NY Dec 24/87
Hon. General Howard
Fort Omaha
Nebraska

Dear Sir

How I come to write you is as follows: I hope you excuse my liberty for so doing but I am acting in Fred Peter's behalf. I hope you will take pity on them also after you've read this letter. I received a letter dated Dec 20th on Christmas Day. That day being a very religious holiday, I did not answer the letter in which I am requested to write to you. I do so now. As much as I am informed I understand that Fredrick Peter is
charged with taking some clothing from the Store house which I really cannot believe that he had made himself guilty of such a crime. My Dear General is this charge actually proved by witnesses that he is really the guilty party as I cannot believe him guilty of such a crime as he always been a good Sunday School member honest & hard working lad while in New York City as far as I know he was not a drinker. Did he perhaps commence to drink since he is in the Armory? If so that might if he is Really guilty brought him to do such an act. If he did do such an act under such circumstances show mercy unto him for his 2 small sisters
Of course, they are small and young, and as I understand he sends them money whenever he receives his pay. The family has been a very honorable one and had to work hard for their living ever since their mother's death. I give you an explanation of the children and they were treated after their mother's death. After the mother was death 3 months the children after returning home from work one evening the father had sold all the furniture etc., they were left to earn their own living and depend upon themselves. Fred Pete was at the time in the Marble business and the eldest sister in the Artificial Flower business. Hard luck sat in and the 3 got out of employment. Now they had no money and more small sisters.
to support. However they kept together and shared the little they had between them. When the Marble & Artificial business started up again they all commenced to work again, but the Marble business after a few months stopped again. Fred Pete was without employment once more he tried hard to get work but unlook luck was against him & not wanting to lead a dishonest life he took the step into the Armory & promising to send his sisters money for the small ones from his pay. But if this would be true what I informed of it would be very hard for the small ones & it would break his sisters heart to hear such news. I therefore write to you first before
Inform them of it. As they loved each other to much asking you to have mercy on him if she is guilty if you do not wish to do it for this sake do it for the 2 small sisters of his so they will not be robbed of the money be send them to help them along. Hoping these few lines reach you before any serious step has been taken.

I trust in you and God the almighty to show you mercy on him for this time as he never in his life done such an act. Dear General please let me know all particulars so I really am forced to impart this sorrowful news to his sisters that I can give them an explanation. But I hope through your mercy that I need not.
O Lord, have mercy on me. I have sinned.

Respectfully

Ernest Ludwig

217 Broadway

New York
Geo. F. Blanchard,
Indian Trader,
AND DEALER IN
RANCH SUPPLIES.


Geo. E. O. T. Howard
Omak.

Sirs:

I write you a few lines to let you know that I am in good health and to keep my promise to you when here. The Indians here are all quiet now and I think they will remain so, as Chief is in Washington, I am sure that he will get his just dues. I would very much like if you would send me a picture of yourself to put up in my house. I hope you will remember your promise to keep an eye for me.

Yours truly,

Geo. E. O. T. Howard

Post Office.

P.S. If you can send one pair of cavalry shoulder straps I would thank you.
J. H. Moore,
Post Trader,
Fort Washakie, Wyo.

DEC 24 1882

My dear General,

Your esteemed favor of the 4th inst. came duly to hand and I offer an apology for not replying sooner.

As to the coat, I put no price upon it and did not intend to presume that you would accept it. My Dr. Morrison says I certainly would have felt aggrieved had you insisted upon paying for it. It is a good coat, but not what I would have selected as a present to you. In this case, however it was啸的rons choice, I am glad it served you a purpose. It is my intention to select two for you in
the Young Very nice.
Our folks are well and join me in kindest personal regards.
With best wishes for your good health.
I am,

Sacred Yours,

[Signature]
Hieren, Cook Co., Ills
Dec. 27, 1882.

Dear Brother,

I think you do better
than I in letter writing. Mother
now comes down clear to all her needs
but seems very weak. She greatly
enjoys Jamie's letters as indeed we
all do. Lizzie is kind to enclose
them as promptly. We only wish
she would write more herself. We
have would liked much to have seen him
home coming again. Do not let them
pass us by in returning. We had
really hoped for a visit from you &
Lizzie before this. The tales seem
against it. I am now expecting
orders every day. Have completed
three long reports, one of the Navajos
nearly done, one of the Moquis & o
pages, and one of the terms of
over 20. The Department has acted
favorably on my recommendation for
the discharge of the Navajo Agent. If
they carry out all my other suggestions
it would revolutionize that great tribe.
I have named Gen. Whittlesey
as Superintendent for all the
M. A. mission work. You know
they are to leave the work of the
Board transferred to them and will under-
take far more extended operations.
Don't you think Gen. M. is right man
It is not certain that I shall take Mrs. K.
with me, but may be ordered to southerm California. We had 13 Indian youths
in our house for three days en route to
Hampton. Thomas & Theodore with
them. You spoke of brother visiting
you: I fear it will be weeks before she
is able to travel. I never saw her so
sick before, as she was for a few days.
I did not know before that Col. Fox
Wyles was your Adjutant General. Did I
not see that he was court-martialed some
time last year? Do
our namesakes?
I think the item read J. B. Taylor.
You inquire about Mother's symptoms. You are probably correct in your suggestion that she may have eaten something harmful the evening before she was taken ill. This, with a sudden cold is the cause she Dr. assigns. He mentions as other physicians have, indications of heart disease. But he did not think it best to mention this to Mother.
Hoping to hear from you before I leave, and with our sincerest greetings to you all.

Very affectionately,

N. H. Howard

P.S. Please to see your address. We talk of forming a Society in Chicago. Yrs. 3rd at Sherman House. I say a kind of New England, Pilgrim Office. I am invited. Wish you could be there too.
Rockport Congregational Church.

There will be a NEW YEAR'S PRAYER MEETING
at the Vestry, MONDAY MORNING, January 1, at 9:30.

COMMUNION SABBATH in regular course, January 7.

MEETING PREPARATORY TO THE COMMUNION,
Friday Evening, January 5, at 7:30.

All members of the Church not disabled are affectionately urged to attend the two Church Meetings last mentioned. All others will be cordially welcome.

R. B. HOWARD, Pastor.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

AT CONGREGATIONAL VESTRY, EACH DAY, JANUARY 7-13
AT 2:30 AND 7:30 P.M.

Monday.—Beginning anew. Encouragement. Prayer for Church Members.
Tuesday.—Confession and Repentance.
Wednesday.—Forgiveness, Human—and Divine.
Thursday.—Prayer for Parents and Children.
Friday.—Prayer for the Impenitent.
Saturday.—Can we have a Revival? When and How? Prayer for Divine Direction.
Rockport, Mass.
Dec 28, 1882

Dear Mr. Otis,

Your letter of the 19th of Dec, 2 your brother George's and John's were glad received. Laura compliments that it pleased you and she is pleased to hear her letters. She is here again tomorrow at 37 Brown St, Boston.

And Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. Miss m. 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is recouping such heavy
pains will come for each
lung with more old age
I fear vitality. I read
your grandmother's address
in a bottle to Laura at Okan
with applause. If many
were equally long, it must
have been an unusual
after-dinner occasion.
And is at home for two
weeks vacation, has some
for Christmas. Only it is ready
go to sea or shore again.
She offered well since
she came home, but "the
sailor's" doubts the Bible as
the true religion. Expecting
his battles.
Helen joins me at sea
and a happy New
Year to you all.

The enclosed will show how
we are to open the new
year. I need some one
to help me as much
as I went there meeting
at Pigeon Cove Chapel where
I preach mornings of the
Sabbath. Of course my boys
will see the fact
My the infinite greatness
and supreme value of the
Kingdom of God above
over all I devote themselves
Its service!

Mary D. Brothers
Portland
Fort Thomas, Arizona
Dec. 28th, 1882

Gen. O. O. Howard
U. S. Army

Dear General,

When I was stationed at Fort Fred.

Steels in your depot, I caused a flat stone (or tablet

monument) to be placed over the grave of the late

Capt. Lawson, 3rd Caivy, who died there. It consisted of

two pieces of sandstone, raised a foot or two from the

ground & polished as well as possible; and was

done by soldier labor, as no means existed of erect-

ing anything more pretentious. It was my intention

to have caused the following inscription to be

carved upon it:

Joseph Lawson

Captain 3rd U.S. Caivy;

Died January 30th, 1881 -

Aged 60 years:

A gallant old soldier.

I was unable, however, to find anyone com-

petent to cut these words upon the stone; and

so far as I know it still remains a plain surface.

As theくれ is no longer represented at the
just or in the Dept of the Platte, it may very likely
soon come to pass that no one will know who lies
buried under that stone. It has occurred to me
that it might lie in your power, as Dept. Engineer,
to cause the inscription to be made, if some com-
petent stone-cutter exists in your command — whether
at Steele or at some neighboring station; and I have
therefore taken the great liberty of addressing you
on the subject. There is no fund from which the
work can be paid, but any reasonable expense
necessarily incurred may be referred to me for
liquidation.

Trusting that I am not presuming too much in
thus trespassing upon your attention —
I remain, Very respectfully,
Your old fo

A. W. Evans
Major 3d Cav'n
Washington, D.C.  
Dec. 28, 1882

Dear Gen. Howard,

Please accept my thanks for the Omaha paper with your Pilgrim Speech. It is good, full of the old Pilgrim spirit.

I was in the Aud. Ta last month when I came back to St. Louis. I longed to run up to Omaha to give you a call, but duty called me home.

We are all well—all together enjoying the holiday. Col. Lee's wife are spending the winter
here. I am glad the regular order of promotion in the Army was pursued. Your turn will come. We give our regards to Mr. Howard and all the children.

Yours truly,

E. Whittaker
Ingalls, G. V.

Holliston, Mass.
Dec 28, 1882

While in jail I found out after the war who was guilty. After I had got my discharge I went home. Discharged for being arrested by order from US. But Sammie Woods who was also a member of Co. G was the one of us of them that was around his store. He was the words sent to jail was highway robbery for 5 years until he was killed and I was made to pass down from North and to Brisco. I came home and went to work. I am now more now and had one little by aunt.
me up I bent very tall and walked since I had got
home I was one of those that was sent in to Fort
Ellis when I got back I was used up and I applied
for my discharge.

Dr. Alexsandres told me he would but it then for
me but before it got to me.

Now I will tell you the whole truth I have it.

I was owing Miller Winterhale
I bent six dollars and he asked me how it was as three
times and I did not have the money to pay him so being
on Gold Hill and bought Pullock also he told the
Captain who made me that I had bet my mules the
five dollars I told the

Captain that the last time
time the Winterhale asked me
for it he was drunk

And abused me and that I
should let him beat me if
I did not. After that

I was down town and
did what I had never done

Before yet drunk the next

Morning I was drunk and

Put in the Vancouver jail

For trying to brake it,

The Winterhales store the way

It was I was coming up

from Brown's Saloon and

as I got in front of Winterhale

Store I saw some fellows

Run but Winterhale Black

Open the door then and see

me and said it was me

I had no witness to prove
me innocent so I stayed
two years old but Remiters bothers me a good deal and
hinders me from working at my trade. I have applied
for a Shotgers State Licence to Rede. They sent me to
Pope's to have filled out by the Comptas and want
my Discharge which I have lost so I take the liberty
of asking you to give me a letter to Hon. H.B. Price
Secretary of Mass.
that I am entitled to
A licence as has my
Characters I can rober you
to some very good men
J.S. Barber So Trainor
and Dec. 13. 1867 of the
some War.
I enlisted in Aug. 12th 1875.

And was discharged in March 1878.

Hoping that you will do what you can for me. I remain your most humble servant.

Geo. R. Ingalls
Hallston
Mass

Post Mark of "2d. 21 st. by U.S. I nf

Ft Vancouver
W.T."
Hoffman, Maj. E.

Rock Island
Dec. 29, 1882

Anecd... Dec 30/82

Rock Island Ills, Dec. 29, 1882

Major General O.O. Howard
U. S. Army

Omaha, Nebraska

Dear General:

I cannot let pass the old year into the new one without to write with my own hands the words:

May yourself dear General, Mrs. General O.O. Howard, and your children enjoy the year 1883 in the worlds fullest signification of Happiness and Health, that is the wish I have for you all.
at this very day!
I indeed cling in love to the time when good
fortune allowed me to be your subordinate.
Gratefulness for received kindness lives in me
as ever deep-rooted and fresh and nothing will
change the devotion to you, in which I am
as ever your respectful servant

E. F. Hoffmann
late Major, V. D. C. U. S. A.
Litchfield, Dec. 13, 1842
Boston
Dec 20, 82

If you can lend me a little while I get better I shall be, please send it in a letter to my address.

Yours with respect,

Nelson B. Litchfield
Boston Post Office
Boston Mass.

[Handwritten note: 12]

Boston Mass, Dec 30th 1882

P.O. General Oliver O'Herond, Dean Sir,

Perhaps you have forgotten me having met only a few times in life yet I never shall forget the time I first met the General after the Battle at the Repeal at my native city of Lewiston Maine when Colonel Burbanks introduced me to you. I remember the empty speeches that were caused for our country, and your devotion to your country and your God. Through all your trials and trials in peace and war, in the Freedman's Department until your appointment at West Point I never have lost site of the Christian Generals.
American Nursery. I called at your head quarters in Washington years ago when in the Freedmen's Bureau. But you was out of the city, I did not have the pleasure of meeting you, the first time general I ever met you was when you called at my house in Lewiston to see Miss Gilmore, who was working for my wife, she has since married Roseau Reynolds the genl of the machine shop in Lewiston. At both times general I was better off in this world good than I am to say, I worked for Col. John D. They now twenty years until my lameness with the Atheromatism compelled me to leave my trade, since that time I have been canvassing for the sewing machines, and am trying now for a year in Boston.
1320 G. Street N.W.
Washington

Dear Father.

I returned to Washington yesterday and this morning went to the War Department where I saw General [name] and told him I had your permission to delay here a week or two before returning and that you desired me to answer any questions he might wish to ask about Fort Sherman and other places, as I knew your views about them.

I have taken a room at 1320 G. Street and all letters will reach me there. I hope the boys are enjoying their vacation and that all at home are very well. With much love affectionately your son.
he was as usual busy with papers, he asked me to come to his home and have a talk with him. Mrs. Yost and Mrs. Valentine will not be back until after New Year's, so I have seen neither of them as yet. I had a long talk with Mr. H. O. Smith and he estimates the value of your property at $5,750 allowing $1,500 for the amount owed on the mortgage for which the 7th Street Stone ought to sell. I also spoke to him about the note for 10,000 which he says you ought to have given another day.

He thinks there will be no difficulty in having it cancelled whenever the Board of Trustees meets, but that it is barely within the proper powers of the Executive Committee to act on it. The Board very seldom meets and will not come together until next May when he promises to have it acted upon and is confident there will not be the least trouble about it. Besides taking dinner with Mr. Gumble, I had a long chat with him yesterday.
Eurex, (Eure), le 31 Déc, 1884.

Mon cher père,

Il y a, parmi mes lettres, une lettre de toi que j'ai reçu avant de partir pour le Sud de la France.

Cette lettre était écrite le 27 Août à 

La rédaction de cette lettre a été difficile à 

Il n'a pas eu de réponse jusqu'à 

Je l'ai envoyée côte jusqu'à ce 

parce que je ne voulais pas demander des questions 

Elle est un peu longue, et les relations des protestants avec les catholiques, avec le prêtre 

C'est ainsi que je vous ai écrit que je suis revenu à Eurex.

Je l'ai envoyée pour vous dire que je suis revenu à Eurex.

Je suis sur le ciel et que je suis revenu à Eurex.

La première lettre à mon ordinaire, quelques jours après sur l'église de M. Charpentier, sur l'école de dimanche ète.

L'église est sur le ciel et qu'à part de sa 

descendant de la route des champs 

Elle est un peu longue, et les relations des protestants avec les catholiques, avec le prêtre 

C'est ainsi que je suis revenu à Eurex.
En voici le plan. A est la porte d'entrée. B sont les bancs pour l'assistante. C est le chœur du pasteur. D sont les orgues et E est une petite plate-forme pour les femmes seules. E est la sacristie. F est le poêle. Le long de la tête d'E se trouve une petite galerie qui peut accueillir une ligne de prêtres et l'assemblée y assiste. L'auditorium a à peu près trente-cinq pieds de longueur sur trente de largeur et est pavé en briques. Les bancs sont en bois et sont tout à tourner le pied.

Les orgues sont le plus beau et le plus sur la terre entière et est posé par moyen d'un petit escalier à gauche. Le poêle est une pièce avec une pièce de bois allumée. Le se sont quitté de la galerie, elle est un peu petite et trois pieds de long et assez pleine d'assurance et jamais pleine de monde. La sacristie est une petite pièce de quinze pieds de longueur sur huit de largeur, où il y a assez de places pour peut-être quinze personnes. C'est là que le pasteur suit un récit d'un homme - un il en porte une pour prêcher et l'autre pour.

Un soir, M. Chanteau dit d'un arrangement quelconque, plutôt religieux ou moral, (à présent c'est l'histoire des vendanges). Il y a généralement dix ou douze personnes qui réparent. Il dit pendant une heure et puis on chanter plus. Quatre cantiques et M. Chanteau fait une prière et il en sort... Ces réunions le samedi soir continuant jusqu'à l'été. M. Chanteau prêche ici le dimanche la première et le troisième dimanche de chaque mois. Les services sont à dix heures et demie et matin, puis matin, deux heures et demi des mounds sont en rotation. Les prêts pendant que le pasteur est prêcheur même. Il en sort deux fois pendant le prêtre et on reste assez pour chanter. Le pasteur dit qu'il...
Je viens de recevoir un examen de quelques travaux publics avant de partir de
la France, car une de ses œuvres est le Directeur du chef
des chemins de fer d'Algérie,
une des plus grandes lignes
en France. Quand j'étais
un bureau d'ingénieur, Bon-
longuey était à la commande,
même quand il me demandait de
le faire une autre gare que je ne pourrai. Il demeure
à Versailles et n'est plus à
Vienne. Versailles est un
endroit bizarre de Paris - comme
le croire. Tous les étrangers
le font passer, mais je suis bien loin
de l'avoir appris comme une façon
comme je l'aurai mes études ici.
Toutes mes amitiés à la mère, à tes
mains et réservées. À ceux qui savent
offrir la plus sincère.

Ton fils,

Jacques Vital Howard.
par conséquent me se contenter
que de quelques petits enfants et
plueurs d'amies qui les su-
bligneront. Je demande pro-
che de monsieur et il bien adresser
quelques paroles. Si je reste
ici deux ou trois jours plus
long j'espère d'y puisant quelque
client. C'est à dès quand j'serai
vrai apprisez de français
de m'explique bien j'espérai
de recevoir quelques femmes ou
des autres personnes et de les
quitter à l'arrivée de la ville, qua-
celle tiendra sur le temps que je
restera encore ici à l'avenir,
con à présent je suis indécis
quand je partirai pour l'alle-
magne, la lettre que je vous d-
venir à ma mère n'explique rien
tout cela. Les livres que tu m'as
fait envoyez sont amenés en bon
état et ils sont exactement ce
qu'il faut. Il y a un autre livre
que j'aurais avoir mais je
le demande voir angers
quand j'arriverai à une mère,
par le livre est anglais.
Avant de partir de Paris la dem-
brille fois que je voyons, j'ai rendu
e à M. le marquis de Rochechouart
ayant présenté entre lettre
et introduction avant et y}
aller. J'étais très bien celle
et je dis à chez lui et j'y
au paré une soirée blamant.
Toutes les photographies que
travaus envoyées, il a fait cliché,
êt il et ses amis ont toujours
au corps de plaisir en les
regardant. Il ne a demandé
de faire ses salutations et
ses amitiés et de lui et de sa
femme pour toi et mère.
Mademoiselle de Rochechouart
voulant puis ses toujours en
mon mère et elle a insisté
que je dîne pour elle, qu'elle
était tonnes du progres
que j'avais fait en Français.
Washington
Mar 21st, 1892

Dear Father,

Just after I wrote you yesterday I met Major Isham answering under your supervision; I spoke pleasantly to him. He said he put in all the more from his friendship to your electorate & spoke of hospitality to him.

Whittlesey this morning. He was looking well.

love to all affectionately yours.
by your deary P.S. I told him that you yourself had no hostile feeling but that I knew the reproof was intended merely for a specific action which you disapproved; that you had considered him an active petitioner. He asked me if I was willing to say this to Genl. Horatio G. M. and as Genl. Stanton had written him a rather severe semi-official semi-personal note enclosing your telegram or repeating your words. I called on the M.G. and told him I came at Major Howard's request. I told him in substance the above, thinking your admonition was intended for Major Howard rather than to prejudice his details, as the reproof seemed