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Ans Sept 19/87

In honor.

858.

Tulare City Cal

Sept 16th / 87.

Gen, O. O. Howard

San Francisco. Cal.

Dr Sir^{rs} Bro.

We are contemplating the organization of a
Y. M. C. A. in this City, and I have been
instructed to correspond with you, with the
hope that we might be able to have you
visit-us and deliver a lecture, we feel
confident that if you can do so it will
be conducive of good results, please reply
as early as your convenience will admit

Yours fraternally.

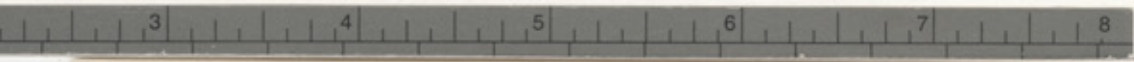
M. F. Tandy.

Pastor Christian Church

Tulare City Cal.

P. S. We would like to have you visit-us
in Oct if possible.

A. F. J



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Tuesday Oct 10th

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Mrs E. W. Kellar

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St Helena Calif
Sept 16th 187.

Genl. A. Q. Howard

Mr. Sir

I am trying
to get a discharge for my son
Arthur H. McKellar from the
general Army. I wrote to the Sec. of
War - he sent me a blank to have
filled before a Notary Public this
I have done & sent it to Wash-
ington D. C. have not heard of
it yet. my son enlisted in Denver
Arms Co. Colo. Jan 19th 87 - joined

joined Troop H. 5th Cav. at Fort
Riley Davis Co. Kansas Mar. 10th /87.
The Troop have now gone to Fort Elliott
Texas. My object in writing to you,
is, to see if you will not assist me
by using your influence in getting
a discharge for him.

When my husband
was living we resided in Rockland
Maine, at the time of his death he
was employed in the Pay Master
Generals Office in Washington.
You will probably remember him, as
he was somewhat acquainted with
you as long ago as you used to come
to Rockland.

I am dependent on
my Son as he is my youngest. I was

left a Widow with 2 little boys the
eldest is married & has a family to
look after, this leaves me to depend
on Arthur, & you well know that
a private in the Army has very
small pay, not enough to help me
to much.

If you can & will assist
me in this you will confer a
great favor on a Brother Masons
Widow, & oblige me very much.

Respectfully Yours
Mrs. G. Mc Kellar

St. Helena, Calif.

P.S. My husband was Archibald McKellar
of Rockland Maine

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Sept. 17th

1887.

Major General C. O. Howard.

Most Worthy Sir,

Enclosed herein please find card, a postal
will always receive my prompt attention.

Thanking you kindly

I beg to remain

Your Obedient Servant,

Lester Shaffner.

Irving Hall

139 Post St.

City.



Lester Shepard

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San Rafael

Sept 17th 1887

Genl. O. O. Howard U.S.A.

Comd'g Department of the Pacific

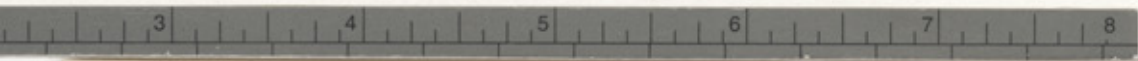
San Francisco Cal.

Dear Genl. :- This will introduce Mrs. Allaben Garrison, a worthy and respected lady and a noted Elocutionist. She will lay before you, our ideas here of having her recite some appropriate piece on the Evening of your lecture providing it meets with your entire satisfaction.

Respectfully

Yours

Wm. Gorley



Alford

San Rafael
Sept 17 1887

Dr. Thomas A. St.

San Francisco Cal.

Dear Sir: This will interest you
in the history of a road we expect to lay out a
shortly. The road will be for the use of
the people of the county and will be
of great benefit to the people of the county
and will be of great benefit to the people of the county
and will be of great benefit to the people of the county

Very truly
yours
Alford

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716 Fulton st.

Troy, N.Y. Sept 18, '87

My dear Father:

Yesterday evening as John & I descended the stairway we saw the two letters from you. We were like two school boys, very happy to hear from home, but especially to find the checks in the letters.

I had paid my tuition with the \$100 which I had obtained from grandmother.

I can now get all the books I need of the other things for which the money is designed. We are both well. Agnes splendidly. A good thing that we see you from home. The evening we arrived a letter came to John from Miss Mary House of Amherst, who has been studying in Boston & is still there. The letter was from Boston. It told John that Kate Chase was to be married to a "Cattle King". It did

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not say who he was nor where.
I hope it may be really true that
they will be married soon. John
was a little nexed at the news, but
after a real pleasant & sensible short
talk together, he rose from his
reverie and is again interested in
his new surroundings & work.

Some one should tell Miss Jenny
at the New Eng. Conservatory of Music
Boston Mass (or write her) to avoid to
the utmost remembering John's
queries concerning Kate Chase.
Miss Chase is now a sensible girl &
will gladly keep good faith with you if you
should write her.

I met John in Boston. He was a little
excited. We walked to the common & Pea-
sant an house there, then to the beauty
public gardens & sat & chatted an hour
there. I feel that I can well
afford to lose time to my personal
ends, if thereby I can come to good
& please him (John) & develop
him to solid manhood.

Then we called on Uncle Rowland & went to W. Medford. There we both went thro' a thorough cleaning & change of clothing. Then I went on to Andover. John came the next day (Thursday) & we were there, I writing my report to Abbot Academy, & he resting, reading Ramona & with Adelle & being so happy. He met some of the Andover people. Sunday we went to the Andover. Old South Church & in the afternoon took a walk. Monday & Tuesday we were busy writing & he reading & writing. Tuesday he went to W. Medford. There he drove Uncle Rowland with his guest, one of the Peace delegates to the U.S. to see Cambridge & other places around Boston. John was enthusiastic in recounting the events of that day to me afterwards. I went to Boston Thurs. morning & he met me in the Fitchburg station. We enjoyed a nice ride in the cars to & thro' the Horace tunnel.

We waited over four hours (1 to 5 P.M.) that I could call (at North Adams Mass.) on people in behalf of Abbot Academy. Then we enjoyed the picturesque ride down the valleys to Troy where we arrived at 7: P.M. Friday we spent in unpacking, planning & settling our rooms. We bought a passport for Panama. It is sort of a great & a good thing for him to have. Sat. forenoon we found just what our lessons would be for here. Finished arranging our rooms. They are most pleasant & homelike. I paid my tuition & obtained a delay for John until he can receive a little more money from home to have \$100.

At another time I will write just what our rooms, board & washing will cost. We both have our lessons for Monday but them Sat. afternoon. I lend him my books, as far as possible, to save expense. This morning we went to church, then dinner & are now writing letters. Both are well. With love to you & all from Jennie

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San Francisco

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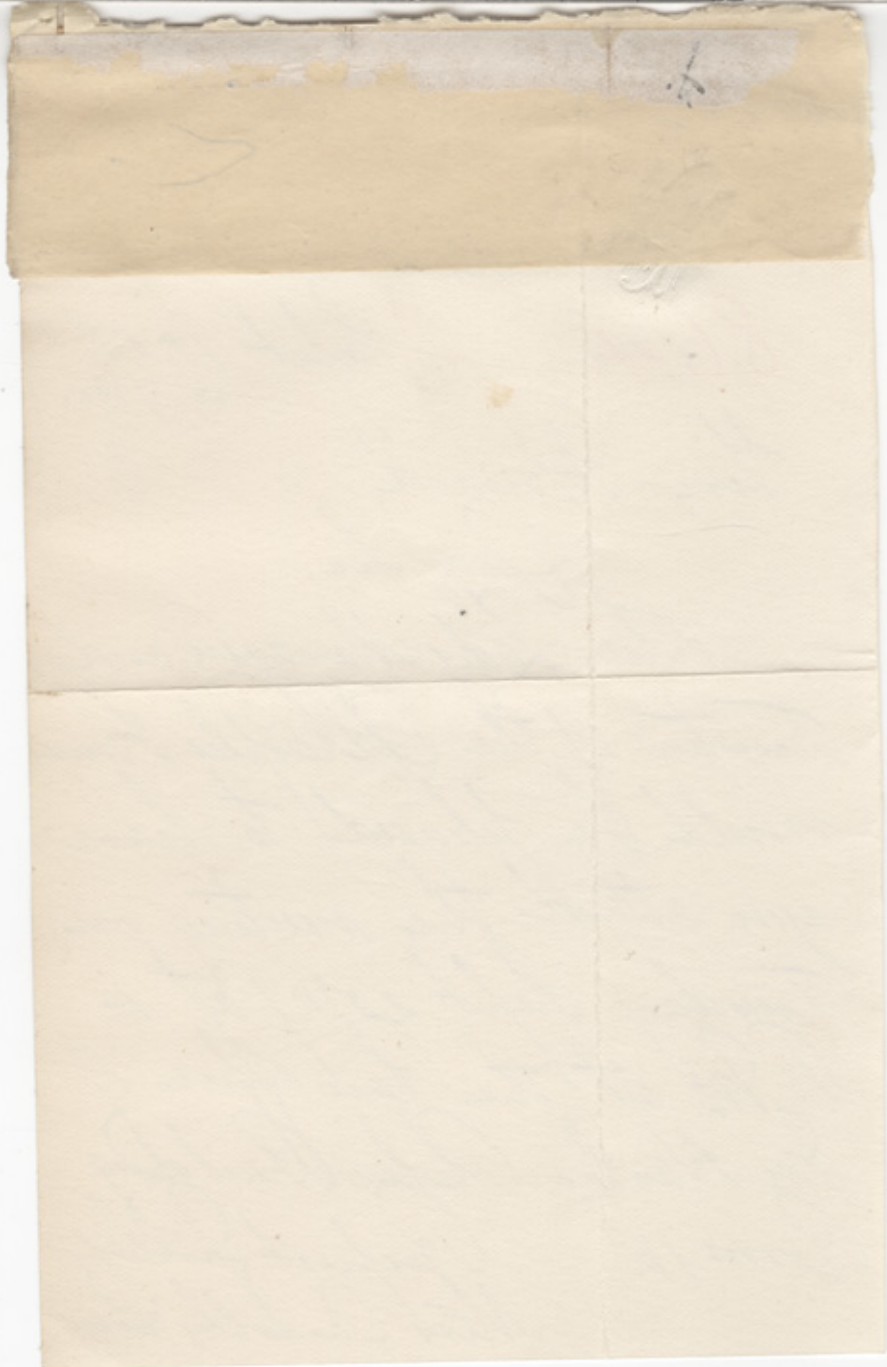
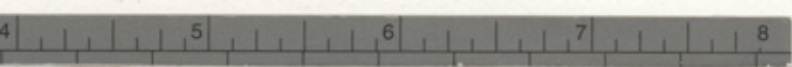
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Gen. Howard.

Dear Sir.

The Lady Managers and
Trustees of the Old Peoples' Home
would be pleased to have
you attend the meeting on
Tuesday Sept 22nd 1877 at 4
P.M. at the Law Office of
Mr. Sanborn Phelps Building
Room 16.

Respectfully,
Miss Carroll, Secy



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General O. O. Howard. U. S. A.
Division of the Pacific.
San Francisco, Cal.

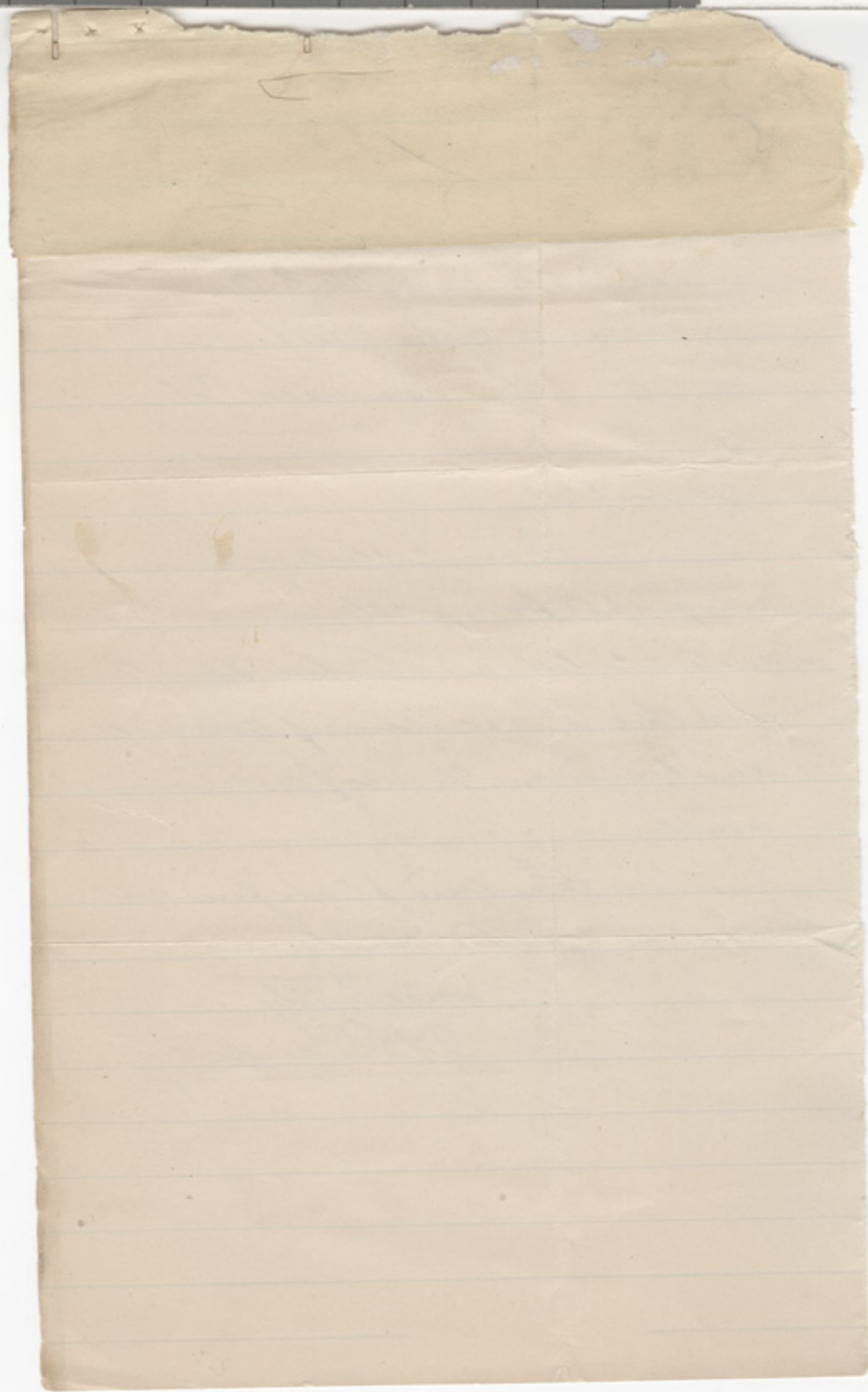
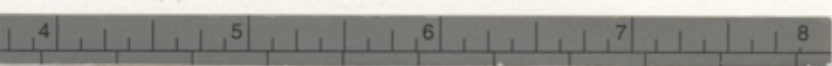
General:-

I am collecting prominent
autographs for my album and I have
quite a collection, therefore I write
you this to ascertain if you will
kindly send me yours if not too much
trouble.

Enclosed please find an
envelope stamped & addressed.

Yours truly,

J. T. Beardsley.



Mrs C. L. Osgood

Soldiers Home

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Ans - Sept 20/87

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best sites in the state for
and after your return I
would be pleased to hear
from you through the
mail or to have you call
at 513 Post St - Monday P.M.
I am a member of Red Cross's
Church in San Rafael and
that place was my home
for several years. Will you
please refrain from saying
that my place has been
spoken of as a Soldiers Home
but please just say that
you would like to see the
Osgood Tract.
 Hoping that I have not in-
-tended or will not put you
to any extra trouble I am
Respectfully Mrs C. L. Osgood

San Francisco Sept 19 87
Gen O. O. Howard,
Dear Sir,

Knowing that you
are expected to lecture at
San Rafael Sept 28th and
feeling quite sure that you
will be taken around to see
the different parts of that
delightful suburb I take the
liberty to inform you by letter
that I have a tract of 1 1/2 acres
at the South East Corner of
San Anselmo Station, which
has been spoken of as a
Soldiers Home, and while
you are out driving I
would like very much
to have you take notice

of it - The tract is located
on the S.E. Corner, opposite
the Station house, and has
the advantage of a running
stream, or creek, at one side
and a hill which is an
advantage for such an
institution, and at the junction
of three railroads,
Mr Wm J. Coleman has
always told me that
it was very valuable on
account of its locality,
and thought it was cheap
at twenty thousand dollars
but I will not set a
price, on it until I have
your opinion, of the grounds
etc - I lost my husband,
who died in San Rafael,
five years since, and
since that time I have

been obliged to attend to
most of my business,
and letter writing, this be-
ing the reason why I am
addressing you through the
mail today, - Should you
be taken out to see the
different building sites you
could (if you will be so
kind) speak of going out
where the Ostrich Farm is
to be, which will be on
the Road, to San Anselmo
and you could please ask
where the Osgood tract was
and at the same time have
an opportunity to view the
premises of Mr Tompkins
whose residence is on a
much higher hill than on
my tract which has been
spoken of as one of the

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Santa Monica, Cal. Sept 19th 1887.

My dear General:

Your letter of the 2nd instant was duly received. I appreciate your expressions of sympathy. I am getting very well and slowly recovering, and am as comfortable as can be expected under the circumstances with the assurance of the physicians that I may expect to be up again in the course of a month or six weeks without any permanent disability.

Very respectfully yours,

Nelson A. Miles
N.A.M.

General O. O. Howard,

San Francisco, Cal.

Santa Monica, Cal. Sept 15th 1887.

Dear General:

Your letter of the 13th instant was duly received. I appreciate your expressions of sympathy. I am getting very well slowly recovering, and am as comfortable as can be expected in the circumstances with the assurance of the physicians. I may expect to be up again in the course of a month or six weeks without any permanent disability. Very respectfully yours,

Wm. G. Howard,
San Francisco, Cal.

Wm. G. Howard

Who addressed your letter? a man or a woman?

I am nearly 33 years old & I have only
had one friend I have known
a woman) till but not here - where
where she belongs. - And now

let me thank you with all my
heart, dear General, - but - do you
know Goethe's "Gauberlehrling"?
You must think me one of those
people who "Give a pinch & take
an ell". So when you find a
moment of inclination to write
again do not ask me to "write
whenever you feel like doing so."
because you would have to put
in a requisition for wash
backet. - - Now I am hungry
& have to get breakfast myself.

This is just 47 minutes work.

Very gratefully - respectfully
& lots of other things yours

Flora Golsh

H. M. Russ.

P.S. I am a woman - eyes - must have a P.S. - I feel almost like
not sending this. - Was it right to send it? Now,
you called me "friend". My other friend always
told me exactly, as she thought - Sometimes it was
very bitter, but true & I loved her the more for it.
I know it but her more, than me, to find fault with
me but I thanked & still thank her for it. Will you
be such a friend too? F.

Miss F. Golsh
Agua Caliente, C.M.M.

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Oct 4/17

Phineas O. Howard
Maj. Gen. U. S. Army

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Dear General Howard

Good morning - The
sun is just rising - & I brought -
myself ^{side} out to write. - I recd. your
letter yesterday. - I simply say your
letter - for I have no objection that will
do it justice. - God bless you & yours -
Tell me who are "Kours"; the ones
you ask me to pray for? - Your
lines came at nearly 4 P.M. & I felt tired
as usual, at that time, very tired, mental-
ly. Now dear words & thoughts made me
feel bright - they made me feel "Nearer
my God to Thee." If my scribbling cheered
you - You have done a great deal better
don't you think so? Do not blame me
I must beg you, as in my last for speak-
ing so "sans etiquette" your own kindness
is the cause of it. It makes me forget
who you are & who I am - not, not
that exactly - it was very stupid of me
to say that but - your great kindness
is a bridge - a fine, splendid one - No
wonder, though, if I consider the Engineer,
has any one ever called him that? -
I wrote in my diary yesterday after
school that I would not answer you

until after a few days, but I will feel better if it is done & you wish me to write. — When I wrote first — I did not expect an answer, though I wished for one, awfully! It was not exactly only a wish — I think it was a prayer. — Well I had it. Your prayer for me, "God bless you & help you" has been heard, but, I am almost afraid — (I am so stupid I can not say just what I want) it keeps God too busy — Why, every little thing I have done since I left you, has been a success. He is evidently helping me all the time. — Dear General, don't throw this letter down & call it, "overdone" please. — I am a poor thing & have not a soul to speak to — that will understand me. I try & just to wake up the dormant souls in my children, but it is very slow work. I have a little ugly dog & I get more sympathy from, Row-
ow (her name) than from any of the higher creatures around here. — When I began this, the sun just tipped the ~~mountain~~ at a distance & now it shines on my paper. The shadows & lights between are very lovely some times. Happily thought, I have some photographs ^{of that place} which my brother took & as you are good enough to take an interest ^{(I send you letter again) in my work} (what shall I say? does it sound too conceited if I say) ^{In one of your war-papers you say that no one can follow a battle without knowing the ground & field, etc. etc.} ~~and the Indians, I will send a few.~~ — The place is beautiful, situated & only wants trees of which there are very few. I tried to plant some, but gophers or want of care when I am gone have been too strong for me & now I have given it up, for I do not intend to remain here very much longer. I had to promise the Agent when I applied for the school for this term, that I would stay the whole ^{trical} year. I only wanted it till Christmas, but he said the Govt. only engaged teachers for the full term. Last year there were 13 schools under this Agency & 9 were suspended — including mine — Now out of those 9 — only mine was reestablished — You see even Indian Agents appreciate me. I am afraid every body (You are doing your best) is trying to make me insufferably conceited. — — — Dear General, why did you write — "My dear friend". Did you know my ideas of the word "friend"? —

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Covelo, Calu 906.
Sept 20th 1887

Major General
O. O. Howard U.S.A.
Commanding Division of the
Pacific ^{etc.} ^{etc.}
San Francisco,
Cal.

General:

I have the honor of
acknowledging receipt of your
communication of the 17th inst
which reached me this afternoon
4 P.M.

In compliance with the wishes
of Quartermaster Genl Perry, as
indicated in your letter, I have
called on Capt Shaw, who in
reply to my information, refer-
ring necessities of his command
as mentioned by me in my
report to Yourself, before his



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arrival, told me that he had made out and forwarded his requisitions some days ago.

There is nothing of any importance that I could report today - Agent Yates has probably presented himself to you by this time. He told me that we was going ~~out~~ to the City because subpoenaed as witness in the whiskey case - the Deputy U. S. Marshal having taken down two prisoners for trial. Rumor has it that Mr Yates has to make arrangement for ^a new bandman for some reason or other - further that the U. S. District Attorney has notified the Agent that suit will be or has already been instituted in the U. S. Court against all trespassers on



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The reservation - I have no information as to whether the order to that effect has come from the U. S. Attorney General in Washington or not, nor whether the suit will include those parties who have been declared as exempt, for the time being under the decisions of Judge Sawyer.

People express their curiosity regarding the point, whether legal proceedings will or will not virtually suspend the functions of the armed force now here, until a decision is arrived at.

My humble opinion, which I do reserve to myself alone, is that legal proceedings is



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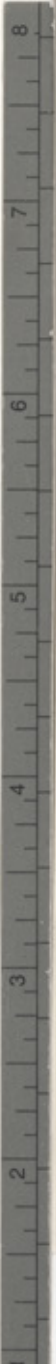
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Just what the interested parties
(big and small ones alike)
desire to have brought about
hoping to gain time anyhow
which means a good round
sum of more profits for 6
months or longer to them
all. The population at large
(excepting the trespassers of course)
are glad to have troops here
and only regret that the
number of men is not trebled
as large, on account of the
business they bring to this
sleepy hollow of a place.

The Deputy Marshal's arrest
leaves the regret with the
decent part of the communi-
ty that under the great diffi-
culty to prove the crime,
(it seems that the law requires
white men as witnesses who



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is actually able to swear to having seen the Indians drink the Whiskey out of a bottle which the white men knew ^{as} containing Whiskey, having tasted it themselves) four or five other parties cannot be prevented from going on selling Whiskey to the Indians. As the case stands it is very difficult to put a stop to the iniquity, which makes all efforts in behalf of the Indians vain and illusory.

Your order for my return to the City, "on or before the 8th of October" will of course be complied with and I beg to express my gratitude



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For your very kind and
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I cannot see in what way
my prolonged stay here would
benefit the service.

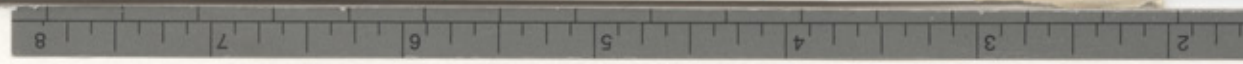
The first frost made its ap-
pearance 2 days ago and
if the troops are to remain
here, they need substantially
build shelter no doubt of it,
very soon.

I have the honor to
remain, General, most
respectfully Yours obed^t
serv^t.

Wenylc. De Abney
Special Agent

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520, 13th St. Oakland

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Sept. 21. 1887.

Gen. C. O. Hornum.

Dear Sir and Bro.

Will you give us four lectures
on "Bible of Gethsemane" on the
evening of Oct 17: same
terms as the "Grant" last year
\$50. You will confer a great
favor. I am the alive soon

Truly yours

J. H. Keane.

Sept 21. 1847

Mr. J. O. Johnson

London, Canada

That you are in the habit
of selling of photography, or the
remains of Oct 17: some
times in the "Great" London
\$50; present copies of great
from. I saw the other from

I received from

J. O. Johnson





870.
Headquarters Fourteenth Infantry.

Vancouver Barracks, W. T.

Sept 21st 1887

to
ans. Sept 27.

Major Genl. O. O. Howard;

Dear General:

I have been nearly a year in your Division without the pleasure of seeing you. Hoping that you might wish to make a progress through this part of your Territory, I write to ask you to do me the honor of making me a visit. Mrs Anderson joins in extending to you & Mrs Howard an invitation to come and make yourselves at home once more in your old home to which we have fallen heirs.

Pray come before the

rains come. Just now we are
having delightful weather.

Ever sincerely Yours
Thomas M. Anderson

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Suburn Me. Sept 22/87

Genl. Oliver O. Howard

Dear Sir

Yours of the 12th inst addressed
Col. Jos H. Smith on J. E. N. just forwarded
to me from Augusta - just one day
after the reunion - Have forwarded
the same to Col. Smith - Bangor -

We were at the reunion in Augusta
yesterday - had a glorious time -
One hundred and thirty five "old vets"
answered to roll call - others arrived after
making about 150 or 160 present during
the day -

Will send you a copy of Keene's
Journal containing account -

Next reunion at Oakland (West Waterville)
Aug 16 '88 when we should all be glad
to see you present -

Sincerely yours
J. Edwin Nye



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Highland Park College,

OAKLAND, CAL.

SAMUEL B. MORSE, M. A.
PRESIDENT.

HON. H. E. McCUNE,
DIXON,
PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD.

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REV. J. HERNDON GARNETT,
OAKLAND,
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD.

Oakland Sep. 22, 87.

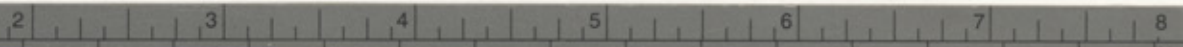
Major General O. Howard

Dear Sir:-

I have just learned from the Trustees of our Church that owing to delay on the part of our Contractor for the Pews, we can not open our new house until October 9th. You had kindly consented to be with us the evening of the 2nd. And I very sorry to have to say this to you. Would it be possible for you to be with us on the evening of the 9th? If not could you on the 16th? We are very anxious to have you with us. Can you kindly advise me before Sunday.

Very Respectfully,

J Herndon Garnett
Pastor Bap. Ch. East Oakland.



Highland Park College

OAKLAND, CAL.

REV. J. HERRICK GANNETT
SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

HON. H. M. McCUNE
PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

MR. M. A. MOORE
PRESIDENT

Oakland, Cal. Sept. 22, 1917

Dear Sir:

I have just received from
the trustees of our church that owing
to the fact of our contract for
the purchase of the lot upon which
we are building, it is necessary
that we should be permitted to
use the lot for a period of six
months. The trustees of our
church are very anxious that
we should be permitted to use
the lot for a period of six
months. I am very kindly
appreciate your kind
attention. Very respectfully,
H. M. McCune

Mr. J. H. Gannett

Ans. Oct 5, '87

PORTERVILLE



A. MANDIS, Proprietor

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Porterville, Tulare Co., Cal. Sept 22nd 1887

General Howard

My dear General
 Mrs F. B. Peterson (12 East St) informed
 me she would interview you in my behalf.
 I am an old soldier having served 4 years
 in the last Civil War, I am now 60 years
 of age, and afflicted with Palsy I have
 made application for Pension but as yet
 have failed to receive any benefit
 any disbursement you can give me or
 allow from the Government will be
 doing an old soldier an everlasting favor
 by giving this your most obedient attention
 You will will confer a great favor

Yours most Respectfully
 Patrick Costigan

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My Company was 7 3rd N.Y.

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