Congratulate our niece, photograph of Ethel M.

Prof. 1886

May 11, 1883

[Handwritten text]

May 8, 1886

Prof. And April 3, 1886

My dear friends,

Allow me to extend to you and your husbands and any other carded congratulations on your promotion. It is most sincerely desired by all your friends. Certainly add that you will succeed. God be with you.

The old age. Be thankful for a half a loaf.

I am such a useless partisan that I am always deeply interested in a contest and bitterly disappointed.
ed. if my friends do not seem what they are feeling.
You are one of a kind.
You are here and are a Golden Child
and look as all women
as providentially ordered.
The NY Tribune states that
you take command of Dept.
Of Pacific Station.
Hence so very much pleasant.
In San Island.
Reps you will be there.
Aug when Lt. E. Smith.
At 8:00. Will be there.
It will be a splendid occasion
to visit a General face.
There has been in Washing ton
for a year.
You could see sometime.
hep and our Multifarious.
Relics also send me an
autograph photograph.
August 7, 1856

S. Francisco, Cal.

Dear General Howard,

Mr. Traskfield writes with me in requesting you and Mrs. Howard, to make a visit at the Rectory, San José, where I can assure you of a cordial welcome.

My serious indisposition,

Meditation, until repairs are made.
Wakefield, Ill.  
April 3, 1886  
San Francisco  

Sir:  
Dream Howard  
& wife to meet him.  

Since, an entire change of climate  
and cause me to sever a pastoral  
connection Mr. had of late, includ-  
ed by a simple tripole, for now  
twenty-eight years.  

Since we met in Richmond,  
great changes have taken place  
in the family of your relatives  
here. Mr. Stackhouse & Fred.  
past away. Carrie & Annie  
married. Anna & Matthis. Mrs.  
Davie & wife's staying this  

[Amr. May 17, 1886]
Dear Mr. General,

April 7, 1866

My dear Old General,

Oliver Old Howard,

You will please excuse me for intruding upon your time and attention but allow me as a soldier who fought with you & helped your the hardest battle fought for American freedom. Let this day to congratulate you on your well-earned promotion to the rank of Major General in our Regular Army. You should have had this star many years ago but all we are now is Old Soldiers fast nearing the last call of...
the Soft note of of that 
Silver bell that hung on the 
door knob of old last 
Head Quarters where all 
must fall in,

One year ago last August 
I was four day on that 
yard old field of Gettysburg, 
Sick on the score ground 
you died when I Henryed 
you a dispatch from the 
Mead. You told me to demand 
or I would get killed. I looked in 
that door of the old Battle Field 
Hotel for that Emptig, seem 
unless it was the face of burning 
low there all could just 
burning round and through that iron gate I
stood facing the Statue of the brave Reynolds 
and on on I see the round 
graves of them that went

Dear Old, that little rock 
that not try the heart of a 
true Countryman

Seneca

I trust you are one of the few 
last Brave Captains of that fgs. 
See Head Hancock Sesame

Heineman, and how many 
more have all you to the quiet 
beal. You are still left but 
I hope you may live long because 
ful for your true loyalty to our 
Country

Ensure my old 3 word 
hand for writing to much 
of it not too much letter to 
for I want one more photogary 
and an Autograph letter of but a few weeks for my children 
With much respect I am 
Yours etc. 

Frank Moore 

Adams

Feb
Fort A. Lincoln Dak.
April 3rd 1886

My dear Howard.

I congratulate you most heartily upon your promotion to Major General which I see by the papers has been confirmed by the Senate. It makes me feel doubly proud of the class of '54 that both you and Tinger are among the Generals of Field. I hope our service in the future may be arranged that we may see something of each other, for you are one of the two or three of our class that I have seen little of nothing of since we graduated. I look for my own promotion.
To Colonel Emeline this year,
Sincerely your old friend
and classmate.

E. D. Downing

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard

Omaha, Nebraska
Dear General:

Please accept my most hearty and sincere Congratulations on your promotion. Among all your old friends, I am very proud of our own hero and I feel honored to express my devotion and loyalty to you. Though I have
not had the pleasure of serving with you, since 1863 I have always been one of your warmest friends and admirers since that day, 23 years after when you rose with me to respect the Transportation of the 11th Corps near Stafford Court House, please present this letter to Major General O.O. Howard, and be kind enough to present my regards to him. Most sincerely yours, John Lee.
San Antonio, Texas
April 3, 1886

My dear O.O. Howard

My dear General,

I congratulate you on your promotion as Major General, U.S. Army.

I myself think you will command the Division of the Pacific.

F. D. C. Shafter

W. D. Cameron
Dear Antonio, P.O.,

April 3, 1886.

Deutzten, Col., M.D.,

U.S.A.

Congratulations.

Acco. Apr. 7, '86.
San Francisco April 7th
1863

My dear Cousin,

We are all so glad and thankful that matters have turned out so favorable for you, and so pleasant for us. Our great anxiety was over when you were promoted. After that our anxiety was wholly selfish. We wanted you assigned to the 9th Division.

We shall look for you very soon. I intend to meet you between here and San Francisco.
My Martin & Dora went into the County for a day or two & I shall join them to stay & return with them. Hoping to see you all soon, I am as ever yours very affectionately.

A. Martin
602 Foremast Residence
Business 215 Fuller St

[Signature]
711 Fulton St.,
Troy, N.Y. Apr. 4, 1882.

Sunday evening

Dear O.C. [illegible],

My dear father,

It is late in the evening, but as I am afraid you will leave Amherst very soon, I write you a short letter now. Your good letter of March 31st came yesterday evening. I am very glad to get it. The check for $40 was very timely. I had none out myself, as I was very much in need of a new pair of shoes, which I got.

Also I got me a hat.

I can pay for my hand bill of railway passage, almost to date. I thank you ever...
much for the money. I may
need a little more money
if so I can draw the
remainder of what I have
saved. I did not wish you
to think that I hesitated to
use my own money for my
expenses but I wish it
come it to add to what you
can give me next summer
for my expenses there. I am
sure you will enjoy your
home in S.F. very much
that another will take a
good root there as near the
sea coast. My work progres
and seems to bless my ef
forts much better than I have
hoped prayed for.
With much love to all
P.S. From the orders from jamies,
see the newspaper sending you to S.F. J.C.
U.W.F.
Dear General,

For two weeks I have been laid up in my room with an attack of consumption, which has prevented me from attending to business and somewhat disarranges my finances, so that I write to ask you to let me extend the time of paying the rent until such time as I can help a brother in California who is in desperate straits and this has brought me into a temporarily unsatisfactory condition.

My current
I am much better and as soon as the weather improves I shall be able to get out as usual.

Very faithfully yours,

Geo. T. Balch

Gene O. Stewart, U.S.A.

Omaha
New York City
April 6, 1886

Dear Mr. A. F.

Desires to have his "Name estacated" until May.

[Handwritten text]

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Office Purchasing and Depot,

"Commissary of Subsistence,"

T. C. SULLIVAN,
MAJOR AND C. S. U. S. ARMY,
159 HIGH STREET,
Boston, Mass.,

April 5, 1866

My dear child,

I heartily rejoice at your promotion and plan to accept your congratulations, recollection of my former service with you on the plains in my life with pride.

Yours sincerely,

THO. Sullivan

Paul E. B. Howard

Am.Inv
Boston, Mass.

April 5, 1876.

Dulligan, Maj., R.O.C.
U.S.A.

Congratulations.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Endorsements:

[Handwritten notes in various handwriting styles and fonts]

[Handwritten date: Apr. 4, 1877]
Arlington, Nov.
Apr. 5th '86

Maj Gen O. C. Howard,

Dear Sir, I hope that
Lord will not push you so hard
in the interest of his other busi-
ness, as to prevent you from
helping us by your presence
and wisdom in the meeting
here appointed.

You would benefit us much
by discoursing upon the duties
assigned you. The people are
lacking much in this line.

May the Lord prosper you
Yours faithfully, W. P. Claxey.
April 5, 1886

Yours, O. O. Howard:

Dear Sir:

I enclose a recommendation of Mr. Herron, the gentleman I brought over to see you. Are you willing to put your name to the note as taking any word for his integrity? He feels that he would like to try for a position from a religious rather than a political standpoint.

Yours cordially,

O. O. Harsha
Owen's, Neb.,
April 5, 1886,

Hannah, Mrs. J.,

Dearest son,

Regret to hear of Mr. Herron.

Dates, Apr. 7, '86.
War Department,

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, April 5, 1886.

Major General O.O. Howard,

U.S. Army,

Omaha, Nebraska.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit hereewith the brevet and badge of the Legion of Honor, presented to you by the French Government, which have been returned to this Department by the State Department agreeably to your request of the 5th ultimo.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Adjutant General.
Frank Wheeler,
Brevet Major-General, U.S.A.

Headquarters Second U.S. Infantry,
Fort Ticonderoga, N.Y.,

April 5th, 1886.

My dear General,

The good news has reached us and Mama joins us at the warmest congratulations. We have heard for months of unmerited dehrmis to cheer you out of long deserved promotion, and when I was put over you we felt exulted.

Strong words but less

The S.S. Superior

And you persuade me towards that a little
Mountain air in June

would do her part. I hope to add to our pleasure by coming too. My little wife is not on her porch for the first time after a critical operation most successfully performed by Dr. Muncy Wales. When you have time drop me a line when Santa the 8t goes up to Hapam Island or need a warmer climate after so many years in the snows of Idaho be sure that her family all love yours faithfully, Reating.
will not express the
feelings of myself
and my officers, for faced
the injustice of the same
proved and potent in
fluence that allowed
W. J. Hunt, to retire with
an eagle while it gave
Westing a star.
We are all rejoicing
and proud to see that
the empty shells are
not forgotten or ignored.
The next hope we have
is that you will come
up to this Northern end
of your new (old) com-
mand. and let our little frontier
guns be Among the
junk to banish a jeers
welcome to the second
star. Our family
affliction & grief has
brought us bent time
will always be a warm
place in our heart of
truth for you.
May it be related as our
all our, at this recollection
for the night. The guns
from attention to music,
and drawing and continue
her interest in our P. T.
Sunday School, my dear...
New Orleans, April 6th, 1886

Dear Mr. Bisco: I send you this letter to advise you of my arrival in this city. I have been here for four years and I am going to New Orleans. Dear Sir, I have no means to return home. If you would help me, I would be very grateful. I have been sick this last three or four years. Please help me to get back home. I am in a destitute condition. I beg you to give me help so I can return home.

Respectfully,

Charles Bisco

Letter to 224 Laurel Street

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Respectfully,

Charles Bisco

Letter to 224 Laurel Street
My dear General Howard:

I have the pleasure of introducing Captain Alvin Eldridge, my friend of many years, and one of San Francisco's best and most honored citizens. Captain Eldridge rendered most valuable service to the cause of the Union during the war.
as commander of the steamship St. Louis.
For his rare qualities as an accomplished sailor and seaman,
He became the esteemed and trusted personal friend of Admirals
Dwight and Rodgers and Capt.
J. W. Sherman. In coming to the
new command I am very sure
you will be pleased to have his
acquaintance—congratulating you
most sincerely upon your new honors.

Chas. M. P. Howard
U.S. A. - "Robert Saxton."
She would never get rest full. I have written so hope she will come down here for a rest change. She is, I fear allowing herself to undertake too much. I wish her physical strength her will to do were more equally matched.

Hoping you are all very well and enjoying the opening spring. It is so lovely here. 

Yours most sincerely,

Albert P. Van Blarcom
April 6th 1896.

1818 Harrison St
Oakland, Cal.

Major Gen'l C. O. Howard

My dear General,

Since first I heard that we of the "Pacific Coast" were to be under your command, I have been wishing to offer you my congratulations. Which I confess are quite as much for ourselves as for you, dear General! I think we are to be congratulated. I must feel you are.

It has always seemed to me to be a very pleasant station this at the Presidio to hope it will prove the same for you. I am delighted.
on hearing the good news, how truly glad I am for Mrs. Gray! For this Omaha is not so very far from Portland, surely San Francisco and Portland are more like neighbors. I have said before, but I want to say again, how much I enjoy Millie's friends. This with Mrs. Gray & those dear children. Tell you please my congratulations to Mrs. Gray with my love. You can say to her that many of us are rejoicing over the fact that we are to be under the command of her husband.

I often have said the advent of a Christian family in Cal. was something to glad for. Millie are surely, but the com-

And so we are truly glad when authority & position is linked with Christian principles.

Indeed, dear girl Howard, I assure you none can offer you much heartfelt wishes for

Mr. Van Alden is in New York has been away nearly a month may be gone still another. In the meantime I have with me our eldest son.

A great treat to me as for nearly eight years he has been away from home & was sick us two days at the time of dear Figgs's death, & since that time until this winter I had not seen him. My letters from home are cheery, but the com-

Mama & being restored feels as
Beatrice, Neb.,
Apr. 6th, 1886.

Gen. O. C. Howard,
Omaha, Neb.

Dear Sir:

I am instructed by the Ladies League of the Unitarian Society to ask you if you can give a lecture in Beatrice soon under our auspices, and if so, upon what terms.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. W. H. Somers
Beatrice, Neb.,
April 6, 1886.

Dorcas, Mrs. W.I.

Desires to know if
Geil, H., came Eastern
at P. soon.

[Handwritten text]

[Handwritten text]
April 6, 1886

My dear Sir,

Now that you have fairly won and got that "new coat," please send me your picture. Where shall we put you? Fair Oats, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Resaca, Atlanta?

Yours faithfully,

Mark

Maj. John C. Howard, U.S.V.

Omaha, Neb.
Cincinnati, O.,
April 6th, 1816.

Clarke, J.P.,

Desired Seale's. No. 2.
Photo. to know what battle to pick it is.

I have no other way of hearing you.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

[Signature]
Washington, D. C. April 6th 1886

Gen. O. C. Howard,

Dear General,

The tenant of Sin. 427, 78 is much disappointed at the bad condition of the premises, especially as most of the other places in the vicinity have lately been painted up and placed in good condition. I have examined the building and can say that if it belonged to me I should consider it to my interest to at once get it in proper condition. Not only for the saving of expense in the future but to obtain a good rental. The present lease does not have much lease and there is more or less rent, while the building used to be vacant. Then it would not do to make the repairs. Will you please advise me as to one of the deals?
Dear Sirs,

Mahan's necessary repairs may be done to his building. With reference to buying the lot, the Tappins at 75. I think that there may be a chance to do so this spring, as they are putting the books of H. I. Dyer and an agent from the New York and New Haven, and are not sure of the look out for a purchaser.

Very truly yours,

Allan B. Burchard

Washington, D.C.

[Redacted]
Fort D. Sisseton, D. N.
April 6, 1886.

Moor's, Maj. P.,
U.S.A.

Congratulations.

Personal file on 4/9/86

Fort D. Sisseton, D. N.
April 6/86

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
U.S.A.

Omaha, Neb.

My dear General,

McNease joins me in

sincere congratulations on

your well earned & well deserved

promotion, with a wish that

you may live to the full to

enjoy all its honors.

We do not know how you will

like your new field of duty, but from

our experience of the Coast, we feel

satisfied you will, at least be

accustomed to treat in much

with it was in our former

broad & sunny pleasure

here.

Yours,

[Signature]
With great respect,

Lindsey Jones

F. Inland

Majors 25th May