Vancouver Barracks, Apr. 17, Nov. 1793.

To Sir John Uncategorized:

Upon my return to this place, I have had the pleasure of receiving a letter from Mr. Van Munching, enclosing a manuscript of a military treatise on the subject of fortifications. I am pleased to offer my recommendations for the improvement of our military defenses.

I have had the opportunity to study the manuscript, and I find it to be well-researched and well-written. The author has taken great care to cover all aspects of fortification, and I believe that his work could be of great benefit to our military forces.

I therefore recommend that Mr. Van Munching be appointed as the head of the military department. He has demonstrated a deep understanding of the subject and is well-versed in the latest military strategies. I am confident that his leadership will bring significant improvements to our military defenses.

I shall be returning to Philadelphia tomorrow, where I shall continue to work on this project. I shall keep you informed of any developments.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Monticello Berkshire Co. N.Y.  
Nov. 7th 1886.

My dear Uncle Howard,

Thank you for both your letters. It is very sweet to know that I have so many kind friends. My mother came to Cal. after me because I was ill. The shock of my husband's death was so fearful that I have never been the same woman since. The physicians assure me that I am seriously threatened with paralysis.
Church by some bereavement and I am living very quietly and shall probably never be able again to take an active part in the affairs of this world. To think of that brave soldier lying forgotten in an unknown grave, seems so hard.

Why the Good Lord have been so unkind,I cannot understand. If there had been any reason in it—any warfare—however their question these not to wonder why?

Their task to do and die. And woman's heart may break, but it is the way of the world. I have bought a lovely little home in the Berkshires Hills, twice miles from Great Barrington, Mass. All my household treasures are here, and my mother and sister are with me.

I can hardly hope to live through the winter, and yet the thought of dying is not so bad one. I am deeply sensible of all my earthly blessings, and yet I pray God that the separation may not be a long one very sincerely and gratefully.

Emily Murdock
San Francisco, Cal.  
Nov. 7th 1886

Major Gill O. O. Howard  
San Francisco, Cal.

My Dear Gill:

Will you kindly dit-egrate which of the above mentioned Sundays you
will cancel & propose to the morning at the churches?  

Said churches are:

- First Church
- First Church

Since the above are all similar, I am anxious to have you call on the
above.

I am going to Sacramento tomorrow.  My father

literally said it was really Wednesday by my

haste to write.  After you return

I remain,

James W. Gill
Well Carl Howard designate a Sunday in Oct. on which he will address First Congregational Church.

I was almost frozen by the cold north wind.

I must always remember where I am.

I felt the rush of the northern wind and the cold.

I am not used to the cold.

I am not used to the cold.

I am not used to the cold.
May Genl O'Kavanagh

Dear General,

I have been quite ill all night and do not feel able to conduct your services to-night. Will you please excuse me from attending the service to-night?

And O'Kavanagh

Your obedient servant,

Rev. Wm. Scott

Angel Island, Cal., Nov. 7, 1886
Narrowed 16 2/3 miles to
reduce the strain almost 75%
mile while we dispose with axles
again the depth of the freight
cars 16 ft gives some solids strong
for the same material but as
the under works of railroad
cars are half their weight the
saving is much greater as the
lateral or.iterating strain of
the heavy cars is enormous in
thin centers our saving is the
Tuscaloosa Destiny
moving at 2.16 per minute mile
draws a man in a sulky weighing
25 lbs. the railroad requires a ton
for each passenger—the palace cars
and luxury engine cars. The route
between Portland Me. and Portland, Argy
city is 1000 plus mile each way.
A steel structure can be framed
in 800,000. permit to sustain upon the steel
track one hundred 2000 lbs. or
3000 lbs. as a wooden structure
in like.
There is no position to report while
in motion straight ahead besides, 10 to 15
corner lines with highest grade.

Your letter of Dec. 29 came
to hand Saturday.
I have sent your son
a prospectus of the railway
and have ordered the transfer
of $1000. dollars at par, to
be charged upon my personal
stock for which you are to
pay $1000. only without his
ability to prepayment.
The share and dollars you can
draw to me in installments of
more convenient.
We incorporated under the
law of New Jersey at holding
equal rank on the New York
market for their excellent pro-
visions.
Under the N. Y. central laws
in debt of Massachusetts.
could not build a car or try any experiment. Under the N. J. law one or two directors can reside anywhere. We simply keep a trunk full of stock to send to my nephew at Jersey City.

I have not doubt the bicycle railway will succeed in reducing the cost of freight carriages and the time of travel it requires.

The ablest railway engineers and great men I know all object to this for more uniformity than they did to the telegraph or phone. A little stock will be placed as possible until a short stock is ready for trial on the success of which it is believed the stock will go up to a high figure, perhaps ten times 1 or a hundred thousand for your investments. In no case can the bicycle train run slower than the present system and with one fourth the number of vehicles 1/4 the weight on the friction riding upon the present R. R. rails jointly with their trains if necessary. The coach can pass with 12 1/2 inches between them. The exchanging rail renders derailment impossible. Riding upon无breakable stock wheels fitted to their bicycle single (vertical) shaft, no ax be will brake. Gliding in a single groove the friction and strain of passing around curves is avoided. With double tracks is avoided. Our
deflecting the upper rail the same as a bicycle tilted with no loss of power. The safety will be much greater the train more simple, and every mechanical element non complex. To illustrate:
Washington, D.C., Nov. 8, 86


My Dear General,

As your

Natal day comes round I wish to offer my congrats
relations, that you are
still spoken to your
friends, and have at last
reached that place in the
Army which you have so
justly earned. I trust
you will receive these words
in them for you. My
family join with me in wisheing
you and yours con-
tinued health and prosperity.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
WASHINGTON D.C. April 16

Bellock Hall

Congratulation on Naval... Howard's Birthday

...very well...

response was... quite a... I received... a long letter... on Monday morning... it was very pleasant...
Philadelphia
Nov. 8th, 1886

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

Sir: I take the liberty of requesting your autograph on the two folios enclosed for two albums for myself and friend which we are filling with the names of illustrious and prominent men of our country.

Should you kindly consent to favor me, I shall esteem it a favor and an act of courtesy that I shall gratefully appreciate.

I am, Sir,
Very Respectfully,

C.W. Steadman,
# 27 So. 5th St.
GEN. O. O. HOWARD,
DAN FRANCISCO, CAL.
DEAR BROTHER:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAVOR REFERRING TO MR. SISSON. YOU SPEAK OF MAKING PERSONAL INQUIRY AT SAN DIEGO. I AM A LITTLE AFRAID TO HAVE YOU MAKE PERSONAL INQUIRY IN THE MATTER AS YOU ARE SO WELL KNOWN AND EASILY RECOGNIZED EVERYWHERE IT WOULD BE ALMOST SURE TO PUT SISSON ON HIS GUARD AND LEAD HIM TO THINK I WAS INTENDING TO BRING SOME ACTION AT LAW. YOUR INQUIRIES SHOULD SOMEHOW BE MADE THROUGH A THIRD PARTY I THINK. I AM INCLINED TO THINK YOUR APPEARANCE AT THE OCCIDENTAL HOTEL AND MAKING INQUIRY WHERE HE HAS BEEN BOARDING WITH HIS FAMILY FOR MANY YEARS MIGHT BE REPORTED TO HIM, BUT PERHAPS NOT. I MAKE SO LITTLE PROGRESS WITH THE CASE IN NEW MEXICO THAT I AM MORE AND MORE INCLINED TO THINK THAT IF I EVER GET ANYTHING OUT OF IT, IT WILL BE FROM SISSON. IF I COULD ASCERTAIN WHERE HE HAD ANY REAL PROPERTY I COULD EASILY COLLECT THE NOTE WHICH IS PAST DUE.

I AM PLEASED TO SEE YOU DO NOT MAKE MENTION OF MOTHER'S NOT BEING WELL, AND I HOPE SHE IS BETTER OF HER INDISPOSITION THAT SHE MENTIONED IN A LETTER TO KITTY. PLEASE SAY TO HER THAT MRS. LIGARE DIED LAST SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AT ABOUT THE TIME OF THE LADIES' PRAYER MEETING. SHE HAD A HEMORRHAGE AT THE LAST AND PASSED AWAY RATHER SUDDENLY AND UNEXPECTEDLY TO HER FAMILY, THOUGH THEY HAD BEEN LED TO THINK SHE COULD NOT LIVE MANY DAYS.

AFFECTIONATELY YOURS,

[Signature]
AVERELL INSULATING CONDUIT CO.,
OF THE UNITED STATES,
Office 44 Broadway, Rooms 44, 45, 46.

New York Nov 9th 1886

Gentleman O.O. Howard,

My dear Gentleman,

If at this late date

Congratulations are in order, please accept mine, on your promotion. I trust that yourself and your esteemed Family are well, and happy.

Circumstances which I have been unable to control, or control, have made it necessary for me to look for employment. As you have done so many kind acts for me in the past, I have presumed again to ask your kind offices, in my behalf. Should you have any position of Superintendent, or any kind of Contract work to do, will you please to remember me. Since my connection with the Freedmen's Bureau under you, as Local Cpt. D.C. I have had such varied
Dear Mr. President,

With this I send you the enclosed paper.

With my compliments. You can make it my business card to the President.

We shall not have a large number of patients for your examination.

I am at your service.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
Experiences as a Contractor, that I feel competent to undertake any kind of work, and feel that I could justice in undertaking any business of your department, that would require an earnest and forthright intelligence man.

My last effort has been with this Company. I have spent 2 years time by many thousands of dollars in perfecting this plan, and its machinery. And, on the eve of the success, I find myself left out in the cold without money or employment. Yet I have lots of courage, energy, and willingness to commence again, at any stage. Spot or place, that will enable me to provide for my family.

This "Averell" is my trust. Averell, who is a graduate of that point. My experience with him has satisfied me that all
New York

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the men, who are educated at that institution are not paid towards.

Now my dear Friend, should you in any chance to help me, can I ask you to do so? My debt of gratitude to you is now large. Can I ask you to add to it?

And make me, as ever,

Yours,

J.M. Vanderburgh

Address as above
Dear Mr. Jones,

I am writing to express my gratitude for your kind words and the encouragement you provided in recent correspondence. Your support has been instrumental in helping me navigate the initial challenges of my new position. As you can imagine, making a smooth transition into a new role involves adapting to various responsibilities and learning new skills. Your advice and guidance have been invaluable, and I appreciate your willingness to share your insights and experiences.

I am particularly grateful for your suggestion to seek out mentors within the company. I have already started actively engaging with my peers and senior managers to expand my network and learn from their experiences. I believe this will be a significant benefit to my professional growth.

I look forward to the opportunity to meet with you in person to discuss further ways I can contribute to the team. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Best regards,

[Signature]

[Date]

[Address]
Colin: Washington
NO. 9/6
Sen. A. A. Hume
Sennumer.)

Very one

Amie my dear General
to remain for two

I have been up
to see the meeting
and planting day on

Jenner Downer, etc.

My best for the promise
of 15th to be on honor
as for promise. But your
promise is far more important
than mine. Shall I shake for

Owen and Henderson at dinner.

This will end.
Boston Nov 9, 1886

Dear Gent,

I enclose from our Boston office room V No. 33 School St. Your certificate of the spring opening of our street line road on this plan. We shall issue the expected shares until these old local taxes are avoided as it is not public policy to prevent improvement. It is understood that parties will not put their stock on the public market until a successful test has been made which is promised from two sources in the spring. You are well aware of these facts.

R. R.
of your Stella in Cal. and it will not interfere
us in R.R. in that
principal case between Cal. 10,000 but five
thousand dollars for
will be timber in
clear of land level
on the large R.R. or
$2,000. If steel posts
are used the cost will
be double this.

Mean but first incorporate
and busy getting the
addition of mechanical
patents like the Envoy
on this certificate.
It requires two $25.00 12 to
18 inch diamonds or many of

sheep and for 160 acres
stocks with 500 acres
(30% of limit) with all the
1/2 diameter & 23 feet

diameter 23 feet
circular circumference - the distance
between your city & My
Rail of 

will along 24 hours at 123

Your Certificate
Can be divided as
may be required
The list that I leave
outstanding is to the

those $20,000 & stocks
for $10,000 by rate of interest
as they provide 7 mill

Hoping Your Friend

EML Burnet
War Department,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, November 10, 1886.

General C. O. Howard,
Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

This office is in receipt of a request from the Adjutant General of California for a copy of Blunt's Rifle Firing, in which he states that he was informed by you that he could obtain the book on application to this office. On account of this statement a copy of the book has this day been forwarded as requested, although, as a rule, books purchased by the Government from the publishers for the use of the Army are not furnished to State authorities.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

Adjutant General.
Geo. O. Howard
San Francisco

Dear Sir,

Yours with

check for $0.00.

Please accept thanks.

Our building fund is still increasing, and I hope to have a building completed next year.

Yours truly,

O. F. Davis

Dec. 7, 1886.
Denver, Colo., Nov. 11th 1886

Sir, C. W. Howard,

My Dear Brother:

Yours of the 8th at hand. I am glad of what you say in regard to Bisson. The suit against Bisson can be begun without reference to the proceedings in New Mexico and if Otis can find a thoroughly trustworthy lawyer in San Diego or San Francisco to whom we can trust the proceedings we had better send the note to him as soon as I get back from New Mexico on this next trip. I would favor a settlement even if you had to abate or portion of your demands. My health is nearly restored to what it was before I was sick. If Emily and Belle were here they would join me in much love to you all.

Affectionately,

R. H. Gilmore
Dear Mr. Marshall,

I have written to Mr. W. Marshall to give upon the name of a first class lawyer in San Diego. My letter to him is confidential. I gave Marshall your address. Mother seems in perfect health and we are all well.

Aff. W. M. Ostrander

[Signature]
Dear Sir:

We have now been publishing The Voice for some time, and, at no little expense, have sought to make it effective in the temperance work.

We are asking a few of the prominent temperance workers to give us for publication a frank criticism or commendation. We claim for ourselves the right to criticise severely when we think severe criticism is deserved. And we cheerfully grant the same privilege to others. If you think The Voice deserves severe criticism in any point, you will not offend us by so writing. You may be able to give us some hints that will prove of great value to us. On the other hand, if you should think that we deserve commendation you will not spoil us by giving us this, but you will help us to reach others.

Yours as ever,

O. O. Howard
Fort Mason
Black Point
Cal.

Funk & Wagnalls
Publishers of The Voice

Nov. 11, 1886.
May 12, 1880
New York

[Handwritten text not legible]
Fort Bragg, Co., Nov. 11th, '96.

Dear General:

Just as it have become settled by this post for duty, I am invited to accept a detail at Forrest's Island under General Schofield in connection with the Military Service Institution & think acquainted with any "makeup" as you
Are you well? You will readily understand my willingness to accept a detail in any Department or Country where there is room to exercise my energies and abilities. I cannot feel contented to devote myself to a small segment of soldiers. Could you advise me in this matter?
to a little older.

Man when you

rock Caleb one.

I am very sorry

that you left this

department be-

fore I came out,

but I am hopeful

in the thought that

I may again be

absorbed under your

command. Mrs. Faw-

row & our little girl.
Are in the East, I do not bring them out. I hope you will find me your own way. Please give my kind car regards. To your Howard T. Member of the family at home.

Affection yours,

Edward H. Hammond.
Office of the Chief of Engineers,  
United States Army,  
Washington, D.C., Nov. 11, 1886.

Major General C. C. Howard, U. S. A.  
Presidio of San Francisco,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear General,

In reply to your letter of the 30th ultimo, I have the honor to inform you that a collection of such maps of battlefields of the late war, as now remain on hand for distribution, has been sent to you in care of Lieut. Guy Howard, U. S. A., Fort Niagara, N. Y., as requested.

Very truly Yours,

J. H. Davee

Brig. Gen. Chief of Engineers.
GEN. O. O. Howard,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Brother:

Thank you for your second letter relating to Geo. H. Sisson. You give him about such a character as I had supposed, but the important fact to ascertain is whether he has any bank account anywhere, and where it is, or whether he has any tangible property anywhere, and if so, where it is. But this, I think, you understand.

Today they inform me at the bank that mother had made draft for $200. I made some inquiry a while ago and was under the impression that she had about $200, or more on deposit at that time, but either she has made some other draft or else I was not correctly informed for today they told me her account was over-drawn $21.86. They paid it, and I have made a deposit of this amount to her credit from my own funds. Doubtless money will come from Mrs. Starr about the 1st of December which can replace it to me if I need it. This is no inconvenience to me now as I had the money on hand. Enclosed you will find the deposit check which makes mother's account exactly balanced.

You can, if you please, hand it to her. We are all well. Cousin Jenie Howard arrived in the city yesterday with her little girl and were to go out to Glencoe at 11 today to spend one day and a night. She will soon go on to Omaha. Mrs. Riggs and Theodore start back tomorrow, or rather Theo will go to Beloit for a few days and then probably return to remain with us and go to school for the winter. If mother needs her cloak, or wants it sent to Denver, she must so indicate.

Affectionately yours,
To Gen. O. O. Howard,
36 New Montgomery St., City.
Nov. 11th., 1886.

From
Young Men's Christian Association,
Building, 232 Sutter Street,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear General:

The enclosed question was sent up to the stand at the Convention for you to answer. There were several other questions which you answered but as your name did not appear on them I am unable to tell which they were, but this one I remember very distinctly of your answering. Will you please write out your reply to it and return it to me at once as we are getting the proceedings ready for publication.

Very cordially yours,

[Signature]

Note: The date on the page appears to be 11th, 1886, but the handwriting is not clear.
The image contains a page with handwritten text in English. Due to the nature of the handwriting, the content is not clearly legible. The page appears to be part of a letter, possibly discussing personal or business matters. The handwriting is informal, with some sentences crossed out and replaced with new ones. The page is slightly discolored, suggesting it is an old document.