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Gadsden, Ala., March 4th, 1898.

Gen. O.O.Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

Dear General:

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Please do me the kindness to return the inclosed circular, as it b belongs to another person.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient Servant,
W. S. Standifer.

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Nyack, N. Y.
March 4th 1878

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

My dear Sir: Your very kind letter came yesterday and I thank you. My duties here in my new field begin this evening and I shall continue them as quietly as if this other matter had not come up. – When you have had your Trustees' meeting I shall be very glad to learn the results, promising that if a decision favorable to myself is reached, and the new institution is ready for aggressive and successful work, to give the matter the carefulest consideration possible and be led of God regarding it.

Wishing you every success, and thanking you for your great personal kindness I remain Yours very sincerely

R. H. Herron

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Gen. O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

Dear Sir:-

As we intend to have a uniformity in the style of cuts in our program booklet will you kindly forward me a cabinet size photograph of yourself to use in connection with that and also from which I can have slide made for stereopticon use in advertising and working up the Assembly. By so doing you will greatly oblige.

Very truly yours,

A. C. Folsom

Mrs Allen

Please reply to this — according to form —

P. H. Mr —

Lexington Mass 5 1898

General O O Howard

My dear General

The force of sending a "diplomat" to Constantinople has come to its consummation, and which I predicted. And yet our government will learn nothing by it. I am persuaded it does not wish to learn anything, or to profit a little thereby. It is determined not to learn anything. It cannot afford to. Our government is built on votes. It cannot afford to do any thing which will badly affect its voting list. To defend American rights in Turkey as all other nations defend the rights of their citizens, would be exceedingly unpopular with Roman Catholics, with the millions who dislike Orthodox Christianity & the quarter millions who dislike all Christianity: because they will all say the government is forcing missionaries on the Turks! A senator said to me "so you would force Presbyterians down the throats with the bayonets!" I replied the question has nothing to do with religion of any form. The missionaries have not complained

as missionaries but only as American citizens shows a list of 22 distinct violations, by Turkish officials, of our rights as American citizens, in some cases property seized & destroyed in gross violation of treaty rights in the year 1890-91, & no reparation was ever exacted unless the Bartlett house be an exception. That was paid from the mistaken fear of an ultimatum. In this way our government teaches the Turks to despise. In this way our government prepared the way for the outrages at Harpout & Marash & other places. For all which the Turks knew beforehand a little "diplomacy" would settle the bill however great. And should they now proceed to kill the missionaries diplomacy & the kind intervention of Russia would annoy at all.

I would like to see all our diplomatic relations with Turkey abolished. Our missionaries would enjoy the moral support & influence of all the British consular establishments, & that would be ~~worth~~ much better than our present weakness.

When I saw you for a moment in Yonkers I was on my way to Baltimore Washington & other places. I had a most interesting visit at Pres. Rankin's. "Howard's house" was always like a light house to the sailors where the University is. I gave them two lectures & the students were good & appreciative listeners.

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At the present Cuba, with that awful disaster, Hawaii, with its selfish contentious sectarian embroils, diverted attention from Turkey. Let them be rescued there will be something else.

There is only one cheering fact that is a great one. The spiritual & educational work goes on prosperously & perhaps after all "the gates of hell" will not prevail.

I have travelled freely in the worst weather of this winter & done a large amount of walking with no injury to my health. I am now ~~87 & 2 mos~~ 87 & 2 mos – on the border land, looking over where "everlasting spring abides."

My kindest regards to Mrs Howard & your son & daughter whom I know at your house

Very cordially yours

Lyman Hamlin

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Northfield, Minn
March, 6, 1898.

Gen. Howard-,

Dear Sir,

I heard you speak in Northfield a while ago, and if it would not trouble you too much, I would like your autograph.

Respectifully
Frank Crary.

P.S. My brother Harold would like one too, if it is not too much trouble

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BENNINGTON, VT., March 7th 1898

Gen. O. O. Howard, U. S. A.,
Burlington, Vt.

My dear General.- A number of things since I met you at the Palmer House, Chicago, have prevented my writing (until now) you in relation to the publication of your books in MS. by our Company. The president says we are not prepared to now consider a proposition leading to the publication of any work. That the historical works we own are, for the present, the limit of our resources; and so I thought I would write you. Personally I think your work (of which I had heard, and as explained by you), will sell well if published in the right way, and by a firm that understands the business. Upon my return to Boston from Chicago, I learned that the other firm I mentioned to you, and in whose interest I was at the time, had just taken a large two volume publication precluding any other at present. Hoping for your success, and with assurances of esteem I remain,

Cordially Yours, H. L. Stillson

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I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. David F. Harbaugh of New York, Manager of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, in which he incloses a note of introduction from yourself. I was very glad to hear from you even in this way, and I assure you that your recommendation is to me a sufficient guarantee of the stability of the Company which Mr. Harbaugh represents, and if it were not that I am already carrying as heavy an insurance upon my life as my means will permit, I would be glad to entertain such propositions from Mr. Harbaugh as he might submit, believing that his Company offers very just terms.

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With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

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Mar. 7th 1898.

Genl O. O. Howard U.S.A.
Burlington Vt.

My dear Genl.

I enclose you a circular letter respecting the memory of our old friend Kilpatrick. I was one of his first subalterns when a Capt in 1861 and pastor of a church at his native place soon after he entered upon civil life always bearing in grateful remembrance his friendship.

Thinking that an effort ought to be made soon ere we pass away I have

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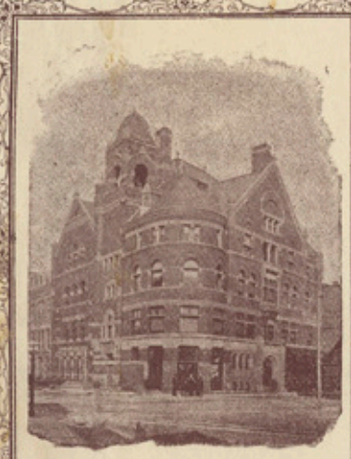
Encourages this movement.
Vice President Hobart is interested
and has sent his check and proposes
that we raise double the sum
possible which I named to have
$1500. I would like to see an
Equestrian statue similar to
Genl Buford's at Gettysburg, Pa.
Can I ask your sympathy
and possible help among the
older officers and Comrades of
the army. I served among the
volunteers tho' you may recall my
Uncle Genl Hallock. Cullom and
Hamilton.
Genl Merritt writes me that
he will do all he can. Col. Beaumont
has promised $200 for his friends.

Yours truly
Edgar A. Hamilton
Pastor Presbyn Church Dobbs Ferry N.Y.



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Gen. O. O. Howard,

156 College St., Burlington, Va.,

My dear Gen. Howard:

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The occasion is the thirty-fourth anniversary of our organization and the tenth, in the occupancy of our building.

It is a very important occasion, as we expect to make a pull to raise a $12500.00 debt.

We would like very much to have you come on and speak for us. Of course we will pay all expenses and entertain you as well as we know how while you are here.

I am sure your son, Lieut. Howard, would be very glad to see youand your many friends would be delighted to hear you speak.

Trusting you can be with us, I am

Very truly yours,

A L Parker

Gen'l Sec'y.

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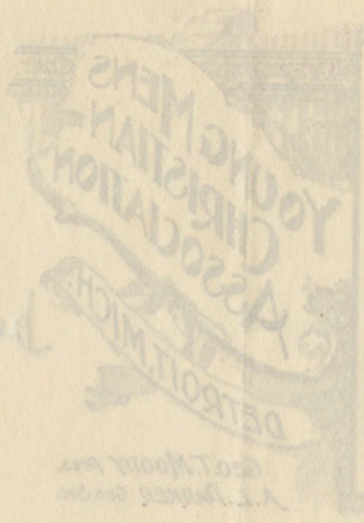

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