P.S. The Bill which the Senate passed June 2/84, and March 5/87, gives me partial relief.

We need to use urgency to have it taken up in H. R.

In August '81, you wrote me a very cordial letter endorsing the whole claim. Please do for me more what you can. I greatly need help. — C. W. R.

To Gen. Howard.

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No. 1128 — 21st Street,
San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 8, 1884.

Gen. O. O. Howard, U. S. A.,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear General:

Maj. Gen. McDowell, U. S. A. retired, has endorsed my case as follows:

(Copy.) "San Francisco, Cal.,
Oct. 16, 1884.

I trust Congress will grant Chaplain Blake the measure of relief for which he asks.

(Signed) Irwin McDowell,
Maj. Genl. etc."

A true Copy.
Chas. M. Blake, U. S. A.

Will you kindly unite in a similar appeal to Congress in my behalf?

By today's mail, I beg to send you statement of present status of my case.

Yours with great respect,
Charles M. Blake,
Post Chaplain, U. S. Army, retired.

Nov 8/84

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GEO. W. BALLOCH,

PATENTS, CLAIMS, INSURANCE,

BOX 557,

Washington, D. C., Nov. 8th 1884

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

My Dear Genl.

On this your 54th birthday allow me to congratulate you on your continued health and prosperity, and I hope most sincerely that many years of usefulness and further honors are yet before you — I am reminded that twenty years ago this morning, your old 11th Corps staff gave you a birthday breakfast in Atlanta, on your return from the Chase after Stone. Many changes have transpired for both of us since then, but amid them all I have always had for you an affection second to no other man except my father; and time only increases it. I am rejoiced that during the last six months you have had a chance to visit foreign lands and see and enjoy so much. I am

reading your articles in the Tribune with great interest. You will no doubt notice in the issue of the 6th an urgent request for you to sketch the life of Col Cross of the 5th N.H. I am sure every survivor of that gallant Regt. would be glad to have you do it. I could aid you to some Extent & Lt. Col. Hammond of Concord could also aid. As you and I both know Col. Cross was not without his faults, (and who is?) but he gave his life for his Country, and those of us who are spared ought to do all we can to give his memory fitting honor. My own health is very good but I am aware, that the "Evening shadows begin to lengthen". My family are enjoying their usual measure of health. In our Church matters we are still unsettled. Dr Rankin's sudden withdrawal from the pastorate, was both a surprise and regret to those of us who were instrumental in getting him here as well as those who have come in since. It has always been a source of great joy to me to think, that it was you

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GEO. W. BALLOCH,

PATENTS, CLAIMS, INSURANCE,

BOX 557.

Washington, D. C., ... 188

and me who brought him to Washington — Never shall I forget the look that came over "dear Dan Eaton's" face, when we authorized him to send for him at our Expense — A change of Administration will no doubt weaken us some, but the future mission of the Church still looms grandly up before us — and we shall not turn back. The University is also doing well — It days of tribulation I think are over. Its graduates are recognized now in all departments of learning as Equal to any, and some of them (especially in the Medical) even better. There has been intense excitement here for the last three days over the Election, and it still, at this writing seems unsettled — Remember me kindly to Mrs Stone and Sladen and the Children — and believe me

Sincerely Yours

G. W. Balloch

Pallock, Esq.

Washington
Nov 8. 1884

du Paty de Clam
M. le Comte

Toulouse,
Nov 10. 1884.

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Mon Général,

J'ai l'honneur de vous adresser par l'intermédiaire de la maison Drexel, Harjes and Co, à Paris, les photographies pour lesquelles vous avez souscrit à Auch.

Vous en trouverez de deux formats : le petit format était le type convenu ; le grand format est une ampli-fication du cliché primitif que le photographe a consenti

à faire sans augmentation de prix, mais à raison d'une seule par officier présent dans le groupe.

Je vous prie de vouloir bien faire mes amitiés à Mr votre fils et à Mr le Lt Wisser en lui transmettant la photographie qui lui revient.

Permettez moi de saisir cette occasion pour vous exprimer combien j'ai été heureux d'avoir l'honneur de vous être présenté ; les relations cordiales que nous avons eues avec la mission des Etats-Unis pendant nos manoeuvres restera parmi nos plus agréables souvenirs.

Veuillez agréer, mon Général, l'assurance de mon respectueux dévouement

du Paty de Clam
Capitaine d'Etat Major
au 83e d'Inf.e

Union Pacific Railway Co.

GENERAL TRAFFIC MANAGER'S OFFICE.

Omaha, Nov 10th 1884

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Genl. O. O. Howard

Omaha Neb.

Dear Sir;

Will you kindly inform me if you will be in Omaha on the 17th inst?—

Yours truly

Thos L. Kimball

Genl. Traffic Mgr.

Kendall, Esq

Omaha, Neb.
Nov 10. 1884.

Answd Nov 11. 1884.

DREXEL, MORGAN & CO.
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New York.
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Philadelphia.
DREXEL, HARJES & CO.
Paris.

New York Novr 10 1884

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Maj Genl O. O. Howard
Omaha
Neb

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your favor of the 5th inst returning your Letter of Credit for cancellation & as requested hand you herewith our check for $3.24 due you as at foot

Yours truly
Drexel Morgan & Co

Balance of £ Cr drawn £2.16/3 @ 480½ = $13.51
Postages &c paid by D H & Co Fcs 51.35 @ 5 . 10.27
Balance $3.24

Dne Co.

Drexel Morgan & Co
Received
Nov 10 1884
Answered

New York Nov 10 1884

Mr. Jay Gould, Howard
Irvington
New Jersey

Dear Sir, We are in receipt of your favor of the 5th inst. enclosing your letter of Credit for consideration & measures that upon receipt of advice we will act for $13.24 due upon as at foot

Yours truly
Drexel Morgan & Co

Balance of Account Jan. 1/83 (a Abstr.) = $13.24
Interest received on Abstr. Jan. 31. 85 (a 5 . 10.27
Balance
$13.24
Drexel

Rev. G. J. Travis

Wayne, Nebraska.
Nov. 11th. 1884.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard,
My Dear General.

Having met you at the entertainment at the first Baptist church. Omaha, last week, I feel some-what acquainted with you. Many soldiers, friends and admirers are anxious to have you come out to our new town, which is only three years old, but, has now 1800 people and rapidly growing. Old soldiers and others want to look upon your face and take you by the hand and hear your voice.

Can you not arrange to come out this way some time in

be your lowest figures?

Please let me hear from you by return mail, and if you can come state time, terms and your "suffect."

How would Thursday, Dec. 25 or Jan. 1st. suit you.

An old soldier
G. J. Travis
Pastor of Bap. Church. Wayne
Nebraska

Dec. or Jan.?

Leaving Omaha at 8.30. a.m. you reach here at 5.30. p.m. on St. Paul and Omaha R.R.

We have four churches, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Methodist and Baptist. I have the honor of being pastor of the Baptist church. We are arranging to get up a course of lectures for the Winter—

The Ladies of the Baptist Aid Society are taking the matter in hand. Our church needs more furniture and they thought if any thing could be done in this way, it would afford both entertainment for the people and funds for the treasury—

Other eminent speakers will come by paying their expenses

If you cannot make the same liberal terms what would (over)

Van Blarcom, Mrs

San Francisco
Nov 11. 1884

Answered

122. Turk St S. F.
Cal.
Nov 11th 1884.

Major Genl O. O. Howard,

My dear Friend, I meant to be one of the first ones to welcome you back to your native land. But — ! And dont you love it dearly now you are come back, for all the turmoil and "real inwardness" of the campaign doesn't conceal, tho' it may mar the worth of our beloved land.

It was a great delight to your many friends to know you were again safely back among us. To ask, did you have a good time, would be I think like asking me if I am glad to see my boys. And looking yesterday in my birthday book, I find your sign-manual at the 1st Nov. So I add to my home-coming welcome the hearty love & good wishes that accompany our birthday thoughts

for you. A whole page will not be enough room to write out all the good things we wish for you so I shall let you ~~[illegible]~~ "read between the lines." Mr Van Blarcom & I are solitary — so far as family counts. Boarding is not pleasant as home keeping, & yet we could not be more comfortable, I think, unless in a home of our own. Grover is gaining in physical strength in his out of door work, & seems to find "grace & favor in the eyes of those with whom he has to do". What is the outlook of the country from your stand point? Are we to be set back almost a generation, or shall we rouse ourselves in the name of all that is good, pure true & "go forward". In case our democratic friends take the lead in the South, I fear they will feel as they did not in the days of the Confederacy, what a fearful thing it is to stir up strife. Such a delightful day it was, I enjoyed it in Omaha on my way home. And with much love to the home circle, & with thanksgiving for you are again with them,

Dear Fanny ever most truly,

Libbie R. Van Blarcom.

Grand Army of the Republic.

DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA.

Rev. J. C. LEWIS, Department Chaplain.

Fremont, Dodge Co., Neb. Nov 12 1884

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Gen O O Howard
Omaha Neb

Dear General

The Baptist Church of this city, of which I am pastor desires to increase their "fund for the poor" of our place. Please tell me what you will charge to come here and deliver your lecture on "Egypt."

Be kind enough to reply at once.

I am Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
J C Lewis

Lewis, Ill

Fremont, Neb
Nov 12 1884

The National Tribune.

(Established 1877.)

A First-Class Weekly Newspaper for the Farm and Fireside.

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Washington, D. C., Nov. 12th, 1884.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir:

On consultation with Capt. Lemon it has been decided inexpedient to allow Mrs. Holloway the permission that you solicited for her, and she has been written to that effect, couching the refusal in as inoffensive terms as possible. We should very much like to have granted the permission, especially on your own account, but there were reasons that rendered it impossible.

Your first installment of the battle of Gettysburg reached us yesterday. It was too late for the big edition which had already gone to press, but we have announced it, as you will see in this paper for next week, and we have no doubt that it will be read with great interest. How many numbers of it do you think there will be?

Quite a number of your articles failed to come to hand. We will have a memorandum made of them and sent you.

I called on Col. Scott the other day in regard to the document relating to Gettysburg and, as I understood him, he expected you to make a formal application to him for them. If ~~Have you~~ you have a file of the National Tribune you will see what omissions have occurred, and how far we have progressed.

How many numbers do you think you can devote to the Atlanta campaign?

Very sincerely yours,

The National Tribune.

No answer.

Received Oct 18 1884

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Harvard, Neb. Nov. 13/84.

Gen. O. O. Howard
Military Division the Platte,
Omaha Neb.:

My Dear Sir: You may remember that just before you left for Europe I wrote you about a lecture for our town, as you were delivering your lecture on Gettysburgh at that time. Now you have returned to us how will it meet your plans to give us a lecture in the near future on some topic popular with yourself? An early response will be grateful.

Very Truly Yours,
E Bonthworth.
Post. Cmy. Ch.
Harvard.

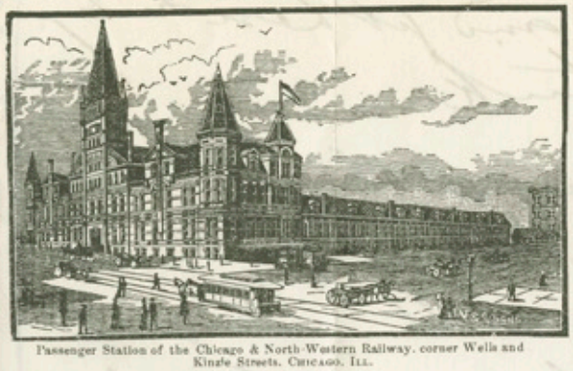
Leavenworth, Neb. C.

Harvard, Neb
Nov 12. 1884.

Answ'd

THE CHICAGO & NORTH-WESTERN RAILWAY CO.

THE DINING CAR ROUTE
TO THE WEST AND NORTHWEST.



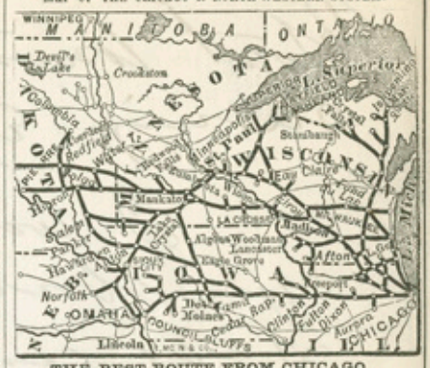
Passenger Station of the Chicago & North-Western Railway, corner Wells and Kinzie Streets, Chicago, Ill.

MILEAGE OF THE CHICAGO & NORTH-WESTERN SYSTEM.

August 1st, 1883.

Chicago & North-Western R'y, (Proper,)	1,214.88
Elgin & State Line Railroad,	47.44
Iowa Midland Railway	73.57
Chicago, Iowa & Nebraska R. R.	82.40
Cedar Rapids & Missouri River R. R.	274.30
Stanwood & Tipton Railway,	8.50
Maple River Railroad,	116.30
Des Moines & Minneapolis R'y	57.45
Iowa Railway Coal & Mfg. Co.,	3.25
Toledo & North-Western R'y	309.35
Iowa South-Western Railway,	52.10
Chicago, Milwaukee & N. W. R'y,	464.41
Rock River Railway,	6.10
Galesville & Mississippi River R. R.	6.64
Winona & St. Peter Railroad,	453.04
Dakota Central Railway,	537.11
CHICAGO, ST. PAUL, MINNEAPOLIS & OMAHA RAILWAY.	
Eastern Division,	337.50
Northern Division,	255.00
St. Paul Division,	166.00
Sioux City Division,	318.00
Nebraska Division,	189.00
Total Miles,	5,028.24

MAP OF THE CHICAGO & NORTH-WESTERN SYSTEM.



THE BEST ROUTE FROM CHICAGO
TO CALIFORNIA
AND THE NORTHWEST.

THOS. MORLEY, Ticket Agent.

S. T. FRENCH,
R. B. WILSON,
S. F. ANTES,
D. A. DODGE, } Assistants.

PASSENGER STATION,
CORNER OF WELLS AND KINZIE STREETS,
CHICAGO, ILL., Friday Nov. 1 8 1884

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Dear Brother:

Can you & Lizzie come over and attend our Cong'l Club meeting next Monday night. It begins at 5½ P.M. & lasts till 10 P.M. It is ladies night – The ladies attend only twice a year – once in the Spring or early Summer & at this time. The subject is the "Church's duty to her Children" or to that effect. We all want to see you both & have a visit very much & particularly mother who now sits up most of the time & is well enough & cheerful to enjoy your visit. Fearing this may be too late for many telegraph tomorrow, We would hope you might come & spend the Sabbath. I

Peoria I am to lot. But you can start tomorrow morning and get here early morning Early I think.

I want very much to consult you about my future business, I shall certainly leave the Tribune Feb. 1st if not before. Capt. Lemon has written a letter in quite bad temper, asking me to resign. Evidently someone is working against me & wants my place.

If I could join the more I would be glad (for a stock Co.) to buy the Tribune & turn it in the direction I hinted to you.

I will hope to see you soon — Don't linger out to come on & drop tow.

Very affectionately
C. H. Howard

Mother send the
your birth-
day and
prayer

Van Blarcom, A.L.

San Francisco
Nov 13. 1884

Answered

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San Francisco Nov 13th/84

My Dear General

I will just write a few lines to enclose with Mr Van Blarcoms letter, to greet you on your return home. I hope you had a pleasant time while away & enjoyed visiting places familiar to you in reading, but which have an added charm after we have visited them.

I feel very badly about the result of the election. It is not an increase of strength to the Democratic party, by the spread of their principles, for I do ~~I do~~ not think they are as numerous as formerly,

The defection of the Forehead Republicans like G W Curtis Carl Schurz & others, and the vindictiveness of the Prohibition party took away so many from the Republicans that it weakened them & gave the Democrats the advantage. I am disgusted with the Prohibitionists & lay all blame to them of defeating Blaine. I send you a S F Chronicle giving the views of the Long Ministers as expressed in the Monday Club No 10 - you will see they have made me their Chairman for this term

With kind regards to Mrs Howard & wishing you health & happiness.

I am yours Sincerely

Genl O O Howard
Omaha

Alvies Van Harem