Tuesday, June 10, 1870

Dear Sir: Howard—

I have concluded arrangements to go to West Point for the Graduating Exercises. When by 4 o'clock I can go up and back the same day or Thursday, June 12.

I go up by the Hudson River R.R., at 8:30 am—go straight to the "Stairs"—after to the meeting of Graduates, the "last Parade" and Baccalaureate. When by arrangements the coal shore R.R. goes for me a special Return Train to Camp.
in back to the city— at 4205 St James, a day before.

I hope you can have your boat to meet you about 12 at night.

The house at Washington Avenue is a Crowded, and I am
at the Marine hospital the fact that the Special
train will return to the city at an exact hour—

I'll telephone to bring Roy

with me, and will come civic

and ask Col. Wilson especially

as you asked, military duties.

Your truly,

P.T. Cheeseman
June 10, 1900

General O. O. Howard

Dear Sir:

May we receive your permission to visit Governor's Island on Saturday Afternoon June 21st or if it should rain for the following Saturday?

There will be about 30 of us. It is our Rocking Club.

If we may receive the above favor and thanking you in advance for it.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

2nd Asst. Sec'y
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Filo.
June 10th, 1890

Major General Howard, U.S.A.
Governor's Island

Dear Sir,

The Associated Press would like an abstract of your address at the graduation exercises at Mount Vernon School, the 17th.

Do it asking no greater favor to cause it to be sent to me sufficiently early to forward to the Boston papers by mail, to be used the morning after delivery?

Respectfully,

W. S. Carson
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Carson W. S.

File
Pilgrim Congregational Church,
OF PLYMOUTH, PA.

Organized,
March 31st, 1885.

TRUSTEES.

John E. Jones, 
Edward Hopwood, 
John G. Thomas, 
Edward T. Evans, 
James Jenkins, 
Thomas Owens, 
Evan P. Evans, 
Daniel B. Lewis, 
Enoch Williams.

Pastor,

Treasurer,
John E. Jones.

Clerk,
Rhys T. Williams.

THE FOLLOWING REPORT IS A RECAPITULATION OF WHAT THIS CHURCH HAS DONE IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS:

Cost of Lot and Vestry, built in 1886. $3203 24
Organ for same. 171 00
Church Building, built in 1888-89, 6960 77
Organ for same. 550 00
Ministerial and Missionary Expenses, 2787 09
Current Expenses—Interest, &c., 1239 32
$14951 62

Received towards Ministerial Fund,
Current Expenses, $3013 22
per Subscriptions and Collections, 955 24
" " Fairs and Festivals, 2747 80
" " Concerns per Band of Hope, 1911 73
" " $766 90
7334 89

Balance Debt on Church
$5616 73

AUDITOR'S REPORT.
PLYMOUTH, May 1st, 1890.

Having been appointed by the members of the above Church, to audit the accounts, we beg to state that we examined the books carefully, and found everything correct, and that the above statement (as read by the Clerk to the Church and Congregation last Sunday evening), is a true report of our financial affairs.

John E. Jones, Treasurer.
Rhys T. Williams, Clerk.

James Jenkins, 
John J. Walters, Auditors.
The above Church will hold a Fair and Festival, at the People's Theatre, on November 27th, 28th, and 29th, 1890; the proceeds to be devoted towards paying the debt on the Church.

All donations and subscriptions will be thankfully received and acknowledged.

The following testimony of the Rev. T. W. Jones, Superintendent of the American Home Missionary Society, eloquently pleads our cause, and hope it will be the means of enlisting your Christian sympathy and support.

PHILADELPHIA, MAY 26TH, 1890.

Mr. RHYS T. WILLIAMS,

My Dear Brother:—My recent visit to the Pilgrim Church convinced me that the Church is not only needful to your growing community, but that it has a prosperous and influential future before it. Such a large audience of young people I preached to, morning, I should think, not over 30 years of age, and so earnest and devoted, shows that the young church, now being only little over five years, is doing great work for Jesus Christ. Knowing your small financial ability, I regret the debt, which must weigh heavily on you these hard times. I cannot say you were unable in contracting the debt, for your large audience of young people, many of whom might go astray, without the Pilgrim Church, I think justifies the venture. Considering your circumstances, you made noble sacrifices, yourself, and the debt I regard as expression of your faith, and not a rash presumption. I believe God will touch some Christian heart to help you bear your burden, for you are worthy of sympathy and help. Keep good courage, and keep doing as you have been doing, trusting in the Lord, and you will come out in the end all right.

Fraternally yours,

T. W. JONES.

We beg to certify that we have known Mr. Rhys T. Williams for many years, and have great pleasure in testifying that he is a good neighbor. We have always found him honest, obliging, and energetic in carrying out all duties devolving upon him, and no small share of the success which the Pilgrim Church has met is due to his indefatigable exertions as Secretary. We heartily recommend him as a Christian brother worthy of our highest confidence.

L. S. BROWN,
Pastor of Christian Church, Plymouth.

W. J. DAY,
Pastor of Presbyterian Church, Plymouth.

J. W. CHAMBERLIN,
Cashier, First National Bank, Plymouth.
The following testimonial of the Rev. T. W. Jones, Superintendent of the American Home Missionary Society, eloquently pleads our cause and hope it will be the means of eliciting your Christian sympathy and support.

Philadelphia, May 7, 1840.

W. J. WELLS.

W. H. WELLS.

W. J. DAY.

W. CHAMBERLAIN.

We pray to God that he may pour out his Spirit upon us and guide us in the path of truth. We have taken the step of faith, and we trust that God will guide us in our work. We are convinced that God's will is done as we follow in his footsteps. We pray that he may give us strength and wisdom to labor for the advancement of his kingdom.

J. S. BROWN.

President of the Home Missionary Society.

The Rev. T. W. Jones has been a tireless advocate for the cause of missions, and we are grateful for his efforts. We commend him to all who are interested in the welfare of humanity. We pray that God will continue to bless his work and give him strength to continue.

W. J. WELLS.

Philadelphia, May 7, 1840.
General O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly allow me a moment of your valuable time to read the enclosed circular.

The success we seek here among our young people encouraged us to build a more commodious place to worship our God. The lot and building have cost us about $1000, and as you will perceive in the report enclosed, nearly one half of this amount has been paid during the past five years, leaving us at present under a burden of little over $500.

This amount we feel it our duty to clear as soon as we can. But owing to the works so slow, and work of our members depending on their day's work in the coal mines, we have decided to appeal to the generosity of the friends of the cause of Jesus Christ for a little help.

Therefore, I beg your kind permission to ask your aid in a small donation. All cheques to be made payable to the Treasurer. In behalf of the Church, I have the honor to be, dear Sir,

Yours Respectfully,

Rhys T. Williams
Mt Vernon Barracks, Ala.
June 10th, 1890.

General Howard.
Sir:

I had no expectation the day I called upon you a short time since that I should have the pleasure of being a chaplain under your command. I desire now that I am to say to you that I am glad to be under a General who from all that I have heard is known as a Christian General. I am therefore after the warm welcome you gave me the day I called upon you going to take the liberty to write you freely outside of.
Military Channels. When I arrived here on Saturday last I received a kind welcome from the Commanding Officer of this Post Major Thayer as well as from all the other officers here. So I began at once to feel at home. My first impression on looking over the ground was why a Chaplain should not have been here before for I heard there was nothing in the way of religious instruction except the Roman Catholic Church and a little school house. Here a young lady had for a short time been trying to give some instruction to the Indians. But no building within the
Post set apart for the worship of God. I thought it would not do to let my first Sunday at the Post go by without a service giving the men a chance to attend one service. So I asked the Commanding Officer if I might not have seats taken in the Canteen and hold a service there. This request he granted cheerfully and we had our Service having nearly all the officers and a good number of the men a few Indians as well as outsiders present. While preaching the thought came into my mind Why could I not have a Building where be could
worship always. So before I closed the Service I said to the congregation present. We must try to see if we cannot have a building that can be set apart for worship and I am going to ask for help in this matter. But in order to show these upon whom we may call that we mean what we say we must make the start ourselves. So if any here among the officers or men feel inclined to take part in this work I will ask them to lead to pass the plate round and also to act as Treasurers in the matter - he passed the plate and today I am glad
to-day we have the 2 small start
of nearly $500. Small but yet
a beginning. All the offices
seemed pleased with the idea.
Now General I hope you too
will approve of the matter
and take an interest and I
hope ere long to be in a way
to see our Building in the course
of erection. I do not see why
the Government could not
turn its help too. I went
down also and visited the
Indians & their school as well
as the hospital there is plenty
of work here for a chaplain
who I think should be here.
There are many other things
which I shall write you about.
from time to time. I hope you will excuse the liberty of this personal letter. But I wanted to write you just in this way as I had received such a warm welcome from you the first time I called upon you.

I remain with respect,

Your ob't servant
Srs. to. Kerr
Post Chaplain
Mt Vernon Barracks

Ps. The small school house is not a place large enough to hold the ladies in beside being in a bad part of the grounds; otherwise I should have asked for it. - S. E. K.
Pacific Gas Improvement Co.
Corner of Annie & Stevenson Streets.
Adjoining the Palace Hotel on the West.
San Francisco, June 16, 1890.

Major General, O. O. Howard,
W. S. Army
Governor Island,
New York Harbor

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith Wells Fargo & Co. Bill of Exchange of this date, on their New York House for $16.00 in payment of Dividends No. 63, upon your 1/40 share of stock in this Company.

Very Respectfully your,

O. S. Burt
McClung
Scarp
Complimentary dinner to General Jellie tomorrow at Selmonico's at seven half. want your will explain.latinos of invitation. Answer paid.

2 East Fifteenth St. Judge Brady.

Received at 6:20 AM June 11, 1890.

Dated 8th Bay WY

To J. C. Howard Reg. Son's polls 114.
Young Men's Christian Association,
57 AND 59 FOURTH AVENUE,
Mount Vernon, N. Y., June 11, 1890

Dear Sir:

The subscription of $50.00 made by you at the Union Service held at the Methodist Church, Sunday, June 16th, 1889, for the purpose of completing the new building for the Young Men's Christian Association, was divided into four separate payments covering two years. Your first payment amounting to $10.00 comes due June 10th, when we are quite satisfied you will feel a just pride in sending the amount to the Treasurer, in order that the Finance Committee may with your help pay the bills and reduce the debt as much as possible at the earliest moment.

Very respectfully yours,

GERD. MARTENS, \ Finance Committee.
WILLIAM ARCHER,
C. M. MOSEMAN,

C. M. MOSEMAN, Treasurer.

Your kind assistance at this time will be greatly appreciated.
West Goelldeboos
Maine
11 June 1890

Maja April O.C. Howard U.S.A

Dear Sir,

Your kind letter of the 9th inst. received today, also the photographs with the note you sent me and the photo I will be able to get the portrait all right. I will have this decided by the 1st July and if the result is not satisfactory to me by that date, I will go up to Portland and see you.

I assume you fully appreciate the trouble you have taken to help me in this matter, and will endeavour to show my appreciation of your kindness by the way I will introduce the portrait in the large painting.

I expect to have the picture in exhibition by the time the G.A.R. met in Boston.

I have the honour to be

Yours Sincerely,

Henry Sandham
Headquarters Department of California,
OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE,
San Francisco, California... June 11th, 1890...-48-...

Dear General:

I am exceedingly grateful for your kind note, thankful for your preference. Whether I come to you or not, I have had the pleasure of being close to you for three years, and this will ever be an oasis, bright and green, in the memory of my army life. Loving reference was made to you in the sermon at Dr. McKenzie’s last Sunday evening, and I tell you it does me good to hear your name mentioned with the appreciation that belongs to it.

Mr. Deming, whom you will remember as a vendor of medicinal charcoal, and crusader against Mormonism, was in my office this week. He is selling books, is well dressed and claims to be making money. In reply to my query—“When are you going to pay General Howard?”—he replied, he was certainly going to pay the General, for he was the only one “who backed up his patriotism with cash”.

Again thanking you, I am, dear General,

Faithfully, your obedient servant,

[Signature]

Major General O.O. Howard,
Governor’s Island, N.Y.
No. 1 SOMERSET STREET,

Boston, Mass., U.S.A., June 11, 1890.

Dear Brother,

Will you kindly give me a note to the gentleman (in Birmingham by nos it?) whom you wished me to meet or any other friend of yours that you believe like me to see?

I sail July 1st 3.30 p.m. steamer "Nevada," Quinton, with Rev. B. Smith of Medford on whom you called with me. We go to N.Y. by steamer (Hall's) the night before Monday night June 30th.

I hear that you have...
Appointments in Maine between that time and I may not see you before I sail. I hope to be back in six weeks. I go to Auburn the morning to talk with John Oer about the old school house.
I preach on July Sunday next 10-30 a.m. go from there to ammunition and come to be at Marine Conference. June 17-19. Please address me here. I will be home in a week. Then you can be in Brighton (Kate's sister) but are we sure of your choice. Will you go to lecturer?
I mean to present the flag Sunday 4 p.m. if everything is all right I can make the occasion more religious than patriotic.