Wayne Feb 5th 1887

My dear Sir:

Jane of April 20

in answer to my letter I wrote

you no reference to arise for

the improvement of our church

was held next you named it

I would write you try to hand

you might be able to add

your name. We are still

shining to raise money. We

find it hard work to raise

money. Society (so called)

but think we have reason to

be thankful for the success

we have met with our

moral library was all manners

and final word of the society.
would do what they could
I would try and care for
from outside help, if you
feel like helping me a little
on this place to do so or if
you have any other particular
place that you wish is unused
for say so if you should
send anything.

What the teachers have been
able to do has put more life
and interest into the church
I think the church as a
whole are thankful for what
aid we have had, and
Society is poor.

Please accept thanks
for the heliotype picture of
yourself you sent me last
spring. Our boys are very
much interested in your
missionary.
Troy, N.Y., Dec 5, 1887.

My dear Father:

My daily work is done and it is only twenty minutes past ten o'clock. John is interested in loud and I shall go when I shall have finished this letter. I have not written you a long letter for some time but I have been so busy that I have done only that which was most pressing.

First my studies & they are all in order up to date. I am glad to report. My present studies are from railroad bridges - the calculating stresses & strains. The latter part of this week each one of us will have to take some of the many bridges within reach from each, measure & sketch it. Then carefully estimate (for general lines) some section of the bridge will safely carry trains & locomotives or three if absolutely necessary. Cars are light. If locomotives can pass over these cars can also. Some bridges are very complicated, suspension bridges are
easier to calculate than truss & cantilever bridges - although the public think otherwise. Engineers' bridges are perhaps harder to build - because the work must be nearly all done on the spot. First in foundries of roller mills. They are ready in with the Director General. The subject is the practical application of the estimation of hydraulics. The lead physical hydraulics. Two years ago. Then at the first of this year we had mechanical hydraulics (theory) with investigations with calendars. The Director was surprised what the other performers had given us. A table shows some data to the practical field use. Speaking of calendars makes one think of the time you said you denied me to study Calculus & descriptive geometry. Descriptive geometry was long, but I did enjoy it. But now that I constantly use calendars, as I used to use the multiplication tables in primary school, I see how strange & wonderful it is. A constant reading & investigation are now often to me if the same case the calendars ease are formerly difficult problems to solve themselves. Three weeks more
Then Christmas will be glad because

need rest. John also. He studies very well.

and also the introduction to descriptive geometry—a subject called two elements of projections—he has plane projections, isometric projections, oblique projections, elements of mathematical perspective.

I am sorry I haven’t done the subject very well.

I have a letter from Aunt Kitty which says that Grandpa has been sick—is much again well but not yet strong. I wish she had not become so attached to Glencoe—for surely Denver & San Francisco are better as to climate for her in winter. John is now in bed if he needs only. I am sure his chart needs not teach him a lesson of how he has profited little when he has his own success which takes care to sleep enough. I hope he will take more exercise & go about with his fellow students.

But he is retiring & very steady study also influences his interest in attending the course—But he has not yet become accustomed to doing book work & writing etc. & recitations & lectures for 17 hours a day except meals. I look forward with great pleasure to...
The time when I shall not have to work nights, but when perhaps six o'clock comes then I can lay aside my work, rest my mother and then see if I will join friends or entertaining reading etc.

After my studies at present I give my little leisure to my thesis. Many letters have to be written to the Engineer or other officers of the railway (the work French, German - English now done one well. Cannot thank you for these implements or work you have given me). I am collecting quite a library upon Asphault - Asphalte - Asphaltum. I find that after the greatest care and attention (in Railways) several batches; their care immense and investment in pavements. The more I study it, the more I find there is even the practical questions are sufficient for a volume of the questions of economic maintenance another volume.

I saw Paris, London, Washington, Buffalo. The people of these cities is done by scientific men, not by the rough class of men who too often do the work here alone. I had intended to make out an estimate of the money I will need to finish up the present year, will do so on another sheet of paper. I shall go probably to visit George Briggs and his wife who have invited Adelheid. They live half way between here and Waterbury, I have a nice host of two children. I shall write you about work or life work later. I should not decide until I see you again.
Try Dec 5 87.

Dear Father,

I add this to see what I need for all expenses during the Cumbiers. $14.00 room for month 15. -- 29.00


Hues of the Scientific society for the half year. 6.00

Use of rooms, lectures, library, publications, etc.

Expenses of my Residence in New Haven for medicines 7.50

Also medicines & little expenses for Julia's sickness 1.20

Railroad fares for Vacation, paper stamps, etc. 13.50

Meals & little incidental during vacation 5.00

A few small presents to Adelheid & the people I visit Christmas 5.00

81.60

If you can spare so much please send it on or before Dec 12 or 13 that I may surely get it before my vacation begins.

Grandmother will leave another $100. for me in January to pay my tuition.
she has been sick as I have said & hence I have heard nothing from her except one letter about a month ago & now a letter from Aunt Lottie - saying that Grandmother is better.

A.L.

Mr. Barker in N.Y. City again at Stewart Building Broadway. He writes me concerning banks to get $2000. He really seems to keep an eye on me. I am striving to be able to really send home $ at the same time earn a good income after finishing college if God permits.

Will love from James

P.S. John & I keep each one his own money matter of course getting very nicely.
Mills College and Seminary
Alameda County, Cal.

Mills Seminary, Dec. 5, 1887

Sen. O. O. Sonard,
Dear Sir,

I write to ask if you can come to us on Wednesday of this week. If convenient for you, we should prefer to have the lecture in the evening, and should be pleased to have you spend the night with us.

We can send you to the city at any hour most convenient for you, but hope you will have time to remain and look about our place.

I enclose a card by which you may see how to reach the College.

Yours very sincerely,

Mrs. O. P. Hills.
If the afternoon will suit you better, please take the Bocock train from the city, and the Oakland local, changing at East Oakland for the Hayward train. I write at the request of Dr. Straton, who is absent, but who will return to morrow. The young ladies are anticipating much pleasure in listening to your account of the Battle of Gettysburg.
Return to

CHARLES OECHEL,
DEALER IN
WOOD, COAL AND HAY

Cor. Santa Clara and Fifth Sts.,
SAN JOSE, CAL.
If not called for in Ten Days.
Dec. 6th 1889

Col. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir:

I am very glad and think other old Comrades are, to hear a Lecture by you on Gettysburg, in the City on the 16th inst. I am more interested in that great Battle than in any other that I have been in, that Battle not only helped to bring the War to a close, but one fought against a much larger Force, in fact against the entire Army of the Southern army and best of all Victory was with us. The 11th Corps of which I was a member (25th Regt. Ohio Vol. Inf.)
done well and I look back with satisfaction that fills my heart and
than to God for it, that I was in that battle.
I have got a copy of
Your letter dated Baraboo 2nd
July 10th in which you
thank the 11th Army Corp.
My only child I have,
Daughter knows all
about the Battle of Gettys
bough, I told her and
impressed it on her
mind when she was a
little girl, she was with
the Delegation in Woodling
not long ago and said the
honor to get acquainted
with you, and now dear

General I must or
rather will ask for a
favor, Can you inform
me what the Salary is
for the Consul to the
Republic of Liberia and
would you advice me
to take it if I could
get it, it is it safe for a
Republican to take a
appointment like this
under a Democrat Pres-
ident?

Hoping to hear from you
I am, dear General
Your obedient servant

Chas. Weaver
HEADQUARTERS

Geo. H. Thomas Post, No. 2

DEPARTMENT OF CAL'A, G. A. R.

San Francisco, Dec. 1, 1887

Comrade:

Please take notice, that you have been
elected as Representative to the
21st Session

Department of California, G. A. R.

Yours, in F. C. and L.,

J. H. Bacon
ADJUTANT.

Dante Rosa
June 10th 18___
San Fratoc Dec 7, 1887

Dear Gen Howard,

You will probably remember me by recalling our pleasant little trip together last October from Sacramento to San Francisco returning from the General association of Boy Chorus. My home was then and is now at Reseda but I am at present acting as janitor and librarian for the library here. And it is on behalf of that institution I write now relying on your courtesy and Christian kindness to help us in this way.

Will you come here and deliver at our hall a lecture for the benefit of the Book fund.
of this the San Mateo Library Association had at such a time as it may best suit your own business and convene the simply suggesting Moonlight time of any full moon.
This society have had their building burned in the past year and the people have at a good deal of cost and self sacrifice rebuilt and are about ready to open them again but find many things still needed hence turn to kind Christian friends for help. I would be delighted to come in to your office some day if you will receive me and give me all the particulars more fully than I can write if you will name a day that I can see you I will come and then.

arrange all details as to time of your coming to.
I have not heard from Portland Oregon since I have gone but heard incidentally that Joe & Billy are well.

Hopeing for an early and favorable answer

Yours in Christian fellowship

W. Geo. Thompson

Address
W. G. Thompson
Bot 46
San Mateo
San Mateo County
Cal
Orem, Neb. Dec. 8th, 1877

My dear second,

I know you have an interest in yes home at Saratoga and knowing of your charitable good works I write you for assistance. We have secured a lot here near the old school town which is worth $200.00 and I am it paid for with the eruption of about $200.00 and now can

1126.
I am a temporary board 

vig on which the remainder 

of $4,500.00 and we wish to deduct 

on next Sunday Deed and to do this we must 

raise these amounts. 

What can you do for 

us? an amount will 

be acceptable. Please 

telegraph me as 

we must act fast, 

and I will try our chances.

Yours very truly,

Louis Littlefield
My dear brother,

Sam Howard,

The widow of the soldier named in this newspaper item is a member of my church. This is the first word she has heard from him or of him, for over seven years — perhaps longer. She now thought him dead, but could not understand why she heard nothing of his death. He was a kind husband when at home. He wrote for sometimes after mailing and going to Arizona, very often this letter once always good. Suddenly, they ceased, she knows not why, and
Since then she has not known
whether to think of him as alive or
dead. He was said to be a good
soldier; seems to love the camp-
ship; enlisted three times; has
been well spoken of by comrades
officers. She has one little boy.
None since the father's last enlistment.
She is very poor; indeed, has not-
any at all. It is very poor physically
and somewhat broken in mind.
She has boy with her patient
mother who themselves are old and
dependent on others.

It is thought that possibly she
might remain on this pension
list; could it be? He was in the
army for the Union it was wounded
in the great engagement at New
Orleans; in the navy under Farr-
agut.

Can you find time to write me
something about this?
You O. Howard.

Dear sir — We enclose you a letter addressed to Chaplain Rankin, of whose whereabouts we know nothing. The records of your department may show where he is, in which event will you kindly send on to him, & subject your reply

Yours respectfully,

J. D. Hammond.

By Hunter.

[Handwritten signature]

[Handwritten signature]

Supt. O. Howard.
STATEMENT OF GAS BILL.

Dec 9, 1887. State of Meter 579.00

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Gas Consumed, 4700 Cubic Feet.

@ $2.00 per M. $ 9.40

Notice by Telephone or Mail of any trouble with your light, gas-burners, etc., will receive prompt attention without charge.

Yours respectfully,

GAS CONSUMERS' ASSOCIATION,
110½ SUTTER STREET,
Over Pacific Transfer Company.

Telephone No. 717.
Gen. O. C. Howard,
Phelan Building, City.

Dear General:-

You will remember that I spoke to you while in Pasadena in regard to sending a letter to Mrs. Stanford, but I was too busy to block out the letter as you suggested so take the liberty of sending the enclosed copy. You can begin it and end it as you see fit, and of course you can make any changes you think best, but I thought perhaps this would be about what you would like to say to her. If you will make corrections and send it back to me I will have it copied with pen and sent over for your signature. I should like to have a couple sheets of your paper and one of your envelopes if you please. Am sorry to trouble you so soon, but I am so very anxious to get this out as soon as I can, as I am very anxious she should get it just as soon as possible, and I believe it will help us very much in the matter of a contribution. Hope you are none the worse for your journey.

Very cordially yours,

[Signature]