

United States Senate,

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

Dec. 2, 1907.

Mr. M. W. Burnham,

839 Main St., Lewiston, Me.

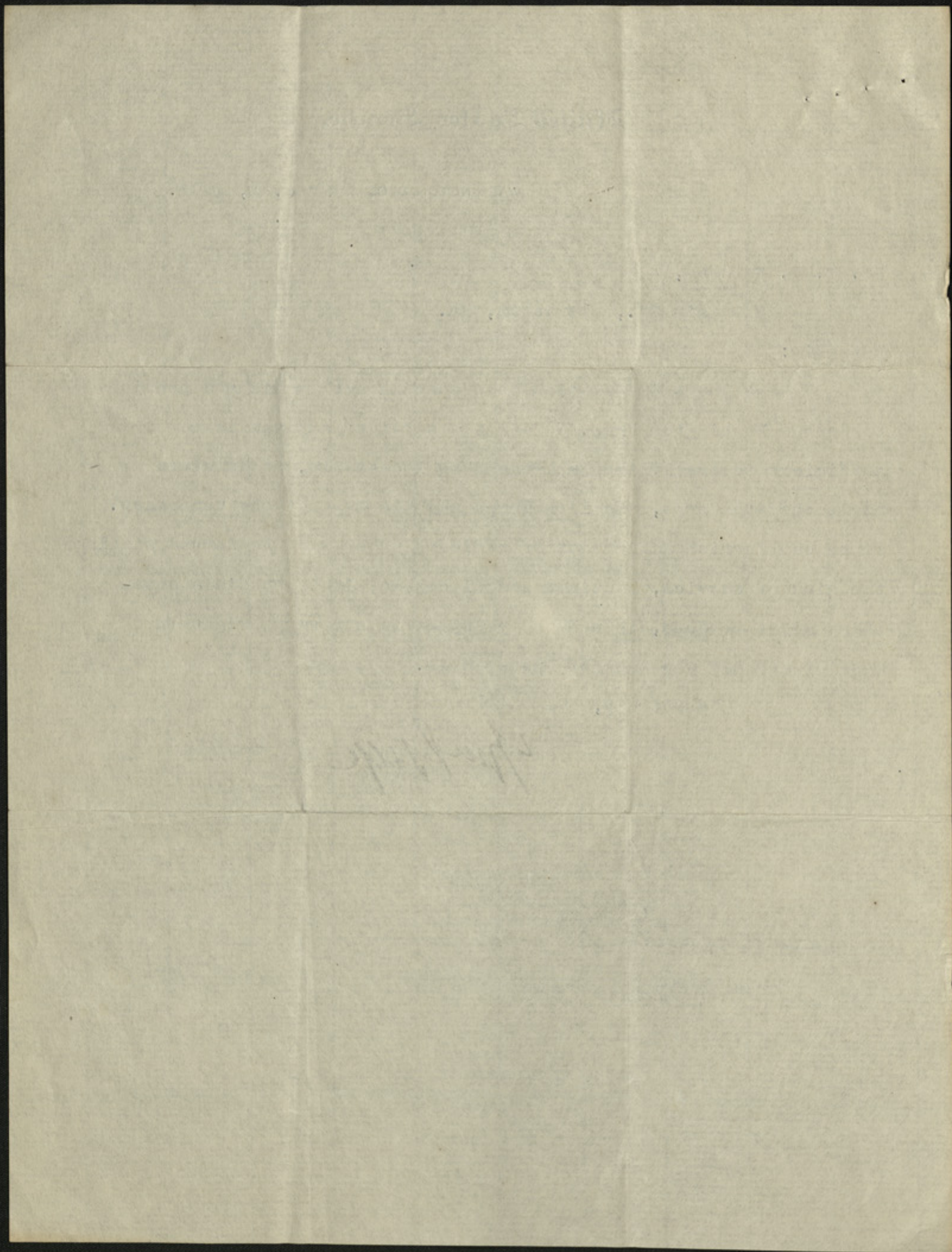
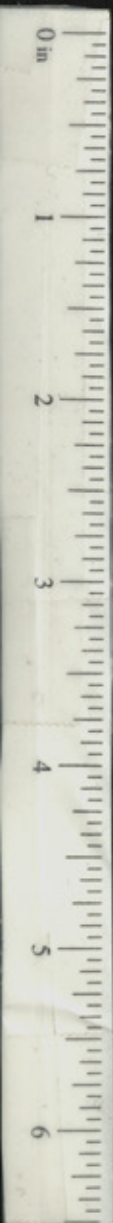
Dear Sir:

I have yours in relation to a special act granting a pension to George Washington Kemp. I fear the service as given is not sufficient to enable the Department to locate him. It is given as in the 4th Corps, the 11th Corps and the Dept of the Tennessee. If he can furnish affidavits of officers under whom he served stating the kind of service, the times and places &c, it is possible something might be done, though the prospect is not very bright in case of any man who was not mustered in.

Very truly,

Wm. H. Sturge

*Please return to
M W Burnham
839 Main St -
Lewiston
Me*



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON.

December 3, 1907.

My dear General Howard:-

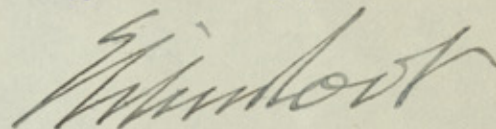
I thank you for your kind congratulations on the wedding of my daughter and Lieutenant Grant. He is a very fine young fellow and all his grandfather's friends have reason to be satisfied with him.

My son brought me the message regarding an address at Carnegie Hall on the evening of Lincoln's birthday, and I was very sorry to be obliged to say to him that it was impossible for me to make it. It is absolutely necessary for me to give all my time and strength to my duties here, and it is entirely out of the question for me to make speeches

not required by the position I am trying to fill.

With kind regards, my dear General,

Always faithfully yours

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Winthrop". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "W".

Major General Oliver Otis Howard,

Burlington, Vermont.

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Dec 4th 1907

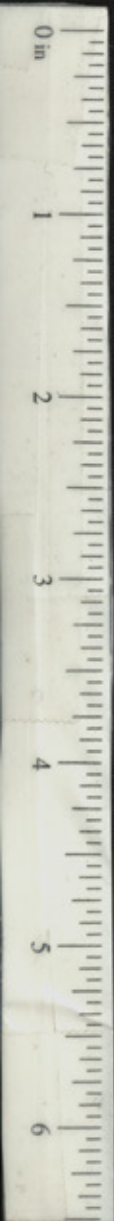
Miss Ethel Osgood Mason

The Evening Post
New York

Dear Miss Mason:

I have read Gen. John Eaton's
book, entitled Grant, Lincoln & the freedmen
with ~~absorbing~~ interest. You have not
written too highly of him, or of his
Biography. His tribute to Gen. Grant
is beautiful & ~~I think~~ well deserved.

I suppose the system to which
you refer ^{in your introduction} ~~is~~ that of War, perhaps
of "Reconstruction". Even our conscientious
workers have been blamed for the ills
that men of every color & description
suffered. But such men as Gen. Eaton
mitigated the suffering. We passed from slavery
to freedom with less shocks than any of



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no believed ⁽²⁾ ~~possessed~~ before the trial.

Like ^{Samuel Thomas} Eaton, our Bureau-assistant-commissioners were, almost without exception, conscientious, true men, who performed their part to the best of their ability. History, such as you have so generously helped to appear, will do them justice.

in sending me the book
Thanking you for your kindness,

I am very sincerely

Yours

Oliver O. Howard

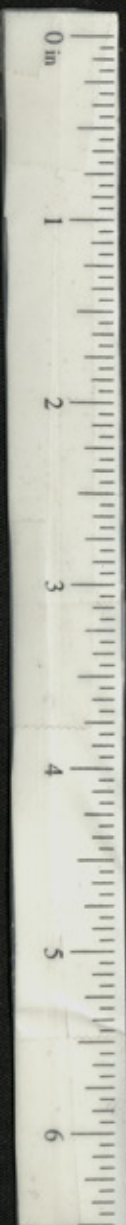
P.S. Please note an error page 16 -

~~It should be ^{Wager Swayne} ~~Wager~~ General Wager Swayne.~~

~~Then it was Col. Wager Swayne -~~

O.O.H.

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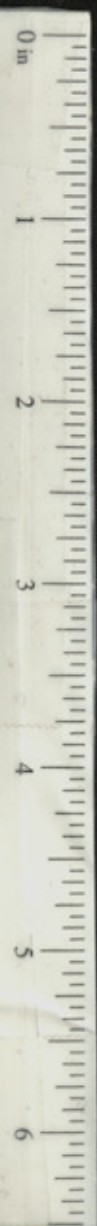
OFFICE OF COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

Columbus Miss Dec. 4' 1907

My Dear Gen Howard

I write to thank you for the comple-
mentary set of your memoirs - In uncertain-
ating busy man too so much work. I will
try and get a few spare moments and read
carefully your memoirs - but at the present
time I am fully occupied - I did not re-
turn in N.C. till some time after the
battle of Bentonville & the skirmish in
which Gen Hardee's son Willie was killed
in the charge with the Texas Rangers - so
could not have written you from Hillsboro -
- I think I did write you at Atlanta asking
note that for Lieut. Tolson's service
when the City - came into your hands -
With kindest wishes

Your classmate & friend
Stephen D. Lee



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 5, 1907.

My dear General:

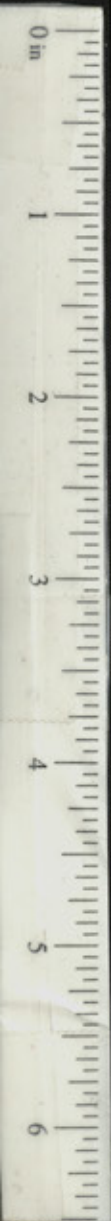
I have your letter of the 3d instant. I am not acquainted with the details of the Peabody fund and so I can not answer as to what I can do in the matter. But I do heartily believe in the Lincoln Memorial University. That much I can say in advance.

With hearty regard, believe me,

Sincerely yours,

Theodore Roosevelt

General O. O. Howard,
Trustee, Lincoln Memorial University,
Burlington, Vermont.



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December 7, 1907.

My dear Mr. Howard,

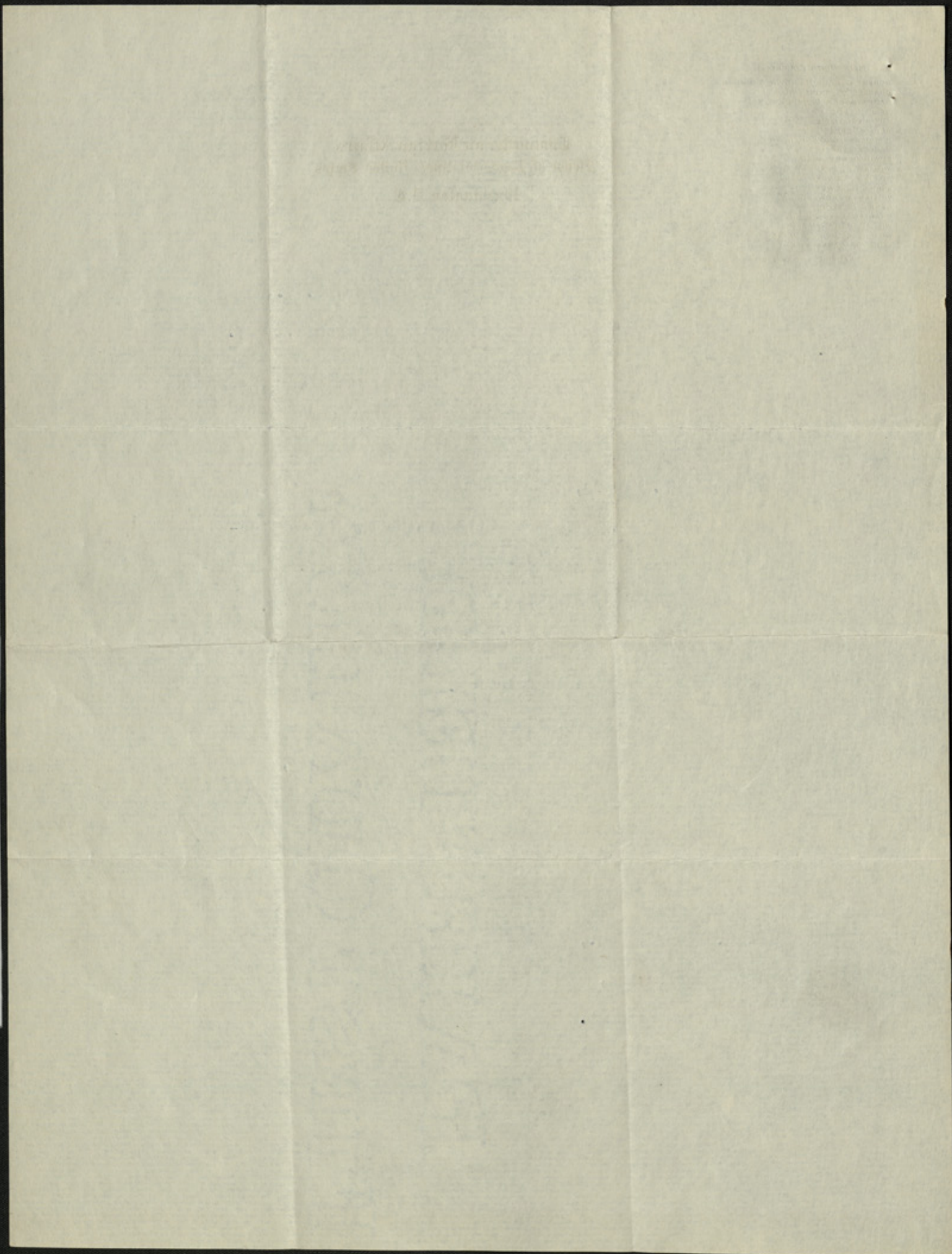
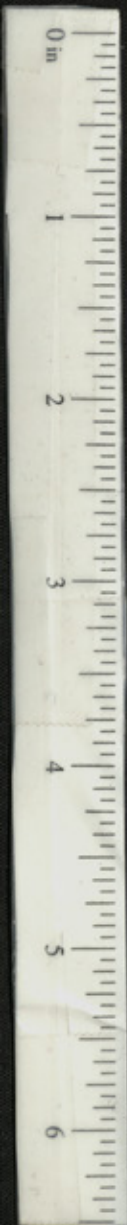
I have yours of the 5th instant enclosing a copy of your letter to Senator Proctor and hasten to say that I note all you say in both letters. I believe you are entirely right and I shall be glad to be able to secure some legislation.

With best wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

D. J. Foster.

H. S. Howard, Esq.,
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Vermont.



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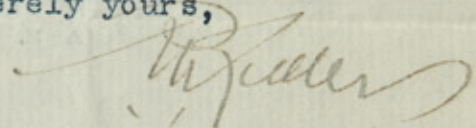
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My dear General Howard:

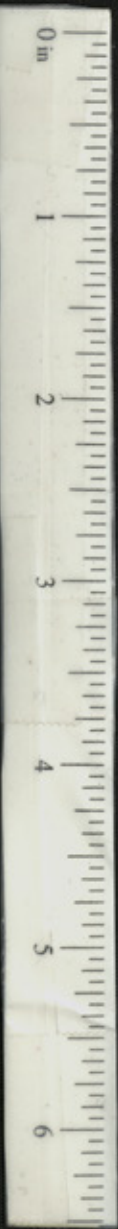
Your letter interested me greatly and I do wish we could use some of these verses, but we are spoiled for poetry. We get thousands of poems a year and can only take a very few and those the most accomplished. There is a beautiful feeling in these poems and I am sorry we have been unable to use them.

Sincerely yours,



General O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vermont.

Wm. L. Miller
21 W. 10th St.
Milwaukee, Wis.



school book. I like the Civil War times best since
we have been to Vicksburg! With love
Your Affectionate
Louise Buckley.

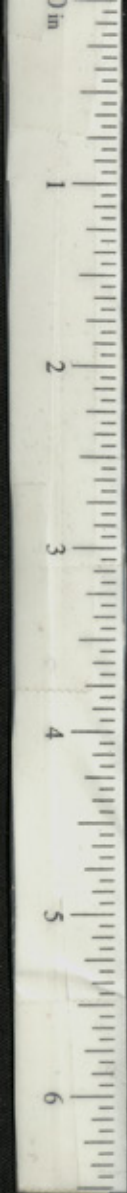
Avalon Farm
Benton Louisiana
Rural Free Delivery No. 1.

December eighth 1907

Dear Mr Clarke: You may
like to see a letter of a little
girl of eleven - If you wish
an extract - take it! Please
have this returned to me -
Yours
O. O. H.

Dear General Howard

I want to tell you how much I am enjoying
your stories in the St. Nicholas. "Billy Bowlegs"
was a mean old Indian but I don't think
he will bother us again do you? To-day is
mother's birthday and we are going for a
drive this afternoon. We do not celebrate
formally you see. I have something to tell you.
The Bossier Parish Fair Association sent
a long gourd to the President. It was about
five feet long. They have just received
his reply, a note from his secretary. On
the gourd was engraved "The President's big
stick" Grace is at the Piano now and it
is about time for me. My father has just
received an interesting pamphlet from Mr
Sherman. When you finish the Indian
stories won't you please write some about
the Civil War. It is so much more interesting
to study history with you than out of a



ISAAC N. SELIGMAN,
NEW YORK.

ONE WILLIAM STREET

December 9, 1907.

General O. O. Howard,
Burlington, Vermont.

My dear General:

I have your letter of December 6th.

I thank you in advance for your kindness in requesting Colonel Dodge to send me his book on Chancellorsville.

Sincerely yours,

Isaac N. Seligman

Sincerely yours,

ALFRED LINCOLN SELIGMAN

16 EAST SIXTIETH STREET

TELEPHONE, 1687 PLAZA

NEW YORK, Dec 11th 1907

My dear General; -

On returning from
Canada, where I have spent
a short time, I found your
letter of the 6th inst.

I shall be very
glad to send you a short
history of my father's life,
and his connection with
the financing of the Great
war, into which you pass

has been so intimately and
creditably proven.

I am afraid that
it would not be practicable
to give a concert of my
songs for the L. M. U., for
in order to get material
results, the musical part
should be only incidental, - but
if I can serve you, you
know I shall be only too
pleased to do so.

With my kindest regards
to Mrs. Harwood and all the
members of my good family -
Always your sincere friend
A. Lincoln Sullivan

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DENVER, COLO., December 11th, 1907.

Major General Oliver C. Howard,
Burlington,
Vt.

Dear General,

I have just been reading of you in the war, the great and honorable part you bore. I, too, was there well on to four years. And as you were a Commander, we want to ask you to again lead us - for "Peace hath its victories."

You remember the Greenback, after gold and silver went into hiding, how it fed, paid, clothed the soldiers and saved the Nation. A crisis in our country's affairs now exists. A scarcity of money; many banks partially closed, others failed. Millions of gold have been imported. Only about 346 millions of the greenbacks now remain. Greenbacks can again save the nation. Now, General, will you again lead the old Veterans and the younger ones who will join our ranks. Congress has assembled. Will you write a brief Memorial to Congress, asking or demanding in the name of the old Veterans, or of all the people, that Congress at once authorize the issue of 500 millions full legal tender greenbacks, the same as the first issue in war days of 61 millions legal tender, which stood at par with gold and silver during the war and ever after. And so it might at once go into circulation, ask that this money be especially used to pay pensions, government employes, salaries of members of Congress, bonds, and other government expenses throughout the country. This money, like that first issue, would be based upon the credit and the wealth of the Nation, and draw no interest, a full legal tender, the same basis as government bonds, but no interest burden.

We hope you will prepare such Memorial and have it printed. Head the list with your name, and send a copy to every G. A. R. Post in the country, requesting their action. If you would send me 100 copies I would agree to supply Colorado, Utah and Wyoming. We hope this course may meet your entire approval and that you act at once, and that the old soldiers thereby may save their country the disgrace of the proposed and most vicious asset or credit currency scheme.

Respectfully submitted,

Jos. N. Stephens
Later - We expect to hold a "government money" Conference early next July inviting people from every state in the Union. I wish to now ask if you would probably attend and speak on the Advantages of the Greenback for full legal tender Money.
Sincerely Jos N Stephens.

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BURLINGTON, VT., Dec. 20th, 1907.

Comrade Jos. N. Stephens,
634 Seventeenth Street,
Denver, Colorado.

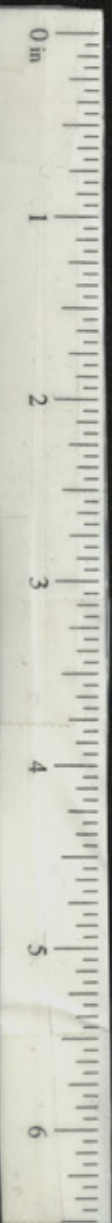
Dear Comrade:-

Thus far I have kept clear of political complications, except in so far as my duty seemed to demand action. Now I am so far advanced in years that I am unwilling to take any very prominent part. Again, my judgment does not agree with yours concerning the green-backs. My own experience on the Pacific Coast after the war was that I was paid in green-backs, but was obliged, as a rule, to get green-backs transmuted into gold and silver. The depreciation then was between 30 and 40 cents on a dollar. For a dollar in green-backs I received 65 cents in gold or silver. According to my reading of history there is always a danger in the making and issuing of what is called "fiat money", even when based upon the credit and wealth of a great Nation like ours. How far the Government could go in such an issue of money, without impairing the public credit and without the usual depreciation which has occurred in so many nations, it is not easy to form a judgment.

You see at once that I would not be a good leader in the monetary field, and I would not like to commit myself to doctrines which are not in accordance with the views that I have so long held and expressed.

Very truly yours,

O. O. Howard



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20 Irving Place, N. Y. December 20, 1907.

Major General Oliver O. Howard, U.S.A.

Burlington, Vermont.

My dear General Howard:

I thank you for a set of your Autobiography, and the kind words in which you express your interest in my welfare.

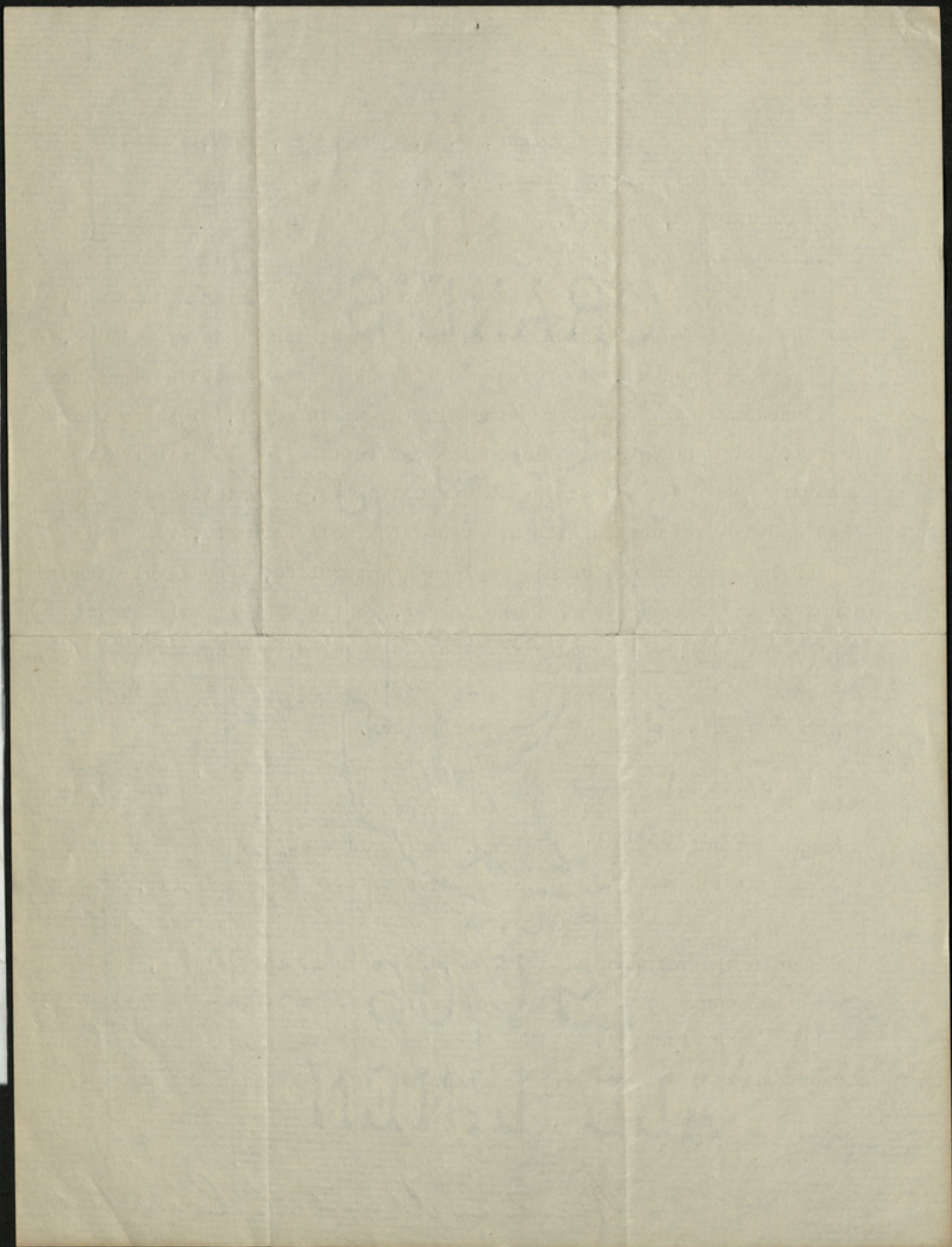
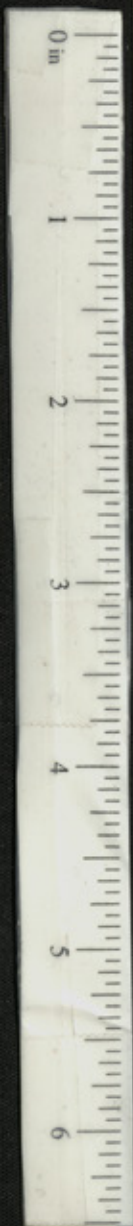
I purchased a copy of your work, as soon as its publication was announced, and have read every line with great interest, pleasure and profit. It will take its place with the writings of the other great generals who commanded armies in our Civil War. It tells more fully than others have done of the progress of a well born boy, reared in the plain surroundings of New England country life, through all the steps to the topmost rung of the ladder, to the highest military and civil positions; of a progress without a repulse, and achieved without adventitious aids, making it an inspiration to the young in whatever condition of life one may be born.

I count your story of military life most important, but I regard that of your services in the Freedmen's Bureau a more important chapter in our country's history. The world needs ^{ed} the true history of that service and you only could give it fully and correctly. The people of this country have not yet come to fully understand and appreciate the value of your labors, not only to the Colored, but to the White people of the entire country. It is well and modestly told.

May the blessings of that Providence to which you looked for support through all the years of your busy life sustain and cheer you in all the coming days.

Very sincerely your Companion and Friend ,

Newton Martin Curtis.





BRANDON HALL
BEACON STREET
BROOKLINE.

Dec. 21. 1907.

My dear Gen^l. Howard.

As soon as I saw your Autobiography advertised, I said I must have it, & so bought it immediately. Last evening I finished the reading of it, & now must write you a word to say how deeply I have been interested in it. The first vol. thrilled me with the accounts of the battles you had been in & the heroic work you did in the war; & the second was equally interesting

& The story of a really more
heroic work in connection with
The Freedmen's Bureau & subse-
quent labors in Educational mat-
ters. Strange that you should have
had such opposition to meet!

You have had a wonderful ca-
reer & experience, & God be thanked
that your life has been preserved
amid all its dangers, & that you
have been able to accomplish so
much & so grand a work, & now
that you have given the world the
history of it. It is a history
which will go down the centuries
as an important part of the history
of our Civil War.

Some one, I know not who,

has written a notice of the Autobiography
which was published in last Wednesday's
Herald. As it will interest you, I think
I mail it with this.

Wash Tru^y & with the greatest
esteem,
Yours

L. B. Jewell.

Wm. D. Howard M.D.-U.S.A. (retired)

Washington

Yr.

The best wishes of
The Doctor to you & all yours.

JOSEPH H. CHOATE
JOSEPH H. CHOATE, JR.
60 WALL STREET
NEW YORK

December 21, 1907

Major General O. O. Howard,
Lincoln Memorial University,
Burlington, Vt.

My dear General Howard:-

Yours of November 29th received. I
hope to be able to give a favorable answer to the formal
invitation from your New York Advisory Board, if it should
come, to preside at the meeting of February 11th, but I
can tell better when I receive it what my engagements
will be.

Yours very truly,

Joseph H. Choate

JOSEPH H. CHADAY
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NEW YORK

December 21, 1907

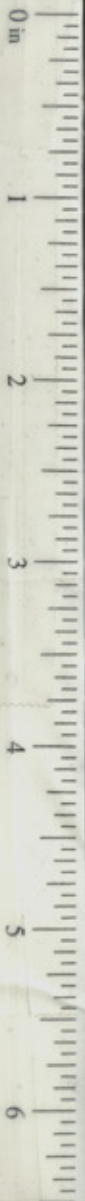
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and I am sure its personal
will mean much. Thank
you also for loan of
the booklet - I see it is
by your friend,
Dr. Achorn of whom I
have heard you speak.
We have all much to
be thankful for, that
your household are all
well for I was - I often
think of you, as a family
gathered in the library
and you reading aloud.
It was a great pleasure
and privilege to have

506 La Salle Ave.
Chicago. Illinois
Dec. 23rd 1907

My dear General. —
I cannot find
words to express to you
and Mrs. Howard the
thanks and deep
appreciation I have
for the splendid gift.
It is not only a gift
to me - but is an
heirloom for my
children and
grand children. I
wanted your Autobiography
more than any thing else

6 5 4 3 2 1
been able to spend those weeks
in the lovely home last summer.
I think of you in the morning
reading your Bible aloud, then
the gathering for prayers - &
so on - Dear Mrs Howard in
the garden taking care of the
shrubs and flowers and so on.
I go, in memory, thro' the day.
May each of the loved ones
be stronger physically in the
coming year, than in the past.
I shall be very near in

spirit at the time of merry
making - ^{Christmas Eve & day} Olga and I will
be together, and in thought
you may be sure, we will
neither of us, be far away
from 26 Summit Street.
Once more, permit me to say
to ^{you} each - many many thanks
for my gift - from the
entire household - With love
to you each, in which Olga
joins - Mary Hertz

Supreme Court of the United States,
Washington.

Dec. 24, 1907.

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

My Dear General:

Please accept my thanks for a copy of "Holiday Greetings" which I have read with pleasure. I have no doubt many will enjoy them.

Wishing you the compliments of the season and a happy new year, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

D. J. Brewer

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December 28, 1907.

My dear General:

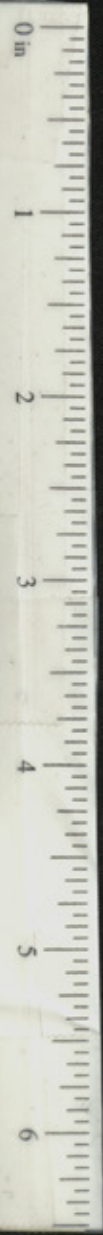
The annual banquet of the New York Association of Norwich University will be given this year on Saturday evening, February 15th, at the Murray Hill Hotel. In due time complimentary invitation will be sent to you, but I am writing you in advance so you may put aside that date and not make any other engagement. You are always with us, and all present will expect to see you again this year. Of course you know what a personal gratification it is to me to have you attend these dinners.

Trusting that you will send me your acceptance promptly,
I am,

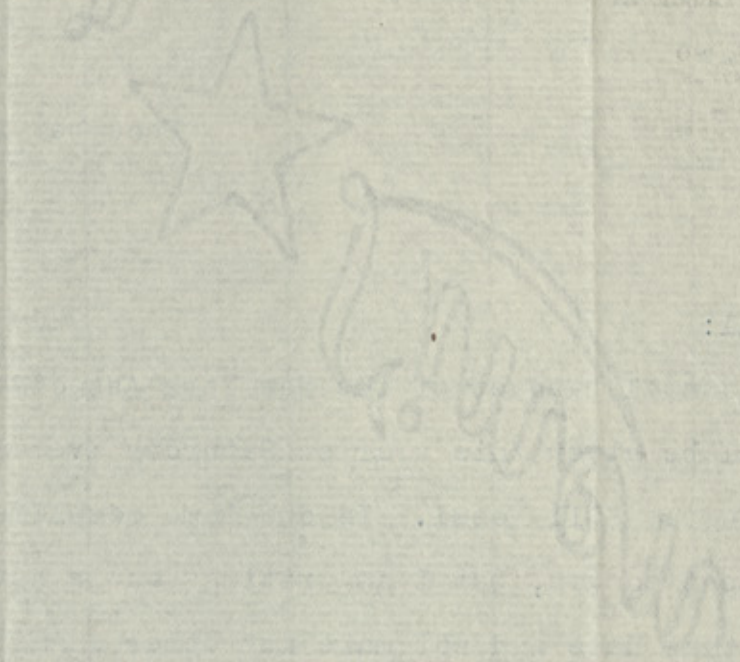
Truly and cordially yours,

G. M. Dodge

General Oliver O. Howard,
Burlington, Vermont.



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

December 30, 1907.

Gen. O. O. Howard,

Burlington, Vt.

Dear Father:-

Will you please order another set of your autobiography sent by the publishers to me at my office and have the same charged to your account. I wish it to give to a friend.

I enclose check \$3. to pay you for this set.

Affectionately,

P. S. The telegram from Burlington in the name of John and Brittie made us at first think they were there but we now understand how the telegram happened to be dated from Burlington.

I have been so closely confined assisting the attorneys in New York and before Governor Hughes investigating the bad administration of New York City that I could not get away a day. I am now expecting telegraph request to go to Chicago for about a week. As soon as I can break away from the people whom I have to serve on fixed dates, I shall come to Burlington at least for a day to see you all and especially Mother. I have planned to do so before the middle of January. Love to all.

Jennie

