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L. DEANE,
Law and Patents,
WASHINGTON, D.C.
637 F Street, N.W.

January 7. 1890

Will write at once when the day is fixed.

Mr. Geo. W. Howard -
New York -

Dear Friend

Thanks for your of yesterday. We voted to have our banquet on such day in latter part of January or first of Feb. as might suit Pres. Hyde of whose coming we are hopeful - Please be sure & keep last week of January and first week of Feb. open. We try to have the banquet on Tuesdays -

Sincerely
L. Deane

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him, by you in writing a
statement of his mental
defects at that time, will
be greatly appreciated by us all.

Respectfully
Mrs B. F. Pratt
North Weymouth Mass.

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North Weymouth Jan 7th 1890

Genl O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

The enclosed letter,
was written by my Son,
Franklin C. Pratt, who was a
Soldier in Co. F. 1st Cav. and
participated in the Nez Perces,
and White Bird Campaign, with you.

You no doubt, remember
his Father, Genl Benj F. Pratt,
with whome you correspondedi,
several times, in regard to Frank,
his actions being of such a nature,
and doing such strange things
at times, that you thought it
unfitted him, to perform the
duties of a Soldier, that you

thought him of unsound mind, and he might eventually, become insane, so he was discharged as you will remember.

When about fourteen, this nervous excitment came on, consequently he was sent to an Asylum, for treatment, and was in several afterwards.

Within the last years, he has been troubled the same, and at times has been led to do strange things, says he cant control his powers, to keep from it. Within the last two months, has had two spells of sickness, said his felt strange and was uncontrollable at times, made the remark, that he would like to go to some place for treatment.

She had just got out when he went to N.Y. you see the result by his letter.

It is a very sad case, more so, as his Father is in a disabled condition, from the results of the war, unable to write or do anything in the case. his nerves powers all gone, and very feeble, both in mind and body, so it devolves on me to write you.

She has a dear Wife and two darling boys, of nearly five & seven, and I feel for them as well as for ourselves, for he is our only one. She has no friends in N.Y. is a stranger there, and we being in very poor circumstances here at home, making the cost of procuring an attorney out of the question, so he is left at the mercy of the court, so any favors shown

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
WASHINGTON.

Jan 7 1890

Gen. O.O. Howard
Governors Island
N.Y.

General: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt, by reference of the Honorable Secretary of War, of a copy of your letter to Gen. Hawley, on the subject of desertions. That is a question which has enlisted my earnest attention for some years, and though the Committee is not yet organized I think I can promise that

it will have been very careful and painstaking consideration. I propose to introduce a bill which I hope may be, if adopted, both a preventive and a corrective. The question is a difficult one, and I think springs mostly out of the character of the men who are enlisted into the service. We need to improve the character of the men. That can best be done by making the army not a refuge, but a career.

Sincerely Yours

R. M. Corbett

Chm Com. on Mil. Aff.

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7th Regt Veteran Club.
Fifth Avenue & 58th Street.

New York Jany 7th 1890

Dear Sir

I have the pleasure to inform you that in accordance with Sec 5. Art 6. of the Constitution of the 7th Regt. Veteran Club, a copy of which is enclosed, you are one of its honorary members.

Hoping you will find it agreeable to make use of the Club House when in the city,

I have the honor to be
Very Respectfully
A. Garrison
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To
Major Genl O. O. Howard
Commanding Division of the Atlantic
Governors Island
NY Harbor

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NEW YORK SOCIETY OF THE NEW-CHURCH

House of Worship: 35th St., between Park and Lexington Aves.
Residence of Pastor: 185 Lexington Ave.

NEW YORK Jan. 7th. 1890.

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard,
Governor's Island,
New York Harbor,

My dear Sir,

May I ask you in the strictest confidence, what you know of the moral character of the Rev. J. F. Harrington, a Methodist Minister who went out to Dakota about a year ago. He does not refer to you, seeming to think you might have forgotten him amid the multitude of persons comung under your notice; but he has a letter from you in which you enclose your check for five dollars for some work of a relegious character he was doing, & I should like to know your estimate of him, if indeed you remember him at all. He seems tp be all right & applies to me for assistance.

I shall be grateful for any information you may be able to give me, & am,

Very sincerely,

Yours &c.,

S. S. Seward
Pastor
Late Chap. Port Lafayette
No. 140. Dept. N.Y.

Edward S. Ff.

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Jan. 7th. 1890.

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard.

Governor's Island.

New York Harbor.

My dear Sir.

May I ask you in the strictest confidence what you know of the moral character of the Rev. J. F. Hartington. a Methodist Minister who went out to Dakota about a year ago. He does not refer to you, seeming to think you might have forgotten him amid the multitude of persons coming under your notice; but he has a letter from you in which you enclose your check for five dollars for some work of a religious character he was doing. I should like to know your estimate of him. If you need you remember him at all. He seems to be all right & applies to me for assistance.

I shall be grateful for any information you may be able to give me. I am.

Very sincerely.

Yours &c.

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Rev. JOSIAH STRONG,
General Secretary.
Rev. FRANK RUSSELL,
Field Secretary.

THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE
FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
42 BIBLE HOUSE,
New York, Jan. 7th 1890

General O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir;

The annual meeting of the Evangelical Alliance and the January meeting of the Board of Trustees occurs next week Friday, the 17th inst. of which you will receive the regular notice in due time.

Mr. Dodge has been quite ill for some weeks

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and he says his Dr. is
File going to send him away
so that he will probably
be absent from the city
on that date.

I write now to ask if
you, as one of the vice-
presidents of the Alliance,
will kindly preside on
that occasion.

Hoping for a favorable
answer soon, I am
Yours with great respect,
Josiah Strong

The Independent.
251 Broadway,
New York.

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Jan. 8, 1890.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

C I T Y.

Dear Sir:-

We send you herewith a copy of this week's INDEPENDENT containing a very important letter from President Storrs on the policy of the American Board. Will you kindly turn to it on page 11, read it carefully, together with our comment thereon, on page 10, and write us briefly whether you can cordially respond to the appeal of Dr. Storrs ?

We should be glad to have an expression of opinion from you by return mail if possible.

We enclose an addressed envelope for your reply.

Very truly yours,

H K Carroll

Religious Editor.

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ERASTUS T. TEFFT POST,

No. 355,

Department of N. Y. Grand Army of the Republic

153 PIERREPONT STREET,

Brooklyn, January 8th, 1890.

Comrade:

On the evening of January 11th, 1890, at 8 o'clock **SHARP,** *the officers of this Post for the ensuing year will be installed. The ceremonies are to be supplemented by an entertainment, which yourself and ladies of your family are requested to attend. As our quarters are limited, invitatians have been restricted.*

Comrades having uniforms, will please wear them on this occasion with white gloves and full badges.

Yours respectfully,

LOUIS C. D' HOMERGUE, M. D., *Chairman.*
M. J. O'DONOGHUE,
JOHN MCMAHON,
ALEXANDER ELDER,
CLARENCE STANLEY,

Committee of Arrangements.

Please Present this at the Door.

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Farrow Edward.

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Army & Navy Resort.
BARNEGAT.
PARK.
Summer & Winter.
IN THE PINES.

The Barnegat Park Company.
New York Office,
40 Wall Street,
New York

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Barnegat Park, N J
Jan 8th 1870.

My dear General:

I have asked Major Payne of the Army, who is on duty at our Wall St. Office, to call & see you and arrange to bring you down to see me & the Park, and I

hope you can find it convenient to take such a little pleasure trip very soon. With regards to the family, and hoping to see you soon, I am

Yours Sincerely

Edward T. Fenwick.

U.S. Army.

letter for the Secretary to President forwarding Genl. Crook's report (the Secretary added my report after I had cut out the amounts of money, with your & Genl. Schofield's endorsements). The letter asks the President to get Congress by joint Resolution to permit the Indians to go to Fort Sill pending the obtaining land from the other Indians at that point for their permanent homes. The Secretary is to take the two reports & his letter to the President at Cabinet meeting tomorrow.

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Howard Guy-

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United Service Club.

Washington D.C.
Jany 9th 1890

Dear father:

I have not written before because I could not tell until today what was going to be done.

Tuesday morning I met Genl. Brook in the Secretary of War's office. He was in favor of putting the Indians somewhere in the Indian Territory. I then went to see Senator

Panes of North Carolina with a letter from the Secretary of War. He had been with Genl. Crook to see the N.C. land, but the people of that section, the Cherokee country, want all Indians removed because they hope for northern capital to develope the timber in the mountains, so there was no one to heartily espouse the cause of getting an appropriation. In the afternoon I went from the Secretary to Senator Dawes to see about a bill or joint resolution letting them go into the Indian Territory. He agreed to favor it. The next morning I got a promise from Genl. Morgan that he would favor it, & found that surrounding Fort Sill, there was a reservation of the Kiowas, Comanches and Apaches of 2,900,000. acres mostly good farming land, high & hilly with less than 3000 Indians on it, while the military reservation itself had 36 square miles. I then wrote a

in a fair way of making some headway. I do not know how much longer I may have to stay but probably I had better not leave till I get a favorable report from one committee in Congress. Jeanie wrote of seeing you and mother. I hope all are very well. Love to everyone at home

Affectionately your son
Guy

ter that I do not know just wh[illegible] he does, but I will keep at it if the papers go to Congress. If they come back I will try something else.

Gen. Brooks's report proper merely mentions visiting them, and North Carolina. He says that it would need 60,000 acres of N.C. land to support them, & thinks Indian Territory better than anything that can be obtained there. He speaks better of the Indians present health than I did

but urges speedy action in their removal. After their removal to Fort Sill merely negotiation with the Indians there & the annual appropriations for them among the other Indians will be needed to allow the work of their eventual settlement to go on. I think the Indians will be happier in Indian Territory than in the East on parole but will remain Indians longer. An appendix to Gen Crook's report gives an interview with nearly all of the Indians, especially those who were not out on the last raid which is apparently a means of showing how wrong Gen. Miles was to send them East and that it was not the troops who ended the war but some of the chiricahua apaches who were not there on the war path who brought the others in. However this part of the fight is between Gen. Crook & Gen. Miles & is of no consequence. I think now the matter is