The United Service Club,  
16 West 31st Street.  

NEW YORK, MARCH 14, 1893.

The regular Open Meeting for this month will be held on Tuesday Evening, 21st inst. at 8.30 o'clock.

A paper will be read by Commander Theodore F. Jewell, U. S. Navy, entitled

"THE TORPEDO IN NAVAL WARFARE,"  
(Illustrated by Stereopticon views.)

Members are privileged to invite friends.

Officers of the Army and Navy changing Stations will please notify the Sec'y, so that communications will reach them.

JOHN A. H. NICKELS,  
Lieutenant, U. S. Navy, Secretary.
C. G. Howard
Governor Island
N.Y.
My dear General Howard:

Just a few lines to say how much I am trying my very best for the North American Review to which trip I now jar my thanks.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Providence, R.I. 3/14, 1893

Mar 14
Smith & Sills,
Importers,
Wholesale Grocers and Flour Dealers,
750 & 752 8th Ave., & 247 West 46th St.
New York, March 14th, 189-

Dear General Howard:

Twice you have honored us with your presence and given us an address at the Annual Meeting of the Missionary Society of the 43rd N. E. Church. There have been occasions of great interest to us, you have been very grateful to you for your kindness. If you desire come to our Sunday Eve April 2nd. You wrote plan to us under renewed obligations. We will promise you a warm welcome both to my home 373 East 46th St. to the Church for a full home and appreciative audience.

Yours Fraternally,

S. Waldo Smith

Major Gen. C. C. Howard
NY Mar 14/93

Dear Mr. Howard,

Gor's Island N.Y.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 13th would say, I saw you were busy on Sunday and did not wish to intrude.

I thank you for your kindness and suggestion but I have a chance of getting thru to the Hotel Waldorf. Yours Resp.

[Signature]
Referring to your letters of Feb. 27th.

and Mar. 13th. I beg leave to suggest that on the night of your lecture the 23rd. inst. you will have handed you a check for $100.00. As Gen. Swayne and Pres. Sprague lecture for fifty dollars I submit to you the propriety of your lecture being on the same basis. I enclose with this a ticket for your son Harry will be pleased to have entertain. This will obviate the necessity of your returning to Jersey City, as the trains of the B. & O. pass through Plainfield, which is their first stop after leaving Jersey City. This will save you wear and tear and give us the pleasure of a longer visit from you.
67 WALL STREET,

NEW YORK, Mar. 14th, 1893

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard, U. S. A.

Governor’s Island, N. Y.

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Referring to your letter of Feb. 20.

Sorry to hear that I had to take some time off the work of your firm. Please feel free to call me if you have a check for $500.00. We can waive and waive our fee for your benefit. I trust that you will keep the properties of your firm in mind.

I understand that you have a trip to the West Coast. I enclose with this a check for your company to the tune of $500.00. This will balance the necessary of your remaining in Jersey City as the premises of the E. & O. are entirely disposed of. We will start them step after leaving Jersey City. This will save you more and less and give me the pleasure of a longer stay from you.
CORRESPONDENCE.

THE WAR AS HISTORY.

The Interesting Lecture Course to be Given by the Y. M. C. A.

To the Editor of The News:—It has taken a long time for our civil war to pass out of politics to the domain of history, but it is possible now to study it from its clearly defined sources to its results in a genuine spirit of historic inquiry, and to render a just rather than a blind homage to the memory of those, who, in an exalted or humble sphere, helped to solve the question of national perpetuity a generation ago.

The three lectures advertised to be given at the First Baptist church in behalf of the Y. M. C. A. building fund on the evening March 15th, March 23d, and April 4th, respectively, will afford our citizens a rare opportunity to pursue their studies in this field while incidentally contributing to an object in which all are interested.

The first of these lectures by General Wager Swayne, the eminent soldier and jurist, identified "An anti-slavery sketch" in the authors treatment in its breadth, would fairly justify the title of "The history of the rise and fall of slavery in America."

The second, by the veteran General O. O. Howard, will hold up to view one of the grandest, perhaps the most symmetrical of the military figures of the war in the person of General George H. Thomas, the highly Virginian who possessed to an equal degree the chivalry and pride of State which animated his great comrade, Robert E. Lee, saw with clear vision the path of soldierly duty in the crisis of the lives of both.

The third, by "Sergeant Charles Ezra Spongage" who is better known to New Yorkers as the scholarly and accomplished president of the Union Dime Savings Bank, has for his subject "Cartridge and Cartridge Box or Life in the Banks," and the lectures fully illustrated in his own person the fine class of material which helped to make the rank and file of a great army which was so often better than its Commander.

Whoever listens to one of the three lectures, will feel that he is amply repaid for the cost of the course and that the other two are in the nature of a rich gratuity.

D. March 13, 1893.
67 WALL STREET,

NEW YORK, Mar. 15th. 1893

Governor's Island, N. Y.

My Dear General:-

Yours of yesterday with enclosure duly received for which please accept thanks. I will see that you have a certified check given you which you therefore can use at any plate.

Sorry not to have the pleasure of entertaining Harry.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
General O.T. Howard, USA

Dear Sir,

I thank you most heartily for your letter and the Army Department Herald Criticism - also for your kind permission to publish your remarks. Will you kindly return the extract if you have
not destroyed it. It is
the only copy we have and
we would like to use it or
portions of it with the reply

Regretting to trouble you
and again thanking you
for your courtesy.

Sincerely faithfully
R. W. Offord
To Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard,
Commanding Dept of the East,
Governor's Island,
New York Harbor.

March 15th, 1873.

Dear Sir:

Colonel Wilson wrote me a very courteous letter not only calling my attention to the order of which you also sent me a copy but taking the trouble to give the reasons for its issuance. Of course it is a disappointment to us but we can do nothing more, and must therefore make other arrangements for our outing.

Nevertheless we appreciate your kindness in the matter fully as much as though we had been successful in obtaining the desired permit.

Very Sincerely Yours,

W. Mayville Twitchell,
Chairman of Committee
NORFOLK AND WESTERN RAILROAD CO.

Roanoke, Va. March 15th, 1893

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

Dear Sir:-

Acknowledging receipt of yours of March 14th, I beg to say that I have referred the request to Mr. W. C. Bullitt, our Vice-President.

Very resp'y,

[Signature]

G. P. A.
March 16, 1893.

Major General O.O. Howard,
Governor's Island, New York.

Dear Sir:

This Department, in the endeavor to ascertain the facts in regard to the observance of Arbor Day in our country, has found difficulty in securing reliable information in the case of California. A recent letter from the Superintendent of Public Instruction, in reply to our Circular of inquiry on the subject, says Arbor Day is not observed in that State. On the other hand we have received this morning from a trustworthy correspondent in California the statement that Arbor Day is established there, that "several years ago, at Goat Island, San Francisco, Joaquin Miller, Genl. O.O. Howard, Adolph Sutro and others were the most prominent in getting the affair up". "That the observance was local at first and has remained local although never again taking place at Goat Island, but spasmodically now at one place and now at another". He says also that "it has been observed every year in the State at some point."

It seems, therefore, if this report is correct, that Arbor Day is observed in California to some extent, if not established by law,
and we shall be greatly obliged to you if you can give us from memory, even approximately, the date of that first observance, with which you were prominently connected, or any other facts relating to the observance of the day in California.

Very respectfully,

Emma Richards
Assistant Secretary.
Dear Sir:

In making up a statement in regard to the extent and manner of the observance of Arbor Day in our country, this Department finds its present information deficient in some respects. To aid the Department in securing as complete and trustworthy information as possible, will you have the kindness, at your earliest convenience, to make reply to such of the accompanying questions relating to the observance of the day in your State as are not stricken out. By so doing you will place the Department under great obligations.

Very respectfully yours,

Edwin Willis
Assistant Secretary.

1. Is Arbor Day observed at all in your State?
2. When was it first observed and by whom?
3. Was first observance restricted to a particular district or designed to be general?
4. By whose invitation or appointment was it first observed?
5. Has its observance become established and general?
6. Is it established by custom, by law, or otherwise?
7. If by law, give the date of enactment.
8. Date of annual observance (month, day) and by whom designated?
9. Is the day a legal holiday?
10. Do the schools participate in its observance?
May 16th, 1893

Dear General Howard,

Though a stranger to you, I have taken the liberty to send you enclosed poem which was written after reading your account of the peril and rescue of the "Spree" as it appeared in the "New York Evangelist."

Please accept, with best wishes.

Very Sincerely Yours

John M. Morse

Passaic, N.J.

or, Windsor Hotel
New York City

Reply sent March 20, 1893

Gen. O.O. Howard
USA, Governor's Island

(46th St. & 5th Avenue)
Saved!
In distant port, a noble steamer lay,
With preparations made, to speed away,
When ebbing tide should bear her to the sea,
And on the broad Atlantic, leave her free.
That ship, well built and strong,
And easy of control;
A master hand would guide,
And soon she'd reach her goal.

With everything supplied, and freight well stowed,
And many happy passengers on board;
Down to the open sea she swiftly glides,
And over the swelling waves, in triumph rides.
Her pilot at the wheel,
Her captain at the fore,
With all her men in place,
She leaves that distant shore.

The cable gave a message far away.
"The Steamship Free" left port on such a day.
Expectant friends received the word, and soon
On such a day, the steamer would be due.
Glad hearts await the ship,
When steamer-day has come.
Those friends from on the sea,
They soon will welcome home.

John M. Morse
Feb. 12th, 1873

O, doubting soul! this lesson take to heart.
This lesson, which the Spirit would impart,
This truth accept. The Christ of Galilee
Forgiveth sins, and stills the raging sea!
Trust thou in Christ, who saves.
Though tempest wild may come,
His power shall still the waves
And guide thee safely home.

Passaic, N.J.
Feb. 12th, 1873
The day has come. Non-anxious friends wait. 
That Steamship with her precious living freight. 
They watch and wait; they hope; it's not in vain. 
They long to greet those absent ones again. 
But why is there delay? 
No Steamers greet the eye! 
Impatiently they wait, 
While days are passing by!

Yes, days have come and gone and yet no ship! 
What has occurred to chill the long trip? 
Surely, almost fruited, cry to God—who saved! 
That loved ones may not sink beneath the wave! 
About hearts grow faint with fear, 
And rosy cheeks turn pale! 
They whisper—"Can it be? 
They perish in a gale?"

Far, far away, from friends, and friendly port— 
Of winds and waves, that ship is now the spot! 
Like mountain summits, those great billows rise. 
Then madly rush and tumble from the sky! 
Oh! what can stand before— 
Great perils such as these? 
No greater perils rise 
Than perils of the dead!

The shaft is broken! and the steamer rolls! 
No pilot guides! no human hand controls! 
The slightest thing might—non-dead their fate. 
Their chance for reach the safe! their final great! 
The break of the ship, 
The breaking of a wave! 
Might place their lives beyond 
The power of man to save!

This God alone, these elements can still! 
The winds and waves are subject to his will! 
All hearts are turned to God in earnest prayer. 
There is no scoffing prayerless spirit there! 
The strong forget their strength! 
The weak forget her fall! 
Not strength but weakness saves; 
Faith only, can prevail!

O, what a change! The Savour speaks in words! 
Some hand has touched the garment of our Lord! 
Faith triumphs! winds and waves are still at rest! 
And now the perils of the deep are past! 
A signal on the shore, 
Brings help which rescues them! 
And Huron's light, becomes Their Star of Bethlehem.
The Barber Asphalt Paving Co.,
No. 1 Broadway,
New York, MARCH 16 95

GEN O O HOYARD
MAJ GEN U S ARMY
GOVERNOR'S ISLAND
NEW YORK HARBOR

SIR:—
The enclosed letter was forwarded to the only Mr Seaman Col. Greene was acquainted with, and he today returns it with the statement that it is not intended for him.

Respectfully,

Enclosure

John O. Whitcomb
MARCH 16 93

Mr. Governor of New York

COHEN

The enclosed letter was forwarded to the

y. Rexx

Northport, L.I.

Respectfully,

John O. Smith
Newark, N. J. 16 March 1893

My dear General Haward:

We are delighted

with the prospect of having you with us next Sunday.

I will try to raise some

money for your mission.

Will you not be able

to come over to the

morning service also?

In that case will

you make dinner with us

Lamies and me? I am


Saw you about three days ago, and was glad to see you, but must now go away.

Very cordially,

S. D. Leonard.

March 16, 93

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March 16, 1893.

General O. O. Howard,

Dear Friend,

On behalf of the Committee of Management and the Institute members allow me to thank you most sincerely for the very interesting and instructive address delivered at the Institute on Tuesday night. Many of the members have spoken of enjoying it very much.

I am Yours Very Sincerely,

D. E. Yarnell.
School Department.

Porter School,

Ayracuse, N.Y. March 16, 1893

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

New York

My dear Sir:

I have been asked to prepare a paper on Genl. E. T. Thomas to read before our Post 151 G.A.R. Texas, but a private, afterwards non-commissioned officers, in the 22d U.S. Infantry, Army of Cumberland, therefore my knowledge from personal observation is very limited. But I loved "Pap Thomas" and want to say nothing but what is just, so have to speak of those who know more for data, that cannot be questioned. Can you refer me to such data, as I am informed you have made a
Careful study of this particular character.

I would be pleased also to have an estimate of "Succ" Thomas in as few words as possible from you with permission to use it. I trust I am not asking too much of a busy man.

Very truly,

W.H. Scott,
March 16th, 1893.

Dear Sir:

In order to have time to more fully discuss the needs and condition of the work in our State, the Chairman is authorized to call a special meeting of the State Committee.

Such meeting will therefore be held at the State Office, #40 East 23rd St., Thursday March 23rd, at 7.30 P.M. If at all practicable, we shall be very glad if you can arrange to be with us.

Sincerely yours,

G. R. Hall
March 16th, 1932

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Dear Sir:

In order to have time to more fully inspect the needs
and condition of the work in our State, the Committee is postponing

and to call a special meeting of the State Committee.

Such meeting will therefore be held at the State Office.

at 10 East 44th St., Thursday, May 8th, at 7:30 P.M.

Please accept my estimate of your arrangements to be with

Yours,

Asst. Sec'y
March 16, 1893.

The New York Southern Society request the honor of the presence of General and Mrs. Oliver O. Howard at a reception to be tendered his General Pickett and Mrs. Generaluster, at the rooms of the Society, 18 West 25th Street, on March 23rd, 1893 from 9 to 12 P.M.

J. Ringgold McKay
Howard D. Payne
Joseph E. Moshein
Entertainment Committee.
New York, March 17, 1893.

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

Dear Sir:

We would esteem it a favor if you could give us for the use of our Illustration Department, a list of Government publications containing illustrations bearing upon the following and kindred subjects:

1. Modern fortification and armament.
2. Modern field batteries and guns in detail.
3. Uniforms and insignia of rank.

Could you also secure for us a copy of the catalogue of the Military Museum at Governor's Island? We should be very glad to pay all expenses involved; and your attention to these matters will be esteemed a great favor.

Yours very respectfully,

[Signature]

Funk & Wagnalls Co.
Brooklyn, New York, March 17, 1893.

To the Directors of the
Congregational Church Extension Society
of New York City and Brooklyn.

Dear Brethren:—

Agreeably to the resolution adopted at the meeting of March 7th, the following committees are appointed to consider the cases brought before the Society at that time and report as soon as practicable.

The next stated meeting of the Directors will be held on Monday, April 17th, unless for urgent reasons a special one shall be called earlier.

The Superintendent will arrange for the meeting of these Committees with the view to your convenience and due economy of time.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Camp Memorial: Gen. Howard, C.B. Knevals, Rev. S. Colcord, T.J. Backus, Ph.D.


Mount Vernon: Rev. R.J. Kent, J.F. Talmage, G.S. Thatford, S. Augden Hills, M.D.


March 17, 1921

To the Director of the

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Dear Mr. [Name],

As a reminder to the Committee regarding the reports of the meeting.

The next regular meeting of the Directors will be held on

Monday, [Date] and will include the following topics:

- [List of topics]

The Superintendent will submit for the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

[Signatures]

[Names]

[Address]

[Additional notes and references]
MEMORANDUM.

From the Superintendent to the Directors.

The Superintendent is at the call of each Director at any time. A postal card will suffice.

He will thank them to inform him of any fact, or development, coming to their knowledge, which they may deem important for him to know. He will promptly look into any matter they may refer to him, and report, and meet and confer with individuals, referred to him by them, who may require more time than they may be able to afford.

He can be found at the Home Missionary Society's office, No. 34 Bible House, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 2 to 3 P. M., and always by mail at

782 Jefferson Ave.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.
The following is a copy of a letter dated 1938 from the Swedish Institute in New York:

Mr. John Smith,

Director of the Swedish Institute,

Dear Mr. Smith,

I am writing to inquire about the possibility of a fellowship for study in Sweden for my daughter, Jane Doe. She is currently enrolled in the University of New York and is interested in pursuing a degree in literature.

Jane has always been passionate about literature and has read extensively in both Swedish and English. She has been recommended by her professor, Professor Hans Peterson, who believes that she would benefit greatly from a year of study in Sweden.

If there is any way that she can secure a fellowship, I would be most grateful. Her application and recommendations have already been submitted. However, I understand that the competition for fellowships is high, and I was hoping that there might be any other opportunities available.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Jane's Father