
pay. I am sorry that I could
not send it sooner, at my work
I am getting along nicely & am en-
joying good health hoping that this
will find you enjoying the same I
will close. please drop me a line as
soon as you receive this letter so that
I will know that it arrived safely

Yours gratefully
Black

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Shupe Ranch Ore,
June 15-1878.

Respectfully referred to- Captain
R. F. Bernard 1st Calif.
Captain Presby must have been
misinformed. Please state
briefly the circumstances,
Your brave men are not robbers,
O. O. Howard
Brig. Genl. Comdg.

OUTRAGES BY SOLDIERS.—We learn from Capt. Presby, who returned from his ranch on Castle Creek on Thursday evening, that the soldiers who recently camped there entered his house and stole almost everything within reach, taking groceries, goods and everything they could lay their hands upon except flour. It was reported that some of the soldiers brought stolen coffee to town and offered it for sale at two or three places. Capt. Presby says, "Soldiers are worse than the Indians." It is also reported that the houses of Mr. Duncan and other residents of Bruneau were similarly robbed. If this be true, we call upon Col. Bernard to put a stop to such diabolical business. God knows the poor settlers are losing their all fast enough without being subject to such depredations as these.

Shupe Ranch Ore.

July 15-1878

Respectfully referred to-
Lieut. Col. Howard 11th S. A.
Comdg.

When my arrival at Captain Presby's Ranch on Castle Creek, 3rd June 9-1878, I halted one hour and a half, to let my horse graze and the men get something to eat. As the command were very short of provisions I sent a man to see if anything in the way of much could be found. When entering the house my attention was attracted by several hundred dollars worth of goods, such as flour, sugar, and other articles scattered about. I could find nothing for the men to eat except a few, the men were taken, as I had gotten them in Bruneau valley, the day before, for grain. The men from Bruneau thought Capt. Presby knew about the office of the company and then Capt. Presby, unassuming

remained at the house

until the command

were camped there,

then signing of a procl-

amation was at this place.

The command passed by

us when camped on Castle

Creek, I saw a sergeant and

a party of men to Bruneau

valley, for the purpose

of getting flour and coffee.

They were ordered by the

command to stop their march

until the next day.

People would take notice,

the command could not take

the road good some things,

and decided to tell me

what had taken them,

to promise the taking of any

thing from a ranch and then

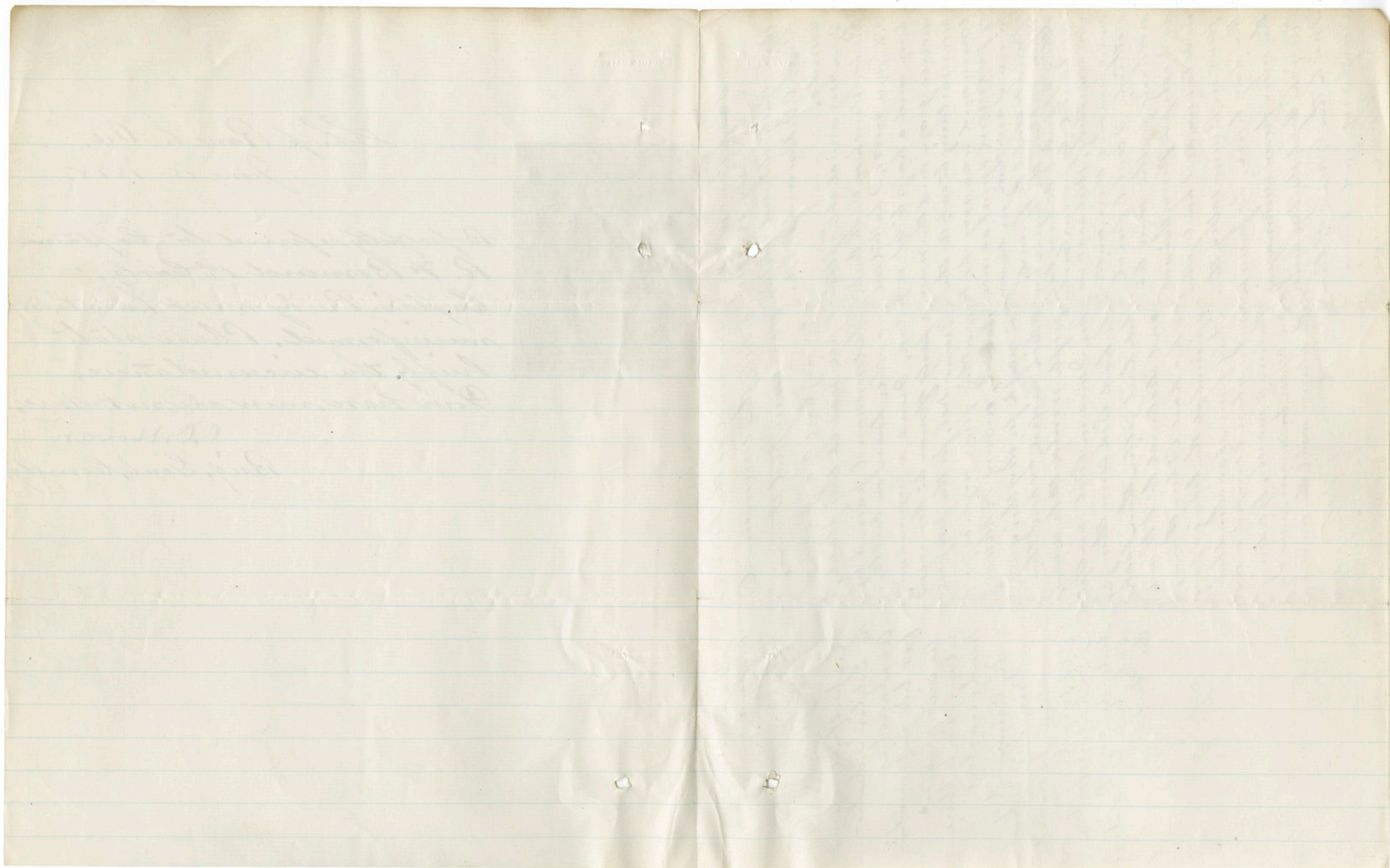
the line of march, by ordering

an officer to remain in ward of

2nd Regiment
Respectfully referred to
of California is the
Camp 16-1878
Respectfully referred
to Editor "Blade"
and please
The will please
return. It is to have
ready quarters.
By Command of
Brigadier General
O. O. Howard
All would
2nd Regt. 2nd S. A. 1878
side of camp,
and the 11th S. A. and
the 11th S. A.

File

O. O. Howard
Capt. 1st Calif.
Brig. Genl.



Does he wish them sent to anyone
given to anyone? I sent the other
large ones off by mail as directed
Yesterday afternoon Mr. Taylor came
for Kit and myself, and invited
us to go rowing with himself, Mr.
Piper and Mr. Francis. We went
and enjoyed the ^{boat} ride very much.
I steered for them without getting
the scolding that some of the girls
have rec'd., and was even complimented
for not running the boat into the
shore, wharves, etc. I rowed about
a mile coming home, which I
enjoyed most of all. Saida went to
the library with me after dinner to
get a book for Mamma. We saw Col.
Wilson who was as cheery and jolly
as ever. I saw Col. Merriam and
Capt. (?) Mills at Mr. Wilkerson's. They
are down to meet their families ^{who are here} on
their way to S.F. We had a letter from Guy
from Angel Island written just as he
started for Elko. He thought they were
to be kept there to guard the R.R. This

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GOLDEN GATE
Dear Papa,

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Portland, Oreg.
June 16. 1878.
Mamma has written to
Guy and also to Mrs. Wheaton
today and thinks she will not
write you if I do. Capt. Sladen
has just told us of your change
of position from Sheep Ranch to
the crossing of the Malheur river
on the road from Boise to Canyon
City. They are interested in Sarah's
accounts, having seen her at the
Malheur reservation; but begin to
think that the Malheur Indians were
right in distrusting her. Did she
really help carry ammunition to
the hostiles? They are all well now
and have been so since you left. Ja-
mie went to Vancouver to see the Dr.
on Friday, and I went with him

making a short "call" at the Masons and returning with Capt. and Mrs. Burston to Portland on the morning boat, while Fannie stayed until afternoon to attend the Printer's picnic at Vancouver. I like the Burstons very much indeed. Mrs. B. will be a great addition to Vancouver society. We had some music at the Masons as Mr. Combs and Capt. Gray called, as did Mrs. Guard, ~~Capt.~~ & Mrs. Evans and Capt. Burston, then Fannie came in and our young folks walked down to the boat on an errand to get some things that had been left there by mistake, sent over to Mrs. Mason. Coming back we stopped at the Werks' place and some of the party helped themselves to cherries. I did not go into the yard, and did not take the cherries, partly from a feeling of disinclination to go in now that

the Werks are gone, & partly because I did not care for any fruit. Mrs. Babbitt and I passed the "Oregon Furniture" store, and found the Burstons there selecting a carpet. Mr. Babbitt wished me to send you her love. She said you had been a good friend to her in everything you had done. I expect her up here tonight. Tell the Capt. (Babbitt), if he is with you, that our girls see his wife every day, and try to keep her from being too lonely. I gave Kit the message Mr. Word sent her, and she said to tell him that she was glad he had not forgotten her. Please tell Mr. Word that Mrs. Babbitt was pleased to get the picture and sent her love to him. Tell him, also, that I gave Capt. Gray and Capt. Sladen each one, and that the photographer gave me two more ^{of the} ~~of the~~ "Babbitt" size, saying that they were too small for showcase purposes.

do me all. We have had one or two
fine days, but yesterday the
clouds obscured the sun, and today
has been quite cold in the house.
Mrs. Stone is to board at Miss Thompson's.
Mrs. Wheeler and Sallie both work.
Thinking Jamie & I would start
up to Lapwai, which of course
will not do. Col. Merriam does not
know whether they will come down to
Walla Walla or not. We have had
the geese out in our yard and Prince
lies on the hay beneath the window
as I write. He has made me a good
escort twice lately, but left me once.
Cause Capt. Ingersoll joined me. I am
going to write Grandma tonight
and will be anxious to hear from you
too. The band played on Friday afternoon
for the first time since the troops left.
Mrs. Mason said. It seemed to make
the post seem even more lonely and
deserted to me. By the Advance we see
that much Charlie arrived at home
two weeks ago. Another article of
yours in the same Advance. With

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This week is the last one I am to teach
Charlie Kamm, and I think I
shall let Jamie go with him to
stay a week at the "farm" before
he has reviewed his Algebra. The
public schools will not close until
a week after, and I told Jamie I
understood from you that he was to
stop where they did. But as Charlie
can only stay for two weeks at the
farm, I am willing to review for
a few days with Jamie upon his
return instead of at present. We had
Mary, the Seamstress, here for three
days this week sewing upon my
dress. Mary, our Swedish girl, has
gone away. Mamma found she did
not have enough for Mary to do in
the present small size of the family,
and Mary was willing to go, as she
does not care to work this summer,
but intends to stay at her brother's in
Astoria for a few days, then go to her
mother's home near Walla Walla (I
believe). Mamma also said she must

have something to busy herself with every day now. I still have my hands full, and have not even opened the piano once since you went away. After the boys stop studying I shall practice again. I am going to take this down to Mr. Openheimer, he goes to Boise, and Capt. Sladen says a letter will go quicker in his hands than by mail. Capt. Ingersoll says that "you both" I suppose meaning you and Capt. Williamson, or perhaps Mr. Wood, are always remembered at the noon meetings of the Y. M. C. A. and that Guy would always be, now that he had also gone. Mr. Wood is remembered in the same way always, if not in the same place, as you and Guy. Genl. Sawtelle sent me a very good map, upon which we find nearly all places mentioned. I saw a letter from Mr. Tarrow written on his way to Hailey. Mrs. Miles was unable to travel fast, & stopped at

Canyon City, & now has returned here. I don't know where she will stay. How are you off for horses this time? Perhaps you will find one worth while bringing home with you. People insist upon asking how long you are to be away, as if we knew. Even Army officers seem to think Mamma has some secret knowledge of the length of the campaign, which she obtained from you before you left. Johnnie's birthday yesterday passed very pleasantly for him. He went rowing in the afternoon with two boys about his size. Chancey was on Markham's Hill and saw me on the river. Harry slept off his headache this afternoon and is happy & bright. Bessie has been writing Guy a letter all day. She has been finding places on the large U.S. map spread on the floor. She sends her love to you & Mr. Wood, & hopes "they won't have a hard war", as

Reg. Percie by Salmon River trail I write him my full instructions of what I know to be your wishes. They are equally applicable if he takes from Snatillas. Mr. Mayers is the young reporter whom you wanted sent with the Warm Springs.

Speed is at Halla Halla and has sent for only eight miles of wire. I hope by the time this reaches you that the line will be established, at any rate the comiers will be running a daily line to Halla Halla.

Purton arrived on Wednesday the 12th instant, and remained at Vancouver till Monday the 17th under General Sully's construction of your telegram. He is now en-route to Hallula and will be there tomorrow night. Your dispatch concerning Throckmorton's removal to Hallula came last Monday morning, 10th instant, and I telegraphed him to move at once; that afternoon he was at Astoria having been remarkably prompt in complying with the order. I telegraphed him, in response to one asking if he should hire special boat, to take regular Tuesday morning boat, but my dispatch was delayed two hours in the telegraph

"Word. This is in no sense 'official'!"

Headquarters Department of Columbia,

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(Private)

Portland, Oregon June 14th 1878

To

Brigadier General O. O. Howard
Commanding.

Dear General:

According to your instructions I wrote Mr. Shoudy at Ellensburg asking him to see Moses and impress upon his mind your friendly feelings towards him and your reliance upon his word that he would keep the peace. Mr. Shoudy lives a long way from Moses, but, a Mr. Sam Miller, who lives only 18 miles from Moses' farm is here. Moses is on very friendly terms with him and trusts him, and Mr. Miller, who is a very intelligent man, has great confidence in Moses. He says Moses will be very much disappointed at not being able to see you this summer. Some white men have told Moses that the soldiers have orders to put him on the reservation and Moses is greatly disturbed at it. When Mr. Miller left his place Moses was and declared he would not leave there, even to go home.

until he returned and brought him General Howard's
burn burn. He was not satisfied with Captain Wilkins-
son's visit, but would have been, in a measure, reassured,
if the Captain had visited him, but, as he puts it, the
Captain "whistled over the mountains for him."

The visit has had a good effect on other Chiefs of
small bands, for they now feel that Moses is in communica-
tion with the military authorities and it has given him
a prestige that they all aspire to.

I have given Mr Miller copies of your letters to
Moses, one sent Shondy and one sent through Colonel
Grover, and I have written Mr Miller a cautious letter,
saying to him that General Howard has no orders to compel
Moses to go on the reservation. I think I have thoroughly
informed Miller of your disposition towards Moses that
he may impress it upon his mind. General Sawtelle
read me his letter to you upon the same subject, as I have
said enough on this point, except to add that Mr Miller
says he would not, for his life, deceive Moses in the
least particular and has always been very scrupulous on

this point, which accounts for the implicit confidence
Moses has in his word. Mr Miller will write me after
seeing Moses and I will send it you.

No answer received yet to your dispatch to Gen-
eral Mc Dowell concerning the issue of formal patents to
Indians as guaranteed in treaties.

On the Saturday after you left I got word from the
Warm Springs that they did not want to go with a less
number than forty and that they wanted one hundred
dollars a month each, and even then the Agent was not
sure they would go. So I responded that we could
pay them no such price as that named but would give
the pay and allowances of soldiers and I immediately
telegraphed General Wheaton to get Reg Percis. Subsequent
telegram from you modified this, and today Sphaw
has gone to Courtoyer to get off at once the scouts under
Mr Beaw - Lieut Williams and Mr Mayers started Friday
morning to report to General Wheaton to take charge of
scouts and must have got there yesterday at latest.

With the expectation that Williams was going to take

press on. His wife has returned to Vancouver & General Sully telegraphs me that he left his baggage on the twelfth at Cherry Creek and pushed on as fast as possible. Yesterday on receipt of your orders for McGregor to push out I sent another messenger after Miles with copy of your whole telegram. Miles should be at Canyon tonight and in two more days at Harney. His enterprise in leaving his baggage on receipt of news from Canyon City and Harney leads me to suppose that he may push on ahead of his command with McGregor's orders or send them if they overtake him before he reaches Harney which is doubtful.

I was at your house yesterday, all seemed tolerably well. Of course we have the anxiety of people a good way in the rear. I wrote John Cook, just after you left, concerning the extra premium on your life insurance. A letter from Frank H. Smith says Cook has been sick again with bleeding at the lungs but is getting better.

office here and the result was that Throckmorton hired a boat, lost three men overboard, drowned, and arrived at Vancouver at five o'clock Tuesday morning, where he had to remain until Wednesday. He is now in Camp about a mile from Wallula.

On the 8th instant, I wrote General Sully telling him that you had directed me to consult with him upon important matters that might arise during your absence from telegraphic communication; that you would approve any action of his re, and expressing my pleasure at making the communication. He responded that I was more familiar with the business of the office than he, but he would be very glad to be of any assistance and would respond to any telegram.

Fletcher sent back certain maps belonging to Colonel Wilson which I returned to the Colonel expressing your thanks for the additional obligations. He sent the letter to the Chief of Engineers, as he says, to show that the officers of that Corps are ready and willing to be

of assistance to the Department Commanders.

In the matter of the delay in forwarding my telegram to Throckmorton, I wrote the Superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Co, Mr Lamb, informing him that their delay had cost the Government upwards of a hundred dollars in money and the loss of three men. Mr Lamb came in person to see me, expressed his deep regret at the blunder and promised the utmost promptness in all official matters hereafter.

Lieutenant Hoyle has been ordered to Fort Walla Walla to assist Ephraim in buying horses. A telegram from him today at Roseburg says the stage upset and he has sprained both wrists but will be here tomorrow.

June 13th in accordance with your telegraphic instructions I ordered Jackson and Adams, who were at Eureka buying horses, to dismount their board and return at once to their post. Jackson replied that they would arrive at Klamath on the 16th, yesterday.

On the 13th I received the report of Rinehart, Agent

of Malheur dated 7th instant, the substance of which I telegraphed you at once.

I send you copies, when issued, of the few orders that routine business has compelled me to issue.

General Sawtelle's advice is invaluable and I rely much upon his judgment.

Doctor Baily says he would like it if Doctor Weiser could be put where he could be easily reached as family matters may call him home at very short notice and as soon as the new Doctor (Heigmann) arrives he will send him to you that you may have no lack of medical attendance.

Speaking of medical attendance reminds me that Doctor Eaton is the only medical officer at the mouth of the river, and the two posts are under command of Lieutenant Larson of the 2^d Infantry.

Upon receipt of your dispatch concerning Droney's return to Harney I dispatched a special messenger to overtake Miles, directing latter to his wagons and

All the officers wish to be kindly remembered.
Kind regards to the military family - Hood,
Wilkinson, Rabbitt and Colonel Masow

Yours truly
Gallatin

Aide.

P.S. General Lealón wants to know your
wishes concerning payment of troops in the
field. He thinks it would be better to wait
till there is more concentration, though he is
anxious to finish up payments for the fiscal
year. A Revival Bible reader is here,
a Rev. Brown, who is ~~exciting~~ much interest.
I attended his reading at the Y.M.C.A. yesterday
and attention was called to a covenant to carry
your ^(those in the field) names to God daily, and a very fervent
and heartfelt prayer was made for you.

God bless you all and guide you and return
you to us speedily. Yours affectionately - Gladen.

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did not come - Bernard believes he ^{1973/4} ~~has~~
gone to the hostile - and with his own horse!
You should prescribe the manner of death
he should die! Runhart is here and will

accompany this messenger to you. It appears that
I compared nearly 125 miles - most likely not less
than 115 - I was obliged to abandon one horse
about 25 miles out from here. My "Buck Skin" horse
is a real driver as the people here term a
good one. You will know something about my
physical condition - I hold my head up with my
hand as I write you & know you will not
expect a mighty letter in composition or concentration.

Not knowing just where the Indians were
we did extra work in scouting & "nerous duty".

Now I'm going to oil myself & go to bed -

Kind regards to the people at Hager.

Sincerely yours,

P.S.

Wickinson -
or money, with care,
the unit spare parts or work as the way of
giving you information - my horses are about now left.

Camp Harvey June 21st
1 P.M. [1878?]

My dear General:

Have been in camp
about one & one half hours - Capt Miles writes
you. Bernard's command is here, ~~Whipple~~
~~Camped about three miles below the Post.~~
You will be surprised & no doubt pleased at
the rapidity of Bernard's movements. He
says Indians are about sixty miles
from here. Other information is that they
have not left Stone Mountain for good
(or bad) They seem to be troubled in the
matter of driving their band of horses.

Bernard said he would go after the Indians
tonight. He thinks they are pointed for the
Columbia river Indians, and he further says
he has force enough to take ^{care} of them, but
it must remain a matter of doubt which

way they will turn & should be able to
capture their horses. You see I'm giving you
a sort of rambling letter from which I
hope you may be able to take in the situation.

I overheard Bernard talking to McGregor on
the subject of moving out, the ration question,
of course, coming up. Said Bernard, never
mind if you ~~have~~ pack animals, ^{Rebbit} take
your ~~some~~ (7) mules put in them what
you can, the bags put on your horses and
go. Miles sent you a messenger last night
with all the news to ^{that} date. He would like to have
more definite information to give as to the exact
location of the Indians. Bernard just comes
in to the office when I'm ^{now} writing, and says he
has secrets and will send you any information
he can obtain at the earliest possible moment.
Doctor Bertholf very kindly offered a sketch of the
country, no question. I thanked him for you.

Miles gives you a list of stores on hand; the only
sketch of interest at the Post he sends; the direction
the Indians have not taken as yet is
also furnished and all other items of interest to
date are from you. Miles will push things!
I am making a guess that you will come here,
it's only a guess but I'm so strongly impressed
that you will that I shall wait here with
my party till I can hear from you unless
I can get information that the Indians go
northward then I'll make time in getting to
you. Sarah is ready to do anything here
she can. Mattie did spend some scouting for
us coming over. Sarah was nearly two (2)
hours in getting us ^{around} through the agency,
for fear something might happen as ~~then~~
she would be blamed - be charged with
putting up a job & all that. Oh yes - Bannock
Joe went back on his promise to come here. He

Portland Ogn
June 23. 1878.

Dear Papa,

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Your dispatches came
yesterday in reference to ^{our} moving
over to Vancouver. At first Mam-
ma did not want to go, that is
when the order first came from
Washington. She thought that
it would cost equally as much
to get settled in a new home, as
~~we~~ we would lose in rental &c
by remaining here. But now
that we surely must go some-
time, she decided that it might
as well be first as last, as one
says when obliged to swallow a
bitter pill. The children are
very happy and I am very
glad of the change for the sum-
mer, ~~both~~ for my own sake as
well as for Mamma & the children.
This moving will give Mamma
something else to think of besides
the Indian War, and I think

with Capt. Sladen that she will be
happier in the end over them. I
am glad you are not here for
your own sake. There are a hun-
dred & one things to settle that
are at least very disagreeable,
as for instance the deciding
about quarters. Genl. Sootelle
& Capt. Sladen have gone over
on a special boat this morning
to see Genl. Sully & make all ar-
rangements, as they must begin
to move tomorrow morning. As
this is a very good opportunity
Mamma decided to go over with
them, (taking Johnnie & Bessie) &
take a look at the arrangement
of rooms in the Wicks house, so
as to better decide how & what to
move over directly. We hope to get
the carpets over & down before send-
ing any furniture over. & I am
going over with Harry, & perhaps
Chancey, & stay in the house to re-
ceive things & carry out Mamma's
orders in regard to them. We have

is a good Man² Shing, a very good
Chinaman to go over there with us.
He will go next week & remain
in the house until we get moved.
Dan is going to his Cousin at Seaside
he says, as we do not care to take
him to Vancouver with us. This
house is as good as rented. The
Gills have wanted it for some
time, & will probably move in as
soon as we leave. I forgot to say
that Shing is a member of the
Episcopal Church, & one of Miss
Buxton's scholars at The Chinese
School at the Hall. He was at
Mrs. Boyle's Cook. Probably Mary,
the girl who served for ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~rest~~
long ago, will come to live with
us next September. I do not see
the necessity for any outlay now,
because we move to Vancouver.
We can pretend we are camping
out, as at Fort Stevens, & do with-
out what we do not have. Although
Mamma is not sure, yet I think

we shall leave this house by the
fifth of July; that is the day of
the month on which we moved
in, is the day the month is up.

Next week the Vancouver is to make
several trips a day to ~~the~~ over
Head quarters. Capt. Sladen will
also move his family next week,
so as to be there before the first of
July. Mrs. Sladen & the children
will stay with us the last few
days of their moving. Mrs. Wilkinson
expects to take quarters. Genl. Reynolds
is on the incoming steamer, which
will require another set of quarters.
Everyone in town seems to be very
much astonished at the order, &
sorry to have Head quarters moved.
All our friends are very kind about
helping us, & ask that we will not
fail to visit over here frequently.

Jamie will go to visit at the Kamm's
farm tomorrow, coming back on
Saturday. There will be little that
he could do this week, & he needs
the change & rest. He finished
the second book of Virgil's Aeneid.

but has not reviewed³ the two books.
But I made him review the lesson
of the day before each day, and he
really reads Virgil very well now.
He took fifty-two lines for the last
lesson. His geography is not quite
finished up, & I wish he could have
reviewed that. I do not think the
Hallowell School anything more
than a boy's & girls' High School.
Jamie ought to have thorough
training, and not find anyone
less well informed than himself.
I wrote Grandma this & also that
I thought Andover influences good.
The knowledge that one is ignorant
lies at the foundation of all edu-
cation, and superficial knowledge
is worse than ignorance. Miss
Blackler goes away for a year at
least. She is going to Europe with
Boston friends. Several at Church
spoke of how sorry they were to
lose you from the Church, Mr. Stul-
ter, Mr. Shindler, our S.S. Superintendent
Mr. Northrup. Someone suggested that

a boat, or ambulance & ferry, might
run on Sunday to bring us over to
town to church. The Episcopal Church
is the best one at Tanconier, and,
there, only the service is worth any
thing. It will seem very much like
being at West Point again. Mr.
Cronan & some church members are
at the meeting of the Cong. Associa-
tion at Salem. Mrs. Stubbs preached
and, though many from the other
churches ^{which are} closed today were with
us, the church was not full. We
had a long, rambling, tedious "Ad-
dress" (he called it) upon not
adhering too strictly to precedents
or customs, & trying to teach the
rising generations to understand
God. Mrs. Wilkinson sat alone in
front of us, and I talked to her a
little while after church. My S. S.
Class declare they will not go ~~any~~
more now that I am going away,
but Mr. Northrup came up & talked
to them about what new teacher
they would like to have, & I think
they will go all the same. She really
behaved beautifully today, and quite
surprised me by being sorry to say

goodbye. ~~These~~ ⁴ paymasters feel worse
than any, and I guess Genl. Eaton
has a hard time before him to decide
where each is to go. We are all well.
Jennie took cold the other night,
which troubles him considerably.
Chancery has decided to dispose of
his live stock and boat, and
thinks he has found purchasers.
Johnnie & Harry play ball twice
as hard as usual, & Bessie has
numerous invitations to accept. She
walked out to Mrs. Hewitt's yester-
day with Kitty and me, & thinks
it a nice place, only too far away.
Harry thinks it too bad that yester-
day was my birthday and no one
gave me any presents or "slaps".
I opened the piano yesterday for the
first time since you left, and played
what classical music I knew and
read some new. In a few weeks I
shall have time enough to practice.
Mrs. Joy was here yesterday and
said Col. Perry's leave was not
up until some time in August.
Harry has written you a letter and
in trying to write fast made it hard
to decipher, so is copying it. We

think you are now at Malheur Res.
Grace Howard on the way to Slide
Mountain. We are having alternate
days of heat & cold. Today was
quite rainy at first but has
cleared off bright. Mamma
has been reading Miss Yonge's
Book "Pillars of the House" & liked
it very much. This nearly as
good as the "Heir of Redcliffe".
Mr. Oxer found that Mr. Ford's
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was up on the first of June, in-
stead of July as he told him.
With a great deal of love to you and
also to him, and remembrance to the
rest, I am your loving daughter

Grace Howard
Here come Mamma & the children with
hands full of flowers from "our little
Harry says. Mamma thinks she is
tired to write now but will, bye & bye if
possible & says that by the time you
get this there will be little left for
this house. I enclose Harry's letter.
Genl. Sully has to give up any business in the
garrison, & is coming over on Tuesday to tell what
he wants done. Mamma is "awfully afraid"
we shall lose Maj. Ross she says. Genl.
Eaton may resign immediately. 9. 11.