

Sumner, Col. E. P.

Fort Robinson, Neb.  
March 7. 1883.

File

228

Fort Robinson Neb  
March 7<sup>th</sup> 1883

Dear General

I take it for granted that the appropriation for Nebraska has not been made, and as you wrote me that if it was not you knew of no reason to change the arrangement of my going to that post I earnestly request that I may be allowed to make the change as soon as possible.

For fear you may consider me a little hasty, unreasonable or unseasonable I will say that if I am to be ordered there, I can go across the country by Pine Ridge "bag & baggage" without any expense, but this -



Transportation is the matter  
to be considered, I can get  
that now, without inconvenience  
to any one, whereas, later in  
the spring there will be so  
many other demands that  
it will not be as easy for me  
to avail myself of it; On  
this account and for other rea-  
sons it will be much more  
convenient for me to move  
this month than next - and  
if there are no military objec-  
tions I trust you will allow  
me to do so.

I am, General

Genl D. C. Howard  
Cady Dept Plato  
Omaha Neb

Very Respectfully  
Yours  
E. J. Lawrence  
Major Gen



WAR DEPARTMENT.  
PAYMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, Mich 7<sup>th</sup>, 1883.

Dear General,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor 23<sup>d</sup> ult. in regard to Paymaster Wham.

I do not see how Wham can be taken out of your Dep't at present, as he has been in the far West nearly six years, and claims the right to an Eastern sta-

-tion.

All paymasters east of the Missouri, with the exception of three, high on the list, have been at their present stations less than one year and ten months.

Therefore, stationing Wham East is out of the question.

I am in hope he will conduct himself in a less objectionable manner in the future.

Very respectfully  
Yours obedt servt



Wm L. Rochester

Paymaster Genl  
USA

Bt Major General  
O. O. Howard  
&c &c

Quaha Neb

Rochester, Gen. M. B.

240

PAYMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON

March 7, 1883

Washington  
March 7, 1883

File



Barbur, J. W.

Answered File

Oakdale

Feb 8. 1883.

File

cc2-Mar 8, 1883]

Oakdale Antelope Co  
Neb

1776  
Maj Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir. In the spring  
of 1865. I was appointed, by Genl  
Joseph Hooker, Supt. of Freed-  
mans Home near Cincinnati O.  
After some three or four months  
service I made application for  
pay to Genl Ord head quarters  
at Detroit, Michigan. The  
Genl indorsed my paper in  
something like these words -  
"If the applicant, who was  
appointed by Genl Hooker,  
has performed the duties of  
his office faithfully, & well  
as it appears to my satisfaction  
he has - he should be paid.  
I therefore approve".  
This was then sent to Genl  
Howard. Your indorsement



was something like this -  
"As the applicant was appointed  
by one of the Department Com-  
manders - & is to report to him;  
and received his appointment be-  
fore the "Frederick Bureau"  
was organized - he must  
be paid by the War Depart-  
ment - The paper was  
then sent to George Stanton.  
His indorsement was, in  
substance that, as the  
applicant was in charge of  
Frederick he must be  
paid by the F. D. - The  
paper went back to General  
Howard, who said he  
could not pay the applicant  
for reasons given on the  
paper when first present<sup>ed</sup>.  
The result was I paid  
of pay altogether - & have

never received a dime  
for some months, hard  
unpleasant work for the  
Government - Do you  
Dr Sir, remember anything  
of such a paper as I speak  
of? And if so, is there any  
possible way in which you  
can help me to secure <sup>my</sup> pay.  
If you can help me, please  
answer this - asking for  
such information as you  
may wish. I oblige  
yours

J. R. Barber

Received Feb 8/83



To insure prompt attention, all communications should be addressed to the Firm, and not to our Salesmen or Clerks.

Office of **Wanamaker & Brown,**  
Oak Hall, South-east Corner of Sixth and Market Streets.

Philadelphia, March 8th. 1883

Major Gen. O.O. Howard, U.S.A.

Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:-

We are duly in receipt of your favor of the 5th. inst. and in reply thereto would say that we fear some dishonesty has been practised, with reference to the collection of your bill.

Mr. Gable had no authority to receive or receipt for money for us, and has never accounted to us for his collection from you.

Will you kindly inform us to whose order the check was drawn?

We will advise you further upon the receipt of your reply to this.

Yours, very truly

Wanamaker & Brown

per

*L. H. Hapner*

Dictated by  
ROBERT O. OGDEN,

Wanama.

Michael Michie  
March 8. 1883

Answered by the  
Genl. March 12/83



5-My dear brother  
Blackport Mar. 9/83

My Brother

272

Thanks for letter telling

us of Mother's safe arrival

Yes Helen children

& David met me in

Salem & came home

The latter will not go

back to B. this term if

at all - His examination

in Greek & Semitic was

such the studies not cor-

responding to London -

that Prof. Selge advised

him to fall back a year if

he entered there, which he

decided not to do, while

I was away & went to

Portland. He appears

well. My Obit has been

at sea in a 5-mo voyage

to San Francisco 5 weeks -

Children pretty well -

I send letter to advance

by request. Long was

away in another

island

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26  
27  
28  
29  
30  
31  
32  
33  
34  
35  
36  
37  
38  
39  
40  
41  
42  
43  
44  
45  
46  
47  
48  
49  
50  
51  
52  
53  
54  
55  
56  
57  
58  
59  
60  
61  
62  
63  
64  
65  
66  
67  
68  
69  
70  
71  
72  
73  
74  
75  
76  
77  
78  
79  
80  
81  
82  
83  
84  
85  
86  
87  
88  
89  
90  
91  
92  
93  
94  
95  
96  
97  
98  
99  
100



Mch 9 - 1883

NOTHING IT CAN BE PLACED ON THIS



*Amelia*  
*Alb.*



243

John Brown Texas

March 9<sup>th</sup> 1883

Gen O O Howard

Dear Sir,

Soon after I left Hampton Institute you were kind enough to inform me in reply to a request of mine, that I might refer to you in case I might find such reference necessary for certain purposes. I am now in correspondence with the authorities of Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa, in regard to the position of Instructor in Latin there, and it has been intimated that an endorsement by some prominent Army officer might be of service. Gen Miles is too far away to be reached.



CH 12

in time to be reached with certainty  
by the train required (Apr 4) and  
I therefore venture to trouble you.

You know something of my army  
standing, and more of my work  
at Hampton, and a few words  
from you regarding them, especially  
the latter, may be of much value.

Your address is "President Allegheny  
College, Meadville, Pa."

Mrs. Ransom joins in regards.

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

Wm. Ransom

1st Lt 5th Inf.



1890

1891

1892

1893





Pomeroy, W. A.

East Brown  
Mch 9. 1883.

Received by the  
East. Mch 23-







You wonder that I found  
time for so long a letter  
the last time I wrote —  
No — then I lived an idle  
useless life at the hotel —  
Now you might wonder I  
found time to write at all  
I am such a busy house —  
Keeper. Then on so many  
things to do so many steps  
to take which have to be  
divided among several — But  
I get through nicely and find  
time for the ornamental as  
well. I have been painting on  
china — a pretty fascinating  
kind of work. Mrs. Fournier  
got up a class of which I  
am a member. Another kind  
of art — I enjoy is a kind of



have work on the huts & trees of  
Srekers - called in general dooming!  
I have just finished half a  
dozen pairs belonging to my  
husband & father - I must -  
say the former makes the biggest  
lots. I forget some things  
of - the dinner occasionally  
is - I have a good natured family  
and they do not complain  
Sometimes I am truly dainty,  
is - I must get used to that  
I suppose. My life is so happy  
& full of comfort that there  
is little I could say on  
the other side. Mrs W. is still  
unconsoled, is - frankly I  
think I hardly care - I find  
she talks so unkindly about  
me & for before as well as  
after that I can not help



feeling that must - be come  
if not - must insincerely in her  
protestations of friendship -

I am ordering when I  
shall go east - I wish it  
might - be this year, but it is  
uncertain. My Auntie + Cousin  
with - the other married ones  
her three children are coming  
home from India this summer  
and I or so want to see them.  
Then too I'd stop and see you  
on the way - Oh! - a glad meeting  
that would be! I want you to  
bind my handkerchief for me  
an "old memory folder" so that you  
can always think of us together.  
He is a dear good boy and so  
"loving and tender" - I wish  
you & Mrs Howard could see our  
little - they are so abundant - I

made me little sister - a blue one -



HEADQUARTERS  
E. K. WILCOX RELIEF CORPS, NO. 14,  
DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Springfield, Mass. Mar 10 1883

Dear Sir

Will you kindly place  
your autograph on the enclosed  
square of silk. With indelible  
pencil if possible. Quilt to be sold  
for benefit of Grand Army  
April 10. Please return imme-  
diately, and oblige

Mrs Helen Packard

Per order committee



Packard, Mrs L.

Springfield  
Feb 10. 1880

File



Col. T. M. Anderson.

4476

Answered April 1<sup>st</sup> 1883

Fort D. A. Russell Wyo  
March 11<sup>th</sup> 1883

Genl. O. O. Howard  
Omaha Neb.

My Dear General:

You are very kind to offer me Fort Bridger. I will be very happy to go there and will do my best to give satisfaction in that position as I would in any other to which you might assign me. I only mentioned Steele in my letter because at that time Bridger was commanded by a Field Officer of another Regiment.



I have just received a  
telegram from Col. John  
S. Mason our new Colonel  
saying that he will  
report soon after being  
relieved at Columbus Barracks.

If on his reporting to  
you, you should forward him  
to this Post, as I presume  
of course you will, will  
you not do me the favor  
to order me to Bridger as  
soon as convenient, if your  
intention should still  
hold in this particular.  
I only wish to vacate  
my quarters here in  
time to be out of Fort Mason  
away as soon as he may  
come along.

Although I have  
found this a very pleasant



Station, I am not sorry  
to be relieved of the  
responsibility of repairing  
or rebuilding such a  
tumble down old Post.

Col. Gentry of "Ours"  
is by this time at  
McKinney where I think  
he will remain on  
the troubled waters.  
Our companies of the  
7th Inf have also I  
believe reached their  
destination safely.  
Major Spear leaves  
today for his new  
Regiment, the 25th.

If I should go  
to Fort Bridger, please  
consider my invitation  
to you & yours as simply  
transferred. That will



be a more pleasant  
summer resort than  
Cheyenne

With kind regards  
to Col. Mason and as  
the lawyers write —  
"et al."

I remain sincerely  
Yours &c &c &c  
Thomas H. Brown



No. 483 Fifth Ave, New York, March 12, 1883

Dear Sir:— We have been requested to send you an Illustrated Circular of our Health Apparatus, which we mail you to-day. We feel confident that you will appreciate its usefulness, which has already become wide-reaching. — The Apparatus is in use at the Post Schools of the U. S. Army, in Medical Schools and Sanitariums, and at Cornell and Sage Colleges; also in Hospitals, Academies, Private Schools, and Families all over the country. — The Wall Apparatus illustrated is especially recommended where numbers desire to exercise simultaneously. They require but little space, are strong, durable, and comparatively inexpensive. — You will recognize names on our Circular familiar to you. We are confident that you appreciate the subject and object of Physical Culture, and we trust it will give you pleasure to place these Circulars where they will give this all-important subject fresh impetus.

We trust our Circular will convince you that the use of our Apparatus would give added benefit to yourself, your patrons, and your friends.

We shall be pleased to receive an expression of your opinion upon this subject.

Sincerely Yours,  
Gifford Brothers.



Richardson

Dear Carl  
Mch 12. 1883

247



Chandler, Hon. W. E.

Washington  
Mch 12. 1883

File

NAVY DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON.

March 12, 1883.

My dear General:

Sickness has prevented  
me from sooner replying to your  
letter of Feb'y 22<sup>d</sup>. I will put  
your sons name upon the list  
for the President, and say  
favorable words for him. The  
President has seven appointments  
this year and of course there  
are many applicants. The  
125 he can probably easily



easily reduce to 25, but  
to select seven from the  
twenty-five will be difficult.  
The selection will not be left  
to me, and probably you  
had better address the President  
personally.

Yours truly  
W-E Chandler

Genl O.O. Howard

Omaha,

Neb.



Philbrick, L. J. H.

West Point  
March 12, 1883

Answered by the  
Genl. March 16/83

6476  
West Point, N.Y.  
March 12, 1883.

Gen. A. O. Howard,  
Dear Gen.

I wish to  
put in the hands of the  
Cadet Branch U.M.C.A. all  
the facts I can collect with  
reference to the Cadet Prayer-  
meeting, its history, who have  
been its active supporters,  
the conversions to which it may  
have led directly or indirectly,  
etc. Will you kindly furnish  
me such facts as may be known  
to you, and also give me the  
address of any persons from  
I may be able to obtain fur-

ther information.

I am,

with great respect,

Your obed't serv't.

J. N. Philbrick,

2d Lt. Inf.



E. S. Turner—Insurance & Real Estate.

250

Newburgh, N. Y., March 12<sup>th</sup> 1883.

Mr O. Howard,

Dear General:

Yours of 7<sup>th</sup> received.  
These stocks have been selling here recently  
at 131 to 135. I know of no higher  
sales than the last named figure.  
Investment securities are all lower  
now than when you bought, and these  
stocks share the general depression. You  
bought low, however, and can get some  
advance. The only way to do, is to execute  
the power of atty on the back of each  
certificate in blank send them to me  
in registered letter, and let me see  
as I have opportunity, giving me  
all the time possible, but saying when  
you want the proceeds. I will then  
do the best I can for you.

With kindest regards to yourself and family,  
I remain very truly yours  
E. S. Turner



Turner

Postcard

March 12. 1883

150

E. S. Turner Insurance & Real Estate.

Newburgh, N. Y. Office 12



# THE DEDHAM TRANSCRIPT,

H. H. McQUILLLEN, Proprietor.

LARGEST CIRCULATION OF ANY PAPER IN NORFOLK COUNTY.

PHENIX BLOCK,

COR. HIGH &amp; WASHINGTON STREETS.

Dedham, March 12th 1883

Major General O. O. Howard  
U.S.A.

Dear General—

Since I found the  
quiet of home after service from beginning to  
close in the war, and for several years  
thereafter under your control in South  
Carolina as an officer in the B. & F. and A. L.  
I have been promising myself to print some  
reminiscences of the period between the close  
of the war and the close of the operations  
of the Bureau. After leaving the latter  
in June 1864, I was in the revenue service  
in the mountainous districts of that state  
until I fell into the hands of the  
Ku Klux in Oct. 1870. I then engaged  
in journalism in Columbia until  
1875. While an officer of the Bureau,  
I was for much of the time an



Actg Asst. Insp. Genl of the troops at the various  
posts in the state: Engaged in ridding the  
community of outlaws and bushwhackers;  
and as an Aid to the Asst. Commr. was  
continually travelling the State over. The  
consequence is that my note books and  
"Scratch" copies of reports, contain  
an immense amount of matter,  
that does not appear on the sur-  
face of the numerous war  
narratives, histories &c, now prominent  
features in the public press

I find the generation that has come  
to years of understanding, since 1865,  
are woefully ignorant as a general  
thing of the true state of affairs  
as they existed after the war in the  
States that attempted to secede.

I am very respectfully,

Erastus W. Emerson



Mar. 12, 1883  
**The Dedham Transcript.**

VOL. XIV  
Mar 12/83

DEDHAM, MASS., 1883.

\$2.00 per Year.  
\$1.00 for 6 Mos.

296

The first number of the 14th volume of THE TRANSCRIPT, which will be issued April 7, 1883, will contain the beginning of a serial narrative of facts, incidents and observations relating to the first State that attempted to secede, and embracing the period which began in confusion, bordering on anarchy, immediately following the close of the war, and ended with the re-establishment of civil government, and covering the reconstruction measures. This narrative will be compiled from orders received, reports and investigations made, and memoranda kept by a citizen of this town, who entered military service upon the first call for troops in April, 1861, and who as an officer therein, during the time covered by the narrative, subsequent to the war, was actively engaged in the duties furnishing the material for it. As the narrative will embrace much that has never reached the public press, or ear, (especially at the North) which may, on the part of some, suggest further proofs than the bare statement of facts, it is hereby announced that any application through THE TRANSCRIPT office for permission to inspect the original papers, on the part of responsible persons, will be complied with.

Erasmus H. Emerson





NOTHING BUT THE

Main You toward  
N.J.A.