Gentlemen,

Dear Sir,

I received and arranged your telegram yesterday evening stating that the date, (Saturday, March 27) was satisfactory. We should expect you on that date, and will try and give you a full house.

Very Respectfully,

J. Woods
Pineville, N.C.,
March 21, 1876,

Woods, Dr., James.
These, sister for lead,
and what's necessary & expects
Gur' A.

Acc. N.C. 22° 86.
Received at 212 South 13th Street, OMAHA, Neb.

Dated, July 21

To General CO Hawaii

Accept our congratulations on your new rank.

We are very glad to hear from you again.

J E K Runner

May 5, 1918
Sr. Ruiz J. P.,
Méj. 21. 86.

Sunnys, May. E. V.,
5. Occ.

Congratulations.

Acc. Méj. 28. 86.
regretted that you had absolutely gone to the Senate. I was ordered to Fort Ontario for Barracks at first Martial duty. Taking publicity with me I went there but Tuesday, leaving Barry home, I was joined with us in our organizing & said that at last Barry’s promotion they bad held an indignation meeting. The next morning we came home and joined all those waiting with
Their congratulations, so the Jeanie said it was very much like being married. Harry and Helen got along very nicely during the summer. Jeanie was a good deal worn out having had only one servant for some time and she had been quite sick of it for a long time. So as soon as she had got another I thought the opportunity to run away and begin anew too good to be neglected. It was the first time she had been away from Helen but she stood it very well, and as we promised Helen had done as well she will more likely go another time.

Sydney, Helen's nurse is now well since she has given up trying to do all the work. We hope mother will comerips again with Bessie getting well. Complains to get dinner, and return from Chicago to Cupola and Bridge stations. We would like to have as long a visit as possible and want it to begin soon. Jeanie and I will go over on leave probably Later in the Spring. I imagine you will go to California to command and personally
FORT NIOPRARA, NEB.

Mch 21  1886

Geo. E. Howard

To: General

Dear General,

Mr. Thacher and myself desire to be associated with your many friends who at this time are congratulating and wishing you many years of usefulness in your present position. Our only regret is that we shall lose you from your present station, but we shall look forward to meet you again and remember shall it not have been a most pleasant acquaintance.

Very truly yours,

J. M. Thacher
Charles, I M.

Congratulations.

...
Ogbert, C. X.
Recipient. 3d. Infantry.
Congratulations.

Personal

Fort Klamath, Calif.
March 21st, 1886

Dear General,

We have just received a telegram announcing that you, our old commander, have been promoted to the Major Generalship made vacant by the retirement of Genl. Pope, and assigned to the Division of the Pacific.

Permit me to congratulate you upon your well earned promotion and upon your assignment to a Division with whose needs you are so well acquainted and where, I believe, you are thoroughly appreciated by all whose opinions are of value. The Pacific Coast, as you will
Know, is not remarkable for its favorable consideration of those whose Christian principles are carried into their daily life and avocations; but that very attribute is one of the reasons why many of us are rejoiced that you are coming to us again.

Though this is from one with whom you are so slightly acquainted, believe, please, that the congratulations and good wishes are most sincere.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

[Address]

[Date]
Dear General:

Amid the hundreds of letters of congratulation which you are now receiving on the occasion of your promotion, I hope that this note, from one who will never cease to be grateful to you, may not be considered out of place. Your noble service to the Country should long ago have given you your double stars, but our methods as a Nation are in this respect very strange, and many a most worthy officer, who filled during the war positions of the highest responsibility, are now thrown back into subordinate positions. The General approval and satisfaction of the people on learning of your promotion must be very pleasant to you after...
You gave me some years ago was very largely instrumental in obtaining a start for me after I left the Academy; and now I have attained a very fair position in the teaching profession—and my military work is entirely successful. My good father whom you corresponded while at West Point is now a candidate for the Paymaster Generalship of the Navy, and he is favored by nearly all the officers of high standing in the Navy. His friends are working for him with a will—but no one can tell how the result will be. I wish he were assured of his promotion as you. Please accept the warmest possible congratulations from your obdt. servant.

Henry B. Loker

Miss Warner
United States Post Office,

Portland, Oregon

March 21, 1886

Gen. O. O. Howard,

My Dear Friend:

Words cannot express my delight when I realize that justice—however slow—has come at last, and the President has sent your name to the Senate. As far as I have seen it is a feeling of universal gratitude throughout this city, and is certainly pleasing to all good people wherever found. Please accept the very best wishes of

Your Sincere Friend

H. C. Steel

[Signature]
Portland, Oregon,
Feb. 21st, 1886.

Mr. W. G.
P. S. F. - Congratulation.

Rev. Mr. 26th 86
CH 9563

St. Paul's night

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

March 22, 1886

Dated, March 12, 1886

To Major Genl. & Col. Howard

Omaha, Neb.

Heartfelt congratulations you deserved promotion. May God also promote you.

Robert McInnis
Mankato, Minn.,
Mar. 22, 1886.

Weidensall, Rabb.

Congratulations.

Ann Mells, 1886
Chicago, May 22, 1886.

Dear General Howard,

I wish to congratulate you on your nomination as Major General to succeed and. We have all hoped so much that the President would favor you with this appointive subject. You should have had it long ago.

Since talking with your brother C.H. a few days ago, I have felt easy and believed that you would get the appointment. I trust it is assured to pray and
believe that God will use you now every more than in the past.
May this behest blessing rest upon you.
I wish to express that you were the best in Chicago.
With kind regards.
Your truly,
A. P. Kringway.
Chicago, Ill.
Feb. 22, '86.

Hemingway, G.F.

Congratulations.

Mrs. Railroad

Miss

Rev.

W.L.

L.

Mar. 23, '86.
Major General
O. O. Howard,
Sir:—I have the honor to congratulate you, upon your promotion, also the same desire is respectfully tendered you by many respectable colored people of this city.

Hoping a long and successful career, I am Sir,

Very respectfully,

your humble servant,

Peter K. H. Cole.
Palo Alto, Feb.
Feb. 22, 1886

Culc, P.K.E.

Congratulations.
Creston, Iowa, March 22, 1886

Gen. O. O. Howard, U.S.A.
Omaha, Neb.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby requested to be present at our Reunion August 17, 18, and 19 next and address your old Comrades. If you accept please indicate what your charges, if any, will be. We wish to make definite arrangements in order that we may make announcement of program and our printed matter. An early reply will oblige.

Very truly yours,

J. B. Harsh.
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Received at 212 South 13th Street, OMAHA, Neb.

Dated:

Cheyenne Wyo.

To:

Gen. O. Howard

My hearty congratulations on your promotion so well deserved.

C. D. M. Morgan

Secy. Wyo. Terr.
Received at 212 South 13th Street, OMAHA, Neb. 11059 2-2

Dated, March 22, 1886

To, O. E. Howard

Please accept hearty congratulations from all the officers at this post.

Alfred J. Smith
1416 9 Stret
Washington, D.C., Dec. 22, 1886

Dear General Howard,

The enclosed clipping will indicate the line of Life work which, up to a few weeks ago, I had hoped to pursue. I intended returning to Africa this spring, but the failing health of my aged mother prevents and also makes it doubtful if I shall be able to return at all. I hope however to raise the necessary funds to establish a first class industrial school, which, to my mind, is the present need of West Africa. Meantime, I must be engaged in some field of labor at home. I should be so much gratified if I could enter the ranks of instructors in my old alma mater, Howard University, where as a student I labored so cheerfully, gratefully and earnestly to secure the order, behavior and habits of study which you desired should obtain among us students.

I should like to fill the chair of "Modern Languages" in the college department which as yet has not been filled. I know the German language having studied it thoroughly for two years in Germany. I speak it nearly as fluently as I do English. French I read and write, being thoroughly acquainted with the grammar, and shall if I am
appointed to this professorship, spend six months in Paris
previous to entering upon its duties that I may acquire
the best pronunciation.

My experience and knowledge gathered from studying
at Princeton College and Theological Seminary, and at the
University of Edinburgh, Scotland, and from my travels in
Europe and Africa will enable me to be serviceable to
the University outside of the Chair which I seek. I will also
increase the Presbyterian interest in the success of the
University.

I am quite sure, General Keaward, that, if you
will intercede for me, I shall be elected by the Trustees. I
shall not apply to them unless I am to have your indulgence;
now shall I speak to any one else about it, until I shall
have received your answer. I therefore most earnestly and
respectfully beg your support, and promise you to prove worthy
of it.

You will remember that the first regular class which
entered the University came by my persuasion from Miss Julia
A. Lord’s school.

All of your old pupils rejoice over your late
promotion. We are indignant at the injustice shown you
by the promotion of Rev. Lony. And we feel keenly the
fact that your interest in our people has, in this case as in
many others, prevented your receiving the free measure of
your desert. Here we able, it would be otherwise—but your Christlike soul has ever led you to feast those who cannot recompense you. I know of no other influence exerted for Christ in this country since the late war, that has done as much to save thoughtful colored people from infidelity as your life. Oh, how we are constrained to glorify God, when we are brought face to face with the sacrifices you have made for us, the sufferings which these sacrifices have caused you and our utter inability to acquire you!

Please assume Mrs. Howard of my sentiments of highest respect and esteem. The photograph of yourself which she gave me with such kind and delicate consideration when you removed your family from Washington, has been ever since my most cherished treasure. It has traveled with me nearly half around the world and has been the topic of conversation whenever for the first time a new acquaintance has visited me.

Please return the enclosed letters when you answer. I hope, General Howard, you will find it convenient to answer immediately.

I ever pray that God will have General Howard and his family in His safe and holy keeping

              "Most gratefully,

              "H. W. Browne"
My dear General,

This note cordially,

I am very much obliged to you for offering my son back to fireman.

The shock of going to Pacific Coast.

I think you may come too fast and I am really not sure what you wish to do and what kind of a home you want. I will be on the North at the end. I wish the North a West-Lie to the South. I have a
a mic ear nap 1 Knes. 4th the

family fare so it if i am con so for

met need a painter then n't. When

it is determined by one hour.

I think you may be confirmed either
to day or tomorrow.

Yours sincerely,

Charles Pomeroy

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard

U.S.A.
Dear General,

 Permit me to offer my sincere congratulations and that your self deemed and fitted convictions, may have
increased results in your
more extended fields, is the
earnest hope of

Yours Cordially

[Signature]

[Handwritten text below]

[Handwritten signature]
Dear General,

While you are receiving the congratulations of your many friends on your promotion, please permit me to offer mine with this additional thought that I hope you may have many years to enjoy the distinguished honor so richly deserved.

The enclosed copy from the Boston Journal will doubtless be pleasing to you, as a mark of esteem.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

Henry C. Reuse
Lieut. U. S. N.

Gen. O. O. Howard, U.S.A.
Comdg. Dept. of the Platte
Omaha, Nebraska.
Clara, Mass.
March 24, 1886

Keene, N.H.

U. S. N.

Congratulations.

[Handwritten text, partially legible]
Dear Brother

Mr. Green

and the President

Am to say desires me to express my most hearty congratulations on your promotion. Of course mine go with them.

All I tried for really now to feel sure that you would lose this place, but still we may all disappoint that hope. Should be just that. They named it as if the Post Mortem of Boston was as sure to the left in his hands.

Her disease does not
Make Repealable Provisions.

All well as usual. I think that my wife is doing fine. Her mother died at the age of 76 last year. She had a hard time and it took her through. I hope she's better now. She seems to be doing pretty well. I'm happy to see you again. I hope you children will always feel free to write and keep in touch. If you are away, that is fine with a credit. Mother failing somewhat. Must I cancel on you before we go next? When will you be in? Will you be in Chicago? I can meet you there. I will come with you. Love to children. Affectionate regards.
Major General O. O. Howard,

Omaha, Neb.

My Dear General:

Permit me to congratulate you on your well earned promotion. I had begun to fear that politics would crowd you out. May you live long to enjoy the honor and increased advantages of the higher rank!

With kindest regards to yourself and family, in which I am joined by Mrs. Turner, I am,

Yours Very Sincerely,

[Signature]
Mr. Dear Governor:

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Dear Brother Howard:

I call this a personal letter because I feel the need of your personal counsel and help. The situation, in brief, you will see by running your eye over the last two or three pages of the enclosed leaflet. That takes into view the whole home field. Our district by itself makes a somewhat better showing. But for the last year or two the contributions of our Churches have begun to drop off, last year especially. Most of the States gained a little, but some drifted behind, so that the net against us was nearly $5,000, and this year so far shows a loss even upon that. It is true that the Woman's Board bravely came to the rescue and held up the falling column. But a Church cannot rest on the faith of its women and be saved, any more than a man can. The CHURCH is the organism by which the kingdom grows. The Lord Jesus Christ established it and looks to it to fulfill the last great command.

We drift away from God's method, and so away from His blessing, if we suffer to slip out of our hands—out of the hands of the Church distinctly as such—the work which was nearest the heart of the Lord Jesus on the Mount of Ascension.

Now, in this emergency, to whom can we look but to the pastors? They are "the Stars in the right hand" of Christ—"the Angels of the Churches." They must lead, teach, exhort. And what is more vital to the life of a Church, the poorest even, than obedience to the command to give the gospel to a lost world, a command in respect to which the very soul of Christ is in travail till it be accomplished.

I trust that God is giving you "the joy of harvest." In many places the air is filled with the new song of converts. But next after converting a man is the duty of setting him upon making the most of himself for the kingdom of Christ. How can you better do this, my brother, than by putting your people, young and old, under systematic training, study, prayer, self-sacrifice, giving, for this work of the Lord?
Now, will you not please help me to help you in this matter? I have two or three things to offer:

1. I will send you as many of the inclosed leaflets as you will see carefully distributed. Commend them, if you can, and then put a copy into every one of your families that will read it. If not convenient to send money for the cost or the postage, do not fail to send for them anyway, I will fill your order by the return mail.

2. Please look at the inclosed colored slip and see if there is something which you can use. I will take pleasure in filling your order for anything in it on the terms named in each case.

3. I have in mind to select three sets of books—missionary books—to cost respectively, at the lowest price possible, $5.00, $10.00, $25.00. The $10.00 library will contain all in the $5.00 library, and more, and the $25.00 all in the $10.00, and more. What do you think of the plan? I shall probably operate it through the Congregational Publishing Society here. If you like it, please name the books which seem to you most suitable for each of these sets. The advantage will be in getting these books at a lower rate than at retail. What better thing is there than to put one of these sets into your Pastor's, Sunday School, or Young People's library?

4. I have seen lately in successful operation a YOUNG MEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY. It works admirably, and is developing the boys and young men in many directions. I hope to send you a letter about it in a few weeks with additional suggestions. Please write me your thoughts on this point.

5. One more question: It has been suggested that it would be well to put a FIELD SECRETARY into this District to visit the Churches, and make a specialty of collecting funds. Please give me the benefit of your judgment on this point.

And now is there any other way in which I can help you or you me? It does not seem as if we could wait much longer for the fullness of the blessing—a mighty outpouring of the Spirit which shall bring the Churches, and us all, into the practical belief that the kingdom of God in its full power is at hand.

Ever cordially yours,

S.G. ___________
Chicago, Feb. 27, 1886

Dear Grof,

How urgent now and yet the cry is too much more urgent from the great miners of this city. That benefit for the present only to be the same field.

Sam Jones and Sam Smith are turning the wheels above the main now. Very sincerely,

K. Farrell

Fice
Chicago 12th
Nov. 24th 1866

Farewell, J. C.

Unable to contribute... to prevent.

...
March 22nd 1866

Major Genl. O.C. Howard
Omaha, Neb.

General:

Permit an old clerk to congratulate you heartily upon your well merited and deserved promotion. May you live to be General.

Your Obedient Servant

[Signature]

[Handwritten note at the bottom]
Philadelphia, Pa.,
Nov. 23rd, 1886.

Fanning, T. P.
Congratulations.

Ann. Meas. 26th. 86.
Fort Keogh, M. Y.
March 22nd, 1886.

My Dear General:

Please accept my sincere congratulations.

It appears from the papers received here this morning that you will probably be assigned to the coast of the Pacific.

This I have no doubt will be quite acceptable to you. With kind wishes for you and yours, in which I am joined by Mrs. O. O. Howard, M. A. Cochrane.

I am very truly yours, M. A. Cochrane

Capt.
Fort Keogh, M.T.
Mar. 24, 1886

Coehorn, P. Col., M.A.

Congratulations.

Acc. Mch. 26, '86.
Philadelphia, March 24

Dear Sir:

Gen. Howard, Commander of the Eastern Department, I will recommend three able young men, viz., John D. Stephen, James D. Magruder, and another. I wish for you to please think of the Educational School for Frenchmen for the U.S. & I have a copy of your will. The Frenchmen will oblige you.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Please answer the same to the young gentlemen No. 612, Honolulu St., Philadelphia. Oblige yours.

[Signature]
Mr. James W. Brees.
Mr. John L. Graham.
Brick 20 Nov 12 Franklin St.
Philadelphia.

[Handwritten notes below]
Quartermaster's Department, U.S.A.

Portland, Oregon,
March 27, 1886

Maj. Gen. O.O. Howard
M. S. Army
Omaha, Nebraska
Dear General:

It is with a great deal of real pleasure that I congratulate you in your recent promotion to Major General. I trust you may long enjoy the deserved distinction.

Mr. Bancroft joins me in most hearty and always how a very much place in his heart and memory, for your kindness to her when we leaving Omaha.

Please remember me very kindly to Mrs. Howland, and believe me, Yours, with great respect,

C.H. Barnett
Dear Jennie Howard:

I heartily congratulate you on your well-deserved promotion, which continuing the great efforts put forth in certain quarters against your advancement, is a decisive victory of which you may well feel proud.

Not one of your many friends, within or outside of the Army, can now more than myself wish you every success.

With best regards,

[Signature]

March 22, 1860
Whipple Barracks
Arizona
Mr. William E. Dodge requests the pleasure of the company of M. J. F. B. Howard on Tuesday evening, April sixth, at half past eight o'clock.

262 Madison Avenue, New York.

R.s.v.p.
New York City.
March 1886.

To Mr. E.

Requests you to be present April 6, next.

The conversation during the evening will relate to the proposed National Conference to be held in Washington next winter, under the auspices of The Evangelical Alliance for the United States of America, for the discussion of Social and Religious questions in which Christians of all Communions are interested.