

appeared strange to me
that those who were
benefited did not show
the proper appreciation
of your successful
mission, by giving the
needed praise through
the press.

It afforded me great pleasure
to read your article,
I only regret that I had
not the honor of being
one of the party "who
bearded the lion in his
lair."

With great respect
Yours O. S. French
Granville
Capt 31st Infy

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Miles, C.
Capt 31st Infy

Vancouver B.C. U.S.

June 16. 1880

My dear General:

In returning
the magazine I beg leave
to express to you my thanks
on your interesting and
valuable article on "Our
Indians of the Southwest."
The success accomplished
by your energy and ability
to secure peace with Cochise
and quiet the fears of the
settlers and prospectors in
Arizona should ever be remem-
bered by them with feel-
ings of gratitude. The

development of the mineral resources of Southern Arizona would probably remain undeveloped, ^{for many years}, of Cochise and his bold warriors had remained hostile to the whites. Your visit to the stronghold of the once famous and dreaded Cochise, with no force, stands unparalleled in our Indian wars and awakens the feelings of pride and honor for one who valiantly risked so much that others might be profited. During my three years tour in Southern Arizona I had an opportunity of studying the feelings of the settlers

of that portion of the Top, and know that they feared Cochise, I have been in pursuit of him after he made the long expedition and, for a long time was spreading a portion of the stage road between Tucson and Bowie against his frequent attacks on the mail and immigrants; and can fully understand why the citizens feared to bold a warrior. I am familiar with the difficulties and discomforts a person has to encounter in traveling over trails in a warm climate and appreciate the tedious journey you had before reaching the Dragoon Mountains. It has always

The Dalles.

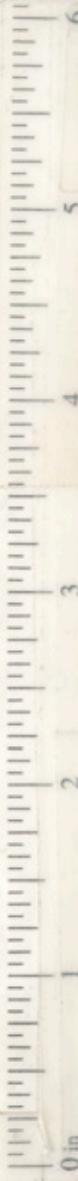
June 19th 1880.

Dear General,

I received your letter
with the enclosed letters of
introduction, for which many
thanks. You are very kind
to offer me letters to the officers
of the Forts in the North of
your command, but I travel
by the southern route. I will
ask you to do so.

I do not expect to visit
Portland again at present, but
~~I~~ should do so at some future
time. I will not fail to call
on you.

I shall always look back with



with pleasure to my visit
to Oregon, and hope to see
it again some day.

yours very truly

Hattmanher

With every regards

To settled Indians we think
most likely to understand
and give us help, without
messing with us settled and safety.
To others we are not able to
reach & they, however, may
live to travel northward with us
as we'd help them to
travel & therefore do not
hesitate to make friends
amongst them to get us to them
also if possible find us
wherever we go

left

my dear Gen

Washington D.C.
June 20 1880

Will you believe me if
I tell you there was a word of truth in
the above.

The men of the Navajo Party of
fear to give up ^{and do all} their
promises - Did they hold
out any to women, when
I only tried to sooth & mitigate
the ravages of Indian warfare

Your faithfully,
B. F. Alwood

Gen. O. O. Howard
Portland Oregon

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Breadwell -
Recd. June 30. 1880

Boise City I. T.
June 22nd 1880

Gen. Howard
Dear Sir

I am desirous of obtaining a contract in the army. I think you will remember me as Post Surgeon at Boise Barracks for six years. My contract was annulled after the Big Tree war very suddenly and without explanation. I refer you to any officers under whom I served at Boise for moral character and ability. Col. Greene Mayron Downey General Rheaum de Levee Comman. My brother you will remember Genl. Breadwell who died last summer at Gornnne Island a classmate of yours at

that Point. Perhaps from a
friendly feeling to him you
will kindly use your
influence in my behalf
and recommend me to Dr.
Bailey. I am sorry to intrude
upon your time and attention
but I am induced to ask
your aid from your well
known kindness and
generosity. Yours respectfully
Dr. Passmore Freedman
Boise City
Idaho.

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Meutw Ohio
June 22/50

Dear General:

Accept my thanks
for your kind letter of con-
gratulations of the 8th inst.
It came to day. Among the
multitude of duties pressing
upon me I can say no
more than that

I remain

Very truly yours

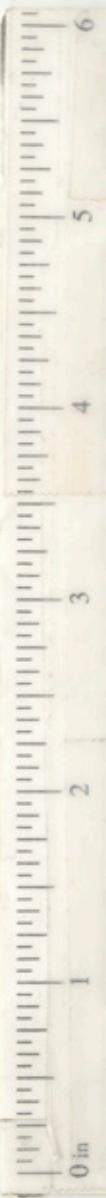
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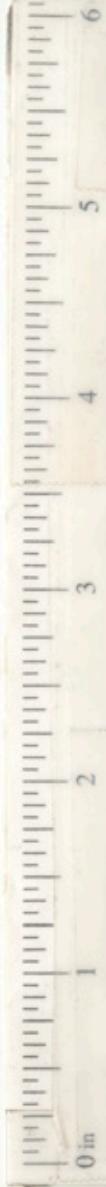
General Howard

Vancouver Barracks

Washington

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Portland, Oregon.

Gen. O. O. Coward,
June 23rd 1880.

Dear Brother;

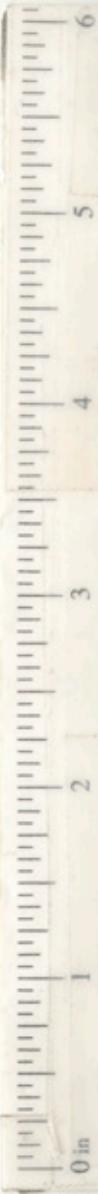
A couple Chinamen were accused
for theft up Mount Idaho, I. T.
& were put in jail. On the following
night, some hoodlums went in the
jail, took them out & hanged them.

The citizens up there want to have those
murderers brought to justice. The

Chinese want me to go & interpret
for them. If you are acquainted with
any one up there, I would be glad
to have a letter of introduction from
you to them, or a letter to introduce me to
some of the authorities. I would like to
have you answer me as soon as you can
& tell me the condition of that place.

Very Respectfully
Gong Gong

Dong Cheng
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Postman Chen
June 29, 1880



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Portland, O. June 29 1880

Gen D.O. Howard
Vancouver W.T.

Dear Sir

I have been
instructed by the Committee from the
Presbyterian and Congregational S. S.
who have the management of the
Annual Picnic.

The picnic will be given on
Tuesday, the 29th inst. at White House Grove.

The steamer will make two trips from
Portland, leaving at 9 A.M. and 1 P.M.

Every effort is being made to give the
children and all who attend a pleasant day.

And we wish to have a short address
of 20 or 30 minutes. Please to let us
know, as soon as possible if it will be
so that you can attend. And what
the expense would be.

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You will see full particulare in the Portland
paper -

Respectfully Yours J. E. Beach
Chairman of Committee.

Beach, A. C.
Astoria, O.
June 20th 1880.

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Wednesday Evening

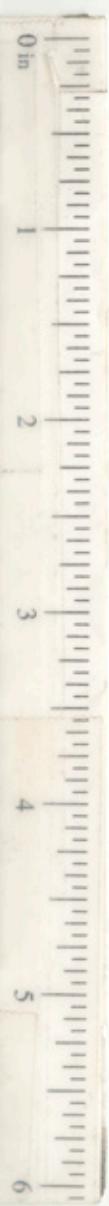
June 23rd 1880]

Dear Genl.

I am sorry
to object I should
like to go over to
Portland tomorrow morn-
ing on business -

Very truly yours
C. G. Stowles

Genl D. D. Howard
Comdy Dept.



Busroe, Joe. E

June 24. 1880. Baltimore Md.

where the soldier may be able to
recover his certificate for the
amount due him. Please answer
at once for the soldier is in very
desperate circumstances

I remain yours.

Very Respectfully

Jos. E. Briscoe
3 Court House Lane
Baltimore
Md

Balt. June 24th 1880
Genl O.O. Howard

Sir

Will you please inform me what
disposition you made of the
Certificate of money made payable
to you and which belonged to
W^m Jones of Co A. 39th Regiment U.S.
Col^d Troops. We are informed by the
Fourth Auditors of the treasury Dept
through a letter dated May the 17th
Inst 1880 that the claim of W^m Jones
(the soldier named above) was —
adjusted in January 1868 and
the certificate for the amount due
him payable to Genl O.O. Howard
U.S.A. mailed to that office Janth
21st 1868. Please answer this
letter immediately stating
if possible in your answer

Quar. July 9. 1880
by Bladen

Recd. July 9. 1880

Harlem June 25.. 1880

Gen. O. O. Howard

My dear friend, I did not mean to begin so formally but I have been reading the little purple covered leaflet you so kindly sent me in memory of your classmates that died in the war, - or more exactly your loving tribute to the memory of your beloved Greble. Your name, conspicuously on the cover I have written at the top of this. I should have written, right out of my heart "My dear General Howard," and would have written so, but will go on with this just as it is. I am glad you keep remembering me, - and so do I. The time is flying and we are busy in each day's labors but we do not forget our friendships or our friends, or cease to take joy in the faith and work of our Lord and Master.

I often recurred to the scenes of anxious
care and toiling work in Washington
~~With~~ with my sky parlor for lodgings place
and cellar under Capitol for Court room
and honorable alliance with my Soldier
client. And now that our good
George F. Hoar has gone onward and
upward, manifesting his good sense
and ~~Excellent~~ ability in the public service,
until to his Senatorial dignity as
a successor of Sumner he has added
the Masterly work of presiding officer
of our National Republican Convention.
I look back to his little walkings with
hands in pockets to and fro in that base
ment room into which he would come
to talk to me, telling stories. One about
the coming on a Sunday morning of old
Dr. Beecher from Andover to Worcester to see
his father George Hoar before he died - but
who was already departed - was beau-
tiful. How the old man said - "But I must
see him!" and was taken up stairs when
after looking upon the face, with tears falling
from his eyes he said "He is gone; - but I
shall see him. See him there beyond!"

have come and gone, and the candidates are before us. Not in my day has a Conv. of the Dem. party shown ^{before} such an utter want of able and distinguished men before them as candidates. They proclaim by their action that any one will do for a presidential candidate just as well as any one will do for a candidate for alderman or constable. Who in all the land would have thought to elect W. S. H. as a leader in Statesmanship in time of trouble? If the people are ready to take such a makeshift in their Chⁿ. Magistrate in peace and war, they are as foolish and as their haters in the South would like them to be. And it is a solemn warning to us all that our people of the U. S. have reached a condition under which it is possible for a great party to do the thing this one has just done.

We are to consider also ^{that} ~~that~~^{that} along
with this is the possibility that a re-
volt may follow not produced by
the voice of the people fairly ascer-
tained, but by operations of wickedness
far exceeding in depravity that for which
the inmates are held in our prisons ~~the~~
throughout the country, - such as
those by which your native State was
lately stolen for a while, and such as
that by which judgment has been pervert-
ed in Indiana. Let all good men pray
fervently to Him who liveth steadily
of men as the rivers of water are turned
that he may ~~the~~ ^{be} pleased to defend
us still from the enemies of our Coun-
try. You, here, are blessed with health and
comfort. So, I hope, are you. Pray
remember me with highest respect and
most regard to your dear wife, my
ever honored friend, and to those -
little children ~~now~~ ^{now} growing
- or grown up around you, with her,
editions on you all I am ever
Your affectionate friend ^{and} ~~and~~ ^{summoned}
Edgaike ~~Chase~~



The Dalles, Or., June 25th 1850

Most honorable C. C. Howard,

Your letter of June 10th was received some time ago, and have read it over and over again. Poor Lee and Leggeus thought you was their friend. They thought you would not leave nothing undone or unsaid, but what you would help them to go to their home and they talk shemefully to me, saying that I was helping Mr. Wilbur to keep them there. I can please my people or Mr. Wilbur so I left there, and I don't know what to do, I haven't got any money, I have spent all I had save up, and I thought if I get my people back to Malheur I would always live with them, and make one a home there, I don't think Wilbur did right by me, if he had ^{paid}, me sometime I was there, it would help me greatly, but he did not. I went there the 14th of May, left there 23rd of June. I will send you the letter, which han. C. Schuy give me. You can read it and send it back to me. I will stay here till I hear from C. Schuy, Give my kindest regards to your wife and Babys. Your humble servant,

Sarah. Winnemucca

Samuel M. Winship

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Dales
Jan. 25, 1854

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Handley & Sinnott, Proprietors.

The Dalles, Or.,] June 25th [18]80

Most honorable O. O. Howard,
Your letter of June 10. was received. some time ago, and
have read it over and over againe [ink blot] Poor Lee and Leggens
thought you was. Their Friend. They thought. you would
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know what to do. I havent got any money. I have spend all. I
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from. C Schu[r]z, give my kindest regards to your
Wife and Baby. Your. humble Sarvent,

Sarah Winnemucca



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Winnemucca, Sarah (c. 1844-1891)

Daughter of a Paiute chief and mediator between the Paiutes and the whites, she was also a teacher and lecturer. She served as interpreter to General O. O. Howard during the Bannock War of 1878. This letter is from the Oliver Otis Howard Papers.

The Lee and Leggins mentioned are her half-brother, Lee Winnemucca, and Leggins, a Northern Paiute chief. Mr. Wilbur is the Reverend James H. Wilbur, agent at the Yakima Indian Agency, and C. Schurz is Secretary of the Interior Carl Schurz. Malheur is the Malheur Reservation in Oregon.

The portrait of Sarah Winnemucca is from Gae Whitney Canfield's biography, Sarah Winnemucca of the Northern Paiutes, University of Oklahoma Press, c.1983.

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