Dear Father,

I went to the Crawford yesterday, and he told me that Mr. Chalmers would be glad to take up the Chamberlain bicycle if called to his attention.

The papers today have had another notice that the "Pope Flyer Co." is after the Howard Chamberlin. This statement is being discussed, but it merely arises from the fact that the Receiver of my Company made a speech in open court the other day in which he stated that the "license from the Pope Co." was in his estimation "beneficial".

The papers have gotten hold of this statement & enlarged upon it. Now I thought it would do no harm for me to take a letter to Mr. Ogden, whom you know. He is the
head of "John Wiscaw" of 1747.

It would be my plan to take Mr. Finit with me. He has arranged to buy the business from the Rebels, but as soon as the arrangement is completed, he will want more capitalists to come in with him.

Can you give me a letter to Mr. Ogden saying that you son Chancy has run into a snag in his bicycle business and has got to get more capital or give up? I desire the details before you write. You might write the letter to John Wiscawmaker but I would prefer Mr. Ogden.

Yours truly,
Chancy
84 Fairmount Street,
Lowell, Mass.

Dec. 11, 1896.

My dear Reverend:

The Rev. F. K.

Stratton, pastor of St.
Paul's W. E. church

in Lowell, this largest
and most important
of the five churches
of that denomination
here, desires to have
you come to Lowell
and give an address

on the occasion of
The reopening of the 
church edifice, which
has been rebuilt.

I take pleasure in endorsing Mr. 
Shallott's request, and he will inform 
you as to our de-
tails.

Yours sincerely

Geo. R. Morden

Geo. O. O. Howard
Boston, December 12th, 1866

Gen. O. O. Howard,

My Dear Sir:

I write in behalf of the Middlesex Club of Massachusetts to extend to you a cordial invitation to be one of the guests of the Club at its banquet to be given in Boston on the evening of April 27th next in commemoration of the birthday of Gen. Grant.

The Middlesex Club is a Republican organization, including in its membership many of the public men of Massachusetts. I enclose a list of its officers and members.

Among its meetings it each year celebrates the birthdays of Lincoln and Grant. It has in the past entertained many of the prominent men of the nation, including Gen. Grant himself, and we shall be glad to add your name to the roll of its honored guests.

Trusting that you may be able to accept our invitation, I am,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Post, Middlesex Club
LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY,
CUMBERLAND GAP, TENNESSEE.

CYRUS KEHR,
101 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
CHICAGO.

Chicago December 12, 1893.

General O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.

Dear General: -

I am greatly obliged to you for sending to me Dr. Lyman Abbott's letter regarding the supposed conflict between Berea College and Lincoln Memorial University. I return Dr. Abbott's letter to you as requested. We have made a copy of it to preserve with the copy of the letter which you sent to him in reply. The reply which you made covers the ground pretty fully. The fact is that there is a large field for both schools. There is more work to be done than either can do alone during the next 20 years. I understand the distance between the two places is about 120 miles. That is an important fact for institutions designed mainly for local work. But there is a still more important fact. Berea is west of the Cumberland Range almost on the border of the Blue Grass country. I have been told that from an eminence near the Berea College one may look into the Blue Grass country. From this you will see that Berea is not central to the great mountain population. On the other side of the Cumberland Range are one nest of the greater portion of the mountain people. There is an immense area between the Cumberland Range and the Great Smoky Mountains on the border of North Carolina. Lincoln
Dear General:

I am excited to inform you of a recent development in the College and University. The President of the University of Tennessee has approved a letter regarding the appointment of a new faculty member.

I am confident that this appointment will significantly enhance the educational opportunities available to our students.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Memorial University is between those two ranges and is the strategic point for the country between those ranges. Berea is well located for the work in eastern Kentucky, and I am told that they draw patronage from the Blue Grass country as well as from the mountains of eastern Kentucky. Here is another fact for your own information. A Mr. McLaain who formerly had charge of the Agricultural Department in the University of Minnesota, went to Berea a few months ago, I think at the suggestion of Dr. D.K. Pearsons, to see about opening an Agricultural Department at Berea. At Dr. Pearson's suggestion Mr. McLaain afterward came to see me, and he volunteered the statement that the location of Berea is not adapted to the opening of an Agricultural Department. He said that for this purpose Berea College should be located at Winchester, Ky. I do not remember whether he made any objection to the lands at Berea; but he did state that at Berea there is no market for such farm products as would come from his work; that the institution should be near a larger population. He expressed the view that Middlesborough and Knoxville would answer very well for the work at Lincoln Memorial University.

I believe that if Dr. Abbott should visit Cumberland Gap and the surrounding country, he would see that there is ample fish for both of these schools, and that instead of colliding
with one another, they can aid each other in doing a grand work. I find it is difficult for people who have not visited that region to realize how large it is geographically and as to population.

Yours very truly,

Cyrus Kehr
Lincoln Memorial University
Chattanooga, Tennessee

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With one exception they can all stand order to go into very heavy work.

I find it difficult for people who have not already done so

to go to large power plants and engineering firms to obtain

jobs. Very truly,

[Signature]

Chung Kee

I, the head of the Chamber of Commerce,

Chicago.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]
Chicago, December 12, 1896.

General O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

Dear General:

You will remember sending to me recently a letter written by Rev. Hugh Calvin Smith of Tennessee, to you, containing another plan to establish a university in the South, and suggesting that the friends of that enterprise and those of our enterprise unite. I wrote to Mr. Smith and a few days ago he came to Chicago to remain here for some time in the interest of their work. We have had two brief talks regarding the question of consolidation, and we are to meet again next week.

I find that what they have planned in many respects covers what we have planned and that they have progressed about as far as we have. Mr. Smith seems to be willing to consolidate on any plan that will give promise of success. So far as I have had opportunity to learn about their enterprise, I am inclined to think that it will be well for us to make the effort to consolidate. At present I do not see why everything at which we have aimed cannot be accomplished by combining with them. The combined forces would probably reach results more rapidly than either organization would alone. I shall write to you further about this when I have learned more about it.

Yours truly, Cyrus Kehr.
Lincoln Memorial University
CUMBERLAND GAP, TENNESSEE

Office, December 15, 1880

General O. Howard,
Burlington, N.J.

Dear General:

You will remember, somehow, to me, to copy a letter written
by Rev. Philip Oatman, Bishop of Tennessee, to your committee another
plan to establish a university in the South, and supporting that
plan with statements and proofs and boasts of our advantages, which,
I wrote to Mr. Smith and a few days ago, no sense to Gibson to re-
view what I have written for some time in the interest of Light Work.
We have had two great affairs recently, the dedication of a cathedral and
we are to wear smart next week.

I thank you, which things have pleased in many respects for
one week we have been hearing and to a great degree, have been
of Mr. Smith, some to express your successes, so far as I have had
my plan with me, I have become more sensible of successes. I am looking to
obtain an opportunity to learn about their enterprises. I am looking to
think that I will get the best to move the matter to congress or to congress
the commerce to move me very much. I have written to me from abroad and
so forth.

I regret to have to your home report the news I have

Yours truly.

[Signature]
Dec. 12
12-12-96

Maj. Gen. O.O. Howard
My Dear Friend

Can you procure me a R.R. pass from Buffalo to N.Y. City and return good for six months. I have a nephew living there but my main object in going is to procure views of N.Y. City and study up the subject to lecture on. The World’s Fair is out of date. I was out three months in northern Pa. but got ahead but little as I traveled and did my billings, now I shall write and make engagements. I raised this year eighty bushels of buckwheat, some sweet corn for the canning factory, and my cellar is well filled with apples and potatoes.
I'm in a loan association and all of my pension has to apply to them to pay the loan that I got on my farm. I owe some small debts and wish I could make something. My farm consists of forty acres. I have four head of cattle and three horses — my team and a colt. I think I received a letter from you from Burlington, VT. but am not certain so I'll send this to NY, and it will be forwarded to you.

Yours truly,
Geo. S. Torrance,
Gowanda, Leff. Co.

NY
G. W. BALLOCH,
PATENTS, CLAIMS, INSURANCE.
P. O. Box 557.


Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear General, I have just received the report of the meeting of the Society of the Army of the Potomac for 1896. I am more than delighted with all of it. All the speakers are excellent, and are much better than those of any other or. A. B. Gen. Smith's motion is certainly a valuable historical document I never realized before, how much the Army of the Cumberland owed to that element from the Army of the Potomac in its practice. I know the Staff Department (especially the Subsistence) of the Army of the Cumberland came in a state of demoralization when we took them. As duty or daily reports or in fact anything else which a Commandee needed for his information.

As to the Subsistence branch, Col. Porter with my help soon put that on a "War footing." The Commandes did not take to the innovations very kindly at first, but they had to come in. And the Chief C. S. of the 1st Corps furnished the model. For them I wrote by Gen. Smith's motion to our dear Gen. C. S. Williams is very touching to me, who knew and loved them so much. Sincerely,

G. W. B. A. C. B. L. C. B.
St. Johnsbury, Vt., Dec 12 1896

Gen. O.O. Howard:
Burlington Vt.

Dear Sir:

Our Religious work committee is arranging for a series of Sunday afternoon meetings with addresses by speakers from out of town. We would be pleased if you can accept an invitation to come and give us a talk of a patriotic nature about Feb. 21, or 28th. Will you kindly advise me if you can so favor us, and what your terms are, as we should of course expect to pay all expenses. Awaiting your reply I am

Very truly yours,

E.B. Read
General Secretary