Farmington, Me.
June 5, 1896.

Gen. O. C. Howard
Burlington, Vt.

My dear brother:

My dear mother
left us this morning at half past twelve. I am glad for her, but this will be home no longer. She has been my care, night and day, for nearly two years and a half, and I do not yet understand how I can live without her. To be sure I have my children to live for, and they are a real comfort and blessing, but my
brothers have no one to help them bear their loss.

My brother Howard especially has lived with her all his life. Very dependent upon her on account of his ill health all his younger days, and mother equally dependent upon him these last years. It is very hard for him. Henry came home two weeks ago to day. We shall probably lay her in her last resting place on Monday.

You will remember me in that day. I know.

Affy Deline
Topeka, Kansas, June 5, 1896.

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard,
New York City, N. Y.

My dear General:

The Department of Kansas G. A. R. has designated Topeka, as the place and Sept. 28, 29 and 30, and Oct. 1, 2, and 3, as the time for holding the State Reunion. Many of the old boys in blue remember you vividly and would like to have you with us at least one day during that period. A general committee of fifteen has the matter in charge, and a sub-committee, of which I am chairman, has been appointed on invitation. The matter has not been brought before the general committee, but as a member of the sub-committee and chairman, I write to know if it will be convenient for you to attend at least one day during our Reunion. If you conclude that you can be with us on that occasion, a formal invitation, with a request for information respecting transportation and entertainment will be forwarded to you.

Will you do me the kindness to write me on this subject at your earliest convenience?

Yours most respectfully,

S. B. Bradford
Chairman.
Topeka, Kansas, June 6, 1930.

Maj. Gen. O. C. Howard,
New York City, N.Y.

My Dear General:

The Department of Kansas C. A. R. are greatly interested in Topeka as the place where Sept 26, 27, 28, and Oct 1, 2, and 3, as the time for holding the State Reunion. May of the affairs done in the December of the year and some of these events amount almost to have you with me in least one car attendant.

Your attention. A general committee of fifteen has the matter in charge.

Attention. The matter has not been brought before the general committee, nor is the committee of any consequence at all. I write to know if it may be possible for you to attend if least one car, which can get your attention, a former time. If you see fit, please let me know as soon as you can have a date regarding transportation and car.

Please convey my regards to the President to convey our sincere appreciation of your visit.

Your most obedient,

Chicago.

[Signature]
June 5, 1896

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

My dear Sir:—

Dr. Albert Shaw, the editor-in-chief of this magazine, and I have been discussing where we might obtain a really valuable account of what part military discipline plays in the general education of schoolboys at the military schools of to-day. We want to get a short article on this subject to publish in front of some descriptions of particular military schools which are to be printed in our advertising supplement of the July issue, and the descriptions themselves will be paid for. I had no hesitation in asking you if you will find it convenient and congenial to write such a short article in this connection, because we have had some well-known gentlemen who helped us in the same way, notably the eminent architect Mr. J. Cleveland Cady and the famous "Adiron-dock" Murray. Of course there would be no chance of confounding the part of the feature which your article represented with the advertisements themselves.

We feel that you know better than anyone else, and can say in 1,500 words more clearly than anyone else, just the value which the drilling, uniforming and disciplining of boys by military methods has in helping them to become good scholars and preparing them to be fine men physically and mentally. If you can make an essay on the subject of 1,500 words we should be exceedingly obliged to you. We feel that the readers of the "Review of Reviews," many thousands of course of whom have boys whose schooling they are interested in,
June 3, 1943

Dear Mr. E. Cannon,

I am writing in response to the notification you have sent me regarding the

I understand your concern about the matter, and I assure you that I am taking

as necessary to address the situation.

I hope this message finds you well.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
and many of whom are considering the military school, would be exceedingly interested in getting some specific information on the part which the military feature plays in the education of the boy.

We are sorry that there is very little time left to us to get this article into the hands of the printers, and if you can do it we should be very much obliged if it could be gotten to us within a week. We should be glad to offer you an honorarium $20 per thousand words, and you could write anything between 1,000 and 2,000 words that you cared to make it.

Thanking you in advance for anything you may be able to do to help us in the matter.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Business Manager.
Dear Sirs,

I was much interested in the article you published in your paper concerning the latest developments in the field of technology. It is good to see such progress being made.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Address]
June 5, 1876.

Dear General:

I take the liberty of writing to ask a favor of you—a favor of such importance to me that I sincerely hope you may be able to grant it.

I intend to place on file at the War Department an application for appointment as major in the Adjutant-General's Department, and if you can give me a favorable letter to fill with my application I know that it will greatly increase my chances of success, and I shall be obliged to you beyond measure.

I have been a commissioned officer twenty-one years, and I believe that during that time my service has met with the general approval of my superiors. I served under you when you were in command of the De-
particular of the plate, and I have met
you on several occasions in Omaha, at Fort
Douglas, and at Fort Leavenworth. You are
perhaps acquainted with the nature of the
work in which I have been engaged at
the Infantry and Cavalry School, and I
hope I am sufficiently well known to you,
personally and by reputation, to justify
you in favoring me with the desired letter.
My hopes of appointment rest almost en-
tirely upon the recommendations of my mili-
tary superior, and if I can include among
these recommendations a letter from you, I
shall deem myself very fortunate.

With sincere regards, I am, General,

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

Arthur Wagner,

To Major General A. D. Howard, A.S.R., Captain, 6th Infantry.

Burlington,

Vt.
NORWICH UNIVERSITY.
President's Office.

Northfield, Vermont.

June 5, 1896.

Gen. O.O. Howard,
Burlington Vt.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of June 4th containing check for $500 has been received. I hope that you will be with us at commencement. A substantial gain has been made in the past year, affording encouragement as to the future. The proficiency of the corps in all military subjects is greater than for a long time past. I think that you will be pleased with its appearance.

Truly yours,

Charles D. He
May 22, End 149

5 June 1876

Maj. G'll Howard
Burlington Va.

My dear General,

Last March
you were so kind as to

favor me a letter directed

li Col. Ainsworth giving

additional facts upon

which the act Dec. 7

war, the 2 a 3 times

refused, could give me

the Medal of Honor.

The letter was so strong

and to kindly command

that I was worthy.
to have it nullified by another refusal that I hesitated to go in too hasty to present it myself. But my sons to whom I showed it over persuaded me to delay its presentation until the next administration on the ground that this administration is evidently hostile, and that another refusal...
and any letters directed
to me here will be
only forwarded.
Believe me, Sir,
Yours truly,

G. Stahl

Dear General,

I should like to ask a favor of you in this way. I have a friend of mine Henry E. Maker of No 48 Harvard St. Dorchester, Boston Mass. who was at the Military School of Carlisle Pa. and was assigned to the 4th U.S. Artillery, Battery Me. and served the full term of 5 years in the field; man what I would like to day is to this he has papers in Washington for an increase of Pension. Something or a
two years and has not been acted upon and probably due to a Democratic Administration. Well if we live God grant a change. Could you or your away to the office stop in and see how far they have got with a good Republican soldier like my friend Henry. Maker. Please ask for you would confer a great favor for the writer an old friend of yours and a brother Church Member of the old Christi St. Church. A.Y. City and friend of John Jacob.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Dear General Howard:—

I called at the hotel to see you three times on the day after the lecture and I regretted very much that I failed to find you. I learned, however, afterwards that Mr. Brown had you out to his school and I suppose you were visiting other friends.

I wanted to see you especially in reference to the result of the lecture. I was terribly disappointed, because I had worked hard to make it a success. As I had stated to the friends on whom I had called, not only because we wanted to make a little money for our Colored Young Men's Christian Association but because we wanted to do honor to you who had had been so long a friend to the young colored men of this City.

I sent you an article that I wrote for the Colored American here, in order to reach some of the young men whom I felt should ever be grateful to you and aid in anything in which you were interested. I had visited personally nearly all of the colored ministers and some of the white ministers in this City to interest them in our lecture.

I had advertised most extensively with large posters in addition to sending out over 2,000 invitations to prominent people whose presence I had reason to expect. I personally visited Gen. Miles, Judge Harlan and many others with the hope of having them present on the occasion of the lecture.

With the Star, the Post and Times I advertised to the extent of $26. With circulars, posters and invitations I advertised to the extent of $43 and paid $50 for the hall. You may imagine my disappointment when the audience numbered only seventy-seven people and the receipts from the same $34.50. Of course I had already paid these bills in cash and as the Association is poor I can scarcely expect them to refund me the money. This I do not grieve over, however, as much as I do the fact the audience was not what I expected, nor what it should have been under the circumstances that many of our people understood. This was your first appearance here and you had been instrumental in days gone by in helping hundreds of young men here in this City who might have made a sacrifice to attend the lecture for your sake, if not for the sake of the Association.

Of course, since the lecture is over many of them have come to me expressing their regret and sorrow at not being able to come. I know that many entertainments occurred on the same night of the lecture that drew away the people.

First of all the commencement exercises of Howard University a
Dear General Hayward:

I renew the request to the Board of Education, and urge your support, that the educational achievement of our children be the top priority, as I believe in the importance of education. As I have often emphasized, education is the key to a better future. I recall your promise to make a little difference in the lives of those less fortunate, and I urge you to continue to do so.

I understand the challenges faced by the Rumford School, and I applaud the efforts of the school to improve educational opportunities. I urge you to consider the needs of all students, regardless of their background or circumstances.

I hope you will take action to ensure that the Rumford School is well supported and equipped to meet the needs of its students. I remain committed to supporting the Rumford School and its students, and I encourage you to do the same.

Sincerely,

James H. Meriwether
Attorney at Law

SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS & PATENTS
ROOMS 7, 8, AND 9, DAVIS BUILDING
401 PENN AVENUE, NORFOLK
TELEPHONE NO. 411
and then the entertainment for the benefit of the fireman who had recently lost their lives at a large fire which occurred on 13th Ave., several weeks ago.

We had two reasons for not putting out tickets on the occasion of your lecture. The first was, it did not occur to many of us that such a scheme was necessary when it was announced that Gen. Howard was to lecture that his name alone ought to be sufficient to draw the people, especially if it were thoroughly advertised.

The second reason was that usually it is difficult to collect the money in time to meet the expenses in case of renting a public hall, where payment is required in advance.

I can say this Gen. Howard that I am not alone in realizing the fact that a large number of people did not attend, but should have done so. Many of these folks have been to see me since, expressing their regret and sorrow and said that if the lecture should ever be repeated they will take a personal interest in seeing that an audience is secured. Brown, Shedd, Smith, Russell and many others say they will take their coats off and redeem the effort of May 26th. if an opportunity is given. It occurred to me that if next fall you would be good enough to give us an opportunity of redeeming ourselves we would take a great deal of pleasure in doing so and I believe that we can do so with great credit to ourselves and with great honor to you.

I do not what to say about the money matter of the last lecture. I simply say this that what ever you regard as the right and proper thing to do shall be done even if I have to foot the bill, which of course I will have to do. I am sure you went to some expense in coming to Washington. I am willing to bear these expenses if it is your desire and what ever you think I ought to do in the premises.

I wish to say further if you are willing to come to us next fall that we may have an opportunity of redeeming ourselves, in the matter of the lecture, that we will send you a check for whatever the amount may be in advance as an evidence of our good faith as well as a determination to make the lecture a success.

With the very best wishes for you and your family,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

I should have written earlier but I knew you were going to Hartford after hearing from you. I hope the bill that you are at home.
The National Tribune.
(ESTABLISHED 1877.)
The Great National Soldier and Home Weekly Newspaper.

Washington, D. C., June 6, 1897.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Springfield, Mass.

Comrade:

The issues, copies of which you requested in a previous letter were forwarded you at Burlington, Vt., about a week ago. Today we received a letter from you requesting copies of the issue mentioned before. Did you not receive those sent you at Burlington? If not, we will make an effort to find copies for you.

Yours in F., C. & L.,

THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE.
The National Grimme

[Text is not legible or clear]
Dear Harry:

Your letter about the die came. I will attend to it. This is a new typewriting machine which I am trying for my use at home. When Mr. MoEwan, my stenographer, writes for me at home, he will use it. It is a Blickensderfer, the latest and lightest machine out; visible writing; two sets of type; one small like this, one large for manuscript, which can be put on in two minutes. The machine weighs 6 pounds and does its work as well as the best. Its cost is $35. It is made in Waterbury, Ct. This is my first attempt with it. The key-board is different from others. That does not bother me because I do not know any; but it troubles other persons who have used other machines. It is what is known as the rational or speed key-board.

We are all pretty well. We are always glad to hear from you and Burlington. Adelheid will write soon. With love to all from all,

Affectionately Your Brother

JAMIE.
BEST HEALS.

Your letter about the letter came which I am waiting for my use at home.

I have a new typewriter which I am writing to my sister to use at home. Will use it.

It is a Portable, the least and lightest machine out there. It can be brought in two minutes. The machine weighs 6 pounds and you can work as well as the best. It is made in Westport, CT, and as well as the best. It is cost is 38.40. It is made in Westport, CT.

This is my first attempt with it. The key board is different from others.

Now does not bother me because I do not know myself it turns out other persons who have used other machines. It is what is known as the Pearson.

So to speak key board.

We see all pretty well. We are always easy to hear from you and write.

With love to all from all.

Affectionately,

Yours,

JAMIE.
You and your other books in my own little library, especially with the added value which they have for me in being your gifts.

I often speak of the week past and the pleasure your presence gave us. It is such friends as yourself which make life worth while, and m-

My dear Susie Howard,

I want to thank you for the books which came to Mother and myself yesterday. You Three Prizes there very highly and I enjoy them very much. I am already deeply interested in "Tabella" and I am so glad to have
Thank God for them, and take courage.

You have had several callers since you left us, and the card which I enclose was asked to be sent you.

The Poor are glad your people are to leave you with them again, and we recognize our loss to be their gain. Please receive from us all very warmly to them, and feel their love. Sincerely we desire to know them.

We hope you will pass on May 6th again. In the meantime, we all send you our love, and in appreciation of your friendship I shall try to leave my
little book written
of the honor you
Do it. Pray for its
Success — not that
it shall be laden
me — that it may do
Some little good in
the minds.

Good night.
When you are not too
merry, wish to
You very earnest little
friend.
Alice B. Mitchell