LAW OFFICE OF
JACOB R. SHIPHERD,
36 BROADWAY,
P. O. BOX 3448; NEW YORK.

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Nat Talk.

Dec. 24th 1889

My dear General:

I have read with great satisfaction your talk at the New England dinner last night. Beyond comparison it was the best of its kind I remember. There have been apologies enough, for bad and for virile men. You have set up an almost unique standard — at the golden mean between the two dream-lands.

Yours always
J R Shipherd.

To Maj-Gen. O. O. Howard, City.

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523 Willoughby Av.
Brooklyn N.Y.
Dec. 24. 1889

To Maj. Gen. Howard

My dear General
Your communication touching time & place to meet you was duly received. Mr. Henderson's son will meet you with a carriage & return for you when you wish to return.

Sincerely yours,
L. R. Foote

Headquarters Division of the Atlantic,

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND, NEW YORK CITY,

December 24 1889

The
Post Commander
Fort Columbus. N.Y.—

Sir.—

Will you please inform this office how much time for good behavior this man has forfeited and when he will be released.

Very Respectfully
Your obedient servant.
Chas. G. Treat,
1st Lieut. 5th Arty.
A.D.C.

(Prisoner Yeomans.)

Headq. Div. Atlantic
Dec. 24, 1889.

1st Lieut. Chas. G. Treat
5th Arty. A.D.C.

Who has much time for good behavior Corpl Yeomans has forfeited?

1st Endorsement.

FORT COLUMBUS, N.Y. HARBOR,
December 25 1889.

Respectfully returned.
Convict Yeomans was sentenced to two years confinement in Gen. C. M. C. M. to date from Div. of the Atlantic 2 Feb. 1888.
The confinement began Feb. 16. 88, explains 16. 90. and he must have been entitled to five days per month until termination for good behavior.

McCue
Maj. 5th Arty.
Comdg Post.

E.B. 575-88

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A Philanthropic Appeal.

In wishing God's blessing upon you in a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I hope it is not out of place to say to one and all, that I believe the present to be the most favorable time since the establishment of this post to awaken an interest here in behalf of the cause of temperance, and to arouse every one to the importance and necessity of curtailing the use of intoxicating drink, for it is the leading vice of the day. Therefore, we solicit every father and mother, husband and wife, brother and sister, and all the good people of the garrison to join in the crusade against the great evil, for humanity's sake; for the sake of those who have fallen into inebriation ; for the sake of the rising generation whose character must be shaped by our actions. It is a duty we owe to christianity, to our soldiery, to the best government under the sun to day, and to posterity.

How shall we accomplish this much needed reform? Many who may read these lines are, no doubt, more capable of answering the question than the writer of this appeal ; but he ventures this: that the masses must be taught a higher moral sense of right and wrong, a higher reverence for God, and the importance of saving their own soul.

With malice toward none and charity for all.

I am, very respectfully,

H. V. PLUMMER,

Chaplain 9th U. S. Cavalry Post.

Fort McKinney, Wyo Ty., December 24th, 1889.

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Plummer H. V.

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New York, December 24 1889

General O. O. Howard
Governors Island N. Y.

Dear General.

It was a sore disappointment to the members of Alexander Hamilton Post 182. G.A.R. in not having you with them at their "Camp Fire" and Reception to General Alger given Nov. 21st.

Your kind letter of acceptance followed by telegram telling of your inability to keep engagement makes us bold enough to again venture to request your presence with the Post. This time is at the installation of officers to be held on Thursday Evening January 9th in Harlem Opera House Hall 125th St near 7th Ave.

Hoping that you can and will honor us by coming

I am General

Your Very Truly

W. Ward

Commander Post 182

address
2368. 3rd Ave.

Wood. W. J.

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Governors Island
New York
Dec 25th 1889.

Major Gen. O. O. Howard.
Comdg Dir. Atlantic

Sir
I beg leave to ask you for Permission to speak a few words to you in Regard to my Confinement

Frederick Base,
Castle Williams

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Christ Church Rectory.

Alexandria, Va., Dec. 25 1889.

My dear Sir,

I am obliged to you for sending the "Articles of War" under which Sergeant Charles B. Dana has been sentenced. The sentence seems to be just, and, while I am sorry for him, and grieve that he should bring such disgrace upon an honored name, still, as a soldier, he has no right to complain though but a private in the Army, & while my cousin has

an Asst. Surgeon at the same Post. I admitted him to my home & table, knowing nothing of him, save his relation to one of my predecessors. I was willing to encourage him in every effort to better his condition. In a letter, of to-day, I have expressed my sorrow for his trouble, but, at the same time, have given him to understand that he has received only justice.

Again thanking you for your courtesy,

Remain,

Very truly,

Yours &c.,

Henderson Suter,

Rector of St. Church,

Alex.a Va.

Major Gen. O. O. Howard,

Governor's Island

New York.

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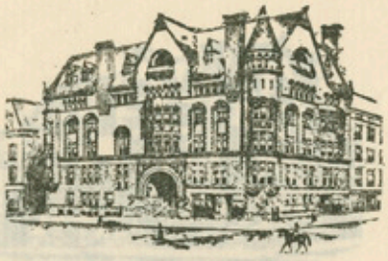

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General Howard.
Governor's Island.
New York.

My dear Sir,

The Directors are very glad at the prospect of your Assistance at the Anniversary on Tuesday Evg January 21st. It will be held in St James Methodist Church. Seating Capacity 2500, and we expect to have it crowded. We are in the midst of a Building movement, and hope to make this Anniversary of special help. In addition to the General Ass'n work, so well known by yourself, the Committee desired me to suggest the following points, which they would like you to emphasize, provided it comes in the line of your own plan: The demand for Consecrated men in the Business life of today: their Power:

Montreal Feb 22nd

Dear Sir

Mr. McLennan has
asked me to write you
in reference to the
Young Men's Christian
Association. Mr. McLennan
is very anxious that
you should be present
at a meeting to be
held in the Association
Rooms on Friday
next at 8 o'clock
when the Building
Committee will
report the
progress made
in the matter
of the new
building.

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Yours
Alex Lang

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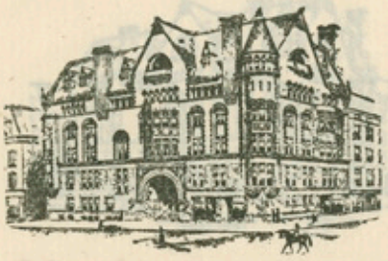

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how to supply them: the Ass^n as one of the means being used towards that end.

The Committee shall expect to pay your expenses liberally, and wish me to say how much they appreciate the service you will render. We shall endeavor to make your visit with us a pleasant one.

Wishing you the compliments of the season I remain, dear Sir,

Yours truly,

D. A. Budge Secy

Annual Promises
Friday P. M.
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New Building Department.

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Dear Sir:

We do sincerely believe: the Young Men are at the Morrow learning just exactly what they ask.

The Committee asking assistance to finish your superbly designed and really fine building have received Mr. Gray's appreciation of the service they will render. We shall endeavour to make your work easier and to deserve your thanks.

Thanking you for the courteous offer of the Committee,

Yours very truly,

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Personal to — Norwalk O. Decr. 26 "1889

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Major General Howard
Comdg Dept. of the East
New York.

Dear Sir,—

I write, to ask your attention to the effort being made to prevent the confirmation of Gen T. J. Morgan as the Commissioner of Indian Affairs.—

Four years of service taught me the existence of an impassible gulf between civil & political affairs.— I am not seeking a "Curtius," but only ask that one on whose Staff he served long enough to enable you to feel his genuine manliness should do what may be consistent with his station in clearing away the calumny which unscrupulous personal enmity has sought to interpose.— You are aware that no department of the General Government has been thrown open so widely to the individual citizen & the Churches as has that over which Gen Morgan presides.— The Christian city of the Nation has been officially invited to

ed in the civilization of the Indian.—
s, we feel a special interest in the con-
mation of such a man as we know Gen.
M- to be, it has been fostered by the attitude
of the Government, in sharing its duty of tutelage
with us — and if we declare that no such groundless
personal charges, and no such Romish in-
fluences as are seeking his defeat should be
considered in the case, it is because we who have
known him personally, & know something of
the magnitude of the work to be done feel assured
that the appointment should stand. — as we do and

Knowing the Indian problem so thoroughly
Knowing Gen. Morgan also in some measure, I
have ventured this intrusion to ask you to
do what your judgement may suggest to assure
any Senator of the safety and desirableness of
his confirmation —

I am very Sincerely Yours
— Elvero Persons —

P.S. I had the honor of a personal interview when you were at Lakeside Ohio Assembly, of which I am Secretary — I was Col. M-s Adjutant when he was with you — E.P. —

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HENRY M FIELD,
Editor and Proprietor.

152 POTTER BUILDING, Park Row, NEW-YORK

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December 26th 1889.

My dear General Howard,

I return the letter of General Stanley, which seems to me very correct and worthy of an officer of his high standing.

I enclose also the letter of which I spoke to you, and should be glad to have your opinion of its correctness. Was the proportion of losses in our battle so great? Will you kindly return the letter?

Yours very obliged,

Henry M. Field.

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Portland Oregon Dec 26th 1889

My Dear General

Yours of the 10 inst is at hand. I saw Captian Sladen to day, he says he will write to J. M. Field my attorney at washington. I was ordered before the Medical Board since, what the result will be I do not know. Captain Sladen tells me you are well acquanted with the Commissioner of Pension. Would it be asking too much Dear Freind, to write to him in my behalf. You know all about my claim because you told me some time ago that yourself & Mr Greble went over my record We give the Sunday School Children a fine time in our Country School house Christmas eve. We are all happy because we feel the Lord is with us. With love to all, I remain your humble Servent Edward Chambreau, General O. O. Howard's old Scout.

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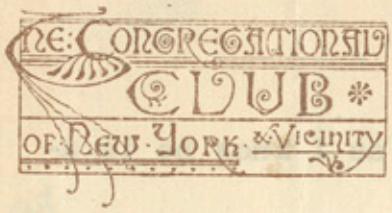

LUCIEN C. WARNER, M. D., President,
359 Broadway.
RUSSELL A. BIGELOW, Secretary,
41 Wall Street.
CHARLES E. HOPE, Treasurer,
100 Broadway.

New York, Dec. 27th, 1889.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

My Dear Sir:--

The February meeting of the Congregational Club occurs Monday evening Feb. 17th. At our last Committee meeting the committee expressed a wish to take up for that evening some topic connected with the war. They appointed Dr. Clapp and myself a committee to confer with you and arrange for such meeting with special instructions that you should be one of the speakers.

I learn from Dr. Rockwell and others that your address before the Loyal Legion on "Grant at Chattanooga" was of very great interest to all who heard it and it has seemed to me very probable that you might with very great interest to our Club repeat that paper.

Have you any engagements which would prevent your taking part in the Feb. meeting, and can you suggest any topic connected with the war which would be likely to be more interesting than that? About how much time would that address take? What other speaker could you suggest for the evening? Do you suppose we could secure the attendance of Gen. Sherman? Of course, we should not

Warner, L. C.
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expect much of an address from him if he came as I know he is a-
verse to public speaking.

One member of our Club, Dr. Deems, was in the South during the war and it is possible that he might speak with interest of some phase of army life upon the other side. If you can be present and speak to us on that occasion we can then arrange for such additional exercises as will be desirable to complete the evening.

Very sincerely yours,

Lucien C. Warner

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New York, Dec 27 1889

Genl O. O. Howard

My dear General

I enclose ticket for Lincoln Dinner of Lafayette Camp No. 140 Sons of Veterans at which you so kindly promised Mr Edward Trenchard & an committee to respond to the toast to "The Army and Navy". I also enclose a complete list of the toasts, sentiments, and speakers for that dinner. Again thanking you in behalf of the committee and the camp, I remain

Very sincerely yours
John V. B. Clarkson

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Clarkson J. V. B.

Lincoln Dinner
Lafayette Camp

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Toasts

Lincoln Dinner of Lafayette Camp No. 140 313,
Sons of Veterans
Sherry's 37 st cor 5th Ave. Feb 12th 1890 7 P.M.

No. 1 Lincoln

"What he endured no less than what he did,
Has reared his monument and crowned him saint."

Hon. Asa W. Tenney

No. 2 - Our Country

"Great God, we thank thee for this home,
This Countrys birth-land of the free."

Genl Wm T. Sherman

No. 3 - The Army and Navy

"As long as on earth the green grass grows,
The deeds of our soldiers shall live in story."

"As long as the sea-tide ebbs and flows,
The tale shall be told of our navy's glory"

Genl O. O. Howard

No. 4 - Our Revolutionary Sires

"For liberty of deed and thought
A hundred years ago."

Frederick S. Tallmadge
President "Sons of Revolution."

No. 5 - Our Homes in War Time

"The wife who grids her husband's sword,
'Mid little ones who weep and wonder."

Hon. Edward W. Hatch
of Buffalo.

No. 6 - The Sons of Veterans.

"We will answer to the call as our fathers did of yore,
Marching to honor and victory".

George Addington
Commander N. Y. Division
Sons of Veterans

No. 7 - Our Camp

"Comrades bound by memories many
Brothers ever let us be."

Barton S. Weeks
of Lafayette Camp.

Toasts.

AMERICAN PEACE SOCIETY.

The American Advocate of Peace and Arbitration,
Room 6, No. 1 Somerset Street,
BOSTON, MASS.

R. B. Howard, Secretary and Editor.

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Boston Dec 27. 1889

My dear brother

I appreciate your kindness in remembering us all on Xmas day & especially your letter to me & your good words about my dear lost friend, (which I have copy for his wife)
whom I miss at every hour of memory - Eye & heart = I have asked Katie to send you what I wrote her about him. He fell in love with her sister Nina but was too modest to "propose" - in 1871 = Perhaps they have met again =

I was not much disappointed that you could not come, & must be content to leave to Chance & providence any future visit from you - I may have to go to Newton soon - I thought a Sabbath in which

neither of us had any more than a healthful activity. Need be more enjoyable than the average Sabbath - which I have at home with frequently an unsatisfactory service at the Church - and proposed to him, you coming to counterbalance the loss of "an agent" in the Mill. Our new minister comes Feb. 12th. I pray for him - & myself that I may be silent if not appreciative. Mother taught us not to play cards - drink liquor go to theatres - swear - lie - work or play Sundays or dance or smoke - and whatever of these things I had learned to indulge in I gave up for Christ's sake - as belonging to "the world" which I abandoned for Him. Our new minister comes with

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R. B. HOWARD, Secretary and Editor.

a foreshadowing of "liberality" - (theatre etc.) that I dread for influence on my son & other children -

Frank's picture has not come but he was glad to get your note as was Rollie & Ella with the Xmas cards - Helen & I like those texts on shields very much.

Glad to hear that you enjoyed Xmas - David has formed a good partnership - Otis lives on hope - of which he has a 10 foot a bountiful supply - A lump of butter from the old farm yesterday! Our wind last night was lively but not so hard as yours - Thermometer 30° today & Rollie has his fumified skates - but no ice - I go to Rockport for Sunday & 1st to Legion Cove to a council Monday -

Christmas day is not a holiday in New England as in New York. I have read your address at the N.E. Dinner Dec. 23. aloud at home as well as to myself here. You say well that murder is malice prepense. Hence no soldier in discharge of his duty of killing is in that sense a murderer. I could not seem to remember what the volunteers or army did in the Oregon matter: My recollection was that it was settled by negotiation — largely concession on our part.

I hope Blaine will meet Pauncefote (Brit. Minister) in a spirit of conciliation & they will agree to stop the extermination of Alaska seals and refer an arbitrary

On new minister comes from

boundary line over the mountains of Alaska - no matter where you mine its crosses - Blaine was right - following Angell & Putnam, Commissioners - on the Cod-fishery question = Justice - as we can learn what it is - is all that just men & nations seek, & that is degraded when submitted to force - for decision - rather than to conscience & common sense =

Your argument is well thought out & well put in the N.Y. Sun speech - Some of the sentences could be broken up perhaps without breaking their force =

With love & Happy New Year to you & yours

Your brother

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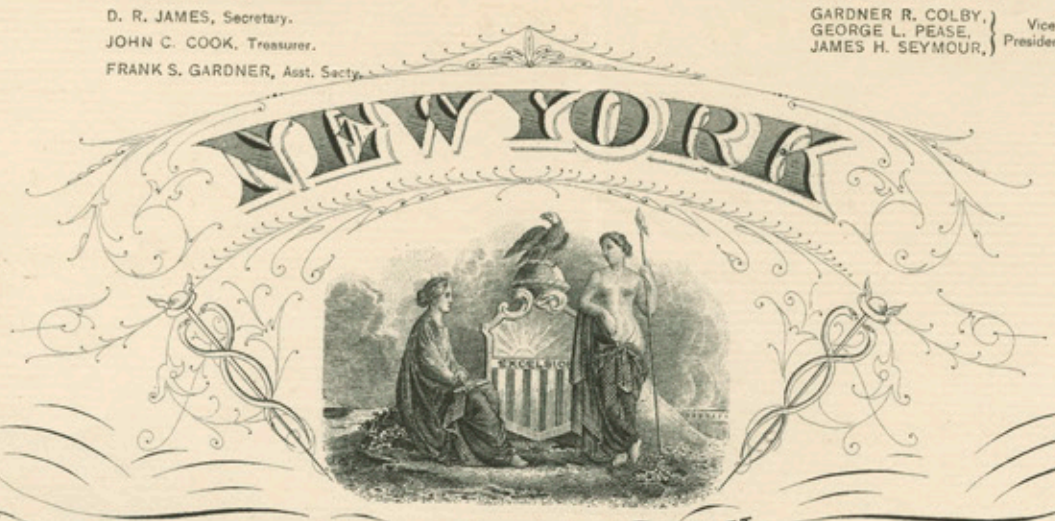

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Board of Trade and Transportation.

New York, December 27th 1889.

Major General Oliver O. Howard.
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Dear Sir:-

You are most cordially invited to be one of the guests of the New York Board of Trade and Transportation at their Annual Banquet, which will take place Friday Evening, February 21st 1890, (the evening preceding Washington's Birthday,) at Delmonico's, Fifth Avenue and Twenty-sixth Street, in this City.

We send this preliminary invitation with the hope that you may be able to arrange your engagements so as to be present with us. A formal card will be forwarded when prepared.

Requesting the favor of an early reply,

We remain very truly yours.

Darwin R. James, Ferdinand P. Earle,
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106 I Street N.W.
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25th Dec. 1889.

Major General O. O. Howard
Head Qrs U.S.A.
New York City -

Dear Sir -

Presuming that you feel an interest in the success of the measures now under the consideration of the delegates of the South American Convention now in Session in this City - which Convention and the encouragement of the construction of the great International Highway I propose in a memorial and bill that I have presented to Congress by Senator Daniel Davis of Ill - in January 1880.

The

The railroad from the United States through Mexico and Central and South America to Buenos Ayres and Valparaiso is my project, for which I have for about twenty years been laboring to obtain public approbation and encouragement.

My bill relating to it, has been presented to three different Congresses by Senator Sherman — and the Bill passed for the nomination of the delegates to the Convention was passed upon my bill.

Having served under you in the Army of the Tennessee I would be much gratified to have your approval of my work and project.

And I have the honor to be General

Most respectfully & truly

Yr obedt Servt

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—*MACAULAY.*

For Major General O O Howard
Head Qrs
New York City

with the respects of
John Arthur Lynch
105 D St N W
Washington D.C.

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Atlanta Dec 28th 89

Dear General

Your kind notice and more kind reply, leads me to remark that You have overlooked my main object in writing which is a notice of my Action

Premises

You evidently did not feel quite secure in the Valley that evening And was fearful that Genl. Bragg might make night attack

You ordered a "patrol of Vigilence suitable to the gravity of the occasion, And on the very line, and road, from which an attack must come, if it came at all, We know or at least believe that if there had been any disaster too, or default in handleing the reinforcements, in the Valley that General Thomas could not have held out, for want of subsistence Hence fidelity and extra vigilence, with even painful tension, was required of every command however slight.

Query

Did the Officer in Command of that Patrol acquit himself creditably. Did not the patrol serve the purpose well, for which it was intended. Was not its assault on the Rebel Picket Line

over

the very first warning that you had of Genl Bragg, ("Stevenson") strategy and was not that warning sufficient, & ample, to arouse Genl, Grant's command and put it on the defensive Also to bring Your command promptly to the rescue & thus thwart a very sagacious attempt to defeat or prevent the succor for Chattanooga

If this be true then ——

General wont you please put those salient facts in writing, so that I can frame them, and cherish them, and show them if need be. But on no consideration will I ask it unless from your stand point you think it both warranted and deserved

I have many evidences from Officers
of Genl Grant who claim that their first warning that night was musketry firing away down the valley. And more recently a gentleman introduced to me as Col Birdsey, who claims to have been on General Hooker's Staff and who states "that just before dark on that night he left by order of Genl Hooker to report to Genl Grant. and ascertain their whereabouts, that he remained all night and that several were in a tent in conversation when some officer suddenly looked in and shouted "Get your men out" and we thought he was crazy

As no one of the had heard any cause of alarm but the Officer of the day had heard our vollies behind the Foot hills and thus we were warned and nearly in line when the attack came"

We soldiers have many many opportunities to mention our Generals names with credit. I was in the "midnight-mud + Rain march" to Tyner of which you have so happily written. And now as it happens I shall have cause in sounding a period, to mention your name with honor, on the occasion of the Evening of January 1st, in replying to a Rev. Gentleman who on behalf of the Ladies of our Village will present a very fine bunting flag to our G A R Post And your letter General will serve, of your favor, to put me in the very best patriotic vein

Yrs Obl Servant

Chas W Clearchardy

To

Dr Maj Genl O O Howard

Governors Island

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Dec. 28th 1889.

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

Sir;

Believing that you can, and will assist a worthy applicant, I would ask you, kindly to assist me by your influence, or any good word you may be pleased to say in my behalf. In getting work of any kind in one of the many departments under your control. The facts of my case are as follows:

I entered the U.S. Army as a Music boy Dec 9th 1870, and served in the 1st Arty. 12th Infty. 2d & 3d Arty. respectively. I was discharged the last time Jan 26th 1886 at the request of my mother who had become a widow, and too aged to provide a proper

living for herself. On coming to Newyork after my discharge I secured a position in the Accounting Dept. of Wells, Fargo & Cos. Express as Clerk. I held this place with credit to myself for more than three years, when owing to a change of administration in the office, I was discharged. This was in last July, since that time I have been unable to get any permanent employment, and the little money which I had saved has rapidly diminished, I am now in very urgent need of work, which is the only thing that myself or those now dependant on me, have ever depended on. I am a sober, steady man, 35 years of age, a competent clerk, but am willing and would be glad to take hold at any kind of work which I am capable of doing. And if you can assist me in the matter, you may be assured that your kindness will be fully appreciated.

Hoping that I may have a favorable result, and that you will pardon me for thus addressing you, I am

Very resp.

Chas. W. Meyler,
449 - 8th ave.
Newyork City.

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The Young Men's Christian Association of the City of New York,

TWENTY-THIRD STREET BRANCH.

JAMES MCCONAUGHY
Secretary.

52 East 23d Street, New York.

Dec. 28th, 1889.

Gen. O.O.Howard,

U.S.A.

Governor's Island,

N.Y.

My Dear Gen. Howard:

I have your kind letter agreeing to speak for us on the first Sunday afternoon in February. We are very grateful indeed for your willingness to do so, and I hope after speaking you will feel that you have not made any mistake in leaving the Sunday School work for one day to come to us.

The meeting will begin at 3:30; the address, as of course you understand, is to young men only; and what we aim to do in this meeting is to present God's truth about sin and salvation so that young men may be led to Christ. We always follow it with an after meeting, at which some young men begin the Christian life nearly every Sunday in the year.

On the first Sunday in the month we usually have an address along the line of personal purity in connection with our White Cross work, with which you may be familiar. I send you herewith one or two pamphlets about it. We leave you quite free to speak on this subject, or any other you may select. I will be very

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grateful, however, if you can let me know, say about the middle of January, on what line you will speak.

Very Sincerely Yours,

James McConaughy

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