30 W 116th St
N. Y. City.

Dec 12th 1893

Dear General,

Your letter came duly to hand. As I wrote by the desire of the brethren named I took a copy of my letter, and read it to them on Sunday, and also your reply. I have asked them to keep this matter to themselves, and not let it become the property of the whole ch.

I note all you say and shall do my best and utmost to save the souls of men and build up the church. Thank God we are succeeding. On Sunday night we had the best ordinary congre-

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galian yet. There were about 70 adults present besides about 50 children. Last night there many at the gospel meeting, and 25 at the sewing circle. Our attendance this week I expect will reach a thousand.

Most Respectfully Yrs
F. A. Shyfield

Chicago Ill Dec 12th 93

Gen O O Howard U.S.A.
New York City

Dear Sir

I have the honor to request a copy of the last edition of "Roster of Troops" now serving in your Department.
The above favor will be thoroughly appreciated by

Yours very respectfully
James B Murray
Sec The Beglow & Main Co.
215 Wabash ave
Chicago Ill.

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Murray J. P.

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McGuire Wm

106 Sherman Ave
Jersey City N.J.
Dec 12th/93

To Major Genl O. O. Howard
Governors Island N.Y.

Dear General

Knowing the General has always a kind paternal feeling for the soldier who has had the honor of serving under him, I take the liberty of encrouching on your valuable time by addressing this letter to you hoping that you may interest yourself in my behalf, so that I may obtain employment on one of the forts now in course of construction in your department —

My name is William McGuire, my occupation stonecutter, I enlisted Augst 8th/63 in Capt C. A. Angels Co. A, 35th Regt N.J. Vol Inf'y (Blades Zouaves) and was discharged at Alexandria Va July 22nd/65 by reason Genl Order 160, Capt D. K. Hinson commanding Co., I served with my Reg't under the late Genl Sherman on the Miss campaign to Meridian February 1864 in 2nd Brigade 4th Div 16th A.C., after campaign done

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some hard marching in persuit of Genl Forrest after the Fort Pillow massacre marched to Decatur Ala and did garrison duty untill ordered to join Genl Shermans Army, was with my Co through the Atlanta Campaign and the march to the sea after Genl Hood and was never absent only while suffering with bloody Dysentery which nearly mustered me out of the Service in front of Kenesaw Mountains. — On the march to the Sea, command transferred — 2nd Brigade Brig Genl Jno J. Speague com'd 1st Div 20th Corps Genl Joseph Hower com'd 17th A. C. Maj Genl Frank P. Blair com'd. I am proud to say that while I had the hona of serving under you General in that campaign and the campaign in the Carolinas I was never absent from my Co. — unless on detail

I have have never applied for a pension neither do I want aid from the Government while God gives me strength to work In 1874 when the times were bad as they are now I applied to our Dear Old General W. T. Sherman who was then Genl of the Army Head Qrs at Washington D. C. and through his kindness I obtained employment from Genl Gilmore. I worked at Fort Pulaski Ga Lieut Mahon was engineer in charge and Mr John Cocraft was superintendent — The second month I worked there I received an advance of fifty cents per day in my pay. and I lost no time in sending the news to Genl Sherman knowing how pleased he would be to learn that one of his boys had merited such advancement

If you think me worthy of your consideration will you kindly interest yourself in my behalf — I have my Discharge, and if you wish it, I will foward it to you for your inspection or, what would be a greater pleasure to me I will bring it to you if you if you so desire — Hoping you will favor my request

I am Dear General
Yours Most Respectfully
William McGuire

106 Sherman ave Jersey City N.J.

Robinson J. C.

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234 Washington St
Binghamton N. Y.
Dec 12th 93

Dictated

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

My Dear General

This will be presented to you by Mr Charles S. Walker who visits New York for the purpose of seeing you on a matter of business. Any favor you can extend to him will be fully appreciated

Yours very truly

Jno. C. Robinson

Major Genl U. S. A. Rd

L. DEANE,
LAW AND PATENTS,
637 F STREET, N. W.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec 12 1893

Dear Gen Howard

I have had very many letters of warm commendation of my article about you some weeks ago, in the Christian Mirror — and the oral comments have been even more laudatory.

But I recd a letter a few days from Gen G. A. L. Merrifield, who was an early member of the 1st Cong. Church — later he was one of the founders of the pretty little Cong. Ch at Falls Ch. Va — where is now resident — He has a very responsible position in the Pension Office — Was

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Letter of his is so good that I have had it copied & now hand it to you as copy.

Sincerely yours

L Greene

1012, 14th.St.,N.W.

Washington.D.C. December 6th. 1893.

Dear Brother Deane,

As I mentioned to you Sunday,am obliged for the copy of the "Mirror" and was much interested in your article on Gen'l.Howard. I had a slight personal acquaintance with the Gen'l.during the early days of the 1st.Church,but presume he would not remember me now;but,be that as it may,I have ever been an admirer of the man,at least since he came into more general public notice at the outbreak of the war. I can never forget the first time I saw him,in 1862,after losing his arm,the occasion being a Mass meeting on the Old Town Hall common,in Waterville, at which he was one of the speakers. The Meeting was in the interest of enlistments,and as Gen'l.Howard held up the stump of his amputated arm,the crowd went wild. It was early in the rebellion then and but few of our boys had returned from the front,so that a man who had lost a limb in the service was an object of the greatest interest. Since that time especially,I have followed his career with interest,and been proud of his achievements. Not particularly of his great success as a military Commander,but because with that,he has ever maintained the highest christian character,a brave,outspoken,yet modest christian gentleman. This faithful,humble following of his Lord and Master,with his high position in public life, is a combination rarely found in one man,and carries with it a power for good,that cannot well be estimated. He ranks with Livingston,Havelock and Chinese Gordon,and perhaps in his devoted christian life,outshines them all.

Of course I cannot have the warm personal admiration that comes from a close and intimate acquaintance,as in your case and therefore,cannot estimate from your standpoint,but,I do feel,and believe that,take him all in all,his character and life in all its phases,and as a whole,he is a patriot and christian hero,

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As ever, truly yours,

G. A. L. Merrifield.

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O. A. L. Merrifield.

THE MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILWAY CO..

NEW YORK.

December 13th,1893.

Dear General Howard:--

I take great pleasure in enclosing the transportation requested in your letter of the 11th inst.,as far as I can furnish it, which is from Toledo or Detroit to San Antonio, Tex. I am always glad to be of service in this way.

With kind regards,

Very truly yours,

Geo J Gould

To
Maj.General O.O.Howard,
Governor's Island, N.Y.

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233 Hancock St
Brooklyn Dec 13/93

Genl O. O. Howard
Dear Sir

I had the pleasure of meeting you some 3 years ago during my annual visit to Lake Mohonk with my wife. I have been there every summer for 6 years by invitation of Mr Smiley & while there have entertained the guests with an exhibition of slight-of-hand or legerdemain. The thought suggested itself

with you relative to the giving of such an Ent. It partake of the nature of a church or parlor Entertainment & consists in the presentation of tricks illusions, & experiments introducing rabbits, birds, &c. as to be pleasing to young & old. I am

Yours &c
J. T. Chase

to me the other day that an Entertainment of this kind given ~~at the~~ in the Hall at Governors Island at about this (the holiday) time for either the officers and their wives & friends or the soldiers & others living on the Island would be a pleasant diversion and a treat to those who had seen little or nothing of ~~this~~ a nature. If this idea meets with your approval I should be glad to correspond.

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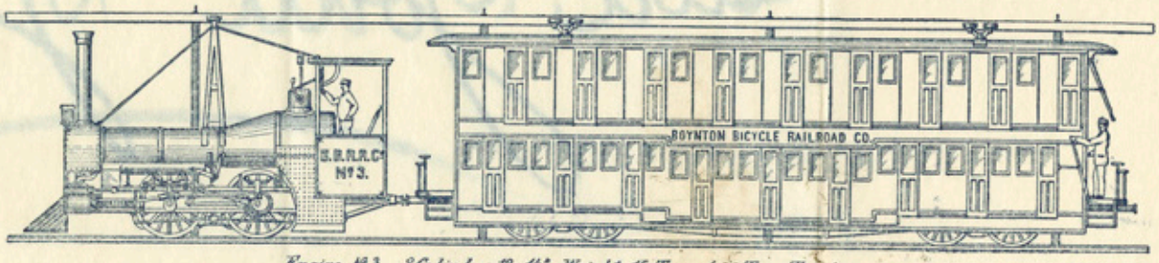

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Dec. 13. 1893.

My Dear General.

Mr. Boynton left here on Saturday night for Boston. Before his departure we succeeded in getting his signature to the contracts as we framed them on Friday, with an extension of the time from one year to one year and four months in which to complete the 40 miles of road. It is proper to say that the extension of four months was Mr. Boynton's own suggestion. The contracts were forwarded to San Francisco on Saturday, and the parties advised by wire of that fact. Learning that you had not been advised of the signing of the contracts I send you this letter.

Very truly Yours,

John Burt. Jr.

To
Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard.

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Prof John Jr

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Dec. 13. 1893.

My dear Professor.

Mr. Boynton is very sorry for disturbing Prof. John for Prof. John is so occupied in getting his experiments to the Gladstone as it was necessary there for Friday, until the exhibition of the three new cars to the Grand Junction Company he intended to complete the whole set first. He is anxious to have Prof. John's explanation of your method see Mr. Boynton seems disappointed. He Gladstones there Thursday to see Prof. Thompson on business, and he hopes arrangements in train of that kind. Meaning that you have not been advised of the business of the Gladstone Company this week.

Very truly Yours

Mr. Boynton.

Mr. Prof. C. O. Thompson.

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Chicago & North-Western Railway Co.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.
Chicago, Ill.

Dec 13 1893

MY DEAR SIR:

I TAKE PLEASURE IN ENCLOSING HEREWITH ANNUAL PASS OVER THE CHICAGO AND NORTH-WESTERN System FOR THE YEAR 1894.

VERY TRULY,

M Hughitt
PRESIDENT.

Gen. O. O. Howard
New York

2110 – 14th Street,
Washington, D.C. Dec. 13, 1893.

Maj. General O. O. Howard,

Dear Genl. Howard.

You cannot understand what gratification it gives me to know that you are satisfied with me. I am laboring daily with the hundreds of children who come under my influence to instil the christian principles which your life and precepts taught me.

I inclose Mrs. Berry's letter. I am very sorry to give you this trouble.

With highest esteem,

Hugh M. Browne

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Prowne W. M.

Howard, Gen. & Mrs.

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Hotel New Netherland
New York.

December 13th 1893

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Dear General Howard

I hope you have this tremendously cold night — what I have not, — a cheery open fire. I quite agree with Hawthorne on the blessed influences of "Ingleside" Steam heat is a nineteenth century convenience, but to the last degree depressing, I think it enervates, bodily, as well. I was well nigh taken off my feet this evening at 6 — coming from my dinner — I hold fast to

2 going out side. not only does it suit my purse better, but the food is more to my liking than too, a little hardship keeps one in touch with humanity.
Such dear little cherubs did I see on a cold night recently huddled in a doorway corner with papers to sell. It spoiled my dinner. I was sorry I did not take them along for something hot. How marvellously strange is life! We can't think God is unkind. It must be the false conceptions of him - or rather of life that makes so much suffering.
I have acquaintances going to the "Patriarchs" tonight wile
you believe me, much

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and lits beautiful sights and flowers, etc., I can only bore thing for that sort of remedy and if I may be frank with you, I think so much worry and suffering in life is traceable indirectly to such wanton dissipation of the faculties. There's no doubt about it, my, at least the man who surrenders himself to social dalliance of that kind soon loses the finer attributes of manliness - amid your many cares and mental occupations you may not have observed

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This, ordinary social intercourse is such a catalogue of platitudes, & about the dullest drivel passed to think "What is a poor barren mind made up by indulgence, when once was strength. On exchanging greetings with this or that one of your friends many times - do so, ask the first great divine and you'll be surprised to see what fossils, or what mental voids many are. It is not necessarily age: some have retained their fine balance late in life in many cases - It is the heated ballroom the gorgeous dinner - that destroy.

5 I am trying to pass this action
over & why I put all this.
Mr. Wm. Wirth from Boston
that I did not sight Patti Mr. Wm.
Hotel New Netherland
New York
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suppose he had truck. Good
the manager has her under
contract. I don't care to be
doing anything for them, but
keeping my faith alive.
I hope you did not think me
such a writer that Freelance
sent to the Prof. of Washington
What is Scripture says of giving
"none occasion to the adversary"
and when I said what a
foolhardy morsel that "Great
Latin Question" would be to
your the most liberal to
the negro, I was a little

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impatient. Finally, we can
overcome a little difference
of opinion with certainty or
clear representation of the Tran-
Jordan mystic the things of
my life are very narrow and
my surroundings by reason of
the infirmity, etc a little peculiar
so when others reach out of
beautiful ways they may not
go? At least people can but say
"Eccentric"

When I saw in the Tribune
that Senator Hill was arraigning
the others treachery after getting
their benefits I thought I can't
my opportunity as those children
of whom I am proud, talk

much of him and he says he will commit good-
bye. I enclosed the clipping
of his words, without any
my circular letters adding
this - "That I took all this
as signs of hope that
Waterhill would get
come out and be one of
us. That the genius of this
land was Republican which
I felt he'd come to see
that I was sure and soon
reached Swedenborg life and
ethinahed the vanities of
Fourvaks throwing nothing
so short and enclosing
as conviction based

8 on high that means the horizon and enriches the mind's power of enjoyment, and in absolute justice for all lies that truth." Perhaps you'll think it was intuition that led me to do a thing like this that a person, into living involuntarily I don't believe in self-potent over it - I feel am misunderstood & knowing purpose was pure and my conscience at the act. It has been into God's Providence I have done many things like these in my life a voice commed to urge me - and the fact that they were not things that could

bring any tangible good to me personally, the only method of doing made that impossible, making me think, I thought, they were but perhaps the great incarnate Palpitation of life. Something in keeping with Herbert Spencer's psychological wane theory.

And yet I believe there is such a thing as "works of supererogation" I don't at all like this line the Rev. Dr Parkhurst is taking. It partakes too much of what Ruskin styles straining after sensation. Besides I have old fashioned ideas about the sanctity of

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Pulpit — "Christ and him crucified" the theme. A man has done his part in the sacred office when he effectively teaches this and reaches human hearts and leads each to grasp after the higher thinking, but to be called business men etc to hear secular affairs and affairs of state. St Paul says it is shameful to speak, converting the consecrated dust into an ordinary lecture on that subject — Besides it is not Christlike. Let the erring come to him as they would to his ministers if it was, and if not it is, God's will that they come. I must stop. Yours truly W. E. Barr

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Gazzon any, not of the kind
"Fourhundred". If not a
seamless outsiderwitter in
widen more reason for an
important "Phoenix" Store
and if there, ohitit is
quite an rebel Can you
realize my find that there
can be a civilization that
is retrogression?

It is the way in which polite
society regards a
presumptuous woman in stage
or car, and it is my duty
to frequent these, on which
I base my opinion — "By
these things shall ye know
them." I assure you no
end of that pamphlet
lot can pour thy name
out the worst naturalness

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Brooklyn Dec 13 1893.

General Howard Sir

I take the liberty to write you a few lines in behalf of a prisoner on the Island for desertion his name is George H. Wheeler & his sentence is one year for desertion his is a sad case & one should pity him if they knew his case my request is that he may serve his sentence on the Island where he now is his poor old mother is almost distracted over him he was a good boy & his mothers pride & he was always very kind to her she is a invalid & cannot move around she has other children but there was none to her like him he was a good temperate young man & never drunk until a short time b[illegible] indulged

he had a good trade & but
but little time in 5 yrs he was
engaged to be married to me &
one day we had a little —
misunderstanding & the poor
fellow took to drinking & it al-
most ~~broke~~ broke his mothers heart
poor woman she has not long
to live anyway & one day when
he had been drinking hard he
went & enlisted Came home & told
his mother he had enlisted
he went away the next morning
we knew not where he had
gone untill we saw it in the
paper the poor fellow did not
realize what he was doing he
was gone only 10 days when he
came home we would not know
him his father talked to him &
asked him if he realized the
step he had taken he did not
seem to realize it but I know

he never would enlisted if he had been himself he did not know any thing about the rules & regulations of the army I am sure although he pleaded guilty at once when he was tried & did not plead his case the reason I ask you to let him serve his time on the Island is because his poor Mother blames me for the whole & says if he is sent away that he never will come back & she knows not what will become of him & she never will see him again in her life but if he stays on the island she has hopes of seeing him once more. I blame myself for I wrote to him & asked him to come home & he came & didnt go back. his mother

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said the other day when I saw her that as soon as she felt able she was going to write to you & see if he could not serve his time there he is a good boy & honest & will pay so if you let him stay on the Island I am in hopes this letter will bring the air that he will serve his time where he is please oblige ~~my~~ me by one & let me know as to where he will serve his time.

my respt. yours.

Miss Belle Howe
Brooklyn
N. Y.

411 Green ave.

The United States Car Company.
No. 45 Broadway,
New York, Dec 13. 1893

My dear Sir

Having written twice on important business to Cousin James T. Gray within past 30 days, without obtaining any answer, am forced to conclude that he is either very ill or absent from Portland, where I addressed him, I am sorry to trouble you, but shall be greatly pleased to know whether you have any recent advices from him that can help me to reach him. I hardly think both letters could have been lost in transit.

Yours very truly

Geo. O. Howard

Gen. O. Howard
Governors Island
N.Y. H.

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PUBLICATION HOUSE OF
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EDITORIAL ROOMS OF "THE VOICE."

NEW YORK, Dec. 13th., 1893.

Major-General O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir:-

Will you not supply THE VOICE during the coming winter with a series of five or six tales of army life? What we especially desire is tales that illustrate the triumph of moral heroism, and apparent interpositions of Providence (such as the story of the little pappoose that saved your life in the Indian War Council). The length might be anywhere from 500 to 2500. An average length of about 1000 words would be acceptable. We would be glad to pay you $10.00 per 1000 words. As we desire to publish our prospectus for the coming year next week, we would very much like to have a favorable reply from you this week if convenient.

Yours respectfully,

Ed The Voice.

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