

Fuller, B. A. G.

Boston Mass.
Augt 23, 1881.

Answered Augt 31/81 by the
Genl. and also Dec
2^d 1881.

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Reed. Augt 24, 1881.

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10 Pemberton Square
Boston, Aug. 23. 1881

My Dear Genl. -

I think of preparing a
notice of my late Pro-in-law
Gen. Seth Williams, to read
before the N. E. Hist. & Gen. Socy.,
and as I think you intimately
with knowledge of his social
& military life, may enable you
to suggest some traits, incidents
or which would add interest
to the account. I will venture
to ask of you the favor at some
comparatively leisure hour, to jot
down what may occur to your
mind recollection, relative to him
& his military career - & send to
me. - Of course, I do not intend

to write any extended biography -
yet it has seemed to me that he
occupied a very important position
(unchanged under all the commanding
Generals) - as apt Maj Gen. of the Army
of the Potomac - though not so conspic-
uous as if in the field - and that
it would be well to gather up
& preserve what we may of his
history - for certainly few had more
arduous duties - & few were more
faithful & true - & fewer still, more
respected and beloved. -

I do not wish to take much
of your time - & shall quote authority
only when authorized to do so. -

It may be that you can also
either send me some Army Register
or book which will contain dates
of his various commissions &c. or

refer me to some publication containing
them - This I should prefer to making an
application to the War Department from
which I suppose I could obtain
the information. -

Can you suggest any one of
the Army to whom I should es-
pecially apply, in a matter of
this kind? - With my best regards

Yours very truly
Wm. A. G. Fuller

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University of Mississippi,
Oxford, Miss. Aug. 23, 1887.

My dear Sir:

My brother, M. M. Jayne, wrote me a letter some time last spring, saying that he was among the "immortals" in mathematics, and almost every Saturday afternoon had extra drifts because of his awkwardness.

This statement prepared me for the further announcement in June that he had been found deficient at the end of his first year in the Military Academy. When they heard of this, my Mother and my other brothers were much surprised; for we had always regarded ourselves as a clear-headed and energetic family of brothers, and brother Madison as of equal ability with the rest of us. However, I cannot say that I was

one of the best business young men in the state. I graduated with credit from Harvard College, Massachusetts, - 1877. And his fourth and youngest brother entered the Naval Academy three years ago when but fifteen years old, and has passed on, doing himself much credit, especially in the Mathematics and the sciences dependant on that and in seamanship and navigation. And I am sure Brother Madison, had he had earlier the proper training, would have done well. I dare say, as on all plebes the severe discipline of the first year at West Point, which is in the main good, even that imposed by custom among the upperclassmen, had on my brother a disheartening effect. And, too, the excessive use of tobacco, the use at all, by him has been a serious hindrance to his progress.

I would rather that he should graduate from West Point than from any place I know of, excepting Annapolis, and should enter the Army than almost any business or calling. I

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greatly surprised, bearing in mind
the preparation of my brother, and
the peculiarities of his temperament,
which I have made a special study.

For those few men who have
come to know him intimately, and
to appreciate and love him, it has
taken several years to become
acquainted with him. You will
pardon me, if I write at length
to you regarding him. In the
early summer when I wrote to him
that it might be possible to get
him another trial to go through
West Point, he said he thought
it was utterly useless ^{to make the request}. I have
waited before writing to you until
near the close of the summer, in order
that he might reflect upon the past
year and consider his plans for the
future. Now that he has written to
me asking my advice, and I have
given it, ^{to} go back to West Point,

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Illinois Industrial University at Champaign for six months. After that circumstances were again adverse, and he taught school some months of the year 1879-80 in a country district. In June 1880 he went to the Military Academy. It is very unfortunate for him that he was not well taught in algebra before entering the Academy, for, I suppose, it is at West Point as it is at Annapolis. There it is almost a saying that, if a cadet has not studied that branch well before coming there, he will hardly get through his first year the first trial. Strange to say, my brother seems to have no special liking for the mathematics, though all the rest of his brothers have rather a talent that way. His oldest brother, a college-bred man, is one of the best known and most thorough of the younger generation of educators in this State. His second brother is regarded by men competent to judge as

if you can get back", I thought it time to apply to you, and state his case.

I shall venture to enclose to you his last letter to me. It was, of course, meant for no other eye but my own.

My brother was old when he entered West Point, was in his twenty-second year, and had been very poorly schooled with mental discipline. Having lost his father two years after the war, and one of a large family poorly provided^{for}, like so many of our young lads South since the war, he thought he must go into business: and so at fourteen, an uncle or some friend having lent him an hundred dollars, more or less, he set up for himself in business in the little town of Brandon, his Mother's home. He did very well for a while, made money.

But soon the merchants ^{4.} and young men began to pet him and spoil him in more ways than one. He was a mystery to most of his fellow merchants. They could not understand that Jayne, so profoundly quiet, reserved, and with his mind so brimful of interesting schemes, yet using sarcasm and irony with such wonderful effect as to put his adversary to disadvantage almost invariably, always getting the laugh on him, yet himself silent, never cracking a smile. After several years he failed in business. And later, about five or six years ago, to me then at Harvard College, in Cambridge, Mass., he began to write freely and expressing an earnest desire eventually to get an education. Of course, I encouraged him. But he never had the opportunity until the January of 1877, when, after the yellow fever, he went to the

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have always had a partiality⁷ for the military life and
I think I have a decided partiality for the military type
of character in our national life, less of trickery and
more of straight forwardness. The associations of my thought
with the Army are also very agreeable, having ^{there} a very dear
and rather brilliant cousin who graduated from West Point
in 1875 in the person of Lieut. R. K. Evans.

I think you will find my brother to be a brave
and fearless man, and that he would in the end make
a worthy officer. Hoping, then, that you may see fit
to recommend that he be given another trial; with
great respect, I have the honor to be

Sincerely and very truly yours,

Anselm H. Jayne.

Jayne, A. R.

Acford, Miss
Augt 23, 1881.

Answered by the Recd
Augt 24. 1881.

To:

Gen. O. O. Howard, U.S.A.,
Superintendent U.S. Military Academy,
West Point, New York.

Recd 10/1/81

Ludlow, N. W.

Oswego, N. Y.
Aug 24/81.

Answered by the Genl
Aug 30 - 1881

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Oswego, N. York.
Aug. 24 - 1881

My dear General Howard =
At the earliest opportunity after unpacking my trunk, I send you by express, today the book of Jubilee Songs you gave me to take care of for you at Chautauqua.

I don't know how I was so unfortunate as to miss seeing you again the morning you left, to hand it to you and bid you good bye and thank you, as I wanted to, for all your kindness to myself and my friends. I stayed in after breakfast on purpose to do so,

and was in the parlor of the
"Ark" when our Hampton boy
Cayton looked in and told me
"General Howard has just gone
up stairs". I stepped into
my room next the parlor for
the book, returning instantly,
expecting to hear you come
down. Miss Washburn came
in in a moment, and we
waited till it became evi-
dent that you must have
gone to your train - very
greatly to our disappoint-
ment.

I hope that you had
a safe and pleasant jour-
ney home, and that we

may have the pleasure
of welcoming you to
Hampton again soon, as
you know we so much
delight to.

Meanwhile, with all
best wishes, I thank you
for the privilege and honor
of counting myself among
your many friends.

Most heartily & respectfully,

Helen H. Ludlow

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Newham, D. P.

New York
Aug 24/881.

F. J.

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New York August 24th 1881.

My Dear General

I received your note this morning and immediately sent to the Grand Central depot, but strange to say my messenger found that there was another coat besides yours left on the same train - He was obliged, therefore to choose between them as best he could. In one of the coats he found a new Testament, and at first, on this basis was disposed to decide the question. But upon examining the other coat he found a programme of exercises at West Point - The programme, under

circumstances outweighed the
testaments.

I send the cash bill of-
fered by the "Powell". If it
is ^{the} wrong one please return
it and I will endeavor to
obtain the other.

Yours sincerely
A. P. Kitchin

Luci O. O. Howard
West-Point N.Y.

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NORVIN GREEN, President.

Dated

West Point NY

1881

Received at Merchant's Exchange, Portland, Me. Aug 24

To General O. O. Howard

Soldiers Reunion Portland Me.
Colonel Benton died at Springfield Arsenal Yesterday morning. General Drum telegraphs authority to bury him here, his friends desire a full military funeral with Corps of Cadets for escort to take place Friday under regulations Colonel Lagelle proposes. I shall issue requisite orders. General Webb asks you to be Pall bearer have telegraphed him of your absence. He is at Springfield. Benton's son was a September Candidate but General Drum writes you that he has delay till next June.

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Please reply at once

Sladen
acting adjutant

General
99 Paid Govt Rate

The enclosed contains a copy of the
report of the adjutant general's office
relative to the proposed construction of a
military fence and stock pens at
the place called
the adjutant general's office
to command

to be built there separate order
several weeks ago to
be built here
him off from becoming the
at Springfield. Therefore for
the adjutant general's office

Dec 27/81

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Wash DC 8/24 1881

Received at

To Genl O O Howard

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Letter of yesterday recd
There are no ~~Presidential~~
vacancies in Presidential
appointments I will see
the Secretary tomorrow
relative to having your
son appointed alternate

R C Drum
Adj Genl

Drum, J. C.

Washington
Aug 34/81.

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Recd Aug 35/81

59 Bucksport 24th Aug. 1881

My dear friend

Your kind note
of the 8th duly reached
me, as you perceive by
this scrawl I am hardly
able to write yet, but
am slowly gaining, still
suffer much pain in my
eye & head.

I notice by the papers
you are at Portland, &
we should be so glad to
see you, that I am just
trying to say so on paper
if you or you & your wife
can spare the time, step
into ~~some~~ the noon car
for Bangor any day &
you can reach Bucksport

Leave by rail at 8.10
on the night train Will
also connect with the
Bucksport road in
the morning & land you
here at 9 am.

Mr B. & Emmie are
well & we shall all be
very glad to see you,
as you will know

Can't write any more

Very your friend

R.R. Buck

Cox, J. D.

Cincinnati, Ohio,
Aug 24, 1881.

Gile

Mallet

200 Main St.

Cincinnati 24 Aug. 1881.

My dear General:

I am much obliged for your kindness in so promptly responding to my request.

I am intending to write a narrative of the march to the sea as well as the Atlanta Campaign & shall therefore be under still further obligations to you if you will loan me copies of reports of that campaign also. I only mentioned the Atlanta Campaign because I had that volume nearly completed, and was therefore in haste to

Get more definite information on a few points -

In haste,

Very Sincerely Yours

J. B. [Signature]

Gen. O. O. Howard

Princeton N.J.
Sept 24 1881

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Dated

1881

Received at Merchant's Exchange, Portland, Me.

To Gen O. O. Howard

Falmouth House

Portland Me

Meet me Friday Conway Junction

Ten twenty five for

Rockport

R B Howard

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READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE OF THE TELEGRAPH COMPANY
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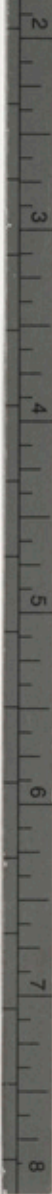
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TO THE EDITOR OF THE

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JOHN B. HARRIS



CROSSMON HOUSE,
THOUSAND ISLANDS,
C. CROSSMON & SON,
PROPRIETORS.
RIVER ST. LAWRENCE.

Alexandria Bay, Augst 25 1881

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
My dear Sir.

I shall expect to be with
you Sunday Sep^r 1st 4th - leaving
Utica Saturday in the 11.30 Am
Express.

I think that this was
the Sunday upon which we agreed.
Should I be in error (as I am
away from home & am trusting
to my memory) will you be so
kind as to notify me, addressing
me at my home - Utica - N. Y.

Very sincerely,
Yours Isaac F. Hartley

Hartley, S. D.

Alexandria Bay
Augt 25, 1881.

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Mess Sir
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Department of the Interior
PENSION OFFICE.

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Washington, D.C. Aug 25th, 1881

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you in reply to your enclosed letter of the 6th instant that the records fail to show that Owen Kleaker, late P in the Detachment of Artillery, has as yet applied for Pension.

A blank form of application is herewith enclosed. It should be executed before an officer of a Court of record having custody of its Seal.

Very respectfully

Brig. Gen. A. O. Howard

OPL/Blunk

U S Military Academy Actg Commissioner
West Point ny

Portions

Washington

Aug. 25, 1881

Recd Aug 27/81.

Burolen, J. S.

University Club
Aug 25, 1881.

Answered by the
Genl Aug 30.

Mallet-

Recd Aug 30.

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UNIVERSITY CLUB
370 FIFTH AVENUE.

August 25th/1881

Dear General Howard

I intended calling
on you the other day with
reference to the treatment
I received from Mrs. Schowie
& Daughter to whom you
introduced me.

I received the grossest
& greatest insult & assault
I ever received in my
lifetime from Mrs.
Schowie & daughter &
may I ask ^{you} as a great

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kindness to myself
to hear the truth of the
story from any of the
gentlemen at the Hotel
& you will hear of the
great insult I received
I told you your son
about it but more has
happened since then.

Hoping you are well

I remain

Yours sincerely

J. G. Burdett

Captain.

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Dated

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Received at Merchant's Exchange, Portland, Me Aug 25

To General O O Howard

Portland

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Adjutant General telegraphs
that there are no vacancies
in presidential appointments
He will see the Secretary
today relative to having
your son appointed
alternate. Have examined
the record and find only
five vacancies and they are
filled by September appointments
4722 Gm Rk Baden

Bladen, J. A.

Aug 25/81.

My dear Mr. Hall
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st inst. in relation to the appointment of a person to the position of a clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Board of Education. I have conferred with the Board and they are of the opinion that the person named in your letter is well qualified for the position and they are willing to appoint him.