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LAW OFFICE OF WM. J. HARDING,
120 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK CITY.

New York, Jan. 29th, 1896.

Dear Sir and Companion:-

I have the honor to advise you that the aggregate amount of the subscriptions received by me as Treasurer of the Committee of the New York Commandery of the Loyal Legion, (of which you are a member), to solicit subscriptions toward the erection of a monument to General Sherman in Washington, D.C., amounts to Two hundred and thirty-dollars (\$230.), and that I have made a report to that effect to the Recorder for the information of the Board of Officers.

Very respectfully yours,

Wm. J. Harding
Capt U.S.A.

Major General O.O. Howard, U.S.A.

LAW OFFICE OF WM. HARDING
20 BROADWAY
NEW YORK CITY

New York, Jan. 10, 1901.

My dear Sir and Dear Madam:-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, however, unable to say whether or not they will be successful in their efforts to secure the desired result. I am, nevertheless, sure that I have done all that is possible in the premises for the advancement of the cause.

Very respectfully,
WM. HARDING

Very truly yours,
WM. HARDING

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Chicago Ill.
Jan²⁹ 1896.

Major General O. O. Howard
156 College Street
Burlington Vermont
Dear Sir.

I have been
rated before the medical
board for a pension
and they require me
to prove that I had
this Chronic Diarrhoea
in the army, which
has since brought on
lung troubles. I was
mounted Ardely for
you in 1866 at the
corner of 19 + J streets
Washington D. C. When
you had command
of Freedman's bureau

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Chicago Ill
Jan 1872
My dear Wm. D. Howland
151 College Street
Burlington Vermont
Dear Sir,
I have been
much before the medical
board for a number
and they require me
to prove that I had
this Curative Treatment
in the army which
has been brought on
being troubled I was
immediately sent to
you in 1862 at the
age of 19 + of a
Burlington N. H. When
you had command
of the 1st Vermont

I was a Private in Co.
K 107th U.S. Colored
Infantry. My regiment
headquarters was at
Fort Crook on the
Virginian side. My
Co. was located at
Vianna Station 25
miles from Washington
under the command of
Capt. John A. Ross.
If you remember I
was troubled so bad
with the Croic Quin-
hoca that you sent
me to my Co. so I
could be sent to the
hospital. If you rem-
ember this would you
please oblige me by
writing me a evidence

It was a private visit to
H 107 St. W. St. Robert
Hospital. Very interesting
and instructive. I was
not checked on the
American side. Very
kind. Located at
Linn's Station 25
miles from Washington
under the command of
Capt. John G. Ross.
I am remembered
and hoped to deal
with the Commission
here that you sent
me to my Co. as a
could be sent to the
Hospital. I am
under this month
I have a large
writing and a

so I can give it to my
attorney in regards
to any disabilities during
the time I was ordely
for you. I will close
hoping a reply.

Perry Bright.
P.S. General can you
give me any information
of Mr. Wilson a colored
man who was president
of the Freedmans saving
bank for I know he
knew when I was so
sick there and he advised
me to get releaved and
go to my company.

Address

797 Ridgeway Ave.
Chicago Ill.

Boston, Mass.

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Gen. O. O. Howard,

You will perhaps remember me as the young man who acted as toastmaster at the Theta Chi Fraternity banquet at Norwich University last June. I was also a member of the class which graduated the following day. Now if it will not be presuming too much I would like to ask you to write for me a short statement of who I am and my relations in connection with H. U. I am thinking of going south soon where I am entirely unacquainted and so wish to have a few such letters with which to identify myself.

Very respectfully yours,

R. S. Dowe.

Post Office Dormitory, Boston, Mass.

Answer
D. J. H.

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Chicago, Ill. Jan. 30th. 1896.

General O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

Dear Brother:-

I was much pleased to get your letter from Washington. I like to keep close track of your movements and, if possible, know where you are every day. You know I have not so many brothers nor near friends that I like to be far away from them, either in place or thought. We are looking with great interest to your return to this part of the country.

I should doubt somewhat whether the subject proposed for you by the Congregational Club ^{of Chicago} would be a congenial one and whether it would be agreeable to yourself and profitable, on the whole, to talk upon it in connection with Dr. Reuben Thomas. However he is a warm friend to you, I believe, and was especially so to brother Rowland, and he is one of the most eloquent advocates of arbitration, as the better method of settling all national difficulties, whom I have ever heard. I think his oration, delivered in London, on this subject was, in many respects, superior to the famous oration of Charles Sumner against war.

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build it at once. And I not only believe that they should build it
but they should control it without co-partnership with Great Britain
or any body else. I believe that the only right which any other
people should be allowed to have with respect to it is the right
to freely use it for peaceful pursuits, upon the payment of reasonable
tolls as might be exacted". You could add some arguments with
reference to its desirability for military purposes in case of war
and as a means of safety in case of an attack, neither from the
Pacific or the Atlantic.

I have perhaps made this letter long enough and have touched
upon a few of the great issues that I think would be interesting and
important for you to discuss, in case you were to make any speech
in any way bearing on political affairs or political policies.

In some future letter I will take up the question of
protection, including the protection of American labor as well as
of manufactures and the great problem of rendering some protection
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FARM, FIELD AND FIRESIDE.

CHICAGO.

C. M. HOWARD, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF.
O. MCGE HOWARD, ASSOCIATE EDITOR.
W. B. LLOYD, AGRICULTURE.
BERTHA NORTON, HOUSEHOLD.

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Chicago, Ill., Jan. 30th. 1896.

Gen'l. O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

Dear Brother:-

I have lately become acquainted with Mr. Wm. R. Plum, some times called ^{"Col."} Plum, but I think only as a compliment. He was connected with the ^{Military Telegraph} ~~Signal~~ Service during the war and has issued two volumes, giving a full history of the same.

I will endeavor to procure and enclose a circular with reference to the society relating to the ^{Telegraph} ~~Signal~~ Service. It seems they have not been properly recognized; that is, this portion of the ^{or Telegraph} ~~Signal~~ Service by the War Department and particularly by the laws of Congress, so as to entitle them to the privileges of veterans. It was really the telegraph service and they were not regularly enlisted. They have been endeavoring to obtain a recognition by Congress, and they would like very much to have a letter from you, giving your estimate of the value of their services to the army. It would help them in getting the proper recognition from Congress. They really ask nothing but a recognition that they were a part of the army and should receive an honorable discharge. You could address your letter to me, simply referring to my letter relating to the subject of the telegraph service during the war and then taking it

(Over).

up in your own view of what ought to be done in recognition of the
service by Congress. Chicago, Ill.

Affectionately

C. B. Howard

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Kenton O January 30th 1896

Genl. C. C. Howard

Dear Genl as I never got
my pay as a Scout in the
war I now am going to try
and get it by a special act of
Congress. Our Congressman thinks
he can get it for me I wish
you would write me saying
whether my services was of use
to the Government to the amount
of 200 pr day I inclose a letter
to you that Col. Asmusen
gave me to you. at that time
you told me to take the vouchers
home with me. put them in
the hands of an Attorney for
collection This I did in 1865

Kentucky V. Maryland

collection this I did in 1862.
 the hands of my attorney for
 have with me, but ~~there~~
 you told me to take the books
 gave me to you, at that time
 to open what Col. Patterson
 of 20th day I enclose a letter
 to the Government to the amount
 whether my service was of use
 you would write me saying
 he can get it for me I wish
 to know, but I suppose I think
 and get it by a special act of
 now I mean you going to try
 any way as to that, in the
 (Dear Sir) as I never got

But the Authorities at Washington
dont think enough of them to
pay them This paper I send
you is for the Knoxville
trip for which I was to have
 $50\frac{00}{100}$ The other vouchers were
for $20\frac{00}{100}$ per day in all to the
amount of $560\frac{00}{100}$ Now Gen
you please giro this matter
your attention and help me
to my just dues and I will
be under many obligations
to you hoping to hear from
you Gen I am Respectfully
yours &c

Robert Morison

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But the character of the
about thirty members of them to
pay them this paper I send
you is for the Knoxville
help for which I was to have
\$1000 the other members were
for \$200 per day in all to the
amount of \$20000 or there about
you please give this matter
your attention and help me
in my just dues and I will
be under many obligations
to you hoping to hear from
you soon I am respectfully
Yours

Robert Morrison



THE CONGRESSIONAL
MEDAL OF HONOR

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
U. S. Army
Burlington Vt.

Dear Sir ^{4d} (Companion)

I had the pleasure of
meeting you in N.Y. Nov. 93 at the
Annual Reunion of the "Medal of Honor
Legion". Another annual gathering
was held in Cty. in 94 and last year
in Phil^a. This year June 16, 17, ^{to 18} 18th
the convention is ^{to be} held here, —

To our Cty. members the credit is
due of establishing the order on a
higher plane — and bringing many
of the surviving Medal of Honor holders
together — and inducing them to join

THE CONGRESSIONAL
MEDAL OF HONOR



Major General B. O. Howard
112. 1st Cavalry
Burlington, Vt.
Dear Sir (Companion)
I had the pleasure of
meeting you in N.Y. Nov. 23rd at the
Annual Session of the World Affairs
League. Another annual gathering
was held in N.Y. in Oct. and last year
in that city. This year from Nov. 1st to
11th November is held here.
It was a pleasure to meet you
and to talk about the work in a
higher plane with inspiring views
of the coming World of the future
to be a more united and happy

our Order. I enclose a Roster of members.
By-Laws - and blank form of application
for membership - -

Our roster shows names of many
brave men - and many of high rank -

Now that you are a prominent resi-
dent of New England States, and the
convention is to be held at the "Hub"
of those States - The Committee having
in charge the arrangements for the con-
-vention - Expressly desire that the weight
of your great and honored name may be
borne on our Rolls - and that you
can be present, Certainly June 17, "Bunker
Hill" day - as the Harbor Excursion and
Shore Banquet is to take place that
day - May I have the pleasure as well
as the honor of your early reply -

American House

Boston Aug 30. 96. -
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I remain very Respectfully
your obt. Servant

Gardner Otis
Secretary of Committee

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187-land - and about form of application
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Mass. Convention is to take place that
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as the turn of your early reply.

Yours truly
John O. Smith
Secretary of Committee
Boston May 30. 40.
American House

CHICAGO, January 31, 1896.

General O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.

Dear General:-

Your letter of the 29th inst. enclosing your check for \$22.52 has been received. Please accept my thanks for the same. I am sorry to learn that the lecture proved a financial failure for Francisco.

The letter which you send to me to take to Mr. Ripley is not signed and I return it for your signature.

Only four places are definitely engaged for ^{the} Southern California tour. A letter received from Mr. Baldwin a few days ago says that he thinks he will get one or two additional places. I have also a favorable letter from Phoenix, Arizona. What do you think of making the tour if there are only four or five places. I have written to a number of places through Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, and Arizona, and through Central California, with a view to making engagements in connection with this tour; but the letter from Phoenix is the only favorable reply, and this is not certain.

The committee at Baltimore representing the University of Virginia has chosen February 25. This will immediately precede your visit to Carlisle, Pa. There is some prospect of an engagement in Chicago to follow Milwaukee.

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1101 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
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CHICAGO, _____

The Sunday School Association at Elgin, Illinois, is planning a Fourth of July celebration, and they want you to speak. They expect to make it an unusually large affair. I have already engaged for Waseca, Minnesota, Assembly for that date; but have written to ascertain whether a change can be made there.

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Yours truly,

Cyrus Kehr.

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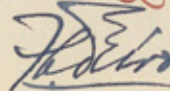
Cyrus Kehr

F. L. PEIRO, M. D.
SUITE 1019 RELIANCE BLDG. 100 STATE ST.
HOURS: 10 TO 3.

Chicago, Jan. 31st 1896.

My dear General—
Your favor grate-
fully rec'd—

We'll talk the
matter over when
you come.

In meantime
try to forget Collar-
buttons and other pec-
-adillos and give
thanks you're alive. 
Sincerely Yrs.  F. L. Peiro

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BUCK & RAYNER,
CENTRAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG STORE.
CORNER STATE AND MADISON STREETS,
CHICAGO.

J. W. HOWARD,
CIVIL ENGINEER,
No. 1 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK.

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My dear Father -

Your excellent letter of fatherly love & good advice
came this afternoon. You need never hesitate to write
me on any subject - especially as this one is one to
my advantage - Yes I have gotten my letters
to a brief form - also my writings - Now
they seem to succeed better.

I struggle hard to be brief in words - I
succeed better each year -

All seems to be going on well in
business with me - all are well
at home -
With much love from
your son James

Gen. O.O.H.

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Colon, January 31st. 1896.

We will arrange that when he gives a report on the present status of the case. Then if he finds the case worth prosecuting, we will arrange terms. But before concluding any definite arrangement I will consult you. Your offer of an interest in the mines

should be made to him; but I have withheld that,

My Dear General: only as a last resource.

Owing to my intended departure from the Isthmus, I have placed the matter of the Temple Mines in the hands of Dr. Pablo Arosemena, a prominent and reliable attorney in Panamá. He is at present making a thorough investigation of the matter, and has promised to tell me if it will be possible to take any further steps towards making Mrs Temple's claim a perfectly valid one. And if you so wish it he will undertake to push the matter -- A step which I think would be advisable, as he has considerable influence at Bogotá. Nothing further has been heard from our re-de-nouncement. This new plan will be the only step left us, short of going to Bogotá and pushing the matter in person. The lands and mines, as far as I can learn from parties on that part of the coast have not been touched recently, so if the property can be secured, it will be practically in the same shape they were when held by Mr Temple years ago. Would you please write to Dr. Arosemena yourself. It would have good effect in stirring him into greater activity. I have made him no offer whatsoever, for his services.

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Colon, January 31st. 1898.

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I will write you further from Mobile.

Yours truly,

Clem Gorman

Yours truly,

Cyrus Kehr

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Yours truly,

Cyrus Kehr.

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