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NEW YORK, June 6, 188

My Dear Mr. Howard

Dear Sir. I wrote you
from Cleveland Convention
that I thought I could
reach a good man as ~~the~~
also reach the appointing
power. I wired you from
Chicago thinking my train
stopped at Garrison but it
did not. The party I referred
to is Rev Dr. Bartley who
is or is to be moderator
of the Rep Church meeting
or soon to meet at Hudson.
I understand you have
several names suggested.
The party who can reach
sect of War Lincoln is his

most particular friend
Edw. May (editor of
the Tribune) I have
a strong ^{family} introduction
to him. I thought of sug-
gesting that he get the
List of War to quietly hand
over the matter to you -
Edw. May or his family will
be at the West Point this
week I think. - Yours,

Yours truly
James Watson Jr

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Washington, D.C.,
June 6th 1881.

Dear General:

You will remember, when I saw you last at the Ebbitt House, your promise to assist me with an endorsement in paying off all my five-percent-a-month indebtedness. Since that time I have succeeded in reducing my obligations to about one hundred dollars, and I now owe as follows:

W. C. Lemmon	\$ 30	interest	1.50
Geo. Trusdale	25	"	1.25
Wm E Mathews	20	"	1.00
E. J. Maloney	20	"	1.00
	95		4.75
	4.75		
	\$99.75		

I have been carrying these notes along month after month, paying this enormous interest, in order to settle other and more pressing claims. Now, Genl., if you will endorse me for one hundred dollars, I will be enabled to take up the above notes when due (June 15th inst.) and thereby save an

Mr. D. Buckh.

Washington, D.C.
June 6, 1881.

Dear Genl. S. S.

Recd June 7, 1881.

amount nearly equal to one half the sum
I will have to pay monthly on your endorse-
ment. I will explain: - I spoke to Mr.
Frank Smith this morning stating to him
frankly what I desired to do, and he
promised to secure the loan on my note,
endorsed by you, for one hundred dollars,
payable in ten months at ten dollars a
month.

With kindest regards to you all,

Yours truly,

W. B. Cudlip

Room 14 - B.

P. O. Dept.

West Point N.Y.

June 11th 1881

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Major, Gen. G. O. Howard
U.S. Army

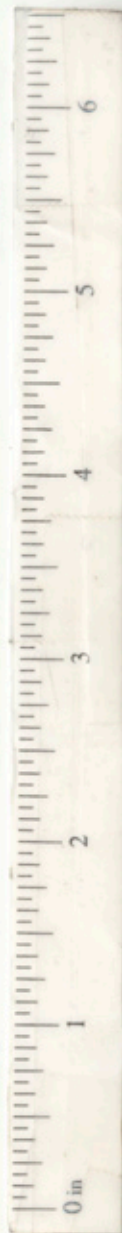
Superintendent U.S. Mil Academy
West Point N.Y.

General.

Replying to

Your note of this date - I have the
honor today, that referring to the
Order of Lieut Randolph - I
find that it was received at
the Commandant's office be-
tween four and five P.M. on
Saturday - I inquired for
the order after inspection
yesterday, but it could not
be found, as it was in the

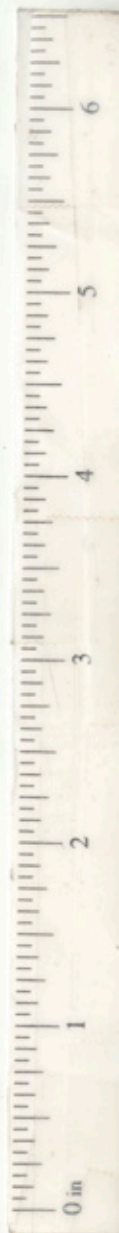
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possession of the Cadet Regiment
and had not been brought by
him to the my Clerk.

Lieut Randolph showed
me the order addressed to him
on Saturday at about 2 P.M.

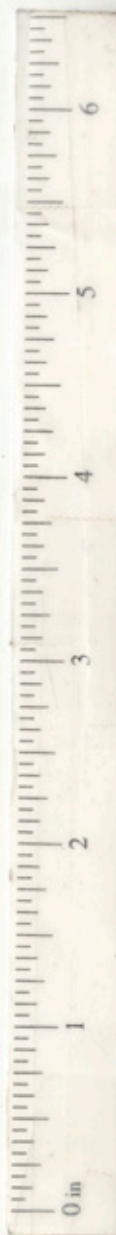
I informed him, that an
order would have to be issued re-
lieving him from duty with the
Camps of Cadets, and directing
him to transfer his ord-
nance stores to a designated
officer, and that I would ~~xx~~
issue such an order the
next morning (yesterday) which



was done. — This is I
believe the usual practice
under a Department order
that ^{the officer is} ~~he is~~ relieved by an
order from the Comm-
ander of the Specie body of
troops with which he is
serving —

With reference to the
2^d Point of your letter
you will observe
from the inclosed per-
mit ~~that~~ ~~it is~~ for the
hop that it was approved

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at your Head Quarters
and I supposed that
Lieut- Wood knew about
the Map- I of course
could not order the Band
but supposed Lieut. Wood
would do so.

I did not pretend to
assume the authority of
granting permits to attend
the Hops. as you will see-

Yours Sincerely
Wm. H. C.
H. H. C.

Lazelle, M.
Comdt.

June 6, 1881.

General:

As the statements within
are in conflict with mine to
you before your note was
written to Gen. Lazelle, as to Lieut.
Randolph's order of relief, I desire
to say that the Commandant's
copy of said order was sent
at two o'clock, with Lieut.
Randolph's copy and both
were receipted for, at the same
time, by Lieut. Gilmore, the
officer in charge.

Very respec
your obt servt
J. A. Barker
Capt.

June 6, 1881.

John Pike
Scrib. Genl.

Fort Leavenworth,
June 6. 1881.

Dear

Recd June 9. 1881

Headquarters Department of the Missouri,

1881
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, June 6, 1881.

My dear Genl Howard

Among the candidates
= alis for admission to the Academy
this year will be young Mr Joseph
E. Kuhn of this place -

He has been selected a the case
of a competitive examination, from
the High school of Leavenworth
- & is a young man of quite un-
= common ability of & excellent

character. He still lacks about
two months of the required age, being
scarcely in August. I have not
supposed that so short an
interval will interfere with his
being admitted & I sincerely hope
it will not. If however you cannot
yourself readily, this small dis-
ability, will you be kind enough
to telegraph me, that I may try
to get the necessary authority
of the Minister for his admission.

I trust however that you

will consider it without your
having to carry the matter without
reference to the Vice Regent.

I need not, I am confident
assure you that you have my
most cordial wishes for your
success at West Point, nor do
I say that you are I anticipate
practical responses of a valuable
character to the welfare of the
Institution.

Yours faithfully

John P. Ke

Wm O. Brown
Wm

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CHARLES A. DANA, Editor.

D. APPLETON & CO.,
PUBLISHERS,

1, 3, & 5 BOND STREET,

New York, June 7, 1881.

Gen. O. O. Howard—

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly examine the enclosed notice, and make such corrections and additions as you find necessary, for a revised edition of our Cyclopædia? Our space is limited, but we wish to add everything that is essential to the accurate completion of the notice to date.

Yours respectfully,
F. A. Geall,
Asst Editor.

D. Appleton & Co
June 7, 1881
New York

Dear Sir

June 11, 1881.

Recd June 11, 1881

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EXECUTIVE MANSION
WASHINGTON.

June 7, 1881.

Dear Sir:

The President directs me to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter to him of the 3rd instant, and to express to you his great regret that it will be impossible for him to be with you at the graduating exercises of the class of 1881. He has promised to be present at Annapolis on the 10th and but for Mrs. Garfield's illness would take the longer journey to West Point.

The President regrets also that the great demand upon his time and attention deprives him of the pleasure of a

The President
in his own hand

much. etc.
June 7, 1881

Recd June 9, 1881.

personal response to your favor.
 Very respectfully,
 J. L. Prudden
 Secretary.

General O. O. Howard,
 West Point, N.Y.

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June 7, 1881

Dear Sir:

EXECUTIVE MANSION
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Custom House, Savannah, Ga.,

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Collector's Office,

June 7th, 1881.

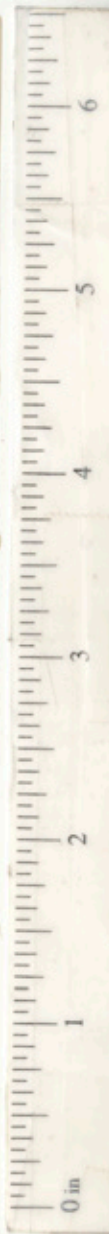
General O O Howard
Commandg Military Academy
West Point N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

This will introduce to you Judge H S D Swiggs a prominent Member of the bar of this State.

Judge Swiggs is universally esteemed by all classes of our people and any courtesies that may be extended to him will be appreciated by your friend

Edwin Belcher



Custom House, Collector's Office,

SAVANNAH, GA.,

June 7, 1888,

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Collector.

New June 11, 1888

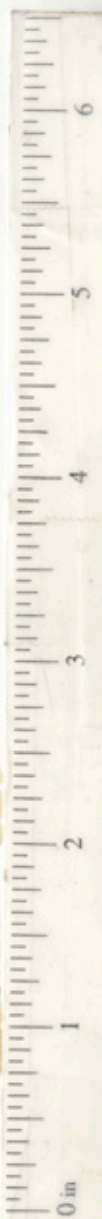
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Netherington Ohio, June 7/81

My dear O. D. Howard
Dr. Sir

Allow me to intro-
duce the bearer, Mr. S. P. Townsend
who goes to West P. expecting to become
a Cadet. He has recently enlisted
in the service of Christ & desires
that he goes to West Point, under
your administration.

Very truly yrs. Jas. A. Dady
Pastor Cong. Ch.



Georgetown
June 7/81.

Confidential
(Yours truly, Wm. L. G.)

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Georgetown, D.C.,
(Corner of Green & Broad Sts.),
June 7/81.

My dear Sir: -

My Son writes me of his (trembling) hopes that, -
in spite of his Confusions & blunderings of late, & the distractions
consequent upon the "functions" now going on continually at the Point -
Enough of themselves, to upset me & prevent Concentration of mind
upon studies - he will get through "by the skin of his teeth" - "yet
so as by fire". - Wd grant he may, for Jesus' sake! -

He also writes me of the Chapel Services on Sunday, where he
Communed with you & St. Knight & others - We, here, - my wife & I & an-
other son were united with you, in Spirit, on the LORD'S Day, partaking
of the Sacrament, then, and we felt especially drawn together with you
then to the Communion of Saints, "when joining in the Prayers" And we
most humbly beseech THEE, O LORD, of Thy goodness, to Comfort &
succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in sorrow, trouble,
need, sickness, or any other adversity" - "That it may please THEE to
succour help & Comfort all who are in danger, necessity & tribula-
tion", & realizing so fully that Christians can & do, thus uniting,
help & relieve each other thus, How all denominational lines fall
& fade when thus uniting on the true, one great basis, of "All who
love the LORD JESUS CHRIST in sincerity"! - Wd surely can &
will & does help those thus coming to Him in their great sore need, - Even

at the 11th hour, even when all seems gone, lost - God indeed moves
in a mysterious way, He orders to perform!

I have had a strange ^{if my son should fail,} vague fear that in addition to my ^{to us all, thereby,} his own
failure & damage to his future - ^{it would be damning,} it might also
reflect upon & seriously damage me, in my own matters; - it strangely
affects people thus, sometimes - (What is the hidden law thereof?) - to
those who have, shall be added; & to those who have not, shall that
they have be taken away" - Since I myself am now going through
the "mill" of adversity, - I am prominently considered in connection with
the Paymaster Generalship of the Army, which post will be vacated soon
by the retirement (by reason of age) of the present incumbent. I am entitled
to it, being the Senior Officer on the list having a full term to serve (there
are two above me on the list, but those retire soon, one having but a year or
so, & the other but two, - & 4 yrs is the term; & besides, no one wants either
of these, & my Corps do want me, & the Army generally, - the leading, repres-
entative, clean men - I besides once declined it, on principle, - from
Conscientious Conventions, - in favor of my Senior - 'twas his right, I
felt; & I insisted he should be app'd rather than myself, & he was.

Others want it, of course, as usual; - & two or three of these are selfish,
& unpurged - & I am made a target of, accordingly, & you, Genl, will
know personally what this means - But I, like you, trust in God - & as my
Imbos, & I, teach all of mine; - HE will care for me & mine, & do by me with
H.M. best. I am resigned to H.S. will - H.S. not mine be done - Only, it is hard!

The Persistent speaks good words about it - I am well & strongly backed -

I want it now - it is mine of right, now - but it is my duty to draw myself from
being officially perfect ever by a junior, or General favorite, & especially if unjust &
unworthy. Merciful, - The trying time has now come - 'twould be but asked if my duties
should come now, right out this - & I say, affect my matter, but of the dark
of the case, strongly! - I would, at all events, keep quiet down & plain, meeting all even
if we were. I a thousand times would rather fail in this thing, & be sorry, rather than that
my son should not now so triumph! What is mine to me & him & my all than all else.

My son certainly, having much more about Calcutta, & than he has of late - in his martial
& physical condition (that martial trouble undoubtedly supplied him mentally more than is known by thought
than by his & himself, & during times - & even the physical to them. He is a sensitive
- & really, apart & disengaged, from his position - all - he does not do justice to himself, I
think.

We must turn right at all things to the end, we have now determined -
giving him the right to retreat, & my son can make any circumstances for my, the hope they
he may come out all right, as he has been encouraged by hope & believe he will -

General, I ask no thing of you & family, or anyone; but I say do make
him to be fit & strong, in all possible ways, promote him with right & duty! - Right of rule
is delayed greatly at the Grand Academy - All rules should be a second - & we know the best means
are well for us! - Why should I not be the sole exception!

God bless me, but - & you will know how I feel - I may
be all wrong - & I say & I go, -

Wm. D. Cooper, -