



# Michigan Military Academy.

Office of Superintendent.

Orchard Lake, Mich. May 26 1885

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GEN. O. O. HOWARD, U. S. A.

DEAR SIR:-

As we have engaged in the education of boys for many years and have had several thousand under our charge between the ages of fourteen and eighteen years, the most critical period of their lives, we fully appreciate the importance of our work. We now seek to learn the opinions of thoughtful, active men, whose experience will aid us in our difficult task.

We shall write to fifty of our public men asking each for six or more lines of "Advice to Boys." The replies to these letters will be published in our Academy News. We should be very grateful for such a contribution from your pen,

Very respectfully,

Your obd't<sup>t</sup> servant,

J. Sumner Rogers  
Col. Mich. State Troops, Supt.

Rosen,

# Orchard Lakes

May 22, 1880.

Answers

EDWARD J. G. MURRAY

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# Sunday School Assembly.

SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION.

Forest Park, Ottawa, Kansas, June 23d to July 3d, 1885, Inclusive.

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Office of President,

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Atchison, Kansas, May 26 1885.

Gen A. C. Howard

dear Sir

We will expect your Lecture  
on your way to Ottawa. According to  
the Ottawa Program, the G. A. R. Day when  
your first lecture is advertised there, is  
July 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr Hurlbut says he would like  
to have you there "a couple of days sooner if  
you can come." Would it suit you to name  
as your date here Thursday June 25<sup>th</sup> or  
Friday June 26<sup>th</sup>?

very truly yours  
D. Oliver

Atkins, Orme.  
May 26, 1885.

W. H. Miller, Esq.

HARTFORD LIFE  
and ANNUITY INSURANCE COMPANY,  
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Hartford, Conn., May 26, 1885.

STEPHEN BALL, SECRETARY.  
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Dear Sir:-

The consent of every member having been obtained, the consolidation of the Security Fund membership with that of the Safety Fund is effected and we therefore herewith enclose you Safety Fund Certificate in exchange for your Security Fund Certificate, with same conditions in the new Certificate as in the old.

Please send the Security Fund Certificate to us by return mail and oblige.

Respectfully yours,

Stephen Ball  
Secretary.

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May 26. 1885.

Answered

June 23. 1885.



EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT  
THE CENTURY MAGAZINE  
UNION SQUARE NEW YORK

4<sup>th</sup>/8

May 27<sup>th</sup> 1885

Your manuscript,

entitled *Jackson's attack upon the  
right at Chancellorsville* has been received  
and will be read and the decision communi-  
cated to you as promptly as possible.

If necessary to write us on this subject  
please MENTION #4860

Yours truly,

EDITOR THE CENTURY MAGAZINE.

"Century",

New York  
May 27<sup>th</sup> 1885

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Blackwood, S.D.  
Brooklyn Town  
May 27<sup>th</sup> 185-

~~John~~

General Howard

Dear sir i take  
this liberty after  
5 years. faithfully serving  
in the army to write  
to my old department  
ment commander to  
ask him the favor  
of some infleyement  
there in the country  
or to my thing else  
i shall try and  
discharge my duty  
if you can obtain  
any thing for me to  
do i remain your obed  
sir

L L Blackwood  
late of Co D 3<sup>rd</sup> infantry  
U.S.A.

address

L. D. Blackwood

L. D. Blackwood

Box 304

Brooklyn

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Railway Mail Service,

OFFICE OF CHIEF CLERK,

Des Moines, Iowa, May 28, 1885.

Gen O.O. Howard

Dear Sir - I have been  
instructed by the Old Soldiers  
Association for the District to write  
you and ascertain whether arrangements  
can be effected with  
you to meet with us on July 4<sup>th</sup>  
to address the association at their  
annual encampment. Please  
address me at Hoblondale at your  
earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Adley

Wiley, A.

Adel, Iowa

May 28. 1885.

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Form No. 1.

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To Genl O. O. Howard

Regret article would be spoiled  
for us if abstract given

Eaton Century

John Gaskins  
May 28 1885

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Omaha May 28 - 85

My Dear General,

C&H

I have heard that you are preparing  
a "war paper" for The Century. Will you let  
us know what you can afford to about it, and  
impart the information to the bearer, Mr. Ross?  
I should like above all things to examine  
your MSS., but fear that is out of the question.

I am yours sincerely,

Fred S. Jr.

M. O. O. Howard

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J. W. WEEKS,  
Post Commander.

H. M. WHEELER,  
Post Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS  
**GARDEN CITY POST, No. 257,**  
DEPARTMENT OF KANSAS  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Garden City, Kans., May 28<sup>th</sup> 1885.

Gen'l. O. O. Howard:

Dear Sir, Your committee, jointly composed of comrades and citizens, earnestly solicit your acceptance of an invitation to a Grand Western Army Meet and Fair to be held in this this new city of the far west July 2<sup>d</sup>, 3<sup>d</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> '85.

The occasion will be one of national importance and the thousands of frontier veterans and hardy pioneers who revere your name will delight with us to greet you and do you honor.

Hoping to have the favor of an early and favorable reply

We are Yours sincerely,

citizen  
com.

S. C. Holmes

G.A.R. Com.

W. A. Minns

J. T. Pearce.

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Carson City, Nev.

May 28, 1885.

James



Carlin, Gen W.P.

Ft. Omaha

May 28. 1885

Answered

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Fort Omaha, Neb  
May 28<sup>th</sup> - 1885

General O.O. Howard:

Dear General:

Will you

please give me the particulars  
of your wound by a Cannonball  
at New Hope Church, in the Cam-  
paign to Atlanta in 1864; and  
also if you and Big Bill, R.W. Johnson  
and J.M. King, were near each  
other when General Johnson was  
wounded. In a late number of  
the National Tribune was published  
a statement of mine that three  
General officers - Quincy, Johnson and  
King were struck by the same  
Cannon Ball, without serious  
injury to either, except that

You were compelled to bear a ~~slipper~~  
on the foot struck by the ball, for  
several days. I did not intend  
in the least to reflect on any of the  
three officers by the remark, but  
as I remembered N. it was a remarkable  
one incident in War, and therefore,  
I mentioned it. You Johnson  
has written to me and complains very  
seriously because I said none of the  
officers were seriously injured,  
whereas, as he claims, several of his  
ribs were broken, and he was  
compelled to retire from active  
service in consequence.  
It was not intended to reflect on him or any  
one or to call in question his retirement  
or the cause thereof, but simply to state  
a remarkable incident. Johnson  
says you were more than a  
mile away when he was  
wounded. I do not dispute this  
fact, or any other. I merely

desire to know if you, Johnson and  
King were near each other  
when a Cannon ball ~~badly~~ struck  
struck you, and if the same ball  
struck them. I only made the  
statement on recollection and hearsay,  
and only now desire to know the  
simple truth, in order that I can  
make any correction that may  
be just.

Very truly yours  
Wm. Martin

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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,

542 Main Street,

Kansas City, Mo. May 28<sup>1885</sup>

~~1885~~

Brig. Gen. J. O. Howard

Dear Sir -

I have your

favor of the 27<sup>th</sup>

I will try to get the Ottawa people to change dates, so as to give us the 27<sup>th</sup>. Please reserve that date for our Y.m.c.a. conference until I hear from them if it can be done.

You can help us so much, that I want to have you there.

Yours sincerely  
F. A. Hatch

Hatch, O.R.

Oklahoma City

May 28, 1885.

Answered

Morrow, Genl. H. A.

At Sidney, Neb.  
May 29, 1885,

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Sidney, May 29, '85

My dear Genl. Howard,

Order no. 9,  
has been received. It is  
one of the very best orders  
which has been publish-  
ed & the Army since  
the war. It is to be giving  
of a revolution in our  
army life. You have done  
a great thing. Now follow  
it up by detailed instruc-  
tions as to what shall be  
done in the camps.

I depend upon it you  
have done a great

for the American Army.  
General Terry has just  
published a fine order  
in respect to maps. Have  
you seen it? Your  
Dept. is virtually without  
a map.

If Gibbon is promoted,  
as I hope he will be,  
I shall be in com-  
mand at Pine  
Bluff. Should it be

my mind what I would  
do to give full force  
respect to your order.  
But none of this hereaf-  
ter.

Yours very  
Truly A. M. Ward

J.M.WOOLWORTH,

Counselor at Law.

NEBRASKA NATIONAL BANK BUILDING.

Elevator Entrance on Twelfth Street,

OMAHA,

May 29, '85.

Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir:-

I am authorized by the Trustees of the South Omaha Land Syndicate to propose to the Government an exchange of a tract of about five hundred acres of land in Sarpy County, about five miles from this City, on the Union Pacific, <sup>and the</sup> Burlington & Missouri River Railroads, for the forty acres on which Fort Omaha is situated. The present Fort and all the government property at the same which is moveable are to be transferred to the land we offer, and the Fort is to be there established and maintained.

If you are disposed to approve this proposition it will give the Trustees great pleasure to take you to these lands at any time convenient for you, in order that you may be able to speak advisedly upon the subject in your communications with the General of the Army and the Department.

As I shall not be in town for some weeks I will thank you to address any answer you may be disposed to make to Mr. J.M. Woolworth, who is Counsel for the Trustees.

I am, Very Respectfully Yours,

A. H. Seward  
President.

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Dixon, C. C.

Omaha

May 29, 1885.

Enclosed

is a copy of the "Omaha Journal" of May 28, 1885, containing a full account of the "Great Fire" of Omaha.

It is a good account of the fire, and I hope you will find it interesting.

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May 29/85.

Gen O. O. Howard

Omaha, Neb.

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Dear Sir,

You probably received our telegraphic reply to your message of yesterday.

We regret not being able to see that it would do no

harm to print an abstract of your Chancellorsville paper in the Omaha newspaper. Not having had time, as yet, to decide up on the availability of the paper, we of course have no right to request that an abstract should not be given to the news-

papers; but if<sup>3</sup> we are to use  
the paper it would certainly  
be premature to make such an  
announcement at this time, and  
particularly to publish a synop-  
sis of its contents, since we shall  
not reach the Chancellorsville  
campaign before next Spring. If  
a synopsis of the article were  
printed, public curiosity would  
be partly satisfied in advance  
of our publication.

We enclose a skeleton map  
of the battle-field of Seven Pines,  
and would be obliged if you  
would indicate on it, as near-



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ly as possible, the position of your command early on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June and, so far as you remember, the positions of Birney, on your left; French, who we suppose~~ff~~ occupied nearly the same ground as yourself;

and Meagher,<sup>5</sup> who we suppose~~ff~~ held the line on your right as far as Fair Oaks Station.

Did Meagher's line of battle cross the railroad? It is not clear, so far as the reports are concerned, that he proceeded far south of the railroad.

6.

In your report, you speak of advancing within sight of Casey's camp at Seven Pines. Do you mean the camp immediately about Seven Pines, or the camp and redoubt a quarter of a mile west of Seven Pines?

Did your command reach, or cross, the nine-mile road in that charge, and was the ground about Seven Pines reoccupied by our troops in the afternoon of that day? The reports do not mention such occupation before the following day, June 2; and the Confederate reports man-



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imously claim that  
they held the ground  
about Seven Pines<sup>until</sup>, ear-  
ly in the morning  
of June 2.

Hoping for an  
early reply to these  
inquiries, we are

Very truly yours,  
Editor Inc.

C. C. G.  
C. C. G.

Century

New York  
May 29. 1885.

Answered

Sheridan, Gen. P.R.

Washington

May 29. 1885.

Date

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HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE  
UNITED STATES  
WASHINGTON D.C.

May 29th 85

Dear General:

Your letter of April 29th,  
in regard to the purchase of  
four (4) large horses to take  
the place of Mules in your  
two (2) spring wagons, I found  
here yesterday upon my return  
from the west.

There may be special cases  
where a deviation from the

rule laid down in General Orders No. 59 of 1883 would be expedient, but as an exception would constitute a precedent— probably to be cited by others and perhaps abused,—the exceptions finally to become the rule, I feel that it would be better to adhere strictly to existing orders.

I should, for this reason, feel constrained to disapprove

all similar applications

yours truly,

D. L. Sheridan

Lient. General

Brig. Genl O. O. Howard

Omaha, Neb.



State of Nebraska.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

Lincoln, May 29<sup>th</sup> 1885.

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Gen O.O. Howard,

Omaha, Neb.

Dear Sir:

Answering your favor of the 28<sup>th</sup> instant, I am directed by Governor Dawes to inform you that there is no fund out of which to pay expenses of Delegates. He is of the opinion, however, that reduced rates might be secured from the railroads, if delegates will make application to the proper officials.

Respectfully yours,  
John B. Coffman,  
Secretary

Hoffman, D. C.

O. Lincoln

May 29, 1885,

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to gain \$85 to go round my government

and again it don't reward yo' labor

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possible class like theyable to accomplish it

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enough do it. I hope you

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Gen O O Howard

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Genl. the army of Veterans & Citizens  
of this place would respectfully  
request that you permit <sup>major</sup> Summers  
& his command to remain here today  
& participate in our memorial  
services. G L Colv Commander

Ramkins post 35

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Cincinnati

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May 30/85

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Burlington & Missouri River Railroad in Nebraska.

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Omaha Neb 5/30 [1885]

Gen Howard

Aurora Neb

Fallowing of disigated record  
last night from Beatrice  
the army veterans & citizens  
of this place respectfully  
request you permit  
major Schuyler of his command  
to remain here tomorrow  
and participate in our  
memorial services. G. L. Colv  
Commander. Paulus Post  
J. E. Hie Chairman  
State reunion Committee  
T. Slade Aide

Bladen, Capt J.A.

Omaha, Neb.

May 30-1885

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