Fort Adams
Newport R. I.
March 8th 1897

My dear General.

A meeting since you wrote me that you would write a letter to the Secretary of War in my behalf in the matter of appointment to the grade of Brig. General U.S. Army. The Secretary (Gen. Alger) is a personal friend of mine, a friendship born of the war in which we served together in the Michigan Cavalry Brigade - he knows me

well. I shall forward my
Record and papers about the
13th of this month. My friends
in a number of States are
working in my behalf. The
Artillery has been ignored
for years, certainly since the
War and this is the point I
am making: and I think
my War Record will bear
comparison with that of any
Colonel. I am about the last
if not the last of the brigade
Commanders now in the line
of the army. Many Artillery
Officers have been urging me
to make this effort saying that
my record entitles me to the
distinction. I hope you will
write us strong a letter in my
favor as you may think I de-
serve —

Mrs Pennington joins in kind re-
gards to Mrs Howard and the
other members of your family.

Yours Sincerely

J. Mc Pennington

MOHONK LAKE, N. Y.
March 8th, 1897.

My dear Sir,-

The Third Annual Lake Mohonk Conference on International Arbitration will be held here Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, June 2nd, 3rd and 4th.

Mrs. Smiley joins me in extending a most cordial invitation for you and your wife to be present as our guests. We would be glad to welcome you Tuesday so as to be at the opening meeting Wednesday morning. The last session will be held Friday and you are invited to remain until Saturday morning.

A time-table is enclosed giving trains as now running. Tickets should be taken to New Paltz where my carriage will meet you. The report of the last conference was mailed you when published. If it has not been received kindly advise us and another will be sent you. We hope to hear that you will attend.

Very cordially yours,
Albert K. Smiley,
by D. Smiley

To Gen. O. O. Howard.

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WAR DEPARTMENT.

SURGEON GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, D. C., MARCH 8, 1897, *189* .

Sir:

Inclosed I transmit vouchers, in duplicate, drawn in your favor for Arrs *amounting to* $.50.—

Please SIGN BOTH VOUCHERS *and return them to this Office, when a check for the amount will be forwarded to your address.*

Get an EXAMINING SURGEON FOR PENSIONS, or your POSTMASTER, to witness your signatures OFFICIALLY.
Payment of these vouchers CAN NOT be made until these instructions have been complied with.
Show this letter to the witness.

Respectfully,

Chas Smart.
Major & Surgeon U.S.A

Genl
~~Mr.~~ Oliver O. Howard
Burlington
Vt.

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Lexington Mar 8 1897

My dear General

Jane concerned to know that the Missionary Board Commended to Mr Kinsley Pres Angell next after Fenton to that you stand third. I do not believe Angell is ~~second~~ the man of all. My impressions are taken entirely from his public appearances. He is quite well satisfied with himself would take the post for his own advancement not as a duty. I may misjudge him but I pray God to incline him not to accept the post should it be offered to him. Dr Joseph Storey has made a mistake there.

The Administration has come in greatly.

Most cordially yours

Cyrus Hamlin



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Maj Gen O O Howard

Dear General

Whilst here last Spring you promised to send me your picture to please with other distinguished Generals in the Parlors and lobby of the "Eagle Hotel".

No doubt it has slipped your memory. I write you now as a gentle reminder -

With Kind regards

I remain Respty

W F Zeiger

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS
COMMANDING GENERAL'S OFFICE,
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS,

March 8th.1897.

My dear General Howard:-

Your very kind letter of the third instant came duly to hand and I thank you most sincerely for what you have done for me. I forwarded you a copy of my record, which I believe is in effect about what I had previously written you.

I see by the papers that you are very prominently meotioned for the appointment as Minister to Turkey. If you desire it, as no doubt you do, I earnestly hope that you may receive it, and enjoy all the honors of that exalted position, but it seems to me that you have done about enough for your country in the last forty-three years, and I should

think you would want to remain in peace and quiet and enjoy your great honors already attained, but I know, if you are in reasonably good health that you cannot easily remain idle. I wish you all success. Again thanking you for the interest you have taken in my matters, and hoping, if opportunity offers, that you will add a good word to what you have already said in my behalf, I am

Very respectfully and truly yours,

Z. R. Bliss

Brig. Gen. U.S. Army.

Washington D.C.
March 9th 1897.

Genl O O Howard;
Dear Comrade –

While you were here during Inauguration of President Wm McKinley I called to see you at the Ebbit House in reference to signing an application for me for a position as Consul at Cardiff Wales, or to a similar place in Europe as a Citizen of Washington D.C and I am fortunate enough to have the following endorsements of Men of prominence,

Meade Post No 5 G.A.R Washington D.C.
Nelson A. Miles Major Genl Comg U.S. Army.
Senator J.R. Hawley. Senator R. Proctor
Genl W.W. Grout M.C Col M.M. Parker
Genl W.W. Dudley. Genl G.W. Ballock
Genl J.S. Hopkins Department-Commander of the Potomac. Bvt Maj Genl Van Vliet. Capt Tanner.

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I think a letter from you will have great weight in connection with the others mentioned in securing my Appointment.

I will now give you a brief account of my Army record which the War Dept will show. I served during the entire period of the late War I enlisted in the 59th N.Y. Vols in 1861 received five Commissions, and was honorably mustered out of service Aug 1865 with rank of Capt, & Bvt Major for meritorious services. Genl Thomas G Hopkins Department Commander is taking great interest in my case also and I am anxious to get it ready for presentation at the earliest possible moment: I would further add that I feel perfectly well adapted for a place of this Kind as I have had large experience abroad, Hoping to hear from you at your earliest convenience, and that you will grant me this favor for which I will feel very greatful

I am Very Respectfully,
Your Obt Servt
Comrade Augustus Rubbell.

P.O. Address Wisconsin Ave Ext: Washington D.C

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 9, 1897

My dear General

I called at the Ebbitt
to see you today but found
you had gone to your home
in Vermont.

I have filed my applic-
ation accompanied by
the original letters. Copies
of which you have seen. -
Mr Justice Harlan gave
me a very complimentary
letter to Mr Bliss but
as the latter was not in
I filed it with the others.
After having taken so much
trouble for me I dislike to
ask more but it seems to
me it would add to my
happiness and that of my
dear Wife to have a letter
from you to the President

of Secretary of the Interior
& place at the head of
the list.—

The Secretary will return
on Friday from New York
and next week I will
call and present your
letter in person provided
you write it and I hope
you will.—

Yours truly
Your friend
G Mansfield

Gen O O Howard
Washington
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Subject: .....

Give reference to these figures in any reply hereto.

War Department,

Office Commissary General of Subsistence,

Washington, D. C., March 9, 1897

My dear General Howard:

I take the liberty of asking you to interest yourself by a letter to the Secretary of War, in behalf of my friend Captain O. L. Hein of the 1st Cavalry, for appointment to the position of Commandant of Cadets. He, among others, was applied for by the Superintendent of the Academy during the last administration, but no appointment was made. The present Secretary of War has told him that his application would receive consideration when the time comes, but I feel, General, that a letter from you will have much weight, and I regard him as eminently fitted for the place, as the enclosed testimonials will attest.

Very respectfully,

W. A. Gillespie

Commissary General of Subsistence.

Write him immediately
please show this
to Gen[l] Ludger. Take
note of it & return
the letter to me. I
am not able to
judge of Capt. Heinis
fitness. but know
nothing to the
contrary
yrs. truly
O. O. Howard

Burlington Vt
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O. O. H.

Farmington Me.,
Mar. 9, 1897

Dear Uncle Otis:—

It seems just a little unfair, that after your kindnesses, my first letter to you should be in the form of a request. However, it so happens this time.

June 10th, I expect to complete my course at the State Normal school situated here in Farmington and hope, to be one of a class of fifty, to receive a diploma.

Sunday June 6, we have our Baccalaureate sermon and I think we shall invite Professor Chapman of Bowdoin.

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He is one of the trustees of the school.

Through the week we have exercises, a programme of which I shall be glad to send you later. Thursday June 10. the graduating class gibe teaching exercises in the fore-noon, and it has been the custom to have a public examination in the afternoon. But customs change and this year which is the first of the abolition of that dreaded ordeal we hope to have something more pleasing and enjoyable to all concerned. In fact, well— we hope very much that you can arrange to give us that date and an address on some topic.

Mrs. Purrington joins heartily

in this invitation, and if you had heard the expressions of regret by numerous persons, over your non-appearance last summer, you would feel sure of a most cordial reception at that time.

It may be in order for me to state that our class is not well off financially and is not able to pay a speaker for that afternoon.

I hope you will understand this matter as I am anxious you should. We have not planned an elaborate programme for Thursday with the view of getting a speaker for "nothing" if possible, but from expressions I have heard, I know of many here who would be very pleased to hear you.

glad we are to have a visit from you any time, and hoping you may see your way clear to come to the graduation and spend as much time here as you please. I am anticipating a reply.

Mother is well and sends love to all, as do I.

We hear only good news from Ella, though she was disappointed not to see you in Boston.

Again hoping that you can come.

I am,
Your sincere nephew,
Rowland S. Howard.

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—OFFICE OF THE—

Pacific Gas Improvement Co.

CORNER ANNIE AND STEVENSON STREETS,

SAN FRANCISCO.

San Francisco, March 10. 189-.

Maj' General O. O. Howard, U. S. Army
No 156. College Street
Burlington
Vermont

Dear Sir.

Enclosed please find ~~check~~ draft No. ....., of this date, ~~on~~ Wells, Fargo Co's Bank, ~~for~~ on New York for $20.00 in payment of dividend No. 1114. upon your ~~40~~ shares of stock in this company.

Respectfully,

O M Burrington

Secretary.

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WAGER SWAYNE.
FRANCIS B. SWAYNE.
ALFRED H. SWAYNE.
NOAH H. SWAYNE, 2ND.

Enclosure.

EQUITABLE BUILDING,
120 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

March 10, 1897.

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

My Dear General;

Yours of yesterday this moment received. I am glad that you and Miss Howard got home all right, and that she is growing better.

I enclose herewith a letter to Secretary Sherman, which I hope will answer the purpose.

Yours very truly,

Wager Swayne

General O. O. Howard ~

Sparrowbush, N. Y.
10th March 1897.

My dear General

I am in receipt of your very kind letter to the Hon. John Sherman in support of my candidacy for a Consulship and am exceedingly grateful for the beautiful words and sentiments expressed therein, touching our dear departed friend, as well as myself, and whatever the result of my application might be, I shall ever cherish, with sincere gratitude, the remembrance of your earnest and valuable

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endeavors in my behalf.

I have mailed it to the honorable Secretary with a brief note soliciting its favorable reception at his Honor's hands.

And I remain,

My dear General,

Ever yours truly & gratefully

Fred. F. Stokes

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March 10th, 1897.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

My Dear General,

The enclosed letter comes to me from New Lexington, O. While I have an indistinct recollection of Mr. Carney, I do not remember a single one of the incidents he mentions. This may be owing to the fact that I have not been in touch with incidents of the War for so many years, and this being different with you, there may be one or the other part of the statement of Mr. Carney that is within your recollection. If so, will you be kind enough to assist my memory, since I should like to help this man, although it seems a long time since the loss of Carney at the time he mentions; nor do I know whether Carney owned the Horses.

While the whole matter is small, I have made it an absolute rule never to advocate anything that cannot be substantiated with absolutely clear proof.

Trusting that this may find you well, I remain,

Very truly yours,

T. A. Meysenburg

TUDOR

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S.S.ADAMS, SECRETARY.

F.W.OLIVER, TREASURER.

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