Portland, Oregon
Jan 18, 1897

Dear Grandpa:

Mamma wanted me to write and tell you that Papa is going to start to stay for Washington. He says he can not afford to lose the time to come to Burlington, as she wants to get back here as soon as she can to earn wages. Mam-

ma went down to Astoria.
before last.

Last night with Papa and has just come back. It has begun raining, we have had very pleasant weather until lately. I am going to school now. I do not have to work at all hard. Gracie has just started a fire in the grate in the parlor, it makes it seem so much pleasanter. Our pastor has a pastor class that we go to. He is going

to start a boys brigade for the Sunday school and junior boys. Mama says wants me to go up and help her pack Papa's trunk. With lots of love to all. 

Your loving grand daughter,

May.
General O. C. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

My dear Friend and Comrade:—

Since receipt of your letter of the 21st of December, I have put myself in communication with some influential persons on your behalf, and have been informed that an Army Officer has never yet been appointed Secretary of War — the office has always been filled by a civilian — which is, of course, contrary to the custom of other nations. For this reason, our efforts in your behalf have not been successful, but all the old soldiers on this coast are convinced that you have been very badly treated by the United States government and are willing to use their influence to assist in your promotion. Certainly, no living soldier is more entitled to the rank of "Lieutenant-General" than General Howard, and I am convinced that my friend, Gen'l Schofield, and General Miles, the commanding officer of the U. S. Army, will agree with me on this point.

Whatever I, personally, am able to do, I assure you shall be done. I am of the opinion that, under the present administration, it
Since receipt of your letter of the 8th of October, I have been much in communication with the Secretary of War - the office you still occupy. I have been informed that a new Secretary of War is to be appointed, with the consent of the Senate. You will hardly be allowed to have any say in the appointment of the new Secretary, but I am anxious that you may succeed the Secretary who has been very successful in the Department of War. I am willing to accept the post of Under Secretary of War, but I should like to see you appointed to the Secretary of War's office. I am anxious to return to Washington as soon as possible and to take up the duties of my office. I have written to the President and to the Secretary of War, and I am confident that they will appoint me to the Secretary of War's office.
O. C. H. – No. 2.

is useless to attempt anything; but as I am on the best possible terms with Senator Perkins and Congressman Hilborn, I shall consult with them when they return as to what can be done in the matter.

Believe me, I am, as ever,

Your friend,

[Signature]
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I trust you to select the best and to see that we are on the spot possible.

With General Bingham and Commodore Tilden I spent considerable time

and may try again as to what can be done in the matter.

Sincerely, I am.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Serving on your staff, my desire to remain in amicable terms with everyone (you know I was warned about that) is my capacity intellectually and whether in your domain I would be fitted for the position of Adjutant General and if you did not consider me a capable, efficient, and trustworthy officer.

You will render me an incalculable service; but it is not to make me any more grateful or make me have any higher regard. You have already my best gratitude in my highest regards.

Very truly yours,

J. B. Kingsbury

Jan. 18, 1876

To Major General O. B. Howard

Dear General,

Will you not do me a favor and thereby also do justice to one who served you always willingly and whose wife and wife's family esteem and keep you in their regard from your acquaintance in favor with General Bloomer.

It has come to my ears that the War Department

ment blames me almost
cutting for the matter of that quarter's business when Valknow turned me out of quarters.

If you remember, you said to me on the boat one day, "Did you know you ought to be very grateful?" I am fighting your battles," of course that remark was false. It was, but then you told me what Valknow had done, after your selection giving your choice of two sets, what she had written to Washington in appeal for you and also your endorsement. Mr. Wash., will you not write me two letters? one letter to me telling the exact story of the quarters question or rather simply saying that I never asked you to retain the quarters at any time and never said anything about the quarters and never knew about Col. Valknow's wanting my quarter until all the correspondence had gone to Washington.

The second letter I ask you for is my conduct as an officer and gentleman, Wash.
P.S. The latter letter should be written to the Adjutant General, right or not?

I ask you to make it as strong as you can consistently do. It seems to me, when I remember how both Mrs. King and I feel toward you, because you have done such a great favor to Mrs. Scoene by bringing their daughter close to them, why should I know I must have walked very clear a straight line for you. I have tried by doing every thing will for you, to think of it. I was grateful and therefore I must have rendered a good account of myself
Tweedale or Zen Ruggles?

All at Glencoe are well. Uncle Charlie left this am.

for his office & to go at 9 o’clock this eve

to Florida.

Love to all

John

I like Beloit quite well.

Fair Oaks:
Glencoe, Illinois:
Jan 18 1897

Dear Father

Mother’s letter came to me so I was

leaving Leavenworth.

Since then I have

been making Glencoe my

headquarters.

I have had a few

long talks with Mr Osborne & others trustees.

One day I went to Beloit and spent the day in talking

with the members of

the faculty & the next
day seeing the Institute
To have given a superior set up to some of the students it would have been necessary to have begun with their grand parents.

Yet I think the school would greatly improve under an absolute system of military discipline.

But I have recommended that only 150 be taken as cadets and made into three companies, the other (junior classes) be given physical military set up as gymnastics.
Dear Mr. Howard,

Burlington, Vermont.

Dear Sir:

On Dec. 12 last, I wrote you asking if you could accept an invitation to come here some Sunday in the latter part of February to give an address before our Young Men. Not having as yet a reply, I take the liberty of addressing you again, thinking that perhaps my former letter had miscarried. Hoping to be favored with an early reply, I am,

Very truly yours,

E. B. Read
Mr. John Smith, Secretary

Dear Mr. Smith,

I wanted to express my gratitude for your help in organizing the recent event. Your efforts and dedication have made it a success.

I hope to see you at the next meeting. Thank you again.

Best regards,

[Signature]

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Dr. Joseph W. V.
West Falls Church, Fairfax Co., Va., Jan 1st, '67

Dear Mr. Howard,

Your letter of Feb 20th, 1867, Burlington, N.H.

Last Friday I went down to Chautauqua, & met Dr. Manchester. Maj W. H. Kuydlaoy, a friend, called on The President-Elect. He said not only that there was a very pleasant interview, but that Maj W. H. Kuydlaoy left us sincerely prolonged.

Said Dr. Manchester that I should like to go to Turkey. He at once said, 'I believe you are the man for the mission.' I put the question, 'Why don't you apply for it?' I replied: 'I can't apply for nothing.' He then remarked that he heard you had to deeply impressed view that I could not do it. Your vowing to follow the teachings of God, & was ready to follow, & showed me so he felt.

He then said: 'I will undertake to bring the matter before the Maj. I get Gen. Howard to write a letter stating that he knows of you & your fitness for the position & will do..."
The week

Now very dear General if you can write such a letter to Dr. Manchester pleased so I say again I shall feel that you can better satisfy your conscience. I please to hear as by writing it. I have no wish to return except to serve our Lord Christ. I think a Christian man one thoroughly in sympathy with the missionaries. I persecuted Christians where he ever. Does a man not love his country? However there are many better than is that is very, very, very. I very often have mentioned the matter. There said. Where you are the man.

Will you please remember me kindly to Mr. Howard your son & daughter. Think young lady. Write if M. We have had to lay down the doctor's reception in parson.

Very truly yours

Ralph W. Morris
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To: "Mother in Dead. Funeral Thursday morning seven o'clock"

Lena H. Love
General O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

My Dear General:

On Saturday I received your telegram in these words:

"Please be my Chief of Staff division, inaugural procession of all veteran organizations giving February Washington for correspondence and details."

To which I at once replied D. H.:

"Regret that duties here will not admit of my spending the length of time in Washington necessary to the faithful and efficient discharge of the duties of such a position. I greatly appreciate your kind remembrance, and regret necessity for declining."

It appears this morning that I inadvertently directed this reply to Washington, and it could not be delivered, so I this morning directed it forwarded to Burlington, but thought best to follow it by this written communication to cover the possibility of its not reaching you as soon as desirable to enable you to make other arrangements.

My business is of such an exceedingly engrossing character that I cannot possibly absently myself for more than a day. It would under other circumstances afford me great personal pleasure to renew our old time relations by once more assisting you to marshal the old veterans—the remnant of that mighty host of battle-scared heroes who nearly a third of a century ago so proudly swept down Penn. avenue.

There was then great joy in their hearts over the achievement of a great military victory; there should be a revival of that feeling over a bloodless but almost as important an accomplishment.

Hoping you may have a pleasant day, and a brilliant display,

Yours truly,

[Signature]
298 Maine St.
Providence 179
January 19, 1911

My Dear General,

I have been instructed to make an effort to obtain increased care on the retired list of the army by the Success which Capt. Sidwell has met with on having his special bill favorably reported by the Chairman of the Military Committee of the Senate.

While I have no doubt of the Cordial
In support of the Rhode Island delegation it would greatly one exceedingly to have an endorsement from you on the general usefulness of the act and affair while serving in the regular Army to present for the consideration of my friends and representatives of my native State.

I have been from you. Every need and duty covering my services as a volunteer officer which purpose I submit.

If you feel that you can conscientiously render me this service will you please send a letter to me as soon as convenient and greatly oblige.

Yours truly,

R.G. Shaw

Oct 14th
Hon. O. O. Howard.

Washington D.C.

Honorable Secretary of War.

I have the honor to submit the following:

A copy of General Orders No. 2, issued by me, dated July 14, 1897, which, although superseded by General Orders No. 5, issued by me on the 1st July 1897, is of sufficient importance to warrant its being brought to the notice of the War Department.

Yours, etc,

[Signature]

[Address]

Capt. J. B. Truesdell.

[Signature]
Gen. O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

Dear Sir:

Your prompt and very welcome response of 18th. to mine of 16th. inst. was received and I hasten to assure you there will be no easy swapping off and that my hospitality may be more complete. I would thank you to notify me at early convenience on what train you will come to Lowell that I may meet you at depot with carriage.

Ever, Sincerely Yours,

E. P. Woods
January 19, 1867

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

Dear General Howard:

Some days ago I wrote you that General Dodge had just left my office saying that when he reached his own office he would at once sit down and write to Governor McKinley strongly recommending that you be appointed Secretary of War. Next day I received a letter from him saying that on examination he found he could not do so because he had last fall written to Governor McKinley recommending that another person be appointed. His note to me further said the present indications were that the person he then recommended would be appointed, and if he were to write a different letter now it would hurt us both.

I did not write to you immediately of this partly because I could not clearly understand it and partly because I was quite ill -- being still confined to my room --. I have not since seen General Dodge, but from what I now learn I have no doubt his reference was to General Horace Porter. It seems to be settled that Governor Long will be the member of the Cabinet from New England. It was at one time settled that Mr. Bliss would be the Cabinet member from New York, but since that gentleman declined, the prevailing wish and judgment is that General Porter should and will be appointed, if anybody is from this State, and of course there is no other place he could so appropriately fill as that of Secretary of War.

A gentleman came yesterday to see me saying he was informed that Governor McKinley wished to appoint Porter but felt that in doing so he ought to be supported by a series of letters from representative men here certifying to Porter's own standing and acceptability as a representative of this community, and that a letter from me was especially desired in that connection. Of course I could only say frankly just what I had done and that I could do nothing else without first writing to you. Not in any case whatever can I express, because I do not entertain, a conviction different in any way from what I have already written. The question is, shall I write a letter just such as is asked of me, certifying to Porter's place in the regards and esteem of the people of this city and State and how far his appointment would be acceptable to them. If there is any prospect whatever of your appointment, I should not wish, even with your approval, to write such a letter as that. If you think there is none, -- of which you know altogether best -- you may prefer not to have such a letter withheld. The Secretary of War is the only Cabinet appointment in which I feel any special interest and, quite aside from what is written above, I would like to know what your own prospects are, so far as known to you. With kind regards,

Wager Swayne
Dear [Name],

I hope this letter finds you well. I wanted to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for your hard work and dedication to our team. Your efforts have not gone unnoticed, and I believe that they have played a significant role in our success.

I understand that it can be challenging to balance work and personal life, especially during these times. However, I want to assure you that your contributions are valued here. I believe that a little encouragement can go a long way in motivating us to continue on the path we are taking.

Please know that your success is not only a testament to your abilities but also a reflection of the hard work and dedication of our entire team. Your efforts have helped us to achieve our goals, and I am grateful for your presence here.

Thank you for being a part of our team. Your contributions have been invaluable, and I look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,
[Your Name]
Lake Placid, N.Y. 1-19-'97


My dear Brother:

For a month I have debated whether I should do so forward a thing as to write you in regard to the Secretaryship of the National Temperance Society, vacated by Brother Mead. But as I have seen no notice of the choice of his successor I make bold to state my case.

First, I realize the past is no snap, indeed the snap seems to have been all whipped out of the Society by the continued indifference of the church to this noble ally. Something must be done to push the Society to the front, what that something shall be, is largely a conundrum, but I think this much is clear. Something should be done to identify the Society with the rising young people's movements of the day. If we can get into touch with the Endeavor Societies, Epworth Leagues, Baptist Union, Luther Leagues, and so forth; if we can interest them in our work, let them even know there is such a Society, a thing nine out of ten of them do not know today, and start them to work with us, we can furnish just such a non-partisan method of work that the leaders of these movements can endorse, and at the same time bring our publishing interests to their knowledge and so extricate that branch of our work from its present plight. To accomplish this result one thing that will be necessary I think is a Secretary young enough to be counted one of their number by this host. Vigorous enough to do some hard work, and with ability to hold his own with the great speakers these organizations crowd to the front in their conventions. Whether I can meet all the requirements I have thus hinted at, I dare not say, but I should be glad to put my vim
N.Y. I-4-40.

Gen. O. Howlett, Hattiesburg, Miss.

My dear Brother:

Now, Norway, I have been after you I know to do to
what a thing as to write you in regard to the Secretaryship of the Na-
Tampico Temperance Society, as far as Mr. Porter's Mead, but as I have seen
notice of the office of the Secretary I see no reason to make good to write my case.

First, I reason that the fact is no enough, I know the man seems to prove
been stribing and all the society of the Constant, and the society must be gone to buy the society.

Second, I have not, but I have something special to say; I think a coundition, and
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we can get into your with the largest hand, because maname the age of the day. It may be
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write the man with the least abovement these observations came to the
least is least considerable. Whathat I can, near all, and perhaps I save some kind of I what not, and, but I save a day to be of

in this work and by solid effort see what young blood could do to lift the Society to the place it ought to occupy among the Reform movements of the day. I do not know whether Bro. Mead was a fit in this position or not, have never heard, but was surprised that more was not accomplished by him to bring the Society to public notice, and believing him to be "Hustler," count it all the more an uphill task to take hold of the work. I doubt not, the Committee are considering a number of men who would do good work in this place, and I simply want to ask that you put my name before them for consideration also, assuring you that should the post fall to me, you can count on the most entire consecration to the great work of the Society. The Lord has given me also the pen of a ready writer, as continued access to the Young People's papers prove, and I thus feel that another way of aiding in this work is open to me.

Aside from the leaders of my own Conference whose names I should be pleased to send you, should you or the Committee desire to correspond with them, I feel free to refer you to Prof. Amos R. Wells, Managing Editor of the Golden Rule, John Willis Baer, Gen. Sec. of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, Edwin A. Schell, D.D. Gen. Sec. of the Epworth League, J.P. Berry, D.D. Editor of the Epworth Herald.

I send you by this mail a copy of a little book of mine issued last year, that has been most kindly received by the reviewers. This will give a little inkling of the man. Trusting you will not think the worse of me for thus stating my own case, and assuring you of desire for the best results to crown the labors of the society.

I remain, Very sincerely yours,

Geoffrey Lenmon
I fear work may delay another, but I trust my work will not be delayed.

The committee to the place to which you referred the Reform Movement
of the party to which I have already referred, now in this position
are not. I do not know another. There may be more we have accomplished.

or not. I have not, however, yet, and without, that more may not accomplish.

or not. I am pleased to find the society to pursue these, and being patient, aim to
be "whiter" now. I will not make an effort to take hold of this
work. I would not, the committee of the committee, a number of men, and
women to good work to take place, and I am sure want to know that you put
my name before them for consideration also, inasmuch you that should be
the body (?) to me you can command on the most active committee to the

work. The body may give me and the body a

body which is continuing success to the Young People's Development, and

I must feel that another may of against to this work is done to me.

Often from the records of my own experience, whose names I should be

pleased to send you, sending you to the committee to the committee

with them. I feel to refer you to Pray, 
Am. Rev. 

Wells, Manager, Boston.

of the Committee, Mr. W. W. Willard, President. 

of the Committee, 

of the Committee, 

of the Committee, 

of the Committee, 

of the Committee, 

I send you this with a copy of a little part of mine I read last

year, that you knew from kind and personal regard of the committee. This will

be a little interest of the work. 

Thank you will not think the

work of me for good actions on your part, and assuring you of private to

the best reasons to show the people of the society.

I remain, Your obedient servant,

[Signature]