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27 TREMONT ROW,

Genl O O Howard

Boston, Mch 16 1897

My dear General

I forgot in my haste yesterday to ask you if you would care to have it announced in the Boston papers that you were a candidate for Minister to Turkey. I don't think it is known generally. Might be something in that way to give you a send off and the announcement here might create comment in the newspapers elsewhere.

Yours in haste

Leopold Morse

Auburn N. H.
Mar 16th 1897

Gen O. O. Howard

Dear Friend,

You will doubtless be surprised to receive a letter from me, but I take the liberty of writing you at this time, in behalf of my Son, Ray Foss, who is now at Vallejo, Cal., He is quite desirous of obtaining a position in the Navy Yard at Mare Island, He has already made application, and thinks if you would be so kind as to give him letter of

recommendation to some Officer
connected with Navy Yard,
it would be of great assistance
to him in obtaining a situation
there, I can recommend him
as a steady good principled
young man, and I should
esteem it a great favour
to myself and son, if you
would kindly interest yourself
in his behalf,
Please give my kind regards
to Mrs Howard
Sincerely Yours

Caroline Lathrop Foss,

SAINT LOUIS POWDER DEPOT

JEFFERSON BARRACKS, MO.

March 16th 1897

Dear General.

I am loath to impose on your good will which has often heretofore been exhibited in my behalf - and in the present instance there is no desire on my part to request any action unless entirely in consonance with your feelings and judgement in the matter, and then only when convenient and agreeable to you.

The Washington news today says that Gen Alger has taken the subject of awards of Medals of Honor entirely out of the hands of the Assistant Secretary and attends to it himself after

desirable - You certainly earned favorable consideration by the President for any position you might desire.

While in Washington my wife got a copy of a special order by the War Dept, dated March 3rd, ordering me to take station at the U S Powder Depot at Dover N. J. - relieving Lieut Whittemore, but she was fortunate in having an opportunity to let the Chief of Ordnance know that I do not wish to move, and he had the order revoked - The principal objection is that I would have to rent quarters for my family in the little village of Dover, and I understand that no good houses are obtainable - also the injury to the education of my children.

The death of Lieut Col Parker and relief from important & active command, of Colo Buffington and Lt Col Farley

recommendations in each case from General Miles – the time seems favorable therefore for requesting reconsideration of the recommendations made in my case –

I enclose a copy of one from surviving Officers of my Volunteer Regiment (the 94th N.Y.) for distinguished bravery at Fredricksburg – the omission of the word "Most" seems to have caused Mr Doe to decline issuing a medal.

The Captain who presented the petition evidently disagreed with Mr Doe as you will see from the copy of his reply enclosed – and did not feel disposed to circulate an amended petition to the signers who are scattered from Dan to Beersheba.

Even if not sufficiently strong to meet the views of the War Department so as to secure the issue of a medal or two it can do us harm to call General Alger's and General Miles' attention to the fact that my record is (in part, at least) on file in Col Ainsworth's Record & Pension Office – and I am well pleased with the fact that if the papers do not bring the medal they are themselves almost as valuable as the bauble itself.

My Wife has been in Washington – she intended to bring Helen home with her but found her inclinations tending North eastward again, and now I suppose we will not see her for several weeks.

I wish Bessie would come back with her and make us a long visit.

The newspapers say you have been a candidate for Minister to Turkey. if so I earnestly hope you will get it – or something equally

SAINT LOUIS POWDER DEPOT

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of the Ord. Dept are premonitory symptoms of considerable changes likely to occur in the Corps at any time now — Flagler is almost 62 and will retire June 24th 1899 at latest — he might do so at any time, but is an excellent chief as far as I can ascertain, and it would probably be detrimental to the interests of the service to retire him. Gen Guy V. Henry & I were talking about this matter yesterday and he urges me to put my house in order — write out my record carefully — embellishing it with the documents I possess — have it printed, and get ready for whatever the future may have in store — endeavor to attract the lightning & stroke of high promotion that a

vacancy in the position of Chief of Ord. will enable the President to launch forth. Henry says he will do all in his power to have it strike me. he is personally acquainted - and quite friendly with the President & with Senator Mark Hanna. My record differs materially from that of any other officer in the Corps, whether above or below me, as to character of services rendered, and Gen Henry seems much impressed with the idea that my name would receive favorable consideration from the President — The position has been filled twice certainly - and I think three times - by selection from the grade of Major - The two ranking Colonels now in the Corps were overlanged by Flagler - Mordecai is now the junior Colonel and I have grave doubts about the advisability of making him ~~Colonel~~ Chief.

Selection has been exercised so often by the President, ignoring seniority, that it is no longer presumptuous for a Field officer of either grade, to aspire to the star, and unless one makes effort to present his claims so that the President can act intelligently, he is liable to find some one below him, jumping over his head.

These considerations have influenced me in part in asking your renewal of attention to the Medal of Honor matter, which may be useful in that connection.

Please present my best respects to Mrs Howard and hearty thanks for her kindness to my Daughter - also remember me kindly to Bessie, Harry & to Captain Guy.

Sincerely Yours

John A. Kress

General O. O. Howard,
U. S. Army.

Copy

February 1896

To The President of the United States

Honored Sir.

The undersigned respectfully state that they were members of the 94th N.Y. volunteers and served with the Regiment at the battle of Fredericksburg on Dec 13th 1862: they desire hereby to represent to you that John A. Kress then Major of the 94th N.Y. vols and now a major in the Ordnance Dept with the Brevet rank of Lieut Colonel in the U.S. Army did exhibit distinguished bravery in that battle and we recommend and request that in recognition thereof a "medal of Honor" may be presented to him as authorized by the Act of Congress approved March 3d 1863

The Regiment was in General John Gibbon's Division: Col A. R. Root 94th N.Y.V commanded the Brigade: Major Kress commanded the Regiment in a charge into and through the enemy's line of battle - breaking it - forcing the remnants back to the second line and capturing prisoners: his conduct, deportment, skill and bravery were of such a character as, in our opinion, to make the bestowal of a medal of Honor eminently appropriate.

Hoping that our recommendation may meet with your approval, we remain

Yours very respectfully

(Signed)

Adrian R. Root (late Col 94th N.Y.V.)

S. A. Moffat (late Lt Col " " )

B. Parsons (late Major " " )

(over)

Thos E. Hulbert (Capt 1st Lt + Adjt 94th Ill V)
C. E. Scoville (Capt Capt 94th Ill V)
Thos H. Sprague ( " " " " )
Thos S. Shute ( " " " " )
~~Jno~~ Johnson ( " First " " )
Demars " " " "
+c

The above petition was denied by the Asst Secy of War on the ground that it "Did not show how Major Kress most distinguished himself above his gallant comrades"

— Captain Scoville who sent the petition to the President, requested a reconsideration, arguing that the petition simply set forth the fact that Maj K— did most distinguish himself above all his gallant comrades and that the signers who were there and knew whereof they wrote have fully stated their judgment and conviction that his conduct x x & bravery &c were such as to entitle him to the reward — (that is that the bravery was most distinguished, conforming to the requirements of the law.

The petition was again denied by the Asst Secy of War on reconsideration.

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Lexington March 16 1897.

Maj. Genl Howard

Dear Sir

I have read your views of no great interest. I send you the rough of the letter very nicely type written.

My object is to change the mode or break down the influence of that great Committee. I have not spoken with a man in Boston or elsewhere who does not say d the Howard is the man to go there.

If you have access to the Outlook for Feb 27 you will find a good & short one of the articles written by my son Alfred Professor on Scholarship in Columbian University on U.S. at the Porte

Yours sincerely

Byron Hamilton

Charleston March 16 1891

Mary Ann Lloyd

Dear Sir

Yours received by return
you just in time. I have the receipt
from Miss Ray in my letter

The city is very thronged in Court
time. Hopkins & Hopkins Lawyers
of Hampton and Charleston such a row as
Barbers or Saunders who characterized as
Howard & Moore is by Mr.

If you have a copy of the Bulletin for
that day you will find a letter on the
social condition of my race which Judge Tourgee
or Hitchcock in Cincinnati thought
so. Read it Pls

Yours truly

Thyra Thompson

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Lexington March [1897]

Hon Lorenzo Hoar

U.S. Senator &c

Worcester Mass

Dear Sir

May I ask of you the favor of handing the enclosed personally to the President after reading it.

I feel very strongly that the committee of the Missionary Bodies, Henry F Hyde Chairman have made a very serious error in preferring Pres Angell to Major General Howard should Mr Foster not be available. Howard's military rank his character & achievements will far outweigh all President Angell's diplomatic skill which I do not know what is.

If you agree with I feel sure you will with the petition a word from you to the President will be of great value

With profound respect

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Lexington Mock 218973

Hon. Henry L. Hyde Esq.
Room 614 State Street

Dear Sir

I have heard with deep concern that the Committee of which you are chairman have fixed upon President Angell for consideration in preference to Major General Howard in case the choice of all, with Foster, cannot be obtained. My life long & intimate acquaintance with that post urges me to protest against that choice.

Pres. Angell is a person unknown to the Forts & the diplomats. Her appointment means nothing to them. But Howard would go with the highest military rank of the great Republic. As man & soldier, the hero of Pleasant, would bestow upon him the greatest honors. Her words would carry weight from her high rank & great & varied experience.

I do most earnestly pray & hope that this choice of the Committee may not be carried out.

Very sincerely Yours.

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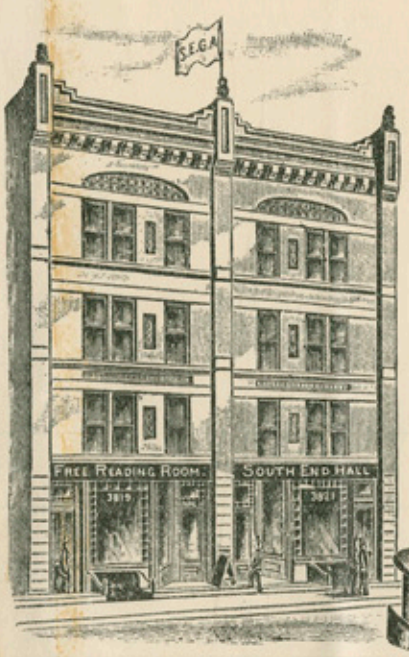
2133 Fed. St. Chicago, Mch 16 1897.

Major Genl O. O. Howard.

I love you. I've always loved you. My first interview deepened the love. Your ~~[illegible]~~ left (& only) hand was crooking the pen. Your mind was full of the correspondence but your heart was full of love to the Prince Immanuel, & the soldiers you commended. Question after question followed concerning the work of the Christian Commission, to which I gave two & a half years of Army service. You said, "a number of years you have had in itinerating, practical, direct & personal christian work, is not this service among soldiers, on the march, under fire, on the transports, & in the Hospital the most promising of direct results?

With emphasis & repeated affirmative. With a full moon shining in a cloudless sky, I listened to the rush & roar of battle from the heights of Look Out Mountain. Gen Hooker with Gen Sherman & your own Command had been designated to capture the enemy at this point. The triumph was very complete. That night of Battle is, memory most conspicuous. The next day as Christian Commission workers (Delegates) our band, of the Massachusetts 27th a dozen dead laid in a row.

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(2) Chicago, 189

The ball had entered the splendid forehead of Aspirant Mudge. We handled the remains of those dozen patriotic sons of New England as their mothers would, & that the gentlest tenderness. I told the Aspirants mother how one of the Christian Commission cared for all that is mortal of her child. For mighty I said, my Massachusetts mothers prayer over me in the hundred bed was instruction as how to do for her royal son.

Such letters as came from Mrs. Mudge & her daughters were comfort & forehead 1 to "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least ye have done it unto me." It came about that memorable morning looking you up. "asleep after such a night," was fitting response. Your brother (Gen G. H.) took me out over the bloody field to look up some that might possibly have been overlooked. Blood, blood & blood, a burnished. The Rebels had been cared for. We felt like singing I fel. a shell ~~[illegible]~~ shrieked over our heads. It was too near & shortened my devotions. & I was in the act of rising when your Brother importuned as though shells in no way were disturbing.

I am glad you are writing up the war. Practical good will come from it. You have a genius for beauty & directness, yet commonly. Your distinguishing object, & your genius is your fixed purpose to be obedient to Him the chief among ten thousand, as He says "Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I command you."

Faithfully. K. A. Burnell
40 years Children Coworker

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Put Name of Canvasser here.

Name of Township and District here.
If City or Town, Name and Street.

Name of Head of Family.

Number of Children in Sunday School.

Children not in Sunday School.

Does Teacher visit pupils? Better more than 2 in two weeks

Number of Boys Converted.

Number of Girls Converted.

Does Mother attend Sunday School?

Is Mother a Christian?

Does Father attend Sunday School?

Is Father a Christian?

Is there a Family Altar? Better more than 2 in two weeks

Is there a Bible in the Home?

What Church Attended.

What Church Preferred.

REMARKS.

These questions were seriously tested "before the war" & the divine blessing rested upon them as well, 25 years ago. They were probably tested in Kane co. If from Kane co, 1st co. west of Chicago. After one year, Kane Co was named "Barren" for service rendered, actually done.

Were held it "barren" & so it will be. House to House Evangelism. It has grown into my being till 1888 Convention real 1000 per month to the jump end.

Mch 3rd my books showed 3300 for the 3 days more than two months. It's will high unauthorized communion with Him. Ask your Pastor if to remember the Camp Crawford near Lake Cut Mountain, Please ask him to visit the gentlemen & get his church to go forth on the House to House & Christ like crusade?

K. K. Russell

Mch 16-97
Mar. 16, 1897

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# American Missionary Association,

BIBLE HOUSE, NINTH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE.

New York, Mch. 17 1897.

Gen. O. O. Howard,
156 College St.,
Burlington, Vt.

My dear General Howard: -

We always esteem it an honor in this office to hear from our old and valued friend, General Howard. We thank you for taking the trouble to send us of copy of your letter to Rev. W. E. Barton, with your answers to questions he seems to have propounded to you. We cannot possibly have any doubt as to the sincere and disinterested intentions which you have in this matter. The bearings of the case have been under consideration somewhat in this office, and as the subject comes under the direct attention of Rev. Dr. Ryder, who is now absent on a brief furlough for ill-health, we will put the letter and the accompanying paper into his hands when he returns to the office. Meanwhile, accept our warmest thanks for your continued interest in the work of the A. M. A.

Very sincerely yours. M. E. Strieby.

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March 17th, 1897.

S i r:-

The ceremonies attending the formal transfer to the City of New York of the Grant Monument by the Grant Monument Association, are to take place in this city on Tuesday, the 27th day of April next, and on behalf of our citizens I have the honor to extend to you a cordial invitation to be present and take part, as a guest of our city, in the exercises incident to the occasion.

Inasmuch as this event may be regarded as of historical importance and of deep national interest, it is earnestly hoped that you will be able to honor the occasion by your presence and thus aid in rendering a fitting tribute to the

memory of one of our country's most illustrious soldiers and citizens.

An early response is respectfully requested.

I am, with great respect,

Your obedient servant,

W L Strong

Mayor

&

Chairman Municipal Grant Monument Committee.

Major General Oliver O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

Marshallville, Ga., 3 17th 1897
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Maj Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir.

Can not memory bring back to you in Nov 1864. on your memorable march from Atlanta to the Sea, your wing of that vast army passed through the small village of Hiesboro & as night came on you made your head quartus there. Two young girls went to you and invita you to take tea with Mrs T. W Rice which you accepta with your staff officers. You then left us a guard for our house as you had heard of our kindness to your soldiers who were wounded in Stonemans Raid. your staff stayed to make some music on the Piano after you retira, refusing to spend the night

If memory brings these truths back to you ~~mina~~, will you not write me?
My father C Reese was a soldier in 1812. I think it was have heard him speak of it often. was always a union man a Whig: died in 1855: leaving his family very comfortable. My mother still lives in Hillsboro where he died had one son W. H. Reese myself & an orphan granddaughter living with him when the civil war began. I was a widow at that time. W. H. Reese her son though in confederate service was never a secessionist or democrat. Stoneman raid passed through in July taking all my mothers stock. Then in Nov. Dec the union army took every thing my mother possessed outside the house. My

for the wounded soldiers when captured by Wheelers command and brought them when they would have suffered for the necessaries of life had it not been for her kindness. She has passed away many years ago, her son too has gone. The orphan grand daughter & myself still live. & ask you to use your influence in our behalf in trying to get some remuneration for her losses from the government. My brother tried before he died to get some, but never did. Won't you help us as you know these facts.? I am growing old now and would be so glad to have something if possible Most Respectfully

Mrs L. C Cornwell.

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but above all of
that I feel my self
in my master's care who
doeth all things well.
and to whom is given
all power on earth.
I am only stopping
here for a day or so.
when I shall go on
further and get through
my work.

With kind remembrances
to your family. I am
as ever yours in
Christian love and fellowship
Chas. H. Stephens

6, BEAUFORT EAST,

BATH.

March 17th 97.

Dear Genl. Hound.

I have been
in England for two
weeks. and in that
time have virtually sold
500. values. I am so
far well pleased at the
outlook for business.
in my line here. but
I find money just as
hard to get here as
it is in my own
country. I can not

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day I am in love with the mode of heating Hotels here and Private houses. (coal fires in grates) I like am more better. I suppose you had a grand time at the inauguration. I had been just 2 days in England when the great Eight occured. May our heavenly father guide and lead him our President. in governing our nation for the next four years out of the darkness it has been in financially.

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I want to see you very much. and hope to do so ~~as~~ ~~my~~ immediately on my return to New York. which will be some time during the first part of April. when I hope to have accomplished the full object of my mission here. in England. I am so overjoyed to know that I have the Prayers and good wishes of all of those associated with me in church life for my success. but

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I have already written you once today, but must ask your assistance for my beloved brother-in-law Thos. L. Riggs. He has long needed a change, and is, as you can easily see, peculiarly adapted to the position of Indian Inspector, the same office which I held. He would like the appointment and I would do anything in reason to help him obtain it. I do not think there is a man in the United States so well fitted for the position as he. He is familiar with Indian affairs, is used to government forms and papers, and has known every Indian commissioner intimately since E. P. Smith. The government could not find a more efficient Inspector. He is full of energy, as you know. In fact, I know of no qualification to make a good Inspector that he does not possess far beyond any inspector whom I have ever known. They have often had men of bad habits; sometimes intemperate, almost always profane, and, in many repsects, a bad example for the Indians.

To save you time and trouble I will enclose such a letter as I would like to have you send to the Hon. Cornelius M. Bliss,

(Over).

answered
O.O.H.

Secretary of the Interior.

Affectionately,

C. H. Howard

You will need to have the Bliss letter rewritten & then put it on our headed paper — C. H. H.

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Washington D.C.

March 12.97

Gen: O. O. Howard

151 College St

Burlington Vt.

My dear General

Accept my thanks for the very interesting Volume you sent me and especially for the sentiment toward me conveyed in it.

Hoping that you and your family enjoy good health I remain

very sincerely yours

S. F. Seyes

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I have felt that should the above facts be presented to you, it would probably lead to an exchange of correspondence with Maj. Gen. Snowden, Commanding the Division of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, Pa., which might lead to a friendly understanding between two gentlemen who both have the honor and respect of the people of Pennsylvania for their eminent public services, and I therefore take the liberty of writing this letter to you again at an address which I trust will surely result in its safe arrival in your hands.

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Dear Sir, — I am attempting something in the way of a study of the genealogy of the Howard family and would be very glad if you would help me by giving a little information with regard to your branch of it.

The first American ancestor, I find, was

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John, who came over from England and settled in Duxbury, Mass, in 1643, living for a time in the family of Capt. Myles Standish.

I shall esteem it a great favor if you will trace back your ancestry as far as you can for me, giving dates and localities as closely as possible.

Truly yours

Charles D. Howard.

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St. Louis, Mo., Mar. 17, 1897.

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