

Headquarters Department of the Platte,

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Omaha, Neb., September 1st 1885.

Dear General

Here is another report.

Your telegram of the 31st Aug is just
rec'd and as you say nothing about
your son I am much worried
for fear of bad news. I hope with
all my heart he is improving
but from news received today
through Col. Stanton we fear the
worst. Mr. Guy Hawood is expected
tomorrow in consequence of a
telegram to him from Col. Stanton
in regard to the serious character of
the wound.

Yours truly
Am. Buck

Guy Hawood.

East Street

Dec 4. 1885,

from this home circle, Bessie
sends love! yes and a great deal
of it. All the rest are out.

now no more words but thinking
of dear Johnnie all the time till
he comes.

Your loving wife,

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Omaha, Sept. 1st 1885-

Dear Otis

Ever heartfelt of
love to my dear Roy. I do
wish I could get to him
but I suppose that is not
at all practical and I
would not have you start
either till perfectly sure
it was the right time. I
wanted to write to dear
Johnnie but thought you
would pass the Springs
before a letter would reach
there. I write this because
of your telegram to E. Breck,
"to send mail to Mammoth Hot-
Springs." I am so thankful

that good Dr. Shannon is with
him. Glad Guy has reached
you. Jeanie will reach
Omaha to morrow morning.
It is very cold at Bridge.
Aunt Katie left us this after-
noon. I know you are
all taking good care of my
dear boy but I would like
to do everything myself.
Tell him we will all be
so glad and happy to have
him home again. I think
of him lovingly every
moment, and want him
here. Katie has come in
again with a letter to
send to Johnnie. She
has been in often while
Aunt Kittie remained and
will continue to do so.

I cannot write half fast enough
or half as much as I want to.
I will do more and more for him
when he comes. Dear boy, how
happy he started away. May
we all be happy together again.
I ~~only~~ know ^{not that} ~~a~~ word would
reach you till Capt. Haden
come to the house to bring
copy of telegram and Kittie's
pass at five o'clock and
then I went to the train with
her with the rest. I ought to
have written to Johnnie instead
but didn't. Give him best and
warmest love from mamma
and get well as fast as he can.
My prayers are earnest for him
and we want him here, but if
God's will I will have to let
him go, ^{first} to the beautiful home ^{above} ~~first~~

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Fort Niobrara Neb
Sept 2^d 1885

Dear General Howard

I hope you are back from the Park by this time and that you are well. We can hardly hope that you enjoyed your trip for the sad accident to your son John must have destroyed whatever of pleasure there was in it for you. Do not worry all things pass and we look back at annoyances in life and wonder how we could have troubled ourselves so much about them.

Well we are busy here. The adobe yards are running and now up to a capacity of ~~2500~~ ^{several} thousands per day. I shall try

Richardson

Ed. Nebraska, Mo.

~~Dec 2. 1882,~~

Account by Capt. S.

Quercus L.

Recd. Sept 22/85

to increase them to ten thousand
per day and I guess that will
do and give the Contractor. Mr
Jewett all the axodes he can lay
I have a Company getting in
logs to the mill. So far we have
got in about 350 and 250 more
are cut in the timber hauled
out to the roads and ready to come
in. I want to get in to the mill
here if I can 800 to 1000 logs be
fore winter shuts down. We have
a good mill and can saw them
up during the winter. This will
give us plenty of lumber at the
post to repair and lay walks
and build small things. I have
a long and pleasant letter from
General Hatch. He seems real
glad I am back in his regiment
You know I was in the 9th
once before away back in 1867
eighteen years ago. Genl Hatch

and myself were good friends then
and will be again. Genl Hatch did
not get along very well with his
two last Lieut Colonels Clement and
Duelley but he will win or it will
be his fault. The transportation sent
back here from the Dept of the Mo
to replace that taken from here is
very inferior and I was pretty mad
about it - but I suppose we can get
new mules. We had a pleasant
visit from Genl Dandy your Dept Gen
Mott and friend Rich very nice and
pleasant. I had never met him before.
Col Tenell I see is coming up. I am
glad. We and I are old friends. I wish you
would come up this fall if but for a
day. I would like to have you and show
you the post and troops. I shall try to
do everything just as I think you
would like it for the best interests of
the service. Yours truly
Chas. S. Priskin

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NORVIN GREEN, President.

NUMBER	SENT BY	REC'D BY	CHECK
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Received at

9/2 1885.

Dated, Omaha Neb 9/2

To Genl Oll Howard M.D. J.P. Yellowstone
Park Mont.

Yours of thirty first recind, Will
 mail you papers about Captain
 Hyde and Chaplain Lewis, The
 Battery left for British Guy
 Thirty first division Commanding

has ordered expenditure of money
for repair and building at
Bridger and Douglas stopped
He does not say why, has also made
inquiry how far arrangements for
expenditure for New Building Nebraska have
compromised the Quartermaster's department
will telegraph him that the contracts
have been signed and the contractor is
at work, Your signature to the contract
being delayed only by your absence from
Headquarters, Your Annual report is
wanted at Division Headquarters
September twentieth

Yours
Genl Ady. Genl

1877/2/10
S. H. H. H.

Howard, Mrs

Omaha

Sept 8. 1885

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Omaha, Sept. 2^d 1885

Dear Elsie

I sent a letter
last evening to you but it
was for dear Johnnie also.
I hope he is strong enough
to hear the loving messages
for him. Hope I shall have
some word from you today.
It is so hard to wait. Gen.
Breck called last evening
but I had heard nothing more
only what he sent me by
Capt. Pladen. Dannie, baby
and all arrived this morning
all well. I telephoned her
but have not seen her yet.
She has been very anxious as
she could hear nothing at

Bridge and did not remain
long enough for letters to reach
her. She will come to her own
house this afternoon and take
her dinner here with us. I
will send the girls their ^{dinner} who stay
with Helen. The day is quite
cold and windy. So much writing
may tire dear Johnnie so I will
be brief. Katie Chase has been
in this morning. She goes and
comes like one of the family,
and waits for telegrams with us.
We are all well, just waiting
Glad Guy is with you all
you note said Dr. Wein had
been ⁱⁿ consultation with our
Dr. Shannon. That would best
satisfy the Dr. himself but I
am willing to trust my dear

boy wholly with Dr. Shannon.
He can and will do everything
that is possible to be done.
I have so much confidence
in him. Beanie has been here
looking well and I will see
her often and have some
place to go, which is ~~good~~ ^{good} for
me. Now I must send
this so it can go via St.
Paul and reach you sooner.
I am writing her alone so
no one to send love, but
all love from myself this
time. Will write again
to-morrow. Best and warmest
love to Johnnie, I would
like to be taking care of him
Hope I will be doing so here
soon. Your loving
Wife

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			29 Paid Good Rate 153
Received at	4.20 p		9/2 1885.

Dated, Omaha Neb 9/2
 To Genl O. A. Howard N. O. App 4, Portage
 via Cincinnati M. I.

Until yesterday mail sent to Bear
 Canon. Now telegraphed to send it
 to you at Mount Hot Springs
 Bux
 J. A. G.

Franklin

Sept 12/95

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Received at 11 am [Sep] 2 [1885] 155 1884.

Dated Omaha Neb 2
To Genl O. O. Howard

We are most anxious to hear
how John is please telegraph

Saml Buck

Dear Mother

Sept 11/27

I am well and hope
you are the same. I
am writing you a few
lines to let you know
how I am getting on.

I am now in the
hospital and am
not at all well.

Love
John

HEADQUARTERS
SOUTHWESTERN IOWA AND NORTHWESTERN MISSOURI
VETERAN ASSOCIATION.

(INCLUDING KANSAS AND NEBRASKA.)

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St. Joseph, Mo. Sept 2 1885
Genl Q. Q. Howard, U.S.A.
Omaha, Neb.

DEAR SIR:

The Committee of this Association having mailed you a special invitation to attend the Reunion to be held in this City, September 23, 24 and 25, we respectfully submit for your consideration, the following preambles and resolutions adopted by the City Council of St. Joseph, at a special meeting held August 27, and by the Board of Trade of this City, at its meeting September 1, 1885.

Preparations are in progress to render this Reunion an event long to be remembered in the annals, not only of this city, but of the entire west.

Advices are being received daily from throughout Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska indicating conclusively, that the attendance will be very large—perhaps 50,000 people, and our citizens are preparing to take care of that number, at least.

W. W. CLARK, Sec'y.

Yours truly,
F. M. POSEGATE, Pres't.

ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, The Southwestern Iowa and Northwestern Missouri Veteran Association honored the city of St. Joseph, at Creston, Iowa, last fall by selecting her as the point at which the reunion for 1885 should be held, and

WHEREAS, The executive committee of said association at its meeting in this city last June, designated the 23d, 24th, and 25th days of September for the holding of said reunion, and

WHEREAS, The said association has invited the "boys who wore the gray" to be its guests, and

WHEREAS, The invitation committee of said association has invited a number of the most prominent and illustrious gentlemen of the United States to be present, now therefore, be it

Resolved, By the mayor and council of St. Joseph that the action of the association in selecting this city as its place of meeting is most fully appreciated, and that this city extends to all members of the association, and its invited guests, an earnest and hearty invitation to be present on the days named, assuring them that every possible effort will be made on the part of the city authorities to render their visit pleasant, and be it further

Resolved, That the mayor be, and he is hereby requested to appoint a committee, to consist of the mayor and one member from each ward, to co-operate with the committee of citizens already appointed, for the reception of the distinguished gentlemen who have been especially invited, and be it further

Resolved, That the mayor and city council most earnestly second the action of the invitation committee, and trust that each and every one of the distinguished gentlemen invited may find it convenient to be present as guests of the city.

ACTION OF THE BOARD OF TRADE.

Resolved, That the Board of Trade of St. Joseph, Mo., commends the action of the Southwestern Iowa and Northwestern Missouri Veteran Association in selecting this city as its point of Reunion for 1885.

Resolved, That this Board heartily concurs in and seconds all the invitations extended by the Committee of said Association, and

WHEREAS, The said committee has especially invited several eminent men of the United States to be present, now, therefore, be it further

Resolved, That the President be, and he is hereby requested to appoint a committee of this Board, to consist of five members, to co-operate with the committees already appointed on the part of the Association and the City Council to receive such Eminent Gentlemen, and to tender to them the privileges of the Board while in the city.

Headquarters Department of the Platte,

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Omaha, Neb., September 2nd 1885.

General

Here is another very
report.

Your telegram today from Cincinnati
that everything is favorable was
a very great relief, and I do hope
your son is doing well - you have
have my full sympathy in the distressing
illness. I am sure your dispatch
was a great comfort to Mrs. Howard
as she is naturally very anxious.

The papers in the case of
Capt. Stead & Chaplain Lewis
were not completed in time for
this mail - will go tomorrow.

Yours truly
Fred Howard.

Yours truly

Chas. D. Rich

East Creek

Sept 2. 1885.

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3	sw	J	1300 Via Mail

Received at 1040 am

Dated Omaha Feb 2,

To Genl or toward the Natl Argy

Please telegraph Johanna's
condition at once can I bring
Katie very anxious

E V Chase

Chas. H. ...

Sept 11 1888

Light ...

Sept 11 1888

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Neach, G. L.

Washington
Sept 3. 1885.

Answered by Capt. S.
Answered by the
Genl St. - Sept 15.

705 H St N W
Washington D C
Sept 3/85

~~General.~~
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In 1862 I was
detailed by your order, or I
may say appointed to teach
the colored people at Hilton Head
S.C. I was a private of Co F 3rd
Regt R. I. M. Art. at that time
I formed the acquaintance of
James W. Varney (Colr) who has
since that time, been a preacher
of the gospel in various States,
and at present an ordained
Clergyman, who now seeks the
position of Post Chaplain or as
Regt Chaplain. Knowing your

Philanthropic disposition. I now
make a plea in his behalf, as
I am confident that he will
prove in every way efficient
and morally he is a shining
light among his people. I
have seen several Certificates
which he has received from
leading men, and they all
give him an excellent name.
My reasons for addressing
you are simply that I wish
to elevate his race to a place
where they may understand
Gods great Power.

I have the honor to be
Yours Most Obediently
Geo L. Keach

To Port Maj Genl A. C. Howard
Comd'g Dept of the Platte.
Omaha. Neb-

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Received at <u>H 40p</u> <u>9/3</u> <u>1885</u>			
Dated, <u>Omaha Neb 9/3</u>			
To <u>Genl A. A. Howard Maj Gen 4th Regt</u>			
<p>Incoming two telegrams last night from Governor Warren of Wyoming asking assistance in protecting life and property from Robbers at Rock Springs Wyoming. I replied that I had</p>			

forwarded his telegram to
division Headquarters for
instruction and suggested
that he telegraph to the President
at Washington that troops at
Stark and Russell would
be held in readiness to move
when ordered these arrangements
were made. Have heard
nothing further.

Yours
A. A. Goul

Sept 3-1899

Headquarters Department of the Platte,

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Omaha, Neb., Sept. 3rd. 1885.

Dear General

Here is another day spent
the paper in the care of Capt. Steide
& Chaplain Lewis go in a separate
package - they are not arranged
as well as I expected they would
be (through the lack of skill of the
clerk) but I think you will find
them intelligible.

I telegraphed you today
about the call for troops at
Rock Springs will send you
copies of the correspondence to-
morrow could not get it done
today in time.

all were delighted to

hear such favorable news of
your son. Mr. Howard's tone of
voice was quite cheerful when she
telephoned down your despatch to her
& hope before long we shall see you.

Col. Hall left on his leave
today, and Col. Hanny left also for
Selling.

Chaplain Lewis' daughter is
married and gone East and the
Chaplain has returned to Clover
Prich. One Corbin tried to save
him from mortification in con-
nection with it during the presence of
his daughter's husband.

Yours truly

Ans. Buck

Ans. Howard.

Sept 23. 1885

Ans. Buck