

ALEXIS COPE,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

No. 8 E. Broad Street,

COLUMBUS, O., *July 7,* 1887

Genl. O. O. Howard,
San Francisco, Cal.

My Dear General,

In your article in the July Century you briefly narrate an incident, some of the facts connected with which you have evidently forgotten. On page 454 of the magazine you say "again another (Kirby's brigade) having lost Bald Hill in a skirmish retook it by a gallant charge in line under a hot fire of artillery and infantry and intrenched and kept it."

The regiment to which I belonged, and of which I was adjutant at the time, the 15th Ohio Vols, Col. Frank Arker, commanding, was immediately on the right of Kirby's brigade on June 20, 1864 and from our position we saw Kirby assault and capture Bald Hill and soon afterwards saw him driven back. This occurred in the evening. He occupied our relative positions during the night.

The next day you resolved to recapture the position, and personally selected Col. Arker

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lost

to undertake the work. I was present when you personally gave the direction and went with him to reconnoitre the position. He saw that in order to hold the position after capture, it would be necessary to make a logjamb in the woods to the right of the hill and I think so reported to you. You directed him to assault with his regiment, and that you would support him with the pioneers of the brigade (one company from each regiment). Colonel Gibson was in command of the brigade (Hillick's) but was not present when you gave the instructions. I mention these matters because they were somewhat unusual and have therefore become more firmly fixed in my recollection. The assault was made by the 15th Ohio, supported by the pioneers, as above stated. He carried the hill taking prisoners the gun in the rifle pits on the summit, and pursued the six right companies of the regiment forward into the thick woods on the right of the hill, where we encountered the 34th & 35th Tenn. (Rebel) regiments at hot a hot fight. We held our own with them and were finally reeupped by the 49th Ohio, ^{which I went for and led into position,} and where we drove the enemy and established a new line which was fortified and held ^{the Hennesaw was evacuated.} the loss in the 15th Ohio was one officer and 64 enlisted men killed and wounded.

It was a small affair compared with the great operations occurring every day at the

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time, but we recollect with pride that we ^{were} ~~had~~ been chosen to do an important service and did it ~~in~~ successfully. Our number of loss was as great as in some of our great battles.

May I ask you to make a slight correction in your article so that the truth of history may be vindicated.

I should add that our capture and holding the position in us will reflect upon the gallant conduct of Genl. Kirby's brigade. Kirby could also have held the hill if he had dislodged the enemy from the woods on the night as we did.

I read your article with great interest. One brigade was one of those engaged in the unfortunate attempt to turn the enemy's right at Pickens mill. During the engagement, I was sent to ask ^{for} reinforcements to protect our flank and was communicating the situation to you, Genl. Hook & Col. Gibson when your horse had been struck by a piece of a shell.

It is so long since that it seems

like a dream and I am surprised at the
vividness with which your article recalls so
many of the events of the Atlanta campaign.

Please accept assurances of my deep
regard and believe me

Very sincerely yours friend,

Alexis Cope

Suite Caph. 15th Ohio Vols.

Alexis Cope,

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Publishers and Booksellers

18 & 20 ASTOR PLACE

44 FLEET ST. LONDON

645
NEW YORK, July 7 1887

Gen O. O. Howard. }
San Francisco Cal. }

Dear General:- Our

Dr. Funk regrets to say,
that our hands are already
so full, it will be impos-
sible for us to publish the
book you have reference
too in your letter of June
25th.

Thanking you for the
favor shown in giving
us the first refusal, we
remain

Cordially yours

Funk & Wagnalls
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Dear General:

Publishers and Booksellers

18 & 20 ASTOR PLACE

101 FLEET ST LONDON

New York, July 7 1881

Dear O. O. Howard,

I am very sorry to say
that our hands are already
so full, we must be
unable for me to write to
you. I have references
to your letter of June
1st.

Thanking you for the
kind attention in giving
me the first reference and
remaining

Respectfully yours

Thomas W. Higginson

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Boston July 7. 1884

Dear Brother

Thank you for \$40 for
Longmpton Church for which
Bro. Merrill of L. will send
you receipt. Was glad of a few
words accompanying. We spent
our 4th (& 5th) in our former
Rockport parish. It is a continuous
round of visits to the sick & the
bereaved when I go there. Three
friends having died within a
week this time. But a lady
gave me 5th for Peace work
& we had a picnic with
our children under the
trees & let them bathe
on Long Beach & got home
yesterday. Archie is well

over measles. The disease
as ^{automatically} as a piano. Helen
ate tobacco (present) & got sick.

My Garden is the best looks
well, tho my gourd is dying
up in spite of sundry water-
ings. I had a letter from
Laura this morn. David
invested her farm money
in Col. & # pays her Semi-
Annual interest through
me - she only got 750. but
that with her pension makes
her comfortable. Harry sells
Frank for 10.cts & Chancey,
me so I judge Fannie
is active for Abbott Lewis.
I hope he will have great
success. Love all at home.

Your Aff Brother

Roseland

I am reading your Century article with
interest. Others think of me about it.

Very approvingly

July 8 1887

answer

My dear General

6249.

Thanks for your
kind letter from so far
away.

Your praises are most
welcome.

I hope I shall deserve
them.

If Cleveland keeps
on writing we will win
next year.

Mrs Charles sends
her acknowledgments to Mrs
Howard and yourself.

With high respect

I am
Yours Truly

Wm E. Chandler

May. Gen Howard

My dear George
I have just received
your letter for a few
days. I am sorry to hear
that you are not
well. I hope to hear from
you soon. I am
off to bed but will
be writing you again soon.
I am sure you will
be interested in the
news of the world.
With best wishes
from
Wm. C. Brown

Christian Association,

865 BROADWAY.

General Secretary, ISAIAH BRAY.
Assistant Secretary, S. E. GOODRICH.

W 650 Oakland, Cal. July 8 1887

My Dear General

I want to thank you with all my heart, not only for myself, but for every member of our Association and their friends who accompanied us yesterday on our delightful trip to Angel Island. The testimony of every one was "that they never enjoyed a more delightful excursion". It was the request of the Company that I extend to you in

their behalf a note of hearty thanks for your kindness in granting us this great privilege. Allow me to add my admiration for the masterly manner in which your captain handles his little steamer. The Quarters master service seemed natural to me as I was 1st officer of a Quarter Master's Steamer in the Gulf of Mexico during several latter years of the war.

Most cordially & respectfully
yours Isaiah Bray

Isaiah Bray



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JOSEPH W. FAIRBANKS,
President.

I. WARREN MERRILL,
Treasurer.

Franklin County Savings Bank.

ORGANIZED 1868.

Farmington, Me., July 8 1887

Gen. O. O. Howard

My dear Sir.

A note from your brother
& my friend & beloved ex-pastor is just
at hand enclosing your check for
\$30. to aid in rebuilding our church.

We thank you not only for the gift
but also for your kindly remembrance.
The kindly aid that has been extended
to us from individuals widely apart,
but interested in us either directly or
thru mutual friends has been most helpful
to us. We hope at some future time
that we may unite with you in wor-
shipping "Our Father" in our new church.

Very truly

I. Warren Merrill

J. H. Arnold

PALACE HOTEL

C. H. LIVINGSTON,
Manager.

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San Francisco, July 8th 1887

Dear General

We beg you to accept
the thanks of all of us - parents and
children - for the instructive and
delightful sail you gave us through
the Golden Gate and in this beautiful
bay. The only regret was that
we did not enjoy your company,
to which I have the added regret
of missing you at your
office, alas.

Whenever you come to
New York, we shall hope, and
be happy, to see you.

Presuming that you
are still connected with
Howard University for the Colored
people, at the Capital of the
Country, I beg to enclose a

contribution for its treasury, if
it would be agreeable to you
to see that it reaches there.

Most Truly Yours
Elliott J. Shepard

It is a happy day with us,
as our youngest child - Marguerite -
is this day seven years of age.

May Gent. O. O. Howard

Elliott J. Shepard

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Countville, Cal. July 8th 1887

Major General C. C. Howard.

U. S. Army.

San Francisco, Cal.

General,

You are of course aware of my position as Commandant of the "Home". Some of the buildings are in a bad and unfinished condition, but the accommodations are so crowded that it is out of the question to vacate them for necessary repairs and completion.

Would it be possible to obtain a loan of 30 small tents or huts or complete to shelter the men while buildings were being completed? They would of course be properly taken care of, under my care.

If convenient, at any time I would respectfully ask you to make the old Soldiers a visit.

Very respectfully

Your obedient Servant
W. C. Burnett

U. S. A. Retired. Commandant

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Dated Vancouver B.C. 9

To Lieut Geoble aid de camp headquarters

Division of Pacific San Fran Cal

Will arrive on steamer Tuesday morning

please send transportation to take me to

Presidio Could not go by train notify
the General -

Staden 1st Lieut 14th Infantry

Ch. Wadsworth.

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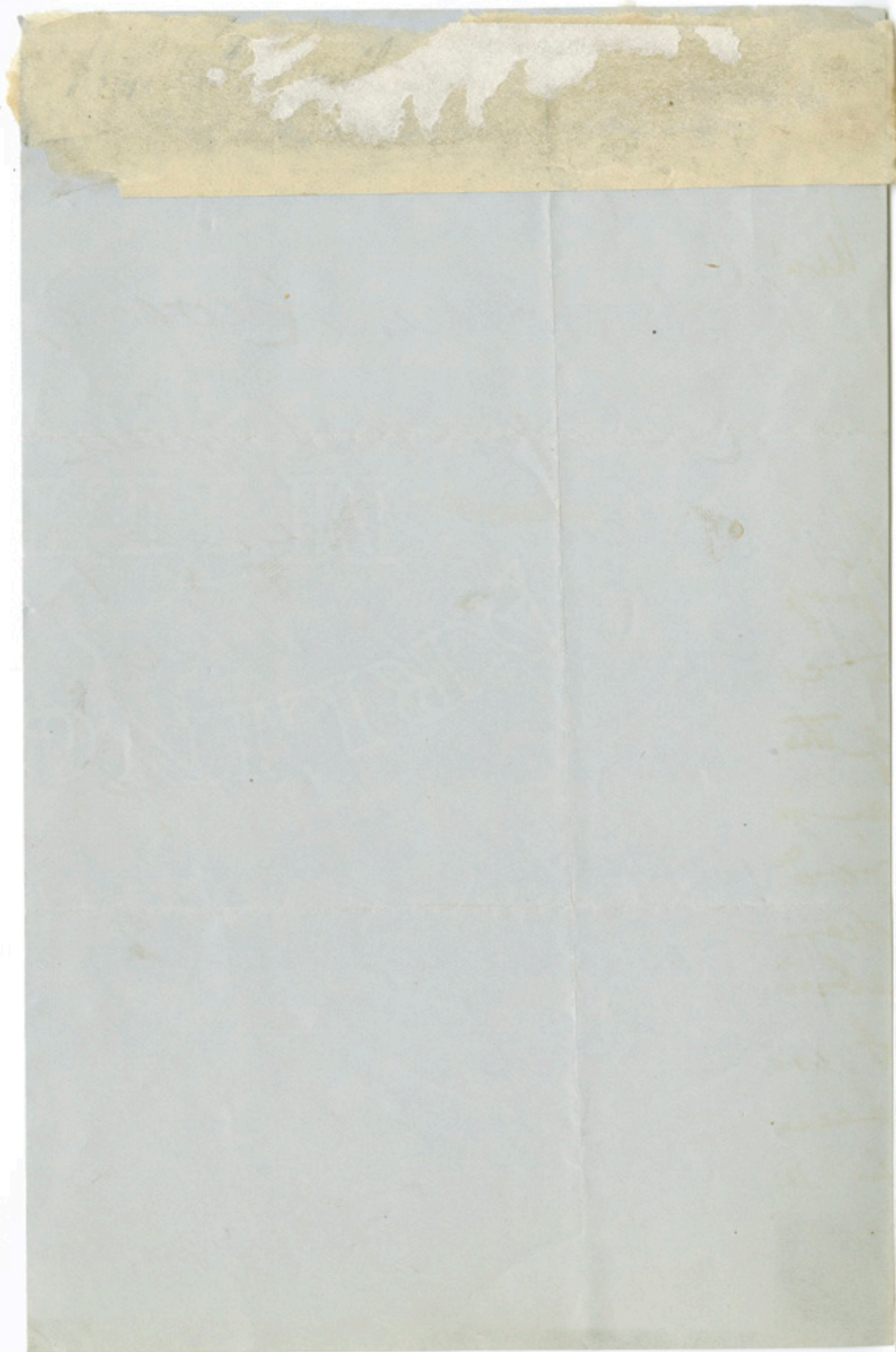
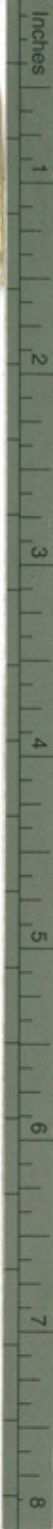
My dear Gen. Howard,

Our present plan
is to leave here July
18th, and go direct
reaching San/so, 4
days later -

If any change will
wire you.

Very truly

A. S. Mill.



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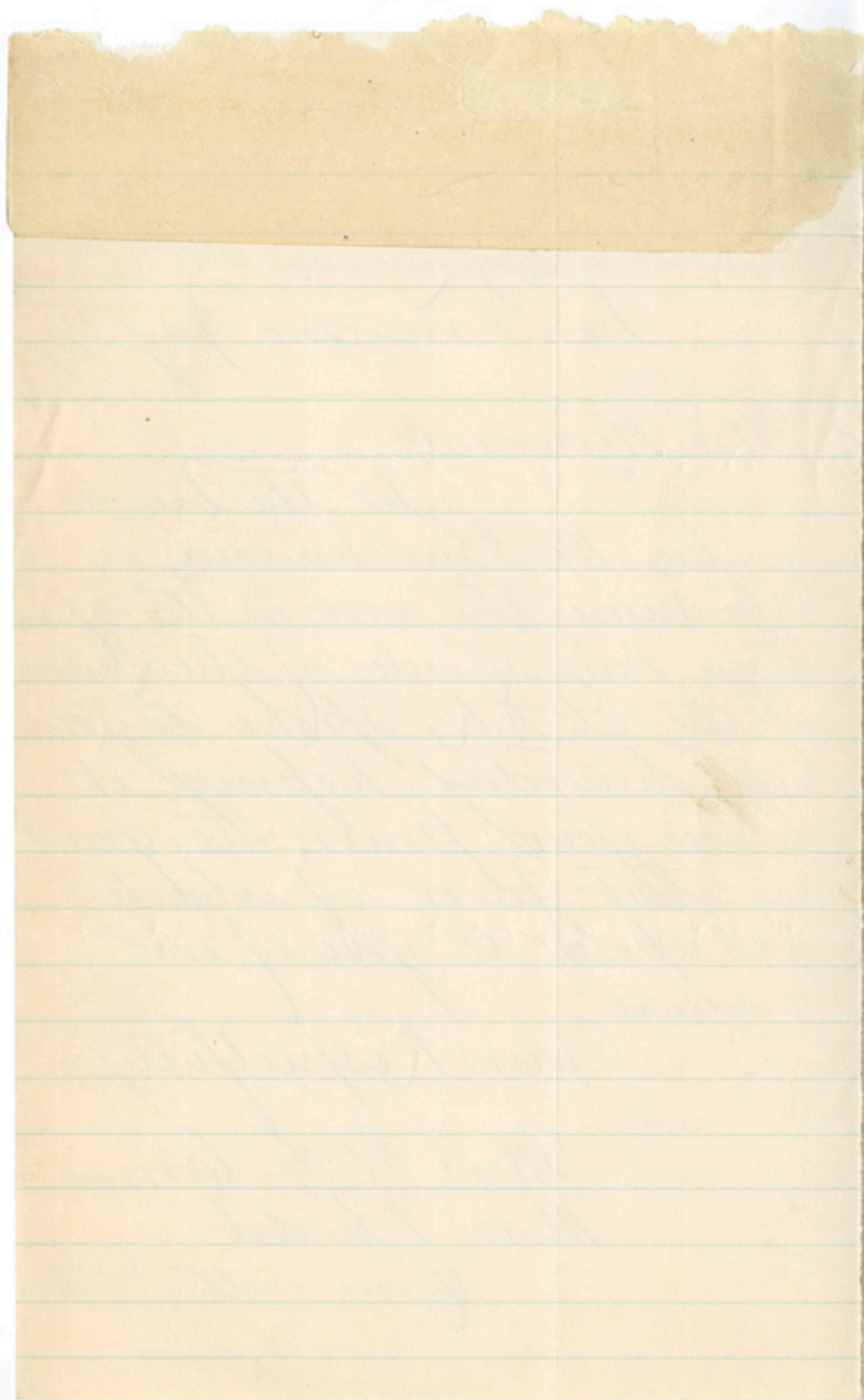
San Francisco July 11/87

Mr Howard.

Sir the bearer
of this, Mr. Baskhausen, is
the man the committee of
Twin Pine Circle, of the Ladies
of the G. A. R. spoke to you
on Saturday. Hoping it
is in your power to grant
us that favor of which
we spoke to you of, we
remain

Yours Respectfully

Mrs. G. H. Evans
Mrs Budd
Committee G. A. R.



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San Francisco, Cal., July 11 1887

Dear Sir:

Senator Hearst's
attention will be called to
your letter immediately upon
his reaching his office.

Very truly yours

W. Townsend
Private Secy.

To

Genl.
O. O. Howard



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Ms. July 12. 1887

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1614 Geary St. City,
July 11. 1887.

Genl. Howard.

I am very anxious
to see you but am occupied
from fourteen to sixteen hours out
of twentyfour and cannot go out
even Sundays. The last time I
was in your class my fingers were
so stiff I dropped the book three
times. Every muscle in my body
seemed sore and lame.

Dr. B. said I could go to see
you in the evening in a coupe
which would cost me \$2.50.
As he pays me only \$15.00 per month

comment is unnecessary.

I told the Rev. father — Rev. Mr. B. — I came here with the hope of making the acquaintance of some one who would help me to a different occupation, and he answered "I have no respect for people who are always trying to help some one else. It is not one's duty to help other people. Let them help themselves."

He says "there are no good men in the world," yet seemed horrified at my unbelief, and claims what would seem an unclouded faith. Judge for yourself what such an atmosphere must be to one in my present mental state.

Do you have occasion to come to this part of the city?

Would it be possible for you to call here to see me?

If you will do so I shall feel grateful for your kindness. My hands are so stiff I write with much difficulty. Excuse bad penmanship.
1614 Broadway St. near Buchanan.

With great respect,
Oscar W. Meritt.