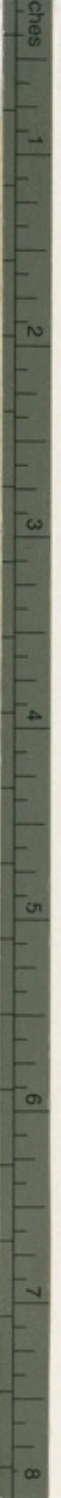




146 Broadway
21st Fl.
Office of General Secretary.
[Jan, 1897]

General Society. Major General O. Howard
Wm.

My dear Sir:
I have been for some time preparing
an eye of the ceremonies attending
the unveiling of the Statue of
Nathan Hale in this city - in 1893,
& would esteem it a great favor,
if you would send me, or in person
inquire I can procure, a photograph
of yourself, as I wish to use it
in connection with this war -
which is to be presented to the
subscribers to the "Fund" for the
erection of the statue - as well
as to those who like you - grace
the ceremony by your presence.
With deep respect,
Remains very faithfully
Montgomery
General Secretary



Office of General Secretary.
140 Broadway
New York City

General Society.
Dear Sir,
I have been in constant communication
with you for some time, and I am
glad to hear of the success of
the Society. I am sure that
the work you are doing is of
great value to the community.
I am sure that you will
continue to do good work
for many years to come.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
John J. [Name]

B. WILSON SMITH,
LAFAYETTE, IND.

95 Cincinnati St.
Lafayette, Ind.
[Jan, 1897]

Genl. C. C. Howard:-

Most Honorable Sir,

I write you in regard to the organization of the Lincoln Memorial University of which I have read in a telegraphic report from Louisville published in one of our evening papers. I enclose the article that you may know from whence I glean my authority to address you as President of the same.

I am desirous of placing my name before the faculty as a candidate for the position of instructor of Physical Education if such a department is considered. I am a graduate of Dr. W. G. Anderson's Normal Gymnasium Brooklyn, N. Y. Class '92. and took

a Normal course in Delectate gymnastics of Mr. Francis H. Street (now deceased) of Lexington Ave. New York City. I would refer you to Dr. J. P. D. John late president of De Pauw University, Greencastle, Indiana, where I was instructor in Physical Culture, also Dr. J. C. Eastman, Specialist, Indianapolis, where I instructed in "Corrective Gymnastics" for 18 months. I have done a great deal of recital work throughout the state in connection with my sister, Miss Penaldine, who is a violinist of more than a state reputation. She desires me to allude to my name here in connection with myself as a candidate for the chair of instructor on violin.

She is a pupil of Schlieman, Max Bendix of Thunai Orchestra, and Sigismund Campanari late of

the College of Music Cincinnati. She would also be qualified to train a quartette or an orchestra. For any further information you may desire I will gladly furnish you -

May I mention the fact that the late Genl. Benj. Brice, ex-paymaster Genl of the Army, Washington, D.C. was my father's own cousin, and a very warm friend. Trusting that you may deem it advisable to consider my request, I have the honor to remain Most respectfully,

(Miss) Ida Virginia Smith

276 N. Penn. St.
Indianapolis, Ind.

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Abrupt Collapse of a Big Enterprise.

Louisville, Ky., December 29.—The celebrated Four Seasons hotel, which was erected by a syndicate of Chicago and New York capitalists in the mountains of Tennessee near the Kentucky line, at a cost of nearly \$2,000,000, has passed into the hands of the Lincoln Memorial university, having been sold for a price said to be about \$27,000. The hotel was built two years ago. It was the idea of the owners that the Four Seasons hotel could be made the favorite resort of eastern and southern society. The winter the hotel was opened a magnificent inaugural ball was given by the management, and many New York society members were present. The south also furnished its full share of guests, and the most select crowd that ever graced a ball room floor was in attendance. The eastern visitors were not accustomed to the free and unconventional manner of the southerners, and during the evening there was a clash. Much feeling was aroused, and the next day the eastern contingent departed for home. So did the southern people, and from that day the hotel has been shunned by the social lights of both south and east. This social war ruined the hotel's business, and an assignment followed, the property of the scheme losing over \$1,000,000. Gen. O. O. Howard, of the United States army, is president of the Lincoln Memorial university, which has purchased the property, and many of the most prominent men in the country are identified with it. The organization has already been thoroughly formed, and classes will be opened very soon.

The terms of the agreement are based on the recent official communication from Premier Canovas, addressed to the secretary of state.

The premier states clearly the terms which Spain will accord to the insurgents and practically asks the United States to propose these conditions to her rebellious subjects. In return for our good offices Spain assures this government that she sincerely deplores the great commercial loss which we have sustained on account of the Cuban disturbance. She assures us that she is even now considering a reciprocity treaty which shall deal mainly with Cuban products and which will be framed in such advantageous terms toward this government that our losses, both in commerce and in the destruction of American property in Cuba, will be most generously compensated.

Will Guarantee Amnesty.

Premier Canovas says that Spain cannot, of course, as a self-respecting and respected nation, stand before the world as having been coerced into measures by the United States. She has freely granted all that she now offers, and that in the face of a rebellion. But she accepts the good offices of the United States to act as mediator and to guarantee to the insurgents amnesty and the enforcement of the new reform law which she is about to proclaim in Cuba.

The form of government offered is, the Spanish statesman declares, the limit of independence which can be granted to a province by any nation, without absolutely severing the bonds of union with the mother country.

Fall River 11.

[Jan, 1897?]

To. Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard
Burlington
Vermont

Gen. Will you kindly
inform me if Gen
George B. McClellan
was relieved of command
of the army of the Potomac
once or twice I have
consulted a great many
men as well as history's
I have just finished
reading Campfire & Battlefield
out

from W. J. understand
that Gen. Pope's arms
had acted independently
of the Army of the
Potomac & as far as I
can learn McCallan
commanded his own arms
when Pope fought the
Battle of Second Manassas
most of the soldiers that
that were with Gen. McCallan
as well as one that was
in your corp. the 11th I think
he was relieved twice
the only time I can find
was when Gen. Burnside
superseded him which
was final if it would
not take up too much of your
time kindly answer as I am
greatly interested in it

Your truly
James L. Orr
533 Broadway
Fall River
Mass

My dear General,

I thank you
for your friendly note on
my taking off - I am
stopping here for a few
days with General Putnam
who tells me of his feeling
of friendship for you
seemed like to have
entertained you when
you were swinging around
the Circle with the
Generals this last fall -
There were however
so many of you that
he did not venture
to mention his desire
This is No. 5104 Pulaski Ave.
Berntown Pa -
I thank you and Mrs. Howard

for your kindness in asking us
to visit you, but we are bound
to Florida for a month and
thence to New Orleans,
where I shall settle, in Chicago
or St. Paul I have not
decided. I am out of
a "job" and will stay where
I get one -

Steve Lee came in to see me
in Washington - He seemed
very much of a man
and about as friendly as
when we were boys -
Mrs. Morgan joins me in
kindly remembrances and
good feelings for you
and Mrs. Howard -

Sincerely
Michael P. Morgan

January 1897

State Soldiers Home
Ohio

1st January 1897

Major General O. O. Howard
U. S. A.

Dear General

A soldier in the 1st
Division 17th Corps, and, I believe
in 39th Ohio, was tried by
court martial, in Georgia, or
South Carolina. Capt. W^m
Henstreet, was judge advocate.
The charge was, plundering
that was the substance of the

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charge - I cannot give the words. The man was found guilty and sentenced to be shot. You commuted his sentence to five years imprisonment in the Fortugas, to which he was taken.

The above is the account given by Capt. Huntrest, Grand Lieut. Col. in an article entitled "Sherman's Great March," in Home and Country, January 1895. I remember hearing the substance of the same while on the march across Carolina.

I should be very glad

if you could give me confirmation of the incident and any additional details.

I want it as an illustration of the substantial discipline of Sherman's Army, or, at least, of the Army of the Tennessee.

I was glad to see by your tour in the autumn, that you have increased rather than lost in vigor since the war, and it is in no vain compliment that I wish you a happy New Year, and many happy returns.

Very Truly Yours
W. F. Force

And, Mr.

Gen. Henry of West-
ington, Maine a
Cousin.

If your arrangements
for this year are
already completed -
May I beg that to
be remembered another
year?

Yours truly
Harriet E. Hatch.

Strawberry Hill

Jan. 1, '97

Stanford Conn,

Gen. Howard

Dear Sir.

Three years ago I
was Station at Alton-
La Minn. and had
the pleasure of meeting
you & your son.

Upon the occasion
of your visit to the
Minn. when you
spoke to the students
and they sang that

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as teachers under the A. M. A.
Many years ago - to Concord, N.
and returned the 1st of October,
and since then have been

Manager at the Dwight School -
but before the Graham work -

I can refer you to the Rev. E.

Billings, the C. P. Marsh. Mr.

McWilliam, Pastor Cong. Ch. in

Andover, and Rev. T. L. Williams

at your Pres. Church, Mr. Hink

Old time Congre -
I was there two years
until the death of
Mr. Hink. So much
in explanation -

Now wish to know
if you can give me
a position as Matron
in this Female Unit?
which I read in
yesterday's paper.

My home is in
Andover N. H. where
I was born, and educated
Mr. Billings sent
my sister and me

Pennsylvania Rail Road Company,
Office of the First Vice President,

Philadelphia, January 1st 1897.

Dear Sir:

I take pleasure in
enclosing herewith for your use an
annual pass for the year 1897.

Very respectfully

John A. Gamm
First Vice President

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Wm. B. Eddy, President
of the First National Bank

Philadelphia, January 14, 1837.

Dear Sir,

I take pleasure in
acknowledging the receipt of your
annual fee for the year 1837.

Very respectfully,

Wm. B. Eddy

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FROM
LIEUT. COL. A. B. CAREY,
DEPUTY PAYMR. GENL. U.S. ARMY,
ARMY BUILDING, 39 WHITEHALL ST.,
NEW YORK CITY.

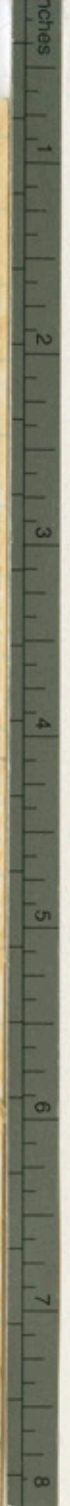
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A Happy New Year to you my dear General
and many returns. With best wishes and kindest
regards for you all I am
Sincerely yours
A. B. Loamy.

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NEW YORK CITY
THE JAMES EARL RAY FOUNDATION
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
FIELD OFFICE OF FBI
MEMPHIS

1. [Faint handwritten text]



Henry S. Osborne.
Frank Lynde Osborne.
Robert F. Bellibone.

H. S. & F. S. Osborne
Attorneys and Counselors at Law
115. Monroe Street,

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Gen O. O. Howard
Burlington Vermont
Chicago Jan 2. 1897

My dear Sir I enclose as requested the letter of the Adjutant General regarding the details of a military instructor for Beloit College. Neither the trustees nor anyone acting for the College have applied for the detail of any particular person. Two of the gentlemen who kindly wrote recommending that an officer be detailed, also, I understand, mentioned the name of an officer whom each thought would be suitable for the place. I wrote to one suggesting the character of man we desired and that we would like to make inquiries with a view to finding the right man for the place and have also written to one of the officers recommended but without in any way committing the college. Probably the secretary of War supposed the recommendation had been made with at our request, and we trust will take no action until we have completed our inquiries.

We have had some correspondence with Lieut. Howard and are much interested in



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Wm. W. Adams
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Gen. O. Howard
Baltimore

Chicago Jan 2, 1897

My dear Sir I have been as requested the letter
of the Adjutant General regarding the details
of military instruction for about 1897
I think the matter was very interesting for
the College has applied for the detail of young
gentlemen for service. Two of the gentlemen who
truly were recommended that an offi-
cer be detailed also I understand were
among the names of an officer who had
thought would be suitable for the place
I wish to be sure of supporting the character of
the kind and that we would like to
begin with a view to finding the right man
in the case and have also written to you
of your recommendation but without
any way communicating the college. Probably
the Secretary of War would be recommended
I am glad you had with it our request
and we trust will take no action without
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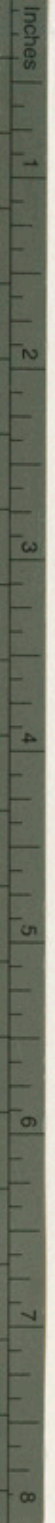
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-ceived from him today says he will
be in Chicago on Tuesday next when
we shall hope for the pleasure of a per-
-sonal interview.

With very kind regards and
great respect I am

Very Truly Yours

Henry F. Osborne



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Attorney and Counsellor at Law
No. 111 - 1/2 - 1/2 - 1/2

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seeing you.
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Wm. M. W. Johnson

CONDITION BOND

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White River Junction, Vt.

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White River Junction, Vt.

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January 2nd, 1897.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.

Dear Sir:-

Last year you generously subscribed \$ 5.00 toward the support of the State work under the supervision of the State Executive Committee Y. M. C. A.'s of Vt. and N. H.

I am glad to say that considerable progress has been made during the past year and with progress comes more demand for the help of the State Committee. Without the necessary funds the work must be curtailed and we will not be able to comply with the demands for help and so the work must suffer. The past two years have shown that this work of supervision is attended with decided good results. In spite of the great depression of business, new Associations have been organized and those which were organized have been maintained.

Will you not continue your interest by placing a subscription in the little book herein and returning it in the inclosed envelope ? Periodical reports will be sent out as usual during the year.

Thanking you again for your sympathy and help, I remain,
in the name of the State Executive Committee,
Gratefully yours,

Claus Olandt Jr.
State Secretary.

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General Charles Gratiot Bartlett,

Colonel, United States Army, Retired

and

Mrs. Rachel Letson Buckbee,

Married.

Monday, January the fourth,

eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

Long Branch, New Jersey.

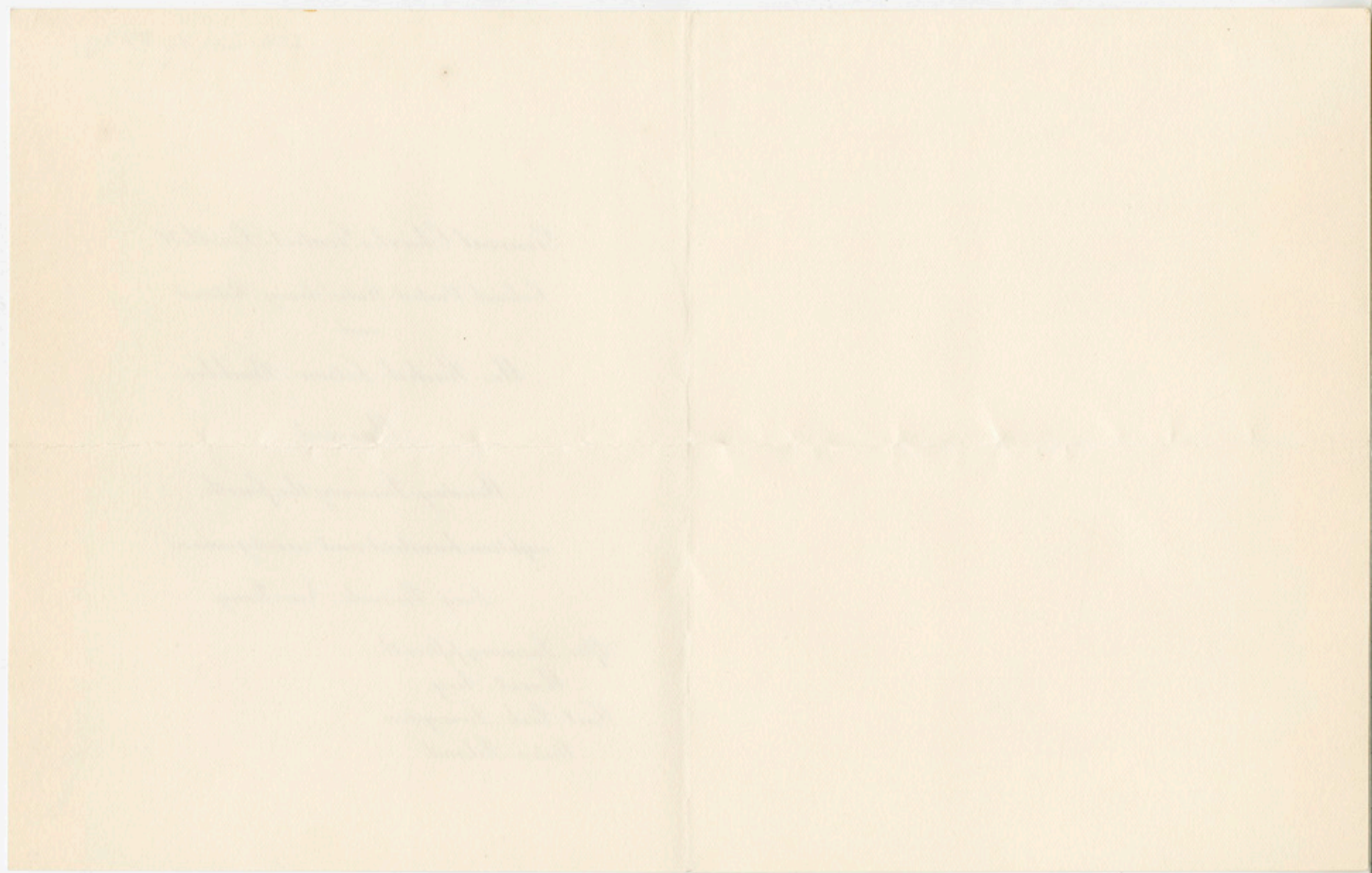
After January fifteenth,

Mount Airy,

Hart Park, Livingston,

Staten Island.

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PATENTS, CLAIMS, INSURANCE,

P. O. Box 557.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4th 1897.

Dear General,

Your letter of Dec 28th came in due time, but I have been soured up with a cold, which permeates my whole system, as not to be able to do very much more than I am obliged to. Do you remember the story I told you once when you ^{was} laid up with the Rheumatism about the man who was drunk "Clear through"? I am sick "Clear through", same as he was drunk. We have a large Reform School out near Bladensburg. Called the United States Reform School, where boys, such as you describe are sent. Col. Frank Clay Evans has something to do with it. I will find out more about it and let you know. There is also an "Industrial Home School" in Georgetown where boys and girls are cared for, but just what its scope is I don't know. I handed Harry's letter about James Paris Case to one of our Law Professors in W. who has a great deal to do in the Orphan's Court and would know just where to look. I will see him tomorrow morning and advise Harry. I don't think there is much in it. The family are all pretty well, except this cold that here has run

through the house and I am to wish you all
a Happy New Year! I see that Worcester
City has a President at last, for which, in common with
all her friends I greatly rejoice. I suppose we shall
see you here March 4th. - Our friend Maj. McKailey
will certainly have a hard time at first - there is
so much expected of him and the Republican party -
But as old Sojourner Truth told Fred Douglass when
he was in our office despondent mood: 'Fret not, God
lives! and so hoping and trusting in His goodness,
we will go forward in the line of duty, just as we
did in the war.

Sincerely
G. W. Barlow

LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY,
CUMBERLAND GAP, TENNESSEE.

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CYRUS KEHR,
1101 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
CHICAGO.

Chicago, January 4, 1896. Lic-18977

General O.O. Howard,
Burlington, Vermont.

Dear General:-

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Mrs. Myers is still suffering greatly and Mr. Myers is very much distressed on this account.

We shall probably conclude a consolidation this week with the other men who are planning to establish a university in Tennessee.

The indications are that this will lead to a donation of about \$240,000. 00 to our endowment by the Order of Railway Conductors, and \$100,000 from a lady whose home is in Chicago. We think there will be other advantages arising from this consolidation.

Wishing you a Happy New Year, I remain

Yours truly,

Cyrus Kehr.

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EDGAR O. ACHORN,
COUNSELLOR AT LAW,

27 TREMONT ROW,

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Boston, Jan. 5, 1897.

General O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.

My dear General:-

Your letter of December 26th was forwarded to me at the Southern Pines, from which place I returned yesterday.

You asked me about Mr. E. S. Philbrick of Boston, whether he was still living or any of his family. Can you tell me whether this Mr. Philbrick was connected with the schools of Boston as Superintendent, or something of that sort, or what was his business? There is no such man in the directory of Boston today, but if it is the Mr. Philbrick who was once connected with our public schools here, he is dead, but his family would be easily traced.

I went this morning to see Mr. Torrey, who is general counsel for the Fitchburg Railroad and whom I know personally, in reference to a pass for you. He says that Mr. Marcey, the President, is at present away from the city, and that he is the only one who can issue an annual pass. He said it was against the policy of the road to issue a pass in the form you suggested, but that the road might favor you with a single pass. It would have to be confined, however, he said, to that part of the road which lay within the state of Massachusetts, as issuing a pass outside of the state would be against the interstate law. He said he would see Mr. Marcey for me as soon as he returned to the city and let me know in regard to the matter. I hope that they will feel disposed to favor you.

I left my wife in the Southern Pines, with my boy and a companion. It doesn't seem probable that she will be able

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Boston, Jan. 5, 1857.

General O. O. Howard,

Huntington, N.Y.

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Your letter of December 28th was forwarded to me at the Southern Pines, from which place I returned yesterday. You asked me about Mr. E. S. Ellsworth of Boston, whether he was still living or any of his family. Can you tell me whether this Mr. Ellsworth was connected with the schools of Boston as Superintendent, or something of that sort, or what was his business? There is no such name in the directory of Boston today, but it is the Mr. Ellsworth who was once connected with our public schools here, in its day, but his family would be easily traced.

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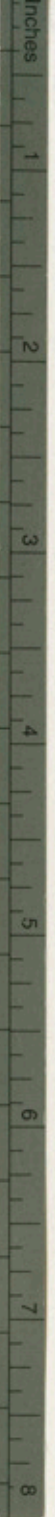
Boston,

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to live here in New England again, and I have begun to take active steps to see if I can secure a consulship in Italy, or some part of Southern Europe, where the climate is favorable. I saw both Senators Hoar and Lodge while I was in Washington on my way South. They tell me that Massachusetts may get seven or eight consulships, and that there are already about one hundred applicants. They are pledged to nobody at present, and Senator Hoar said that he thought that if you made a personal appeal to the President in my behalf that that, coupled with the endorsement of the Massachusetts Senators, ought to pull me through. So that, later on, I shall have to get you to put in a word for me.

Yours very sincerely,

Edgar O. Achorn



OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS

Boston

to five here in New England again, and I have begun to take notice
 steps to see if I can secure a commission in that, or some part of
 Southern Europe, where the climate is favorable. I saw both Senators
 Fox and Lodge while I was in Washington on my way South. They tell
 me that Massachusetts has not even yet received eight commissioners, and that
 there are already about one hundred applicants. They are pleased to
 nobody at present. The Senator from New York said that he thought that if you
 made a personal appeal to the President in my behalf that that
 coupled with the endorsement of the Massachusetts Senators, would be
 will be through. As that later on, I shall have to get you to put
 in a word for me.

Yours very sincerely,

Wm. L. Johnson

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Democracy.

The general impression that operations on the Panama Canal had ceased seems to be incorrect. It is now said that work has been resumed on a large scale, nearly four thousand men being actively employed, and that the more the directors advance with the work the stronger becomes their confidence in the final result.

A pleasant compliment to two well

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O. W. ALDRIDGE,
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can surmise have been time, for
the parties you spoke of in your
last letter, to have accomplished
something - Hoping to hear
from you soon, with kind
regards to Mrs Howard
and yourself -

I am yours sincerely
Mary W. Hemple -

January 15th 1897 -
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