

511 Central Ave.  
East Orange, N. J.  
February, 1895.

Genl. Oliver O. Howard,

Dear Sir:-

As I am  
making an autograph collection  
of short accounts of the lives of  
generals in the War, I would like  
very much to obtain yours if it  
is not too much trouble. If you  
choose to grant my request I  
wish that you might give the  
date and place of your birth, where  
you was educated and your residence  
after you received your education, the  
year of your enlistment in the

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Army, your rank when you first entered the Army, the subsequent positions which held in the Army, the most notable battles in which you took part, and your date of retirement from the Army, also and interesting facts that you may see fit to mention.

Respectfully Yours,  
Walter G. Hill



G. F. Billings, Pres. and Mgr., Ashland.  
Mrs. C. R. Minkler, Sec'y, Ashland.

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SOUTHERN OREGON CHAUTAUQUA  
ASSOCIATION.

Ashland, Oregon, July 1<sup>st</sup> 1895

Genl O. O. Howard,

Portland Oregon,

Dear Sir:

A letter, from your  
Secretary H. S. Howard Esq. is before me - in which he says  
that you expect to start for California about the middle  
of next March.

Ashland is on the direct line of The  
S. P. R.R. and about midway between Portland and  
San Francisco would you not consent to stop over here  
and deliver a lecture?

If so will you kindly let me know your subject  
or subjects of lecture and also your terms.

I am disappointed that you can not be with us at our  
Assembly in July.

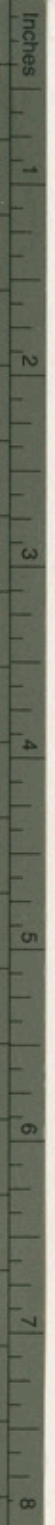
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G. F. Billings

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Mrs. C. R. Miller, Secy, Ashland.

Third Annual Assembly will be held at Ashland July 10-13-1893.

Feb 4 1893

Ashland Oregon Feb 1st 1893-

Genl C. O. Howard,

Portland Oregon,

Dear Sir,

I recd your favor

of the 27th inst. in regard to the matter of the Chautauqua Association about the matter

of the 7th March.

Ashland is on the divide - being a the

S. P. R. R. and about midway between Portland and

San Francisco - and your proposition is all in line

and seems a logical

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or perhaps of the same and also your time

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OFFICE OF  
Gen. O. O. HOWARD  
H. S. HOWARD

Und

FEB 8 1895

H. C. Bowen

FEB 8 1895

90 Willow Street,  
Brooklyn Heights.

General O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir:-

It is with sincere regret  
that I announce to you the  
death of my youngest son,  
Paul Holt Bowen, in California  
who will be interred in  
Woodstock the coming June.  
In consequence of this I am  
obliged to withdraw the  
invitation extended to you  
to be present at a Celebration  
at Prospect Park, the present  
year, on the Fourth of July as  
under the circumstances we  
could not participate in  
such an entertainment.

All my family join with  
me in tendering you my  
heartly thanks, and genuine  
appreciation, of the cordial  
manner in which you  
accepted the invitation  
when given you last year,  
and I deeply feel the  
honor thus conferred  
upon me -

Faithfully Yours  
Henry C Bowen

February  
1st 1895-  
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Theology, Science, Law, Art, Music. Field and  
Gymnasium Physical Development.

J. H. ROORK, Agent and Secretary.

SALEM, OREGON,

Feb 1<sup>st</sup> 1895

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Dear General O. O Howard  
I was at your office in Portland yesterday  
and learned of where you had gone;  
I write this in the hope that you will  
be with us at the opening of our Gymnasium  
on the evening of Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, It might be  
that you could stop over at Salem on  
your return home if so you might drop a  
line to your son and have him to meet you here.  
I have made good arrangement for entertainment  
for you & him with Mrs Gray and wife who are quite  
well acquainted with you. Please drop me a card if you get this  
in time.  
Yours very truly J. H. Roork, agt.

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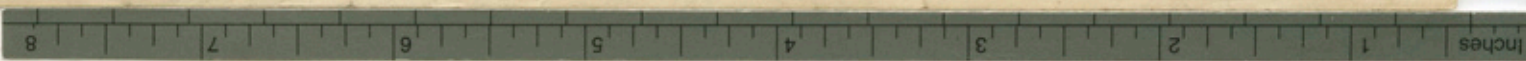
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and Quantum Physical Development.  
J. O. HOWARD,  
BOOK, Agent and Secretary.

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J. O. HOWARD,  
BOOK, Agent and Secretary.

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gun. These sums are now exhausted.  
The rent is paid until Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, but  
I have no money to buy food.

I cannot take money from my aged  
mother, even if she were willing to give  
it, which she <sup>is</sup> decidedly is not; nor  
from Adelaide, never yet having robbed  
her, for my own benefit. My mother  
has advised me strongly to ask Adelaide  
for money. I would rather starve.  
The winter has been unusually rainy, and  
even had my health permitted, I could  
not have gone out, searching for pupils.  
It will be difficult to find unencum-  
bered property to exchange for mine, and  
it would not be wise, probably, to  
take mortgaged property, for the sake of  
simply having a place to call home.

If the Monterey place can only be saved  
I shall be content to work and wait  
for better days.

At the close of the present adminis-  
tration, if possible, I shall go to Washing-  
ton, and make a personal effort to have  
my pension increased.

Meanwhile, in the two years between now

Dear General Howard:

Thank you  
for your kindness, and magnanimity  
in writing. The officers of the 6<sup>th</sup>  
Infantry seem to think that I should  
stand and fall by <sup>my</sup> mistakes; for  
letters addressed by me to them  
have remained unanswered. General  
McCook has never forgiven me  
for remarks made at the time of  
my husband's death, although repeat-  
ed of and acknowledged as faults.  
Mrs McCook, although a friend of  
many years standing, entertained at  
our house at Fort Douglas for three  
months, where she first met General  
McCook: never writes.

Altogether, I am as effectually cut  
off <sup>from</sup> and ostracized by members of  
the army, with two or three exceptions  
outside of the 6<sup>th</sup> Infantry, as of



I had never been connected with it. Personally, I am willing to bear the burden of past faults, until death or through Eternity, should need be; but for Adelaide's sake, upon whom the chief penalty has now fallen, I must ask. To speak the whole truth, I am not responsible for the disposition made of the money Captain Mudrook left me, except in having yielded to the almost commands of my mother, when she came to San Francisco after me, with only a valise, so that I might not persuade her to stay. At any other time I could have been firm. Then my spirit was broken under the load of a crushing sorrow. For seven years I have expiated the fault, alone here in California, in ill-health, and with no money besides my pension.

Not for one moment have I lost faith, or have ceased to try to improve myself. In November last my mother came to California from New York with Adelaide, not so much on account of my health,

to speak the whole truth; or because I had been alone for all these years; but because she had not been able to find rest for the sole of her foot anywhere at the East; nor any help for Adelaide. When at the end of her resources, <sup>after</sup> having ceased to write, or to allow Adelaide to write, for seven months; suddenly, as if nothing had happened to disturb the threat of one interference, she began writing, and spoke of her intention to come to California. Dr. Houghton obtained passes for both. To-day my mother is at work at a Sanatorium, about twenty blocks from this house. Adelaide is still a house-maid, doing part of the washing, all the cooking, <sup>and</sup> besides taking care of two small children. She never has time to come here, nor to go to Church, except in the evening, which I don't like.

I am nearly as much alone as when they were in New York.

Very cheerfully I have shared the money from my pension with them, besides \$25 sent me by Mrs. Bodden, an Army Surgeon's wife, at Fort Snelling, from the sale of Captain Mudrook's shot.



and then, I shall have won a certificate from the Normal School, making me self-helpful in a substantial way. The second part of my army story is finished. I shall try to have it published in a Los Angeles paper, as the first was. If I had \$100 Adelaide could learn the Kinder-garten system of teaching, and be self supporting, in a respectable way, in one year. There is a two year course, but pupils begin teaching at the end of one year, at a salary of \$40.00 a month. The Rev. B. W. K. Taylor of St. John's Church, has interested himself in Adelaide, has suggested this work for her, and has designated the school to which she should go — if we have the money.

I am truly and deeply sorry to have to trouble anyone.

very respectfully

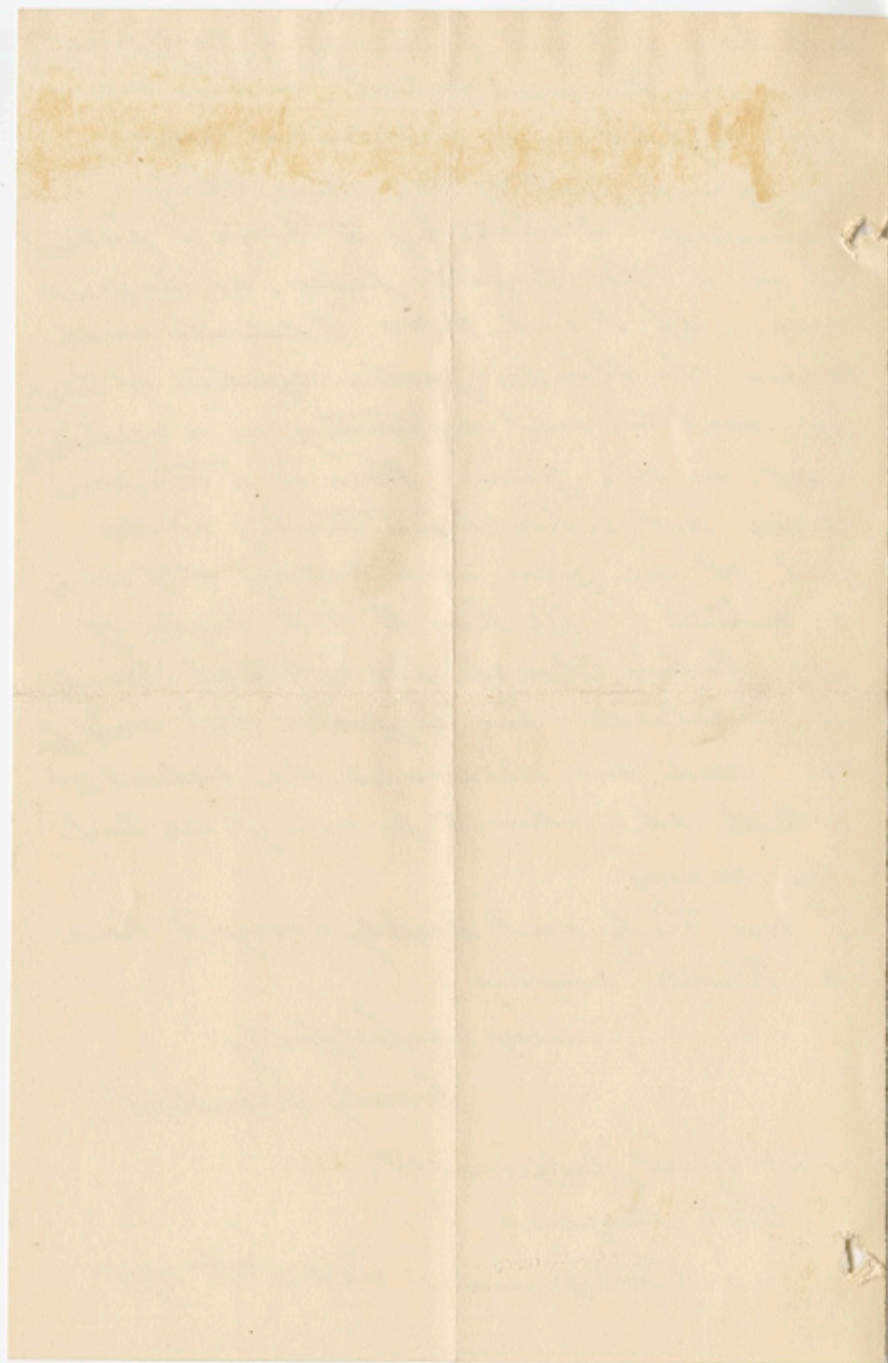
Emily Murdoch

148 West Jefferson St.

Los Angeles,

California Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> 1895







# The National Tribune,

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The Great National Soldier and Home Weekly Newspaper.

Washington, D. C., Feb 2, 1895

Gen. O. O. Howard:

Sir:

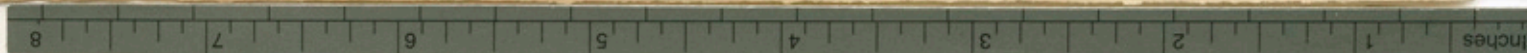
Inclosed please find  
draft for \$129, payment in full for Parts  
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Respectfully

John W. Elroy

and  
FEB 8 1895

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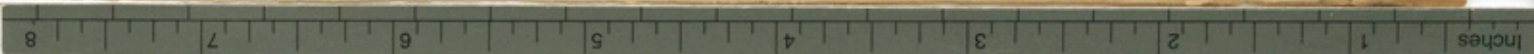
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*National Tribune*  
*Washington*

*Draft for \$100 payment in full for 1880*  
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*Respectfully*  
*Yours*







# Tacoma City Schools

C. W. Mock, Secretary

Tacoma, Washington Feb. 2 1895

Major Gen. O. O. Howard.  
Portland.

My dear Sir,

Your favor of Jan. 12. came duly to hand. But the absence of the President of the Puget Sound Congregational Club on a wedding trip, and some correspondence with the Puget Sound people have caused some delay in this letter.

We conclude that the Puget Sound lecture is so uncertain, that we can make no dependence on it as a factor in our arrangement. But we would like to have you at the meeting in March very much, and we hope we may have your assurance that you will be able to come.

With kindest regards to your family and the hope that we may have a promise from you very soon. I am

Yours very truly  
H. M. James.



OFFICE OF  
Gen. O. O. HOWARD,  
H. S. HOWARD.

Wm. James,

Yours very truly,  
O. O. Howard



CYRUS KEHR,  
THE ROOKERY,—ROOM 639,  
CHICAGO.

LYCEUM ENTERTAINMENTS.

CHICAGO, ~~February 4th~~, 1895.

Major-General O. O. Howard,  
263 Yamhill St.,  
Portland, Ore.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of January 30th enclosing a letter  
from Jason Waterman, Bay City, Michigan. I will see whether this  
engagement can be arranged for your April trip.

Yours truly,

Cyrus Kehr.

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CHICAGO, ILL., FEB. 8, 1895

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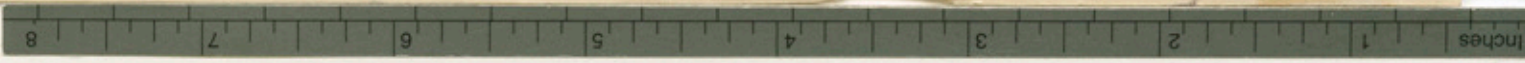
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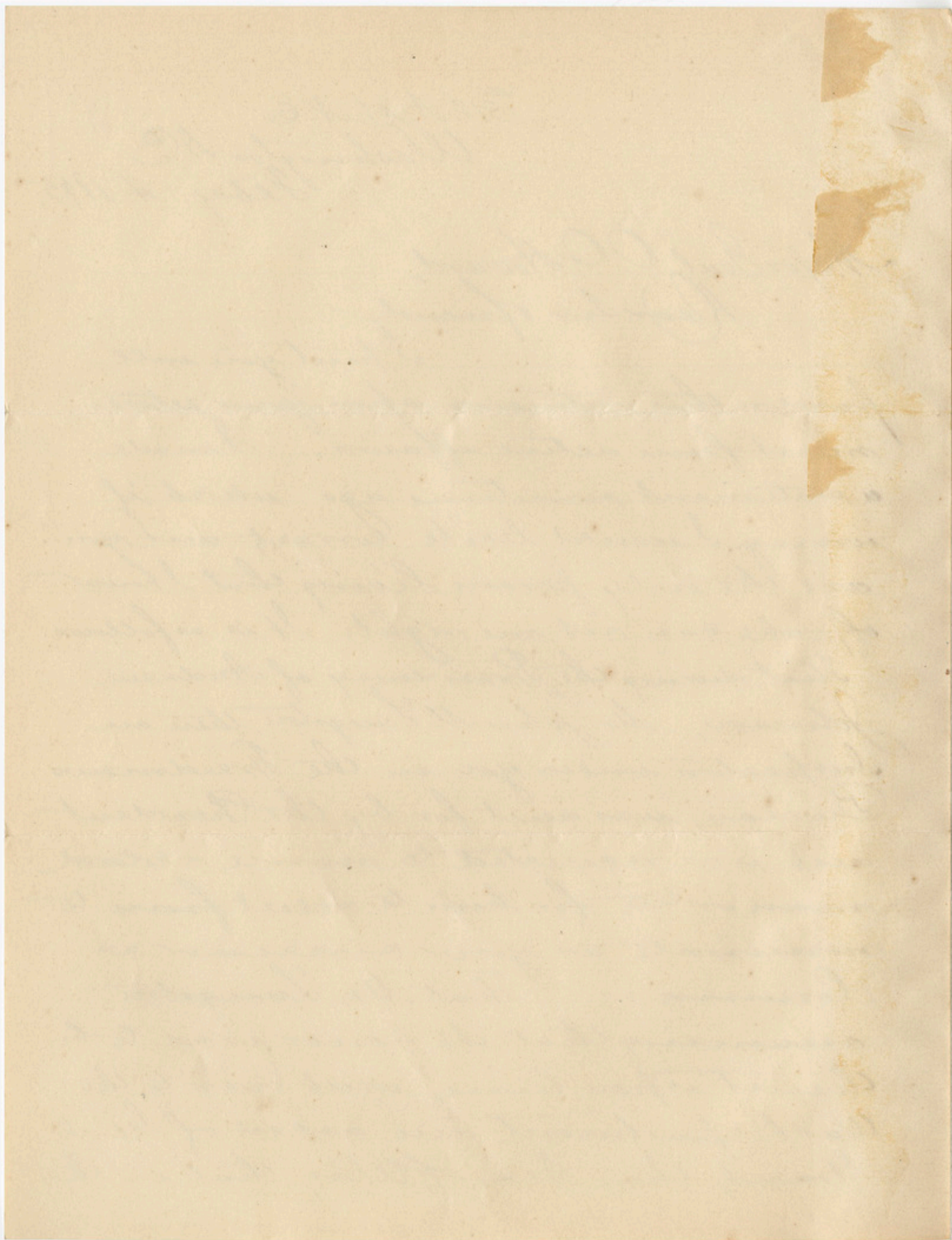
Major Genl. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir friend:

I trust you will pardon this intrusion upon your retirement from active affairs. I made a statement sometime ago which if wrong I would like to correct, and you are the only person living that I know of, who can set me right. It is as follows:

That during the Presidency of Andrew Johnson, Mr. John M. Langston, then an Inspector under you in the Freedmen's Bureau, was sent for by the President and was requested to name a colored man or two for him to select from to nominate as your successor as Commr. &c. That Mr. Langston assuming that the honor was to be thrust upon him, went over to the War Department and asked of Genl. Grant, then Sec. of War, that in the







event of his appointment could he (Langston) depend upon the General's support. It was then that Genl. Grant opened his eyes to the true inwardness of the scheme of the President to break up the good work of the Bureau under your management, and not till then did Mr. Langston "quit the field". You were absent at the time in Providence R.I. to deliver a lecture, as I remember on your return, you said to me "Douglass I see that your father does not intend to displace me", my father having declined even to consider the proposition.

The statement is being industriously circulated that Mr. Langston also declined to consider the proposition.

Very respectfully,  
Chas. R. Douglass



OFFICE OF  
Gen. O. O. HOWARD,  
H. S. HOWARD.

*Ans'd*

FEB 14 1895

*John H. Thompson*  
*Wash. D.C.*

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Cyrus K. L.



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CHICAGO, February 4th, 1935.

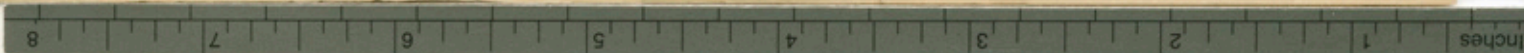
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Yours truly,

Lyman W. Kirk





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REFERENCES:                     

Exchange National Bank, Colorado Springs.  
First National Bank, Medicine Lodge, Kansas.  
Kansas National, Wichita, Kansas.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb'y 4 1895

Dear Mr Howard

I am one of your bay  
admirers from the San  
West and if not too much  
trouble will be pleased to  
receive your autograph on  
the enclosed card.

Your Friend.  
Wm D Walther.

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W D Waltman

Autograph





CYRUS KEHR,  
THE ROOKERY,—ROOM 639.  
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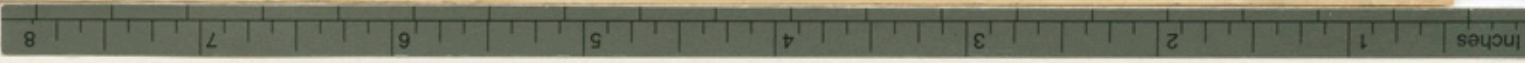
Dear General:-

I have no definite reply from Boone, Iowa. I have made an engagement at Denver to precede Webster City, Iowa. I also have an offer for Meadville, Pa. There is a prospect of more. A little later, I shall send you all with particulars as to dates, subjects, etc.

Yours truly,

*Cyrus Kehr,*





CYRUS KERN,  
THE BOOKERY—ROOM 839,  
CHICAGO.

OFFICE OF  
Gen. O. O. HOWARD,  
H. S. HOWARD.

*C. K. Kern*

CHICAGO, February 4th, 1895.

Major O. O. Howard,  
328 Franklin St.,  
Portland, Oregon.

Dear General:—

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made an arrangement with Boone to send a Webster City, Iowa, I also  
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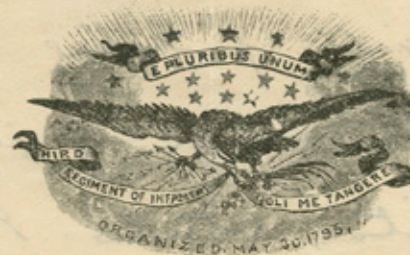


OFFICE OF  
Gen. O. O. HOWARD,  
U. S. ARMY.

*ansd*  
FEB 14 1895

*Gen*  
G. C. Mason

"WALVERN HILL"  
"BULL RUN '92"  
"FREDERICKSBURG"  
"MURPHREESBORO"  
"GETTYSBURG"  
"CHOCOMAUGA"  
"MISSIONARY RIDGE"  
"RESACA"  
"NEW HOPE CHURCH"  
"KENESAW MOUNTAIN"  
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"CONTRERAS"  
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"CITY OF MEXICO"  
"FORT DEFIANCE"  
"BULL RUN '61"  
"SAN A ROSA ISLAND"  
"FORT PICKENS"  
"SHILOH"  
"GAINES' MILLS"

Headquarters Third Infantry,

Fort Snelling, Minnesota,

July 5<sup>th</sup> 1895

My dear General Howard.

I have just finished making your life of Genl Taylor and am delighted with it. I never before understood the battle of Buena Vista. It's a perfect word picture you have given of it, indeed all your descriptions of battles are wonderfully clear. You possess in a great degree that Macmillan



nothing left of seeing the ground  
within the range of your vision  
in all its details. I noticed  
during the day how impossible  
how you look in the counting  
as we rock along. No one  
can read your description of  
General Taylor's battalions  
without seeing how they were  
fought, for every movement  
stands out clear and sharp cut,  
I rise from the reading of the  
book with a new view, and a  
higher respect for a man I  
always held in esteem.

We are having  
very cold weather 25 and 30 below

zero every night for the past 12 days  
I sometimes wish for a warmer  
climate - Will Senator Brien  
give you an answer to your kind  
letter in my behalf? While I  
work very earnestly the promotion  
might come to me. I have little  
hope that it will. Give me  
best regards to Mrs Howard  
and the young people and  
believe me to be -

Most truly your friend  
Edwin C. Mearns



CYRUS KEHR,  
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LYCEUM ENTERTAINMENTS.

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Yours truly, *Cyrus Kehr*



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## MEMORANDUM

FROM

20TH ST. BRANCH  
Young Men's Christian Association  
2319 Mission Street  
San Francisco, Calif.

ROBERT S. BOYNS, SECRETARY

Telephone 6139

Recd  
FEB 8 1895  
To Genl O.O. Howard,  
Portland, Or  
February 5 1895

Dear Sir,

You will doubtless remember this Branch since you were the chairman of the committee that established it here in 1888. We are now running without any aid from the Main Association but our rent. Heretofore they paid all bills we could not meet. Our year closes next May, by which time we must raise over \$500 dollars. We can see our way clear to obtain half of this amount in subscriptions. Hearing that you are soon to be in our city we write asking if when you come you would not



kindly lecture for us on some theme agreeable to you. We  
can have Grace Methodist Church for the lecture, and  
this would we feel sure solve our financial problem.  
Hoping to have the pleasure of seeing you in San Francisco  
this spring, and also that you may be able to aid us in the  
manner indicated, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Robert A. Boyne.  
Sec'y.