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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, June 4, 1894.

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Assistant Adjutant General.

Office of W. F. Tait M. D. Galesburg, Illinois.

June 4th., 1894.

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Major-General O. O. Howard
United-States-Army.

Dear General.-

It has been my purpose to call on you while here; if you do not go away until this P. M. I will get to see you at our [illegible]hot at the time you go; if it is otherwise ordered, this letter will advise [illegible]f [illegible]e material facts that I wish to say to you. I would like to grasp that o[illegible] [illegible]nionless hand of yours again as I did saturday night last. I, with 3 bro[illegible] [illegible]ere members of Co. G., 89th. Ill. Infty. Vols; Willichs. Brigade; Woods' Divis[illegible] Fourth Army Corps; Army of the Cumberland. That was "the horn Brigade" [illegible]as the Confederates called it-It often drilled, marched, fought by sound of the [illegible]ugle, as you will remember. There are a few of us of that Brigade here in Ga[illegible]sburg. Some of them may have called on you personally, as I would have done, bu[illegible]or hurried professional work that occupies my time.

Una[illegible] God, dear General Howard, it was your life of christian activity, though[illegible]gh in command & busy, with the humble christian life of my oldest brother John every day developed before him, that finally brought my brother, First Lieutenant Peter G. Tait, into the Kingdom of God during the Atlanta Ca[illegible]paign. Words cannot tell the joy there is in that reflection. Both John & Pe[illegible] gave their lives for the preservation of our Country, brother H. P. & myself [illegible]e here yet, & journeying heavenward. Our mother keeps the sword of Peter, & [illegible]erishes it as she, too, still journeys heavenward, in her eightieth year. She lives 20 miles from here. Brother John fell mortally wounded, at "Burnt Hickory" May 28th., 64. & passed to the presence of his Master June 19th. 64. Brother P. G. fell at the head of his Co. Dec. 16th. 64. Their memories are very tenderly cherished yet by our large circle of friends & relatives They "Rest in God". I could not avoid giving you these few facts, dear old Commander of that historic Fourth Corps. May the Ma[illegible] we both serve bless the precious truthful

sentences you uttered in our Church last night-the church of the late Rev. George Duffield D. D. -whose daughter-Mrs J. J. Tunnicliff-is here with us yet. With love and thankfulness for your life, & what blessed memories that life brings to our family circle, I greet my old Commander.

Faithfully Yours.

W. R. Tait

Boston, 4th June, '94.

Dear General:

In order to assist a worthy Comrade — a Conn. Battery Sergt. — whom I have often befriended in former times, I desire to sell, for his benefit, the last letter written me by Gen. Grant — 1879 — Do you know of a purchaser, at a not exorbitant figure? Perhaps it would be better to solicit contributions for its purchase, turn them over to the Comrade in question, and present the letter to a local library.

Yours sincerely,

D. C. Pavey

(Gen. Howard.) (care "Record" Office.

File with C. Leuthoward's return.

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708 Sixth St.,
New York,
June 4, '94.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Governor's Island,
New York.

Dear Sir,—

May I ask you to grant me a pass for myself and friends to Governor's Island, so that I may visit from time to time as may be desired? My residence is in New York City.

Sincerely,
Addis Albro.

Pass sent June 6/94

Edgar O. Achorn,
Attorney and Counsellor-at-Law,
27 Tremont Row,
Room 1.

Tobe submitted.
Reply send June 6/94
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Boston, June 4 1894

My dear General:

My wife & I enjoyed exceedingly listening to your account of the Gettysburg fight. We were so sorry not to have had a chance to speak with you. Now we want you to plan to spend a night with us on your way to Maine. I understood you to say that you were going down a day or two before commencement to speak at some school graduation. Kindly let me know what day you can be with us in conformity with that plan.

Can't you come up here Saturday the 23d so as to be with us Saturday evening and Sunday? I want to ask some friends in to meet you & it is wholly agreeable to you and that is why I want to know definitely

when I may expect Word.
I think we shall have a fine
time at Brunswick.

Very sincerely Yours
Edward Abbott

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Ford & Overstreet,

Terre Haute, Indiana.

Reply sent June 19/94

June 5th 1894.

Gen. O. O. Howard

My Dear General:

I read your article on the capture of "Bald Knob." Will not the records show that Company "A" 21st Indiana, Kirby's brigade, lost more men in killed and wounded on that occasion than any Company engaged? The regiment advanced, from the edge of the woods to the crest of the wheatfield, at a double quick, breaking into a run as we neared the top. The Company mentioned was ordered to close intervals while advancing so that the left would rest at a large dead tree about two hundred feet to the left, while the right aimed for the apex. Nearing the rifle pits and rail barricades we were an easy prey for the mud-covered enemy, who gave us a volley when they were fairly on prisoners.

You will remember - for I have not forgotten our surprise at your presence, and your cheering remark that "it was a one sided affair" - that we laid there for some time while the rebel batteries, located along the bushy fence-row to the east of the wheat-

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June 6 — 1894.

Mr. O. Overstreet

Terre Haute, Indiana.

I receive your catalog on the subject of "Basket Balls," that we remake other balls. Could you "Air Balls, Rubber bladders, and covers" in Action, and wrapped or that occasion then your Circle may wrapped? The regulation, from the edge of the circle to the level of the rubber bladder, is a two ounce measure for the. The Circle may measured area or level to give a little enlargement so that the left would not be large enough for a basket the bladder fits the left the right circle for the opening. Measuring the rubber bladder on basket measure one inch every time for the basket-ground measuring, the same as nothing when they were finally our performance.

The will measure-for a basket and for a rubber on basket. All your pressure we may changing measured that the area a one rubber offers — that we have the opinion time which the rubber bladder measure the bladder, over to the end of the rubber

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field, fired shot and shells into the dead timtops over us, and into the gravelly hill tops around us, untill the air was filled with limbs, splinters, dust and stones. Looking back over the ground, over which we had advanced, I remember it was dotted with the dead and wounded of the regiment, mostly from the company mentioned.

— Referring to my journal of June 10th 1864 find that Capt. Shulem, 21st Ills. and myself, were commanding our respective companies as skirmishers in front of the advancing brigade. Crossing a narrow cornfield at a double-quick we expected to encounter the rebel skirmish line in the swampy brush and briers grown up along an old fence row. Instead we stirred up a Major General — yourself — with field glass in hand. Do you remember the circumstance? It was near Cartersville Ga. four days before the Bishop General Polk was killed.

With great respect I am Sincerely Yours

A. C. Ford

Benicia Arsenal

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Benicia, Cal. June 5th 1894

Capt W. W. Wotherspoon
12th U.S. Inf. A.A.G.

Captain:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 28th ult, and confess my embarrassment in making reply thereto.

On the 11th of July 1887 I was with Genl Howard (as Chief Art. Officer Dept. Columbia) in pursuit of hostile Nez Percé Indians. – On the morning of the day in question the hostile camp was discovered, on the opposite side of the S. Fork of the Clearwater, & I volunteered to open the fight with the howitzers. Genl Howard kindly consenting it, I took position on the bank of the stream & supported by twenty men of the 21st Inf

kept up my fire upon the hostiles in camp & then crossing the river to attack, until the main portion of our troops were in position on a second mesa, half a mile distant, - then finding my detachment about to be cut off, I withdrew it barely in time to save it; the Indians detaching from an intercepting column, just after our crossing: About this time my horse was shot & disabled: Reaching the main body of troops, I relinquished command of the howitzers to an Artillery Officer, thereafter attending to my legitimate duties as Ordnance Officer: I know of no other specific act outside of my duty: Possibly the facts narrated touching as they do acts beyond my assigned sphere of duty may have called forth Genl Howard's favorable consideration; for which I am duly grateful.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Svt.
R. B. Dabney
1st Lt 5th Cav

Bonneville Abstract
No 59

The Consuelo. Santa Barbara
California, June 5th 1894

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General Howard,

Dear Sir:

Only for the reason
t my mother has ceased to
me; that my daughter is
ned from writing to me; that
m completely cut off from
n kin, and ill among
ers, must I, very much
against my inclination, trouble
a friend of my husband's and
mine, who has been already too
kind. In Sept. last my mother
sent me a R.R. ticket from Santa
Barbara to Omaha, where she then
was in charge of "the Mission of
Our Merciful Savior." At that time
I had become indebted to strangers
in Santa Barbara, though a long

illness. Apparently my days are numbered. In addition to a constant cough, dropsy has developed, and paralysis is threatened. A physician has given a medicine containing digitalis. I wished my mother to borrow $108.00 for me from a relation of wealth in Milwaukee, but she was not willing to ask for this sum although I have given her so many hundreds of dollars; my sister Louisa and more; and they have both spent the money brought from the sale of my furniture, without my consent. In March the U.P.R.R. cancelled the ticket, refunded the money to my mother, and she has spent it. Adelaide has lost the scholarship at Fond du Lac, and was with my mother at Omaha last summer in an Institution for the reformation of reputable women. She is now, so I have learned indirectly, and not from her, or my mother, at the House of Mercy in

wood-on-Hudson, or as I understand it; 86th st and North River. This is a terrible place for any girl to be; worse all for one whom her adopted father intended to have so much, and who has still a home, if she were allowed to be in it.
I have written to the Chief of Police New York City, and the the President of the Youngsbomen's Christian Ass. but have heard nothing. Anyone not acquainted with the circumstances will be convinced by my mother that I lied in white. Unless some real, disinterested friend of Captain Murdoch's and mine, can interfere, either by legal measures, or personally, I know but Adelaide is lost to me forever. She is completely under my mother's control, and has not written to me, but once, since January 8th last; six months. Before leaving St. Monica's school she wrote regularly every week. Why mother not why does not write to me, but returns my

letters in an envelope addressed by her without a word of comment.
She prefers ~~to adhere to~~ this line of conduct rather than acknowledge herself to be in the wrong, in regard to the laidi's mode of existence, or mine.
Last week I received a letter from Mr J. S. Taylor, Treasurer of the Great Barrington Savings Bank, asking me to remit $86.22, the sum due on interest of my note, and taxes. The tenant is in arrears with the rent and intends quitting the house. Probably the mortgage may foreclose.
My pension is spent before I have drawn it, and charitable church people in Santa Barbara, have given me sums that I have little hope of repaying at present.
General Miles sent me a R.R. ticket in March last, from Omaha to Chicago with the promise of being able to obtain half rates further East,

and this ticket can be extended indefinitely, Major Groesbeck writes. But every day in California increases my indebtedness, while I am too ill to work.

Is it too much to ask of you, Sir, to use your influence to have some reliable person, try to find my daughter and insist upon her writing to me. And my mother has no right to desert me.

In 1888 my mother and sister wrote to General and Mrs McCook that I was insane, and to friends in Los Angeles the same, and for that reason I was compelled to allow my daughter to go East, until there was something better to offer her in California than

a share in $20 a month.
My mother may deny this; but the letters are in existence, and can be produced. Phillips and Wells, Real estate agents, Tribune Building N.Y. of whom I bought the Massachusetts place, have letters to prove that while I was absent in California, my mother earnestly tried to dispose of the pl to pay debts of my sisters in Barnum's, which to this day are un-paid.
I begged to have Captain Murdock's books opened, and the plates I had finished, but everything was sacrificed, even the Christmas and birthday presents my husband had given me.
I have nothing left but the bare house. Pardon me for troubling you. very respectfully
Emily Murdock

Letter of inquiry sent about her daughter June 19/94.

FARM, FIELD & FIRESIDE.
~~TIMES BUILDING.~~ 215 Madison St.
CHICAGO. June 5

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Dear Brother:

I was pleased to hear of you at Gladstone by Mr. Bert Smith — and so know you had gone West. When are to be at Omaha what days? Did Alice not with you at G.? It seems you go on to Leavenworth where you want your Pass forwarded. But will you not stop & see us at Glencoe? I do hope you will — I found see you often & the affairs will be — Have lots

to talk about. Aunt Nina, Mac
Katherine & Kitty to see
you & they all wish to
see you.

Brent was telling
Jig to the Mavricks
in Phila. We wished
him to see their beau-
tiful home as he had
never been there. I
have just written him
you had sent word about
your Pass. But perhaps
it might meet you at
Glencoe? It seems you
"worked pretty hard on Sunday
six days shalt thou do all thy
work". But it may be
just play for you to preach
seven nights!

Your affect bro
C. H. Howard

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OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

Headquarters, Room 4, City Hall.

NEW YORK, June 5th 1894

Capt Chas L Treat
A.D.C. to

Sir

Beg to acknowledge receipt of your Esteemed favor and thank you very much for your attention. While we regret very much that we shall not be honored with the presence of our Esteemed Commander General Howard you doubt say if any of the members of the Staff (who were included in the invitation) will do us the honor of attending May I hope to hear farther from you upon this subject

Yours Respectfully
E. J. Atkinson
Chm Com

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NEW YORK, June 5 1894.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Governor's Island,

New York.

Dear Sir;

I am requested by Mr. Reynolds to thank you for the permit of last Saturday and to say that the boys enjoyed themselves extremely.

We also ask for a permit for a party of thirty - boys and girls- for the coming Saturday, at I o'clock, and a permit for a party of small boys for the 23rd.

Yours sincerely,

B. S. Johnson, Resident.

Pass for June 9th & 23rd 1894
Sent June 6/94.

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E. A. Johnson, President

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Bowdoin College,
Brunswick, Me.

June 5. 1894.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

My dear Sir,

Our Centennial Dinner would not be complete without a speech from you: and this is to notify you that Mr.

Mr. Klein will
call upon
you on that
occasion.

Very truly yours
Wm. E. W. Hyde

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New York, June 5/94

Genl O. O. Howard,

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