San Francisco
Feb 18th 1888

Dear O. C. Howard

A Party of Young Ladies and Gentlemen who have been active in keeping the Mission Branch of the Chinese Association, desire to visit Angel Island and Washington Birthday, Wednesday of next week. Can you obtain a pass allowing them to go and return on the Government Vessel? I think there will be about 28 in number, perhaps 25. If this can be done consistent with your regulations it will oblige them and myself.

Yours most truly,

[Signature]
Feb. 18, 1888

Maj. Gen. C. Q. Howard
San Francisco

My dear General,

I write to thank you for the letter you sent to Gen. Franklin. In regard to my health, rest and my travel in Europe have done for me what medical treatment could not have done, and as the appointment to the Chaplains will not be made for more than a year my hope is that by that time my throat will be all right, so that in the
Genial climate & Southern soil. I shall be able to use it as much as will be necessary in a soldiers' home. I certainly should not desire the position unless able to fulfill the duties.

I am glad to know that my daughter's "cheerful spirit and kindly words" of which you speak are of some service in your large Bible class of which she is a member and which she so greatly enjoys.

You will be glad to know that the First Cong Church here of which you were one of the pillars, is doing a large and beneficent work. The University too is apparently prosperous. I visited it the other day and heard Dr. Patton conduct recitations in Natural Theology and Political Economy and was greatly interested by the intelligent questions and answers by the members of the classes.

Very sincerely yours,

Y. H. Noble
Scott City, Kansas

J. Feb. 19/58.

Gen. O.O. Howard
San Francisco Cal.

Dear General,

I am very desirous to possess in my collection of autographed letters a good letter from you, whom I highly respect both because of your fearless courage in the field and your stand point in the field of the christian, and I write you a letter today to ask you will please succour a favor with a little interesting information regarding your experience with General Sherman on the Mississippi. Were you not with him at the "Rice Mill" battle it was termed and was it a fact as I have read somewhere that the troops were joyously engaged in singing as they marched on their march or fight toward the Allegheny? I assure you I shall be exceedingly gratified to receive a few words from you on this point of interest and I assure you I shall ever prize it, coming as it does from your kind hand. Please do not overlook this, my dearest letter, I will return thankful acknowledgements on the receipt of your letter, which I shall await with great interest, coming as it will to the personally. I am sure your would not refuse me, if you knew the extent of my desire. Please reply as soon as you can, and greatly favor

My True Yours, Edgar T. Gladwin.
Minneapolis Minn. Feb 19th 1863

Maj: Genl. O. O. Howard
Comdg 8th Div. Pacific, Cal.

Dear Sir,

Being desirous of obtaining the autographs of the most prominent Army officers, and having collected many during and since the War, it would afford me much pleasure in receiving yours. By complying with the above, I would confer a great favor.

I remain your obedient servant,

[Signature]

I. Douglas
734 Pine Street
Feb. 19th, 1873

Major General
U. C. Harrard M.S.A.

Sincere

If I could possibly avoid it, I should not write you this or trouble you with our sufferings, but there is no help for it that I can see. Please let me know whether there is any prospect regarding the reenlistment that was spoken of when Mr. Durey and myself were with you last? I have very little news.
sick with dysentery and have not a single Southern to buy provisions, let alone coal and coal.

My children have no shoes on their feet and I am too sick with Asthma to even think of going out of the room.

Please do not talk about this letter to anybody else connected with the army. They are all of them too comfortably situated and too recent to realize the situation of a man who has had for years to defend himself against starvation and ruin of his family because he has not tens of thousands or tens of millions when in the service.

Please do not neglect to see to your child at camp.

Dear Lord Chief! The wheel system is a wonder, they drive honest folks.
Stockton February 19th

SIR:

Arrangements have been completed for your lecture on Thursday night next, and the school have appointed a committee to meet you on your arrival and conduct you to the hotel. The morning train leaves San S at 9 I think it arrives here at 1. Please let me know if you will come on that train or otherwise. Would you consent to visit the school by at 2 or 3 to give the scholars a little talk about something. I am sure they
SIGNAL SERVICE, U. S. ARMY,
OFFICE OF OFFICER IN CHARGE.

San Francisco
Febry 20th, 1888

The Commanding General,
Division of the Pacific.

Sir,

I have the honor hereby to express my regret that the necessity of my presence at the Signal Office from one o'clock to two o'clock each day prevents acceptance of the invitation to be present at the review of regular and state troops at the Presidio on the 22nd inst.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

J. E. Maxfield
2nd Lieut. Signal Corps.
San Francisco, February 20th, 1871

Gen'l. O.O. Howard,

Sir:-

I take great pleasure in extending to you an invitation to attend a dinner to be given Gov. Waterman and Staff, and a few select friends at the Palace Hotel, on the evening of Feb. 26th at 8 o'clock.

Hoping you will find it your pleasure to attend, I beg to remain,

Your obedient servant,

[Signature]

Please attend in uniform. Col. & Chief Engineer,

Staff of the Commanding Chief

R.S.V.P.
Fort Hall, Halla.
Feb. 20, 1888.

Gen. C. C. Howard
U. S. Army

My dear sir,

I see by the papers that Major Bennett is ordered to his home to await retirement.

And I ask as a personal favor, if a field officer is to be stationed at the
Presidio that you will detail my husband.

I have grown up children that require education some of which I wish to send to the State University of California.

He owns property on Berkeley and Benicia Cal. which requires...
in attention and which we could then look after. I understand that Gen. Smeitzer will go on leave this summer, which will bring Lt. Col. John Ureens to Walla Walla, to command the regiment.

All the other field officers
of the regiment, have been stationed at

The Presidio, with the exception of my husband.

Hoping that my request may be favorably considered.

I remain,

Very respectfully,

Yours,

Vernie N. S. McGregor.

Capt. Gen. C. C. Howard,
San Francisco, Cal.
Sir, I am a discharged soldier having served ten or five in the 8 Cavalry from 68 to 73 against hostile Indians in Arizona and New Mexico and five in concealed Bernardus troop in the first war where there the numbers were of 25 and all these the Barwick was of 25 and against the sheep stealers in 75 where the cause of the few men that it was of us standing when at taken by the Indians when the invading broke and ran and left in the three corners behind wounded I packed him out under the fire of the Indians and prevented him from

mitch have so totally taken in addressing you in the likeness from your humble servant

John Riley

572 Oak St

Portland

Oregon

As I pray is good that you may consider greatly on what I have asked you and that I may soon have nearing a home than I have had for years good god knows I shall apprear
showing a taste in his cáchast
I further ran in to the truth
where the Indians whin and
brought him out to Caucians of
saw in the room and had
his name where Eager where
a member of Lint Castly troop
my first discharge it seems
excellent and my discharge from
the period can is issued

an Excellent Cavalry soldier
active intelligent and
trust worthy

son and Jose Bernard in
conversation with me he told me
that a good serving man and
that it should give him pleasure
at any time be able to do one favor
but the Cornell is to for a way
and our General knowing the
good appraisement that you held of
Cornell Bernard hope that you

Might take upon yourself to
do what he should do with
pleasure if he wish seapad what
I should graciouly use your influence
toward getting me a situation either
in the fire department working
about the custom house or P.O.
officier or with any of the B.E.
companies as any of these
places seems to need it influene
and general it be more than me
as thore it might be instruction
from god to apply to General

For the kindness showed to get me
a situation with any of the above
named places I shall make
pardonably the service of the
beggin for the liberty
Petroluma Sonoma Co California
Feb 21 1856

Major Gen'l C.D. Howard

My Dear Sir,

The Board of Trustees of the

City Ch. have received my report last evening and

accept the conditions of yourself Dr. Barrows

and Dr. Robtson's to lecture. I accept your term

of 'our help of the red people.' Also I shall make

public the above terms your expenses will be met

and you will be detained here, the guest of Bar and

Conwell R.P. Bremmoore. Meanwhile I shall learn

with the dwelling in New York in the lecture en

Graham's Sunday. The lecture date is Tuesday Evening March 27th. I will write

again later. 5th. The date does not suit these

convenience please inform me in time.

Your Commands & Res in Christ
A.G. Franklin

We had good weather last Sabbath. Church empty

So I had no preaching 17 were going on a gathering

west election.
U. S. Engineer Office,
No. 533 Kearny St., San Francisco, Cal.

February 21, 1888.

Sgt. T. J. O'Neal,
4th Infantry,
F. D. C.

Sir:

I am pleased to express to the Major General my appreciation of his invitation to accompany him at the dinner tomorrow and my regrets that not being here to accept I am not able to accept.

Agg. Respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

[Signature]

Colonel, Corp of Engineers.
St. Robinson Feb 152
Feb 21, 1888
Maj. General O. C. Howard
San Francisco

Dr. General
Will you recommend me for the grade of Brigadier General, my reason for asking the same though any vacancy in that grade is remote, so that I am filing my record with such notices of honorable mention I now have, and may obtain from those who
Having served in the Volunteer and Regular Army twenty-four years
as a general officer and Colone, I believe you will pardon me for
assuming the grade of Brigadier General.
It is needless to say your recommendation wilt be of great value.
And can you conscientiously give it? I shall be greatly obliged.

Very truly yours,
Edward Hatch
Co Eq. as a...
Office of U. S. Light-House Engineer,
TWELFTH DISTRICT,
San Francisco, Cal., Feb 21st, 1888.

153.

1st Lieut. G. W. Chase
Aide de Camp

Sir:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your kind invitation to accompany him to the review and drill at the Presidio and to express my thanks for the courtesy.

Very respectfully,

W. H. Heuer.

Maj. Engs.
P.S. Enclose himself. By all means use it.

Its author is expected here this week to hold a convention on Divine Healing & you will be delighted to hear him. I will inform you when and where the meetings are to be held.

Oakland California

Maj Gen A Howard

dear Gen

I called several times to inform you that the $25.00 note is due March 1st. I apprehend no difficulty in meeting it. Jan 31.

Not paid 30 days
due Mar 1st 30
due Mar 1st 30

due Mar 1st 30

interest. The other note I have not yet used. I will have another one made instead when needed in longer things. I am learning good reports from my source.
I believe I can get Los Angeles and sell enough in two weeks to pay your note. So sell them right away after distributing my circulars. Dr. Bliss of the National Health Retreat gave me to nearly all of the patients I have examined, and says they are much better than willow charcoal. If the Lord wants me to peddle charcoal to pay my expenses, I shall go at it. I think there ought to be some love of truth besides yourself who would be glad to aid me in publishing my evidence. I am glad that salvation is out of the way. I wish you would look at my fora. I believe my evidence ought to be published if not for financial security.

A thorough effort! A story told me Moundbison (abolished?) would have to be ended in some manner as slavery. A key word in the leadership was the Deceived the truth about their origin. I have applied to a lot here for the sum of $100, and refer to your

Sincerely,

C. B. Denny
I write & ask for inquiry when I could buy running a week or two behind let you off for a week or so & then get money from you on a fresh mouth: but you know best what to do.

I have seated today & spent my time in various ways. I enclose you a R.P. F. YMCA card of meetings which may be of interest to the family. Now as the paper ends here I will close with love to all from your love John.

Troy, N.Y. Feb. 29, 1888.

Dear Father,

I am just ready to go to bed now (10:45 p.m.) but as I have made arrangements for clothes & as I thought I had better let you know at once I write this letter.

James & I went down town this morning (vacation) & he bought him self some clothes & as I was intending to get some mine in three weeks I thought I had best attend to it sooner so asked to have a Prime Alhambra coal swept laid aside for the 10th of
March when I shall get it. I also bought me two pairs of pants. One to wear every day, the other for better occasions. The two pairs cost me $16.00. The Prince Albert will cost $27.00. So if in addition to what you sent in my request for fifteen dollars in my letter of Feb. 20., you would send me now ten dollars, I about the first of March send me twenty three I should be fixed. It may seem strange that I should make such a great draft upon you this month but my wardrobe was all at the last moment gone to pieces. My expenses for March & April & May will drop to the minimum & I hope to make that minimum very low indeed. You have not even written me in regard to my expenses, which pleases me but it makes me feel that you accept my judgement, but I should rather you would write me if I tax you at
Confidential

March 28, 186

General:

An unfortunate complication has arisen at H. W., Walla Walla between the families of Gen. Swett and Maj. D. G. Snip. by the murder of two minor children. Articles needed. It advisable to assign Maj. D. G. Snip to duty elsewhere. I am informed that Maj. D. G. Snip prefers the Provost's office to Boise River, which I would be officially of yours...
Will order him to the
President to replace Maj.-
Brummet 2d. early. If you
as must direct me to this
please telegraph me to
that effect & I will order
him to take command
of 10th. & 11th, where it is
perfectly proper, he thinks
70's during the absence
of Lt. Col. Green, viz. I think
it preferable if you do
desire that he should
70's to the President asking
further away, & probably
a more inconvenient
arrangement.

There is a good deal of
feeling existing at the
Walla Walla & the
change proposed should
be made as speedily
as possible.

Very Respectfully,
John Gibbon

Maj. Gen. Irwin
M. O. A.
San Francisco
Col.

arrangeent.
Fort Omaha Neb.

February 23rd, 1886.

Major General 29th Indiana.
U.S. Army.

Fort Mason
San Francisco, Cal.

General:

I take the liberty of asking your consideration of the enclosed bill, and to beg you to use your influence to favor its passage. I have served in the Army over twelve years, and might receive some benefit from Section 2, and possibly...
from Section 3, as I served with troops in the field, among the Indians about Steens Mountains, Oregon, just after the close of the Modoc War.

Very truly,

[Signature]

H. S. Haskins.

W.D. U.S.A.
crease for length of service all service rendered prior to the passage of this act shall be included. He shall be entitled to forage for one horse actually kept, and to the quarters and commutation for quarters now provided by contract, but his quarters shall be permanently assigned by the post commander during his service at the post.

Sec. 2. All laws and regulations which apply to the retirement of surgeons and assistant surgeons of the Army from active service are hereby extended to include acting assistant surgeons: Provided, That no acting assistant surgeon hereafter appointed shall be retired for age whose aggregate service has been less than 20 years.

Sec. 3. Upon the recommendation of his post commander and of the medical director of the department in which he is serving, any acting assistant surgeon, now in the service, who shall have rendered any service with the U. S. Army during the war of the rebellion, whether with the regular, volunteer or militia forces in actual service, or as a surgeon with any of said forces, or who, at the time of making application under this act, shall have served not less than 10 years with the Army and been engaged with troops in any field service incident to Indian disturbances, may be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, an assistant surgeon in the Army, with the rank and pay of first lieutenant, mounted, not to be in the line of promotion, but in all other respects subject to the laws and regulations which apply to assistant surgeons of that rank: Provided, That every assistant surgeon appointed under this section shall be in addition to the number of assistant surgeons now allowed by law, and shall be deducted from the number of acting assistant surgeons at the time allowed by law; Provided further, That length of service under contract shall determine the relative rank of the officers so appointed, and that in computing length of service for pay, service rendered prior to appointment shall be included.

H. R. 5569, Dunham—To authorize the President to
Hughes and Lieutenant Garrard, Ninth Cavalry; secretary and treasurer, Assistant Surgeon Taylor.

Captain Winslow was summoned to Staten Island by telegraph to attend the bed side of his mother, who was very ill. We regret to be obliged to state that since the captain's departure news of Mrs. Winslow's death has been received.

Lieutenant H. H. Wright, Ninth Cavalry, left the post last Saturday for Cleveland, having been notified by telegraph that his father was dangerously ill.

The post quartermaster is putting up some very fine ice which is from 20 to 24 inches thick. It seems now as though ice water never would be at a premium. An extract from the official record shows: Minimum Jan. 12, 12°; Jan. 13, 32°; Jan. 14, 31°; Jan. 15, 31°; Jan. 16, 19°, with heavy winds nearly all the time.

Fort Stanton.—The Lincoln Independent of Dec. 29, 1887, contains the following:

The Fort Stanton Social Club, comprising the following organization: J. J. Lavelle, president; M. K. Marshall, secretary; Charles Harvey, treasurer; E. O. Perkins, S. A. McNeely, T. R. Walton, Geo. Wetlauffer, Jno. Lacer, N. Kimball, Miss Kate Kelly, and Jas Wilson, gave an opening ball Tuesday evening, Dec. 27, which was a complete success. The hall was very tastefully decorated with the stars and stripes and signal flags. No pains were spared to assure the enjoyment of the several guests present. A fine supper was served, and dancing was indulged in till the "wee sma'" hours of the morning, when all departed, after thanking the members of the club for the pleasant evening that had been afforded them.

Fort Bennett.—The Dakota Journal of Jan. says: "General Orders No. 13, headquarters Department of Dakota, publishing the report of the inspector of rifle practice and the classification of merit of the troops, companies, regiments and posts in the department for the year 1887, shows that Company I, Tenth U. S. Infantry, stationed at Fort Bennett,

H. R. 5023, Hiestand—That from and after the passage of this act the pay of an acting assistant surgeon in the Army shall be the same allowed by law for a second lieutenant, mounted; and in computing the in-
ACCORDINGLY
CAL.

Feb 24, 1886

Dear Mr. Howard

From

Kind Letters

Floyd

Can't Join

Come down tomorrow

And spend the Sabbath.

Wish you were a

Week's meeting

Saturday night

at Central

instruct a 1000
Men that Friends
night to come
are packed in the Pavilion.
I will go to the telegraph
and I will put it in the paper.
I will do a deal of good.

Do come —
I know you are called in many
occupations but please allow the Lord
if it is not this
will be done through
the name of Jesus.

E.R. Barnwood
Feb. 24th.

My dear General,

Your note is at hand. I mean in reply to your note that I will accept your liberal offer if you will accept and read the Pamphlet I sent you. It was in the nature for you as such to...
RIGGS HOUSE,
C. W. SPOFFORD, Proprietor,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Feb 24th, 1888.

Gen. O.O. Howard U.S.A.

My dear General:

Our mutual friend Gen. F. D. Sewell has just said that he shall today write you in my interest. I presume that you will receive this letter and also his by the same mail. I am about to apply to the President for a Staff Commission in the U.S. Army. Most of our old field comrades have sent me the most generous letters of endorsement.

The Maine State Encampment of the G.A.R. at Portland last week elected me Junior Vice Department Commander. That entire organization headed by Comdr. in Chief
John P. Rea of Minnesota have
given in letters of recommendation
for Army Commission using in
them words of such unusual
strength that only a man and
soldier superior in merit and ability
to myself might fairly be entitled
to receive them.

I now ask you,
who have been my lifelong
friend, to aid me in my endeavor
by sending to me at Riggs House,
Washington, a letter addressed to
the President in my behalf.

Hoping for an immediate
reply after you receive Sewall's letter
as I desire to file my papers
while in the city I remain
Yours very truly,

W. H. Haskell
Washington, D.C.
Feb. 24, 1888.

My dear General,

Our old friend Frank W. Haskell, late Maj. U.S. Army, is seeking an appointment in one of the Staff Departments of the Army, either in the Quartermaster or Commissary General's Department. He wished me to write you a few lines in regard to his present standing. You know all about him as a soldier, and I am glad to be able to state that he is a respected and esteemed citizen in Maine now. His reputation is excellent. He is endorsed by our old friends, by many of the officers in my regiment who knew more of him than I have for several years. They all speak very highly
of him. He is prominent in the Grand Army, and has recently been elected to an important office in that organization in Maine. I feel confident, from the recommendations he has from those I know, that you will be perfectly safe in recommending him if you feel disposed to do so. I always had a soft place in my heart for Frank, for he was an excellent soldier.

I am still in my old place in Washington, but am surprised to find myself here. Remember me kindly to Mrs. Howard.

Yours sincerely,
F. S.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
San Francisco, California
Troy le 24, Février 1888.

Monsieur Ch. Pêre : 

Je viens de passer l'examen dans le sujet de Théorodynamique : et j'en suis très content. J'ai reçu une lettre de M. 

Boulée, qui me dit de rentrer à N.Y. le 3 mars (Samedi) pour lui parler et aussi pour parler à Capt. Greene. Je crois que 

son malaise, mais 

bientôt je serai ré-

posé, car après de-

la mairie est dimanche de ton Fils fidèle J.W.H.
General
Fort Mason, San Francisco, California