

Dear General Howard.

EM 24, 1898?

With whom can
I communicate when
I shall have received
my assignment? I
shall need hymn books
& hope I may be provided
from the stock sent
from or through Mr. Moody
also testaments, but
how many it is not
in my power to say, at
present. I regret extremely
not having been able
to meet you, this noon.

I am

Very respy

Your obt servt
in Christ

Henry Swift
Chaplain

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Handwritten text on aged, stained paper, likely a document or letter. The text is extremely faint and illegible due to fading and bleed-through from the reverse side. The paper shows signs of significant wear, including a large tear at the top edge and horizontal fold lines.



Dear General — Private
+
confidential
[May, 1898?]

To freshen your memory — you
will no doubt recall our
acquaintance while we both
sat under the pleasant serm-
ons of Rev. J. A. Cruzan at
Portland, Ogn⁷⁸⁺⁷⁹ Also my visiting
you at Omaha — while I
was traveling for Rand. McNally
& Co of Chicago.⁸⁵ Also my coming
on the stand to ~~greet you~~
— in marching uniform — to
greet you, and Genl Alger
at Sandusky, during the McKin-
campaign.⁹⁶ + I might add by
way of a clincher — with due modesty
It was due to my efforts that
the more remote parts of the
hall were enabled to hear your
eloquent words while you were
speaking under the trying diff-
iculties of a bad cold.

I acted as a sergeant-at-arms.

Yours
R. W. [Signature]

Dear Mother -

I hope you are very well - you
will no doubt recall our
acquaintance while our last
at under the pleasant com-
son of Rev. J. A. Cooper at
Portland, Oregon. Also my
you at Omaha - while I
was traveling for Rev. Mr. Merrill
of Chicago. Also my coming
on the stand ~~to~~
in marching uniform to
get you, and Rev. Mr. Cooper
at Danbury, during the 1840
campaign. I might add by
way of a clincher - with the
It was due to my efforts that
the most romantic parts of the
hall were enabled to be your
apparent words while you were
speaking under the flying
of a banner
acted as a

May, 1893

My Dear General,

I have your letter of the 23rd instant with its enclosures, consisting of :

A note addressed to you by your son in regards to General Plume, and

A copy of a letter addressed by you to the President proffering your services, &c.

I will take great pleasure in presenting the letters to Secretary Alger, in accordance with your wishes. The Secretary has the letters & gave them to Plume last evening.

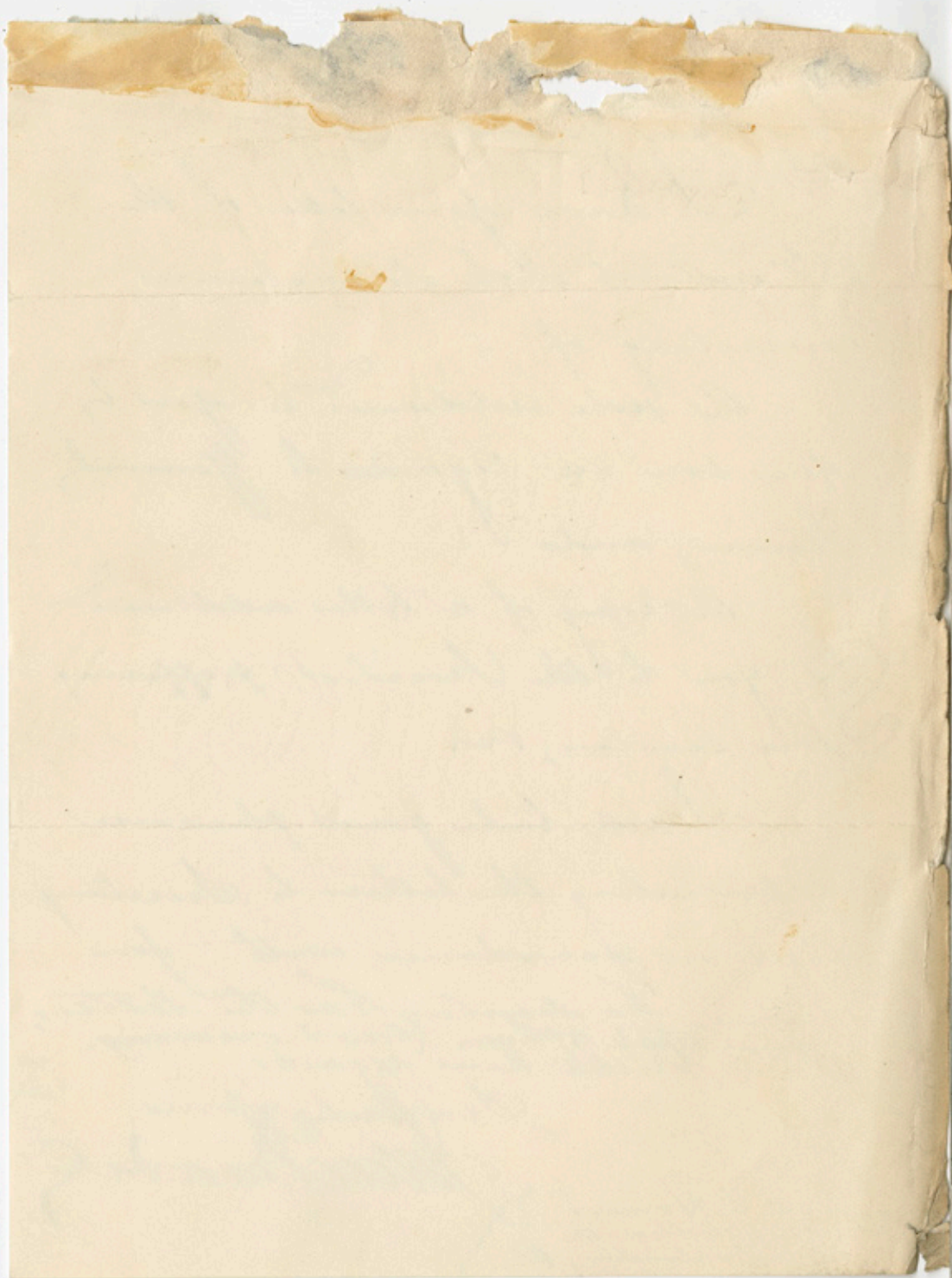
With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

W. M. Wood

Gen. O. O. Howard
156 College St.
Burlington, Vt.

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Gen. C. C. Howard, Tampa, Fla.

Dear Sir:

EM 84, 1898? J

Will it not be a pleasure
to grant the request in the
accompanying letter?

I am glad to read
that you are working for
the enlistment of men in
a war against personal
temptation and sin. Thanks
be to God who giveth us the victory
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Cordially,

Mrs. Elizabeth D. Cook.

Rec

Mrs

to Gray file

to consider
His heart is in
favor of every one

Dear Sir,
I am glad you
are interested
in this book

that you are interested in
the exhibition of man in
a war against personal
temptation and sin. I think
to be lost who give us the victory
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Cordially,
Wm. E. Chittenden

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Dear of Black H. J. file
22nd Regiment. Comp. E.

Dear Friends—

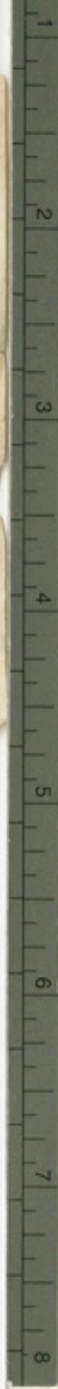
Since you received
my last letter I have failed to pass
the verbal examination and succeeded
in getting into the army.

This life is very different from
college life, But I like the rough
life. I believe that it will
build me up physically. My body
very much run down. My nerves
are very shaky, and the outdoors
will give me renewed

do not get down where we
are, though there are S

Black P.
22nd August. Prof. E.

Dear General:-
I have your favour
and have been
glad to hear of your
return to the country.
The life is very
pleasant here, but
I believe that it will
be one of hardship. I hope
you will find it so. I
am very glad and the
I will give me
I hope you will
I hope you are



numberless numbers about. Some-
times it is said that we are to
go south, at other it is said we
are to stay here. But wherever we
are sent I desire to do my duty
as a Christian and a soldier.

There is only one other outspoken
Christian in this regiment. He is
a young Irishman, very earnest and
together we hope to wield an
influence for God. There are none
of us in one tent and I praise God
that it has been my privilege to
hear them all declare themselves
on the side of temperance. I have
some Gospel Hymns, also my Bible

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... than all before this
... in the city of ... I have
... some people ...

and hold a service in my tent every
Sunday and Tuesday evening. Have
not yet seen the Chaplain.

It has rained almost constantly
since we came here so we are
confined to our tents very much,
but we have had considerable
drill. I am no longer in the
squad, but have been given
a place in the company.

I need hardly say that I need
your prayers. It does look as
though the Lord would use me
to bring men to him and I want
to be used, for the greatest privilege
man has on earth is to win S6

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souls.

It is difficult to write here
among all the tumult, so I will
close, trusting that the Lord
may bless you in your work.

Yours in His name
Billie

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William
~~Hoff~~
Hauptmann

[Faint, mirrored handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page]

Milwaukee Wis.
May 1st 1898

My dear General Howard.

I see by today's paper that you are near here and write to invite you to come to Milwaukee to attend our Loyal Legion meeting Wednesday evening May 4th.

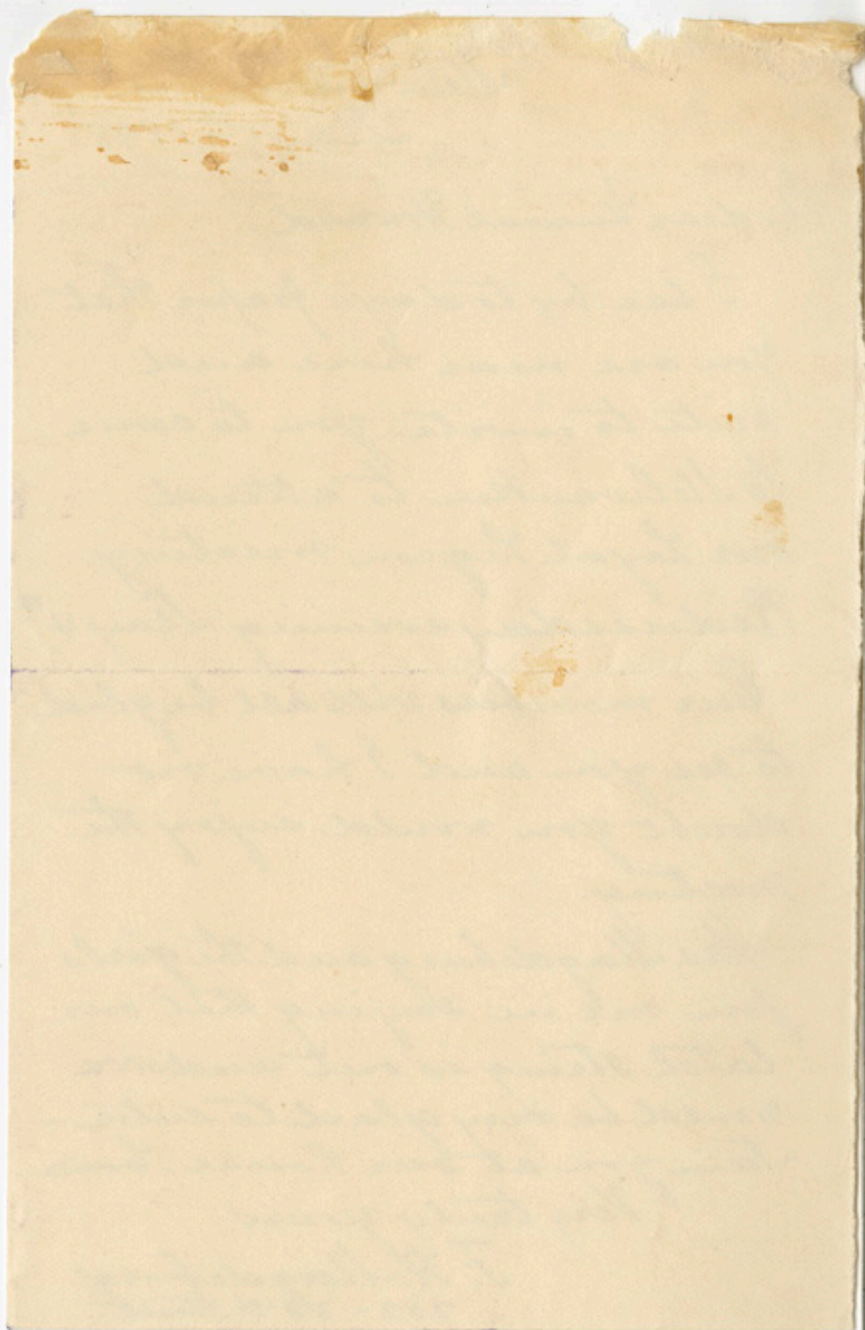
Our members will all be glad to see you and I have no doubt you would enjoy the meeting.

Mrs. Magdeburg and the girls join me in saying that our latch string is out and we would be very glad to entertain you at our house. Come.

Very truly yours

F. H. Magdeburg
252 - 3rd Street.

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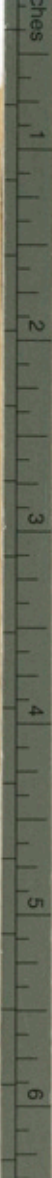
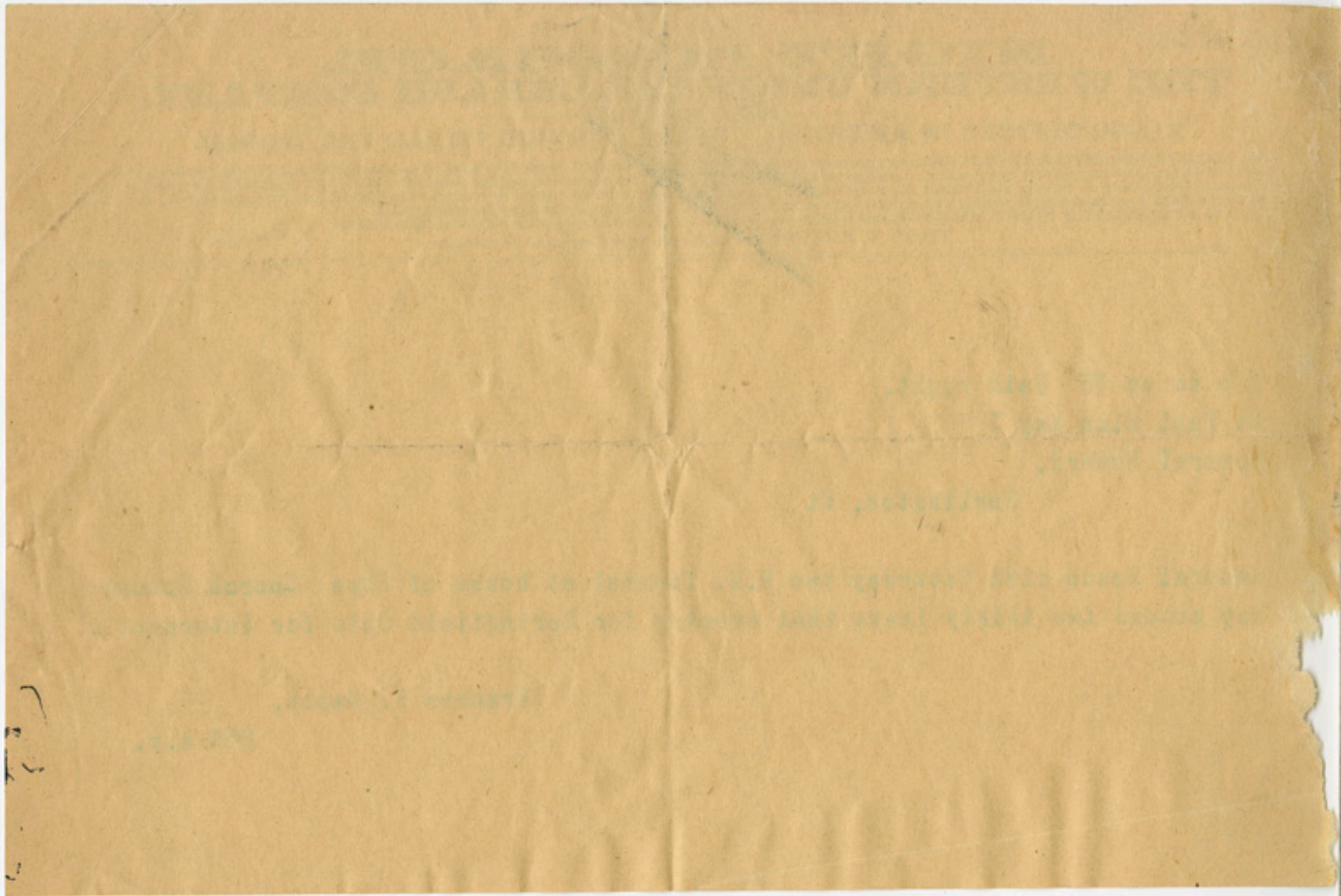
Burlington, Vt

General Mason died Saturday two P.M. funeral at house of Hope Church Monday
May second two thirty leave that evening for Springfield Ohio for interment.

Frances K. Mason.

831 a.m.

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Washington, D.C.

May 2, 1898.

Maj. Gen. O.O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt..

Dear General:-

Do you recall to mind my son, Earle W., who had the pleasure and the honor of representing the Sons of Veterans on your staff inauguration day. He is twenty-two years of age, a pretty intelligent boy, quite an athlete, rides as if he was born in the saddle and is very ambitious of putting on a uniform in the present racket.

I saw Alger Friday, told him I wanted to ask him a straight question and I wanted a straight answer, and he replied, "fire away." Mentioning the boy, I asked Alger if he would consider it presumptuous if I asked for the young man some staff position with the rank of captain and he said, "certainly, I do not." I said, "will you backup the application?", and he answered with emphasis, "of course I will." That ought to, and I presume will fix it, and I am not going on an extended hunt for recommendations. Realizing that you know mighty little of him, he is still ambitious of getting a few lines from you recommending his appointment, saying that if Maj. Gen. Howard will recommend him that he would be tempted to go at once and leave his measure for a uniform.

I shall try and pay some attention to the question as to whose staff he goes on, and only know that I want him to go on some good man's staff I have seen enough of staff officers to know that he will in all probability make an excellent one. He is a boy of good character and splendid habits.

I write with a little apprehension, for I imagine that with your vast acquaintance you are getting lots of similar requests, but I could not deny the young man's request that I should write you.

Hoping you are in the enjoyment of good health, I remain, as ever

Your friend,

James Tanner.

Washington, D.C.
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Your friend,

James Stewart

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Gen. O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.

Dear Sir:-

We call your attention to this communication from a trusted correspondent of the World. It was called forth by the long editorial upon the Cuban War and Gen. Schurz' comments thereon written by Mr. Pulitzer himself and published in the Sunday World about two weeks ago.

Is the incident as related by this correspondent "J. C. C." correct? If it is, would you consent to write for the Sunday World a brief description of the incident; say about five hundred words. We shall of course expect to pay for your time and trouble and will greatly appreciate the favor of a reply.

Very truly yours,

Emory Foster.

Sunday World.

Always for Peace.

to the Editor of The World:

I read with pleasure your editorial answer to Carl Schurz's plea for peace, which was copied into the Tribune of this city yesterday. I served under Gen. Schurz a portion of the time during our late war and can testify that he was always for peace, even in war. As long as the enemy kept a respectful distance he never showed a disposition to intrude upon our quiet. At the battle of Missionary Ridge, after the main works of the Confederates had been carried, Gen. Howard ordered Gen. Schurz to advance his division down the slope and "feel" the woods through which the Confederates had retired.

"Why," replied the latter in apparent surprise at the command, "the enemy is in front."

"Do you expect to find him in your rear?" was Gen. Howard's pertinent reply.

The division was advanced and no enemy found, so the General could congratulate himself on having been guilty of no discourtesy toward them.

Your editorial has the ring of the true metal and is worthy of a veteran, for the time has passed for Americans to salute the Spaniards with, "By your leave."

J. C. C.

Chicago, April 11.

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May 2nd, 1888.

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Very truly yours,

Wm. Brewster
Gen. O. Howard

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3 WEST TWENTY-NINTH STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

Dear Friend
 I received your letter of the 28th
 and was glad to hear from you
 and to hear that you were
 still in the city. I am
 well and hope these few lines
 will find you the same.
 I am a Commissioner
 and any thing you can do will
 be appreciated by
 Yours truly
 H. H. Hayden

Paterson, May 3^d 1898.

Dear General,

As we give up our flat in
64th Street by end of this month,
it would give us great pleasure
if you would honor us with another
visit while at our present home yet.

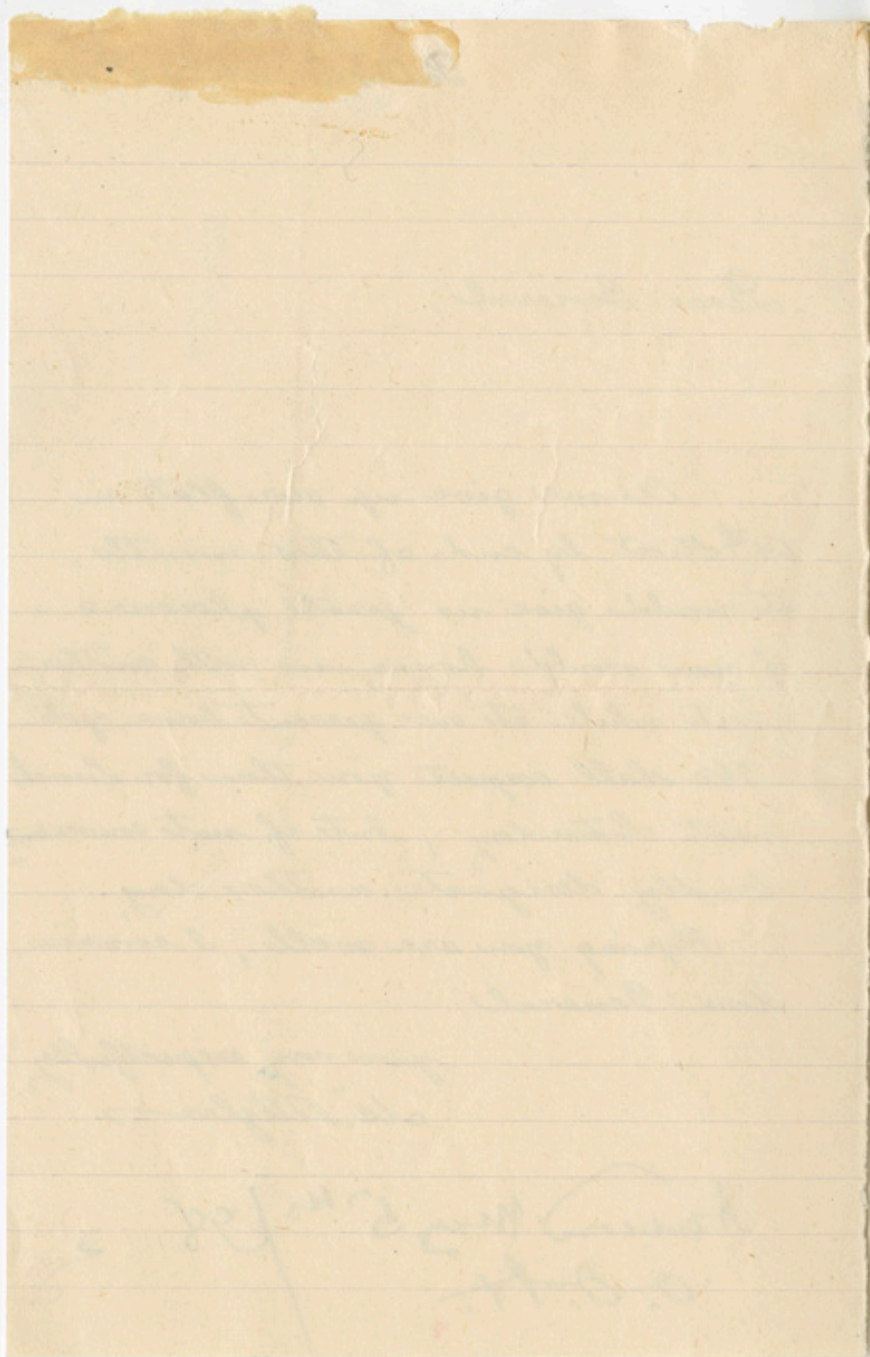
We shall expect you then for lunch
next Saturday; but if not convenient,
kindly designate another day.

Hoping you are well, I remain,
dear General,

yours very respectfully
M. Fitzler

Answer May 5th / 98
O. O. H.

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16 Forest St.,
North Cambridge, Mass.

May 3^d, 1898.

Dear Gen. Howard,

About the year 1817, Prescott Robinson,
from Hebron, District of Maine, was a
Cadet at the Military Academy, West Point.
On leaving that institution he was
assigned to some service under the
U. S. government. We have never heard
from him since. He was my uncle.
It is to be presumed that records are
kept of the graduates of that Academy.

Will you please inform me where
I must inquire for information in
regard to him.

Yours very truly,
Geo. O. Robinson

(Bowdoin, Class of 1849.)

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North Cambridge, Mass.

May 23, 1898.

Dear Mr. Brewster,

about the year 1877, Brewster Robinson

was a student, a student of mine, as a

student of the United States, that

in knowing that substitution he was

assigned to some source under the

of a government. He has now been

from his time. He was very kind

to the President that Robinson

was of the greatest of that history.

With your please inform me what

must inquire for information in

reference to him.

Yours very truly,

Wm. Brewster

address,
Sea Girt, N. J.
Military Hqs.,
May 3, 48

Dear Father: -

This camp is of
3000 men. Gen J. W.
Phume in direct com-
mand. All in tents.
Q. M. D & Commissary all
working efficiently.

I have learned that
Gen Phume would
accept an appoint-
ment of Brig. Gen of
Volunteers if made.
He is in good health
firm, just, prompt.

He is about 52 yrs ²⁷⁶ ✓
old, has had 40
~~yr~~ consecutive years
experience in mili-
tary life of com-
mand (including
his civil war expe-
rience).

I write to ask you,
if you are in
Washington very
soon, to call on
Gen. Alger (reign war)
& say.

"If Gen. Sewell, the
senator from New
Jersey, presents the

name of Gen. S.W.
Plum you
urge Gen. Alger to
~~the~~ take advan-
tage of securing an
excellent a Brig. Gen.
of Volunteers. Then
you can add any
words you desire
concerning Gen
Plum & what you
know about him.

Gen. Plum
does not know I
am writing to you
and he admitted

the letter to me when we
were alone, that
if Gen. Sewell
presented his
(Plum's) name
to Gen. Alger, Gen
Plum would be
pleased to have
you see Gen. Alger
(not write or telegraph
him) as that
would ~~not~~ look
as if you had
been asked.
But if you cannot
be in Washington now

Plum's
little letter - answer Plum's
enough sense

You can write Gen. Alger, but read

Copy sent May 11 6
N.Y. Journal
E. B. Boyd

Revere House, Boston, May 4, 1898.

Dear Sir:-

In the civil war we had Major-General Halleck and later Germany had the octogenarian General Von Moltke, whose orders were obeyed alike by Czar and Princes, and by the great generals of Germany, who in a few months overthrew France. Why, I ask, if Generals Grant, Sherman and Thomas are dead, can we not have the man whom they selected as the best strategist and most competent general on account of his knowledge of the art of war, Major-General Oliver O. Howard, who was placed at their request in command of the Army of the Tennessee, composing one hundred and forty six thousand, five hundred men, in the field. They asked that General Logan, their friend, be removed as the successor of Mac Pherson, because he was unacquainted with the art of war, although not less brave or competent than is General Miles, but why should we place in the general management of the armies of seventy-five millions of people, a man who has never mastered the greatest of all arts, or studied the greatest of all studies, the art of war? Were these three great generals mistaken in removing their friend one of the most eminent men and soldiers, and bravest of the brave, or has the experience of Europe and America vindicated their judgment, that no man shall be ^{en} trusted with the life and honor of nations, except one most skilled in the art of war. General Howard is more than twelve years younger than was Von Moltke, and in his temperate and Christian life, perfect organization, and success on fifty battle fields entitled to supremest confidence of the entire nation. He is the last of the great commanders living who has had command of an army embracing several states. The only one who has had about one hundred and fifty thousand men placed under his

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a manner as to have a secure fortress that saved his army and later, his country. With two corps he battled successfully with one-half of the hundred thousand under Lee, Longstreet and Ewell, assailing him for nine hours, although reduced from thirty thousand to twenty thousand men, he captured three brigades of the enemy, and at three o'clock in the afternoon, the Confederate archives will show the following letter from General Lee to Davis, reporting the first day's conflict by Lee. "To President Davis: Such has been the resistance throughout the day, such the display of force upon the heights of Gettysburg, I am satisfied the entire army of the Potomac is in my immediate front entrenched. I have therefore given orders to delay the final attack until tomorrow noon. Signed, R. E. Lee."

If at three o'clock in the open sunshine of Cemetery Hill, Gettysburg, Howard with his decimated ranks and cannon could thus repel fifty thousand attacking, and deceive the great generals of the Confederacy, if he sustained unflinchingly a greater loss than the hundred thousand of our army on any subsequent day, and yet successfully held the field and saved the Republic, and for it received the thanks of the nation, after careful investigation, why are the services of such men overlooked today. True, Howard sent six times for aid to Mead and his generals. They sent at five o'clock the superb Hancock to take his sword and retreat his army to Pipe Clay Creek, but Hancock saw the truth of Howard's statement that to retreat one regiment from the battle line was to end the Republic and at Howard's solicitation sent and asked concentration by Mead, of the entire army behind the rocky ramparts and field works of Howard. The second day of Gettysburg found Howard repeatedly calling by messenger for the occupancy of Little Round Top by artillery, which commanded enfiladed all the batteries where Pickett made his charge. Only a bitter hand to

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What does it mean that such a man is not called when the lives and honor of nations are dependent upon the masterful knowledge of such men as Howard and Von Moltke? I ask you as a Senator, raised above all jealousy and acting only for the good of the Republic, to shorten the war, relieve the business from the enormous waste and worry of war, by urging the President to appoint his best friend Howard, and show some recognition from the great republic, Howard saved, only to be rewarded with ingratitude. There are millions of the most patriotic, intelligent, and Christian people of our land, wondering why we cannot use the last of our great commanders, and before he passes away, honor ourselves in recognizing and using his great abilities.

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Burlington, Vt.

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Sincerely yours,

C. A. March

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Chas. W. Burleigh



York, Nebr. May 4 1898
Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir and Brother,

You will see by the inclosed slip that I am giving some biographical sketches this month of prominent Congregationalists. Your name will come on Memorial Sunday. I either have not, or else can not lay my hands on, any biographical sketch of your life.

If you have any thing that you can loan me, or can refer me to some sketch, I shall be greatly obliged to you. I will promptly return any thing you may send me by mail,

Your brother, Judge Holmes, of Oenon, is a good friend of mine and a former parishioner.

Cardially yours

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O. O. H.

May 8/98

R. T. Cross
York
Nebraska.

Yours, Wm. W. Wood, May 1858

Ben. O. Wood,

Dear Sir,

You will see by the inclosed slip that I am giving some biographical sketches the amount of prominent Congressmen. Your name was given on Governmental Ground. I have not, or do not pay any attention, and biographical sketch of you if you have any thing that you can loan me, or can refer me to some sketch, I shall be greatly obliged to you. I will appreciate return and the your very best ever by word.

Your brother, Judge John W. Wood, is your friend of course and former

Respectfully Yours

W. W. Wood

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B. Battery.

1st Heavy Artillery M.V.M.

Fort Warren.

May 4, 1898

Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir:-

It was my intention to meet you at No. Abington on April 27, but as you know, the 1st Regt. was ordered to Fort Warren on the 26th and since then I have not had a chance to write to you. I have not been to Boston since. Therefore will you please pardon my non-appearance for I could not prevent the occurrence. When the ~~date~~ is through with us, if you will per-

suit me, I should like to meet
you, or call on you and talk
with you on the subject of West
Point.

If this war keeps on I
might ^{not} get a commission from
the ranks. Which branch of
the service do you prefer?
Col. Sinclair tells me the cav-
alry as do several others
Hoping to hear from you
soon, I am,

Very truly yours,
Frederic Kessel.

57 Marcham St.
West Somerville, Mass. or
Fort Warren.

The Lincoln Memorial University

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OF EAST TENNESSEE

Office of the Executive Committee
69 Dearborn Street

Chicago, May 4, 1898. 1898.

Major-Gen. O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.

Dear General:

I enclose, ready for your signature, Donors' Certificates, Nos. 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, to B. F. Avery & Sons, Louisville, Ky., and No. 11, to Miss Jane Dale, of Winnetka, Cook Co., Illinois.

I send these to you because I believe it will be to our advantage to have the receipts go out with your signature.

They will need only to be signed and mailed. I have written letters.

Very truly yours,

Cyrus Kehr

The Lincoln Memorial University

OF EAST TENNESSEE

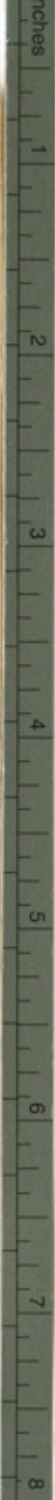
Office of the Executive Committee
60 Dearborn Street

Chicago, May 2, 1898

Washington, D. C. Howard
Washington, D. C.

I enclose, ready for your signature, London, Philadelphia, New
York, and Boston, N. Y. I have a copy of the same, Louisville, Ky., and
Chicago, Ill. I have the prospectus on file with your signature.
They will need only to be signed and mailed. I have written later

Very truly yours,
James Beck



THE POSTAL COMPANY'S SYSTEM REACHES ALL IMPORTANT POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES AND BRITISH AMERICA,
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Design Patent, Dec. 27, 1897.



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This Company transmits and delivers messages subject to the terms and conditions printed on the back of this blank.
WILLIAM H. BAKER, V. P. & Gen'l Manager. JOHN O. STEVENS, Secretary. ALBERT B. CHANDLER, President.

Received at

N.Y. 18 CO DO 30 Paid. 5:04 P.M.

BURLINGTON VT
(WHERE ANY REPLY SHOULD BE SENT.)

New York. May 4-98.
Gen. O.O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.

Have you received letter concerning order alleged to have been given Gen. Schurz and will you write account as therein suggested? Will greatly appreciate reply by wire.

Emory Foster,
The Sunday World.



POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY.

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Correctness in the transmission of messages to any point on the lines of the Company can be **INSURED** by contract in writing, stating agreed amount of risk, and payment of premium thereon, at the following rates, in addition to the usual charge for repeated messages, viz: one per cent. for any distance not exceeding 1,000 miles, and two per cent. for any greater distance.

No responsibility regarding messages attaches to this Company until the same are presented and accepted at one of its transmitting offices; and if a message is sent to such office by one of this Company's messengers, he acts for that purpose as the agent of the sender.

Messages will be delivered free within the established free delivery limits of the terminal office. For delivery at a greater distance a special charge will be made to cover the cost of such delivery.

This Company will not be liable for damages or statutory penalties in any case where the claim is not presented in writing within sixty days after the message is filed with the company for transmission.

This is an **UNREPEATED** Message and is delivered by request of the sender under the conditions named above. Errors can be guarded against only by repeating a message back to the sending station for comparison.

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