Overlake,
(Near) Burlington, Vt.

May 25

My Dear Gen. Howard

Thanks for the privilege of reading your most interesting narrative & instructive of Christ Joseph & his Captives which I herewith return & with it Gen. Riley's personal recollections

This is a Wide

source of comfort that you have in all your life as a soldier, never forgotten that you were a Christian & that you were governed by the "greatest of all virtues Charity"

Yours very Cordially

L. G. B. Common

fits of romantic
valor in Indian
warfare, & leads me
to fairly estimate
the hazard & vigilance
endured & required to
overcome them.

Conditions are
not equal. A savage
has no mercy for an
enemy, but civilization
demands mercy in
war. It must be

Washington D C
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May 25: 1897

Dear. General:

I hope you will pardon me for trespassing on your time, but indeed I am in trouble, Howard has lost his position, he has tride to get work but has not been able to obtain any there seems to be no work to be had,

General, I write this to ask if you will not use your influence to have Howard reinstated in the Geological Survey, they are reinstating old soldiers and the widows and children of soldiers and as Howard was discharged for polotics, I thought you might be able to do something for him as you was stationed for quite

awhile at New York and are perhaps acquainted with the Secretary of the Interior.

I have had but little work the past Winter and ~~and~~ as I am getting old and hardly able to sew any more I do not know what I will do if Howard does not get work soon,

Give my regards to Mrs Howard, I hole she is in good health

Please let me hear from you soon

Very respectfully

Mary A Rothery

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GILMAN BROTHERS,
WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS,
50 FRANKLIN STREET,
BOSTON.

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Boston May. 25. 1897

Gen'l. O. O. Howard
My dear Sir.

Ever since I had the Rare pleasure of being one of the Company to do you honor at the Massachusetts Club Meeting at the Brunswick. I have wanted to learn more from you about my honored Father.

I left Hallowell in 1840 - and was as you may remember at the Hawaiian Isl'd for twenty years engaged in business

I was eighteen years old when I left home and being away so long. learned but little except from my family of Father's life, peculiarities. Of course I know of his earnest active, Christian life even up to past the three score years and ten. Still you remark that he was your Sunday School teacher, that you gave them one of your bibles - when he was lad for the poor Children the other side the river" has prompted me to write you and to

Boston May 25, 1877

Col. C. C. Howard
My dear Sir:

I have heard that it was planned by one of the Gordons to be upon hand at the Presidential Club meeting at the Parker House. I have wished to learn more from you about my beloved father.

I left Hallowell in 1860 - and was on my way homeward at the Secession that nothing then engaged in business

I was delighted from all other I left home and busy among the boys. Learned but little regarding my family & father life, personally.

Colonel Howard - of his general character, Christian life and of his part in those days and later.

While you should gather facts, that would be very dear to my little children, that I may give my children the only date the sons may possibly be able to provide for and be

GILMAN BROTHERS,
WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS,
50 FRANKLIN STREET,
BOSTON.

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Respectfully ask you to jot down at your convenience, taking your leisure time, if so active a man - has any leisure time, to write me some little account of your recollections of my Father.

I wish also you would please correct any "errors or omissions" in the short statement I made, respecting the gift of the Bible.

Permit me to congratulate you my dear General, on the goodness of God, who has so blessed you in the work for Him which you have been permitted to do - To have been under the Great General of our Country is a great honor but - I know that you esteem it greater honor, that you so early enlisted under the banner of the Great Captain of our Salvation, and as in His Cause you have done so much, for the good of the young - the middle aged - and the aged to inspire true loyalty, patriotism, sacrifice in our Country's behalf so also in the grander holier Cause of the Cross. May your days and years be blessed in the memories of doing what you could till crowned by the King of Kings with the glory immortal -

Yours very truly
Gosham D. Gilman

1879

Respectfully yours, W. Gilman

at your Convenience, I think you know me, if so write a few lines to me, & I will be glad to hear of your health & your Father.

Would also be equally pleased to have an opinion in the other matter I made respecting the gift of the Bible.

Permit me to congratulate you on your Travel, at the portion of Sol, who is to be blessed in the work in this vicinity. I have been Barnett's Sec. I have been over the Great Council of our County & met there last week. Did you believe it really true. Did you do any Industry work in behalf of the Temperance of our Laborers. If in the Town you live close to Travel. In the land of the Gospel - the Public opinion the legally Protection, learning in our County Lodge is also in the Gender this Year of the Era. Tho' you day and Year. We Hold in the Memorin of Those what I could Wish in the Time of Giving right to Your Immortal

Your Poor Friend

Gilman G. Gilman

GILMAN BROTHERS,
WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS,
50 FRANKLIN STREET.

Boston, [May ?] 1897.

Very unfortunately the photograph of yourself to which you attached your name the day of the dinner, got considerably defaced before it got back to me -

If you have a good one, to which you will add your name, will send me I shall treasure it very highly -

Yours truly,

G. D. G.

Most every body has some boy asking for stamps. I enclose a few Hawaiian ones that may give you pleasure in giving to somebody's boy -

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HARPER & BROTHERS
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NEW YORK CITY

FRANKLIN SQUARE. May 26, 1897.

Dear Sir:

We beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st inst. and to assure you of our appreciation of your courtesy in promising to give us the opportunity of considering the publication of your Autobiography when you have the MS. completed.

We are, dear Sir,

Very sincerely yours

Harper & Brothers.

Major-General Oliver O. Howard, U.S.A.

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New York, May 26th, 1897.

Major-General O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

Dear General:

Thank you for your kindness in sending me the manuscript on Gettysburg. I will return it to you in a few days, express prepaid.

With kind regards, believe me,

Yours very truly,

H. H. ADAMS,

Per H.H. Adams Jr.

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American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.

Room 14 1 Somerset Street, Boston, May 26 1897.

General O. O. Howard,
Saratoga, N. Y.

Dear Sir —

Yours of yesterday duly received. Doubtless you have received mine of yesterday, or at least have heard from the Burlington Free Press that it will set up your address verbatim, let you read the proof & send me 17 proofs. This will accomplish the ends of all concerned.

There are but few who know the workings of the Press & the Associated Press, & it is a common thing to make mistakes about it.

I do the utmost that I can for every Speaker but it is the Society &

the whole day's proceedings that I have to keep in mind. If the no. of speakers on Thursday were to be counted, it would be seen what the problem is as to space for each speaker. I have received no manuscript for that day containing over 3000 words.

Sincerely & cordially Yours,
James H. Ross.

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The World

NEW YORK CITY.
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OF THE
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Dear Sir:-

Will you please inform General Howard that check will be sent to him in accordance with your letter of May 25th. The letter has been forwarded to Mr. Bradford Merrill, who is at present Editor of the Sunday World.

Yours very truly,

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335 East 13 St.
New York May 26 1897.

My dear General:-

We held our annual meeting of Camp Memorial Church last Thursday. The report of the Clerk showed that we had 77 members. having received 17 on confession since last report, and 2 by letter. 1 death, 3 dismissed and 10 dropped from roll. 31 members of the Y.P.S.C.E. 20 Junior Y.P.S.C.E. S.S. attendance average 162, The finances. Received by envelopes during past 6 mos. 266.75
" plate collection 52 51
from active workers in the Church
additional to the envelopes. 139 50
$458.76
From outside sources. $133.00

This shows that we have during the past 6 mos. or rather 25 Sundays included in the Treasurer's report received ~~out~~ on an average each Sunday of $12.77 by envelope and plate collection. or, $18.35 if the contributions by the members and workers outside of the regular collections be added — In Jan 1895. these figures were, $3.50 in 1896. $4.90 I think we have great reason to rejoice and to thank our Heavenly Father who has so abundantly blessed us — Not only in this line have we been blessed, but, we have had many conversions — quite a number

among our Sunday School children. The outlook for Camp Mission & Church is hopeful indeed. It is for us only to honor the trust and responsibility which our Master has placed upon us.

Next Sunday we have our Memorial Service. We expect our Chapel will be crowded. We have arranged for a service that will instructive and in harmony with the day. If you get this letter in time will you kindly send us a word expressing your thought and sentiment for the day. We shall look for it.

Our Board of Trustees now consists of 6 members, of 3 class. to serve 3, 2, & 1 year. We did this to conform to the law passed in 1895. We have the same members with J. M. Horton as the 6th man.

May our Heavenly Father give you great prosperity & richly bless you

In His name

W. G. Miller

who visit there, speak of his kindness & wish him retained.
His Father died as Consul Genl. to Constantinople, his grandfather Col. Abert was chief of Engineers for over thirty years, and Genl. Grant who was our friend wrote when he gave him his appointment in the Navy that "he belonged to a family who had given up their lives to the service of the Government."
He is now married with a family of little children, it would be a serious thing, if he should be deprived of his support. If you can help him we will be most grateful to you.
He is my only child, & his pay

Wash D.C. May 26. 1897
1152 M St

Dear Genl. Howard

I take the liberty of writing to you as an old friend, you may not remember me, but I will never forget the delightful little party you had on a trip to Richmond, at the close of the war. You had the boat that was used by President Lincoln.

Genl. & Mrs Dana were in the party, & Genl. Fullerton who has lately met with such a sad fate.

Now, I am about to ask a

favor of you, because I am told that you are a great friend of the President, and I thought perhaps you would be willing to speak a good word for my son Henry Abeit Johnson, who is the Consul at Venice, it is not asking for any appointment but that he may be retained or not disturbed,

The position has not been sought by Politicians because the salary is small, but at this time, there is such a rush for positions, all seem in danger. my son graduated at the Naval Academy but was so devoted to Art that after seeing a few years his friends advised his going abroad & making a career for himself in the Diplomatic service. the post at Venice being vacant it was given to him. he has not been a party man, & his strongest influence was in the Harrison administration. He has filled his place worthily to the satisfaction of the Government, and all Americans

at this post - although small, is all he has.

If I seem bold, please pardon me, knowing that a Mother must do all she can for her son.

Yours Sincerely
Mary Albert Johnson.

C. H. SHEPHERD,

SHEPHERD TRAP,

61 BEEKMAN STREET,

ROOMS 503 AND 504.

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New York, May 27th 1892

Dear Friend Samuel

I received yours a few days ago. I have no reason to regret my coming to Europe. although I brought no money back with me from any sale of my patents. But have laid a good ground work I hope for a good future there. I return as soon as I ~~can~~ went financially speaking. I am glad to know you are well and wished I could have been here in time for the fourth ~~Prude~~. I feel that our Lord has blessed my efforts. and in his own good time will show me more of his mercy and kindness. I am sorry to hear of your being pressed financially at this time. as well as my self But I will manage to fix the interest all right. am so thankful to you for the

use of the amount which I hope to be able to pay some on in a few months.

If you should be in New York at any time I would be happy to see you ~~as~~ and also Mrs Shepherd.

I saw some things in England in the church & P.S. line which I was much interested in.

Wish you had been with me.

Trusting everything is well with you I am as ever

Yours most faithfully
Chas. E. Shepherd.

"May the Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent one from another."

P.S.
Mr Fuller wishes to be remembered to you with best wishes.

C.E.S.

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Dated New York 27

To Gen. O. O. Howard

Burlington Vt

Tuesday six oclock will be in ample time

J. B. Clark

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War Department,
War Records Office,
Washington,

May 28, 1897.

H. S. Howard, Esq.,

156 College Street,

Burlington, Vt.

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Geo. Duncan

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PULITZER BUILDING, PARK ROW, N. Y.

CASHIER'S DEPT.,

New York City, May 28th, 1897.

Mr. H. S. Howard,

Private Secretary for Gen. O. O. Howard,

156 College Street,

Burlington, Vt.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of May 25th to Mr. Arthur Brisbane, would say that check for $35. was mailed to General O. O. Howard, May 8th, for article on "Chief Joseph".

Very truly yours,

Angus Shaw

Cashier.

The Century Co.

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Boston, May 28, 1897. 189

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Dear Sir:

Replying to your favor would say, we are printing pictures from your negatives and hope to be able to send you some in a few days. We should have sent them before this, but the weather has been so unfavorable recently we have been unable to finish them.

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Headquarters Department of Dakota,

Confidential.

St. Paul, Minn, May 28, 1897.

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Having explained in brief the situation I now ask your aid to accomplish my ambition to reach the position of head of my Corps on the retirement of General Breck. It is now thirty-six years since I began my colunteer and regular service in the Army - a service that is without stain or reproach. My friends in and out of the service are doing their utmost for my advancement, and should you kindly send me a

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MILITARY RECORD

—OF—

Colonel MICHAEL V. SHERIDAN,

Assistant Adjutant General, U. S. Army.

Born in Ohio, May 24, 1840. *Volunteer Aide to* Colonel PHILIP H. SHERIDAN, battle of Boonville, Miss., July 1, 1862; battle of Perryville, Ky., October 8, 1862; battle of Stone River, December 31, 1862, and Tullahoma campaign, summer of 1863.

Appointed *1st Lieutenant 2d Mo. Vols.*, September 7, 1863; in battle of Chicamauga, September 19 and 20, 1863; battle Missionary Ridge, November 23, 24 and 25, 1863; combat at Dandridge, East Tennessee, January 17, 1864. Ordered to the Army of the Potomac, April 4, 1864, to join Major General PHILIP H. SHERIDAN; battle of the Wilderness, May 6, 1864; Tod's Tavern, May 7, 1864; battle of Spottsylvania Court House, May 8, 1864; on expedition of Cavalry Corps to Haxall Landing and return to Chatfield Station, May 9 to 24, 1864, during which was in action at Beaver Dam, May 10, 1864; battle of Yellow Tavern, May 11, 1864, and combat of Meadow Bridge, May 12, 1864.

Appointed *Captain and Aide-de-Camp, Volunteers*, May 18, 1864. In actions of Hanovertown and Tolopotomy Creek, May 27, 1864; battle of Hawes' Shop, May 28, 1864; action at Metadequin Creek, May 30, 1864; battle of Cold Harbor, May 31 and June 1, 1864; on expedition to Trevillian Station and return, June 7 to 28, 1864; in battle Trevillian Station, June 11 and 12, 1864; action at Tunstall Station, June 21, 1864; action at St. Mary's Church, June 24, 1864, and action at Darbytown, June 28, 1864. Accompanied Major General SHERIDAN to Army of the Shenandoah, August 4, 1864. In battle of Opequan (often miscalled Winchester), September 19, 1864, for which was *brevetted Major;* battle Fisher's Hill, September 22, 1864, for which was *brevetted Lieutenant Colonel*, and battle of Cedar Creek, Va., October 19, 1864. Accompanied

Major General SHERIDAN from Winchester to Petersburg, February 27 to March 24, 1865; in last campaign of General GRANT'S armies around Petersburg and Richmond and to Appomattox, from March 25 to April 9, 1865, during which was in the battle of Dinwiddie Court House, March 31, 1865; battle of Five Forks, April 1, 1865; battle of Sailor's Creek, May 6, 1865; action at Appomattox Station, April 8, 1865; at surrender of Lee's army, April 9, 1865, and the evening of that day reported personally to General LEE to inform him that 25,000 union rations were ordered sent to his starving soldiers. Accompanied General SHERIDAN as Aide-de-Camp on expedition to join General SHERMAN'S army, April 24 to May 3, 1865; thence to Department of the Gulf, where served till mustered out of Volunteer service, August 1, 1866.

Second Lieutenant 5th U. S. Cavalry, February 23, 1866; joined October 1, 1866.

Captain 7th U. S. Cavalry, July 28, 1866; joined November 1, 1866.

Lieutenant Colonel and Aide-de-Camp to Lieutenant General, August 1, 1870.

Lieutenant Colonel and Military Secretary to Lieutenant General, April 9, 1878.

Major and Assistant Adjutant General, June 7, 1883.

Colonel and Aide-de-Camp to General of the Army, June 1, 1888; vacated appointment on death of General of the Army, August 5, 1888.

On duty as Major and Assistant Adjutant General at War Department to October 31, 1889.

Adjutant General Department of the Platte from November 1, 1889, till November 28, 1893.

Lieutenant Colonel and Assistant Adjutant General, July 9, 1892.

Adjutant General Department of Dakota from November 29, 1893.

Colonel and Assistant Adjutant General, January 25, 1897.

Member Military Order Loyal Legion, and Grand Army of the Republic.