My dear Sir:—

Knowing your interest in reform and sociological movements, I take pleasure in bringing to your notice some of the League literature, which will indicate the object and scope of the organization. As the League is non-sectarian and non-political, with its sole object to raise the tone of citizenship, it should appeal to everyone who is interested in good government.

From a sociological stand point, may I point out two important objects of the League? First: each of the 30 Assembly Districts, will make a special study of some definite, concrete problem of municipal life. One district is already studying the problems of the "sweat shop", and another that of sanitation; by this means the League will have at its disposal, 30 city laboratories in applied Sociology. Second: every clergyman whose membership in the League would give him that right, may have access to the social facts within the limits of his own parish, either through his Assembly Supervisor, or through the Central Office of the League. Whatever concerns the welfare of the city is made the subject of inquiry and conference. Standing on that platform, the City Vigilance League appeals to the friends and prompters of good citizenship. Should you desire any further details, it will be my pleasure to communicate with you.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
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principle, which makes a special study of some particular counties

and areas, in order to direct public services to the benefit

of the "welfare shop," and report, from that of statistics of this

measure. The central office of the legislature, the central office

Commissioner, Secretary, and other officers, where the report of the

Secretary of the legislature, have been given, in their right, may have success to the society forces within the

province of the can better direct for the Assembly Superintendents

wherever across the Province office of the legislature.

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of the city, which is the interest of all the citizens, and consequently

the careful and thoroughgoing of each citizenship. Speaking for myself, I see

great pleasure, it will be my pleasure to communicate with you.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
THE CITY VIGILANCE LEAGUE

June 21st, 1893

We are now just completing the first year of our history. Between three and four hundred men are already actually at work in the field. Operations have been commenced in twenty out of the thirty Assembly Districts. Whatever concerns the interests of our city is made subject of inquiry and conference. The tendency among all our larger cities is to allow matters of municipal administration to drift into the hands of men who conceive of positions of official trust as means of access to the public treasury. The fault is chargeable as well to those who permit this prostitution of power as to those who practice it. The League aims to counteract this tendency, and to stimulate, among young men especially, an intelligent and earnest civic consciousness, by giving to each member some line of investigation to prosecute, some field of duty to cover. In this way a great variety of questions have arisen for consideration, each of which tends to bring the “League” into immediate relations with his city, and in that way to set him studying existing conditions as a means of improving those conditions. In one Assembly District, for example, the Sunday violation of excise laws is being observed and investigated; in another the “sweating” problem; and in a third the truck and sidewalk-incumbrance nuisance. All of these questions are being considered in their bearings upon the interests of the city at large.
The impression which widely prevailed for a time that the League is an organization of amateur detectives, has become pretty thoroughly dissipated. We are trying to bring into cooperative relations a great company of earnest young citizens who believe in inoculating foreign-born residents with American impulses; in encouraging every influence that will make for our municipal betterment; and in giving currency to the doctrine, that for city officials to impose taxes and to drain off a considerable percentage of the proceeds of such assessment into their own pockets, falls a good way short of the ideal of municipal government.

In the maintenance and extension of our work there are certain expenses to be met, and we are anxious to secure as large a number as possible of men and women who would like to become Associate Members by the payment of an annual fee of $3 or upward. The payment of such fee is the only obligation involved in Associate Membership. Any who wish to assist the League in this way may like to avail of the subjoined blank for that purpose.

In behalf of the League,

FRANK MOSS,
93 Nassau Street;

J. L. ERVING,
6 West 2nd Street;

J. V. SATTERLY,
309 East 75th Street;

C. E. LAWTON,
1913 Broadway;

WILLIAM H. TOLEMAN,
United Charities Building,

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

New York, 1899

To William M. Kingsley,
Treasurer, No. 45 Exchange Place.

Sir:

Enclosed please find $_________ given as contribution toward the work of the City Vigilance League.

Enclosed please find $_________ annual fee for Associate Membership in the City Vigilance League.

(Name)

(Address)
THE CITY VIGILANCE LEAGUE.

BULLETIN No. 1.

To

Supervisor of Election District No.

Dear Sir:

It has been thought wise that once in three weeks a Bulletin should be issued to all the members of the League, in order that we may come into touch with one another, and the lines, along which we are working, be made easier and more distinct. Recruits are being brought into the field, and the work is progressing, but a part of the strength and enthusiasm of our work will lie in a consciousness of the fact that although we may be strangers to each other, we are nevertheless all working together, and for a common purpose.

PURPOSE OF THE LEAGUE.

As the work has progressed during the months past the objects toward which we need to labor have been growing more and more distinct.

1. Our one supreme object is to raise the tone of our citizenship. The city will not become permanently better except as we who live in the city become better. There are large sections of our town that yield to the guidance of corrupt and designing men for the reason that they are unachieved by influences of a finer and more generous kind. Plans are being formulated by which we expect to come into touch with some such portions of the city, and your cooperation in this work will soon be solicited.

2. We need to become better acquainted with the machinery of our city government and with certain principles and statutes by which the motion of that machinery requires to be regulated. Each subsequent Bulletin will contain one or two samples of such statutes. We cannot criticise our public servants except as we are familiar with the laws to which they are properly amenable.

3. In order to a complete grasp upon the situation, we require to be acquainted with certain facts relating to the present condition of the city. This and succeeding Bulletins will contain certain questions bearing upon your own Election District. The answers to such questions will none of them involve much labor on your part, but in course of time will aggregate a large amount of valuable information. (In this connection it is suggested that further labor upon the map of your district be postponed until such facts, as it may be thought best to use, have been collected, after which the map can be prepared by yourself, or at the Central Office, as you may prefer.)

QUESTIONS.

Please forward to your Assembly District Supervisor, as below, within two weeks from date, answers to the following questions:

1. How is your District bounded?

2. Is your District occupied by residences, stores, offices or manufactories?

3. How many Public School buildings are there in your District, and where located?

4. How many saloons are there in the District?

Yours truly,

Supervisor Assembly District.

President.

1893.
THE CITY VIGILANCE LEAGUE

BULLETIN No. 1

Statement of Election Districts

DATE:

It has been brought to the attention of the League that a number of tickets have been given out by the officials of the League, to certain of the members of the League, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the office of the League. These tickets have been given out without the knowledge of the members of the League, and it is requested that the members of the League be informed of the same as soon as possible.

RESOLUTION:

Moved, That the Executive Committee be requested to take all necessary steps to prevent the nomination of candidates by the officials of the League without the knowledge of the members of the League.

Seconded, by.

A motion to adopt the above resolution was carried unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned.

Your truly,

[Signature]

[Name]
Chicago, Sept. 1, 1893.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Governor’s Island, New York,
Dear Brother:

The manuscript has arrived. I hesitate whether to take time to take it to Glencoe to look over as you suggest or not, but will probably do so. I take note that you did not see Dr. Darby. I wish you would drop him a line at 47 New Broad st. London, E. C. to let him know that you would have called had you got word in season.

Arthur and Lawrence have ascertained that their school did not begin until the 14th of September, and especially as Arthur wished a little more time at the Fair have put off leaving until Tuesday. They will then reach New York Wednesday night at 8:40 or 8:50, and I trust can go over in the boat at 10 o’clock to Governor’s Island. They go by the New York Central. They have never seen New York or a government post, and there will be much to interest them, but they greatly preferred meeting you, and were afraid if they went this week they would miss you.

I note what Gen. Raum said concerning the News as wanting to keep their columns up to the mark during the Fair. I do not know what he meant, if anything, for there never was a time when the News and every other paper was so much crowded.

Bessy went to our house last night and seems to enjoy even the thought of the quiet rest. Slept well and was at breakfast with the family. I hope her stay with us will be especially beneficial to her health. I think she could hardly find a more restful place. I am glad to look forward to your coming out by and by with Lizzie, as Bessy encourages us to think you will do.

Yours affectionately,

[Signature]

W. Howard
HOWARD C. H.

September 1st 1893.

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San Francisco Cal.
Sept. 1st 1893

Mr. Gen. O. O. Howard
W.S. Army Governors Island
New York.

Dear Sir,

I am making application for the position of interpreter in the customs service and would like you to sign the enclosed recommendation or give me a written one of your own. By so doing you will greatly oblige.

Yours very respectfully,

Thomas J. Kim
316 Post St.

P. S. Please kindly return by first mail to me as I must hand it in at once.
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Hein Brown
Sept 1, 1892
New York, Sept. 12, 1893

Dear General Howard,

I am off for Washington to-night, and if I have any luck here may take a run to Fla. If I can, I shall send you a copy of the map of the mine which I am on, and on the 27th also to make out the papers for the ownership of the Helen Mine with claim to two years' loss up etc. If you have not read tele, tell Miss Wickers please send it to Hulid as I am 85 here in Washington. I have written Mr. Ross who took some stock in Company, to Chicago stating that while Philadelphia etc. were looking up the Company was down in its loss that 125 and I do not have 150 all in our power to bring up. He will have some cash. I have learned from good authority that the Marquis Mirabel, who she was highly indignant that Mr. Pratt and Elliston's have acted thus and gone to lawyer with whom she had sad experiences in Spain. Mr. Pratt was really very kind of her lawyer, and he is very important and large details. She would frighten the Marquis.
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...calling Ellis back from Lucy to protect their interests in NY, because I was represented by Mr. Pratt as a revengeful man who would destroy all to satisfy his malice of me frustrated and broken.

and what I am paying with blood money all the time and valuable time for the security of their mortgage interest and have found that Pratt $350 to which I now do not fully lend myself thin and new to my putting time and many efforts in this short gap said and now I have to keep Ellis alive water in his boarding house and being able to find a situation for him. The Marquis also instructed Ellis to stay office in Jacksonville now office here just as if the word to Company and as if a year contract for rent could be cancelled at pleasure all of which goes far to show that affairs are misrepresented.

I am not with Galeries because I learn from the above sources that Galeries can only read and write Spanish and that he calls in the plate to translate all French and English letters and to marquis too for English letters. The Marquis Sir Who was in Washington Embassy and Company to the Duke Dufay?

must not know of his master venture so he guests not read the letters I write so I leave it to you for advice.
IRWIN FRANCIS

September 1st, 1898.

I am writing this letter to express my concern regarding the recent developments in our town. The situation has become increasingly difficult, and I believe it is time for us to take decisive action.

The problem is multifaceted, and I understand that finding a solution will require the cooperation of all parties involved. However, I am optimistic that we can overcome these challenges if we work together.

I have discussed this matter with several of my colleagues, and we agree that immediate action is necessary. We have outlined a set of proposals that we believe will address the root cause of the issue.

I urge you to consider these proposals carefully and to support those that you believe will benefit our community. Together, we can make a difference.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
New York, Sept. 3rd

Lt. C. F. Treat

Kind Sir

As I am about to visit Governors Island there will take the liberty of asking you to kindly favor me with a pass for myself and a friend to visit the same. Hoping to receive a pass or a reply.

Yours Respectfully

Thos. Levis
249 M. J. D. New York City
LEVI  J. C.
September 1st 1893.
Dear Mr. Howard,

My dear friend,

I don't like to feel that your partial answer you gave to my invitation to come here in October was a final one. If it was not very reassuring. I hope you have reconsidered the matter and made up your mind that I must really like a good battle - a regular fight. For that is what seems to be predicted for Boston.
October meetings? A visit any time would be most joyfully received.

Kindest remembrances to Mrs. Haward and all who remember me.

Mr. Reed sends his kindest regards.

Yours sincerely,

Anna T. Reed
EDMUND P. PLATT, CHAIRMAN.
ALEX. G. FISH, TREAS., 40 EAST 23RD ST., N.Y.
REV. GEORGE A. HALL, GENERAL SECRETARY.
JOHN F. MOORE, ASST. SEC'TY., ASSOC. BLDG., ALBANY, N.Y.
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F. F. CALVER, OFFICE SECRETARY.

The Executive Committee
of Young Men's Christian Associations
of the State of New York.

OFFICE.
40 EAST TWENTY-THIRD STREET,
NEW YORK CITY.

Sept. 2nd, 1898.

Dear Sir:

The regular quarterly meeting of the State Committee
will be held at the State Office, #40 East 23rd St., New York,
Thursday September 21st, 7.30 P.M. As we will undertake the
work of the Fall and Winter, it is very desirable to have your
presence at this meeting if possible. Mr. Goodman, our new
Associate State Secretary expects to be present.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
Rec. Secretary.
The Executive Committee
of Young Men's Christian Association
of the State of New York

Michael W.

Sept 2, 1893

Dear Sir:
The Executive Committee met at the State Committee room to hear the report of the Executive Secretary. The committee agreed to refer the matter to the Finance Committee for consideration. We, the Executive Committee, are confident that we can raise the funds necessary to continue our work.

Respectfully yours,

[Signature]

Executive Secretary
Waterville, Me., Sept. 2—— 1893

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Governor's Island.

My dear General:—

I know that your affiliation is not close with the present administration, but your reputation as a soldier and a man carries with it great weight. My family, as you may know, have been in Europe two or three years, and would be glad to remain a while longer. I expect soon to join them, and I have applied for a consulship in Germany, Switzerland or France, for its social advantages mainly. A letter from you to the President would be of great assistance to me. If you could write such a letter consistently and send to me, I should consider it a very great favor. I hope you are very well; you and yours.

I am, General,

With much respect,

Your obedient servant,

[Signature]
BANGS I. S. General

September 2nd 1893.

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

MY DEAR GENERAL:

I know that your position is not close
with the present administration, but your reputation as a soldier
and a man of high character and integrity is known to me, and I
have reason to believe that you will do your best to prevent
any interference with the interests of the United States.

Please write me a letter of introduction to the President, and I
shall be very grateful if you can, and I hope you are very well, and
write me a very great favor. I hope you are very well, and
hope.

I am, General,

With much respect,
Your obedient servant,

[Signature]
Freedmen's Hospital,

Washington, D.C., September 2nd, 1893.

Dear General Howard:

I justify myself in writing you because you have always taken an interest in me personally and in Howard University. I have some objection to writing, I am made to appear selfish. I trust however that my letter will disabuse you, and keep you from entertaining such an idea. You wrote me some weeks ago declining to serve as one of the Directors of this Hospital. In your letter you said you could not understand why we had a new act of incorporation, as you were under the impression that the hospital was under the control of the University. Your impressions...
were not correct. In 1876 the hospital with your aid was transferred from the War to the Department of the Interior with a view of having it in touch with the University, and where the wishes of the University as to the appointment of the Surgeon-in-Chief would be respected. Under this Department it has remained until the present fiscal year. Last winter as the appropriation bill for the District of Columbia passed the House of Representatives the control and management of the Hospital was transferred to the Commissioners of the District. When the bill reached the Senate
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Freedmen's Hospital,

Washington, D.C. 189

The friends and Trustees of the University demurred to giving the Commissioners absolute control. They knew the best interests of the Medical Department situated as it is in the grounds and buildings of the Hospital would not be best conserved by such transfer. The medical profession of the District of Columbia is opposed to Howard, it would destroy us if it could.

As all the other hospitals of the City were and are under boards of control we desired to place this one on the same basis. The Secretary of the Interior favored our proposition, as did the Senate Committee on appropriations, and as the appropriations
Freedmen's Hospital,

Washington, D.C.

Bill passed, we thought we were well fixed and our interests properly guarded, but according to the decision of the Attorney General the Bill was defective. The Secretary of the Interior still has the power to appoint the officers of the hospital. This decision has brought forth a host of candidates for the position; who are using every effort to bring about a change.

I have not been asked to resign, I do not know as I will be. I desire however to anticipate any probable action on the part of the Secretary of the Interior. I have been here some years, I have spent the noon days of my life to make this institution
Freedmen's Hospital,

Washington, D.C. 189...
a success; with proper modesty I can say in a measure I have succeeded; but in doing so I have been encountering much opposition. I have been the object of jealousies, calumnies, of every conceivable abuse. I have been investigated, and investigated, but my skirts have always been found to be clean, my reputation unsullied. Compliments have been paid me by every investigating committee.

I will not disguise that the mental tension has not had its effect, and my heart has not been made easy. One of the saddest of thoughts is—that I have been assaulted by those whose cause I worked so hard to
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I am not able to communicate effectively on this surface.

I am unable to express myself clearly through these marks.

I am frustrated with the limitations of this medium.

I am trying to convey the depth of my emotions, but it is not working.

I am seeking a way to communicate my thoughts and feelings more effectively.

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我无法有效通过这些符号表达自己。

我试图通过这些标记表达自己的情感，但无法成功。

我正在努力寻找一种更有效的沟通方式。

为了通过这些标记传达我的感情，我正在尽力。

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Freedmen's Hospital,

Washington, D.C. 189...

Concave. In the present conflict my position is not of such paramount importance; the question—shall our Medical School with its Dental, Pharmaceutical and Training Nurses Department be destroyed, or even crippled. Such would be the case if the surgeon-in-chief of this hospital whose he may be is not thoroughly identified with the work. Howard University is undertaking in this quarter.

We hope to get new legislation, but in the meantime we are constrained to call upon our friends for assistance. It occurred to me that you could serve me by writing to the President stating...
the case, and through him control the Honorable Secretary of the Interior. My colleagues are unanimous in the view that no change be made. If I should consult the wishes of my family I would abandon the struggle. My children and good wife grow weary. In this community they do not receive and meet that social recognition to which they are justly entitled, and I have promised them that as soon as I can place the institution in smooth waters I shall withdraw and leave new hands at the helm.

Pardon me for writing you at such length, and believe me...
Freedmen’s Hospital,
Washington, D.C.

To be ever

Sincerely yours,

Charles B. Smith.
Dear Uncle,

I am notified that the good men do smell at the expense money short your $15.00. You know Draper gave a book and, with a folio inner loose, so that you will find some money.

If you need any, you will be glad to turn, but I never hand the funds, the kind, simities, guards or fences, or wish at a trick of all the funds before I got you till we. Once they did myself, it is a debt of honor. I promised to pay you $10,000, but General [illegible] a dollar, and am [illegible] pressed much since so don't you. Our family are carrying a large table for the children near 20 before.
I can only say you paid me a serious compliment — it is a joy to you — it must be paid and done for it, I did not care if forced to get it around I expected and if you will know it. phrase and sure of people or judging themselves they did not care many way so. I am glad you are pleased. Jim read will remain a frequent memory to my children. Now pay God bless dear mother. Jim we forgot dearie I think it is so kindly with you greeting on a ground not after one just ready write just greeting on a ground not after one just need. I am all for it be remember king of him. The doing for they were filled of the Thursday chews were not. So it got those. Eli! I sincerely hope you can enjoy fully think of your trip as a pleasure, for I know all men for your part need discipline and work and. Your friend.

T.M. Dugell.
Berkeley, E. Mrs.

Dear Paul Howard,

Quoichure explains: I cannot well unclasp to put this thing unclasp to put this thing in order. Will you kindly at once. Will you kindly at once.

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Gen. O.O. Howard

Dear Sir:

I write to ask if you are available for an evangelistic address at our Sunday afternoon meeting and what dates are open in October and November? Also on what terms you will come for me. If possible, I assure your coming to me can be arranged.

Yours faithfully,

R.O. Wilcox

Gen. Coln. H.M.A.
WILCOX A. H.

September 2nd 1835.
Plirmed Peal Co. Ariz. 2/2/95

Dear Howard

dear sir & bro,

According to promise I herewith send you a copy of the "P匿名 Mission" a novel the preparation & publication of which is due mostly to the kindness & generosity of my friend Mrs. E.J. Stone. Having a noble tradition I am doing to allow her name to appear in the work.

My part has been principally that of compilation - a labor of love for the benefit of my dear Oni book.

With many thanks for your letter please publish

Yours sincerely

J. O. Whitaker
WHITTEMORE J. T.

August 2nd 1893.
New Lancaster, N. H. Sep 23

My dear Sir,

I have 1/2 decided, bro and where all you dear people were—And have given up trying to hear.

I have been up here among the mountains for two days. It is only

the a little farm from

Burroughs and I have

stayed all if Sydney was

there. Men I think I

must go up for a day—

I hear it is so lovely a

place—
I have been going about a good deal of the time since I was sick. Some will man says “One can change their shoes but not their heart.” And I need no lessons from you to say "I hope you are all well and having a good time."

Mr. Barnett has been quite a delegator for us all. I believe I heard."

This is a lovely place. Charming pines, mountains, and lakes in all directions and fine boiling air. Are you all going to the Fair this month? I hope you will enjoy it as I did.

Which one to C. S. for you to receive and all the letters she is going to give to ceremonies sending me back scarfs of cards for letters. I thought I ought to explain the same.