AGENCY OF

THE UNITED STATES LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,

IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

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Washington D.C. Oct 11 1878

Genl O. O. Howard

Dear General:

I have recd from Jno H. Cook a statement of his houses & which he holds for your a/c, with Cash on hand $232.45 — for which however as I understand there are matured and maturing obligations on your part to something more than balance. I sent Frank to day to look over the T. St houses, and he reports them as having the appearance of being weatherbeaten outside and in, to such an extent that a small amount expended in cleaning and the most economical repairs will probably be required to make it possible to compete in rent with the large number of new, fresh houses up and going up in the vicinity! ~~The~~ I will endeavor to get over myself to morrow and survey

the premises carefully ~~&~~ ~~[illegible]~~, and determine how much is absolutely required to be done, and you are so far away I shall take the liberty of doing it at once, and if possible get them all ~~to~~ into a paying status before the renting season is over. I have already placed cards in them and advertised them (at my expense) in my yearly space in the Star. There are also two of the tenants who are evidently not going to be able to pay, and should be dispossessed at once. There are also serious questions whether better arrangements cannot be made for the 7th St store. Cook is only in town once in two or three days, for a short time, and I shall have to have another interview before I become fully possessed of the situation

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I understand fully that the main thing required of all the houses, is to sell them as soon as possible for any fair price. It is hard work to do any thing in these dull times and I will not promise any results, except that I will make a special effort to evolve something in the way of profit.

The general managers of the above Insurance Co are here and as I have undertaken to help them (for a consideration) start an office in this City I am unusually full of cares for a few days.

Will endeavor to write more clearly in three or four days, when I know more

Truly Yours

A. H. Smith

Le Droit Building

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Boston, Mass.
Oct. 11. 1878.

My Dear General:

I am spending a little time here in our dear old New England. I have recently visited the old Stamping ground, Livermore, Leeds, &c. and I never saw the country look so beautiful. I have asked my brother Israel to send you his "Notes on Livermore", which I think will interest you.

I wish to offer you my sincere congratulations on your splendid success, over the Bannocks, which has been recognized by the whole country. Showing that public justice, is at the last, always certain.

With pleasant recollections of our delightful trip up the Columbia,

I am,
Dear General,
Very truly, Your's &c.
Wendell Phillips

Gen. O. O. Howard

P.S. Please to day on any occasion to Chicago

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Washington
Oct 11th 1878

General Howard
My dear Sir

You may not have forgotten your former correspondent of the English Freedmen's Aid Union

It was is a great disappointment in my otherwise pleasant visit to the U States

to miss you. I have been West as far as Omaha but no further.

This afternoon I drove out to the Howard University introduced myself & met a warm welcome from the President who went with me over the College.

Rec'd by Genl. Oct. 25. 1878.

You have a capital building, substantial handsome but not extravagant

tall you want is plenty of
Students & income
I may have the opportunity
of helping the latter item
wh^ch would give me much
pleasure.
If you have time a line
from you would be very ac-
ceptable.
I sail from New York on
the 23rd Inst. up to that date
Care of Hon Wm Dodge
New Y.
After that the old address
of 5 Tokenhouse Yd London.
Yours very truly
John Taylor.

Personal

Camp Coeur d'Alene, I.T.
Oct. 11. 1878

General O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

I have for a long time delayed writing you, owing to a great press of duties, in reference to the discharge of Mr. Black at this post in Sept. In the first place he did not manifest sufficient skill to warrant his being entrusted with any work requiring skill. Being in charge of the planer under the eye of the chief engineer, he yet succeeded in breaking some of its parts by carelessness and incompetency, the fact of which did not come to my notice for some time. Besides the above, which were among the immediate causes of his discharge, he lost several days time through intemperate use of liquor as the chief engineer reported.

The chief himself was discharged the same day for trying to compel the G.M. to pay extra for work in putting machinery in order during hours when enlisted men were preparing for and

attending weekly inspections. Failing to get his claim for double rates allowed for this time, he and Black neglected to clean and put in order during these intervals the parts of machinery under their charge, thus compelling time to be taken from regular working hours for that purpose. When this came to my knowledge I ordered the immediate discharge of both, to the advantage of the service pecuniarily, and by its example.

With great respect, General
Your obedient Servant
H. C. Newman
Lt. Col. 2nd Lieut.

Recd by Genl. Oct 5. 1864

Dayton W. T.
Oct. 12. 1878.

Brig. Genl O. O. Howard

Dayton W. T.
Oct 12th 1878.

Brig. Genl O. O. Howard
Commanding Dept. of Columbia
Fort Vancouver W. T.

Dear Sir,

I delayed answering your favor of Sept 28th in expectation of forwarding a proper explanation from the Editor of the Cronicle of this place. He is a self conceited invalid with one leg in the grave and takes advantage of his condition to the disgust of our best citizens and men of his own party. I now appealed to his immediate supporters for redress. This community has been, and are still under many obligations to me and I will have satisfaction for the insults. I met Mr. Ferry of Idaho on his return home. I urged upon him, in returning to Washington to go by the

way of Vancouver and call upon you, so that he might be fully and correctly informed upon Indian matters. I am in correspondence with him and will still urge it and feel confidant he will do so. I am endeavoring to arrange my business to accompany him to Washington. "Homily" wanted me to come and see him as soon as I could conveniently. When the excitement dies down in Umatilla county I will go down to the Agency and through the Agent see Homily and learn what it is he wants to explain in detail and then inform you. I have also been invited by many of the old citizens of that county to make them a visit. I informed many of them I met in Walla Walla and here, that there were a great many men in their county pursuing a very suicidal course for a satisfactory adjustment of the difficulties in their midst.

I have the honor to be my respectfully your most obdt.

A J Cain

Omaha - Neb.
Oct. 14, 1878

Dear General

I have tried to write you a letter but paper, envelopes and ink have mysteriously been gone in conjunction. I thought we had plenty of time in Omaha but find it is only 20 m.

I have been reading my credentials and feel pretty well posted, but am sorry I have to go to New York. I know nothing new to tell you but will write a letter at the first opportunity. I think Postal Cards are worthless -

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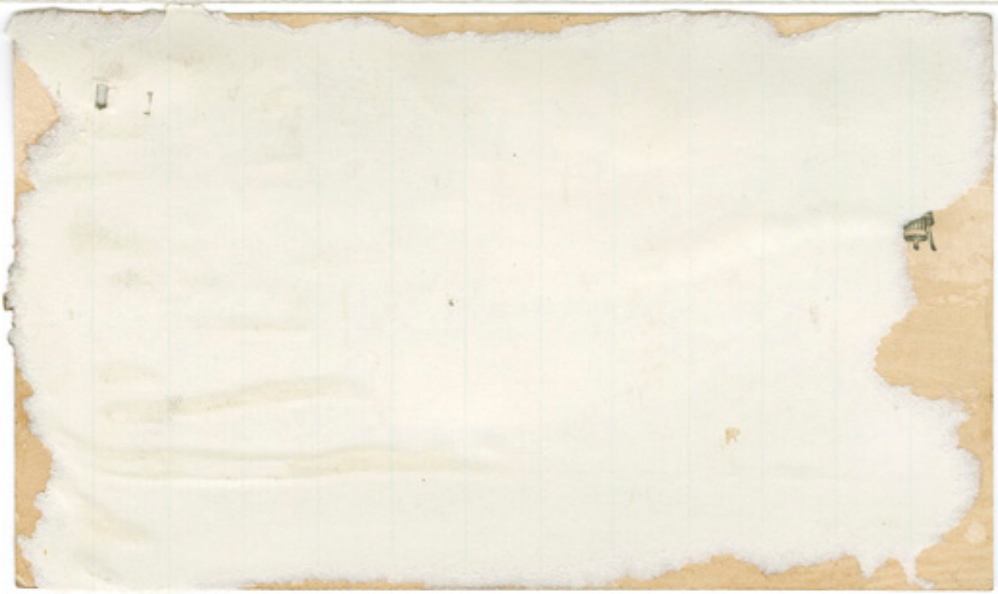

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WAR DEPARTMENT.

Paymaster General's Office,

Washington, 16 Oct 1878

My dear Genl

I send you herewith a Photograph of the "Henry Wilson Monument," erected in rear of the Vine-clad Chapel at "The Soldiers' Home."

As the project originated in your Dept. it is but just that a Photograph should be sent you — in order that the Soldiers may see what was done with their money.

Only $713.23 has subscribed — I have sent Army & Navy Journal an account of the subscription in full — If you have any suitable reading room please put it in it.

With large respect
Your obt Svt
Benj. Alvord
P. M. G.

Genl O. O. Howard
Comdg Genl Dept Cal

Washington, 15 Oct. 1875

My dear Sir

I have to thank you for your letter of the 11th. I shall be glad to see you here at any time that it may be convenient to you.

The Pulleys referred to in your letter, it is not yet decided what we shall do with them. Perhaps we shall have to sell them as old iron.

The Pulleys & Belts: We have not been able to find any other place for them. It is probable we shall have to leave them where they are for the present.

Yours very truly
Chas. H. Thomas
Brig. Gen.
Chief Quartermaster
U.S.A.

HENRY WILSON MONUMENT.

This monument is erected by the soldiers of the army, by subscriptions from various regiments,—started by enlisted men at Fort Vancouver, Washington Territory, January 28, 1876. It was intended "to testify their appreciation of the efforts of the late Vice President, HENRY WILSON, in their behalf."

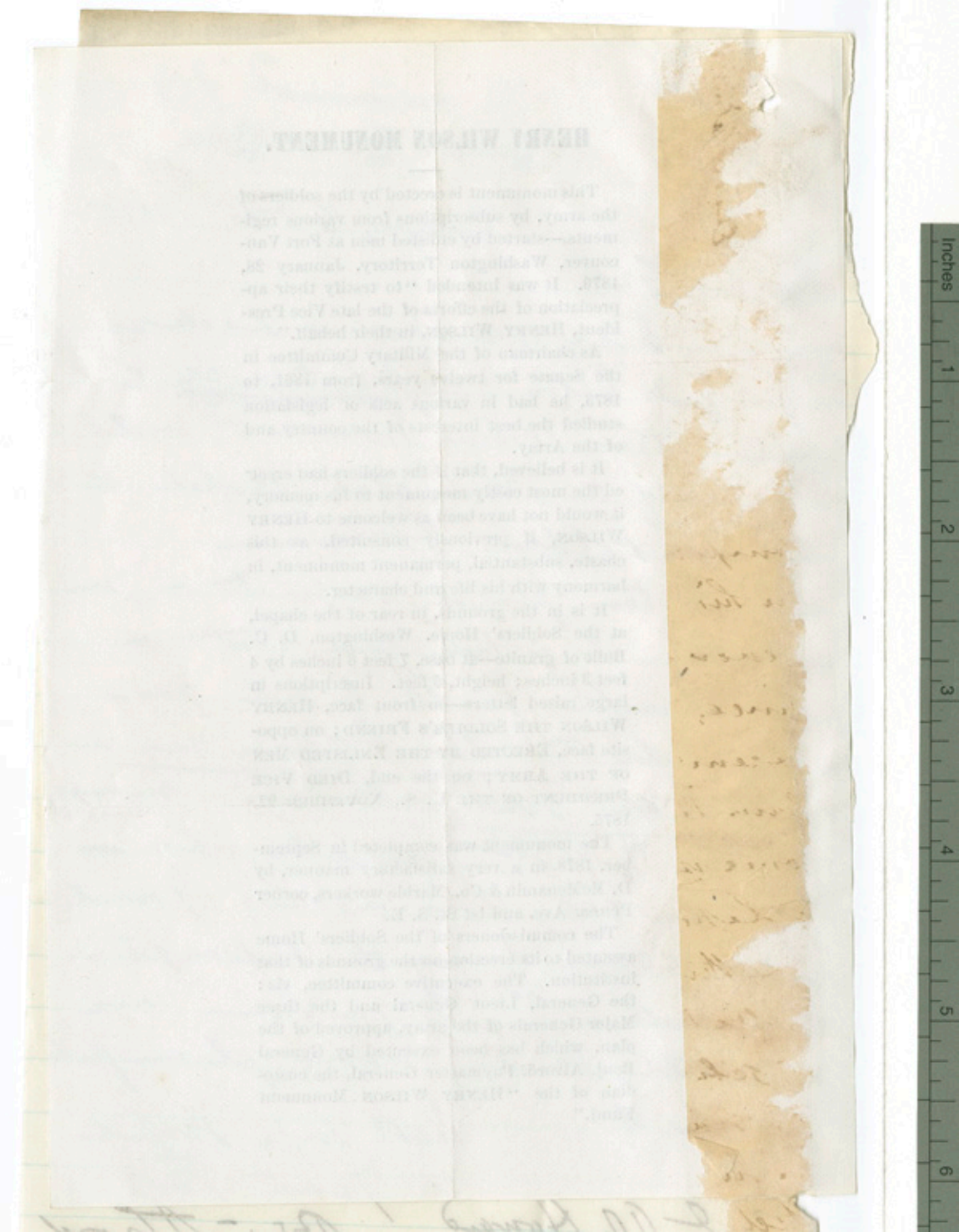
As chairman of the Military Committee in the Senate for twelve years, from 1861, to 1873, he had in various acts of legislation studied the best interests of the country and of the Army.

It is believed, that if the soldiers had erected the most costly monument to his memory, it would not have been as welcome to HENRY WILSON, if previously consulted, as this chaste, substantial, permanent monument, in harmony with his life and character.

It is in the grounds, in rear of the chapel, at the Soldiers' Home, Weshington, D. C. Built of granite—at base, 7 feet 6 inches by 4 feet 3 inches; height, 5 feet. Inscriptions in large raised letters—on front face, HENRY WILSON THE SOLDIER'S FRIEND; on opposite face, ERECTED BY THE ENLISTED MEN OF THE ARMY; on the end, DIED VICE PRESIDENT OF THE U. S., NOVEMBER 22, 1875.

The monument was completed in September, 1878, in a very satisfactory manner, by D. McMenamin & Co., Marble workers, corner Penna. Ave. and 1st St. S. E.

The commissioners of the Soldiers' Home assented to its erection on the grounds of that institution. The executive committee, viz: the General, Lieut General and the three Major Generals of the army, approved of the plan, which has been executed by General Benj. Alvord, Paymaster General, the custodian of the "HENRY WILSON Monument Fund."



Mich. Mil. Academy,
Orchard Lake, Mich.,
Oct. 16, 1878.

Dear General:

Knowing your love of classical subjects, I take pleasure in sending a few brief extracts from a complete rendering of Virgil's Aeneid. It has been a pleasant task for me ~~to~~ for many leisure hours. You will know me by perusing at your option. Have had much encouragement of late from some of the most eminent Latin scholars. Should esteem a word from you very highly. Wife joins in sending regards to Mrs. H.

Yours ever sincerely,
H. H. Vince.

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O O Howard.

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Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Oct 13th 1878

My dear son Otis,

Your letter of Sept. 17th is now before me, that is the last I have heard from you, I am glad you could say you and yours were in comfortable health, I met Jamie at Charles on his way to Andover and have had several communications from him since, I trust he will do well, every thing seems favorable to that end, Rodolphus family are well, Miss Serene has not come yet with Serene, I have had a letter from Mrs Wingate of Hallowell she thinks very well of Lewis he is settled at Th—l in the preparatory school, he spent his summer vacation at the Hazards Mrs Hazard writes in high terms of him, he is disappointed in not having Jamie with him I think it is a sort of pick pocket arrange-

potatoes and tomatoes, she has taken Ansel Turner's widdow into her house, lets her parlor and parlor bedroom for the winter, the Mrs Turner is very old and feeble but still she will be company for Laura Ensign she says, is doing well in school, Etta Otis John's daughter died the day you were in Lewiston she left a babe which has since died Laura says I dont know who she married, your Aunt Lucretia lives in Winthrop, Delphina Woodman and family conduct the home Mrs Lendbetter has been on a visit to Leeds this Autumn she is seventy eight years old, you spoke of Chauncy I have always held him great respect but have not known so much of him as of Jamie give much love to each individual family dont let the time pass until you write soon tell me about Guy where he is. Ever yours

O. O. Howard

for board to cost $.8, a week when
everything else is so low, Jamie pays
$7. and finds wood lights and pays for washing
I think Jamie has a good quiet place
and is pleased with the Officers of the Accademy
and realises the necessity of making the
most of his time, I have heard from all
our friends of late in good health, a
great number of our in this region people have had
friends die with the yellow fever in
the South, what a terrible scourge:
our Heavenly Father knows why it is
so, everything is butiful here in nature, we are
having a delightful Autumn, Mrs Kelly
is the housekeeper she has the care of the
Children and all the housekeeping,
has a girl in the kitchen, I am a boarder
I have not decided to remain here
through the winter, about my going
to Oregon I dont think it best, I am
waiting to be called for, living on
borrowed time, but I am not contented
here, nothing but Charlie's poor health

keeps me from going directly back,
in his Charlie's last Postal he says I am
well, but being with him ten weeks, has
given me some idea of his well days,
he is under Doc. Hunters Care, a Physitian
in Chicago, Rodelphus is now gone to Lebanon
to attend a young mens Christian
convention, went wednesday evening
will return Saturday, I think that
Grace and her mother have written
me since I wrote them, tell them
to write me again, I met sister Martha
at Glencoe and was with her a few
days, she has not changed much
she wished so much she could
have seen you last spring. a few
days ago I received a letter from
Laurie Otis she is receiving her pension
now, and very thankful to you for
the help she received from you in
obtaining it, she has plenty of apples
again, 8 bushels & a half of pears
and a great plenty of grapes, and

The Merchants National Bank of Boston

Franklin Haven, President.
Geo. R. Chapman, Cashier.

from Scott

Boston Oct 19th 1878

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My dear Rutherford

The children are making very good progress towards health & I hope you will be able to come & see us in spite of quarantine. Can't you & Helen come, but there, I forgot we are in quarantine. We shall be very glad to see you if you think it safe. I am glad that Stu is to publish an article in Cochin. Mr Toby promises some opinions which he wrote to do so. I have had the closing chapters of Daniel. It is very readable & a great deal with that I liked very much. Some things seemed here & there to me too simple to write about it, but they give a flavor of their own to the book. Dillingham is the New York agt for Lect's. I'm doing about the look of advertising. I hope the Publishers are going to take some interest in

it. It is time for you & me to go to Europe together for rest & to keep you company. Can you arrange it. Han nor had chance to read & answer yet, came this morning. The two men are visiting Mrs. Emmy now, & I shall try & show them your letter — I should be glad to see James though he is strange to each other — Indeed nor Dr Gray, which he was thinking of. I thought that the Genl might give them another introduction & let them come & see me. Where do Nick & Rob are their friends, in the part of the world, if you do know them? We have moved back into our old Bank room where I hope you will call. The Mr (they were drawn away by a friend)

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Washington D.C.
Oct. 19. 1878

Dear General, I arrived here yesterday and accompanied General Sherman and General McDowell to the Sec. of War. The running of the matter with him was a reference to the Sec. of Interior. Accordingly with Gen. McDowell this morning I had a talk with Gen. Schurz. He seemed to think he had settled matters by appointing Colburn as commissioner. Colburn giving him to understand

that he would have little difficulty in persuading Moses on to the Yakima reservation. I tried to show him the analogy between the present Umatilla complications and the future ones to result at Yakima from natural causes that would be augmented by this accession of numbers and nomadic spirits. I claimed (correctly I think) that Moses for war would be very much more powerfu

than those advocating the proposed change; General McDowell boldly placed himself as the friend of the Indian and inveighed against their treatment by our lawless settlers and by our laws.
He said you wished to remove the tribe to the Indian territory or Lummi reservation, but he certainly would never approve that.
He felt more like

rewarding Winnemucca
Satchey and Ochee.
and others.
He touched on the
Harney question and
said General Crook had
told him the demonstrated
policy was to keep a military
post with large force near an
Indian reservation. Accordingly
Harney must be kept a strong
post while the Malheur
Agency was in existence,
I suggest that as the
beneficiaries of the Malheur
Agency had gone en masse
to the hostiles and as the
Indians named by Gen McD.
(viz - Winnemucca etc)

had never 3 derived benefit
from the Agency it would
be a good plan to
remove the Malheur
pensioners (Egans and Otts
followings) to Lummi
and the ring leaders to
Indian territory. Gen
McDowell said in that
case he could and would
abandon Harney and he
saw no objection to the
plan. Gen Schurz
said the idea struck
him favorably.
All questions were discussed
and your memorandum

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elaborated as judiciously as I was capable of doing. Some minor points I did not even bring forward. I found McDowell, Sherman and Schurz so decidedly unanimous opposed — such as the surrender of the leaders to civil law. —

The removal of any considerable body to Indian territory was rejected, And the conclusion is this. So far as Schurz can promise

If Moses does not
accede to Wilbur's proposal
his request will be granted

The Mathews will be
removed to Lummi,
the leaders to Indian Ter,
Harney will be abandoned
as a large post.

The Secretary was deeply
interested in Moses and
requested the photographs
of my sketch of him.
I am to have another
interview with Schurz
and bring up the details
of survey of the reservation

a colleague communicate
with Colfax, etc.
But now having completed
my concert of action with
General McDowell I
prefer to wait until he
leaves Washington.
I saw John Cook and
nearly completed business
with him. He says the
deeds for the Buffalo property
must be made out in Mrs
Howards name. I told him
so to prepare them; (Yours
here to James M. Barney of S.A.)
Mr Pratt was out of town
I left the matter with
his son. I have called

twice on Smith 7,H.
but have not been able
to see him. He is not
with Satchell.
It is Saturday night
and I am on my way home,
where I have not yet been,
to spend sabbath. But
will return to Washington
on the Early Monday train
and lay siege to Upton
Gen. McDowell spoke
very kindly of you to Schuyler
I will tell you the
interview some better
opportunity.
I will telegraph from

Baltimore if the train gives me time. My brother Max came on from Phila. last night. Jim the one in business in Baltimore has been sent as the confidential agent of his firm to Brazil. with a money responsibility of $50,000. It is very complimentary to so young a man but he will be gone 6 months so I will miss him from my wedding. Dave already is envious

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Rio de Janeiro as I
wrote you before I left.
Tom is delighted with
a fine position in Poole
and Hunts to learn
machinery and construction
engineering while he
studies the profession with
the superintendent of the
works. So of all six
boys not one is at home.
I almost dread to look
at the empty table.
Ch. Brice has passed
finely into Johns Hopkins
University and lives in
town

that dispatches of the have
lost of them. I found
Col. Morgan my brother
quite ill with gout
and tho' savage to the
world it would do
your heart good to hear
his straightforward
soldierly approval of
yourself and denunci-
ation of your adversaries

I found both my
sisters in Washington
and they were very grateful
that you sent me on,

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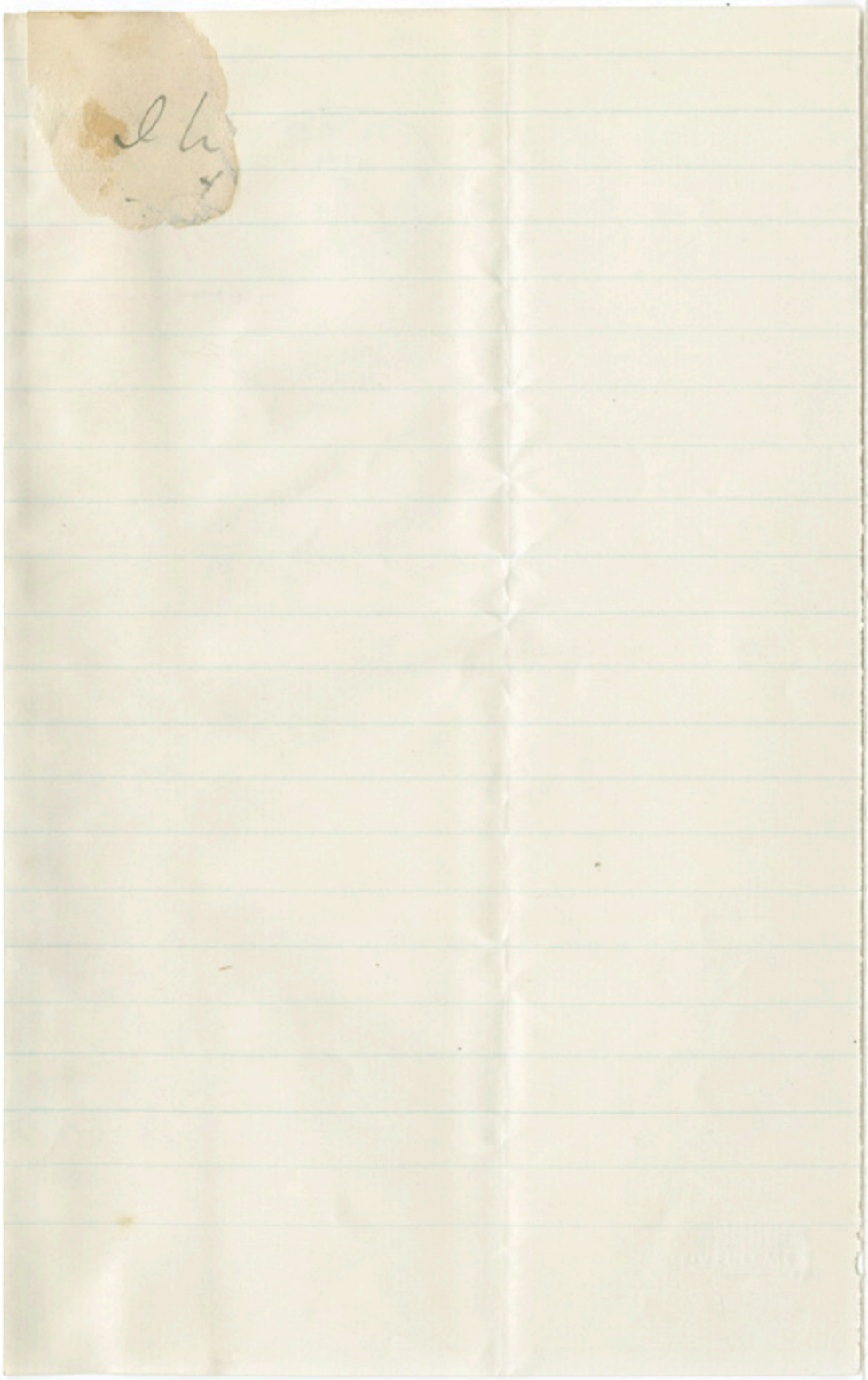
I have been selfish in talking about myself but I take it for granted you will give me all the news from my Pacific Coast home, which you know I always wish to hear. If I set down my string of questions it would embrace the health and special doings of Mr Howard Yourself Mr Essace, Chance, John, Harry, Bess the tidings from Guy Jennie and Mrs Martin news of Prince and the ponies. Home news

and office news. the
good news all - I hope
that there may be no
bad news. Give my very
dearest love to Mrs. Howard
I want to write to Gladen
and Miss Grace when I
have an agreeable opportunity.
Give my love to them and
to all. I shall be so
glad to see you all again.

Yours very truly
Wood



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OFFICE

U. S. Quartermaster,

MAJOR G. B. DANDY,
QUARTERMASTER,
Bvt. Brig. General U. S. Army.

Portland Or. ~~Buffalo, N. Y.,~~ Oct. 19 1878

To
General O. O. Howard U.S.A.
Comdg. Dept. of the Columbia
Fort Vancouver W.T.

Dear Sir.

I received your telegram in relation to issue Q.M. Employés at 2.35 P.M. and at once sent the messenger to the boat. The letter had arrived some time before and Goodwin had gone, so the messenger did not

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then see him. I have just ascertained that Goodwin delivered his charge in accordance with your directions.

Very resp. Yours
W. D. Lindsay
Gen.