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January 5, 1892.

Dear General:-
I was much pleased to receive your pleasant note congratulating me upon my appointment as Secretary of War, and thank you kindly for it. I hope you will freely give me the benefit of your friendly advice and assistance in the performance of my new duties. I shall no doubt have froquant occasion to avail of your experience and judgment concorning men and interests connected with the military stablishment. Report $A$ dis nat der yo abler a hen fink, ne be pleas a semi fin un tu meter nevtur Yours very truly, Alone In


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My Dear Sir:-

The regular quarterly meeting of the State Executive Committee will be hold at this office, $\# 40$ East 23 rd St., New York City, Thursday January 24th, at 7. 30 P. M.

Tho Convention Committee of Arranggments will be ready to
make report.
Bach Chairman is desired to give a brief report, and if unable to be present that the report be propared in witing, and form warded before the date of the meeting.

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Gen' I. O. O. Howard, New York City, No Y.

Dear Sir:-
I am going to begin meetings next Saturday evening in Rev. N. M. Sherwood's Presbyterian church, Jersey City. I wonder if it would be possible for you to go over with me. If you cannot go, I wonder if your son could. My wife is not going, and I have no singer with me, and I want somebody along who has been in my meetings before and would know just what to do. I know your hands are full. If you cannot go and your son cannot, you ean at least pray for us. God answers prayers you know تery well. I have been hard at work some where ever since we last met in San Francisco. and have seen many coming to Christ. I have recently been holding a few meetings in Norwich, Conn. I have been glad to see by the papers the good work that you are doing for the cause of Christ. My wife unites in mich love to you and your dear family. We often talk about those precious days in Portland, Oregon. It has been pleasant to see the progress of missions in Alaska since the time you and I were there. With our united christian work, I am,

## Your affectionate brother,

E. P. Hammond.


S. B. Elkins.

I Broadway, N.Y.

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January 6, 1892.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Governor's Island, N. Y. My dear General ;-

I advised Mr Elkins on Monday
of the object of your call as you requested me. He left very hurriedly this morning for Was hington, but desired me to write you and say he had intended, and hoped, to pay you a visit at Governor's Island, but was detained on some urgent business matters much beyond his expectations and was not able to get to see you.

He is anxious to bring about what you wish regarding the ferry and requests that you write him fully to Washington just what you want done, and how the change can be brought about, and he will give it prompt attention.

He hopes to have the pleasure of seeing you when he is next in New York.

Very respectfully yours,


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