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OFFICE

U. S. Quartermaster,

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

Portland Or. ~~Buffalo, N. Y.,~~ Dec. 11 1878

Dear General.

I received your telegram and saw Mr. Cole the Post Master in person. There was no mail matter of any description for you up to 8.30 P. M. at which time all mail had been distributed. The mail bags for Vancouver - he said - he was not authorized to open.

Very Respy. & truly Yours

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C. B. Davis
Gen.

To
General O. O. Howard U.S.A.
Comdg. Department.

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Angel Island Cal.
December 11. 1878

General:

I find myself after seventeen years' service less than half way up the list of Captains of Artillery with no prospect of further promotion in my corps short of fifteen years to come. I therefore propose to apply for a vacancy in the Pay Department; and, having served under your command, should very much like to have a letter from you to accompany my application.

Very respectfully
Your obdt. Servt.
Frank J. Smith
Capt 4th Arty.

General O. O. Howard
Portland, Oregon.

Rec'd. 9:30 A. Dec. 26. 1778.

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Camp Morristown

December 11. 1778

General:

I have my self often occasion offered to mention my wish of quitting the post I now occupy in the list of Cadets, but the prospect of further hostilities in my native state of Virginia, prevented me from doing so. I therefore beg leave to mention it to you, hoping some opportunity may offer to serve me, should I succeed, this is but a little favor that I request of you, which I hope will not be refused.

I am respectfully

Your obdt. Servt.

Thos. Hughes

Cadet Corps.

To

Genl. G. W. Washington

Commdg. &c.

United States Indian Service, 344

Umatilla Indian Agency,
Oregon, Dec 12th, 1878.

Genl. O O Howard
Fort Vancouver W.T.

Dear Genl.

Does the News paper report the truth concerning the removing the Pieces & Umatilla Indians upon the Yakima Reservation? If it be true, you must certainly prepare your forces for another Summer Campaign in which I fear you will have to contend against a terrible enemy. Not only the Indians, but I fear the Citizens will not give you much aid. I hope never to see the day, when you will be called upon to perform your official

duty to put in execution that paing & unjust order. You know as well & better than I do, that, the Yakima reservation is to day, similarly situated to this, surrounded by white Citizens, clamoring with their might to eject them, the Indians from their homes. How in the name of God can the Indians be made happy yes even peaceful, when we add to that reservation about two thousand more and the great majority of them just wild. Something must be done to stop such a move or undertaking by the Government = does the Government want war, then it would be a very good move to bring it on, but if the Government wants peace, better means should be adopted. I regret very much that your plan, as I

understood it, is not carried out.
I think, the understanding I had with you at Fort Vancouver was much better, certainly would please the Indians better, if they can be pleased at all. And I can safely say would give a better satisfaction to the Citizens of the Country. This thing of pleasing every body cannot be done, And I know it. Still something can be done to satisfy a large number both of the Citizens & the Indians. And by so doing secure a lasting peace, which is certainly desirable to all good people.
I think the Commissioner of Indians affairs knows but little of our situation, otherwise he would not advance such recommendation

Recd. Dec. 16. 1878.

If the Commissioner's plan is to be put in execution I will on the first of January next send my resignation.

I am not afraid of going to War, although getting old but I do not want war whilst I am an Indian Agent.

Have you any news about the movement more than I have stated, if so I wish you would be kind enough to so inform me. I will leave for Walla Walla tomorrow and visit Col. Forsyth —

Very respectfully
Your obt Servant & friend
N. A. Cornoyer

Office of F. H. SMITH,

REAL ESTATE BROKER.

LE DROIT BUILDING,

Corner of Eighth and F Sts.

Washington, D. C., Dec 12 1878

Genl O. O. Howard

My dear friend:

Since writing three days ago, both Dr Lindsley and Mr Semmes have been in on the subject of their interest money, quite urgent that something should be done. Dr Lindsley has not your note; and makes three propositions; that you give your personal guaranty, pay the interest and then they may run at 8% for the future; 2nd that it may run, with interest paid at 10% without your guaranty 3d that you transfer the house to him without payment of interest or taxes, and so subject him to the expense

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a sale under the trust.

Mr Semmes holds your three notes of $250 each which he is willing to sell at 8% with the interest and taxes paid. He says he will not agree now to release the notes for the houses in their present condition of repair, but wants to know what you will do - he probably will

My impression is that if I can make an arrangement with Mr Semmes, after the 1st of Jany to give up the notes for the houses, without payment of interest and taxes, it is the best thing to do. Two of his houses are rented for $28 per month, or $336 a year. In their present condition, if we keep two out of the three rented to people who pay, it is all we can expect -

Office of F. H. SMITH,

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and with 36 ¢ to pay taxes, insurance & repairs we shall run behind with the interest reduced to $8 ¢

My customer for one of Dr Lindsleys houses still hangs fire. If I do not sell, my impression is you had better let me say you will be responsible for the two $1000 notes and with 8 ¢ interest I will undertake to make them work themselves out.

I have also notice of life insurance renewal for the 19th $142. Now, if Demuns takes his three houses for the notes, and you guaranty Lindsleys notes I think I can carry along your matters here. Life ins taxes and all without any draft on you until I can sell.

2) I can sell the unencumbered house at once for $1200 cash

arrange all your obligations and remit you balance.

3) Or, you will leave & advance me say $250. to carry everything along on present basis. I promised Lindsley & Simms that I would give them a definite answer by Jany 1st in which case you will leave to telegraph. To save expense of words, if you adopt either of the three above last named propositions please telegraph me to take "first", "second" or "third". Otherwise, make such explanation as will be intelligible and I will act promptly.

I hoped to leave sold or traded something before this, but the times are so fearfully dull it is almost impossible to do any thing with real estate, and they seem to get worse & worse

Yours

J. H. Smith

[ca-Dec 13, 1878]

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Portland O.
Friday.

Dear General:

It was my intention to go over this afternoon, but find myself a martyr to Neuralgia I am almost worn out with loss of sleep and am unfit for business. I hear Mr Jacobs has started for Washington, I

will forward my letters
to him there, and have
a trip to Seattle.
With kindest regards
to all the family
I remain Most
Truly & Respectfully
Yours
[illegible]

Gen Howard

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Standard Office
Portland
Dec 13. 1878

Genl O. O. Howard. U.S.A.

My Dear General:

The enclosed will fully explain itself. If the Captain is no better fighter than speller he will never make much of a mark as a warrior. I answered him by simply inquiring if he wanted me to publish his communication, and that if he did I would do so with pleasure, but would reply to it by reasserting the ground I took in my pamphlet, with perhaps

the exception of one or two very unimportant particulars. By the way, General, aren't you going to buy some of those pamphlets? They are a perfect drug on my hands, and I have lost over $50 by the venture.

Hoping you and your are very well, and with kind remembrance to the different officers of my acquaintance, whom you have about you, I remain with much respect

Sincerely Your Friend

Thomas. A. Sutherland.

suits your convenience.

P.S. We have about five thousand dollars in Transportation orders for transporting troops which are now in the Q. M. Department at Vancouver. owing to the many losses my company has met with the past season on account of Indian troubles & the very high price we are compelled to pay for feed for our stock this season. it places us in need of money.

If there is anything that you can do that is consistent with your views of right, that would tend to hasten the payment of our claims in the Q. M. Department at Vancouver. you would confer a great favor on us by speaking a word in our behalf.

Gen O. O. Howard
Fort Vancouver W. T.

respectfully
John Hailey
Supt U. S. & O. Stage Co

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M. SALISBURY. O. J. SALISBURY. J. T. GILMER. JOHN HAILEY.

Utah, Idaho and Oregon Stage Company.

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Boise City, I. T., December 13 1878

Gen O. O. Howard
Fort Vancover W. T.

Dear Sir

Enclosed find Pass over our Stage routs which you can use whenever it suits your convienee.

very respectfully
John Hailey
Supt of U I & O Stage co

Rich O.V.A. Dec. 21. 1878.

J. C. AINSWORTH, Pres't.
S. G. REED, Vice Pres't.
J. W. SPRAGUE, General Sup't.
G. J. AINSWORTH, Asst. Gen'l Supt.
THEO. WYGANT, Sec'y.

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Oregon Steam Navigation Co.,

OFFICES COR. FRONT & ASH STREETS.

Portland, Or., DEC. 13. 1878

Dear Mineral

Your favor of this date is at hand inclosing Check for $100, on acct. of Meals &c furnished Offices by this Company - We beg you will give yourself no further trouble about this matter - if the small balance unpaid, is not remitted by the Offices please consider the matter settled and cloud - under no circumstances will we consent to your advancing the funds -

Resp'y & Truly Yours

Mrs O. O. Howard
U.S.A.

J. W. Sprague
Gen Supt.

File

60. B. H. Dec. 16. 1878.

Dear Brother

I had already committed your M.S. to a "Literary Bureau" for reading & decision as to what could best be done with it - Will let you know when I hear their decision - I do not think a pamphlet would pay - Tobey's son failed, ~~to~~ involving his father - but may have got on his feet again - "Chochise" is incomplete the introduction needs recasting & the conclusion extending so as to include the story as published in Independent - The North Am. Review Editor declined it - I don't see "Donald" yet. All well -

Rowland -

POSTAL CARD.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER.

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Gen O. O. Howard
Ft Vancouver
Oregon