Sacramento, Aug 30th 1886

Gentleman:—

The establishment of an "Alley Day" in California is a very worthy movement, but the date now proposed—Oct 30th—is not a proper one, not being late enough for the planting. Very generally there are not sufficient rains until nearly the 1st of January to put the ground in proper condition for the purpose indicated. Planting in October would not only be difficult from hardness of the ground, but also the cost would be very much that planting would result in failure. It is suggested therefore, that to fix upon a day which would be available for all parts of the State, sometime in the later part of December would be best.

The Record Union has long been a
Friend of ours such a moment as now is fort, and has long advocated the necessity of forestigation in California. It is pleasing to find the present moment of its admission. And therefore, the suggestion ask to a change of day to a practical one for all parts of the State. If you will indulge the advocacy of such change, it will be of doubt the mode. May the best plan of receiving your views upon the subject

Very Respectfully yours,

[Signature]
Aug. 31

2244 Mission St.
San Francisco.

Aug. 8th.

Major J. C. Howard

Dear Friend,

When I saw you the day I called, I forgot to ask you if you needed any help. I have a good practical Ohio woman about thirty-five years of age whose brother was in the Ohio 61st. She is not afraid of work and will prove a practical help. Do you want her? Please let me know as soon as convenient.

Respectfully,

Mrs. C. A. Blakeney
Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find check for
Thirtydollars

payment for your article in "The New Princeton Review," entitled
"The Freedman During the War"

Respectfully yours,

A. C. Armstrong & Son

Kindly sign and return the following receipt and oblige.
San Francisco Aug 31 1886

Sir O.O. Harvard

Dear Brother

As you promised to come out and talk to us again I shall be glad to make the announcement any time when it will be convenient for you. You spoke of coming Sunday morning. We have only evening services Sunday, Tuesday, & Friday's, yet if the time would be more favorable Sunday morning I will do what I can to gather a congregation at that time. Please let me hear from you and oblige.

Respectfully yours,

J. H. Tobey

Cor. Page & Rice streets
Law Office of Allan Rutherford,

(Late Third Auditor U.S. Treasury,)

Corcoran Building, Fifteenth and F Streets, Rooms Nos. 98, 99, and 102.

(Opposite Treasury Department.)

Practices before the Supreme Court of the United States, Court of Claims, Claims Commissions, and the different Committees of Congress, and all Departments of the Government.

Washington, D.C. Aug. 31, 1886

[Handwritten text]

Dear General,

Please forward your letter of the 24th inst. If you will return to me the tax notice I sent you with this letter, showing the tax for 1877 & the last of recent payments. I will see Mrs. Smith and then it to him. I will not know until it is returned.

Yours truly,

Allan Rutherford

[Signature]
My dear Sir,

I wish to say a word in behalf of my friend Lieut. M., of the U.S. 5th Artillery, now at Vancouver Barracks, W. T.

He has recently been suddenly ordered there from San Francisco to do duty with a light battery. The change was sudden, unexpected, and expensive. Lieut. M. has developed a pronounced hernia since being on the Pacific Coast and his present service (mounted) is of course especially bad for such a case. The opportunity & detail Lieut. M. for such service wise, as I am...
informed expire upon his promotion to a Captainship, which
will probably occur in about two years. I am afraid that
an officer below Lieut. M.
on the roster has been able to secure this detail for the
latter in the hope that it may compel his retirement
from disability, or that the service may be so hard as
to necessitate this step.

I learn that a friend
of Lieut. M. has asked you
to take him upon your staff
as aide de camp. And I
I have taken the liberty of this in order to second the suggestion. Addressing you, in the hope that a word from me may be of service to my friend, perhaps bring about such a result. I have had the pleasure years ago of meeting you at Shawmut Church at my pastor, Dr. Webbs, though you wise not remember me. I may refer Dr. W. as to my reputation, character and Mr. Blaine.

I write this without lient solicitation or knowledge.

Very respectfully,

M.P. Dickinson

Maj Gen. C. A. Steward.

Henry D. Hyde
M. P. Dickinson, Jr.
Emer. P. Howe.
MOSGROVE, MAHÉ & CO.,
Cloak and Suit Manufacturers,
110 Kearny Street.

San Francisco, Aug 31 1886

Hon. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir,

I have been appointed by the officiating
Pastor of the Baptist Memorial M.E. Church
North, this city, to ask you would
be good enough to deliver an address in
our Church next Sabbath evening at 7.30.

I'll be at the Zephyr Club that evening.

I hope you will kindly consent to the M.E. Church. If you will
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Yours very respectfully,

S. Mosgrove