

The clerk's  
~~one~~ ~~copy~~  
continuing  
the investi-  
gation.  
With these  
will soon  
be called  
and testi-  
mony taken

to-day and heretofore on  
this subject; to you, is of  
a strictly confidential  
nature, to mention which  
would be a disgrace to me into  
a very unpleasant fix.  
What I tell you is for your  
own satisfaction, but not  
to be used in any shape.

Wait, before saying, until  
you hear from the Com'te  
officially. Wishing you a merry  
Xmas. I remain as ever  
your friend  
T. A. Sutherland

United States Senate Chamber,

Washington, Dec 27 1879

Genl O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir,

The Senate Com'te  
of which Senator Bruce is  
Chairman, to investigate  
affairs of Freedman's Bank  
held another meeting in  
my room to-day. It now  
seems that you have  
actually overdrawn  
but \$250. This was discovered  
from the journal. The  
Com'te I think will

write you for your  
pass book. The Comte  
look with suspicion  
on the fact that  
pages 1119+1120 of the  
ledger, containing  
your account, have  
been ~~cut~~ cut out.  
Senator Bruce says  
he has but little  
doubt you can  
explain away these  
discrepancies satisfactorily.  
At the close of the  
meeting I told the

Chim in that you are a  
particular friend of  
mine, and that I am  
confident of your honor  
and probity, and he  
seemed so inclined him-  
self. There is no doubt  
that great frauds were  
practised by those  
under you, a prominent  
one of which was <sup>perpetrated by</sup> the  
bookkeeper.  
It is unnecessary to  
state to you that  
what I have written

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My dear Genl. Howard

For a Christmas gift  
I present you a little book. If the  
value of my present corresponded  
with the affection with which I present  
it it would have been found in  
gold. But I ask you to measure  
my present by my love and not  
by its intrinsic worth. It con-  
tains the thoughts of a great  
and pure man, one who has de-  
lighted and instructed millions  
of people. Perhaps this little  
volume may serve in after  
years to recall to your memo-  
ry one who would always be  
just to one you think well of  
him, and who will always have  
a lively remembrance  
of your many acts of kind-

ness and of the deep interest  
you have seemed to take in his  
welfare.

With great affection,  
I am, dear Genl. Howard,  
Your sincere friend  
Henry A. Morton

Vancouver B.C., N.Y.

December 25, 1879.

Geo. E. Cole, P. M.

Post Office, Portland, Oregon.

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Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> 1899

O. O. Howard

Brig. Genl. Comd. 8<sup>th</sup> Lt. Col.

Sir

Your dispatch of the 24. was duly recd. and arrangement made with the O. S. N. Co. for them to take the mail for Vancouver to the boat and bring the return mail to the Office, with the understanding that arrangements had been made by you for the transportation of the same to the Vancouver Office, as it is, Mr. Seybolt the Special Agt, has telegraphed the department for instructions, will forward the mails, and think the department will not refuse to pay the company for carrying the same.

Respectfully,

Geo. E. Cole P. M.  
in Chittenden asst. dir

1872

Post Office, Portland, Oregon.

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Dec 26 1872

C. O. Harriman  
Pres. Genl. Land. & Lumber Co.

Sir  
Your dispatch of the 24. was  
deeply read and arrangements  
made with the L. & N. Co. for them  
to take the amount for lumber over  
the road and bring the return over  
to the office. With the understanding  
that arrangements have been made  
by you for the transfer of the  
of the amount to the Treasurer's office  
as it is, Mr. Dep. Genl. the amount of  
the transfer has the department  
for instructions, will forward the  
amount, and that the department  
will not refuse to pay the company  
for carrying the amount.  
Respectfully,  
J. B. Harriman

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General will assist me by  
your kind words & if you do you  
will never regret it, for I am in  
Everest,

Please answer as soon as you  
have seen but I & Col. General  
them I will do my whole duty &  
that I do; & I am against me  
I am confident of my discovery  
& as soon as I can I will pay what  
I owe to Mr. B & Mr. Bell -  
Hoping that I may soon receive  
a favorable answer & God will bless  
you all

I am General  
Very truly Yrs

High Macaulay

Excuse writing my pen is worn out &  
ink poor

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Dec 26-79

Major General O O Howard  
Comdg Dept of the Columbia  
Tacoma

My Dear General.

For don't me for troubling  
you once again. Your former kindness to  
me I have not forgotten nor ever shall,  
that I have seemingly abused your  
kindness to me is not true altho; it may  
appear so to you, But in mercy Judge  
me not. That I have suffered since  
I last saw you no one but He knows,  
but thank be to his name I am now  
able to tell you that I am a man  
again & altho; the past is a hideous  
dream it has been the means of showing  
me the infinite of man to man  
I will tell you all my troubles when  
I see you or I will write it to. but

remember General how never, never, guilty  
of anything dishonest or dishonorable,  
always remember this

What I wish to ask  
of you is this, my school which I  
am now teaching will be out in three  
weeks, the Dist is poor & cannot  
afford to hire me again for another  
term, the winter is only half over,  
and oh I am so tired & weary of this  
hard life among these pupils who  
do not believe in God,

Oh General  
there is not one competent person in  
this Dist & I have tried so hard  
to do right & teach my pupils the  
right way,

I rec'd the enclosed letter  
from Col G, one of Gen Sherman's  
staff, I was on hopes that he would  
give me something to do, I have written  
to him four times since receiving  
this letter, but he has failed to answer

it why was it & do you know. General  
G. G. G. is your Chief. I & Mr. I  
was assigned to duty with him in  
N.C., Could you not use your  
influence with him or Col G to  
give me a position on the lowest  
round of the ladder, I have the  
Education & ability to rise yet if  
you would only assist me once  
again, Do not say No, General  
try me, & if I fail let me go  
& Col G or G that I am not  
suited then cut me off.

I understand  
Mr. T. says & thinks I could fill  
a position under Col G & satisfy  
him,

I want to be among Christian  
men & women for I am very weary  
of this life, I have been sick & I  
have been cheated out repeatedly  
by those whom I trusted, Now

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San Francisco.  
Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> 1899.

Genl O. C. Howard,

Dear Sir,

Dr. Thum  
showed me a letter he had  
received from you wherein  
Mr. Earle is quoted as saying,  
that "he had long paid bills  
to avoid scandal" also that  
he should call for a properly  
organized com<sup>tee</sup> of inquiry. The  
bills were sent in to Mr.  
Earle on the 1<sup>st</sup> inst. that I  
have contracted since my mar-  
riage over eight years ago -  
during that time my Mother  
& Uncle clothed me almost  
without ~~cost~~ cost to my hus-  
band, as one hundred and  
fifty dollars would cover  
all he has expended for my

clothing in that time: how-  
ever I presume I shall be  
afforded an opportunity of  
defending myself from his un-  
just accusations - Will you  
be kind enough to inform  
me when & where the Court  
will be held; my present  
state of health, the inclement  
season & want of means, will  
make it impracticable for me to  
come even as far as Worcester,  
& for that reason I presume  
the Court will be held here,  
but I thought I would write  
you tentatively. I am nearly  
comforted by my husband's  
notice has presented my  
being able to obtain three  
in credit. I have endeavored,  
in vain, to obtain employ-  
ment to help take care of

my father & myself. & I again  
entrust you to me your  
influence in my behalf =  
perhaps if Mr E - could see  
his child it might soften  
his heart. Hoping you  
will reply to my letter at  
your earliest convenience,  
I remain

Respectfully.

Mrs R. T. Earle.

Please direct to care of  
J. Ellsworth Esq.  
39. South Park.

Arvid Jan 5. 1879

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Philadelphia Decemr. 39. 1879

Lieut. C. E. T. Wood U.S.A.

Dear Sir

I have made the enquiry asked for in your letter of the 3d inst, and have just written to Gen. Howard giving the full account thereof, with other matters of a family concern.

The woman's name appears to be Badman not Perkins, and does not reside at 2820 St. Leamy St., she did reside there, but the neighbors and Sect. Haynes do not know what has become of her; the Doctor has a rather poor opinion of the woman and thinks too much strong drink is the cause of her misfortunes, and said, that had he known as much when he wrote to Gen. Howard as he does now, that he would either not written or written very differently; It would be well for Gen. Howard to be careful of the Doctor as well as the woman, as I think they would like to obtain money from him unworthily.

With much resp.

Carvin Noble

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U.S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE



Philadelphia Decemr. 29. 1879

My dear Howard

I have had your request of Decr 3. attended to; I sent my brother in law Mr. Major who is better qualified than myself to find out what you desire in regard to Mrs Perkins.

Mr Major went to No 2020 Leamy Street. which is in the upper outskirts of the City, about three miles from my place of business, the house is occupied by a German who knew nothing about the woman or that she had ever resided there, he enquired throughout the neighborhood but no one knew her by that name, at last an old fellow came forward who said her name was not Perkins but Badman, but could give no further information in regard to her whereabouts. Mr Major called on Dr. Haynes whom he had previously called to see and found him at his office, after informing him of his business. the Doctor freely stated, that he believed the poverty and trouble of the woman came from her indulgence in drink, that had he known as much about her when writing to you as he does now, he would not have written as he did, that he will write and explain to you the cause of his writing the letter, he moreover said, ~~that~~ "he had no doubt that the <sup>he</sup> son of the woman deserved all that <sup>he</sup> got".

Mr Major does not express a very high opinion of the Doctor, he thinks that if money had been sent to the woman, that in all probability it would have been for the benefit of the Doctor, the Doctor did not know what <sup>had become</sup>

of Mr Perkins. or as better known as Badman. he has not seen him for several weeks. My opinion is, that you need not give your sympathies and much less your money for this woman or her son, unless a more favorable account be had of them.

I am much distressed in giving you the condition of our dear Sarah B. F. Goble. you are aware no doubt that a swelling of the glands of the neck has been going on for the last two years. this has also been accompanied by tumors, one under the arm on the left breast the size of an egg, several smaller one on the body and one on the neck, this last one has been lanced and punctured but does not suppurate as the Doctor desires it should, she has much difficulty in breathing after making the least exertion and is accompanied with a cough, Dock Agnew who attends her has told me privately, that her disease is incurable and all he can do is to prevent if possible the increase of the swellings on her neck and to make the tumors break outwardly, to break inwardly would be her death; she is uncomplaining and keeps up spirit wonderfully, notwithstanding her precarious condition, her mother and sister are with her, Calvin H. John. with one of his class has been with us for several days by permission of Mr Schofield, he returned to the Point on Saturday, his being here revived & allayed but since his departure she has kept her room, My prayers are for her recovery and I trust that my apprehensions may not be realized, may the Almighty preserve her valuable life for many years,

We all send our loves to you and your dear family  
(Mother does not know that I intend writing to you) Affectionately Yrs. Calvin Goble

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United States Senate Chamber.

Washington, Dec 29<sup>th</sup> 1879

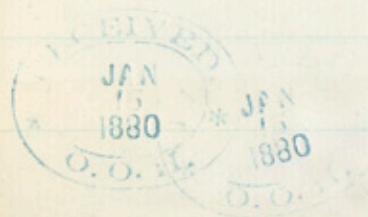
Mr. F. H. Smith.

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

If you have in your possession the pass books of Gen. C. C. Howard containing his deposits and drafts in the Freedmans Savings and Trust Company, will you please send same by bearer, for the use of the Senate Committee, investigating said Company.

After examination the books will be returned to you.



Respectfully.

D. G. Bruce

Chairman Select  
Com on T. S. & G. Co.

I have informed Senator Bruce  
that I have written to you for  
your passbooks from 1870, to  
1872 and that if you have  
preserved them, will submit  
them to the Com<sup>tee</sup> for the purpose  
of explaining the overdraft about  
which I have before written

Yours  
J. H. Smith

Treasury Department,

SECOND AUDITOR'S OFFICE,

Washington, D. C., December 29<sup>th</sup> 1879.

Brig. Genl. O. O. Howard

U. S. Army,

Vancouver Bks. W. T.

General:

Referring to your letter of the 8<sup>th</sup> ult. asking how you can have credit for \$300. on deposit with the Assistant Treasurer, New York, I have the honor to inform you that Secretary of the Treasury has been requested to cause this amount to be covered in to your personal credit on the books of this office. Your accounts will then be taken up and adjusted with as little delay as possible, and you will be duly notified of the result.

Very respectfully,

F. B. French

Auditor

by J. R.

Ms. A.  
1630  
C. C. C.

to get some of my old letters #255  
sent in Genoa Dec 3 1879

Dear Brother,

It is already past eleven  
P.M. but I can pen you a few words  
still in the night. I can think of little but  
blessings from our Heavenly Father and  
ful grateful thought in a consciousness  
of his love and great kindness. I have  
been thinking of poor Laura. How lonely  
& sad she must be and how ready to  
utter in a renewed spirit. And I join  
with you in thought that she will be soon  
under Christian spirit. I trust that Ionia  
& Choucy could be there to comfort her  
& relieve her utter loneliness. I am  
in the midst of much anxiety on account  
of Kitty. She had a whooping cough  
after Christmas and the sleeplessness  
was so severe with pain in back of head  
such returned. She suffers intensely also  
from depression and a strange apprehensi-  
ness. Tears are frequently in her eyes.  
I greatly fear it is that unless some  
relief comes soon her mind will be there  
more oppressed. Her vision is spinal.  
I fear this. In my over-care & anxiety  
I have not found a moment to go on

with the sketch for you - I will try to  
send you some old letters, in this which  
I think will be better than any thing  
I am likely to write.

I hope you & yours are all well.  
Mother Foster is here & very, with  
Kitty - with & day - she cannot be  
in town now & so I have written a little  
letter. I have been during the day  
and you have not been told and have  
to be like the name of the book  
Donald Charles Howard. You  
ought to like David, which was  
the part I suggested, at my inter-  
est. This may come a little later  
but it is indeed a very a hearty  
"Happy New Year" to you & yours, to  
Lucian & Charles - to Johnny, Mary  
& Berrie & to my dear you both.  
I am again very affectionate brother  
C. H. Howard

Arlington Hotel; Hot Springs Ark.  
December 31<sup>st</sup> 1879

Major General O.O. Howard U. S. Army  
Portland Oregon  
Dear General!

Again a year has unrolled itself from the cylinder of eternity and we are at the door of a future of which we will hope it may bring us but good.

Let me express at this day my sincerest wishes for the welfare and happiness of your Lady, children and yourself and let me assure you on this day that I am as ever unchangeable in my devotion to yourself and that I always feel very grateful in remembering the time during which

I had the honor to serve on your staff.

I am here in Hot Springs on a sick leave, but I will return to Rock Island Ills next week.

I had the misfortune of being thrown into the Mississippi when I was last fall doing work of rock excavation on the U.S. Steamdrill ~~now~~ pertaining to the Rock Island Rapids of the Mississippi river.

I could not change at once my dress, in consequence of which I contracted a cold, which troubled my throat.

The hot baths very soon got hold of that cold and I am happy to say, I am restored to health, so that I can leave this place next week. — These hot springs

are really a wonder and <sup>are</sup> helping many many people already given up by Doctors. —

I see sometimes my friend Col. Meyersburg in St. Louis, who is a President of the St. Louis Iron and Bolt Co<sup>y</sup> and who is doing first rate especially since he is married. — We both often talk of you and we keep you in a good memory. — I am as ever gratefully yours

E. F. Hoffmann <sup>Adj. Gen.</sup>  
late Major and add. St. D. C. U. S. A.

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JAS. GAMBLE, General Sup't, {  
SAN FRANCISCO.

NORVIN GREEN, Pres. { NEW YORK.  
A. R. BREWER, Secretary, {

Washington D. C. Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 1879

Received at *Union* Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 1879 11:52 A.M.

To Genl O O Howard

Vancouver W.T.

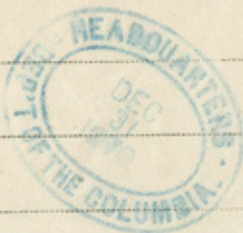
Please send immediately for  
use of committee investigat-  
ing Inman bank all your  
pass books with that bank.

Answer.

B. K. Bruce  
Chairman

30 paid J. R.

A. A.



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JAS. GARDNER, General Agent,  
214 N. BROADWAY.  
MORRIS GREEN, Press,  
A. R. HIRSHWALD, Secretary,  
New York.

Received at New York 31st 1879

Transmitted at New York 31st 1879

To Mr. J. V. Gardner

Secretary N.Y.

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th inst.

and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Yours,  
J. V. Gardner

Enclosed

is a copy of the report of the Committee on the subject of the proposed extension of the line from New York to New Orleans.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Yours,  
J. V. Gardner

Very truly,  
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