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Hoping to be favored with a reply, I am,

Sincerely Yours,

Charles C. Pierce,

Chaplain U.S.A.

U.S. Military Prison,
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12/3/91.

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Faithfully yours,

Geo. B. Davis

Major, U. S. A.

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December 5, 1891.

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Faithfully Yours,

Major U.S.A.

Houghton Geo. C.

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BOSTON BOOT AND SHOE CLUB,

GEO. C. HOUGHTON,
Secretary,

106 SUMMER STREET,

Boston, Dec 5 1891

Maj. Genl O. O. Howard
Comdg Dept of the East
Governors Island
N.Y.

Dear Sir - The Boston Boot and Shoe club, at their next Meeting Dec. 16th are to consider in a general way "What the U. S. government is doing for the defense of Boston Harbor."

Col Mansfield of the Engineer Corps has kindly accepted our invitation to be present and we expect he will tell us something of what the government is doing. We desire to extend

to you a cordial invitation to be present on this occasion and sincerely hope your duties will permit your presence. This is a question in which every man is, or ought to be interested, and if you will spare us so much of your time as must be necessary for you to come to Boston the club and many citizens of Boston would appreciate it, and if you would say a few words at the dinner we should be very glad to have you do so.

The club is composed of leading manufacturers and wholesale dealers of Boots & Shoes in New England which is a very large industry as you doubtless know - Our dinners are informal gatherings around the board and it is our custom to discuss questions of local and National importance which are of vital interest to every citizen.

Sincerely hoping you can arrange to be with us I remain

Yours respectfully

E. C. Stoughton

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P.S. Please to the Club will be glad to receive your reply.

ALEXANDER & GREEN.

120 Broadway

New York Dec. 3rd. 1891.

General O.O.Howard,

Governors' Island.

My dear General:-

I notice that your name is printed as one of the Vice Presidents of the United States Army Aid Association, to which I have been contributing in a small way for several years past.

Sometimes the names of prominent people are used without authority, and it would be a satisfaction to me to have a line from you saying whether this Association really renders the service claimed for it.

Do not take the trouble to answer in detail but simply say whether it is worthy of support and oblige,

Faithfully yours,

John S. W. Cook

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Richard John

Nicholas G. E.

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Pawtucket. R. I.
Dec. 3. 1891.-

Dear Sir,

It would give me great pleasure to have your autograph among a few which I have and highly prize. Accordingly I enclose card and stamped envelope. The thought comes to me that perhaps you can give me the address of Capt. Chas King U. S. A. whose books I have read and whose autograph I should like to obtain. I hope you will pardon this letter which may be an intrusion upon valuable time,

Sincerely yours,
G. G. Nicholas.

To Gen. O. O. Howard U.S.A.
New York City.

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OMNIA RELIQUIT SERVARE REMPUBLICAM.

NEW YORK.

Dear General.

I was so sorry not to have seen you at the Library yesterday afternoon. I came in just after you left. Please write me what day & hour you will stop in again & sign the Roll & get your certificate of membership.

Yours very truly

John Schuyler

Dec 3d 1891 Lex.

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P. S. my hours are from
10 till 12. at the
Library. but would
just as well meet
you in the afternoon
Please direct to me
at the N. Y. Soc'y Library
67 University pl

Schuyler Jones

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY.

Madison Avenue and 47th Street.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3d, 1891.

Mr. H. Howard,

Governor's Island, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

On June 19th we forwarded a trunk for you to Peekskill on which the charges were prepaid 75¢. We are very desirous of knowing who received this money, and will thank you- if original receipt is still in your possession- to attach it to these papers. If it is not, will you kindly tell me through what local office of our Co. in this City trunk was forwarded through?

By giving the above information, you will confer a favor upon,

Yours respectfully,

C. R. Sherman

Agent

AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY.

Madison Avenue and 47th Street.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24, 1891.

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To Gen O. O. Howard. U. S. A

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Newyork

Has Grace started sent hundred dollars business advancing answer Collect.

James L. Gray

Mary Jane

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Gen O O Howard

Governors Island My

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ADDRESS REPLY TO
CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER,
U. S. ARMY,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Signal Office,

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Washington City,

December 4, 1891

My dear General:-

Sergeants of the Signal Corps receive $34.00 per month, quarters and rations, but the latter can not be commuted at military posts.

I did not suppose that the pay would be sufficient to attract a man of the attainments of your operator to the service permanently, but as it was understood from your letter that you would probably have a vacancy in the General Service in a few months, the offer to enlist him was made only with a view of tiding over the time until such vacancy occurred.

As there is considerable pressure for enlistment in the Signal Corps, I will be obliged if you let me know within four or five days your decision in the matter.

Very truly yours,

A. W. Greely

Chief Signal Officer.

To
Major General O. O. Howard
Commanding Department of the East,
Governor's Island, New York Harbor.

Enclosed A. W.

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ATTORNEY HAMILTON IS INDIGNANT.

He Makes a Pointed Argument for a Receiver for the Assets of S. A. Kean.

Attorney Hamilton made the concluding argument yesterday on his motion for a receiver for the assets of S. A. Kean. He referred to a conspiracy between Kean, Assignee Jacobs, and Mr. Warren to defraud the minority creditors, and he frequently used the word "dishonest." He denied that a majority of creditors in number and amount of claims could "rob" the minority. If the law was as defined by defendant's counsel a man could fail four times a year with profit. It was a shock to the very sense of justice. Could it be possible that the Legislature enacted a law which would enable a debtor to defraud his creditors out of every cent? These complainants could not begin attachment suits because the estate was tied up in the bank. They refuse to settle, what then? The defendants procure a discontinuance and an order conveying the property to a stranger, and by some "deep scheme" this trust property was thrown to the wind, and complainants were told that no one was responsible and there was no remedy.

"Our property was not stolen in the County Court," Mr. Hamilton shouted. "It was stolen after it was taken out of court, and as a result of a conspiracy between the defendants to pocket it. The County Court gave up its jurisdiction, and it would be a strange state of affairs if a court of equity could not compel the defendants to disclose and give up the property because the County Court once had jurisdiction of the case. The defendants don't pretend to say that the estate was administered in the County Court. No money was paid out except to the assignee and the lawyers. Jacobs, as assignee, never paid $1 to creditors. While the County Court had a right to discontinue the proceedings, that did not deprive the creditors of the rights they had in the trust property before the assignment was made."

Mr. Hamilton will resume this morning.

LOOKING FOR A MILLION.

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Another Big Scandal Alleged in Connection with the Recent Failure of Banker Kean.

CREDITORS ARE ON THE HUNT FOR SOME MISSING ASSETS.

They Claim that There Has Been a Conversion of Property for Some Years.

ONE OF THE EX-BANKER'S FRIENDS GIVES THE THING AWAY.

He Is Credited with Exposing the Job After a Quarrel with His Principal.

On the express understanding that his name should, for the present, be suppressed, a gentleman this morning told the following astonishing story to a JOURNAL reporter concerning the recent charges brought by ex-Governor Hamilton against S. A. Kean of secreting assets just prior to his failure. THE JOURNAL'S informant occupies a high position at the Chicago bar, and his statement was made voluntarily and in entire good faith.

"One hundred thousand dollars does not begin to cover the amount of property and securities which Mr. Kean has placed beyond the reach of his creditors. One million dollars is much nearer the mark. I think Kean's plan for laying up a snug nest egg for himself has been going on for years. A trusty friend of Kean's has had a disagreement with him, and you know what happens when men like these fall out. For years, it is claimed, Kean has been placing property—real estate—in the hands of those he thought he could trust—taking from them a secret trust deed. This friend of Kean's who fell out with him is now engaged in preparing a list of this property and the names of the persons in whose possession it is at present, and it will be handed to the proper parties. The names of one of these parties and a description of the real estate conveyed is already in my possession. I can not say more, because it would perhaps defeat the ends of justice."

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Nor is this all. Shortly after the failure it is charged that Messrs. Kean and Jacobs executed to Everett M. Warren, a clerk in the American Trust and Savings Bank, a deed for all the assets of the defunct institution. Warren, in turn conveyed these assets to some unknown party. An order was obtained from the County Court after the deed was delivered to Warren, discharging Jacobs absolutely as Trustee. This put the case beyond the jurisdiction of the court. It is now charged that even those creditors who have consented to accept the 35 per cent compromise offer have not been paid anything on their claims. They are in the same boat with those who refused to compromise.

The fact that Mr. Kean has not engaged in any business since his failure, and though confessedly without means of support save what may be derived from his wife's estate, lends color to the rumor that he had property held somewhere in trust for him, from which he derived an income. Kean lives in quite as good style as a bankrupt as he did when solvent.

At the meeting of the Board of Drainage Trustees this afternoon all the members except Mr. Wenter, who is laid up with a splinter in his eye, were present. Only routine business was on the programme. Mr. Russell, who was seenby a JOURNAL reporter before the meeting was called, was asked:

"What do you think will be the probable outcome of Mr. Prendergast's overthrow at the last meeting?"

"It means simply this," replied Mr. Russell, with considerable emphasis, "that Prendergast is downed, and if I am not mistaken for good, too. It is a blessing to this community and the Commissioners, who have been elected to represent the people of Chicago, that Prendergast has at last run up against a stone wall. That man while one of the brightest men I have ever known, is one of the most dangerous that could be elected President of the Drainage Board. He is an autocrat—a one-man power, a would-be czar—and he has administered things with a relentless hand. He has insulted me and every other man on that board a hundred times. He insults everybody. His disgraceful methods drove Mr. Willing out of the board, and he simply abused Mr. King, one of the cleverest gentlemen that ever lived, until he left the board discouraged, disgusted and sick of heart. What show have we ever had to demand justice or fair play? None in the world. What do we know about the business of the Drainage Commission? We have been trying to find out something for two years and we don't know anything yet. And if we don't known anything about it, please tell me what chance the citizens and taxpayers of Chicago have to know anything? It has been a case of non est. We simply did not exist."

"Do you infer that there has been anything crooked in the transactions of the board?"

"I don't infer anything. I put the matter in the light in which it would be regarded by any business man. See this book. Hundreds of resolutions have been introduced with the object of bringing light on the operations of the board. Has any action ever been taken in regard to them? Not in a single instance. It is an old saying that truth does not fear the light of day. If everything has been honest, fair and square, why do Mr. Prendergast and his satellites try to kill every resolution calling for an investigation? If there has not been something wrong somewhere, why are the records zealously kept from the public? Why, I remember on one occasion that I said to Mr. Hotz:

"'Look here, Hotz, I would like to know what is going on here.'

"'Well,' replied Hotz, pompously, 'there are the books and the plans and the maps. Go in and look at them.'

That made me tired. I looked at Hotz for a moment and then said, 'Hotz, your suggestion has as much sense in it as to tell a school boy to read a Greek Bible. You know as well as I do that not one business man in a hundred could get the slightest information from a pile of intricate maps and drawings only intelligible to an expert engineer.' But they have always been very careful that no experts should make a report."

"Does Mr. Wenter feel as you do about these things?"

"Of course he does. Prendergast has insulted Mr. Wenter times innumerable. Wenter is a brave, smart, honest man. He has stood up and fought Prendergast for two years, tooth and nail. Where Prendergast gets his power I don't know. There is some influence backing him up of which we know nothing. There is something back of it all. And I am inclined to think that that resolution at the last meeting will bring that something to the surface before long. Oh, we are all sick and tired of Prendergast. We had a joint meeting with the

Farm, Field & Stockman
Chas. H. Howard,
Editor.

Chicago 12/4 1891
Dec 4

Gen. O. O. Howard
Governor's Island
New York Harbor

Dear Uncle Otis:

I am sorry that my studies and daily work have prevented my going to see Mr. Sauze till this P.M. I called and found that he is in New York, and vicinity and will remain for a week longer at least. His address is c/o W. H. Page Jr. #120 B'way. His partner was not present and the young man who represented the firm said "There are no new developements".

I enclose two newspaper clippings which I found in Saturday's Journal and Wednesday's Tribune. They are neither of them to be trusted in the matter of figures. Papa says Mr. Kean may possibly

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Farm, Field & Stockman.
Chas. H. Howard,
Editor.

Chicago, _____ 189

over some property concealed as indicated however.

I was talking with Mr. Robert Scott recently and he said that unless you were in some urgent present need of the money he would advise you to continue your suit and get a judgement for the full amount. The failure of the agents to pay as they agreed is sufficient excuse for this. I will telegraph you Ganzes address tonight. Grace and the little ones passed through yesterday, spending a ~~[illegible]~~ day at Glencoe. She looked well and happy though business kept me from seeing much of her. With love to Aunt Lizzie and all

Your affectionate nephew
C. McG. Howard

Howard O. Mebs

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192 Broadway
New York Dec 4th 1891

Gen. Oliver O. Howard.
Governors Island
N.Y. Harbor.

Dear Sir:

My cousin in Newark received such a fine autograph from you I determined to write to you and ask you to do me the same honor to send ~~me~~ a few lines of your handwriting on General Grant, and signed in full with date for my autograph album. Hoping I am not causing you too much trouble and thanking you for the trouble you do take, I remain

Yours very respectfully
Ellis Mahens

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Dec 4th 1891

Gen Howard

Dear Sir

Will you

Please let me know the next

Sunday that you come

to New York or where I can see

you Yours Resp

John H Cardinson

No. 366 Broom St Room 11—

Parkinson J. H.

Headquarters of the Army,

Washington, D. C.

December 4, 1891.

Dear General Howard:

In reply to your letter of the 3rd inst., I approve your action in deciding to give Dr. Gardner another opportunity to regain his standing in the Army, and I sincerely trust that the final result may justify your hopes in his behalf.

Yours very truly,

J. M. Schofield

Major General.

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PUBLICATION HOUSE OF
FUNK & WAGNALLS COMPANY,
18 AND 20 ASTOR PLACE.

EDITORIAL ROOMS OF "THE VOICE."

NEW YORK, December 4th, 1891

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir:--

We send you a marked copy of this week's "Voice," calling your attention to an editorial reference to yourself.

We ask your attention also to the department "The Industrial Unrest of All Nations," on page 3, in which "The Voice" is publishing weekly special correspondence from all parts of this country and from important centres in foreign lands. We think we have the facilities to make this an invaluable department to all leaders of thought on economic lines.

We shall take the liberty, if you do not object, of putting your name on the free list for the present, and ask you to do us the favor of giving more than a mere casual glance at our columns.

Respectfully,

Editor "THE VOICE."

Gen. O. O. Howard.

PATENTS, PENSIONS, POSTAL AND LAND CLAIMS.

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LAW OFFICES
—OF—
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No. 618 F Street, N. W.,

P. O. BOX 365.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4, 1891.

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DICTATED TO STENOGRAPHER.

Lieut. Chas. G. Treat, U.S.A.,

Care of War Department,

Washington, D.C.

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Very truly yours,

Examiner Bureau of Claims,
John Wedderburn
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John McAdoo

General Manager.

1037 Fifth Ave., 4 Dec. 1891

Gen O. O. Howard, U. S. A

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General:

From a letter received from a countryman of mine living in voluntary exile in Mexico, I quote:

"I beg you will do me the favor to inquire if Capt. James L Donaldson, 1st Artillery, Mexican war, still lives. During our late unpleasantness he rose to a generalship in the Federal army. He was for a time Quartermaster at Saltillo during the Mexican war while I was interpreter to that department. It was Lieut. Donaldson who, with a handful of teamsters, stragglers and such other material as he was able to pick up and drum into some sort of order, your humble servant augmenting the rabble by one, drove back and held in check Gen. Miñon with his 5,000 cavalry threatening our rear while the battle of Buena Vista was in progress." &c &c

My old friend and correspondent intimates that it would be a pleasure to him to communicate with Gen Donaldson, and I doubt not that it will be a pleasure to you, General, to put him in the way of doing so, if in your power. I have no official literature at command capable of affording the information sought, and in fact do not know how to set about looking for it. I have taken the liberty of addressing you in the belief

that the appropriate reference is perhaps accessible at your post. Should you be in position to oblige me with it, it will no doubt become the source of a gratification to my esteemed correspondent.

With great respect, I am, General,

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Jas. T. Watkins

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DR. THOMAS H. BAILEY,
71 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK.

Dec. 4th 1891

Genl. O. O. Howard
Comdg. Dept of East

My dear General:

Mr. J. P. Lyon of Seattle who called on you with me some days since, is on his way to Washington to see Genl. Thos. L. Casey in a matter he will explain to you. Mr. Lyon has never met Genl. Casey and I will deem it a favor if you will give him a note of introduction to the General

Yours Truly
T. H. Bailey

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JAMES BLEECKER. W. H. BLEECKER.

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JAMES BLEECKER & SON,

AUCTIONEERS AND APPRAISERS OF REAL ESTATE,

Members of the Real Estate and Auction Room (Limited),

149 Broadway, Cor. Liberty Street,

New York, Dec 4th 1891.

My dear Genl.

Your kind response to my note, in regard to the "Throckmorton" trial, was duly received, and please accept my thanks for your courtesy. –

I see by the papers of today, that the Court has been ordered for the 9th inst. –

If there is any way, by which Mr Lillis can be retained as Stenographer, I shall be very much gratified, for he has been several times engaged on Govt. work, & is peculiarly qualified for his duties.

My Fellow-soldier yours

Wm. Bleecker

Maj. Genl.
O. O. Howard U.S.A.

Bleecker James & Son

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Dec. 4th '91

My dear General Howard

Please accept my best thanks for your letter of yesterday in answer to my question about the phrase "The only good Indian is a dead Indian" The letter, which we shall consider it an honor to print, will I am sure be of great interest to our readers

Yours most truly

Lawrence Abbott

Major General Oliver O. Howard

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