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RUFUS ADAMS, MANAGER.

New York, Dec 3d 1889.

Genl O.O. Howard

Dear Sir

I take the liberty of asking on behalf of the Entertainment Committee of the Y.P.A. of the Broadway Tabernacle, if you will favor them, some Thursday evening with a "talk" in the parlors of the church on such topic as may please you to suggest

Very Truly
Rufus Adams

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Gen O. O. Howard
New York

Dear Sir

Your kind favor of Dec 4th to hand and note with pleasure that you will favor us with a lecture in the future. I have just heard that Dr Taylor will lecture for us on "Chalmers" on Jan ninth, and if agreeable will ask you to be with us Feby 13th prox

Very truly yours
Rufus Adams

Adams Rufus

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John F. Dillon

Wager Swayne

Dillon & Swayne,
Attorneys & Counsellors at Law,

195 Broadway,
Western Union Building

New York, Dec'r 3, 1889 188

Major General O.O.Howard,

Governors Island, New York Harbor.

My dear General:-

We are looking forward with great interest to your paper of tomorrow night on "General Grant at Chattanooga". General Sherman will be there, General Horace Porter, General Parker, General Butterfield, General Webb and General Fullerton, all of whom have promised to say something. The business meeting commences at 7:30; it is not necessary to trouble you with that; if you are at Delmonico's at half past eight, or a little before, that will be time enough. If it would be convenient and agreeable to you, after the meeting to go home with me and spend the night at my house, instead of going back the same night to Governors Island, you will be cordially welcome; so also if you are in town before evening, and it would be convenient and agreeable to you to dine with me at half past six, I need not say that you are always cordially welcome at my house; The usual length of our papers is from twenty to twenty five minutes.

Yours, very truly,

Wager Swayne

Roger Pryor

Pryor & Lawrence

Attorneys & Counsellors at Law

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Yours, very truly,

Roger Pryor

Howard, O.O.

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Rocky Mount N.C.
Decr. 3d 1889

Maj Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir.

Seeing your name in Connection with the old U.S. Soldiers in our late war and thinking you the proper person to assist in obtaining a pension I write you, asking that favor.
I first saw you in Va later I was with you in the Valey of Chattanooga where the little Church ~~stood~~ was built. I belonged then to your Corps - On a skirmish line I lost my right eye on the 23d of Nov. 1864 - We were then ordered by you to Knoxville Ten.

And the dificulties, under my suffering in Consequence of the wound - together with the rough weather made it a march almost unbearable, then we were march'd back to Chattanooga, my Eye was still no better, We there remaind in Camp till May 4th, when we were ordered to Dalton Ga. or "Rocky Face Ridge" all the time I was with you, Then transfered to Genl Hooters Command, and in the engagement at Resacca Ga. I recived a wound in the left hand.
Nine years ago I applied to the Pension Commissioner for pension but have never recd it yet. Though the Surgeon said I was entitled to one. I belonged to Co. F. 33 Regt. N.J. - I was a Corporal in said Company -
Any assistance you may render me, will be thankfully recived, I hope to hear from you in regard to the matter soon,
I am as ever yours to obey,
Wm J Soden
Co. F. 33 Regt. N.J.

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WESTERN BANK NOTE & ENG. CO.

State of Illinois

General Assembly, Senate Chamber.

JOHN C. SMITH, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR & PRESIDENT.

~~Springfield~~ Chicago Ill. Dec. 30 1889.

My Dear General Howard:

May we hope to see you in Chicago about 16th inst and induce you to remain and participate in the reception to my old Regt. which served under you all through that glorious campaign to Atlanta? I assure you that it would please Mrs. Smith and self to have you for our guest and gladden the hearts of all the Old Soldier boys who will be present to see you with them. If you cannot join us. A few words to those you so ably commanded in the "days when we went a soldiering" will please them all.

I am dear General
Very Truly Yours
J. C. Smith

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

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Smith Genl. J. C.

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P. O. Box 77,
Brooklyn. L. I.

3. My Dear Gen. Howard:-

In His Name, I am desired to tell you our story, and present our request.- I believe, that I learned long years ago, that no name could influence you so quickly as the MASTER's, and that no work enlist your sympathies so warmly as the advancement of His Kingdom.-

I will try to tell you our story briefly.- The Sixteenth Ward of Brooklyn, has been termed by our Mr. Dow "Little Germany". Within its limits are more than 49.000 souls, with ~~no~~ religious accommodations of all persuasions for less than seven thousand. The Sunday over there

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in verity a "continental" one
A group of ten, of the Order of the Pinks Daughters, began a service in the Ward on Sunday Jany. 1st 1888. They started with a good deal of faith, and — ten dollars. — In spite of most inclement weather, bitter cold, the long distance, and the lack of welcome, they persevered with both Service, and Sunday School; - and have continued both without interruption until the present time. Since last June, we have had a neat little wooden church - two lots of ground, and $1,600 in money were given by two Sisters, and a Brother; - ~~and~~ the balance by other parties was advanced nearly, or quite two thousand dollars

years.

more. — We cannot mortgage, and we must try to pay off the balance. — In that section of the City are many Grand Army men, and it is believed that if for His Sake you are willing to give two lectures after the Holidays that we can sell a good many tickets; or even one lecture. We do not want to be too importunate, but the necessity for our work is so great, and it is not for ourselves. — If you could see as we see, you would believe we do right to try to do something for the "heathen at home". — We would suggest, if you feel that you can help us.

that

that

Kearny T. M.

your topic be the "March thro' Georgia", or Gettysburgh, or some-thing relating to the War, and your own experience. — Perchance some of your own "boys in blue" may be there to listen, and lick over again the past.

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As usual my life is a very busy one. I have hoped to see you on the Island, but I was in wretched health in the Spring, and then we were absent eleven weeks. Since my return, and the lifting again of the burden of responsibility, no oppor-tunity has offered.

I trust Mrs. Howard, yourself, and your Children are all well.

Yours very sincerely

Thankfine Mary Kearny.

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THE MILITARY SERVICE INSTITUTION,

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND, N. Y. H.

Dec 3 1889

Dear General

I have read the "outbreak" from Mr Wilson he is a "simple" man evidently. Wait until the "claim agents" are heard from. Disinterested soldiers consider your paper timely & sound. When they

Yr Ever Howard

T. Rodenbough

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Golden Gate Kindergarten Association,

Fil MRS. SARAH B. COOPER, PRESIDENT.
1902 Vallejo Street.

San Francisco, Cal Dec. 3d 1889.

Major General Howard:

My dear Friend:-

I write you, my dear General Howard, as a philanthropist and a Christian, who loves to lift the burden of human woe. A lady, in deep distress, sent for me. The story, briefly told, is this: A brother about 25 years of age - named B. Sanford Goodhue, becoming greatly disheartened from failure to secure employment, enlisted in

the Army, here in San Francisco. He was the support of a widowed mother. He is greatly distressed at his rash move, and desires to be free again, to try and support his mother. He is now at Alcatraz on g. d. duty. What can be done? I do not know how to go about a case like that. Will you, dear General Howard, advise me? The young man is in a state of great depression, and it is feared, in his excitable temperament, he may lose his self-control.

My love to all your dear household. We miss you all, beyond words to express. Most sincerely Yours Sarah Bleecker

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The New-York Evangelist.
ESTABLISHED IN 1830.

HENRY M FIELD,
Editor and Proprietor.

152 POTTER BUILDING, Park Row, NEW-YORK

December 8th, 1889.

My dear General,
Will you please not to forget to send me the correspondence between General Stanley and General Cox,
and oblige
Yours very truly,
Henry M. Field.

Major Genl. O. O. Howard.

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Field Henry M.

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Washington D.C. Dec 3. 1889

Dear Father

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I had a very satisfactory talk with Gen. Schofield and also one with the Secretary of War. I told them that it had been reported to you that the Indians were somewhat unhappy, primarily of course due to being prisoners, and increased possibly by disappointment at not being moved, and on accounts of some deaths. I saw the General first and in addition I told him you had sent me down to see the new commanding officer & to try and arrange to make everything go as smoothly as possible. He expressed regret that Captain Mitchell

had been sent there in the first place but he supposed that in the original selection of the companies it had been done by the Colonel who had sent away those he wished to get rid of. On account of breaking up commands he said this company had to be sent away, but he was properly satisfied that you had acted for the best. He suggested that I go and see the Secretary. I then went up and had a long talk with him. He said that he had expected to go to Mt. Vernon later but he did not suppose he could learn anything more by going there he could by reports and he did not know that he could get away. He said the reports that the Boston people

who were interesting themselves in the Indians were very favorable. He said Captain Pratt had advised against their being moved in winter but that the objections of the North Carolina people had been removed, in fact Congressmen & others were applying for them. That there was no money to move them with and put them out without Congressional action except by subscription. So he had delayed until the meeting of Congress. He added me if a company of soldiers could not be organized among them as the number of scouts allowed by law was greater than the scouts now employed? I answered that under an officer who could govern them by his own personality I thought a very efficient company

could be organized for use anywhere. I asked him first if he meant just a police force for themselves and he said no he meant for general use. He finally told me to call with out its coming from him what would be the possibility of organizing, training and having such a company; and also after I had looked over the ground in regard to that and all other matters to come back and see him. I did not mention the Doctor's alarming report as I thought I had better go there first. I then went back to Gen. Schofield as he had requested and told him generally of the Secretary's instructions except about the Indian company project about which I thought I had better collect the facts before there was any

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discussion. I also talked to him about my desire to become familiar with all matters pertaining to Nicaragua and to go there some time when you could spare me without taking a leave. He said he thought that would be better than to go under orders. He thought within a very few years something was very likely to occur, which would make some action necessary by our Government and he heartily approved of my undertaking.

I saw Genl. Beck and told him of your regret at your omission to tell him that you wanted him to come to your Headquarters when he slipped behind

and also of your enjoyment of Gen. Kelton's report in which you said he must have been excited in consultation that he said he was not. I leave on the train tonight and reach Mt. Vernon day after tomorrow afternoon.

Your affectionate son

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Castle Williams

Governors Isl. Dec. 4th [1889]

General O. O. Howard.

Sir,

Pardon the liberty I take in addressing you. I sent you a statement of my case, but as I was nearly all the time in the hospital, I could not remember the names of the Comdg. Officer to Doctor of Little Rock Barracks Etc. The Doctor as I learned is still there, to Sergt McGrath is at present at Fort Preble Me.

I would like very much to get the permission to enlist again, so I get an honorable discharge of the U.S. Army, to beg therefore respectfully information if I can make an application of that effect to forward through

you. I would be greatfully
thankful if you would do
that for me.

Very Respectfully
your obedient servant
Fred. Rose.

Smith & Sills,

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Importers,

Wholesale Grocers and Flour Dealers,

750 & 752 8th Ave., & 247 W. 46th St.

G. Waldo Smith.
J. S. Sills.

New York, Dec 4th 1889

Maj Gen O O Howard

We have referred your inquiry in regard to fruits to Messrs McCormick & Stubbs who are thoroughly posted in regard to such matters, and received the enclosed answer which we forward to you, hoping it will prove satisfactory to you we remain

Yours Fraternally
G Waldo Smith

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Smith G. W.

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Portland Oregon Dec 4th 188

Major General O.O. Howard
Governer's Island New York.

My Dear General

Pardon me dear friend but necessity compels me again to seek your aid. Since my return to oregon I have been unable to do anything on account of ill heath, my lame daughter Georgie is also very feeble and having no income the little money that I was enable to save through your help while in your employ at San Francisco is about gone: as you have often told me when I should be in distress to call on you for help, and knowing that I am greatly indebted to you for more than I can ever repay for your past favors I now call on you with great hesitation. I had hope to have been granted my Pension long before this but it seems that I am to wait indefinatly. Now dear friend & Brother in Christ as the Lord has always prospered you to help the needy could you

not at this time assist one of your
old and faithful Scouts.
Hoping this will find you and your
dear family all well. I remain
your humble Servent. Edward Chambreau

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THE WORLD'S EXPOSITION OF 1892.

Committees' Headquarters, 183 DEARBORN STREET.

TREASURER'S OFFICE.

D. C. CREGIER, Chairman.
W. J. ONAHAN, Treasurer,

Chicago, Dec. 4, 1889.

Dear Father:

Three years ago today we were married. We feel as young as ever and yet realize as we look back how much we have received that we should be thankful for. This morning I called ~~to~~ see Marvin Hughitt but did not find him in. Mr. Tyson told me that my name had been mentioned several times by Mr. Hughitt lately but nothing yet had been found sufficient to warrant their communicating with me. They also are watching the work with which I am connected with great interest. He asked me to call in some day when I had my pass with me & he would have it extended. I told him how much I appreciated his kindness. As soon as I have it done I will write you that they have done it & then I wish you would send a short note to Mr. Hughitt expressing your thanks for his kind attention to me. Mr. Tyson gave me his usual lecture on the poor pay & hard work of a rail-

road clerk. He compared it to an enlisted General Service ~~Man~~ Clerk in the Govt Employ. He also stated that he came here two years and a half ago requesting to be sent west in the employ of the Rail Road. Mr. Hughitt took him in his office. No opportunity has yet turned up. He tried to get one of his boys in. The only place was in the mail department at $20.00 The young man took the place - worked for some time - then went to Dakota where he is doing well now. So the story went. General Crook called at World's Fair Headquarters the other day. Shook hands with me. Said he heard I was here in this work. Introduced me to ~~(Rebel General)~~ Gov. Gordon of Atlanta, Georgia. The latter stated that he had a high regard for my father. I am planning to go to Omaha about Christmas & bring Alice home (to Chicago). I need the rest or vacation. I am so thin that the ring on my little finger falls off when I wash and I can wear it on my next largest finger. In my usual haste,

Chauncey.

for it - before the Holidays if possible. We have over 500 ladies in the society - and could count on a portion of them to help sell the tickets. By careful management we might make some money for the children.

If I am asking too much of you, please excuse me, but believe me, with love to Mrs. Howard, Your friend sincerely

Lewis Holloway

Holloway L. G.

17 - 181 Schermerhorn St.

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Dear Gen. Howard.

Yesterday I sent you a copy of the World of last Friday containing a notice of the dinner given by the Seidl Society to the children of the Home and Orphan Asylum and the aged colored people of Zion's Home.

as you may know the asylum is full and the income is limited. The officers need everything from furniture to potatoes to make the children comfortable, and I have been thinking a great deal about ways and means. The Side Society did much for the inmates of both these institutions last summer, and

the officers would do more this winter if it had the means. It has occurred to me to ask if you would lecture for us this month in Brooklyn for the asylum under the auspices of the Side Society? If so what subject would you choose and when would it suit your ideas would you come? My idea would be to get Mr Channing or Mr Frothingham, and arrange