RUFUS ROCKWELL WILSON,
468 BRADFORD STREET,

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FOR THE

PARIS INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION OF 1900

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I enclose an advance sheet of the prospectus, etc. which I ask you to peruse carefully.

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Thomas Hilton
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Office Mining Engineer
Room 307 - Office

GEN. C. H. HOWARD, MANAGING EDITOR
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WILLIAM P. WRIGHT, RECORDER.

RECORDER'S OFFICE.
BUCKS COUNTY.

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Doylestown, Pa., October 29, 1897

General O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.

Dear General:

I called around at the hotel this morning to see you before your departure from our town, but you had made too early a start for me. You will recollect, I presume, that the writer of this is the clerk in the Recorders office, to whom you were introduced early upon your arrival in our town, and who had the honor of commanding the soldiers who escorted you to the stage last night in the Court House.

I am writing a history of the battery, a couple of chapters of which have appeared in the newspapers, which I enclose, thinking they may be of some interest to you. Also, an account of our recent reunion, by which you will learn that the boys are earnestly desiring that I should be appointed postmaster of this town. I have thought since your departure, that possibly you may be able give me some help. If you could see the President, or write to him in my behalf, it would have a wonderful influence. The term of the present postmaster will not

expire until about the middle of February next, so that there will be ample time to attend to any matter of this kind. I have but one opponent, an old political barnacle, who scarcely knows what it is to be out of a political job; a man who was drafted and sent a substitute. I have never held any office. Nominated in the Garfield campaign for County Treasurer, I was defeated because the county was hopelessly Democratic. I hope I am not presuming too flagrantly in asking your help. I ask your assistance as one comrade would call for help from another.

I hope you had a nice trip to Washington and a safe trip home, and that you and yours are in the enjoyment of health and happiness.

Yours Fraternally,

Charles A. Cuffel.

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Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company,
Real Estate Department.

C. O. Bradford,
Real Estate Agent.

Louisville, Ky., Oct 29th 1897

Genl O. O. Howard
Burlington Vt

My Dear Sir

As for your kind advice I wrote to Mr Rossiter Mr Vanderbilt's Secy and in due season received a reply from him to the effect that Mr Vanderbilt was in Europe for several months and no one was authorized to act for him in matters of the kind referred to.

Some time ago I wrote to Rich D. Morse, International Secy and placed the facts before him and while he did not give us much encouragement he suggested Mr Wanamaker & Mr Rockefeller as gentlemen who might possibly assist us and I have had prepared similar letters to them but am quite at a loss how to properly reach them

Can you suggest a feasible plan. I trust I am not in any degree annoying you, by thus writing you in regard to our troubles, but it is a matter which we pray much about and to him God will reward us in the end if it is his Will that we should continue. "His will be done"

With heartfelt thanks for your kind assistance I am
Very Truly Yours C. O. Bradford.

My dear General

I received the Contract from Omaha a few days since and your letter from Omaha this morning –

After reading over the Contract very carefully, I have come to this conclusion – that no sane man or company of men, will have anything to do with the Mines under these prescribed conditions.

What is best to be done now, I certainly am at a loss what to say. Nothing as far as I can see, has been gained by the announcement – the Mines seem farther off to me now, than ever.

If they could only be sold, even at a far less value than their original cost, what a relief it would be – I really do not feel able to bear additional expense (and from what you say I judge you are in the same plight. It certainly would be a loss, a great disappointment

contract could not be altered and arranged so that — he could place it before parties that would be willing to supply money to make the mines available. As we see by your letter and from the opinion of those in Panama R.R. when the mines were opened and the buildings put up that at that time they would be in good working order that the whole plant would be given over to the Government without it paying the company one cent, and the capital put in, all to lose. Waiting to hear from you again to see what can be done about arranging this matter

I am yours truly.

to have the mines pass entirely out of my hands, without some recompense, and yet, I am afraid this is what I must make up my mind to bear —

However behind a "frowning Providence, God hides a smiling face" and this, may be "the dark hour before dawn". so I will not despair as yet.

Let me hear please as soon as possible, if able to get the Contract in a better condition, so it can be decided what is best to be done —

Truly Yours —

Mary W. Temple

October 29th 1897 —

Would it not be better before sending the Panama lawyer any money, to have him see if this

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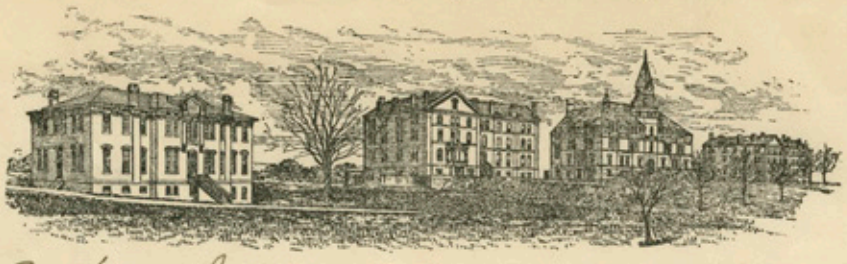


REV. ELLSWORTH BONFILS
NORTHERN SECRETARY
FOURTH AVE. AND 22ND STREET
NEW YORK CITY

To Maj.-Gen. O. O. Howard
Burlington - Vt.

Please address reply to Office of Northern Secretary,
Room 505 United Charities Building,

Replying to yours of

N. Y. City, Oct. 29 1897

Dear Sir:

I am planning a new illustrated circular for our work, to contain — among other things — a few testimonials from well-known friends, with their portraits. As a business-man, you will at once recognize the value to us of such an advertisement, and the greater likelihood of such a circular being read.

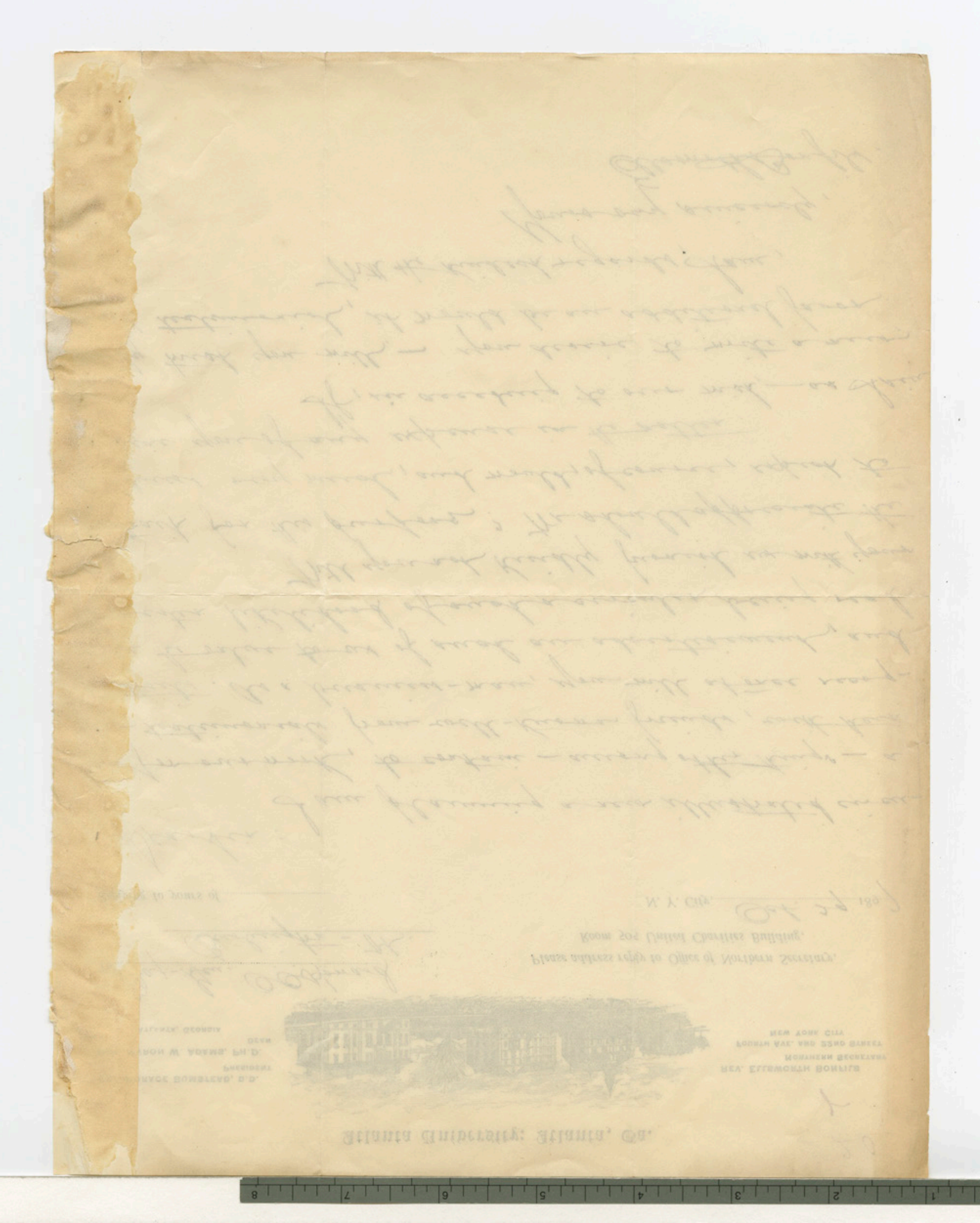
Will you not kindly furnish us with your portrait for this purpose? We should appreciate the kindness very much; and would, of course, expect to relieve you of any expense in the matter.

If, in acceding to our wish, — as I sincerely trust you will, — you desire to write a new, brief testimonial, it would be an additional favor.

With the kindest regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Ellsworth Bonfils.



CABLE ADDRESS
MAJESTO – NEWYORK

HOTEL MAJESTIC.

CENTRAL PARK WEST.
72nd AND 71st STREETS.

New York, Oct 30/97

My dear General Howard -

I find that Evangelistic meetings are in progress at Bethany - which I did not know when I saw you - and that it is expected to keep them up for several weeks - so that it will be impracticable to have you for a lecture at the date suggested - Perhaps we can do it at some later date -

With best wishes

Yours very truly
Silas A. Pierce

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My dear General Howard,

It was very kind of you to take time in the midst of your busy week at New Haven, to send us a few lines. We were also very glad to hear more fully, than we had done, about our mutual friend, Alice. We still love her and are interested in her.

A. L. P.

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we have heard from you,
assuring her that we
have not forgotten her.
We have wished to have
her announce to us the
changes in her life. We can,
however, easily understand
circumstances being as
they were, why she has
hesitated to do so. I am
glad to know that she
has married a good man
and has a pleasant
home. I hope that
you and Mrs. Howard
are in good health, and
in the enjoyment of
heaven's richest blessings.
When you are in Boston,
we shall be very grateful if
you can call upon us.
Our school has opened very
pleasantly, and larger than
usual. My sister joins
in kindest regards to
yourself and to Mrs.
Howard.

Sincerely yours
Hannah E. Gilman.

Boston, Oct 30.

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