South Boston Dec 6 1859

General C. F. Howard

Will you please inform me where my Son Thanks is as I have not heard from him for three weeks I assume he is almost distracted about him it can't be he has no money or stamps or such far I have sent money to him every week so will you please let me hear some way C Gend Howard I am very sorry to convey the Idea that my boy was a foolish boy he is far from that I meant he was quite insane when laboring
under Specimen and was not accountable for what he was doing or doing anything except me for causing you to labor under a mistake and if you will reconsider your sentence and restore him or discharge him please let me know at once where he is as his further conduct is quite poorly on the account of not hearing as he has written twice a week previously for respectful Mrs Addy McWilliam 115-96 21 St. Boston Mass
see if he is sick please

Frank C. Ward
General O. O. Howard,

Governors Island, New York Harbor.

My dear General:-

I want to thank you personally for the pleasure you gave us all at the meeting of the Commandery last night; the resolution of thanks will be formally written out and sent to you. It is now my duty to go to work at once to try to secure for the Commandery a pleasant evening at its next meeting on the first Wednesday in February; of course we want you as our guest; and I want also any suggestions which you can conveniently give me as to speakers for that meeting. I have in mind that the next two meetings should be one of them devoted principally to the memory of General Thomas and commemorative incidents, and the other devoted to the memory of Farragut and commemorative incidents; I want for each of these a paper written by some officer of great distinction and high rank, such as the New York Commandery ought to command, as I think, for each of the five meetings it holds during the year; and then I want crisp pleasant talks in quick succession following. For any suggestions in aid of either of these purposes I will be very grateful.

Yours, very truly,

Wager Swayne.
Governor Iving, New York, Harpo.

My dear General:

I want to thank you personally for the pleasure you have given all of the members of the Commandant's Staff. You have been a model of courtesy and grace throughout your stay. I hope to see you again soon.

I have just received a letter from one of the officers of the Commandant's Staff expressing a desire to return to duty as soon as possible. I have given my approval and hope that he will be back in duty soon.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]
Brooklyn, N.Y. Dec. 5, 1889
Gen. O. C. Howard.
Dear Sir:

Having read in the papers a discussion before the Military Service Institution on Governors Island on the subject of pensions to the Army and Navy and see you advocate 1915 was early enough when service pension should go into effect now I as one who served nearly four years during our late troubles can not see why then if not now are those
that will be left better than those who must pass away before that time take for
instant those who were forty and more when they enlisted and performed
their duty well. I have received two letters of a comrade who was between
40 and 5 years of age at time of enlistment and
must be a very old man by this time. He requested
me to help him to get a pension by giving a state-
ment of his sickness with chronic diseases and
why shall so many solders pass away and receive
no benefit and those who had young blood to
P.S. Should you be kind enough to answer this imperfect letter address:

J.W. Bachman, foot of Wilson St.,
Brooklyn, E.D.
N.Y.

Member of Company I, 48th Regt.
P.O.W.
9th Army Corps

sustain them through camp life receive pension in
1915 if we are to receive anything let all have it
or only those who were crippled during the service as
for myself I never looked for anything and never
shall yet I have spent hundreds of Dollars for
Medical aid for chronic malaria which I brought
along from the swamps. I am sorry I have not
the education to write properly and make myself
understood but I had to paddle my own way
from childhood and
suppose this will land in your waste-basket. But Dearest Comrade should this find in your heart any sympathy I hope and pray you may use your education and influence for your suffering comrades and I believe it will pay the Government to be generous to the defenders of our Union even today we are a unit to defend our flag and our children will remember whether the people or God will be generous to its defenders and will respond accordingly to the call if it should be necessary to do so but not with bitter memories truly yours etc

J.W. Bachman
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WASHINGTON, D.C. Dec. 6, 1889.

Maj.-Gen. Col. Hazard,

Washington, D.C.,

Dear Col. Hazard,

I see in the Press that you express your views as being opposed to the Separation Service Residues to the Survivors of the late war. It came as a surprise to me. The Comrades here are entirely in favor of service pensions to the survivors of the_Veterans have been the watchful since including the days of washing the clothes. Not we have the same, who make it possible for the Nation to prosper and exist 1000 years. Thousands of Men who went out in 1861 & 1862 will go down in poverty before they will ask for a pension under the Defendant bill. In case it becomes a law, we are entitled to something better and thousands will never receive a pension only under the
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Watson, Ind. 1889.

Law of Service Pension is which may be
granted according to the time of service
in the army. Take my case for example,
I enlisted in August 1861 and was
mustered out Dec. 6, 1865 at
Indianapolis. I never was sick or off duty
during the time our Regt. always at
the front. I cannot claim a Pension
arises from the destruction of my
Teeth owing to our Diet as I had
the Toothache very much
Am I not entitled to a Pension?
If so how well I obtain it why rely on
the Service Plan? So with thousands
who went out early formed the
great Nucleous for the armies of 1863, 1864 & 1865. I made it possible to crush
the Rebellion as my age
physical is breaking down fast and in
poor circumstances as the Majority are.
Yet we are denied our just
aces that it will require much money and the time is not ripe for Service Pension. But must wait until 1916.

Great God, is that the formula to be dealt out to us? It simply means die first two will be relieved of the burden that would might own Service Pension.

When the Battle of Franklin opened 7 good with 4000 men was tension to interview us. Our Res. 80th Ind had much read 4000 draft men substitutes. Describers of God know what all. I had these men in line behind our improvised work giving them their guns & advising them. Even then the balls were flying. We held that portion of the line amid blood and carnage. Blood of his masters were ended after the hardest fighting.
and the greatest carnage for the time of the whole war, when I was standing before those men that morning, May 36th, 1864. Had we supposed that OUR service would have been so little appreciated after the war we might have felt sad at that Supreme Moment and it have been better for our welfare and interests to hear us and make certain conclusions.

During the war I was in favor of arming any element to aid us over the Whirl to kick the Rebellion down and so now I am in favor of pensioning the Poor Soldier. You can’t give him too much talk about impoverishing the Nation that is the cry of the Southern Republicans to the Union now. The poor men paid out in hard times growth in pensions is here to stay and why right into the channels of trade.
and industries. Not lost, but gone to pay debts to make happy the
revenant of his family in their
little home bought with pension
money were it not for the pension
money paid out annually in residue
of tobacco—made would languish.
We would see a mighty difference
why not make it red service begin.
I, not benefit all according to their
term of service thereby save $1,000
paid by the Gov-in Expense in various
work to Pension Attorneys & cut of
Red Tape by the Pension Bureau.
The basis of pensions is $1-70 4-12
month 1 1/2 1 1/2 1 1/2 1 1/2 1 1/2 1 1/2
on are some of the magnificent
offerings to men who bustled for
Rebels' Rebellion night & day. Storm
sunshine, snow, frost. I hope send you copy
Please apply for Service Pension to the Service Soldiers.
Comrade:-

It is proposed to incorporate "The Union Prisoners of War National Memorial Association," the object of which shall be to perpetuate by Monument, Memorial Building, or such other means as the Association may determine, the memory of the Union Soldiers who died in Andersonville and other Southern Military Prisons, during the War of the Rebellion.

At the last meeting of the "Society of the Army of the Potomac," the following resolution offered by the Chairman of this Committee was unanimously adopted. viz:

RESOLVED, That a Committee be appointed by the Society of the Army of the Potomac to take necessary steps to secure the erection of a monument to our soldiers who died in Andersonville and other Southern Prisons in the War of the Rebellion!!........

The Committee of Union Ex Prisoners of War, who have charge of this matter desire to make the Association a National one, in which the Union Soldiers of the Country shall be fully represented, and most cordially invite you to become one of the incorporators.

Kindly inform us of your decision by return mail.

Chairman.

To General O. O. Howard,
Governor's Island, N. Y.
Georgia & Florida Yellow Pine

VARS Office
Root of Bethune St.
North River

December 6th, 1899

Comrade:

It is proposed to incorporate "The Union Ypreses of War
Hastings Memorial Association," the object of which shall be to per-
bereof by monument memorial buildings or such other means as the
Association may determine the memory of the Union soldiers who died
in Andersonville and other Southern Prisoner of War

at the last meeting of the "Society of the Army of the
Confederacy." The following resolution adopted by the Committee of this
Committee was unanimously adopted.

RESOLVED, That a Committee be appointed by the Society of
the Union of the U.S. to take necessary steps to secure the erection
of a monument in our interest which shall be used for educational and other
purposes where the War of the Rebellion.

The Committee of the Union of the U.S. is authorized to set up
arounds to this purpose to erect the Association a monument.

To whom the Union Soldiers of the Confederate States, who served
and kept faith with you, to become one of the predecessors.

Sincerely yours in your interest.

[Signature]

To General O. Howard,
Governor's Island, N.Y.
Dec. 7, 1887,

Dear General,

Enclosed is the Programme of our Anniversary service—next Sunday the 8th (tomorrow) — the design is that you take all the time you desire. Mr. Hezworth cannot absolutely control his own time and may be compelled to disappointment, though he will be present if possible.

Praying for a great blessing this Anniversary — thanking you in advance for your kindness in coming here.

Most sincerely yours,

Wm. N. H. Holton

May 17th — O. Howard
Kearns, Island
Angelica, Allegheny, Dec. 7th, 1859.

Mr. O.O. Howard,

Dear Sir:—Laura S. Haviland who has been of such service to me of late enjoined upon me to expect a promise that I write and remind you that you pledged to send me $10 in Nov. I wrote you of late thought that enough, but she says Remind him I did not like to do this, but it is now done.

Accept my regards, and believe me

Sincerely yours,

Calvin Fairbank.
Fairbank balvin
File.
27 Grove St.,
NEW YORK, December 7th, 1889.

Dear Sir:

Your presence is requested at a special meeting of the Executive Committee of the American Sabbath Union, to be held in rooms 33 and 34 at 23 Park Row, Monday next (Dec. 9th) at 3'30 P.M.

Sincerely yours,

[Signed]

[Name]
Sec'y Executive Committee.
Dear Sir,

Your pleasure to receive at a special meet—

and at the Executive Committee of the National Committee on the

19th to 29th of May 29 Park Row, Moynihan House (4040) or

Meeting Room.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
Letter no. 24627:

Rufus Adams to OOT, New York, December 7, 1889

Attached to, and filed with
letter no. 24606:

Rufus Adams to OOT, New York, December 3, 1889
General O. O. Howard,

Governor's Island, New York Harbor.

My dear General:

Thanks for your very kind note of yesterday this morning received. General D. H. Stanley was my own Division Commander, and at the battle of Corinth rendered me an inestimable service in holding my regiment steady at a time when on the left of Battery Robinson it was the center of attack. I have strong, personal, attachment for him; but just now, and for some little time past, he has been engaged in a bitter controversy with ex-Governor J.D. Cox, who also has been and is so generally esteemed that such attacks on him cannot be made without the controversy taking such an aspect as to require of me to do nothing which might give it voice within the walls of the Commandery. For example, at the same time I wrote to you I wrote also to another friend, one of the very first men in the nation, and holding high place in the Legion, and he wrote back suggesting that I invite General Cox to write the paper. If we can induce General Sherman to prepare the paper, it will then rise above the quarrel and do General Thomas the high honor he so richly deserves. I am not without hopes that this can be done; I wish you
My dear General:

Thank you for your very kind note of yesterday this morning.

I have received General O. Howard's comment on my own Division's command, and at the battle of CDI, I learned that we are in an intermediate service in position on the right of the 1st Division.

I have already been ordered at a time when the 1st Division is in position on the right of the 1st Division.

I was notified before the contact of attack, and at some little time, I was in need of the command, to which I write to you. I wrote also to Brother Barlow on the very first day in the war, and my opinion is that I am General Cox to write the paper. If we can

I wrote, General Cox to prepare the paper, it will be done properly.
would write to him suggesting it; and if General Whipple will do
that also, I shall be under great obligations to him. The quarrel
makes it all the more fit that any compliment which we can pay to
the memory of General Thomas should ride way above it. I have read
but little of the controversy,—only one of General Stanley's let-
ters which I chanced to see in The Sun, and one letter written by
somebody else in reply. I have no wish to be acquainted with its
details or its origin. Probably we cannot have a "Thomas" night
now until April; when we do have it, I trust that General Whipple
will be with us and will help us; please thank him for me for his
kind interest in the matter; I wish I might see more of him than I
have been able to do, and hope I may. For the past, you know how
late I began life and how much I have naturally had to do; you do
not know the half of what I have had to grapple with besides.

Yours, very truly,

Wager Swayne
HEADQUARTERS DIVISION OF THE ATLANTIC.

H. Montgomery

New York, N.Y., Dec. 8th, 1887.

My dear Brown:

It is some time since I wrote you or any official letter since then, it gives me pleasure to say I have improved considerably in health. It is now two weeks since I have had a ‘head cold’ or my cough which clung to me so persistently, has subsided. The weather here has been very nice and warm so I have not been in any hurry to start for California. Of course my parents are anxious to keep me as long as possible.

Yours truly,

H. Montgomery
as farther. Nevertheless we will start for the West some day this week, as they have just decided to spend the winter in California we shall see them again. I think if you could see me you would say I am "picked up" wonderfully. I can eat meat, fish, bread, but the Dr is say I must be very careful of my diet for months. I am undecided yet, but will we will locate yet, but it will be in Los Angeles, Pasadena or Santa Barbara. Please address care of Mayor Dept of Arizona. Mr. Chase and the boys are will and send love to you all.
My dear General:

Your very kind letter and receipt made I wish to thank you for them.

I not only appreciate them greatly but I am greatly pleased that they pleased you.
A friend of myself taken
recently—
you can understand without
my request, that I should be
obliged to have the
of
yourself— I can remember your
face perfectly, but I have
never seen a letter of you—

[Handwritten text that is not legible]