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Headquarters Military Division of the Atlantic,

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND, NEW YORK,

August 26th 1881.

To
Genl. O. O. Howard
West Point
New York

General:—

I have received your note of the 19th instant in reference to the Marquee tent, and beg to thank you for your kindly action.

I am informed by the Chief Quartermaster that up to this date the tent has not been received here.

Very respectfully
Your obedient Servant

Wm. S. Hancock
Maj. General
Commanding

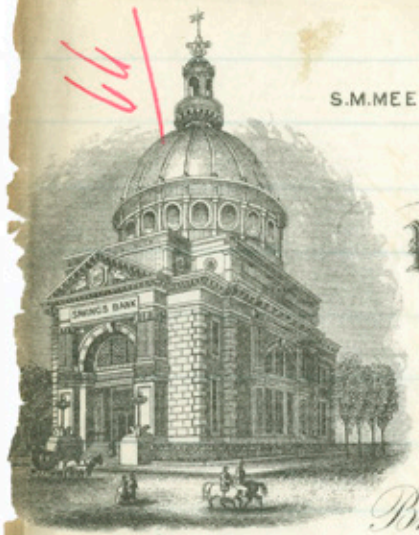
1038 of 1881.

L.S.M.

Headquarters Military
August 26/81.

Cy Maj. Gen
Adj. Gen.
Forward
copies upon receipt
the tent at once
Wm
Sharpe

Have written for the
tent. Rec. and
sent to — Corps
Rec'd Aug 27/81.



S.M.MEEKER, President. JOHN BROACH, Cashier.

The Williamsburgh Savings Bank,
BROOKLYN, L.I.

Brooklyn, N.Y. Aug 26th 1881

Gen. O. O. Howard
Commandat West Point Mil Acd.

Dear Sir:

You will confer a great favor upon the undersigned by sending me your autograph. I have those of our much esteemed President Jas. A. Garfield, whom may will be spared to his country and also all or at least nearly all your associates in the late War of the Rebellion, and I should be pleased to have yours, and if not much trouble a few lines from you. I have also the leading men in all the different walks of life. Hoping you will comply. Enclosed please find stamp for return.

I am
Sincerely yo
Jacob Moller

Address 80 South 4th St.
Residence Williamsburgh
L.I.

Answered by Genl
Aug 30. 1881

Moller, J.

Williamsburg, L.I.
Augt 26, 1881.

Answd by Genl
Augt 30. 1881

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Rec'd Augt 29, 1881

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THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

A. R. BREWER, Sec'y. NORVIN GREEN, President.

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Received at 805- aug 27

To Genl O. O. Howard

Despatch received I sent important dispatch to Framingham — today & Opr could not find you please get it as it may not be too late for action in Chaneys case all right here

Slater

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Bladen, J. A.

August 27/81.

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Dated West Point Ky 5/27 186

Received at

To General Howard

Framingham.

No word from Adjutant Gneral about the appointment as Cadet Can you not telegraph him Monday morning would not be too late

S Baden

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READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Sladen, J. A.

Augt 2nd/81.

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American Missionary Association,

NO. 21 CONGREGATIONAL HOUSE,

Corner Beacon and Somerset Sts.

C. L. WOODWORTH, Dist. Sec'y.

Boston, Aug. 27th 1881

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Very Dear Sir:-

I enclose a programme of the Annual Meeting of the A.M.A. as we have hoped it, & hope to carry it out at Worcester, Mass. Nov. 1-3. We have taken the liberty to put your name down to the Committee for Indian work. Your familiarity with the subject will enable you to speak with intelligence & authority on the subject, & we will give you an audience worth your best powers.

If you will consent to
stand on the Comm. &
make an address of say,
thirty minutes in length
you will put us
under great obligation.
I write in behalf
of the Ex. Comm. of the Ind. Co.
Can early reply will
oblige, yours truly,
E. A. Woodworth

Recd Aug 27, 1881

Answd Aug 30, 1881.

Boston Mass
Aug 27, 1881.

Rev. Mr.

ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION,

NOV. 1-3, 1881.

I. **TUESDAY,** 3 P. M. Organization. Reports of Executive Committee, Treasurer, etc.

II. **Evening,** 7.30–9.30. Sermon and Communion. Preacher, PROF. C. D. HARTRANFT.

III. **WEDNESDAY,** 8–9 A. M., Prayer Meeting; 9–10, Business; 10–10.30, Paper: Subject, "The Strength, the Weakness, and the Needs of the Colored People:" RICHARD WRIGHT. 10.30–11, Paper: "Review of the Anti-Slavery Contest, and Estimate of its Meaning and Value, with reference to the Civilization and Christianization of Africa and the World:" PREST. E. H. FAIRCHILD. 11–11.30, Paper: "The Work of the A. M. A. for Races, and not merely for Individuals:" DR. STRIEBY. 11.30–12, Business.

IV. **Afternoon,** 2–3, Report on Indian Work, and Addresses: GEN. S. C. ARMSTRONG, CAPT. PRATT, GEN. O. O. HOWARD. 3–4, Report on Church Work and Addresses: PREST. CYRUS HAMLIN, DRS. GOODWIN AND ROY. 4–5.30, Report on Educational Work and Addresses: PREST. CHAMBERLAIN, PROF. NORTHRUP, DR. THOS. B. MCLEOD.

V. **Evening,** 7.30, Christian Education in the South; MAYOR J. M. W. HALL, SENATOR G. F. HOAR, JUDGE A. W. TOURGEE.

VI. **THURSDAY,** 8–9 A. M., Prayer Meeting; 9–9.30, Business; 9.30–11, Report and Addresses on Chinese Missions: DR. PERKINS, GEN. JOSEPH HAWLEY, REV. L. DICKERMAN, REV. CHAS. H. POPE, REV. S. E. HERRICK, D. D. 11–12.30, Report on African Work, and Addresses: REV. GEO. S. DICKERMAN, REV. DR. BRASTOW, REV. J. W. HARDING, COL. PROUT.

VII. **Afternoon,** 2–3.30, Woman's Work for Women: Papers by MISSES EMERY and SAWYER, Addresses by DR. BEHRENDS, REV. A. H. PLUMB, REV. E. S. ATWOOD. 3.30–5, Report and Addresses on Finance — Call for Enlargement: HON. J. J. H. GREGORY, COL. FRANKLIN FAIRBANKS, REV. DR. DURYEA, REV. DR. MAYO.

VIII. **Evening,** 7.30, Addresses: The Great Need; Preaching; Holy Spirit; Revivals; Christian Character; Pentecost; Sympathy with Christ in Saving the Poor; Eye to see the Providential Opportunities before us: PREST. BUCKHAM, HENRY D. HYDE, ESQ., REV. DR. MCKENZIE.

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Johnstown, Penna, 8-27. '87

Gen. O. O. Howard.
West Point.

Dear General; If an answer to this letter will cause no inconvenience, I should be pleased to be informed of the whereabouts of the Chief of the Secret Service Detectives (during the late war) Gen La Fayette C. Baker.

Awaiting an answer at your convenient date

Yours Very Resp'y
Dwight Robert

Waite, C. F.

Portland
Augt 27, 81.

File

Portland, Aug. 27, 1881

Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir,

Mother received your note yesterday afternoon and we were very sorry that you had to leave the city without calling upon us.

Your wife's letter of the 18th was also received.

I am very glad that I got the chance to speak with you at camp though it was but a few moments as your time was precious.

Father had what he said was a slight illness the 13th of July but the rest of us considered it as very severe as he fainted away and we sent for a doctor, but the next day he was down in town and

Then it was that Old Stout established that great reputation for fairness which I here and now swear shall live as long as a file of the Eastern Argus is preserved to man. Ages and ages hence, when Bunker Hill moun-

notified the doctor that he did not need him; the next day after he was down forenoon, afternoon & in the evening to a meeting of the Aged Brotherhood, an association which he with a few others of about his age, started in 1869. He seemed to be pretty well up to Friday, the 29th when he had another attack from his complaint of kidney disease and did not recover, but passed quietly away just after midnight of the 31st.

We miss him very much though of course we knew that we must soon part with him at his great age.

When I was wounded, he came out to Annapolis and took me home in June 1864.

I wished to enlist when the 17th Me regiment was raised in the summer of 162 but ~~fath~~ father said 'wait for another call for men' and I took him at his word and enlisted on New Years day 164; but when I heard the old veterans telling stories of army life at Camp Berry this week, I was fairly ashamed that I served so short a time. I hope we may have these reunions oftener.

Mrs Jackson has not been down stairs for more than a year but she seems to be getting some better now.

Mother wishes her best respects given to Mrs Howard.

I hope you or your wife may write us again soon.

Yours resp.
Edward F. Waite.

DEATHS.

In this city, July 31, Capt. Edward Waite, aged 88 years 6 months.

[Funeral Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, at No. 43 St. Lawrence street. Aged Brotherhood are invited to attend.]

In this city, July 31, Erle, youngest child of Edwin R. and Fannie Files.

In Whitefield, July 25, Carrie I. Douglass, aged 18 years 6 months.

In Gardiner, July 20, Maria Dunphy, aged 31 years.

In Biddeford, July 25, William H. Heeney, aged 45 years 7 months.

In Augusta, July 13, Mrs. Rhoda Lewis, aged 85 years 9 months.

In Augusta, July 7, Miss Anna Creasy, aged 19 years.

In Fairfield, July 14, Wm. E. Burgess, aged 73 years 5 months.

In Boston, July 26, Abigail J. Fabyan, widow of the late George Fabyan, M. D.

Then it was that Old Stout established that great reputation for fairness which I here and now swear shall live as long as a file of the Eastern Argus is preserved to man. Ages and ages hence, when Bunker Hill monument has crumbled into dust, and when the South Sea Islander in excavating the spot where ancient Portland once stood, finds a file of the Argus, he shall know that among the long-forgotten Yankees (whom the men of his time will prodably call shanknees) there was one just man and his name was Old Stout.

If Aristides was just, Old Stout was fair. May their names be coupled forever!

Dear Cousin Leeds Nov 10 1851

I received your
letter. I was disappointed for
I thought your Mother would
come on when you came to Pa
as the last letter from Reuben
I had thought she might
come to Maine you very
glad I should have been to
have seen you for I am very
lonely. with nothing to take
up my mind or feel any
interest for. as for as the
world goes I have all I want
but I want company I seem
to be all alone in the world
with no one to tell me what
to do. but there I won't trouble
you. I am so glad you are
so near that I can see you
all once more if I should
go to Phila this winter where
is Jennie going to this fall
tell him to write me and put
my name not his Lyman Mattre
give my love to Lizzie I do
want to see her Laura

POSTAL CARD.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

U.S. POSTAGE ONE CENT

EES 30 AT

WEST POINT NEW YORK. AUG 30 1881

Gen O. O. Howard
West Point
N. Y.

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

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Washington, Aug. 28, 1881.

Dear Genl. Howard:

I thanked the Secretary for your note of 22° and he expressed a predilection to be of service to you in the matter referred to, but apprehended that Inest Paul (at large) is the personal act of the President; and of course he could

not and cannot not act without per-
-sonality considering the Premises
which of course he cannot have did
at this time -

We have strong hopes the Vessel
would strength will pull thro thro

Sincerely yours

A L Brown

Lieut. Spencer's sisters left for St. Louis Saturday. Miss Warner invited us over there with our brothers on Friday afternoon. My brother's application was refused by his captain. Lieut. Spencer's went up to Lieut. Wood & was there refused. We cheerfully acquiesced in the refusal, believing the general discipline must require it. My brother stood 8th in his class at the June examinations, & I hope he may continue to do well. He had a misfortune three weeks since, getting 4 demerits in one day on account of imperfect marching to dinner by his position of the battalion, he being file closer. The fault was among the 4th classmen; he did not report them because he believed they did their best, & therefore he was reported on their account & being Corporal.

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Mears House. Highland Falls.
August 29th 1881.

Gen. Howard,
Dear Sir,

Will you pardon the intrusion, & kindly give your attention to this letter from a cadet's sister?

Owing to the return of the furlough-men &c. yesterday, my brother, Corporal F. Sayre & Cadet Markwick, both 3d Classmen, were the only cadets who attended Miss Warner's Bible-class; & by no negligence, but from circumstances not under their control, their return was just too late for the formation marching to supper before Parade on that day.

By Miss Warner's invitation I accompanied my brother this & the preceding Sunday. — so I

know they declined her enter-
-tainment saying it was "neces-
-sary" to leave earlier, & left
30 minutes earlier than usual.
If alone they could have run
up from the dock, but they
would not leave me & Mr
Brooks' daughter who accompa-
-nied me & thus we reached
camp at 5.30 P.M. the permit
extending to 6. o'clk. (supper at 5 o'clk.)
I return to New York Thursday;
I feel badly & a little responsi-
-ble about this matter, & beg
your attention to it, & that you
will take off the demerits for
this absence, if you can find
it proper. I particularly beg
for removal of demerits be-
-cause they are permanent &
confinements not so. I am
glad to have an opportunity
to thank you for permitting
them to attend that Bible-class.
I know it is one of the best
influences & greatest helps that
my brother has, & I am sure
they need the continued re-
-newal of such influences.
They have profound respect
for Miss Wakeh & really believe
what she says, & she has
great tact & wisdom in
speaking to them. It seems to
me that she is one of your
best adjuntants in securing
discipline. On this very
Sunday the lesson was from Mark
about the tribute-money & "ren-
-dering to Cæsar the things that
are Cæsar's;" the point of her
remarks was that they should
obey all regulations, even the mi-
-nutest, & respect all authori-
-ty, for duty's sake, not thinking
if the officer were popular
or if they saw the fitness of
the commands. To influence
them to look willingly at this
matter from the right point of
view is surely a great thing.

4 reports amounted to 16 demerits in one day, the 4th of August!! Lieut. Kilmore spoke to him about it, advising him to send in an explanation, but he did not do so, thinking he had acted right. The 3d Classmen feel that their new dignity does not allow what they call "begging the question"! Still less could it allow a sister's intercession!! My brother does not know of my writing to you & I ask that neither he or any officer may know of it. If there is anything irregular in my writing thus, I beg that you will excuse my ignorance of it. Thanking you for all your wise kindness,

Very respectfully
L. J. Sayre

Sayre L. J. Miss

Highland Falls
Augt 29, 1881.

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Aug 29

Madam

I shall very shortly visit the Post - and shall do myself the pleasure of calling - when your kind favor will greatly oblige

Yours
Very Obtly &c
George S. Parks

To Mrs Earl Howard
West Point -
N.Y. -

HEADQUARTERS

Dahlgren Post, No. 113, Grand Army of the Republic,

Department of New York.

WALHALLA HALL, 48-52 ORCHARD STREET,

New York, Aug. 29, 1881.

Mr. O. O. Howard.

DEAR SIR:

The remains of General Charles Graham Halpine—familiarly known as "Private Miles O'Reilly"—47th Regiment, New York Volunteers, are interred in Cypress Hills Cemetery without a single mark, or stone, to designate his resting place. He was universally recognized as the "Poet Soldier" of the War for the preservation of the Union, and his powerful and trenchant pen was used liberally in securing that end. He died comparatively poor, what means he left his young and large family "was ruthlessly made way with, by a lawyer," who received nearly *every dollar* he possessed for investment for their support, who absconded, and has never since been heard of, thereby rendering it impossible for his relatives to erect even a small head-stone.

DAHLGREN POST, No. 113, Department of New York, Grand Army of the Republic, an organization composed of honorably discharged Soldiers and Sailors, decorated his *grave* with flowers last "Decoration Day," May 30th, 1881, as a token of their LOVE and ESTEEM for his memory, and it was there ***Resolved,*** that a Committee be appointed to make an APPEAL to a generous public, and *all* who admired his disinterested patriotism, and the *Cause* in which he served so well, to assist them, by contributing sufficient **Funds** to Erect a suitable **Monument** to perpetuate his name and services.

The Committee, to whom this duty is assigned, would respectfully and earnestly ask your personal co-operation in this meritorious undertaking. Your name having been mentioned, among others, as one who would materially aid us, we feel assured we ask not in vain. Should our aim and object meet your approval, kindly *fill out* and *sign* the enclosed blank Subscription Card, and return to Secretary of the Committee at your earliest convenience, as it is proposed that the "Dedication" take place on or before Decoration Day, May 30th, 1882. All contributions will be publicly acknowledged.

Very Respectfully,

JAMES STILLMAN,
SECRETARY OF COMMITTEE.

Recd Oct 6/81.

depend on many what you write printed in the very best manner known to the profession. Your friends here would love to hear from you occasionally during the year — an article once a month or once in two months. If our enterprise is a success I propose to pay something for contributions and shall send the paper free to all who help me. Let me know at once that your name may appear in my circular, if you consent, which I feel quite sure you will do when you remember we are yet pioneers and a great future awaits us.

The Name of my paper is The North Pacific.

All well. I am again serving, for a few weeks, the Congl pulpit which Mr. C— rivets abroad. I darker than he will not return to Eley. Yours W. C. Acton

Acton, J. W.

Portland

Aug 29. 81

Dear General:

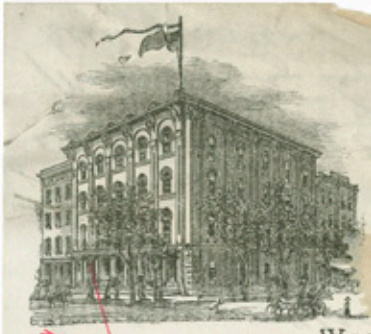
I write to say "how do you do", assure you of my continued confidence, and last, but not least, to ask a favor. Of course the inevitable "axe to grind" comes last. It is not a great one, however, and I know you will submit gracefully.

I have gone back into editorial work, this time on a new departure. About the 1st October I will open an office with new material throughout and commence the publication of an independent undenominational paper, partly social, partly literary,

commercial, and political;
humorous, and more or less
religious as I find opportunity.
In short I have enlisted
the literary brains of this coast
in the enterprise and my list
of contributors is to be headed
by Dr Atkinson followed
by such names as Condon
Deady Lambert Powell
Crawford President Scott &c
I have also enlisted several
~~moneyed~~ moneyed men and
will have funds enough
to carry me through the
year safely without expense
to subscription list. Thus
far I have had very signal
encouragement and will
open a nice office with
every prospect of success.

Now you comprehend me. I
want your name on my list
of contributors. My plan thus
far has been to get a contract
or agreement for a specified
amount of work from each
one 12 – 24 or 36, or three articles
as the case may be. I have
not agreed with any on any
stated price for the present year
It is an experiment and all are
willing to help some. Can you
not consent to give me say six
articles? Not long, about 100
to 200 lines?

I shall publish in the best
style on fine paper a sixteen
page paper not far from the
size of the Argonaut. None
but first class workmen will
be employed and you may



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ROOMS, ONE DOLLAR TO TWO DOLLARS PER DAY, EACH PERSON.
LEVI WOODBURY,
Proprietor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug 29th 1881.

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

Dear Sir;

When at home (Butler N.Y.) some days since, I wrote you in relation to my application for the position of Postmaster at said place to fill a vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the recent incumbent Mrs Cora W. Harris, also desiring you to favor me, so far as consistent with your knowledge of me personally and services rendered the government while I was a member of your staff as Signal Officer, with a brief testimonial, or a few words of endorsement, which would aid me materially in establishing my

2/ claims over those of my opponent, he was simply (as those who know him state) a "Dept Clerk at Washington during the War" and is now on a work with the "Whisky element" of Butler. I am thus plain in my statement as I fully know he can stand on that point, and yet I have not made these terms openly against him. I speak confidentially - but sincerely trust before making an appointment the Dept might send out a detective to investigate the qualifications of both applicants.

Since my first letter you may have written me in reply directing to Butler Mo, again. If so you may have been absent, & the letter miscarried so I have taken the liberty of again troubling you: also to state that any communication with which you may favor me if sent to me here, care St James Hotel would be rec'd and forwarded by me in person; as I remain here two or three days yet.

WASHINGTON, D. C., 3 188

Trusting that you will favorably consider the request of an old subaltern I have the honor to be

Your obedient Servant
James W McClintock

Late Capt 57th Ohio Vols & Signal Offr

Communications should be addressed to
Hon J. N. Tyner, 1st Ass't Post Mast Genl

P.S.

I do assist you General in your remembrance of me and guide in what you may say in my behalf I would state that I served in that the during the three month service April 14th to 21 Sept 61, I then entered the 57th Ohio Vols (Col Stanley Matthews Cmdg) and in 1862 (Jany) was detailed for duty in the Signal Corps U S Army.

Serving with Genl G. W. Morgan at Cumberland Gap (Was frequently on duty with Genl Garfields regiment 42nd Ohio) Was with Genl A. J. Smith at Chickasaw Bayou, Steele's Yazoo River, McClernand at Arkansas Post. Grant during operation on Canal in front of Vicksburg and to Raymond Miss.

Reported to and remained with Genl Sherman from Jackson Miss. till the fall of Vicksburgh. Accompanied McPherson on his Central Miss tour. Was with Dodge of 16th Corps till the fall of Atlanta when I reported to you. You will remember I sent the first message opening communication between army & fleet at McAllister from the old Rice Mill Station. In relation to this and other duties performed you then gave me a written testimonial which I now have, &c. &c. Went to Mex from Ohio in 1869 where I have been in business with my father ever since.

Judge Stanley Matthews kindly gave me a letter the other day to Mr Lynch 1st Asst P.M. Genl. Genl A. Vickenloper did the same also Genl Hazen of Signal Corps, and Genl Sherman endorsed Judge M's letter

Yours Truly

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To Gen. O. O. Howard

U.S. Army West point

Honoured Sir. I the undersigned Mrs Kyles Mother of Mary Kyles does hereby Certify that the Bands of Marriage was not Kept up with my Daughter and this Boy John Cullen for the period of one Month after they were married So Your Honour I now mean to inform you that they are separated for the last Eight years as they were married in the year of 1873 So Your Honour I give the girl full permission to do as she pleases wherein I dont know anything about J. Cullen nor does not know where he is residing Secondly Mary Kyles may please herself on any point she wishes if such is lawful in the Country and another thing Your Honour I am sending my Son to America to Certify the same as is written here as I myself declares it to be true and its on such occasion I am sending this Boy so far as he knows all particulars relating to what is mentioned The Adress is as Follows

Bridget Kyles Poultry and Sales Mistress
Maire Coach road
Sligo
Ireland

Dated 29th Augt. 1881

Recd. Sept 12/81

Geo. Williams
Cincinnati Oh.

Michael
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West Point N.Y.
Aug 31st 1881

General

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your note of to-day in which you speak of reports made to you indicatory, as asserted to you, that I have been unwilling to conform to orders issued in your name by Captain Sladen concerning Economy in gas.

The letter was a complete surprise to me as in letter and spirit so far as I know I carried out the orders. I cannot understand how such a thing could have originated except through false reports — I have never thought of such a thing as not strictly executing those orders —

I do not recall now the precise order or circular concerning the matter — But on the Evening it was received I ordered extinguished all but

the four corner lights in Camp; — suppressed in my private quarters all but one burner and that low; except — in the Kitchen where I went personally to turn down a burner raised ~~to~~ unnecessarily high by servants — I visited the Barracks in person, after dark, for the sole purpose of carrying out the order there —

Every Evening I used all possible economy in my own quarters; and, by actual comparison at the time I had one ~~burner~~ burner lighted in my quarters, there were four in one Professor's quarters, six in a ~~the~~ Lieutenants quarters and as many or more in all quarters that I saw on the Evening that I visited the Barracks — between my house and that point —. I repeat — that I do not understand what has animated such reports. I am too old an officer for such ~~acts;~~ ~~and~~ if I thought an order ~~illegal~~ unauthorized I should obey it the same as I have always done: and after words

ask ~~it~~ a ruling if I thought it just and right. My military record has been fairly made during the past twenty six years, as it is acknowledged to have been, and this is the first time that I have had to contend with such a matter –

As I recall it, the letter of Aug 24th about gas was received by the officer in Charge, Lt Casey in Camp in the afternoon, I not seeing it until the following morning –

Very respectfully
Your Obdt Svt –
Hugh Scott
Lt Col,
Comdg Cavalry

Louisville, Ky.

Cond't Cadet

West Point
Augt 31/81.

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Recd. Sept 1/81.

McClintock & Son.,
Manufacturers of
Woolens and Yarns.
DEALERS IN
Dry Goods, Notions and
WOOL.

Factory Store,

South Side of the Square,

Butler, Mo. Aug 31st 1881.

Washington D.C.

Genl O. O. Howard,
West Point

Dear General:

For the great favor conferred upon me by granting my request for a letter to Genl Grant in my behalf, please accept my many, many thanks.

It will certainly be of very great service to me in working up my case.

Trusting I can "some day" be of use to you I am

Very respectfully
Your obt Servant
Wm C. McClintock

McClintock, J. M.

Washington, D.C.
August 31, 1881.

Recd Sept 10 1881

OFFICE OF

R. L. RANDELL,

Attorney at Law.

Huntsville, Tex. Aug 31 1881

Bvt Genl O O Howard
West Point W C
General

Please excuse this liberty
the object in view is this I
think of making application for
the appointment of Post Master
at this place (Huntsville) and
would like your assistance in
the matter, By way of introduck
ion let me explain, during the
late war I was detached from
the 61st U.S. Vols and was employed
in the Commissary Department under
Capt Geo. W. Balloch of your Brig-
ade while at Camp California
near Alexandria Va, Perhaps you
may remember I was left in charge
of the stores at the time our troops
moved to Manassas and from thence

R. L. RANDELL,
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to Cheesmans Creek on the Peninsula at which place I met you after having turned over the stores at Alexandria I was afterwards commissioned 1st Lieut in the 61st N.Y. Vols Genl Nelson A Miles at that time was in command shortly after the battle of Gettysburg I was ordered to report to Maj Genl Dix then Comdg the Department of the East I was assigned to duty at Riikers Island N.Y. Harbor then Draft Rendezvous was afterward detailed on Genl Court Martial Convened in N.Y. City Afterward joined my Regiment at Petersburg participating in the battles fought in and around that place until the close of the war In 1869 I came to this state, about three years ago

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I took up the study of law and am trying hard to struggle into existance
Now General what I beg for is this will you assist me in procuring the Appointment please advise me how to proceed in the matter I am not known to the Post Master Gene (James) do not know how to reach him except through your influence I have never applied or have never received a Government Appointment since the war, you know what the Union Soldier had to pass through during the late war, do you think me unreasonable in asking for the office, as for Morality and Sobriety I can bring the endorsement of the best Citizens of Huntsville if required

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The City of Huntsville is composed of about 1300 inhabitance the Post office pays a nominal salary Mrs Wiley holds the office she has held it for the last seven years or more

Hoping to receive a reply to this informal letter also your approval and cooperation in my behalf

Dear General
Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt

A. L. Landrum

Randell, R. L.

Huntsville, Fla
Augt 31, 1881.

Answered Sept 5/81

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