


To General O. O. Howard:-

Dear Sir:-

The enclosed slip from the New York Evening Post has just met my eyes and suggested to me the possibility that you could - and would - put me in the way of some information I very much desire. It is information in fact about the very work in which you have been engaged and which forms the subject of the lecture you are this very evening delivering in the Manhattan Church - in the Park Church here in Elmira - of which S. K. Beecher and Mr. and Mrs. Eastman are pastors and which is an institutional church in the largest sense of the word - I have the honor to conduct a monthly paper in connection with the Woman's Missionary Association, and the aligning work in our army during the war and the situation in Cuba at present form

3 Once a month to a club of about fifty is looked for with interest just because I try to obtain the latest intelligence of missions; and if it can be from independent sources so much the better. Then after it has been read to the missionary association, if there is any original matter that can be made to fit I turn it over to the Daily Advvertiser of which my husband is editor, and it figures in a column called the - a file - It is now about time for the address to be over; are they taking up a collection for certain missions? and would you like some of the Park Church "mites"? 

Very Faithfully yours -

Mary Partridge Joselyn -  
Sunday Evening - November Sixth

1893

To General O. O. Howard -



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Emira Advertiser,  
Editorial Dep't.

an Evangelistic Standpoint  
are subjects & handwriting made  
to look of in the December number. I  
knew not where to turn for information  
until I saw this.

It is a good deal to ask such  
advice and information from a busy man  
upon whom I have no possible claim beyond the  
fact of ~~knowing~~ <sup>knowing</sup> he was ~~as~~ <sup>my</sup> friend  
of a friend of my own - Dr.  
Adelle Gleason; - but - I ask it never -  
theless, being like - where was I in  
Dickens? - the man in the circumlo-  
cation office, "a fellow who wanted to know  
you know?" who knows? It may be hard  
ask upon the waters to write a note - or  
very short one - or send a pamphlet - to the  
"Park Church Bazaar"? Some one in the  
Missionary Society on hearing it may  
may become so interested as to decide that  
Cuba needs her services more than Emira  
and become a shining light in the Mission  
field there. Nonsense aside, ~~this~~ <sup>this</sup>  
little paper while I edit and read





Dr General - your circular relative to Lincoln  
Memorial University of Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> came duly  
to hand and was honored today by  
a contribution of \$27<sup>5</sup> which we  
send on to your Asst Treas. Roger  
With best wishes,

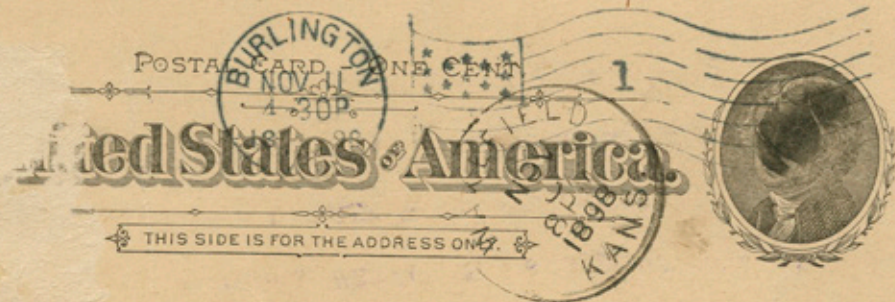
Sincerely yours

Wakefield Kan.

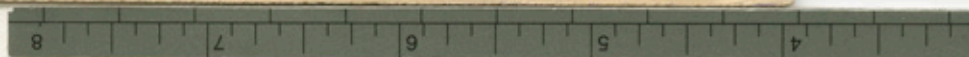
J. D. Gardner

Supt. Cong. S.S.

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



Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 1898

Genl O. O. Howard  
Burlington Vt.

Dear General:-

I have again taken the liberty of using your name as one of my references in an application for a bond from the Fidelity and Casualty Co.

The Panama Co. have offered the position of teller in their Colon offices - & I have accepted.

Thanking you in advance - & with kindest regards to all in your home circle - I remain  
Very truly yours  
Chas Gayman

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myself I can give you other  
letters. I should be most  
grateful for any letters of intro-  
duction <sup>to officials here</sup> or any testimonials  
to your remembrance of Col.  
Taft which could aid me in  
obtaining justice speedily.  
Very respectfully yours.

Mary L. Wilson.

Congressional Hotel  
Washington D.C.

Nov 7<sup>th</sup> '98.

Nov 7, 1898

Permanent address.

C/o R. S. Chase: 53 Summer St

Haverhill

Massachusetts.

file Washington. D. C.

Genl Oliver O. Howard:

Dear Sir,

I enclose a note of introduc-  
tion from Mrs Carlin - wife  
of Genl W. P. Carlin. I am  
in Washington now hoping to  
obtain for the aged mother of  
Lt. Col Taft the back pay due  
her for her son's services to our  
Government. and also to secure  
a pension to make her de-  
clining years comfortable. Mrs  
Taft is now a widow and



supple, and needs the money due  
her. She resides in Seattle, Wash.  
Her son, Lt. Col. Joseph B. Toft  
was a Lutheran: he & his family  
made great sacrifices when he  
left his home in Texas to offer  
his services to the Union Cause.  
He was first Major of the 143<sup>rd</sup>  
N. Y. Vols., his commission as  
Lt. Col. came shortly before his  
death: by you he was assigned  
to the command of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Pa  
Vols a few days before his death:  
he was killed in the assault  
at the Tunnel - Sherman Keyter  
in the battle of Messemory Ridge

Nov 25<sup>th</sup> 1863. His family were  
then at the South: They have  
never claimed the back pay,  
but now it is needed - and  
Mrs Toft should be made com-  
pensible. I was in correspond-  
ence with Col. Toft during the  
last days of his military life.  
All the facts of the case can be  
commanded by me. I have  
been advised here that a  
letter from you would assist  
me to soon accomplish the  
object for which I am acting.  
Should you require other testi-  
monials with reference to



Dear Gen. Howard,

This note will introduce  
Miss Mary L. Wilson, an  
old and valued friend -  
She desires to exhibit your  
interest for the relatives  
of Col. Taft - an officer  
who fell serving with you -  
Believing that you will  
wish to aid in securing

Yours  
M. L. W.

justice when the circumstances  
are known to you, I have  
no hesitation in addressing  
you -

Very truly yours,  
Florence Carlin.

Lon Remo Hotel.  
New York City.

November fourth - '98

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578 Elm Street  
New Haven, Conn.  
Nov. 7, 1898.

My dear General:-

You are too busy, I know,  
to think that you owe me a letter. Indeed  
I don't ever say even to myself that you  
owe me anything, for the debt is always  
on my side, And when a letter from  
you comes, I am so grateful for it, that  
I never think it may be in answer to  
one from me.

I scan the newspapers every  
day for news of you, and I am de-  
lighted when I find any. Mary  
talks incessantly about her lovely  
visit with you all. She enjoyed it  
thoroughly, and we feel acquainted  
with your good family through her.  
We are all very busy now, planning for



Father's And Mother's leaving next week.  
This coming Sunday is Father's last  
in the Church, And the expressions  
of regret And Affection Are univer-  
sal Among the Church People. It  
must be very gratifying to Father  
who has spent these last best years  
of his life in such hard work  
Among And for them. They lose  
a most excellent And devoted pastor  
in him, And I fear it will be long  
before they find Another who will  
so tenderly shepherd the fold. This  
separation is very sad And hard for  
me, yet I cannot but be glad that  
Father is going to rest at last under  
his own vine And fig tree, And sit  
by a fire side of his possessing.  
You have heard doubtless of the



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house he has purchased in Northampton<sup>2.</sup>  
It is a beautiful home with all the <sup>267</sup>the  
comforts and luxuries you could imagine  
and I believe he and Mother will find  
much pleasure and satisfaction there.  
They are hoping that you will christen  
it soon with your presence. Now that  
they will be gone from New Haven,  
I doubt not you will find much of  
the attraction gone from the city, but  
I hope my dear General, and indeed  
I believe, that you will not forget her  
who is left here, and who is trying to  
live her life from day to day so as  
to be worthy of your love and your  
renewance.

John and I and our house work  
girl have been doing with Father &  
Mother at 56 Home St. Ever since they



Came back from their Summer  
vacation, Keeping home for them.  
Their girl disappointed them, and so  
we stepped forward and filled up  
the breach. I shall always be glad  
that I could be this help to them before  
they went away.

Jules and I seem to be prospering,  
with God's blessing. Each month  
shows an increase, and lately we  
have been making great strides.  
We have bought quite a little new  
machinery and about three weeks  
ago Jules put in a motor, so now  
the shop is run by electricity. Jules  
is planning for more room, and he  
is going to hire some help just as  
soon as the right man comes along.  
Our progress will have to be slow



But if it is only Sure, so much the better. <sup>263</sup>

Our Election Day comes to-morrow  
and much concern is felt for the  
issue. You of course are anxious  
about New York, as we all are (John  
has been talking politics to me to-night  
so I feel particularly intelligent.) So  
much anxiety is felt about the voting  
that a man came up to Father's this  
afternoon and asked what time he  
should send a hack to conduct Father  
to the Polls. I happened to go to the  
door, so I told him if he was a  
Democrat he might go right away  
and not send any hack. He hap-  
pened to be a Republican, so he laugh-  
ed and told me he had great re-  
spect for my feelings.

What a long letter I have written



you! And so full of personal history that I fear you will find it tiresome. I can not close it however until I ask you when you are going to give us that little visit you promised, and assure you that no greater pleasure could come to us than to see you.

Jules and I think and speak of you very often; and I do claim without peradventure, that among all your subjects, you have not two more loyal loving hearts.

Excuse this large business paper, but Jules and I are down at the Shop to-night; he is working, and I am writing to you -

He sends you his love, and begs to be included in all the



264<sup>4</sup>.  
Sentiments I have expressed for myself.

I shall look for some word from  
you soon, for I shall need it after Father  
and Mother have gone.

How nice it would be if some wise  
Scientist could invent a Thoughtograph,  
What wonders the Missives might then  
be produced by Mental Electricity,  
And what revelations by means of a  
paper night cap!! Perhaps we shall  
reach this State some day, and then  
my friend, I shall send you a  
fresh volume every day.

Well Good night, And a bright  
Good morning.

To Father

Alice.



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I have expressed for myself  
I shall look for some good form  
you soon, for I shall send it after father

Our Mother have gone.  
The more it would be if some more

Scientist goes in front a photography  
to get the best of the transmission might the  
the produced by the electricity.

and about revelation to means of a  
paper lightning!! Experiments shall

which the light some day, but the  
my friend, I shall send you a

from volume every day.  
The good night and a night

Good morning.

To father  
Alec



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My dear Gen Howard:

Yours of 5th at hand with  
enclosure and pictures. Thank you.  
Prospects are good for large attend-  
ance. Will it be convenient for  
you to appear in uniform of your  
rank?

Cordially yours,  
Ernest Bourner Allen.

Nov. 7, 1898  
10/7/98

My dear Ben Howard:

Yours of 5th at hand with  
enclosure and pictures. Thank you.  
I hope to appear in uniform of your  
unit. Will it be convenient for  
you to appear in uniform of your  
unit?

Cordially yours,

Everett Bowen Allen



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Nov. 7, 1898.  
# 817, "4," N.E.

Dear General Howard, So  
many of my friends  
say to me "You are  
fortunate to have  
Gen. Howard interested  
in you". During the  
war my husband  
befriended a boy who  
was sick in hospital.  
He is now a prominent  
citizen of Buffalo. He  
has tried to get Mr.  
Alexander, member of  
Congress interested in  
me. I thought it



would be well if you  
could co-operate. Up  
to the time of working  
in the P. O. I had  
excellent health. I  
am afraid now I  
have lost it in a  
measure. The lady in  
charge did not seem  
to know how to divide  
the work, and imposed  
upon us work which  
we ~~are~~ were entirely  
unfitted for. I am  
trying to take all  
the rest I can, now.  
May I ask when  
you will be in  
Washington? I will  
certainly "hunt you  
up." Do, General How-  
-ard make a few

-social effort in  
my behalf. The  
world is so cold.  
There are so few  
who care. Ah,  
it is an awful  
thing to be a widow

Please let me know  
when you will be  
here.

Sincerely

Ellen W. White.



Frank H. Scott, Prest.  
Chas. F. Chichester, Treas.  
William W. Ellsworth, Secretary.

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know the church; it is a large one with a regu-  
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ing you would I am sure give great pleasure to  
a large number of people and I hope you would  
obtain some pleasure from a sympathetic audience

With kindest regards, believe me,

Sincerely yours,

Wm. W. Ellsworth.

By H.P.  
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General O. O. Howard.



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Wm. A. Ellsworth

General O. O. Howard.



My Dear Friend -

I am very anxious  
to have you speak to my people on  
Thanksgiving morning as representing  
the army and as one 'whom I have  
had the 'highest regard as a  
Christian Soldier' - Instead of  
a sermon I want two or three  
addresses, each of about fifteen  
minutes in length - You spoke  
to my Mission School last Spring,  
but I wish my congregation to  
hear you and it will be a great  
pleasure to me, if you can be present -

Believe me

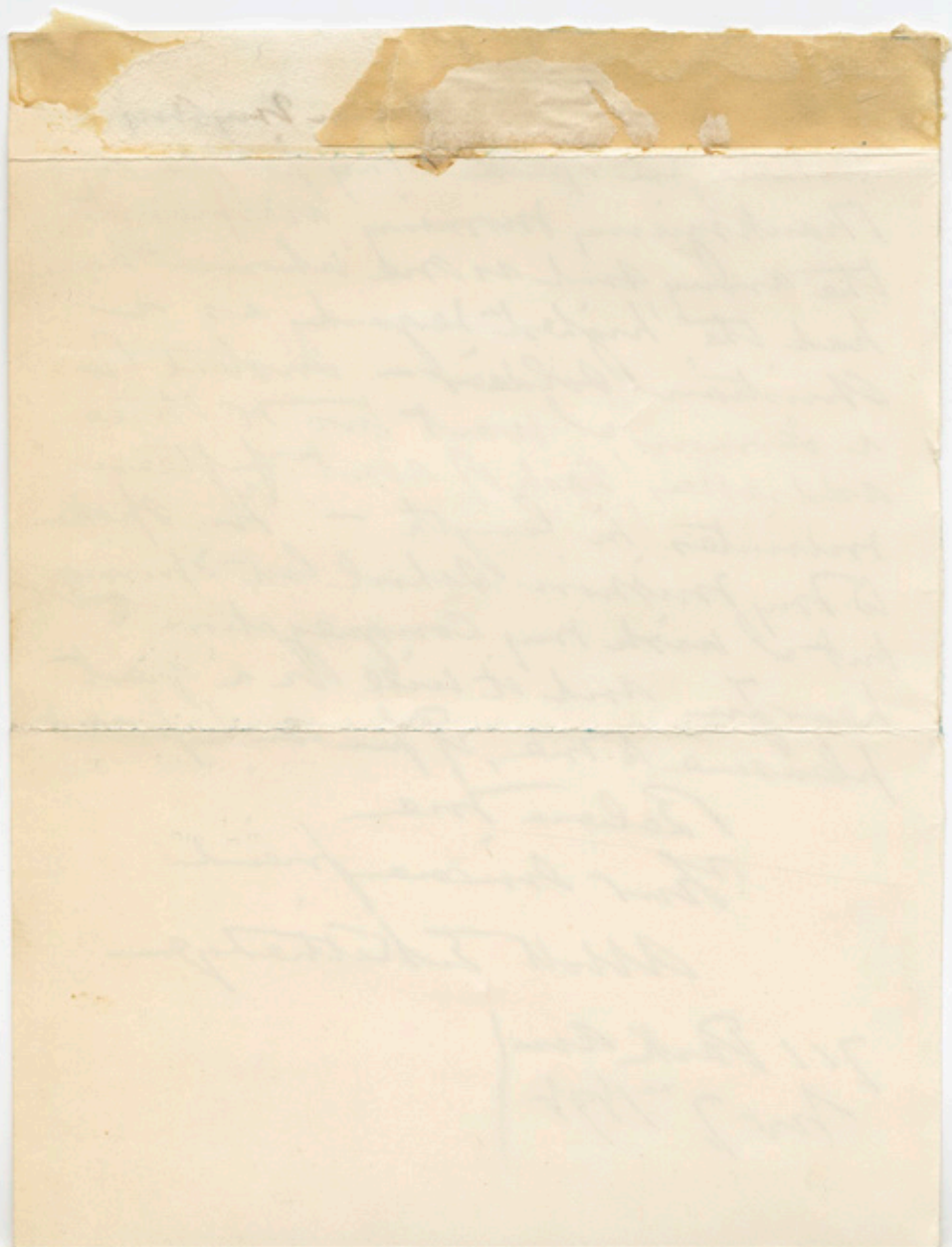
Your sincere friend

Wm E. Kethledge

211 Park Ave  
Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 1895

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**POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE COMPANY.**

OFFICE OF MANAGER.

New York November 7th. 1898.

General O. O. Howard.

Burlington Vt.

Dear Sir :-

At Mr. F. Tennyson Neely's personal request I herewith send you result of investigation regarding his message Oct. 13th. addressed to Capt. H. C. Taylor Brooklyn Navy Yard N. Y. ---

Mr. Neely's message was filed here at 5.15 sent at 5.30 received in Brooklyn at 5.55 P. M. when our messenger tried to deliver message at the Navy Yard he was instructed to deliver it at St. George Hotel where Capt. Taylor was stopping. which was done. It is a good half hours walk from our nearest office to Navy Yard from there to St. George Hotel would consume about an hours time. Capt. Taylors message was filed at our Brooklyn office at 7. 45 not 6.30 P. M. as claimed. trusting this explanation is satisfactory I am.

Yours very truly.

*E. J. Murray*  
Manager.

Postal Tel-Cable Co.

853 Broadway N. Y.



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Westminster, Maryland.

Dear Genl. Howard-

I must apologize for my delay in writing to thank you for your very prompt and kind response to my request. It was not a lack of appreciation, but I wanted, first to tell you of the success of our meeting, and since then an unavoidable chain of interruptions have prevented my writing. So I hope you will not think me a neglectful "Endeavorer".



Inclement weather prevented  
as large an audience as we  
wanted, but everything went  
off nicely. Our own State  
Senator, made an interesting  
address, and your letter was  
read by one of our young men.  
The singing was spirited and  
altogether our programme  
was attractive, and those who  
were there, came again last  
night, and brought others  
with them, so I am in hopes  
that we may be able to do some  
good amongst our boys this  
winter. We can but try. Please  
accept my very sincere  
thanks and the thanks of  
our entire Society for your

letter. I appreciated <sup>it</sup> more  
than I can tell you.

With very kindest regards,  
and the hope that some  
day I may meet and  
thank you personally

Very Sincerely Yours  
"In His Name",

Mary Bostwick Skillman  
November seventh,  
ninety eight.





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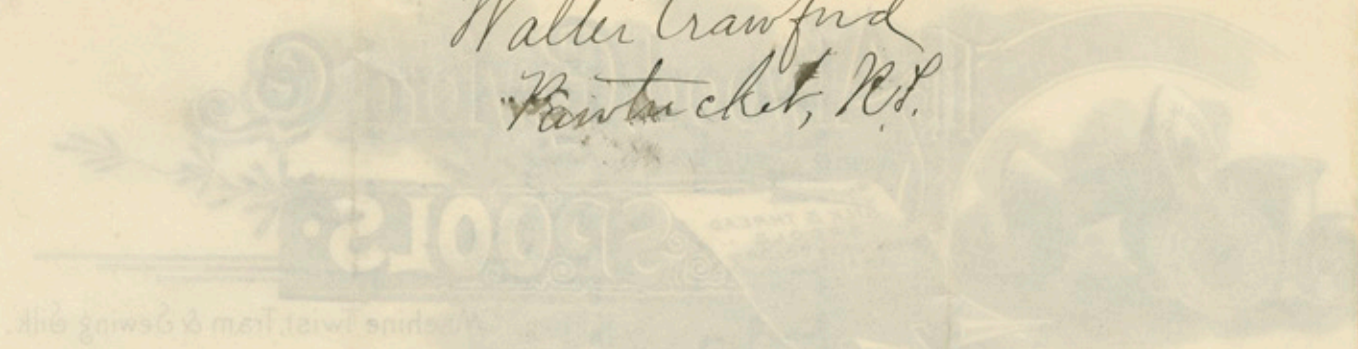
Dear Sir: Herewith please find check for \$10<sup>00</sup> which is an offering from the Central Falls Cong. S.S. to the Lincoln Memorial University for the purpose of aiding pay the in debtance on this institution

Yours sincerely

Walter Crawford



Walter Crawford  
Riverton, N.H.



*[Faint, illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*



File  
World's End Farm,  
Genl. O. O. Howard, Bingham, Mass.

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My dear General.

Nov. 7. 98

Mrs. Deakmar and I have thought  
often of what you told us about your  
monument to Abraham Lincoln at  
Cumberland Gap. And we feel it is  
a noble work and destined to do good.

We revere the name and memory  
of the noble Lincoln and do not forget  
or fail to appreciate the Loyal men



of those mountain regions near where  
you are building this institution -  
And we also remember and love to honor  
the gallant old soldier and noble gentleman  
to whom I write this note.

We hope five thousand of your friends  
will respond with a check of at least  
one hundred dollars each.

Enclosed find my check for one hundred  
dollars which is the gift through me of Mrs.  
Blackmar and your old comrade of the War  
of the Rebellion - William H. Blackmar.



Gridley 216  
Nov. 7, 1898

C. O. Howard  
Burlington  
Vt.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter to the Supt. of Cong. S. S. was received, but not feeling able as a school to contribute at present it was handed to the C. C. Society.

We, as the Christian Endeavor Society of Congregational Church wish to contribute five (\$5.00) dollars to help pay <sup>the</sup> debt on the Lincoln Memorial University at Cumberland Gap Tennessee

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W. O. Ostrander

Dear Sir:

to the supply of labor, but not feeling  
wondered, but not feeling  
older as a scholar to  
contribute at present. It  
was handed to the  
Society.  
The laborer's  
Society of laborers  
humbly wish to receive  
five (\$5) dollars to help  
pay debt on the  
Memorial University of  
the laborer's



2.

Inclosed please find order  
for the above named amount  
\$5.00

Yours respectfully  
Bessie G. Kerlt, Treas.  
Gridley,  
Ill.

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Released from  
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