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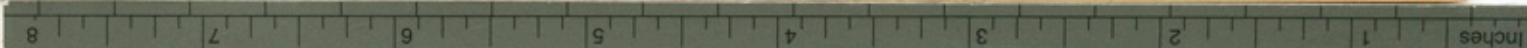
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 Gen. O. O. Howard
 165 College St.
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 Report to Hon S. M. Rodick Bar Harbor
 Maine Tuesday August 25th instead
 of at Ellsworth as previously notified
 Change made by Maine Committee
 acknowledge receipt
 Powell Clayton



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1896

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Augusta, Maine, Aug. 20th, 1896.

Gen'l O. D. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.

My dear General:-

I have changed your appointment from Farmington Wednesday afternoon, August 26th, to Dover Wednesday evening, August 26th. I found it to be too long a ride from Bar Harbor to Farmington, and the soldiers of Dover made a special request for you. Please note the change. Everything else is as I have written it.

I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. H. Manley

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1890

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Augusta, Maine, Aug. 20th, 1890.

Genl O. E. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

My dear General:-

I have changed your appointment from Burlington
Wednesday afternoon, August 28th, to Dover Wednesday evening, August
29th. I found it to be too long a ride from Burlington to Burlington,
and the soldiers of Dover made a special request for you. Please
accept the change. Everything else is as I have written it.

I am,

Sincerely yours,

JOSEPH H. MANLEY

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United States Senate,

~~WASHINGTON, D. C.,~~

Proctor, Vt., August 20, 1896.

Dear Gen. Howard :-

Am glad to hear your favorable opinion of the canvass. Sorry I have not been able to hear you make a political speech, but am confident you have contributed materially to a successful result. I hope your native state, where you go, will do as well as we shall. I do not expect 40,000 majority here, but I do expect 30,000 and over. Wishing you success and personal satisfaction in your labors, I am

Very truly yours,

Richard Proctor

Gen. O. O. Howard,
156 College Street,
Burlington, Vt.

Proctor, Vt., August 20, 1898.

Dear Gen. Howard :-

Am glad to hear your favorable opinion of the canvass. Sorry I have not been able to hear you make a political speech, but am confident you have contributed materially to a successful result. I hope your next five states, where you go, will do as well as we shall. I do not expect 40,000 majority here, but I do expect 30,000 and over. Wishing you success and personal satisfaction in

your labors, I am

Very truly yours,

Frederick H. Wood

Gen. O. C. Howard,
186 College Street,
Burlington, Vt.



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Enosburgh Falls, Vt., Aug. 20th, '96. 189

(Dictated Letter.)

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

My dear Sir:-

Your esteemed favor at hand, with statement of your expenses.

I hand you an order herewith for \$84.28. This gives you \$25.00 a night for three nights, under the assignment of the Committee, one night at Montpelier, one at Newport and one at Essex Junction. You can send this to Hon. P. K. Gleed, Treasurer, at Morrisville, and he will send you a check for same.

Yours etc.,

O. Merrill

Chairman.

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Enosburgh Falls, Vt., Aug. 30, 1891

(Discovered, later.)

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.
My dear Sir:-

I have just received from you a check for \$25.00, which I have deposited in my bank. This gives you \$25.00 in full for three nights, under the agreement of the Committee, one night at Montpelier, one at Newport and one at Essex Junction. You can send this to Hon. P. K. Clark, Treasurer, at Montpelier, and he will send you a check for same.

Yours etc.,

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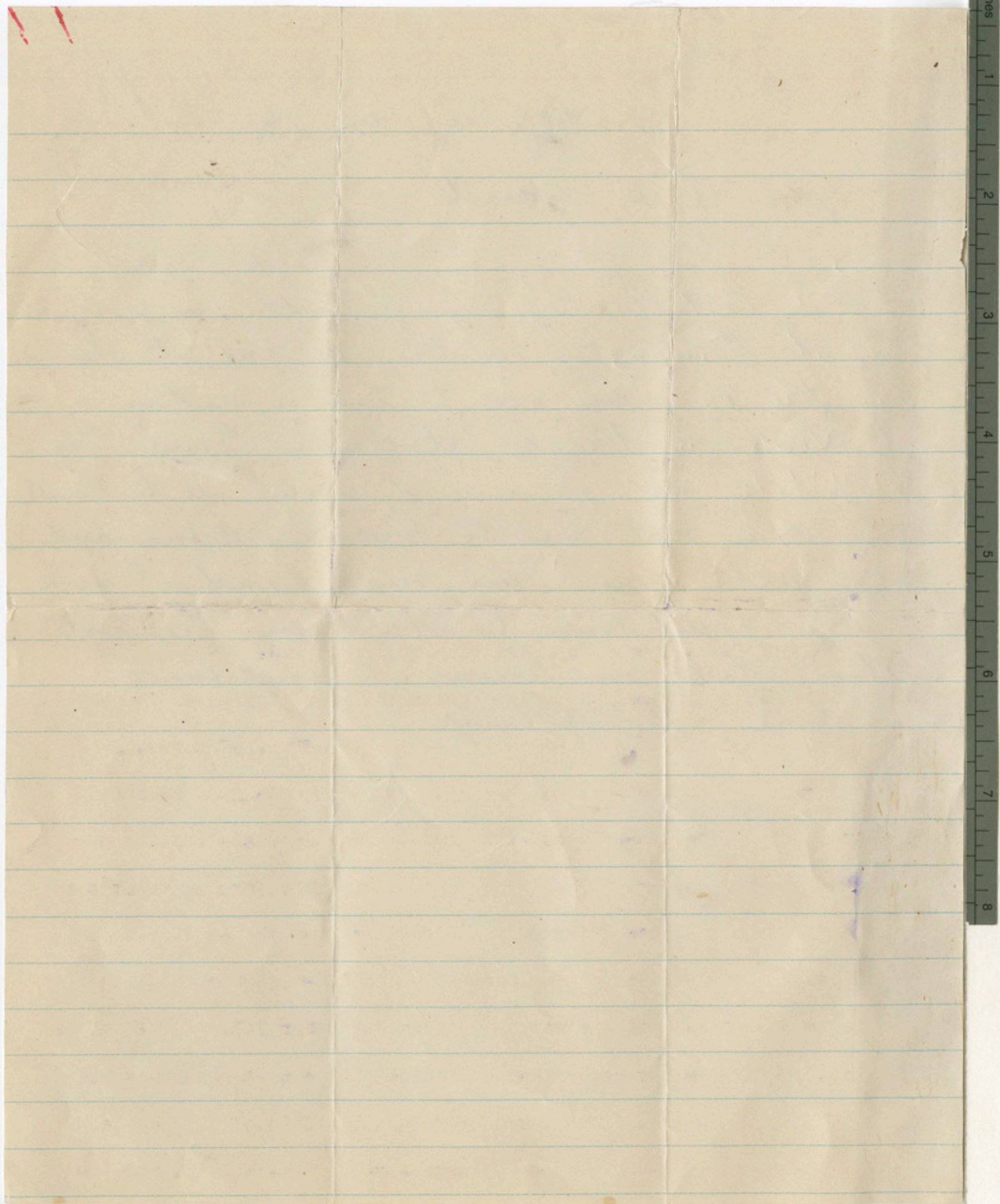
Oliver Merrill

Leeds Aug 20 96

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Gen O. O. Howard

I recd your
letter last evening saying that you would
be at Farmington on the 22 and at Auburn
on the 23. We are to have a meeting
at Leeds on the 27 at which Powers the
Candidate for Governor of Maine is to speak
Why can not you be present. Come and
stop with me over night and I will
take you down to Auburn the next
day. Let me know if you will
Come D. G. Lothrop



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Augusta, Maine, Aug. 20th, 1896.

Gen'l O. D. Howard,

Care S. H. Rodick, Bar Harbor.

My dear General:-

I have changed your appointment from Farmington Wednesday afternoon, August 26th, to Dover Wednesday evening, August 26th. I found it to be too long a ride from Bar Harbor to Farmington, and the soldiers of Dover made a special request for you. Please note the change. Everything else is as I have written it.

I am,

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J. H. Manley

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Augusta, Maine, Aug. 20th, 1896.

Gen. J. O. G. Howard,

Care E. H. H. Harbor, Bar Harbor.

My dear General:-

I have changed your appointment from Bangor to
Bangor, August 20th, to Bangor Wednesday evening, August
20th. I found it was too late for the Bangor meeting,
and the soldiers of Bangor made a special request for you. Please
the change. Everything else is as I have written it.

I am,

Sincerely yours,

Joseph H. Manley

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American Merchant Marine Association,

42 EAST 23d STREET, NEW YORK.

Aug. 20th, 1896.

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Geo. O. H. Howard,
O. O. H.

Burlington, Vt.

Dear Sir:- Through the courtesy of the Republican National Headquarters I have received a list of their speakers, including your name. I write for the purpose of asking your attention to the plank in the Republican National Platform, in favor of the restoration of American shipping to the carrying of American foreign commerce, by the "early American policy" of discriminating duties, and which was by charging imports in foreign ships a higher duty than imports in American ships were charged, thus creating a preference for the use of American ships. This policy, as accompanying data, under separate cover, will show, gave American ships the carriage of 90 per cent of our foreign commerce during the 39 years it was in force. Free trade in the carriage of American foreign commerce was adopted in 1828, and has been continually in force ever since, the consequence of which has been to reduce the carriage of our imports from 91 to 11 per cent in American ships.

If you will kindly refer to this policy in your speeches, and state that several hundred millions of dollars, now annually sent abroad to pay foreign shipowners for carrying our commerce, would, under the adoption of the policy to which the Republican Party is pledged, be paid to American workingmen and retained in the United States, and spent over and over again among the American people, instead of enriching foreign nations and peoples for doing the business that we can better do for ourselves, you would be pointing out a way to in part settle the money question, and at the same time extend the benefits of protection to a

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great national industry, the rehabilitation of which may be the salvation of the nation if ever menaced by a foreign power, or obliged to enforce the Monroe Doctrine. And it should be remembered that the only possible danger that now confronts the United States is upon our seaboard, or the sea, where, strangely enough, the United States is not only weak, but almost impotent, both in a navy and a merchant marine, the latter being a necessary recourse for the former, both in ships and in men, in times of national peril.

In the hope, therefore that your future speeches will not fail to include some reference to the proposed restoration of the discriminating duties policy, in the interest of American shipowning, in the interest of American workingmen, in the interest of protection and a strengthened treasury, I have the honor to remain,

Sincerely, yours,

A. R. Smith
Secretary.

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Sincerely, yours,

Secretary.

Young Men's Era.

The representative paper of the Young Men's Christian Associations.

Office, Association Building, Chicago, Ill.

Frank W. Ober, Managing Editor.

Address to Sept. 1st, E. Northfield, Mass.

E. Northfield, Mass., Aug. 21, 1896.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

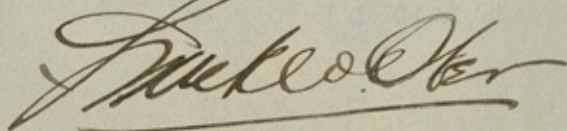
Burlington, Vt.

My dear General Howard:

Please accept our sincere and most hearty thanks for the article which you contributed for our paper.

I trust the paper may mean much to the lives of men, and that your article may bestir in the hearts of men who have not realized their responsibility as Christian citizens a desire to heartily labor for their country and their God.

Sincerely yours,



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Sincerely yours



Rutland, Vt.

Aug. 21. 1896.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

My Dear General:

The Photograph

Came yesterday, safe & sound, for which
I thank you most sincerely. It revives
old memories & days long past. I shall
always look upon it as a treasure as
it pictures my first & most respected
Commander as he appeared at Bush Kill
Vt. in July 1861. With best wishes I
remain as ever

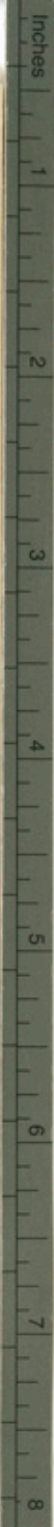
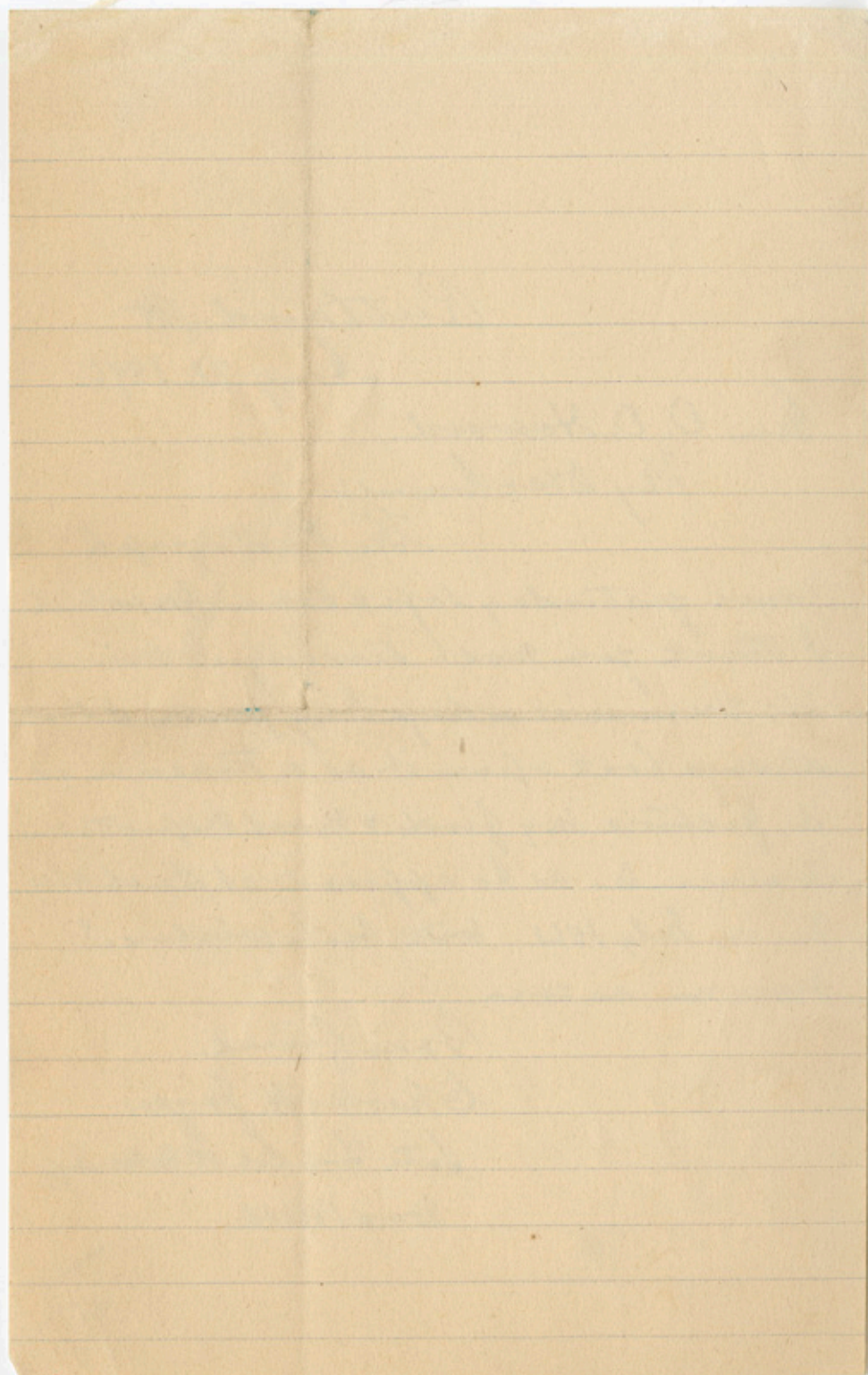
Your friend

Charles H. Joyce

Late Lieut. Col. 1st Vt. Vol. Infy.

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Boston, Aug 21 1896

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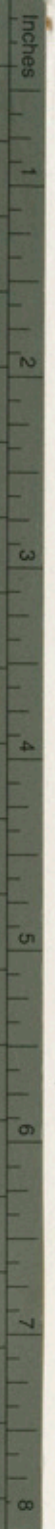
My dear General:

Your favor Aug 20th

at hand. I am inclined to think that I shall not receive any appointments to speak in Maine as I have heard nothing lately from Mr. Manly. Of course I have not any reputation to make me a drawing card and no one that way knows anything about my ability as a speaker. I am glad however that I got them on your track and I ~~can~~ get you listed here in Mass I think if you would like to have me do so.

So I should like to have joined you in Maine. I should have enjoyed going about with you there more than any thing I can think of.

Very sincerely Yours
Edgar Achorn



THOMAS O. HENRY
DOUGLASS ST. BAY

TO REMONT ROW

Boston

Aug 21

Dear Mr. Thomas

My dear friend

Your favor of the 10th
of July has been received. I am
glad to hear of your
return to the country. I have
not any reputation to make
in the country and no one
that would care to speak
of it. I am however that I
get them on the track and I
think if you would like
to have your do so.

I should like to have
you in the country. I have
about with you there more than
any thing I can think of.
Very truly yours
Richard D. Webb

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS,

UNION BUILDING,

WASHINGTON, D. C. August 21, 1896.

General O. O. Howard,
156 College Street,
Burlington, Vermont.

Dear Sir:

In my endeavor to complete the files of the publications of the Adjutant General's Office for the document library of this office I have come to the Freedmen's Bureau. I have the 9th semi-annual report, the Report of the Commissioner of Dec. 2, 1867, and the annual reports for 1873-77. Can you send me any other or all other publications of the Bureau? I shall be glad to exchange for the reports you may send me, anything I have duplicate copies of which you may be in need of.

I enclose a report of the Bureau of Education containing a list of the publications of the Bureau: see p. 1040.

May I trouble you to send me a copy of the title page, imprint, and a memorandum of the number of pages of those reports which you are unable to send me? In this way I will be able to complete the bibliographical record of these publications. I enclose frank for the return of the pamphlet.

Very truly yours,

F. A. Cramball

Superintendent of Documents.

(Enclosure)

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Very truly yours,

F. M. Chandler

Superintendent of Documents.

(Enclosure)

Farmington, Me.
Aug 21. 1896.

Genl. C. C. Howard
Burlington, Vt.

My dear brother -

We think the
Com. did a very wise thing
to appoint you to speak
in Farmington. We shall
all be very glad to wel-
come you to our new
home, on "Zion's Hill." -

We moved last week
and are not yet settled
but I comfort myself
with the thought that

a soldier, of all people,
knows what it is to move.

Ella and Rowhi are both
at home and very happy
in anticipation of their
uncle Otis' visit -

In great haste,
Your aff. sister
Helen -

MOHONK LAKE, N. Y.
August 21st, 1896.

My dear Sir:-

The Fourteenth Annual Mohonk Indian Conference will be held here Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 14th, 15th and 16th.

Mrs. Smiley joins me in extending a most cordial invitation for yourself and wife to be present as our guests. We should be pleased to welcome you on Tuesday so as to be present at the opening meeting Wednesday morning. The last session will be held Friday evening, and you are invited to remain until Saturday morning.

A time-table is enclosed giving trains by which Mohonk may be reached. Tickets should be taken only to New Paltz where my carriage will meet you.

Hoping to hear that you will be with us, believe me,

Very truly yours,

Albert K. Smiley.

By *A. Smiley*

To

Gen. O. O. Howard.

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Raugon Aug. 21/96

My dear Genl.

I see by the
papers, that you are
to be in Raugon on the 2^d
of Sept. - I write to ask
you to come directly to our
house and be our guest
while you remain here.
And further - we should
be delighted if Mr Howard
would come with you -
Can we not have the pleasure
of a visit from you both?

Very truly Yours
J. B. Foster

My dear Sir,
I have the pleasure
to inform you that your
letter of the 10th inst. has
been received. I have
been thinking of writing
you for some time but
have been so busy that
I could not find time.
I am now in the city
and will be home in
a few days. I will
write you again soon.
Very truly yours,
J. H. [Signature]



we are dear Gail, Respectfully Yrs.

W. H. Lane 20th U.S.C.T.
Walter Dupree 2nd L.A.N.C.
James Wilson 54th Mass Col
Geo. Jones Gunners Mate
U.S. of War Reserves
to A. Gatewood
3rd U.S.C.T.
John Williams
1st L.A.N.C.
William Jackson
54th Mass Col

answered
O.C.H.

Springfield Club.

Lawrence Mass.

Aug. 21 96.

To Maj Gail O. O. Howard
156, College St.
Burlington Vt.

Sr. Sir, and ~~Comrade~~ Comrade!

We the undersigned members of
the colored soldiers and sailors
monumental ass'n organized at the
National Encampment ~~in~~
of the C.A.R. in Detroit in 1891 write
for your opinion as to the feasibility
of our plan to erect a monument to
our fallen comrades in the National
Cemetery at Arlington Va. though
organized since '91, we have
not yet commenced operations we
find that we can at a cost of about
\$10,000 dollars erect a very creditable
creditable? one.

our Plan is to raise the money —
^{among} entirely our own People but we think
that help us to have ~~and~~ an expression
from some of our old ~~Leaders~~ Leaders?
our Plan is to visit most of the
large cities and make ~~dime collections~~
dime collections, by this way in
working among our own G. A. R. Posts
and W. R. C. Corps and own churches —
we can ~~so~~ ~~so~~ easily collect a
hundred thousand dimes which —
would give us the \$10,000 dollars
required, ~~in~~ it is a disgrace to the
11,000,000 of our People that ~~in~~
30 years after the war there is —
nothing in ^{the} whole Country to —
commemorate the valiant deeds
of the "Black Phalanx" on many
Bloody fields.

Address W. H. Lane
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Chicago, Ill. Aug. 21st. 1896.

General O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

Dear Brother:-

I have your letter of August 18th. Am glad to know of the dates of your appointments in Maine. I write this in order to reach you if possible before you leave home.

Your statement in regard to my absence from the army and date of my return, etc. was very explicit, but I don't know but it would be better to abstract just the points needed and take something in more of an official form. I will draw up a statement, which I would be glad to have you sign, merely covering the points needed, and putting it in a kind of official style rather than a letter to me. It would be better to have it on your headed paper I think. Of course you must make any modification that you see fit, but I think I have covered the points they ask for as far as your letter relating to the matter will warrant.

Very truly yours,

C. H. Howard

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Chicago, Ill. Aug. 21st. 1892.

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Burlington, Vt.

Dear Brother:-

I have your letter of August 18th. Am glad to know of the dates of your appointments in Maine. I write this in order to reach you if possible before you leave home.

Your statement in regard to my absence from the army and date of my return, etc. was very explicit, but I don't know but it would be better to abstract just the points needed and take something

in more of an official form. I will draw up a statement which I would be glad to have you sign, merely covering the points needed, and putting it in a kind of official style rather than a letter to me. It would be better to have it on your headed paper I think.

Of course you must make any modification that you see fit, but I think I have covered the points they ask for as far as your letter relating to the matter will warrant.

Very truly yours,

C. H. Howard

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I further certify that I took Major Howard with me when I left the 2nd. Division of the 2nd. Corps to assume command of the 11th. Corps. I took command of the 2nd. Division, a Major General's command, entitling me to Major General's aids on September 17th. 1862, and was ^{formally in orders} ~~promptly~~ assigned, January 26th. 1863. My promotion to Major General was dated December 29th. 1862.

On April 2nd. 1863, in obedience to orders and assignment of the President, I assumed command of the 11th. Corps and Major Howard was on duty with me with that Corps from that date in the spring of 1863. ^PPrevious to April, while we were on duty with the 2nd. Division of the 2nd. Corps, ~~and~~ I and my aids, including my Senior Aid, C. H. Howard, were undoubtedly paid by the paymaster who paid that Division. The month of March was the last month I was with the 2nd. Division of the 2nd. Corps. My aid, C. H. Howard, was then on duty with me at the headquarters near ~~East~~ ^Bmouth, VI. I cannot state more exactly as to when, where and by whom I and my aids were paid, although I have a somewhat indefinite recollection that Major Robie, afterwards Gov. of Maine, was our paymaster about that time.

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