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General ; Private Dalzell,  
Caldwell, Ohio,

You almost promised to come to the  
Reunion in 1874, 79, 89, & 90,  
but could not at the last. We again  
invite you, & beg you to come.

Ohio will welcome you.

I need not multiply words.

Don't say no this time. See  
bill enclosed & explain fully  
to me your time.

Yr. oter

James M. Dalzell,  
Caldwell, Ohio.

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Secretary

James O'Neil  
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CHICAGO

May 28-92

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Governor's Island, N Y.

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May we not receive your photograph?

Yours Respectfully,

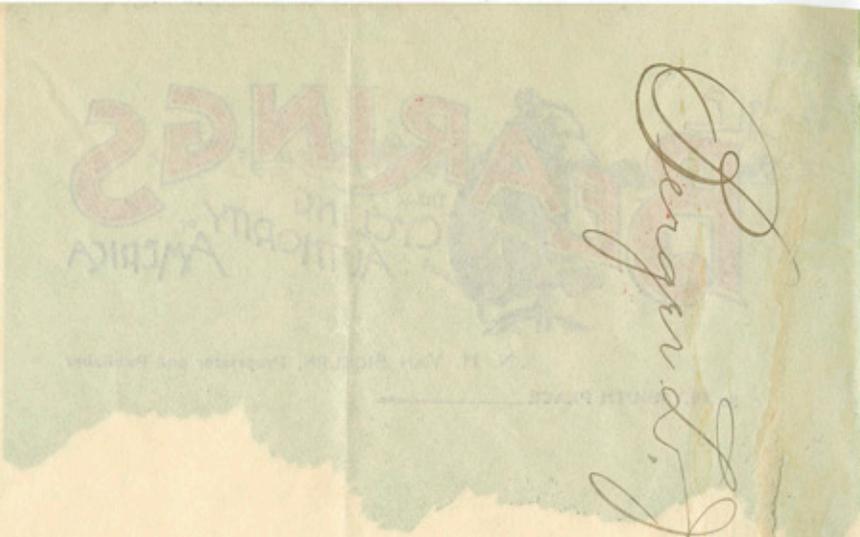
*L. P. Pruett*  
Editor

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*J. M. Perkins*  
*Chairman*



Private.

New York May 28, 1892.

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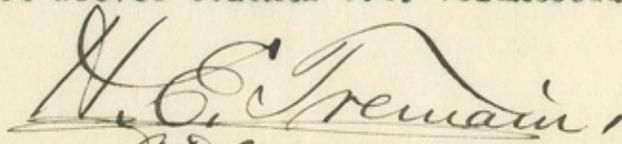
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Kindly enclose reply in envelope enclosed, with any (small) contribution, should you desire to join in the payment for the badge- It is not desired that any contribution should exceed two dollars.

Yours very respectfully,



Late Brevet Colonel U. S. Volunteers,



Late Major and Brevet Brigadier General

U. S. Volunteers.

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New York May 28, 1862.

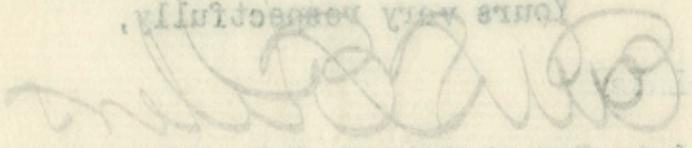
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Major General U.S. Volunteers



Major and Brigadier General

U. S. Volunteers.

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*Private*  
*Dear General*



New York, 30 Mai 1892.

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Cher général,

Saint Médard doit être content. Saint Médard est le patron des marchands de parapluie. Deux fois un œil souriant, mais perfide, m'a attré hors de mon gîte, et deux fois Saint Médard s'est moqué de moi.

Rien n'égale, pour moi, l'ennui d'un jour de fête. J'y perds toujours, je n'y gagne jamais rien. Le cortège, the procession, la partie essentielle de la célébration, est un spectacle dont les charmes me sont absolument cachés: en fait de variété, c'est toujours la même chose. Aujourd'hui il est vrai, il y avait des fleurs, je me trompe, des pots de fleurs. Couvrir les tombes de bouquets et de guirlandes, serait beau et touchant. Il est vrai que ces offrandes se faneraient vite. Mais quoi? ceux qui les apportent s'en font aussi, et ceux à qui on les apporte sont déjà fanés. La moitié de la poésie des fleurs est dans leur courte existence, dans leur beauté éphémère, dans leur fraîcheur d'un jour. C'est une idée sordide et ridicule, de les mettre dans d'ignobles pots, pour les faire durer un peu. Le fameux Commodore de Madison square avait devant lui quelques pitoyables plantes, que malgré leurs pots, étaient flétris, desséchés: il avait l'air de les offrir en vente, ce vieux loup de mer, avec cet air résolu qui le distinguait. La Fayette gémissait sous une immense guirlande roulée autour de lui, des pieds à la tête, comme ces boas de fourrure que les dames portaient l'an dernier: il avait l'air d'offrir son épée en présent, à quiconque voudrait l'en débarrasser.

Et veuillez, sur ce, agréer l'expression de mes meilleurs sentiments

George D. Beek,

Dear Mr. G. S.

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965 Greene Ave.  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

May 30. 92.

Major Genl O. O. Stoward.

U.S.A.

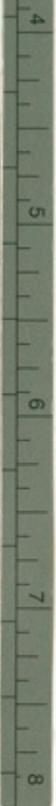
Dear Sir:

Last year you gave the boys league in our church permission to visit and inspect Governors Island, a privilege very much enjoyed and appreciated. On Saturday, June 4. or the Saturday following if the day should prove unfavorable, these boys desire to visit Fort Madsen on Staten Island. If a permit is necessary from you, can it be obtained?

Very Respeccy.

H. G. Mendenhall

Paster Greene Ave. Presbyterian  
Church.



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Wm. Brewster  
Brooklyn, N.Y.  
May 30. 92

My dear Mr. Brewster  
Wife  
Dear Sir,

I have been for some time  
very busy in our school  
to visit our infant  
a little less very much enjoyed  
appreciable. In detail, I  
on the kind of teaching of the staff  
I have been very much interested  
I hope to visit Brooklyn  
in this town of a month or  
necessary from you can it  
be obtained?

Very truly  
Yrs. Wm. Brewster

Wm. Brewster  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

HENRY S. LEE, PREST.  
H. B. CHAMBERLIN, VICE-PREST.  
GEO. D. CHAMBERLAIN, TREAS.



OFFICE OF  
OLIVER C. MORSE, Sec'y.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS., May 30/92

My dear General Howard,

I enclose herewith our

Treasurer's cheque for the amount of your travelling expenses.

Your services on the occasion of our Commencement exercises were greatly enjoyed & appreciated. I will take pleasure in sending you copies of your address, when published. Very sincerely Yrs. Oliver C. Morse

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OLIVER C. MORSE, Sec'y  
OFFICE OF



HENRY A. LEE, Pres't.  
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GEO. D. CHAMBERLIN, Treas'r.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., May 30/12

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Morse O. L.



Rankin, J. C.

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY,

Rev. J. C. Rankin, D.D., LL.D.,  
President.

J. B. Johnson,  
Sec. and Treas.

Washington, D. C. May 30th, 1892

Dear Gen. Howard:

That record is  
this: "Gen. Bullard was discharged  
in 1871." The work is in Johnson's  
Gen. Bullard & the article is signed  
O. O. Howard.

We had a grand day, yesterday.  
At night the Cong. Ch. was well  
filled, & Dr. Beard discoursed eloquent-  
ly & enthusiastically.

May you have a good time  
today, & do not forget those letters  
from your brother.

Very truly,  
J. C. Rankin.

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P.S. You once compared my leaving the  
1st Ch. to Elijah's fleeing from Jeze-  
bel. Did you ever think of those  
preferring affliction with the people of  
God?

J.C.R.

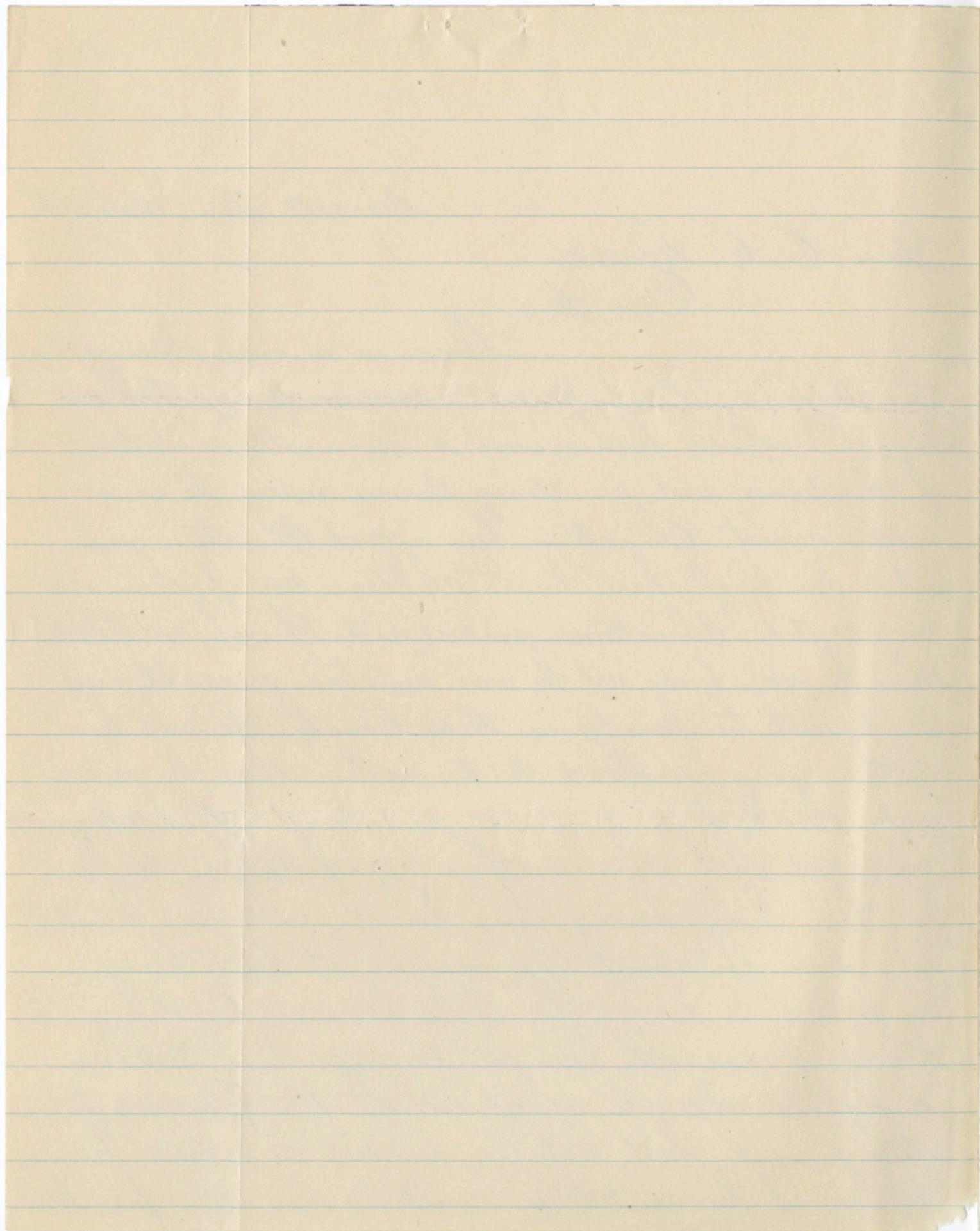
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Pearsall Tex. May 30<sup>th</sup>  
[1892]

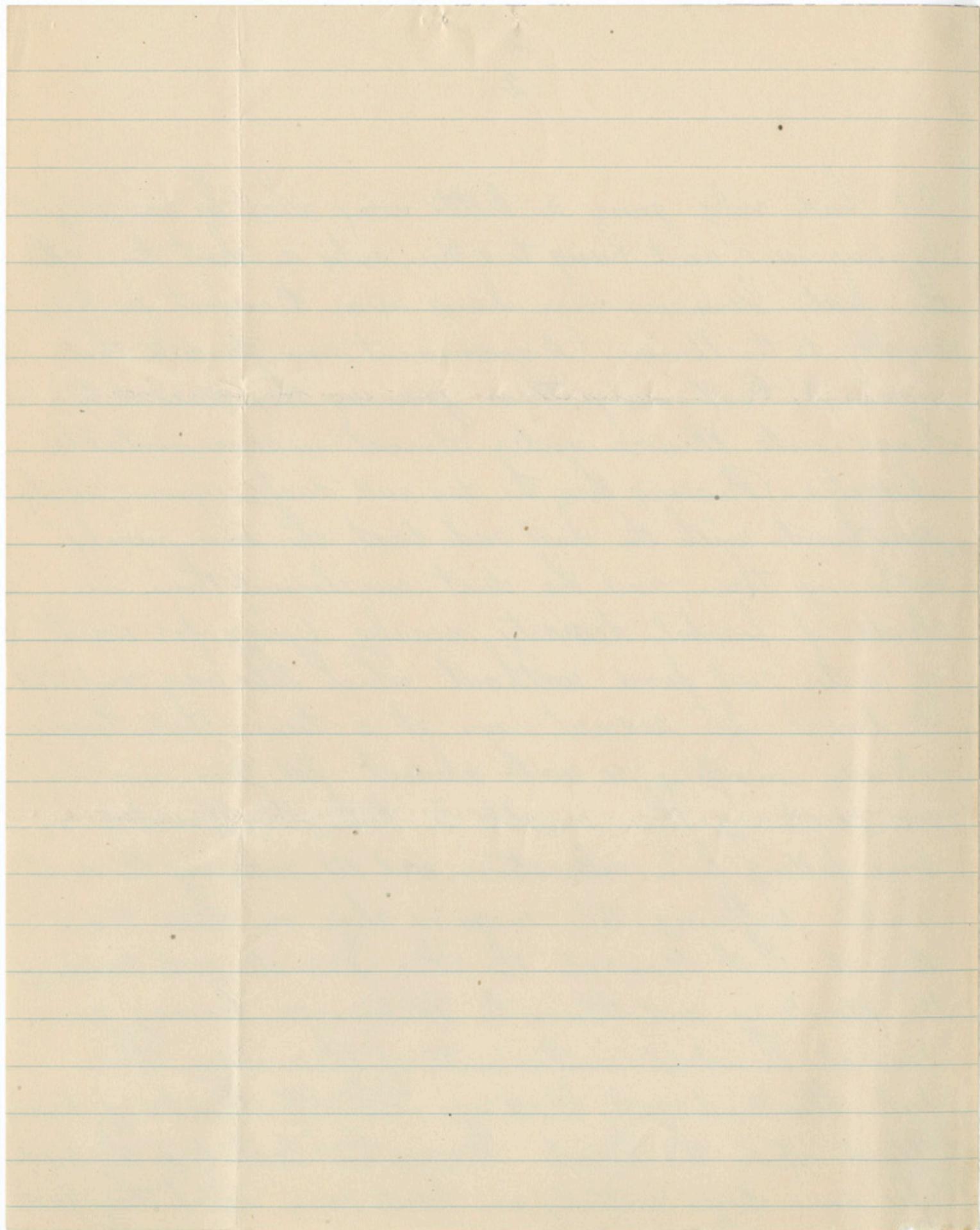
Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,

There is a man living in this town, a Presbyterian (a member of my fathers Church) whose father was a minister, a native of Indiana, and a strong Union man. He is a most earnest Christian, has a good Christian wife, and a family of three bright children, two of whom are consecrated Christians, workers in the Church, and U.S.C. When the war broke out he was nineteen years old, and lived with the family in Dear County. He and his father were resolved to die rather than be forced into the Confederate service, and, being hunted, were compelled, with other northern sympathizers, to flee for their lives, leaving their homes; and were hunted like dogs for about two months, at last being compelled to leave the state, decided to travel to Mexico, if possible, and get passage to a Northern stronghold where they could enlist. Mr. Johnson's father after going a short distance, decided to return home to see if he could do anything for the family,



but had only gone a little way when he was seized by pursuers and hung to a tree, only a short time after the forty Germans were hung near Comfort for their loyalty to the Union. (A monument now stands to their memory). Continuing their journey they passed thro Texas into Mexico under almost insurmountable obstacles. Passing thro the dry and dusty regions, nearly smothered with the heat and dust, the sun nearly withering them, and the dust enveloping them in clouds of fearful density, nearly dying for want of water and food, without which they were compelled to travel for several days at a time, their tongues actually swelling so as to almost fill their mouths and rendering them unable to talk, they traveled on; some falling from exhaustion, and all enduring the most terrible suffering, their enemies close on their trail, they at last crossed the Rio Grande, and traveling to Monterey and thence to Matamoras, having gone several hundred miles out of their way, their feet blistered and bleeding, <sup>they left</sup> leaving tracks of pure blood upon the sand. During this last trip they lived for some days entirely on hard corn which they had



with them. After arriving at Matamoras they obtained passage to New Orleans, where Union troops were at the time, and, at last, after several months of the most terrible suffering and the greatest imaginable hardships they enlisted in the Union Service.

Mr. Johnson served thro the four years war and endured terrible suffering, but not to compare with his experience prior to his enlistment, which would fill a volume and must be given in detail to be appreciated. Returning to the old homestead after the war, he was hunted by men and blood-hounds, several times narrowly escaping with his life. Of the homestead there was nothing left to mark the place where four years before he had lived with father and mother in peace and prosperity.

Mr. J. St. Johnson is now living in Pearsall Texas (Frio Co.) and has perfect proof of this story, and much more; a number of others being with him in it all. He is now in feeble health, brought on during the war and has suffered greatly ever since, having a chronic disease which renders him almost unable to work at all, altho he tries to work sometimes.



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besides having had the <sup>4</sup> muscle of one of his arms taken  
off during the war. (Both of these being caused directly by  
the war. He has never had a pension and seems  
unable, so far to get one. He is has no income,  
and is in destitute circumstances, has a family of bright  
children, who are worthy of good advantage, but for  
whom he can do almost nothing on account of  
his weak condition. He told me the other day he  
had decided he could not live long but wished he  
could make some provision for his family.

Mr. Johnson has never mentioned his troubles to  
anyone here but our family as we are from Erie Co.  
Penn. and of course sympathize. He does not know  
I am writing this letter, but if I can be instrumental  
in doing anything for him I count it a duty, and  
one of the greatest privileges of my life. I will  
gladly answer any of questions or furnish names  
for reference. (Soldiers names). Please do not write  
to anyone here about this as he has never told  
any family but ours, and it would make trouble  
for him as the people would not sympathize  
with him in the least. Is there not some way  
to help this man to the ordinary blessing of life,  
for he has sacrificed these for his country, and  
not only he, but his family, have been suffering  
(Over)

the consequences for many years. It really seems that it should not be so, when others more fortunate than he have all the comfort that money can buy. Such misfortunes as his, together with the terrible droughts which we have had for several years, have made the entire population so poor that one cannot help another, however worthy. Are there not some who will give of their abundance to relieve him, for he certainly deserves all that good can bestow upon him.

Please address,

Yours Truly,

(Care Presbyterian Ministers)  
Williamson S. Wright.

Henry A. Wright.

Pearsall.

Frio Co

Texas

Wright, H. A.

Pruggen Isabella

you myself, but I do not  
know, what time you will  
be home, perhaps, you will  
write id to me.



31 May 1855  
New York

Dear General

The position, for what you was  
so kindly to give me your  
testimonial, I did not received,  
because I am a married woman,  
I was sick too the last week  
and I suppose, it will be  
time now, to go back to my  
mother, to my dear children.  
With this intention, I wrote  
this last week to my brother  
in Law Hugo Berthold, let  
he be so good and lend me  
the money for a steamer ticket  
today he wrote me back,  
he never lend money, but  
he will give me 100 Mark  
(for present) for a ticket in  
Hwischendeh, more he would  
not be able to do for me.

It is impossible for me  
to go over in this place, where  
is all the bad people I  
cannot understand when he  
could make me this proposition.  
I do not know what I can  
do. I have not a friend here.  
It is a long time till I  
write for this money to my  
mother or relatives.  
You could not be so kindly,  
General and lend me the  
so much I need still?  
I would give it back to  
Adelheid Howard in Göttingen  
When I came over to New-  
York I paid for my  
ticket 300 Mark and then  
I want still here to paid  
my board the last two weeks  
I beg you pardon, Dear General

much times when I speak  
so free with you, but I  
have not a friend here  
and I do not know what  
is to do, it is too hard for  
me and I suffer too much  
to stay longer here, I would  
be very thank full to you  
and would never forget it  
when you could help me  
I am so very much ashamed  
to you and your children  
because I ask you.  
In hope you will soon give  
me your answer, General  
I am your truly

Habella Brügger  
My addr. 1680 Lexington Av. (106. Station)  
in care of Mrs. T. O'Connell  
I would come over to see

Nelson Eugene

TECUMSEH

432.  
Lough-Notford Maine  
May 31<sup>st</sup>

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Maj Genl O. O. Howard  
My Dear Sir

I am pleased to acknowledge the receipt of your of 28<sup>th</sup> with check enclosed -

Yes, Uncle Hicks has been in a critical condition for several weeks and is still quite feeble although somewhat improved - His small means were long since exhausted, and his sickness is quite expensive from the nature of it (A serious kidney and bladder trouble)

And although I have a  
large family to care  
for and only my hands  
to do with - I am trying  
to carry this poor old gentle  
man along with what gra-  
tuitous contributions friends  
may make. He was unfortunate  
in having life insurance in a  
defunct Co (Charl-Oak of  
Newport) and got but a  
trifle \$ out of it so he is  
left without a dollar so  
that any contributions that  
you are fit to make will  
be gratefully received, <sup>and</sup> if sent  
payable to my order will cause  
some trouble as he is quite infirm,  
and be judiciously expended  
for his good - He wishes me  
to express a great deal of  
love and gratitude for your  
remembrance of him

He regrets very much his inability  
to see you when last in Ocean  
as you were quite over the place  
Thanking you for your kindness  
I am from very truly  
Engel M. Sloan

P.S. Uncle Stephen is an own uncle of Henry's being  
a brother to my dear mother, Aunt although I see  
you from all his support in I should think, my  
much to call on you both from my firm - or only - My  
which would be best for his support and hope not to be obliged to  
E. M.