New Brunswick, N.J., Dec. 8th 1880

Dear General,

Your friends in this city and they are very numerous, remember with much pleasure and satisfaction your earnest and eloquent address before our Young Men's Christian Association at an Annuvarom a few years ago. It is about time for our Anniversary now and learning that you were in Washington, I write to ask if you can lend will address us this year. Please do not say us away if it is at all in your power to say yes. We will fix time to suit you. Will be glad to have it on the Sabbath of that will suit you, but will be only too glad to get you when we can.

Joe remember the packed house and the thrilling interest and attention.
on the part of that audience.
I trust we can without doubt promise
you a like reception. You will, we
thought, be going through here to New
York (36 miles distant) some time soon
and it will please us to have you
stop off there if it suits you better.
Come to stay as long as you can
however. Train's leave here for N. Y.
ca 4:15 late or 7:20 PM, and for Phila
in Washington 10 or 11 PM.
Hoping to hear from you favorably
and with great respect

Yrs. Fraternally

D.C. English

My Dear Grandma,

I accept our President's
invitation with all my heart, and hope you will
favor us on some of your journeys this way. God
bless you! Yours Truly

C.B. Stone.
Dept of State,
Dec 8, 1880.

My dear General,

I call to see you,
as I leave from the War Dept.
that you are at The Ellbit.
My wife and I are very desirous of
seeing you. When you called at
my house last winter, I was very
sick. That sickness continued for
months—my absence from the Dept
until last August. And in the
west part of my sickness, my wife
lost her dear father.

We have no late news
from Lieut. Wood this family.
Allow us to congratulate
late you on your promotion.
and other recognition of your service, and worth.

Very truly yours,

M. T. Smegee

February 8th

Maj. Gen'l
O. O. Howard, U. S. A.

Ebbitt's House.
War Department,
Quartermaster General's Office,
Washington, D.C. December 5, 1861.

Beg. Aid. O.O. Howard.

Washington, D.C.

Sir: I have herewith the dispatch of your Assistant Adjutant General, of the 4th inst. relative to barracks quarters within the Department of the Columbia, having forwarded a copy thereof for the files of this office.

Very respectfully,

Geo. A. Cushman, Secretary.

Quartermaster General,
Br. Major General U.S.A.
Washington, D.C.
Dec 9th 1880.

General W.T. Sherman

Dear General,

I am now about to return to my department.

For several reasons which will commend themselves to you in the changes due to occur of room, I will ask that claim to exchange to an Eastern Department of late Mr. Dowlon should be retired and a new claim be formed for Mr. Schenck or Mr. Heil, with the Chiefs of Missouri, the South of West Point, will be vacant, either of which will be satisfactory to me. For public considerations as quiet of order have succeeded to the war in the North and the Indian question so far as they affect us are apparent yet that, my special knowledge and experience are no longer needed there. I wish to be nearer the public depositories of army records and the larger libraries, as I hope
to write considerably in the future upon Army of war matters.
My private reasons concern the education of associations of my children, two of whom are now at Annapolis and some property affairs, hoping to recover some portion from my wreck. The choice of the Department can safely leave to you, the Secretary of the President. Should Mr. Eaton be chosen, the Whittier case ought to be disposed of first, by an outside court or otherwise. It would be too hard a problem for any new man to begin with.

Be assured that I shall be abundantly satisfied with either of these Eastern assignments while I remain a Brigade General.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) J.B. Howard
Washington D.C.
Dec. 9th 1880

General W.T. Sherman
Dear General,

I am now about to return to my Department.

For several reasons which will commend themselves to you in the changes sure to occur soon, I will say that I wish to exchange to an Eastern Department.

If General McDowell should be retired a new lieut. will be formed for Gen. Schofield. Then theDept. of Missouri, the S. & W. P. will be vacant, either of which will be satisfactory to me.

For public considerations, as
O.R.

6th May 1928

Dear M.E.

The new building is

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W. H. and

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quiet & order have succeeded to the war in the North West and the Indian question so far as they affect us are apparently settled. My special knowledge & experience are no longer needed there.

I wish to see nearer New Jersey depositories of public papers and the larger libraries, as I hope to write considerably in the future upon among other matters.

My principal reasons concern the education & associations of my children, two of whom are now at Andover, and some property affairs, hoping to recover a portion from my property.

The choice of the Department
I can safely learn to you, the Secretary & the President, should West Point be chosen, that Whitsen case ought to be disposed of first by an outside court or otherwise. It would be too hard a problem for any new man to begin with.

Be assured that I shall be abundantly satisfied with either of these Eastern assignments while I remain a Brigadier General.

Very truly yours,

O. O. Howard
Washington, D.C. Dec 9, 1880.

Adjutant General, U.S.A.

Sir,

Having as I believe fulfilled the object of my visit to Washington so far as public duty is concerned, I have the honor to request an order to return to my Department.

Respectfully...

Signed O.C. Howard
Brig. Gen. U.S.A.
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Relevant...the object of my visit to Washington, so far as public duty is concerned, I have the honor to return to my seat.

Dec. 9, 1871,

Washington, D.C.
Dec. 7th, 1880

Dear Sir:

I was in the War Department today, but learned nothing definite. At this time I am quite destitute in every respect. Have not comfortable clothing for the winter and am likely to be put out on the street at any time, simply because I am unable to pay my bills. If my appointment can be restored by drawing the attention of the Secretary of War or the Adjutant General to my papers on file in that Department,

Washington, D.C.,
Dec. 9, 1880.
I will ever be grateful to you to express my regard because the circumstances in my case demand it.

I shall call at the Ebbitt House to-morrow 10 A.M.

I am now pursuing the study of the Law in the University.

I am your servant,

D. O. Posey

7th. of Trumbull St.

Prof. Howard University.
St. Paul, December 9th, 1880.

I have prepared a history of the Life and Services of the late Maj. Gen. Geo. H. Thomas, and the publishers, Messrs. J. B. Lippincott & Co., of Philadelphia, promise to bring it out in February. It will contain about 330 pages, and be illustrated with steel engravings of many of our distinguished officers, and will contain Gen. Thomas’ official reports of the prominent battles in which he participated.

The price is fixed at $2.00 per copy, postage paid to all parts of the country. If you think favorably of the enterprise, please enter your order on the enclosed blank and send the same, with the price thereof, to the publishers, who will send the copies as directed.

Your Obedient Servant,

R. W. Johnson,
Brig. Gen. U. S. A.
Retired.

(Over)

The book is now ready. Send for it, you will find several pleasant references for yourself.
R. W. Johnson
Brig. Gen. U.S.A.

St. Paul, Minn.
Dec 9, 1880.

 yours truly,

R. W. Johnson

[Handwritten note: April 25, 1881]
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NORVIN GREEN, President.

Dated

Vancouver, Dec. 7th, 1880

Received at Cor. 15th and "F" Streets, Washington, D. C.

To: General Howard

From: Robert Howes

Rivers again after former navigation will assume cascades at least, so you go to another.

When all right

Wells in Department

Charles Greene

R. A. Gend
Room 33 C.
Appointment Office, P. O. Dept.
Dec. 10, 1880.

Gen. C. O. Howard,

Dear Sir: In June, 1870, P. M. C.
Creswell appointed me to a 3d class clerk-
ship in the P. O. Department. After occu-
pying the position for over 8 years, two
years ago, at the instance of Mr. Jas.
W. Marr, Chief Clerk of the Appointment
Office, P. M. C. He reduced me
from 3d to 1st class, without cause,
except as I believe, because I am a Methodist:
Mr. Marr is a Catholic. This de-
gradation is a constant source of humili-
ation to me, and my family, as it was both
uncalled for and inhuman.

I am about to apply to Postmaster
General Maynard to be restored to my
former position of a 3d class Clerk. May
I ask of you a letter to Mr. Maynard in
my behalf! You will remember
meeting me in Baltimore as a Union man, on the occasion of your interview with the Methodist Ministers in 1861, (I think.)

It was because of my loyalty to the Union, I first received a Federal appointment at Fortress Monroe, Va., and after that in Washington, D.C., where I still remain.

With Great Respect,

Your Obt. Servant,

David Greener

P.S. If you know Mr. Maynard, I should feel sufficient interest in my case, it would be a great help if you would accompany me to the P.M. General. But perhaps this is asking too much.

D.C.
Dear Father,

I need Capt. Gladden's little decay before your decay. I need more taken in your instructions to write me a short letter. Capt. Gladden implies that you may not go back to Vancouver before taking a new station.

I know if I were to ask when you expect to be transferred to West Point or some other station. Is it expected to be done before next spring?

Your daughter,

[Signature]

P.S. Chance sends love your wife to speak of this winter's trip to visit Benson for the ten weeks. But may set off if you do not cordially wish this. At the spring vacation in Wash.
ning torn as late as November. If you do not receive this letter before
Christmas, you may write me at once. I am writing this as a reminder
that the family were still in Maine. They were away during
School close - New Year's Day 21st. I am writing to say that there were
no snow storms. I went out on the 22nd to see the evening. School resumed
on January 5th. Charter was directed to leave school when you come to
make changes so will you send us word as soon as you can after it.
I have no relatives living where you are. In the meantime please write
me a line. Charter is in present house with a boy
of his own (Mr. Emerson). He is not in Boston. Train leaves at 3:00. He is at
Chebucto. Mr. Stickney went home with one of his friends for the three days
which we had.

I am doing just well enough to be able to keep up my place in my
class. My vision is not as good as it was. I write you at once. Stickney
wrote me as well.
General:

I am a daughter of the Rev. Dr. Wash. R. of Va., who used to visit you at your camp during the late war. I called at the Ebbitt house this evening hoping to see you, but found you out. Please drop me a line at 912 N. V. Ave. stating at what hour to expect you.
grant me a few minutes' inter-
view. I hope you will accede to my request in the sale of
"auld lang syne."

Very truly yours,

Mary L. Batch

Dec. 10th, 1880.
Washington, D.C. Dec 10, 1880

To the
Commissioners of the F.F.B. & F. Co

Dear Sirs:

After consulting with Counsel, I am convinced that my first offer was most liberal, yet as anxious am I for a complete acquittance that I am willing to pay the amount named, stating the same claimed to be due from me on old accounts. It appears to me that that sum is brought against me solely in consequence of clerical errors made in the books, and as the Commissioners are well aware those errors are numerous and pro and con.

Of course no legal claim could ever hold on their account. I will therefore add $382.55 to my previous offer making the sum of $2882.55 for a full and complete settle.

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ment of all demands. This sum I will pay in cash, and it is the best that I possibly can do.

Chas. reprim 
Your old liberat.

(Received) O P Howard 
Brig. Gen. U.S.A.
Washington, Dec. 10th 1853

Commissioners 1st & 2nd Co.

After consulting with Council I made the conclusion that my first offer was mere libel, yet to an extent am I for a complete acquittance that I am willing to pay the amount claimed abating the sum claimed to be due from me on old accounts. It appears to me that what didn't transpire in one solely in consequence of clerical errors made in the books. And as the Commissioners are made numerous and as the errors are numerous and prove & can of course no legal claim could ever hold on
their account. I will therefore add $382.55 to my previous offer making the sum of $2882.55 for a full and complete settlement of all demands. This sum will pay in cash and it is the best that I can do.

Daniel Stowe
June 15, 1861

[Signature]

[Drawings]

O. C. Howard,
Brig. Gen'l. U. S. A.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your communication of the 7th inst., proposing to pay us the sum of $2,500 for the surrender of what is known as the "Faulk" note, as a settlement in full of your accounts with the Freedman's Savings & Trust Company, also your favor of the 8th inst. in further explanation of your proposition of the 7th, and copy of a letter addressed by you to the Hon. B. B. Bruce, Chairman Senate Committee F. S. & T. Co. claiming certain credits in your deposit accounts additional to those allowed you by the efforts of said Committee, to which if allowed would result in a credit balance in your favor.

Fully appreciating your solicitude to have your accounts with the F. S. & T. Co. finally settled.
at the earliest practicable moment, your laudable desire to do what you can to effect such settlement of your efforts to raise sufficient funds for that purpose, we are disposed to make every abatement in the circumstances & equities of the case will justify. Let us see how we can consistently accept the amount offered by you in full payment of the balances due.

The balance due on the "Tower" note with interest to December 1st, 1878, amounts to the sum of $4599.75. Your deposit as per the report of the Senate Committee on the T.L. & T. Co., after allowing certain additional credits claimed by you show an overdraft, see page 281, of said report, of $467.45.

By allowing you the other additional credits claimed on page 280, of said report, but disputed by the committee's experts, viz: $50.00 your deposit of $1, as per said report, is still overdrawn in the sum of $$17.45.
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which, added to the amount due on the Fowler note, makes an aggregate indebtedness of $316.66.

You are in error in assuming in your letter to Senator Bruce of June 16, 1876, that you have receiving no credit for the deposit of $714.77, because in the transfer of your a/c on the same date from No. 10576 to No. 462, A. this deposit was omitted. The error was discovered by the officer of the T. L. D. In the amount was properly credited to you in a/c No. 462, A. under date of Jan. 1, 1876. It was taken into consideration & allowed by the Committee's efforts. So too are you in error in assuming in that letter that you have receiving no credit for the $20 deposit by you Oct. 14, 1876. This amount appears properly credited on the books of the company as of that date, & was likewise taken into consideration & allowed by the Committee's efforts. Instead thereof a balance being due you on your deposit accounts as claimed in your letter of June 14th, the overdraft
reported by the Committee's experts still exists.

As the F. S. & T. Co. did not derive any benefit from the alleged loss of $2,712.50 referred to by you in your testimony before the Committee in 27th and in your letter to us of the 7th inst. Do you yourself admit that you have recited credit for the amount from the Company, though in the wrong at. we cannot of course make any deduction on that account. We admit however that as far as your overdraft in your deposit ages is concerned its recovery is barred by statute.

Whether, strictly speaking, you are legally responsible for the "Fowler" note $1000 or your name not appearing on said note, is a question, yet in the light of your own admissions & other corroborative testimony there can be little if any doubt as to your liability for the money which said note represents, which was originally loaned to you, or rather the balance now due, less interest or paid during the year 1873.

On the other hand we are not unmindful.
If possible legal complications & delays in any effort we might make to secure judgment for said balance, nor are we unmindful of the impossibility in your present circumstances of realizing the amount due even if reduced to judgment.

We have therefore concluded— that to give you the benefit of— say— $500.00 on a p. of excessive interest collected $500.00 for probable Attorney’s Fees & Costs in the event of our attempting to collect the balance due, would, under the circumstances, be a proper thing to do. This will leave the amount to be paid by you $369.95. To allow any greater reduction would in our opinion be unjust to the interests which we are here to protect. Should you find it impossible to raise this sum at this time, we shall be glad to take the $2,000.00 offered in Cash, and your note for the balance, payable in say one year from date.

Helping that this proposition may be accept—
able to you, we have the honor to be—

Very respectfully,

Mr. J. Gedwell

Commissioner

R. H. I. Lipold
Commissioner.