To Maj. Genl Grant

The Secy of war directs me to say to you that your Commission as Lieut General is signed and will be delivered to you on your arrival at the War Dept. I sincerely congratulate you on this recognition of your distinguished and meritorious services.

W Halleck

Send in Chief
New York, March 8, 1861.

General,

On behalf of large numbers of the loyal citizens of New York, who desire to convey their appreciation of the signal services you have rendered to the country in a brilliant series of successes in arms, we respectfully solicit the favor of your presence as their guest in this city, at some period during your stay at the East. Our people have entered zealously into this contest for the national life and their confidence remains unshaken. Their hearts and hopes are united in support of this cause, and their response will be prompt and cordial to every additional call upon them for men and means to defend the Union and uphold the honor of the Flag. Should it be compatible with your engagements of duty, to accept
This invitation, immediate arrangements will be made to render your visit here agreeable to yourself, as it will be gratifying in the highest degree to those for whom we speak.

With sentiments of high respect,

We remain, General,
Your Obedient Servants,

Henry E. Barnard
Chas. W. Freeman
William H. S. Cole
Waldo Hutchins
M. J. Raymond
Morris Hutchins
Henry S. Davis

Lieut. Gen. U.S. Grant,
Commanding U.S. Army,
Washington City.
Mr. Franklin
R. M. Somers
Henry E. Case
Charles P. Daly
T. W. Conkling
Ben F. Mahiere
Mr. R. Strong
T. H. Puring
W. C. Bryant
Edwin Hoyt
R. W. Lathrop

William Barton
James Marsworth
Wid. W. Clarke
Marshall O. Roberts

P. Millerșford
Henry J. Cut
Chat. Gould
O. Van Nostrand
Chemick Neagle

D. R. Brady
Truex, Vinton

Thomas McClellan
Nath. Hazard

James Whelan
Camp on Murray Co. Farm.
March 9th 1864

General,

Allow me the pleasure and privilege of congratulating you upon the promotion you have received from a grateful people, for services rendered to the highest position ever bestowed upon our American citizens.

The 23rd Corps, if it could be collected together might be made one of the finest in the service and I am much pleased with the material of which it is composed. We are all in hopes that it will not be found necessary to spend much time in merely occupying a new exhausted country, but will be sent to the front the farther the better.

If you have any important military operations in view, and it is probable that the 23rd Corps will remain comparatively idle in the mean time, I should be...
gld to take a hand temporarily.
I have now but one Div. of Judah's
under my Command amounting about
thirty two hundred effective men.
The Corps at one time numbered upwards
of fifty one thousand. aggregate.
With the exception of two days rain the
weather has been very fine since I
came here and the roads generally excellent.
Trusting as a friend that your
promotion will not take you from
us to Washington.

I am very truly G.

George Stoneman

Sarat. Gen'l Grant

Nashville Tenn.
Washington City March 22'd 1864

My dear General Grant,

I send you herewith a dozen papers containing my sketch of your life, character and services. You can peruse more of you desire them. My object in preparing the memoir was not to make it too long or too short, so that it would do you justice and could be read at one sitting without wearying. I have sent copies of the paper to your father, mother, Lady at St. Louis, friends in Ohio &c.

There are some typographical errors in the publication, and doubtless may be some in the details; but I hope you may find it in the main correct. I was as careful as my limited means of acquiring the facts and time would allow.

Gentlemen who have had the sketch been highly delighted with it. If it ends any corrections please let me know. I wrote it because I had no time to anything point out mistakes and your friend

J. W. Morris
Cincinnati Ohio Mar 26th 64

Sir, Genl. Grant,  

To Sir,  

I herewith transmit to you an album, which we hope you will accept not for its pecuniary value but for the many familiar faces which you will recognize and which in after years you will refer to with pride and pleasure - not unmixed with pain. You will please remember as to Jeff Rawlins, Col. Dovers and Duff and others. Most devoutly wish you success in putting down this wicked Rebellion and remain your very humble servant.  

Barr and Young  
Army Photographers

P.S. Please acknowledge receipt.  
Address Dr. T. W. Young,  

P. Eubanks Miss.  
Sep 23rd
Randon's Point to Mr

March 27th 1874

To Mr. W. L. Prant-

Dear Sir,

I beg you to excuse me for intruding for a few moments on your much occupied time, but business has at last taken the predominance over everything else and I will venture on your time as little.

I wish to know if there is any chance or any situation that you can give me where by I can better my self. I am alone, I have buried my life, and I want excitement. I would like a little same where near you. If I could get it or will take any position that you will give me if it is here, you will render a great favour on my by writing to me and let me know, if you can do no better can you not give me a post better position some where..

3 Patience from your humble servant. (5. this private form

Respectfully Yours,

Geo W. Prant A
My Dear Friend,

I am afraid you will think me rather offensive in writing this letter but I can well avoid complying with the request of an old and sincere friend, Agnel who has written me to request me to write to you in behalf of a son of his who has been found deficient in the naval academy. He thinks your influence would be great in getting him another chance. I trust you will be as glad to do him a favor as to do me one, and he writes me he has applied to you.

Poor Agnel has had trouble in losing his son Vincent—being married a third and fourth (the one now in question)
is the only remaining boy. He tells me there is nothing vicious about him, and that he emer' yet along better if he could have another trial - I do not doubt it and wish with all my heart that the Academic Board of the Naval academy would revise their opinion or the Secretary of the Navy emer' reappointed or reinstated him. Of course you must do what you think right and proper in the case. I repeat I dislike to trouble me who has so much to do and trouble about as you have with my private affairs, but I trust in your kindness of heart to excuse me under these circumstances. You promised to send me your fiction but I did not find it in the letter. You have my warmest and most sincere wishes for your success and welfare. Yrs. sincere friend

George Deshmukh

Leichedon, M.S. Brunt.
New York
March 29th
[Signature: Unknown]
Washington D.C., March 31, 1864

Major General N.P. Banks,
Commanding Department Gulf:

In addition to the directions sent you by Lieut.

General Towe, for immediate concurrence at New Orleans
of all the force you can spare from the defense of your
department, preparatory to a move against Mobile, I
would add the following:—1st. If successful in your expedition
against the forces, that you turn over the defense of the Red
Rive to General Steele and the Navy. 2nd. That you abandon the
entire, with the exception of your hold above the Red River. This
can be held with 7000 men, if you turn their attention
immediately to fortifying their positions. At least one half the
force required for this service might be taken from the colored troops.

3rd. By fortifying on the Mississippi River, the force to guard it from
Port Hudson to New Orleans can be reduced to 7000 men, if not
to a less number. 6000 more would then hold all the rest of the
territory necessary to hold until active operations can again
be resumed west of the river. According to your last return, this
would give you a force of over 30,000 effective men with which
to move against Mobile. In this I expect to add 5000 men from
Mississippi. If however you think the force here stated too small to
hold the territory regarded as necessary to hold possession of, I
would ask concentration at least 25,000 men of your present com-
mand for operations against Mobile. With these and such addi-
tions as I can give you from elsewhere hope no time in
making a demonstration to be followed by an attack against Mobile.
Two or more vessels will be ordered to report to Admiral Farragut.
This gives him a strong naval fleet with which to cooperate. You can make
your own arrangements with the Admiral for his cooperation and select
your own line of approach. My own idea of the matter is that Passalonga should
be your base, but from your long service in the Gulf Department you will
know best about the matter. It is intended that your movements
shall be co-operative with movements elsewhere, and you cannot cross
stars too soon. All I would now add is that you commence the
concentration of your force at once. Preserve a profound secrecy
of what you intend doing and start at the earliest possi-
ble moment.

U. S. Grant  Lieut. General.
CIRCULAR.

Lawrenceville, Allegheny County, Pa.

March, 1864.

Dr. Genl. Grant

Dr. Sir,

In response to what is believed to be the wish of all who have an interest in this subject, the Committee at Lawrenceville, Pa., have effected a permanent organization for the purpose of erecting, at the Allegheny Cemetery, a Monument to the memory of the young females who perished by the explosion at Allegheny Arsenal, on the 17th of September, 1862.

It is not deemed necessary that any elaborate argument should set forth the propriety of earnest action in behalf of this object. It is an admitted fact, that a whole Cemetery has been set apart and dedicated for the sole purpose of receiving the bodies of our brave soldiers who fell at GETTYSBURG; and why not erect a simple Monument to perpetuate the memory of those fifty females who lost their lives in the act of preparing the munitions that enabled our "braves" to gain many hotly contested battles in defence of our glorious Union.

To the dead, it would offer the grateful homage of fraternal hearts—to the living, still another inspiration to heroic virtues and sublime devotion to our beloved country.

To those abroad, who perhaps do not fully understand the manner of the burial of those fifty brave females, the Committee beg leave to state, that one general sepulchre received the dead of over forty sorrowing households, and the survivors bowed their heads beside this common grave, in the agony of their bereavement, feeling that for them there could not be the sacred privacy of separate interment; that even the sad privilege of erecting some little stone to mark the last resting place of their "loved and lost," must be denied them.

It would therefore seem but little to erect over that common grave such a memorial as shall, by its inscribed names, give to these bereaved families the right to say, Here rest our dead! The lettering on this marble block, authorizes us to here place such tokens of our affection as would give expression to our grief.

The Committee are fully impressed with the belief, that there are a sufficient number of persons at home and abroad who will cheerfully contribute to the cost of the proposed Monument, a photograph of which is herewith enclosed.

Dear friends, come to our help, and assist in erecting the Monument that shall stand to the memory of over forty individuals, whose forms were mutilated and charred beyond recognition.

The money can be forwarded to the Treasurer, whose name and address will be found below.

Will those into whose hands this circular comes, exert themselves to procure pecuniary aid for this commendable and patriotic enterprise?

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servants,

REV. W. H. ANDREWS, Chairman,
GEO. D. CLOWES, Secretary,
EX-BURGESS WM. M'CAGUE, Committee,
M. M. BOSWORTH, Treasurer,

Clerk to Paymaster, &c. U. S. Arsenal, Pittsburgh, Pa.