My dear friend,

After a long, cold, and in some respects, a dreary winter, I was refreshed by a kind and very interesting letter from you, under date 23rd of March, 1883. It was so soon reaching me after writing, that I felt quite near you. How small this world is getting to be! Since the use of steam and telegraphy, we were all glad to hear of your welfare and pleasant condition. How wonderfully your mother is preserved! I am glad to hear it, give our regards to her, and especially to your good wife, and to hear she has broken down.
Sometim, I don't wonder, she
usome heavy bending the
last 20 years, and has kept
up under the Mankhunly.
Now my eye will not
permit me to write much.
I desire you to thank her
for her kind invitation to go with
you to the "Yellowstone Park"
Nothing would delight us more
especially with the pleasure
of your good Company. Then
we 10 years younger and in
comfortable health. Strength,
but God has seen fit to lay
us by, pretty much of his
Call, which owes to our age
and infirmity cannot be for
distant, our Chief desire is to
be ready. He has been a you
know a hard Winter for in-
valid, and we have been very
much confined within doors.
The cuts in my face when eating have nearly ceased in this district. I am much better, but the pain in my eye and left side of my head still continued, though with less severity, I think than last year.

Mr. Buck cannot walk a block yet, has to ride to Ch. but those painful turns in her chest and arms are less frequent and less severe, and I am very much in hope of expectation that we will both improve in health after we reach the old home at Buckspout, which we hope to do last of June.

Mrs. Spofford has not been quite as well as usual the past winter but is better now. Our daughter is at the main street, but she got pretty tired in March after a long winter's attention to old people. Went to Phila. and about a couple of weeks with her friend; there is now
home and feel better, so we have abundant cause for gratitude to the great giver of all good. We all send our love to My Howard and accept a large share for yourself. Hope you will long live to serve your country and the Church. Your interesting family, faithfully, as for many years past, and then in God, own good time, have an abundant entrance into the rest that remains for His children.

My eye gives out. I cannot write more. Yours ever affectionate friend.

H.R. Rich
Dear father,

I returned today from Fort Cameron having spent four days there. On my way to that Fort from here I got the help of a drayman from Fresh to Wilford, there a spring wagon met me at. We reached Fort Cameron at two o'clock after a cold ride in a driving snowstorm. I had nearly four days work looking at old property pieces.
from breakfast till evening
writing and that which
I thought would be more
at present in my thoughts.
Colonel Osborne was
very courteous and polite
entertaining me very
pleasantly. With all his
peculiarities I formed
a much better opinion
of him than I had been
given to expect. Col.
Taylor did not appear
entirely understand my
telegraph. We knew that
an officer could be left as
a. Z. But Col. Osborne
thought it more difficult the
I did to close up all Post
Returns etc. on the 1st of May
the day after Lincoln, mail
those to be mailed to turn
the rest in boxes over to the
2nd for shipment, or new
the command out of the Post
its same day. I know you
wanted no appearance of delay
as I told him but if I thought
the inconvenience very great
I would telegraph. So I did.
The rest of part of the telegram
was for the Kirklinenair's
benefit. The wording of the
order says that the bodies
the staffs slept in could not
but as no action had been
taken by the Chief 2:00 as to
inquiry about the number
perhaps at this time they
broken reach the railroad
I don't believe any action has been taken. The mixed freight train that comes from Milford has not proper accommodation, so if the Chief 2-1-2 does not arrange with the Railway, the Port 2-1-2 should be instructed to do so. As to the stores, by endorsements on the lists the Port 2-1-2 is instructed to send some to Cheyenne and some to Douglas; but it seems most about two thirds as much on the Utah Central if shipped by car loads at car rates. The Port 2-1-2 was advised to act through the Dept. algebra, might he making a special contract, of which he had not yet been informed. I told them they did not hear from Head Office to telegraph & ask, which I may
was done yesterday.
General McCook is just personally superintending the piling up of the ground surrounding the post as the grass of beginning to appear, and the trees and he says he wants to do the spring cleaning. He is just finishing the coloring with a yellow wash, and the antelope buildings which adds much to the neatness of the place. I will remain here three days or four and then as I arrive go to dinner where I will be glad to
find a letter in one of
Vick's offices. If there
is no immediate need
of my return, I wish
you would write me this.

If there is anything else
I can tell you here,
I hope all will be well and
enjoying as pleasant a
spring day as I find
here at Dunlap. If you
went to go immediately
to McKinney I will bring
back but think it almost
too early yet. Both I
will at home
affectionately yours son
Eug.
Grinnell, Iowa,
April 8, 1853.

Gen. O.C. Howard
Omaha,

Dear Sir:

I have the pleasure, as per request from our Literary Societies of Iowa College, to invite you to deliver our annual address at Commencement this year in the last week of June. Can you oblige us? We will give data if you can.

Very truly,

George Russell, Sec'y.

Iowa College,
Grinnell,
Iowa.
Grinnell, Iowa
April 18, 1883

Received by the
End, Apr. 24th

[Handwritten text not clearly legible]
Omaha, Nov., Apr. 19, 1883

Dear General:

I enclose you the tract of which I spoke when I last was in conversation with you. I find it a good thing to keep passing from one to another so that one tract may be read by a dozen or more persons.

I failed to get to prayer meeting last evening.

Yours for the Master

Wesley R. Doxard
Washington, D.C. April 19, 1883

O. C. Howard
Post. Maj. General U. S. A.

Dear Sir,

I hold among the effects of this Company as collateral security to a note and an overdraft of one thousand dollars, three certificates of stock in the Young Men's Christian Association of Washington D.C., for sixty-three and one hundred dollars, respectively. These certificates were issued in your name and the one for sixty-three dollars bears your endorsement in blank. These certificates have not yet been endorsed by you and as I am unable to dispose of these without your endorsement or a power of attorney authorizing me to endorse and dispose of them, I will thank you to execute the enclosed power and return it to me at your earliest convenience. Please execute it in the presence of two witnesses and have your signature and seal attested by them.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]
Know all men by these presents that I, O.O. Howard, of the city of... of the city of Washington, District of Columbia, my true, sufficient and lawful attorney for me and in my name to sell, transfer, and assign certificates of stock of the Young Mens Christian Association of said city of Washington, District of Columbia, number 163 and 1795, for eight and one hundred, shares respectively standing in my name on the books of said company.

In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this day of A.D. 1883.

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of
Dear Joe Driscoll

O. O. 020000

Yours truly

Owen O. Almquist
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Received at Omaha

Dated Washington D.C. 20

To Mr. O. O. Howard

No Sales. Better wait till annual university meeting have written

P.H. Smith
Speer & Hulburd,

Grain Dealers.

M. F. Wait, Agent.

Keeping Water, Neb. 4/20 1883

Dear Mr. Howard,

I have been requested as Agent of Post 61 G.A.R. of this place, to extend to you our invitation to deliver the Memorial Address on the 30th of May at this place. This will be the two Post present also one Camp and some of War.

Your many friends are very anxious that you should be the one to give us a good talk on that occasion.

Yours in F. C. L.

M. F. Wait,
Agt Post 61
Please do not refuse
us this our first request.
we have never heard
any one him. at such a
time the much some one
very much their

Sent by Mr. 

Oct. 20 1882

Washington, D.C.
"PLEASANT HOURS" CLUB.

The One Hundred and Twelfth Club Reception will be given Friday Evening, April 20th, 1883, at 8:30 o'clock, at Masonic Hall.

C. E. SQUIRES, President. W. F. McMILLAN, Secretary.

Carriages at 12 o'clock. Street Cars in waiting.

SEE CLUB RULES ON OTHER SIDE.
CLUB RULES.

We, the undersigned, members of "THE PLEASANT HOURS," do hereby agree to pay the sum of Ten Dollars, ($10.00,) and a second assessment of Five Dollars, ($5.00,) or so much thereof as the Executive Committee may deem requisite and proper for parties during the present season, and to further subscribe to the following rules and regulations for its government:

1st. All persons now members of the Club, and in arrears against whom there are no unpaid assessments, are entitled to become subscribers.

2d. Persons not now members as above, shall be admitted to the same upon the approval of the Executive Committee and payment of an initiation.

3d. No member shall invite to the Club except residents of the city. Members desiring to invite friends from a distance shall apply to the Executive Committee, and, if approved the proper invitation shall be given.

4th. Persons now members of the Club for the season of 1882-'83 can only unite with the Club hereafter upon the payment of the first assessment.

5th. The annual subscription made to the Club shall be due to the first party of each season. Members shall not be entitled to attend the same until the payment of the same.

6th. The Executive Committee shall drop from the list of members all whose annual dues or assessments are unpaid for the space of ten (10) days after second notice from the Treasurer to pay the same.
West Point, N. Y., April 20, 1883.

Dear Father:

There is a choice of two courses for me and I want to describe them just as they appear to me. One is to strive for Bowdoin for I have started in that direction. The question arises how I shall get there. Mr. Houston and I looked over the work required and divided it up so that each day's work is laid out.

18 lines of Latin and 200 words a day, besides Ancient History and Geography. I have been out of school now for two weeks, on account of my eyes and headache. Last night I tried to study again for I felt very much better. The result was that when I stopped my head began to ache so that I had to stop out any usual gymnastic exercises.
fore going to bed. I passed a restless night and today made a failure of my recitations. I, no doubt, began work too soon. Headache today prevents my studying for tomorrow. Tomorrow's recitation must be omitted. Tomorrow being Friday I shall have a rest of three days, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. By that time I shall be well, but I do not think that I can go on with my extra lessons because hard use of the eyes brings violent headaches. This two weeks delay has increased the work for the future. I fear that it has spoiled my entering Bowdoin this year. If there were any intuitive by which I could learn without my eyes I would gladly be willing to try it; but how can I learn without my eyes what I can't do with them? i.e., in one year! I expected not only to get through the work here this term, but also to study all summer besides, for
more is required to enter Bowdoin than Andover, Williams, or Dartmouth.
As for tutoring, I know I could do no better with any other person than I have been doing with Mr. Hison. My time being fully occupied.
The best method, I see is you in-timated to strive for the Sophomore class. How to do this becomes the question. It can not be done here nor in Brunswick. The only place is in Omaha with you or some one you might choose. But, if I were to choose I would not choose this way yet, no doubt you know best. I would rather spend next year at home than anywhere else, but I fear I would regret it afterwards. I never knew any one (who had tried) to be satisfied with his studying at home. James tried it & I tried it. Education ought to be sought at school. There is no school for me in Omaha.
My choice is this; this is the course that I want to take & beg you to agree to it: Continue my studies as I am now doing until term ends, dropping this extra tutoring with Mr. Houston and studying until 11412 at night for that has nearly brought ruin to my health. Spend the summer with you in Omaha. Return in September to this same position (if Mr. Obst will be willing to make the same arrangements & pay me $500 besides). I have said nothing to him about it yet & I know that he would agree, but if he should not wish to do it I am sure I would rather stay in Omaha. I in either place I would be studying for a Med. Sch. in Boston or N.Y. Here I could keep up my Latin & study French & German better than in Omaha. $500 would be a good sum to start with. One year here in this way would give me a better preparation for medicine than 4 yrs in Bowdoin & broken health. I shall
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Washington, D. C., April 20th, 1883.

Dear General,

I telegraphed you this morning, "No sales. Better wait till annual University meeting have written." The only sale I can hear of for years is the Balloch stock, forced sale, at 4.10 per share of 25. I know little of the present condition of your negotiations with Dr. Pattons Executive Committee, but I feel confident that the Trustees in the June meeting will cancel your subscription. I intend to see several of the Trustees individually before that meeting. I should say a formal application direct to the Trustees for use at that time, would be desirable.

A statement of account to date, enclosed. Dr. Boque paid $15 on 15th inst. and promises to pay that amount each month until the tax of $66 is liquidated with interest. We have been obliged to have the 7th street...
store painted outside and in. Shall also have to have another stay on the show window made, to prevent further cracking. We shall altogether use up at least one months rent. Nothing in the way of general repairs has been done for several years, and this seemed to be necessary. Very truly,

J.N. Smith
Frank

[Signature]

Macungie
21st Oct 1893
Washington, D.C., April 21st, 1883

Sirs,

My dear Sirs:

Your disappointment and anxiety about your note, and the judgment of others as to what it would be legal and expedient to do, are natural; but they must not lead you to do injustice to anyone. I have carefully read over my two letters to you, and found no exhortation to you to proceed, whatever it might not have been unchristian to make, in a proper spirit. Mr. Dodge has for seven or eight years given $300, new money, to aid Theo. Student, s his legacy was intended to continue that help, Dr. Harvey had nothing to do with it, but Dr. Craighead had a conversation with him, just before the will was made. I do not expect you of any "shame," but I am anxious that nothing you now the University should now do any thing that should seem to give color to such a change.

Yours truly,

WM. W. Patton, President.
Washington, D.C.
April 21, 1883

Accorded by the
Genl. Apr 24/83.
Butte, Nebraska, April 23, 1888.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

I am requested by the Young ladies Christian Association of Doane College to invite you to deliver the annual address before them at the coming Commencement.

The time set apart for that purpose is the evening of Sunday, the 17th of June.

I very much hope you will consider the request. In that case I shall gladly give any further information desired.

Very truly,

Francisco L. Kendall, Comm.

Doane Coll., Nebraska.
Nendall, F.C.

Credo, Neb.
April 23. 1883.

Accorded by the Clerk
April 25, 1883
Oelwein, Iowa, April 23, 1883

Hon. C. W. Howard
Omaha, Neb.

Dear Sir:

I have applied for the West Point cadetship. If I have taken the liberty of addressing a few lines to you, in hopes that you will advise me. My action will depend on your answer. Is it possible for a young man to go there and retain strict moral habits and would the liberties of worship be abridged? Would what knowledge that a man obtains there, be a just reward for the persecution he would have to suffer? Please answer.

Yours Very Respectfully,

[Signature]
P. S. can a man resign and leave the Academy any time he wants to.

Celoria, Iowa
April 23, 1843

Signed by the said April 26, 1883.
Council Bluffs, Iowa, April 25, 1886

Dear Herlard
Omaha Orbe

Dear Sir,

Mr. Hidewalt was heard on radical kid, and arranged for a parlor conference. What day or night could you come, as we drew you swear very much.

My Wt. thought Sunday night would be the best day except to be here for 3 days. We also expected father from Indiana.

Looking to hear from you soon.
I assureFully yours on the mark.

Dr. Montgomery
Council House
April 23, 1883.

Accord by the
Genl. Apr 24, 1883.