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84 FAIRMOUNT STREET. LOWELL, MASS.

Dec. 14, 1896.

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SAMUEL THOMAS. 80 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

December 14th, 1896.

My dear General; -

I regret that my army papers were destroyed many years ago, and I have no way of ascertaining the names of the officers to whom you refer. I remember the loss reported by General Wood. It occurred in the neighborhood of Grenada, Miss., and, as I recollect the circumstances, this officer lost his life in the defense of the people he had in charge in trying to carry out orders from General Wood.

I was delighted to hear of your good work in the last campaign, and when at Canton had the pleasure of hearing Major McKinley commend your party with great earnestness.

With best wishes for your health and success, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Gen. O. O. Howard,

156 College St. Burlington, Vt.

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ENCLOSURE.

120 Broadway, New York.
December 14th, 1896.

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

Dear General Howard:

I duly received yours of 8th inst, and was sorry not to be able to see you here last Wednesday. I was crowding all sail to get ready to leave town, and only returned late Saturday night.

I send with this copy of a letter which I wrote to Major McKinley, and also copy of a letter from his private Secretary, acknowledging receipt, and saying that he had taken careful note of it. I also enclose letter which I have received from E. L. Godkin, and another from Mr. William E. Dodge. When you have read them, kindly return them to me, and before long I trust we shall have a chance to talk the matter over.

Yours very truly,

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December 9, 1896.

Hon. Wm. McKinley,

Canton, Ohio.

My dear Sir:

With every desire to refrain from troubling you with recommendations for office, and only after a good deal of careful thought, I find warrant in my own connection with the Army, and my knowledge of it from an outsiders point of view, to suggest to you my feeling that the good of the army, and the good of the Country, and the value of your own cabinet would, I think, all be promoted if you should conclude to appoint General 0. 0. Howard, Secretary of War.

I write this of my own notion, having indignantly rejected overtures from friends of his of that sort from whom a man may well pray to be delivered, to write to you long ago. In-cidently I learn that some of those friends have been writing letters which you may have seen, which can excite only disgust. They have excited, Illearn also, that feeling, and others, in the mind of General Howard.

The resens for my conclusion, which I feel I ought to put at your service, are

First: That his connection with the Army almost from his birth, and his West Point education, have given him a knowledge and appreciation of its needs, such as perhaps no other man has, and with the fact that the Commanding General of the Army at this time was a Volunteer, it seems to me as a Volunteer to make it best for you and for the Army that you should have close at hand for the Army that you should have close

Second: The fact that he is now the only survivor of the great Army Commanders, and has a deep and strong hold upon the affections of a great body of the people, would tend to give lustre to and inspire confidence in any council of which he should be a responsible member.

Finally: In view of some feelings which I know you have, I venture to suggest that his well-known character in one aspect gives reason to suppose that if you associate with him with you he will prove helpful in securing for you and your administration that guidance and strength which must be your underlying need.

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As I have said, I do not write for General Howard, but for myself and you. He is not, if I understand ariaght, a candidate for any place.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Wager Swayne.

Canton, O. Dec. 11th, 1896.

Wager Swayne, Esqr.
(Swayne & Swayne),
120 Broadway,
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Sir:

I am directed by Major McKinley to inform you that he has taken careful note of yours of the 9th inst, in regard to General Howard.

He regrets that, owing to the great demands upon his time, it is impossible for him to make personal acknowledgement of your letter.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Jas. Boyle,

(Private Secretary.)

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Nov. 13th, 1896. TOOM BUILDING

COT HOWARD,

The article about Mr. Terrill was not written at any one's "instance", but my own. Terrill is in my eyes a long standing trouble. I considered his appointment, in the first instance, scandalously bad, and I had correspondence with Mr. Gresham about him, before his death. The information on which I then wrote, and now write, came to me from the highest quarter, but I cannot repeat names. I suppressed the fact that, his , Terrill's dragoman is believed at Constantinople to be in the pay of the Turks. I have no candidate for the office.

But if Mr. McKinley approaches the matter, with a sense of moral duty he must easily find hundreds of men in America fit for the place. Why not some of the missionaries? Why not Cyrus Hamlin? I do not know General Howard, but a man needs to be strong and sensible as well as religious to fill it properly.

My point is that it is a shocking spectacle for us, when doing so much in the formal Turkey to allow these awful scenes to pass before our eyes and never say one word of remonstrance or indignation, as long as none of us are murdered, but not with proceed the old ruffian, as if his iniquities were not our concern. Is there not something absurd in sending missionaries abroad under these conditions, and calling ourselves a Christian people. Terrill is something with austres? and honied words and lying promises.

Truly yours, (Signed.) E. L. Godkin

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CYRUS KEHR, 1101 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CHICAGO.

Chicago, December 16,1896.

General O.O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

Dear General: -

Mr. McCormick has declined to do anything for us at present. He says that they have now a number of things on their hands including the McCormick Seminary and that during the present winter they will be drawn upon heavily for relief work in the city. I think it quite probable that if I see him from time to time and let him know what we are doing he will after a while help us. There are others here who will also most likely help us after times are better and after we can show tangible progress. I think I have stated to you in a former letter that Dr.D.K. Pearsons has several times expressed a marked interest in our work and that he has said that he thought he would help us as soon as he has discharged his obligation to Berea. He has promised \$50,000 to Berea on condition that they raise a certain amount elsewhere. me a few months ago that if he offered help to us while this promise to Berea is pending, the promise to us would probably interfere with them in mak meeting the requirement which he has coupled with his offer to them. For this reason he thinks it would be unfair to do anything for us now, though he has intimated that our location is a good one and that we have a splendid opportunity for

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I have tried to clearly state the situation to you, knowing that you will help us through with the emergency if it is in your power to do so, and if you do not help us through, I will understand that you saw no way of accomplishing it. If we can make this payment, we shall have the whole matter in our own hands for 2 1/2 years, and I am willing to work every day during that time to get the

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There is just a possibility that Dr. Pearsons may make this loan rather than see us fail, or that a Life Insurance Co. at Cincinnati, to whom I have written, may make the loan; but these are contingencies upon which we should not rely. I wish you were here to see Dr. Pearsons yourself. I believe that if you would outline the whole work to him and press the matter, that he would make the loan to you personally. While I have seen him several times and how had pleasant talks with him, I cannot help feeling that there is must in his mind be an absence of confidence which you could readily overcome.

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Yours of the 10th just received. I am sorry that the bill presented by my firm in the Frame & Stowell matter is larger than you expected it to be. For the preliminary work of readjusting the loan we never received anything from any source. As we wrote you, we looked to them for payment for our services at that time; but we have not been able to collect anything from them, and are not likely to get anything. They had nothing: and, apart from for this, they took the view that we were acting you in the matter, and doubtless made no effort to pay us.

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In regard to my recommendation to you at the time of the extension of the loan: As I remember it, my idea was that the security offered was all that could be got, and that it would be better to accept it than to force Frame & Stowell to make a general assignment for the benefit of their creditors. As we wrote you on January 12, 1894, they had told us that they would do this if we instituted proceedings on this note and attached any of their property. Such an assignment would have dissolved the attachment; what little property they had - unimproved lands - would have been sacrificed, and you would have received only a pro rata share of the proceeds. I do not see how I could - and my decided impression is that I did not - undertake to say that the security was ample, or to what extent it was good. I simply recommended its acceptance as a choice between two evils. I find, on examining the correspondence with you at the time of the extension, that we stated to you that we did not know whether the valuation of \$100 a lot was excessive or not.

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