Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your letter of the 21st ult., enclosing 20th check receipt policy No. 20485 Hayward.

Herewith please find Insurance Receipt on
dated Policy No. 20485.

Respectfully,

J. F. O'Neill

Ass't Secretary.
East Oakland Nov 1 188?

Capt. G. G. Hill

Dear Brother,

We were my brother Henry

male clerk. E. E. Hallow, a tutor in with

same center gives them the

activity, information.

Yours truly

Samuel B. Morse

My dear General

This will introduce Mr. Philip Morse, brother of

my friend, Rev. Samuel B. Morse, Pastor of the

Baptist Church, East Oakland.

Yours truly

[Signature]

[Signature]
N. Y. March 2d, 1887.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Dear Sir:

At your leisure will you kindly favor me by sending your Autograph with the date, on the card enclosed, and oblige.

Yours very respectfully,

Wm. H. Ketchum
West Point, N.Y.

211, March 2, 1867

Dear General,

I have to thank you for your kind note, and to say how glad I am that you are going to assist the Overland Monthly by personal contributions. Our friendship with Miss Plunkett, the editoress, (whose brother is one of Mrs. Winthrop's nearest friends)
agreeable souvenirs from California life.

I have written the publisher, W. H. Morrison of Washington, to send to you a copy of the "Handbook of Military Law," recently completed, and now - after approval by the Academic Board and by the Secretary War - adopted as the text book in military law at the Academy, and now being daily recited in by the First Class. As indicated in the Preface, the main work in two vols. published in 1846, is too elaborate & expensive for the Cadets; hence the Handbook which I began to prepare soon after my arrival, and completed had printed just in time, thanks to the promptitude of Sherman & Co. of Philadelphia, for the beginning of the course on military law.

Hoping that you find your stay in Indiana agreeable, and that you
Denver and Rio Grande Western Railway.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

Office General Agent Pacific Coast,
14 MONTGOMERY STREET.

San Francisco, March 3rd, 1887.

O.O. Howard.

Major General U.S.A.

Phelan Building.

San Francisco.

Sir:—

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the second inst. requesting passes for Mrs. J. Gilmore and Mrs. Howard and daughter, between Pueblo and Denver.

I beg to inform you that I have wired Mr. S.K. Hooper, our General Passenger Agent at Denver to forward passes to Ticket Agent, Union Depot, Pueblo, as I have no blanks at present.

I enclose letter to our Ticket Agent at Pueblo introducing Mrs. Howard.

Trusting that this will be satisfactory, I am

Very Resp'y Yours.

[Signature]

Gen'l Agent.
Denver and Rio Grande Western Railway

Traffic Department

Office General San Francisco

10 Montgomery Street
San Francisco, March 8th, 1884

O. Howard

Mayor General U. S. R.

Preise Building
San Francisco

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 7th instant requesting
pressure for Mr. J. O'Brien, Mr. Howard and Mr. Schuyler between
people and Department.

I beg to inform you that I have written Mr. E. R. Hopper, our
representative in stockholders affairs in regard to forwarding passage to Grover.

What Union Depot people so I have no opinion of present.

I enclose letter to the agent at Pueblo for

Sincerely yours,

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

Gen'l Agent
San Francisco, March 3d, 1887

My dear General,

I am sorry to say that at this time I have tried my best but I have not been able to obtain the information you desire. I don’t desire harm, but it may take sometime. It is delicate work that has to be done in the best manner. Be assured I will do my best to serve you than of any living man.

Sincerely,

W. B. Cooper
Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure of

proposing to

visit the area

with the object of

investigating the

possibilities of

establishing a

branch office

here.

The situation

appears to be

favorable for

such an enterprise.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
Mr. W. W. C. Taylor wrote me some questions about a picture entitled the "Boston Boys," that was given to the school by Mr. W. W. C. Taylor. Mine was one of the four which was read to the president of the hospital, Dr. Welling.

I thank you for the kind interest you have shown toward the, and hope you will continue the same as I am sure a letter from you will have a great weight in regard to my appointment.

Very respectfully yours,
Geo. P. Emmons

No. 910, 5th St. NW
Washington, D.C.
March 3, 1887.

Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir:

As you have shown such great interest toward the School, I have availed myself of this opportunity to inform you, hoping it may be of interest that Prof. Montague, Principal of the Preparatory Department of the Ilacubian College of Washington, D.C., says...
I am fully prepared to pass the examination required by the Academy, and has offered to write to President Cleveland and Secretary Whitney, in my behalf. He also has promised to ask Dr. Wellington, President of the Leland Stanford University, to give his influence in this matter, as he is personally acquainted with Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Whitney. An inducement, for Dr. Wellington, complying with Prof. Montague's request is that the members of the
who was just about to be married and had built him a new home which I helped paint. When I took pains
I noticed him in workmanship, but he wanted me to work faster. He was a great rusher and swearer. When
I went into the office to settle with him I heard him swear and tell an old man to shut up. He never
swore at me. In the first place I always addressed him as Mr. Huffman although he was my junior by twenty years—lie
called and told simply because I did not have so much money as

Friday March 4, 1887.

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Meaj. Gen. O.C. Howard,

May Dear Sir:

A short time ago I sent you "The Public Intrests"
a paper edited & owned by Kelly & my brother Clay
Torrance. It contained a notice by one that I'd lecture on any trip to California. It is a
good deal of work to get out my lecture but I'm confident I can make it interesting & instructive. I did wrong
in going off to Cal.
as I did. I left my wife to work at the dressmaking business and she worked very hard. She rented our house last fall and took a school which closes next May. We talk some of renting a farm this summer. But probably we can make more for her to teach and I give exhibition with my magic lantern I had it in California and gave one exhibition at Merced and took in $3. Clear. Mr. Huffman and his son both did not like that, neither did they like my being examined for a teacher. I got my satisfaction out of such life.

I got material for my lecture. You can calculate that Merced has no use for C. H. Huffman. He owns 18000 acres—shes all of his own. Mules on the place. Buying all of his provisions at San Francisco. That leaves Merced in the shade. How much better it would be if the 18000 acres were cut up in small farms and they had schools and civilization. Instead of that great mansion of Huffman and a lot of serfs like—course men that instead of marrying with the poor hills and dance horses mightily and spend their money. Young Huffman.
he did. I presented my bill with day & date and
he acknowledged that he
had not set down all the
days but that I was right.
I like to talk to myself
-take lots of comfort. Suppose
I'm like the man who
said he talked to himself
-because he liked to talk to
a gentleman and loved to
hear a gentleman talk.
O'rell Old Mr. Huffman
talks to himself very
loud & in any place. He
goes right along the
street motioning. They
tell a story that is
undoubtedly true that
one day he was riding with his negro blacksmith when Mr. H. said, "We got 80 more mules to shoe then there will be a slack of work and I'll discharge that black rascal "Jim". They rode a mile or two further when "Jim" said Mr. H. I will quit = Why? = because you have only 80 more mules to shoe and I want to get a steady job. I wanted to get into the big mansion to see if Mr. H. had any books. So I put on my dress suit and called on Mrs. H. one evening - told her I had a magic lantern and would be pleased to amuse the children.
Of course when I went in
my name I was invited in. They had a small select
library. Mrs. H. is from
Missouri but looks every
bit a Kansas lady. We
chatted about Northern and
Southern people and she
asked me to guess where
she was from. She is
a young and good looking
lady - Mr. H. is second
wife. She said that as
I was a Northern man
I would not get a certificate
or school there. That the
Southerners helped the
Southerners. I said,
I'm glad they helped
Southerners but they ought
not to leave Northerners
in the cold. Perhaps
she said I've spoken
too freely or unadvisedly or something to that effect. Well they had Company & I did not show the pictures. I think that the Old Mr. H. thought he did not want a laborer coming to the great amusement. A German that painted with me would hurry out when Mr. H. came. I just kept my even gait. When I was discharged he gave me only $20. for Mrs. & was paying the rest $25.

Well General Mr. Torre gave me a pass to Ogden. Then I went down to Salt Lake City & studied the Mormon for a
week + the G. A. R. boys procured me a pass to Omaha. At Omaha a comrade of my Regt. got me a pass to Chicago. At Chicago I got a rate to Buffalo $7. + then paid $90 to home. I went to Buffalo + saw the rates were cheap to Cal. + left without properly consulting my wife and am glad I am back. I visited the Yosemite twice helping a teamster, to pay my way. Sanger Sound + Chinatown
and dined with a Nor-

I ask? I'm going to pay

$400. for my house here

next time I come to

Cal. shall bring my

wife and some money,

buy a piece of land and

live like a white man.

Fred. night I gave an

exhibition at Derrick City

above Bradford Pa. Last night

at State Line took in over

$10. each night. Think I

shall do well at it. May

respects to your family

to Ben. Mr. Reaver I rather

like him. I'll send some

bills to you. Yours trulv

Geo. S. Torrance.

P.S. I propose to have a home

with my wife and never go to

a soldier's home.
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Friday car I took in with my lantern $12.75. I ought to have gotten out of S. F. right after the S. H. R. left & packed grapes. Hanging to a city is poor business — unless a man has good pay & steady work. Then take all of my trip together I'm satisfied. I'm going to work now & rely on myself.

Geo. S. Torrance
Gowanda Catt. Co.
N. York.
March 4, 1887

Dear General Howard,

Geo. Armstrong has brought to me his application for appointment to which he has written at my suggestion. I think you can safely endorse it favorably. He appears to be a bright young man and all that I can learn about him is to his credit.
My family are as well as usual. I have just been to Bath with my wife to attend the funeral of Capt. John Patten who died suddenly at 99½ years of age.

With sincere regards to Mrs. Howard and the children who are with you,

Yours Truly

E. Whitney
General C. O. Howard  
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir: We have been compelled by the most pressing, in fact peremptory, work connected with the issue of the first part of the republished War Series to defer the reading of your account of the March to the Sea, for which it gives us pleasure to inclose herewith the publisher's check in payment for the copyright. Please accept our thanks for the admirable way in which you have met our wishes in the arrangement and execution of the article. Our present expectation is that it will appear in the number for July of the present year, preceded by a communication from General Sherman.

Yours faithfully,

R. W. Johnson

Associate Ed.
We have been considering for the past several weeks the steps necessary to conform to the rules of the joint board. 

I write to inform you that we have met the required number of members to be present for a quorum, and the meeting will proceed as planned.

Please accept our thanks for the support and cooperation you have extended to us in the process of this important task.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
My Dear General:

If you do not think it any violation of the proprieties will you kindly write to the Post Master General in my behalf? There will be a vacancy in Class Two in the Mail Equipment Clerk of the 2nd Ass't P.M. G's Office on the 1st inst. caused by resignation, and I think, with a little backing I can secure the place. My second in the department is very high, and both the Chief Elk, Mr. Stanley, to the 2nd Ass't, and Mr. Johnson, Chief of the Mail Equipment Clerk are very favorably disposed towards me—in fact both have promised to use their best endeavors to further my claim for the promotion.

In view of a very serious misfor-
Remember us kindly to Mrs. Howard. Is Capt. Sladen still on your staff? If not, please send me his address.

Affectionately yours,

W.B. Caudill, R.O. Dept.
July 219.
Fort Leavenworth, K S.
March 2, 1887

Dear O. Howard:

Head Dept. Div. of the Pacific.
San Francisco, Cal.

My Dear General,

I am about taking steps

towards securing if possible an appointment

for my son William to the Military Academy

for 1888. An influential Democrat who is going
to present the request to the President for me has
suggested that I send him such a letter from

a distinguished officer so I may be able to obtain

Unless these circumstances I wish to ask if you
would be willing to endorse the application in

the form of a letter which can be presented with

the other which I will shortly have. If you can


as to it will be of great service to the boy, and I assure you we shall appreciate your kindness very highly.

Know as you have been attending the Tufton School in Boston for the last year your the last two of them being passed in the High school. The standing has always been high especially in Mathematics, and he has always been the pride of his teacher compassion for his keen attention to his studies and uniform good conduct.

Of his character you know something I expect I am very proud to be able to say that he has never deceived us in his life—never given us moments annoyance. He is twenty one, one of all kinds of athletic sports which have made him active and hearty. I believe the boy will be himself and if he should be fortunate enough to become an applicant, as he
Dear Uncle Otho:

The sad news of the death of Minnie, the wife of my brother, David, has just reached me. She died Tuesday, June 3rd, after severe illness of 78 days. She was 28 years old and an invalid, and I suspected as that she would die so suddenly. I do not know of the particulars, but I wish you would write him as he has had a very severe blow in his loss.

Sincerely,

O. O. Howard
Washington, D. C., March 6, 1887

Dear General,

This will introduce to you, my friend, and nephew of early childhood Mr. Beech Washburn of Livonia, a cousin of the Washburns whom you know.

Mr. Washburn is now making a tour of the Eastern and Pacific States, with a view to a permanent location. Yoursound acquaintance with the Pacific States will enable you to give him valuable information as to locality, climate etc., which I am sure you will do.

With kind remembrance to Mr. Steward,

I am fully yours,

[Signature]

With best regards,

My. Genl. O. S. Steward
U. S. Army
San Francisco
March 6th, 1887

Gen' Howard
Dear Sir:

Please tell your driver Mr. Magray send me the blue satchel More of ours I will pay you the same price I paid you before.

Respectfully,

William Kennedy
Rockst.