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[ca- May 28, 1892]

General: Private Dalzell,
Caldwell, Ohio.

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

Ohio will welcome you.

I need not multiply words.

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

Yours James M. Dalzell,
Caldwell, Ohio.

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Secretary

Curtis, W. S.

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CHICAGO May 28-92

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Yours Respectfully,

J. Burger
Editor

Bergen, J. J.

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Editor

Private.

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The three special things intended to be recognized in a quiet way by this are: Designing and introducing the system of corps badges and flags for the Army of the Potomac which has helped to hold us together in such a pleasant way ever since- the call for and helping to organize the Society of the Army of the Potomac; - and planning and carrying out the Dinner to the Comte de Paris.

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,

Daniel Butterfield

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New York, 30 Mai 1892. 289.

Cher général,

Saint Médard doit être content. Saint Médard est le patron des marchands de parapluie. Deux fois un ciel souriant, mais perfide, m'a attiré 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 fanéraient vite. Mais quoi ? ceux qui les apportent se fânent aussi, et ceux à qui on les apporte sont déjà fânés. La moitié de la poésie des fleurs est dans leur courte destinée, 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 du Madison square avait devant lui quelques pitoyables plantes, qui malgré leurs pots, étaient flétries, desséchées : il avait l'air de les offrir en vente, ce vieux loup de mer, avec cet air résolu qui le distingue. 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. Beck,

Rec'd. Geo. S.

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965 Greene Ave.
Brooklyn. N.Y.
May 30. 92.

Major Genl O. O. Howard.
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 Wadsworth on Staten Island. If a permit is necessary from you, can it be obtained?

Very Respecy.
H. G. Mendenhall
Pastor Greene Ave. Presbyterian Church.

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

SPIRIT
INTERNATIONAL
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
TRAINING SCHOOL.

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

1130.

Morce O. B.

Rankin. J. E.

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY,

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

J. B. Johnson, Sec. and Treas.

Washington, D. C. May 30th, 1892

Dear Gen. Howard:

That record is thus: "Gen. Ballard was discharged in 1871." The work is in Johnson's Nar Sect. & the article is signed O. O. Howard.

We had a grand day, yesterday. At night, the Cong. Ch. was well filled, & Dr. Beard discoursed eloquently & commanding.

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

Very truly, J. E. Rankin.

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

J. C. R.

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Pearsall Tex. May 30th [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 Y.P.S.C.E. When the war broke out he was nineteen years old, and lived with the family in Kerr 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 he 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, ~~leaving~~ they left 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. N. 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 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 advantages, 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 name). Please do not write to anyone here about this as he has never told any family but our, 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

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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 you can bestow upon him.

Please address,

Yours Truly,

(Care Presbyterian Minister
Williamson S. Wright.)

Henry H. Wright.

Pearsall
Frio Co
Texas

Wright, H. H.

Bruggen Isabella

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

31 May [1897] 285

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 Zwischendeck 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 relatifs,
You could not be so kindly
General and lend me the
so much I need still 2
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 which
is to do, it is too hard for
me and I souffre too much
to stay longer here, I would
be very thankfull to you
and would never forget it
when you could helpe me
I am so very much ashamed
to you and your children
because I ask you.
I in hope you will soon give
me your answer, General
I am your truly

Isabella Bruggen

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

Nelson Eugene

South Waterford Maine
May 31st

Maj Genl O. O. Howard
My Dear Sir
I am pleased to acknowledge the receipt from you of 28th 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 the from old gentleman along with what gratuitous contributions friends may make He was unfortunate in having life insurance in a defunct Co (Charter Oak of Hartford) and got but a trifle of out of it so he is left without a dollar so that any contributions that you in fit to make will be gratefully received and if sent payable to my order will come more handy 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

The deposits my uncle has made in Bank for me are active back in Boston (Col Bridgeo) as you know – some funds – over the place

Thanking you for your kindness I am yours very truly

Eugene McClure

P.S. Uncle Charles is one uncle of Penny Cary a brother to my dear Parents. And although I am far from able to support him I should like, any funds he could on his behalf from any person or persons which would be with the utmost pleasure to the deposits E.M.C.