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

Cumberland Gap, Tenn., June 29 1901.

Dear Gen. Howard: - Your letter of 14th by Miss Ellis at hand, I had already received your letter of the 15th and had credited your account by \$180⁰⁰ the amount charged to you twice, and now I credit you by \$30⁰⁰ on account of general expenses. This will make our accounts correspond to a cent,

I trust you are enjoying good health and a pleasant Summer.

Believe me, Sincerely Yours,

Chas. F. Eager
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Brunswick, Maine,

June 21, 1901.

Gen. O. O. Howard
Burlington, Vt.

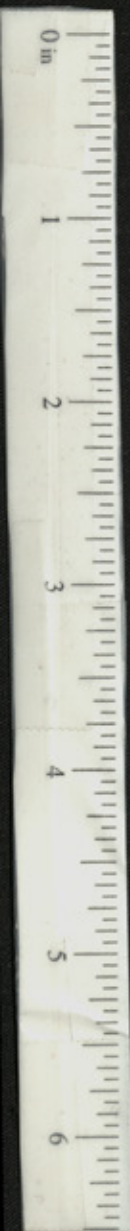
My dear Sir,

We are hoping that
Commencement week will, as
usual, bring you back to
Brunswick, and Mrs. Woodruff
and I unite in a most cordial
invitation to you to come to our
house (262 Maine St.) and make
it your home for whatever time
you may be able to spend in
town. I am

Sincerely yours,

F. E. Woodruff.

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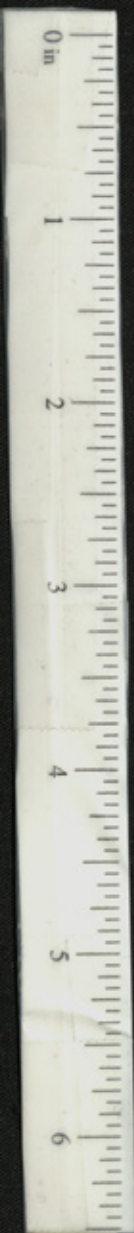


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McMinville Or June 21st 1901

Gen O. O. Howard
Burlington Vt
Dear Sir

Enclosed please find tax
Receipt for year 1900. which I paid
also ^{of 17⁶⁴} please find Bank Draft for
\$29⁷¹ this is the price of the Lot
No 8 Bk 35 O.P. Add to McMinville
Less the Commission and expense of
B Draft ^{and Taxes} I could not sell the Lot to
the first party that wanted it, but
I got another man to take the Land
at \$50⁰⁰ the price you named hop-
ing this will be all satisfactory. I
will try and look out for your int-
erests here in the sale of these Lots
Yours Very Truly J. O. Rogers



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Hartford, Conn. June 22, 1901.

My Dear General Howard:-

Your favor of 20th is at hand. I very much regret my inability to go to Burlington the coming week, owing to engagements made some time ago that will take me out of town.

Now, aside from this, would it not be better for you to send the manuscript to me and let me look it over before I confer with you in person? I can digest it at my leisure and in a much more comprehensive and satisfactory way, and can make minutes of suggestions that might not occur to me at an off-hand examination in Burlington. I suggest this plan for your consideration, and if it meets with your approval I would like to have you send all the manuscript you have prepared, by express, and I will then make an appointment to meet you in Burlington in the near future. Of course, if you prefer to go over the manuscript with me before I have looked it over, I will run on and see you in a short time; but I really think my suggestion to send it here is the better one.

Kindly let me hear from you, and believe me to remain, as ever,

Yours very sincerely,

A. D. Worthington

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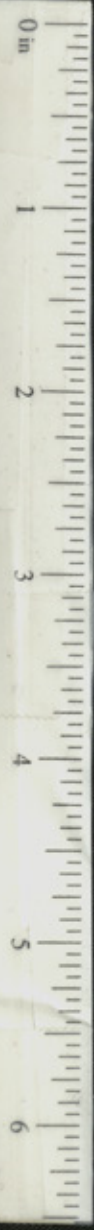
June 22, 1881.

My Dear General Howe :-

Your letter of 20th inst. is at hand. I very much
regret my inability to go to Burlington the coming week, owing to ex-
haustion made some time ago that will take me out of town.
Now, as to your letter, would it not be better for you to send me
something to me and let me look it over before I confer with you in
person. I can assure it is of interest and in a way more comprehensive
than anything I have seen. I suggest that you send me a copy of the
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that plan for your consideration, and if it meets with your approval
I would like to have you send it to the University of Vermont, by
express, and I will undertake to get it to Burlington
in the next three days. Of course, it is not so far over the mountains
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short time; but I really think my suggestion to send it to me is the
better one.

Kindly let me hear from you, and believe me to remain, as ever,

Yours very sincerely,



S. P. AVERY,
4 EAST 38TH STREET.

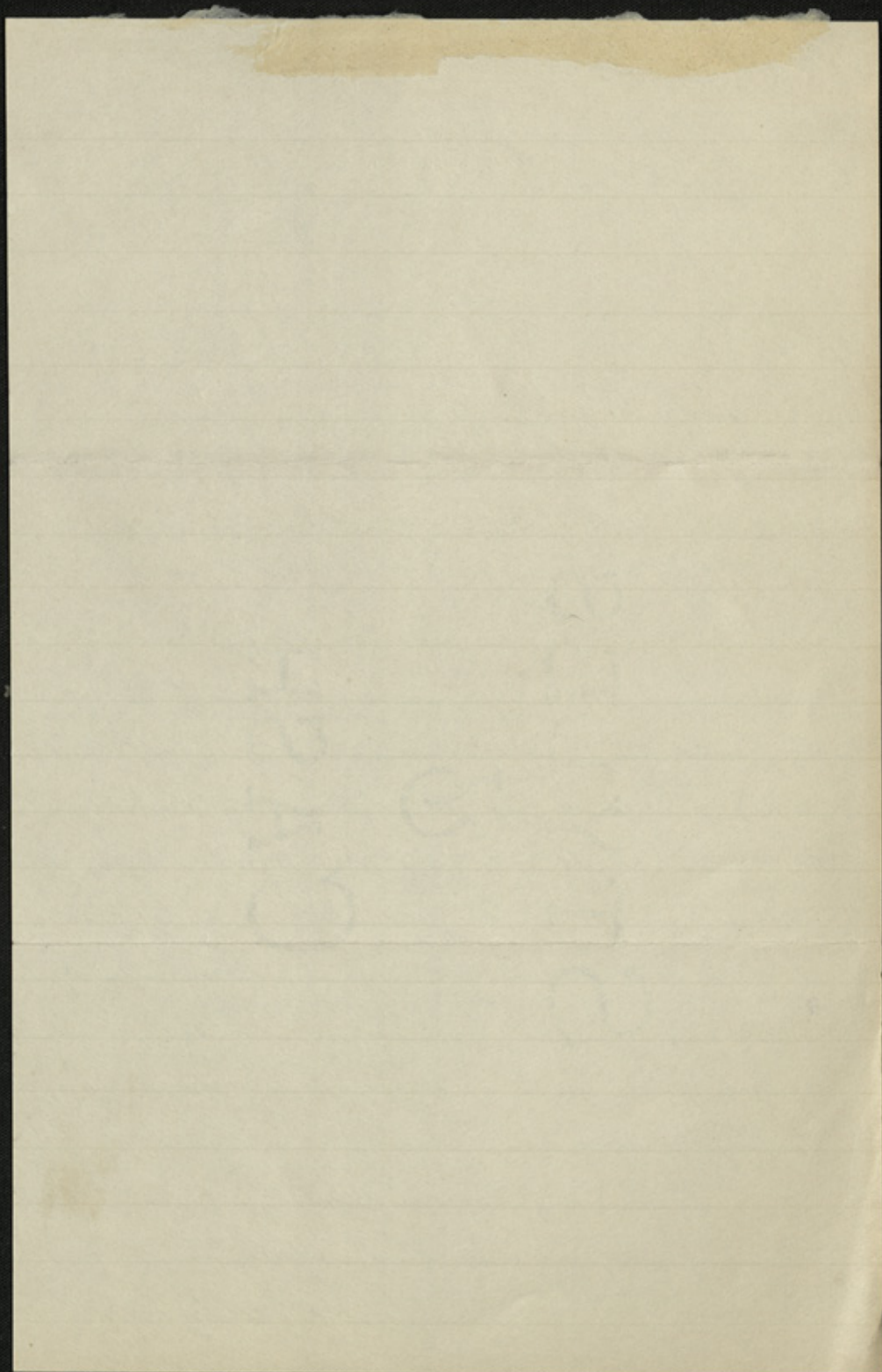
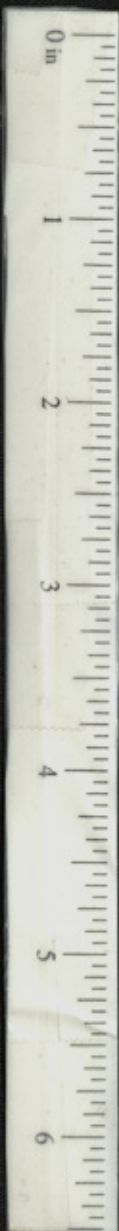
June 22^d
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My Dear General.

We are pleased to get your letter of the 17th and to know that the arrangements regarding the use of that b - is satisfactory to you, letters from Mr James and Rev Avery - have also been received, showing their approval of the arrangement. The right men seem to be in the right place, and all should go well. As to naming the Hall - it will be in time when there is a hall, it shall be named in time for the Christening! We have to go to the Jackson Sanatorium, at Danville N.Y. doctors say wife must get out of city heat & dust. We have great faith in wife's great improvement during the summer.

Sincerely with our cordial regards and thanks
for your interest in our hall

Samuel P. Avery.



Rec J. VanDerveer Hurts, D. D.

New London Connecticut

Carthage, N. Y., June 21 1901

Hon. Genl O. O. Howard

My dear General.

In my great haste

I think I sent you my chapters on
Gettysburg for examination & comment
without sending you a separate letter
I should have had the manuscript
registered for safety - but forgot to do so.
I have been anxious about its safe carrying
& hope it has safely reached you. - have
spent much time & labor on it - & don't
care to repeat it unless obliged to.

If you will be kind enough to send me a
postal card saying you have & have not

received it I shall be at rest respecting
it. The rest of the manuscript is now
in the hands of the publishers. I have, I
think, told you a very fine comment of
Genl' Lichell's - also, ^{a strong} one from Longstreet
on my Gettysburg - & yours will round it
off & fix my account of the great battle
as authoritative in the minds of readers
of the book.

Sincerely yours

J. Vandever Churts

New London Connecticut
Care of R. Hall Churts

American Flag Association.

Yonkers, N. Y., June 24/91

2 Gen O. O. Howard Burlington Vt-

At the Annual Meeting of the American Flag Association, you were elected an officer of and a member of its Executive Committee, such Committee of which you are a member will meet Thursday evening, July 11th, 1901, at 8 o'clock P. M. The meeting is important, among other things to make arrangements for the next campaign of the Association.

Mr. Edward Hagaman Hall, one of our Secretaries, has invited us to meet at his house. This meeting will, therefore, by his courtesy and kindness, take place at the home of Mr. Edward Hagaman Hall, No. 283 Lexington Avenue, New York City.

You are urged to attend if possible.

Yours, &c.,
Ralph E. Prime,
President.

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Yours, &c.,
Ralph E. Prime,
President.

To Mr. O. O. Howard, Yonkers, N. Y.

Dear Uncle Otis,-

Do you
remember your promise
about giving me away?

On August Otis, David
and Frank are likely to be
here with their wives. And
you are to be at Leeds August
15th at the centennial cele-
bration. Could you come
here the 14th, the day before
the Leeds celebration and
give me away?

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I think the day before the
time at Leeds will be best.
If they change the date, I
will change mine. I
believe there is a possibility
of a change.

Harry will be with
you, will he not? And
how about Aunt Lizzie
and Bessie? It would be
lovely to have them all here
if they could come. My
love to them all.

Farmington, Conn. Ella,
June 25, 1901.

Christian Endeavor,
MOUNT TEMPLE,
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GENERAL SECRETARY'S
OFFICE.

June 25, 1901.

General O. O. Howard,
Burlington,
Vermont.

Dear Brother:-

Enclosed please find two platform
tickets. Upon your arrival in Cincinnati please go
to the Grand Hotel where we have asked to have ac-
commodations reserved for you. We will also have
there completed official programmes.

With kind regards,

John Willis Baer

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GENERAL SECRETARY'S
OFFICE.

Boston, June 26 1901.

General O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vt.

My dear General Howard,

Enclosed is a copy of your address which you
were kind enough to send us. Your assignment, you
remember, is for Sunday, July 7.

Yours cordially,

John Willis Baer.

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First Street, Boston
BOSTON, MASS.
CIVIL SERVICE, Boston
Rev. Francis D. O. Howard
1000 North Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C.
GENERAL SECRETARY'S
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Hartford, Conn. June 26, 1901

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vermont.

Dear General Howard:-

Yours of 23rd just at hand. I am sorry to say that I have not a single copy of Col. Dodge's "Our Wild Indians," all of my stock of this book, together with the plates from which the volume was printed, having been destroyed by fire some two years ago. But I have succeeded in borrowing a copy, and have sent it to you by express to-day. Please take good care of it and see that it is returned to me when you are entirely through with it--there is no hurry about it--for as the book is now exceedingly scarce and hard to obtain, I had some difficulty in finding and borrowing this one.

I am absolutely the sole and exclusive owner of the copyright of Col. Dodge's book, and you are therefore at liberty to use as much of it for your book as you think best. It is an excellent book, was well written, and no book on our American Indians ever met with greater favor or was more handsomely reviewed by the press.

I think your plan of going over the manuscript again is excellent. I am sure that your experience is like that of every other literary worker, all of whom, so far as I know, always find plenty of polishing to do every time they go over a manuscript.

When all is ready I shall be glad to receive the manuscript and I will personally go over it carefully, and then we can meet and talk it over later on.

Very sincerely yours,

A. D. Worthington

June 28, 1891

Gen. O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vermont.

Dear General Howard:-

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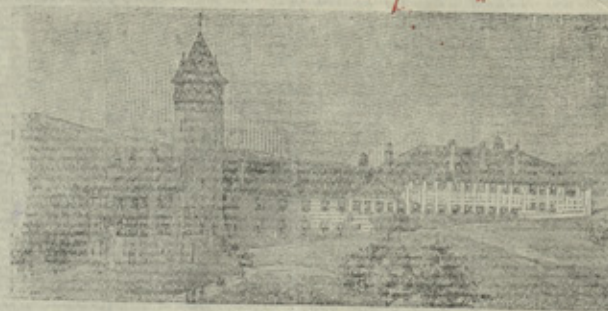
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GRANT-LEE HALL.

Cumberland Gap, Tenn., June 26, 1901

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

Dear Gen. Howard:

Your letter telling me that the means for the new Dormitory had been put in the hands of Hon. Darwin R. James reached me a few days since and I was very glad to get it for everything was waiting for the word to go ahead.

We are now getting out limestone to make a kiln and cutting wood to burn it. We shall begin to make bricks in a few weeks. I shall look up the machinery next week and shall want the money to pay for it in about ten days. I will see that every dollar is carefully spent and that you have vouchers in true form. I can save much by taking my time to find bargains in machinery and having spot cash to pay for it.

We are getting a good class of young mento work on the building. A large part of their pay will be credited ahead on their future expenses and much of their cost of board will come out of the garden but we shall have to have some money to pay for this cost.

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

Dear Gen. Howard:

June, 26

122 South Main St.,
Danville, Va. June 26, 1901.

Gen. O. O. Howard, U.S.A.,
Burlington, Vt.

My dear Sir:

Some fifteen or
twenty years ago when serving
in Montana I read a
book of which you were the
author; - "The Life of Chief Jo-
seph"; it was the property of
Capt. Howard, then of the
2^d Cavalry. I have forgotten the
name of your publisher, and

written to ask if you will give
me this name, as I am very
anxious, if possible to obtain
a copy.

I am General,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

C. F. Cabaniss Jr.

Leitch, U. S. A., retired

Holderness N. H.

June 26, 1901.

Gen. O. O. Howard
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir: —

A collection
of Gen. Armstrong's letters
is being made with
a view to publishing
some of them. If
you have any letters
from him. That

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contain anything
likely to be of interest
to the public. I
would be greatly
obliged if you
would send them
to me. Anything
desired will be
returned.

Yours truly
Mary Alice Armstrong
(Mrs. S.C. Armstrong)

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156 Fifth Avenue, New York City

M. L. HOWARD
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WILLIAM W. COE
FIELD AGENT

972 Forsythe Street,
BEAUMONT, TEXAS,
June 28, 1901.

Dear General Howard:

I am taking the liberty of assuming that a brief account of the work of the Texas Relief Fund in Brazoria county will be of interest to you, as you already have some knowledge of the efforts made by certain persons to divert the relief money to other uses.

I am glad to be able to say that the relief work, up to the present moment, is in every way a success. We have several hundred acres in growing crop, mostly corn. Our fields are filled with happy and contented workers, singing and laughing at their tasks. There was neither laughter nor singing among these people before we began this work; there was only hunger and distress and uncertainty. The mere privilege of standing among the corn rows and listening to the songs and laughter of these workers is ample reward for the hard work and annoyance that have been so large a part of my share in this relief movement.

But, the money in dispute so many weeks did not go to pay salaries in Washington; it is, instead, in the corn rows of the relief farms of Brazoria county. The purpose for which the money was given by the original contributors has been and is being carried out. On that point there is no ground for any difference of opinion.

While the outcome of the crop is of lesser importance in this work, yet I am anxious that a large crop should be grown. A large

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thousand is not impossible. Still, I might, if necessary, worry along with a well flowing twenty-five thousand barrels a day. The first well was struck here on January 10. I have been keeping posted on the developments ever since. I believe that there are oil deposits of incalculable extent in Southern Texas, and that the existence of this oil will revolutionize the industrial condition of the entire South. When refined, this oil will yield illuminating oil, lubricating oil, asphalt and fuel oil. Its use as fuel by railroads and factories has already been begun.

A month ago I was promised a certain thing for the first week in July. If I get that certain thing I shall have the oil bonanza that I came here to find. I shall know in a day or two how near to the promised time the man can fulfill his agreement. There will undoubtedly be some delay. A matter of this kind cannot be handed over at the exact minute.

The chief idea that has been running through my mind while waiting here and fighting mosquitoes, in an average temperature of 100°, is: "What a glorious time I shall have with relief work when I strike it rich!" If I did not have to beg for money with which to carry on relief work I should be happy. If I strike it rich I shall be a candidate for election on the Board of Directors of Lincoln Memorial University.

With the kindest regards to Mrs. Howard and the other members of your family, I am

Yours sincerely,

Wm. Willard Howard

crop will give back the money, which we can use for some other charitable purpose. At the present moment the crop is in good condition. Our growing crop is looking better than any other crop of the same kind in the surrounding country, probably because we have put more work on it. Everything that human industry and intelligence could do to make the crop a success has been done. The result rests solely with the weather. One good rain now would give us a very large crop of corn---a crop so large that, as the negroes say, we "wouldn't know what to do with the corn." Just one good rain more is all that we need. The Lord sends the rain, or withholds it. We can only wait the working out of His will. We have done everything that human hands could do.

One of our corn fields is the largest corn field in the South. It contains 300 acres of growing corn. The field is a mile and a quarter long and half a mile wide. The other farms under our management are considerably smaller.

I have very grave fears for the future of the poor people of Brazoria county. In addition to the families supported by the labor on our farms, there are 600 families living on charity in our district alone. They are being fed on charity until their little crops mature. But, I am afraid that their little crops will not mature. This is a year of drought in Texas, especially in Southern Texas, and more especially still in Brazoria county. There have been only two rains in ten weeks. Ordinarily this is a wet climate. Two years ago there was a flood that submerged the entire Brazos valley, destroying all the crops and drowning most of the live stock. Last year there were three smaller floods, followed by the great hurricane of last September. The hurricane blew

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down what the floods left standing. This year, instead of floods, they have drought. The cotton crop in Brazoria county has already been destroyed by the boll-weevil, and there is only the corn crop left. If the corn crop fails there will be absolutely nothing for the poor people to look forward to. Without irrigation farming is a simple, straight-out gambling game.

While our crops are growing I have come over to Beaumont, 134 miles to the eastward, to see if I can pick up a bonanza in the new oil fields. I lived in the oil regions of Pennsylvania at one time, and became thoroughly familiar with the oil business; so, when I passed through Beaumont on my way to Brazoria county, the smell of oil awakened the long-dormant instincts of a former time. My brother, who lives in the oil regions of Pennsylvania when at home, is with me, together with Mr. McWilliams, my superintendent from Cuba, who has been in the oil business in Pennsylvania for thirty years. In my quest for an oil bonanza, therefore, I have expert advice and assistance.

If you have not been too busy writing your book you have possibly taken some notice in the newspapers of the discovery of enormous quantities of crude petroleum near Beaumont, which is about twenty miles west of the Louisiana line. The wells found here are the largest ever known in the United States. Each one of the dozen wells already drilled in ^{is} ~~the~~ estimated to have a capacity of seventy thousand barrels a day. This is probably an over-estimate. I do not believe that any one of these wells will flow more than twenty-five thousand barrels a day. I saw a well in Russia flowing at the rate of 120,000 barrels a day, so, even a production of seventy