

Gen'l O. O. HOWARD.

"The Buckingham"

Permanent address { N. Y. City

165 COLLEGE STREET,
BURLINGTON, VERMONT.

Mar 18th
1898

To/

The Hon. Secretary of War
Washington D. C.

Sir:

Just after the death of General
James B. McPherson, at the battle
of Atlanta the 22nd of July 1864,
Captain (MR.) William Grebe was for
a time on my staff. His reputation at
that time was that of a brave &
enterprising officer. It was alleged
that by personal prowess he had
succeeded in recovering from the
men who had captured McPherson's
equipment, his fieldglass. During the
severe struggle after his General's death
Capt. Grebe was ^{credited} with acts
of gallantry & helpfulness.

At Jonesboro too his conduct & reputation
were everything I could desire, to the

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effect that he carried orders across
a most dangerous part of that
battle field, and when hindered by
a confederate advance, on one of
his official trips, he seized a rifle
& bore a part in the work of
repulsing the enemy.

Very respectfully Your
Obedient servant

Olin O. Howard

Major-General U.S. Army — Retired.
Former Commander of the Army
Department of the Tennessee.

Fort Koyh, Mont.
March 18, 1898.

General O. O. Howard,
United States Army,
My dear General:

My son,
Frank Wheaton Rowell,
desires to enter the Naval
Academy in 1899 and
I am very anxious to
secure your recom-
mendation. His grand-
father, General Frank
Wheaton, lived and am sure
recommended him, and I
hope to secure your in-
fluence also, to be

ans
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presented eventually through my
wife's cousin, General Fitzhugh Lee.

With kindest regards, in which
Mrs. Rowell joins,

Yours sincerely -

W. Rowell.

Captain, 2^d Inf

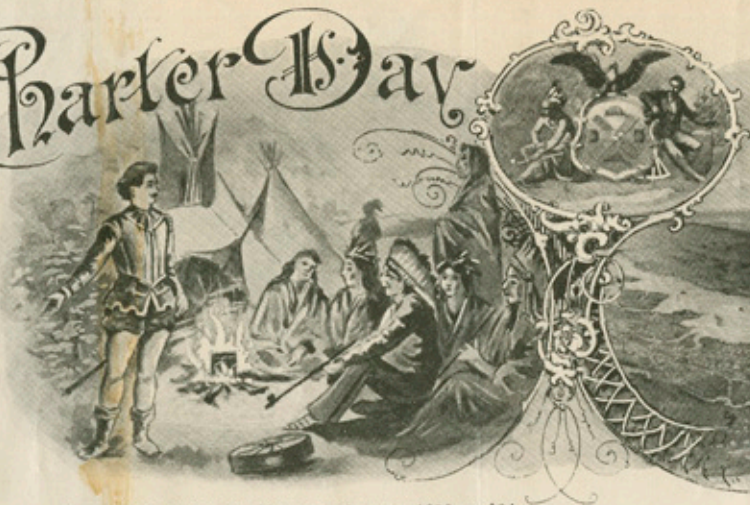
W. Rowell

Charter Day

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PETER MINUIT PURCHASING MANHATTAN ISLAND IN 1624 FOR \$24.

GREATER NEW YORK, ASSESSED VALUATION NEARLY \$3,000,000,000.

HEADQUARTERS

Committee of the Citizens of New York on the Celebration of
"CHARTER DAY,"

TELEPHONE 218 18TH ST.

FIFTH AVENUE HOTEL.

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COL. JOHN J. GARNETT, SECRETARY,

ALFRED CHASSEAUD, ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

New York, Mch. 18/89

Gen. O. O. Howard,

10 East 23rd Street, N.Y.

Dear General:

I have the honor and the very great pleasure to advise you that you have been selected as a member of the Military Committee of the General Committee of citizens of New York on the Celebration of Charter Day. I am the more pleased at this appointment since I recall the pleasure of your acquaintance when you were an instructor at the Military Academy and I was a cadet.

Hoping that I may receive a favorably reply, I am sir,

Very respectfully your obedient servant,

John J. Garnett
Secretary.

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21 Christopher Street.
New York, March 19, 1898.

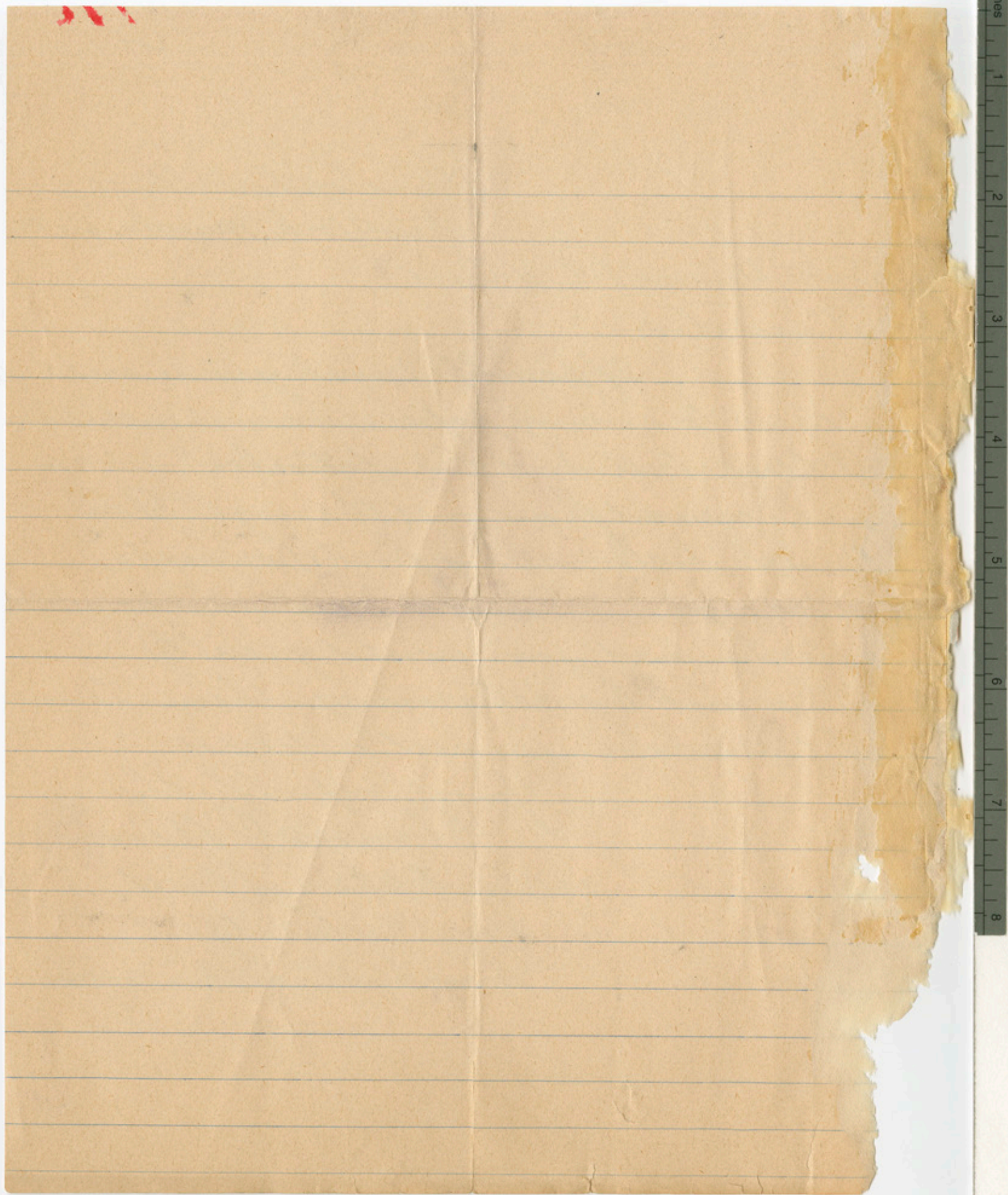
Major General O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir:-

If possible I wish you would return to me my papers (recommendations of Gen. Scott and Dr. Saterlee) which you received from me (through Gen. Daniel Sickles) about five (5) or six (6) years ago. I am a Mexican War veteran and you would greatly oblige me by returning them to me at the above named address.

Yours Respectfully
Thomas O'Brien.

21 Christopher Street
New York City
Manhattan Borough.



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Agent.

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Genl O O Howard

Washington D C

To Introduce myself would say that
I am the man that pulled the Service
through Kansas during the last Presi-
dential Campaign & very proud I was to
do it I P. by the Papers there is a lack
of Engineers in the Army & if there is
going to be trouble with Spain I
want to offer my services to the
Government in that capacity I have

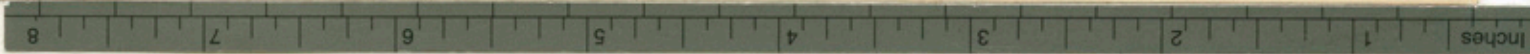
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Notary Public

James C. [illegible] (Notary Public)



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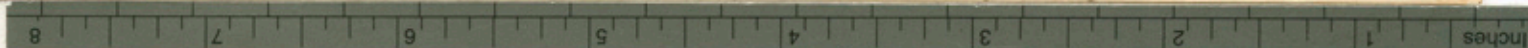
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Had Charge of a Locomotive for 30 years
& think with 30 Days Instruction I
would be able to Handle any Ship
afloat. I am 55 years old was a Corporal
in Co A 20th Maine During the Civil War
am pretty badly worked up over the
Meism affair & if there is going to be
war would like to have a hand in it.
I write this to you in hope you will

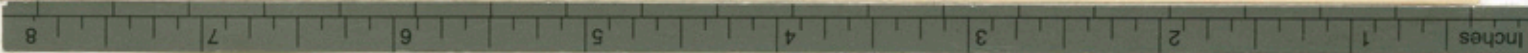
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C. J. PETERSON
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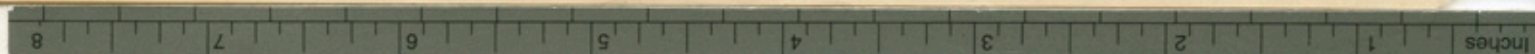
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Assist me in getting what I want.
This is no bid for Office all I want
is a chance to help back Spain out on
any other motion that has it in for us.
If you will be the Secretary of the Party for
me you will greatly oblige.
W H Low

Independence Kansas
Care of Caldwell, House

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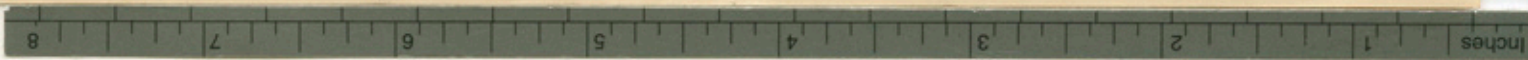


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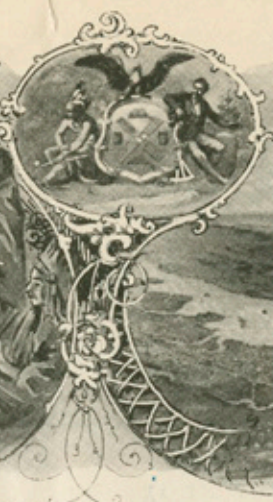


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"CHARTER DAY,"

TELEPHONE 218 18TH ST.

FIFTH AVENUE HOTEL.

New York, March 20, 189[8]

Dear Sir:-

You are most earnestly requested to attend a special meeting of the GENERAL COMMITTEE OF THE CITIZENS OF NEW YORK ON THE CELEBRATION OF CHARTER DAY, of which you are a member, on Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at 4 o'clock P. M. sharp, in the Aldermanic Chamber in the City Hall.

Business of the most vital importance will come before the Committee and your presence is deemed absolutely necessary on the occasion. It is urged that your civic and patriotic pride in the Great City of New York will impel you to be present and participate in the proceedings which will be necessary to make the Charter Day Celebration a glorious success, and that you will lay aside all other matters for the consummation of this purpose.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

John J. Garnett

Secretary.

Robt. B. Roosevelt, Esq., Vice-Chairman,

Acting Chairman.

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York

Committee of the Citizens of New York on the Celebration of
"CHRISTIAN DAY"
Fifth Avenue Hotel

New York, March 20, 1892

Dear Sirs:

You are most cordially requested to attend a special
meeting of the GENERAL COMMITTEE OF THE CITIZENS OF NEW YORK ON
THE CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN DAY, of which you are a member, on
Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at 4 o'clock P. M. sharp, in the
Auditorium Chamber in the City Hall.

Business of the most vital importance will come before
the Committee and your presence is deemed absolutely necessary on
this occasion. It is urged that your civic and patriotic pride in
the City of New York will impel you to be present and give
assistance in the proceedings which will be necessary to make the
Christian Day celebration a glorious success, and that you will lay
aside all other matters for the consummation of this purpose.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

Secretary
General Committee
Christian Day Celebration
Fifth Avenue Hotel

C. W. McAfee.

L. C. McAfee.

McAfee Brothers
Real Estate Brokers
and
Financial Agents.
108 Montgomery St.

San Francisco, Mar. 21, 1898.

General O. O. Howard,
156 College St.,
Burlington Vermont.

Dear Sir:-

We inclose copy of letter from W. E. Deacon, that explains itself.

We find that it will be absolutely necessary, as proposed by you some time since, to accept a Deed from the C. I. & C. Co., for the 240 acres of land mortgaged to you in Kern County. In transferring this property to you, that Company will transfer water rights that have cost them \$10 per acre. We have a proposition from the present tenant on the land to pay \$6 per acre, per year, provided you will furnish alfalfa seed and the total expenses of caring for & harvesting the same the first year, on a lease for five years. It is a question for you to decide whether you will accept Deacon's proposition or that of the tenant, which latter is about the customary arrangement for planting alfalfa.

While we have no very great confidence in what Mr. Deacon can do, we think it advisable to accept some such proposition as he makes, unless you have someone on the premises to watch and care for the land cultivated by a tenant.

Yours truly,

McAfee Brothers

In haste

P.S. Write us if you are inclined to accept Deacon's proposition

W. E. B.

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Real Estate Brokers
McKee Brothers

Financial Agents
108 Montgomery St.

San Francisco, Cal., 1898.

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water rights that have cost them \$10 per acre. We have a proposal
from the present tenant on the land to pay \$5 per acre, per year, provide
ed you will furnish alfalfa seed and the total expenses of caring
for harvesting the same the first year, on a lease for five
years. It is a question for you to decide whether you will
accept Descon's proposition or that of the tenant, which latter is
about the customary arrangement for planting alfalfa.
While we have no very great confidence in what Mr. Descon
can do, we think it advisable to accept some such proposition as he
makes, unless you have someone on the premises to watch and care
for the land cultivated by a tenant.

Yours truly,

W. E. Descon

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Bakersfield, Cal., March, 21, 1898.

Messrs. McAfee Brothers,
San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sirs:-

In consideration of the fact that the Cal. Investment and Colonization Company of North Vernon, Indiana, owe Gen. O. O. Howard about \$4382.04 on mortgage notes of which they assumed the payment in taking a deed for the Fractional S. 1/2 of Sec. 7, T. 31 S., R. 29 E. M. D. M. in Kern County, California and in view of the further fact that the said C. I. & C. Co. have sold off 80 acres of said land to William Brannan and Frederick Huntzicker leaving 240 acres more or less of said half section standing as security to Gen. Howard for the above stated amount, which said Company have notified me that they have informed you as agent for Gen. O. O. Howard, that they can not pay, but in lieu thereof, they propose to deed the land over to Gen. Howard to obviate the necessity of your foreclosing on said land, I myself being a member of said company, and having considerable money invested in said property, and being the only member of the C. I. & C. Co. that is a resident of California, I would like to have a contract from Gen. O. O. Howard for the purchase of said 240 acres of land if you will accept the deed from the C. I. & C. Co. for the same and I therefore give you this proposition to submit to Gen. Howard.

In the first place I will give you a statement of the condition of said land in regard to State and County taxes, and also water tax (for irrigating purposes.) The taxes on the mortgage interest of O. O. Howard for the years 1896, 1897 and 1898 stand against said land unpaid and the land was sold to the State for the taxes of 1894, 1895, 1896 and 1897 and has and will cost in the neighborhood of \$350.00 to redeem ~~all~~. Then there is due the East Side Canal Company for water for irrigating in 1897, \$375.00 which was due Jany. 1st, 1898 and is unpaid up to this time. There will be due on Jany. 1st, 1899, \$375.00 more for the water of 1898. *all water bills must be paid when due or none will be supplied thereafter* Now I will undertake and agree to pay up all back taxes on land and mortgagee's interest in said land and redeem it from the sale to the State and shall expect a credit on account to that extent. I will also pay the water tax of 1897 and that of 1898 when due and relieve the land from that lien. I will also pay all State, County and water tax on said land that is or may become due not herein mentioned from this date and thereafter and will pay \$1000.00 Jan. 1, 1899, \$1000.00 on Jany. 1st, 1900 and balance of \$2382.04 on Jany. 1st, 1901 with interest on the same from date of contract at the rate of 7% per annum payable annually. I to have the privilege of selling off portions of said land in ~~the~~ parcels of not less than 20 acres to one party and by paying Gen. Howard the proceeds of the sales at a rate of not less than \$25.00 per acre he to agree to make a deed for said parcels to myself or assigns and I to have the privilege to pay Gen. Howard the full amount of his claim at any time prior to Jany. 1st, 1901 ~~if~~ I am able to do so, and he to

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Messrs. Moffet Brothers,
San Francisco, Cal.

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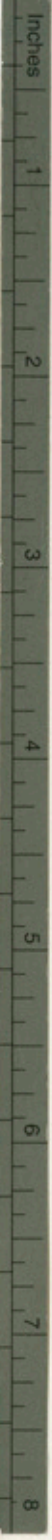
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Yours truly,

Signed N.E. Deacon



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with Gen. Howard embodying these terms and conditions, and hereby
respectfully submit the same.

Yours truly,

Stephen W. Bacon

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THE HILL
POTTSTOWN
PENNSYLVANIA

Mar. 21: 1895.

My dear Gen. Howard:

Thank you
most sincerely for your
kind remembrance of me
by sending me "Donald's
School Days." I appreciate
your thought of me, and
your many interests, and
thank you especially for

your affectionate tribute
To my love for these dear
fellows committed to our
care. We all recall your
little aspin with us,
with greatest pleasure and
hope someday you may
be permitted upon to
repeat it.

With warm
regards, and assuring
you of my sincere

gratitude, believe me,

Faithfully yours,

William Lloyd Garrison.

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Washington DC

March 21. 1898

Gen Oliver O Howard

The Buckingham

N.Y.C.

My dear General

Many thanks for
securing me so fine
an audience as the
members of the Independent
League being thanked
and congratulated on
every side by the poor
abused scandalous
clerks, - more than for
anything I have ever
written. A Sunday
morning minister
fellow who signs
his name "Rev Josiah
Strong D.D. Secretary"

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of the Evangelical League
is pandering to the de-
praved taste of New
Yorkers by printing in
the World a series of
letters libeling the
same class of people
who are extolled in
my letter. —

I do not know who
the fellow is, but if
he is subject to the disci-
pline of any evangelical
body he should be tried
for unmitigated lying.
Wherever he may be he
is a scoundrel to be
loathed and abhorred
by every decent man
and woman.

Who is he?

Yours truly
G. C. Kniffin

My dear Gen. Howard:

I am very
grateful for the generous gift
of your book, "Isabella of Castile."
The
inscription adds to its high
value and interest, and its pos-
session deepens my gratitude
for the happy days you gave
us.

Faithfully yours

March 21st, 1898 John Meigs.

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My dear Mr. Thomas:
I am very
grateful for the generous offer
of your book, which I shall
receive with much pleasure.
I am sure it will be a
valuable addition to my collection.
I am very
truly yours,
Wm. Lloyd Garrison

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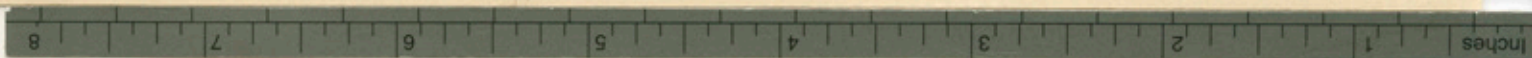
Maj Gen. O. O. Howard,

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Mar 1898]

Dear Bro:— That I
unintentionally troubled you,
even for a moment, will
always be a regret to me.

We all, so far as I am
acquainted, bless God for you,
and perhaps the first instance
that would be cited by the people
(if they were called upon to
give instances to justify such
blessing) would be that you were
at hand at the critical moment
to arrange for "Gettysburg" and
carry through your central part of
that struggle.

Allow me therefore to say



as much. — to beg pardon for
sending you the MS. in question,
and to thank you for giving me
a broader — an all-round — view
as to all such matters.

Yours. very truly
Perrin B. Fisk.