The First Church in Cambridge.

1636.

1886.

THE FOURTH MEETING-HOUSE, ERECTED
ON WATCH-HOUSE HILL,
IN 1756.
1636. The First Church in Cambridge. 1886.

To Maj. Gen. OLIVER D. HOWARD.

Sir:

You are invited to participate in the Celebration of the

Two Hundred and Fiftieth Anniversary

of

The Organization of the First Church in Cambridge,

Under THOMAS SHEPARD, February 11, 1636.

Commemorative Services will be held on Friday, February 12, 1886, in the
First Parish Church at three o'clock, and in the Shepard Memorial Church at half-past seven
o'clock, P.M. Between those services there will be a Social Reunion in the Chapel of the
Shepard Memorial Church.

Cordially yours,

EDWARD H. HALL,
J. T. G. NICHOLS,
ARTHUR E. JONES,
Committee of the First Parish.

ALEXANDER MCKENZIE,
GEORGE S. SAUNDERS,
CHARLES W. MUNROE,
Committee of the Shepard Congregational Society.

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS,
January, 1886.

Please reply to J. T. G. Nichols, M.D., Cambridge.

With the sincere regards,

Alexander Mckenzie.
BOWDOIN COLLEGE,

Brunswick, Maine, January, 1886.

Dear Sir:

The President and Faculty of Bowdoin College have authorized the librarian to forward regularly the annual catalogue to every graduate who desires to receive it. For this purpose I ask your post office address, and especially to be informed of any change of the same in the future. With the annual for the current year the address on President Woods by Professor C. C. Everett, D. D., will be sent to all expressing a desire for it.

I take this opportunity to earnestly request your aid and cooperation in the work of building up the college library. Its deficiencies are manifold, the means to supply them limited. Efforts are now being made to fill two new alcoves devoted to the publications of alumni and to the literature of Maine. For these I ask contributions of books, pamphlets, magazines and newspapers, written or published by graduates of the college and natives or residents of the state, including town and municipal reports, catalogues of educational institutions. Masonic publications, etc. If you have but a single book or pamphlet you can give, please mail it directly to the library. If more, kindly inform me by postal card and I will provide for transportation.

Respectfully,

GEORGE T. LITTLE.

Librarian.
Johnson Nemaha County, Nebraska
Jan 1, 1886

Gentlemen,

Dear sir,

Please find enclosed "Life", A poem written by me. If you think it worthy of publication so inform me and greatly oblige.

Your humble servant,

J. L. McKamy
McFarley, J. L.

Johnson, Neb.
Jan. 1, 1886.

Arrived by the

[Signature]
Milwaukee, January 1st, 1886.

Dear Sir:

Please accept the enclosed Pass, with the compliments of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company.

Yours Truly,

ROSWELL MILLER,

General Manager.
Franklin Feb Jan 1st

Genl. E.P. Howard

Dear Sir,

Your kind note received. Many thanks for your kind efforts. They encourage us greatly.

We are now at the place where we must have help soon. Our building is used for other things; we are working things lively.

I pray that some good fund may come to it to more. I have been greatly blessed in keeping out of the way in financial matters; I trust the good Lord will not let me be careless. I see a gleam of light and hope through my unfortunate petitions.

Yours in labor

C.J. Harrison
OMAHA REPUBLICAN.

PRINTERS LITHOGRAPHERS,
BLANK BOOK MANUFACTURERS,
OFFICE STATIONERY AND LEGAL BLANKS.

Omaha, Neb., Jan'y. 11, 1886

Your favor of received, ordering
Please send check for $140.00
debut your sub to Dan

Yours truly,

OMAHA REPUBLICAN.
To O. O. Howard
City
Gentlemen of the Comm. Dept.

Omaha

Mo. Valley, January 5, 1886

Dear Sirs:

I send you herewith complaints of three lines: unpunishment in 1886 for yourself and other officers of the Dept.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

G. B. Wainwright
Lincoln, N. B.

Mo. Valley, Mo.
Jan 2, 1886

Assured by the

[Signature]
April 2nd, 1886.

My dear General Abbe:

Your letter has been duly received. I cannot but thank you for the kind and frank manner in which you have revealed the reasons for your refusal to give a letter of recommendation to Colonel Morris. No one, General, is required to love his neighbor better than himself, and, therefore, you could not be asked to give a letter of such giving your own interests here jeopardized. Of this you are yourself the best judge, but it would seem more that we ought to be able to commend the patriotism and services of a friend without discreditting one's own principles. One holds to your views, General, and so
Day of an officer that while
he was currently fitted for
the position of a Brigadier-
General and has richly earned
it, you could not recommend
his advancement to the place
without violating a principle
which you have long advo-
cated in promotions in the
Army, namely, that every
thing being equal, promotions
should be made by seniority.
In this way you would keep
strictly within the limits of
your principles and at the
same time give a friend the
benefits of a record which
might be of service to him
either now or at some future
time.
In your own promotion,
General, it would seem that
some claims should be base
an something higher than meremerit, they shone be for services among and brilliant
traces over and right. General,
that an officer of your record
above be succeed in securing
a Major Generalship merely
on the date of a Commission.
Be assured that through you
have not been your way today
a good word for the Colonel, the
esteem in which you are held
in our family we will feel at
all diminished. We have many
blessings to be thankful for and
shall become neither more nor
defect of fortune withdraws from
us a thing which ought not to be
at all essential to our happiness.

I am with great regard
very sincerely,

Isabella Thomas.
Lin Howard
First Omaha
Feb.

Sir,

Wishing to enlist in the regular Army Service, I write to find out where I would have to go to enlist. The wages are said to be as musician of band or bugler, I am quite a carpenter & can also all of the calls. I wish you would let me know all that is needful in enlisting. How long the enlistments are.

Yours truly,

Adelina A. P. Howard
Red Cloud
CAMDEN, N. J., January 3, 1886

Gentleman:

G. C. Howard,
Omaha, Neb.

My dear Sir,

I have yours, informing me that you had sent some papers to General Mansfield, which you wish me to see. I shall be very glad to read anything coming from you at any time, and give it the consideration that I believe it is entitled to.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

[Handwritten note: H70]
Jan. 2, 1886.

Genl. O. O. Howard,
Omaha, Nebr.

Dear General:

I have just received your letter of the 29th ult., and have read the enclosed letters with interest.

I will today hand the letters to Genl. Logan and request him when he hears from him to Transmit to General reel.

Nothing new here in military circles, I believe. Wishing you a happy New Year.

I am truly yours,

Chas. T. Henderson
Washington
Nov 2, 1886

[Handwritten text]
New York Jan. 2nd 82

Dear Sir,

If among the many duties of high position, you could find time to return the enclosed envelope, with your much prized signature in it, you would greatly oblige.

Very Respectfully your admirer,

Chas. Brandt Jr.

To

Brig. Gen. O.O. Howard
U.S.A.
4th I. Dept. of the Platte
Omaha, Neb.
Portland, Oregon, January 4th, 1886.

Gent. O.O. Norwood,
Omaha, Neb.

Sir,

I find in our old past due paper, a note of M.L. Black in you, from dated April 23/78, for $125 which we take the liberty of returning you per registered mail.

Please acknowledge receipt and oblige.

Yours truly,

G.W. Wilbraham.
Washington, D.C.

Fairland, Ore.

Jan 6, 1886.

Received by the

Capt. Jan 12

[Handwritten text possibly related to military or legal matters, but the handwriting is not fully legible.]
$83.00

Portland, Oregon, April 23rd, 1878

Thirty days, after date, without grace I promise to pay to the order of O. C. Howard, Eighty-three dollars, Dollars, for value received, with interest from at the rate of one per cent. per month until paid. Principal and interest payable in U. S. GOLD COIN, at the First National Bank in Portland, Oregon, and in case suit is instituted to collect this note or any portion thereof, I promise to pay such additional sum as the Court may adjudge reasonable as attorney's fees in said suit.

No. 47,249

Due July 23rd

W. L. Black

7/27/27
Topeka, Kansas, Jan. 4, 1886

Gen. W. C. Howard
Omaha, Neb.

Dear Sir: Our Comrade:

In your last letter to the National Tribune, you say, in speaking of the sacrifices made for the preservation of the Union, "Let not our children or our children's children forget it." I am not only a veteran, but a son of a veteran, and it gives me pleasure to send you a copy of the rules and regulations of the Sons of Veterans. I call your attention to the principles and objects of the order. Please examine them, and give me your views thereon.

By so doing you
Topeka, Kansas, 188

will assist us in perfecting an organization whose members will ever cherish and never forget those great sacrifices which secured for us the blessings we now enjoy.

Sincerely yours,

Heland J. Webb
Hon. L. J.

Topeka, Kansas.
Jan. 4, 1886.

Dear Sir:

I enclose a bill for the services of an attorney who handled the case.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

[Handwritten notes and signatures]

71 Kansas Avenue

[Handwritten address]
My dear Father,

I need the following books for my studies of reference. Can you get it for me in some way—perhaps through the Engineer Department.

Miscellaneous Papers

Of the Corps of Engineers

Of the U.S. Army.

It is a practical work of great science in complicated & higher machinery.

I am well, busy, & contented. With much love from your son

James Martin Howard.
Howard, J. M.

From M.

Jan 14, 1886

[Signature]

[Handwritten notes in the margins]
Elmwood Post
Jan 4th 1886

Gen O.C. Howard
Sir,

Kenesaw Post No. 123 Hall
at this place and also the Citizens are very anxious to have your deliver your lecture (Chattanooga) delivered here and have requested me to correspond with you in regard to the same. And may I ask can you give us the lecture and if so about what time and what—will you charge us? We are a small post only about 25 of us, but we have built a new hall 24 x 40 feet and would like to raise some money to finish it which we would if we could have a good evening and you did not charge us too much. Hoping to hear from you soon. Remain cordially yours,

David McCue
Formerly 1st Lieut. Co. A
74th Reg. Mo. Aug 22, 1864
McCoy, C. K.

Elmwood, Neb.

Jan. 4, 1886

Received by the

[Signature]

[Date]

Jan. 12, 1886
Jews of 4½ rich melonick check for $5 rec'd and amount credited

Jan 5, 1886

11/5/86

Minnie Brown

Rec'd
Nothing but the address to be on this side.

To: O.O. Howard U.S.A.

Omaha

Ne 6
Department of State,
Washington, January 5, 1865.
The Honorable
William E. Endicott,
Secretary of War.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ult., asking this Department to take measures looking to the passage of an act by Congress permitting General O. O. Howard to accept the decoration of the Legion of Honor conferred upon him by the Government of France.

In reply I have to inform you that this Department will take pleasure in calling the attention of the proper committees of Congress to the subject, with a recommendation in favor of the necessary legislation.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Jas. D. Porter
Acting Secretary.
Official copy respectfully transmitted to
Brigadier General O.C. Howard, U.S. Army,
Omaha, Nebraska, for his information.

J. C. Kelton

War Dept., R.O. 2
Asst. Adjutant General

January 11, 1866.
New York
Jan. 6, 1886

Dear [Name],

Many thanks for the pretty book which you so kindly lent to me. I should read it with a great deal of pleasure. To think if you are all so far away, I feel so fortunate to be home again, and to see the same familiar faces around me.

Philadelphia, Jan.

[Signature]
friends and relatives seem like good fairies and showed me with beauty of flowers, etc., that Santa Claus was a good to you.

I am now in New York with my aunt, Mrs. Brown, who is like a good aunt, looking after me. I am on the invalid list, but as I have a good Dr., I don't worry. I do not think I have much to complain of. I am not in fond of you have been to keep him much he likes.
Henry H. Tomlinson, Esq.,
Arlington, Neb.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 2nd inst. enclosing note of John W. Skiles received, and the same will have my immediate attention.

Very truly,

Dictated.
Arlington Oct 13th 1864

Mr. General Howard

Dear Sir,

Henry A. Addicks

I sent my note against the order to the Field Force on this document. Please correspond with them and tell them the best course to pursue.

Respectfully,

S. A. Francis

[Signature]

[Signature]

Feb 1st 1865

[Signature]
Wells, Mrs. Maj
Angel Island, Cal.
Jan 7 1886

Record by the
Col. Jan 12 1886

Angel Island, Cal
Jan 7 1886

Col. A. O. Kimball

Since Maps
Well has seen ye the
full from land up

Mines concerning the
enroned I am regis-

ment to the Department
of the Platte

Vagd little attention to
these until hearing

Genl. Lamb's letter elli-

ings but asked that

it not ye suspic

of theft or good faith
in the statement.

Being left alone they

are finding things

chased & alleged
to attend to the Maps
Well as the subject particularly states the company will only return to Angell Island as all consider it a great favor if you will enlighten me of Mobile. March is at present expected at Perini Station on the railroad & express amusing from that Port. Teaching you & the family etc he well longing every love Cassie Wells
Washington, July 7th, 1882

My dear Howard:

Your hasty note and the ticket for contribution to the “Holloway Relief Fund” is received, I recall, I have forwarded the check to Holloway with the statement that it must not be presented for payment till the end of February. Poor Mr. must now have funds enough to enable him to have the medical treatment he so much needs. This
Nelly Repone. On the part of the members of our Class, I am appeal for aid from our old Classmate. Speaks well for the Class feeling.

Please make my special remembrances to Dr. Howard and all other members of your family who are at home. Please see to it as our friend, Jr.

Chas. G. Custee.

For O. D. Howard
Crook, Stanley and Gibson.
I will let you know if I hear anything of interest in this matter.
With sincere regards to all your family.
I am
Yours truly,
John M. Wilson

Gen. O. C. Howard
Omaha, Neb.

Washington, D.C.
Jan. 27, 1866

My dear Gen. C. Howard:
Your note of the 17th reached me on yesterday and I rejoiced to hear of the welfare of you and yours.
I have just heard the subject of the new major general discussed.
There has been frequently heard it remarked that when the time arrived for the appointment, I would claim seniority.
made this claim and I asked if such was the case. That you might be heard in the case. I
course it would not do to make any reference to the proposed promo-
tions, where the question of rank is concerned. 

For under the law the appointment can be made 
by selection. But I was 

made later. For the 
reason that he was the 
senior as far as length 
of service was concerned.

If that rule should 

follow you would 

have to content with
Denver, Colo., Jan 7, 1886.

Gen. Howard,

Omaha Ind.

Dear Sir,

Some few weeks ago, one Charles Reese a deserter from U.S. Army was arrested here and taken to Cheyenne for trial. Where he had for two years ago. Soon after his desertion, he went to Georgetown where I was then preaching, and in one of my revival meetings he was convicted and joined church, and has lived a Christian life from that day to this, as so as I can tell. The next day after he rejoined church, he came to me and told me all about his desertion and wanted to know what he had better do. He devised plans to report.
Co. A., and make some statement of the whole matter.
He did not do this. However, I write to ask for him as much money as is possible. I have a letter from the post chaplain at Ft. Rusal which says Rule sounds to be looking for his religious principles. Any money you may send him will be appreciated by his friends here, and else where.

Jrict

Capt. A. A. Wyllie
Pastor
People Jacobsville
General Howard.

Omaha July 7, 1866

Dear Sir,

There is one question I would like to have answered in regard to the first day's fight at Gettysburg. I have never seen any explanation of the reason why the Third Corps was not ordered onto the field as soon as the 1st Corps found the enemy we had spent the day in moving some 5 or 6
Miles from our camp of the 30th of June until we went into Camp the evening of the 1st of July about 6 o'clock. We were here but a few minutes when our orders came to report as soon as possible at Gettysburg. When we arrived about 8 or 9 o'clock. Why was it when there was such a call for us all day we were not ordered up. I suppose you were the one to send the order.
Views of all the great battles, including Fort Donelson, Pittsburg Landing, Fredricksburg, Siege of Vicksburg, Lookout Mountain, The Wilderness, Petersburg. Naval Combat between Monitor and Merrimac. Bombardment of Island No. 10, Capture of Atlanta Sherman's army entering Savannah. Bombardment of Fort Sumpter (Very fine), with numerous instructive and entertaining general views.

Another question. Albert Ball of the 2nd K.Y. Infantry, reenlisted and was ordered to report to you for assignment was sent to to A.P.G. as orderly of 1st Brigade 1st Division 4th Corps. Can you give me any information what became of him.

Your reply to the above questions will be very thankfully received. Very Respectfully Yours.

N.B. Easton

Coin, IA.
Eaeton, N. B.

Cine, Iowa

Jan. 7, 1886

Oar to the Kent

Jan. 13 - 1886
New York, Jan 7th 1886

Dear O. O. Howard,

Omaha, Neb. & Dear Sir,

Your esteemed favor of the 23rd ult was duly received. Feeling the importance of your communication, I forwarded it at once to the editor, but unfortunately he was away at the time. We will try to say that he will give the matter proper consideration, and will reply at as early a day as possible.

Respectfully yours,

A. C. Armstrong

We send you a copy of the first number of the Review, on next mailing day, if the 9th inst.
Omaha janvier le 7

Monsieur le Général

Monsieur,

J'ai entendu dire que vous vouliez prendre des leçons de françaises. Je donne une leçon chez Monsieur Bange 2322 Farnam St tous les jeudis (Thursday) à huit heures du soir. Monsieur Bange et madame, Monsieur et Madame Call m'ont dit qu'ils seraient très contentes si vous étiez dans la classe.
Je n'ai pas pu aller vous voir cette semaine à cause du mauvais temps.
Veuillez recevoir monsieur le général l'assurance de mes sentiments distingués.

Désir Lentz
Bty 719 Omaha