New York, 20th July 1890

Major General J. Howard
Governor’s Island.

Dear Sir,

The outing Club of the French Branch
Y.M.C.A. is very desirous
to visit Governor’s Island.
Mr. McBurney advised
me to write to you for
a permit.
The visit would be made
a Saturday afternoon, likely
the 19th inst., by a small
number of our French men.

Very truly yours,
James H. Leuba
Secretary.
General Stewart,

Dear Sir, and

Counsel. The members of the party to come to Silver Lake will be Mr. Grant, Rev. Clarkson, Mrs. Clarkson, His Adjutant, Judge Wallace, Chaplain McCollum, and Rev. Dr. A.J. Palmer and two Palmer sons. It will take the cars, July 22, at Jersey City, at 9:00 o'clock A.M. at Fort Jersey for Deering, and at Beulaville to suffer. At the better place I will meet you.

It is possible that the boat-train

to send along a couple of cooks and board you on the train. There is every

prospect of a good turn out at 7 A.M. on Tuesday morning.

I hope you will not be able to come.

Yours in F.I. Co.

J. F. Parker,
Dear General,

My own kind friend:

On my in the above named place
I was very agreeably surprised to
find a letter from you and the Ameri-
Missionary Association of N. Y., with
enclosed checks to the amount of fif-
eteen dollars each, of which I felt
truly thankful indeed as it will do
much toward lifting me out of
my past indebtedness in these parts.

May the good Lord truly bless you
kind friends in your baskets and
stands and give you a sweet resting place when you come to die.

I have received in full from Mrs.
Merrick, yourself and American
Missionary Association up to this time, the amount of forty-five dollars or $45. of which I am very thankful indeed, I am at present teaching a Summer School at the sum of $10. per as it helps me a little to feed you. I am very sorry to have troubled you so but I hope that you may be blessed upon this earth as the Scriptures says blessed is he that considers the poor the Lord will deliver him in times of trouble and he will be blessed upon this earth. My regards to your dear family and friends. I remain as ever most obediently

Thos H. Scott

P.S. I would have acknowledged receipt of check sooner but I was away from the above named place when it arrived.

T. H. Scott
Filer

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

Very dear and honored Sir,

I wish in the first place to thank you for your very kind letters in my behalf. Your letters would have had all the desired effect with regard to work at Ridgfield Me. if the people of that place had put themselves in love with the methods of the Maine H. Miss. Loc. To say the letters which I have received from Dr. Hallock and Dr. Adam about this matter. "Yes, you are wasted answers."

cate to you. I have written all the same although it is otherwise. Knowing that you will not think less well of me if I am not in the midst of prosperity I can hardly write in a dignified manner. I wanted to save you the trouble of writing for one otherwise than in a very occasional and special instance just now, if I give your name to a Church as a reference please excuse me, and I shall never forget.
"but the way is not quite clear."

From other points of my horizon there is nothing coming, at least I see nothing. Then you "le soleil qui péristhe et l'herbe qui vertoie."

I have prayed for deliverance from this position and I pray still, endeavoring to trust with unceasing faith, time who can not only say move forward, but who can also give me the means for going. Still I am perplexed, for my wife is sick and our child, that recently to live, strong and health is badly ill, and that is worse for the mother. Besides, notwithstanding extraordinary economy, all means are exhausted. My wife has been painting as long as she could, and many little things were told, but now, what next? I have been pondering in many directions and I have either no answer or they are only good for something. I give up. I would do anything that I can do if I could get work of some kind. Please pray for us general. I must try to move any family to a farm. Now I must hurry to the doctor. I had deferred writing to you until I had some good news to communicate.
Pacific Gas Improvement Co.
Corner of Annie & Stevenson Streets.
Adjoining the Palace Hotel on the West.
San Francisco, July 15th, 1883

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

Sir,

I have the honor to herewith enclose Wells Fargo & Co. draft of this date, on your New York House for $16.00 in payment of dividend No. 64, upon your 100 shares of stock in this company.

Very Respectfully yours,

O. B. Reed
Killearn
Gen'l O. O. Howard,

Com'd't Dep't of the Atlantic, U. S. N.,
Governor's Island, New York.

Dear Sir:

The officers of the Sims-Edison Electric Torpedo Co. will be pleased to have you witness an exhibit of the working of the Sims-Edison Electric Torpedo boat, in charge of Mr. W. Scott Sims, the inventor and General Mgr. of this Company, on Tuesday afternoon the 15th inst. at 3 o'clock. The steamer "F. B. Dalzell" will leave Ward's pier (No. 16 or 17) foot of Wall St., at 1 3/4 p. m. Tuesday for Willetts Point, arriving back in this city on or before 6 p. m.

I shall be pleased to have your acknowledgement and acceptance of this invitation, remaining,

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

PRESIDENT SIMS-EDISON
ELECTRIC TORPEDO COMPANY.
Gen'l O. G. Howard,  

Com'st. Dept' of the Interior, U. S. M.  

Governor of Illinois, New York.

Dear Sir:

The object of the Asa-Nation Electric Torpedo Co. will be pleased to have you witness an exhibition of the working of the same.

In response to an invitation extended by the President and General at the Asa-Nation Electric Torpedo Co., an inspection tour will be held tomorrow afternoon, at the 1st floor of the Water Electric Co. at 8 o'clock. The exhibition will be at the corner of the Water Electric Co. and 1st Street. The tour will be on the premises of the company, and a reception will be held after the tour. I am pleased to have your recognition and acquaintance.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

W. M. Scott, President, Standard Electric Company.
General O. O. Howard,

My Dear General,

I write to ask if it will be possible for you to preside at the Association day exercises to be held at Thousand Island Park, Sunday, August 3rd.

Remembering our last conversation, that calls were so frequent you found it almost impossible to accede, but if they would pay you something so you could have a little more money to give away, you would gladly go if possible. I say, remembering this, the superintendent of the Park agreed to pay your expenses to and from, entertain you while there and give you $25. They would like to make it fifty, but are not able to do so.

I have promised to be there with three or four of our workers. A sermon is to be preached in the morning, a platform meeting afternoon and evening, and a consecration meeting Sunday morning.

Two things we desire of you—that you preside all day, make a brief address in the afternoon at the platform meeting, and deliver
the city Friday evening about seven o'clock, arriving at the Park
before seven Saturday morning and reaching New York again Tuesday
night or Wednesday morning at you prefer. It will give you
three days among the Islands and I am sure you will find it a most
delightful rest. I will do all I can to make it pleasant for
you, and you will find a lot of our Association men from northern
New York there. While I learn you are away, our calls for your
services which we appreciate so much, are very few, and I trust you
can give us a favorable reply. A letter from the superintendent
of the Park says, "Be sure to bring General Howard; we hope for a
grand day."

Can I hear from you by return mail? Enclosed please find an
envelope addressed to me. I am looking forward to seeing you
soon. With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
Worcester, Mass
7/10/90

Dear General,

This evening I received from my sister who resides in New York a letter stating that my sister who resides in the West but who is now visiting in N.Y. would like to visit Georgia and South Carolina to see a soldier who belongs to the 1st N.Y. and I thinking on the strength of our acquaintance and a privilege might be granted about has written one to that effect. Is it better get another desires I will inquire.
I left Walton East with my friend
My Lord and His Kind regards
which she does with the compliments.

her note to me, and if
you will kindly han
the line dropped to her
you will be doing me
both a personal favor.

I was in Portomar July 4
12 hours too late to met
you, which I regret a
prick to Allendale and
spent the Sabbath, and
while there my eldest
brother Llewellyn, who
reminded you when we
were a student there
came across an old
high school catalogue
that he thought might
interest you. Which I
send by car in mail
that takes this. With
his compliments.
New York, July 11, 1890.

Sir,

Will you kindly send me by return mail a brief statement of your opinion of the character and services of Gen. Clinton B. Fisk?

Respectfully,

Ed. of The Voice.
EASTERN DISTRICT BRANCH

Brooklyn Young Men's Christian Association,
131 & 133 SOUTH EIGHTH STREET,

O. W. Van Campen, Jr., Chairman.
Frederic V. Dare, Vice-Chairman.
Geo. W. Schaefer, Treasurer.
Frank D. Tuttle, Recording Secretary.
H. L. Simmons, General Secretary.

July 12, 1890

Maj. Gen. O. H. Howard, U. S. A.,
Governor's Island,
N. Y.

My dear Sir:

He would like very much to have our young men hear you speak on some gospel theme, and we therefore cordially invite you to speak to them on some Sunday afternoon, 4:30 o'clock, during September or October. We hope you can make it convenient to come, and if so will you please give us a date that it may be published in our prospectus that will be placed in the hands of the printer in a few weeks.

Yours, very respectfully,

H. L. Simmons
Simmons H. L.

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[Handwritten text not legible]
Monroe, Mich. July 13, 1890

Major General
C. A. Howard
New York.

General & Comrade:

What is required in order to become a member of the Army of the Potomac. I am pretty well known among the Comrades of the 3rd Corps. I do like to join the order of the Army of the Potomac. Please let me know the particulars of that organization and oblige.

Yours,

E. F. C.

Herman, Wickett
late Capt. in Comp. E. 29th Inf. Reg.
21st Colo.
War Department
Medical Parentage Depot
San Francisco, Cal. July 14th, 1892

[Address]

My dear Friend [Name],

Within a short time from now the present Surgeon General of the Army will be retired from active service and as I am an applicant to succeed him my friends will present my name for consideration on this occasion and I hope to obtain at least a measure of your influence in my behalf.

I make submittence of my military service as well as some personal knowledge of my service in the military division, with the intention of presenting my claims to consideration on the selection of a successor.

In connection with our past action will the interest to the most benefit derived by the United States through the introduction of the system of field sick hospitals, derived by me on the battle field of Korea, and subsequently adopted by our own and other governments on the type.
of the modern system of army field hospitals. The importance
and value of the system and its results are such, that its intro-
duction into the military service will result in saving lives
and saving the general officers on the active list, many on the
retired list, and prominent Retired officers.

Expensive freedom that the innovation is the best and most
acceptable measure to properly and promptly provide hospital
accommodation for the sick, and to avoid the constant mis-
use of horses in the field, and that I am desires of knowing an ex-
pression of your experience as a commander in peace in
Oregon, as to its utility and value as a substitute for the
medical relief of aiding the wounded on the battlefield
in some degree to its introduction. An expression of
your experience, with that of the general officers
who have corresponded, would add to the weight of their
opinions and I trust you may be able to assist me.

With kind regards, I remain...
Copy of communication from Sir Thomas Longmore, Surgeon General, British Army.

* Netley, Hants, 28th December 1883.

"My dear Sir:

I thank you for sending me the reprint from the Medical and Surgical History of the War of the Rebellion on "Establishment of Tent Field Hospitals".

It is indeed a just subject of pride and satisfaction to have been the first to organize regular tent field hospitals which proved such valuable means of lessening the suffering and sparing many lives of the wounded during your great war. I congratulate you on your well directed exertions having met with the success that happily attended them.

With all good wishes of this Xmas season, I am

Very truly yours

I signed I Thos. Longmore.

Colonel B. J. D. Irwin
Surgeon & Medical Director, United States Army.
Department of Arizona,
United States of America.
Extract from official report of battle of "Shiloh" of
Surgeon Robert Murray U.S.A., Medical Director, Army of the Ohio.

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The division medical directors of General Buell's army, Maylert, Goldsmith and B.J.D. Irwin, were very efficient in performing all their duties.

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Assistant Surgeon Irwin deserves very great credit for his admirable management on the field, as well as for his promptness and professional skill in the care of the wounded. He found a house on the left of the field where his division was engaged, and, by securing tents from neighboring camps and collecting camp furniture, he succeeded in organizing and putting in good working order a hospital for three hundred patients, partly of the wounded of his own command, partly of those of Grant's army, who were wounded on that part of the field on Sunday, and partly of Confederate wounded. These were so well taken care of in every way, that I designated them as the last to send on board of the boats.

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[signed] R. Murray
Surgeon U.S.A.
Medical Director District of the Ohio.

To Surgeon R.C. Wood U.S.A.
Acting Surgeon General.
Washington, D.C.
suggestion that the Board of Trade may be able to do so.

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

[Official Position]
MILITARY HISTORY

B. J. D. IRWIN, Colonel U. S. Army

Born in Ireland.—Appointed from New York.

Private, Seventh Regiment, N. Y. National Guard, 1848 to 1852.
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. A., 1854: On duty at Fort Columbus, New York Harbor, from whence accompanied troops to Corpus Christi, Texas, and thence to Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army, August 20th, 1856.

In New Mexico and Arizona, 1855 to October, 1861; served with expeditions against hostile Navajo and Apache Indians. Fort Surgeon Fort Union, New Mexico, from January to May, 1856. Fort Surgeon Fort Defiance, New Mexico, May, 1856, to December, 1857. Fort Surgeon, Fort Buchanan, Arizona, December, 1857, to August, 1861.

Commanded detachments from companies "C" and "H," 7th U. S. Infantry, in an engagement with Chiricahua Indians, near Apache Pass, Arizona, February, 1857, and publicly thanked by order of Department Commander for "excellent service" on that occasion.

Promoted Captain, August 20th, 1862.

Accompanied troops evacuating Arizona to New Mexico: Fort Surgeon, Fort Craig, New Mexico. With troops on route from Fort Union, New Mexico, to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, September, 1851. Fort Surgeon, Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, November, 1861.

Medical Director, Department of West Virginia, December, 1861—Ogle removed and assigned to Army of the Ohio. Medical Director, 11th Brigade—Boyle's—January, 1862. Medical Inspector 4th Division—Selma's—March, 1862. Present at battle
In Department of Dakota, October, 1870. Post Surgeon Fort Meade, Dakota, October, 1871, to June, 1879. Acting Medical Director, Department of Dakota, July to August, 1880. Post Surgeon Fort Snelling, Minnesota, August, 1880.

Attending Surgeon, Headquarters Military Division of the Missouri, Chicago, Illinois, September, 1880, to October, 1882.

Medical Director, Department of Arkansas, October, 1882, to October, 1886.

Promoted Lieutenant-Colonel and Assistant Medical Pursuer, September 14th, 1885.

In charge of Army Medical Purveying Depot, New York City, October, 1885, to December, 1889. In charge of Army Medical Purveying Depot, San Francisco, California, December, 1889, to

Vandalia, Illinois, April 6th and 7th, 1862, and specially commended for "admirable services" on the field."

The first field hospital for the treatment of the wounded on the battlefield was established in Vandalia on that occasion. Its constant vigilance, untiring research, and success in promptly and efficiently meeting the needs of the wounded and sick hospital subsequently became a model for all the field hospitals subsequently established.

Serving during the siege of Corinth, Mississippi; campaign in North Alabama and Middle Tennessee.

Medical Director, Army of Kentucky, 1862. Participated in the battle of Richmond, Kentucky, August 21st, 1862, specially mentioned in official reports for "handsome conduct" on the field, on which occasion he was taken prisoner.

Promoted Major and Surgeon, September 10th, 1862.

Medical Director, Army of the Northwest, October, 1862. With the White River expedition, cooperating in the capture of Fort Hindman, Arkansas, January, 1863. Organizing Army General Hospitals, St. Louis, Missouri, February, 1863.

Superintendent, U. S. Army General Hospitals—ten hospitals, with 4,000 beds—Memphis, Tennessee, March, 1863, to July, 1865, during which time over 60,000 sick and wounded soldiers were successfully provided for in these hospitals.

Executive officer to and Acting Assistant Surgeon General U. S. Army, Louisville, Kentucky, August, 1865.

Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel, U. S. Army, for faithful and meritorious services during the war.

Attending Surgeon, St. Louis, Missouri, October, 1869; Post Surgeon Fort Riley, Kansas, March, 1870, to August, 1870; Post Surgeon Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, August, 1866, to July, 1867; Post Surgeon Fort Riley, Kansas, July, 1867, to September, 1867; Post Surgeon Fort Wayne, Michigan, September, 1867, to April, 1871; Post Surgeon Fort Riley, Kansas, May, 1871, to October, 1872; Post Surgeon, U. S. Military Academy, West Point, New York, October, 1872, to September, 1878. On leave of absence in Europe, September, 1874, to September, 1875, during which time visited Germany, Austria, Hungary, Italy, Switzerland, France, Belgium and Great Britain.

  2 Member of the Society of the Army of the Cumberland, 1869.
  3 Member of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee, 1866.
  4 Command of the Division, Commandant, Eastern Temple, 1865.
Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
N.Y. City, N.Y.

Dear Conrade;

The twelfth Annual Reunion
of the Soldiers & Sailors of Southwestern Michigan
will be held at Kalamazoo July 30-31 Aug. 1.
Preparations are making for, and it is consensually expected that the same will be the largest and best meeting in the history of the organization. It would afford the donors unbounded pleasure if you could make it possible to spend a day with them, and a most cordial and fraternized invitation is hereby extended.

Sincerely yours,

Chas. E. Eaton
Chairman Eo Com.
P.S. I have sent several letters to Washington, and have pronounced all writings in my name, which have been refused for that, or any other cause as forged. But lest the letters were not read, there I will again say it to you, that you, if you have any part there may speak for me.

E.E. P.

July 13, 1870

Honored Sir:

Learning, when the appointed time was past, that you were to have been at Breadenham at the commemorating exercises, I encouraged a faint hope that you might have been recalled to me. Then I began to fear for your life. Finally I remembered that no one inquiring for me would be rightly directed, but that an importune would be provided to assume my name. If this has been done, I am too late to prevent it. But I am very greatly distressed about a misunderstanding.

Watersford, Maine

[Signature]
who has been a life long victim of the gang. I believe his to have been abducted from this place on or about the 26 of Aug. last. I had given her up as past from earth in the endeavor to reach a place of safety. Knowing as the thought has been it was less terrible than the living death which I had feared for her. Just now I recall that I was told that one plan was to keep her in some bad place till the leader was ready to try to make his escape when she will be put on board the same vessel and taken to foreign ports. Then if he'd he arrested she will be at once “removed.” None of these plans may be the right one, but I desire hoping that you or some one may be able to gain some clue as to the whereabouts.

I will enquire this to the A.F. Union as my only way of possibly reaching you. I am sure that some terrible plots are maturing against me.

I wrote C.D. Barrows, N.B. at Cal., but of course received no reply. I will direct that this be forwarded to him, in case your address is not known. Please tell him that now my head is clear I can think of many words which paint like a pistol shot through any brain, and to now believe he is innocent of any part in the plots against me, and I will help him if I can. But if I die I will die on the smell of Right. Standing alone I grow strong in spirit, if weakened in body.

God grant that the right may triumph.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]