

Common Nail.

Fort Randall St. Dak.

Jan. 27, 1892

My dear General,

You will doubtless be surprised to hear from me, but as you are almost the only person who could help me get the information I require, I hope you will pardon me for writing you.

I am very desirous of spending a portion of next summer in the East, and, as Mrs. Common has many friends in Massachusetts, + New Hampshire, I was in hopes I might get a detail as Inspector for the Militia of one of the two states named. Governor Russell of "Mass." was anxious on account of his wife's relations, who are dear friends of Mrs. Common, to have me detailed for his state, but it seems on consultation with his Adjutant General, that they can see no way to have me detailed.

Now, General! if you could tell me just how these details are made, perhaps

as Governor Russell, really would like to have  
me detailed, I might be able to get the  
detail, I do not care, if it be to Maine,  
New Hampshire, Vermont, or Mass. The fact  
is General I have never, in nineteen years  
service, asked for, or received a detail  
from my Regiment. And as many changes  
of station, in five years, I have depleted  
my purse I am in hopes to get east, as  
economically as possible, hence the thought  
of a detail. I enclose you the letter sent  
me by Governor Russell, from his Adjutant  
General, showing that <sup>he</sup> is desirous of having  
me detailed. I do not know if these  
details are recommended at Washington,  
or in fact anything about the way they  
are made. Any information you  
may give me will be greatly appreciated  
by

Yours Sincerely  
Daniel Corman  
Capt., 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry

has a nice home in a suburban town,  
she is well and the time circumstances are  
favoring. Mrs. Brewster desires to be remembered  
to you. Do not let my troubles annoy  
you. But if ever I needed a friend  
General, I need one now. You need not  
hesitate in fear that I am not entirely  
straight. In all this storm of detraction,  
not a word has been brought against  
my integrity that I know of.

Very sincerely yours,  
W. P. Brewster.

Answer Mr. J.

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1016 Clinton Street,

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 27, 1892.

Major Gen. O. O. Howard U.S.A.

Marine Island.

New York.

Dear General:

As no doubt you have heard, I have been  
relieved from my duties as Prob. Marsh. Kansas, which  
for nearly twenty years I had performed with entire  
credit and satisfaction. I was relieved in July, 1891,  
and have since all this time in the hope that  
the unreasoning feeling which the suspension of the  
Keystone and Springfield Banks in this city, <sup>created</sup> might  
so far subside, and give place to a juster view of the  
circumstances which involved me in the calamity,  
as to render a reopening of my case advised by the  
Department. I believe that time has arrived, and  
I am, therefore, endeavoring to bring such influence  
before the Secretary of the Treasury, as, in connection  
with the facts in the case, I can properly enlist

to induce a candid and equitable re-examination  
of the case. In the hope that you will favour me  
with your aid in this endeavor of mine, and  
be induced to say or write some strong words  
for me either to the President or the Secretary of  
the Treasury, I beg to set before you briefly the  
facts in the case so far as these have led to  
the Secretary's action as unfounded true.

First, there is no charge or insinuation of any  
misconduct on my part.

2d The ground for my retirement was the accidental  
omission by me of a large liability to be cleared up  
in a "preliminary statement" received at the Department  
July 26, 1891, an omission the existence of which  
in the paper referred to did not come to my knowledge  
until June following - an omission clearly sug-  
gested in the narrative part of the statement  
itself, and the next day (July 27, 1891) reported  
verbally to the Comptroller, and fully supplied  
in reports of Feb. 16 and 28, 1891. The Bank  
was not closed until March 20, following,  
and then for us as entirely distinct  
from the items omitted and so now supplied.  
This is the total payment of the charge,

and it is that this may be reconsidered that  
I am hopeful that the case may be reopened.  
Whether a statement of the facts ~~has~~ not been  
filed) shall be my vindication, and I am  
entitled, at least, to that. My anxiety  
about all things to rescue my name and ward  
from disgrace. They had said that this accidental  
and, as it were, omitted omission is the first  
objection - at least offense, ever brought against  
me in 19 years of active service, and in reporting  
upon nearly 3000 examinations, <sup>conducted in New York</sup>  
the Banks here, so far as they properly can,  
are almost a unit in my favor, and  
their views have been furnished to the  
Department, Mr. Blair and Mr. Hale  
are active in my interests, so far as they  
properly can be, and I am writing to  
Senator Frye, and Chief Justice Fuller, with  
the aid of my friends, those who know me  
best. I shall guess my claims with con-  
fidence. It is a very serious matter indeed  
to me and mine.

We are as well as usual. This misfortune  
has broken up our home, but our daughter

# Red Star Line.

*International Navigation Company,*  
*General Agents.*

*Arthur Lederer,*  
*Passenger Manager.*

*6 Bowling Green,*

*New York,* January 27th, 1892.

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Major-General O. O. Howard,

Governor's Island, N. Y.

Dear Sir;--

As requested, we beg to hand you herewith our check,  
No. 154, for \$30.00 in settlement of the unused outward ticket.  
Kindly confirm receipt.

At the same time, we beg to express our utmost sympathy  
for the loss you have sustained in the death of your brother, the  
Rev. R. B. Howard.

We remain

Sincerely yours,

*A. Lederer*  
Passenger Manager

encl.



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Winfield Chautauqua Assembly.

Winfield, Kas. Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> 1892

Gen. O. O. Howard  
Governors Island, N. Y.

Dear Sir & Comrade

We have fixed upon Saturday  
June 25<sup>th</sup> as the date for you to be with  
us at our Assembly. If this date meets  
you approval please so inform us,  
And oblige

Yours in H. C. & L.  
A. H. Limerick

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*James O. Howard*

Windsor Chamber of Commerce

Secretary's Office

Windsor, Mass. Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> 1882

Dear Mr. O. O. Howard  
Governor of New York  
I have the honor to acknowledge  
the receipt of your letter of the 25<sup>th</sup> at the date for you to be with  
us at our Assembly. Of this date we  
are approved please to inform us  
of the date of your  
presence in the  
State of New York

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Madison Hotel 461  
Free Press  
Washington Jan 27/842

My dear Gen -

I am so grieved  
and shocked to read  
in the papers of General  
Knotlands death -

This will I know be  
very sad for you all  
as you felt he was  
gaining so fast -

But I am so sorry

was being ill is to hear -

Will you not be so kind as to send  
me Legiers Bon Bon album. He will  
have forgotten to send it -

I shall hope to see you this  
and know all - before long -

With love to your wife - I am often  
Legiers to see

for his poor Wife - I, how hard this  
will be for her - Will you send  
me her address that I can at least  
write her - One could not live  
through such trials if they did not  
have kind words and hearts to help  
them. I thank so much to know if  
dear Lizzie knew this before she left  
and if Charles did go - I have

feared they sailed Sunday before  
knowing it and that would be so  
sad - I am so sorry to think of you  
in that by your alone when news  
like this come to you - So many years  
your circle had not been broken. And  
for the coming so far away will be  
doubtful - Only those who have  
felt how dark the shadows can weigh

General Wheaton - but you  
know, General Howard, that  
although General Wheaton  
is a nice gentleman &  
a good officer - his record  
since the war does not  
compare with Col Mason's  
and with his Exertions  
Mathematical & Engineering - his  
reputation is not like that  
of my "Cherished Boyard"  
"sans peur et sans reproche"  
official & private - perfectly true  
He has never asked any  
favor of any one - has obeyed  
every order & has discharged  
every duty in every position  
faithfully - as you know as  
well as I - for he is not your  
devoted friend - and has he  
not been your devoted &  
faithful staff officer, if I

My dear General -  
A short time ago I  
wrote to Mrs Howard  
asking her to ask you  
advice in reference to  
my writing to influence  
friends in Edwin's case  
as he refused to make  
any effort towards this  
appointment - to the great  
prejudice of the one in  
error - I now write to  
you direct - as after writing  
to the Boardman of Springfield  
that Colonel Mason would  
not make any effort -  
and objected to my doing  
so - I had an immediate

reply - in which he says -  
"I have taken the necessary  
steps to have the matter  
brought to the attention of  
the President & Secretary of War  
through the Governor of Ohio  
Senator Sherman & Mr Chidley"  
and also "If he will not  
write to his intimate friends  
you should do it." so as I  
have more confidence  
in Mr Brown's judgment  
than my own - and being  
Edwin's modesty - I am  
writing to you as I have  
also to Ex. President Hayes -  
Mr Benjamin Warder, of  
Springfield - now of Washington  
where great wealth & social  
position bring in in contact  
with the eminent officials

and who is Edwin's life  
long friend & admirer -  
about Mr Rodney Mason who  
has many warm friends  
among the high officials in  
Washington & Mr Major Denny  
our devoted old friend, who  
is connected with the  
present Secretary of War - &  
who must not but long  
since to let him know when  
we wanted anything - I think  
I shall write to Senator  
Wardson - who paid us  
the compliment of a visit  
with Mrs Wardson & the  
Patrick - last summer & let  
him then Edwin would  
not ask for anything - he  
defied - Mrs Warder I have  
always been asked for any  
influence I have given & I  
have promised mine to

Can be the medium of  
any good thing to this  
world, "among a thousand  
I shall be most happy-  
and. I write you for  
your good officers - as  
I am sure you would  
feel defrauded of an  
opportunity of doing a  
faithful officers a service  
did I not ask you when  
asking others - There was  
indeed a delay about this  
appointment I suppose  
on account of the political  
pressure brought to bear -  
I am hoping - the friends  
will think well of Edwin's  
claim since he has not  
pursued it - should he  
not be appointed to this

vacancy - the president -  
having heard of such  
a "Cuba girl" will doubtless  
select him <sup>for the spot</sup> - at least I  
shall hope so. I hope  
I have not bored you  
and should you be  
inclined to interest your-  
self in this matter I  
shall remain as I have  
always been your very  
obedient friend -

Wm. W. Mason

Not troubling  
Love 27<sup>th</sup> 1892.

Prof. ROBERT PECK,  
353 EAST 84th ST.,  
NEW YORK,

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January 27/1892

General O.O. Howard L.L.D.

Gouverneur Island N.Y.

My dear General:-

Have just read of the death  
of your brother, the Rev. Dr. Rowland B.  
Howard. Please accept my sincere  
sympathies, knowing that the Lord doeth  
all things well. I knew your brother  
personally some 20 yrs ago and was  
with him on one platform in a Church.  
May his soul rest in peace.

I pray that this may find you in health.  
I was night & day a sufferer for the past  
six months, being nigh unto death.

Sincerely yours in Christ  
Robert Peck.

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ROBERT FRICK  
305 EAST 64th ST.  
NEW YORK

January 27/92

Mr. [unclear]

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

My dear General

I have just read of the death  
of your brother, Mr. Dr. [unclear]  
I have a great sympathy for  
you in this bereavement, and  
I hope that the Lord will  
grant you the grace to  
bear the loss with patience  
and that the Holy Spirit will  
comfort you in your grief.





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44 West 35 Street  
New York Jan 27<sup>th</sup> 1892

Dear General,

If this  
earthly house of His tabernacle  
be dissolved, He hath a  
building of God, a house  
not made with hands,  
eternal in the heavens.

(1 Cor V: 1)

Yours in Christian  
sympathy,  
F. W. Upham

Mrs U. sends affectionate sym-  
pathy & asks you to come in  
on Sunday as you are all alone  
now.

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



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*[Faint, illegible handwriting in cursive script, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*



It can all mistakes  
as the children are  
making a terrible noise

thru promise, I sold  
some books that we  
used to have and  
paid for it. Annie's young-  
est child is named  
for him since looks  
like him, I have written  
you a much longer  
letter than I thought  
of writing but it was  
good to write to me  
I shall always  
remember with love &  
kindness and gratitude

Believe me to  
be yours truly  
Annie P. Moyle,

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Moyle A.P.

Charlotte, N.C.  
Jan 27<sup>th</sup> 1892

My dear Ben  
The letter and  
bundle came this mor-  
ning, and I write to  
thank you and Mrs  
Howard for the nice  
dresses. I have not  
read any so nice for  
thirty years; and your  
kind letter did me  
a good deal of good  
for I have so much  
trouble and bother  
now trying to get along  
and trying to make  
fifty cents buy a doll-  
ars worth, we have

a large family. I have  
~~the~~ twelve grandchildren  
but only five are near  
me. I am truly sorry to  
hear of Rowland's ill-  
ness and hope sincerely  
that he will recover  
and I pray that Mrs  
Howard will have a  
safe trip and return  
to you in safety. What  
is Rowland doing in  
Italy. If at any time  
Mrs H has anything  
to spare, please think  
of me, and my eight  
in family. God bless  
you my dear friend  
and grant you all  
the blessings he can  
send by the papers that  
the war cloud with

Chilli; The last war  
has left so much trouble  
that I hate to hear of  
a chance of another  
God knows I shall  
always regret Charlie's  
having ever left the  
North and fighting  
on this side. I have  
never received a single  
cent from the State &  
I know some were  
appreciated far more  
than he was, but did  
receive a half as much.  
He is buried here  
and the citizens  
promised to put a  
monument over his  
but I bought a head &  
foot stone, for his grave  
for they seemed to pro-

Scott Tho H. Newsums Va —

Southernampton Co —  
Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> 1892

Dear Genl.

I am just the happy recipient of your long looked for letter, knowing you would do the Masters bidding as to gifts of Matt 25 & Psalm 41. I am so proud of the parcel sent and shall write you a longer letter future by I am very sorry I did not receive your letter sooner as to dearest Mrs Howards request thought I had to write you these few lines peradventure she may have started, owing to storms &c I have a pretty good size wife as a frame from illness &c  
Height 4 1/2 feet  
Waist 26  
Shoulders 32

The grip in these parts has claim many, I hate to lose

by saying May my Master in  
Heaven <sup>forever</sup> bless you <sup>forever</sup> futurally  
with many thanks  
I remain as ever  
in Christ Jesus.

Yours H Scott

P.S. I truly <sup>hope that</sup> Mrs Howard has  
not started for my poor wife's  
sake

Y. H Scott