Fort Bridges, Wyo.
Nov. 8th, 1882.

Dear General Howard:

Many thanks for your very kind letter.

Of course I knew that there must be some very good reason for your ordering my assignment as Fort Robinson; but I did not suppose that the reason was so flattering to myself as your letter suggests.

Be assured, General,
that I shall do all in my power to put the Medical Department at Ft. Robinson on a satisfactory basis to all concerned, and I shall cheerfully remain there as long as the commanding General may think it desirable that I should do so.

Shove us doubt but that, after shove arrives at Robinson 4 get perfect open line to work, shove the past very much. With many thanks.

Brevet Major General O.O. Howard, U.S.A.
Commanding, Dept. of the Platte, Omaha, Neb.
Grace is quite well and 25c. Mr. Doph-Demacler sent from Oregon required particularly about you when I saw him last week.

Grace sends love

Your affectionately,

James Thayer

Vancouver Nov 8th 1882

Dear General,

The enclosed postcard was written out on an empty pocket book so rapidly that I cannot read it. Before it entirely goes to pieces! It is the last payment on Maus and Ayres account $30.00 - It has been very good practice in partial payment to keep track of this account and mine. I send copies of both. Was not aware that Grace's piano must have been applied on my cost until you send the abstract of documents in the latter part of
1851. Since no money was sent by postal order as soon as collected except once which I enclosed as greenbacks.
Our opposition has departed and the Vail Trust Co. is doing very well. We expect a council (name quay) from Portland next year when we will probably have to seek for pasture now.
I have been occupied so much with work - organizing a new system of accounts for the boats and Company. Straightening out our firms e. besides my own work proper that I thought at one time I should have to resign to keep from being worked to death.

Bessie is a great chatterbox. She is beginning to put articles in the newspapers. She is quite well now.
Betsy Clark pulls herself up by the hair and stands on her feet and is as great a scold when she feels well.
I think of buying two pieces of land on Vancouver and building two houses one on my lot an Astoria and the other for dwelling on Vancouver. Since and I have figured that we can pay for the property & houses in three years.

You would miss many old faces if you came back to Vancouver.
1850 Luck O' the Howard in ye with J. F. Downey

Feb. 13 By Cash @ 10 7/8 per annum $350.00
May 13
Aug 13 By
" To Cash
" To
" on Note
1881
Feb. 21 To Cash, paid 8.75
to C. A. Cawley,
Assessment on P.S.D. Co. Iron Stock 25.00
Mar 19 To Cash 10th aso. P.S.D. Co. 10.00
Apr 20 " 11 " 10.00
June 8 " 12 " 10.00
July 20 " 13 " 20.00
Sept 21 " 14 " 20.00
Dec 31 " 15 " 20.00
May 81 " Graves Piano and Piano 50.00
Dec. " By Interest 15 days 50.00
" By Interest 109.28
109.28
1882
Sept. 1 By Interest
2 To Cash: Interest + Date 6.83

Copy of my memorandum.
1880 Geo. H. W. army
Apr 7 A.D. H. on note 200.-
1881
Feb 7 Interest on note 6.-
Apr 7 To Interest 4.-
" " By Cash Insub 4.-
June 7 To Interest 20.-
Aug 7 Interest on note 60.-
" " Insub 650.
1882
Jan 7 To Interest 6.80
" " By Cash on note 4.-
Sept 7 To Interest 30.-
" " By Cash Insub on note 4.20
Oct 10 To Interest 30.-
" " By Cash Insub on note .30

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A copy of your account with H. H. W. Ager
Leo H. Amundsen
197 Broadway,
New York Nov 8, 1882.

Gen. C. O. Howard,
Kind General:

On Sept 21st last I wrote you a very long and earnest letter, asking if you would not kindly favor me with a few words of opinion on my collection (a request which I also made in a previous letter but which you overlooked accidentally in reply thereto), and also asking if you could possibly oblige me with an imperial photograph of yourself, but two months having now passed without any reply from you, I fear that my letter may have escaped your attention.

May I now respectfully remind you of my request, and appeal to your kindness to grant me them? I have
been watching anxiously for a reply from you, but as yet my great expectations remain unrealized!

I addressed my letter to you at West Point, from which point it was no doubt forwarded to you.

Can it be that my letter was never received by you? I sincerely hope I trust this may not be the fact, as I enclosed therein slips from the "N.Y. Tribune" and "The London Daily News" other copies of which it is impossible for me to obtain, and they being of course of great value and interest to me, I would not like to lose them. I am confident therefore that you will appreciate my great anxieties for the safety of my letter, and a reply from you. As I said, nothing would

made me more happy than to obtain a short expression of my collection from you, and a photograph of yourself! Kindly then favor me with what I so much desire!

I have waited until today before again writing you, in order that I may at the same time tender you my warm and hearty congratulations on this your 52nd birthday anniversary. Having always been such an ardent admirer of yours, I wish you from the bottom of my heart long life and happiness, and that your noble life may long be spared to the country who loves you so well, and so deservedly!

Again hoping that you will grant me these two favors, and with cordial con-
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NORVIN GRREN, President.

NUMBER: 341
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Received at: Ch 1226 Am
Nov 8 1882

Dated: Wash 10 L

To: Gen CO Howard N & A

Reexamined Carefully: No mistake made
I have written please remit

J. W. Smith Yton
Dear General,

We have compared the description of property sent you, with the deed of John H. Cook to myself, and find every item to correspond. The special improvement for Lot 12, Square 773, is for grading sidewalk, flagging, etc., of the W street plot, between 35th and 41st East. Before paying it, I not only overhauled the bill, in respect to all the items, but made an appeal to the Commissioners, setting forth the injustice of making a man pay for ruining his property by grading it up out of sight, all of which they admitted, and supposed Congress would provide some measure of relief for the large amount of property similarly situated, but they had no power to afford any relief for the present.

The Special on Square 436 is for pavement etc., on 7th Street, Island, in 1872. The original assessment was $180 payable in Ju-
stalments, sold by Shepherd, to 1st National Bank, N.Y. When the first instalment became due, the Bank held that on default, the whole became due, and required the property to be sold. An injunction was obtained, and $912 paid into court for instalments then due. The Court ordered sale to be postponed until all instalments were due, & the amount paid to be credited on the Assessment. Afterwards the original assessment of $218, on revision, was reduced to $140 1/2 leaving $48 3/4 still due. With interest from Aug 19, 1872 at 10%. As this item belonging to the Bank, does not come within the law of last winter, reducing rate to 6% up to Nov 1, we have not actually paid this bill, which with interest amounts to $97 50. If you prefer to allow it still to jive, that amount (97 50) may be deducted from the total of $995 12 which we sent you. The balance we paid in Cash. and saved over $100 by paying before Nov 1.

Your surprise does not surprise us. For we have a great many such transactions with others. Truly,

J. T. Smith
Omaha, Neb. Nov. 9/82

Dear General:

I offer you my residence property (Nps Block 146 - 4 full lots extending from 16th to 17th Streets, 264' x 132'), for $4,300.00.

Truly yours, M. A. Lowe.

My improvements have cost at least $35,000.
Dear Mr. President,

I am writing to express my deepest appreciation for the kind words you spoke about me during the recent radio broadcast. Your support and encouragement mean a great deal to me, and I feel honored to have you as a mentor.

I understand that you have been very busy with your duties as President, and I wish you all the best as you continue to lead our country.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Mary Smith
Washington, D. C., Nov. 9, 1882

Dear Sir,

I take this opportunity of writing you while I am on my way to New York, as I am leaving for New York for three or four days. I wrote you yesterday fully.

There is no doubt as to your owning all the property. I have not paid from year to year because I have not had the money. Whenever I have had a dollar I have paid it. The life insurance, and intention money has taken it all.
Those # University lots, freedon Hill will come into market at fair prices in the course of the next year. The New Aqueduct's reservoir and General street opening and improvement will do it.

I haste.

F H Smith
No. 1196.

Leather Manufacturers National Bank,
29 Wall Street,
New York, Apr. 11, 1882

Geo. O. Howard

To whom it may concern,

According to your request to join

My cf. for one hundred fifteen

Dollars and eleven cents

Of same

Very respectfully,

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

[Handwritten date and signature]
Headquarters Department of the Missouri

Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Nov 10, 1882.

My dear Cousin,

Please accept

My thanks for your kind letter.

Although I have always been grateful

that you have good health, yet I

assume you that the pressure of

them is not too grateful and

acceptable. With many thanks

believe me truly yours,

End of hand
Cheyenne Depot (Camp Carlin)  
Wyoming Territory  
November 10, 1882

My general C. O. Howard.  
My dear general,

You will pardon this intrusion upon your time and patience. Allow me, first of all, to express to you my delight in the bold and loving stand you took for the cause of personal and national piety during your recent visit to Fort Russell. It did me much good. It must have done all good to those fortunate enough to come under the influence of your words and spirit. May God long preserve your precious life, to the Church, the Country, and the American Army.

I thank you for the kind attentions you were pleased to bestow upon me and my family.

Both myself and wife, appreciated it to the fullest extent. We have been accustomed
to polite attention and generous hospitality from men high in civil life, but our associations in Military society have been quite limited. I am happy to say that as far, our experience in Military society has been extremely gratifying.

While I am expressing my thankfulness generally, as it is near "Thanksgiving" day, let me thank you also for our new home. You will see by this letter that we have moved. We are delighted with our new home at Cheyenne Depot, or as it is jokingly called here, "Camp Carlisle." Maj. Lord, who is the Prince of Quartermasters, and a most polite and agreeable gentleman, has done all in his power to make us comfortable and happy. This he does, I am sure, by every one under his care.

The Government has good reason to be proud of all such officers. I do not wish to be understood as undervaluing the kindness and hearty good will of all the officers at Fort Russell.
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self, they could not make us as comfortable
there, as we are here. It does not in any
way interfere with my work, as it is
but a few minutes ride from one
Camp to the other. It rather increases
my work, for I find both intellectual
and religious wants here at Camp Carlin,
unprovided for by any Church or
organization in Town. I have a
Small School at Camp Carlin, and a
large one at Fort Russell. I have the
oversight of both. I have Sunday School
at Fort Russell at 9 P.M., every Sunday,
and Preaching every Sunday Evening
at 7 o'clock. We have a "Service of
Song" on Wednesday evenings, and
half an hour Sunday evenings before
Preaching. So you see that I am
not idle. By the grace of God, sir,
I will give a good report of myself,
here or elsewhere, in the work given me.
Now that I am pleasantly, and I hope successfully, retired upon my work here, I may be allowed to say that it was our desire to be stationed at Omaha. Indeed, we supposed from our orders to "report for duty" at Omaha, that our home would be there. We have many friends there, and in Iowa, which of course increased the interest in that station. But permit me, general, to say, that my supreme wish was to be near you. Although I had not the honor and pleasure of your personal acquaintance, yet your influence—which is the power of a life—has gone wherever the Church is planted, and a Christian language spoken. But duty before pleasure. One man might be stranger than whole world away. I hope to see you as soon as awakened and connected. Pray for me.

May God bless you, and all those dear to you, and preserve your lives and health, is the sincere prayer of your Chaplain.

Sherman A. Merrill, M.S.A.
PS

Major Lord says, in his pleasant way, "now that I am living with the Lord," I must be content. "If he was a genuine Christian, he would be worth a regiment."

Let us hope & pray for this.

Georgiropolis
Nov. 10, 1862

S M Park