

*File. Ans. by Gen. Mar. 15/86.
autograph sent.*

194 Boston, March 12th 86
Genl. Steward

Sir. Will you be
so very kind as to favor me
with your autograph? I am
making a collection of auto.
and should like very much
to have yours. Hoping you
will pardon this intrusion, and
grant my request. I am
yours. respectfully
Lawrence H. Mitchell

Boxton, Mass.

March 12, '86.

Wickens, L. F.

Desired Geol. H's.

autograph.

Ans. Mar. 18, '86.

Washington, D.C.,
March 13, 1886.

Whittlesey, E.

Relates to Lapwai Agency
(Monticello, Agt. & James
Reuben)

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BOARD OF INDIAN COMMISSIONERS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Personal

March 13, 1886

Dear General Howard

I have your
letter of the 10th Inst in re-
lation to Lapwai Agency.
There is no objection to pre-
senting to the Inter. Dept.
on the ground of its not
coming through regular
channels. But I think I
will hold a few days until
you can send something
from "other parties who are
truthful." I have serious
doubts about James Reuben.
Dr. Ellinwood was here a

We are all in ignorance at the wrong
of your price and don't know what
to expect next.

Respectfully,
E. W. W.

short time ago and told
me that James has gone to
the bad, that he is "morally
rotten", has abandoned his
wife & taken another woman
and that Monteith has
had much trouble with
him. Dr. Ellinwood in my
presence asked the Comfr.
to retain Monteith. The Dr.
had just returned from
Lapwai where he had been
as Secy. of the Pres. Mission
Board. If Monteith has
become bad, of course he must
go. But I want to act
cautiously.

Yours Truly
C. Whittelsey Secy.

Washington, D.C.,

March 13th '86.

Corlin, Col, Wm. P.

Genl. H's. promotion.

File. Ans. March 18 by Genl.

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The Ebbitt

Washington, D.C.

March 13th 1886

General O.O. Howard,

Dear General:

I received your letter acknowledging the receipt of the Pass, but was preparing to go to New York and did not write in reply. In fact I have been so busy with other matters that I have only written when it seemed absolutely necessary.

I write now chiefly to tell you the latest phase of the promotion question so far I have been able to gather it. It is almost certain that you will be nominated as Major General on Wednesday next, the 14th inst., and I hope

Ans. March 18th '86.

you will. I heard to day that an
effort would be made to
make you senior to Terry as Major
General. This was told me
as coming from General Logan;
but I know nothing more
than what was told me.

There are so many Candidates
for Brigadier General that
it is impossible for outsiders
to know who will be selected.

Generals Nelson, Miles and Owen
as well as Col Stunges are Candidates
for Major General, or are reported
to be, and I have no reason to doubt
the truth of the report, except in
Drum's case. I don't believe
he expects it, but is confident
that you will get the vacancy
to be made by Pope.

There is nothing else of interest to
military people here, unless it
be that Senator Maudersom has

introduced a bill to ~~buy~~^{sell}
Fort Omaha and build
another Post of the same
name. I will congratulate
you in advance on your promotion,
as I may not be where I shall
hear of it when it comes.
I shall start to my home in Illinois
in two or three days, Carrolton, and
return to Fort Omaha about the 5th
of April or sooner.

Yours sincerely
William P. Martin

and by a letter to Gen B - saying
he was Ins. Gen. with rank of
Lt.-Col. when and for some time
before the disease occurred for
which his ^{widow} was pensioned and
asking him to correct the rating
I feel sure he will. -

I am anxious now to have it
done soon while I am here to aid
all I can - I was dismissed from
my place in the G. M. S. Office
last Oct. - by the brave & gallant -
Gen. Walbridge - who lived to this
beat the widows of those who faced
danger & bullets - and when I am
the support of aged parents - father
being an invalid soldier - now old
and feeble - nearly 75 - and a
young daughter whose education
has but just begun -

The War Dept. issues Gen. Orders
commemorating of battles such as
but to this that the widows of

201.

6-28-20 "Lt. H. W.

Wash. D. C. Mch. 13/86

Gen. A. C. Howard -

Dear General - When poor Mrs
Asmusen was upon her death bed
she asked me to promise I would be a
friend to her boys - and would try &
see if the pension could not be fairly
adjusted so they could have it to benefit
to have the little home she had used
all the arrears she received and all
else she could save to purchase -
and I promised and in so fulfill-
ment - I wish now to see if it cannot
be corrected for their benefit -
Col A. was made Ins. Gen. with the
rank of Lt. Col. and as such was
assigned to duty Oct. 1862 - and the
disability for which the pension was
allowed was incurred in the fall of
1863 - in the bridge building - you
will remember -

You wrote a letter to be placed with

other proofs - before Col. Dudley - but
in personal talks with several of the
pension - said as an act of his,
prudence in allowing the pension
he would allow it to be undisturbed
but if the case was trumped he
feared he must reverse it entirely
and so all thought had to stand
it as it was until nearer the time
when George the youngest son would
be 16. - as he will be in July - So
now had to seek the correction
which will come to the boys -
Edward and George - and will
save for them what their mother
made such a life & death (death
it proved from work & worry) struggle
to save for them and this will
now amount to nearly \$2000. -
will be \$10. per mo. each since
Col. Amman died -

The Govt. would not allow Eddie

the elder one employment - and he
has only hard work - and no chance
to be educated - as should be -
he feels very badly about it - Being
now over 16 - the pension Mrs A. drew
goes to George. - I am very sorry
for Eddie a good boy - sensitive
and worthy - George is younger &
has less felt his mother's death -
the hope for George is best paid -
he is all sold out. -

So now my wish is to ask Gen Black
to make this correction -
Col. Dudley frankly said if Mrs A.
was entitled to any pension she
surely was to the \$30. -

I shall write Gen. Doremus for a
letter - and this with yours - and
reports from yourself and others
should be sufficient -
and it will be a godsend to
the boys - So Gen. if you will

you to be my friend.

In the matter before us - Please
send the letter to me for Genl.
Black - so all can be filed together
and when received I will
see the matter is presented by
those who will feel they have
a right to ask its favorable
consideration

I am very truly yours

Mrs H. A. B. Cooks-

P.S.

I think you'll remember I wrote
you about Gen (Mrs A's) pension
at first -

Wash. D.C.
Nov. 13: 86
Cook, Mrs. H. A. B.

201.
one of Gen. Hancock's Adj't-Genl.
as my husband was of his 3^d Div.
- and I think you know how Alex
Hays Div. stood at that famous
battle - and the observance of Gen.
Hancock's request for me on file
as to - that I be favored - remembering
as the General did my husband's
brave services & death would be
a more sacred honoring the brave
Hancock's memory than orders
or monuments - and the same
would apply to Mrs Ellen Mitchell
wife of one of his staff - just refused
an increase of pension in Congress
even when Gen. Hancock own
would request and even beg it -
for her (See "Record of the 9th vol.")
Inadvertently in two or three little
things sometime since Gen H's
ill will was aroused toward me
and failing to harm me as he tried

under Sec. Lincoln - under the
change of Ad. he succeeds and
qualifies his ill will - I guess
you General understand how it
would be from your past
acquaintance with him - and
so by his adverse recommendations
under Sec. Endicott's ruling to allow
Bureau officers have full power
over their clerical forces - I am
thus made a victim -

My need for myself & helpless
ones - the aged and young -
my husband's service and life
given - my own woman's service
for 3 years during the war all
counts for nothing. -

The cause for it all as alleged
was "absence" going back and
counting time four years ago
when I fell one day & broke my

limb - as I went home from office
a very stormy day - and all the
absence caused by said lameness
ever since - can counting in a
report - sent the Sec. of War, time I
was at work - for 1882, almost today
in a document - I was not to see or
know of. - and much time other years.
What; I wonder is "conduct" -
unbecoming an officer and a
gentleman" Surely felt as if
for an officer to forward a
false report - as a charge against
a subordinate in duty (only) was
and when result to be as has
been for me. -

Of course General I feel very
much injured and bitterly - but -
I am not presuming you can do
anything - but feel sorry - yet if you
should see a chance to - I do not

St. Louis, Mo.,
Feb. 13. '86.

Sherman, Gen., W. T.

202. file.

912 GARRISON AVENUE.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb 13 1886

Dear Gen. Howard

I have your letter of the 10th
and record my opinion that the
two men in Washington who can
best guard your interests are
Huer and Reed - both of whom
claim you as a constituent and
who are men of great ability.

As to the St. Louis Republican
I advise you not to give it
a thought. It used to be edited
by the Brother Knapp - but now
is a joint stock concern, which
has its editor as any other business

It now has come by accident printed
a want of confidence to a business
office. but is the vehicle to land
the patriotic feelings of Rensselaer
Jackson. Rensselaer, and in the
breakthrough, which made this
State's affairs to all know him -
I think it is certain of you will
be more to you interest than its
praise - The fact is that
all the papers have been abused
on an day & day occasions -
yet I am a welcome guest to the
honors of the best people of both
Rensselaer, who express the intense
regret that I intend to leave
them. Mr. Everett & B. Allen

who controls a majority of the
Stock of the Republican belonging to
his wife who is the daughter of
one of the original proprietors (Raschall)
is one of the best men I ever
knew. a great friend of mine who
sent \$500 to Mr. Hancock through
me a few days ago - but he knows
nothing of the contents of the Repub-
lican. A standard one should
never be overtaken by a service &
the only way is to let it take its
flight into space.

Again wishing you success very
soon - I am as always,

Yours truly,

W. A. Sherman

R. D. Hunter, President.
J. S. Brislin, V. Pres.

A. J. Alington, Secy.
J. C. Moore, Treas.

File. Ans. Mar 10. by Gen

NATIONAL CATTLE AND HORSE GROWERS ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES.



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRES.

Fort. Niagara N.Y. March 14th 1886

Dear General

My old Ordinance
Sageant Winckler has been -
saving up Cannon Cartridges to give
you a salute when you are pro-
moted to be a Major General. We
were much disappointed that we did not
get to fire it the other day but we
Confidently expect to be able to get it off
on Wednesday next. If you get your
promotion want you telegraph me
as Winckler and I shall be waiting any
word to hear. Winckler says the reason
you did not get Hancock's place was because
you were not a Derrickrot "So now you
will know why it was so."
Yours Truly Jas S Brislin

Fort Niobrara, Neb.
March 14th 1886.

Presiden, Col., J. S.

Acc. Mich. 18th '86.

Ans. Mar. 22. '86.

Discharge
received as dishonorable
because of having re-
ceived a discharge
(late Troop 9, Cav.)
Campbell, Ohio.
March 14. '86.

file. ans. Mar 22. '86.

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Arkansas City Kan.
March 14. '86

Gen. Sir

I received an answer from my letter
to you of the first. I will write again.
I were discharged Feb. 23. '86 from
"E. Troop 9" Cav. I received a dishonorable
discharge, which I think were un-
just. I asked Capt. Olmsted the
cause of my getting such a
discharge after serving 15 years
with one court martial and over
14 years upon C.O. he told me the
court decided that I were instigated
with Blaybrook in his proposition
to break in the store room to
take out property to get the 1st
Sergeant in trouble I had nothing

to do with It and did not take
any part In It I had no trouble
while In the army my past
record will show that I were a
soldier In every respect - all through
from 71 to 86. I don't think It
Is wright - that I should suffer
for an other mans deeds I
could not keep him from talking
to me telling me what he wised
to do I did not take any part
In It. If you say It Is wright
that a court had the wright to
sentence me to be dishonorable
discharged without charges or trial
then I have nothing more to say
I think If I were In with Elaybrook
I should of been tried by the same ^{court}
he was. I written to you then because
I were within your jurisdiction at
the time of my being discharged
I would been satisfied If I had
of gotten a discharge with caractor
fair I am sure that If I
had of been discharged by Capt.
Porter or Capt. Valois and
Lieut. L.B. Taylor none of those
officers would ever give me
a dishonorable discharge. I
will make an affidavit to the fact
that I had nothing to do with what
Capt. Olmsted charged me with.
and other statements I will make
If It need be. I hope you will
give me your opinion. I shall
not trouble you again so please
excuse me

Very
Respectfully

Thos. Dampier

Washington, D.
March 15. 86

Stoile, Eugene,
U. S. Senator.

Genl. St's. promotion

File, no. ans.

203.

SENATE CHAMBER
WASHINGTON

May 15, 1886.

My dear General;

Your letter
has just been re-
ceived.

I hope there is
no real cause for
apprehension as to
your promotion to
the other Major Gen-
eral vacancy. But
I shall be glad
to do all in my
power to help

make that promotion sure.

To that end I will at once see the Secretary of War, and the President, if it is needed.

General Sherman's letter is a very characteristic one, & I shall not hesitate to use it, as he plainly says that it may be.

With my best regard, and all good wishes,
Yours sincerely,
Gen. O. O. Howard. ^{Regene Hale}

THE INDIANAPOLIS JOURNAL,

JNO. C. NEW & SON, PROPRIETORS,

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb 15. 1886

Rev O. S. Howard.

Dear Sir:

Can you not give
Central Avenue M. E. Church your
lecture on Retty's, on Tuesday
night, June 16th inst? We have
arranged a course of three lectures,
to be opened by Bishop Fowler, and
we desire very greatly to have you
close the three. I can assure you of
a good hearing, and we will gladly
meet you, as to terms, if we
can. I am sure your visit to
Indianapolis will be a most
pleasant one to yourself.

Yours truly,

E. M. Hallford

Evangelist
in the Church

JOURNAL

Indianapolis, Ind.
March 15th 86.

Stoddard, C. W.

Revised Geo. H. to

Lecture June 16th 1886.

Rev. C. W. Stoddard.

Dear Sir:

For your notice
I enclose the 2 Church
Lectures on Religion, which
will, June 16th next. I have
arranged a course of three lectures,
intended for Sunday School, and
we have very greatly to do so
over the three. I am sure you
a first lesson, and we will play
next year, as to terms, if we
can, I am sure you will be
pleased to see it in
the next one to yourself.

Yours truly,
C. W. Stoddard

Acc. Mich. 20th 86,

Form No. 1.

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Received at 212 South 13th Street, OMAHA, Neb.

Dated, Philadelphia Pa 15

To Genl O. O. Howard

Wanted immediately two pages
military view Mexican war
urgent

Hubbard Bros

Philadelp^{ia}, Pa.
March 15th 86.

Hubbard Bros.

Wants Article on
Mexican War.

File Ans. Mar 24/86.
208, Indorsements from Capt Quinn
Co B. 4th Inf. enclosed to
Mrs Beardsley.

Cleveland March 15th 1886

Gen C. C. Howard

Sir

I write to you
to obtain if possible, the discharge of my only
son who is Corporal in Co B. 4th U.S. Inf. ^{Quinn} Capt Thos F.
His name is Joseph C. Beardsley and if you
wish to make any inquiries about him, I can
refer you to Mr James Superintendent of
schools in Omaha. I need my sons assistance
very much, as I am alone and in poor health
and have to work hard for a living.

Hoping this will be favorably answered, I subscribe
myself respectfully,

Sarah A. Beardsley

244 Perry St

Cleveland

Ohio

Cleveland, O.

March 15th '86.

Beardsley, Mrs., S.A.

Desires to have her son,
Jos. C. Beardsley, Corp'l.
Co. 'B', 4th Infy., discharg-
ed the service of the U.S.

Ans. Mch. 24th '86.

file.

HEADQUARTERS DIVISION OF THE PACIFIC,

Presidio of San Francisco, Cal., March 15, 1886.

Wing Success in Command.

General

I think it due to
in sym comfort at Black
Point today that has leading
Battery No. 1 actually have
been there a long time. The
place having always been
held as I might say, as a
normal arrangement of the
Bureau Commission & the

influence of the forms of service

The battery there now know
every thing about the case of the
post such men understand
thoroughly what we are doing &
how to do it. Has leading
is as much attached to the work
as much interested in keeping
every thing about it in good order
as the Ser could be
& as to the latter's home he
will find it most judicious

to keep him there until his
cutting -

At all events I should
advise that no change be
made until you have been
there awhile & have had
an opportunity to ascertain what
you want then & who can
best do it

You will find May Darling
the right man for the place
in every respect & suitable
to your family

Yours most truly

a time in this beautiful place
that has no equal in this
region, as we have had.

Yours truly

Amos A. Phelps

210 File. Ans. March 20/86.

Office of Dr. Mann.

Davis Street.

Cranton Mich 15th 1886

Genl C. O. Howard

Omaha Neb.

My dear General:-

I take

the liberty of presuming on
our former acquaintanceship to
address you. Since the years
ago that I knew you at Clifton
Springs, my little girl, our only
daughter has grown up to be a
woman, and, as is the way of the
world, has left her home and
her mother, and now has a husband
and a beautiful little girl baby
of her own. She married

of the same family, and all the
little girl, our only daughter
has grown up to be a woman,
and, as is the way of the world,
has left her home and her mother,
and now has a husband and a
beautiful little girl baby of her
own. She married

Lieutenant Alfred S. Frost
of the 25th Infantry, a very esti-
mable young man whom we all
respect and love very much.
They are now living at Fort
Snelling; I have visited them
there, and Col. Benzona, the
Post Commandant and all the
officers whom I met spoke of
him as every way worthy of esteem
and regard. Feeling that deep
interest in my daughters welfare
which no one but a mother can
experience, and having a profound
respect for your Christian char-
acter and goodness of heart, I have
made bold to address this letter to
you, hoping it might be in your
power, and inclination to advance
her interest, or her husband, which is
all one

I am sure you would like Mr
Frost; he is one of the best young men
I ever knew. I have learned from
the daily papers that you are
soon to be promoted to a larger
field of usefulness, and with the
fond wish of a mother's heart to
advance the welfare of those dear
to her, I thought that perhaps you
might give Mr Frost a place
on your Staff. Pardon me if I
have been too presumptuous in making
this request, and attribute my presum-
ing to knowing something of your
of your kindness and generosity.
Please write to me and let me know
if I have any ground for my hope.
Remember me with love to your wife
and children

Respectfully

Mrs C. H. Mann

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Dec. 20. 86

Excuse me, Mr.

March 15: 86.

My dear Mrs. O. H.

About Dec. 1, A. S.

Frost, 25: 10: 11, then

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Dec. 20: 86.

Kenos.

Mar. 15: 1886.

Ant. Cointer, Mrs. M.

Desires piece of
buff silk, with Gen.
St's. name &c., for
crazy quilt.

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Saltington
Kenos Co

Mar 15 1886

Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

I am preparing a historical Quilt-
to be sent to San Francisco to be
sold at the Encampment of the L.A.R.
The proceeds realized to be used in
building a hall in our village for
Perryville Post No 242 L.A.R. Dpt. Ken
I wish to have represented all
prominent Generals & Statesmen
I wish to exhibit your donation
Let it be of Buff silk with your
full name rank, and service

~~Kenos. Mar. 15: 1886~~

also have stamped upon it
your staff in full as I can not
get the work done myself the
Publishers of the Century refusing
me. But they will do it for you
any decorations you may see fit
to put on it will be appreciated
I have met success so far in my
solicitations and I await your
answer at your earliest convenience

I remain

Mrs May Carter

Arlington

Revue de la Presse

♦ Des. li. W. R. L.

File. -

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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

148 Madison Street.

Chicago, Ill., March 16, 1886.

DEAR SIR:

It is proposed to present to Mr. Weidensall an album of cabinet pictures of Association men. We should be glad to have yours for the collection.

Please keep this matter entirely from Mr. Weidensall, as we desire it to be a surprise.

Yours truly,

I. E. Brown,

A. T. Hemingway,

Geo. B. Townsend.

For the Committee.

Chicago, Ill.,
March 16th 1886.

Y. M. C. Ass^{ns}.
Drexler cabinet
photo. of Gen. H.

Chicago, Ill., March 16, 1886.

DEAR SIR:

It is proposed to present to Mr. Weidemann an album of cabinet pictures of Association men. We should be glad to have you for the collection. Please keep this matter entirely from Mr. Weidemann, as we desire it to be a surprise.

Yours truly,

I. E. Brown,
A. T. Hemingway,
Gen. B. Townsend,
For the Committee.

Ans. March 20th '86.

About Seale's promotion.

Reed, W. B., M. D.

March 16th '86

File. Ans. March 20 / 86.

213.

COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS,

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

March 16th 1886

Genl. O. O. Howard
Omaha, Neb.

My Dear Sir:

I received, yesterday, your letter of the 10th and this morning went to see the President in your behalf, but, I found that Monday was the day on which he did not receive visitors.

I shall endeavor, either tomorrow or next day to renew my visit, and to say to him such things as I think may affect his judgment. Of course, I have nothing which can be called influence with him, for I know him but little.

Your cause is so just a one that it ought to argue itself. I think you ought to have had the other vacancy.

Very truly yours,
(over) J. B. Reed

Since the above was
written I have had a
long talk with the President
who spoke of the subject in
the fairest and most satisfac-
tory way. He is, I may say
to you, now slightly disposed
but as it proper reserves his
ultimate decision. However
I have known so many changes
to happen under such circumstances
with other Presidents that I am
not disposed to advise you to relay any
proper effort.

The best ground to take is the
injury to the morale of the army
if injustice is done.

MISSIONARY DISTRICT
OF
SOUTH DAKOTA.

File. Ans. Mar 29/86.

Philadelphia

1013 Clinton St

March 16/86

Personal

My dear General Howard:

Frank & Leon.

Son of Rev F. V. Lewis, is
now teaching in the Indian
Country - May I so far trust
have on your kindness as to
ask you to inform me how
he defated himself while
at Fort Omaha what rep-
utation he earned.

With high esteem

Yours very truly

W. H. Hare

My Bishop

Philadelp^{hi}, Pa.,
Mch. 16th '86.

Stearns, Bishop, W. H.,
Desires to know abt.
Frank E. Lewis, form-
erly at Ft. Omaha.

Ans. Mch. 29th '86.