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LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY,

Confidential.

Cumberland Gap, Tenn., [March] 190[1]

My dear Gen. Howard:-

Your kind letter of 16th inst. at hand. I have today conferred with the other members of the Executive Committee, and shown them your letters. We understand that it is your desire that we do all we can to harmonize conflicting elements here, especially, at the "Gap", and to arrange as far as possible for a good commencement.

There is good feeling here among all toward you, and this expression coming from you, we shall be more than pleased to do all in our power to adjust matters.

We shall expect you, as President of the Board and ex-officio member of our committee, to support us in all we undertake, that is reasonable.

I address you confidentially, because we (the committee) think that we are in no way responsible for the existing circumstances here, nor do we believe that the students are alienated from us; so far as I know they are all friendly to me, and I have no complaints to make: they all treat me very kindly and I am trying to do the same.

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For several reasons, especially Mr. Myers continued inclination to oppose Dr. Larry on every side, we have supported his management as Acting President, and in order that he, (Dr. Larry) might have a fair chance to carry out his plans, we have approved almost every proposition presented by him; but we think that he had made some serious mistakes, that especially affect his relations with the people here. Of course it is not necessary to discuss these matters now.

We shall go to work at once on these lines and hope to be able to report something favorable within a few days.

Believe me, Sincerely Yours,

Chas. F. Eager

Secy.

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Ithaca N.Y.
Mar. 1, 1861.

To Gen. O. O. Howard,

Dear Sir,-

I am particularly anxious to get your opinion on the various phases of the "Canteen Question." You are one who has been so long and unceasingly devoted to the soldiers interests, that your word will carry more weight and authority than of any one in the country.

I would therefore ask you that, laying aside for a moment the ethical aspect of the case, to answer

the following questions.

1. Does the canteen promote sobriety?

2. Does it offer any inducement to get drunk?

3. Is it at all times under the control of the officers?

4. Does it tend to promote the health of the troops,

a. By furnishing purer, or less highly intoxicating liquor?

b. By promoting, indirectly, sobriety?

c. By keeping them from worse evils they might encounter?

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5. Does it prevent, to any extent, their chafing at restraint and dicipline?

6. About what per cent of the men are abstainers, occasional drinkers, moderate drinkers, and hard drinkers?

7. To what extent are possible abuses of the canteen remediable?

8. Does the canteen offer more temptation to

a. Drink,

b. Drink to excess than the saloons which otherwise cluster around the posts?

9 Is the canteen, on the whole, promotive of the

general morality & well fare of the troops?

I am particularly anxious to obtain the information asked for, for use is a University debate, and for this reason I have taken the very great liberty to trespass thus boldly on the time of one whom I know must be a very busy man. Thanking you in advance for your kindness, and hoping for an immediate answer, I remain,

Sincerely Yours,
Forrest E. Cardullo
105 Quarry St.
Ithaca, N.Y.

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M. V. RICHARDS,
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SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

OFFICE OF THE
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CABLE ADDRESS:
"MILRICH,"
Washington.

In your reply please quote our File No.

Washington, D. C., Mar. 1st, 1901.

Subject: 1026.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

150 Nassau St., New York City.

My dear General:

In response to your request of the 20th ult., I have pleasure in enclosing you a trip pass over the Southern Railway from Washington to Atlanta, Ga., good until April 30, in favor of your daughter Miss Bessie Howard and her chaperon, Mrs. Bancroft. We have no jurisdiction over the lines between Atlanta and New Orleans, which prevents our supplying transportation farther than Atlanta.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours very truly,

M. V. Richards
Land and Industrial Agent.

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Mar. 1st, 1901.

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180 Madison St., New York City.

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BOSTON. March 1st, 1901.

General O. O. Howard,
150 Nassau Street,
New York, N. Y.

My dear General:-

Mr. Larry was here to see me about trying to do something for the University in the City of Boston. I advised him that the best thing he could do would be to get Mark Twain to deliver a lecture for the benefit of the University and hire Tremont Temple here as the place to do it in, and then get the patronage of some of the distinguished ladies and gentlemen of this city. He said he would try it.

Yours very sincerely,

Edgar O. Achorn

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March 1, 1901.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

150 Nassau Street, New York.

Dear Sir:-

We owe you an apology for not having communicated with you regarding the sale of ABRAHAM LINCOLN: HIS BOOK, at Carnegie Hall, on the evening of Mr. Watterson's address. We so thoroughly appreciated the privilege you allowed us that it seems impossible we could have allowed the matter to go so long without communicating with you - our excuse is that the person in charge of this matter was out of the city for a week or ten days directly after the books were on sale. It was left entirely in his hands and was therefore overlooked by others in the office.

The result of the evening's sale was very unsatisfactory. We sent two boys to the Hall with 250 copies of the book together with circulars which were distributed. The boys stood faithfully at their post until the last moment, in fact, until the lights were put out, and the result of their efforts was the sale of four copies.

Our arrangement with you was that we were to allow you 10% on the list price of the book ($1.00), therefore we owe you forty cents, which we are enclosing in stamps.

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Gen. O. O. Howard, 2.

We thank you heartily for your courtesy in the matter, and sincerely regret that the result of the experiment was so disappointing.

Believe us,

Yours very sincerely,

McElwee Phillips & Co
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D. R. James & Brother,
Successors to
Packard & James,
123 Maiden Lane,

New York, March 1 1901

Gen. O. O. Howard.

Dear Sir. The letter of 25th ult. was duly received. I have been absent so much from office meantime that it has been neglected, – Some time in early Feby. I told Mr. Fairchild that my year was up latter part of month that I would remit cheque direct to Mr. Eager, that, as I was saving from month to month to get together enough for the thousand dollars I put down toward an endowment fund, I would send only $50.00 My income is not large & my demands numerous so that last year my gifts took 30% of income, which kept me rather close. I have $200.00 scored towards the thousand endowment.

I liked the Mr. Howard when you introduced & I thought well of the Early potato scheme. I was thinking it over that evening, (the day you called) it occurred to me that you had some thought of making some arrangement with Mr. Howard, to take the leadership of the Institution. I may be in error, however, but I took it up from something you said. He might be just the man we need, but I would go very, very slowly in the matter.

Very Cordially, Darwin R. James.

THE BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD COMPANY.

OFFICE OF THE SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER.

BALTIMORE, MD.

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F. D. UNDERWOOD,

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER.

March 1st, 1901.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Washington, D. C.

My Dear General:

Yours of 28th February. I have great pleasure in handing you herewith trip pass Washington to Cincinnati, favor Miss Bessie Howard and Mrs. S. Bancroft, and trust that the ladies may have a pleasant journey over our line.

Very truly yours,

F. D. Underwood

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LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY,

Cumberland Gap, Tenn., Mch. 1 1907.

Gen. O. O. Howard.
New York City.

Dear Gen. Howard. Your kind letter of Feb 25th at hand with check for $1,200.00. for which herein hand you my receipt. Will use his funds at best advantage I can.

Mr. Fairchild was here yesterday and returned last evening. Enjoyed here short visit very much.

I, too, regret that I did not meet Mr. W. W. Howard while here. I really thought that Capt. Larry would bring him around, but I think that none of the local directors met him.

The written suggestions of Mr Howard have just reached us from Dr Larry, and will be considered by the committee as soon as we can meet. I can however state at once, that there are some obstacles that will hinder putting into operation at once the entire plan.

1st. At present we cannot secure any of the Cumb. Gap. water; because there is a lawsuit between the American Asin.

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and the Ky. Land Co. (owners of the waterwork at Cumb. Gap)
now pending in the courts, in which one of the principal questions involved is the diverting of the water away from "Gap" Creek;
Maj. G. B. Cockrell manager of the waterworks will not consider the matter, until the suit has been decided; although he expresses himself favorable and I think, when the time comes will furnish us water if possible.
Dr. Larry had the waters of the different springs on the University property analyzed, and reported that the water at Hamilton springs, that we have been using at Grant Lee Hall as being unfit for use. So on his recommendation the Ex Com, have approved of removing the pumping station to the best springs on the property.
Mr. Spencer is already at work making the change.
Mr. Rector, the Farm Manager is pushing the plowing as fast as possible, but he needs another team of horses or mules, I think the committee will, at the next meeting, recommend the purchase of another team, although we will have to buy on credit.

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There will however be a chance to experiment on Mr. Howard's plan of potato culture by irrigation in a small way, by useing water from the reservoir, in the valleys crossed by the water pipe ~~bam~~ conveying water to Grant-Lee Hall.

As soon as I have a chance, will consult our banker in regard to the loan you refer to.

We all, are pleased to hear that you and Mr. Howard will soon be with us to remain some time, When you get here we can talk over all these plans much better than we can write. and then I think your presence here will tend to mend some matters.

Hoping to see you soon. I am,

Sincerely yours.

Chas F. Eager

Sec'y.

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LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY,

58 College St. Providence, R.I.

~~Cumberland Gap, Tenn.,~~ Mar 1, 1901.

Dear Gen:—

I note what you say in regard to Mark Twain and an invitation from Boston and shall write Mr. Ashburn accordingly. Outside Mr. A— I do not know of anyone we can depend upon except, of course, for the use of their names. I have got the matter nearly ready for that number of the Herald of which I want to print a large number for circulation. I may wait a little to get some extra cuts from the Christian Herald, after their article comes out. Mr. Myers presence at the Gap is giving the usual trouble, but he cannot fight from the inside as heretofore. Well, we must be patient and pray the good Lord to take him in hand.

I hope Mr. Fairchild is recovering as I need him to introduce me. He has an extensive acquaintance in N.Y. and N.E. and I know we will succeed together.

Before you go away will you please send me a check on acct. of say, 200. on acct. of you suggested. Mrs. L. not be remembered.

Yours fraternally,

John Hale Lamy.

U.S.S. Hartford
at anchor, off Arsenal
Washington Mar. 2nd 1901

General O. O. Howard U.S.A.

Dear General

No memory of my work in the Navy is more pleasant than that of your visit to the Lancaster at Key West.

The Hartford (to which I am attached as Chaplain) is here for the Inauguration, and I am writing to ask you to be with us at service tomorrow morning. Captain Hawley joins me in this request, and our Executive Officer, Mr Sharp (Lat in command of the "Dixie") desires me to say that he will be especially glad to have you with us. I am asking our very good friend Miss Helen Gould to be present, and the celebrated Park Sisters Quartette to furnish music. Mr Fred. B. Smith of Chicago – one of the best of the Y.M.C.A. workers will preach an Evangelistic sermon to these dear men and I would be so glad if you could come and join in the service. I have had a hard time on this ship and am counting so much on this service to enlist my influence for Christ among the men. Your presence, as on the Lancaster will mean much for our Master's Cause. When I see you I may tell you more of my difficulties.

The hour will be 10 A.M. at the Light house Wharf by the Power House – just outside the Arsenal Wall at the end of the 7th St Car Line. Sincerely

Your younger brother in Christ
R. E. Steele

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New York, Mch 2, 1901. 189

General O.O.Howard,

150 Nassau Street, New York City.

Dear Sir:

You no doubt have received circular notifying our members of the unveiling of the statue of Major-General John A. Logan, at Washington, D.C., on April 9th. I am anxious to have as large an attendance of the Society as possible. Most of our members are in the far West, and we cannot expect many of them to be present. I hope, therefore, that those living in the East will make an effort to attend, and I trust that you will be with us.

Truly and cordially,

G M Dodge

General O.O.Howard,

150 Nassau Street, New York City.

4396 LINDELL BOULEVARD. St Louis.

March 2nd 1901.

Dear General.

Your very kind letter of Jan 1st, should have been answered sooner, but I have waited until I could send you a check, which tho' small, shows you my good will, and regret that there is not a larger amount, but the

improvement of the human race. There is much work here, but the people have not learned the pleasure of giving and doing to their money. So we are trying to teach them by example and in consequence I continue to make my own hats and gowns, as well as my daughters. I hope my husband will some day be a rich man, so that we can give as we would like.

Tell Bessie I should like to see her out here, as I would any member of your dear family, for after all, there are no friends, like the old friends. With love for all, affly yours

Mrs Gertrude C. Crouch

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unexpected operation in the Autumn has taken most of my spending money, and I must go carefully, until more comes in. I have two farms near Omaha which have not paid a cent for seven years and if anything comes from that bad investment, I can then do something for Lincoln.

Mr Crawford has been in New York for a week, and we have been a very small family in consequence. Rute is busy in school & with music & riding lessons, altho' she really does not need these riding lessons, any more than I did for she rides astride, and sits her horse as well as I ever did. When you come West, next time, pick & stop here & take a ride with her & see if you do not go back twenty years on riding with her. I am perfectly well again, after my month's experience in New York last October, and have a great deal of pleasure in the different clubs, to which I belong, and the church & social work here in St Louis. We are making friends slowly and Mr Crawford is in great demand on different boards for the

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58 College St. Providence R. I.

~~Cumberland Gap, Tenn.~~, Mar 2, 1901

Dear General:— Yours of yesterday at hand. I have sent the War Dept Circular of instructions to Mr. Eager, but as I read them you should make the application but possibly my application and your acquiescence will cover all.

You certainly have been misinformed if you think I have not the kindest of feelings toward the Board. I have taken no issue with the citizens.

I do not think that much from without should be gleaned in the Gap village. The best sentiment of the surrounding country will agree with me in this. Those who have local interests may differ, but they would not if they looked far enough ahead. Whatever fosters the success of the L. M. U. will help them at last. Ask the teachers there as to their opinion. I have never imposed to do anything radical. In my last annual report I suggested that the Academic Dept be removed from the Gap. This met the views of the visiting directors and the matter was referred to the Ex. Com. Had this been done there would have been no conflict with the Watts

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building transferred to Grant-Lee we should have room for the present. Somehow must have someway. I am going to make an effort to put up the girls' dormitory! I come here to write up next "Mountain Herald" where I could be quiet and be at small expense. This done I expect Mr. Fairchild back to make a campaign, speaking and gleaning. I can interest an audience and he can make appointments and interviews much better than I can, and having been over the field he knows just who to go to etc.

I hear that he has been ill. He seemed out of order in N.Y. If he does not come soon I shall try single-handed, unless things demand me at the School.

Mr. Myers has been among the boys at Grant-Lee, offering them 20.00 per month and expenses to learn. He has interests a

number of our best workers. He has also declared that he will fix things so that no one can follow him. I will know what the latter means, but I propose to follow along the plain path of duty nevertheless. I hope none of our boys will be drawn away but he is so plausible that I fear it. If he can manipulate business men, directors, teachers it must not be thought strange if he leads away susceptible youth.

At the invitation of Prov. Cong. ministers I have explained our work to them and I have two engagements to speak for the L. M. U. one week from to-morrow. Like yourself, I need to feel that everything is harmonious behind the work in order to be effective

Now it may be that you would like to have me and Mrs. Larry at the Gap while you are there. If so, let me know and I will plan accordingly, but I would like to make a campaign for the new building with Mr. Fairchild.

I hope you will see young Mr. James and get him to take the treasury. He is a fine, open hearted fellow and his name will command the confidence it deserves. Our treasurer should certainly be in New York.

Yours fraternally,

John Hale Larry.

LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY,

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Cumberland Gap, Tenn., March 2, 1901

Gen. O. O. Howard,
150 Nassau St.,
New York,

My dear General,

Mrs. Pasco and I are now living in the Arthur House, and we would be glad to have you stay there with us during your visit here.

Very sincerely,

J. G. Pasco.

LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY,

ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT,

HARROW HALL,

JOHN ELLIOT BOWMAN, S. T. B., Principal.

Cumberland Gap, Tenn., March 2nd 1901

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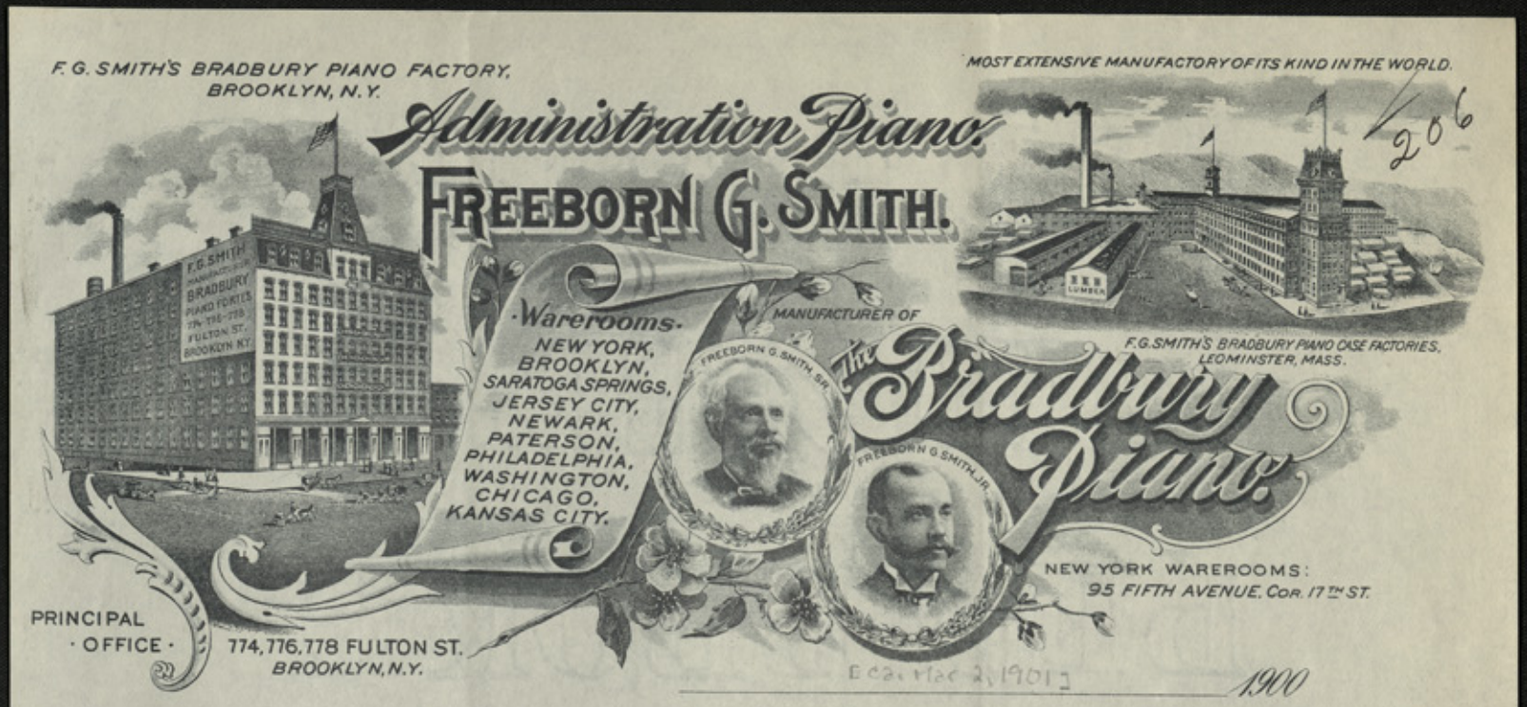
General O O Howard

Dear Sir:-

We understand that you contemplate a visit to the departments of the Lincoln Memorial University- Mrs Bowman and I join in this expression of our earnest hope that you may be our guest at Harrow- We cordially invite you to make your home at Harrow Hall during your stay here

Most Sincerely

J E Bowman



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Gunn & Co Atoms

My Dear Friend

Would you please find Fisher
Hill key and let me hear from you
this Evening Bet 10 & 11 Oclk
Jersey City Hum for Thursday
I am Delighted to Hear
the Pleasure of Great a
Grand Christian Man
Company May Joy and Prosperity
Even Rest you Company in the
hist of yr Dear Friend Louisa Smith

Sunday Mar. 3. c1901?

My dear Gen Howard

I have been in Milwaukee with Margaret for three weeks. She has not been well but is much better now. I will be here a week longer & may be more. I have not been well at all and am in bed now have worked hard in Chicago & am afraid that Margaret is too hard. That Margaret

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Prudie for me

and do not like the glassy
woman in it. I have
really not much strength
for unnecessary things —
I intended long since
to have answered your
kind note but your
note has equal to it
Miss Lubin is well &
wished to be remembered
Margaret & she are great
friends & M— is doing
fine work. taller than I
by half an inch,

I presume you are the
same busy woman that you
always are. I hope Harry
is doing well. Remember
me to the family — and let
me hear from you soon

Cordially
Jessica M. Bright
507 Juneau Place
Milwaukee
Wisconsin