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WASHINGTON & VIRGINIA MINING COMPANY

H. N. HOWARD,  
President.  
W. W. JACKSON,  
Secretary.

} Office, 903 Pennsylvania Avenue,

Washington, D. C., April 26<sup>th</sup> 1881

Genl O O Howard  
M I M Academy  
West Point N Y

Dear Sir

I have delayed  
answering your communication as the Company are  
making some improvements in the form and appearance  
of the "Iron Protector," and as soon as completed,  
I shall lay before you a sample which I think  
will be free from the objectionable features which  
you mention in the one you have upon trial.

The trials so far of our Protector have proved  
quite satisfactory and I think the Government  
of this District will adopt them.

Yours very respectfully  
W W Jackson

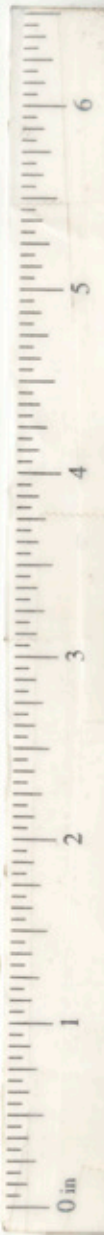
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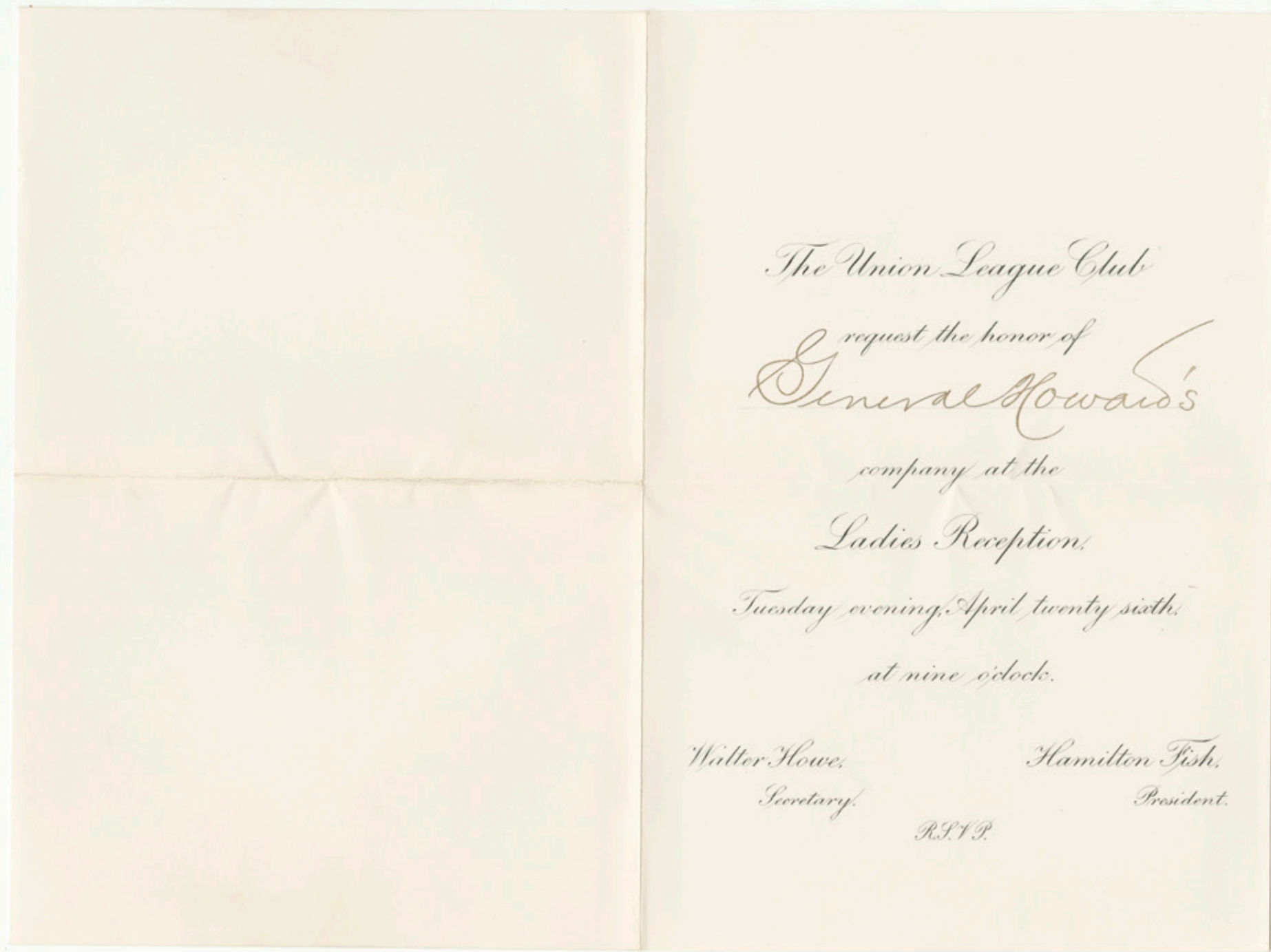
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*The Union League Club*

*request the honor of*  
*General Howard's*

*company at the*

*Ladies Reception.*

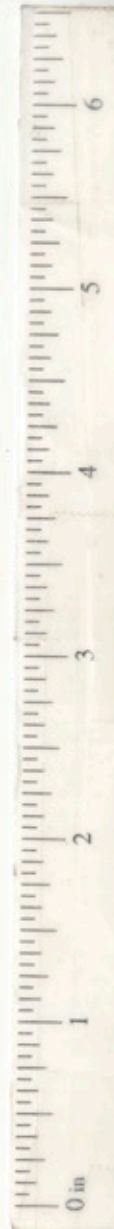
*Tuesday evening, April twenty sixth.*

*at nine o'clock.*

*Walter Howe,*  
*Secretary.*

*Hamilton Fish,*  
*President.*

*R.S.V.P.*

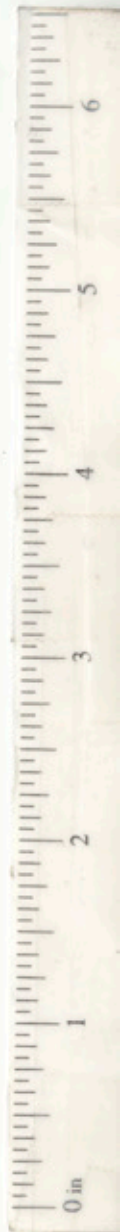


To

General Howard,  
Presnt.

April 26, 1881.

Wm. Stearns Clerk



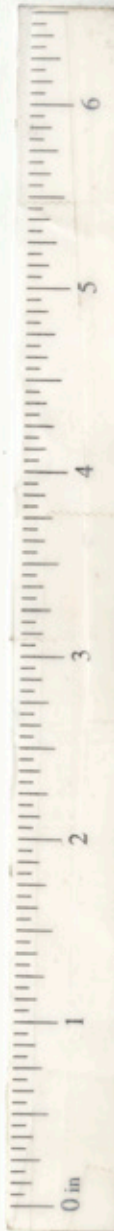
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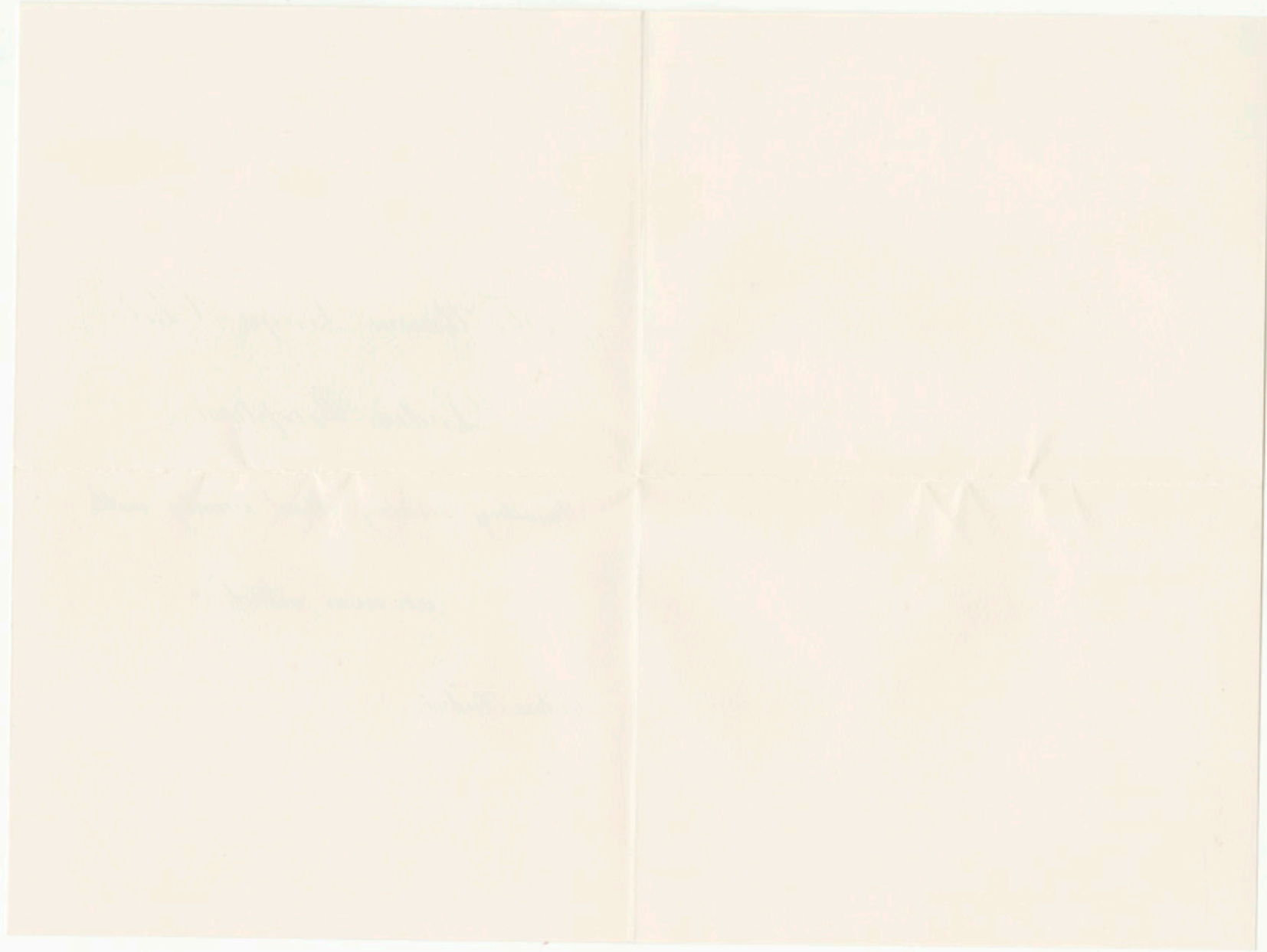
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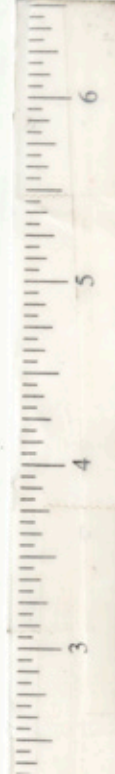
*Ladies Ticket.*







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Admit General Howard to  
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Tuesday evening, April twenty sixth.  
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U. S. ENGINEER OFFICE,

70 Saratoga Street.

Personal.

Baltimore, Md., April 26 1881

My dear Emerald.

I think you will excuse me for appealing to the kindly feeling which I am sure you will have for me, ~~and~~ as I know of nothing that has given cause for a change in it. Not to consume yr time, truly be brief.

I have a son who is very anxious to be a cadet at West Point. The Congressman says I am not of their constituency and advise me to go to the West. I think the hope of success there about a falcon one, but I know of one whose influence, if exerted <sup>in the quarter</sup>, will be more likely to give success than yours. I ask you to use it unless it seems improper or disagreeable.



*Recd. Feb. 29. 1881.*  
The boy, Mr. Edward, was 17 ~~last~~ Dec. He ~~is~~  
usually bright mentally, as the enclosed certificate  
from the Principal ~~testifies~~ of his school testifies. The  
gentleman is very successful in his profession as a  
teacher. He is himself an M. A. from the Uni-  
versity of Ky<sup>c</sup>, a distinction rarely attained.

He is now in his first year at the same  
University & is doing very well. He is well  
grown & healthy. He is a consistent, professed  
Christian. His mother, whom you know, is dead.

It is probable the President has no opportunity  
at large this year, so that I am only asking  
him to appoint Mr. an alternate this year  
with the small chance of returning by that  
gate this year; but I am also asking for  
the first vacancy next year should he not  
get in this year.

Sad. O. O. Howard, U. S. A.

West Point, N. Y.

Very truly Yrs

Wm. P. Craighill



(copy)

Episcopal High School 299  
near Alexandria Va.  
April 6. 1881.

To whom it may concern.

Mr. William Edward  
Craighill of West Virginia, was during the sessions of  
1878-79 and 1879-80 a student of this school, and I  
know him intimately.

His career was the most brilliant that  
I have seen. To superior mental endowments  
he added industry and powers of application  
rarely equalled. His success as a student  
was not only uniform, but so marked that,  
except in a single unimportant particular, he  
could not have won higher academic honors.

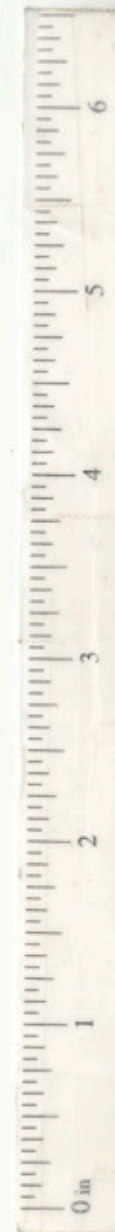
No boy in my ten years administration of  
the School ever attained so many. He possessed  
a sound body which he was wise enough to cul-  
tivate only less diligently than the sound mind  
of which it was the home.

More and better than all, his character was  
of singular elevation, purity and strength, and  
toned as it were by deep religious principle and  
vigorous common sense, was the most remarkable



I have known at his age.

L. M. Blackford M.A.  
Principal.





OFFICE OF THE  
CHIEF MEDICAL PURVEYOR U.S.A.  
WASHINGTON.

April 26. 1881

My dear General

So far as I can learn from those who know the President's intentions in regard to the Surgeon Generalcy. He declares that he intends ending in my nomination as soon as the deadlock in Senate is opened.

Among other recommendations which I submitted to him. I sent in the strongest kind of petitions from 196 Quakers and Representatives representing 34 States. Genl. Pope was here ten days ago, and took occasion

to tell the President that in his opinion my appointment would be the best that could be made, and would meet the hearty approbation of the progressive members of the Med. Dept on this frontier.

Dr. Leane has secured the recommendation of Gents. Sheridan and Terry, and is trying to get similar letters from other Genl. Officers.

I trust that I shall procure letters from Pope, Crook, and Mt. Dwyer, and if you could consecutively write or tell in my behalf I should be very grateful to you. Should you decide to



grant me this favor will  
you please send me a  
letter addressed to the Pres-  
ident.

Sincerely your friend

J. H. Baxter

Genl. O. O. Howard

J. H. Baxter.

Wash<sup>n</sup>. D.C. }  
Apr. 26. 1881. }

ansd by Genl.  
Apr. 28. 1881.

Recd Apr. 27. 1881.



# Army Paymaster's Office,

Leavenworth, Kas., April 26, 1881.

General O. P. Howard U.S.A.  
West Point, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I am very much gratified when the order was issued for you to be transferred from Oregon to the pleasant department which you now command, and I am sure that your many friends throughout the country felt great satisfaction when the change was officially announced. The transfer must be an agreeable one to you, and yours, barring of course the separation from your daughter which it involves. I suppose however that Mrs. Baker will visit you at West Point frequently, and I hope she will as often remember to see her Boston friends, who are so fond of her. No doubt you will take trips to Boston as your convenience will allow, and when you do so, it would be gratifying to my family to welcome you and Mrs. Howard to our modest home. I have now been four years in this department, and were not

J. A. Brewster  
Paymaster

Fort Leavenworth,  
Apr. 26, 1881

Recd May 2, 1881

Recd May 30, 1881

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The pay trips so extremely hard to make for one  
not in rugged health, and who is no longer young,  
I would willingly remain here, the duties required  
of a Pay master in this department, have taxed  
to the utmost my strength, and the unavoidable expenses  
have seriously affected my health. I am in fact  
really unable to longer perform this rough frontier  
service. Freed as I am to be absent from my  
family, is an unhappiness to me, at times almost  
unbearable, and to my family also. Nothing could  
hardly delight me more than to be located where  
I could have the companionship of those so dear  
to me. I miss now the counsel and ready aid  
of my late brother John. For months past  
letters from home have appealed to me to apply  
to you to aid me in obtaining the desired change,  
but I have been reluctant to do so. If however  
you are willing to give your influence in  
my behalf to aid me to an assignment in  
a department adapted to my needs, I should  
be extremely gratified. The friends I once had in  
<sup>civil life</sup> whom I could call in time of need, like Sumner  
and Wilson, have passed away, and there is hardly

now any one in Congress in whom I could properly  
rely who possesses the needed influence to secure  
the old time orders. I hope General that you will  
not consider me obtusive or over urgent. I well know  
that at best I have not many years to live, and I  
desire that what remains to me of life may as  
far as practicable be passed with those most dear  
to me. Please present my kind remembrances to  
Mrs Howard and believe me to be

Very respectfully &

Sincerely yours

J. A. Protheroe  
Paymaster U.S.A.