



Lake Maitland,  
Orange County, Florida.

Feb 24/97

General O. O. Hebard

Dear Friend Can you tell me

where I can find an

article you wrote on

the services of Mrs John

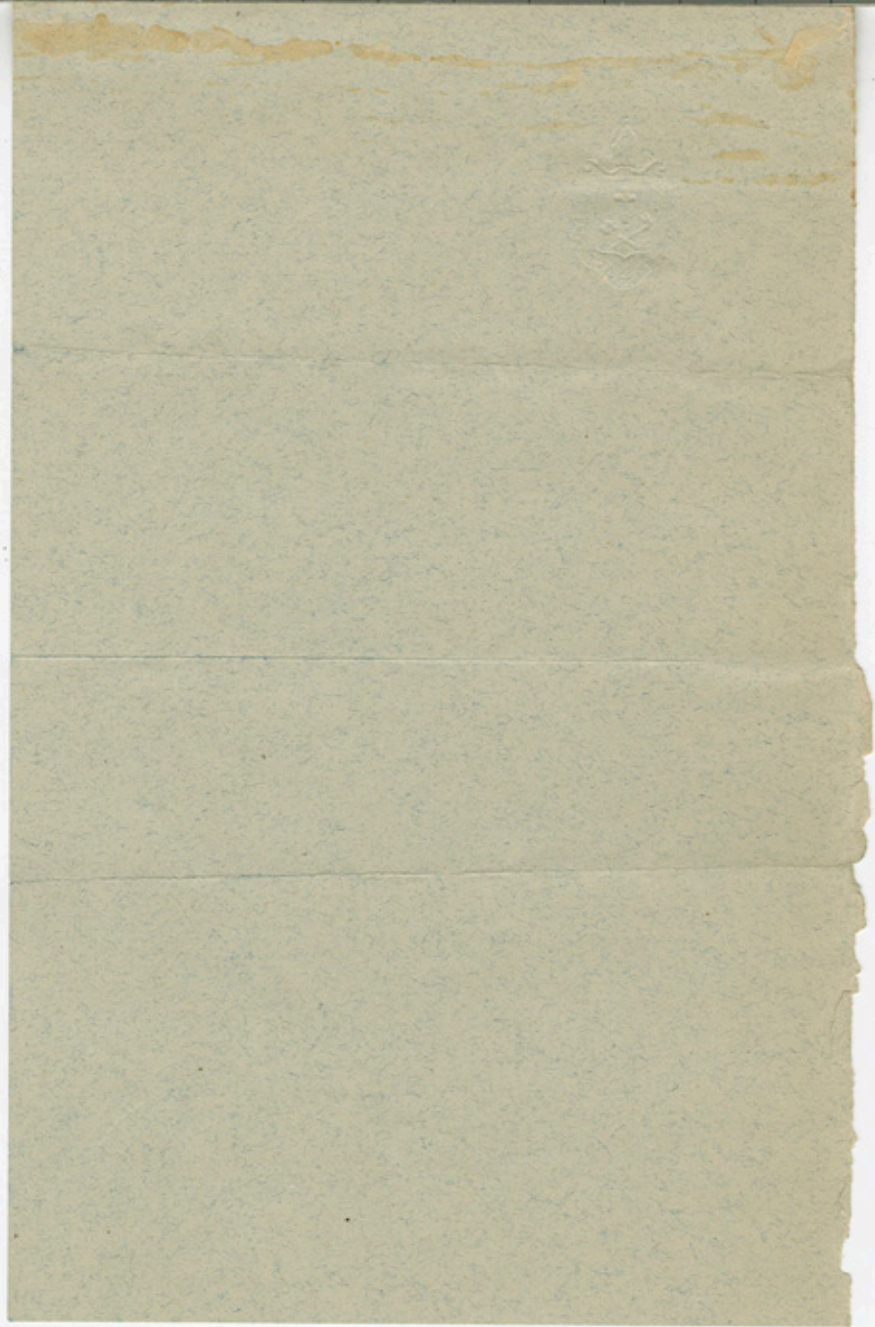
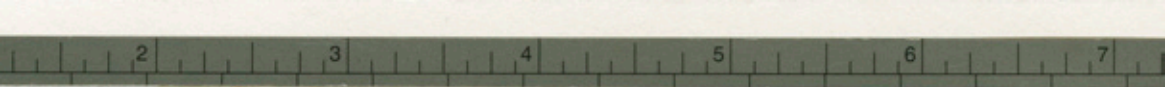
Harris of Florence Italy

My wife is anxious to find

it - with love always

W B Bell

Bishop of America



Washington D. C.  
Feb. 24, 1897

Dear General Howard

I see that you are  
to have Command of a  
Corps at the inauguration.

If you are not provided  
with quarters come to  
S Iowa Circle & bring Mr.  
Howard with you. We  
will do our best to make  
you comfortable.

Yours Truly,

C. Whittlessey.

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Washington D.C.  
Oct 24 1887

Dear General Sherman  
I am happy to hear  
of your command of a  
Corps with the  
If you are not provided  
with greater force to  
I have tried to keep the  
I cannot tell you the  
will show but it will  
your comfort.  
Yours truly  
W. H. Whitney

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905 Westminster Street.

Washington, D. C., February 24 1897.

Oliver O. Howard,

Major-General.

My dear General:-

Through the kindness of Mr. Thomas S. Hopkins, I am tendered a position as an aide on your personal staff during the Inaugural Parade March 4th next. I shall be pleased to render you such service as I may be able, not only on the 4th, but at any time, and during the period between now, and the Parade.

Kindly call on me should there be any manner in which I can render you assistance.

Very truly yours,

A. S. Perham

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Very truly yours,

W. S. Hopkins

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Boston, Feb 24 1897

My Dear General:

I read your letter of Feb 17  
If I knew you were going to Turkey  
with Harry as you suggested I  
should try for Consul General  
to Constantinople.

I wish very much that you  
would see Mr Hoar in my interest  
when in Washington and also  
if you felt so disposed send a  
word for me to Mr McKinley or  
Mr Sherman.  
You trouble with Mr Hoar is that he  
does not remember me from one day  
to another and needs the impression  
that a call from you would make.

I am just in receipt of your letter  
from O.D.H. Jr. In haste  
Sincerely Yours Edgar O. Achorn



Richmond Ind.  
Feb. 25-1897

Dear Cousin Elie.

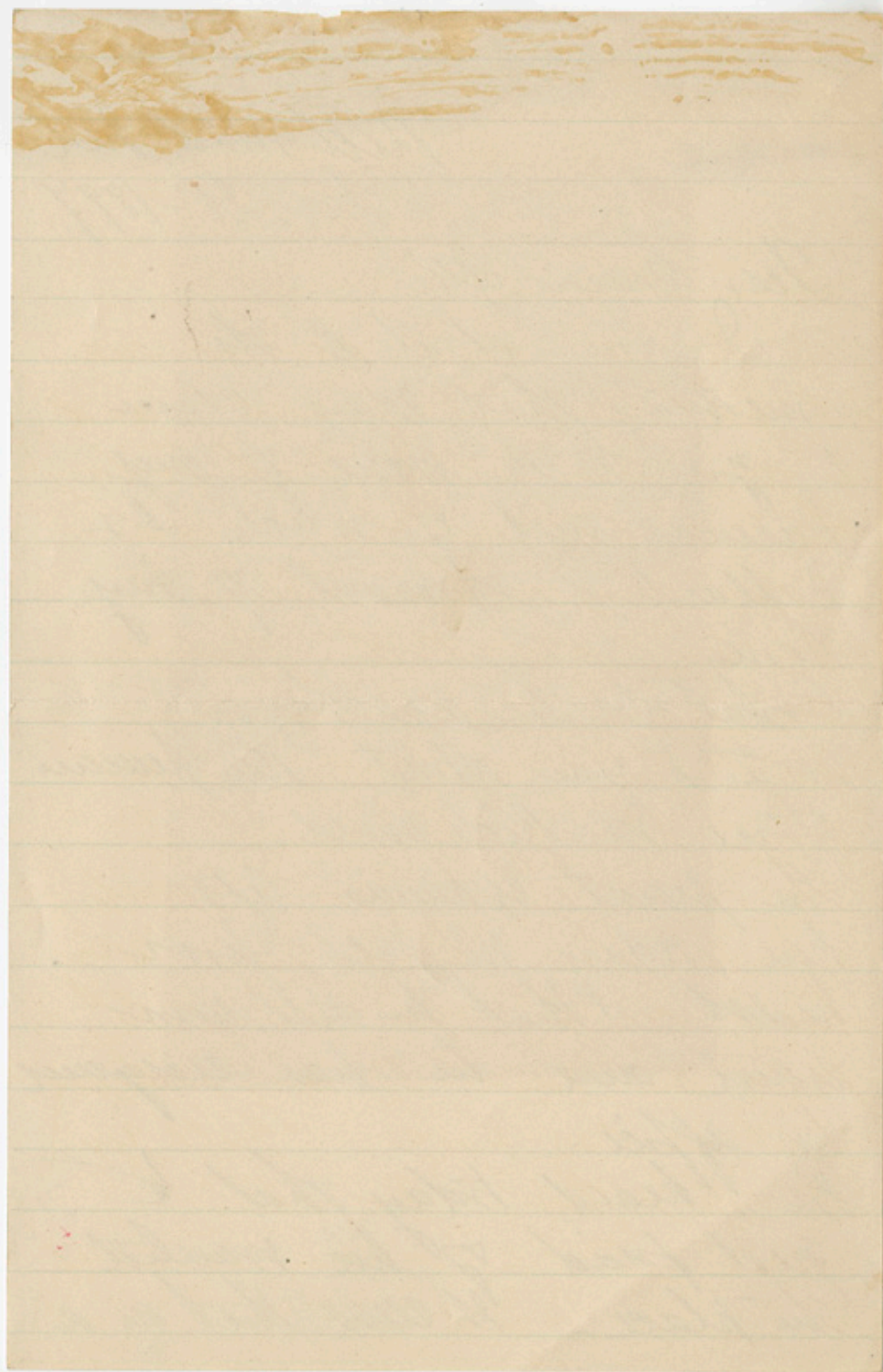
I am about to do  
something that may seem  
to you to be some of my  
business, and of which Dr  
Ballard is ignorant of my  
doing.

Several weeks ago Lizzie  
wrote to you about the pension  
office in Richmond.

The present examiner left  
him today in such poor  
health that he will soon  
return and he has resigned  
his office.

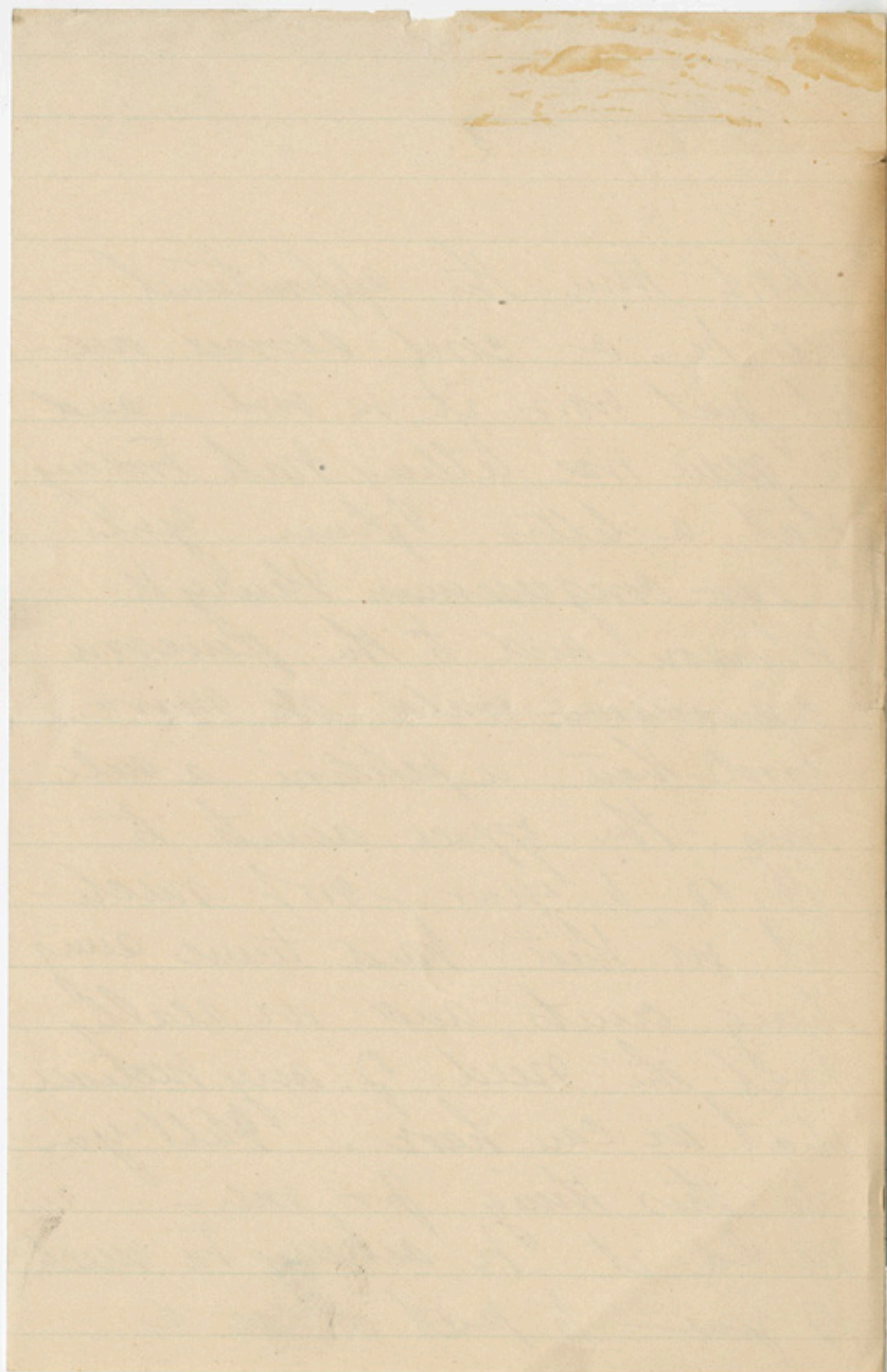
We heard today that a  
great fund of his wanted  
the place - It seems that in a

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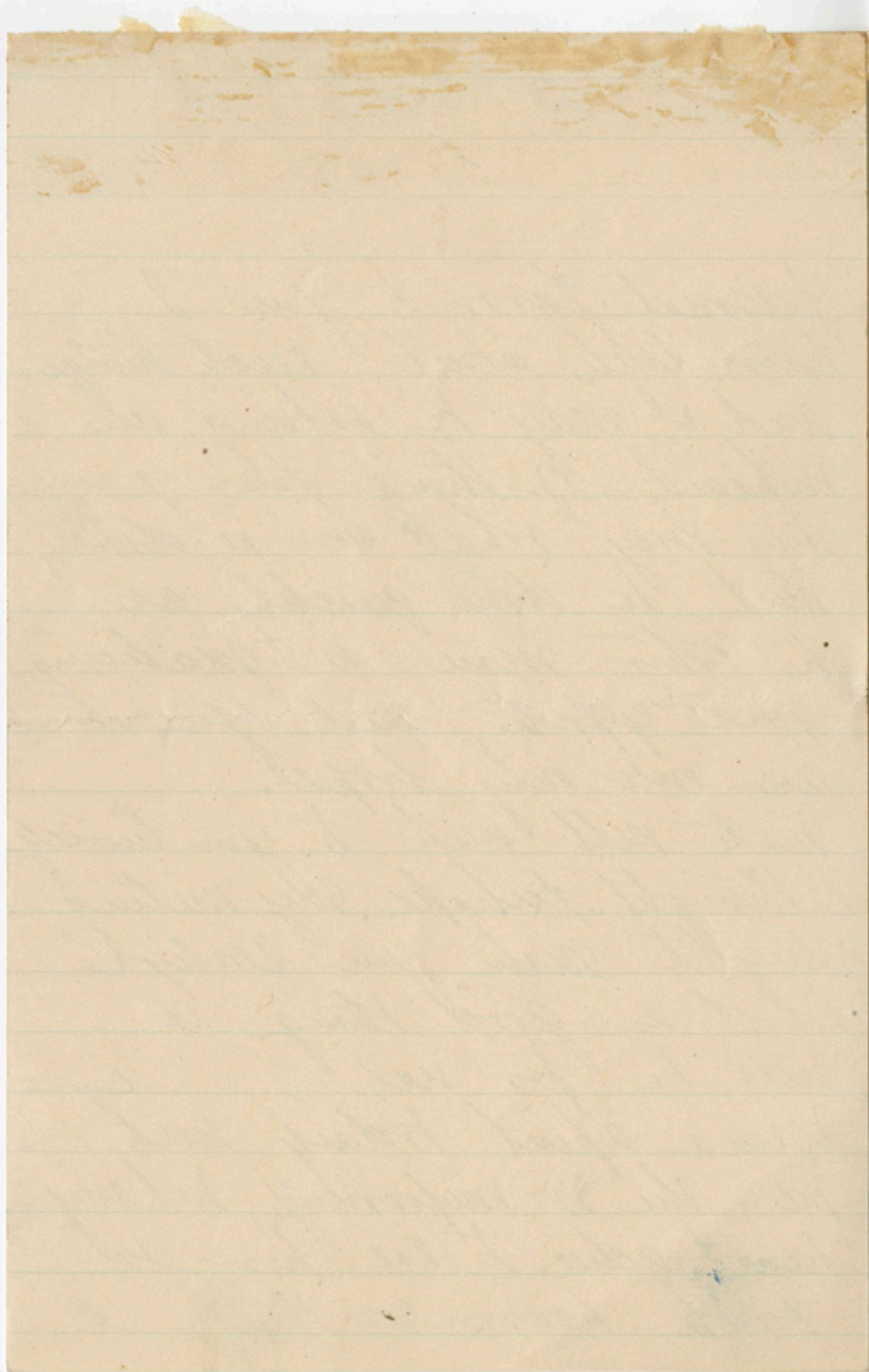
I don't think the appointment  
will be a civil service one -  
but just now it is not - and  
a man was telling Kate today  
that a letter from you  
to our congressman Henry U.  
Johnson and to the pension  
commissioner would do more  
good than a petition a mile  
long. The paper amounts to  
\$300.00 a year - not much -  
but in their hard time every  
thing counts, and we really  
feel the need of any assistance  
that we can have. Will you  
do this thing for me -  
would it be asking too much  
of you - to put it as a



personal favor to you. - I know little about such things - and I may be asking all to head of thing from you. Any way - what ever is done let it be done quickly as the other man is making great efforts, and you & are our only hope.

Kate will write to you lovingly. I thought perhaps my writing might make you realize what a good thing it will be for us.

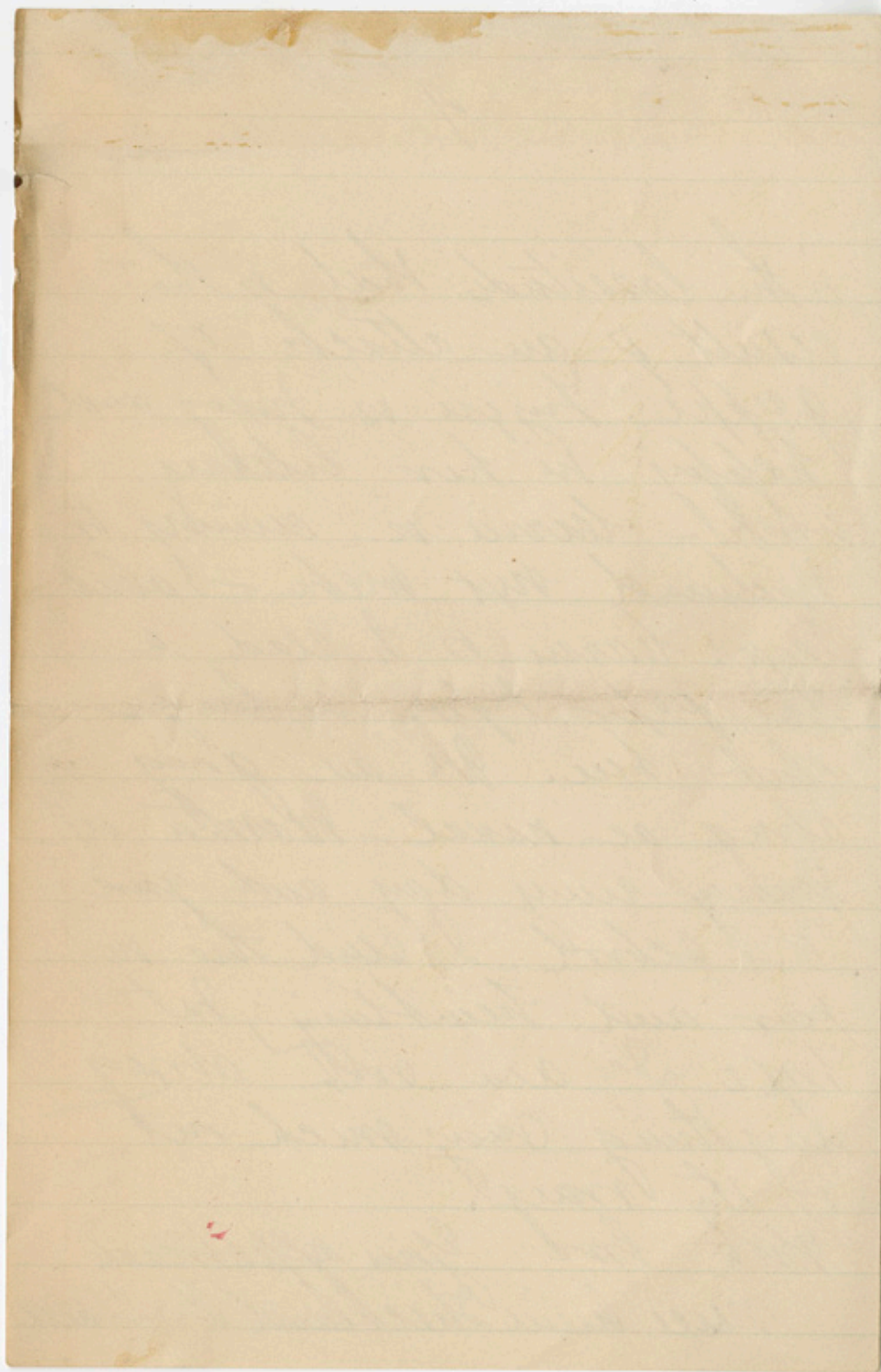
Mama spent today with me - she is improving, but my heart aches to see her so feeble - how we think it



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is the lassitude that is the  
result of an attack of  
grippe. Fizzie is busy and  
happy in her literary  
work - Carrie is coming to  
Richard next week - I also  
do. Carrie is to read a  
fine paper before a large  
club here. We are going  
along as usual - Martha is  
going every day and goes  
to school. I read this in  
fear and trembling, but  
hope I am not straying  
anything very much out  
of the way.

With love Your affectionate  
Niece Anne Dickland Ballou



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Lexington Feb 25 1897

Major General Howard

My dear General

I am surprised at Dr Thompson's opinion. I have been among the Turks a good deal & my feelings & conviction are that uncorrupt character is stronger than "bribery & thievery". I question whether great wealth is desirable at that post. It gathers round one a class of Levantines, officers mostly, speaking 8 or 10 languages, who occasionally make themselves & very useful but they are deceitful above all things & desperately wicked.

The foolish use of wealth makes a man ridiculous & the wise use does not require great wealth. Magnard was a minister of great influence & respectability without wealth or show.

Gen R. Marsh was an honor to our country & was treated with profound respect & honor by Turkish Emperors. He had no wealth. If we are to have a man who can with his family rival the magnates of Europe in the ball room & theater he will need fifty or a hundred thousand a year & will make a fool of

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September 27 1891

My dear friend

My dear friend

Dear friend

Received from you

your letter of the 25th

and in reply to inform you that

the matter is now in the hands of the

proper authorities and that

they will be able to give you

the information you desire.

I am, dear friend,

Very respectfully,

Your friend,

Wm. L. Chapin

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As to International Law. we are not  
 complicated with all the Great powers in their  
 interminable jealousies & revenges. Our case is  
 with the Turks alone & any of our public men  
 of good sense have knowledge enough to steer  
 clear of snags. Payment of indemnities & execution  
 of treaties are all we ask.

I shall see the secular & Christian & profane  
 that measure be taken to have the President or  
 Chairman of the Trustees of the College at Constantinople  
 Masrovan, Harput, Aintab, Marash Beirut  
 &c. all write in a key of McKinley  
 that Major General Howard be appointed. The  
 President of the Missionary Board should write  
 May Our Father in heaven prosper that  
 which is right.

Yours sincerely

Cyrus Hamlin

I hope that Rev. Somebody will have a call to a  
 country parish & go about his work.



**JOSHUA B. WEBSTER,**

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Astor Place, N.Y.

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As to my moral and social standing the enclosed letter will I think satisfy you. Basing my request upon the above statements, will you kindly, if your judgment approves, address the President elect at an early day recommending my appointment to the position named? Assuring you of my great esteem and kindly feelings for yourself, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

*J. B. Webster*

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First Congregational Church,  
MINER AVE. BETWEEN SUTTER AND SAN JOAQUIN STS.  
REUBEN HENRY SINK, PASTOR.  
Residence, 508 E Channel St.

Stockton, Cal. Feb 24<sup>th</sup> 1897

Maj-Genl O. O. Howard,  
New York.

Dear Bro. —

This is to certify I have known  
Joshua B. Webster for the past  
nearly eight years. He is a member  
of the M. E. Church and so far as I  
know is an upright man and con-  
sistent member of his Church.

Sincerely

Reuben H. Sink

I concur with the above, having been  
acquainted <sup>with</sup> Bro. Webster for more than  
thirty years.

J. W. Ross Pastor of the Clay St  
M. E. Church, Stockton

First Congregational Church,  
Mixer Ave. between 2nd and 3rd Sts.  
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. PASTOR  
REVEREND HENRY RINK.  
Residence, 408 E. Chicago St.

Stockton, Cal. Feb. 1st 1897

My dear O. O. Howard  
New York

Dear Sirs -  
This is to certify I have known  
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of the W. E. Church and so far as I  
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CUMBERLAND GAP, TENNESSEE.

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1101 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
CHICAGO.

Cumberland Gap, Tenn., February 25, '97.

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Burlington, Vermont.

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Very truly yours,

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Kingfisher, Oklahoma,

Major Genl O. O. Howard  
 Burlington Vt.  
 General

Feb 25 1897

I received your letter of the 16<sup>th</sup> relative to my appointment as custodian of Camp Supply Oklahoma. I for which I am greatly obliged to you. I wrote my application to Genl. Alger and got my local endorsements for the place, when I learned yesterday that the present administration had recently appointed a Mr. Key of Woodward O.T. his appointment to take effect March 1. He is a Democrat and interested in the cattle business in that section. It is a case of setting a wolf to guard the lambs. I do not suppose it will avail me to pursue the matter any further. I think I would make a good special Indian inspector. Within 2 miles of my Homestead, reside some 10 or 12 families of Indians. I am well acquainted with their affairs and could make ones hair stand with narrations of the management of their business. I shall probably apply for such a position soon. Will you help me get it. I am very respectfully  
 Your obedt. Servt. E. L. Deane



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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., 2/ 25/ '97.

Gen'l. O. O. Howard

Burlington Vt.

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There may be others whom you can reach, whose names will add strength to the cause. General Adams is known to Messrs Davis and McCook. Perhaps a letter to General Miles would be of value. The General is very strongly endorsed by the old soldiers of this state.

There is a fitness in making such an appointment for Honolulu, which you will no doubt, readily recognize; and I think the parties above named will also be in sympathy with the sentiment that would put old soldiers to the front.

What I have said in reference to the young competitor, was said to you in confidence, as it would not be well to refer to that in your communications. Enclosed please find postage.

Thanking you in advance for the kind service which I am sure you will readily afford I am, with great respect,

Very Truly Yours,

Dear General -

A. C. Wright

I think the appointment of Gen Adams a most fitting one to be made and heartily endorse the foregoing letter  
Yours Truly Edward A. Pratt

ST. LOUIS  
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New York, February 25th, 1897.

My Dear General Howard:

Your valued letter of the 20th.

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Permit me to say I did not need the additional knowledge, which your letter affords me, in order to hold you in the highest esteem; and I have often heard Mr. Dodge speak of his love and admiration of you. I have misrepresented both him and myself if anything I have written or failed to write has implied any lack of appreciation or affection. I recognize not only the eminent services which you have already rendered your country, but those which you are well fitted still to render, and hope they may continue for years to come.

I think you will agree with me that a trained diplomat, however high his character and eminent his abilities, would hardly be fitted by reason of his experience as a diplomat to take command of an army, notwithstanding the fact that the able diplomat and the able soldier have certain qualities in common. And to say this is no disparagement to the diplomat. Nor does it any more reflect upon an eminent soldier to say that his experience and success as such do not fit him for delicate

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and difficult diplomatic service.

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In the judgment of our Committee the appointment to Constantinople is by far the most important foreign appointment which Mr. McKinley will have to make; and I think Mr. McKinley himself so regards it. He wants for the post the most experienced and able diplomat in the land - one who has had large experience in international affairs. The place is now seeking the man - a man much larger than the place, and the only man whom I would be thoroughly satisfied to see occupy it. I wish the post might be elevated to the rank of an embassy, but I see little prospect of it.

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