West Medford, Mass.
July 21, 1885

Dear Mother,

Lizzie Our, wrote me a very brief note announcing the death of her mother Sunday last. She had been some time unresolving.

Thus closes the last tragedy that life which opened with so much beauty, joy, and promise.

When Uncle John brought her to our house in Leeds, after the kind visit to her deceased lover's home in Greene, I will never forget how bustling We learned upon her arrival. Indeed, even now, I can see the love light in her eye as she looked up to him. They were happy together.
only for a little while. The Winter
in Washington was gay and
jovial, but her misfortune
after another came to her
Sisters. Uncle failed in
business. Then came paralysis
and death. Her fortune was
a relief and comfort to him
after the loss of his own. She
was a pure, mild woman and
a long though too indulged
mother in 1857 when her
husband of Mary, Sam & Fannie,
and reared among the old
forks. Then came the sad
rumors about her associates
by mother lawyers,
the plundering of her estate, her
desperate marriage to that
ignorant, vulgar, coarse-minded
Coachman. She wrote the rest
of her property & she became
partially insane. The children
have been industrious, frugal, and kind to their mother. No story is finished. She had no apparent trust in God. No love to her children. The bitterness of deceit and disappointment fell upon her heart with no shield between. Soon thankful might we to be that we can sing with Bedecked, with grateful heart, the host as own, the future, all to be unknown, for to the guardian care commit, shall peaceful close before the feet.

When death shall interrupt these songs, and seal in silence mortal tongues, our Helper, God, in whom we trust, in better worlds, our souls shall know.

I love Lizzie note t. Aunt.
Martha Jane. I have read the new life of Our, with intense interest as you will. There are many minor errors but, in the whole, it is a good and valuable book. I received nothing from Gemar for a long time. I wish I could run in and see you. I wish to more than the full measure of my thought being troubled with a dizzy head. My family are well as usual. They came home last Friday. Mr. Chadwick & Maria Kenyon & other company Friday. I have had some uncomfortable hot days & plenty of mosquitoes. But, in the whole, we are getting along well. Our trips to give up this place this week go on a "salt fish" (at sea) for
A week or two and left 1st to become a commercial traveler for M. & A. Palmer Wholesale Millinery of Portland at 50% per month and board expenses. He is very hopeful of doing better than he could do in a flour store job as an entry clerk, on 32 1/2% per month salary. But I think those times away from home & on the road. His special wife, Velia Dalton of Grovets, a niece of Mr. Palmer. is three years or more older than Oli, a prejudice Christian, a strong-minded capable girl not afraid to work and of present bearing a remarkable influence over Oli. The means to be named next March after he is 21 in February. She is a little better.
Answered July 27/85

New" aged 8, is to visit us later.

He is in Chicago where the

for an Aunt.

will write me an excellent

letter yesterday. He says he

do not notice any change

in his domestic life or

any place for a while in

his office. David will

try to find some company

where he can do something.

He is just about through

with what his Grandfather

left him and must depend

upon himself. The tile house

is more than nothing & constant

efforts. My Uncle, Lincoln Fielden

is poor too - Helen joins me in

the joy all. You will get

my new paper this week.

Yours affe.

David funeral Saturday. People

examination that attended at the Boro.


Mound City, Pulaski Co., Illinois,

July 21st, 1885.

General O.O. Howard, A. W.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir,

On the 31st ult. the Barefield, late
Seaman, (Captain of the U.S. Steamer
"Marmora" of the Mississippi Flotilla,
in the war of the Rebellion made an
application through hand to the Hon. 17th
Auditor of Treasury Department Washington
D.C., alleging that he enlisted in the service
in 1863 before Christmas and was discharged
June 18th, 1865 from said service on account of
the close of the war, that he only received while
in the service a per diem and dollar from the
purse of the Bats as a subscription to
Lincoln's Monument, and $2.25 from a
man by the name of Wilson in
Johnsonville, Tennessee for back pay &c.
By my letter from the Hon. 17th Auditor,
Treasury Department Washington D.C.
I am informed that said Thos. Barefields money was paid to you as Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau, Dec. 13th 1867. Please let me know how the case stands and how I must proceed to get the money due Thos. Barefield. I parted with my tr Mos. and cap on the part of said Thos. Jackson, but await your answer.

Hoping to hear from you by return of mail I am very much at your service.

Thos. Smith
Attorney and Collector

P.S. The money due Thos. Barefield was paid you by Paymaster C. P. Jackson at Washington, D.C. Janry 25th 1868.

[Signature]

July 27, 1885

[Signature]
Howard, C.H.

Omaha, Neb.

July 23, 1885.

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Headquarters Department of the Platte,

Omaha, Neb., 23d July, 1885

Dear father,

I have received the execution note from Mr. Buck.

It is the interest on the mortgage on your house for a long year and amounts to about 85.

I forgot it at the time but have spoken of it since though I thought it would do just as well to pay the whole next December.

Jeanie is recovering from her cold. Jeanie is improving thoroughly comfortable now. I have not yet seen the mare.
Captain Sladen wrote about:

He is the Keeper of the Law and on the road to Carson Station and was accustomed to come to the barracks with a wagon to take men over to his place on that account was forbidden to come on the reservation. The high streams have yet gone down sufficiently to make the fishing good. I have been spending some time firing on the target range but have done little else. I saw the U.S. Helper Telegraph office editorial in your name of the Mormon question which though not accurate will do no harm.

I see that you are now having hot weather but hope all are well at home with love to Mother, Berrie & the boys.

Affectionately your son

May
Headquarters Division of the Missouri, and Adjutant General's Office.

Chicago, Ill., July 22d, 1857.

To

Brigades General O. O. Howard,
Commanding the Dept. of the Platte,
Omaha, Nebraska.

My dear General:

Your letter of July 21st has been received and submitted to the Division Commander, who requests me to say, in reply, that, whenever you may happen to be beyond the reach of the telegraph during your trip, he desires you to instruct the Adjutant General at your headquarters to report to this office, by telegraph, such matt
ters as may be important for him to know and regarding which the issuing of orders may be necessary.

Very respectfully yours Obdr.

Chas. N. Wyman
Assistant Adj't. General.
Grissfield, Kans.
July 2, 3.

Considerable activity here, due to the soldiers. Corn generally looks well. Adios.

Theodore C. Wilson
Gen. G. O. O. Howard
Omaha, Neb.
April 15th, 1865

My dear sir,

I am much pleased to hear of your arrival in Washington. I am sure you will enjoy your stay there.

I have been busy recently and have not had much time to write. However, I am looking forward to seeing you soon.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
I believe we met since the S.S. Asaph left
at Fajella. God has been very good to me and
mine. His mercy endures forever.

Even a grain has found its last
rest. To must we all, save a human
soul, come to the conflict. May he have
victor in the end.

And feed you fire an occasion
for help and heard in our Mr. Detha's
letter. With high regard to the old one

Saml N P Barnett

July 16th 1865

Bounty Reina Co.
July 24, 1885

Dear Brother:

Your kind letter giving program for the tour was what we desired. Miss Adelheid had it done in the carriage, last evening, as we were taking a ride. (Kitty does not use her eyes much for reading.) I trust the trip will do her good notwithstanding the "sister." But confidentially, I must say a word or two. The Aug. 3 is no fixed date, and better not be changed. But it so happens that not only Kitty but probably both the other cousins as well. I will need to remain from horseback riding if gaining with Friday, the 1st. Of course
it is not possible to say exactly the
day. It might be Saturday or Sunday,
and for at least for five or six
days Kitty should not ride home
back. Perhaps there would be
no harm in riding in the Ambulance
any of those days or all. And yet
it would certainly be better for Kitty
to an absolute rest from travel for
two or three days.

Just here your plan seems provisionally
adoptable to the need. From our somewhat un-
perfect data we conclude you will reach Ft.
Wachallee Thursday night and could
remain there until Tuesday. If that
is practicable it will be the thing to do for
all and Kitty could go forward partly
thinking in the Ambulance, if not able, then
to take to home. 188

If you can settle absolutely this point of the trip we can to give the three days absolute rest with a possibility of ambulance for Kitty for two days more—the whole
plan will seem to be feasible.

There are two other alternatives: one not to start till the 10th; the other
not to lose Kitty. She feels greatly concerned that I have no occupation yet, not coming
any where near last February to
earn very fast enough. Thereby
vanishing a great many various marks.

If I were in Santa Fe, I

unanswerable
...living Kelly would feel much better after going away...

I am offered a place with the American Oxygen Co., as Secretary of the Administration, to begin Oct. 1, at $22.00 a month. It is yet two months of salaries not very soon paid & adopted to my family. Furthermore, 3% not so large a salary as I ought now to have.

Now enjoying Mrs. Buschman's visit. She desires to go to Chicago tomorrow. We will take a drive with her tomorrow morning. In the meantime this many: mother. This full of the news. God "Howard"

Is so much of the news. God "Howard"...
Eau Claire, Wis., July 24, 1885

My dear Mr. Howard,

Would it be possible for you to deliver an address to our YMCA sometime at your convenience between the 15th of September and the 15th of October? It is the occasion of our 45th Anniversary and we make a good deal of those celebrations. Rev. Robert West of Chicago delivered the address last year. We believe you could do us much good.

Hoping for a favourable reply regarding dates, yours,

[Signature]

W. Lougee
New Kiowa, Kan., July 25, 1885

Dear Sir:

I am going into Texas via Santa Fe Railway. Best regards.

[Signature]

George E. Wilson

[Signature]
July 23rd 1885

Dear Mr. Howard,

I am instructed by Committee to inform you that Memorial Services will all be over so that you can leave by 12 P.M. on day of same.

Yours Truly,

W. N. M. Pusey
E R A M  R A N D

July 25, 1886

[Handwritten text not clearly legible]
O. O., Harvard.

Omaha, Neb.

Dear Sir:

After well wishes to you and family, I would say that I am directed by the Company to go to Fort Kearney, and see what can be done then among the Army officers. I don't know of any thing that would be of more assistance to me in securing business there. Than a letter of introduction from you, stating you are a friend with us, the more the better as you may dictate. I know the kind of good you can write, and the good
it does when written, I must respectfully ask that you will favor me with such a one at your earliest convenience.
I go there on the 27th inst.

I do much regret that I did not have the pleasure of meeting you at Ottawa during your visit there. 

Sicknes in my family was the cause. I may not do as well as I hope them from you soon.

I remain your much obliged

AUS. H. PIETY.
Piety Aus. H.

July 25, 1885.

As per letter of introduction to officer as unfortunate.

Answered July 27, 85.
Nebraska City, Neb., July 27th, 1885

Dear General,

I learn this morning, that you are to deliver an address, at the memorial services to Genl. Grant, at Council Bluffs in a few days; provided you can come. If you conclude to, will you have the kindness to inform me at what time the services are to take place as a friend of myself desire the present to listen to you.

Yours Very Respectfully,

Albert S. Cole

Genl. D.T. Howard

Omaha, Neb.
July 27, 1885

Sir,

We have read your letter dated July 13th, and

(Note: The text is not legible in the image.)


[Signature]

The Omaha News Company,

C. H. Watts

Manager.
July 27, 1885

No answer required
Chrisfield Kan. July 27th 1885

Dear General:

I think I express a very general wish of this command in saying that we would like very much to get back to your Department. So long as there was any prospect of active service we were more than willing to remain, but now that there seems to be no probability of active operation camp life has become very tedious.
The excessive heat under canvas is also causing serious illness, many soldiers running from high altitudes. The sick list in my battalion of the 7th. is not very large, only nine this morning, but many of those that were sick are very severely so. The morning saw another 100 in the hospital, nearly every day since we have been here.

What are all of the Ninth Pennsylvans, that if the whole or a part of our Regiment are more...

Here, that we will have new chance for our exchange to an Eastern station which we have been promised, we are the only regiment which has received some East of the Mississippi. This Indian scare belies the Kansas brave in the midst of danger. Have ever heard of an Indian war not being fought in this county.

Yours forever,

Remain Sincere, with great respect,

Nemours. W. Anderson
Mein lieber Herr Emanuel.

Ich habe so lange und so die nicht gesehen habe, das ich Ihnen einen kleinen Brief schreiben muss, ich ich Freude nimme. Ich habe eine sehr, schöne, eine ganz schöne Woche in Olsnitz verbracht. Wir waren sehr viel im Wald und im Bauf. Prell sind, ich war oft in das Wald, und die Geschichten hier habe ich halb die einige Blätter festig zu machen. Sprach ich sehr mit der Kindern, was ihnen und mit meinen nicht machte. Die Zeit ging so schnell hin, dass ich nicht wissen war.
Heute ist es morgen und bevor die
Leute dazum. Ich habe meine
Heizer, aber ich schaue nicht alles hink.
Ich meine es auch nicht so, ich wäre
nur mit meinen Augenblicken, in denen
ich mich in verschiedenen Dingen
bewegt.

An dem Schirmstange habe ich in
der Kirchhofsgruppe noch einen
Unscharfen getroffen. Das
war eine Macht, aber es wurde
nicht so von Ende, alles andere
war aber korrekt und schnell.

Ich freue mich und Sie und...
July 28/65.

Dear General Howard,

I hope that you, through the aid of your own personal supervision, may be able to bring to the attention of the Secretary of War the discharge of certain civilian employees at this post. The Quartermaster (Mr. F. L. Pattee) has suggested to the Assistant Quartermaster the discharge of Mr. M. Frank. Frank was a good guide and interpreter, which I have very much deplored. I regard Mr. Frank as one of the best men in the country connected with the military force. He has a wonderful influence over the Indians, and for at least 10 years it has been exercised for the benefit of the government.

From an Indian, I can learn Mr. Frank, at the battle of the Raccoon, saved my life when we were in a massacre, and I know no living man who possesses the confidence of the Crow Nation as Frank.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
I think it would result as a dis-  
router to a campaign taken foot (as is  
likely to occur) without the services of  
this man. He is simply invaluable  
(see for his past services),  
receives less than Croghan at  
the upper face of the duty to be  
pensioned for life.  

I have written some official  
endorsement in order that it  
might be recorded. I write this  
to give personal (I hope you  
will pardon the liberty) in order  
that no adverse influence may  
prevail against the services of our poor guide.  

Withstanding his intimacy with the  
feins residing he is absolutely  
free from new faults of his  
patron. He is a brave and loyal  
Aldean of the United States.  

I hope you will interfere your  
powerful influence to keep him always  
under the colors and serve  
with great respect your old pal  
the 1st of August.