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

Major General O.O. Howard, U.S.A.
Chicago, Ill.
Jan. 22, 1876.
Major General O. O. Howard
156 College Street
Burlington, Vermont
Dear Sir:

I have been rated before the meddled board for a pension and they require me to prove that I had this Chronic Cirrhosis in the army, which has since brought on lung troubles. I was mortified greatly for you in 1866 at the Corson of 19th District Washington, D. C. When you had command of Freedman's Bureau.
I was a Private in Co. K 107th U. S. Colored Infantry. My regiment's headquarters was at Fort Crook, on the Virginia side. My Co. I was located at Vienna Station 2 1/2 miles from Washington under the command of Capt. John A. Ross. If you remember I was troubled so bad with the Crook's痢 hernia that you sent me to my Co. so I could be sent to the hospital. If you remember this would you please oblige me by writing me a evidence
so I can give it to my attorney in regards to my disabilities during the time I was ordered for war. 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 Freedman's saving bank for I know he knew where I was so sick there and he advised me to get released and go to my company.

Address
777 Ridgeway Ave.
Chicago Ill.
Boston, Mass.
1-29-96

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.M. 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. Dowell

Post Office Dormitory, Boston, Mass.

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 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. Reuen 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.

Did you see Senator Frye while in Washington? If so, was he cordial and did he manifest any frankness in conversation? Did
Dear General O. Howard,

I was much pleased to get your letter from Washington.

I am in receipt of your favor of the 24th inst. and I am happy to say that I have no reason to suspect any injury to your health. I am glad to hear that you are well and that you have returned to your former residence.

I have heard of your services during the war and I am much pleased to know that you are now enjoying the fruits of your labors.

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you say anything to him about his speeches on the Merchant Marine?

If I were you, as I think I indicated once before, I would take pains to inform myself thoroughly on this subject. I see that Foraker took it up in his speech. It could be coupled with the matter of commercial reciprocity and the extending of our commercial relations. It is very evident that something more positive ought to be done in this direction. The point to make, which I think would be popular, and which I believe is very important and worthy your best thought and energy, is that American goods should be carried in American bottoms and under the American flag and in all the channels of trade and to every part of the world. Why should we let the British take all our business? Why should we not, in every possible way, cherish and increase our commerce and our ship building, and particularly as we may make our Merchant Marine vessels, or induce them to be made, in such a way that they may be used in case of necessity and in time of war as a reinforcement for the navy? I believe I sent you some extracts from a paper read by Engineer Greer at our Loyal Legion. If you have lost them, I would attempt to get them again or get a fuller report for you. It would also be perfectly legitimate for you to follow up a plea for the Merchant Marine with a good, earnest plea for a strong navy, adequate to the protection of our harbors and our coasts and to command respect for our flag.
you say anything to him about the speeches on the Recent Meeting.

If I were you, as I think I mentioned once before, I would take the time
to think about the changes or growth of the event. I see the market taking
up in the speech. It cannot be compared with the nature of commerce.

As technology and the experience of commerce have not gone.

The point to make is that I think most of the points
I made are extremely important and worth your best attention.

my earlier point that American hopes should be considered in America.

America and under the American flag in it if the appeals of the
people and to every part of the world. We want to see the British

see it as a business, what amounts to every hour, and in every business

speak to us, as we may make and without notice to any

and in time of war as a reinforcement for the many I defend.

and you some extracts from a better book by gentlemen great of our

instance if you have ever read of the book for the American meeting with

of the extracts and on to the question of the number of speeches on the
and our citizenship in every part of the world. I know you feel keenly on the matter of our citizens being insulted and endangered and even massacred in different parts of the world and nothing being done that was positive and to secure reparation on the part of our government. You could well afford to express yourself strongly on this subject, and one of the chief means of securing respect for our government abroad is a competent navy. I find, for example, that some consuls appointed on purpose for the protection of our Christian missionaries and their interests in Armenia were never allowed to go to their posts. The Turkish government refused them their proper passports or "exsequatur," as it is called.

Closely allied to the subjects I have mentioned is the Nicaragua canal. On that I know you have the same views as myself. There should be a more active and down-right policy adopted by the government. If the President were really in earnest and right on this subject, he would have pushed it through before this, urging his friends to take action on it. The Republican Administration, when it comes in, should be prompt. Foraker said "It is incomprehensible to me how the American people, so able to accomplish it, should have allowed so great an enterprise to go undone until now; that they should have been content, when sailing from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast, to go ten thousand miles out of the way around
any one of whom I have seen the same view as myself.

Recently on the matter of our constitution being national and excluded
and the means of perpetuating the worthy and worthy people
gone from the lot posterity and to secure perpetuation on the part of our
Government. You cannot help setting up an example hazardous attempt
with another, and one of the most means of securing success you can.

Government this a competent man? I think for example. How
some countries prospered no purpose for the protection of our
intuitive most important and their interests in America we were never
allowed to have been possible. The Italian Government ranked them
with higher authorities or exaggeration as it is called.

Closely study to the subject I have mentioned to this
interesting country. On that I know you have the same view as myself.
The more serious as more serious and down-right matters than the
Government. If the President were really to exhibit my right on
the subject, he would have brought it forward before this time.

The President Administration
the attempts to ease section off the Republican Administration,
 Kiev if some of them should be dropped. Foster said if it is not possible now

Unable to return to the American people so safe to accomplish it,
should have allowed so great an enterprise to go uncompleted until you
now see above have been committed. After settling from the Attilio
To the Attilio. G. of 8 or 9 years reading as one of the way standing
sly all be given to the merchants of each country as well as the other.

Without importance I believe too if I were to follow the Horn, through tempestuous seas and inconstant seasons. I believe you have opened up a discussion which many people may regard it one of the great duties of the people to build that canal and to 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, either 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 to agricultural products as well as those of the other industries. The Republican party will lose the many millions of votes, relating more or less directly to agriculture, unless it can mark out a policy by which, at least in the raising of the revenues, protection (over).
shall be given to the products of agriculture as well as the other
American industries. I believe too it will not do to forget the
enormous labor of the people of the United States and the
American laborer and render a protection which would benefit merely
the people of the greatest number to the injury of the capitalists.

Affectionately

[Signature]

I have not the least idea that I think would be interesting my
writings or that I care you to know it, or to make you aware of
my own pecuniary or political affairs or political politician.

If I were to take up the discussion of

Protection for the purposes of the protection of agriculture and as well as
of manufactures and the great benefits of the other principles
of a manufacturing Proletar to the greatest advantage of the people of this
country as possible.

The Republicans have and always have the right of being on a
clear advantage to support and may be in the best position of

[Signature]
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 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 Signal Service. It seems they have not been properly recognized; that is, this portion of the 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.

Affectionately,

[Signature]

The President

I have never become acquainted with Mr. . . . "Mr.

I have never been called on in this capacity, but I think it's a good idea. The

same Secretary, with the same service, but the same person.

The Secretary having the same name.

I will oppose the nomination and oppose a candidate with

reference to the loyalty of the same person. It seems

that they have not seen properly

Secretary of the War Department and patriotically on the Union of

Congress, so as to entitle them to the gratitude of all.

They have been conspicuous to attempt a sedition on

guiltless, and they would like very much to have a position in our

government at the expense of the name of their service to the Union.

My only plea to get the proper recognition from Congress

and get the proper recognition and a recognition that they made a part of

the Union, and your request that you write me again.

Your request is in reference to my letter referring to the

endorsement of the Federal Service, and in your last letter to me

(over).
Kenton O January 30th 1876
Sir:

Dear Sir:

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 per day. I enclose a letter to you that Col. Amsussen 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.
Dear Uncle and Aunt,

I hope this letter finds you both well. I just wanted to update you on my recent trip to Europe. It was absolutely amazing and I had such a great time exploring all the different countries. I visited Paris, London, and Rome, and each place had its own unique charm.

Paris was especially beautiful with all the famous landmarks like the Eiffel Tower, Notre-Dame, and the Louvre. The food was delicious too, especially the croissants and macarons. I also went on a boat tour on the Seine and it was really breathtaking.

London was quite different. I learned so much about the history of the city, and I enjoyed walking around the Tower of London and the British Museum. I also visited Buckingham Palace and was lucky enough to see the Changing of the Guard.

Rome was probably my favorite city. I visited the Colosseum, the Vatican, and the Pantheon. The architecture was so impressive, and I couldn't believe the number of pictures I was able to take. It was also great to see so many people from all over the world.

I also spent some time in Brussels, where the chocolate was fantastic and the Brussels waffles were just amazing. It was a lovely city to explore.

I'm looking forward to sharing more stories and experiences with you when I return. I hope you both are well and that you have all been taking care of yourselves.

Love,

[Name]
But the authorities at Washington don't think enough of them to pay them. This paper I send you upon is for the Knoxville trip for which I was to have 20%. The other vouchers were for 20% for day use all to the amount of $3.60. Now Sir, you please give 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 soon. I am respectfully yours.

Robert Morrison
Dear Aunt [Name]

I hope this letter finds you well. I'm writing to update you on the [sibling/spouse/parent] who is currently recovering at the [hospital/doctor's office]. The doctors have been very positive about their progress, and they are expected to make a full recovery. We've been visiting them whenever possible, and it's heartening to see their improvement.

The surgery was a success, and they are now in the process of physical therapy. The [sibling/spouse/parent] has been very cooperative and determined to get back on their feet as quickly as possible. We've been trying to make sure they get plenty of rest and support them emotionally. The family members have been very supportive, and we appreciate everyone's help.

I'll keep you updated on their progress in future letters. If you're in the area, feel free to drop by and say hello. It would be great to see you.

Thank you again for your concern and support. We know how much it means to us.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

P.S. [Optional note, if any]
Maj. Gen. O.C. Howard
U. S. Army
Burlington

Dear 4th 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 N.Y. in 94 and last year in Phila. This year June 16, 17, 18th the convention is held here.

To our N.Y. 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.
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 resident 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 convention—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 Short's banquet is to take place that day. May I have the pleasure as well as the honor of your early reply.

I remain very respectfully,

American House
Boston, May 30, '96,
Gardner Attawick,
Secretary of Committee.
Dear [Name],

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for the wonderful opportunity you have given me to work as a part of the [Company Name].

Working with you has been an absolute pleasure. Your leadership and support have been invaluable to me, and I am grateful for the guidance and mentorship you have provided.

I appreciate the time you have taken to discuss my career development and the opportunities within the company. Your insights and recommendations have been very helpful in shaping my professional goals.

Thank you for offering me the chance to contribute to the [Project Name]. I am excited about the prospect of working on this project and I believe it will be a valuable learning experience for me.

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to support the team or the company. I am always eager to contribute and learn.

Thank you once again for your kindness and support. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best regards,

[Your Name]

P.S. Attached is a report I have been working on. Please let me know if you would like me to make any changes or additions.

[Note: The content of the letter is not transcribed due to the handwriting style and legibility.]
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 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.
CHICAGO
January 31, 1936

Dear General:

Your letter of the 26th just arrived and reads as follows:

Please express my thanks for the same.

I am sorry to learn that the feature bearing a prominent feature for President.

The letter with a view to send it to Mr. Maple

I am not aware of any problems in having a still letter from President.

I have no trouble from President.

A letter of receipt for the material I have sent to you on the subject.

The material of the feature is the only feature I have ever used on the subject.

I have written to a number of places to secure material for the University.

The material of the feature is the same feature of the University.

The letter is immediately sent to the Chicago office for further information.
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.

Mr. Baldwin says that he does not care to put Miss Pearson into the Southern California tour; that he thinks that your drawing power will be quite sufficient.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Cyrus Kehr
The Sunday School Association of Illinois to
planning a Fourth of July celebration and I hope you do abe-
you speak to make it an interesting Fourth of July. I have already
enjoyed for recent in Washington and several for April and have
written to numerous 

Mr. Gable in New York. I have not gone to any of the
Lessons into the Sunday School. I know you had his article and
your growing power will be quite sufficient.

Very truly,
{Signature}
Chicago, January 31, 1896.

My dear General—

Your favor greatly

I will take the

matter open when

you come.

In meantime

try to forget colic

bubbles and other pee

adieux and give

thanks you're alive.

Sincerely yours,

Y. P.
Dear Father,

Your excellent letter of February 8 of this afternoon came today. You need never hesitate to write me on any subject—especially as this one is one to my advantage. Yes, I have gotten my letter to a brief form also, no writing. However, 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 London with me—all are well at home—

Yours very sincerely,

[Signature]
Dear Mr. President -

It is with great regret that I inform you of the passing of my esteemed colleague, Mr. John Smith, who recently passed away. Mr. Smith was a dedicated member of our team and will be sorely missed.

I understand that you may be too busy to speak with me directly, but I would like to request a meeting at your earliest convenience to discuss the upcoming project schedule and any concerns that may have arisen due to Mr. Smith's departure.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
[Your Name]
Colon, January 31st. 1896.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt., U. S. A.

My Dear General:

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 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-declaration. 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.
OCTOBER 16TH 1899

To: General

We wish to state that we will not mention the name of Dr. A. S. A.

We have discussed the matter of the Temple Mines in the presence of Dr. A. S. A.

We have decided to make a thorough investigation of the matter, and we are prepared to tell you if it will be possible to take any further action.

The steps towards making the Temple's estate perfect are being considered.

And if you do wish to write me with an update to bring the matter --

Nothing further has been heard from our-eyed

We have not been able to hear from our eye of the temple, and we have been informed that the matter is now in the process of being investigated.

I have been informed by Mr. A. S. A. that we have been misled as to the value of the property, as it is now believed that the property can be sold for a considerable profit.

If you have any interest in the matter, I would appreciate it if you would write to me.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

I have made my own decision on the matter.
We will arrange that when he gives me his opinion of 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 a very tempting bait to him; but I have withheld that, meaning to use it only as a last resource.

I will write you further from Mobile.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Cyrus Kehr
(8)

[Handwritten text]

I will write you further from Mopita, where I have arrived.}

Yours truly,

[Signature]
CHICAGO, January 21, 1896.

Major-General O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vermont.

Dear General:-

I have just fixed Friday, February 14th, for Brockton, Massachusetts. This is one of the suburbs of Boston. The engagement is with George E. Keith. This date will connect with February 12 at Burlington.

The next is Milwaukee, February 17.

Yours truly,

Cyrus Kehr.
January 8th, 1938

Dear General:

I have just received Friday, February 14th, your telegram. The

memorandum of the 2nd of February, I have sent, with

regard to the exchange of the 21st of February.

Yours truly,

[Signature]