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J. A. SLADEN, MANAGER.

Portland, Or., May 22, 1890.

Major General Howard.

My dear General:

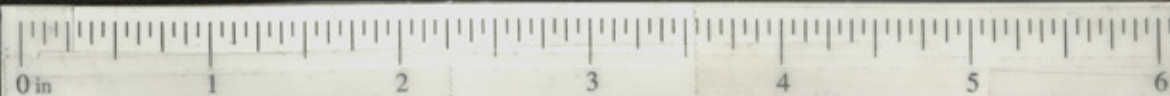
We were pleased at home to read your letter, and your very generous invitation to visit you and to take in Fred's graduation. It was kind and thoughtful of you, and we know you mean it, and how much we wish we were able to avail ourselves of it! But it cannot be. It is too far off, and the cost is so great that, much as we should like to see Fred take his leave of the Academy, we shall have to forego that pleasure, and the pleasure of seeing you all.

I often think of you and wish that Providence had so adjusted matters that we should not have been quite so far separated.

Now that Grace has come over to Portland we see them oftener, though they took a residence in a distant part of the city. Grace and the Captain, and two of the children, were at our house last Saturday night. They are not satisfied with their house and are looking for one in our neighborhood. Mrs. Howard and Bessie will remember where that is, and though it is a long way from our business, the electric cars and street railroads of various kinds, brings it closer to the business centre, and the large amount of building, since they were here, makes it seem not quite so far in the country as it did then.

I am anxious to see where Fred will light, in the Army. He will not have such a choice as his capabilities should have given him, but he is a reckless boy and will undoubtedly get what he is entitled to. I am in hopes that he will get into some regiment that will bring him near home for a while, but I have as yet no idea what he is asking for. He has a weakness for the cavalry, but I think the days of Cavalry service are over, in this country, and I hope he will not get it. My choice for him ^{would} have been Artillery. If he gets the 14th Infantry he will get rapid promotion, and I suppose that is the great thing to be looked after. He will come out about the middle of the class, probably, a little below I hope.

Capt. Gray I see frequently during business hours, and he seems always busy which is our indication for believing that a man is doing well. The Real Estate business is over-done here, though, but the Captain has connections and friends that will give him an advantage over the average man in that business. His partner I do not know, but he seems a good business



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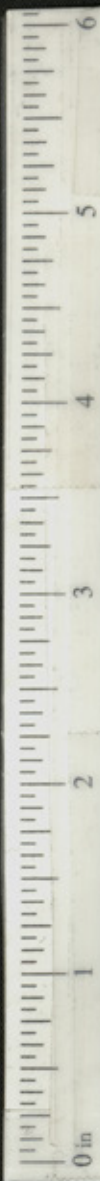
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Portland, Or.,

man, and has had a good experience. They have a very nice office on Alder Street, near Front.

The old First Baptist Church property is worth \$150,000, and is to be sold, and with the proceeds we are to build a new and, of course, a very handsome church. The location is probably to be about where you used to live or farther up.

We are in the midst of a very warm political campaign and our old friend "Dave" Thompson (Gov. D.P.) is the candidate for Governor on the Republican ticket. His opponent is an "Copperhead", Penoyer, the present incumbent. Though there is a strong opposition to Thompson, we hope to elect him by a good majority. I say "we", for I take a warm interest in it.

Chambreau is at last made happy by the granting of his pension of \$24 a month. It has lightened his heart wonderfully, for he was very poor, and downhearted.

Old Vancouver town you would hardly know. It has a population of 5000 and is still growing. Two banks, brick blocks in plenty, four or five saw-mills, electric lights, street railroad, and the Union Pacific is commencing work to bridge the Columbia.

An investment of a thousand dollars, when you were there, would have brought a fortune now.

Miles has had his "Usual luck". A man of strong physique, of unusual vigor, and of good habits of life, had to drop down dead in order to give Miles his promotion at a time when there could be no doubt of his getting it. He could well have afforded to be just, years ago. The "wicked flourish for a season", but some seem to flourish for two or three, as I may have remarked before. I see the papers say that you prefer to remain in New York, rather than go to Chicago. I suppose that you have as many of your family around now as you could have anywhere else. I should like to see you and them. I always take a great interest whenever I see your name in the papers, and am interested in all of your speeches. You have my gratitude for the Rebellion Record which you so kindly send me. It grows in size, and in interest to me.

Mrs. Sladen joins me, and Carrie and Harry too, in love to you all, at home and abroad. I hope we may see you all again sometime again in this world, and I should very much like to see you at your home on Governor's Island.

Affectionately yours,

J. A. Sladen.

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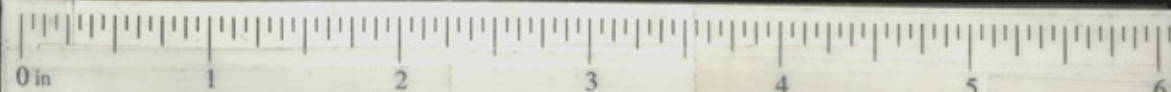
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Portland, Ore.

Sladen J. A.
Sladen, Manager

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Connor Selden

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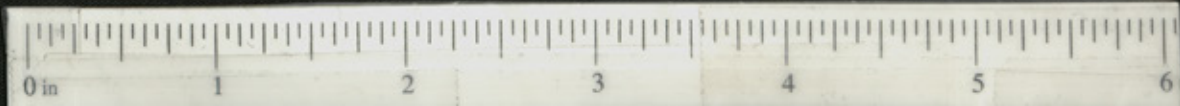
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Portland, Maine.

May 22^d, 1890.

My dear General:

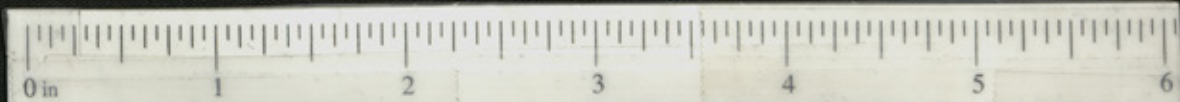
Mrs. Connor
and I would be very
glad to have you and Mrs.
Howard as our guests on the
occasion of the meeting of
the Society of the Army of the
Potomac in this City, July 3^d
and 4th. We will do our
best to make you comfortable
and happy, and we earnestly
hope that you will come to us.



With all kind wishes
from Mrs. Connor and
myself to you and yours,
I am
Respectfully and sincerely

Yours
Selden Connor

Gen. O. O. Howard, U.S.A.
Governors Island,
New York.



New York City N.Y.
May 22/90.

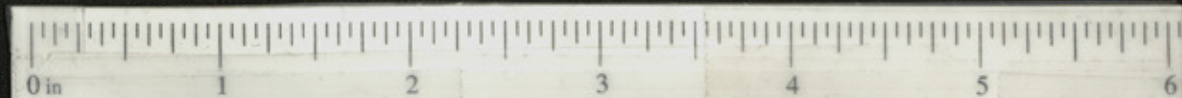
General O O Howard
Comdg Div. & Dept of the Atlantic
Governors Island

Sir:

I have the honor to respectfully apply for a position in your Div. & Dept. - Being an old soldier, having served during the "War of the Rebellion" & subsequently 16 years in the regular army of the U. S., received my discharge on my own application as Commissary Sergeant U. S. Army. -

I arrived in New York City from New Mexico 8 months ago & I can not procure work owing to the fact that I have no city reference & do not belong to any Labor Society.

My honorable discharge from the army does not help me to get a situation, in fact it is a hindrance to procure employment. I am a married man having no children but am willing to perform any kind of manual labor -



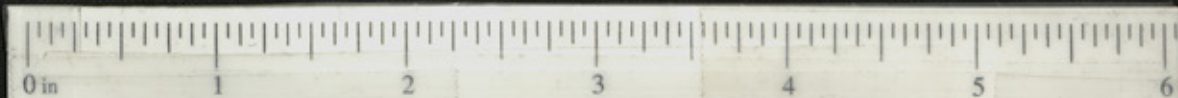
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I am General
Very Respectfully
Your obedient serv't
Gavin Heist
336 First Avenue
bet. 19 & 20 St.
New York City.



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School Lane, Str.

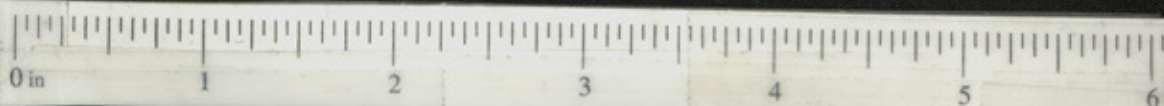
My dear Otis

Will you look among
your letters and see whether
you have the one John Otis
wrote about Will - which
I sent you some three months
ago and which I do not
recall having received
again. Fizzie O. wants
to have it. Please either
send it to her care Mr. Vaughn
Cambridge or to me.

Sallie's infant arrived about
2 1/2 weeks ago (May 5) & they
are both doing very nicely.
A boy named after his father
dad - Love to all

Affec^y

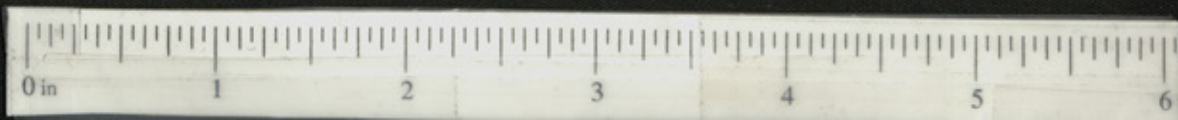
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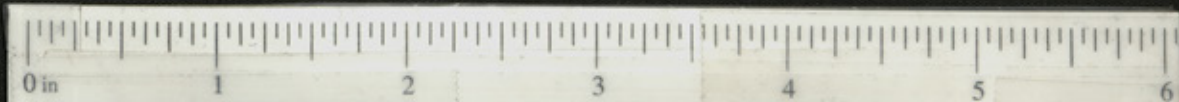
REV. J. E. RANKIN, D.D., LL.D.
PRESIDENT.

J. B. JOHNSON,
SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Washington, D. C., May 23rd 1890.

My Dear Sen.

Please hold on
in the Trusteeship, till I get
fairly started. I do not think
any one else can serve us
so well. But, if, at length,
you think you must retire,
we can not say a word.
But, please remain, for



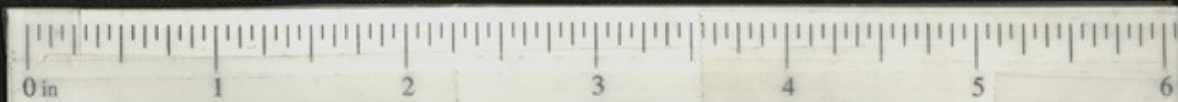
the present.

Everything is moving on
pleasantly here.

Did you see the A. M.
M. brethren?

Very truly,

J. C. Kander



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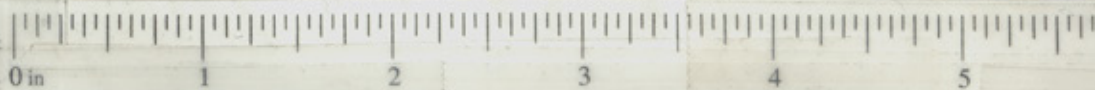
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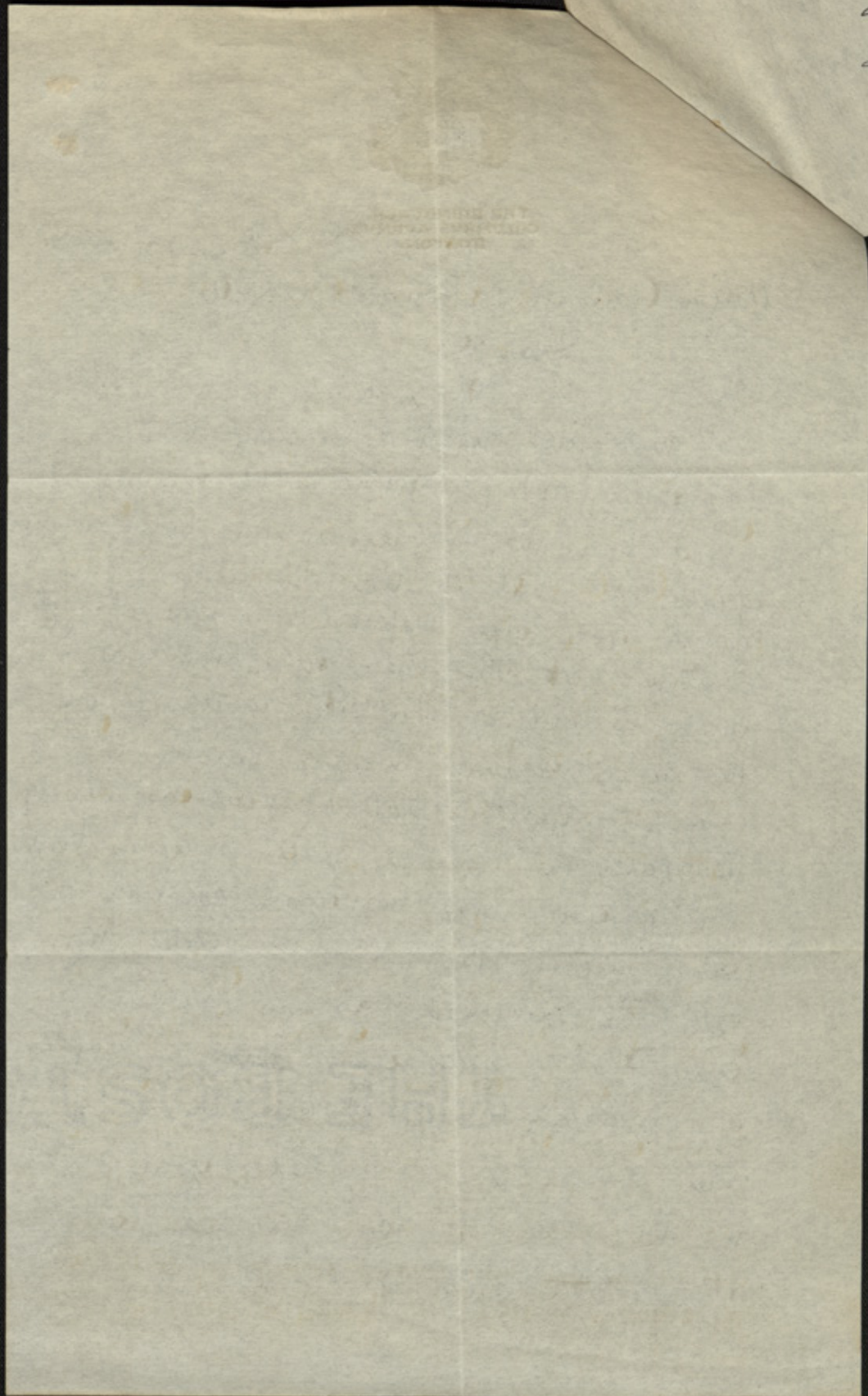
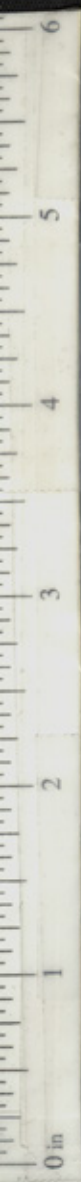
May 23/1890

Major Genl O. D. Howard U. S. A

Dear Sir

Your kind favor of the 22nd inst just received. many thanks for your prompt response to my request. I had the impression from the information given me. that it was the end of this month you were expected to pass through Boston. at the date you mention I will be out of the City working on the large Canvas. therefore unable to, avail myself of that special opportunity to make the desired study of your head. but if you will be good enough to cooperate to the following extent, viz, take the enclosed rough sketches to any Photographer and ~~have~~ a couple of negatives taken. I can then by their assistance introduce your portrait in the place I have named. and at a later date if the likeness is





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BOSTON.

not satisfactory. I will try and arrange for a sitting for the finishing touches.

I have promised that the picture will be in condition to show when the G.A.R. meet in Boston next August, if it were not for this promise making it impossible for me to spare the time - I would go on to New York at once, so as to secure your portrait. However I can introduce you in the group as now designed if I have these photos to guide me and you send me your height, color of eyes, and general tone of complexion I trust you will help me to the extent I now ask, as my time for having the picture finished is so limited that any alteration in my present grouping will be a serious matter.

Yours Sincerely
Henry Sandham

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Sandham Henry

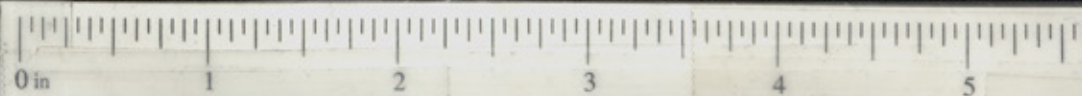
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BOSTON

not suitable for
arrange for a building for the
purpose

I have found that the
time is in order to allow
the P. O. to visit in Boston
August if it were not for the
wanting of confidence for me to appear
the time - I would go on to the
city over to see to secure
further. However I can not
see in the group as soon
if I have the plates to print
and you and me over night. I
of up and down the
that you will help me to the
some case as my time for
printing is so limited that
attention in my present
situation

Henry Sandham



Address.

Mrs Mina Schoettlin.
Jeffersonville Ind
Clark Co.

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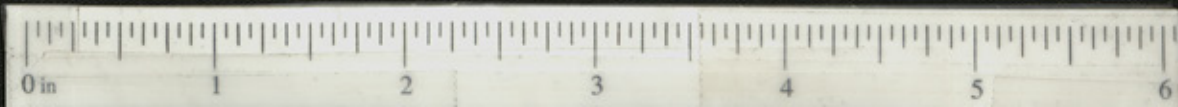
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Jeffersonville Ind
May 23rd 1890

Hon. General Howard.

Dear Sir: As you are
a worthy and Hon. gentleman, I write
to you to beg of you to help me in
my trouble. Oh kind sir let me
plead with you to grant just one
wish of a heartbroken wife. I am
in a delicate condition and my
husband my only star only sup-
port and comforter has bin taken
from me under a charge he is
not guilty of. Oh kind sir let me
beg of you to execute your strongest
power to have him released at
once and let him come to me. For
when he is gone from me I am
left without even a shelter. I never
knew what a parent or pleasure



home was untill I married. For
my mother died when I were only
Six years old. I have worked so
hard all my life without any sup-
port from my father. it was for
several years that I never heard
from him. untill about Eight
Months ago he returned to us and
old man to depend on his children
And now he must try to sepearate
my husband and ^{me} rob me of a
home just because he did not
like my husband. though he is
from a good family has a good
trade and is a smart industrious
sober young man provided for me
in every way. And to think they
are trying to take him from me
is almost driving me mad.
For to think I would have to
face the cold world alone again
without a home or support of
anykind and expecting to become

a mother in a few days I beg of
you to assist me. I am not able to
travel therefore I have to trust
to you and my saviour in heaven
to make days that seem like
darkest night turn to one bright
ray of sunshine. Oh I beseech of
you to give this great attention
and do all you can. to release him
for it is now that I need his
care. Well I will close hoping and
trusting that you will look into
this matter at once. I have
written you the plain truth
that I am willing to swear
to on my knees. If you request
it I will send you our Marriage
License. My husbands name is
Mr Frank Schoellin you have
him confined at Fort Columbus
Governors Island. here is my
Address if you wish to write to
me.
Respectfully.



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HALL & HENSHAW—FIRE UNDERWRITERS,

No. 54 WILLIAM STREET, COR. PINE,
NEW YORK.May 23rd 1890.

Dear Sir.

The anniversary of the Union A. S. Church
Sunday School will be held on Sunday June 28th
and we would be greatly pleased to have you
with us on this occasion. East Orange N. J. is
(we think) an attractive suburb of New York and
our citizens will provide for your entertainment
from Saturday with great delight. We have a
large congregation and our Pastor Rev. Dr. Sullivan
joins this request with great interest. The
writer hopes to have with us also Mr. Gardner
and we assure you a cordial reception.
We will acquaint you with the preparations for
your entertainment and will conduct your
visits absolutely.

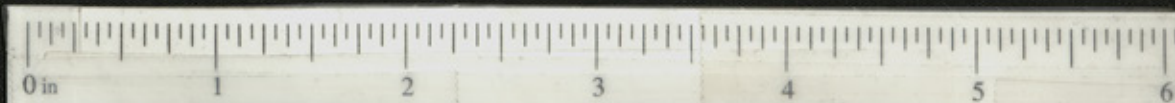
Sincerely Yours

Wm. W. Henshaw

To

Mr. J. C. C. Harvard.

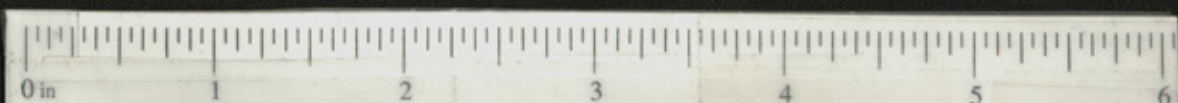
Yrs. I. M. W.



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Portland Oregon May 28th
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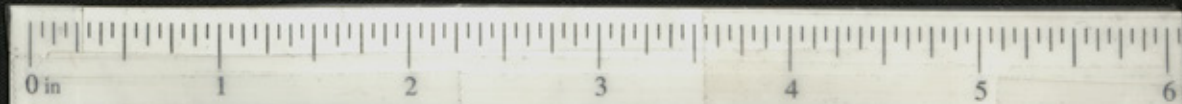
My Dear General —
Please accept my thanks for a copy
of the Brooklyn Daily Eagle, which
contained the notable speeches —
delivered, at the commemoration
of the birthday of U. S. Grant.
After I read the same carefully with
my large family, I passed the paper
to my friends who also enjoyed a
good treat.

I see our kind friend Captian
Gladden, who I think by the by is
doing very well. As he is a notary
he always fixes my Pension papers.
I draw my pay every 3 months.
We live in the country and have

no house rent to pay. So you
see my Pension helps me very
much. We have a good Sunday
School with fifty scholars Mar
Chambrean being Superintendent.
We are all very happy because we
know and feel the blessed Lord
is with us. May our dear Savior
bless and keep General Howard and
his family unto the end.

I remain as ever your humble
servant Edward Chambréan —
one of General Howard's old
Scout

it will do us good to hear from you.

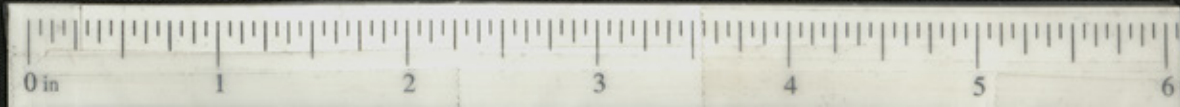


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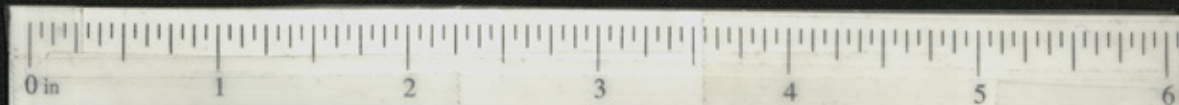
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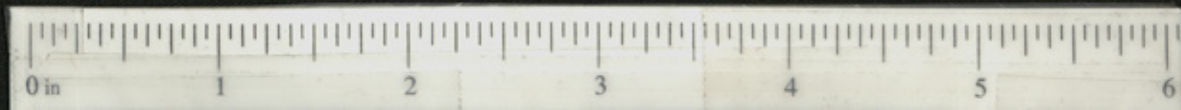
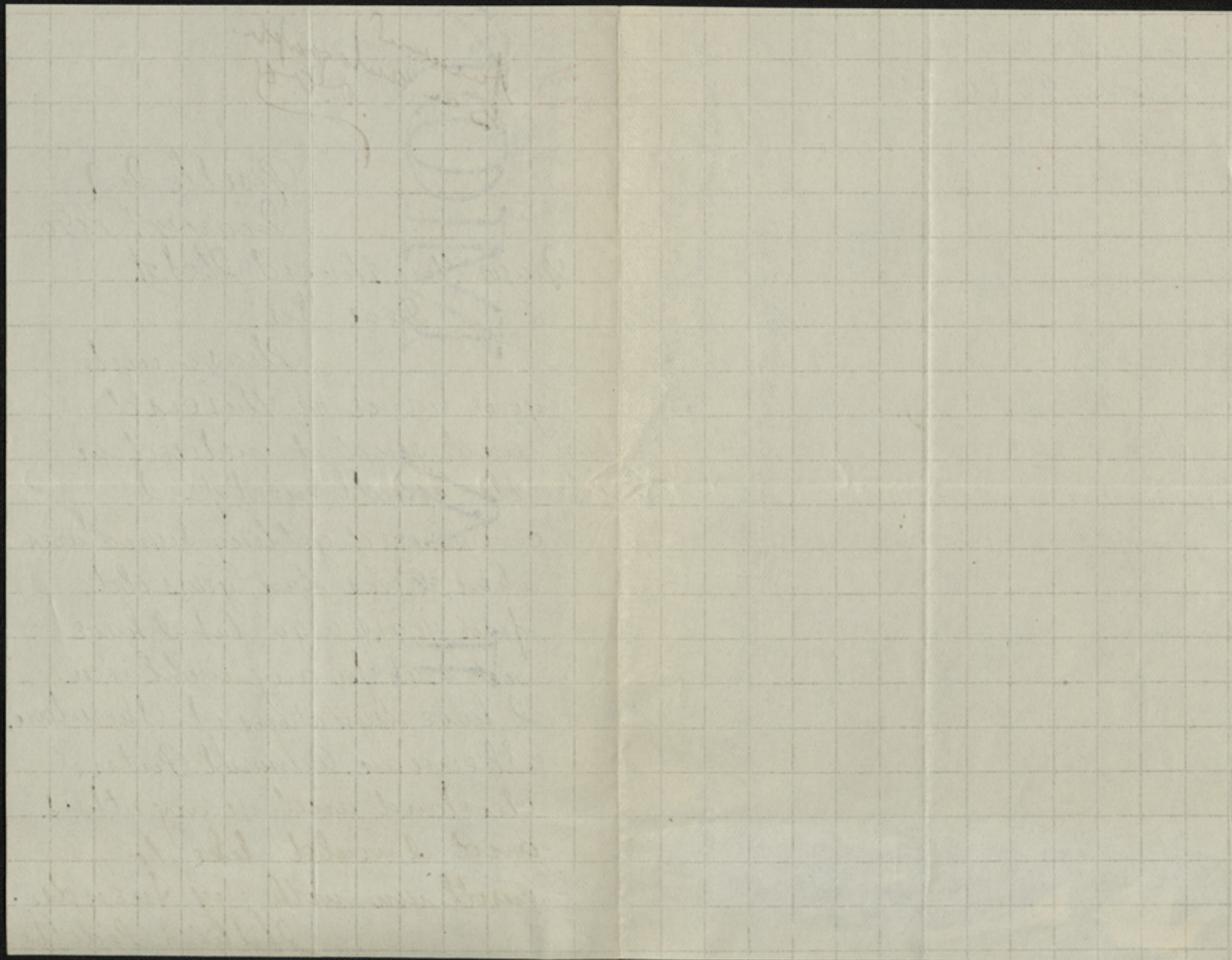
Major Gen. Howard T. S.A.

Dear Sir,

Please write
your name on this card
and send it inclosed in
the small envelope. I
commenced getting signatures
when I was ten years old,
four years ago but I have
not sent for any until now.
I have signatures of Sheridan,
Sherman, Admiral Porter,
Cleveland and many others.
and I would like to
enroll you with my friends.

Willie A. Peddle.





DR. J. R. HOFFMAN,
45 WASHINGTON ST.

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Morristown, N. J.,

May 24 1890

Gen. O. O. Howard

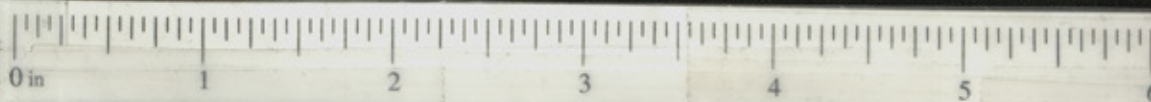
Dear Sir,

As you will be present at the Memorial Exercises in our city on Decoration Day, and perhaps will not return before evening, it would give us great pleasure to have you visit the Market St. Mission, and if you would say a few words, it would be highly appreciated. If you can come in but 5 or 10 minutes, sparing that much of your valuable time, it would be very gratifying to us.

Respectfully Yours

J. R. Hoffman

Secy. of Mission Com.

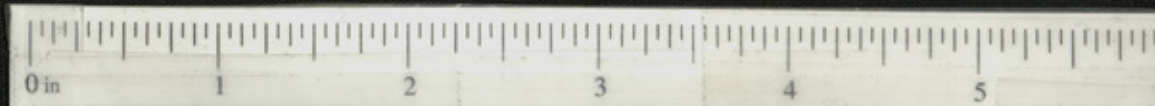


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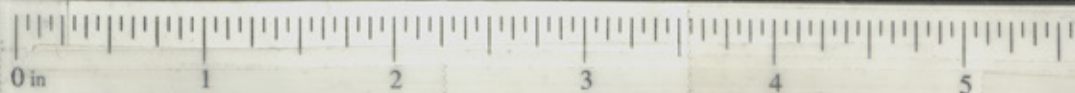
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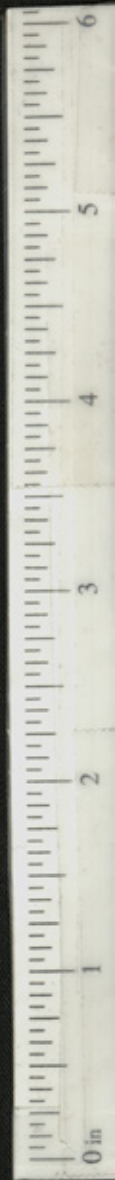
Dear Sir

Since I wrote yesterday several of your friends have called and informed me that you propose visiting Maine in June. and as it may be possible for me to see you then I risk troubling you with this letter giving some of the details of my work.

I have secured for the purpose of painting this picture the Town Hall of West Gouldsboro. on Frenchmans Bay about six miles from Bar Harbor as the numerous claims on my time makes it impossible for me to get the picture ready by the date proposed. unless I have some secluded place for working. I am desirous of learning



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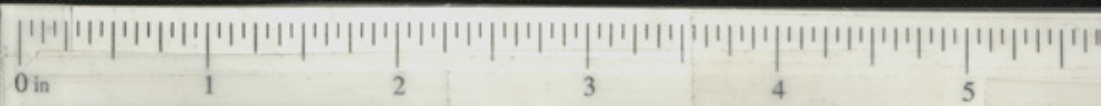
whether you will be any where
in the neighbourhood of the place
I mention. if so I will endeavour
to call upon you. and if you
will kindly send me the photograph
asked for in my last letter. I will
be able to introduce your portrait
according to my present designs for
large pictures. and then when I see
you will secure all I will require
to make the portrait satisfactory

Yours Sincerely
Henry Sanham

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Arthur B. B. ²⁴⁻
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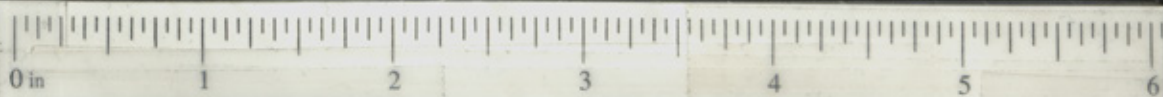
Warren L. Scott or any of our
townsmen as they are all
acquainted with the circumstances
and would be pleased to aid
us in any way. will you will
be so kind as to assist us in
this difficult undertaking
as a gentleman of your
influence would perhaps soften
the hearts of those who have
been so cruel as to refuse
our petition.

Your Humble Servant,
Clara B. Arthur.
Lowville.
N. Y.

Lowville May 24. 1890

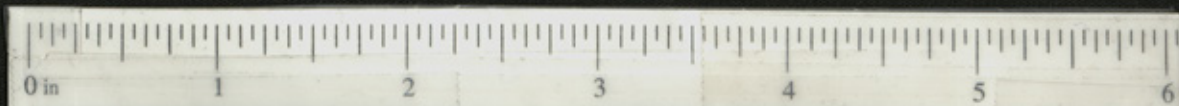
Major General O O Howard
Dear Sir

I write you
in regard to my Brother
Hay B. Arthur. Who enlisted
in Co. H. 11. Infantry Madison
Barracks, Sackett Harbor
United States army. Jan. 18. 1890
My Mother depended upon my
Brother and myself for his
support. He had worked in the
printing Office 4 years had just
finished his trade. He went unknown
to us and enlisted the recruiting
Officers who were in our town



misrepresented things to him
concerning the Army. They
told him they would take
him in the printing Office where
he could earn \$40. a month
and could help his Mother
more than he could at home.
He was so taken taken up with
their inducements, that he
enlisted under the impulse of
the moment with out asking
advice. I am clerking in the
~~store~~ am 2 years older than
Ray I only get \$3.00 a week
and board my self. Ray and
I supported our Mother with
our small income, as our
Father is addicted to drink
and always has been and
spends all he earns to the
bar. Mother is 63 years old
and is in very poor health

has always taken in work
and now her health is
broken down so that she
isnt able too, she has been
sick ever since Ray went
away. Mother has tried to
get his discharge and has
been refused by the war
Department, I think if
the gentlemen only understood
our circumstances fully they
could not be so cruel as
to withhold my Brother
from us. Will you please
be so kind as to help us
get his discharge if you do
not get your pay in this
world I think you will
in the world to come.
If you have any doubts as
to what I am stating I can
refer you to H. A. Phillippe.



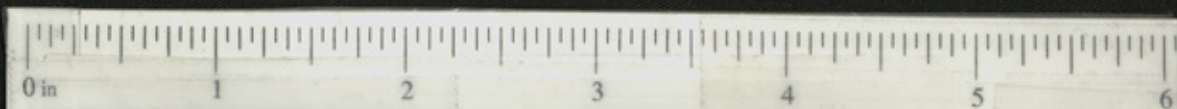
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 F. W. Wheeler. William Elliott.

Committee on Naval Affairs,
 House of Representatives U. S.,

Washington, May 24, 1890.

Dear General Howard.

Col. Charles H. Smith, formerly of the First Maine Cavalry, one of the grandest regiments ever existed, and himself a magnificent soldier, in every way, is, as you know the senior Colonel in the Army, & has held the grade longer than any other man. He is thoroughly entitled to the regular promotion to Brig. General that will be made in July, and I am confident he will get it. But I want to make sure that no injustice be done, & I must be very much pleased if you would give the Colonel a letter of commendation for the advancement as Genl. Miles Stanley, and others



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Bouville. B. A.

have voluntarily done. I know that
Col. Smith, who is now at Detroit,
must greatly appreciate it, although
this letter to you is solely the act
of

Yours very sincerely
S. Bouville.

Major Genl.

O. O. Howard.

U. S. Army

