Troy N.Y. March 26 1888.

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I have been thinking that Miss Kate Chase married a cattle king but been not sure

Our French course has again commenced and I have made my first recitation & failure. It has been so since my first lesson in French last September. It is not because I cannot learn languages for I know that I can master them.

I do not know why it is but with the other studies running I cannot get each days lesson in the day.

I have thought of many ways of spending my vacation but have been thinking of making money but I have now come to the conclusion

will write me as possible. with love to all from your loving son John

I send letter another day of Mch. 18

Ours

Jas. G. Howard

that I cannot spend the summer as I have done so and feel that I can do well in it. Any way I can't well come home this vacation and hanging nearly as much as the Steamer fare.

Adelheid is visiting the Woolworths here today but has now returned. I shall call on him tonight. I came home this evening with her. I will stay all night at the Woolworths. so I'm alone. Told me that he thinks Prof. Ludeling should cease & see me tonight & teach me how to learn the French lessons but as we now have an inch of frozen rain on the ground

that it would pay me better to go to France in June & return the latter part of August. I could get about ten weeks there & in that ten weeks could do "heaps".

I know of course how hard, lonesome, tiresome it would be but it would ease up my next year hear so much that I would be greatly repaid.

But of course you will decide.

If I spend the vacation in United States I probable shall make it a vacation but there in France my

because nine business as many enemy duties will be frenchified.

A delhein goes over in June.

I could go with her & then perhaps go directly to Mr. Chauvet. (?) where Jennie studied. I have not spoken to Jennie until as I do not wish him to know until you have given your decision.

Do you feel able to stand the expense? You may think that I have

GEORGE W. GIBBS & CO.
38 TO 39 FREMONT ST.
SAN FRANCISCO.

answered V.O.H.

255.

San Francisco
March 26th 1884

Major Geo. O. Howard U.S.A.
City

Dear General,

I read your letter to the Board of Directors of the Y.M.C.A., and asked them to contribute towards the purchase of Bancroft's Works, and received the following amounts

A Greenway $5
C. J. Smith 10.
John Merrill 20 $35

Please find enclosed Check on First Nat Bk of this City for $117.50 in settlement. I remain Your ob Svt

W. W. Gibbs

S. M. Dorr, 1st Vice President.
M. E. Decker 2nd Vice President,

E. C. ARNOLD, President.

A. B Richardson, Recording Sec'y.
H. W. Murray, Treasurer.

Young Men's Christian Association.

Hervey H. Dorr, General Secretary.

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Ans. Mar 29.

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Stockton, Cal., March 26 – 1888.

General O. O. Howard,

Dear General: –

I am sorry I could not see you after the meeting last evening to say good bye, and to settle with you. Please let me know how much we are indebted to you. The subscription last eve. was $442.50. The business men did not turn out as I hoped they would and consequently the subscription was not as large as we expected to get. The collection ~~was not~~ amounted to $76.87.

You and Mr. McCoy certainly did your part at the meeting and the only reason that we did not do better financially is because the house was filled with young people instead of with representative citizens.

Yours Very Truly

Hervey H. Dorr.

Lest you may misunderstand me I will say that I think the meeting was a grand success and with such talk it could not be otherwise even if we had not received a cent. Our association has not been so well advertised for years as it was last eve.

H. H. D.

THE OVERLAND MONTHLY,

420 MONTGOMERY STREET.

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San Francisco, March 26 1888.

Major-General O. O. Howard.

Dear General:- The bearer, Mr. J. W. Ross, is one of our most active agents and in the course of business wishes to push subscriptions to the Overland among the military men. We think they should be interested because of your series of articles & other military work published & in preparation.

Any favors you can show him in the way of permits and information will be most gratefully appreciated.

We shall hope to see you at our stockholder's meeting on Sat. Apr. 7 at 2 o'clock at Judge Boalt's office, 438 California St. Very Respectfully

The Overland Pub. Co. By Chas. S. Greene.

D LOTHROP COMPANY
Franklin and Hawley streets
Publishers

WIDE AWAKE
Editorial Department

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258.

Boston Mar 26 1888

To Maj. Gen. Howard:

My dear Sir:

I did not find "Omitah" just what I needed for Wide Awake, so that I have not sent over to the Youth's Companion to make inquiries, as you suggested. But I am very much pleased with the Mission Indians matter, and will send you a check for it very soon. I will hope too, sometime during the year, for the little monograph about the different tribes, their whereabouts, numbers, and present attitude toward civilization. Young and Old readers alike need that information.

Very Truly Yours.

Ella Farman Pratt.

"Omitah" goes by same mail as this.

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17 South Warren Street.

A. E. ALLEN, Proprietor.

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Trenton, N. J., March 26 1888

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
San Francisco
Cal.

Dear Sir

Will you be kind enough to favor me with your autograph on the enclosed card, and for which you will accept my sincere thanks.
I enclose stamped envelope

Very Respectfully
A. E. Allen

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Auto cont.

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Ans April 4.88

Cheyenne, Wyoming Territory,

March 27th, 1888.

My Dear General:

Referring to your letter of the 12th instant, for which I thank you because of the sentiments expressed in bringing the complaint of Mrs. Wilson to my notice by personal rather than official letter; I would say, that she wrote me of the matter about a year ago. In reply I said that the claim appeared to me remarkable, in that the services were rendered in 1881 or 2 and nothing had been said to me of non payment of bill. That I had no receipt showing payment, nor could I say positively I had ever paid it but thought I had, and farthermore it seemed singular that I was allowed to leave San Francisco without a reminder, if I owed it. That she was not at the house in the capacity of monthly nurse for five weeks, which she knew, and in no event would I pay her $75.oo. More recently I received from her a letter in which I was informed if I did not pay the bill she would report me to military authority---that letter I took no notice of. If I owe Mrs. Wilson for services rendered in any capacity whatever I am willing to pay, though I scarcely conceive it and still have no reason to think her in the wrong excepting that (as I have stated) nothing was said to me for years. I had a high regard for Mr. Wilson who for many years---as long as he was in the regiment---was a most excellent soldier and subsequently did good work in the Q. M. Dept. While it is somewhat repugnant to my feelings to do

anything
my mili
tem

anything now that the matter has been brought to you attention as my military superior (for it has to me the appearance of an attempt to compel) yet I will, if it ends the question, remit to Mrs. Wilson draft for $5o.oo. With regrets for the trouble you have been put to,

I remain,

Very sincerely,

O. O. Howard

Major-General O.O.Howard, U.S.Army.

San Francisco, Cal.

anything now that the matter has been brought to your attention as my military superior (for it has to me the appearance of an attempt to compel) yet I will, if it ends the question, remit to Mrs. Wilson draft for $50.00. With regrets for the trouble you have been put to,

I remain,

Very sincerely,

Major-General O.O.Howard, U.S.Army.

San Francisco, Cal.

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Oakland Mar 28th 1888

Gen. O O Howard
Maj General
Commdg. Military Division of Pacific
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir:

Please excuse me for sending you this communication. Enclosed please find copy of Militia Bill of which I am the author, introduced by Hon Joseph McKenna (by request) This bill is to amend the present obsolete and inefficient National Militia law of 1792-95 (see U.S. Revised Statutes under title of Militia) The present Militia ~~law~~ system of the several states known as the National Guard is the outcome of state legislation. Congress has enacted

no laws for increasing the efficiency of the militia for years, except to increase the term of service, when in the service of the United States from 3 to 9 months.

This bill also provides for the instruction of the militia in sea coast and garrison artillery drill, For the detailing of regular officers to instruct the militia at the request of the governor of a state. For the loaning of pieces of artillery, heavy, siege and mortars for the instruction of the same. And for a Bureau of Information for the purpose of aiding the instruction of militia officers in their respective duties

I send you this letter for the ~~purpose~~ reason that I believe you are favorable to any measure benefiting the volunteer militia of the United States. If favorably impressed I would like your endorsement. I am

Very Respectfully Yours
L. H. Anderson

1016 Kirkham St
Oakland
Cal.

50TH CONGRESS, 1ST SESSION.

H. R. 1234.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

JANUARY 4, 1888.

Read twice, referred to the Committee on the Militia, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. MCKENNA introduced the following bill:

A BILL

To amend the laws governing the militia of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the militia of the United States shall consist of every able-bodied male citizen of the several States who is of the age of eighteen years and under the age of forty-five years.

SEC. 2. That the militia of the several States of the Union shall be divided into two classes, the organized and the reserve.

SEC. 3. That the organized militia shall consist of the organized militia of the several States of the United States, known as the national guard or volunteer militia, organized and equipped under the laws of the several States.

SEC. 4. That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of War, at the request of the governors of the respective States,

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to detail Regular Army officers to instruct the militia in military duties and in the use of sea-coast and garrison artillery.

SEC. 5. That at the request of the governor of any State the Secretary of War shall furnish to the State heavy guns, siege, sea-coast and mortars, for the instruction of the militia, the number not to exceed six pieces and to be delivered at a place designated by the governor of the State.

SEC. 6. That the War Department, upon the request of the governor of any State, shall furnish to the militia camp and garrison equipage during State encampments or at any time when any portion of the militia is mobilized for public service, upon conditions prescribed by the Secretary of War.

SEC. 7. That a bureau shall be established in the War Department, to be called the Bureau of Militia, to be organized for the purpose of aiding and giving necessary instruction and all useful information for the purpose of increasing the efficiency of the militia of the several States.

SEC. 8. That all laws inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 9. That this act is to take effect immediately from its passage.

San Francisco, March 28th, 1888.

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Gen. O. O. Howard,

Presidio, S. F. Co., Cal.

My dear Sir:-

The enclosed, a letter from my sister at Mills Seminary, requests me to solicit your kind favor to issue a Pass for her and friends (7) to visit the Fortifications at Alcatraz and Angel Island on Saturday next.

Will you very kindly oblige them if consistent.

Allow me to thank you in advance.

Very truly yours,

Hede Laguna

Address:

Kelsey House,
Oakland, Cal.

File
Pass sent to
Miss Laura de Laguna
by Gen's order.

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MEMORANDUM.

To Gen. O. O. Howard
Phelan Building
Mar. 29th, 1888

FROM

Young Men's Christian Association,
BUILDING, 232 SUTTER STREET,
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Dear General:-

I send you by bearer $10. with two receipts to fix up the Stockton expense business. Will you please sign the two receipts and very greatly oblige.

Cordially yours, [illegible]

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MEMORANDUM.

FROM

Young Men's Christian Association,

BUILDING, 325 SUTTER STREET,

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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Dear General:-

I send you by bearer $10. with two receipts to fix up the Stockton expense business. Will you please sign the two receipts and very greatly oblige.

Cordially yours,

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Ans Mar 30 '88.

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San Francisco, Mar. 29, '88.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

The Haywards Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of the Methodist Church find it necessary to increase their funds.

To do this, it has been thought best to have a course of lectures.

Your name on our list of lecturers would assist us greatly.

Knowing that you and your son are both interested in the Christian's work, I take the liberty to ask you if you will lecture for us Friday evening

H. D. Rice

June 15th.

An early reply will be greatly appreciated.

Yours Truly
Harvey D. Rice
Chairman of Lecture Com.
334 Ellis St.
S. F.

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G. 366. (6-22-87—1000.)

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NOTE.—Be careful in writing about land, to describe it particularly by section or parts of section, township and range.

LAND DEPARTMENT

OF THE

Southern Pacific Railroad Company,

FOURTH AND TOWNSEND STS.

San Francisco, California, March 29, 1888.

Mr. E. St. J. Greble,
1st Lieut., 2d Artillery,
San Francisco, Cal.,

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of 28th inst., covering check for $63 49, to pay 2d years' interest on S. P. R. R. Co's Contracts Nos. 6506, 6507, 6508, and 6509.

Inclosed I send you my receipts for the amount. Please attach them to the Contracts.

Respectfully, &c.

Jerome Madden
Land Agent.

Mar. 29/88.

Dear General

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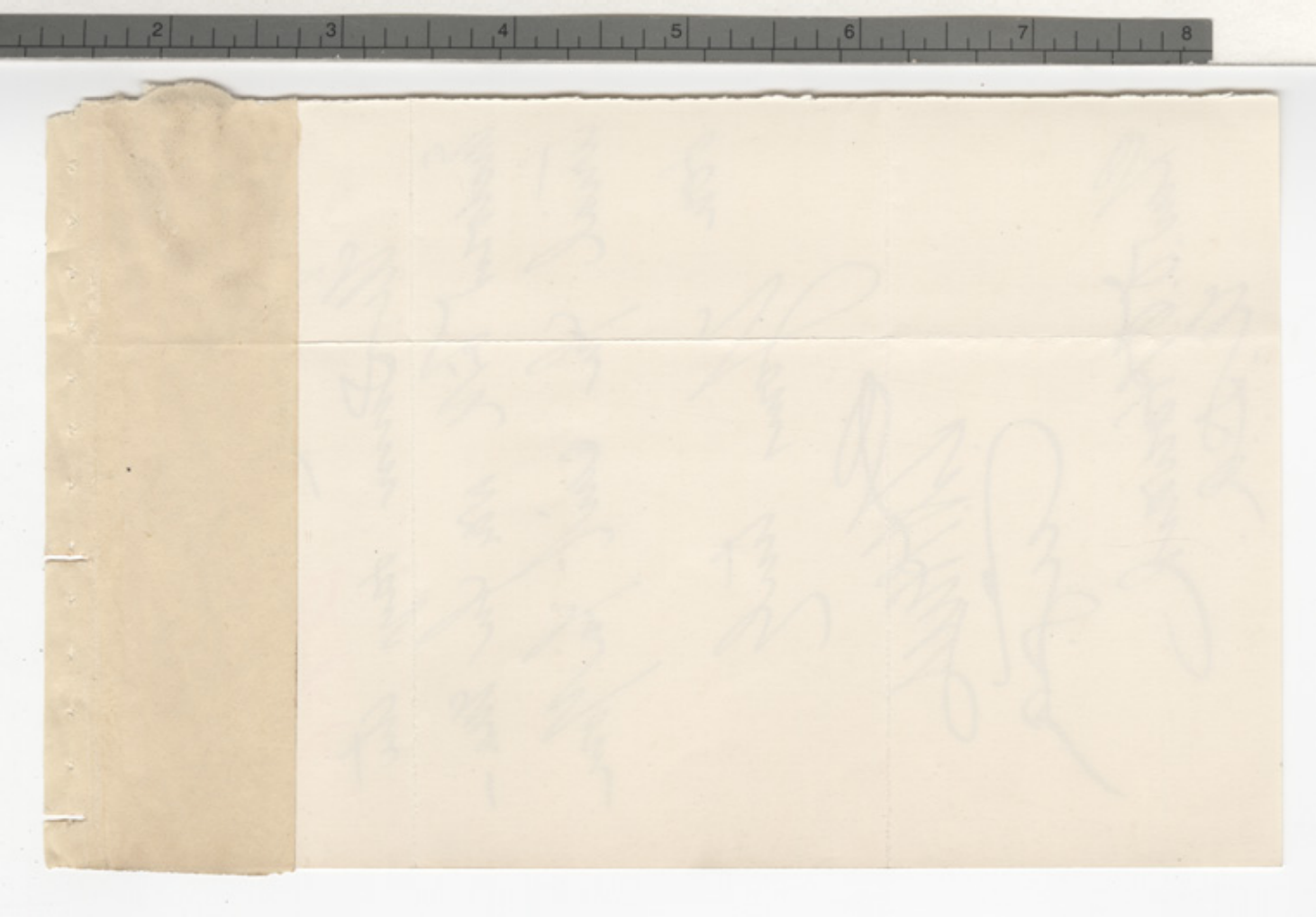
Mr. Dunn says the Enclosed bill was for material for cist for Mon-ton

Yours truly

E. N. Bull

Capt.

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



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Ans. April 6/88.

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Benicia Barracks Cal.
March 29th 1888.

My dear General,

I have learned (unofficially) that Col. Shafter is on leave without this Department. If that is so I might, it seems to me, be in command of the 1st Infantry and regimental papers should be sent to me for action. As it is for so short a time I care to raise the question but my object in writing is to remind you that you said when you were here that you would send us the band for a time, and if agreeable to you I would like to have it for a couple of weeks in the first part of April. If I have your authority for it I can get the men here without expense as I think I can get the Arsenal launch to

for them.

Mrs Bartlett is, I regret to say, not much better, and we feel very much discouraged. The Dr. tells her she is improving but her symptoms are same as ever and she is just as much of a sufferer. She unites with me in kindest regards to you and yours.

Yours very truly
Chas G. Bartlett.

Major Gen. O. O. Howard.
San Francisco.

San Jose,
30/3 88

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30 Mar 1888

Dear Jennie

Meserve will explain. If we are to go on it seems to me a meeting of the Evangl Committee should be called for day tomorrow at 1 o'c P.M. Will you request ~~to~~ McCoy so to do if you so think.

Dear Father,

30/3 [illegible]

Dear Samuel

Thanks very much for your letter. It was so nice to hear. It seems to me a month. This Good Friday should be called for my Saviour as 'Good' for me, but for sorrow & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Send your Orderly to
at once that notice may
reach. He has gone
away, but his Assistant
will do it. I saw Mc
to day & he assents. &
I think left it so that
Johnston his asst. would
act if he were away.

Yrs
J. Kimball

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Mary

Wade, die ihr Pius
Bauer, hat die Blattläuse
wie die Ameisen
to deny the Olives. I
think they'd be bad
shunter for Oak, but
call if he was anyway.

Yr Affectionate

121 Pope Street
30 March 88

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General Howard.

Dear Sir. Beaver Mr. E. P. Hurley is a thorough Latin Scholar and his terms are moderate and his pronunciation perfect. My own interest in Master Howard is my apology for the introduction

Very yr

M. C. Brown

E. S. Ayres

Complied with April 9. 1888.

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144 Beach St
Boston, March 31 1888.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir:

I am collecting items for a book of about one hundred and fifty pages, which I shall soon publish under title of

"The National Album,
Or
Favorite Mottoes of Eminent Men and Women of Our Times."

It will be handsomely bound and printed with Autograph facsimiles. Each page to contain one contribution, only, from some prom

whose efforts and genius have gained for his order, a National reputation of distinction and honor.

I am assured that this book will be an object of uncommon interest and pleasure to the general public, and that it will, by giving life and personality to the precepts which help so largely to mould the character of our times, possess exceeding value as a source of inspiration and reflection to the young.

I have now received items from several members of the President's Cabinet, a majority of the U.S. Supreme Court, leading members of the National House, about one half of the Senate, Governors, leading College Presidents, Celebrated Clergymen, distinguished Authors, Editors &c. I am also in receipt of many contributions from the great Women of our Land, which add very much to the charm and attractiveness of the book.

May I not hope, and the object of this note is to beg, that you, too, may be willing to send some message to the many whom I hope to reach and benefit through its pages? I enclose herewith several copies from contributors received to give an idea as to space &c.

If I may, dear General, send me a motto, or an original saying, and I will send you a copy of the book when published, with the humble and hearty thanks of

Your obedient Servant
Ellery S. Ayer

CONSOLATO

DI

S. M. IL RE D'ITALIA

San Francisco, Cal., 31 Marzo 1888

31 March

27.

Sir:

About to depart from this city on a six months leave, I beg to inform you that Mr. G. Lecca Royal Italian Vice Consul will take charge of this office during my absence.

I am Sir,

Very respectfully yours,

Lambertenghi

Hon. O. O. Howard

Major General U. S. A.

Commanding Division of the Pacific Coast

Fort Mason

(Black Point)