New York, Dec. 4th.

Beloved friend,

my letters have been
sent back by the carrier be-
cause I did not say
"hotel them"

I am mixed. I so & so wrote to
explain why I did not
hear, of course I do not
attempt. Transcribe this letter, say,
as so much I wanted to
see your.

Sincerely, K. A. Bruce.
Dear Father,

My lessons are now running on in an even manner. My work in Chemistry improves.

But I write principally about the commission. How are the 1200 Indians to be officered? I mean those Indians ordered enlisted by the Secretary of War.

Is it not possible that I could have another chance through these late circumstances. Could not the Secretary have been able to...
get me appointed to one of these companies.

I shall stay here and study Saturday with love to all.

From John.

Dear friends:

Please send this to the secretary from John: of course, there is no opening in their direction, but the young man is plucky. Winter campaigns are the worst. Sincerely yours.

O.O. to

Tell me a little about yourself. [illegible].
Dear General,

Your note of the 20th was duly received this morning, naming Tuesday, Jan 27th, as the time you could most conveniently come to Washington. I will write you again about it on Tuesday next. The 27th, if we can arrange to have it at that time. My reason for setting about Tuesday was, in account of it being the evening of the ladies' prayer meeting, which comes regularly on that evening, and we dislike to disturb it. However, I will see all parties interested, and we will arrange it if we can, and I will write you the result on Tuesday next.

Very Truly yours,

[Signature]

[Handwritten Signature]
New York City, Dec. 4, 1890

Dear General:

Your letter of invitation to read a paper before the Congregational Club, on Monday January 19, 1890, on the subject of "Our National Defences is at hand. The Board of Ordnance and Fortification meets in Washington on 9th inst and usually consumes the entire week in attending to the matters brought before it. The early part of the following week will be occupied with some pressing matters that cannot be put off, and which will prevent my giving time to preparing any thing worth reading on this subject; I beg therefore that you will invite some other officer to give the desired statement. This is the more desirable that I have already read a paper on the subject before the New York Academy of Sciences not long ago, and should not care to repeat myself before gentlemen who may have present on that occasion.

With many thanks to the gentlemen of the Congregational Club for the honor of their invitation, I remain,

Very respectfully,

[Signature]


Major General O.O. Howard U.S.A.

Governor's Island
Chicago, Ill., December 4, 1899

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

Dear Brother:— I wish to thank Mr. Treat for relieving our anxiety concerning your own health as well as Harry while you were absent. I wrote you a hasty scrawl on a notification from the Columbian Sunday Association. We are doing everything we can to create public sentiment against the opening of the Columbian Fair on Sunday. You have been added to a committee of which I was a member which is to communicate with all the patriotic Orders of America. We propose to send an address and, if possible, reach every lodge and every local society in America. All such orders as Grand Army, Loyal Legion, etc., etc.

The committee wanted some regular Army officer as a member of the lodge, particularly as they may ask the co-operation of some society connected with the regular Army. They took this action relating to you in my absence. I had at their request visited Gen. Miles to see if he would co-operate. He seemed unwilling, although he said that personally he was in favor of a proper observance of the Sabbath and always abstained from work on that day. I have this moment received word from the committee that they will seek also the co-operation of Generals Sherman and Schofield.

I deem this movement of immense importance to our country.
Even if we do not secure the end and prevent the opening to the
Columbian Fair on Sunday we can not fail to work up a sentiment in
favor of proper Sabbath observance. Please telegraph if you are not
willing your name should go on such an address, but if you are willing
you need not telegraph. A copy will be sent you for your signature.
Of course, you are at liberty to criticise or amend or refuse to sign
if the address does not suit you. If I could get a hearty telegram
from you before 4 o'clock Friday, the 5th. I would like it, but sup-
pose that is hardly practicable.

I trust to hear that Harry is still rapidly improving.

Affectionately Yours,

[Signature]

[Author's Name]
Brooklyn, N.Y., Dec. 5, 1880.

My Dear Sir:—

Referring to your qualified acceptance of our invitation to attend our coming Brooklyn New England Dinner on 20th inst., at 6 P. M., in our Academy of Music; -- the time has come when it is necessary for us to make final arrangements as to our guests.

We earnestly hope you will be able to be with us.

Please apprise us at your early convenience, and oblige,

Very respectfully and truly yours,

[Signature]

For Invitation Committee.

Benj. D. Silliman,
John Winslow,
Willard Bartlett,

Invitation Committee.
Dear Sir,

I write this letter from the Governor's Island, N.Y., General:

Your acknowledgment of the receipt of my first letter at headquarters of the Division of the Atlantic-Mississippi line with me today, I write that letter 15 days ago. And since then is a charmer number of the Division.

How is it going on the east coast after he had retired from service, and his Mountain. Since, I am glad you got the letter in time. As may be General Miles and Buffalo Bill Cody may throw the effects on the Fortification of the A. E. S. F. with their "Red Indian." - Johnny Build and his adjutant "trailing bull," or some other as known to the Yankees in 1871. No. - "Stop that dispatch word! Do you not know that both parties read and return them to the Teleps." - So not your landlord knows the word will break with. - All in America are in the States and just plan for peace. And be sure to break the word. The storm is the snow with edition the "red mission," and the Hume knows, pour on the glittering Savannah, the Sea Gown. - Hop a bit of hell. The Philadelphia Church May take off further mistakes. I am now content that I approved you in time; and if you will continue to read the very patriotic letter of September 11, 1887. You will be more enlightened in future. (end)
I have earned a new suit of suitable clothes of all wool but Superior Army make – color and thread to be selected by General Howard and paid for by his staff officers for my special Scout service for the coming Christmas. 1st Evangelist Church, N.Y., Dec. 23rd 74.

Coat $10.00, Vest $1.00, Pants, shoes $8.00 – Legs 31; 4th blue and gold silk handkerchief for neck scarf; please use three separate packages, and send by mail care of Uncle Sam’s post office, Brownsville, A. A. A. C. S. Assistant postmaster, Brownsville, N.Y., to Washington.

"Feed the hungry, clothe the naked, give a home to the "Shelterless, feed the sick and the sorrowful".

"The laborer is worthy of his hire". God the Father of General O. O. Howard should be remembered by him, we are affectionate sons.

Sister Jones are good in their place – but we are mighty in this war. The regular Army of the United States has no more honorable or faithful messenger – will it reward him?

Please secure pension.

Frank B. Strasnor,
from "Oly How.

To Maj. General O. O. Howard,
Commanding Division of the Atlantic,
Governor Island, New York City.
December 5, 1890.

My dear General:

I am sincerely obliged to you for the great kindness shown to our students in enabling them to examine the points of interest at the army headquarters, besides learning from you so many valuable things. I sent another quota to Fort Wadsworth, and this morning we had a very interesting account of the investigations, together with much valuable information gathered in consequence thereof. This feature of our work we have been pursuing for the past four or five years with very gratifying results. And another feature we have adopted when it has been feasible, which is to induce eminent persons who in an hour can give us more information than we could collect in a much longer time, to come before our students on our Friday mornings set apart for that purpose. I do not doubt that you are very busy, and possibly it may not be convenient for you to give us a talk concerning the condition of the army and of the country from your point of view. I send you a little pamphlet which may be suggestive from this point, and shall be glad if it is possible for you to meet our students on some Friday morning in the immediate future. In fact, if it could be done next week, I should greatly prefer it, because it could be taken in connection with their investigations. I should be glad to hear from you, and especially to know that you can come.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Governor's Island.
December 19, 1930

Mr. John G. Reed,

I am hereby applying for the position of bookkeeper at the expense of $1.50 per hour. I have been employed in the bookkeeping departments of several firms in New York, and I am familiar with their procedures. I have also taken several courses in accounting and bookkeeping.

I am a recent graduate of the New York School of Commerce and have worked in various offices since graduation. I am very familiar with office procedures and have a good knowledge of bookkeeping and accounting.

I believe I am the right person for the position you are seeking to fill. I am available to start work immediately and am willing to work long hours if necessary.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
United States African News Company,
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New York, Dec. 5th, 1890.

General O.O. Howard, U.S.A.

New York.

Dear Sir:-

We have the honor to invite you, and such friends as you may desire to bring, to attend a private Exhibition of, 'Christ before Pilate,' a wonderful work of art by an American Negro, at Hardman Hall, 5th Avenue 19th street, on Saturday December 6th, 1890, from two to half past five o'clock P.M.

There are peculiar conditions which attach to this picture as you will discover by referring to circular enclosed herewith.

Knowing of your habit of encouraging every worthy effort, we hope after having recognized its merits, you will permit us to join your name to those of, Ex-President Grover Cleveland, Judge Roger A. Pryor, Archbishop Corrigan, Bishop Henry C. Potter, D.D., Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, Colonel John A. Cockerell, Cornelius Vanderbilt Esq., Miss Grace Dodge,
United States African News Company
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A Cedar Street (Room 10)

Dear Sir,

We have the honor to invite you, our valued subscriber,

as you may have seen in the 'African News' of July 18, 1920, announcing the inauguration of the new Negro Press Association's new headquarters in Harlem, 1550 Fifth Avenue, 13th floor.

An earnest request for your inspection and evaluation of this splendid new facility.

We respectfully request your inspection and evaluation of this facility.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

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Yours very respect fully,

[Signature]

Henry F. Downing.
W. J. Dec. 590

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to whom the receipt should be sent.

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City
May Genl. O. O. Howard,

Dear Genl.,

My neighbor Mr. Scribner, proposes to give Mr. Depeau, a reception after the exercises Monday evening, and I have promised to urge your presence also. I merely suggest the matter for your consideration, as we can settle it, when the time comes.

Yours respectfully,

Chas. R. Leffingwell.
New York, Dec. 6, 1890

Major General O.C. Howard
Governor Island

Dear Sir,

Colonel Elliott F. Shepard and party will leave New York on Monday afternoon and go to Philadelphia to attend the annual meeting of the Sabbath Union; and he would be pleased to have you join the party as his guest.

If it suits your convenience to join the party, please so inform Mr. Worrell at 23 Park Row, and he will make arrangements for you to accompany the others in Mr. Shepard's private car, which will leave on Monday afternoon for Philadelphia.

Hastily let Mr. Worrell know on Monday morning.

Very truly yours,

James Luister

23 Park Row