San Diego, Cal.

September 11, 1881

My dear General,

I have been reading with my great pleasure your book on "Joseph". Perhaps my personal interest in the narrative biases my opinion of the work, as I will not dwell upon it. I can however speak freely of the mention which you have bestowed upon me, and I write now not so much to add my com-
Sincerely in the many which you have doubtless received on your work, as I assume you of my appreciation of your uniform kindness and to thank you for the pleasant services you made in such services as I have rendered under your command.

Yours very sincerely

Robert Stetson

General A. G. Steward

Fort Point, N. Y.
growing more and more thinly clothed each day. But we are having quite as warm days as we ever have. We cannot be sure the winds are changing. Mary is away in Florida for five days yachting which she means the greatest pleasure she has. We have had her each night. She has been a ray such heavy jobs I fear they will have found. A cold and damp on board, but then they may have had only run shine I hope it was the last. Oh no it was moonlight. I should have made them. Matter makes to be remembered to take your wife and yourself and me. What do I say but I am yours sincerely

[Signature]

Fruit Vale, Cal.
September 12, 1881

Gen. A. B. Howard
My Dear General,

For some time almost all of the letters I have written have begun with an apology, and certainly I ought to make you a man ample one. When was it you were so kind as to write to me last? So long ago as doubt you have forgotten all about it. Though I forgot the date I do not forget

[Signature]
My pleasure at getting it. I was not because I did not dare to write but in many days I had to be content with only writing to my friends in my mind and sending them on the wings of thought. Even had I written have you been home long enough to have read it? I hate I did not see you come here and read what you said there, so many times this summer. The last I read in the Advance yesterday I wish it had been the whole speech instead of only snatches.

I do not suppose for me while at Chatanooga. Mother's youngest sister I mean to know her as Millie's aunt. She is the gifted one of the family - she is lovely but my mother comes first and then Auntie Lou in my mind as Millie once said. Auntie Lou sometimes thinks of herself first. Mamma next. And to one unsuitableness is the chief because it concerns so many virtues. Even fruit cake shows Mamma is coming for the true face are rapidly turning yellow and
help from you for the purpose of building a church for the Colonel people. Any assistance that you may render will be most thankfully received.

Very Sincerely,

Your friend,

J. C. Hutton

P.S. If successful I want time to enter the Academy in July 1882.

United States Internal Revenue,
Collector's Office, 5th District, Virginia,

Sept 12th, 1881
Lynchburg, Va.

My dear Sir:

Nearly thirty years ago we were Cadets together at the Military Academy, and my greatest desire now is to get an appointment for my son to a Cadetship at the Academy through the President, an appointment at large. In thinking over my numerous Army friends, my thoughts turn to you.

F. C. Hutton
as a proper person to apply to for information and assistance. My father was an officer of the U.S. Army for half a century and for twenty years a Paymaster, and as if I were a demagogue having been at the Academy, greatly desire a military education for my son, he has just graduated with distinction in the Internal Revenue Service and at the High School in this city and can bring the highest testimonials as to having been in charge of the Free Press....
Cornwall Heights
Sept 12th 1881

Gen. Howard
My dear Sir:

The g.o.c. corner board, including washing, mending, room etc. same as at home except articles of linen named in circular, also the time in all branches usually taught: Latin, Greek, French, German, English & for the present year at least. Drury but not Menier. This is extra to board. Books: Carriage to church 5.00
Pew rent 2.00 etc. (per half year) are additional expenses & the average bill for them is about 15.00 for a half year. Bertie Abbott's bills for the whole of last year were less than 20.00 I believe.

This is for the incidental that I furnish. If I furnished pocket money it will
be so much more.

A deposit of 15 cts for each (you arranging the pocket-money) will be 

enough. If the book buying a lib-

eral and of stationery proper 

for school usage well it will 

make this bill much less also 

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With bg regards to you 

family 

very truly yours 

O Cobb

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\[ 1881 \text{ Dec 10} \]

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Dated Boston Mass. Aug 1881

Received at

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

Will you be at
West Point the 14th and 15th Inst.

C C Howard

10 paid
Howard, N.H.

The Western Union Telegraph Company

In Boston, Mass.

Feb 13, 1891.

Answered Sep 13/91

Handwritten note:

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and told them we were a Christian nation. I believe in prayer, and the nearer the President has become, the more glory to God in the restoration. Those who are not Christians are much pleased by the many prayers offered to God for the recovery of Pres. Garfield.

Mr. Van D is in mental good health. Millie is sometimes complaining & sometimes bright & cheerful. She and her mother have the whole care of Diggie who was much worse in July, but is now about as when you left. Gussie & I are very well.

Mrs. Love who was with one of Pres. Grant is now in England. I had a letter dated 14th June of her.
suppose you are spending the vacation away from West Point. It must have been pleasant for you to meet the soldiers from Maine at the gathering you attended.

I read your address as it was published in the Advance and I thought it would have been much pleased to hear it. What a dreadful time they are having with the Indians in Arizona and New Mexico. Is there no way of stopping these risings? Would it not be better for all if the Indians were under the care of the Army. They sometimes acquire more than "moral conviction." It seems to me the General has not generally had good relations for Indian Agents from the Church Organizations & yet they ought to be the very best men. Who is to blame? How bad the attempted assassination of our beloved President is. Never in the history of the world has there been so much prayer by so many persons for one person. Will God hear us? Yes He will. Will He answer us? Yes He will. But will He spare to our country the life of our President? All we can say as Christians is, "They will be done" Upon thine own what is best for us. I talked this to them in the Y.M. Club.
My Dear General:

Many thanks for your congratulatory note. There are several applicants for the appointment to West Point, and I have notified all that I should appoint a Board to examine each as may appear, and then to me the one best fitted. If you know anyone you like, I enter the list, and will notify you of the time—probably not till winter or spring.

I congratulate you on your success at West Point.

Mrs. Bingley writes with me in kind regards to Miss V., as well as yourself.

Sincerely yours, Nelson Bingley.
Levisburg, Me.
Sept 15, 1881.

Answered, Sept 19th by the courts.

Recd. Sept 17th 1881.
Rouffill
Fort: P.O. 14 Sept 1881

Maj: Gen:
O. O. Howard
Commanding
U.S.A.
West Point

General:
I agree with you perfectly in your endorsement upon the communication of Maj. Clifton Conly
U.S. A and Ord. I echo your words
"It is not wise I think to strip West Point of its relics"
I wrote to West Point at
the request of the Secretary of the As-
soeiation but against my own an

At West Point military rules will always be cared for. No civil association can ever protect them adequately. In one case I actually know that a trophy cannon sits—a gun presented to adorn a monument—was dug up to assist in celebrating some unimportant local anniversary. If injured it could not have been replaced or made good.

I shall repeat my views and if the Association insist upon applying for an Enabling Act I shall advise at once that it be a very restricted one sparing West Point.

[Signature]

de Peyster, J. M.
BINGHAMTON N.Y.  
Sept. 15-1881.

My dear Sir:—

I have been so pleased and disappointed at not receiving (as promised) the report of the Committee, or, recording of the Resolution, it passed on the case of Mr. Biddulph. Also as a work has been since the meeting, I feel justified in calling upon your attention to the matter.

Very truly yours,

[signature]

GEO. C. HOWARD

Sept. 15, 1881
Michigan Military Academy

Office of Superintendent


Gen. Howard, U.S.A.

West Point.

My dear General:

I am looking for a young officer for the position of Prof. of Mili.
Science and Tactics in this Academy. It
will not be necessary for me to tell you
what qualities he should possess when
you know that he would have immediate
charge, as commandant, of our tomorrow's boys.
The name of Capt. T. B. Strong, U.S.A., has been
suggested to me, and he has been highly re-
commended as a young man of steadfast
principles whom I would recommend for our cadet-officer. And I have
allowed him the liberty of asking you for data
in regard to his record and standing while a cadet
at the Academy. I am doing you
this great obligation,

Yours truly,

J. T. Reynolds
Genl. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

Your kind favor is at hand.

We can fully understand the condition of things with you. But that need not stand in the way of your becoming a member of the American Inst. of Chr. Philosophy. A gentleman of this city—a layman—has contributed a fund for the purpose of constituting a few members from among gentlemen whose talents he admires. He has expressed the wish that you will consent to avail yourself of it, and allow him to enroll you.
We appreciate your frankness and trust that you will accept the equally frank spirit of this reply.

Very truly yours,

Charles R. Peirce

24th June 1891

Quartia's Union
Chicago, Sept. 15th, 1881.

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

Dear Brother,

I believe I have not written you since you acknowledged Kitty's letter. There seems to have been some uncertainty as to your whereabouts. I heard of you at Framingham, Mass., by some young men that live in that vicinity, & they said that you made a very good speech there. Roland seemed pleased with your Portland address, & we have published most of it in the "Advance," as perhaps you saw...

I liked it...

We would like to know more about the family; how you all are I should especially about Lizzie.

You speak of the President. He is in the minds & upon the hearts of the people. I suppose there has been no Family-affair if no pleasant
where he has not been often carried to the Throne of Grace. So much earnest praying will certainly result in spiritual good. We will at least have this recompense for the terrible calamity. What are the eras of catastrophe this is! Our Mich. conflagration is a terrible thing; we are getting up a box of goods now in Chicago. All Chicago is alive in benevolent offerings. Then there are Railroad disasters, $ sinking of Steam Ships, and other terrible calamities reported from every quarter. This week I heard of a landslip in Switzerland. Last week a friend was giving me the details of a terrible eruption of a volcano in the Sandwich Islands. These news keep sentinels on the watch, expecting every moment when their whole Village will be swept away by the boiling lava. A Steamer went down a few days ago on Lake Huron, but a little while before that, one of the Sound Steamers — The dreadful hurricane on the South East coast of the U.S. last week was very destructive. A friend writes from Savannah, that the lives of many people were lost & their homes swept away. Churches blown down & Crops destroyed by flood. — We must at least teem that there is a mighty power above beyond poor human ability. This is one of the first
great truths which ought to be recognized, and we should learn to love and honor the source of that power.

I should be glad if you could occasionally send us some more of your practical Christian articles for the Advance, with illustrations from everyday life.

I have had an uncommonly long respite from official duty, probably owing to the absence of the Cabinet at Long Branch. I shall expect orders every day. My last tour did me much good physically; my health has not been so good for years.

I have engaged Prof. Milcoz to take Mr. Gilbert's place for two months. I had hoped Roland would do it; but he was not well enough.

Mother writes she will be home about Nov 1st.

We are expecting the Fosters in Oct. Kitty is somewhat better, but she is not so well as while I was absent in Dakota. She seems to be ever-done in walking. The Doctor has adopted a new line of treatment which we think is going to be of permanent advantage. Please give my love to all at home.

What do you think of the trouble in Arizona? Would it be well to locate all the Indians of that region on the California peninsula? That has been suggested by someone.

Yours affectionately,

[Signature]
Howard, C. H.

Chicago, Ill.

Sept 10, 1881.

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Per: Sept 14, 1881.