Young's Hotel,
Boston. Feb. 4th 1897

Gen. A.O. Howard,
My Dear Friend:

Many thanks for your cheering letter which surprised me here.

Two things I wish you to know:

First: Berea is in real need - peril.

Rev. Fairchild mediated the reconstruction period grandly in Kentucky, but built up no constituency at the North. When I went there three years ago, they were running on borrowed money. Enclosed leaflet shows present condition.

Second: The fatal thing about the Cumberland Gap enterprise is not that it would draw funds from Berea, but that it would rob us of our white students, and leave Berea no longer a southern school.
Practically illustrating the possibility of
funhuring caste.
Becca’s southern white constituency is
largely in the mountains, and for these
students we are doing the elementary
work of Cumberland Gap and every
other mountain school. But if our white
boys are invited to a new school at
Cumberland Gap, where there are no col-
ored students, they will go, and Becca
may just as well be abandoned. We
are making a brave fight, increased on
white students for this year, but we
cannot compete with a school of northern
methods and support which practically
excludes the Negro.
If you will send me here a line of in-
troduction to C. P. Huntington, I will see him
very soon. Gratefully yours,
Wm. Goodell yrs.
New York, Feb. 4th 97.

New York.

I have been wondering why you did not answer my last, was against your being sick, which I hope has not been the case. Wanted to come to see you. But I suppose you are very busy at your memoirs. I am looking forward to a great deal of pleasure in reading them, so is Mrs. Shepherd. I send
Silaas H. Paine,
Room 100, New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir,

Your letter arrived at once. I do not wish you to be delayed in waiting to him.

I hope this year will prove a good one for business, and that I may prosper and be able to feel happier than I have felt for years.

I believe my master will allow me what I need.

Very sincerely yours,

Sid. Christian Bone.

And kind regards from Mrs. Brinton and the girls.

Chas. H. Smith.
My dear Comrade,

Thank you much for the last letter. Don't worry me. There is, as you say, a little glimmering of light which gives me some hope. I do trust we shall see the daylight before long. And that the next mail will bring a real bit of good news today. I return the letter at your request.
Hoping you and Mrs. Howard
are in good health—
I am Yours Truly
Mary W. Temple—

Feb 4th 1897
February 5, 1897

Dear O.O. Howard,

Deader a bonnade

It was with pride and joy of heart that I read of the deserved honor you received in the streets and from the grand stand on the 4th yesterday. Such recognition in this day of demagogism of regard for the old soldiers of the war— is cheering.

In your honorable position you do not know the slights and oftentimes indignities that many old soldiers have been subjected to the past few years— since the discharge of many and the reduction in salary and place of quite a number of others which occurred in the 4th. P.O. office Dec 31, 1894 without any justification whatever and merely to give place for others (Democrats) who wore in Faulking clothes when those who were discharged and reduced
Some beating the storm of war,
Old veterans are cheered
in the thought that they had
a forlorned at the helm of
the ship of state and another
forlorned on deck

Tyring Respectfully,
James Johnston
708 Halsey St.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Late in charge of the
10th Dist. V.S. N.

(190)
Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb 5th 1897

General O. O. Howard

Dear General,

I am making application to President McKinley for the office of Post Master of Salt Lake City, Utah, being an old soldier of the 47th Corps, you may remember me, I was in the 187th Illinois Inft. Co. B, and was in Command from Sunday of the Battle of Chickamauga until the close of the War. A letter from you to our noble President McKinley with the simple corroborative of the above would please me exceedingly, and besides being a factor in aid of my undertaking, hoping you will favor me with an answer.

I am as ever your most obedient servant,

C M Hammond

I have letters of recommendation from W S Senator, Senator S L Cummins, Senator C B Farrell, Pension Cmr., Isaac B. Rasmussen, and many others but prize none higher than one from your noble self.
Suwanee Springs, Suwanee, Fla.

Feb 5th 1897

My dear Horace:

I am down here not a little, but am not going to remain long. Many thanks for your kind Neal, which I appreciate very much. I hope and I wish to be able to assist you in whatever may be needed or required. Kind regards for your family. I hope we may meet again in this world. If not, there is another world beyond. Very truly yours,

[Signature]

J.W. [Name]
Washington, D.C. Feb 5, 1897

Dear General,

I start from Washington for home tomorrow 10 am. Last Monday I left here for Pawtucket R.D. from whence I had just returned. The impulse to extend my journey rings in the ear. But the was almost irresistible, but I had already lost too much time. I have not heard a word from Grace since Jan 18th. The day I left home and I am worried she knew doing to stop at the Elliott home. She 
inquire at the P.O. then tomos awn before starting west. I have received a letter from Mr. Hamilton.
last Saturday during Mr. Me
to go up to Providence, Paw-
tucket before returning, which
was the cause of my visit
there. I understand Senator
Wilson of Washington has the
dispersing of the patronage
of that State in his hands.
I believe the only place
I could consistently apply
for is the Inspectorship of
Villanovites, and as that was
placed under civil service rule
last year success there is
astruthful. There is a strong
effort to be made to remove
the present incumbent in this
ground of incompetency. You know he was an instruct
seldom only a short time
before he was appointed and
it was an outrage upon
letters men when he was
appointed. Your kind let-
ter was received shortly
after I arrived in Washington.
You know I don't dare to
make any mention more
now as I have and accumulated
capital in case of failure.
I saw Janis & Chaceij
while passing through New
York both men well.
Please give my love to all.
Line and billet on send. Effective 8:00 J. Godfrey
End Q.R. Hackett
Burlington, VT.
He is a bright boy
And would make
Something of the child
May have a chance
That shall there is
An effort to be made
Here a regret has
No rights
We have been greatly
Interested in your
Visit in Feb. sent.

Wauirieville, S.C.
Feb. 6th

Dear Cousin Ott
I think I remember
That you are a
Hampton student
But at any rate
You can tell me
If it is possible to
Get a box of cotton
Into the School. 80
I was ordered south this winter
but am so much improved
so glad to feel it strong
against the north, but probably
a year or two that year the east
blasé of this.

I had a long letter from
the last week, he asked
for your address and was
willing to get some for office.

I had a letter also from Com.
Lizzie Stockland who heard of my
being here through some friends of
their's and wrote to ask if she
was here on their way home
please remember her to Forsmorrow
and thine, the yours very truly,
Elizabeth A. (sic)
Los Angeles CaliF Feb 6th 1897

General O.O. Howard

Dear Sir:

You will no doubt soon begin to think me a good deal of trouble, as I never write you without wanting a favor.

This time it is your biography, for a Magazine article I wish to write of four or five of the retired officers who were once active on the frontier as Indian fighters &c. Captain Sladen has just sent me his picture and fifty-four pages of type written manuscript, all about your's and his trip with Jeffords to Apache country. I intend to include him in my biographical article, he is certainly a fine looking man, and I believe a brave man, he speaks in the highest terms of you and your bravery in those days. I have not gone on my intended trip to Arizona for many reasons, but expect to be able to go in March I do hope so for it is an important event in my literary career.

General please send me your biography as soon as you can as I cannot make a statement without you which I think would be perfect, did you see my bit of history of Captain Jeffords in The New York Sunday World, of Jan 5th it was elaborately illustrated I cannot say I like to write for that paper, for all they publish must be so sensational that I fear many facts are omitted in space taken up in glaring pictures which partake of the Police Gazette flavor. Hoping to hear from you very soon and thanking you for past favors, I am truly yours.

Alice Rollins Crane 243 San Pedro St L.A. California.
Dear Sir:

You will no doubt soon begin to think of a good general of campaigns as I warm while you wish me writing a letter.

The time to be your Propertist for a business office is

With the wishes of your return to the nation and the

Congress. You should not be in the house of your home.

written in manuscript. I send you my best wishes with this letter.

to Aegean Company. I propose to mention it in my presentation.

so far as to be a certainty in the looking over, and I believe a plane

Good morning. The distance to the principal center of you and your

In these years I have not been on my personal trip to Athens

with reasons. And expect to be able to go to Korea. I hope

so you it is an important cause to the subject matter. I have been

General. These same are your program as soon as you can as

I cannot make a permanent mission you may I might money to

bankrupt, and you can be in the position of curtailing the

You have been made of me or the campaign for the

I cannot say I have to know the answer. So will you please to go

Also want go on tomorrow that I cannot wish to enter in

Once again to all the people and any other money

you can? Is not?