I had a delightful Thanksgiving. S. sent me here on the 21st, and everything was just as beautiful as if I could be there. I hope you are all well at home. I don’t know if John likes his job.

We are all very busy with exams and all the work that comes at the end of a term.

I have very good news for you. Please give my best love to the General. M. Morison, John, and John.

With much love for yourself and you all.

I am...

Dear Sir/Yourself,

I had a letter from my cousin in Alabama a few days ago, and she says she doesn’t know how to help herself. I am sorry to hear her account. She says my uncle knows many people and can find a suitable place for her. I am very happy and anything about it, but I thought it might...
be good for her to have some one know that she
wanted a husband. It never occurs to me that
my name can help any one, because he seems so
peculiar. I have something to ask of you. When you
return to New York, if you have a chance, will you,
I think, let me know? I heard of your coming
from Oklahoma to Arizona, and
since then nothing has been heard of him. Now
I thought - Arizona is
six years, department, it
it not? - when you
went there to inspect
the wells, you might per-
haps ask, if anyone had
heard of a young man
by my maiden name.

I don't know there is not much
chance that you will
hear anything. But your
maiden and her sisters
are so hard to get along
and have tried so many
ways without finding
anything.

This is Granny's wedding
day. May God bless you
even after the new daughter
Ella. I believe she is a good wife.
Berkely, Dec. 4, 1886.
Gen. O. O. Howard:

Dear Sir,

We are preparing for our second annual course of popular lectures, to be given this winter at our church. Dr. Barrows of the 1st Ch., San Francisco, and Dr. McLean of Oakland are engaged for the course. Would it be possible for you to deliver one lecture, or rather

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convenient to do so.

The course will consist of four lectures and a concert, and the proceeds will be for the benefit of Park Church. We should be very willing for you to fix any date you please.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
W. F. Bickford.
Pastor Church.
San Francisco, Cal. Dec 4th 1886

My General O. O. Howard. Black Point

Dear Sir & Comrade

My object in writing you this note is in the interest of a poor woman who called on me a short time ago thinking that I might have sufficient influence to get her some bowling from the Quarlter Master's Department. The only person that I am acquainted with there is Mr. Peters who is a clerk there and a member of Lincoln Post 26. He told me it would be necessary to get a letter from some one that would have more influence than he had so I thought I would write to you for your assistance. The woman's name is Mrs. McManney. She had two brothers in the Army one of whom was killed in line of duty. So hopting to hear from you at your earliest convenience I Remain Yours Very Respectfully.

In F. C. S.

Martin Murray 263 Eighth Street S.F. Cal.4
Pacific Gas Improvement Company.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 5th, 1886.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Pacific Gas Improvement Company will be held at its office, No. 841 Market Street, San Francisco, California, on Monday, the 20th instant, at one o'clock, P.M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Five Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified, and also to transact such other business as may be presented for their consideration. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed on Wednesday, the 15th instant, at 12 M.

J. M. LIVINGSTON, Secretary.
Pacific Club Rooms,

San Francisco, Dec 4th 1886

Sir:

I have the honor to notify you that you have been duly elected a Member of the Pacific Club.

Enclosed herewith please find a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Club, and permit me to call your attention specially to Article Ten of the Constitution.

By Order,

C. Fremlick Jr

Secretary.

Mr. Smith
Oakland, Dec 4th 1886.

Major General Oliver O. Howard U. S. A.;
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir,

I take pleasure in introducing to you the bearer, Professor S. P. Meads of the High School of the City of Oakland, who is also a Minister of the Gospel and Secretary or Clerk of our Board of Trustees of the Free Baptist Mission in this City, which is a branch of the Free Baptist Church of San Francisco, of which the Rev. N. L. Bowell is the Pastor.

We know how devoted you have been to the maintenance and support of Protestant religious worship, and have so liberally given of your valuable time and energies, which is gratefully appreciated by all who have been the recipients of your favor.

Prof. Meads, will fully explain to you, what this little branch of the "true vine" desires, as expressed by the action of its Board of Trustees, of which I am one, though not a member on the roll of that Church. My little son when only nine years of age was converted, baptized and joined that Church some four years ago of which neither of his parents were members; hence the interest we feel in the success of this little mission here.
I trust that the interview held between yourself and Professor Meads will prove satisfactory and gratifying to the friends of the little church around the corner. I enclose a slip in regard to the Stloat Monument Association which may be interesting to you. The Hon. John M. Buffington, President, is also the President of the Young Men's Christian Association of Oakland, and a Brother.

The Celebration at Monterey on the 5th of July last, with your kind assistance was made a grand success for which the people of California are profoundly grateful. The pamphlet containing a full account of the affair with all the correspondence connected therewith will appear next week, of which copies will be sent to yourself and all the Officers of the Army and Navy who participated in it.

At an early date I will call upon you and pay my respects in person, with other Brethren.

Trusting that your earnest labors in the cause of Protestant Christianity may result in the production of abundant fruit and you long be spared to our Common Country. I have the honor to be

Fraternally Yours,

Edwin A. Sherman
A MOUNTAIN TO SLOOT.

A Meeting of the State Manum

MUNICIPALITY OF COLUMBUS.

The committee appointed at Canton, on the 10th of the present year, for the purpose of preparing the 11th anniversary of American Independence, and the 166th anniversary of the State of California, held a meeting at the State House, in the City of Long Beach, on the 7th of July, 1860, to consider the matter of the celebration of the date and the purchase of a monument for the occasion.

The following were present:

William A. Sherman, Esq., Chairman.

John M. Banning, Esq., Secretary.

John A. Drake, Esq., Treasurer.

The committee decided that a monument should be erected in the City of Long Beach, in honor of the first voyage of Columbus, and that it should be constructed of granite, and placed in the State Capitol, in the City of Sacramento, to be known as the "Monument to Sloat." The committee also decided that the names of the committee members should be inscribed on the monument.

The meeting adjourned.

William A. Sherman, Esq.

Chairman.
Dear General Howard,

The anticipated visit of Mrs. Howard & your mother will give me very great pleasure & be perfectly convenient. Will you have the kindness to let me know whether the ladies...

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[Handwritten text in red ink]
will come by car or train. To know Dr. Dr. you will
them at the station.
Can you get up
remain for lunch by the afternoon train
for Santa Cruz?
Sincerely yours
Isabella A. Rappaport
Omaha Dec. 31st 1886

Dear Father

My welcome letter please are after reply will here. I thought I might after missing you before after Chancy's Meeting.

I did not see Miss Austin at all. In fact, did I see Chancy until one day last Winter is I knew nothing.

When arrangements? After the ceremony, you initial party stopped in the large circle room in the Church and remained there
June 20th, 1861.

My dear friends,

I trust this letter finds you in good health and spirits. I have not heard from you since the 15th, but I am afraid I cannot manage to write more often.

Life in the city is not exactly what I expected. I had a fine time in Chicago, but the city seems to have a different pace.

I often think of you, dear friends. I spend one night at Helen's house every week. Helen and I had a very pleasant chat yesterday. I was very happy to see her.

Have you received the package I sent you? I hope so. It contains some small gifts for you. The ladies back home were very kind.

We are all here, and I hope you can join us in December. I will write you more often.

Affectionately yours, Jane.
My dear Sir:

At my letter this morning I sought to say that Chancy told me he thought he should be able to arrange his affairs with Mr. Taylor in a satisfactory manner from what Chancy told me, gather that Mr. Jones was unreasonable in his demands. And wanted C. to pay for help that was employed on account of Mr. Taylor's ill health which was of course, born of Chancy's doings.

The second line
confident that all would come out right. I hope we shall see you before the 15th. I'm just a day in Chicago to prepare for the trip on the 18th. John and I wish you to be glad to see him.

Affectionately yours,

Jeanie.

Sunday evening,
December 5th, 1886

General O.O. Howard

Dear Sir,

Your Uniform Kindness to me and all Volunteers while serving in your Command leads me to make this request of you (to wit): In trying to secure the passage of a bill through the Congress of the United States I have had the misfortune to lose all of your orders and discharge for any Command whilst serving with you in the Nepean war. How if you can duplicate orders and discharge Letter to me and my Command you will do me a great favor. If you find it not convenient to comply in this affair so long a time please write me but a letter with kind things as you
Please answer as soon as you can conveniently can
and more than obliged

The Writer

[Signed]
dear brother of my self whilst serving under God in the service famed
indian war I make this request of you as I am now privileged in writing letters of freedom
life on the pacific coast and shall in all likely hood pass through the Eastern states
this coming summer lecturing on the resources of our east
I have just returned from a four months trip through Dakota
and Minnese to which has led me to the undertaking I speak of and
wrote a letter as you can write me with orders and I can change will be of
told value to one and will be appreciated by myself and friends
I will send you a copy of any work I shall have done
yours to command as ever
dear Hunter Capt Dayton vol
March 18

Hinton Geo.

late 1st Lt Col M. F. H. 1866.

Deeds copy of orders etc. showing
his service in 8th Texas.

Mrs. Dec 13. 1886
Home Fire Insurance Company,
OF OMAHA, NEB.

CAPITAL . . . $100,000.00

OMAHA, DECEMBER 6th, 1886.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir:

The mortgage and note executed by you to Sarah G. Brewster, have been assigned to this company, and payment of the same should be made to us when due. The note will be due Oct. 9th, 1887, with one year's interest at 8 per cent. Although drawn payable before that date if maker desired, we understand from Mr. Brewster that you agreed not to take up the note until due, provided he assigned it to any one else. We would, of course, prefer that it should not be paid until due.

Very truly,

CHAS. J. BARBER
Sec'y.
May 3rd, O.O. Howard

Dear General,

I received a letter on my arrival home today, notifying me that some relatives from the East now in the house would visit me and others. This comes to complete matters to go to Santa Cruz. If Harry can go in my place, I will furnish him my ticket. I will be at your office in the morning, then we can reach a decision.

Sincerely yours,

Winfield Scott

Angel Island, Cal., Dec 6th, 1886
My dear General,

I am more than obliged for your kind response to my request, which in itself was more than cancels any obligation you may have felt in a matter which I assure you, was one of common occurrence with me.

I have suddenly decided to send my son to my salmon fishery, at Prince Alaska, leaving for Port of Rich Friday; hence he will not have the time to avoid himself of your kindness, and I beg to return the personal to you for cancellation.

Believe me, that I am more than ever

Your most sincerely,

Max Pracht