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Portland, O. May 8th 1880

Received at Vancouver W.T. May 8 187 3¾ P. M.

To General O. O. Howard, Van,

Bts. Many thanks, Invitation reached me too late.

Sig

N. Filliard

Paid

F. F.

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Spokan Falls May 8th 1880

Gen O. O. Howard
Vancouver Barrack W.T.

Dear Brother Father and Benifactor hoping the Lord as brought you Safely home to your dear ones again.

I set down to relive my heart of its burden by writing to you a few lines. This as been a long and tiedious trip to me more So then any previous one. I have been despondent at times in Spite of myself. the only word of encouragement I have had from any mortal Since last summer (and that was at the warm Spring) was by Gen Wheaton the other day. In conversation he Said Gen Howard had great confidance in me. This Stemulates me to do my duty. But Sisten what would I do without my dear Savior when all alone. Thanks be to God for the great comforter. and God bless you for your faithfulness to him twords me. The great Burden of my heart is to create good feelings between the Indian and the white man.

This is a very hard task. because for every one that brings the word of God to the Indians there are one hundered who either bring whiskey cards or paluction, oh what an harvest for those who love the Lord. To give you an idea how the devel is at work in this upper country I will give you one instance. This Beautiful Town of Spokan as already eight Saloon in it. This is very near more then all the other business put togather. I belive I mentioned in one of my letters to Gen O. D. Green about meeting drunken Indians a hundered miles from the Settlements. This is all but a plesent business, I know you appreceate the Sacrifice I make. I have been married for nearly thirty years I love my dear wife and children, and I have arrived at an age and being a Christian I could enjoy home so well, but some one must do this work. I belive most cincerly that the Lord as brought this great change in me to do is work. But oh what an unfaithful servent I am. When I reach home I will know if it is his will that I should return again among them.

Thing are quite now but I look for a drunken row beteem the white man & the Indian some were sure. aside from whiskey the feelings bad.

Pray for me and have those that love the Lord to do so. I will feel it and it will do me good. for I feel very week at times. The kind of people I have to do with are generaly bad but God as said. "Resist the Devel and he will feel from you draw nigh to God and he will draw nigh to you".

no more I remain your Broth in Christ
Ned Chamlreau

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1880

Near Camp Howard May 8th

Gen Howard.

Respected Sir

I presume you are aware of my Husband being killed on the 20th of last August by the Indians (called the Sheep Eaters) Since that Gen. I have been entirely destitute. having no one to assist me in any way whatever I have one child a little girl seven years of age I am here far away from home & friends in this cold country without any means of support & no means to get to my home & friends.

I hope Gen. that you will pardon me. for this intrusion as I know not what to do. Will you give me a pass to my home. that is Nashville. Tenn. I have friends their but have not the means to get their I will ever be grateful to you & God will reward you Praying that I may hear favorbly from you I am Gen. yours with respect,

Kate E. Eagan
Wife of Harvey Eagan
Deceased
belonged formerly to
Co. E. 26 Inf.

Direct to me
Camp Howard

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Portland Oregon May 10th
1880

Gent. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir I well
feel very happy to write
to you I thank God Bless
your all well day by day
and strength us all every
where too but I never see
your for long times is I like
to see you some times but I
like to depent on you also
you may know to any body is
have any contracter the are
for railroad leabors I wish
you may inquite to let me
know any times I well be
finished good leabors for the
I hopeing you must help
me requite any railroad & Co.
have any section track work

I well finished all good
babers for them any times
I like that section track work
very much you please help
me inquite soon I like to
hear from your Respectful
friend an Juzers

Seed Bee
by
Wing Shing & Co
No. 31 Alder Street
Portland
Oregon

P.S. I hear your place down there
Vancover expect to have some
railroad line wish to built so
dont not where the begain to work
I hope you requite of that too

[C2 - May 11, 1880]

My Dear Friend

I can not tell you that the disappointment was small at not meeting you I called at the Ebbit.

I received your card here and on my return to the H. R. the other card. I did not know where to return your call

I go to New York City tonight and return Tuesday. I shall hope to meet you yet before you return

I need not assure you that no seat in Congress can induce me to forget disloyalty or wrong I send you a

document — explanatory of
my views
With highest regard
Your friend
E M Boynton

Dr Ida

Treasurer's Office—Form 58.
Accounts.

TRANSMITTING DRAFT [illegible]EMENT-WARRANT.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, May 11, 1880.

Sir:

Herewith I have the honor to transmit Draft No. 10207 *on* Interior *Warrant No.* 992, *for $* 23 #
payable to John McBean, *being amount found due* ..... *on settlement.*

Very respectfully,

Geo. W. Gilfillan
Treasurer U. S.

Genl. O. O. Howard
Vancouver Barracks
Wash. Ty.

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3. Powers of attorney for indorsement of drafts, in payment of claims, must be dated subsequently to the drafts, must be witnessed by two persons, and be properly certified. (See Section 3477, Revised Statutes.)
4. Indorsements by executors or administrators must be accompanied by certified copies, under seal, of letters testamentary or letters of administration, as the case may be.
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7. No guarantee of an indorsement, imperfect in itself, can be accepted.

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United States Indian Service,

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Umatilla Agency,

Oregon, May 12th, 1880.

Gen O. O. Howard.
Vancouver Barracks, W. T.
Sir:

Your kind letter of May 1st is received, In accordance with your advice I will make my bill for services rendered and expenses incurred at Lake Chelans going and coming back from there and will have the vouchers signed by Major Cornoyer and send it to the Indian Bureau Washington D.C.

That is an understood thing and I hope that the Indian Bureau may audit my account at once for I have incurred the expenses and it deprives me now very much to be out of my money. In fact General I feel tired and almost discouraged to be toiling, working hard and often exposing my life without a certainty of a prompt remuneration.

Still I expect that the settlement will be adjusted

but I would prefer to deal with the War Department and have nothing more to do with the Indian Burean where in my opinion it seems there is great want of order.

I see that Col Wood is ordered to go and gather all the scattered bands of Indians on the Columbia River and bring them to the different established reservations.

As I am well acquainted with those different bands of Indians I offer my services to You as Interpreter and if You desire me to serve in that capacity please notify me of the amount of salary you are willing to pay and the length of time You ~~[illegible]~~ **need** ~~[illegible]~~ my services for I know I can be of great use to the Colonel, knowing where those different bands are located and speaking their different tongues.

Please answer as soon as convenient and receive my respectfull homages.

John McBean,
Interpreter.

considerable had been done here towards making F. "C" Drury, Hackney, comfortable soon after their Expected arrival and I am disappointed at the change in their situation — Drury must soon go, & the Co can get an efficient intelligent Captain, which he can never be, through lack of education & old age. He is probably over 62. today. Is "K." Co. Mr Lewis, Thomas Howard, to come here in lieu of "F." Drury. You know this Post is not yet half done — it takes more time and money to finish a building after its walls are up & roof on than one would suppose. Gen Miles has not been idle a working hour since my arrival here in August last and everybody has been on a jump, building and finishing half completed structures but with only white labor it necessarily goes slower than it would with an appropriation. There is still so much to do here that I hope I am not to be deprived of the promised four companies. Doggett will recruit from on the most Remote detail, he was ambitious and would have been glad if he had had a chance to command Colville a while, but Major Gibson came unexpectedly. We miss Mr Asher greatly, had become attached to & confident of all in a Sergt. With much love to you & yours, in which Mrs Miles joins, & regards to the Aides, I am Yours faithfully,

Frank Wheaton

(a private letter)

Attended to

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Head-Quarters Second U. S. Infantry.

Fort Coeur d' Alene, Idaho.

May 12 1880.

Dear General,

I am glad to see by the Oregonian that you have returned from Washington, and Mrs Wheaton joins me in the hope that you have had a charming visit to old friends without fatigue or accident and that nothing will prevent your giving us the pleasure of a visit from you sometime during the summer. I am sorry I did not know of your proposed visit or lengthened stay, for I certainly should have urged your aiding me by placing Lieut Cathcart's position in his Regiment before the President and letting him know how damaging it would be to all concerned if that officer is promoted again to command officers or men who

believe him to be constitutionally timid and when excited an arrant coward—
This man has greatly surprised me, he is an old soldier, as a Hosp Steward served for years on the frontier, some time at Fort Colville with Lugenbeel, from his intelligent conversation and manner I supposed that though he was a rough uncouth fellow he knew something of Indians and frontier life and could at least be nearly if not brilliant in ordinary scouting duty—
The case has now been so long in the hands of the President, (I suppose) that I am growing very anxious and anxious for fear some Olio influence, Catley was once a Newspaper man, there may induce the President to mitigate a sentence that I had hoped would rid us of an incubus. If McCatley is returned to duty with his Regiment he will get the 1st vacancy for Captain, no Lieutenant will serve under him & escape under protest, and he will ruin any Company he commands.

I shall certainly ask that Lieut Catley be debarred from any command in this Regt, & even if he gets his Captaincy request that he be assigned to duty with some company under a senior Captain, officers won't serve and soldiers won't stay under a commander who has been convicted as I infer Catley has been—
All I know of the sentence is the supposed opinion of a member of the G.C.M. that he believed I would be satisfied with the action the court had taken. In my above length investigation by letter of Catley's conduct, I was greatly disappointed to get so little from the three officers who were with him, Webster & Dr Poing said much less than I had expected, Lt Muhlenberg seemed to be the only one disposed to give me what I believed were the salient & important facts in the case.
Some orders for the Recruits belonging to Cheshire now here to go to their station, including "F" Co men here, has been received and our excellent Quartermaster Clark is getting up a train for the movement at earliest date.

Mrs Wheaton tho not a bit vain, will always
me if I fail to mention her Sunday School
Scholars semi annual, she has prepared
quite a class for confirmation and a baptismal
class for our good Bishop who is expected on the
21st He apparently enjoys his visits to us and
we certainly enjoy them or rather prize them
We have had a Sunday School in my rooms
every Sunday since we came here, and done what we
could to mark the day and induce others to
make some difference between the day and others
of the week, Mrs W. does all she can in this di-
rection, but I have neither talent or ability
to render her much help- If that marplot
Rufus Dalton the Div: Pr: Mr: had let my intimates
alone, (they were not addressed to him, & he should
not have been so mean as to return them,) I would
now have had a good school & chapel Building here,
and a hall for the men recreation and entertainment,
nothing more required at an isolated post, no better
promotion of Piety — But Rufus must do something
sometime or another, or people will wonder what a Div:
Pr: Mr: is for — a good number have been doing that
same for years. My little Amelia is better she has
been seriously quite dangerously ill with Rheumatic Fever.

Can you give me any information as to the prob-
ability of this Reservation being reduced. Ranchmen near
us are corresponding with congressmen about it. For Op-
portunities has Senator Mitchell interested in it. I would
like to have your latest on this subject,

G.W.

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The American Sunday-School Union,

No. 1122 Chestnut Street.

Philadelphia, May 13 *1880*

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the American Sunday-School Union, held at the Society's House, on the 13th *day of* May *you were elected one of the*

VICE-PRESIDENTS

of the Board. An acknowledgment of this notice at your convenience, will much oblige,

Yours, very respectfully,

M. A. Wurts
Sec'y

O. O. Howard, Esq
Washington
D. C.