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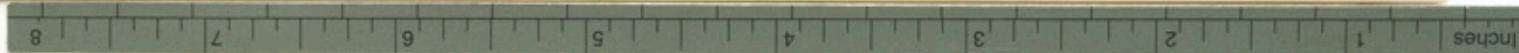
Gen. O. C. Howard,

Dear Sir:-

Having been re-  
leased from my confine-  
ment at Ft. Leavenworth  
I desire to thank you  
for the kindness you  
have shown me.

I have had a very severe  
lesson but I think it  
has done me much  
good and I hope to  
profit by it.

I am, at present, with  
my brother in the fruit  
business and hope to



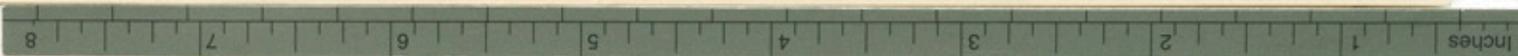
show, by my future career  
that I fully appreciate  
all you have done for  
me.

Thanking you once  
more I remain

Very Respectfully,

Robert L. Downing.

Armona  
Kings Co.,  
Calif.



RAILROAD BRANCH, YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,  
361 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY.

GEORGE A. WARBURTON,  
SECRETARY.

March 19th, 1894

General O. O. Howard

Governor's Island N.Y.

My Dear General:-

As you may have heard, we are to have a conference of railroad associations in our building, beginning March 29th and closing Sunday evening April 1st. It has occurred to me that a large number of delegates would be glad to call at Governor's Island on Monday April 2nd, after the adjournment of the conference and pay their respects to you if it would be agreeable to you to receive them. The men all know you as being a cordial friend of association work and I am sure they would be interested in seeing the island itself and would be glad to have an opportunity to shake hands with you. Would it please you to name an hour or extend an invitation to the conference during its session, to pay you such an informal visit?

Sincerely,

*G. A. Warburton*

RAILROAD BRANCH, YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,

881 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY.

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10 West 32<sup>nd</sup> Street.

General Howard

Governors Island

Dear Sir

You may remember my going to see you with Mr. H. W. Slocum Jr. in reference to my Staten Island property taken by the government, I have since then bought Mr. Emmois' place about quarter of a mile from my old place. I should like if it does not interfere in the least with any one to permissio to either buy or take some plants, more especially some of the Rhododendrons and Hydrangeas, also a boiler from Green House, this of course will go <sup>to</sup> ruin without care. Sorry to trouble you in such matters and thanking you in advance I remain

Yours truly  
J. W. Alexander

Mar 19/94

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Reply sent March 25/94  
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STATE OF OHIO.

# Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR.

*Columbus.*

20 March, 1894.

Genl. O. O. Howard,  
New York City.

My dear General:

The 28th Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of Ohio will be held at Canton on the 15, 16 and 17 of May. As Chairman of the Committee on Invitations, I take pleasure in extending to you a cordial invitation to be with us on that occasion.

Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

*Wm T. Buckley*

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Wm. H. Keuley

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

30 March, 1894.

Genl. O. O. Howard,  
New York City.

My dear General:

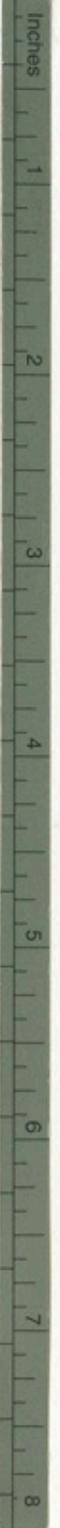
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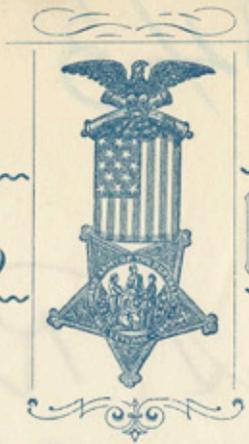
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JOHN B. SAMPSON.



Headquarters  
**Department of Ohio,**

**Grand Army of the Republic**



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Gen. O. O. Howard,

Governor's Island, N.Y.-

My Dear Sir & Comrade:--

The Department Encampment of Ohio will be held in the city of Canton May 15th, 16th and 17th. In behalf of the comradeship of Ohio and the citizens of Canton, I invite you to be with us during the Encampment. If you find that you can be present during the entire time, be sure to be with us but, if not, at least give us one day and night. I hope, however, that you can arrange to spend the time of the Encampment with us. It is the home of Gov. McKinley and he is a member of the local Post at Canton. If you will consent to be with us the expenses of the trip will be gladly defrayed. Personally I am exceedingly anxious to have you with us. If you will remember I was riding as your orderly in front of Atlanta ~~near~~ the skirmish line when you had your horse wounded under you. I know you will remember this: I am sure I do. It was pretty hot about that time of day at the point we were.

Trusting to receive a favorable reply, I am,  
Yours in F.C. & L.,

*L. H. Williams*  
Commander Dept. of Ohio.



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Commander Dept. of Ohio

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Treat

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF THE EAST,

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND, NEW YORK.

March. 20., 1894

My dear General,

Your letter from Palm Beach came yesterday. I saw Bert Howard and he asked me to say that he was not at all homesick and was getting on nicely.

No proofs of Isabella have shown up yet. There is no news at Hdqts. Genl Brecks Cousin died in Boston and he will probably go on to the funeral tomorrow. Mrs Breck and Mrs Barnett & Mrs Treat are all getting on

nicely. The G.A.R. people  
have submitted their usual  
application for troops and  
I answered that you could  
not attend here but would  
arrange for troops for the  
parade in proper time.

Kingsbury returns home  
today I understand. I  
trust he and Guldstrom  
struck a paying lead.

With kindest wishes for you all

Very truly yours.

Chas. G. Treat

A. D.

amount  
~~4500.00~~

Whipples N. O. P. R. Rev

Lake Hill and Fla  
March 20/94

Dear General

Please send here

I had the pleasure  
of presenting two of my  
grandsons whose fathers  
served through the war -  
Will you do me the great  
favor to give me two  
of your photographs to  
include each - one of  
Francis Maria Rose - one  
Benjamin Wright Scandrett  
with much love

Yours friend

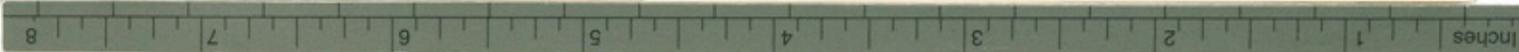
Lee O. Howard

to B. Whipple

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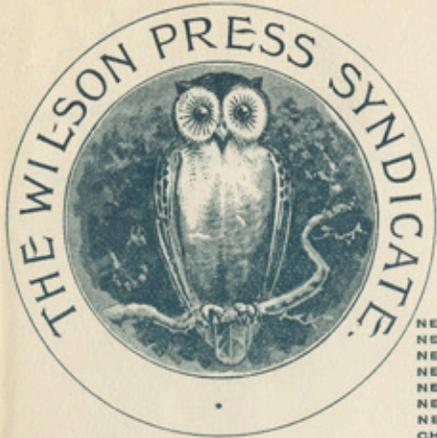
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Gen. Howard.

There is Col Barlow  
Col B I am here Gen  
Col Now is your command  
formed. Col B Column closed  
in mass by division right in  
front Gen Howard. Gen  
Casey has had a desperate battle  
and has lost ground you will  
have your command ready at  
daylight to be ready to deploy  
in line of Battle in your  
proper place on the left of  
the 9th New Hampshire whose  
right will rest on the left  
of Gorman's Brigade of Sedgewick's  
Division have your men secure  
their arms and have them in  
good firing condition we must  
retake the ground that has been  
lost departing be sure Col  
and have them secure their  
arms even if they expose

themselves to do so Rainey heard  
now I was wounded at Malvern  
Hill and ~~was~~ was discharged  
from wound - but re-enlisted  
in 1863 and being in the 14th  
and 16th Corps and followed  
Sherman to Meriden Miss to  
Atlanta to Savannah and  
finally to Washington and  
since the war through my  
old Commander and benefactor  
Genl D C Barlow have held  
a position of honor and trust  
the only place I hold within my  
heart second to having and  
still hoping if such may be  
the case to give my life in  
defense of free Constitutional  
Government Best wishes go  
with you in in your  
Retirement as in war

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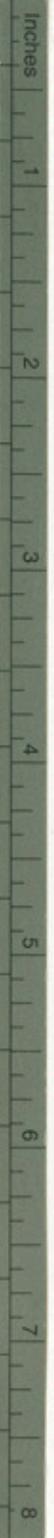
40 Broadway New York March 21 1894

Every President of the United States regardless of politics is more or less the subject of severe criticism. Just how he should discharge his public duties, appears to be perfectly understood by those who do not occupy the office. This fact has suggested the preparation of a symposium under the title:

"If I were President"

which will be published by the Wilson Syndicate of which I am the representative. Will you kindly send me a contribution to same? It would be much appreciated and place me under great obligations to you. The length of the article is immaterial. Thanking you in advance for your contribution, no matter how brief, I am

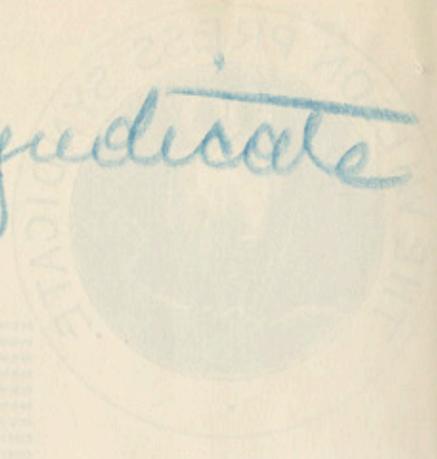
Very Respectfully  
 Gen. O. O. Howard  
 Governor's Hand  
 N. Y.  
 (Miss) Rose Markens



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The Celebration of the Closing of the 19th Century



of the Christian Era at Jerusalem

THOMAS SHAW, M. E.,  
Chairman General Committee.

HALL OF THE CARPENTERS' COMPANY

A. H. POSTEL,  
Secretary General Committee.

*Philadelphia, Pa., U. S. A.,* *March 21/94*  
*1894*  
*Genl. O. O. Howard,*  
*Respected and Dear Sir: -*

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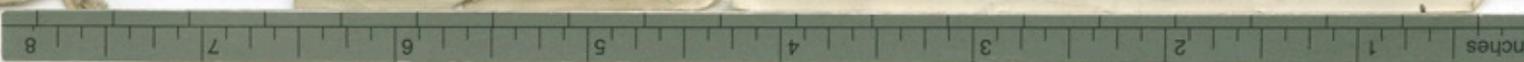
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The undersigned Executive Committee of seven members, appointed from a General Committee of over 200 members have been appointed to select by lot, or otherwise, a full membership of 36 members, composing the General Executive Council, a governing body having full control of the matters hereinafter set forth.

Your name has been selected as a member of The General Executive Council of 36, subject to your acceptance or rejection.

Your selection comes under the provision, that 12 members of said Council be selected from foreign states, and that 24 members be selected from Philadelphia and vicinity.

The purpose of the General Committee in selecting said General Executive Council, is to have a Perpetuating Board of Management with power to fill vacancies in membership (occurring by death, resignation or otherwise) with full power to control all matters pertaining to the full purpose of the Organization hereinafter explained.



General Committee on  
 the Celebration of the 100th Anniversary  
 of the Revolution



A. M. POSTER,  
 Secretary General Committee

HALL OF THE CARPENTERS' COMPANY

THOMAS SHAW, M. E.,  
 Chairman General Committee

*Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 21/11*  
*Genl. O. O. Leonard,*  
*Director of the Fair*

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 COMMITTEE ON SECURITY  
 CO-OPERATION OF ALL EXITS  
 AND PEOPLE

The prime object of the Association and for which the Organization was created, is for the purpose of Celebrating the Closing of the 19th Century of The Christian Era at Jerusalem, in a grand and befitting manner in Honor of The Christ, and to this end, it is intended to invite all people of Christian faith, without regard to church or sect, to membership in this great work.

The ultimate intention is to build a Great Temple in honor of The Christ.

A large portion of this Temple will be built as a College of Instruction, where Divines can finish the latter part of their education in the Holy Land.

It is intended that this Great Temple shall have corner stones suitable to the occasion, each laid by a different denomination, as may hereafter be provided by the said General Executive Council, which Council is composed of different denominations.

The proposed work, which will cost many millions of dollars, will not be a severe tax upon the individual members, by reasons of the great multitude of people of Christian faith of all sects, who will deem it a great honor to participate in so great an event, that will, for all future time concentrate the human mind of all God-fearing and God-loving people, into the crystallization of one of The Greatest Temples ever erected upon this Earth in honor of The Christ, by a united Christian people, all working for the same Grand object; a united glorification in a Great Temple, that shall ever afterwards become through its instruction a living monument of usefulness.

Every member of this Organization becomes through his or her contribution, one of the builders of the Great Temple.

The said Executive Council will be in charge for all time of man's existence on this earth, as they have the power of filling all vacancies under the governing powers of By-Laws and Constitution, that will forever prevent the control being vested in any one sect.

A memorial is in course of preparation that will be presented to The United States Senate and House of Representatives, asking for a Perpetual Charter to enable our Organization to have a legal existence.

Col. Jesse E. Peyton, of Haddonfield, N. J., the great patriot, who suggested The Centennial Celebration of 1876 for the purpose of uniting the North and South; the Yorktown Celebration and other great celebrations of a Patriotic Character, was the first citizen to suggest that a Celebration of The Closing of the Nineteenth Century of the Christian Era,

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Col. James E. Payne, of Massachusetts, is the great genius who organized the Continental Convention of 1878 for the purpose of uniting the Roman and Greek, the Jewish, Egyptian and other great religions, and the first object was the first object to unite the different churches of the Christian Era.

ought to be held at Jerusalem, which was the occasion of a call for a meeting of prominent citizens at Carpenter's Hall, Philadelphia, May 4th, 1893, which resulted in the formation of an Association that held at different times through its Committees, several meetings to formulate the work in hand, adding from time to time, additional members until the number exceeded 200.

The enclosed report from the Chairman, at a meeting held December, 1893, shows the progress of the work up to that time, and upon which occasion the said General Committee elected a permanent President, and six members to the said Council of 36, constituting the said members an Executive Committee of the General Executive Council to complete the membership of said Council of 36.

The committee proceeded in this work by each member selecting nine names of individuals which equalled a total of 63 names, that were subjected to criticism of said committee (names undersigned).

The Committee held two meetings to consummate the purpose of selection, the last meeting being held January 25th, 1894, at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, 15th and Chestnut sts., Philadelphia, where the selection was completed by lot.

The selected names of your associate members are herewith given.

It has been concluded by The General Committee that formulated said General Executive Council,--That the Membership Fees shall be \$5.00 for Life Membership, and \$1.00 per annum for Contributing Membership. Seven payments of Annual members shall confer a Life Membership.

It is fully desired and expected that all members appointed to Membership in the said Council of 36 shall be in heart and spirit with the work in hand, and whilst no individual member is held personally responsible in a financial sense for any part of the work, he is expected to lend his personal effort and influence in the direction of the great work in hand.

It is expected that the first corner stone will be laid on Christmas Day, 1899, the first day of the Celebration, on which occasion a great Bell will send forth harmonious sounds from the Holy Land, connected electrically by the cables then existing to all inhabited portions of the World, in order that all the bells of the United Kingdoms, may at the same time send forth their silver notes of joy, causing the hearts of every Christian and God-loving people to beat in harmonious unison in Honor and Glory of The Christ, which will bring in vivid memory The Angels' Message.

ought to be held at Jerusalem, which was the occasion of a call for  
meeting of members at Carpenter's Hall, Philadelphia, May 17th,  
1833, which resulted in the formation of an association that held at  
different times through the Committee, several meetings to forward  
the work in hand, adding from time to time, additional members until  
the number exceeded 200.

The enclosed report from the Chairman, at a meeting held December,  
1833, shows the progress of the work up to that time, and upon which  
occasion the said General Committee elected a permanent President, and  
six members to the said Council of 25, constituting the said members an  
Executive Committee of the General Executive Council, to complete the  
body of said Council of 25.

The committee proceeded in this work by each member selecting a  
name or names, which they signed a total of 25 names, that were  
present to the election of said committee (names understood).

The Committee held two meetings to consummate the purpose at which  
they were called, the first being held January 25th, 1834, at the room of  
Messrs. Kent's Christian Association, 10th and Chestnut sts., Philadelphia,  
where the election was completed by lot.

The selected names of your associate members are herewith given  
and it has been concluded by the General Committee that the  
Executive Council,--that the Membership Fee shall be \$2.00 per  
annum, and \$1.00 per annum for contributing Members, and  
payments of Annual dues shall equal a Life Membership.

It is fully desired and expected that all members appointed to  
Membership in the said Council of 25 shall be in favor and attend with  
them in hand, and while no individual either present or absent, shall  
in a financial sense for any part of the year, be considered as  
personal effort and influence in the dissemination of the work in hand.

But, the first day of the celebration, on which occasion a  
Hall will soon forth harmonious sounds from the Holy Land, connected  
spiritually by the cables that extend to all interested persons  
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rung that send forth their silver notes of joy, sounding the praises  
of our Christian and God-loving people to bear the testimony to  
honor and glory of the Church, which will bring to vivify the  
Angels' message.



Prompt answer is kindly requested either by letter or wire, to the undersigned Chairman.

Members of General Executive Committee of the General Executive Council.

Rev. Russell H. Conwell.

Col. T. E. Weidersheim.

Rev. Chas. H. Coon.

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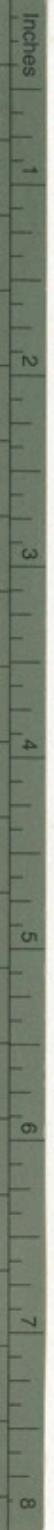
Chairman of the General Committee and  
President of General Executive Council.

Thank you for kindly requesting letter of this kind to the  
undersigned Chairman  
Members of the General Executive Committee of the General Executive  
Council

- Rev. Russell B. Conway
- Col. E. A. Weidemann
- Rev. Chas. K. Cook
- Col. H. A. McKee
- Rev. Arthur Ross
- Rev. E. J. Wells
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*William O. ...*  
*112 Ridge Ave. N.Y.C.*

Chairman of the General Committee and  
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# SELECTED LIST OF GENERAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF 36,

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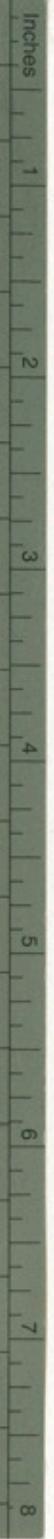
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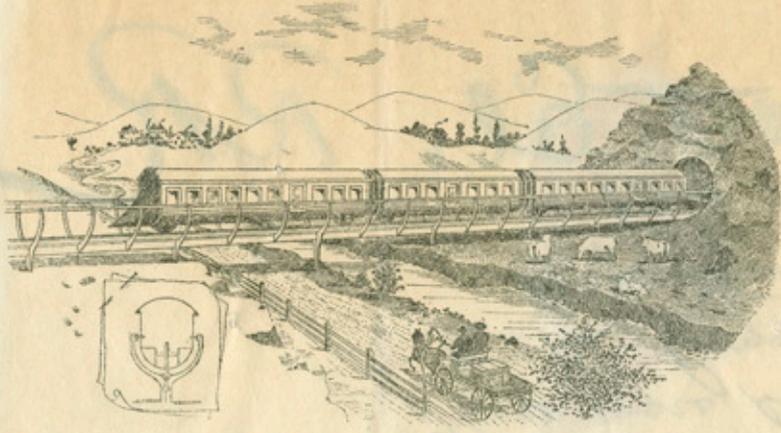
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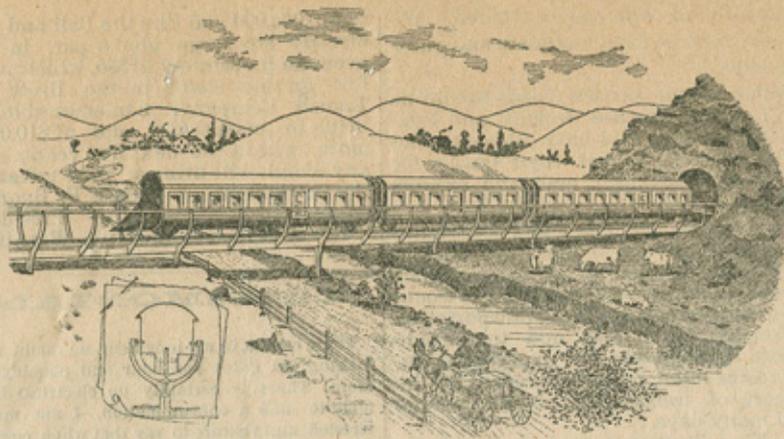
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Dear General I enclose to you  
a small circular of Col Geo F Brott - Electric Bicycle  
Co - we think it - the "me plus ultra" of all the  
devices yet - before the public - its simplicity  
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Sincerely & truly  
Your old friend  
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The following brief statement explains why we claim the phenomenal speed of 120 to 180 miles per hour for the Brott system of electric railways, and to make the run from New York to Chicago in eight hours, schedule time:

1. The structure rests on a single line of iron posts, having a single supporting rail and side rails just below the car windows.

2. The cross section of this structure is U or trough shape, through which the cars run with great velocity without the possibility of derailment.

3. A double electric motor is adjusted to each supporting wheel of the cars, making each a traction wheel, and making it possible to ascend a 10 per cent grade with ease.

4. One side rail is charged with electric current, which operates the motors and thence passes through the driving wheel to the main track, thus completing the

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5. A train of cars on a steam surface road with a capacity for carrying 150 passengers, will weigh over 200 tons, while a train of same capacity on the Brott elevated structure, will not exceed thirty tons in weight, making a difference of 170 tons of dead weight which has to be carried whether the number of passengers be few or many.

6. In the Brott system we save in the cost of operating and in cost of repairs; we also save in time of transit and in land for right of way.

7. We require no grading, ballasting, ditching, fencing, bridges, culverts or railroad ties, and no round houses or side tracks for freight trains, and no gang of section hands to replace the rotten ties and repair embankments.

8. The average track elevation is about four feet with more at road crossings and in cities, consequently the fearful loss of

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9. The steam surface roads should be used for the immense freight and local passenger traffic, and have this elevated system on each side of their tracks for the through passenger, mail and express business.

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11. The Brott system is designed for very rapid transit, with cars so light as to be impracticable for use on a surface road, but in this trough shape or semi-circular road bed they cannot fly the track.

12. This structure, which is made of iron or low grade steel, is indestructible, the estimated cost of which is about \$20,000 per mile.

13. Having the Brott system of rapid transit, the whole world would become homogeneous, the brotherhood of man promoted and civilization and Christianity extended.

14. All the continent of North America can be governed from the City of Washington more easily than the state of Virginia was governed from Richmond in Jefferson's time.

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16. It has been said that speed without safety is a crime, but speed with safety is a desideratum much desired.

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(Signed), J. HARRIS ROGERS,  
Electrical Expert.

Parthenon Heights Laboratory, April 12, 1893.

Col. Geo. F. Brott:

DEAR SIR—This form of construction will allow the cars to be run at a very high rate of speed without any danger of being derailed.

(Signed), FORSBURG & MURRAY,  
Mechanists and Engineers.

Washington, D. C., February 18, 1893.

We regard the Brott system of rapid transit as the best and most practical known to us. We see no difficulty in its being all that is claimed for it in your circular. In your system you will not be dependent at all on the weight of the car to keep it on the track.

(Signed), BENHAM & BANG,  
Members of the Society of Mechanical Engineers,  
New York City.  
New York, July 8, 1893.

We have examined your new system of rapid transit, and have to say that the track or way as adapted to your plan involves many points of novelty, and that in our judgment it is entirely practical. Under your system you may make and equip a way upon which a speed of from 100 to 200 miles an hour may safely be obtained. As to the claims in the Brott patent, we feel safe in saying that nowhere is there disclosed the structure and combinations of the Brott patent or a device which can perform the functions of his invention.

(Signed), V. D. STOCKBRIDGE & SON,  
Patent Attorneys.

Washington, D. C., April 20, 1893.

General O.O.Howard,

March 22, 1894.

Governor's Island, N.Y.

Dear sir:

I have been appointed on a Debate on question of " Woman Suffrage " and am to support the affirmative side. I think I have in the past noted your opinions in the press on this subject and believe you are among the broad-minded people who would like to see woman represented in public affairs. Pardon my intruding on your valuable time, but would you give me two or three forcible arguments in favor of this good cause with which I could rout my prejudiced antagonists in the forthcoming Debate ? I would thank you most sincerely for the favor.

Respectfully,

*A. J. Merritt*

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