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Amer. Gen. Howard

Telephone 2157.

# HOTEL THYSON,

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT,

P. J. DUFFY, Proprietor,

Corner of Seventh and P Streets, Northwest.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> 1898 -

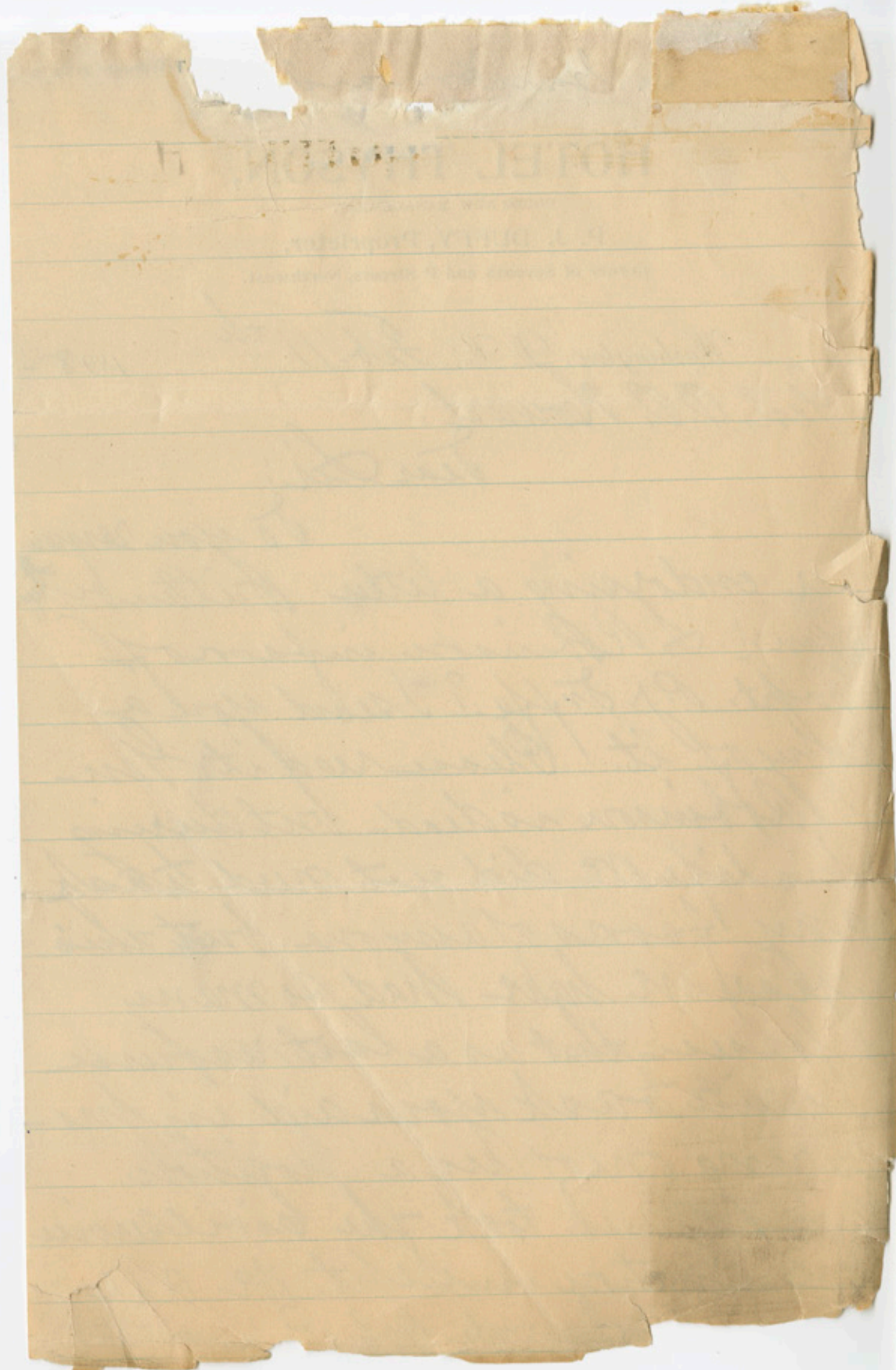
Gen. O. O. Howard;

Dear Sir;

Do you remember

me endorsing a letter written by <sup>the</sup> <sub>the</sub> Gen. J. S. Robinson in favor of Capt. P. J. Duffy? I send you a copy of it. Please read it. Gen. Robinson is dead - but during his life we did not need to ask any favors of anyone. but this year we have had so many losses - that as a last resource I write to ask your aid in procuring one of us a position. Three of us took the Civil Service examination in Sept. We all passed - John - made 90% P. J. 85% ~~80%~~







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and A. Rose F. Duffy - made 89  $\frac{69}{100}$   
the boys took the Messenger  
Examination, and I took the  
skilled Laborer. We registered  
from Maryland where we have  
lived 13 years - Papa failed  
in business in June so this  
fall in Oct. He borrowed money  
and rented a small hotel, and  
we began again we are a family  
of 7 children I am the eldest.  
Pete is 2. Johnny is 9. is a graduate  
of Business High School. Washington  
in June 97. is a stenographer  
and type-writer. they bear good  
reputations are very well educated  
their father is a very much respected

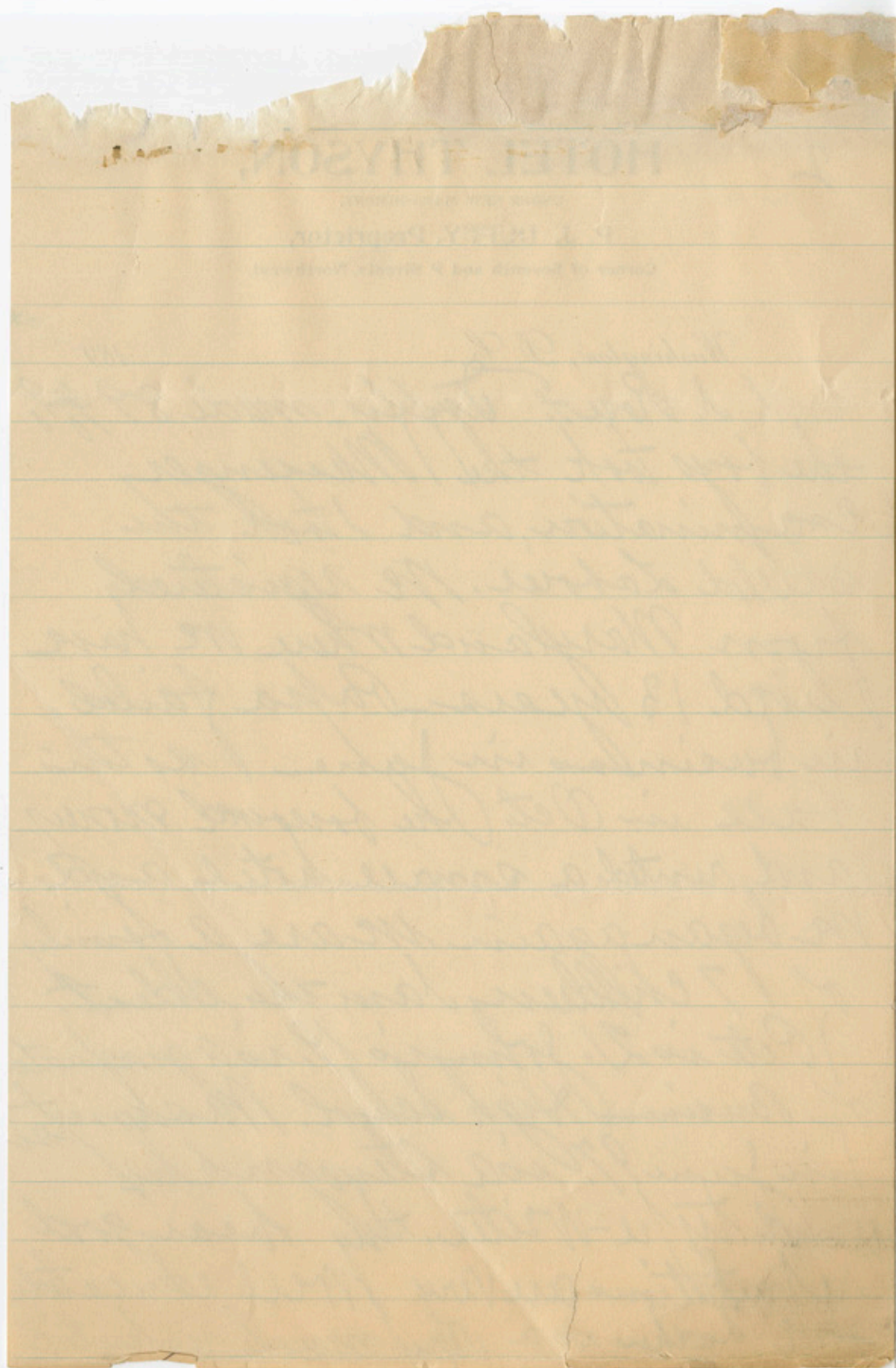


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man. any one in Washington  
 can tell you that. he kept  
 the American House Cor-  
 7<sup>th</sup> & Pa. Ave. for 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> <sup>months</sup> years.  
 he hopes to do better here but  
 needs help at present. I  
 was employed for a while  
 as a labourer in the Dept. of  
 Agriculture but I did clerical  
 work, I was on the temporary  
 roll - and the appropriation  
 ran out, so I was furloughed.  
 Col. Bigham is a Ohio Man  
 couldn't you give me letters  
 him? he would aid me. 5



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HOTEL TOYER  
P. J. TOYER, Proprietor  
Corner of Broadway and 7th Street, New York

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P. J. DUFFY, Proprietor,

Corner of Seventh and P Streets, Northwest.

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but who ever you can, ask,  
 do it please and for any  
 one of us - We all tried  
 so hard to do something  
 you need not be afraid to  
 Vouch for our integrity -  
 we are quite well known  
 Col. Giddes knew Papa - but  
 I had no letters nothing to back me  
 he is Chief Clerk - I could not  
 some Ohio Official aid me  
 Papa was an Ohioan when the

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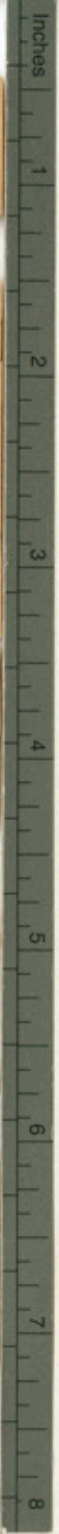
War broke out - Do not dis-  
appoint me - I await patiently  
your reply -

Very sincerely

P. J. Duffy -

Hotel Thyson  
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WHEEL WATSON  
P. J. DUFFY, Proprietor  
Corner of Grand and 5th Streets, New York

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War Department,  
Bureau of P. & F. Affairs,  
Washington.

Nov. 21/67.

Although not personally  
acquainted with this  
young man, I take great  
pleasure in endorsing  
the within flattering  
letter of General Robinson  
D. D. Howard, Major  
Commissioner

Xinton, Ohio, <sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> / 86.

Capt. P. J. Duffy,  
Late of the 6<sup>th</sup> Ohio Vol. Bn.

Dear Sir:

It affords  
me great pleasure to bear  
testimony to your honor-  
able record as a  
gallant officer in the  
6<sup>th</sup> Ohio Volunteer Volun-  
teers, which was allotted  
to my command, during  
the campaign from  
Chattanooga to Atlanta  
and on the famous  
march through the



Carolina. Your  
bearing was always  
that of a soldier and  
gentleman and  
should the occasion  
ever arise when I can  
be of service, you are  
at liberty to refer to  
me.

Very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant.

J. S. Robinson.  
Late Brig. Gen. U. S. A.  
Com. 3d Brig. 1st Div.  
20th Army Corps.



"The Buckingham"  
N. Y. City

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Feb. 11th., 1898.

To the Executive Committee of the  
Lincoln Memorial University of  
East Tennessee.

Gentlemen;-

Your very cordial communication concerning the intended work of your University, and concerning my supposed fitness for the Presidency is at hand.

I have delayed in answering your last urgent appeal that I have personal inclination and interest, and assume this task for the sake of God, Country and Humanity till I could thoroughly canvass the whole subject in my own mind, consult with friends and seek divine guidance in my decision. I have come to the conclusion, all things considered, to decline.

Other relations and other duties which are imperative forbid my taking this new responsibility.

I have already seen Mr. Cleveland Dodge and others with a view of helping you to find the man best suited to the Presidency of the University, and I wish to say that as soon as you find him and he accepts responsibility, I shall be ready to tender him what I can in the line of experience towards organizing, and setting in motion the machinery of your great enterprise.



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The Board  
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Regretting that I can not in conscience respond more favorably  
to your tender of hearty support and co-operation in this matter, I  
remain as ever,

Fraternally yours,

*Oliver O. Howard*

*(Retained Copy)*

cc. O. H.



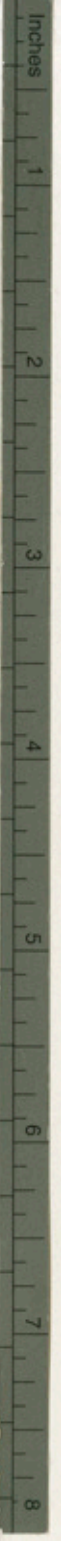
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Yours fraternally,  
Oliver O. Johnson

(Return copy)

O. H.





We shall be  
happy to hear at  
your convenience  
at what time you  
will probably reach  
Cleveland.

With our united  
love and best wishes  
to you and yours,

I remain  
Yours very truly  
Chas. W. Barry,  
President of Cong. Club.

137 Jennings Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Feb. 12, '98.

My dear  
Gen. Howard,

The  
letter of your son  
duly recd. greatly  
gladdened us, for  
it assured us, that  
you would be with  
us on Feb. 21 st.

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Perhaps you  
will prefer to  
leave W. J. on <sup>my</sup> Fri-  
day so that you  
can reach Cleve-  
land before the  
Sabbath. If so,  
we shall be de-  
lighted to welcome  
you on Saturday.  
I am sure every Pas-

tor in our city would  
be glad to welcome  
you to his pulpit  
on Sunday, and  
none more so than  
our own, dear Mr.  
Wells. You will be  
grieved by cir-  
cumstances, and  
whatever you do  
will be all right.



Howard,

[ca-Feb. 12, 1898]

Burlington, Vt.

*Answer*  
Dear Sir,-

I have the honor, as instructed by unanimous resolution of this Command, to invite you to attend the Second Annual Banquet to be held at the Planters House, St. Louis, Mo., at 7:00 P.M., on Saturday, the 12th inst.

I take pleasure in enclosing a copy of our Constitution and By-Laws, the Preamble of which will explain fully the objects and principles of our Association.

Very respectfully yours,

E. D. Meier,

Capt. Commanding.

Official

*Robt Buchanan*

1st Sergeant.

421 Olive St.,

R.S.V.P.

[St. Louis Mo]

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and Olive St.

R. S. V. P.



2 West 43<sup>d</sup> Street  
New York City, Feb. 12, '98.

My dear General Howard

I cannot immediately reach the Rev. R. H. Herren, the gentleman of whom I spoke to you last evening. His name is not in the directory, and my friend who is in constant communication with him is travelling in the south. I will hunt him up as soon as possible.

Yours very truly  
Wager Swayne

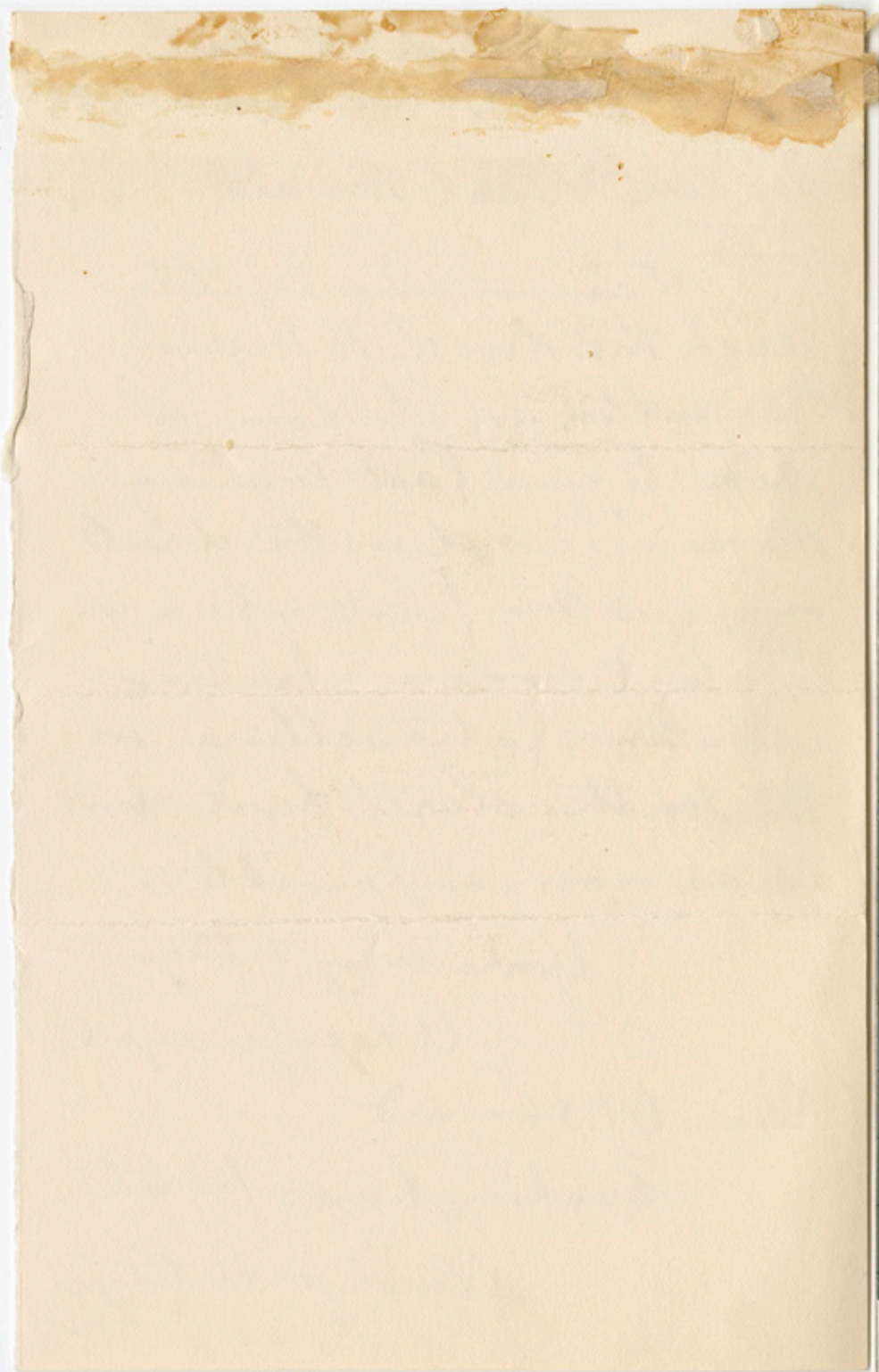
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Buckingham Hotel

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Gen. O. O. Howard,  
New York City.

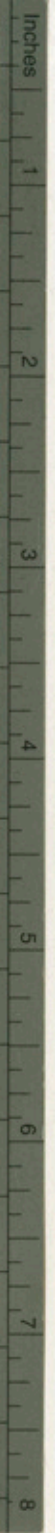
Dear Sir :-

I herewith enclose illustrations showing the work that I am doing on my fathers farm in Alabama. Please read my letter on the opposite page, and my endorsements from Dr. Reukin, Mr. Washington and prominent white people in my community. I also send by some mail last Saturday's New York Tribune which has shown quite an interest in my work and gives a very brief account of it. My father has for 12 years been one of the few subscribers, in Alabama, to this paper.

If all the boys who have gone out from Howard had shown as honestly as I have to make the best use of what good opportunities they have had, I am sure we would seem much more grateful to those who have labored so earnestly to help us. And it is to this end as encouragement to me that I ask if you will accept a place on our Board of Trustees.

I should like very much to call to-morrow, and show you pictures of my community, taken by myself and if you will indicate on enclosed card when I might call, I shall be very glad. Sincerely, Wm E. Benson





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*Overman*



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Washington Dec 2/14/98

May Genl O O Howard

Dear Sir

Perhaps you are aware that a clause calling for an appropriation of \$20,000 was inserted in the Indian Appropriation bill & that it passed the House & went before the Senate Committee & was thrown out on Friday. This sum was for the purpose of further investigation of the site for a dam at the Buttes 14 miles east of Florence Ariz to save the Pima Indians from poverty & suffering.

It is now before the Conference & providentially cannot receive final action by them for two weeks or more. I called on Mr James S Sherman Chief of Com in Indian Affairs & he informed me that this statement is correct & he must be absent all of next week &



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they cannot act until he returns.  
Genl Whittlesey recommended him to  
me to ask for a note requesting him  
to send for you as you suggested to  
me some time since, but he said that  
it was not in his power to do so - that  
it must come from the War Depart-

ment. If you will inform who  
the officer is to whom to apply I shall  
be glad to call & make the request.

Genl M. informed me of your present  
address & that you contemplate com-  
ing here soon. It will greatly facili-

itate said in our effort to secure a  
reinstatement of that \$20,000 clause if  
you can come by authority & I am  
sure you will be only too glad thus  
to come & help in this persistent fight  
for the right & for God & his Indians.

Very sincerely & fraternally yours  
J. T. Whittlesey

My address is of Mr F. N. Smith. Of  
Geographers 1330 P St Dept of Interior





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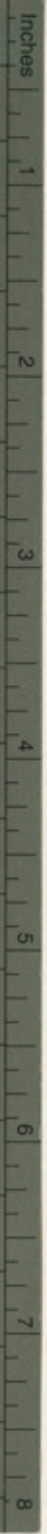
Dear Bro

I may have forgotten before closing my letter today to give you my address - which is of Ft. N. Knell Hydrographer 1330 F St Dept of Interior.

So to make sure I send this as a chaser.

Very fraternally yours  
J. J. Whittemore





Answered  
by G. R. R.



Washington D.C. 20540

Dear Sir,

I very much  
appreciate your letter  
of the 10th inst. and  
in reply to inform you  
that the same has been  
forwarded to the  
proper authorities for  
their consideration.  
Very respectfully,  
G. R. R.



J.S. Maxwell  
Enterprise  
Wacouva, Or  
Oregon

DEFENDER

Enterprise Ore  
Feb 4th/1898

Major Gen O.O. Howard  
Dear Gen

I suppose I am located near where you had your Campaign against Chief Joseph. I think in 1880 I met you at your Aunt's in Richmond Ind. we were talking of times we had when we wore the badge. Flying half moon as some called it. I can say for one I never was ashamed of the 11th Corps.

I was private orderly for you from July 1863 to Nov 1863. when I left your Hd Qrs at Lookout Valley. I am living in the old town of Alder. There used to be a fort - here do you remember it. Ex County Judge Thomas Beasey Brother in law of US Judge Belenger of Port<sup>l</sup> Mrs Beasey was the first white woman in this valley. Can you give me Gen W.S. Kiser's address also Gen Sigel. This is a beautiful valley. Where is Major Howard now



While Gen. Longstreet's men gave us a little  
unpleasantness one night from Raccoon Mt.  
Maj Gen you captured about forty of his men  
turned them into our lines. If you had <sup>not</sup> been in  
such a hurry that night I would have been with  
you. Now I will tell you one on the way He started  
one night from Bridgeport with a pack train of  
mine poor weak mules from a pontoon train  
to take rations to Gen Sherman at Mckajack Cove  
Maj Howard and private Mason of Co K 1<sup>st</sup> Ind C  
was in advance. private Maxwell of Co D 1<sup>st</sup> Ind C  
took the rear the mule drivers were as <sup>and profan</sup> cowardly as  
that teamster with a team of mules at one end of a  
pontoon bridge at Chancellorsville the dark rainy night  
you and I rode to Gen Grant's Hdqrs. the driver was using  
plain language. And you says here my Cant you  
drive that team <sup>with</sup> out so much swearing. You had  
your cloak on and it was raining he replied I guess  
I am driving this team. You says you are an  
inhuman wretch. that is the hardest word I ever  
heard you use. Gen please excuse me for address  
you. But I have been with you often when if I had been  
Maj Gen I would had more troops ahead of me. I  
would like to hear from you Yours with the greater respect



Madison Barracks, Md.,  
July 14<sup>th</sup>. '98.

My dear General -

I take this liberty  
in order to ask your opinion  
as to whether or not Genl. Wade  
should have attacked Genl.  
Lee at Williamsport, Md., on  
July 13<sup>th</sup>. '98 - your reasons for  
thinking so, and the probable  
result had he so attacked -  
I am preparing a paper to  
be read before the Officers General.



From the rebellion records I can see that you  
were better acquainted with the enemy's position  
and condition at Williamsport, than any other  
union general, <sup>and</sup> know that your views of the  
situation would be very valuable as well as  
most interesting. I can find nothing descriptive  
of Gen. Lee's position (as to nature of ground in his  
immediate front etc.) and in fact very little  
throwing light on this subject. In some of the  
accounts, you are quoted as being one of the two  
general officers, who favored an attack, in Genl.  
Mead's Council of war - if that is correct, your  
reasons for so doing would be greatly appreciated.  
I trust you will not think me presuming for  
thus addressing you, for I have devoted two months  
of work and study to the subject and am anxious  
to ascertain the truth. I feel that a paper from your  
pen on this subject would be a valuable contribution  
to history. Thanking you in advance for any  
information you may give me, I am General,

To: Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard,  
U. S. Army,  
Burlington, Vt.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,  
Edgar F. Kochler  
Lieut. 9th Infy.