Nov 8th 1896

G. W. BALLOCH,

PATENTS, CLAIMS, INSURANCE,

P. O. Box 557.


Gen. O.O. Howard,

Dear Gen.,

It has been my custom for many years to congratulate you on each returning birthday. I think the candidates for President McKinley will prolong both our lives. Please accept my best wishes for your continued health and prosperity, and may many years of peace and happiness be multiplied to you.

Sincerely yours,

G. W. Balloch

229
Fort Robinson, Neb.
Nov. 9, 1896.

General C. E. Howard

Dear General:

I include here with certain autographic documents relative to service I have performed since you refreshed me so kindly in Washington November, 1895. My leaving you at that time gave me many opportunities, more than usually fall to the share...
must be elicited, but such a condition exists and must be accepted as it is. And where the candidate for such advancement can show the need, you will find set forth in the accompanying document. 

I believe the end justifies the means. I recently declined appointment as Regimental and Post Quartermaster, tendered me by my Colonel.
to advance my name and the interests of my profession. Regarding myself I can refer you to Dr. Edward Wing, whom I recently accompanied on his hunting trip south of Yellowstone Park.

And, finally, in justification of the remark of my dear old friend in this letter, I can only quote a remark often repeated by my grandmother from the Department Commander a special commendatory report upon the work I accomplished. I have now established my parents in a home I presented them, near Seattle, in Medford. Purchased from savings of my savings during the past eight years. Father has retired from regular pastoral work and enjoys...
There to live and enjoy a well-earned rest. He and another are in part dependent upon me for support and thus it is that my pecuniary settlement of my condition is particularly to be fought. I am still human and likely to remain so until I can see my way more clearly to a competence, or at least independence.

I particularly invite your attention to the extract from A. N. Journal: Letting forth a military invention of my own, which has attracted much attention and bids fair to ultimately succeed. I do so, too, that you may note that I have not during periods of inactive station life, given myself over to the usual diversion and dissipation of members of the line at 265 1/2 barrack, but have done what I could.
Dear Lucinda (and wonder if old letters) that "if you don't
Plan your own home
nobody else will."
Very sincerely,

Guy H. Pearson,
[Handwritten address]

P.S.—Kindly return to me the documents as I naturally value them
very highly. Z. H. P.
Junctett Harbor, New York.

(P.O. Box 147) Nov 4th 1895.

General O.O. Howard, USA.

Burlington, Vt.

Dear General,

I thought I would write you a few lines. I was released from the army last January. I went to New York City, but could not get anything to do. So I came back here. I have been working since the 1st of May, until the 1st of November. Since then I have been doing nothing. In fact there is nothing to do in this business. Perhaps the General could do something for me. I should be glad to do any thing when I can't get steady employment. Thanking you for former favors and hoping yourself and family are in good health.

I remain very respectfully, your obedient servant,

James Ward.

Late Presenee.
Nov. 9th, 1896,

Major General O.O. Howard,

My Dear General,

I thank you very much for the hat band received this day. I shall treasure it as a souvenir not alone of the wonderful campaign Tour which I was privileged to behold, but also as a memento of one whose services to the Republic are indelibly written on the pages of history. I thank you also for the expressions in your letter over the victory at the polls. They should be known to the People.

I send you by this mail copies of the Journal with a report of the speech you made at Pullman, also one containing Gen. Sildes' answer to "Come" Harvey at Clinton, for Harvey came to Detroit and had the hardihood to denounce my utterances at Clinton, whereupon I refused to any notes and published Gen. Sildes' remarks.

I shall take pleasure in sending you, as soon as I can procure Gen. Alger's autograph to it, one of the titles taken by "The Journal" at Jacksonville, Oct. 21st.

Very truly yours, Joseph Frencel.
THE DETROIT JOURNAL

Dear Friend,

I appreciate the mention of my presentation on the importance of innovation in education. I believe that embracing new technologies and methods is crucial for our students' future success. I encourage all educators to explore different approaches to teaching and learning.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
General O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vermont.

My Dear General:

Your letter awaited me on my arrival at the office this morning, and I hasten to reply. I join with you in the "joy of victory" and I realize that you may be somewhat distressed over Nebraska and Kansas, as I am, but think of Tanner's distress. Where will he go now for a corpse to start the funeral cortage. Nebraska has furnished it of course, but declined to emphasize that fact by her vote. She was compelled to furnish it; didn't do it very willingly. I presume you notice that I am nearer the truth in my predictions for Pennsylvania than our mutual friends, General Sickles and Corporal Tanner were for New-York.

I note the serious portion of your letter and I must say there is a great deal of force in it, and I have given the thing considerable thought. I hope, however, that Providence will so shape affairs that all will be right; Providence was surely with us in the last campaign. Hoping to have the great pleasure and honor of an early meeting with you, I am, with great respect,

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]
Your letter was read by me for my reference at the office the next day and I wrote your name in the envelope. I hope you understand I join with you in the joy of victory and the sense of the great and momentous change that has come to pass. We shall soon be ready to start the tremendous campaign that will go on in the future. I have no doubt you will see the importance of the present situation and the necessity for us to stand together and support the great cause.

Yours sincerely, [Signature]
Major-General O.O. Howard,
BURLINGTON, Vermont.

My dear General:

Ever since my last letter to you the subject matter of it has been continually present in my mind. I much wanted to see you at the close of the meeting at Carnegie Hall, but when I looked around for you you had disappeared. I am ready now gladly to take hold in whatever may be the most efficient way to help you secure the appointment to be Secretary of War, and will be glad to know what has been or is being done in that particular. The drift of my own thought, however, has been toward your being appointed United States Minister to Turkey, and if I can do it without interfering with what your friends may have done in the other direction indicated, I would like to bring to the attention of Major McKinley the fact that, next after alleviating the Armenian horrors, there is no American interest in Turkey so near to the heart of this people as its Protestant Missionary establishments there; and there is certainly no man in this country so near to the heart of those Americans in whom those Missionary establishments have had their origin and upon whom they are still dependent for support. The opportunity moreover, seems to me from the standpoint of those interests which you have most at heart, a very exceptional one, and it is possible that your military reputation and accomplishments
MY DEAR SIR,

I am writing to express my gratitude for your kind consideration. Your assistance has been invaluable in the successful completion of our project. I am particularly grateful for your patience and understanding throughout the process.

I hope this message finds you well. Please accept my sincere thanks for your efforts. I look forward to the opportunity to work with you again in the future.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
may prove an invaluable supplement to those things which seem to me to make it especially desirable that you should go there.

Please write to me at your earliest convenience, in reply.

Affectionately,

(Wager Swynson)
319-Keilbut Ave.

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Nov. 9, 1896

Genl. O.C. Howard

Dear Genial

You will recall my speaking to you nine or ten years ago as I stood after your address at Elgin - July 4th when I stated to you that I had as little boy named for you that was very desirous to go with me to Elgin that he might see and hear you, but as he could not do so he was more than pleased when it was announced that you would spend a few hours here Oct. 10th and I assume you have, as well as myself, been an attentive listener to that most earnest appeal to little (The Osage Republican of Illinois) to stand true to Country flag as she noble died in '61 to '65. Genl. Howard has been here with the 1st of the 85th Illinois Infantry. As little Howard could not take your hand here he asked if he might write to you and the enclosed letter is his own which he requests me to address - It was full 20 years since I had seen you - until at Elgin, as I left the "Osage" work in July 79 after 8 mons with B.T. 15th Illinois - and while I was quite interested in your cable address my mind reverted to the time I first heard you speak at Head Gro at East Point the first Sabbath morning in Fall 64 after one of the reserve...
[Handwritten text starting from top:]
Belvidere, Ill. Nov. 9/96.

Dear General,

You may be surprised to receive a letter from me. I saw you and heard you speak at Belvidere but did not have a chance to speak to you. I am seven years old, and am in the third room at school. I have a little sister named Sillian, with black hair. She is five years old. My eyes are blue, like yours. PAPA has your picture that he got at Beaufort, S.C. I should prize one of you now very much. I will close with Hurrah for McKinley!

Yours respectfully,

Howard Saxton.
Maj. Genl. O. C. Howard
U.S.A.
Dear General,

I understand that you will be in St. Louis on the 16th or 17th of this month. I hope you may make it convenient to visit with me or any of my family during your stay in the vicinity. We have a room for you and will do our best to make you comfortable. To get here, you can come by steam cars from the Union Depot, taking the Iron Mountain R.R., to the Jefferson Barracks Station, or the Southern Electric Street R.R. cars on 6th and taking the conductor to get you off at the Powder Depot Station. We live ten miles south of the central business part of the city on the bank of the Mississippi—the street cars take us to...
To the city in one hour. The house is half a mile from the street railway.

Please present my respects to Mrs. Howard and remember me kindly to the children.

Sincerely yours,

John A. Kress

Yours in Christ,

James W. W. Howard
New York, Nov. 7th 1896

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

Dear General,

Your valued favor of the 6½ week came to hand and contents noted.

While I thank you for good advice and best wishes the trouble at present in to clear the titles of the sales and in the Manager case of Sheriff sales as well as the Mortgage so we can give titles however the prospect is good and better than may do the wish I am trying to find such parties to do to above which will naturally want a good share of the profit for their help and trouble and it would have been more agreeable if Members of the Company would receive such a benefit rather than outsider. The taxes are safe in hand of the land and the royalty 14 97 and I must handle to meet them by that time. The 1½ crore Banesman will probably occur between the 8½ & 15½ Dec. please let me know what these sales will be in the meantime. Bock will probably be in a few weeks before the event.

Yours truly F. Irsh.
Dear Mr. President,

I am writing to congratulate you on your successful re-election. Your leadership has been invaluable to the country, and I believe it is a testament to the American people's faith in your vision for the future.

During this period of uncertainty, I have been reflecting on the importance of unity and the need for continued dialogue. It is my hope that, as we move forward, we can find common ground and work together for the greater good.

Thank you for your service, and I wish you all the best in the years to come.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

An enclosed piece of tape, perhaps relevant to the current situation.
Tuesday, Nov. 10th, 1896

My dear Gen. Howard,

Have you just forgotten your old campfire ground?
It seems so long since I have seen you or even heard from you.
I am at home again.
& quite settled in my empty house after four months absence. I expect a letter of the Yphamis today to spend a week with me, but I'm afraid he hasn't been comfortable in the study. I should like to have you come & stay as
Elsie at Burlington, Where are
you living? I have not seen
you since last August. My
brother has been over to
see you, but has not yet
seen you. I hear that you are
living in the country.

Camp Custer

Dear Elsie,

I trust this finds you well.
I hope you will soon hear
from me. I have written to
you several times but have
not received any answer.

I am in the midst of a
new camp, and have

written to you several
times but have
received no answer.

I have seen many

friends since you left,

and am sorry to hear
that you are not well.

I hope you will soon
heal and write to me.

With affectionate love,

Elsie,

Many kind regards for the face.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
She is still an invalid - but as happy in her new friend, love that never a marriage could be possible here. Her husband is a clergyman. My musical mind somewhat of a poet so that they are not in their looks as well as in their heart's love. If I was a poet, I would go away for all up - but I have learned to be that it is more than to the feet and I am very happy in being a devoted home for him. A. Douglas - I am staying on in Clinks - I wish this season here in getting some sense back of the healing. I am very much improved in many respects and have made up my mind to it. A dear last week I called on his lots - he had Alpha and me - my sister, Emma, and her children here lived with us until the past year when Alpha's health became so poor that he has had a large family about us to continue the household with for the present, but it may here. I hope of course, that Mrs. Alpha and her partner are not better than they are at present. I have past the 8th through my niece. Jerome heard that her mother had full fledged at John's quarters, at first change, I did not hear John and his wife here at Woodbury, he has many new friends there - and my husband's last home I have repleted there - the children and I generally try to meet these once a year - so I have not managed it this year - I would like to see John often - indeed all of you dear family. He still permanently
November 10th, 1896

Gen. O.C. Howard,
Burlington, Vermont.

Dear General Howard:

We thank you very much for sending us the comment on Mr. Rose's article. We are trying to confine the discussion to the points raised by him, and as our space is limited we are obliged to omit part of your article; but the rest of it is so trenchant that we trust you will not object to this.

We shall send you in due time a check in payment for what we use, at the rate mentioned by you.

Appreciating your courtesy in the matter,

Very sincerely yours,

R. W. Johnson
November 10th, 1938

Dear General Manager:

We want you very much to continue in the same
work we assume to be important to you. may we come to lim-
ify our wish to call this article on the subject of "...

Note: I have attached to call back at your earliest pos-

I am sure you have been informed of your

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

[Note: Names and dates are difficult to decipher]
General O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vermont:—

My dear General,—It gives me great pleasure, in behalf of the Home Market Club, to extend a cordial invitation to you to be one of our guests at our Annual Reception and Dinner, to be held in Boston Tuesday evening, November 24. You are also invited to be accompanied by any members of your family whom you may desire to bring, as our guests. This invitation is in pursuance of the oral understanding between you and other members of the aggregation upon an invitation conveyed by Comrade Marden. Please advise me of your acceptance at your earliest convenience, and when you reach Boston please take a carriage for the Hotel Vendome, where the whole party will be entertained. Keep a memorandum of your expenses and you will be reimbursed before returning.

The engraved invitations and particulars about the arrangements will be sent to you in two or three days.

With distinguished consideration, I have the honor to be,

Very truly yours,

Albert Clarke.

Lady
My dear General:—It gives me great pleasure to report of the Home Market Club to extend a cordial invitation to you to be one of our members. The spirit of this association is to promote the interest of our fellow community and to help in keeping our town an attractive place to live in.

Your presence at our first meeting is not only expected, but also necessary to show our good will and enthusiasm for the improvement of our community.

Please share your knowledge and experience at our meeting. Your ideas and suggestions will be of great value to our club.

We look forward to your participation and believe that your presence will make our meeting even more informative.

Very truly yours,
My dear General:

A thousand thanks for your breezy letter—and characteristically kind, as well as breezy. I write chiefly to say that you must be with the "aggregation" at the Home annual club jamboree on the 24th in Boston.

You will have received particulars from that lecture before this reaches you. If you should fail us, it would be the plan of Boston without Boston. We must leave our routing plan.
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By the way, cannot help missing
she was so charming an addition to our parlor party in New York that I wish she might be with us again.

I want Mrs. Morden to meet
both yourself and her. If she will come, it will of course be without any expense to you. Write bald.

We hope that you will bring
her, and I will write him
promised to include her
in the invitation.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. O. C. Bowdrey
Geo. A. Morden.
Dear Sir,

Please accept my sincere thanks for your favor of Nov 7, 30, promptly to hand and also for the information contained therein. Yes I have all the evidence, I have the proceedings of the C. W. and a statement from the Judge Advocate General at W. I say that was all there was of them, they were so exceedingly short I had my misgivings about them. I wrote to know if I have other information as well, which tends to point out they have not been fair.

Your orders # 41 of 35, regulating a prisoner to sending but one letter a month has been ordered.

This mail from me has been tampered with (in one instance at least) which has been traced down pretty close, and I expect to give it to the R.O. Dept to finish, when I am ready.

As I understand your letter the only one to go to is the Gen of the Dept of the Missouri.

I believe what you say in regard...
to Mr. Meadett and think if he could get at the truth he would make it all right.
I had thought of applying to both the Sec of War and the President as a last resort if necessary.
Again thanking you for your kindness.
I remain your very respectfully,

J. H. Lockwood

#5 Clinton Place

P.S. I do not think I have not had the honor of meeting you "off the stage" but had the pleasure of hearing you at the Brooklyn Academy a year or so ago at the gathering of the Christian Endeavors.
I also had much to do with getting up the picture of the dinner to the Comte de Paris and can not recall now whether I saw you there or not.
San Francisco, Nov. 10, 1896.

Major O. O. Howard, W. S. A.

No. 156, College Street

Burlington, Vermont

Enclosed please find our check

No. ... of this date, for Wells, draft on New York Fargo Co's Bank, for $20.00

in payment of dividend No. 1400 upon your 140 shares of stock in this company.

Respectfully,

Wm. Leighton

Secretary.
H. J. Dubois
Attorney and Counsellor at Law.
No. 19 COLLEGE STREET.
(ROOMS 30 AND 31.)
Providence, R. I., Nov 13th, 1896

Maj. A. O. Howard
Burlington, Vt.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of 12th inst relative to Springfield record. I will make immediate investigation of the matter.

Yours Respectfully,

Henry J. Dubois