

to give a party in view of the <sup>vacation</sup> ~~vacation~~  
 intended to give the ~~vacation~~. I intend  
 to ask Sallie & Kitty - Miss Bessie  
 Ingross, the Gailings, Lewis and  
 Sumner Wilson and Lorraine  
 Cook. Mrs. Magne intends to <sup>entertain</sup> ~~entertain~~  
 the two laths. Bessie is very  
 well - sleeps well all the evening  
 after tucking her little nose into  
 Mary's arm and being rocked to  
 sleep about half past seven o'clock.  
 She begins to throw herself about  
 in one's arms and likes to get  
 down on the floor. She has come  
 regularly to assist our <sup>mother</sup> ~~mother~~  
 Mamma went away. At her  
 bath every morning she splashes  
 with - and the canary has  
 to be let out to amuse her while  
 I dress her - The bird waits im-  
 patiently to be let out of his cage  
 and perches upon my outstretched  
 fingers immediately. and pecks  
 the baby's hands and twitters

I thought of it one <sup>afternoon</sup> ~~afternoon~~ and told  
 Mary to go to <sup>Davidson</sup> ~~Davidson~~  
 and get <sup>some</sup> ~~some~~  
 of the <sup>last</sup> ~~last~~  
 and Mrs  
 very good  
 C. H. <sup>Winn</sup> ~~Winn  
 the <sup>last</sup> ~~last  
 Mrs. <sup>Winn</sup> ~~Winn  
 just <sup>last</sup> ~~last  
 hands <sup>last</sup> ~~last  
 made <sup>last</sup> ~~last  
 her <sup>last</sup> ~~last  
 the <sup>last</sup> ~~last  
 I received your first  
 letter from that point three days  
 ago. I am indeed glad to hear  
 hope of her recovery is well again.  
 Poor boy, it was too bad. I am  
 all very well here. Fannie had  
 a bad cold last week, & I did not  
 feel well enough to attend Mrs.  
 Downey's "Musical" but on Friday  
 night we went to see a little play  
 in which Miss Morn Mr. Bonstead  
 & Mrs. Patten were the performers -  
 and then after coming home for a  
 short time we returned to the hall  
 for a few dances - It was a very  
 pleasant evening. "My Nieces" will  
 see the play - & Miss Morn looked a  
 very pretty in her Parisian dress  
 of creamy silk with delicate trim-  
 mings of red. wearing it like wreaths.~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~

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She acted admirably & so did the  
young men - Mrs. Patten the elderly  
gentleman to perfection. Genl. Wheaton  
thinks we will soon hear something  
definite from Genl. Miles. So I began  
to think of another move.  
I have thought several times of  
speaking to you ~~about~~ a subject that  
is much talked of now among our  
friends - and yet I do not know  
that I have any thing to say in the  
matter - A rumor arose that you  
would ask the President for a pay  
mastership (?) in the Army for  
Capt. Gray - He has thought of  
such a position - and conclude it  
to be a very good one but no doubt  
unattainable. So much influence is  
used to secure these vacancies in  
that Dept. long before they occur for  
friends of politicians. James says  
there are so many men worthy need  
than he". But and if such a position  
was offered that he should con-

sider it a very good thing for him.  
Genl. Wheaton advised me not to  
encourage him to think much of  
it, but he should be disappointed,  
but said that during Genl. Gaspard's  
term of office would be a very good  
time to try for it anyway. As  
civilians are appointed to such  
vacancies, there is no reason  
why your husband should not  
be one. Feb. 19. 1881.  
Today I had a long walk down to  
the wharf & back & then to Mrs.  
Pierce's and back - so I was glad  
of a nap of half an hour before  
dinner - and this evening I have been  
taking care of Beanie - as Mary has  
gone out. Genl. Wheaton's reception  
at the hosp. room was a very pretty  
affair. My three young ladies  
of course had to stay until it broke  
up - Consequently I did - and was  
glad enough to get to bed by three  
o'clock a.m. Next Friday I am

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at her. She caught his foot the  
other day, and I tolds because  
he will not let her take him  
between both hands. When the  
Baby succeeds in driving him  
off my finger, he turns his back  
and sulks. He let Jamie take  
him today also. As soon as the  
Baby gets her bath, he wants his  
in the same tub - and then investi-  
gates her basket. Mrs. Mason  
came in and was very much amused  
at the birds' actions the other day.  
She said I am now so disappointed  
because May had a letter from  
Bessie, and she had written to  
Bessie without receiving a reply.  
Her mother found her letter had  
not been sent - which explained  
it. We are very glad to hear that  
Johnny is so much better. I am  
afraid he will gain very slowly  
though - as is usually the case after  
pneumonia. Capt. Pierce is

To be given these next week. I hope you will enjoy

good  
most  
the  
picture.  
the  
baby;

taking "Compound Oxygen" and has  
not coughed since he returned  
from N. Y. ! It is very good for  
a convalescent—especially from  
any lung or catarrhal illness.  
The inhaler is very small and  
simple and the liquid is in  
a large bottle—a certain measure  
full of which is put into water in  
the inhaler every other day of  
taking it. Mrs. Pierce took a little  
as, as it is often the case at first, it  
affected her head, and she went  
to sleep and had the first really  
good sleep for a long time, being  
before much troubled with sleep-  
lessness. Old Mrs. Williams has  
been again taking Oxygen and she  
has renewed her youth "going"  
all over town, attending meetings  
in the daytime and evening.  
Col. & Mrs. Chalmers are here now.  
Some one spoke of a surprise party



Wm. L. Garrison

Feb. 12. 1881  
Wash. D.C.

Ans'd Feb 15,  
C. W.

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Washington, D.C., Feb. 12, 1881.  
Gen. O. C. Howard,  
Dear Sir: -

I now send the letter which I mentioned in the note I wrote you a few days ago. The letter is in the nature of a request.

For three months past I have suffered from indigestion caused by malaria. I think I need a change of climate for a time, and am about to seek a consulate at one of the European ports in Italy, England, France, or Germany. No colored man, perhaps with one or two exceptions, has held a position of this kind under the government. I am led to believe that Gen. Garfield will recognize the claims of colored citizens by some appointments of this kind.



It is not my intention to sever my connection with the University, but, if I am successful, I shall ask the Trustees for a leave of absence for two or three years. I believe that I could return in a better condition to serve the University to which I am so much indebted, and in which I am so deeply interested. I have, however, said nothing to the University authorities concerning my intentions, and prefer not to do so till I shall have ascertained whether or not I have reasonable ground of success.

You will confer a great favor upon me, if you will write me a letter, saying what you know of me, and address it to Gen. Garfield or Senator Blaine, as there seems to be no doubt that the latter will succeed Mr. Cravats as Secretary of State. You will know which one of these gentlemen will be the more influenced by a letter from you. I

enclose letter of Gen. Shurtleff, my old instructor at Oberlin. Please return the same with your letter to me here. There are several persons who will assist me, and I want to present all the papers at one time.

I trust you and your family are well. Your friends are not through rejoicing at your appointment over the academy at West Point. Surely our Kind Heavenly Father watches over and directs the path of those who, under all circumstances and at all times, dare to do right.

Yours very respectfully,  
J. W. Gregory.

Howard University.



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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF THE COLUMBIA,

Vancouver Barracks, W. T., Feb 12<sup>th</sup>, 1881

To Genl. O. O. Howard,  
West Point, N. Y.

Did you confer with Secretary of Interior on Lieut. Symons' Skagit River report? If so, please tell me your recommendation to him; his answer, and what is prospect of attention to the business before resumption of Surveys in Spring shall bring out collision.

Sgd, Wheaton  
Comdg.

Official copy respectfully forwarded by mail.

R. G. Miles  
Aide-de-Camp.  
Asst. Adjt. Genl.

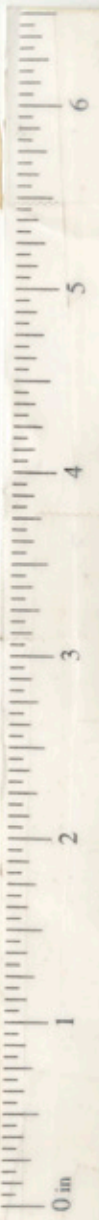
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Feb. 12, 1881

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Parkus Landing, Pa.

Parker City

Feb 13<sup>th</sup> 1886

Mr. Howard

I saw your  
name in a paper that came from  
Washington and thought it would write  
to you as I have been trying for my  
pension for five years and the last  
time <sup>the</sup> papers was sent was about  
one year and nine month ago and  
they have not been heard of yet and  
I don't know what can be the matter  
The name of the attorney employed was  
William Jenkins that sent the papers  
I claim a pension for my son  
Solomon Onnwire he was kill in  
the battle of the Wilderness he was all the  
support I had my name is Savina Song  
I have my second husband but he  
was exaimined by doctors appointed



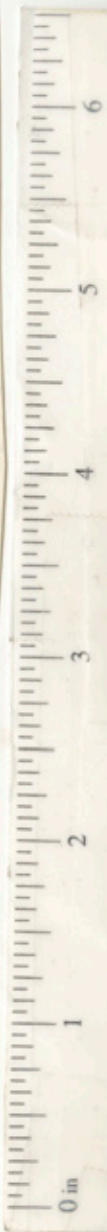
Mrs. Lavina Long.

Parker Landing, Pa  
Feb. 13. 1881

by the government and pronounced  
unable to work would you please  
try if you could find out any thing  
about the papers. the reason that I have  
written myself I thought maby the  
lawyer employed did not do what  
he could and I need the money for  
I am very poor and have no support  
if you cant find out anything  
would you please send me some  
other name that I could write to  
please answer in return mail

Mrs Lavina Long  
Parker City  
Pa

Used by Gladue





~~File~~  
Washington City Feb 14<sup>th</sup> 1881  
My dear Sew.

I have the honor to acknowledge  
the receipt of yours of Feb 11<sup>th</sup> and to  
state that the matter you speak  
of has been and is being very  
favorably considered. By the way  
since it may be possible that  
I may be called upon to recommend  
a school to West Point this summer  
as I desire to name one of character  
respectable ability and sufficient intelli-  
gence any suggestions or information  
from you at any time would be  
highly appreciated

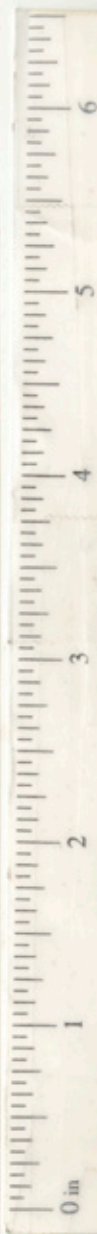
Very truly yours  
W L George



George, M.C.

Washington.  
Feb 14. 1881.

Ans.  
Feb. 15.  
C.M.





North Star Spokan Co

W.T.

Feb 14 1881

Gen. O.O. Howard

Dear Sir

I wrote

You about The 1<sup>st</sup>. But by  
some mistake the letter was  
registered & I being anxious  
to have one reach you  
thought best to write again.  
If not intruding too  
much on your time to  
read this. Will say I  
am desirous of something  
different from this lonesome  
ranch life. & understanding  
that there is to be opened a  
Farm for the benefit of the  
Indians at or near the  
mouth of the Spokan

would like the appointment  
as or to Superintend the same.  
on so short acquaintance  
with you. It is asking  
too much of you. Genl.  
But thought it no harm  
to ask you for the position.  
The improvements that  
I've made on my place  
since last Apr speaks for  
me as to my ability for  
improving or starting a  
farm. The Indians  
here I know their wants.  
My Family are very well &  
speak of you often.

Hoping to hear from you

Dear Gen I am

Yours most Respectfully

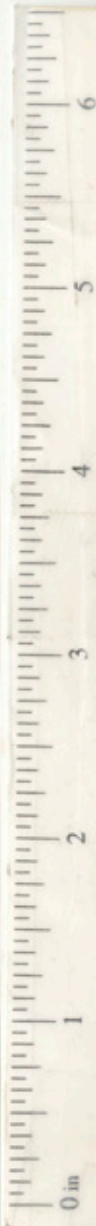
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Turner - C. B.  
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H. CLAY WOOD,  
Assistant Adjutant General,  
Brevet Colonel, U. S. Army.

Headquarters General Recruiting Service,

OFFICE, ADJUTANT GENERAL,  
ARMY BUILDING.

New York City, Feb'y 14<sup>th</sup>. 1881.

My dear General:

Your telegram of 12<sup>th</sup>.  
instant was brought to me  
at an Metropolitan, about  
5 o'clock Saturday evening.

I have in my mind  
two clubs. Some months ago,  
the force of clubs at then  
St. L. was reduced, i. e. the  
Gen. Service Clubs, by one.

The Club, reduced, was  
attached to the Raudyours  
at 109. Wae St. but still  
kept on duty here, and I  
so found an staff of office



on my departing here. On  
the 8th. of January. he was  
discharged by expiration  
of service. He has had long  
service and has many good  
recommendations. He is a  
married man with one  
child. I spoke to him  
this morning and he said  
he would like to go to  
Waco Point. Being a married  
man I cannot cause his  
enlistment (See G. O. No. 6,  
Par. 81. Coly. ordered) but I  
have no doubt, if you want  
him, on application to the  
Adj't. General. Authority for  
Robinson's enlistment could be  
obtained. He will submit



GENERAL ORDERS } HEADQ'RS GEN. RECRUITING SERVICE,  
No. 6. } UNITED STATES ARMY,  
New York City, November 5th, 1880.

Paragraphs 31, 80, 90, and 93, of General Orders No. 2, of June 11, 1880, are amended to conform to recent orders and decisions from superior authority with which they are in conflict, and as amended are published for the information and guidance of all concerned :—

MARRIED MEN.

31. No married man will be *enlisted* without special authority from the Adjutant General's Office ; but, meritorious non-commissioned officers, who are married, may be *re-enlisted* within one month from date of discharge, without special authority, *provided* it is distinctly understood their wives will be entitled to no privileges as laundresses, and that they will not make the fact of their being married a ground for discharge before the expiration of their terms of service.

DESERTERS.

80. Deserters and stragglers from detachments of recruits assigned to regiments, when returned to depot will be reported to these Headquarters.

CONTRACTS.

90. Recruiting officers should make contracts for subsisting their recruiting parties and recruits at a rate not exceeding fifty cents per complete *cooked* ration. Temporary agreements for subsisting them may be made without advertising in newspapers, but only to run for such time as is necessary in order to advertise and make formal contracts under the law and regulations. It should be a condition in the advertisement and in the information to bidders, that the cooked rations or subsistence shall be furnished at a place convenient to the recruiting station.

93. A contract may be made *to commence* on a day subsequent to its date, but it must bear the date upon which it is actually made and entered into.

BY COMMAND OF COLONEL WOOD :

H. CLAY WOOD,

OFFICIAL :

*Assistant Adjutant General.*

*Assistant Adjutant General.*



Ans - Feb. 18.  
C. M.



his paper, which I will for-  
ward to you, with request for  
their return to me. So far as  
my information goes. He is  
a man of excellent character,  
and ability.

The second is now a clerk  
at Dept. of A. G. Davis Es.  
Land. I doubt if they would  
consent to let him go: but  
I have no doubt we can  
find you an acceptor  
and competent clerk at  
a depot.

I must inform you we  
have no authority to for-  
ward recruits to any point  
without previous sanction  
from the A. G. office. If you



write an Adjutant-General, and  
request him to order us to an-  
cise, no clubs for you, <sup>or</sup> ~~for~~ supply  
them. I will do order, I pre-  
sume. But if you desire  
Robinson, specially, it is  
better to ask specially for  
his assistance. I will take  
no further action (except to  
make inquiry) until I  
hear from you again.

Very Truly Yours.  
W. C. Wood.  
a.c.c.f.

Gen. Howard  
N. F. Army.

N. Y.

Feb. 14, 1861



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New York February 14<sup>th</sup> 1881.

To The  
Commanding General  
Department of West Point,  
West Point, N.Y.

Sir,

Colonel H. Clay Wood, Asst. Adjutant  
General, having kindly informed me that  
the services of a clerk are required in the  
Quartermaster's Department at your Head-  
quarters, I would respectfully ask that I  
be enlisted for the "Guard Service Detach-  
ment" to fill the position.

I enclose herewith my discharge and  
recommendations and will state that I  
have a wife and child.

I am, Sir, very respectfully  
Your obedient servant.

10. Encl's

Edgar Robinson

Edgar Robinson

H. W.  
Feb 14, 1881.

General Howard.

This is the first  
deferral to my duty  
after my discharge.

I should be glad to

have "the old" "old"

and see you (or not)

in command, as you

will.

Respectfully,  
Yours,

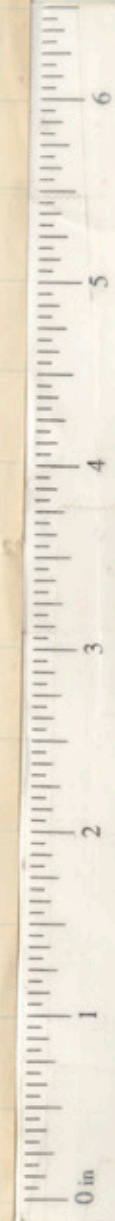
H. W.

H. W. Wood.  
Edgar Robinson.





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P.S. Did John get his Chronis sheet? They lost  
the piece where you got yours to #6 but I got it  
all right at another place.  
I hope John is free  
of you any  
length?

Chicag Feb  
Brother:

What was the  
occasion of your  
writing to Mr. Logan?  
I still think there  
is some chance  
he may be Secretary  
of war—

I have made  
you a little Missionary  
Paper (Presbyterian) having  
some account of Alaska  
of the Presbyterian Missions  
there. I should think you  
could make a very interesting  
article about what you  
saw there - weaving in some  
of the historic facts &c re-  
vealed in this paper.

In your letter to Mother  
you kindly mention the matter  
of some employment to ruffle-



merit my salary - which I  
 certainly need. Now for seven  
 or eight years I have received  
 no income from my investment  
 in the Advocate nor from  
 Real Estate - The Cotton has  
 rather been a source of ex-  
 pense to me. - <sup>Now</sup> I have learned  
 of a place that <sup>^</sup>would just  
 suit me if it should become  
 vacant as is probable. It is  
 a Special Agent of the Treasury,  
 like that of Gen. Sewall. There  
 is one now filled by Hinds  
 whom you may remember  
 as for many years Secy. of  
 Morrill's Clerk - He is  
 assigned to Chicago. It seems



they keep one here. Still he  
 is not attached nor under the  
 Custom House here & hence  
 has no local political obli-  
 gations or Duties. This <sup>feature</sup> I should  
 like. Now Hinds is a  
 particular friend of "Striker" for  
 Blaine and probably will  
 work to get some promotion or  
 at least transfer into the  
 State Department if Blaine  
 has that. In that case there  
 would be a vacancy and  
 Mr. Blaine would perhaps  
 help me to get the appoint-  
 ment. If Allison is Secy  
 of Treasury he would favor me



I think. But Levi P. Martin I do not know nor any one else likely to come from New York.

I do not wish you to do anything about it now nor let it be known but at the proper time may ask you to assist me. Of course Post<sup>r</sup> Gorfield himself would hardly fix it, if there were a vacancy. The duties are such that I could attend to them & keep all necessary oversight of the Admiral.

Another place that I could fill is that of Special Agent of the P. O. Department - neither of these appointments involve any



money responsibility. It is  
more like my old place  
of Inspector - to go as ordered  
& make a careful investigation  
and clear report.

I have looked into your  
claim upon C. B. H. & Co. It  
can be settled by my letting you  
have a part of my interest. The  
firm could dispose of anything  
as the stock is all owned by the  
individual members. We are  
also, preparing to form a stock  
Co. & you could have some stock.  
But as we are not yet  
earning any dividends I think  
it would be better for you  
for us to make some cash  
settlement - especially as you



need money now. According to the proposed price there is due you in stock \$330. I find that the firm have a feeling that the key pieces articles were not worth the total price that they were credited to you at. You are aware that when I made the contract it was not expected there would be more than ten or twelve of them but there were 33 <sup>amounting</sup> at \$5 each to \$165, instead of \$50 as I had estimated.

Now the firm are willing to pay you cash \$100 or to issue you stock in the Company as soon as formed for the \$330. Of course we hope that our business times are over & that we may in a year or two reach dividends. Please write me what you conclude - I skip-



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For the Nez Perces book  
is out & will be soon. Is it  
to be illustrated? I wish I had  
spoken to you of this. It would  
add much to the side if it  
could be well illustrated  
and I suppose you said,  
Lieut. Moon, could make the  
drawings - together with some  
photographs of the K Stord Park  
which would be obtainable, which  
would furnish all needed.  
I trust you had some good  
snaps in it - This would be  
almost indispensable.

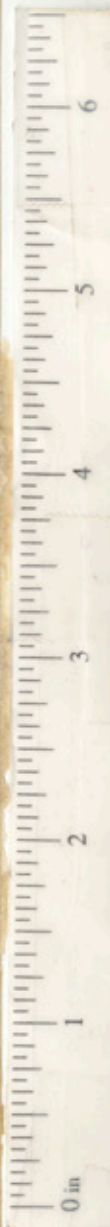
"H. H." in her book with  
Introduction by Bishop Whipple  
& another by Pres<sup>t</sup> Seelye - in  
the Nez Perces Chapter leaves a  
very unpleasant impression as  
to your intercourse with those



letter - Maria has a copy & does not go to school. Lawrence  
is a great deal better & will soon be brought again - My  
dear love - with love to all - Your affectionate brother  
J. Brown

Feb 10 1881 (81)

Indians. I regret when it  
go into history in that way.  
In reviewing it I wish I  
could have some facts from  
you. Did you do anything  
to have the agreement with  
Joseph carried out as to  
his being taken back to Idaho  
for surrender? If so what  
have not you documents to  
show your kindly relation with  
Joseph & his people and to  
demonstrate that you were kind  
and considerate of all their  
rights? If so, I would like to  
bring them out. This book  
makes you appear as harsh  
and heartless as all or nearly  
all the Army officers & others  
who have dealt with the Indians.  
I feel that it is very unjust.  
— Kitty is pretty well & mother





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National Soldiers Home  
near Dayton, Ohio. February 15<sup>th</sup> 1881.

Major General O. O. Howard  
Commanding Military Academy  
West Point. N. Y.


Dear Sir:

Upon the advice of an  
U. S. Army Officer, a Graduate from there,  
with whom I by chance conversed in Cincinnati  
I take the liberty to address these lines to you.

I am a fresco painter by trade, a soldier  
of the late war and for a long time employed  
with, what one would call "Government's work".  
I would respectfully ask you, if I could in  
any way as Frescoer or Decorator be of service  
in the Department under your command.

As I have here and in the other Branches  
of the National Homes at Milwaukee and  
Fortress Monroe, in the course of eight years  
frescoed and decorated the Main buildings  
and



and all the Officers Quarters so far,   
that my service is not more needed for the  
present in this Department and before I  
make any other agreement elsewhere, not coming  
up that way myself, I take the liberty to  
put this question, as you might have some  
things to do in my line for the coming season,  
which I could do perhaps with a great deal  
less expenses as any other party, which I know  
some years ago, was procured from New York City.  
Concerning my ability in question I allow  
myself to enclose a testimony of the Inspector  
General as also from the Steward of this, the  
largest Branch, which I beg, you will, hoping  
to favor me with an answer, kindly return.

I have the honor to sign  
Very Respectfully  
Victor L. G. Hextjen



War Department,  
Quartermaster General's Office,

Washington, D. C. February 15. 1881.

Genl. O. O. Howard,  
Comdg. Dep't. of West Point,  
West Point, New York.

My dear Genl.:

Your letter presents a case requiring reform and you being the Comdg. Officer are the person to inaugurate the necessary reform.

I advised that Captain Boyt be assigned to West Point when his predecessor was relieved and when I was directed to name an officer for the Post.

I took it for granted that one quartermaster was enough for so small a Command as that at West Point, which



is increased, by being constituted a Department, only by the officers whom the Commanding General may be allowed to take there, as of his personal staff.

While it is a Department it is still only the Military Academy; The Post of West Point.

If the status of a Department is to be allowed to increase the cost of the Military Academy, so much the worse for the Military Academy, <sup>& this</sup> ~~which~~ Congress is <sup>already</sup> studying. The Congressional visitors report recommending that no officer of higher rank than Colonel be allowed to be stationed there.

Capt. Hoyt asked for the salary of a clerk, not heretofore charged to the Quartermaster's Department, for West Point. I declined to recommend or aid in allowing any such increase. \$1,800. a year is not to be spent



for the gratification of an officer's friendship for a clerk and as the work was done before without another clerk I assumed, and think I was not mistaken, that another was not necessary.

I note too that a printer for the Military Academy, Post of West Point or Department of West Point, was lately estimated for, this is a new addition to the <sup>total</sup> ~~expenses~~ paid by the Quartermaster's Department, while the Academy is specially and separately appropriated for yearly by Congress.

To spend the appropriation of the Army generally on the Military Academy, except for pay <sup>and</sup> allowances of officers of the Army and shelter &c. of soldiers stationed there, is of doubtful legality.

The addition of a few staff officers ought not to cause an additional and new



expense from funds of the Quartermasters Department appropriation.

I note that the Military Academy Bill is very specific in its providing <sup>reim</sup> appropriating for certain clerks, assistant mechanics &c. and all this is against the Quartermasters Department, ~~the~~ The Army appropriation, proper being used there.

If Capt. Hoyt is not willing and competent to do his duty, when you so report I will recommend that a more competent officer relieve him.

But this trouble only goes to show that it was an unfortunate error which put a Major-General into Command, not merely as superintendent - a Major General or a Captain may by personal qualities and by experience be the fittest officer in the Army to be superintendent, but as Commanding a



Department of one post, all band or  
250 school boys.

It has injured the steady <sup>wrecked</sup> ~~much~~  
and Genl. Schofield's popular standing and  
I fear will still do more harm, notwith-  
standing your honest, <sup>and</sup> faithful <sup>and</sup> con-  
scientious efforts to do good.

Yours truly

Wm. C. C.

Quartermaster General

Brevet Major General

U.S. Army

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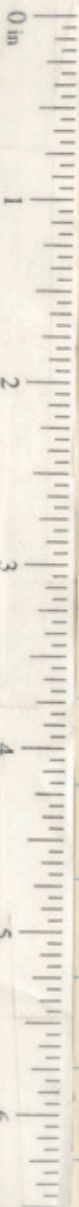


Wm. E. Murray.

March 28<sup>th</sup>,  
Feb. 16. 1881.

Dear My Clark,  
Feb. 19. 1881.

Recd Feb 19, 1881.





139 Fulton St. 15  
New York Feby 15<sup>th</sup> 1881

My dear General

I engaged the cook  
for you today. She showed me a  
number of references and assured  
me that she was a thorough  
cook and thought that she could  
please you. She will leave New  
York on Thursday by the 3-P.M.  
train for Garrison, Hudson Riv-  
er R. R. Will you please have  
some one meet her there on ar-  
rival of the train, which leaves  
New York at 3-P.M.

I paid the office fee \$2:— which  
entitles you to procure another ser-  
vant any time within a month  
if this one does not suit. and  
I also paid the fare of the woman  
to Garrison. 98cts & 50 cts for her trunk.

I really hope you will find this  
person satisfactory. Her references  
were good and seemed to indicate



that she was the sort of servant  
which you desired. There was  
no white man there but if you  
would like a colored man I  
think I could find one for you.

With respects to Mrs Howard  
I am

Very respectfully and truly yours  
Edgar Ketchum Jr.

I meant to say that the woman  
was engaged at \$16. per month but  
she said that if she pleased you  
she hoped she would leave soon  
after a while. Her name is Burns.

Edward Ketchum, Jr.

New York

Feb. 15. 1881.

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