Wednesday

Phil: Dec. 28th, 1881

My dear Godfather,

I am very much obliged to you for your kind remembrance of me. I hope that Santa Clara was as kind to you all as she was to me. I suspect...
to go to Washington Friday. And it will carry me back very quickly to the happy days spent with you years ago. With best love, wish you a happy New Year to you all.

Sincerely your Godmother

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Clara L. Guild
Rev. Dr. & Mrs. Roswell D. Hitchcock 
request your presence 
at the marriage of their daughter 
Mary Brayton 
& 
Samuel Franklin Emerson 
Wednesday afternoon, December twenty-eighth, 
at two o'clock 
Madison Square Church 
Madison Avenue & 23rd Street 
1884
Glencoe Dec. 28, 1881.

Mrs. E. Gilmore

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Glenwood Dec. 31, 1881.

Dear Mrs. Gilmore,

Much obliged for your kind letter of Dec. 28. I shall expect you to send me gasparar, glad to hear you were in such hopeful prospects in all things. Mr. B. H. is rejoicing in fear over his son Olie's conversion & trust, now it is a true work of grace, I shall rejoice in send in the same mail with this, an old fashioned silk and beed purse, to Benie perhaps 25 year old, I don't think it will bear much wear but will show what people used in times past. Charles and Katie arrived Aug. 5 before Christmas, Sabbath day we had religious services appropriate for the day, and in the evening a Sunday school concert and on Monday evening a Christmas tree, and Santaclaus came among the boys and they had a great laugh and
Sabbath school children had recitation. Our Arthur spoke his admirably. Nina was in tablet. Sunday evening, Nina repeated a psalm and Burt broke a piece. Dr. and Ernest put together Lawrence reported Sunday evening the salutation to Mary, after the birth of Jesus, much kept quiet through this Christmas greatly to his satisfaction. Yesterday received a postal from Hodel plus all in as good health in family as usual & took this half sheet of paper that I might be sure not to write a long letter. Bessie can call the old nurse a New year gift if she please. Love to all in your family individually.

Affectionately your mother

Eliza Gilmore

Oleena Otis Howard
The American Sunday-School Union,
No. 1122 CHESTNUT STREET,
Philadelphia, Dec 25, 1881

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

Dear Sir:

Your esteemed favor addressed to our Secretary and relating to the three books of which you are the author is at hand.

We have had those books in stock and shall get them again. I learn that the call for them was very limited. This was possibly due to a lack of proper advertising of the same on the part of the publishers; there are so many new books demanding the attention of the Sunday-school public, that it requires liberal and systematic advertising to make a demand for each one. This is a fact you can make to your publisher.

Yours Very Truly,

Edwin W. Titus

I send you a copy of my 'Victorian Commentary on Mark' which please accept with my compliments. If it seems worthy of a note, the publishers will be pleased to get it I presume.
Jennie Smith

Burlington, N. J., Dec. 28th, 1881

Dear Sir,

I have arranged to get out a series of books at the time seaside resorts close. I wish to make them both interesting and profitable. Shall have four books bound at 25 each. 50-3 pages can furnish the another that will make a little narrative including for boys, or anything else that you can furnish, which will suggest some lesson. The Lord has been gracious, that our labors for the past months - just several weeks in Washington had a good work at West church, also in Baltimore and Phila. - we return there on watch night where we shall make for some weeks in the Maccabane church. The call was so clear of the Lord we felt clear to accept at the 1st Maccabane church where Germans never worked but now the call came from the 4th where we expect greater blessings. Do we wait before the Lord's and from the 4th, where we expect greater blessings. Do we wait before the Lord's and from the 4th, where we expect greater blessings. Do we wait before the Lord's and from the 4th, where we expect greater blessings. Do we wait before the Lord's and from the 4th, where we expect greater blessings. Do we wait before the Lord's and from the 4th, where we expect greater blessings. Do we wait before the Lord's and from the 4th, where we expect greater blessings.

Jennie Smith
Beechwood,
Dec. 29, 1881.

My dear Sir,

I must thank you again for your kind response to my appeal the other night, and tell you what happened as it has been to my daughter and myself to have Jimmy with us in the quiet, why that would have been impossible at first print. It came to have given one new strength to bear the
continues which must be  
my lot in this world, and  
I trust it will be a help  
and not a drawback to  
him. The first Sunday in  
August, the last time his  
father was able to go to church  
for Lent at the Communion  
together, and it was a great  
comfort for the three that are  
left to receive the Sacrament  
again together at Christmas.  

With kindest remembrances to  
Mrs. Howard  

Yours most gratefully  

S. Louisa Benton
themselves reach the conclusion
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them to choose what the belief
of the inferior service.
The law will compel us, if by
June 1882, to assign cadets to active
service, and to discharge all else.
This will work an actual reduction
and I look for the time soon when
the next point will be established at
Staff School— and afterwards be
made to the Line from Civil
College. Dependent on Schools
of application like Troy, Virginia
and Lexington—
If the cadet can be taught to believe
that it is to their future interest to
serve in the Infantry, Cavalry, and Artillery
preferably to the Staff—it will be well
but if they are forced to this conclusion it will
be best.

Headquarters, Army of the United States,
Washington, D.C. Dec 29 1881

Respectfully,

O. H. Samuelson.

My best love to you.

Colonel.

I was at the house when
your letter of Dec 21, 1881.

The copies of the Regulations on
Civil and Military Law will
reach me to answer questions
that came to me from many
quarters about thereading.

I have read the Reports
of the Board of visiting exam
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Dear General,

I have not sooner replied to your letter—sent immediately after your return to West Point—because I have been waiting for Presbrey and Green—who seemed to be all at sea—after I told them that Mrs. Howard preferred to have security for deferred payments on Meridian Hill property. So far as I can gather from what they said—the idea seems to have been—that they had some customer for the property and were to sell clear for cash, and themselves only pay $200 cash, and give note for balance. Finally this morning, Dr. Presbrey told me, it would be impossible to give a mortgage for $800 on the property—that he could only give firm note for deferred payments as agreed with you and there it stands—My father will be home in a day or two—and I will talk to him. Meanwhile, please write only Frank B. Smith
Reed Dec 21, 1881

Queened for the Reel
Dec 31, 1881

Washington, D.C.
Dec 22, 1881

Quencher, D.C.
Miss Radford was carried home under the supervision of Dr. Norris and Dr. Maxwell and under their skillful treatment finally recovered and is now married.

Vancouver Barracks, 1st December, 1881.

Dear General Howard,

I have just received your letter of inquiry concerning Dr. Baxter, and I will give you an account of the affair.

Miss Radford and I had been riding, accompanied by another young officer and lady, and in returning to the City, Woodfords, her horse ran away with her and she...
was thrown on her head, in the gutter, very severely frac- turing her skull. Two other young men connected with our company office, Frank Lee, and George Drum, were riding near by at the time and with their assistance Mr. Radford was taken up and carried into a house near by. Dr. Baxter and his wife happened to be passing by and were called by Mr. Lee who asked Dr. B. to come to the young lady’s assistance, thus he did not seem inclined to do until he was urged very strongly by Mr. Lee and his wife. He then came in and going to the young lady who was lying unconscious on a sofa and bleeding profusely he felt of her head and walked away saying in a very unfeeling manner “the time possibly lives better take her home as soon as possible,” repeating this when questioned by me. Then without doing anything for her relief he went out got into his buggy and drove away leaving us.
I am glad you like the appearance of my map. It is certainly a good one I believe. Everything here is very quiet but one is all looking forward to a busy summer as you. Miller has many plans in view.

With best regards to Mrs. Howard and the same to you. I am

Very respectfully and truly yours,

[Signature]
Simms, H.T.W.

Vancouver
Dec 29, 1881.

File
les bâtiments qui couronnent l'école.
Pour les différents souvenirs historiques
canons, chaine, statues, etc. qu'y a
Dans le parc.
Quels sont les hommes, les plus
eminents qu'a produits l'école de
West Point ?
Pouvez-vous joindre à ce souvenir
notre quelques derniers jours de vacances
l'école du pyromèque. Ensemble
et vues de détail et surtout
quelques esquisses, colorées de
cafets en une forme, quelques
types ? Enfin, comme couramment
souvenir, que ce soit par
mais précieux pour nous,
C'est votre portrait-photographie.
Pardonnez moi cette longue liste de
Demeure, mais vous comprendrez
certainement l'intérêt à dire la
visite et toutes les détails de votre belle
institution que nous avons tant admiré
D'un autre côté, j'ai pensé qu'avec
votre personnel et professeurs il vous serait.
plus facile à vous d'autre de ces événements,
ces documents,

Paris 30 décembre 1881
Rue de Naples 51

Mon cher général,

maintenant que nous sommes de
retour dans nos pays et calmes
au coin du feu, j'ai tenu à vous
nous remercier tout spécialement
de la charmante célébration que vous
nous avez faite à West Point.

Pour Madame de Rochambeau et
moi, cette visite est une des plus
charmantes épisodes de notre voyage.
Quelle magnifique armée de votre
beau peuple ! Quel édifice merveilleux
povre ce splendide établissement !
Quel air martial et distingué ont
tous ces jeunes gens !
Je vous envoie cette terre austère
et gracieuse à la fois, ce mouvement
si parfaitement exécutés, et je,
à Sois, cette gracieuse invitation, et
ce bal charmant!

Mes amis insistent beaucoup pour que j'envoie une Relation détaillée de notre voyage et je vous avoue que je n'y ai pas peine; j'espère, en en perpétuant le souvenir, payer à nos hôtes de leur hospitalité et de l'admiration.

À ce propos, mon cher général, j'aurais recours à votre obligeance pour me permettre de rendre une relation exacte et plus intéressante. Je vais vous demander une série de renseignements que je vous dirai d'avance quand ils vous donnera le plus de plaisir.

À quelle époque remonte la fondation de l'école de Westpoint? La première elle n'en appartient pas à Washington? Comment s'appelle son recrutement? A quel âge, y est-on admis? y a-t-il une limite d'âge pour laquelle on ne peut plus y entrer?

Quelles sont les examens que l'on passe pour y entrer? Sont-ils difficiles?

Quelles sont les compositions écrites? Combien de temps ont les candidats pour les faire? Sur quelles bases l'examen oral? Condition de temps libre s'il en est?

Quel est le minimum de points nécessaires pour être admis? Le nombre d'élèves admis à entrer à l'école chaque année est-il déterminé et limité? Pays - t - il des examens à la fin de chaque année?

La sélection, sont - elles nombreuses à la fin de chaque année? Quel est le plus exceptionnel les études et des exercices journaliers? Combien de temps y a - t - il pour l'école?

Quel est le passage d'un jeune cadet qui en sort ? Pourquoi vous donner quelconques notions descriptives et historiques sur
Dear General:

Thanks for the explanation. Now let me explain.

1. The suit for the University was only made for your personal cheer. Since then it has been put on a strong footing while you by a barbarous injustice have been stripped of everything. My intent therefore was to voice give you directly what I originally intended to give you indirectly. So there would have been no trust.

2. You very properly wished to know about possible liability of stockholders. We now have an application to me for the necessary information. But I send it to you in a pamphlet by this mail. There is nothing to fear here.
3. If you have apprehended possible criticism in view of the overflow in the papers lately, I cannot blame you; it is very similar to one which it is not in my power to relieve, I must own to.

As man can say that we have yet possession of our property we still know that it is ours to think we have very strong reasons for expecting justice, as you will yourself judge of the positions of the pamphlet I now send.

I only designed to make you a friendly gift of “such as I have” the in case of our success you should be sure of a neighborly bite out of my apple.

I certainly would not know singly draw you into any complications or subject you to any annoyance.

Faithfully yours

E.R. HIbbs

Eun. O.D. Howard.
Dear Brother:

I have been greatly interested in your letters to Mother. Sorry that Patty & I missed you in Washington. We also stopped at the Whistledays, by previous invitation. I did my best for Dett; but found the President decided to appoint another man. — Dear Col. Hetchum, know the President personally? If so, he might perhaps at my request, render Dett some assistance. The President talks of ejecting one of the judges of New Mexico, for unfaithful, whose term is unexpired. It is possible he might put Dett in that place.

We received a letter from Florida last night, announcing the death of Cousin Narcissus. Cousin Mary, his widow, says that she seemed to be fully reconciled to the event of death, & she thinks he is now very happy; if she herself seems to be greatly sustained in her affliction.
I have long felt that she was an excellent Christian woman. They have one little boy, Nathan, who is about the age of my Max. I thought possibly you might feel like writing to Uncle Frank and Cousin Theresa; especially as Sister Lizzie has been lately at their house.

I see on my Desk something for Mother, in Lizzie's handwriting. I shall take it home to-night. Please give to her my love, & also to each of the others.

I expect my next order will be to New Mexico. Glad to get your news, Sir. Kitty is in Town to-day; if I shall go out on an early train before this letter is ready for me to sign; so I hope you will excuse the want of my own handwriting.

Very Affectionately Yours,

H. H. Howard

[Handwritten date stamp: JAN 3 1882]
Pekk Island Dec. 31, 1881
U. S. Engineer Office

Major General O.O. Howard
Comdy. U. S. Military Academy
Westpoint, N.Y.

Dear General:

Another year has passed at the event of which I request you to accept my congratulations and the most sincere wishes for your and your family's happiness during the coming year of 1882.

I have been and I am as ever a grateful and faithful adherent to yourself and with this assurance

I remain very respectfully and sincerely
your obedient servant

O. F. Hoffmann
Asst. Engineer
Hoffman, Maj. E. F.

Rock Island, Ill.
Dec 31, 1881.

File
Head Quarters
Fifth Ave. cor. Fourteenth St.
New York.

To: O.O. Howard, Staff and Ladies

The Old Guard
request the pleasure of your company
at their Reception
Academy of Music
Thursday Evening, January 19th 1882.

Committee.
Major Geo. W. McLean.
Lieut. E. S. Ballin.
Lieut. L. C. Bruce.
Lieut. C. H. Todd.
M. R. M. Murray.
John Martinez.

Adjt. Geo. F. Morris.
Genl. J. P. Woodward.
Joseph Torrey.
Ias. P. Whitfield.
Secretary.

The favor of an answer is requested.

Military Guests will please appear in Uniform.

PRESENT THIS FOR ADMISSION.