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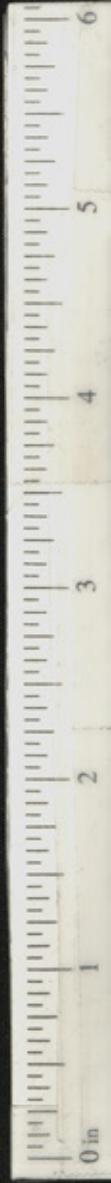
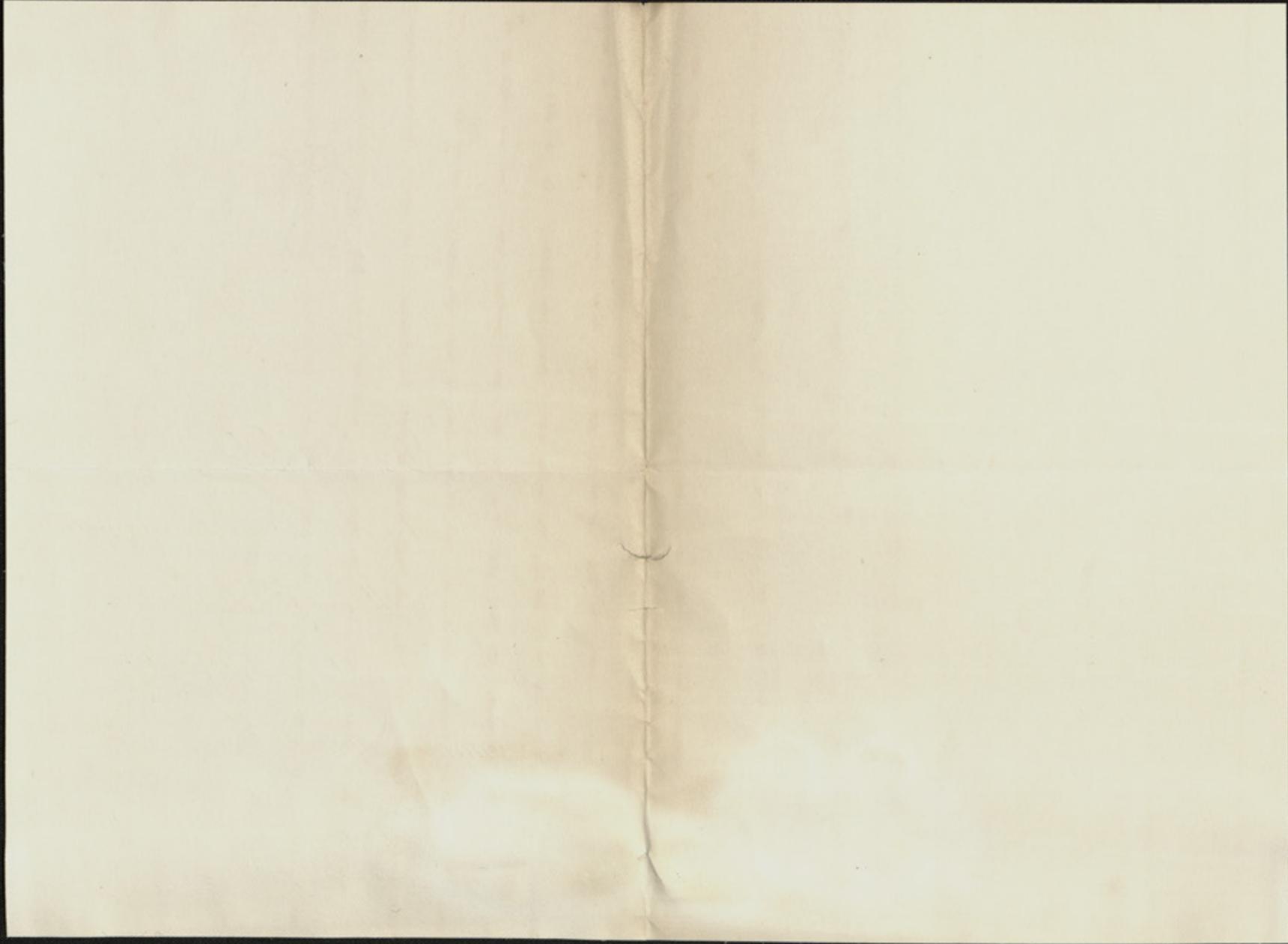
Cornwall-on-Hudson,

invite you to be present at their

Commencement Exercises,

at one o'clock.

June fourteenth.



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Sturclain W. D.

June 7, 93.

Replied June 9, 93

394 Carlton Ave.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

June 7/93

My Dear Sir:

If you can now
commend me to one, or two of
your personal friends in New York
or Brooklyn with whom I
may consult it would ex-
pedite my canvass.

It would not matter whether
they were personally ready
to give any thing, or not, since
they may put me in the way

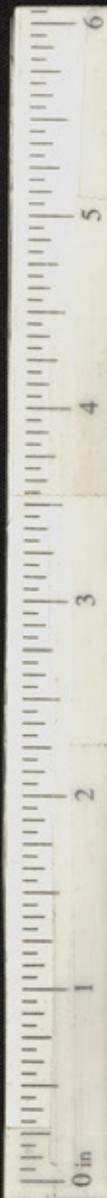
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Mary Tully

W. H. Sinclair

Genl. O. O. Howard

Governors Island N.Y.



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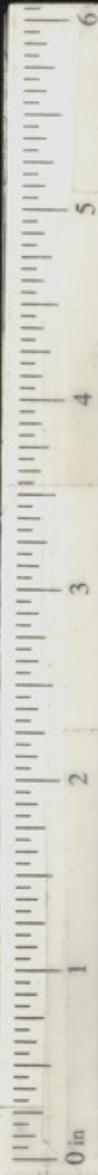
New York, June 7, 1893

Gen. O. O. Howard
Dear Sir.

Would you please
give me a pass for two to visit
Governor's Island on Saturday
May 10, 1893 and by so doing you
will greatly oblige

Yours Truly
Charles Libman

180 E. 64 St
City



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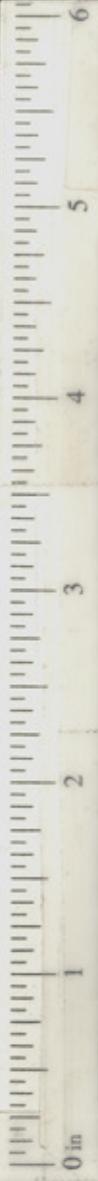
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New York, June 7th 1893

Dear General Howard

The following are the most salient facts and advantages in the Contract for The Seminary Lands of the State of Florida

- I There are about 30,000 acres of which about 22,000 are located in solid Muck of from 2400 to 7000 acres near RR Suwanee River - The Gulf of Mexico in the vicinity of Cedar Key & Harbor Most of the balance is located at Lakes Jessup, Monro, and St. Johns Rivers near a net of RR. in orange - Volusia Co in the Central Eastern part of Fla much frequented by Tourists
- II The greater portion of all the acreage is Hammock and Timber Land, Cedar, yellow Pine, Oak etc which ought to pay if cut five or six times over the price demanded for the Land and the Land thus denuded of forests would be worth five or six times as much at the cost price for settlement and farming to say nothing of the prospective advances in all Florida Lands through increasing population and Tourist travel year after year
- III Good Phosphate Deposits are known to exist in some of the lands mentioned and much of it is in the Phosphate Belt and with little expense good Phosphate Mines could be located Thereon nearly all the Land is high and dry in the rainy season and in perfect condition

New York,

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in settling and agriculture

IV Absolute security as to titles is assured as the State of Fla gives same to purchasers which is important to investors as many titles in all the Southern States are cloudy or entangled requiring expensive and careful research and correction.

V The price for all being \$1 piece under my contract up to the 30th of June 1893 and from then \$1.25 dills untill 30th Dec. 93 and the present selling price price of the State being from \$1.25 to \$7 piece averaging about \$3.25 in whole acreage, a difference of \$66,000. in favor of Contract appears on its face, hence the Bonus of \$10,000^{Cash} and $\frac{1}{6}$ % interest in the profit of a resale or development would leave a handsome primary profit on the purchase without development or natural increase in values, without development which must come from year to year, for timber and good farming Land, (Taxes on unimproved Land being very small) and even the State prices which would show the above profit, *prima facie*, is much lower than it used to be formerly; therefore purchasers would receive the first and best selections of State Land at the lowest possible price at the start: Occupancy, safety, with reasonably certain large profits embodied in the investment of their

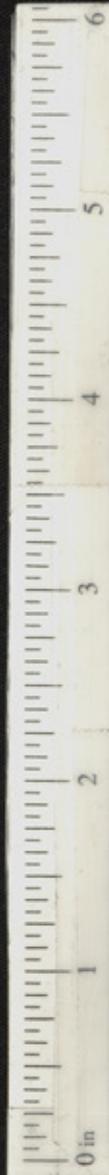
Capital

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M. ERSCH
General Broker
13 AND 15 OLD GOLD
CITY OFFICE, BROOKLYN, N.Y.

Edward Jones
June 7th 1893

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th inst. in relation to the purchase of the bonds of the City of New York, and in reply to inform you that the same have been forwarded to you by express of the 6th inst. at the rate of \$100.00 per \$100.00 of bonds, and in addition to the same I have enclosed herewith a copy of the prospectus of the same, which you will find of interest. The price of the bonds is \$100.00 per \$100.00 of bonds, and the interest is 4% per annum, payable semi-annually on the 1st of January and the 1st of July. The bonds are payable on the 1st of January, 1900. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours,
M. Ersch



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F. I R S C H ,
General Broker,
1,3,& 5 Old Slip.
CABLE ADDRESS: " I R S C H , N E W Y O R K . "

N E W Y O R K , June 7/93

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- II. The greater portion of all the acreage is hummock and timber land, Cedar, Yellow Pine, Oak, &c., which ought to pay, if cut five or six times over the price demanded for the land, and the land thus denuded of forests would be worth five or six times as much as much the cost price for settlement and farming, to say nothing of the prospective advance in all Florida Land, through increasing population and tourist travel, year after year.
- III. Good phosphate deposits are known to exist in some of the lands mentioned, and most of it is in the Phosphate Belt and with very little expense good phosphate mines could be located therein. Nearly all the land is high and dry in the rainy season, an important factor in settling and agriculture.
- IV. Absolute security as to titles is assured, as the State of Florida gives same to purchasers, which is important to investors, as many titles in all the Southern States are cloudy or entangled, requiring expensive and careful searches and corrections.
- V. The price for all being \$ 1.00 per acre under my contract up to the 30th of June 1893, and from then \$ 1.25, ditto until 30th December 1893, and the present selling price of the State being from \$ 1.25 to \$ 7.00 per acre, averaging about \$ 3.25, in whole acreage, a difference of \$ 66,000 in favor of contract appears on its face, hence the bonus of \$ 10,000 cash and 1/6 at interest to the

F. I. R. S. C. H.
General Broker,
13, 25 Old Slip,
Cable Address: "FISCHER", NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, June 7/33

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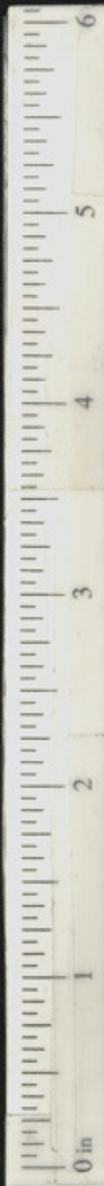
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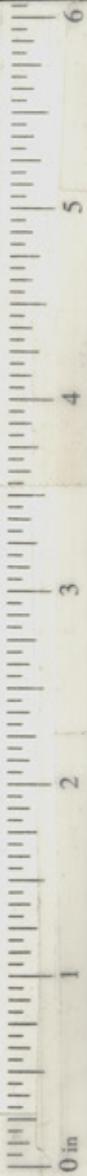
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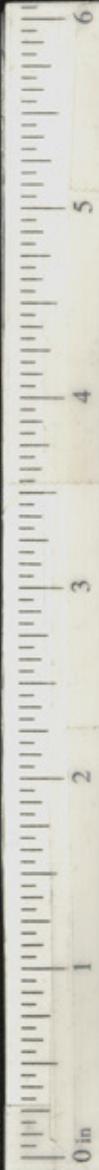
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H. A. FISHER,
WHEATON COLLEGE.

WHEATON, III., June 7, 1893

Gen. O. O. Howard,
My dear Sir:

Last winter you kindly consented to write a letter for me to use in my work as financial agent in New York City. You asked me to write to you from Boston, but I found that I could not return to New York City before coming home, and so did not send for the letter.

Since then I have several times wished I had such a letter, and if you are still willing to write it I shall value it. Enclosing circular shows what some of our thoughts of the College, and also what use we may possibly wish to make of yours when we print the circular similar to the enclosed.

Yours fraternally
H. A. Fisher

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Fisher H. A.

June 7. 93.

Replied June 9. 93

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Howard University,

Washington, D. C., June 8th, 1893.

My dear Gen. Howard:

We have closed the year,
on the whole, very successfully: 572 students
97 graduates. The elegant copy, you sent
in my absence, has been appropriately framed,
& is in the Pres. room. It will finally go to the
new chapel: which the Trustees have voted to
build. We have \$12.00 in hand for it. Did
you promise to help us, in the matter of windows?
Why could we not have a "Howard," or don't
to other books: O. O., C. H., & R. D. or perhaps,

me to Mrs. Howard, the woman, of real ex-
cellent judgment. By the way, when your last
letter came, my wife maliciously said: "Why
does not he ask his wife?" What trials we
have!

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We are going to spend a few days
at "Linn Coltrage" Saratoga. If I had any
time in N. Y., should be glad to report.

He did not elect a Quaker: a fee, 7 to
7. Ames is the man, I want to see there.
Our prof. American friends need him, though
they do not want him. He is a man of great
good sense, & not easily influenced. Sen. J. M.
Edgar advocated him strongly. H. V. J. K. A. C.

Personnel

UNITED STATES ARTILLERY SCHOOL,
COMMANDANT'S OFFICE,
FORT MONROE, VA.

June 8, 1893

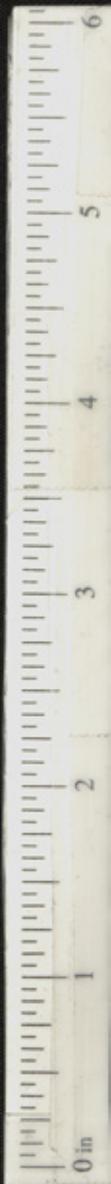
Gen. O. O. Howard
Governor's Island
N. Y.

Dear General,

I beg to
thank you most sin-
cerely for your letter
of recommendation
which I shall ever
appreciate. With

great respect I am
679 Very sincerely yours
Royal T. Frank

June 8. 93



June 8, 1893.

My Friend
Maj. Gen. O. C. Howard
Governors Island
New York City

Dear Sir:

I was in Capt.
Barrett's Company
E. 72 New York Vol's.
3rd Excelsior or Dickles
Brigade. I went at the
age of sixteen. Gen.
Dickles thought a
great deal of Capt.

Barrett. I served with
the Gen. all through the
Peninsula Campaign and
was wounded twice so
I was unable to be
at Gettysburg. Was
discharged July 30-'63
My wife's father was
captured at Gettysburg
and starved to death
in Libby's prison. I
see in the call to give
transportation to Gettysburg
July 1st & c they say
actual participants in
the battle. Will General
I work hard every day
from 5 or 6 A.M. till
8 or 9 P.M. on my
farm and my wife

works harder if anything
and I'd like to go
to Gettysburg and
take her. I thought I
would ask you if
I could take your
pass that I had on
the Sea Great Shore
to Buffalo. and come
down to New York City
and get transportation
from there to Gettysburg
& come back the same
way. Perhaps Gen.
Dickles would give
me transportation
from there (New York City)
I have 40 acres of land
a good many stumps left.
Have a good cow - & horse
Clover hay growing fine
- some winter wheat

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Planted lots of corn Owe
about \$1000. Col. Jefferson
Parker formerly of your
Command lost his wife
a few months ago. The Col.
is either 68 or 78 straight
as an arrow speaks very
hily + friendly of you. I think
he was not in Gettys battle

Yours truly

Geo. S. Torrance,

Gowanda,

Catt. Co.

N. York.

Reply sheet
June 10. 93

P.S. Perhaps if you
would kindly refer this
to the Gen. (Sickle)
might be able to
me transport in
N.Y. City
P.S. I am
in



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Pratt's Sermon
June 8. 93
Reply June 15. 93

New York, June 8, 1893
57 East 61st St

Gen. O. O. Howard,

My dear Sir,

On my return
from Newport I ordered
the books, of which I spoke, to
be sent to you & trust they
come safely to hand. I
also send you herewith the
Eulogy on Gen. Taylor &
I have added to it two
bits of "ancient history",
which I do not expect you
to read - I wish to
get rid of bulky odds.

passphlets!

It gave me great
pleasure to meet you last
week for the first time; &
that in company with my
"New Bedford boy" & dear
old friend, Dr. McKenjian.
May God bless you & all
yours; together with him
& all his —

Most truly yours

Geo: L. Prentiss

Hartford Life and Annuity Insurance Company,

Hartford, Conn. June 8th 1893

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
Governor's Island, New York, N.Y.

My dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 7th June and to say in reply that all you can reasonably be expected to say in answer to Mr Patterson's letter (which is herewith returned to you) is that you have carried insurance with this company since 1880 and (if you think so) that the connection has been satisfactory.

In mentioning the names of the most prominent policy holders to agents it is not intended that they shall be annoyed with letters asking for their opinion of the company and we regret that Mr Patterson has intruded upon your time.

Mr Patterson's statement to you respecting your participation in the benefits to arise from a completed Safety Fund is a fair prophesy of the future.

Very respectfully

Stephen Ball
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Mr Patterson's letter to
Gen. O. O. Howard enclosed.

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Wm. Stephen

June 8. 93

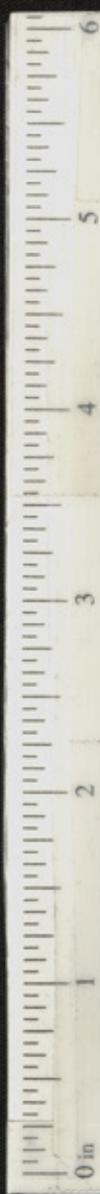
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Governor's Office, New York, N.Y.

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that the connection has been satisfactory
in mentioning the names of the new Governor
being better to credit it is not intended that they
shall be arranged with other names for their
opinion of the Company and we regret that the
Governor has not written upon your time.
The Governor's statement to your respecting your
participation in the benefit to arise from a complete
reform fund is a fair proposal of the future.

Very respectfully
Wm. Stephen

Wm. O. Howard
Governor's Office, New York, N.Y.



80 BROADWAY.

June 8th 1893

My dear Gen.:

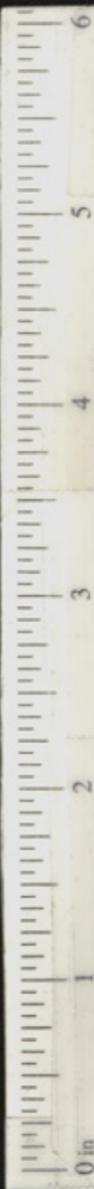
Will you
kindly sign and
return the enclosed
notice by return
mail, as I desire
to commence pub-
lication at once,
and so greatly
oblige yours sincerely

Genl. M. W. ...

J. M. ...

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Washburn W^m J
June 8. 93.

Notice sent June 9. 93



44 West 35th St

June 8th. 1993

Dear General,

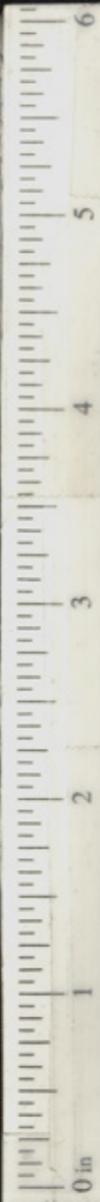
The enclosed as to
Gen Taylor is every way so very
valuable that you ought to
have it to keep & I give it to
you.

But, if you have seen it
already, & now have a copy of it
then, in that case & in that only,
please, bring this copy with
you, when (as you said,)
"you" (& others I hope) would
take foot-luck, on Sunday
next, with

Most Cordially Yours,

Francis W. Lapham.

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Upham P. W.
June 8. 93



You on Friday evening
at 8 o'clock, 685

With many thanks
for your kindness
Believe me

Very sincerely yours

Newton Sedgwick

Asst in Charge

St George's Church

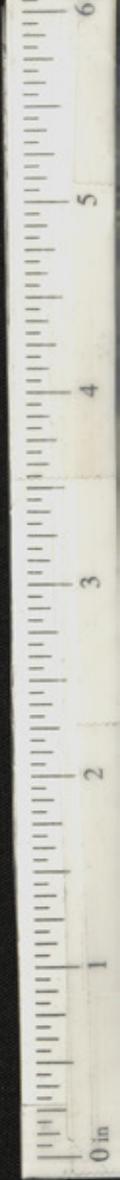
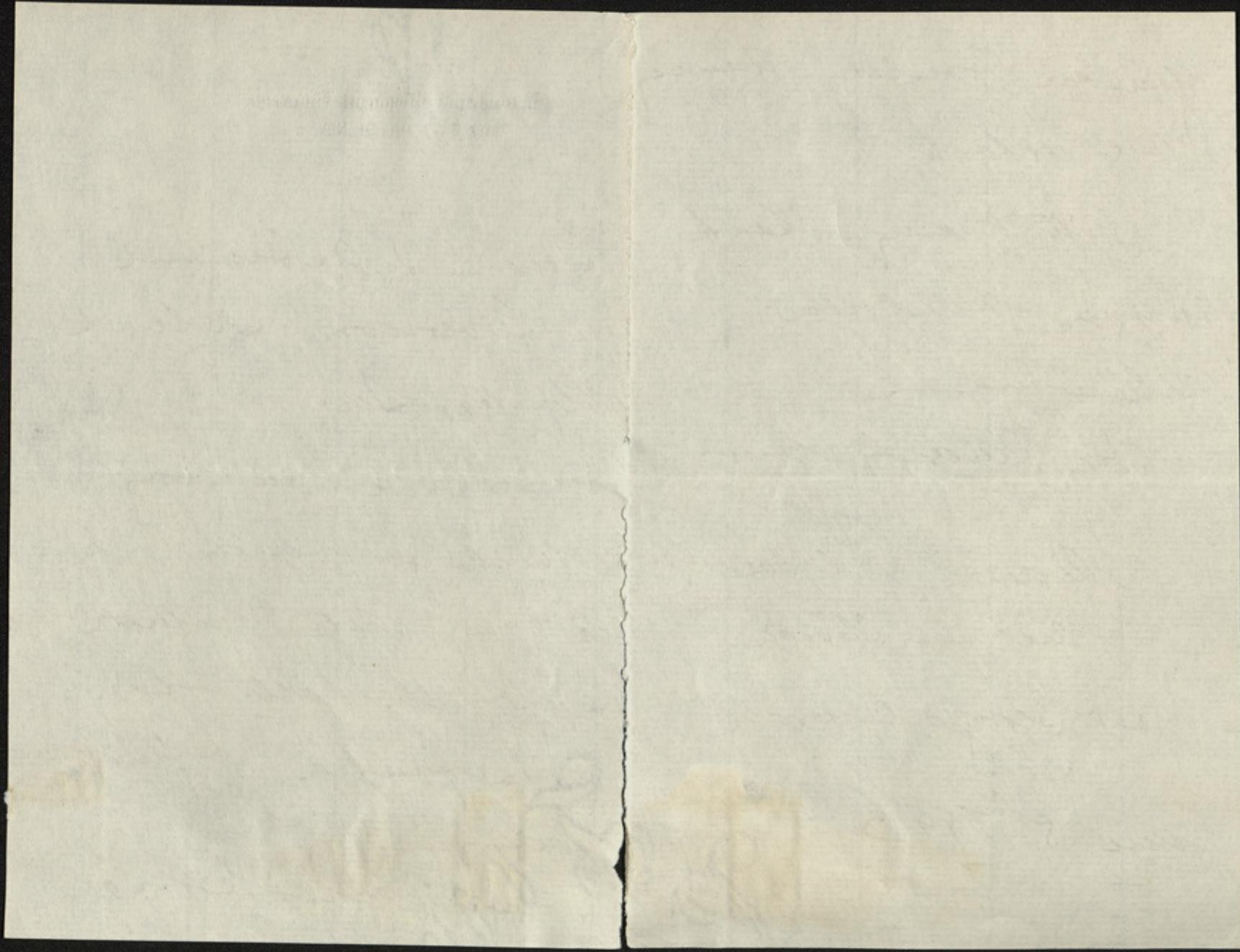
June 8th 1893

St. George's Memorial House,
207 East 16th St., N.Y.

You'l. O. O. Howard,
Governor's Island.

My dear Sir:

Thank you very
much for your reply
to my note, which
I left the other day
as I failed to find
you.
I shall look for



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Gray David W
June 8. 93

The Honeysuckles

NEW CANAAN, CONN.,

JUNE 8, 1893.

DEAR GEN. HOWARD:-

I REGRET VERY MUCH NOT SEEING YOU
WHEN YOU CALLED, AND I FEAR I WILL NOT
BE ABLE TO MEET YOU THIS WEEK. I HAVE
TO GO TO THE CITY TO-MORROW, 'FRIDAY',
TO OFFICIATE AT A FUNERAL, AND AFTER-
WARDS GO TO THE GRAVE AT WOODLAWN, WHICH
WILL TAKE THE WHOLE OF THE AFTER-NOON,
AND ON SATURDAY MORNING I GO TO ITHACA
TO PREACH AT CORNELL THE NEXT DAY.
AFTER THAT AGAIN, I GO TO R. I. TO MEET

SOME ENGAGEMENTS THERE. I AM SORRY
THAT IT IS SO, BUT SO IT IS.

BELIEVE ME, VERY SINCERELY YOURS,

Hand to Hand

GEN. O. O. HOWARD,

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND,

NEW YORK CITY.

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Walker Louis
June 8, 93

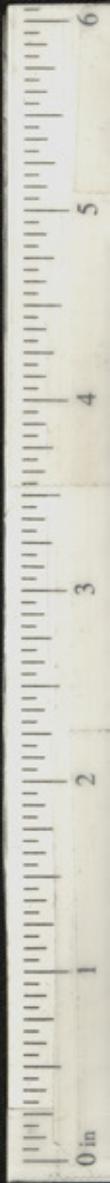
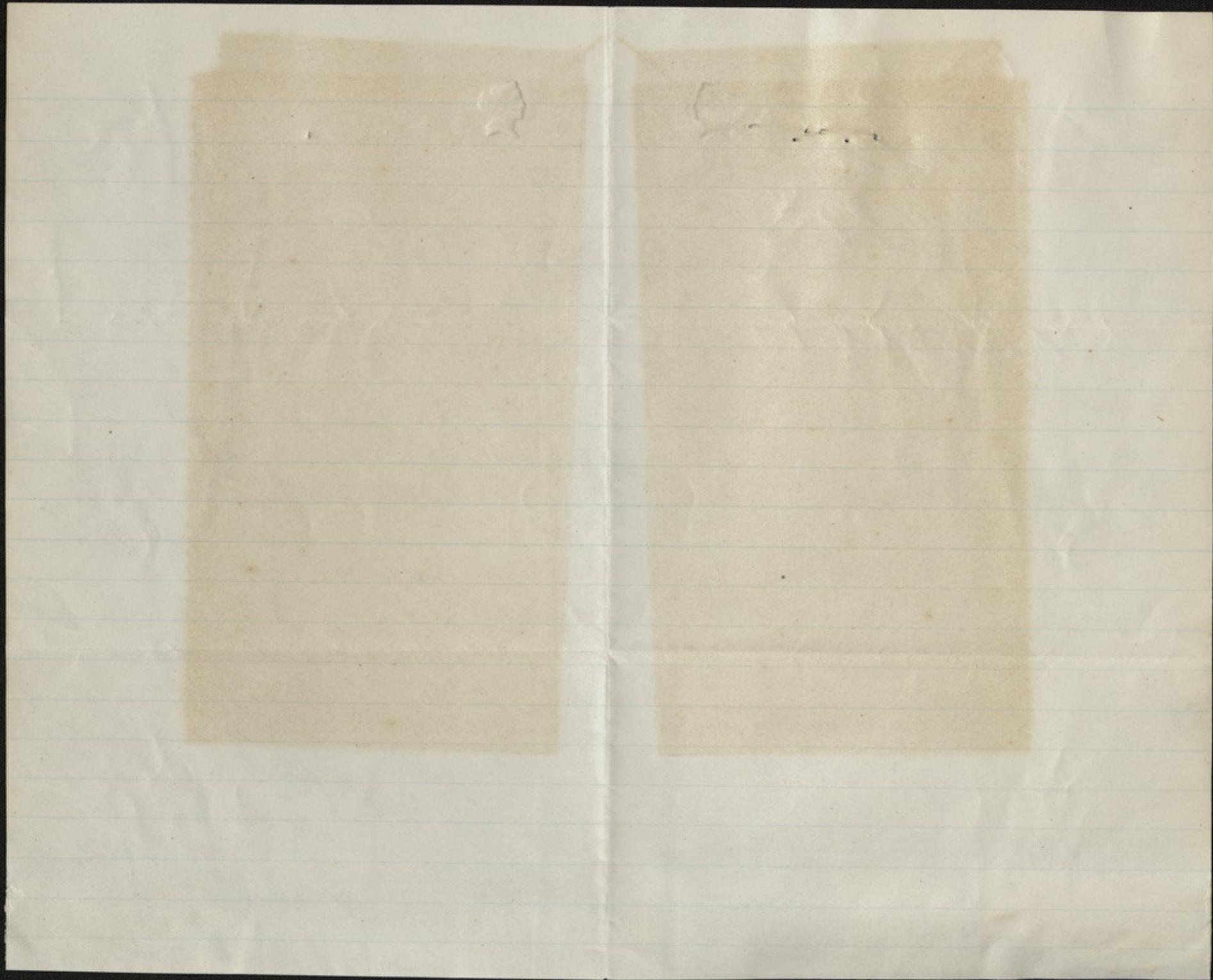
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Cincinnati, O., June 8-93.
Gen. C. C. Howard

Sir:

About a year ago,
I sent you the Commercial Gazette
of the 9th of June 1892 when I claimed
that I captured Ex Speaker Crisp
and I saved Sherman's Army
on the March to the Sea, you
never answered me, enclosed
you find a little story which
might interest ~~you~~ you. I would
like to hear from you. I remain,

Yours Truly
Louis Walker
South West cor. of 13th & Vine
Cin. O.



SUPPRESSED.

A Story of the Great Civil War.

Romance and Tragedy
Woven Around It.

The First Edition Was
Bought Up Entire,

And, Together With the
Plates, Was Destroyed.

But One Copy of It Was
Preserved,

And From This a New Edition
Is Being Printed.

A new version of "The Story of the War."

A view of the Rebellion that cost a man thousands of dollars, his son a dismissal from college in disgrace and that has woven around it a tale of romance and tragedy that has never before found its way into public print.

In brief, these are the facts which are for the first time coming to light:

About three weeks ago there came to Cincinnati an Italian who gave his name as Giuseppe Vecchio and who remained for several days at 100 East Fifth Street, a boarding-house kept by a Mrs. Davis. He was an electrician, and after transacting his business here left for his home in the South. During his stay he became acquainted with several boarders at the house and proved himself highly entertaining.

One evening during a conversation the question of the war between the North and the South was mentioned, and a lively debate ensued.

"There is one version of the war that is just now being made public for the first time," said the Italian.

"To what do you refer?" was asked.

"To Percy Craig's History," was the reply.

Percy Craig's history had not been heard of by those present, and when they began questioning the Italian he excused himself for a few moments, and, going to his room, he returned with a book entitled "Craig's History of the American Rebellion."

It was a neatly bound volume of several hundred pages, and was a review of the great Rebellion from beginning to end, written from a Southern standpoint. The causes of the war, its events and the results, were presented in a new way, and the rest of the evening was spent in studying and discussing it.

Several offers were made to buy the book, but these were refused, and finally the Italian told the following remarkable story of the history:

Percy Craig was an Englishman, a writer and a man of some means. He came to this country along in the fifties to write a history of America, but the records of the Government were closed against him, and, becoming discouraged, he returned to his native country just about the time the civil war broke out.

After the war had ended he came back to America still intent on securing the information he sought during his first visit. Failed in his attempts, he went South, and being a Southern sympathizer, he soon secured the aid of the most influential men of that section, and wrote his history from a Southern standpoint, giving information that has never since found its way into any other story of the war.

Returning to England he made arrangements for the publication of his book. About this time a wealthy gentleman from Connecticut was traveling in England. The Italian did not remember his name, but thought it was something like Brownell or Bromwell, and by that latter name referred to him during the remainder of his story.

Bromwell was a pronounced Northern man in sympathy, and during his stay in London accidentally heard of the history that was then being published. He saw some proofs of it, and being immensely wealthy decided at once that no such version of the victory of the North should be given the English people. He at once made overtures to the London publisher for the plates, but failing to secure them he sent agents to Italy, France, Germany and throughout England and bought up entire the first edition of 100,000 copies. He then secured the aid of a German and succeeded in buying the plates.

These he destroyed, together with the edition of the book, save five copies, which he sent back to his home. Returning a year later, he destroyed four of the copies, retaining one, and thus having the only copy in existence. It had cost him a fortune, but he could well afford it, and he believed that he had done his country a service.

His son was attending college at Trenton, N. J., and took the book with him. The boy found the history an interesting study, as did his roommate, and finally he gave it to the roommate, who left before the college closed. Young Bromwell was to have graduated that year, and in the final debate during commencement exercises made some statements that astounded the faculty. No such facts had ever been heard of as he purported to give and the faculty promptly called upon him for his proof.

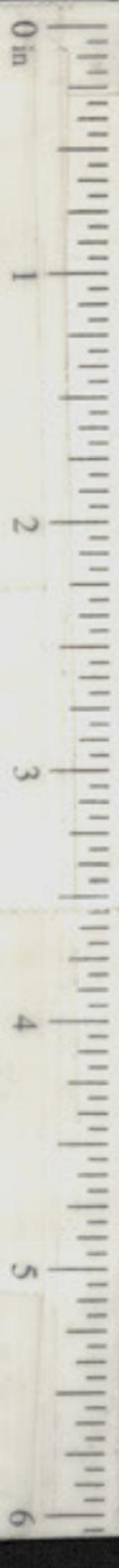
"Craig's history so gives it," replied the young man.

"There is no such book as Craig's History," responded the faculty.

"There is," was young Bromwell's answer, and he at once instituted a search for the book. His roommate had gone to Richmond, Va., but had left there, and no one knew his whereabouts. Bromwell was unable to find him, and was expelled from the college for what was believed to be a disgraceful action on his part.

Five years later the roommate was arrested in New York State, tried for murder and hanged.

Within the last three months a copy of that history has been found—presumably the one young Bromwell had—and is being reprinted in the South. It is said to be the intention of these back of the enterprise to place the history in the Southern schools as a textbook. The copy the Italian had he bought in Atlanta, Ga.



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