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James A. Wright, Jr.
Second Vice President.

6 Bowling Green,

New York February 24th, 1893.

Major General O.O. Howard, U.S.A.
Governors Island, N.Y.

My dear Sir:

On behalf of the International Navigation Company, will you permit me to express my thanks to you and to Lieut. Treat, for your kind attentions in connection with the ceremony of raising the American Flag on the New York on Washington's Birthday. I regret that you were unable to be present. With renewed thanks for the interest manifested by you in this event, I am my dear sir

Yours very truly,

James A. Wright, Jr.

2nd. Vice President.



W.D. STAR LINE.

AMERICAN LINE

Wright James

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of
Howard*

Speakers Room,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Feb. 24, 1893.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Governor's Island, N. Y.

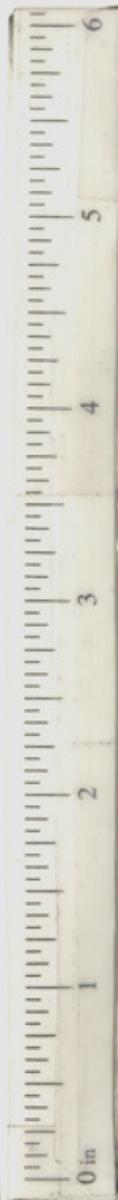
Dear Sir:-

Your letter respecting the bill for the benefit of postal clerks is received. If I can see my way to giving a day for the consideration of the bill, I will do so; but the time is so short, until adjournment, that we are very much pressed.

Hoping you are well, I am

Sincerely yours friend,

Wm. D. King



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Genl. Charles F.

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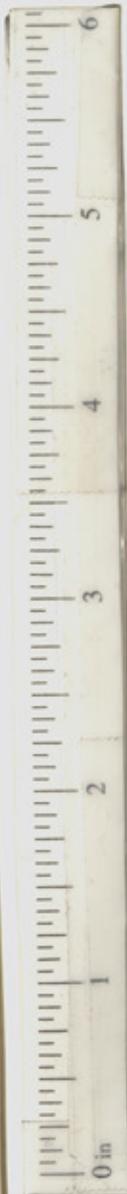
HANOVER SQUARE, NEW YORK,
BOSTWICK BLOCK, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.,
CAPITOL, TALLAHASSEE, FLA.

N.Y. Feb 24th 1893

Dear General Howard

The enclosed letter
from your brother may interest you. Could you
tell me in a day or two when you expect to
visit the Land of Flowers. I expect to leave
via Washington Tuesday and will call before
I go.

With kind regards from my truly
F. IRSCH



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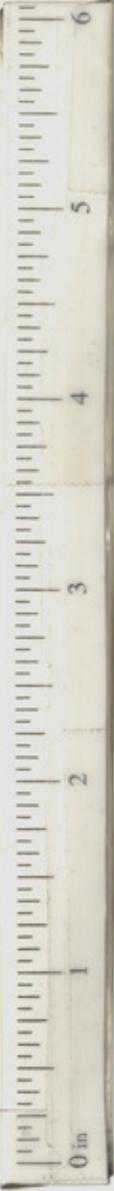
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Francis Irsch

W. N. P. 24 1883

Dear General & family

*The enclosed letter
from your father may interest you. I
tell me in a day or two when you expect to
visit the land of Florida. I expect to return
in Washington Tuesday and will call before
leaving again from my journey.*



Wm. H. Howard
Editor

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Chicago, Feb. 24, 1893

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

Dear Brother:-

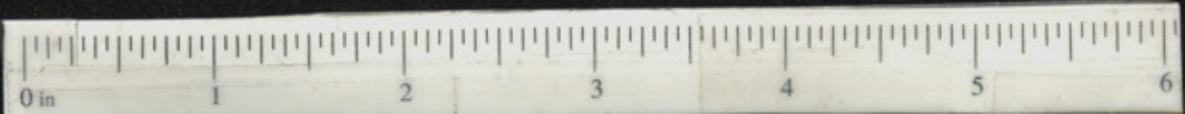
I have your kind favor of the 21st. inst., with the letter from John Russell Young. I am disposed to accept your kind offer. I would like very much indeed, to go to Gettysburg with you as I have never accompanied you there since the battle, and I fear I would never have another opportunity. I do not know as there is any event in my life, or your's, that I take so much interest ⁱⁿ as that of the Gettysburg Battle. I hope therefore it will seem to you consistent ^{to} ~~arrang~~ for my joining the party, and I would like for you distinctly to mention me to Mr. Young. I would not want to go without at least his distinct understanding and approval. If you think it best I would be glad to have you mention the fact, that I was not only your aid, but that when you passed from the corp command to that of the field, you left your ~~Adjutant~~ ^{tant} General, Meysenberg, with the 11th corps, and made me the Acting ~~Adjutant~~ ^{tant} General for the field and the day.

Of course this is a small matter, but I thought it would be a better way to put it to him, that I was your ~~Adjutant~~ ^{tant} General for the field, during that first day. It also gives a definitness as to my duties and position, as a matter of record. Of course I understand that there was no written order issued, as it was all done ^{orally} on the field, on receipt of news of the death of



...nt now
Katharine.
I am to sta
I would like to talk
of Mead, Grant, and Doubleday
the way I have heard
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by the way I have heard lately some facts as to the relations of Mead², Grant, and Doubleday, which were of interest to me, and which I would like to talk over with you some time.

I am to start for Florida next week, taking my wife and little Katharine. I had intended to stay until about the first of May, but now I shall plan to return in time to join you in Philadelphia.

If you can consistently arrange for me to be at the banquet, I would of course meet you there, and probably visit cousin William Merrick. It is barely possible I shall take my wife and baby to cousin Williams, and leave them there, while I go out to Gettysburg; as the Merricks² have for a long time been urging Kitty to make them a visit.

As I understand it the banquet is to be on the evening of the 27th and I shall therefore plan to reach Philadelphia by the morning of the 27th. at the latest.

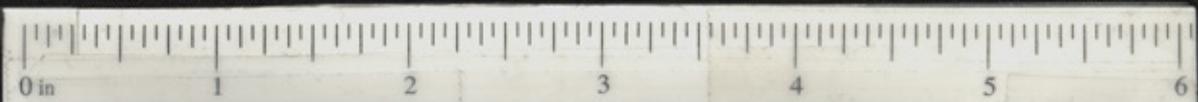
If there should seem to be anything awkward about my accompanying you to the banquet ^{please do not mind} ~~it~~, as I shall be perfectly happy remaining at cousin Williams; and joining you from there next morning. But from the way I read the letter, I think ^{Mr Young} ~~it~~ would be glad to include myself in the invitation to the banquet.

I trust you are all well. Mac is sick in bed from sore throat, but I trust will be better in a few days.

I desire to enclose herein \$3.00, a balance due Lizzie from what she left me to box the deer horns and to pay the freight. # I thought it best not to prepay the freight and the boxing cost only \$2.00. She handed me a \$5.00 bill.

Very truly yours,
C. B. Howard

I have been waiting to hear of their wife arrival - How



Howard, Sam. B. Jr.

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Ezra B. Ripple,
Scranton, Pa.

July 21st 1893

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

Governors Island N.Y.

Dear General:

Your letter of 20th inst. with reference to the manuscript of my prison experience is before me. Please return it to me whenever convenient either by mail or express.

I have not heard from Major Darling since his change. Will you kindly give me his address

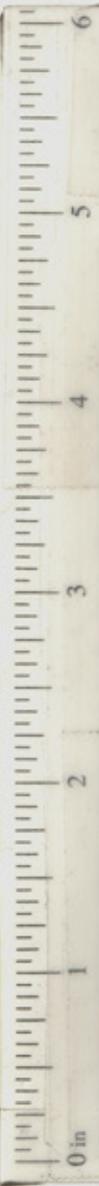
Very truly Yours
Ezra B. Ripple

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Richard B. Hill

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But this does not mean at all that I believe your view of war to be consistent with the Christian religion, rightly understood. I have never been able to see how a Christian, filled with the Master's spirit of love and trying to live out the spirit of the sermon on the mount, can arm himself with deadly weapons ~~and~~ to slay any one for whom Christ died, or how he can possibly do many of the things which in actual warfare a soldier must do. I have tried to think the subject out fully and fairly from all sides, but I must confess frankly that it grows more and more inconceivable to me that a Christian with the spirit and precepts of the Master in his

1 CRAWFORD STREET,
ROXBURY,
BOSTON.

Feb. 24, 1893.

General O. O. Howard,
My Dear Sir:

Your letter in reference to my article on the Boy's Brigade came to hand some days ago. I must beg your pardon for not having responded at once, but a great press of work for the past week has caused me to put it off from day to day.

I do not see how, on rereading the article, I could well have expressed my thought very differently. I have found out

long ago that one can not write or speak frankly on a question in which he is deeply interested without sometimes seeming to say more than he intended and without wounding some for whom he has the greatest respect and whom he would not intentionally or even involuntarily offend.

You will notice that I was speaking directly of that class of military men who favor the development of forced military service; who put forth every effort to bring this about in indirect as well as direct ways. I was

thinking only of these, and not of military men universally, when I wrote the sentence which has given you trouble. I am very far from holding that no military man is a sincere Christian. I have a number of personal friends, who have fought for their country and still hold it right to do so, whom I have every reason to believe to be sincere Christians. I have not the honor of a personal acquaintance with you, but from all that I have heard of your character I am sure that if I knew you I should without hesitation place you in the class of "sincere Christians".

Trueblood, B. F.

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deadly weapons, even do police being
armed with nothing but a staff to
indicate their office. They had no
difficulty in maintaining order. At
the end of the 70 years, after Peru was
dead, the authorities voted to have an armed
militia and soon Pennsylvania had some
of the most disastrous wars known.

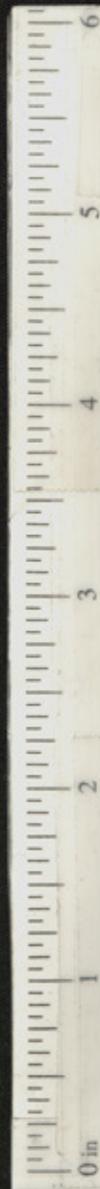
If I could "at once have my way",
what would it involve? Not simply a dis-
armament, for that would do little good in
itself; but such a thorough change in
the opinions of all good men as to the necessity
of the use of deadly weapons for maintaining order,
that the experiment would be entered on with
entire confidence. Our position on this matter
is often entirely misconceived. If such a change
in opinion could be brought about, I believe that
government without the use of arms would not only
not be impossible, but much less bungling
and unsatisfactory than it has been with them.
There are ways of resisting and conquering evil
much more efficient, much safer even, than the
use of the bayonet and the cannon. Pardon
the length of a letter in this respect,
Very sincerely
Benjamin F. Trueblood,

heart should feel himself at
liberty to put himself in a
position when he is compelled to
do what a soldier must do.

Do you think it is really
a fair argument in support
of your view that a Christian
in Christ's time "commanded a
hundred men"? That is the argu-
ment which the slaveholders used
so much in support of slavery
as a "divine institution". Some
really good Christian men per-
suaded themselves that it was right
to hold slaves in our time because
Christians held slaves in Christ's
time. There are many evils which
are revealed to the Christian

CRAWFORD STREET,
ROXBURY,
BOSTON.

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Consciousness only after the lapse of time, but when they become thus known they are seen to be evils and sins just as clearly as if they had been so declared on the pages of the New Testament. Our religion is a religion of principles applicable alike to all time, and before which all the great evils of the earth must one by one disappear. Besides this, we do not know that Cornelius continued in the Roman service after he became a Christian. The probabilities are that he did not, from what we know of the position held by

the Church for the first hundred years on the subject of war.

That government without the use of physical force is "simply impossible," is a proposition that is incapable of proof, because it has never been tried but once. That one trial would seem to prove the contrary. You know of course that William Penn founded and governed Pennsylvania without the use of deadly weapons. The force of this example is very strong. It was in an age of almost universal war and strife, it was in ^a land of savages and not of civilized men. The other Colonies were engaged in frequent wars with the Indians. For seventy years, or two whole generations, this Colony carried on its government without the use of

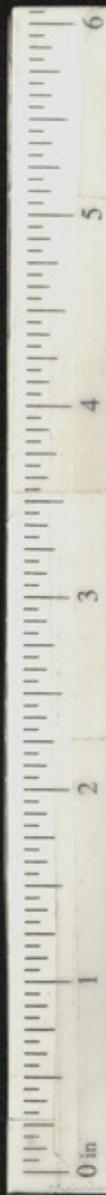
Santa Monica Cal Feb 25 1893

Gen O O Howard

my Dear Sir I write you a few lines to ask what I can do to follow up the Apache Indian Kid he has deluged the Country with Blood and I so much want to go on his trail I have seen cattle all over the Northern half of Tex and all over the Indian Territory the length and Breadth of New Mex the length and breadth of Chihuahua Mex and all over Arizona and all over the eastern half of Sonora Mex and have been mixed up with Indians more or less all my life I am on friendly terms with your Brother and bought a Herd of Cattle out of Chihuahua Mex for him and I have had considerable Correspondence with him about this matter there is \$5000 reward offered for him dead or alive if I catch him he will be more trouble to the American or Mex Gov if you would kindly write a letter

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Wm. B. G.



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Chas. H. Howard,
Editor.

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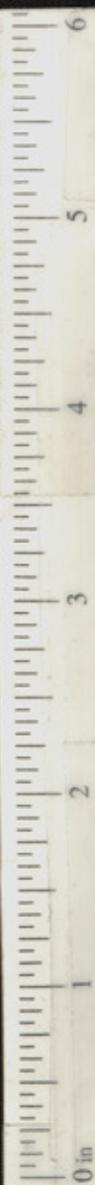
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P. S.

I was pleased to see what you said about your kindness in
latter years to your parents.

It will always be a ^{source of} ~~social~~ satisfaction to you, and I trust you
will so live, as to join them, so that we may all meet, if not again
in this life, in the life to come.

C. H. H.



to me to present to Gen Mc Cook who is in
Command of the Troops of Arizona I think
it would have the desired effect I will
go to the San Carlos Apache Agency and enlist
twenty Indian Scouts and go on the trail
I put in six years in the San Carlos reserve
and know all the ends well

I came down here from Wilcox Arizona
with a train load of Beef cattle and have been
with the numbers since but must get back
to Arizona soon as I hear from you

Gen McCook is here in Los Angeles and I want
to see him before I go

I was a soldier in the 23rd Ill vol
and have lived a hard rough life ever since
with kind regards I am yours truly

L E Mann

Santa Monica

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P.S. I write on this paper to show you
what your Brother says about it L E M

*Farm, Field & Stockman.**Chas. H. Howard,**Editor**Chicago, Feb. 15, 1893*

Chas. E. Mann Esq.,

Santa Monica, Cal.

Dear Charlie:-

In answer to your letter of the 27th. ult., I do not think I can help you particularly, except that you are at liberty to refer to me. It would do no good for me to see Gen. Miles. I do not think he has anything whatever to do with that department.

The Pacific Division head quarters is at San Francisco, Cal. You can refer Gen. Grierson, or whoever is in command to me, as to your energy, courage, and competency in general, for such a scout.

My brother's address is always, Governor's Island, N. Y.

If I were making the application, I would not make any boast of what I could do, but simply state what your experience has been, and what your acquaintance is with Mexico, Arizona, and with the Indians.

You ask about the World's Fair grounds. They are some three or four miles or more South of Camp Douglas, where you were. I do not know precisely what was the location ~~location~~ of Camp Fry, but should suppose that it was down in that vicinity, though not so far South. The City now extends all the way down to the World's Fair grounds, and beyond, to something like 75th. St., ^{The Fair} being as I judge, some five or six miles from the Court House.

With all best wishes, I remain,
Very truly yours,

Chas. H. Howard
(See P. 1)

W. P. W. MILLER.

67 WALL STREET,

NEW YORK, Feb. 25th, 1893.

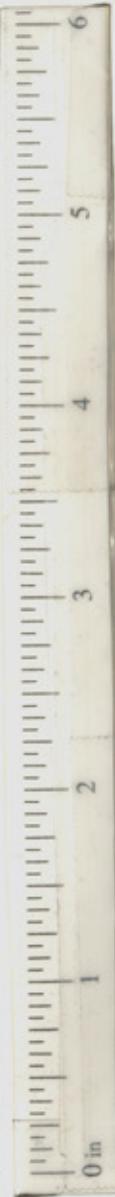
Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard, U. S. A.
Governor's Island, N. Y.

My Dear General:-

I have not had the pleasure of hearing from you since you were with us in Plainfield. Did you make any success with the letter of introduction I gave you. Referring to the course of lectures. Gen. Swayne is to deliver one, and Sergeant Chas. E. Sprague, who read the paper before the last meeting of our Commandry the other. He will, present army life from the private's standpoint. Please select your night from either of the following dates. Mar. 23rd., 28th., or 30th, the 30th., being what our Episcopalian friends call Holy Thursday, either of the others will be preferable. Please advise me by return mail if possible. With respects to Mrs. Howard I am

Sincerely Yours,

W. P. W. Miller



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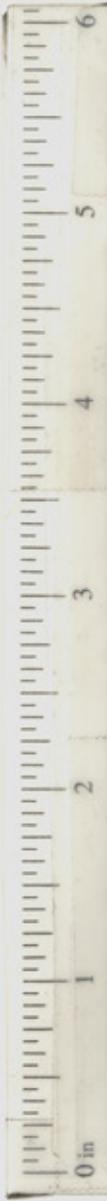
NEW YORK Feb. 25th, 1893

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Farm, Field and Fireside,

FORMERLY FARM, FIELD AND STOCKMAN.

GEN. C. H. HOWARD, MANAGING EDITOR.
JAS. W. WILSON, BUSINESS MANAGER.

Times Building.

Chicago, Feb. 25, 1893.

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Gen. O. O. Howard,

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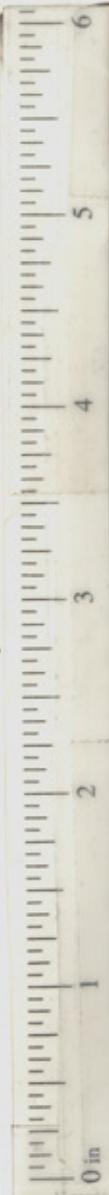
Dear Brother:-

Sister Helen writes about having a set of the Advocates bound for me: that is to say, all the numbers during the seven years that ^WRoland edited the paper. I had asked for them. She will send them to me, and I will have them bound in my own way in Chicago, probably making two volumes. She has saved copies and would make up a set for you, if you particularly desire it, and wish to have them bound for your own library.

You are aware that ^WRoland kept in the Advocate, a kind of a diary, besides his editorials. If you care for a set, please write to her, and she will, no doubt be glad to send them. *to you -*

Affectionately yours,

C. H. Howard



W. H. Field and F. J. ...
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... Feb. 23, 1893.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Governor, ... N. Y.

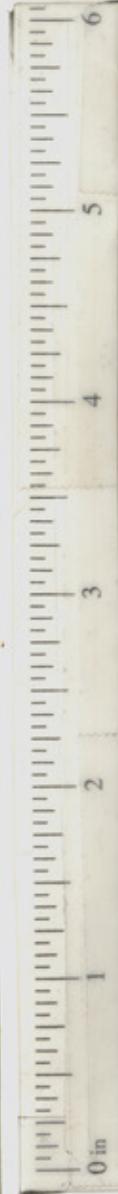
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W. H. Field



Munroe, D. A.

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The North American Review,
3 East Fourteenth Street, New York.

February 25, 1893.

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

Dear Sir:

I have the honor
to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 22nd inst.
relative to Mr. Robert Peck
and of Mr. Peck's letter to
you which you kindly sent
for my perusal. I have
given the matter my personal
attention.

After consideration

of the report which Mr. Skaton has made to me on the subject, I am constrained to believe that his judgment was correct, and that Mr. Peck is not fitted to be of use to us in connection with the work in reference to which he was asked to call here. At the same time, having regard to your high commendation of him and to all the ~~whole~~ circumstances of the case, I would like very much to meet Mr. Peck's plea so far as that can consistently

be done, and if he will call on Mr. Skaton again, an arrangement can probably be made to give him an opportunity of seeing what he could do in another way.

With great respect,
Believe me,

Yours very truly,

D. A. Munro,
Manager N.E.R.

I return Mr. Peck's letter herewith, as you request.

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by concealing the truth
but this I will not do -
I need not ask that this
is confidential - hoping
you may suggest a practical
help - as no doubt in dealing
with bodies of men, some
such cases have come to
your notice

I am

Yours Respt,

W. Howard

104 W 95th St
NY

NY Feb 26/93.

Genl O Howard.

Gov's Island. NY.

Dear Sir,

Having read some of
your writings. I presume to write
you about advice I need to deal
with my brother - I have a
brother 24 yrs old, strong and
willing - who has lost 3 or 4
positions in the last 3 years
by drinking - he is not a
drunkard - but occasionally
on his pay day would drink
and then be let go - 2 years ago
I took him to the recruiting
office to join the US Cavalry

and ^{at} that time there was a prospect
of Indian uprising, and he
expected to be sent to the plains,
and he was perfectly willing
to go - but his sight was found
defective on long distance trial
as he could not see a target
across the room - I deeply regretted
it, as I thought Army discipline
would train him aright - I
write to ask if there is any
branch of the Army, my brother
could join where a sight test
was not required? where say he
could act in some way - he has
been out of work for nearly 10

months, and is a burden for
me to maintain as I have a
wife and child and old father
to support on a retail
salesman's salary - I have
been trying lately to get
him on a farm but find
it well nigh impossible to
get anyone to listen to me
when I say he has no
reference - and yet he is a
good hearted fellow and
under proper influence
might make a useful
man - I might get him
get him employment

Jones, Tho. Wm.
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Private

Massachusetts

July 27th - 93

Dear Howard,

Thanks for
your very kind reply
of the 22nd inst. - and I
will say openly and in
as straight forward a
way as you have ex-
-posed yourself - that I
knew you were a
Republican and for that
very reason I wrote
to you, I have plenty
of democratic friends
who will give me letters
but no republican ones
quite so true to me
as I know you to be

and as strange as it may sound, when I applied for a position under Mr. Cleveland's last administration I was asked to give at least one letter from some prominent & true man who was a Republican and no less a person than my classmate and former heated, generous Phil Sheridan was the man who not only gave me the letter but went in person and saw the Secy of the Interior and told him of me more than any democratic man had done.

Should they require such a thing this time I want to be covered

and if you will send me the letter I will hand it in or not as the case may require -

Thanking you again for your kind letter and wishing you all happiness I am sincerely your friend
Thos. M. Jones
Box 58.

Fass, A. J.
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Leeds Feb 27th
Gen O. O. Howard

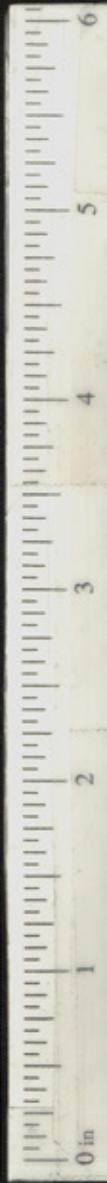
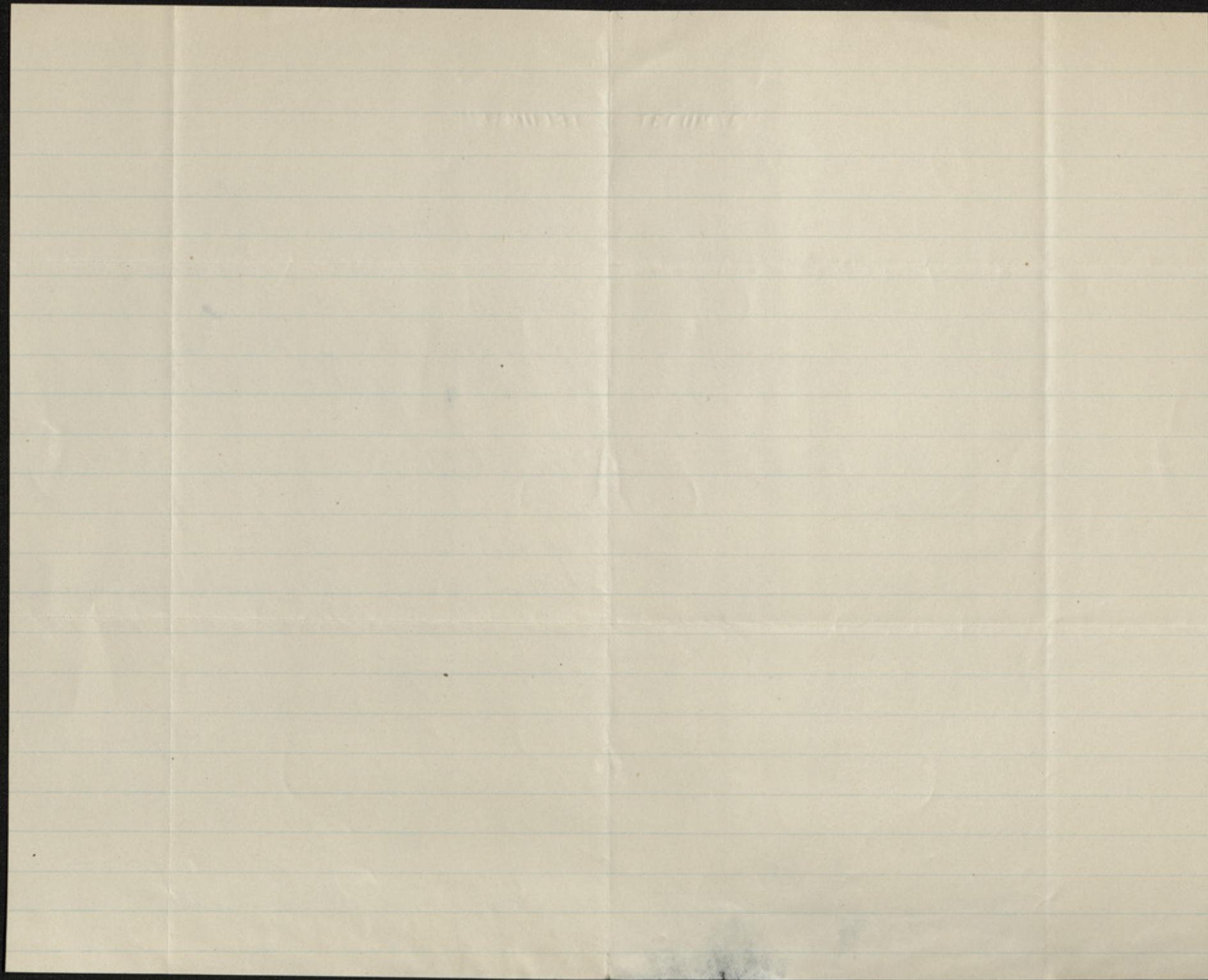
Dear Sir

I did not receive Granite
for Curbing Howard Lot,
until after the ground
was frozen. So it is not ^{set},
Will set it Early in the Spring
as soon as the frost is out
of the ground

We are all well Lena
is in Pittsfield Mass
Teaching

As Ever

A. J. Fass



EC2-Feb 27, 1893]

304 W. 45th. St. N. Y. City

To
Maj: Gen. O. O. Howard,
Commanding Dep't of the Atlantic,
Governor's Island N. Y. Harbor.

Dear Sir:

As Colonel Wilson might reasonably infer from your letter of recent date that we misrepresented the character of our party to you, we would be pleased if you would replace it with one asking him, if he can without violating any regulation, to grant the Rev. J. E. Price, D.D. of New York permission to land a party of several hundred representatives of the Epworth League at the Government wharf on Tuesday May 30th, 1893; and also to extend such courtesies to them as he may be able, such as an opportunity to inspect the various buildings &c.

I defer to your judgement as to whether it would be better for you to write to Colonel Wilson direct and inform me of the result, or ~~whether~~ to send me the letter and let me forward, or take it personally, with one from Dr Price.

Regretting the necessity of troubling you further and assuring you of our hearty appreciation of your kind aid in the endeavor to give our young people an enjoyable and profitable outing I am sir
Very Respectfully Yours
W. Mayville Twitchell
Chairman of committee.

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RECEIVED
OFFICE MAJOR GENERAL COMMANDING

Leicester Mass

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304 W. 4th St. N. Y. City

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the purchase of the book of General Mitchell's Campaigns.

The Colonel Mitchell might be successfully...
from your letter of recent date that our...
the character of my party to you, we would...
if you would refer it with our...
we can without...
the Prof. E. Price, D.D. of the first...
a part of several hundred...
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