

Capt Gladen

I should have written you about the
Meridian Hill property as soon as I
came here, but Frank Smith told me
that he had written you and that you
had replied. I believe I have attended
to every item you gave me. I saw Genl.
Carroll (S.S.) today and he sends his
kindest regards to you and Mrs. Howard.

Yours truly

Gladen.



Capitol. Feb. 9th 1882.

My dear General: Barn told
me that all names of candidates for
the President's appointments at large, and
that he had seen to it personally, to
remind the Secretary of Chance, and
that his name occupied a prominent
place in the list. He could not tell
when the appointment would be made
but thought soon. I then saw
Gov. Dingley and he told me that
he had written direct to the Pres-
ident, and had been to see him
personally and urged Chance's
appointment. I told him the names
had gone from the War Dept. and

he said he would send a note direct
to the President and recall to his mind
his former letter and his conversation.

When I got through with the
official part of my business, I found
that two vacancies existed in the
Genl's Dept. and I considered it
my duty to do all I could. Mr. Fm
was very kind in his talk of you. Said
he would go in strong for me but he
was backing a Prairie man for the
place. He gave me his name and he is
as worthy of the place as I am. Mr. Fm
gave me some advice which I acted on
and which was good. Your letter to Fm, this-
fore that only did you good but did me

good - I think he was pleased at your
asking him to do something. Senator
Fm expressed himself as considering my
case "most meritorious" and without any
wink offered to go to the President.

Genl. Drum says he will telegraph
you if he thinks your presence will
be necessary and do good on the Mil.
Acad. Appn. bill, but thinks all is done
that can be done in the house. He seemed
glad that you had taken pains to see
the bill through the sub-committee.

I am weary clear through and
tired to death of Washington. I shake
the mud off tomorrow night and D.C.
will be home by Saturday noon.

Wm Macdonald
Chicago Feb 9/82

Convenient as we
must arrange for
his transportation.

I most earnestly hope
you will grant
our request.

Yours sincerely
Wm Macdonald.

Chicago Illinois
Answerd Feb 13/82

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213- 28th Street

February 9th [1882]

General Howard

Dear Sir

I beg you will
insert the liberty &
take in addressing you
in regard to my son
Lieut G. H. Macdonald
We have but the two

Children - Harry the
younger, & my eldest
son who (D. B.) is to be
married Feb. 26th &
goes to California
for his health. Mr.
Mundonold, & myself
are most solicitous
that Harry should be
at home to act as best
man for his brother -
I trust you will

consider this request
favorably - & grant
him permission - as
it would indeed be
a sad wedding to us
all - without him -
He could leave Friday
evening & be back at
the Port on Wednesday
evening - Please
give a reply as soon

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Genl. Howard

My dear Genl-

I had
Cadet Ruckman with me
yesterday afternoon - He
refused to talk with me
on the subject of his difficulties -
He said that Cadets Jones
& O'Brien had been excused,
& he thought he ought to be
also - I loaned him a book
& invited him to come to see me -

Jones very truly

Thursday -

W. H. Postlethwaite

Isabella Thwaites, W. M.
Prof X

West Point, N. Y.
Feb 9. 1882



in great measure for money
You have given to our
opulent opportunities for
usefulness & I hope that
my countrymen are satisfied
with the measure in
which I have acted
with them.

With kind regards
to you and family
& old friends
admission for your
self I remain

Respectfully
yours

Wm. C. Meigs
Hon. Wm. McKim
Washington

Genl M. C. Meigs - 1235 Vermont St NW
Washington D.C.
9 Feb 1882

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My dear General

Thanks for your kind letter
that I have now been able
to be serviceable to you is
a pleasant collection.

It is not yet too late
year till I have decided
your disability. Better
not to shrink from labor
& responsibility till relief
reach the cure & expenses
indicated.

I did not wish to retire.
I did not feel disabled but
I recognize that no man is
to be trusted as perfect in his

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O. O. P.

case a bad question.

So I did not ask relief.

All men desire promotion
& I have no quarrel
with my successors.

I think that I shall be
able to occupy myself
in that time with not
being busy with idleness.

And though it is somewhat
near the morning
very true for the first
time in 50 years I
shall now be accustomed
to it.

Thank God I can
not be in such a hurry
in seeing that will

disturb me —

I shall have much to
do as a soldier to live upon
I can say we have to
have us sent to pay to
the afternoon made by
the country to a certain
offer will always be
and for clothing to the

The rest is superfluous
to one of a philosophical
spirit — whose happiness
does not depend upon outward
things & others.

I believe that God
directs our way places
opportunities before us by
leading us to our own destiny

Howard, Lt. J.

Fort Monroe
Feb 10/82.

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Fort Monroe, Va.
10th Feb 1882

Dear father: I have received your note enclosing the cheques. I shall not want the remainder until the 1st of May. Grace, Captain Gray's family seems to be increasing very rapidly. I fancy this baby in the usual order will be more wonderful than the others. I don't know but that it is just as well not to have published in Hawthorne's Magazine. Now that he has got to "continued stories" & the collecting a good deal of trash I fear I would be judged unwelcome by my company. With you it is different for your name draws attention to the article on its merits.

wherever it may be printed. I
am to read my paper before the
officers here today at 3 o'clock.
I had hardly valued it as
high as you put it, and although
I would like the fifty dollars
very much, fear that such a
subject will hardly find a
purchaser even at a much
lower figure. Perhaps Asa
Barney & Co. would like it
for the International Review. I
remember having once seen
an ex parte article on Miles'
connection with the Key Process
in it by Lieut. now Major Baird.
I fancy the confusing short
letter in the last Army & Navy
Journal is by the same man &
hope you will take no notice
of it. Contradiction would

merely involve further discussion
& your book speaks sufficiently
well for itself to anyone sufficiently
interested to look into the matter.

I have been receiving the Revue
des États-Unis regularly and
am much obliged for it.

We have a number of visitors
here now and have had such
spring like weather that it
is hard to realize the skating
and snow you speak of.
Johnnie's preparing for.

I have a letter from Jamie
which I will soon answer.

We must remember that one
cannot learn to speak good
French in the south of France
any more than one would
learn English in Georgia.
With much love to all
Apprentice your son
Hans.

Personal
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WAR DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON.

Feb. 11, 1882.

My dear General:

I enclose to you a note which I have just received from a friend of mine in Chicago, who wishes very much on account of his wife, that Cadet Macdonald might have leave to be in Chicago at his brother's wedding on February 20th. I would be

glad for him to receive the leave, if it is a perfectly proper thing to give it. I do not wish for a moment to urge it against your views, if you think that it would be best for any reason, not to do so.

Very truly yours,
R. M. Smith

General O. O. Howard,
West Point, N.Y.
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Lincoln, N. B.
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WAR DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON

Washington, D.C.
Feb 11. 1882.

Answered by the
Genl Feb 13/82.

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THE COMMERCIAL NATIONAL BANK.

Chicago, Feb 8 1882

Hon Robert Lincoln

Dear Sir

I am in a position where the pressure on me from all sides forces me to write this letter.

This is the case - Miss Francis Porter, my wife's sister, is to be married on Monday Feb 20th to Mr Chas Macdonald. He has a brother Mr G B Macdonald in West Point and it is the opinion of all interested that this will not be a legal wedding unless he is here -

This wedding was to have taken place on Apr 10th but on account of the illness of Mr Macdonald the date has been changed. I understand that the brother had permission to be here Apr 10th but can not obtain it to be here Feb 20th. The result of all this is that I would like to ask you if it is not asking altogether too much, that you request the Superintendent to allow him to come.

I am sorry to trouble you, but in any event will thank you for any thing you can do for us. Very truly Yours
Edw J James

Cameo, F.B.



Chicago, Ill.
Feb 8/82



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C. C. MERRIAM, Lyons Falls.
JAMES H. BRONSON, Amsterdam.
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New York, Feb 11th 1882

My dear Emil,

You know all about the
test of membership question as you was
one to put it through. But if a young
man is a Christian at West Point, under
the peculiar circumstances it would be
all right to elect him to office even if
not a member of a church. But
we do insist that only Christians
shall hold office & vote.

Mr. Bacon was a Lent &
graduate at West Point a few
years since, is now in business.

and Mr B - says will be of service
to you if some time you want a
visit -

Prof Beck teaches languages

With remembrance to all the family

I am yours

Wm A Hall

Stetson

When is Jarmi to make me the
visit?



Dear Aunt
Feb 11. 1882

Dear J. A. H.

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Syracuse Feb 11/82

Dear Sir

On the enclosed card
please return your auto-
graph and oblige

Yours Very Respt
W. H. Penny

No 2 Malcolm Blk
Syracuse
N. Y.

To

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

Fenny, W.D.F.

Syracuse
Feb 11. 1882.

Answered by the
Sent Feb 13/82



Rogers, John

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Rondout N.Y. Feb. 11th/82.

O. O. Howard.

Dear Gent.

I feel it my duty to say to you. we have failed to find support here or elsewhere sufficient to warrant either you or Mr Dow, coming to lecture. I say elsewhere. The trial was made to get up a course of four or six lectures for you and Mr Dow after failing on a single one here. A line was sent to Catskill N.Y. and we rec^d the following "Sir. Temperance workers here are very hard to find. Can recommend no one that would take much interest in the cause."

This was one reply. and
probably a fair average of
temperance sentiment up
and down the Hudson
River. I dropped a line to
two or three P. M.'s at different
River Cities and rec'd no reply
at all. Temperance work is
completely strangled by
Politicians. Rum sellers. and
local indifference in N.Y.
as well as very many other
localities. Hoping to have
better success in future.
I saw in the N.Y. Tribune
your name mentioned in
connection with the Soldiers
Monument at Auburn. would
be pleased to hear the address.
I will close with kindest
regards for you.
Very respectfully. I am

Dr J. M. Gayler
drop a line to some
of your friends in
the Senate today who
I am - You can explain
to them that the promⁿ
if granted is simply temp^{ary}
and if the honor and
compliment is not ex-
tended to Rucker or
any one else under
me I do not wish to in-
cumbent the plan
Rucker's case I have
will go before the Senate
before next Thursday

Answered by
the Genl Feb 14/82



Private

Govt Island

Feb 11-82

My dear Genl:

I have received
your very kind note,
caring me to the Pres^t
which I will take
with me to Washington
If Rucker is not conf^d
I will promptly with-
draw as I have

no disposition to
inaugurate any new
plan of promotion.

Now, my dear friend
I am sure I need
not tell you how
much I appreciate
your warm friendship.

In these days,
it is a good thing
to know, who are
in reality one's friends.

altho' I never had a
doubt as far as you
are concerned.

I am very glad to
hear that you are
managing the In-
stitution so success-
fully.

Sincerely Confident

Wm. C. C. C.

As the case of R. B. C. C.
may not be settled for
some little time, you might
ask me, if you would

Treble, E.

Philadelphia
Feb 13. 1882.

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No 128 No 19th Street

February 12. 1882

Gen. O. O. Howard U. S. A.

My dear Friend

Instead of four you sent
me six of your books on the Big Bear Campaign
the other two I will present to friends of yours
in Maine. Mr. Green very neatly fastened in
to the books the presentation leaves you sent.
He thanks you for the gift and desires to be
kindly remembered to you.

My thanks for the book on Com. Agéner de
Gaspardin. Translated from the French by you,
I have read it with much interest and satisfac-
tion, you have been exceedingly happy in the
translation, the language so much like your own,
that had I read it without knowing that it was
a translation or by whom done, I would say,
that sounds like the language of Gen. Howard
I am not satisfied with reading it once I will
read it more carefully. I knew that Com. de

Gaspain was the friend of this Country during
the Rebellion even at its darkest period, I then
felt an attachment for him, but since you have
given the history of his life and doings, I feel
a profound love for the memory of so good a man,
Oh that the world possessed more like him,

You state that your son desires to go to France
to pursue his studies, that you are not favorable
to his being in Paris, I agree with you in this,
Paris is not the place I would select for a young
person unprotected, even with the morals you
have instilled into your children ^{and} with their natu-
ral goodness, Paris is frivolous, full of temptations
which insidiously overcome good intentions even
when guarded by moral precepts. There is a
much better City, has as many advantages for
education, is pleasantly situated and has a large
English population.

If you desire to write to Edwin about infor-
mation, his address is, Edwin Greble
No 2 Mosezinsky Strasse. Dresden
Saxony, Europe

I receive letters weekly from Edwin and
Clara, they have a life of enjoyment, are in
constant request, their associations are with
the first Society in Washington, I would prefer
that they were in some other place where they
could pursue their studies, yet young people
must have some pleasures, for the old proverb
says, "All work and no play makes Jack a
dull boy" and yet there is a counter one
"All play and no work makes Jack a idle boy,"

You say that you want to have Edwin with
you by & by, nothing would please me so
much in regard to Edwin as to have him
under your guardianship and instruction
and I feel assured he would be as equally
pleased.

We all join in love to you and your dear
family

Very truly, your friend
Edwin Greble

Merritt, W.C.

Andover, Mass
~~Feb 13~~, 1882

Answered by the Genl
Feb 14/82.



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Andover, Mass, -
Feb. 13th 1882 -
Gen. W. C. Howard, -
West Point,
N.Y. -

Dear Sir, -

I presume to
address you for the sake
of my work. - For some
weeks I have been working
in a mission field in Chelsea,
Mass., while taking my
senior year in the Phil.
Sem. here. I wish to
give a talk to the boys of
my mission on the subject
of tobacco. I have the re-
port to the Sec'y of Navy by
Surgeon Gen. Hales, in which
he takes strong grounds against
the use of tobacco by the cadets

in Naval Acad at Annapolis.

If I am not mistaken Secy
Lincoln has prohibited its
use in the Military ^{Academy} of Ark.
you are Commandant, but
I cannot lay my hand up-
on any report or documents
upon which he has based his
action.

Feeling that the
boys of our cities are injur-
ing themselves very much by
the use of tobacco, I wish to
do what I can in my small
way to hold up the truth be-
fore their eyes, & I am sure
nothing will come to them
with more power than the
words of such men as have
reported to the Secy of War
& Secy of Navy on this subject.

I therefore write to ask
if you will be so kind as
to mail to me anything on

this subject that you may
have, that can be distributed,
promising on my part that
I will use it to the best
of my ability to save the boys.
And I do this because I
know of your interest in
the boys of our Country.

I am, —

Very truly Yours —

W. L. Messitt.

Andover,

P. O. Box 417.

Mass. —

Publishing House of
A. S. BARNES & CO., 111 and 113 William St.,

New York, Feb 13 1882

Dear Sir we have forwarded
your letter to the Internationale
Review of Washington D.C.
with commendation & you
will hear from them direct

Yours truly, A. S. Barnes & Co.

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Jeffersonville Ohio
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Gen. O. O. Howard

West Point, N. Y.

Dear Sir

I received
a letter from you
which had been to
Jefferson, Ohio, and sent
here, and as I am
situated in Fayette Co.
Suppose, it be intended
here, as to a Real Estate
Agent. I am one myself
and the only one at
present here any commo-
nication from you, will
be heartily received

Yours Truly

Fred Higgins. P. M.

Liggins, F.

Jeffersonville }
Ohio }
Feb 13. 1882.

Answered by the Genl Feb 16/82



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Samuel, Del.

Monday Morning Feb 13 - 7 am.

Dear General:

Mrs Farrow gave birth to a large boy baby last night, after a patient waiting of 13 days over time. She is not yet improving as she should, but the physicians think a change, for good, will soon take place. Please, General, extend my leave several days - give me even one day, if no more. Tomorrow will be my last day here, unless you allow me a few days more. I fear to leave here, until I can see Mrs Farrow out of danger.

I have written Captain Slader - he will telegraph me if I can remain a little longer, I will make it all up when I get back and will never forget your goodness. Give me one day, if no more, it may suffice.

With kindest regards to family

Sincerely yours

Edward V. Farrow.

U.S.A.

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David, Esq.
Feb 13. 1882.

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296 Carroll St.

Brooklyn, N.Y.

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Dr. Liu.

I am very desirous of having you write a nice autograph letter for my valuable collection of letters and I now address you, almost certain that you will do this christian act toward one who has professed the same religion as I understand you have. - Please give me some good advice if you can spare time as I want the letter to convey some special thought - a meaningless note is valueless. - can you please write a few lines in regard to that little incident which took

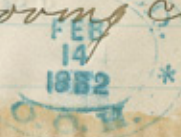
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place, as I understand, on the
Mississippi river with Gen. Sher-
man, where you sang the hymn
of hymns in my estimation, "Rock
of Ages." Did such take place
and could you please describe
it in a few words - I will leave
this request in your hands and
subject to your good Christian
care. - Trusting to receive a
reply soon. I am

Very truly yours

Edgar F. Gladwin.

P.S. Please address it to me per-
sonally at the beginning of the
letter and I will be under great
obligations to you for doing all
that I have asked, should it
meet with your approving con-
sideration. -



Dear Sir

Your note received, Arthur will be
sure to return as soon as possible, will
leave here Wednesday morning. Mary thanks
for your sympathy and kindness.

Respectfully

Wm C. D. Carter

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