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ROOM 6, NO. 1 SOMERSET STREET,
BOSTON.
R. B. HOWARD, Secretary and Editor.

West Medford Mass
July 21. 1888

Dear Mother

Lizzie Otis wrote me a very brief note announcing the death of her Mother Friday last. She had been some time unconscious.

Thus closes the sad tragedy of 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 dead lovers home and grave (Bowyer) in Greene, I will never forget how trustingly she leaned upon his arm and, even now, I can see the love-light in her eye as she looked up to his. They were happy together

P.S. You can send this to Mother Otis if you like.

only for a little while. The winter in Washington was gay and joyous, but one 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, neat woman and a loving - though too indulgent mother in 1857 when I was tutor of Mary, Sam & Lizzie, and revelled among the old books. Then came the sad rumors about her associates - the plundering of her Estate by relatives & lawyers, her desperate marriage to that ignorant, selfish, coarse-minded Coachman. He stole the rest of her property & she became partially insane. The children

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have been industrious & frugal
and kind to their mother. The
story is ended. She had no
apparent trust in God. no composed
love to her Saviour. The bitterness
of deceit and disappointment
fell upon her heart with
no shield between. How
thankful ought we to be that
we can sing with Doddridge,
With grateful heart the past we own,
The future, all to us unknown,
We to thy guardian care commit
And peaceful lose before thy 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 boast.

I send Lizzie's note to Annie

Martha Jane - I have read the new life of Otis with intense interest as you will - There are many minor errors but, on the whole, it is a good & valuable book. We heard nothing from Glencoe for a long time - Wish I could run in and see you - I need to move than the full measure of my strength being troubled with a dizzy head - My family are well as usual. They came home last Friday - We expect Frank & Maria tomorrow & other company Friday - We have had some uncomfortably hot days & plenty of mosquitoes. But, on the whole, are getting along well - Otis expects to give up his place this week - go on a "salt trip" (at sea) for

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a week or two and left 1st to become a commercial traveler for M. C. Palmer wholesale millinery of Portland at 50$ per month and traveling expenses. He is very hopeful of doing better than he earned for years as an entry clerk in a flower store, on 32$ per month salary. But I dread to have him away from home & on the road. His fiancée wife. Nellie Dalton of Woodfords - a niece of Mr Palmer. is three years or more older than Otis. a professed Christian, a strong-minded capable girl not afraid to work and at present exerting a remarkable influence over Otis. He means to be married next March after he is 21 in February. She & a little brother

Answered July 27/85

"Ned" aged 8. is to visit us this week from Foxboro where the has an Aunt.

Dellie wrote me an excellent letter yesterday. Reasoning prospects do not warrant any change in his domestic life or any place for David in his Office. David will try to find some country town where he can do something. He is just about through with what his Grandfather left him and must depend upon himself. The Vessel property is worse than nothing a constant expense, & Uncle Lincoln Fullen is poor too. Helen joins me in love to you all. You will get my new papers this week.

Your affn.

Rowland

David passed a good examination & has admitted to the Bar.

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Mound City, Pulaski Co. Illinois,
July 21st 1885

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General, O. O. Howard U.S.A.
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

On the 30th ult. Thos Barefield, late Seaman (Colored) on the U.S. Steamer "Marmora" of the Mississippi flotilla, in the war of the Rebellion made an application through me, to the Hon. 4th Auditor U.S. Treasury Department, Washington D.C. alleging that he enlisted in the U.S. Service in 1864 before Christmas and was discharged June 15th 1865 from said service on account of the close of the war, that he only received while in the service aforesaid One dollar from the purser of the Boat as a subscription to Lincoln's Monument, and $2.00 from a man by the name of — Wilson in Johnsonville, Tennessee, for Back pay &c.

By my letter from the Hon 4th Auditor, U.S. Treasury Department, Washington D.C.

~~1867~~, I am informed that said Thos. Barefield's 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 fear forgery and rascality on the part of said — Wilson but await your answer.

Hoping to hear from you by return of mail I am Sir, your most Obt Servt

Thos. J. Smith.
Attorney in the claim.

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

T. J. S.

Smith, Thos. J.
Mound City, Ill.
July 27, 1885.

Answered
July 27. 1885

Howard, O. O.

Omaha, Neb.

July 22. 1885.

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Headquarters Department of the Platte,

Omaha, Neb., 22nd July 1885

Dear Father

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I have received the enclosed note from Mr. Buck. It is the interest on the mortgage on your house for a half 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 November.

Helen is recovering from her cold. Jennie is improving & thoroughly comfortable here. I have not yet seen the man

Captain Sladen wrote about.
He is the keeper of the low place
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 not 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 N.Y. Herald telegram
& editorial on your views 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, Bessie &
the boys

Affectionately your son
Geo

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Division Mo: '85.

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Headquarters Division of the Missouri,
Asst. Adjt. General's Office,
Chicago, Ill., July 23d 1885.

To

Brigadier 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 A. Adjutant General at your headquarters to report to this office, by telegraph, such mat-

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Chicago, Ill.
July 23 1885.

No answer required.

ters as may be important for him to know and regarding which the issuing of orders may be necessary.

Very respectfully, your obedt. servt.

R. Williams

Assistant Adjt. General.

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Winfield Kans.,
July 23.

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

Yr Theodore C. Wilson

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Gen. O. O. Howard
Omaha,
Neb.

Subject: Request
Written by S.B.B.

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The Lutheran Church, because of immigration, has a great future in this country. In 1866 she had 297,761 communicants, and in 1884, 891,931. Last year her *net gain* in communicants was 73,431.

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Cheyenne, Wyg. July 24 1885

Genl. O. O. Howard.

My Dear Bro.

I am constrained to ask of you a favor. I know you will most readily grant if proper, and in your power. I am on my way to Salt Lake City, Santa Fe, Albuquerque &c, and have with me two of our faithful men of God - Rev. C. S. Albert of Baltimore Md. and Rev. J. A. Clutz of Balto. Md. the President and Eastern Secy. of our Board of Home Missions. Will it be asking too much of you to send me in addressed envelope to Denver, Col. letters of introduction to Commanding Officer at Salt Lake city, and Commanding Officer at Santa Fe? I know these gentlemen can be of great service to us, and add to the information and enjoyment of our trip. Any other persons you know at any of these points, who would be pleased to cheer us on our way, I will be glad to know through you.

I believe we not met since the S.S. Assembly at Topella. God has been very good to me and mine. "His Mercy endureth forever."

Gen'l Grant has fought his last fight. So must we all - great or humble come to the conflict. May we have victory through the blood.

I am glad you give an occasional helping hand and word to our Bro. Detrick.

With high regard to the old line

Gratefully yrs

Sam'l B. Barnitz

Barnitz Rev S B.
Denver. Co.
July 24 1885.

Asks for introduction to O. O. Mr Douglas &c.

Answered July 27. 85

Answered

Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF U.S. INDIAN INSPECTOR,

Glenwood

July 24, 1885.

Confidential

Confer only with Sister Sizzie please

Gen. O. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

Dear Brother:

Your kind letter giving program for the tour, was what we desired. Miss Adelheid read it aloud 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 all good not excepting the "Sister". But confidentially I must now say a word or two. The Aug. 3 for starting is so fixed I suppose it better not be changed. But it so happens that not only Kitty but probably both the other ladies, as we learn, will need to refrain from horseback-riding beginning with Friday the 7th. Of course

P.S. No 2 – We had been hoping for Grant – but he is now begging off. We do. It would be very needed for us. Should he not give some more positive assurance of Gen. O. O. H. Howard's coming – but be confident of his coming – we could not do without him.

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 horseback. Perhaps there would be no harm in riding in the Ambulance any of these days or all. And yet it would certainly be better for Kitty to have absolute Rest from travel for two or three days.

Just here your plan seems providentially adaptable to the need. From our somewhat imperfect data we conclude you will reach Ft. Wachakie 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 part of the way in Ambulance, if not able, then

Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF U. S. INDIAN INSPECTOR,

to take to horseback, , 188..

If you can settle satisfactorily this part of the trip so as 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 take Kitty. She feels greatly concerned that I have no occupation yet — not having any salary since last February & seen my past savings strangely vanishing or gone by various mishaps.

If I were in any position to leave

living Kitty would feel much better about going away.

I am offered a place with the American Oxygen Co. as Secretary & Manager of Advertising to begin Oct. 1 at $2200 a year. 1st It is yet two months of idleness. 2nd Not very congenial & adapted to my education & experience. 3d Not so large a salary as I ought now to have.

More enjoying Miss Bodmayer's visit. She decides to go to Chicago tomorrow. Will take a drive with me & spend the morning. Mother is full of the new book "Howard &c" does the inaccuracies & is amused. Is astonished that "Cort Howard's" character is so well represented. Darlen letter from Portland.

Affectionately, Cort Howard

P.S. Mother says she is sorry all the folks back to Kansas not think of it. Offers to go to Oregon. Kansas is infinitely far less inferior.

J. G. THORP, President.
R. H. CHUTE, Cor. Secretary.

E. C. FRENCH, Vice President.
A. L. DODGE, Treasurer.

Young Men's Christian Association.

W. E. LOUGEE, GENERAL SECRETARY,

Rooms Over Postoffice.

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Eau Claire, Wis., July 24 1885

Maj Gen O. O. Howard
Omaha
Neb.

My Dear Sir

Would it be possible for you to deliver an address to our Y.M.C.A. sometime at your convenience between the 15th of September and the 15th of October?

It is the occasion of our 4th Anniversary and we make a good deal of there 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 date, terms &c

I am yours very Respectfully
W. E. Lougee
Gen Secy

Longee,

Eau Claire, Wis.

July 24. 1885.

Answered July 29. 85

OFFICE OF

THE KIOWA HERALD,

J. M. SIMMONS, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

New Kiowa, Kan., July 25 1885

Gen.

My Dear Sir:

I am going into Texas via Camp Supply.

Kindest regards.

Yours Truly

Geo. C. Wilson.

No reply

Wilson, J. C.

New Kiowa
July 25. 1885.

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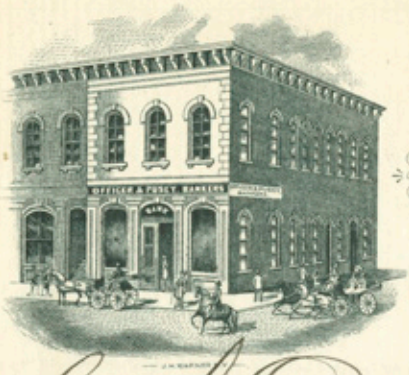

Thomas Officer. W. H. M. Pusey.

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ESTABLISHED 1857.

Council Bluffs, Iowa.

July 25th 1885

Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

I am instructed by committee to inform you that memorial services will all be over so that you can leave by 4 P. M. on day of same.

Yours truly

W. H. M. Pusey

No answer required
J. D. L.

Jersey City N.J.

Lincoln Nebr.
July 25th 1885.

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I. W. LYON, M.D., MED. EX'M.
AUS. H. PIETY, GENERAL AGENT,
No. 238 Kansas Ave., Topeka, Kansas.

Topeka, Kas. July 20th 1885

O. O. Howard.
Brig" Gen. U.S. army,
Omaha neb

Dear Gen.

After well wishes to you & family, I would say that I am directed by the Company to go to Fort Leavenworth & see what can be done there 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 insured with us, the amount to be as you may dictate.

I know the kind of good letter you can write, & the good

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Topeka, Kas. 188

it does when written.
I most respectfully ask
that you will favor me with
such a one at your earliest
convenience.
I go there on the 27th inst.
I so much regret that I
did not have the pleasure
of meeting you at Ottawa
during your visit there.
Sickness in my family was
the cause of my not doing
so — Hoping to hear from
you soon

I remain
Your most obedt servt
Aus H. Piety,
Gen'l Agt.

Piety Aus. H.

July 25. 1885.

Asks for letter of introduction to officers at Fort Leavenworth

Answered July 27. 85

ALBERT S. COLE,
Attorney at Law.

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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 providing you can come. If you conclude to go, will you have the kindness to inform me at what time the services are to take place as a friend & myself desire to be present to listen to you.

Yours Very Respectfully
Albert S. Cole

Genl O. O. Howard
Omaha Neb

ALBERT S. COLE,
Attorney at Law.

Oakland City, Ind., July 27th 1885

Dear Sir:

I have this morning, that you are to deliver an address at the Memorial Service at Fort Sheridan on Decoration day. In case you do, I am directed by the Post to invite you to be the Decorator of the graves of the Michigan Brigade, and that the Post will be pleased to have you as a guest during the stay of the Post at Fort Sheridan.

Yours very respectfully
Albert S. Cole

Gen. Geo. W. Pettigrew
Chicago Ill.

Decorator
Geo. W. Pettigrew
Post 18
Aug. 1885

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OMAHA.

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on and after July 1st, 1885.

July 27 1885

Genl O O Howard

Sir,

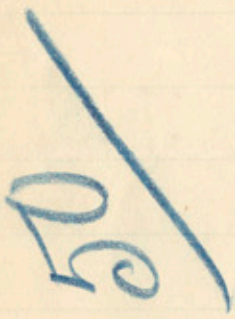
We have recd Stand. Lib 1st "Howard, The Christian Hero" will send to Mr J.S. Candfield a liberal supply.

If you wish some for your own use - we can supply you.

Miss Cleveland's books do not pay in "library form."

Respectfully

The Omaha News Company,
GEO. H. WATTS
Manager.



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July 27. 1885.

No answer required

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Anderson, Col. T. M.

Chrisfield, Kans
July 27. 1885.

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Chrisfield Kan. July 27th
1885

Genl. O. O. Howard
Omaha Neb

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 our 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 operations
camp life has become
very tedious.

The excessive heat under canvas is also causing considerable sickness among soldiers coming from higher altitudes. The sick list in my Battalion of the 7th & 8th is not very large, only nine this morning, but many of those that are sick are very seriously so. The mercury has marked 100° in the shade nearly every day since we have been here.

What we of the Ninth fear most is, that if the whole or a part of our Regiment are moved here, that we will lose our chance for an exchange to an Eastern station which we have been promised, as we are the only Regiment which has never served East of the Mississippi.

This Indian scare along the Kansas border is the most senseless & causeless one I have ever heard of. An Indian has not been seen in this county for years.

I remain, Dear Sir
With great Respect
Thomas M. Anderson

ganze Familie mehr.
Ich schreibe Deutsch, weil ich weiss, Sie können es verstehen.
Mittwoch gehe ich nach Glenwood zurück, und Freitag Mittag werden Herr Howard und ich nach Omaha reisen.
Grüssen Sie bitte Alle zu Hause von

Ihrer Sie verehrenden u. liebenden
Adelheid Bodenwagen.

July

Chicago, den 27. Juli.
'85.

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Mein lieber Herr General.

Es ist so lange seit ich Sie nicht gesehen habe, dass ich Ihnen einen kleinen Brief schreiben muss, ehe ich zurück komme.
Ich habe eine sehr, sehr schöne, angenehme Woche in Glenwood verlebt. Wir waren sehr viel im Wald und im Boot auf dem See; ich war oft bei Mrs Gilmore, und sie erzählte mir Vieles; ich half ihr einige Kleider fertig zu machen, sprach Deutsch mit den Kindern, was ihnen und mir Vergnügen machte.
Die Zeit ging so schnell hin, dass ich nicht merkte wie

Ebenso ist reizend und ebenso die Leute darin. Alles Chinesische heißt Mr Halloways Church jetzt, und obgleich die meisten Alles richtig finden, ist es ihm sehr interessant.
Seit Sonnabend bin ich hier bei meinen Freundinnen. Sie haben sehr schönes Haus, nahe bei General Schofields. Wir amüsieren uns ganz ausgezeichnet, haben so viel zu sprechen über Göttingen, und ich habe so viele Besuche und Einladungen von ihren Bekannten, daß jeder Augenblick, den ich hier sein werde, besetzt ist.
Gestern Nachmittag habe ich in der Chinesischen Sonntags-Schule einen Chinesen gelehrt. Das war sehr sonderbar; er wußte nur einige Worte Englisch und ich mußte ihm Alles erklären; aber er verstand ganz schnell.
Nun, lieb, sind Sie und Ihre

Capt. S. Hare
Fortress Monroe, Va.

July 28/85.

Dear General Howard,

I hope that Genl. Brock will fail to submit to your own personal supervision my official endorsement No 7, on a paper recommending the discharge of certain civilian Employees at this post, The Quartermaster (Lieut. Patten 21st Inf) suggests to the Dept. Commander the discharge of Mr. Frank Grouard post guide & interpreter, which I have urgently disapproved. I regard Mr. Grouard as one of the best men in this Country connected with the military force. He has a wonderful influence over the Indians & for at least 10 years it has been exercised for the benefit of the Govt. From all I can learn Mr Grouard, at the battle of the Rosebud, saved Genl. Crook's army from a massacre. I know no living man who so holds in possession the confidence of the Sioux nation as Frank Grouard

I think it would result as a disaster to a campaign should Fort (as is likely to occur) without the services of this man. He is simply invaluable, & (for his past services) deserves like Col Croghan at the Upper Falls of Sandusky to be pensioned for life.

I have written my official endorsement in order that it might be recorded: I write this to you personally (and hope you will pardon the liberty) in order that no adverse ruling may prevail against the services of our Fort guide.

Notwithstanding his intimacy with Indians & soldiering he is absolutely free from any faults of dissipation. He is a brave & loyal soldier to the United States.

I hope you will interpose your powerful influence to keep him always under the colors, and I am with great respect your obt Svt.

Rutherford B. Hayes
Maj. 23d O.V.I.