House of rifles.
Jan. 5. 1883.

My dear General:

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You will see by the paper I send you they moved in regard to it in our House yesterday, but they did not make anything by it. All the democrats were fierce to censure your action.

We have just got the news of Sherman's repulse and all feel badly.

Truly yours

E. B. Washburne

Maj. Gen. Grant
U. S. Mississippi Squadron.

Kazoo River

March 26, 1863

Dear General,

We have the boats you desire, but I should not have a boat left for the vessels—the boats of the fleet above were all smashed up. You can have what there is if you really desire it, but my advice is not to use a boat, the soldiers cannot manage them in the stream, and it will give the timid a chance to keep out of fire.

I would advise that all the troops be carried over in the steamers and that the Hartford engage the batteries lying close to the bank.
and silence them, which she can easily do.

I think this a risky affair for if anything should occur to the Hartford, the landing party will be captured — still I am ready to send the boats if you wish them.

Very truly yours

(Signature)

Adm. Rear Admiral

Maj. General

W. S. Grant
HD. 20th 13th. A. C.
Cayuga Mts. May 9th 1842

Sir,

The head of my advance column is arrived at the place. Its advance guard is at first mile creek.

Various terrors of the one—my covering detachment of cavalry and infantry, over Big Black are afloat, but are as yet un...infiltrated.

I beg to remind you again that my corps is supplied with a very small number of teams, and that the cooking utensils, in large part, are behind...
Judge Advocate Gen's Office
Washington
May 15th, 1863

Major Gen. U. S. Grant

Special

On Deer Creek in
Washington County, Miss., is a
plantation known as the
Henry Vick estate! Its late
owner, Col. Henry Vick died
two years ago, as he had lived
faithful to the Union. The
property now belongs to his
only surviving child, a
young girl who lives with
her aunt, Mrs. Pridell in
Louisville, Ky., where she has
resided since she was eight
years old. Her aunt Hall
her relations in N. are thoroughly loyal. This young girl has had no connection with the rebellion; she had no sympathy with it, and have ventured to bring her case to your notice only for the purpose of seeking retribution in the name of humanity and justice. So far as may be consistent with the success of your military operations, her estate may be spared from the ravages of war.

Very respectfully,
Your ob. Servt.

Mott.
Judge Adv. Emb. Office
Washington D.C. May 15 63

[Signature]
Dear Hannah,

Included you will find a letter written to you under far different circumstances than I am now writing. It was written
I might almost say on times of peace, now the balls of the enemy are while I am writing and falling thick and fast around
us. The fighting is near half a mile from us, yet there long ranged guns do execute their men here. We have had several horses
killed, and some been wounded.

If Hannah can you read this I fear Vicksburg— one of the strongest fortified cities of the South— The long limited size
of the Yankee. The beautiful Port
City, will have been garnished by Yankee soldiers. I hope to God it may not be so, but I fear it— is. Our communications being
cut off from all friends. Our troops are a handful compared to those of the enemy, puts us in a very critical condition. Yet we are strongly fortified and there will be a great slaughter of Yankees, before the war is over. we have conquered. The 8th being mounted, I expect we will attempt to cut our way out should the place be surrounded. It will be a risky adventure, yet I believe every man is for it. We fought the enemy as bravely as troops could fight at Edmund's Station, but were overpowered and forced to retreat at Big Black Bridge. We held them at bay for one long day but again unsuccessful some Georgia troops fled in panic and refused to be again led into the action. We are now at the last ditch, if we do not get assistance, Richmond is gone, and we are destined for a Northern dungeon.
But when I am far away, may I ask that you will not forget me. But still remember me as one gone—not forever. If you remain on the Federal lines, and are surrendered, I hope to correspond with you. Capt. McHenry has just gone to the City he is quite well. St. Cloud sends his kindest regards. I remain your friend.

Mrs. C. McHenry.
Head Quarters Dept. of the
Near Victoria, June 5th 1863

Brig. M. Timbell,
Com'dy Advan.

Your dispatch
is just received after 12 o'clock at night. The time of it is such that
I won't direct that you fell back to
Clark Ridge Post Office and bring
your boats back to Haines Bluff.

Keep your cavalry to the front
and off literally as far as possible.
Look on Haine's Bluff as the point
where you are to make a stand against
all odds.

Very respectfully,
U. S. Grant

May 1863
Milwaukee This Jun 1863

My dear General,

I want to recommend to you Care and for your benefit my former ship's cook Capt. Alex. Hicks, 2nd Division 9th Corps. I can speak for him as for myself. I gave him the benefit of all I knew in his trip and can assure you of his success with me for more than a year - do for him so for me -

Glory for you my old friend! You have bullied and ought to have bullied and Partisan funds. Old West Point and all towns of the Country who are is, people dwell with pride of your success. No ephemeral fame is yours. Go on & win.

Your friend forever

Mrs. Burns

Rul U.S. Grant

Major Gen.
East Hampton, N.Y. June 12th, 1863.

To Major Gen. U. S. Grant,

I have the honor to inform you on behalf of the Adelphi Society of Westchester County that at its last regular meeting you were elected to an honorary membership of said Literary Organization. Hoping that you will accept this office.

I am
Your Obedient Servant,

W. B. Dickerman
Corresponding Sec'y

I. Major Gen. Grant
St. Louis, Mo.
June 15, 1863.

Peter of Vicksburg.

General,

I flatter myself that I am deserving of a great deal of credit for enrolling so little of your time in my visit to your Head Quarters at Balcony Hill. When had I followed my inclination I should, if permitted, have had quite a chat with you. I struggled against the want of proper opportunity, not even as you may have observed, allowing myself the pleasure of congratulating you on your recent and glorious victories, or wishing you as I most heartily do, such accelerated success in your future efforts, not only for the lofty cause which you have so nobly espoused, and so honorably maintained, but for yourself, deserving of all honor that you can ever receive from an insipid and capricious people, the most important part of whose duty you now command.

I was exceedingly qualified last evening in a conversation with a gentleman who was just returning from Washington, and had had a private interview with President Lincoln, in which he stated that in the course of conversation, in reply to enquiries made of him in reference to your being superseded the President-em-
practically said "I have had more applications for the removal of
Gen. Grant than any one else in the field, but he has no con-
fidence, and if successful in taking Vicksburg an high position
in the Regular Army shall be given them.

An honor to whom honor is due," and although the feel-
ings and intentions of the President may not be unknown
as I was at liberty I could not refrain from repeating
what I had heard though obtained from private sources.

Where honor is fairly won and praise merited I rejoice
I see it bestowed and given, at the same time that I held
in utter contempt for him, who jealous of another's rights shall
by any means attempt to detract or wrest them from him.

I was joined while at Bates, having occasion to
go to Gen. Beards to find there a rebel
prisoner, a Major in the Confederate Army, apparently
quite at home and so much at ease as though he belonged
there. This may be all right but I must
say that it did not strike me at all favorable.

While waiting there I was assured that this gentleman
was recently from Vicksburg, and some allusion made to
Osterhaus Division, whereupon feeling a deep interest in
that Division I inquired if he could give me any information
in regard to some of the regiments, when Gen. Beards said
"Madam, I must tell you that that gentleman is a rebel
prisoner, but a very quiet and sociable person, and I
allow him to report himself here to see every day at ten
o'clock.

In my surprise I exclaimed: A Rebel
prisoner here! Well Gen. I hope you will take proper
care of him. If rebel prisoners are to be made "lions" and treated as guests at Head Quarters, it is no matter of surprise that the condition and plans of our army, are made known to them and their leaders. I question if any one of the Majors in Ben Reaford Command would have felt himself so much at ease at Head Quarters as did this same rebel Major.

Perhaps I judge harshly, but I have no confidence in the "Pledge of Honor" of a man who has openly and publicly declared himself a rebel to his country and taken up arms in defiance of all law and order, to take from us as a nation all unity, peace and concord; to the encouragement of sedition, privy conspiracy and rebellion.

Let him be marked as a traitor and if needs be share a traitor's doom.

God knows how high a value I place on the life of any fellow mortals, and I would that it might never be taken only to save Thank written you a long letter, but with a feeling that— if it proved an intrusion it could easily be thrown aside and I trust no harm done— certainly no slight—felt.

I had hoped to have had the pleasure of meeting your wife at St. Louis, but learn that she has gone to Cincinnati.

I am myself on my way to my home in Ohio, where I may spend some weeks, but shall watch with the deepest interest—your movements with the army "Way down in Dixie."
Confident in God of your success, with feelings of highest esteem, I am respectfully yours,

J. A. Maistha Canfield

Medina, O.

Major Genl. A. S. Board

Gouverny Dept of the Seerenece.
Frank Creek Lake Co. Ind.
Thurs. June 20, 1863.

Gen. U. S. Grant,

Sir,

I address you in behalf of my son, James L. Gerrish, who enlisted August 1862, Co. A, 99th Regt. Ind. Vol. Being from a child of delicate constitution, I was never able to perform hard labor; his physician & friends felt that he could not endure the exposure, camp. So it has proved.

Before he left the state at South Bend he was in the hospital. Very soon after the Regt. went south, he was obliged to go into the hospital at Memphis & stood untill the first day of Feb. then went to the Regt. In a few days was sick again, I went into the hospital at Sabrango, Tenn. This last last letter was dated April 22.
he was then able to sit up half of the day.

My request to you sir, is, that he may be discharged & returned to his anxious mother.

Eliza D. Norris.
Cincinnati, O.
June 28, 63

General,

My appointment as Brigadier General not having been confirmed by the Senate, I shall join my company I presume at the end of my present leave of absence.

Just before leaving Mr. James Lincoln and Thomas suggested to me the idea of forming the part of the 1st S.F. now with you army and then endeavor to have it turned into a corps of engineers. If you have not already organized a body of Engineer troops.
may I ask you to consider the foregoing. The war as it progresses will involve the necessity of a few well trained engineer troops in every army. Debarred as I now consider myself from the command of troops in the line, I seek an opening which offers distinction if not military rank.

Yours Very Truly

[Signature]

Capt. 1st Reg.

[Signature]

To: Gen. U.S. Grant

Address: Louisville, Ky.

Care of Col. H. Smith
Cincinnati June 20'63

[Signature]

[Signature]
Pittsburgh June 22 1863

Major Gen. W. S. Grant

U. S. Army

Dear Sir,

I am happy to say to you that I am able to send a small package to your address containing the photograph of two of your old Army friends, Lt. Farrady, and Sgt. of the 44th Infantry.

My gallant step son Farrady was killed by a fall from his horse near Ft. Waschita Aug. 1854. He was then in command of a company of the 5th Infantry. (Co D 5th)

My son in law Hayes is now a Brigadier in U. S. and is commander in the western line of defense of Washington... New York... Room A. Her crank is his answer.
A resignation I have lately been
the present War, and was promoted for Soileat
conduct in the field, he was badly
and it occurred

The larger photograph is from a daguer-
reotype taken at South Dakota in 1846, which
I am kindly sent to Mr. Hays - You will no
recognize in the picture the form of your
old friend I am I admite. Hays's family-
called "Old Red."

The artist aided by your modesty
place I you in back ground as the
figure was taken - how the people
with a much better appreciation I found
for the, how place I you in the fore
ground, to where you ought to have been
long lines.

With the best wishes for your success
and a speedy termination of this bloody War
I remain cordially yours from I am I admire

WM. Hackett
At a meeting of the Ladies National League of Saint Louis, June 23rd, 1863 — Resolved —

That the Secretary be requested to write an expression of our feelings to the brave soldiers in the army before Fredericburg.

To Gen. Grant & his Soldiers.

To day, we, the Ladies of the National League of Saint Louis, unite with one voice to pray that the God of Mercy may reward your heroic efforts with a success as great as such noble sacrifices demand.

Our hearts and our sympathies are with you, and we beg of you to call upon us if possible, whenever you may need that aid and comfort which are the loyal women of Saint Louis, stand ready to minister to every soldier who raises a hand to destroy the traitorous worms that gnaw at the heart of this great nation, which, though it already seems to totter, can never fall. For, rest assured brave men, if the life of every Union man in America be sacrificed, then the time will have arrived for the "League" to take up arms, and the stars and stripes shall still be defended.

May God's blessing rest upon each and every one of you forever and always.

Mrs. Chauncey S. Felby, Sec.
Ladies, Pat. Leavens
Denver, June 30th,
Kelly Miss. Chaney I
long.
Washington, D.C.
June 23, 1863

Girl Grant

Dear Sir,

I have seen thirteen months hard service. I have been in the Battles of Belmont and Fort Donelson. Under you now, I should like to go into the service again. But I should like to go as a scout under you. I am 21 years of age and show quick and active if you think it suitable. I give me that position or any other dangerous position under you. You should like to hear from you.

Yours with Respect,

Charlie Evans Jr.
St. Louis, March 30, 1863

Dear General,

I have been home for ten days and this is the first time I have attempted to write more than my signature. The aberrations in my arm, with which I was afflicted when I left you, increased in painfulness until it became perfectly incapacitating and made my trip up the river the most miserable journey I ever experienced. When under the treatment of the most severe remedies, I got relief from the pain, my arm was left paralyzed, and even now I am unable to do light work with my hand. I can neither dress or write myself or
eat my food. I can use my hand now, but see the position of my right arm—this will be a sufficient apology to you for my long delay in writing. My general health is quite correct without; from the use of powerful medicines.

I could not address to you serious the day I left my heart felt appreciation of your uniform kindness to me and I have feared since that you may have thought strange of my somewhat abrupt leaving. But bodily pain is apt to make a man forgetful of the court, his, and properties of life and the influence very much.

I found out her end in writing that your necessities and mine were disposed to attribute my leaving the army to misunderstandings and dissatisfaction between us, and I have taken every occasion to make known the fact that there never had been an unkind word thought or expression between us, (as far as I know), during the whole of our official intercourse. That I have never had a truer, firmer, friend than you, and that there was no man living for whom I had a higher respect or as warm an affection than the only right I had in leaving the army was in leaving you and that if I knew rejoined the army very high rank ambition would be to rejoin your staff.

If I can at any time come you in any possible way, General, it will afford me the utmost pleasure to do so, and do not hesitate to command me.

I rode out with my family to the seats yesterday to see Mr. Grant. He found her and the children in the best of health and spirit.
I learned that Col. Layton had been spending a week there and had just left for Springfield. It was the first I knew of Layton being in the neighborhood. Supposing he had started down to rejoin you — he will probably be with you by the time you get this. Mr. Dent is looking very well and in fine spirits. Mabel, I left Willie out there to spend the week with Buck.

Everything looks gloomy in the East. I cannot understand the success of our armies. It may be too deep for me. But I am in earnest. What do you think of Gen. Meade? Can you hurry up Sickburg and spare a few of your troops for Pennsylvania? I often hear the expression, "I wish Grant was there."

I have no fixed plan for the future now. I shall start back in about two weeks and will then determine what to do. My present object now is to regain the use of my arm. I wish you would...
shown that Hulburt and Dodge have had a large amount of absent service money. I was asked to know if anybody they reported the disbursement of this money. I could not tell the court seemed to put some stress on this point and I think you had better make some order regarding the persons who have received this money from the men in camp to report to you what they have done with it. I suggest this is that you may be relieved from any criticism my testimony seemed to be entirely satisfactory to the court.

I met McElroy at the Mansion House last week. He looked very object. I mean has a man so cut down. He is making a strong effort to make a newspaper sympathetic for him. What was the immediate cause of his removal? Give my regards to the staff.

Yours sincerely friend J. F. Mitchell.
send me over your own departure
a permit to come to your head
quarters and give to any party
of your department.

I testified before the Military Com-
mission last week. Mr. Howell is in-
deed tried of the business and anxious to
have a little more testimony as
possible. He confined me to answer
questions which he proposed in
regard to my department and wouldn't
permit me to disclose some matters
which I thought ought to
be made. He had held a con-
versation that you had promised me
to send a Court of Inquiry to Memphis
after the fall of Nashville, and I suppose
in persons that that Court should
dispose of these matters.

Then in one matter I asked you
had better provide for. My testimony