A FEW FACTS ABOUT GENERAL JOSEPH A. MOWER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., DECEMBER, 1892.

To the Survivors of the Army of the Tennessee and others:

COMPANIONS: Many who never met General Mower know his fame; but they who served personally near him, as no others can, the completeness and charm of his character as an officer, patriot, and gentleman. In well-directed dash and cool intrepidity he had no superior; in zeal and self-sacrifice to duty he had few equals; in efficiency he had the entire confidence of his official superiors. Although without academic preparation he held a commission in the Regular Army, and had a native instinct that was broadened by painstaking private study of the military art and science, this united to a passionate love of country, a kindly heart, a splendid personal bearing, and never asking officers or men to go where he did not lead, made him a commander of uncommon efficiency and genius.

But sudden death cut short a young life filled with exploit and promise. A longer continuance of active operations would have led him to a most distinguished place in the world’s military history, for he had chosen the profession of arms and to the war was wedded soul and body. From the time he entered the engineers, as a young man from Vermont to serve through the Mexican war, to his death, his career was one continuous succession of brilliant deeds and promotions. He was brevetted through every grade for “distinguished service.” This address could not give all of the circumstances of such a military history; but in general it may be said that he was appointed as second lieutenant in the First U. S. Infantry in 1839, by President Pierce, and served in that regiment in Texas where he attained the rank of captain at the beginning of the war for the Union. Then, resisting the surrounding blandishments of treason by other sons of the flag, he proved to be loyal and also grateful for the commission he held. He was soon ordered to command the fortifications of New Madrid under General Pope, and shortly after the fall of Island Number Ten he was commissioned as colonel of the Eleventh Missouri Infantry. Hence he commenced to look for opportunities to deal useful blows, and his purpose never flagged. His mind took in the whole field of war, and the duty of his profession was spurned on by his intense hatred of treason. As colonel commanding a brigade he was severely wounded in the operations about Corinth and was taken, but escaped the same day by a foot of personal daring. At Young’s Point he received a commission of brigadier-general, and with that rank participated in the siege of Vicksburg and Jackson. On the Red River campaign, under A. J. Smith, he commanded two divisions and charged in person with the Twenty-fourth Missouri capturing Fort De Russy. With his command he captured a regiment and battery at Henderson Hill, fought the battle of Pleasant Hill, and, in all of A. J. Smith, fought the battle of Bayou de Glaise with 4,000 men against more than double the number, it being a decisive event in the campaign under Gen. Banks. Then crossing the Arkansas he fought with A. J. Smith the battle of Tupelo, and next, with his division, he followed Price through Arkansas and Missouri, when he received on the field his commission as major-general of volunteers. When General Sherman was given the command of the Military Division of the Mississippi, having marked General Mower as a favorite, he immediately sent for him with a view of giving him command of a corps, but reasons in the rear left him in command of the First Division of the Seventeenth Corps. At Washington he was given command of the Twentieth Corps. We of the First Division remember how aggressively General Mower forced, with his division, the siege of Savannah and the passage of the Sashkatuche, where, after leading in person his skirmishers through the swamp during a winter’s night, kilos were broken from his clash in the morning. The severe exposure here, having wasted bodily in the water, induced pulmonary disease that added complications to his final illness five years later. At Bentonville, his separating his division by permission and charging upon Hardee’s left, burying the entire force of the enemy across Mill Creek in full retreat, was his last display with us of his prompt daring guided by quick and clear perception, and a movement that General Sherman afterwards strongly commended and expressed his regret that he did not take advantage of it at the time to force Johnson to battle. The concurrent experiences of officers who were near General Mower, from first to last, is that he was directly under the firm of the enemy more than any other officer in the service. He loved to be ahead of his skirmishers, when essential to clear observation, knowing that plenty of generals could always be found.

After the war he was given command of the New Orleans District where he died in 1870 of congestion of the lungs, leaving a young and affectionate family not provided for adequately to his rank and services; for he never had a thought of monetary acquisition but gave all his faculties to his government. Although he cannot speak to mortals his deeds and his conscience must speak for him. As modest and reticent in private life as he was terrible in battle he never alluded to himself, even to those who associated with him in hourly intimacy; and now that his restless spirit is silenced let us continue that living faith we bad when we were riding by his side or marching under his inspiring lead and see to it that the carved granite shall transmit to posterity his merits. This is not only due to the man but to the country.

It is suggested that money may be collected for various regimental organizations of the first division, and officers that he commanded, and also by various G. A. R. posts that are specially interested in his memory, by public entertainment or private subscription, and forwarded to the treasurer, who will promptly receipt thereof.

Letters of inquiry may be addressed to Col. William Honnstruck, corresponding secretary, County Court, Brooklyn, N. Y., or to R. F. Chase, recording secretary, Washington, D. C.

By order of the Committee,

J. M. RUSK,
Chairman and Treasurer.
THE MOWER MONUMENT COMMITTEE.

APPOINTED BY THE SURVIVORS OF THE ARMY OF THE TENNESSEE AT THEIR LATE REUNION IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Capt. David Pollock,
Col. John W. Sprague.

WASHINGTON, D. C., DECEMBER, 1892.

To the Survivors of the Army of the Tennessee and others:

General Joseph A. Mower has been buried twenty years and his grave in Arlington is yet unmarked. The statement of this fact at our late Reunion in Washington awakened a strong feeling among the comrades, and they appointed this Committee to solicit funds and erect a monument to his memory. The Committee inclose herewith a statement of some of the facts respecting the distinguished services of General Mower, and solicit such sum as you may see fit to contribute towards erecting the proposed monument.

Contributions may be handed to any member of the Committee, or sent direct to the Treasurer, General J. M. Rusk, at Washington, D. C., who will receipt for the same when received. Send by draft, post-office money order, or registered letter, under cover of the inclosed envelope.

The Committee hopes to be able to make a satisfactory report to the comrades at their next Reunion at Indianapolis on the occasion of the Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, in 1893. The names of all contributors to the fund will be included in their report. And what comrade will not take pleasure in having his name enrolled among those who helped to place a suitable commemorative stone over dear old Joe Mower’s grave?

By order of the Committee,

R. F. CHASE,
Secretary.
Dear Sir:

The views of a number of our most eminent writers and thinkers, on the above subject are to be published in a syndicate of leading newspapers.

It would afford us much pleasure if you would send a contribution on this interesting topic, which is one to attract wide attention. We feel confident that the value of the symposium would be enhanced by a few lines from your pen and it is hoped that you will find it convenient to take part in the discussion. Awaiting an early response,

Very respectfully yours,

The Bok Syndicate Press
New England Cong'l Church,
SOUTH NINTH STREET, NEAR DRIGGS,
142 Rodney St.
Gen. O. O. Howard
My dear Sir,

Permit me to extend congratulations for your safe return and for the noble testimony you made for Prayer.

Enclose two tickets which I trust you will be able to use to our Celebration Dec. 21. We anticipate a grand time.

Dr. Virgin is to take for his theme the "Influence of the Puritan Fathers on the Religious Life of our People", how would it do for me to announce yours as the "Influence of the Puritan Fathers on the National Life of our People."
This would give you an opportunity to say something about our soldiers here. As I am to have the subjects printed will you kindly let me know if the one suggested will answer or if you think of one that will suit you better all right.

Sincerely Yours,

Alexander Lewis
New England Cong'1 Church,
SOUTH NINTH STREET, NEAR DRIGGS.
142 Rodney St.

My dear Gen. Howard,

Please accept my hearty thanks for your kind response at our Forfathers gathering. I am certain that your words did good. May God bless you for your noble stand on all questions of public interest.

Resp.

[Signature]

Alexander Lewis.
New York Dec 14th 1892

Major General B.O. Howard

Dear friend,

Induced the prevent bill, did not like to give it to Mr. Meehl, as you suggested. Thank God you are home again. Oh, dear dear General, how unappealing am I now with whatever and I do need your kind advice more than ever, and as soon as you feel rested and feel inclined, would you kindly grant me an entente with [private]
And yeasron me if I take the liberty of asking you as a personal favor not to mention anything of my affairs to Mr. Beck or any one of Camp Morristown Church.

I would be more than thankful, please, remember it, if the wish you concerning me.

Trust in the Lord to see you through, and May the Lord bless you and guide until my eyes see in death. May you most eminent greatful.
My dear Genl. Stormer,

We do not know if you are at home yet, but if you are will you come in to luncheon Sunday? The Dr. is asking for a sight of his old friend. Very sincerely yours,

Elizabeth Kendall Wyeth

Dec. 2, 1892

44 West 35th Street
May 12th 1892

Dear Mr. People...

I had the honor to invite you early last summer for the purpose of returning your presence and an address from you at our Wyoming Conference of Association to be held in April at Saratoga. The time has been fixed for all 12 for one week and we the Old Soldiers who are now Minstrot Members of the Conference (M.E) have organized a Vet ass. and will hold a Camp fire some evening during the week beginning April 1. Can you give us an evening? I wish you would just as soon as I can possibly. The date was held in the New Elm Park Methodist Church at Saratoga. Come if possible.

Please state times. An early reply is desire that I may arrange your Old Bent.

O. L. Severson
Feb 3rd 1893
December 3rd, 1892.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Governor's Island, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Indian Commissioners, and Conference with Secretaries of Missionary Societies, and other friends of the Indians, will be held at the Riggs House, this city, January 12th, 1893.

This will be an important meeting for discussion of the condition and outlook of the Indian Service, and you are cordially invited to be present.

Yours truly,

E. Whittelsey
Secretary.
December 3rd, 1933

Gen. O. H. Howard
Governor's Island, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Indian Commissioners and
Conference with Secretaries of Missionary Societies, and other
Trains of the Indians, will be held at the White House, this city,
January 11th, 1934.

This will be an important meeting for the bestment of the com-
munity and outlook of the Indian Service, and you are cordially
invited to be present.

Yours truly,

Secretary.
177 W. 43rd St.
New York,
Dec. 3, 1892.

My dear General Howard,

I hope you had a pleasant visit abroad and that it was profitable in the object for which you went to Spain. The book of which I spoke to you is "History of the Conquest of Spain" by Dr. Henry Cupples; published in 1881 by Little, Brown & Co. Boston, 2 vols.
A copy of this is on the Mercantile Library here. Although the subject of Culp's book is anterior to the time of Isabella it may assist you in constructing the cannonary leading up to your subject.

Yours truly,

Mr. C. Smith
OXFORD CLUB OF BROOKLYN.

Reception, Saturday Evening, December 3rd, 1892, at eight o’clock.

Entertainment by Mr. HARRY PEPPER,

“An Evening with the Ballad,”

(Vocally illustrated).

Each member is privileged to invite one gentleman as his guest.

Refreshments at half after nine.
Oxford Club
of Brooklyn.
Reception
Saturday evening, Dec. 3rd, 1892
at eight o'clock.

Admit Mr.

Compliments of

Present this at the door.
Dec 5 1892

My dear Sue Howard,

Congratulations upon your escape—on are we to receive the story "Came gran's Sails," I am afraid you have had so much work—-you must not agree with my idea of one sale of these at Exchange for me.

Yours truly,

[Signed]

FORT MYER, WASHINGTON, D. C.
Trinity Villas, Cork
Ireland
December 21, 1912

Dear General Howard,

I forgot to give you my card, I fear you may not remember our address
without it. We shall be so anxious to hear of your safe arrival, and that little
Hildegarden has left her cough on board ships.

Coppinger, Alice
With our very best and warmest wishes for your safe and pleasant journey, and with love for Mrs. Howard and Hildegarde. Believe me yours very sincerely.

Alice Coppinger
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TO:

General Howard Stevens
Harold Lawrence
Rejoicing at your preservation we pray for your safe return home.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter

P.S.—This Form must accompany any inquiry made respecting this Telegram.
Military anecdotes would be less often
beseeches the good services of some of
our surviving soldiers. I feel this is
indeed so. I shall, to forward the success
of an article every boy in the land will
desire to read, you may find for me
in some retrospective corner of your
kindly remembrance a thrilling
story that will stand for ever at least.

With sincere apologies for presuming
on your valuable time but hoping
much of your soldierly patience
and interest

Believe me,

Dear General Howard,

Very faithfully yours,

(Mrs.) Susan W. Seepridge

38 Louise Street,

Thurnial, Bavaria.

Dear General Howard,

There are times when one

turns naturally to the strong might of

a stretched out arm; — I have been

asked by a Mr. J. Sargeant to write an

article to be called "Stories of my Father";

one of military anecdotes and reminiscences

of Phil Kearny.

Having grown up since the war of

the rebellion the task is difficult

for me without the aid and cooperation of

those who served with him and

whom earnest hearts perhaps many

a characteristic tale of this soldier lies

still unforgotten.

Several officers who served in the Army

of the Potomac have assured me that a request made for
Brooklyn
14th April 1872

[Signature]

Dear General Howard,

The Young Men's Christian Association of this city (one of the grandest institutions on the continent) want you at their anniversary. I want you! I want you! I want you! This meeting will be in Brooklyn. We will, if you come, have 7,000 people to hear you and you will have a welcome that will more than pay you for the
bring your family with you

[handwritten text]

pleasure of navigation from Governors Island. You will come to my house to dine at this老实 + see my wife & children who have been very much since you dined with us two years ago, or they in will go to the church to a meeting which Blessed God through you message will be something to think of forever. So say yes to the young men's invitation yours or

T. de Witt Talman
Dear Sir:

I find the application has to be forwarded from here to his lawyer in Washington. The Revision is for John Fitch, Certificate No. 321. 197. G. "H." 10th Court. Jtly. And your letter you will please send to Coon's Revision, Ramsey Washington.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

Clerk.
Atlanta, Dec. 3rd

My dear Zenith Howard

I was very glad to meet you last Sunday. You are the best Parishioner I ever had, and I am inclined to think the best man I ever knew. Do you recall that sailor & well ride to Plattsburgh? I never heard you speak better than that. May I hope we did some good?
How Enrich you will
come here again and
longer! Is it not time
for an official visit?
Our Church is doing
quite well. It is hard
to know how plenty of
obstacles overcome,
but we try to keep our
integrity—I have steadily
endeavored to preach
better here; otherwise
do better work than
ever before. I now
intend to keep
another year after which D. T. I doubt know. I remember separately & distinctly each member of your family. Please give my love to each of them. Mrs. Smith joins. The air is soft today full of yellow sunshine like a day in June.

I enclose to you an "application" to go to Michigan. It is unjust a Parishioner poor & rich, equally incapable. With that...
Thurs., a.f.

It might be proper for you to add some very helpful word. I shall feel personally befriended if you can do it consistently and it will aid a desiring man. It incurs disease in the army and is an unfortunate habit.

With all love and esteem,

Your friend,

[Signature]
Riverhead, N.Y.

Dec. 6th 1892.

Major General O. O. Howard,
Governor's Island, N.Y.

Dear Sir: The Riverhead Lecture Association in arranging the lecture course for our village this season has fixed upon Feb. 6th as one of its dates and March 15th as the next date. Between these two dates there is an interval of six weeks and we desire to add another lecture to the course, to be given in the latter part of February. The committee having the matter in charge desire to have you fill this date. It is the very general desire of our people to have you visit us. If you can arrange to favor us it will be greatly appreciated.

Please let me hear from you in the enclosed stamped envelope as to whether you could lecture for us in the latter part of February or first of March. Also please state your terms &c.

Very respectfully yours,

Everett B. Sweezy,
Sec'y Lecture Association.
Ritchie, N.Y.

Dec. 6th 1923

Mayor General O. Howarth
Government's Island, N.Y.

Dear Sir:
The Princeton Lecture Association in determining the lecture course for our afternoon lecture season have fixed upon the first of the latter part of December as the time of the lecture course to be given in the lecture hall of the Princeton University. The committee holding the matter met under the leadership of the President and determined to have the lecture course on December 6th. If you can arrive here on the day of the lecture course, you will be expected to be there.

Please let me know from you in the enclosed envelope as to whether you could lecture for us in the lecture hall.

Very respectfully yours,

[Signature]

Ritchie Lecture Association.
December 6th, 1892.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Care War Dept., City.

Dear Sir:-

A number of years ago you sold to Mr. Frank G. Middleton of this city Lot No. 16 in Block 20 Meridian Hill.

After all these years a bill has been presented to the widow of Mr. Middleton for a special improvement tax levied against the property June 15th, 1877, which is now reported due and unpaid with interest amounting to more than the original sum. Of this tax Mrs. Middleton (now Mrs. Shumate) of course knows nothing and cannot properly be held responsible for its non-payment. Had the tax been assessed during the ownership of Mr. Middletown his estate would be liable for its payment, but if you were the owner of the property at the time, the liability applies to you under the conditions of your deed to him.

We are requested by Mrs. Shumate to communicate with you on the subject and ask that you investigate the facts of the case as presented and if you find them as suggested to make known to us your disposition in the matter. Enclosed please find bill.

Very respectfully,

[Signature]
San Francisco, Dec 17, 1892.

Gentleman: O.W. Howard.

Dear Sir,

I am moved to write you on behalf of our Brother Capt. Isaiah Bray of Oakland, who was to receive the appointment as Captain of the Quarantine Steamer (new) now lying at the Angel Island Station, but she has not been put in Commission, and meanwhile he has used up all his means, and his family are almost in want, and in imminent danger of being turned out of their house.

A letter from you to Surgeon Genl. Wyman at Washington may secure the issuing of Capt. Bray's Commission, even though the Steamer should not be run at present, and as he has been waiting several months, it would be only right to have it dated back 90 days. Mr. Carmichael in charge of the Station wants Bray, and assured him sometime ago that the appointment was assured, and he had been waiting. Bray is a good man, and his third wife has recently received a great accession of the Spirit. They are joyful even under great trials, and the Master wants not to do anything we can to aid them. I am also writing to our Oakland Member of Congress to call on Wyman.

Very respectfully & sincerely, Edward P. Flint.
December 8th 1892

Dear Sir:

I have the pleasure of enclosing to you an invitation to the third annual sundown supper of the Tenderloin Club.

The occasion will be made memorable by the introduction of some new features which will prove novel and entertaining.

Trusting that you may find it convenient to be present,

I am

Very Truly Yours,

[Signature]

Secy & Treasurer

[Signature]
The Tenderloin Club
requests the pleasure of
Jew. O. O. Howard's
company on Sunday evening,
December the eighteenth, at 7:30 o'clock.
at Jaeger's,
Madison Avenue, corner 59th Street.

This card must be presented at the door.
R.S.V.P.
Many, but one in particular
thing coming here, i.e. that
you had rather mind
People from America. This
is a grand place for char
acter mind. I lost these
people of my feeling, and
Donjon full of fun, seeing the
ridiculous side of everything.
There is a sort of affinity
between us.
You will another
get many letters & conversa
tions, and hum to
him to make mine
self seeming and engage
& work etc., of myself, to
us to express your remon
Tha expected to return
on March. And if I should
be convinced of the things
between us in all then.

Dear Gen. Howard.

Words fail
Me other to express all
what has been in our minds
and hearts since we read
that you were on the same
with Mr. Moody.

My first
thoughts ever since tricked
 themselves upon something
to this effect: "How an any
sort of effect of Gen. Howard to
come over here, and not
let me know of it," and
I decided never to do to see you
in them until I knew, that
I had heard that.
a honor except you had
of course my heart melted.
And now I wish to say how
thankful I am that
you escaped as you did,
the night before the
heard of the accident. father
accepted to a lot of soldiers
in September, and I see aides
in great deal about you.
My fact. I think you pre-
my tests. I continued you
in New York, and in your
readiness to finish one of
the letters I had comforted
To you. the next day.
I can't think why you
didn't let us know you were
in England. I should have
sent one to see you like
a shot. Father says you
probably went on enti-
tries and stayed only a
few days etc. all this is
compulsory to comfort me.
I know it's only private, and
cannot attend before Dinon.
Read your recollection of y
ceiling ambitions and those
fascist desires was to hand
on list of previous hybrids.
It is rather funny. They
opinion as far from com-
forting, and that you can
say sorry. I would like to explain
myself. While relief in. you
i wish you could
have run over to your
islands and seen the
interesting north going on
here. Think about a
remains. I heard you make
for thought of a jump.
Whitney. Mary

Shall try to see you in New York. One of the things in that there is a change of one realizing my ideal for idealizing into reality, and the other thing is that you still remember your very loving (202 ?)

Mary Whitney

My father and Mr. Stettina will send you their love. Father says he would have gone to Long Island to see you if he had known you were to be there too. O.
The Kirrington
Dec 8
1892

My dear General:
I saw by
the papers you had
returned safely. At
the same time hearing
wrapping an accident
at sea. It followed
me at nine of the
flame which
Then I met in New York of the man who thought of this prayer. Having the storm on Wednesday you probably have received the paper by this time containing notice of my new method. I write to say
Mr. Price, here for the present but he will be going to Chicago very soon.
We are all very well and often speak of the pleasant visit we made you and of how little.
X. Dreamed of the great love that X.
Is short a time—
Hoping you enjoy your summer and that we may meet in the near future. I am with kind regards sincerely.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Syracuse University.

C. N. SIMS, Chancellor.

Syracuse, N. Y. Dec. 7, 1892.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

My dear Sir:

I am very anxious that you should visit our University during the present winter, and deliver a lecture before our students good citizens. He will be pleased with any subject you may select, although I should be glad if you could talk to me upon anything connected with the army.
and its history. While here I also desire that you should meet some students in a religious service. Please write me if it is possible for you to come, and if so, when, and what you would charge me.

Yours Cordially,

C. H. Sims.
Col. Porfirio Díaz
Mex. Dec. 8/91

May. Gen. O. C. Howard
U. S. Army

Com. Dept. of the East

Gov. Island

New York.

Dear General:

"Merry Christmas!" is ringing about now a good deal. Everyone is getting ready for one.—Last summer when we were in Win...
Never, I suppose, to show that handsome picture of that you sent to me, a day. "This is from a great general." I am ever so much obliged for it. We have enjoyed our summer in Winnetka very much, I can imagine you enjoying your trip to Europe very much, as they all must (that is the people I know so much about you, that you will find..."
objects of interest everywhere—We have also had the splendid treat of going to Durango. The International's new railroad there has just been completed & the inauguration was to occur Nov. 10, 11 or 12. Mr. Huntington & friends, many notables from City of Mexico, were also there.
I was very much charmed
with the late presiden-
tial election, but my inter-
est stopped for a while, af-
ter it was known that
Cleveland was going into
the White House. But I think
that we [the Republican Party]
will be elected in '96, because
now we can see that we are
not so strong, as to neglect
so much as we did. We
enjoyed the pleasure of Repe-
lican rule so much that
we did not think defeat
possible; but we sometimes find that defeat is best for us. And we know from reading history that a great defeat is often followed by a great victory. Hoping that you will agree with me on this subject, I am

Very sincerely yours

J. A. Stuart Johnson
Howard, O.C.Jr.

Baltimore, Dec 24th

Gen. O.C. Howard
Governors Island
New York City

Dear Uncle Otis:

I have some stocks of the United Coal Co of Olyn which I am making an effort to place with various banks etc. in New England, and I desire very much to approach Mr. A.C. Barlow of Providence, R.I. Knowing him to be a friend of yours I thought that you might be willing to give me a letter of introduction.
to him.

I was more than pleased when in New York last Saturday to learn of your safe return to Queenstown and to learn how safely you all came out of your terrible disaster. Both Helen and myself send love to all.

Your aff. nephew
A. O. Howard Jr.

Address 27 Tremont Row,
% E. O. Achorn Esq.
Boston Mass.
E. P. Hammond,
Hartford, Conn.

Hartford, Conn.
Dec. 8, 1892.

Dear Gen. Howard;-

I have been reading about the dreadful time you had on the S. S. Spree. I thank the Lord that the lives of all were spared. It reminded me of a somewhat similar experience which I had when we struck an iceberg off New foundland. You perhaps have read about it in the book I gave you the Reaper and the Harvest. I have been holding meetings since I saw you in various places. We had a very good time in Trenon. Kind reference was made to your work. Last Sunday I was in the Poquonock Church in Windsor, Conn. Between 40 and 50 professed conversion. It would have rejoiced your heart to have seen sinners young and old coming to Christ. I have promised to go to Waterford, N. Y. a place a little north of Troy to hold meetings about the 8th of Jan. The people there seem to be in earnest, and I
think there will be a rich blessing there. Please remember me kindly to your dear wife and family. Am glad your daughter now that it is all over could have been with you, during that fearful experience on the Ocean. — "Perils in the deep." With our united love and much of it, I am your brother in Christ,

E. P. Hammond.