Olympia Oct 10th 1879

Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir,

Friends, assure me that you expected to spend the Sabbath here on your return. In my notice of Sabbath services I simply said that you were expected to be in town and had been invited to speak in our church. Further than that I had no authority to speak.

On the Sabbath proper explanations were made to the congregation leaving no room for misunderstanding. Capt. Parker who took my letter telegraphed me as soon as he learned of your detention below.

Trusting my dearest presumption in publishing my anticipation of your presence will be sustained I remain faithfully yours,

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Seatt. N.B. Dec 13, 1879

Received at

To

187 M.

To Genl U. S. Grant

Stevens Park No. one Grant
Army Republic would be pleased
to meet you in Seattle.

A. Stark

15 Park

P.D.
Warm Spring Agency Otoh
Big Sun O. O. Howard Sir

I am happy to inform you that the work goes glori-
ously on. Last Sunday Oct 12 was another day of great rejoicing in the
Salvation of precious souls. The Church
was very full. The largest crowd I was
told for some time. I went by a three
people just as the Lord as directed.
"It shall be given to you in that day
what ye shall say," up to last Sunday
I never thought that my preaching did any good. But he has answered our
prayers and encouraged his children by showing me that it did. For this
I am very thankful because my heart
almost fails me sometimes. There was three
of my Sioux Indians one man and women
of another tribe which experienced religion
and made an open confession in the Church
concerning the Salvation of their souls. At
here I felt that in my heart that some of our
closest Christian would also hear those
precious testimonies. I have been told here as also
by the Indians that I was the first to announce
the man who preach the Protestant religion or
the "Boston religion." Respectfully your obedient servant,
Walt Drowned
A.B.
I have not been able to find out the more about the
three Indians who escaped from Vancouver this Fall.
I have here some very well conduct, but they went to be
encouraged, now but the very best of men should have the care
of the Indians. Respectfully yours obediently yours, his old friend.
Dear [Name],

I have a note from Sawtelle about going up the annex tomorrow, and while thanking you for your personal solicitation, regret to say that I do not feel able to go.

Yours Truly,

[Signature]

Oct 14/79
San Francisco, Cal.
Oct. 16th 1879.

Sir: O. O. Howard.
Envoy Extraordinary, &c.

Mr. Panamun, W. T.

Dear Sir:

Same time

I received a note from Mr. Kelton, asking if it would be agreeable to me if Lt. Col. Earle was ordered to this city to also report an opinion that it would be the quickest and most satisfactory way of settling our affairs. In the affirmative from time to time, a copy of an order calling my husband to San Francisco. I daresay twice, the order was revoked without assigning any reason for the change. Under the circumstances I cannot but feel I have been unjustly treated. I now appeal to you as a Christian gentleman, the father of a family, and my husband's commanding officer, to take some action on the affair for my immediate relief. The last letter from Mr. Earle accuses me of "abetting him" also that I left him "without cause." Both of which charges I can
Naturally, attend one as false as they are made to
cost. Mr. Park has not only returned my plate for medical attendance but the bill of my
child, but also the bill for drugs furnished at that time, but has endorsed them "unpaid" as I
have left them without cause, he could not be responsible for their payment. He also
caused a notice to be entered in the record
"Culpe," stating that "Where my wife has helped
my house without cause I will not be responsible
able for her debt," and that effect. I also
receive a bitter letter from him stating his
child of myself to live on, and last night, upon
read a telegram saying: "Understand if pleased
return smile not receive you." Then it turns
to be but one opinion as to his conduct. I think
so, that in my present condition, it is certainly
the extreme entirely unworthy of any good
feet of a gentleman, especially as my only
felth was in coming here, with his consent,
where I could receive proper attention during my confinement.

The facts of the case are simply as follows:

1. I, to which you may make affidavit, sworn.
I cannot obtain house or any respectable place for less than $40.00 per month with an additional charge for fuel. My washing costs $4.00 per month, my other incidental expenses, at least $10.00 per month, and the current ways for which Dean obtains a common girl, at $12.00 per month. This is necessary to remain with my late while I take my meals, take her out in the fresh air, and keep in constant, regular attendance upon the parson's office. There and about, as you may notice, I make no parson's clothes, bedding, &c. Mr. E holds me distinctly in 'silence,' allow me, at first, more than $55.00 per month, and not allow me to remove where I can live more cheaply. I refuse to support the business. I am also obliged to reside where I am here the servants of an army due, if required. As to my leaving him with your cause, that is also false. Had I known that I must leave my home permanently, I had refused to be engaged in doing so, as I am likely to be obliged to engage that my husband, husband, and personal violence towards me at certain times. The last time, kicking me in the side when she knew I was pregnant. But knowing
I am out of support & must through hard times & much trouble. I have been dead & my relatives refused further assistance when they felt I ought to employ Mr. C. to support me. I continued all his ill treatment, and, as always before, merely came here to remain until such time as I thought it safe to travel with my lady. Of this intention I have repeatedly assured Mr. C. also his former captain, Maj. Conner, in a letter I addressed to him about a month ago. To which I received no reply. The first amount given me by Mr. C. about Nov 15, I deemed to defray my expenses at the Actor's Institute, also to pay the fare of myself & amount to $30. I spent the balance I owed to buy farm articles for the house, all of which I left with Mr. C. as well as considerable personal property among which a trunk containing my dead gf's clothes & other articles. I beg you to request him to lend me at once as I have immediate need for the contents.

As to returning to Mr. C. after all that has recently happened, I cannot do it.
I am in the extreme to do so, as I do not consider my life could be safe if I had nor again on the former.

I again entreat you to permit Mr. East to come here, where if an important investigation takes place, I do not fear the result. I do not wish to impede the standing in the Army, but for the sake of my helpless child. Beg you to be that simple public to done me. Remember I am entirely destitute with no one to whom I can apply with any hope of assistance.

Awaiting your decision.

Remain, respectfully,

Mrs. R. T. Earle.
Mr. Earle had promised to come here and put the winter at those same relatives residing in the city. I had not been so years. He handed me $125.00 to defray my traveling expenses and one month's board, etc., then after I got back to my departure, he was ordered to Indian Valley. In the meantime, I made the discovery that I was likely to become a mother. I proceeded only as far as Warm Springs where I waited for his return. I wrote to him asking whether I should proceed on my journey to return to Camp Howard. He replied, I could do as I pleased. But I thought perhaps I had better return if denied passage a woman at all. By chance I found a person who accompanied me back to Camp but after remaining a few days found it too lonely and left. Then told Mr. Earle that he had letters go to Warm Springs, Walla Walla, and Portland as I was not then able to do my own work. It seemed imprudent to presume female help of any kind. He replied when he informed him to San Francisco & not having the money by spring send one hundred dollars to defray my...
Handwritten letter from Mrs. Widman to the receiver, expressing her presence and the kindness of her husband, Mr. Widman. She accompanied him as far as Mr. Price's and parted with him with every appearance of kind feeling. She wrote to him from various stages on her journey, kindly and affectionately. She did no reply to any of her letters, not even the one announcing the birth of her child. She had lent me $200 for four months to me until my arrival. She sent one month when she lent me $64.66 in excess of any actual allowance of $40.00, of which I must pay one month's rent. Then she is accused. The balance for various necessities. Then I left camp at Fort Price and received to allow $800 per month for rent. etc., until the birth of my child, then, to make me as comfortable as possible during my confinement, after which I felt assured he would increase my allowance at my expense and then, be kind and gentle. At present, I am actively devoted not having money to purchase medicine when needed, with an infant and three months old. I can care for my doing anything for our support, as it is I find it impossible to live on the small amounts he allows me.
Custom House, Port Townsend, Washington Territory,  
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,  

Oct 18, 1879.

Genl O.O. Howard—

Hastily, I send with this a letter which will explain itself—

You know what I want, will I trust, among me if I have not written the letter as you would have it written—

If you do me the great kindness to grant my request I will be glad to bear all the expense that will result to the officer or officer who may be detailed—

Thanking you for your kindness.
to me during late visit to Boston
Vancouver and offering my
regrets that I did not have
opportunity before leaving
to call on you. Mr. T. I remain
with respect, Your Truly
H. Alvesmun
Headquarters Army of the United States,

Washington, D.C., Oct 19, 1879

Dear Howard—

You know that I have been away a good deal of late, and that letters of all sorts—announcements, which cannot be answered by the left hand, or by one of my hands left at the desk for that purpose—

Among these I find the invitation to the marriage of your daughter Grace to Mr. Ed., of which
I know that your daughter is already married. Still it is not too late for Mr. Smithers and myself to hint that you and the young people are best wishes that they may have a long and happy life. I think you are due more than you can ever receive by saying your name from the brink of eternity to the grave.

Atmosphere of Oregon.

The change has been greatly advantageous to your professionally and personally, and I assure you that I rejoice in every step you make. Especially as I am your son, and that your daughter may as well, and I know not doubt that you, Howard, will be made most happy in the quietest condition.

If your children and grand children.

I trust that they may the wedding ceremonies of yours.
Walla Walla City  
Oct. 25th, 1879

Genl. Howard U.S. Army

Sir:

Permit me to solicit your permission and approval to a situation as Indian Interpreter on the Chief Moses' Reservation as the Indians have expressed a wish to have me for which I shall be under great obligation to you, sir.

With the greatest possible respect,

Your obedient servant,

John M. Bean
Headquarters Dept of the Columbia,
Vancouver Barracks, W.P.  October 20th 1879

Gentlemen:

In answer to your inquiries & requests

as follows: To Question 1st: I taught four years from 1859 (September) to May 1864, as Assistant to Professor Church, Mathematical Department, Military Academy, at West Point. Question 2nd. I spent four years immediately after graduating in 1850, to July 1854 in studying the profession of arms. Question 3rd.

I have been in the military service ever since, occupying various stations, at present am a Brevet-General (Brevet-General in rank) stationed at Vancouver Barracks and Commanding a Geographical Department. Question 4th. I married Elizabeth M. Waite of Portland, Maine, February 1st, 1855. We have had seven children, five boys and two girls, ranging in age from 20 to 7. Question 5th. I have published various articles in periodicals, the daily and monthly publications. Also one book called "Donald's school boys" and have wrote in press another book denominated "Nipson's Joseph." Question 6th.

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