Orders No.

Gen. O. O. Howard

My dear General:

We have in the organization designated on this letter head one of the best county soldiers associations that exist anywhere. We meet annually in session at some point in the county decided upon at the next previous session. The session to be held this year will be the twelfth, and will assemble in this city (Maquoketa). There is an intense desire among the membership that we should on that occasion meet the old army commanders, under whom a large majority of us served, either in the Eleventh Corps, the Sixth Corps or the Army of the Tennessee. I am therefore instructed to write and
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ask you whether it might not be possible that you might be able to meet with me and address the large audience that our missions always attract. The date of the meeting has not yet been fixed and can be made to accommodate you if necessary. We have a two day meeting, usually in August or September near the full of the moon but preferably before the meeting of the National Encampment G.A.R. 

The Jackson County Association of Sons of Veterans and the Jackson County Association of Patriotic Women meet with me and add much to the interest of the occasion and they convey heartily in this invitation.

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Kindly state good times for a lecture when you write and we will arrange for providing the space.

With sincere regard I am, on behalf of the Jackson County Veteran Association,

Very Sincerely Yours,

Harry Reid

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My Dear Samuel Howard:

Mrs. Milling, who conducts a very worthy and successful mission in Hell's Kitchen, on West 32nd St., to which the Sunday School has twice sent Christmas gifts, is going to speak at the School next Sunday afternoon, at 3:40. I believe she'll be an interesting speaker, besides having something to say, and I invite you and your class to join us at that time.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur T. Putnam
Gen. O. O. Howard
10 East 23rd, St.
New York City,

Dear Sir,

The writer has just interview Mr. Johnson, in regard to your proposed visit to Worcester.

Several weeks ago the Worcester Local Union wrote through the chairman of our public meeting committee, asking if you could speak to us at a public gathering.

After considering your reply (Or rather your Secretaries) we thought best to let the matter rest for the time at least, much to our regret. We thought Mr. Johnsons affair was to be of a public nature and not wishing to conflict with him and knowing that our finances would not stand the price named. We were forced to the above decision.

But in my talk with Mr. Johnson to day, he says that your engagement with him is at the banquet of the Sons & Daughters of Maine, which is to be comparatively private and if we could secure you for Feb. 17, he would gladly entertain.

With all these favorable conditions we are enbolden to write once more, asking if you could address our Endeavorers on that date and at what expense. Please wire at my expense.

Very truly yours, Waldo L. Lewis.
Mr. 0. Howard

New York City

Dear Sir,

The Writer has your interview on October 13th at 3 o'clock to

your proposal and Worcester.

Several weeks ago the Worcester Locals Union where I work offered the approach of our committee meeting committee section if you could speak in a brief intermission.

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Please write to me at this correspondence. I have been more or less.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
THE FORUM, 111 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK.
EDITOR'S ROOM.

January 25, 1899.

Dear Sir:-

I have read both of your articles with interest, but regret to say that I do not find them available. As far as the paper on Imperialism is concerned, the ground you take has been for all practical purposes covered by articles previously accepted. And as to the one on Confessions, I fear that the details of your military experiences would be of interest only to military men who could understand the difficulties under which you labored.

Thanking you for your courtesy in submitting the articles to me, I am,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Editor.

Major-General O.O. Howard,
10 East 23d Street, N. Y. City.
Dear Sir:

I have read part of your article with interest.

It seems that you have not given the correct dates for the events mentioned. Your article is notable for its lack of detail and accuracy. As far as the paper on imperialism is concerned, the economy of the country you take for granted has been covered by articles previously published. And as for the one on communism, I fear that your letter is not entirely clear on the matter. What actually happened is that there were events of military significance, which were of interest only to military men who are interested in military matters.

Thanking you for your interest in our work.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

[Address]

To: [Address]
Valley Forge, Vermont
Jan 25, '97

Dear Sir, Howard:

Having heard you both at Constantinople, and in Hampton, Virginia at thenormal school for negroes and Indians where I taught for ten years, I am wondering if you can not secure an address from you for our lecture course some time during the next six weeks.

My father, Dr. Lewis Hinckley
A very dear affair gotten up to make a friend's mother's house a sort of ballroom, but that can't work like so. Have heard you were in this matter. Please write to ad

and that I am on my way to you. Tell the truth, I am so pleased that you are a person I respect. Please address as

has just been with me for a week. He values your friendship very highly.

Dear [Name], I should trouble you for an early reply as it convenient. Letting me on what subject you prefer to lecture, and also if you can come for such a low sum as forty dollars?

We have had considerable difficulty in getting up this course. Because the last lecture course given here some years ago...
Gen. O.O. Howard:

My dear General:— Because of haste in printing the invitation for the dinner of the Baptist Social Union, I did not wait to communicate with you concerning the subject of your address but took the liberty of assigning the following;— "God in War"; The Duty of a Christian Nation— which I trust will be satisfactory.

A carriage will call for you at 6.15 p.m. Feb. 2nd.

Respectfully yours,

[Signature]

Secretary.
The Young Men's Christian Association of New Brunswick.
76 Church St.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

Jan 26th 1899

My dear sir:—

I received with regret the note from your Secretary Mr. Ellis this morning stating that your engagements would forbid your addressing our Soldiers' Meeting on Feb. 19. I write to ask whether it would be possible for you to come on the 26th inst. as if so we will change our plans to that date.

I sincerely trust that we may be able to arrange this as I feel that the service will offer great opportunities of helpfulness.

May I ask for a reply at your very early convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Wilfred W. Fry.
Lincoln Memorial University,
Cumberland Gap, Tennessee.

Jan. 26, 1899.

Dear Gen. Howard,

Your favor of 23rd at hand, and
has been presented to the Executive Committee
for consideration of your proposition to have
a payment made on the amount due on the
Four Seasons Farm.

After careful consideration, and desiring to comply
with your request, we beg to state that in our
opinion it would not be advisable to
make a payment unless you are quite
sure that the funds to pay the balance due
can be secured in a short time by either
borrowing or by donations to the institution,
or provided the Trust Co. will enter into an
agreement to extend the notes a fixed period
of time in case we make a payment.

I will briefly state the reasons on which
we base our conclusions, as it may possibly
be that you are not familiar with all the
conditions as they exist.

I have today posted the accounts of the University
to date and find that I have on hand $9,142.60
Cash, having paid some bills since the 10th
and the date of the statements that I sent you
a few days ago. The end of this month will
be here in a few days, and it will take
$250.00 to $300.00 to settle with the teachers, and
students who have worked on the farm, and
pay board house bills $250. So that if we
LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY,
CUMBERLAND GAP, TENNESSEE.

Make a payment; it could not be present exceed $500 or $600, which is so small an amount on so large a debt, that we doubt if any agreement of extension of time would be granted.

By telephone, I have today learned the terms of the mortgage, which is on record at Lajewell our county seat.

The mortgage is executed by A.M. Myer & Cyrus Clark to the Columbia Finance & Trust Co. of Louisville Ky. for $104,800 dated Dec 14, 1876.

$3210 due in 7 months without interest.
3500 due in 1 year with 6%
3710 due in 2 years

Whenever any note becomes past due 30 days all the payments become due, and the Trust Co have authority to take possession of once and sell the property after advertising the sale in four consecutive publications of a weekly newspaper published in that county. The Trust Co. have the right to fix the terms of the sale.

We think that, with these conditions, we are wholly at their mercy, and it is in their power to take possession at once and sell the property. We are inclined to think that they will do so soon unless a considerable payment is made, or they have the assurance that it will be
Lincoln Memorial University,
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Made soon, as it is almost the season for beginning to get the land ready for crops, & when in 60 or 90 days from now it will be too late. Further, when you have received the statement that I sent you, you will discover that since our meeting here last July, you have been sending in most of the graduality pay the remaining expenses of the school, which we think have been some heavier than they should have been; although we have only been carrying out the contracts already made before we took charge; and which we assumed.

Mr. Myers is now in Ohio somewhere. He and another a few days ago, wrote to Mr. Lawrence that he did not know where he was going to. He does not expect much financial aid through his efforts, although we sincerely hope we will be disappointed; and that he will send in large donations soon.

I have calculated the interest on the mortgage and made $11,610.15 the amount due Jan. 24th.

Now it seems to us a considerable risk to pay $500 more, without some definite arrangements for further times. But if after you consider the existing conditions, you all of the opinion that it would be best to send them $500, please wire me to make a payment and I will at once forward them that amount with your letter addressed to them.

Sincerely yours, Chester Hager, Secy.
P.S. We would suggest that an effort be made to get the Trust Co. to hold up for at least 30 or 60 days, provided you think there is a reasonable certainty of securing in that time at least $5000 of $6000 to pay them, or of getting a loan to pay them the whole amount.

I think they have been very lenient indeed, but as they have received nothing for two years, and we have had the use of the farm, it would not surprise me if they took steps to get possession.

General: I trust that my long letter will not weary you; but I wanted to write all the circumstances as fully as I could.

Yours etc.,

Chas. H. Eager, Sec.
1/26/49

Dear General,

I suppose you have heard from the Christian Endeavor again for they were on to see Mr. and I trust it will be on your way to accommodate them for it may be possible there won’t be you for the 17th instead of the 16th as a State we want to engage for the 16th.

Shall we be at liberty on the 17th and can Claude come for these good people in exchange evening. They
take the 16th and on the 17th to nder the
condition that we start our train
is not taken for the 17th
We shall not know until next Tuesday about
the Hall but if you have
the night of the 17th booked
for some other location
I decide Worcester or
we will still claim
your services for the 16th
If you write we can
come to Worcester that
do if you conclude to
come for the Christian
Endevor then we can
make some sales fac
tory arrangement with
them showed we want
their night or hope
both nights are at
Liberty. So you can accommodate us all. If you have a photograph convenient that you could loan the 20 or could get a cut from it for the papers, it would be appreciated.

Your truly,
A. Johnson

Gen. O. O. Howard
New York, January 26, 1899.

My dear General:

It is my brother, Qnna Theler, at 27th St. & Madison AVE. who is, as deeply interested in the project you name. By if you will drop him a line or call at his office at Caesar's St., he will be only too happy to take the matter over with you.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

General O. O. Howard.
10 East 23rd St.
N.Y. City.
James Pyle & Sons
New York

Jan. 26th, 1899.

My dear sir:

I have postponed acknowledging the receipt of your book "Camp and Quarter Deck" until I had read it, and now I have pleasure in thanking you for it; in expressing the gratification I feel in knowing that you cared to send it, and want to congratulate you on being able to, and what is more, willing to give so much real pleasure and information.

Again, I thank you, and want to call to your mind the pleasure I had in hearing you speak at our house.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

To
General O.O. Howard,
12 Fifth Avenue, City.
Dear [Name]

I was wondering if you have any information on the [specific topic].

I heard that [specific detail] and I was curious if you could provide any insights on this matter.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
Lincoln Memorial University,
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Major-General O.O. Howard,
12 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear General:—

Your letter of the 23rd inst. has been received. It finds me just recovering from a siege of brain fever. I am out of bed again but have not yet left the house.

I am much pleased to hear that you are confident of succeeding in paying off the indebtedness of the Four Seasons property. The abstract is a much larger one than are usually handled. I worked on it nine weeks myself and had the assistance of four other people a good part of that time. There are six bound volumes and accompanying these volumes are a large box of newspapers and a roll of maps and plats. You will see that making a copy would be a tedious matter. Furthermore, a lawyer undertaking to make an examination can save a great deal of time if he can review the abstract with him. In this way the examination can probably be made in three days, but otherwise a lawyer might consume two or three weeks and then not be clear as to some points. As I am thoroughly familiar with every part of it, I could probably make numerous points clear to him in a few minutes to which he might alone devote much more time. The entire property is made up of smaller tracts, the title to which came through various separate chains, and to one unfamiliar with the subject it is tedious to trace all these out, notwithstanding the fact that the abstract is systematically prepared. The abstract shows complete title, and there can be no question about this, excepting that there are two suits, one for a thousand dollars and another for about twelve hundred dollars, which have not been adjusted. But the people at Louisville have agreed to stand good for these.

If an examination of the abstract has to be made with a view to satisfying prospective donors, I suggest that you have me come with the abstract. I take it that you can get transportation for me over one of the roads between Chicago and New York.

During the past few months I have done some of my old work and earned some money in this way. I did this, first, because my family had to be fed and clothed and because there did not seem to be anything to take hold of in connection with the University. As I understood it, my duties were clearly restricted
Lincoln Memorial University
Cumberland, Tennessee

December 10th, 1930

Mr. General O. Howard
12 Fifth Avenue, New York

Dear General:

I am writing this in order to give you a status of my affairs. I have just received a letter from my father, who is quite well. He is currently working on the new weekly and has the assistance of a small group of people.

I understand you have a good group of people working on the same project. This is encouraging, and I hope you will see that your efforts are not in vain. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. I hope to see you soon.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
to assisting you by correspondence and it seemed to be impractical
to do anything in this line as long as we were separated by the
distance between Chicago and New York. I have not, however, for-
gotten the interests of the University. This matter has been
foremost in my mind at all times, and I have all along tried to
find an opportunity to do something in a line which would not in-
terfere with what you and Mr. Fairchild were trying to do. The
strain which I have been under for a year or more has, no doubt,
been the cause of my sick sickness. I am mending fast and expect
to be out by the end of this week.

Lately a friend has given me suggestions for soliciting
the assistance of some influential people who are entirely out
of the line of those among whom you are working and I have been
expecting to look after this matter next month. If I should go
to New York I can tell you fully about it, and possibly you may
think it best to go with me. The other day I had a letter from
Dr. Leland, in which he intimates that his matter may yet come to
something favorable for us.

You have learned, I presume, that Dr. Pearson's has fin-
ished with Berea. I believe that if our organization were now
in such a state as to commend itself for stability, the Dr. would
make us an offer. I have not talked with him for two or three
months.

Very truly yours,

Eugene Kohr.
LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY
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