

Clarke P.H.

2nd Dec 10th Car.

Wishes to go to French Country
School at Saumur & asks Genl.
Howard to favor application.

Fort-Grank, A. V.
Sept 27-1886.

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Ans 10/2/86

P.H.C. 959.

My dear General.

I hope you will excuse me
for writing to you personally and
especially as my excuse for hoping
that you even remember my name
is that it used to occur with such
persistant frequency on the demerit
list that I should not hold my com-
mission at present unless you had
in the Autumn of '83 given me
a second trial which alone saved
me from being "found". I have no
doubt that you have forgotten all
about it but I never care. My reason
for taking this liberty is I fear not-

Ans. Oct 2. 1886.

as good I would like it - to appear,
but - I have put in "This Military
Channels" an application to be
allowed to go to the French Cavalry
School at Saumur and as the
application is very unusual I
will if you will allow me give you
my reasons. I speak French having
been at school in France when a boy
and am very anxious to perfect
myself in that language. Moreover
from what I have been able to learn
about the Cavalry school, I am
certain that what I will be able
to learn there will be of great benefit
to me as a Cavalry officer and
without prejudice to our methods.

It is true that I have only been out of West-Point - not
far and have been in the field nearly all of the time,
since April 85 when my regiment left Texas but -
I am sure I can make up on my return what I may
lose in experience by being absent from my garrison.

Trusting that you will excuse my prolixity I remain

Most Respectfully

Your obedient servant,

Richard A. Clark,
Adjutant 4th Cav.

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YOUNG MEN'S

CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,

232 SUTTER STREET,

SAN FRANCISCO,

CAL.

*ans-
Sept. 27/86.
Hew. goes away
wishes met at once*

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Sept. 27th., 1886.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Presidio, City.

My dear Brother:

I hereby have the pleasure of informing you that at the last meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Young Men's Christian Association you were elected as a member of said Board to serve until the next annual election.

The meetings of the Board of Directors will be held at the Association building on the third Thursday afternoon of each month at 3:30 o'clock, of which due notice will be sent you from time to time.

Hoping that you will see your way clear to accept the same and assuring you of our most high appreciation of your services in our behalf, I remain,

Yours cordially,

A. J. McCoy

General Secretary.

San Francisco, May 18

W. M. W.

W. M. W. Secy.
San Dec

Notice Genl Howard of his
election as Director of the
A. F. W. M.

Sept. 27th., 1886.

I hereby have the pleasure of informing you that at
last meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Francisco
Men's Christian Association you were elected as a member of
said Board to serve until the next annual election.
The meetings of the Board of Directors will be held at
the Association building on the third Thursday afternoon of each
month at 8:30 o'clock, of which due notice will be sent you from
time to time.
Hoping that you will see your way clear to accept the
and assuring you of our most high appreciation of your ser-
vice in our behalf, I remain,

Yours cordially,

General Secretary.

Also. Sept 27. 1886.

SAN BERNARDINO
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,
Garner Block, D. Street.

T. J. Fording, Pres't.
John Bryant, Treas.
Francis B. Holt, Gen'l Sec'y.

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San Bernardino, Cal., Sept 27, 1886

Gen. O. O. Howard

San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the
24th inst. received today. We will
engage you to lecture for us on
Friday evening, Oct. 22, '86, on the
"Life and Character of Gen Grant," at
the terms you state, \$50.00 and ex-
penses from Los Angeles to San Bernardi-
no and return to Los Angeles.

Are there any press notices you
could send us in regard to this
or any other of your lectures?

We have engaged the Opera House and
shall at once begin work. Please reply
upon receipt of this that we may know you
have received it. Yours respectfully
Francis B. Holt

San Bernardino Cal
Sept 27. 1886

G.M.C.

Francis Holt.

Secy.

Accept Genl Howard's terms
for lecture on Genl Grant
to be delivered Oct 22. '86

Ms. Oct 2. 1886.

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Middleton Pa Sept 29/86
Gen O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

Pardon me for the
liberty taken in addressing you
this note, in asking your autograph
on the enclosed card, Accept
many thanks for the same

Very Truly yours

Wm. L. Lavery

Middleton Pa. Sept 24. '86

Sisterly D. M. C.

asks autograph.

Ms. Oct 6. 1886

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Omaha Sep 27 -
Genl Howard,

Cou-d² Div. Pacific,

My dear Friend,

Yours of

16th inst. is rec^d. I will attend
to the Shiles part. I think you
are doing rth. not to reply to
him. It was a pleasure to rec^{ve}
a letter from you & hear of your
welfare. While I am glad you
went forward to your desired
place, I, & we all, greatly miss
you here. Our af continues
to prosper. Our church is doing
fairly well. I think the coming
of Sam Jones, in Nov. will be a
good thing. We have procured a
new ch. & are erecting a house,
East 3rd St. in N.W. part of the city -

also helpg Germans in S. Omaha,
to a house. They have org'd with
18 members, and a S.S. of 50.

I wish you were to be at Des Moines
next week, at "Am. Board".

I see Chauncy frequently and try
to encourage him, in doing
right. He has told you of a Sab-
School n preachg service near
him. I hope he will be successful
with his business.

Mrs Sherrill unites with me
in love to you, and each other
one of the family. May God's richest
blessing be upon you.

Most truly respect

your friend

A. Sherrill

Omaha Sept 29. 1886

Sherrill. Sept. 29. 1886

Propus of Church members

Ms. Oct 5. 1886.

Dr. J. P. ...

such effect.

Will be very much happy
to receive you and your family on
your proposed visit. etc.

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South Pasadena Sept 29th 86

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Gen O. O. Howard
My Dear Sir

Your favor of 14th inst came in
due season and was gladly received by us all.
We shall be very glad to have you stay with us as
long as convenient when here and if you can spare the
time a ride in our vicinity might be pleasant

Last Monday we organized a T. M. C. Association in
Pasadena beginning with 80 members. near the close
of the meeting I called attention to the fact that Gen
O. O. Howard was expected in S. Angls. at the Convention
and that I thought we ought to invite him to Pasadena
and call a meeting with the hope that he might address
us. a murmur of applause ran through the audience before
I was through speaking. and immediately I was requested
to extend an invitation to you to come here and speak
to us if possible. I never learn that the So. Angls. Com.
intend to invite. I think the delegation from the southern
part of the state to come to Pasadena Monday after
Oct 22nd

We will be pleased to call a meeting of our
Y.M.C.A. at any time when we may hope to
have you present. we feel that your presence and words
would do much to help us as we start out

Our second son Edward now intends to be
married Oct 20th and nothing would please us more
than that you should be present we will hope that it may
be convenient for you to do so

Our people are very hopeful that by inviting you
thus early that we may have the pleasure of introducing
you to our people who will fill the hall to meet you I am
sure You will be surprised to see how our little colony has
spread over the mesa and is putting up good buildings
we must number about 4000 people now and are very
busy I assure you This new church and new building
a large school house and many other improvements

I hope before winter to have the pleasure of calling
upon you in your new home I hope you are all well
and find San Francisco pleasant

With kind regards from self and family to
yourselves and family Mrs Gilman included

Truly Your Friend

A. R. Rust

very much I do hope
Grace will return perfectly
well. She was so miserable
before she left here. How is
my darling Grace? She is
about a winning mile-of
storm + sunshine, and
I love her with all my heart.

Capt. Gray has paid us a
very pretty compliment - by ask-
ing us to go with him to-
night - to hear Mr. Hawk sing.

It was delightful of him to
think of it - he is always
nice to other people & doing
thoughtful things.

My dear husband is trying to
work off a headache but it
should prevent his going tonight.
I wish he could get over having
such frightful headaches - he
suffers very much. Our win-
ter is coming little by little
with a few charming days in

1866.

Portland
Sept-30th 1886

My dear friend,

I am not - very
good about - writing now
I? But - that is not be-
cause I do not - often think
of you, and lovingly re-
member your kindness to
me. Your letter to Joe
was so full of outlined
pictures of yourself, with
varying backgrounds & sur-
roundings that it - made
me wish looking at them
one after the other, or fast.
How you have to rush

on such a journey! Do
you like it?

I should think that some-
times it - would be rather
tiresome to be a good man
+ that we would like not
and then to be hidden
away from the world to
rest and have time to
think!

You see I am not cut-
out for a good-man!

And then all the people
think you belong to them
as the child to the parent -
+ they want - you to please
them and not yourself - oh
indeed sometimes I pity

you dear friend because you
are so good - + the people love
you so much! But - you
must - be good and not -
take me too seriously,
because on the other side
of it I am thankful
that the people know en-
ough to love you and
honor you as I do and
all must - who know you
at all - and we who
sometimes get - glimpses into
your good - good kind heart -
- how can I tell you what
our feeling is! I think you
can guess it - a little -

Mamma wrote you
were all well when she
sent you. You must -
enjoy Grace + the children

need more your love - I do
not - please love children as
when I do I think no
pain quite - as hard to bear.
Give my love to Grace &
the daughters and Mrs Har-
ard. I always feel as if
you all belonged to me
in some peculiar way and
I know that I love you
all very dearly.

Do not be so long in
writing me as I have been
in answering your good letter
— although I know I do
not deserve your consideration.

With much love

Mary L. O. B. Thompson

Thompson. M. L. O. B. Thompson
Portland, Sept 30 56

between cold & stormy ones.
I have my little pupil
back again, and was very
^{966.} much touched by her evident
pleasure & her love for me.

I only wish I could make
her love learning as well,
but she is very impatient
& unwilling to take trouble
with her lessons. They
are trying to teach her to
play on the piano — does
not. That seems very odd for
of course the child cannot
hear a note she strikes.

Mother told me the name
Black Point — has been changed
to — I forget — to what — that —
it will be hard to remem-
ber a new name.

I suppose you know all

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about - Dr Lindseys move
to San Francisco. This place
will miss him for more
than is realized, but I think
in their present state of
mind the church may
do better under another
and younger man. There
is quite a good deal of
quiet-talk about ex-
pecting the two churches.

I hope it may come to
something because it seems
a pity to carry on two
such churches when by joining
one their usefulness could
be so much greater. It
always seems so childish
& ridiculous to me to allow
sect or opinion or personal

feeling or any reason inter-
fere with the best - work
of christian people. Both
these churches are burdened
with debt - & unable to do
more than help themselves
when they might be helping
others. Under the present
proposition it seems likely
that the new church will
get us into a very large
debt - a very unwise thing
I should say. The Larsons &
Corbets &c are on the com-
mittee of course, but because
they are rich is no reason
why we should build so
large a church that
we may be crushed for years
under debt.

It grows dark and I go

Washington D.C.
Kolkman. H.
A.A. Carl.

Major Wood A.A. to relieve
him at Washington & then
he & Maj. T. goes to Vancouver.

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1832 Jefferson Place.

Sept. 30th, 1896.

Dear General:

To-day I discovered
your kind letter of Sept. 20th, at
the Metropolitan Club, where it had
been lying in my box for some
days, I so there so infrequently.

Referring to your inquiry about
Major Wood, - the same S. O. from
the W. D. which assigns me to duty as
A. G. Dept. Columbia, brings him here
to relieve me. He is to report

here, Nov. 1st, to take my busy
desk, and then, - after a few
days' delay - to take a long
leave of our people in Philad.^a,
we start for our new post, Vancouver.

Since my last letter to you,
my wife learned, in Philad.^a,
of Clara's arrangements for
Company to San Francisco, &
we will go, ourselves, by the
northern route, breaking our
long journey, for a couple of days,

at St. Paul. I am sure I am
greatly obliged to you for your
word of encouragement to Mrs. V.,
& when I showed your kind letter, -
and who is still personally ignorant
of the many advantages of a station
on the Pacific, where I had been,
before.

With our respects to Mrs. Howard,
believe me, dear General,

Yours truly,

Wm. H. Colburn.

Maj. Genl. Howard, U.S.A.

St. C. C. 6/13/86
Spencer

I preached in the evening
while passing thro' it. That
made me sensitive to suspicion
and taught me to not
despise letters of introduction.

I expect to travel through
the Southern States this winter
and exhibit the life of Christ
to Sunday Schools, Orphan
Homes, Boys & Girls Aid Societies,
etc. without charge. If it is not
adverse to your inclinations I
should be glad of a note
certifying that you know me
as a Christian.

Very respectfully:
Stewart Spence.

Ans. Oct 2. 1886.

St. C. C. 10/2/86.
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838 Market Street
San Francisco
Sept. 30/86

Major General D. D. Howard:
Dear Sir;

I was down at
the Presidio this evening
to finish the discourse &
exhibition of the life of
Christ - but no preparations

had been made - and not
a soul came out; except
the sexton.

It is very disappointing
to see this poor world so
utterly negligent of their Best
Friend: - they cast Him out
and sell Him sixteen centuries
ago; and it seems they have
not changed their mind
about Him since.

However, tho' often discour-
aged, I am determined by
God's help to go on telling
sinners about Him, "whether
they will hear or whether they
will forbear;" and to use
all reasonable methods of

presenting Him in an inviting
manner, - and the Magic
Lantern seems at present
to aid me in doing this.

You can aid me greatly
by a few strokes of the pen,
General; - for in travelling
with a sort of exhibition,
I offering to give it free,
one would doubtless be subject
to a great deal of suspicion
from the Ministers and others
to whom I would offer my
exhibition.

I had a very painful
experience in Oregon on this
line; being taken for a
Mormon Missionary on one
occasion, - in a town where

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Presidio. Sept 30. 1886.

Major Genl C. C. Howard.

Dear Sir Sir!

You may probably remember the
writer as the minister of the Methodist
Church at Eureka, who met you at the
G. A. Post, also at the Seminary exercises
who wrote you a note asking you to
address the young men of Eureka.

I am now stationed
at Petaluma. Our Church is greatly
out of repair & the ladies will to
spend about \$1500. in refurnishing it &c.
They propose a course of lectures from
which they expect to realize a good sum.

They have requested me to see you and
ask you to greatly favor them by opening
the course with your lecture on 'Settling-
ing.' or any other subject you may
choose.

The course will come off in Nov. &
consist of four lectures. You can leave S. F. as late
as 2.30 p.m. & reach it on return as
early as 9.00 am.

It will give me great
pleasure to hear you. May I not hope
that you will respond affirmatively &
& so please the large numbers who need
to hear you especially on the
subject so interesting & attractive to
all who have heard you, it.

I remain,

Your Obedt. Servant,
Charles E. Rich.
Petaluma

Young Men's Building,
File. 232, Sutter Street, S. F.
970. Sept. 30th / 1856.

Dear Brother,

Your presence is earnestly solicited at the General Secretary's monthly reception and soiree to active members on Monday evening October 3rd at 7 o'clock.

Mr McCoy is expected to return from Portland in time to be present on this occasion, also Mr C. S. Mason, and they will give a brief report of the North-West Convention.

No pains will be spared to make this a pleasant social gathering, and refreshments of Ice Cream and Cake will be served.

Please do not fail to be present. If you can't possibly come, will you kindly let me know by noon of Monday.

Cordially yours,
M. M. Meyers,
Asst. Sec.

San Francisco. Sept 30 1886

G.M.C.A.

M. M. Meyer.

West Bay

Notifies Gent. H. of the
Monthly reception of Voice
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M. M. Meyer
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Chicago, *Sept. 30th* 1886.

*Gen. O. O. Howard,
Omaha, Neb.*

Dear Sir:

*Do you intend to lecture
the present season? I have one or two calls
for you. If you can lecture, please advise us
at your convenience, giving terms, allowing the
Bureau 10% Commission on the gross fees.
I should be pleased to take charge of any
lecture business you may have, and I am con-
fident that our work in this line would be
to your advantage.*

*Yours truly
H. L. Slayton.*

Chicago. Ill. 11/11/1887.

Chapman. N. H.

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She calls for next Monday
to lecture - Will he fill them,