New York, April 25th, 1890

Major General C. A. Howard
U.S.A. Comds Division Atlantic
Governor Island Ny.

The matter was discussed in Washington
beyond the time announced for calling your
in reference to Keller Park Fair, and would
like to call at Governor Island Monday or
Tuesday at your address for that purpose.

If you will kindly write at any expense,
at what hour it would suit you to have
me call you would obliges your respectfully
F. Irsch
Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Comrade,

I see by my receipt that you arrived here last Wednesday to see if it was possible for you to give them a 30 minute talk in their room at 4 PM Sunday, May 25th.

They informed me that they have a dinner on the subject and that you have replied stating of your engagement to the Park that evening and asking if they could make appointments and make one talk anon.
for both parties. This they say can not be done as they always have a distinct and separate meeting inside the Cadets at the Military School. Also, some of the local Militia come to have a course of long apparatus for the day, and for someone to give a short practical talk to the audience.

This is the vacant situation, and they know with such a gentleman as you to lecture to them that success promised &
assured and thruming, perhaps without ground that a word from one might have some limit to it. I have requested one to address you on the subject and I know he would like to have a favorable and speedy answer so they can make arrangement immediately.

I have just seen the Post Commander who has the arrangement of the evening's dump and he says that he has no objection if you are disposed to give them a little of...
fair time and it would be appr
created & all that would circuit
them selves of your kindness.

The post are delighted at the per
fect of having your appear before them
in your Regulation uniform as you
consented to do, when with you in Phil-
adelphia.

Should you think it consis-
tent to accommodate the young Miss Case,
you can address them or myself to suit your
convenience.

Respectfully yours

[Signature]
April 25, 1890

Majr. Gen'nl. O. O. Howard,

My Dear Sir,

We are expecting you in Montclair on Sunday Evening according to the engagement made several weeks ago. You told me on Monday Ev'ng. at the Congregational Club that you would take the train leaving New York at 4:30 via the Pennsylvania R. R. for

Bradford A.H.
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Accompany your lady to the Market Street Station in Newark, or rather leave the train here, and you will be met by some of our people at the Station with a carriage. The drive to Montclair is a refreshingly pleasant one of only about half an hour. Suppose you come out onto the street as you leave the train, and I will have you met by some one who will recognize you. So you need give yourself no concern except to get to Newark, Market Street Station.
April 25th, 1890.

General O. O. Howard,
Governor’s Island, New York Harbor

My dear General Howard:

Mr. Kiliaen Van Rensselaer tells me that it may be possible for you to be at the dedicatory services of our new church, on Sunday afternoon, May 18th. That service is to be, particularly, the taking possession of the building by the younger part of our community. An address from you would greatly add to the enjoyment and profit of the occasion. I know that you are overwhelmed with applications for such services, but if you can make it possible to rejoice with us at that time and to say something that shall increase their interest in the church and their zeal in Christian work we shall all be most glad.

Hoping that you can make it convenient to render this favor, I am

Yours most sincerely,

[Signature]
April 8th, 1940.

General O. Howard
Congressional Inquiry, New York, New York.

Mr. General Howard:

Mr. Kitterman, your recommendation tells me that it may be possible for you to be of the highest service to our new country on Sunday afternoon. I wish that service to be participated in by the time we prepare our community. I agree with you very much and to the enjoyment of any part of the occasion. I know that you are developing with application for your service, but if you can make it possible to work in something that will increase their interest in the country and their need in connection with your work, I will be most happy.

Hop that you can make it convenient to reach there that I may

Your very sincerely,

[Signature]
DEAR SIR: The following communication, unanimously adopted by our Post, was ordered forwarded to you without delay, for your especial information:

With no little concern the comrades of the G. A. R., and soldiers of the late war, irrespective of political affiliations, are watching the laws you are enacting and failing to enact. With pain we observe the great temerity shown when anything that relates to doing justice to those who served below the rank of General comes before your honorable body. We note that when those high in station come before you, you either place them upon the retired list of the army or pension them or their wives at a sum per month which is given yearly to one of us would be but an act of justice long delayed. It might shock the pure patriots of Wall Street and the pseudo reformers in general, but justice and mercy would be done to the deserving by the nation. We endorse the placing of officers, who by merit attained eminence in the army, on the retired list or themselves or their wives on the pension roll; but many soldiers who served in the ranks are the peers of the General who led them to battle, and in their sphere did their duty quite as well. Their children are as dear to them, they sacrificed as much and even more in many cases, and in degree are entitled to equal recognition. They left home and friends in the flower of youth to save the national unity, for a mere pittance of eleven, thirteen and sixteen dollars per month. They passed four years of trial such as God forbid coming generations from ever seeing. They surrendered every opportunity for advancement or self elevation, while those who stood at home availed themselves of our lost opportunity for advancement, and when we returned with victory upon our banners, a firmly united country, having made a stable financial system possible, and established a basis for such wealth as no government ever before saw, the great majority of us were left behind in the race, by disabled bodies, broken constitutions or enfeebled wills. Many are in the poor houses or begging from door to door. Of what avail or what comfort will a small pittance from the government be to the few too old to enjoy it. Does it do us or our wives and children any good to have a beautiful stone mark our graves when dead, when the lack of meat, clothes and a home hurrius us to the grave?

The nation exists to-day by our conduct on the battlefield. Our enfeeblement is the government's stability. Therefore those who did not suffer have right, and just right, to bear part of our burdens. We beg to inform you that the rank and file of the old soldiers and comrades of the G. A. R. is not made up of Gen. Hawley, who with the advantages of a collegiate education is now pensioned by large salary, and does not know what want means, and others who oppose our interests by misrepresenting the sentiment of the old soldier as did the plethoric judge at the late Loyal Legion meeting in Philadelphia. The money interests control a servile press obey, but the time has come when the old soldier will vote for the man who dares to do justice to him, regardless of party, as he dares to do for his country on the battle field.

Opponents of justice to us are fond of quoting this and that soldier's opinion against pensions, especially that of General Grant, our great Captain. But when Gen. Grant came near to death's door, when he was likely to leave his loved ones to want, he did not refuse to accept the bounty of the government, but accepted it gladly, and there is not an honorable soldier living but is glad that he got it. Suppose you that in our sphere was our service less honorable! are our hearts less fond of our loved ones? is there a monopoly of love among the great that they only should be taken care of when we are as much of the people as they, and this is a government of the people, by the people and for the people.

Many of you will vote for the present tariff bill before the House, to pay two cents per pound for every pound of sugar manufactured in this country, seven cents per pound for fresh coconuts and a dollar a pound for reeled silk, to encourage special industries in certain parts of the country, and help certain capitalists accumulate fortunes, while there is hardly a hamlet or township throughout the land that does not contain some prematurely old comrade who lost his health and is now living a lingering death, fighting against disease within and adverse circumstances without, and must pass to his grave at an age when he should be in the prime of life. He gave the best years of his youth to make this a coherent nation in fact, and made it possible for you gentlemen to legislate for us.

And now, after distinct pledges for what should be done for us, you seem about to offer us a homeopathic dose of soothing syrup out of the pension committee's bottle, known as the "Morrill Bill." We urge you to consider well before you lend aid to the passage of a measure that makes such a wide difference between what you are and have been doing for the leaders and the rank and file. What will satisfy all classes and be the most worthy your efforts, is:

First: The final passage of the Dependent bill as proposed by the Committee representing the Grand Army of the Republic.

Second: A per diem and service pension bill that will do some good, and not one that will only apply to the few who may happen to be living at the age of sixty-two years, when those are dead who for years fought a continual battle against starvation, while the country we saved has an overflowing treasury.

By order of the Post.

[Signature]
Post Commander.
Mason General O. O. Howard,

My dear Sir,

We find that it would not be possible to continue the two meetings May 20th to 21st if you think you could give us a short Gospel address of not more than twenty minutes. We shall invite the militia and E.C.R. and many other young men would be present. If this will not over tax you it would be a great blessing to us. I am now,

Yours very sincerely,

[Signature]
Grants Birthday.
General Horace Porter, chairman.
requests the pleasure of
Gen. O. O. Howard's company.
Saturday, April twenty sixth, 1890.
at half past six o'clock.
at a banquet to be given at
Delmonico's.
Fifth Avenue and 26th St.
New York City.
to commemorate the birth of
General U. S. Grant.

An early answer will oblige, addressed to
J. Adriance Bush, Esq.
16 Wall St., New York.
Maj. Gen. C. S. Howard,
Commanding, Atlantic Division,
N. J. Army.

Governor Island.

Dear General:

State Soty

Res. A. Hall resides in Washington
N. J where you are addressing an
Endeavour Society Meeting tomorrow
evening. A line just read from him (Sat.
19th) asks me to request you to the
Initiation there as relates to Y.M.C.A
work. They had an Irish which died
several years ago—about two years ago
W. Blackie of New York started them off at
a White Cross Army Meeting and told them
they ought to found an Association. Stoll
wrote to consider as personal work. Some
by men younger and older signed a letter
saying they should go into their Y.M.C.A
organization. Two Pastors Dr. Bradford of
Cing. Alderson of 1st Pre. Church and
A—on past. I saw them about it—but
before I saw letters—they had conferred.
and decided to approve the movement
as soon as the young men learned that
they at once ceased all action.

At this time following is a
Monument culminated in the building of
Costly Commodities Club house costing about
and $30,000. Both Pastors were at the
opening game of their Central Park.

With 7,500 people there is need
of an able and abundant ability financially
and an unquenching force to carry it on. But as
for those Pastors are in that way

Knowing thus the situation you
may be able to help something helpful.

Our Gentlemen is about to spend
Christmas work for Boys – at his own expense
or nearly so – the work will probably prove
failure and also be in the essay of Y.M.C.A.
work among Boys. Some of the Endowment
men thinks their organization meets the needs
of the place – It has its place and does
a good work but cannot fill the floor of a
Y.M.C.A. If you see a place that put me in a

correctly the ass in and what it can
for such a place we will be obliged
if it does not state you favorably do not
trouble yourself to speak of it.

The work in your state is improving

YoursVery Truly,
Daniel J. Moore.
Washington, D.C.
April 26, 1890

Maj. Genl O.C. Howard,
Department of the East,
Governor Island, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to express to you my sincere thanks for your letter commending me to Geul Greene B. Ruell, Commissioner of Pensions, which letter you wrote for me at the request of my very kind friend Charles E. Douglas.

It was my good fortune to obtain this place in the Pension Bureau shortly after the death of my husband C. N. Otis, and I fear I have kept up the credit of the school on which your name is bestowed and have reflected no discredit upon your judgement in speaking favorably of me. I believe that...
all who work with us at the university should you now its head have done measureably well each in his sphere. We are all proud of the fact of having been directly under your guidance and for myself remember we will treasure many smiling greetings among those a much needed rebuke which was not lost on me part but which you doubted have forgotten. It has helped me many a time since I have been in this office to curb my indignation and be silent.

I presented your letter to Gen'l Roon and he received me with much kindness at which I was agreeably surprised for I was actually trembling at the news that he disliked colored people. It was so that I lost the letter of the ranking Major General. But he was very courteous in promising to look into my record and graciously took hand in dismissing me. I do not know that I shall receive the promotion, but I
but it will come for it beoke to me & also to
see interested parties as if I had been neglected.
Strong naturally as there is no one to advance
my claim & my record has been lost eight
except to severe me responsible work from
my immediate superior. I am the only
old female clerk in the Pension Bureau,
and have worked hard to get up to the place I
now occupy.

Again, in thanking you for the honor
confided upon me by the writer of your letter,
even if I do not yet advanced, & praying that
the Heavenly Father may always smile upon
you and your,

I am most respectfully yours,

Mary H. Steg

Firmly, Mary H. Steg, of
Howard University "Class of 1874"
O. O. Howard
Dear General,

I have sent

for the enclosed to see if
it is correct as far as it
goes, and if you will allow
me to use it in one of
our Daily Papers on Satur-
day morning, May 24th, the
day you arrive in this
City. You see this is very
incomplete and if need
would be obliged to be ad-
ded to by some one of your
Military family. That
as familiar with your
life, where I have left
it, which I confess I
am not Some por-
y of my crude report may
not suit you, and may
be incorrect in some of
the details, but this you
could rectify to suit
the facts as they should
be. This newspaper
report would be very in-
teresting matter for our
people, for your cam-

daign in the Plains
after the War by the Reb-

ellion is a Thrilling
story in the free, and
the complimentary record
of the 4 years of civil strife
will make an impres-


self and am certainly not trying to do any thing that will reflect any honor on your good name. am not trying to make any self conscious in the least, as I am as far in the background that my humble self or name does not appear on the muster roll even, but it is an opportunity that the weakest instrene ment has the chance to do you honor and credit. Should you think it advisable to drop this when it is. I will not take it am.
as it is a matter that
no one but you should
have my doce in, for
I can use say that it
would be exceedingly grat
if going to your loyal frien
do to see our papers han
just a little of your life
dutie so well done.

4 weeks from this evening
you are with us, and
I shall have some of
my military friends drop
in and see you during
the evening, and will
meet you at the depot
Saturday at 4:17 P.M. on
train that leaves N.J. at
11 AM, if that will
suit your convenient
Addressed a letter to you
to day on anther sub-
ject which I suppose
I shall hear from you and if anything comes up that will interest you between now and May 24th will advise you at once.

Yours very truly

[Signature]

Mann Roland Johnson
San Antonio, Texas
April 26th, 1890

General O. O. Howard
U.S. Army
Governor's Island, N.Y.

Dear General:

Your favor of 21st inst. came duly at hand,

I desire to thank you for remembering me so kindly by placing my name on your list.

It is eventually recommended for the service rendered at the Indian War of the North West.

Should the General in the charge

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contemplated decide to go to Chicago, in command of the Mil Div to The Missouri which includes in the Divison the Dept of Texas, and you should at any time in the future forget Texas would ask that the General if possible make my name yours should you remain in San Antonio. I think I can safely say there is not an officer in this Dept who has served so long a term directly under your command from 1862 to 1879 as myself, and for this reason would claim seniority in having you as any

guest, providing seniority would count in such instance.

Mrs Preston join me in asking you to kindly remember me to Mr. Howard and the family.

Your very truly,

Chas. C. Creighton
Maj. Gen. O.C. Howard,

Governor's Island, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Permit us to call your special and immediate attention to advance sheets of our new book, "Light on Life's Highway," mailed you to-day.

Doubtless you well know the author, Rev. Wayland Hoyt, D.D., now of Minneapolis, but formerly of Cincinnati, Brooklyn, Boston and Philadelphia, and you well know that in all these cities Dr. Hoyt has won the foremost place as a worker, a thinker, and a pulpit orator.

It is not too much to declare, that in this book of over 600 pages, the very quintessence of his life work will be found. We had hoped to send you the complete book, but delay in a few of the illustrations, has prevented this; we therefore send simply these selected sheets, which will show you the style of the book, its contents, its illustrations, etc.

What we desire is, that from these sample pages and your
Dear Sir:

Permit me to call your special and immediate attention to advance sheets of our new book, "Right on Time, History," which you are now preparing for publication.

Professor you will know the author, Rev. W. H. Lang, and many of his pamphlets have been published in these offices. He has now the foremost place as a worker, a thinker, and a printer.

It is not too soon to get down to business, first in this book of over 600 pages, the many discrepancies of the life work will be pointed out. We had hoped to send you the complete book, but gather a few of the important facts and publish them in a few of the leading papers, which will show you the state of the book.

We are of the impression, and it is correct.
Gen. O. O. H. Z.

Personal knowledge of Dr. Hoyt, you will favor us with an expression of your opinion at the earliest possible moment.

We are confident that the whole force of Dr. Hoyt's book lies in the direction of your life's efforts, and therefore do not hesitate to ask this preliminary commendation.

If you will favor us with your judgment upon these advance sheets, we will cheerfully send you one of the earliest copies of the book, when complete.

Please favor us with your early response, and oblige,

Yours very truly,

John Y. Huber Co.
Dear Mr. Johnson,

I am writing to express my concern regarding the recent developments in our department. I have noticed a significant delay in the progress of our project and believe that immediate action is necessary.

The delay is primarily due to the lack of coordination among the team members. It seems that there is a disconnect between the different departments, which is hindering the overall efficiency of the project.

I would like to propose a meeting with all the stakeholders to discuss the issues and come up with a solution. I believe that by addressing these concerns, we can ensure the timely completion of the project.

Please let me know if you are available to discuss this matter further.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
Memorial and Executive Committee,

Headquarters, Room 14, Basement, City Hall.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
OF KINGS COUNTY.

Department of New York.

Brooklyn, April 26, 1890.

Gentlemen,

My dear Sir and Conrade,

I am directed by the Committee on Public Ceremonies of the Memorial and Executive Committee Grand Army of the Republic Kings County to extend to you a special invitation to participate in the review of the parade of this body and other ceremonies in the observance of Memorial Day (May 30th next).

Treating that you and your staff will honor us with honoring the memory of our fallen comrades, I remain,

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

Chairman.
4/27/90.

Dear Sir:

I sent my personal service state meet up to you through Gen. Wheeler, for your remarks, as this course seemed to be required. But the paper should also pass through the hands of the J. Adm. Gen. So will you be good enough to transmit it to...
Col. Lieber, she will send it to the Adj. Gen. of the Army from the Bureau of Mili. Justice?
Yes, that is at St. P. Curtis.
J. A. Din.
Brownsville, N.Y. April 27th 19__

To General Howard

Commanding Sir of attack

Dear Sir,

In regard to the letter which I send for you to see which I received by the kindess whom you have taken in my case I would say I have not heard one word from my husband Capt Garner of 1st Indiana. I am very sorry to say General that my husband Capt Garner is not telling the truth he is giving is telling falsehoods. I do not think he ever intended to take care of the child. I have taken a lawyars advise on the matter he can not have the child even if he wants too for I have had all the trouble and expense of raising the child and I shall keep the child.

but he must do something for me surely a husband and a father should have some feeling for a wife and child when he dosent spend a few dollars a month to help me along I have a very hard time to get along and surely my husband should send me a little money to help me along. I beg for General for the trouble I am giving you but if you knowed how hard it is for me to get along by getting a day work when ever I can to keep me and my child you would say poor woman Please General try once more and see if my husband will not assist me in my prayer.

Your most Respectfully

Margaret Gardner

Brownsville

N.Y.