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# American Peace Society.

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ROWLAND B. HOWARD,
1 Somerset Street.

BOSTON, February 21, 1890.

The American Peace Society, organized in 1828, has never been in a position so favorable as it is today to prosecute its work of removing the causes of war and promoting arbitration as a preventive of national hostilities. It puts forth every possible effort to promote the adoption of international arbitration measures by the United States Congress and Government, both by direct application at Washington and by arousing and instructing the people as to cost, the cruelty, and other characteristics of the great war-systems of the nations. To efficiently prosecute its work by means of the pen, the press, and the platform, it must have both an enlarged membership and increased pecuniary means.

A series of four World's Peace Congresses is in progress. The first, in Paris, 1889, was attended by an able delegation of this Society; the second is appointed in London for 1890; the third in Rome, 1891; the fourth in the United States in connection with the exhibition of 1892. To stand in our place, and, so far as possible, secure the coöperation of the United States in these and all proper methods to promote peace at home and abroad, is our object. Will you aid such a work by joining us? Our life membership has recently been greatly reduced by the death of old members. The present is the first systematic effort made for some years to increase the annual member ship. Our publications ought to be an equivalent for the small contribution which we solicit. The Secretary will be glad to receive the names of new members. The annual meeting, of which due notice will be given, will be held in Pilgrim Hall, Boston, the last week in May. It would greatly encourage the Executive Committee and officers to have a large attendance of members, both old and new.

*For the Executive Committee,*

ROWLAND B. HOWARD,

*Corresponding Secretary.*

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# Endorsement by Distinguished Men.

"The cause of peace we regard as an eminently philanthropic and Christian enterprise of great importance, and worthy of sympathy and support. It has already accomplished much good, and would doubtless accomplish vastly more, if it possessed adequate means. We think it deserves, as it certainly needs, a large increase of funds. The American Peace Society, charged with the care of this cause in our own country, and whose management has deservedly secured very general approbation, we cordially commend to the liberal patronage of the benevolent."

The above was signed by sixty-one persons among the most distinguished in the country, of whom eleven were Governors of States. The number could be indefinitely extended if necessary. Indeed, we deem it safe to say that hardly a public man now prominent as a clergyman or citizen would decline to sign if solicited. We have room for the following names only:

Hon. Charles Theodore Russell, Cambridge, Mass.
A. P. Peabody, D. D., LL.D., Cambridge, Mass.
Rev. A. A. Miner, D. D., Boston, Mass.
J. M. Gregory, LL.D., Champaign, Ill.
Robert M. Hatfield, D. D., Chicago, Ill.
John V. Farwell, Chicago, Ill.
Hon. James Harlan, Judge U. S. Supreme Court, Washington, D. C.
Rev. Noah Porter, D. D., LL.D., New Haven, Conn.
Rev. Prof. Samuel Harris, D. D., LL.D., New Haven, Conn.
David Dudley Field, LL.D., New York.
George H. Stuart, Esq., Philadelphia, Penn.
Hon. F. R. Brunot, Pittsburgh, Penn.
Jay Cook, Esq., Philadelphia, Penn.

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LAW OFFICE OF

# ALLAN RUTHERFORD,

(LATE THIRD AUDITOR U. S. TREASURY.)

## Attorney and Counsellor at Law,

*Atlantic Building, 928 and 930 F Street, N. W., Room 123.*

*Practices before the Supreme Court of the United States, Court of Claims, Claims Commissions, and the different Committees of Congress, and all Departments of the Government.*

Washington, D. C., February 21, 1890.

Dear Sir:

By a decision rendered this month the Accounting Officers of the Treasury have allowed pay under the Act of March 3, 1885, for a horse lost in the military service by an officer a few months ago. The claim was submitted under the act of 1885, (known as the "Lost Property Act,") which, as you probably know, provides for payment for the loss or destruction of private or personal property of officers and enlisted men in the military service, where the loss or destruction was not in a war, or hostilities with Indians, and was through no fault or negligence on the part of the claimant.

This favorable result was brought about through a combination of circumstances, to relate the history of which would take too much space for the limits of a circular letter. I would say, however, that this construction is directly opposite to that placed upon the act shortly after its passage by the then Auditor and Comptroller, and that I strongly resisted that interpretation, and argued that horses WERE private or personal property within the meaning of the terms of the Act, and should be paid for as other property was. I afterwards tried to get the Secretary of War to decide the question whether horses were not personal property, and "reasonable, useful, necessary, and proper for an officer to have while engaged in the public service, in the line of duty,'' but that official refused to decide the question I raised and referred to the decision

of the Accounting Officers. I did not, however, give up hope of some day convincing the Accounting Officers of the correctness of my views, and I am glad to be able to now inform you that they have been concurred in, and the question is, I hope, finally decided.

The Act of March 3, 1885, unlike the "Horse Claims Act" of 1849, does not limit the sum to be paid for articles lost or destroyed, and hence, the full value of horses lost may be recovered. Claims allowed under this Act do not have to await the action of Congress, and payment is made AT ONCE out of a permanent appropriation. THEY MUST, HOWEVER, BE PRESENTED WITHIN TWO (2) YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE LOSS OR DESTRUCTION OF THE PROPERTY, OR BE FOREVER BARRED.

I therefore take this early opportunity to inform officers who have recently lost or are likely to lose horses in the military service of the relief which is now open to them, and to suggest that they communicate with me AT ONCE about the matter, giving full particulars of loss, and I will advise them how to proceed to recover pay.

The decision of the Accounting Officers made in 1887, by which claims for horses lost SINCE JANUARY 9, 1884, could be considered and allowed under the Act of 1849 and its amendments, was overruled in August, 1889. I think that the ruling of 1887 was correct, and should not have been overruled, and that claims for horses lost since January 9, 1884, should be considered under the Act of 1849, and I propose to make a test of the whole matter in the Court of Claims if I can get a sufficient number of cases to warrant me in doing so. To that end I invite correspondence from officers who have suffered losses of this kind, and will be pleased to communicate my terms for collection, &c.

Very respectfully,

Allan Rutherford

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GEO. P. WHITTLESEY,
FOR SIX YEARS IN THE EXAMINING CORPS AND INTERFERENCE DIVISION, U. S. PATENT OFFICE.
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DICTATED.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21, '90 18

Major General O. O. Howard,

Belmont,

Fourteenth St.,

City.

Dear General,

Your cordial letter of Feb. 20th, reached me last night.

Please to accept my sincere thanks for your kind permission to use your name as a reference.

Mrs. Whittlesey joins me in regards to yourself and Mrs. Howard.

Very truly yours,

Geo. P. Whittlesey

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Whittlesey Geo. P.

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B. S. OSBON,
No. 184 SOUTH STREET,
NEW YORK, U. S. A.

Feb 22/90.

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My dear General.

I am sending you to-day copy the Seaboard a newspaper circulating largely among naval and ex naval officers and men. in which your speech has been in part reproduced. The editors said nothing to me about the matter and the first I knew of it was when the paper came to hand last evening.

With kind regards believe me

Yours very truly

B. S. Osbon

Gen O. O. Howard U.S.A.
Governors Island
N.Y.

Feb 22/90.

Dear Mr. Hale

Dear General.

Yours of the 20th received. Yesterday we sent copy of the Chairman's resolution to the Naval Committee. We believe it will be favorably acted upon. We believe the Naval Officers are with us. We believe the Secretary will be in favor of the measure. We believe we can secure the passage of the bill if we can get the report from the Committee.

With kind regards believe me

Very truly yours

E. A. Hale

Hon. O. H. Howard U.S.A.
Governors Island
N.Y.

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14 Granite St.
New London. Conn. Feby 22 1890.

Major General O. O. Howard USA
Governor's Island. N.Y.H.

General

I respectfully invite your attention to attached slip from Army & Navy Journal, by which it will be seen that a bill has passed both Houses & is now on the way to the President for his approval, conferring brevet rank for gallant services in Indian Campaigns.

If you think, General, that I can be fairly included in the list of those recommended, by reason of services rendered in the Nez Perces campaign under

your command in the summer of 1877, I shall be ever grateful to you for such recognition -

To refresh your memory I beg leave to state, that, being at the time in command of Battery "A" 4th Artillery I started on the same day of my arrival at Fort Townsend Wash. Terry. from Fort Wrangel Alaska; for the Indian country in pursuit of the Nez Perces + followed them with you until I was wounded (in your presence) in action on the South Fork of the Clear Water, Idaho Territory on the 11th July 1877 -

Sincerely + Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
E A Bancroft
Capt USA - retired -

# ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL.

PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY.

(ESTABLISHED 1863.)

NEW YORK, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1890.

following is the text of the law under which these certificates are furnished: The law provides for the issue of discharges for the War of 1812, the Mexican War and the Rebellion, on proper proof of service.

A BRILLIANT reception and dance was given by Admiral Walker and the officers of the U. S. S. *Chicago* at Monte Carlo, Feb. 20. On the arrival of the Grand Duke and the Duchess of Leuchtenburg

# BREVET RANK.

THE following is the text of the bill, which has passed both Houses and is now on the way to the President for approval, conferring brevet rank for gallant services in Indian campaigns:

*Be it enacted, etc.*, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered at his discretion, to nominate and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint to brevet rank all officers of the United States Army now on the active or retired list who by their department commander, and with the concurrence of the Commanding General of the Army, have been or may be recommended for gallant service in action against hostile Indians since January 1, 1867.

Sec. 2. That such brevet commissions as may be issued under the provisions of this act shall bear date only from the passage of this act: *Provided, however*, That the date of the particular heroic act for which the officer is promoted shall appear in his commission.

Sec. 3. That brevet rank shall be considered strictly honorary, and shall confer no privilege of precedence or command not already provided for in the statutes which embody the rules and articles governing the Army of the United States.

Sec. 4. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

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Ridgewood, N. J.,

Feb. 24th 1890.

My dear General:

In your "Personal Reminiscences" published in the National Tribune I note that in a reference to the council of war on the night of July 2nd at Gettysburg you do not state whether Gen. Meade personally suggested or advocated retreat.

This is one of the features of the great battle on which I am in doubt.

As a participant in that noted conference will you kindly enlighten me on the subject?

I had hoped ere this to have seen your reminiscences in book form.

It would be a grand thing for the student of war history.

Truly yours,

R. S. Foster.

Gen. O. O. Howard.

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Walton F. J.

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HEADQUARTERS DIVISION OF THE ATLANTIC,

*Governor's Island, New York City,* Feby. 24 1890

Col. E. V. Sumner —
5th Cavalry.
Fort Leavenworth. Kas.

Dear Colonel,

Nothing would be pleasanter to me than to have you succeed Carpenter. I will remember what you write and see what can be done about about it. The increase of Command is at any rate very doubtful

Give affectionate remembrance to Mrs. Sumner & the Children from us all. Sincerely Yours

[Sgd] O. O. Howard
U.S.Army

769 Herkimer Str 47.
Brooklyn N. Y.
2-24-90

Gen O. O. Howard
My Dear Sir:
Please accept of the small tribute of complimentary's. All would be glad to have your Personal attendance at the Young Mens Christian Association on the evening of the 26th Inst. With best wishes for your health, happiness, and a continued long and useful life, in the future as in the past. Believe me in behalf of the Asylum Society

Very truly
Wm. H. Johnson, Supt
of B. H. C. O. Asylum

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Johnson W. F.

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Blaine James G.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE,

WASHINGTON.

Feby 24/89

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My Dear General

Mr. James E. Dodge (a nephew of Mr. Dodge who resides with us) is stirring for 2d Lieutenant of Infantry — He is mentally very bright, physically very strong, morally above the average of the young officers of the Army — If it shall please you — as I hope it may — to give him the benefit of your recommendation I will

endeavor to supplement your kind words by a direct request to Secretary Proctor —

I am anxious for him to get the appt for two reasons — 1st I am sure he will make a fine officer and second it will be a personal favor to Mr Dodge

Your friendly aid will be welcome to me

Sincerely yours

James G. Blaine

Maj. Genl O. O. Howard

Governors Island

to him and as he is studying very hard and learns and apparently deserves promotion, his father and mother, three uncles, four aunts, and thirteen cousins, all respectable, even down to the two year-olds, will be greatly gratified if he gets it.

With great regard personal, with patriotic gratitude, and theological sympathy

Yours most truly
Mary A. Dodge

Dodge Mary A.
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My dear General Howard

My Nephew, J. E. Dodge now at Madison Barracks N.Y. is very anxious to become second lieutenant. He thinks that he has satisfied the officers of his regiment that he is fully competent and worthy in every respect to fill the position, and he has been so recommended to the Department Commander.

He reports that the officers have been most kind and helpful to him but he thinks he needs assurances at head-quarters that his whole family as well as himself were all right previous to his enlistment –

I dont know precisely what I am expected to say. As we are all Calvinists, from old William Landing in Boston Harbor in 1630, down, of course we must stick to our total depravity, but otherwise I dont think we are worse than most people and we are doubtless better than some – If Jamie himself is all right, I dont think his family need be a burden

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St. John's Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew propose to hold a

**"LOAN EXHIBITION"**

next April for the purpose of raising money to pay the mortgage debt on the Church.

As Rector of the Parish I most heartily give my approval to the work and bespeak for the gentlemen the favorable consideration of all to whom they apply.

Jan. 14th., 1890. M. M. MOORE,
Rector of St. John's Parish, Springfield, Mo.

It gives me pleasure to give my cordial approval to the above plan.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 16th., 1890. DAN'L S. TUTTLE,
Bishop of Missouri.

Springfield, Mo., Feb 24 1890.

A. M. LAPHAM,
CHAS. P. OLLIS,
E. P. NEWMAN,
} Managing Committee.

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

Dear Sir

Referring to enclosed circular We desire to secure the autographs for exhibition of all the prominent men of the country Will you kindly send yours.

Very truly
A M Lapham

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Tarrytown N.Y. -
Feby - 24 - 1890

Major Genl O. O. Howard - U.S.A.
Governor's Island N.Y. -

Dear Genl:

Intending daily to call upon you relative to your Lecture I have deferred writing, and now my wife's illness detains me at home. Unless you see me before Thursday the day of the Lecture I would advise you to take the 3.55 Express from Grand Central depot - H.R.R.R. - I now expect to meet you in N.Y. - and accompany you up - otherwise will be at the depot at Tarrytown - awaiting your arrival, and if agreeable to your wishes - Mrs Sludwell and myself would be pleased to have you with us as our guest. I have forwarded you this day - our local papers - also the circulars that have been very extensively circulated - Every now bids fair for an overcrowded church -

Hoping every things is in accord with your wishes I remain Yours Most Respectfully Edwin A. Sludwell

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Studwell E. a.

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No1 BROADWAY.
New York.

Feb. 24th, '90.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

New York.

Dear General:-

I am having full size crayons made of the Commanders of the Army of the Tennessee with whom I served, and also of the Corps Commanders, for my own use, and I would be glad to have you send me a copy of what you consider the best photograph of yourself. Will you kindly send me one?

Yours very truly,

C M Dodge

Dodge G.M.

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Feb. 24th, '90.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

New York.

Dear General:-

I am having full also sketches made of the Commanders of the Army of the Tennessee with whom I served, and also of the Corps Commanders, for my own use, and I would be glad to have you send me a copy of what you consider the best photograph of yourself. Will you kindly send me one?

Yours very truly,

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Miles M.A.

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Confidential

259 Sherman Street,
Saint Paul, Minn.
February 24th 1890

My dear General,

I notice by the press that the Senate has passed the bill to confer Brevets on officers recommended for distinguished services during Indian Wars.

I am told by friends that General Crook has recommended Captain Randall (of the 23 Infantry) for Brevet Brigadier General for his services, and I know that Major Miles is entitled to as much.

I have always felt that the press has not given to the public the credit due yourself and your command for the services rendered during the Nez Perce War in 1877 and that of the Bannock Piute in 1878.

I know that my husband distinguished himself at the battles of Clearwater during the Nez Perce Campaign and at the Umatilla Agency during the Bannock Piute War.

Major Miles had during these two campaigns referred to a Colonel's command, something that seldom falls to a line officer.

I have thought about this matter before writing, and I do most earnestly ask you, (now that you have the opportunity) to recommend my husband for at least his Brevets that of Colonel and Brigadier General.

I have perfect confidence in writing you this letter, and I know that you will do all you can.

Please consider the contents of my letter confidential.

Sincerely Your friend,

Martha E. Miles

[C3-Feb 25, 1890]

To The Secretary of War

Mr R. Proctor

Dear Sir I hope you will receive my letter kindly and will see it to be that my request, which is to be, I most sincerely. My health does not permit me to come after my property here, and it is necessary that I should have assistance, therefore I want you to discharge by order Alexander Patterson of

Battery A. 5th Artillery

Regt has well served its purpose, in helping me with the affairs. I hope you will keep substantial proof of this statement, one being original letter of the photographed letter of Pressic H. J. which I send. By looking my record, you will laugh at Bill's flirts.

Yours truly

Chas R. Anderson

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Mrs R. Anderson
Pt. in a.g.o.
Filed with 16. P.R.D. 90

Requests discharge of her husband Alexander Patterson "A" 5th Artly. for favor.

~~16. 90. Disapproved~~

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**War Department,**

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, Feb. 26, 1890.

Respectfully returned to

Mrs. R. Anderson
Passaic,
N.J.

*The within-named man was of age when enlisted, and fully understood the conditions of the contract into which he entered by enlistment; and no cogent reasons for relieving him from such contract are now presented.*

*Should military reasons for his discharge exist, his case will be reported to this office by his commanding officer, when proper action will be taken.*

Assistant Adjutant General

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2d Endorsement.

Hdqts. Div. of Atlantic
Gov. Is. Mch 4, 90

Respectfully referred to Comdg Officer, Battery "A" 5th Artly thro. Comdg Officer Ft. Columbus for remarks —

By Command of Maj Gen Howard

Chas G Treat
1Lt 5 Artly. A.D.C.

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3d Endorsement.

FORT COLUMBUS, N.Y. HARBOR.
March 4. 1890.

Respectfully referred to the Commandg Officer Batty. "A" 5th Artly., inviting attention to 2d endorsement.

By order of Capt. Roberts.

J. D. Miley
2d Lieut. 5th Artillery.
Post Adjutant.

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4th Endorsement.

Battery "A" 5th Artly.
Fort Columbus, N.Y.H.
March 6th 1890.

I find that this man has already been recommended for discharge by his Captain, (Beck,) He is not a bright man, nor a very good soldier, and does drink a good deal — He has three years to serve — As he has himself applied for discharge, & the regiment may be about to move — I recommend that this discharge be granted

John McEllan,
1st Lt 5th Art
Comdg Battery "A"

5th Court.

FORT COLUMBUS N.Y. HARBOR.

March 7th 1890.

Respectfully returned.

Discharge recommended.

Tully McCrea

Major 5th Artillery

Commanding Post.

Scott Thomas H.

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Newsoms Depot
Southampton Co
Virginia
Feby. 25th 1890.

Dear General,

My own kind friend:
Your most interesting letter of 18th inst. is at hand, and contents carefully noted &c. I am living in North Carolina near the southern boundary of the above named state Va. about 1/4 of a mile, and seven miles from Newsoms, my nearest P.O. My average number of pupils is 49.40 or forty and forty hundredths for this month.
Their condition is quite bad at present, I mean as to shoes and clothing, as their parents are hardly able to feed them, as they failed so much in their crops the past year; and are terribly in debt to the land

owners; and I, in order to assist them in the way of continuing them in school, have used all my means as cash, which has left me without money toward preparing myself for future usefulness towards my race.
I would rather go lacking myself than to see them leave school. This is my reason for being so anxious.
Dear Sir. will you try and give me the sum of one hundred dollars that I may prepare myself for the Annual Conference which will come off about the last of next month, at Danville Va — ? I am yours most respectfully

Thos. N. Scott

P. O. address Newsoms Depot Southampton Co. Va.

One of 1st five that entered the Howard University in 1867

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OFFICE OF

# JOHN W. NORTHUP,

DEALER IN

## Country Property.

## KERN COUNTY LANDS A SPECIALTY.

34 KEARNY STREET.

San Francisco, Feby. 25th 1890.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard,
Governor's Island,
N. Y.

My dear General:

I find on looking over the delinquent tax list of San Diego Co. that your sec. 16, Tp 11 S. 11 E. is assessed for $13 51. You should send at once that amt. to the Tax collector of San Diego Co. San Diego; and it would be well to add $1 extra to pay costs &c.

I acknowledge receipt of form of assignment sent you on 6th inst.

Yours very truly,
John W. Northup

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Northup J. W.

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Wilson J. G. 25

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sum. The payment of $50.00 constitutes a Life Member. Terms of subscription for the RECORD, $2.00 per annum in advance. Subscriptions, which are solicited, may be sent to Dr. GEORGE H. BUTLER, Treasurer, Berkeley Lyceum, No. 19 West 44th Street, New York. Meetings are held on the second Friday evening of each month (excepting July, August, and September), at the Society's Hall, No. 19 West 44th Street, when papers are read and addresses delivered on subjects for the most part, but not exclusively, relating to the State of New York. Meetings are also held on the fourth Friday evening of each month, of a business and conversational character, with occasional addresses.

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15, East Seventy-fourth St, 25 Feby 1890

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My dear General

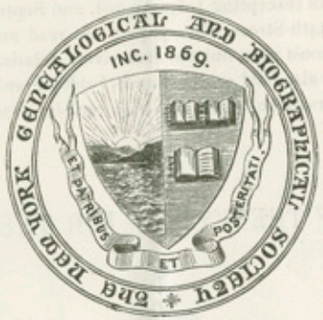
Will it be agreeable to you to address our Society on the fourteenth of March, on General Grant or any other subject that you may prefer? Many of our members and most visitors that you should do so, and in case you happen to have an engagement for March 14th, could you come to us on the second Friday evening in April - the Eleventh? Believe me,

Very faithfully yours

Jas Grant Wilson

General Howard USA

*"Those who do not treasure up the memory of their ancestors do not deserve to be remembered by posterity."*—EDMUND BURKE.




# New York Genealogical and Biographical Society.

This Society, which was organized and incorporated nearly a score of years ago, has for its chief objects :

FIRST—To collect and print, in an enduring form, the scattered records of the early inhabitants of the Colony of New Netherland and the Province and State of New York, and to preserve the pedigrees of their families; also, as far as practicable, those of other American families. This the Society is successfully accomplishing, through the medium of a periodical known as the "NEW YORK GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD, devoted to the interests of American Genealogy and Biography," edited by several competent members of the Society, and now in the nineteenth year of its publication. The eighteen octavo bound volumes of the RECORD contain many of the ancient records of the Dutch and other New York Churches, which are invaluable to those interested in their family history.

SECOND—To add to its large and valuable library of several thousand volumes, which already contains many works that are rare and difficult to obtain—American biography, family genealogies, town, county, and other local histories ; and various volumes relating to the above and kindred subjects. The Library may be consulted on every week day excepting in July, August, and September, when the rooms are open on Tuesday and Friday afternoons.

THIRD—With a view to increase the usefulness of the Society, and for the purpose of enabling it to add to its fund for the erection of a fire-proof building to contain the Society's archives and library, the undersigned cordially request that, should the aims and objects of the Society commend themselves to your judgment, you will become a member of the same. For admission the candidate must be nominated by a member, and be approved and elected at a regular meeting. The initiation fee is $5.00 and an annual payment of the like

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Zullig Arnold

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Feb 26, 1890

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Gen. O. O. Howard
N. York City

Sir,

I called at your house this afternoon; it was to obtain, if possible, your signature for the appeal of the Committee of the Protestant Palatinate for the Erection of the Memorial Church, at Spires on Rhine, of the famous Protestation (1529 April 19th). The scope of this appeal is the drawing nearer of all Protestant Christians of every creed & clime for the better fulfilment of their Mission

in these perilous times
to all mankind.
Prominent men in America have given
their sympathy & signatures
to this timely enterprise.—
I was told, I might
see you on Saturday
about 9. a. m. I refer by
permission to General
Josiah Porter, G. Cdr. S. N.Y.;
also. Mr C. E. Seitz
(late of Seitz & Gould
#9 E. Pine Street, this City.
The Secretary of the
Evangelical Alliance,
Mr. Josiah Strong,
wrote to me, he thought
it a good plan to lay
that Cause before you also.
With the expression
to you of high esteem
O. O. Howard Arnold Pillig.
(To M. L. Muhlemann 3 Waverley Place N.Y. City
Feb 26 '90

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YOUNG MEN'S INSTITUTE
OF THE
Young Men's Christian Association of the City of New York,
222 & 224 BOWERY,
E. C. BALDWIN, SECRETARY.

Feby 26. 90.

General O. O. Howard

Dear Sir:

We are arranging for young men for a series of Sunday evening services in our Lecture Hall to be addressed by prominent individuals in this city.

At the suggestion of Mr. R. R. McBurney I write to you to ask you if it would be possible to secure your services as a speaker on the evening of April 6th at 8 o'clock (Easter Sunday).

Your early reply will greatly oblige

Yours very respectfully

E. C. Baldwin

Secretary

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Editorial Rooms.

February 26th 1890.

The Youth's Companion,

Boston, Mass.

My dear Sir:—

I approach you on a matter which calls for some degree of diffidence, if, indeed, it may not appear to you to require effrontery. It is this: we are very desirous of having General Sherman write a brief article for the series to which you have contributed the admirable sketch

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extremely kind things about the paper, we have thought that, with your customary good-nature, you would perhaps convey our invitation to him. We do not ask him for a long article, nor for a contribution that would mark any serious reaction in his leisure, all we venture to hope for is a few informal Reminiscences

of the "phenomenal scout", and we are sanguine enough to believe that if he knew of the great audience of young Americans he could reach through our columns he might be persuaded to yield to our wish. He is so pestered by the applications of smaller and inferior publications, however, that we fear, since he possesses no personal knowledge of the

Companion, he would be inaccessible if he were applied to through ordinary channels. If on the contrary the matter were presented to him through some friend in whose testimony he would have confidence we feel that his acquiescence might be even. Now, as you are one of our most valued contributors, and as you have been good enough to say some

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The Youth's Companion,

Boston, Mass.

such as he could jot down to his Secretary in a few hours. Two subjects occur to me:

1. Boy Soldiers I have Known.

2. Reminiscences of my Boyhood.

Either of these would suit us to perfection.

Are we presuming too much in questioning whether it is possible

for you to take our message to him?

We are assured that if it reached him through so distinguished an intermediary he would not hesitate to comply, especially if it were pointed out to him that he would be speaking to fifty thousand and a half million American South. As to the honorarium we should be most happy to place the sum of four hundred dollars at his disposal for an article equal in length to about a column and a half of the New York Tribune.

Trusting that you will pardon this trespass on your kindness,

I am, my dear Sir,

Faithfully Yours,

William H. Ridering.

To Gen. O. O. Howard, U.S.A.

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Copy of Telegram received from Havana Feby 26/90

Gen'l Butterfield
26 West 56 St N.Y.

Thanks for your telegram and two letters received today. We expect to return to Europe via New York about Easter. Rejoice to see our old comrades. Will remain here until eighth March & keep you posted.

Leonte Paris.

Dictated

Dear General Howard:-

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36 West 56th St, N.Y.

Feb, 26, 1890.

Dear General Howard:-

Will you kindly send me the name and address of any old Army of Potomac officers who used to know or meet the Count of Paris or Duc de Chartres at Army or Corps Head-quarters.

It is possible, by my letters from them, that they will be here soon and I would like to ask any of their old acquaintances and friends to meet them if opportunity offers.

Please consider this confidential.

Very truly yours.

David Wakefield

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McMahon
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Calvary Baptist Church Study
Wash. D.C. Feb. 26-'90

Hon. R. P. Porter,
Supt. Census.

Sir; - Permit me to beg your especial consideration to the application of Miss Ivah Richards of this City for employment in your office. I have personally known the applicant for more than five years, and commend her as a young lady of more than usual intelligence, industry, and efficiency. Her family without exception are among our most worthy citizens. Her father's failing health renders employment necessary on her part. For any favor shown her I shall be personally grateful. Respectfully yours

Samuel H. Greene Pastor Calvary Church.

This was an after thought to ask you to help Miss R. So I seem to have an ax to grind for some one else.

Torrance Geo. S.

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Apr. 4-11-90

Dear Gen. I give you on the other page a copy of a letter that speaks for its self. Mr Richards was discharged as electrician at police head quarters 2 or 3 years ago. He had slipped down on the ice & has been helpless abed a good share of the time since. There are two daughters - the older teaches school & when her vacation comes - the supply for medicine & support of the family will be cut off. If you can consistently give the other one = equal a letter to R.P. Porter asking that Miss Richards be appointed I think he would do it & I should be glad of course. Yours truly

Geo. S. Torrance

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New York, Feby. 26th, '90

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Governors Island, N. Y.

Esteemed Friend:-- We are very much in need, at the Outing office, for one or two days reference, of a copy of 'The United States Military List,' published by the U. S. Publishing Co. If you have such a book will you kindly loan it to us for that length of time, and very greatly oblige?

I have promised myself for sometime to call over and pay you a visit, but unfortunately the work of the office is exceedingly engrossing, and I sincerely hope when you are in the city uptown you will remember your old friend and give him the pleasure of a call.

Very sincerely yours,

Jas. H. Worman
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Law Offices of
Alexander P. Ketchum,
Cotton Exchange Building,
4 William Street.
TELEPHONE "JOHN 360"

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New York, February 27th, 1890.

Maj. Gen. O.O. Howard,
U. S. A.

My Dear General:-

My friend, Mr. Charles D. Miller, recently president of the Cotton Exchange and now one of its leading officers, desires to confer with you respecting some matters of special interest.

His father was, I believe, a prominent officer of the army, and lost his life during the war. He is among the members of our Presbyterian Union, and I beg to commend him to your consideration with the hope that you may be able to be of service to him in connection with the matter he desires to confer with you about.

Yours sincerely,

A. P. Ketchum

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# HEADQUARTERS DIVISION OF THE MISSOURI,

CHICAGO, ILL., February 27th, 1890.

Confidential.

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

New York.

My dear General,

I have reason to believe that there is great danger that the measure proposed by the Secretary of War, authorizing the removal of the Chiricahuas from Mount Vernon Barracks, Alabama, to Fort Sill, Indian Territory,- may be defeated owing to the objections made by certain interested portions of the Arizona, New Mexico and Pacific Coast press, based, ostensibly, on the grounds that their presence at Fort Sill would be a constant menace to the safety of Arizona and New Mexico,- though it must be evident to all of them as well as to us, that there is really not the slightest danger to be apprehended from this cause.

The associated press dispatches state that General Miles is using his influence to defeat this measure. In as much as the location is the same as proposed and urged by this officer in 1886, when danger from this source might be expected to exist probably it would appear that his opposition was based rather on personal grounds, than a desire that these Indians should be treated with humanity and justice.

Their condition makes it urgent that something be done in their behalf, and whatever is done, should be done at once. The

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HEADQUARTERS DIVISION OF THE MISSOURI,

CHICAGO, ILL., ..... 18

defeat of the pending bill would probably prevent any favorable action for years, if ever. My only interest in the matter is that these Indians, many of whom have performed valuable services for the government, should be treated with humanity and justice, and be given an opportunity for life, under conditions where advancement and self-support is possible.

Under present circumstances I can do little to aid in securing justice, but it has occurred to me, knowing the deep interest you take in the matter,- that your extended acquaintance with the philanthropic and religious element of the East, who have always stood ready to espouse the cause of those needing help, would enable you to secure their influence in a form which would have great weight with Congress. Your son understands the question thoroughly and his assistance would, I think, aid materially at this juncture.

Whatever is done, should be done immediately, before the enemies of the bill succeed in poisoning the minds of the Committee You know it is much easier to defeat than to insure the success of a measure.

Very truly yours,

Geo. Crook

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for any service. If I was not afraid of exhausting you I could mention a thousand good reasons for this move; at any rate, such a command would raise the tone of all the Cavalry and wake up some people who have been asleep ever since the war. I would hesitate General to write to any body else in this way, for fear of being misunderstood, but you know that I have always been an enthusiastic Cavalryman and that my chief desire is a real and true interest in the service and that that interest is not owned to a wish for personal favor or comfort. If you will look over the list of Cavalry Colonels you will fail to find many younger whom an officer can serve with any profit, who desires the advance of his Corps with the advance of the age.

I appeal to you to save me from such a fate while I yet have health and strength to perform full duty.

My God E. R. S. Canby

I am General very sincerely
Your ob't
E. R. S. Canby
Maj Gen

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Personal

# Headquarters Department of the Missouri,

Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, February 27th, 1890.

My dear General -

Of course I knew you would write me encouragingly, and kindly, and not return my letter through the Adjutant General, but I must impose upon your good nature still further, for I fear you do not understand me exactly. I do not wish to elbow Col Carpenter out of his nice place simply to get on for myself, and did not think of doing so, but wrote you merely to say that if a change was thought of, I would like to be considered; in view of what I have now to state. I am not particularly anxious about Fort Myer, what I want is a command of four troops of Cavalry (or better six.) My letter can be done with two troops as you know, but with a suitable number I have an earnest wish to try and see what can be done in our Country, at this time, in the way of working

a Cavalry Command up to the standard of modern ideas and tactics, which implies that every man in the ranks shall be a good horseman, a good shot with Carbine and pistol, a tolerable swordsman, and a thorough scout with knowledge of out post and picket duty, and sufficient self reliance to perform that duty intelligently. To accomplish this, would tax the best endeavors of any Commander. Even under the most favorable circumstances, and what I mean by going to Meyer is, that at that post, the necessary conditions exist to a greater extent for the purpose than any where else, at this time; then both General Schofield and myself would sustain and approve where others would more likely block the way - and the occasional opportunities for display would strengthen the demand for extra work and call forth the pride of every soldiers in stirring them up to do their best -

You are aware that it is impossible to accomplish more than just so much at a dull frontier post when every body is asleep most of the time, and that it is equally out of the question to get up sufficient spirit among Officers & men to carry out the idea proposed.

You have no Cavalry in your Division to speak of and now that there is no longer any danger of Indian troubles, there can be no good reason why Cavalry should not be stationed in the East as well as the West; Rail Road facilities are such that they could be transported quickly in any direction and the expense of keeping would be less. My favorite situation would be near the centre of Kentucky, as a home, with permission, in proper season, to roam all over the country East & West, In that climate we could drill all the year round and no possible excuse could be made for not having the command always in condition and ready

S. A. Fisher.

Country Real Estate.

at Vassalts.

121 Montgomery St. Room 4.

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San Francisco. Cal.

Geo. Thompson

San Fran Co Feby 27th
1890

Geo Howard
N.Y.

Dr Sir

I believe you still hold a half section of land down on the Weed Patch in Kern County Calª, to wit the South ½ of Section 107 T 31 S R 29 E MD B & M.

If this is for sale please let me know at your earliest convenience

Yours Obligd

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Dennison Mary A.

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1402 - 14th st. N.W.
Washington D.C.
28th Feb. 1890.

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General O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

I should have thanked you before this, for your very kind reply to my letter of enquiry. I have written to Mr. Wil-liams, and hope to have an answer soon.

Very respectfully yours,

Mary A. Denison.

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1010 Madison Avenue
Baltimore Md
2 Feb 28. 90

Major General
O. O. Howard, U.S.A.
Comdg Mil Div of the Atlantic

General,

Having been mentioned by you in your report for conspicuous services in the Nez Perces campaign on Camas Meadows August 1877,

I will thank you if you will recommend me for a Brevet Lieut Colonel. I have written to General Miles requesting his, for conspicuous conduct against the Sioux Indians in the spring of 1877, for a Brevet Major.

The bill has passed & received the approval of the President, as reported in the morning papers. I have reference to the bill conferring brevet ranks for conspicuous conduct in Indian campaigns since 1867.

I have several friends in the Senate who will urge conferring the honor.

I am very truly Yours
R. Ulmoor
Captain U.S.A.
Retired

Please reply

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B. T. WASHINGTON, PRINCIPAL. WARREN LOGAN, TREASURER.

Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute,

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For Training Colored Teachers.

Rev. John W. Whittaker, Chaplain.

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Tuskegee, Ala., Feb. 28, 1890

Gen'l O. O. Howard.
Governor's Island
New York City
N. Y.

Dear Friend

We feel that those who give to aid a pupil in our school would like to know something personally of the pupil aided.

Last year you gave $50.00 to assist a young man here in his studies.

Enclosed is his letter. Perhaps you can gather some idea of him from his letter. He is in one of our lowest

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classes, but we feel if he can be kept in school till he finishes, he will be the means of much good. We can assure you that he is a worthy pupil. We hope your interest in him may be kept up and that he may be enabled to remain in school till he finishes.

Very truly,

John W. Whittaker

B. T. WASHINGTON, PRINCIPAL. WARREN LOGAN, TREASURER.

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# TUSKEGEE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE.

FOR TRAINING COLORED TEACHERS.

Tuskegee, Ala., Feb. 28, 1890

Dear Friend,

I being requested by my teacher to write to you, I take very much pleasure in doing so. I was born in Greene boro, Ala. My advantage for school was very poor. My parents were not able to send me to school when I was small. I entered this school Jan. 8. the 1889. I am very much devoted to this school. I am in the A Preparatory class. I am studying all I can to make the next class, for I think it my duty to go and do good for my people. I am praying each day that I may soon finish and do the good that is here for me to do. I am a christian. I have been one for nearly eight years. I study, arithmetic, Reading, Grammar, Geography, Spelling, and I like my studies very much. My work that I do here is waiting in the Teachers home and the teachers are very kind, and they try to teach us

to live in the fear of the Lord that we all may be blessed this term, I do thank you for the money that you send here to help me along in this school, I do pray that the Lord will bless the cheerful giver we are trying to raise a scholarship for our school in memory of Mrs. Olivia Davidson Washington, I try to give a little in the name of the Lord, Very truly your friend.

Allen Harris