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York in doubt, render it probable that the Republicans will carry Ohio by a fair majority, and place the Republican majority in Iowa at fifteen thousand. There is little doubt that the Republicans will carry Virginia on a fair vote and an honest count, but as the Democrats are in control of the state government and the election machinery Mahone will be counted out if it is possible for them to do it.

The supreme court of Michigan has rendered a decision in the case of The People vs. Congdon which declares unconstitutional a law which was in operation continually from 1861 to 1887. By this action many vested rights in this state are imperiled and
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Address all Communications to F. I. Meryman, Manager, Port Huron, Mich.

Port Huron, Mich. Dec. 4th, 1889

Gen. Col. Howard commanding
Department of the Attantie

Would you be kind Enough to inform me where M Einflor called Americanity Speaker of, do you expect to the adjutant General is Manufactured and if it is for sale any where yours Respectfully

F. I. Meryman
Maj Genl C. O. Howard
Washington D.C.

My dear General,

Enclosed please find an affidavit which, if your recollection will bear you out, you will confer a favor on me by signing and have executed (if it is necessary) when I was detailed as your Special Scout.

My Capt. made out my descriptive roll and entrusted it to me to be delivered to my new Commanding officer (Capt. Reelick, Chf. of Scouts). This I neglected to do, but carried it until my promotion. When I delivered it to the Warrant officers at Hilton Head, hence my wound does not appear of record. My Capt. and Co. officers cannot testify to the above facts because they could not possibly have personally knowledge of it.

I am, General.

Very Respectfully, Your Obed Servt.

Geo W. Quinnby
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NORVIN GREEN, President.

1889

NOV 4
My Dear General,

You will no doubt be astonished at my writing you but seeing your name mentioned so often by the public press brought many reminiscences of you up to me and especially the last time that I saw you when you rode onto the field at South Mountain. I think minus your good right arm, I was then a Sergeant in Libbey's Battery Horse Artillery. Since then I have been promoted by your Command, to the 3rd Artillery and in my service in New Mexico was unfortunate enough to lose my left arm. I have also a portion of my right thumb so that I somewhat resembling physiology due to the enforcement of Sealed Knighthood I was fitting at a target with an old...
Spanish 6. fry. and at the second shower the ball lodged about a foot from the muzzle I directed the man to drop the hammer and I took his place and on the first force I fired an explosion occurred from some cause the gun did not burst nor show a piece afterwards but I was shot in Arm and Eye.

The gun was the property of Maj. W. A. the proprietor of the Ranch it was to be sold by the late Col. Benjamin Read and was to be sold without any reserve to raise money to help in the Union Army in my injury was not incurred to the service.

Since all the orders I have from the same letters from Col. A. C. to put and the gun for 1870 Indians Utes and Apaches, I have dug one thing that I have not duty by these people. I have stayed only for a year prior to Forts and since I have been in the valley of the Coeur d'Alene have been junior partner of Bruce Church since 1870 have a family of nine boys the eldest in the Medical Dept. U. S. Army.

Now Tuesday 23. Nov. 21. Attended to my Music having a magnificent Band Service for the youngest of the Cadet Course in our Academy.

Now Mr. F. H. I am pleased if you have a spare Photo of yourself and take at least one and send me one which he gave to me and many others and of course I enclose other I am from some photographers but they are made to sell. I got one of Schenck and I can be assured also I hope that I have not word out your patience and my sincere wishes for your health and happiness.

I am most Respectfully yours ever yours
Geo. G. Campbell
Lt. U. S. A.
Brooklyn

Young Men's Christian Association,

No. 502 Fulton Street.

November 5th, 1889.

Major-General O. O. Howard,
Governor's Island, N.Y.

Dear General Howard:

Your letter of the 2nd inst., inquiring concerning Mr. W. F. Bainbridge of 160 Prospect Pl., Brooklyn, came to hand during my absence for a few days from town.

Mr. Bainbridge is the Superintendent of the City Missionary Society of our City, and I think has done successful work in that connection. He has a good reputation throughout the City among Christian people, and so far as I know is entirely reliable and deserving of a reference to your name in connection with his proposed business.

Yours sincerely,

Edwin E. See

Gen'l Sec'y B.Y.M.C.A.
Brooklyn.

Young Men's Christian Association
No. 20 Fulton Street.

November 5th, 1886.

Mr. General Howard:

Your letter of the 9th last, I received.

Concerning Mr. W. B. Kingsbury, I am unable to give you a reference from him. We had no acquaintance prior to his connection with the City Missionary Society of our city, and I think he would have recommended work to that connection. He was a good Baptist minister and the City Missionary.

I am not in a position to give any reference, but my knowledge of his integrity and character is of a nature to command confidence with the Baptist Brethren.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Gen'l. E. C. R. Y.M.C.A.
South Boston, Dec 5th, 1889

Gen J C Howard Sir

I beg your pardon for addressing you again Sir but I am told so often of what a whole Swelled Big headed Gentleman you are I feel more impressed to write you again concerning my boy Caleb and tell you just how it is he was hit little over nineteen years of age when he enlisted and he enlisted with out his Father or any Knowledge his Father was not aware of the fact till he was shipped the 16th of July he went if he had always been a sick boy Subject to bad Coughs and pains in chest he came Home June 7th, 1889 a very sick boy with a bad Throat had to Hospital three times a week
While he was at home there when he was arrested he was sent to Fort Warren Boston Harbor at the Hospital of this place his intention was to go back soon as his trial was over but the doctors told me it would eventually turn to a cancer if the greatest care was not taken of it. I don’t think the boy really knew the severity of his coming home in that way he enlisted under the name of Frank E. Ward and I therefore appeal to you once again to use your influence to have him restored to duty if not discharged for the sake of his mother who loves him. Boy if he has had his trial but not sentenced by that force cling to the hope Sir that you can do something for him. In his behalf for an honest fallen he. The son therefore I ask again to do what you can for him my boy and your reward is in the great unknown if it isn’t lie in my power to show my thankfulness for having earth I will bless that you will remember my boy and his heartbroken mother.

Mrs. Abbie A. Williams
115 W 82 South Boston Mass
Anglician, Allgany City, N.Y.,
Nov. 6th, 1887.

May Deo. O.O. Howard,

Dear Sir: Mrs. Sampa,
S. Haviland came to me Oct. 1st I stayed until Nov. the 7th. Since then
I've heard or been nothing of her.

About the 29th I received from Lon-

don Exp. A card.

In memory of
Stafford Allen.
Parkfield. Upper Cheltenham,
London. Eng.

Who slept in Jesus the 14th of Oct. month.

An everlasting God is my refuge and
underneath are the everlasting arms.

Where she Mrs. M. had been visiting.
She was my friend is gone.

Send regards. Shall be home a

few days.

Truly Sincerely yours,

Calvin J. Eastman.
Washington, D.C., Nov 6th, 1889

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

Honored Commander,

I handed De la Rain Commission of Pension your very kind recommend to my Son "Hubert" together with a strong letter from Senator J. M. Mitchell of Oregon vouching what you were pleased to say in my things behalf - I inclose The Commissioner's acknowledgment of The same = now General that you are aware of the person that is Commissioner if you would be so kind as to drop line in behalf of the boy I am quite sure that it would settle is - I only asked a boy's messenger position not a year my health having entirely given out from Wound and Heart Trouble makes me greatly in need of his assistance - will write you of Bill for relief of My Volunteers Soon.
With heart felt thanks for your kind
kindnesses I am Dear General
your obedient servant and To Common
Sea Hunter
Capt of the Watch
US Pension Bldg.
Washington D.C.
GEN. HOWARD'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—The report of Gen. O. O. Howard, commanding the division of the Atlantic, to the Adjutant-General for the year ended Sept. 30, 1889, calls attention to the lack of armament of nearly all sea-coast stations.

"The time has undoubtedly come," he says, "when some positive action in the matter of permanent defenses is demanded." In this connection the subject of high explosives is discussed. He calls attention to "Americanite," the invention of a young Russian, formerly botanist of the Point Barrow expedition. "Americanite" is the safest and best explosive the General knows. It has been adopted by the Standard Oil Company for "shooting" its wells. "With such a powerful agent the problem of coast defense is resolved almost into one of range, and our great seaboarct cities can be made comparatively safe without excessive expenditure."

After discussing the subject of desertions, Gen. Howard says: "Were apprehension and punishment made as certain for this offense as for petty crimes in civil life, none but serious reasons would cause men to commit an act the result of which terminates in almost certain penal servitude. As it is, the chances of punishment are altogether too few."

Gen. Howard joins Gen. Crook in recommending that the infantry arm of the service be reorganized by giving the regiments three battalions of four companies each. He recommends also that the present rifle for infantry and cavalry be exchanged for a magazine gun. For small-arm practice Gen. Howard reports, it will be necessary to secure a range near New York City, and he recommends the purchase of one of Fisher's Island.
S. T. Apolloino, President.

Electric Blasting Apparatus.

Detonators.

Safety Fuse.

...is specially well posted and specially uncommunicative regarding the present excitement, though he says, as did Dr. Dwight, that the object of the Faculty is not to conceal but to make plain the facts in relation thereto. He insists there is no spread of the fever.

"To the very best of my knowledge and belief," he said, "there has been no new case of the fever for two weeks."

This tallies with the statement of a wide-awake New Haven reporter, who has watched carefully and says he can find no proof of any new case since the death of Freshman Brown. Dr. Seaver disagreed, though he did not know it, with President Dwight.

"Do you think, doctor, that it is true that the germs of this disease have been acquired by all these students elsewhere and brought here to develop?"

"No, except in one case."

The doctor took a different view, too, from that of President Dwight on the question of prevalent uneasiness in the college. He says there is a great deal of anxiety among students and more among their parents. The parents, in some cases, he said, have come here from their homes many miles away. He told of students coming to him with harrowing tales they had heard of the spread of fever in college.

"Day before yesterday," said he, "I sent a man named Bradley home. Nothing in the world ailed him but facial neuralgia. Yet students have visited me with the story that he had fallen a victim to typhoid fever and gone home in a dying state. The boys are as scared as can be, and needlessly."

Dr. Seaver said nine or ten days was the typhoid fever period of development.
New York, Nov 6th 1889.

Gentlemen:

May we ask if you are at liberty to send us the name & address of the “Young Russian” referred to in the enclosed copy, so that information may enable us to investigate the merits of “Americanism”?

Thanking you in advance for the courtesy of a reply.

Very respectfully,

THE EXCELSIOR DYNAMITE CO.

[Signature]

To.

Major General O.O. Howard,

Chief Commanding,

Divisions of the Atlantic.

Governor of Ohio.

[Signature]
To: Mr. Wing

From: E. W. Wing

Date: June 2, 1889

New York, N.Y.

Subject: Emergency Excelsior

Enclosed find a copy of a recent dispatch from our Western office. The situation is quite critical and requires immediate attention. We must act quickly to prevent any further complications.

The promises of the Government for a speedy payment of the $5,000 have not been realized as of yet. It is imperative that we take swift action to ensure the completion of the project.

I have instructed our lawyer to compose a letter to the Government demanding proper payment within the next week. If they fail to comply, we must consider legal action to recover our due amount.

I will keep you updated on any developments.

Best regards,

E. W. Wing
357 State St.
Albany, N.Y.

May dear General,

Mr. Temple & myself were very much disappointed on our return home to find that you & your son had called during our absence. In your note, informing us of your intention to pay us a visit, you wrote that you would take us by surprise. Ever since the receipt of the promise your room had been in readiness to receive our much expected guest, but, alas, our expectations, for the present, at least, have been in vain.
The question now is what is to be done. In case that your professional engagement will not take you to Albany again for some months, it will be necessary, I suppose, that I should come down in order to have another talk on the subject of which I spoke to James B. yourself the evening before I left your house.

I have not been in New York since, otherwise I should have called upon you. Will you let me know when it will be most convenient for you to see me.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Howard and the rest of the family in which poor Temple lately joined. Sincerely yours,

Major Gen. Howard
Governor Island

Richard Temple
Dear General:

I will bring the note up to you sometime this week if I can get away from here. We are all well and are enjoying life here very much. The "bull" rather stopped regular housekeeping for 3 or 4 days but Gertrude says she will have no "lakelapin pets in future".
HIGH EXPLOSIVES.
LOW GRADE DYNAMITE,
(a substitute for Black Powder,)
SAFETY FUSE,
DETONATORS,
ELECTRIC BLASTING APPARATUS.
S. T. APOLLONIO, President.
W. VAN TINE, Sec'y.

THE EXCELSIOR DYNAMITE CO.,
MANUFACTURERS OF
"EXCELSIOR" POWDER.
45 BROADWAY,
New York, Nov. 7, 1889

General:

We are greatly obliged
to you for the information
carried in your favor of even
date.

Very respectfully,

THE EXCELSIOR DYNAMITE CO.

S. T. APOLLONIO, Pres.

To

Gen'l O. O. Howard,
Gen'l Commanding,
Division of the Atlantic.

 Capt.
HIGH EXPLOSIVES
LOW GRADE DYNAMITE
(EXCEPTION: 5 MILLION POUND DYNAMITE)
PERMIT RATES
DETONATORS
ELECTRIC BLASTING APPARATUS
38 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

1887

With best regards,

[Signature]

The Exelior Dynamite Co.

[Address]

[Date]

[Signature]

[Address]

[Date]
Portland, Me. Nov 7, 1889

Sir,

Yours received. I must have misunderstood the General. I have received a very kind letter from Rev. T.C. Payne of Bridgewater. Mr. Payne married the daughter of Adonis Howard.

If convenient, will you please give me the genealogy of your own family, beginning as early as you have it. I fear I am asking too much of you. If I can be of service to you at any time shall be happy to reciprocate.

Very truly yours,

Arthur P. Howard
Dear Sir

It is so long since the events herein narrated, that I have much hesitation as to the propriety of calling them to your attention. But having been long under your command I must begg your pardon, claiming as a soldier's privilege. And if the incident shall be deemed to warrant— it would be held of the highest value to me. If you would write a testimonial of credit or a word of commendation that I might cherish through life, led to the manner in which the orders received by me that night were carried out— the report of the General Officer of the day to you enabled you to march quickly and without feeling your way to my position thus breasting your command very much nearer to General Trumpp's assistance and without a moment's loss of time.

A cold shudder has come upon me many times when thinking of the consequences to the main army, had this detachment been been swallowed up without giving any sign. As it was without doubt been the result had it moved without a certain of skirmishers. For the reason that the night was starlight, we approached the main lines from an elevation.
And with this step as a base ground, they could discover our strength and permit us to enter their lines without challenge. And then you would have been unapprehended and not by us doubtless have miserably perished in Andersonville, as the record shows, did Captain Hurd, who went wrong with his command, Henry Macon, Henry Hulme, and others who were captured that night.

But the length of my lines of skirmishers deceived them into the conception of a much larger force, and that pressing their entire movement was discovered. Its constant efforts was very persistent in holding his ground and to give a second order to retire and directed the final deployment in front of person. The strongest in immediate command of the last was cut off and lay in his breast in a crisis, until our first command drove the rebels over the first line and came up bringing them within the line again.

My instructions from the general officer of the day were most cruel, i.e., they were calculated to throw me completely off my guard, the kind of meeting we were in, not to my taste. A sense of responsibility of the rule of caution alone saved me command. General Kuyzmanowski often came to me.

You saved your friend that night, and we became personal friends.

as I had aided him to his decline.
as I had aided him in his duties of vigilance as Field Officer of the Day.

And I pray to you General Hill if without

stimulants at the head of my column I

had suddenly found myself entrapped within

the enemy’s lines, My Mortification, Shame &

Sense of guilt would have been so great,

that in order to give you needed warning,

I shored have ordered my men to fire though at

the peril of a thousand engagements.

My Regiment was assigned to high quarters

command after Gettysburg, we had come up

from the Peninsula. Hence he had not much

opportunity to become acquainted with me at that time.

Else, he would not have said “Here be no

doubt about it.” Now General if from your bland

front of Soldierly feeling, You can write a special

order as of the day, or otherwise, or make any other

reason deemed more acceptable by you, I shall hold

it as a testimonial of inestimable value to code those

who came after me.

With affectionate Respect Your O’ficiant,

Charles W. Clackamany, etc.

Maj & Or. 141st NY Regt.

To

Maj Genl O O Howard

Governor Island W.

Harbor