MILITARY ORDER OF THE LOYAL LEGION OF THE UNITED STATES.  
HEADQUARTERS, COMMANDERY OF THE STATE OF MAINE.  

PORTLAND, April 14th, 1889.

Gen. O. R. Howard,

Dear Sir & Companion:  
The Commandery of the State of Maine has a collection of books pertaining to the war, which we keep in the Library of the Maine Historical Society in this city. Do this collection we desire to add a volume of autograph letters from prominent officers. Can you aid us? We want letters written by yourself during the war if possible, and we shall esteem it a great favor if you can add letters written of your officers. You can understand how valuable such a collection will be, and we wish to make it as complete as possible.

Always truly yours,  

(by) Henry S. Burridge.
CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION,
APRIL 30TH, 1889.
SUB-COMMITTEE-ARMY,
MILITARY AND INDUSTRIAL PARADE.
HEADQUARTERS: Rooms G and H, FIFTH AVENUE HOTEL,

New York, April 24, 1889.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard,
Governor's Island.

My dear General:

I am glad that the 25 tickets have turned up, as our stock is almost exhausted. I enclose, however, 10 as requested.

Each ball ticket admits one person only, whether lady or gentleman.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Chairman.
Dear Mr. Mayor,

I am writing to you as a member of the community to express some concerns I have regarding the current state of our town. I believe that we are facing a crisis that requires immediate action.

The issue at hand is the lack of adequate public transportation. As you know, our town is growing rapidly, and the existing transportation system is struggling to keep up with the demand. Many residents are finding it difficult to travel to work, school, and other essential locations.

I understand that this is a complex issue, but I believe that we need to take a proactive approach to address it. One possible solution could be to increase the frequency of the existing bus routes or to introduce new routes in areas that are currently underserved.

I am writing to urge you to take action on this matter. I would be happy to meet with you to discuss possible solutions and听听 your thoughts on the matter.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue.

Sincerely,

[Name]
Headquarters Division of the Pacific,

San Francisco, California, April 24, 1889.

Major General O.C. Howard,
U.S. Army,
Governor's Island, N.Y.

My dear General:-

To the best of my knowledge, the letters for July & August 1888, to which you refer in your esteemed favor of the 8th inst., were bound in file cover and placed by me in the box in which Lieut. Chase's books & papers were packed. This box was shipped from the Phelan Building. In the paper box, containing stationery, handed by me to Lieut. Greble on the cars, were some loose papers & confidential letters found in your desk. With the exception of these & Lieut. Greble's diary (left out for his use on the trip), every scrap of paper pertaining to the affairs of yourself or the Aides, were carefully searched for in all the desks, and either packed in one of the boxes for shipment or burned up at once.

I gave Lieut. Greble a list showing the contents of all the boxes, & reference to it should discover the missing file. I have just interviewed General Miles' clerk, and he confirms my belief, that not one scrap was left in the desk I used, and which usually contained many of the General's papers I might have on hand. I hope the Geronimo papers turned up all right; they were also packed in one of the boxes shipped from the Phelan Building. I should like to talk to you in the matter. It was superfluous to add that I should be supremely happy to be with you, and sincerely hope, that without injustice to any one, it may become possible, for I should be ungrateful indeed if I did not retain a lasting impression of your unchanging courtesy and kindness.

With highest respect, I am General,

Faithfully yours,

Lionel Brooke.
Dear General Howard,

Some foreign delegates from Berlin, Stockholm, and London are coming to attend our Conference at Constantinople. I want to show them, if possible, the Naval Parade. It has occurred to me that perhaps you could considerably assist us with the invited ladies attending room Governor’s Island during the parade next Monday. If we continue to make the request under standing quite well, however, that in your discretion, I may be asking which will seem to you extravagant or impracticable. I am, etc.
favorable reply is at your leisure will you kindly let us know the time and method of our reaching the Island and  
really oblige  
true friends  

M. B. Bembee  
Richard T. Morse
Mr. Corn. O. Howard

My dear Cornell,

Mr. Henry C. Smith, a neighbor of mine, is very desirous of witnessing the naval display, with his family, on Governor’s Island. If not asking too much, and if not inconsistent with your arrangements, can you favor me with a pass for him to the Island before or on the 27th inst.? It will be appreciated;—at the same time, if not entirely easy to grant the request, I will eagerly obey to the situation. With kind regards,

Your truly,

George W. Moreale.
15 3 Washington Ave.
Albany, N.Y.
April 24, 1889
Major-General O.O. Howard U.S.A.

My dear Sir:

I have pleasure
in acknowledging your
favour of 17th instant,
and thanking you for it
and the kind things you
paid therein.
If you review the
parade, will you find
it too much trouble to
notice the style and
bearing of the 10th
Battalion, 2d Provisional
Regiment, 3d Brigade N.G.A.M.? We are very proud of our
Camp record.

Very respectfully,

C. Cotton Woodworth Jr.
19th Century Letter

April 23, 1881

Samuel D. Davis & Co.
Bankers

No. 42 Wall Street,
New York

Dear Mr. Day,

I trust I may not be imposing on your good nature, but I am writing to ask you for the favor of admission to Governor's Island on Monday next for myself and family. It is not entirely convenient for us to meet Mr. Davis and family on that day if you are already engaged, but if you do not hesitate to say so we will make other arrangements.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

[Address]

Note: The signature and address at the bottom are unclear due to the handwriting and damage to the paper.
The Herald,

New York: April 24, 1889

Major General Howard, U.S.A.
Commander-in-Chief, Dept. of the East.

The Herald is desirous of printing a description of the Naval Parade as seen from Castle William or other point on Governors Island and to that end would like to send a representative to the Island on the day in question.

If you will kindly furnish us with the necessary pass or permission we will be obliged.

Very truly yours,

E. C. Becker
City Editor.
April 24th, 1889.

My Dear General,

The place I desire is that of consul to St. Thomas.

I was born in Ohio, went into the Army in 61 in Garfield’s Regiment and saw service in Kentucky, Tennessee, and Mississippi. I was at the surrender of Vicksburg. Then I came back to Ohio and assisted in recruiting the Fifth U.S. C.T. of which I was a member and sergeant. Prof. Shortliff of Oberlin College was the colonel, my regiment was engaged at Petersburg and Richmond. During 64, we were engaged in the Hot Springs expedition under General Terry.

At Wilmington, N.C. Feb 22, 65, I lost my right arm.
Since 1870, as you are aware, I have lived in South Carolina and engaged in the practice of law, and negro education. I was at one time a member of the legislature of that State. From 1845 to 1848, I was a student at the Theological Seminary in Pittsburg.

With thanks for your repeated acts of kindness toward me, I am with consideration of respect.

Very truly yours,

Wm. H. Thomas.
465, Harrison St.
New York

To

Genl. C. C. Howard.
Gen. O.O. Howard,

My dear Sir,—

I am directed by the Executive Committee of the Pine Tree State Club of this city to invite you to be present as honorary guest at a meeting and dinner to be given on the evening of Thursday, May 9.

This Club is composed of "the sons of Maine" resident in Boston and vicinity, and the meeting will probably be presided over by Hon. John D. Long, the President, or in his absence, by Gen. Augustus P. Martin. It is hoped that Gen. J.L. Chamberlain and possibly another General, who is a native of Maine, will be present on this occasion. It is not intended to invite any other guests than sons of Mains who have distinguished themselves by their service in the army, and it is very much hoped that you will be able to be present on this occasion.

I am requested by the Executive Committee to state that your travelling and other expenses will be paid, as is usual, by the Club on occasions of this kind.

Will you kindly reply at your earliest convenience, and oblige,

Yours respectfully & sincerely,

[Signature]

Dana Estes.
of the State Group of the City of New York to a meeting and dinner to be given on the evening of Thursday, May 8.

The Group is concerned with the scope of the name "leadership in education and activity" and the meeting will properly be proceeded by an address by Hon. John P. White, President of the Board of Education of the City of New York.

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I am not interested in inviting any other person on the occasion. I do not care to do so and I am unable to do so.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
New York, April 24, 1889

My dear General:

I want to ask a favor. We will make a permit for you to issue a pass for Monday next, for Governor's Island, for one of our firm. Mr. Thomas Rosevear, manager of our wholesale department, is the one I ask for. If you are limiting tickets to personal friends, I do not ask for an instant, but I shall highly esteem any favor you can confer.

Yours very truly,

Hampden Travers
Crawford Fl.
File.
Mr. Llewellyn O. Howard,

Commanding

My dear General,

Will it be too much to ask from you a copy to Governor Docker for the purpose of circulating the choral piece for my self and family's benefit? It would be an honor and privilege to have my wife and children see it as well.
as to have them meet your goodself.

firmed as the probable.

Awaiting your kind reply from several.

Very sincerely yours,

Sally Hill

Address:

Col for Army

Special Agent Treasury

Custom House

New York.
New York, April 25, 1879

Dear Sir,

This farm formerly was a P. Peete. H. B. P. Pendleton from Waldo County. B. Flavens from Sum County. Could you forward passes to Governor's Island to yours the naval parade to Capt. B. F. Cummings family.

Yours to command,

J. Henry Small

To Maj. Gen. O.O. Howard, Commanding

Gov't Island.
Brooklyn, April 25, 1889.

Gent. O. O. Howard.

My Dear Sir: Yours of the 24th. inc. relates to the matter of the committee's resignation. I would like to confirm that we have agreed to step down from our positions in the city. We have not been invited to a public meeting, but rather, a private one. In our letter, we expressed our desire to remove any impression we may have left from our former note. The committee meeting referred to was not of a lodge of Good Templars, which does not have political significance. Rather, it is a secular meeting of a local or national group. It is not a political meeting in any sense and, therefore, does not claim to be such. Such a meeting is intended only to be such.

We appreciate your clarification and assure you that our resignation was not in response to your note but rather, our own volition to step down.
that because of the local interest now taken in the temperance question, in this city, a large audience quite sure to be present.

I desire also to reiterate the suggestion made in my former note that an address from you would be likely to attract the young men of the city, and for that reason we should take special pains to reach the thousands of young men who assemble during the week at our armories for state militia. I used anti-saloon republican league training simply because it was handy. This fact also doubtless misled you. I should hope and believe that it would be properly conducted on Sunday afternoon and as an educational and agitational meeting could not fail to influence the lives and happiness of many who will doubtless be present. Kindly reconsider the matter and advise me at an early date for acceptance and designate the Sunday in May or June you desire. With formal thanks, Hon. Jas. J. Mitchell, 
For Good Templars
P. S. I think also I add that your presence would enable our meeting to be much more influential and would also enable us to secure one of our largest churches for this purpose and so reach many more people than possibly we otherwise would.

Then a very pleasant recollection of the fact that you once a member of a Good Templar Lodge near West Point when you were stationed at that post.

You know the principles and work of this magnificent order that spans the globe with its 60,000 members. The extent of their work and order is above an inspiration to the friends of Temperance everywhere.

The Supreme Body (Right Hon. Grand Lodge) meets in Chicago in May and I would suggest that possibly...
this meeting in June might be preferable so we can secure the latest
information from statistics, facts &c in relation to the order. That ses-
sion usually holds three four weeks - so the middle of June would be quite
acceptable for this purpose, when we might also be able to secure the pres-
ence of some of the officers of that body.

J. L. Jr.
Flint & Pere Marquette Railroad.

 Saginaw Station, 4/25 1884

 Maj Genl. O.O. Howard
 U.S. Army

 Dear General,

 I have your favor and believe it will be preserved with great care, I thank you very much for it. You are the only person I have ever met since the war who was at the old 17th Ga.

 I presume you remember Col. Ralph Arrows, one of the clergies at Fayetteville. They thought he would visit some of the families in town. He left camp and reached an unexpected crossing house ventured across. He was admitted by a young lady (there were several in the family) and on entering the house introduced himself as Capt. Harris of the 2nd Ga. In a few minutes he was having a pleasant chat with the ladies, when suddenly at the door, when the door was opened there

...
Flint & Pere Marquette Railroad.

Station.

heard that Sherman named mentioned which to him was worse than an attack from the enemy. Without announcement hesitation he retired in bad order from the rear part of the house out of the back door and doubled round it for 15th. On his arrival at 11:30 he came directly to me and told the story. I was to watch the correspondence closely to see if Sherman made any report about it. For several hours Am was in trouble. Finally I gave him to understand that the papers had come were in your hands, and that you seemed determined to make an example of him. You may imagine what his feelings were for 72 hours, when I finally told him you knew nothing of it. Since then I have had charge of car work with free swing around Chicago Milton, C. H. P. M. R. C. P. Jacksonville Car Co. P. P. Car Co. Canadian Pacific R. R. and during the past years have been. And now, Master, Am Sweden of the Zorns R. R., you may rest assured. If I ever
get next you I shall not fail to present myself to you for recognition.

Again thanking you for that letter. Remain 

Yours very truly, 

J. K. Craig
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Theos. T. Eckert, General Manager.

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Received at 4:50 P.M. Jaques 1889

Dated Nacho 20

To: Gen O. O. Howard

Yours Sd. Wgby

Your letter twenty fourth renewing application for Lieut. Guy Howard as aide received in absence of Sec'y of War who will be away some weeks but to whom...
your previous application for detail of Lieutenant Howard was presented and action can be taken.

J. W. Kelton
Actg Adjt. Genl.
Mr. William E. Dodge requests the pleasure of your company on Thursday evening, April the twenty-fifth, at eight o'clock, to meet the Executive Committee for the State of New York of the Evangelical Alliance.

262 Madison Avenue, corner Thirty-ninth Street.

R. s. v. p.
April 25th 1889

May your Lord and Saviour bear you and your family many blessings in the coming days. May you and your family enjoy the presence of the Lord and His grace in your life.

Many thanks for your kindness in coming over on Tuesday. Amid your numerous duties I know it must have been a sacrifice. The Convention was pronounced a success.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

Capt. Kenaston
General Howard
Governors Island N.Y.

Dear Sir you will please pardon me for venturing to address you when you do not know me but Sir I have known of you for a long while and now I am going to make a clean breast to you, I am a colored man have been in N.Y. 23 years and lived in only two places being 11 years in my present place and get very moderate pay but these years or so I undue taken to buy me a little home on the installment plan so much out of every month rent and I have succeeded very well you may remember in Dec I got behind once I asked you to help me only two dollars which you did and one or two other good gentle men so I got on and have paid on my home 1034 dollars and in order to keep up that I have had to get in debt at the grocer and meat shop and I need cool but the grocer have said he could not let me have any thing else until I paid for what I have owed which is right and I can not blame him I have not got my book in the house at the writing but
am in his debt some where between 40 7 50
dollars and now I have come to you not
to pay that but to ask you this knowing
how hard we colored people have had it
if you will help me out of this present
embarrassment I will return it at five
dollars a month and I have nothing
but my word to give as security but
you will know I would not have my plow
all this years if I had not been a
man of my word and you may say
why do I come to you, well because
I have heard how kind you have been
to my poor black people once if
you do not wish to do any thing
until I come over once I shall give you
my book, how much I have paid on
my home and how much I am in
debt I will come over once see you
and bring the two books and will
be under ever lasting obligation to
you as I have heard of you from The
Howard University in Washington
I can come any time you may say and
show you how I stand or if you will make
me a loan of a little money I can give
you a note payable in six months or so much every month dear sir this will be the making of me or my down fall and dear sir will you please give this your kindest thoughts and only think of a poor family of three little ones needing some thing to eat once cannot get it because I am in debt to grocer once I could not go to other grocer in the neighborhood but I know that is not right if you please let me hear from you yours great fully.

John H. Davis
56 Second St
Brooklyn
N.Y.
April 25 - 1887

Dear Sir May I hear from you so I can get some thing to eat on Sunday if you wish to find out if I am telling you what is so you can send to Grace Kuehn on corner of Hoyett & Smith St Brooklyn only on one of either of the 4 corners
Portland, Oregon April 25, 1889

Major General A.O. Howard
Governor's Island N.Y.

My dear General,

I received a letter from Mr. Field, stating that he was still trying to secure my pension. He also stated that he met you in Washington, and that you rendered him all the aid you could on my behalf. For which please except my sincere thanks for helping a poor old soldier to get what justly belongs to him. Furthermore, I appreciate your kind and generous heart in always trying to do some body some good.

I have given the greater part of my life to the Government, I find now that I am very helpless, and will not need anything very long in this.
World. If the pension is ever so small it would help me so much, even a soldier's ration would be pretty good now, because I will not need it after I am dead. Surely with all of the evidence I have set, it seems to me that I ought to be granted my pension. I am sorry now that in the years gone by, that I was not as faithful to the Savior as I have been to the Government at any rate I know the Lord will have mercy on me and give me a pension in the other world. When the time comes you have done a good deal for me and God will bless you for it, much depends on what I may receive from the Government. Mr. Field says you went over my papers with him, as I am very anxious, would you please tell me in your next letter what you think of my prospect to get my thing. With love and good wishes, may God bless you and yours. Remain as ever your faithful servant

Edward Charienne
"Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain."

Field Secretary's Office.
74 E. 90th Street, N. Y.

The American Sabbath Union

[Handwritten text not legible]
Brooklyn, 140 Prospect Place.

April 23, 1889.

General O. O. Howard.

My dear Sir,

During my recent visit to Providence, as also my several visits to Providence, I was able to conduct a study of the archaeology of the Bible Lands. My stay was extended, more recently in Babylon, Nineveh, etc., and I am very anxious now for a residence near, with my family, for several years, in Jupiter research. Hence have made application to the State Department for a general consular appointment at Cairo, Egypt, or finding myself at Constantinople. Would prefer to settle there or Jerusalem, but prefer the smaller. Rev. Dr. J. G. Shilling, S.A., at Alexandria, Mr. Franklin Wadsworth and Senator Aldrich of New England, I am urging. Mr. Blaine to make much of such matters, and it is much in consideration. Comel a much from the U.S. State Department be of any help in this direction, as would be getting appreciably.
Washington, D. C. April 25, 1889

my dear General:

You may be interested to know that I secured my appointment as Examining Surgeon and am now out of the Pension Office, for good I hope.

I am told by those who ought to know, that your letter had a large, if not the largest share in this success. I thank you for it and will see that you have no cause to regret your endorsement of me. With kind regards to Mrs. Howard and the rest of your family believe me

Gratefully yours,
E. A. Balloch
Montesano, W. T.
Apr. 25, 1889

Gen. O. P. Howard:

Dear Sir,

Please excuse my liberty, but to be brief the obj. is as follows:

I am making preparations to canvas for a new book entitled "The Pathway of Life," written by Dr. Palmaige.

Will you be so kind as to do me the great favor by sending me a few lines of comment in regard to the work, as people do not pay much attention to printed affirmations. Hope you
will do me this favor as I am a young man working to get a start in the world to feel that I am doing good by selling good books at least. I am of the opinion that "The Pathway of Life" is a book that should be in every house.

I am a nephew of Gen. R.H. Milroy of Olympia, Wash.

Yours truly,
Robt H. Milroy Jr.
Montes and Wash. Tile.

I wrote to others testimonial of saw in print in regard to the book.