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ASSOCIATION

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JUNE, 1898

Sibley, Ia., 1898

Major Gen. O. O. Howard  
Burlington Vt

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My dear General:

Referring to your proposed

lecture to be delivered before the above named Association  
July 12 1898, I would state, that there are rumors that  
your services will be required by the government, and  
that you will not be able to fulfil your engagement with  
us. I regret to state, that these reports are inflicting us,  
and endangering the success of the reunion, and I would  
be pleased if you <sup>would</sup> give us a line assuring us that you  
will be present - so that we can publish it.

do not misunderstand me, General - the Committee  
have no doubts but that you will fulfil your  
contract, but we want to be able to speak  
authoritatively on the subject, and so set all doubts  
at rest. Kindly wire me on receipt of this at my  
office.

We are trying, with a reasonable prospect  
of success, to secure transportation for you  
from Chicago to Sibley, if this is not needed  
advise me. Would refer to my last letter as  
to routes, etc.

Very Respectfully

H. Neill Commander



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Genl. O. O. Howard,  
Burlington, Vermont.

Dear Sir:-

We have received the Deed California Investment and Colonization Company to O. O. Howard and have sent the same to Bakersfield for record.

Your favor is received enclosing Release of Mortgage Oliver O. Howard to Edward E. Elliott and Gertrude B. Elliott; also agreement (in duplicate) of O. O. Howard to sell to W. E. Deacon certain lands in Kern County.

You failed to send us the Elliott Notes and Mortgage for delivery. Please send them, if not already sent, as soon as possible.

We will settle with Deacon according to the terms of the agreement at once.

Yours truly,

*McAfee Brothers*



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Your obedient servant,

*Edward Hagaman Hall*

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It is doubtful whether I can make it convenient on account of

the expenses and absence from business to attend the Commencement,  
Chicago, Ill., June 1st. 1898.

Respectfully yours,

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.,

Dear Brother:--

I finally reached the settlement of mother's estate last  
Saturday, and now enclose to you our check for \$597.37, the amount  
for which you before gave your receipt. It has been a very worrisome  
matter to me, and I am very glad to have it closed up. I think I ex-  
plained to you that we had to make some concession on the matter of  
interest to Mrs. Starr, or we should have been unable to get the cash.  
I also had to pay out \$350.00 in attorneys fees. Would be glad to have  
a letter acknowledging receipt of this in safety, though a formal re-  
ceipt does not need to be given again.

We have been watching with great interest dispatches from Tampa  
and I read also your account of your work there in the "Independent". I  
suppose you were at Berea on Decoration Day and are to be at Cleveland  
soon. Shall be glad to know exactly, your plans. Nina of course, is  
planning to join you at the proper time, and going for a little visit  
to Burlington before the Commencement at Williams. As all through trains  
go from Chicago, it will not be much out of your way I think, to come  
and spend the night with us and start with her from here. It would be  
much pleasanter for her. I can get transportation for her over the  
Nickel Plate, as I think yours is that way, and I believe you cannot  
take her on your transportation except on the New York Central. Am I

(Over)



correct?

It is doubtful whether I can make it convenient on account of the expenses and absence from business, to attend the commencement, but Kitty will go, and probably little Katherine.

Affectionately yours,

*C. H. Howard*

P. S. Another reason why we would like to have you come this year, is because we would like to hear something more of you. I finally reached the settlement of mother's estate last Saturday, and now enclose to you our check for \$287.27, the amount for which you before gave your receipt. It has been a very worrisome matter to me, and I am very glad to have it closed up. I think I explained to you that we had to make some concession on the matter of interest to Mrs. Starr, as we should have been unable to get the cash. I also had to pay out \$250.00 in attorney fees. Would be glad to have a letter acknowledging receipt of this in safety, though a formal receipt does not need to be given again.

*Attended to*  
*File*  
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(Over)



J. W. HOWARD,  
CIVIL ENGINEER,  
No. 1 BROADWAY,  
NEW YORK.

June 1<sup>st</sup> 1898

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Dear Father,

I owe you two notes

Dated Apr 15, 1898 - due Aug 15/98	500.-
" " " " " Apr 15/1901	1110.-
<u>Total</u>	<u>1610.</u>

Interest @ 6% per year 96.60

As I am probably to be sent away on  
military duty I desire to transfer  
at once to you Ten Shares of Boston  
Asphalt Paving Co stock

Par value 1000.

Dividends @ 10% 100. per year.

Will you please accept this (or  
in your absence whoever repre-  
sents you) and mail to me the  
two notes mentioned - first marking  
them "paid".

I inclose the certificate of the B.A.P. Co.  
stock for 10 shares (No. 1934.)

after receiving the certificate please  
mail it to The B.A.P. Co. No. 11. Broadway  
to be transferred to your name and  
address and the new certificate sent to  
you. The next dividend will be  
paid to you on June 30<sup>th</sup> 1898 -  
Your affectionate son J. W. Howard

TELEPHONE, 1372 BROAD.

CABLE ADDRESS:

LISLIO NEW YORK.



J. W. HOWARD,  
CIVIL ENGINEER,  
101 BROADWAY,  
NEW YORK.

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favorably  
ansd. J. D. H.

Water	Apr 12, 1898 - one cup 12/108	300.
"	" " " "	110.
<u>Total</u>		410.

Estimated 2% per year

As I am probably to be sent away on  
military duty I desire to transfer  
to you the care of the  
Lafayette Farming Co stock

Principal @ 10% 100. per year.

Will your father accept this / or  
in your absence whenever before -  
(sent you) and send to me the  
two notes mentioned - first mentioning  
"Pieris".

received it to the B.A.P.Co. No. 11. November  
after receiving the certificate please  
look for 10 shares (No. 1834.)  
I enclose the certificate of the B.A.P.Co.

LISTED NEW YORK.  
 CARE ADDRESS:  
 TELEPHONE 1375 BROAD.  
 your office. I have  
 sent to you on June 30, 1898.  
 The next anniversary will be  
 yours and the new certificate sent to  
 to be transferred to your name and



was  
D.D.K.

Gen O. O. Howard Leavenworth Kans  
Chickamauga Ga

June 2<sup>d</sup> 1888

My Dear Brother. I have  
learned through the Papers a very little of  
Your History: & of late you have been break-  
ing the bread of life to the late recruits  
which have responded to their Countries  
Call, & gone south. When the war between  
the North & South broke out, I was a Boy  
just 21 yrs old making me 58 now, I went  
out from Ills in 61, & was in the great Battle  
of Shiloh. I will never forget the heartrending  
groans of the dying Boys on the Banks of Shiloh.  
Many of them desired some one to pray with  
them, but I could not Pray at that time.  
Some years ago, Our Heavenly Father for Jesus  
Sake forgave me of all My Sins, & took Possession  
of my Heart and reigns thus without a rival



2<sup>d</sup>  
Glory to His Name. He fills Me & Thrills  
My entire being with Holy Fire & started  
me out after others to tell the wonderful  
Story of the Cross and Christ's Redeeming  
Love. Bless His Name; without going into  
detail = let me tell you my Brother the  
object of this letter is for you to advise  
me if you will: Concerning some Regt  
that has no Chaplain = Or in other words  
put me in communication with some  
Col desiring a Chaplain in the near future  
I see by the Papers that many of the Regts  
are without Chaplains: but I do not  
know which one it would be desirable to  
write to, & then the one I addressed might  
secure one while my letter was on the  
way: hence I appeal to You My Dear Bro  
to help me as you are on the ground &  
can do more in a few moments than I  
can do in weeks: I wrote Gov Stephens  
May 19<sup>th</sup> & requested him to Appoint me  
in the Regt under his



gd

Command them in Camp Stephens  
but owing to the carelessness of one of the  
clerks I did not receive an answer  
untill eight days after it was written.  
It was answered by the Adjutant-General  
Informing me that Chaplains were appointed  
by the Col of the different Regts, the  
power being vested in them; & advising me  
to Apply in Person at Camp Stephens  
which I would of done if I had need the  
answer in time. I feel that God wishes for  
me to go with some Regt. It has been on  
<sup>my</sup> Mind all the time since war was declared.  
I ought to be there now this moment, there  
is some Poor Boy Sick & as he thinks all  
alone, How I would like to go into his tent  
& read to him, Jesus words Come unto me all  
ye that labor &c = & then kneel down & ask of



Jesus to save him, Oh what a Glorious  
 work: Gen If I could Possibly come, I  
 would start this very night, but my  
 Money will not reach. Could a Pass be se-  
 cured If so Please inform me, My Wife  
 Is very anxious to go with me, & help make  
 life sweet, through Jesus name. Rev D. W.  
 Crow of Farming Missouri is my Presiding  
 Elder, I forgot to inform you that I live  
 in Missouri. Hence I wrote my Son.  
 Now My Brother I will close by  
 asking the Father of us all to guide  
 you in selecting the Place best suited  
 all around, & Please do not think me  
 bold in addressing you an entire stranger.  
I would not ask as much only in Jesus name.  
 It is every thing to me, & mine to be in the  
 Place where Jesus can best use me  
 Hoping to hear from you soon  
 I am Yours On Christ



For filing.  
Needs no answer

Hiram

Portage Co

June 2<sup>d</sup> 1898. Ohio

Gen Q. Q. Howard  
156 College St  
Burlington Vt.

Dear Sir.

This is  
the former home of Gen Garfield,  
who was once president of the College.  
Some 400 students here this year.  
It would give them great pleasure  
to look upon your face, and  
hear you speak a few minutes.  
Judge Lester Taylor, who will be 100  
years old Aug 5<sup>th</sup> 1898, spoke here  
last fall. It is to preside at your  
Centennial meeting in Burton, <sup>Branch Co. O.</sup> June 15<sup>th</sup>  
I am getting to the Rail road south from  
Burlington, you will pass through Hiram - 10  
miles south from there, the 16<sup>th</sup> west -  
and be at the College, if you had time to  
spare. Very truly yours H. J. Ford



Wm. C. Howard  
Postage Co.  
June 25 1898

Mr. D. C. Howard  
1st College St.  
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir

This is  
the former owner of the building  
who was once president of the college.  
Some 400 students live there now.  
It would give them great pleasure  
to have you spend a few minutes  
helping them today. It will be 100  
years old Aug 5<sup>th</sup> 1898, celebrating  
last fall. It is to be held at noon  
Centennial meeting in Boston June 18  
a question to the President of the year  
Boston, we will have them here and  
will be glad to have you there. It is not  
just a question of the building but of the  
people who live in it.



Fary Standpoint, Political  
Generals, wire-pullers, who  
patriotic enough are even  
views of each other for po-  
litical purposes.

Now my dear General by  
your letter you seemed to think  
that I was at once going  
to Cuba. Well, I must say  
I have been sorely disappointed.  
You know I have been educated  
in a mil. school of Germany and am  
to day nothing but a soldier. It is  
true I am 54 years old but still stout  
and tall and of soldierly bearing and  
feel to day strong enough to stand  
a campaign. As I told you I of-  
fered myself to M<sup>r</sup> Kinley to serve as  
Flag bearer in one of the Regiments in  
Front. Have not been accepted. Then  
I offered myself to Genl Alger for  
same position and did not even  
receive an answer. Then I offered  
myself to The 1<sup>st</sup> Mo Regt. which

Bonner Springs Kans  
June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1898  
June 2, 1898

Major General J. V. Howard  
Tampa Fla.

My dear General:  
My true Comrade!

Your letter of recent date  
came duly to hand, contents  
were duly noted, and enclosures  
with kind words to me gladly re-  
ceived. Please permit me to  
thank you for them and while  
I highly appreciate about what  
you say about my services  
rendered and its value in



Time of yore I believe you have  
been flattering me some and  
have valued my little acts and  
service to highly. Anyway, my  
General, a soldier's duty is his  
duty, obedience to orders, with  
plenty salt of discipline, a  
clear head and cool will make  
an ordinarily good soldier.  
Of course courage, is a con-  
ditio sine qua non and a  
soldier without it is - well  
is what - a coffee cooler  
or bum! We had lots of  
courageous soldiers and  
officers and generals in our  
army, who while being cou-  
rageous were far from  
being good officers and you  
know it. What caused our  
"beau ideal" M. Theresa's  
death? These fellows while  
true Union Soldiers had  
no education from a mili;



what is refused to me  
in my own country for  
which I have shed my  
blood and was willing  
day or night to lay down  
my life for its preser-  
vance and identity.

General, please assist  
me. You are the only  
General living knowing  
me. Sherman and M<sup>r</sup> Sher-  
son both promised me an  
officers com. in the regular  
army if I stood till the  
end of the war, but you  
know the unlucky duel  
affair ended my mil. ca-  
reer. I can be ready  
at a minutes order. I  
have been in Hawaii and Ma-  
tanzas. I would have liked a comm.  
in the "Immunes" but will  
go to Cuba and the insurgents.

Yours very truly  
M. N. Williams Grebe.

<sup>2</sup>  
was in the process of  
organizing in Kansas  
City Mo as Flag bearer and  
was refused. Next I asked  
Genl Schofield for an app-  
ointment and he was  
sorry not being able to  
assist me. From then on I  
have tried Lucien Baker our  
Senator and our Congressmen  
and all have given me friend-  
ly promises but these white  
flattering will not land me  
in Cuba. Now General, I have  
served my country faithfully  
you say so. I have been treated  
shamefully you must admit  
by being left so long under the  
cloud of an dishonorable dis-  
charge. For 34 years left with  
the stigma on my otherwise  
undisputable good record.  
What I want now is to go to  
war as a commanding officer  
if I can, as a soldier and pri-  
vate.



vate once more if I am not  
good enough for the former.  
The trouble I suppose is my  
birth, although it was no obsta-  
cle in time of yore when I hurried  
thousands of miles from foreign  
shores and hastened to the sup-  
port of this our country in its  
direst hour of need. May be the  
trouble is not being politician  
enough, although the country where  
I live knows I have been a true  
republican all my life.

Now my dear friend, I have little  
hope that the Government will  
grant me what I ask. Even  
if I ever so much deserved it or  
even if it was for the good of the  
service. To much "Nuts". Good  
enough during the other war  
but not now. Know nothing is  
the dogma and the Moor has

done his duty, the Moor  
can go! "The Parole."

What I would like now Gene-  
ral is this. Not being able to  
be recognized in my own coun-  
try, you know the adage  
"The poet is never great in  
"the land of his own"

I would like to go to Cuba  
with the invading forces and  
to make it short I wish you to  
speak for me to Genl Miles  
or Schaffer or some other Gene-  
ral and get transportation  
orders for me from Fort  
Leavenworth to Tampa and  
to report to you or whoever  
else and then be allowed to  
go with the invading army to  
Cuba, where I will leave it  
and make my way to Garcia  
or Gomez and try there to get



107 EAST 45TH STREET

Maj. Gen. A. O. Howard  
My dear Brother,

I looked  
over the letter for  
The Independent to-day  
and took it to Dr  
Ward, who said he  
was afraid he did  
not have room for  
it, but wished me  
to leave it and  
he would look it

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over and if he could  
not use it would  
return it to you.  
If it comes back  
to you and is not  
used in any other  
proper way I have  
it to copy with-  
type writer and  
send to Pres. Post  
as a leaflet with  
perhaps a cut of  
yourself to remind  
the noble Berean's

and their friends of your mind?  
I trust you are perfectly well  
and all the plans for good you  
are meditating will be readily  
themed of our Father. I find my  
home and church in good shape  
and I am glad to be at my  
work. Cordially & fraternally yours  
June 22/1895. Geo. A. Webster



ise,  
ion, Mass.

June 3 1898

Dear Gen.

I want you to  
visit us June 17<sup>th</sup>. We  
have the Daughters  
of the American Revolution  
and I expect Gen.

James Longstreet  
whom you have  
met. I am to speak  
on Gen. Stark and  
there will be much  
interest. Things look  
well for building  
a Section of our RR  
soon. We have electric  
cars to my door every  
half hour from the Depot.



at Newburyport  
but I can send  
a carriage for you  
I am L.

You need not neglect  
the bills of N.E. June 17  
as it is not everywhere  
except at my house  
I shall depend on you  
if possible

Your friend

Moody Bishop  
I have rec'd letter from  
high officials to send  
you when you come



United Society of Christian Endeavor,  
646 WASHINGTON STREET,  
BOSTON, MASS.

CABLE ADDRESS, "ENDEAVOR,"  
BOSTON.

REV. FRANCIS E. CLARK, D.D., PRESIDENT.  
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WILLIAM SHAW, TREASURER.

GENERAL SECRETARY'S  
OFFICE.

Boston, June 3, 1898.

General O. O. Howard,  
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear Brother,

Under another cover, I send you a marked copy of THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD. You will see that we are planning for a great meeting on Saturday afternoon in Centennial Park. We are announcing your topic as "Power of Small Things." We are presuming that the address will deal with a patriotic theme showing our united country for Christ. The other speaker in your meeting is that noted Confederate General, General Clement A. Evans, who accepts the invitation with great heartiness, even though with a great personal sacrifice of time.

Yours cordially,

*John Willis Baer*

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GENERAL SECRETARY'S  
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John Willis Davis

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Montpelier, Vt., June 4 1898

Gen. C. C. Howard,  
Burlington Vt.

My dear Sir,

We are arranging the Programme  
for our State C. E. Convention to be held  
at Bellows Falls October fourth, fifth and  
sixth. We would like an address from you  
on The Duty of the Hour at eleven ten October fifth.  
The sentiment which we wish to present is the  
Christian voter and The troubles of our Nation.  
Kindly inform me at your earliest convenience  
if you will favor us and on what terms;  
as this must of course be a strictly business  
arrangement.

Yours Truly.

George C. Pratt Sec.



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 Montpelier  
 ARTHUR E. MAYNARD  
 Montpelier

*Montpelier, Vt. June 1st 1898*

Dear Mr. C. J. Marvin,  
 Burlington Vt.  
 My dear Sir,  
 I have arranged the program  
 for State E. C. Convention to be held  
 at New York Falls October 1st, 2nd and 3rd.  
 The would like and address from you  
 at the start of the day at eleven the afternoon  
 a centennial which we wish to present is the  
 history of the church and the people of our nation.  
 I will inform you of your early of committee  
 and will have you and what time  
 this matter of course be a strictly business  
 arrangement.  
 Yours truly,  
 Arthur E. Pratt Sec.