Private

Fort, Nebraska Nov. 15th 1885

My dear General,

I see by the papers that you are going away soon to decline or do something for some charitable societies at Kansas City and elsewhere. Before you go I want to consult you about some matter I have noticed the contest for the next major Generalship and I want to ask your permission to do what I can for you. We have among our members in this Association fifteen Congressmen, six U.S. Senators and six Governors of States. They will all or nearly all of them
be at St. Louis on the 23d and attend the Annual Convention which will play from the 23d until the 27th of this month. I am the Vice President and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Battalion of the United States. I will have to attend the meeting. The President-Colonel R.D. Hunt, has written to me calling me to St. Louis on the 20th to attend a meeting of the Executive Committee I have written to him frankly saying cannot come so early. My military duties then requiring my presence until later. The railroad authorities of the Chicago and Northwestern have tendered me the use of a special car from Valentine to Omaha where I understand the Rock will have a car for me. I am also authorized to invite five or six friends to accompany me for whom free transportation will be given. The car will be at Valentine on the 19th and I shall start on the morning of the 20th. I will take a seven days' leave and think it will give me the best opportunity to get two or three days from you. If you
go away. Please speak to Pres.
so if I want a few days extension
shall have it. I have been
away in all this year 21 days on
leave so I still have 10 days of the 30
untaken reduction of pay. I don't like
the idea of being away so much. Our Unit help it.
You granted me 10 days once before
which at Chicago and five days at the
Ranch but I did not use either.

Now General could you
please drop in on the Convention at
St. Louis for a day and be received? It
is likely during the session of the Con-
vention I will have to consult our Mem-
bers who are members of the Senate and
House about cattle legislation and at the
same time I would like to quietly speak
to them about your promotion if you will
allow it. I know your son the Farmer
would go down to St. Louis. I will in
Rodrice him to all our Breeders. He will
find me at Genl Sherman's or Genl Buckmaster.
I will late Mrs. B. down and see her for a day.
Could you go to St. Louis with me, drop
me a line. All well but myself. Have
caught cold and am hardly up to this today.

Yours truly, 
Jas. S. Drustine
Citizens Bank.

Wichita, Neb., Nov. 13, 1885

Sen. O. C. Howard
Omaha, Neb.

Dear Sir:

In behalf of the
Wichita Lecture Association I
write to ask if you will consent to deliver your
lecture on"Blue Grass" at the approximate
date, terms, etc. If you will favor us with a
lecture we will assure you a big house and a most
appreciative audience. Hoping you can give us a favorable
reply I am

Very respectfully,

Chas. L. Harris
Harris, C. B.
Neligh, Neb.
Nov 13, 1875.

Accord by the Earl
wenn Johnny mir eine Photographie von Ihnen Hau
machen wollte. Ich konnte und es Ihnen Alten sehr gut.
Dieser Brief ist zu lang
für einen deutschen Brief zu machen. Ich denke aber Sie können ihn gut verstehen. Großen
Mama, Hedwig und Umg
und können Sie, bitte Miss Howard, Mr. Chang, Johnny
und Beatrice freundlich von mir. Wenn Sie Zeit haben
schreiben Sie mir bitte, manchmal. Liebe liebende.
Adelheid Bodenmeier

Uffklingen, den 13. 83
Nouv 15

Heber Han General.

Es ist heute Sonntag. Wir sind
die ganze Woche sehr fleißig
gearbeitet und freuen uns, heute
zu reisen. Nun will ich gleich
meine Briefe zu einem lieben
Geschäft zu benutzen, an Sie
dazu schreiben.
Ich war sehr glücklich, Ihren
Brief vom 14. Oktober zu bekommen
und zu hören, dass Miss
Howard gut zurückgekommen
ist und Johnny so viel besser.
Haben Sie einen Dank für
die Bälle, die Sie mir nach
geschickt haben, und das
Paket, "Youth's companion."
Die Zeit fliesst so schnell hier.
All members are requested to attend the meeting of the Commandery at the Midland Hotel Wednesday the 18th inst. at 7:30 P.M. Important business.

[Signature]

President Inc.
Nothing but the address is to be on this side.

Uncle O. O. Harr... Omaha, Ne 6
My dear General,

I write in much haste in the interruption of business, to say in sequel to your endorsement of Mr. Easterbrook's letter, that I have no retained papers of the Bannack Campaign. If he was employed and paid, he would be on my men roll, which I supplied to Ebeling and which he transcribed up on the regular list of employees. If he was a mere volunteer, never employed he might by chance be mentioned in the journal. The only name I find in my personal journal is that of 'Maj. Magone,' whom you so cruelly turned over to me that 4th of July morning.
I have written to Mr. EmestTopk that my journal and memory confirm his statements, and I have no doubt he was present as alleged by but I cannot recall him individually.

Sudden arrived and was settled next day. He declares the only act needed to complete his downfall is to be cruelly beaten and left by the highway. Everyone is glad to welcome him.

Tom Gibbons is very fond of him.

I am glad to hear that Johnny has quite recovered, at least practically so. Eric Sinan and all of him are fine.

Hoping to hear of you on the coast next spring.

I am General

Yours very sincerely

Eldredge
Geor. O. O. Howard
Omaha
Feb.

Dear Sir,

I am securing the autographs of all the leading Generals of the late war, by sending me your name you will confer a favor upon.

Yours truly,

Jas. H. Campbell

[Signature]

Date and on request

O. D. H
Nov 16th C.F. 330

Dear Howard,

My dear Friend,

Please read enclosed.

Mr. T. was late member of our church.

Now resides in Ashland. It would do real good if you’d go down only for one 202.9. It would strengthen our church there to help their meetings. If you can, do so, if not, can you write them a short letter to help.

It is not possible for me to go.

Your friend and pastor

A.F. Smith.
Grafton Nov. 16, 1883
Lugone Allegh. Co.

My dear Sir

I am honored to have received your letter of April 11th. I am glad to hear that you are in good health and that your trip to the Northwest was successful.

I am deeply moved by the words you have written regarding the Mission Indians of the Red River valley. It is a noble cause and your efforts towards their welfare are much appreciated. I have always been in favor of better treatment and a more just deal for these people. I have been working towards this end for many years and I am pleased to see the progress that has been made.

I enclose some resolutions passed by the Assembly of the United States at the last Annual Session at Baltimore (Cong. H. No. 3) which I hope will be of some aid in the work you are doing.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

[Address]
import and I hope I may
secure your aid in the package
of a bike such as is set forth in
the resolution.
I think the entire Department is in
accord with them. Unless come
Acting so intimated to me.
These Indians are prepared to use
their lands successfully.
from the very first.
This people's plan has been
to put them on a whitesmen's places
of living, that is give them a white
many opportunities, they are ready
for it. Hoping I may in occasion
again to remember you as gratefully as
in the former time. Very truly yours,
J.W. Kraftz
Crafts, M. H.

Crafts, Cal.
Nov. 16, 1885.

Addressed by the

G. L.
ARMY MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION.

CIRCULAR.

WAR DEPARTMENT, Washington, D. C., September 12th, 1885.

The Executive Committee directs the Secretary to inform the members of the Association that at the annual meeting, to be held Tuesday, January 12th next, are to be chosen successors of those two members of the Executive Committee whose terms of office expire on that date, viz., General Macfie and General Murray.

It is very desirable that every member unable to attend in person select as his proxy some member who will be present. To further the appointment of proxies, postal cards are inserted, which should be addressed to the members chosen, and mailed as soon as practicable to the Secretary (to whom they are already directed), who, after noting them, will communicate to the persons named as proxies.

The following is a list of members residing in Washington, D.C., or its vicinity, and whose presence at the meeting may, therefore, be reasonably assumed:


If it is particularly requested that no member of the Executive Committee be chosen as proxy in any case,* No new legislation having been proposed, the business of the meeting (other than the elections referred to) will probably be confined to the consideration of the annual reports.

* The members of the Association now composing this committee are General Macfie, General Brown, General Herbst, General Murray, and Mr. Birkhimer.
Johnson, Henry, jr., Lieut., 6th Inf.
Kerman, F. J., Lieut., 21st Inf.
Knox, Thomas L., Lieut., 1st Cav.
Mann, Jos. D., Lieut., 7th Cav.
Noble, Chas. H., capt., 16th Inf.
Noble, Robt. H., Lieut., 1st Inf.
Oyster, Jos. S., Lieut., 1st Art.
Parker, Chas. E., Lieut., 2d Art.
Partello, J. M. T., Lieut., 5th Inf.

Perry, David, major, 6th Cav.
Phillip, Chas. L., Lieut., 4th Art.
Plumner, Nat. P., Lieut., 1st Inf.
Plummer, Jas. K., Capt. 6th Inf.
Randall, B. L., Capt., 6th Inf.
Tillman, Samuel E., prof. B. M. A.
Turbull, John G., Capt., 8th Art.
Tyler, Chas. B., Lieut., 16th Inf.
Waite, H. D. H., Lieut., 5th Cav.
Washman, Jas. J., Capt., 1st Inf.
Williamson, Chas. A., Lieut., 21st Inf.

The fluctuation in membership since January 1, 1885, are shown in the subjoined statement:

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It is seen that the year’s mortality has been abnormally light. Should the same rate (or even an approximate one) hold until January 1, 1886, there will result a most gratifying augmentation of the reserves, with the attendant advantages of increased stability, strength, and economy.

The following officers have joined the Association since January 1, 1885, viz:

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* In this case the boardman left to three persons, excelled to each. Two of the beneficiaries are alive, and the amount has been held awaiting the appointment of guardians. The third beneficiary was paid the same by the Association.
Fort Leavenworth Ks
Nov 17, 1885

My dear General.

Mrs. Poland has just received a letter from our daughter Mrs. Groble. She
just since I wrote to you.

In it she writes that they have heard indirectly that
there was a probability of
General Howard's appointing
(l. Groble) as aide on his staff.
followed by expressions of pleasure at the idea and
the sincere hope that it
might prove true. They
evidently up to Nov 1 the date of the letter had not received your letter and do not know of your kind offer.

They are to be in London on the 20th and will probably sail soon after for home, and have requested us to send letters to the following address:

Sir, Care of Miss Lottie French
No. 32, Pearl St., New York

that they may receive them upon their arrival in the city.

I thought best to send you this information so that you might, if you desired communicate with him at the earliest moment.

I felt satisfied for the reasons stated in my former note that his silence was due simply to the fact that he had not received your letter.

Very Truly yours,

[Signature]

G. Pollock

[Address]

Omaha, Neb.
Young's Hotel.
Boston, Nov. 17, 1885

My dear General: Gen. Black

states to my friends that he
will appoint me "Chief of
Division" of the Pension Dept.
at Washington and requests
them to present recommendation
showing my field record as
a soldier.

Will you kindly

state your estimate of my
abilities and my service as
a soldier during the War.

Putting up words in a letter
addressed to Gen. Black and
reading the same to me
as early as convenient, at the
Riggs House - Washington -

I shall reach there on Saturday next.

The soldiers of Maine with whom I served have given me generous and emphatic endorsement to which I hope to add your letter in presenting my case.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Gen. C. A. Howard,
US A.
Phila Mo. 17-35

Sir,

Will you please favor me with your autograph for my collection of heroes of war. Enclose stamped envelope for its return.

I hope you will grant my request. I am,

Very respectfully,

Chas. F. Augustin
537 W. 4th St.
Phila. P. R.

Answered.D. U.S.
Augustine, O.F.

Philadelphia
Nov. 17, 1893

[Signature]