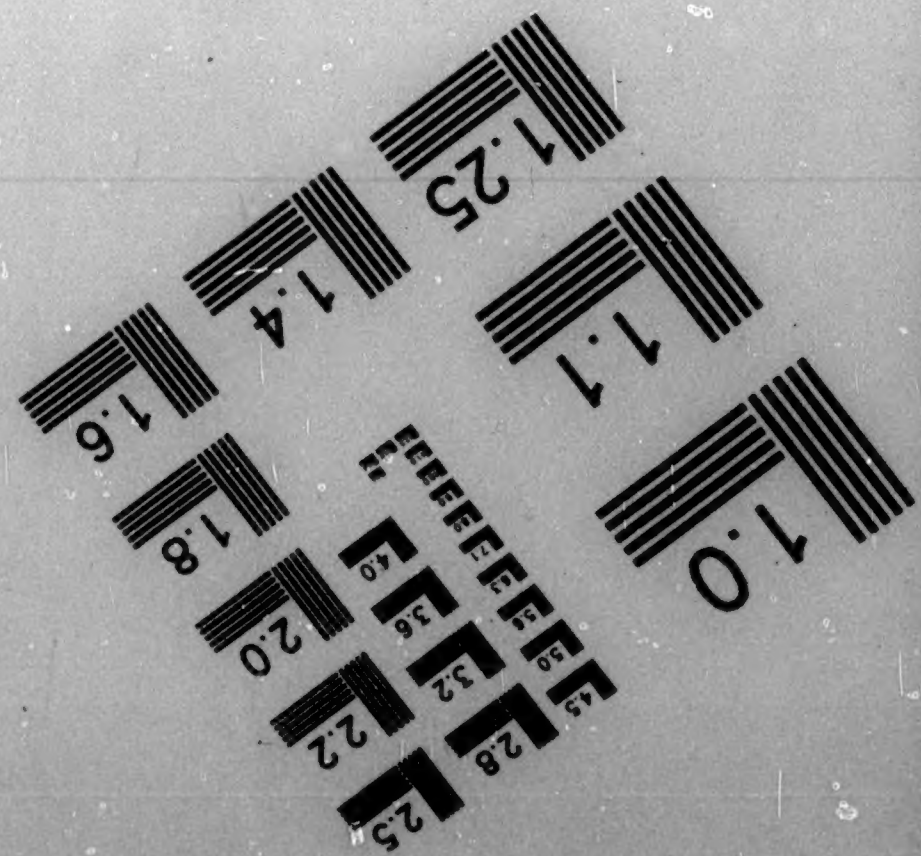
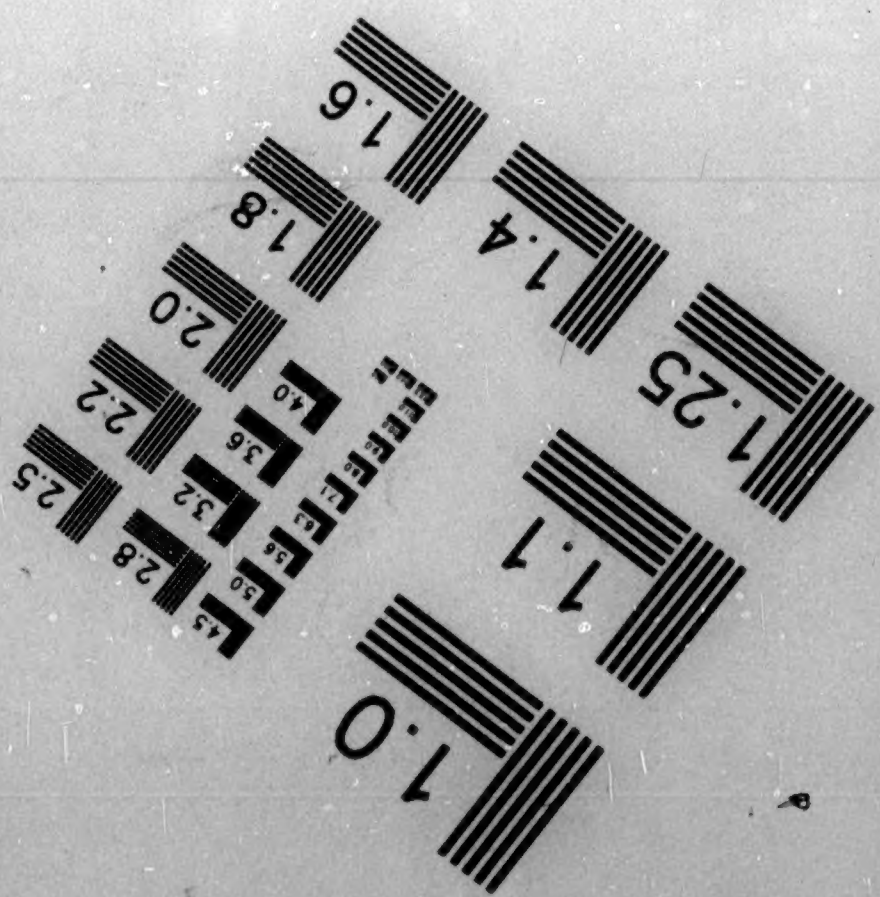
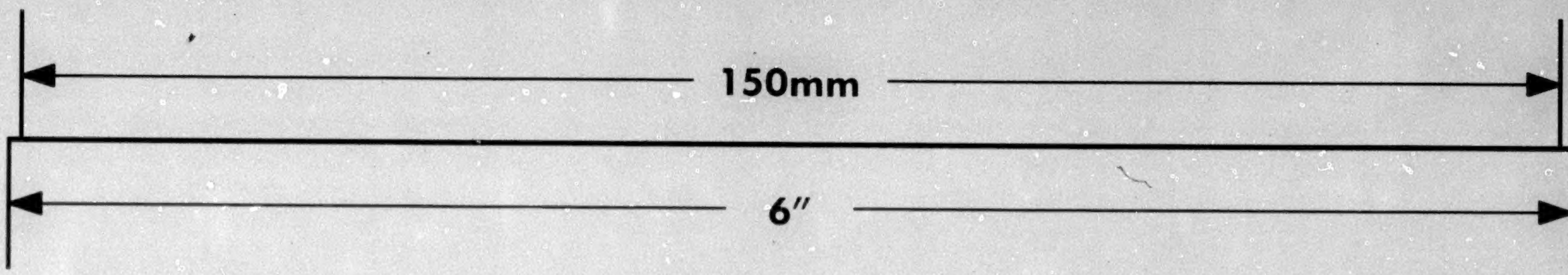
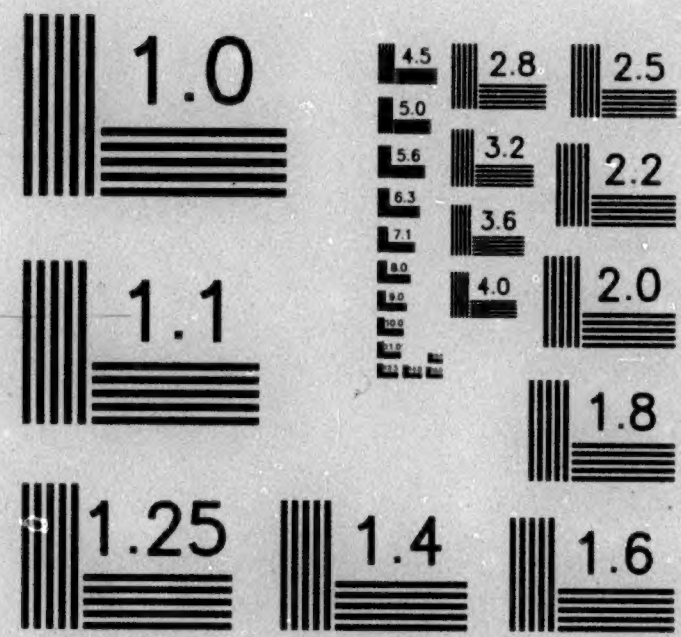
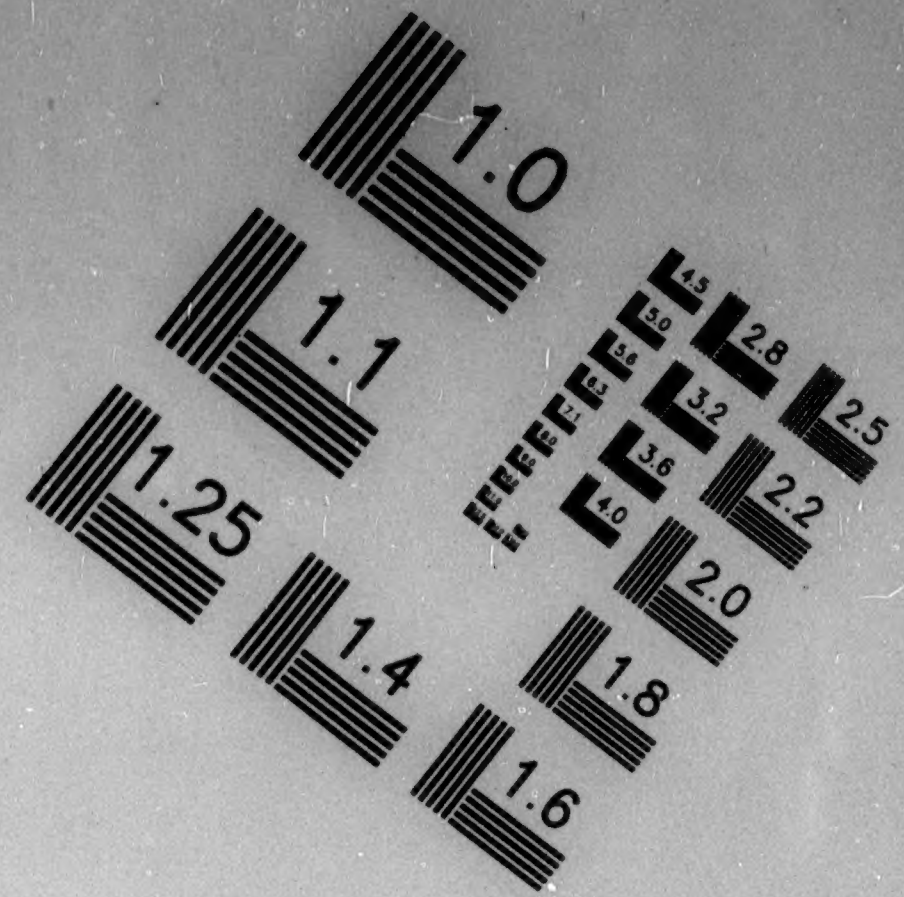
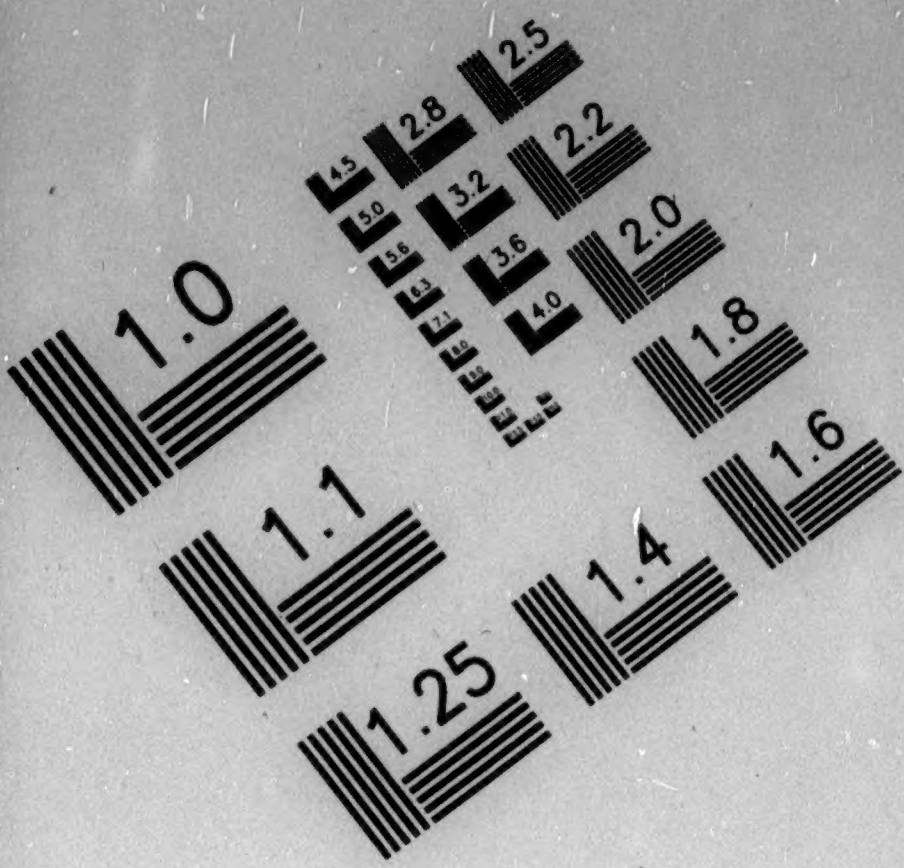




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INTRODUCTION

On the 42 rolls of this microfilm publication, M1906, are reproduced the records of the Maryland and Delaware field offices of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1872. These records consist of bound volumes and unbound records, containing materials that include letters and endorsements sent and received, orders and circulars, monthly reports, and other records relating to freedmen's complaints and claims. These records are part of the Records of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, Record Group (RG) 105.

HISTORY AND ORGANIZATION

The Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, also known as the Freedmen's Bureau, was established in the War Department by an act of Congress on March 3, 1865 (13 Stat. 507). The life of the Bureau was extended twice by acts of July 16, 1866 (14 Stat. 173), and July 6, 1868 (15 Stat. 83). The Bureau was responsible for the supervision and management of all matters relating to refugees and freedmen, and of lands abandoned or seized during the Civil War. In May 1865, President Andrew Johnson appointed Maj. Gen. Oliver Otis Howard as Commissioner of the Bureau, and Howard served in that position until June 30, 1872, when activities of the Bureau were terminated in accordance with an act of June 10, 1872 (17 Stat. 366). While a major part of the Bureau's early activities involved the supervision of abandoned and confiscated property, its mission was to provide relief and help freedmen become self-sufficient. Bureau officials issued rations and clothing, operated hospitals and refugee camps, and supervised labor contracts. In addition, the Bureau managed apprenticeship disputes and complaints, assisted benevolent societies in the establishment of schools, helped freedmen in legalizing marriages entered into during slavery, and provided transportation to refugees and freedmen who were attempting to reunite with their family or relocate to other parts of the country. The Bureau also helped black soldiers, sailors, and their heirs collect bounty claims, pensions, and back pay.

The act of March 3, 1865, authorized the appointment of Assistant Commissioners to aid the Commissioner in supervising the work of the Bureau in the former Confederate states, the border states, and the District of Columbia. While the work performed by Assistant Commissioners in each state was similar, the organizational structure of staff officers varied from state to state. At various times, the staff could consist of a superintendent of education, an assistant adjutant general, an assistant inspector general, a disbursing officer, a chief medical officer, a chief quartermaster, and a commissary of subsistence. Subordinate to these officers were the assistant superintendents, or subassistant commissioners as they later became known, who commanded the subdistricts.

The Assistant Commissioner corresponded extensively with both his superior in the Washington Bureau headquarters and his subordinate officers in the subdistricts.

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Based upon reports submitted to him by the subassistant commissioners and other subordinate staff officers, he prepared reports that he sent to the Commissioner concerning Bureau activities in areas under his jurisdiction. The Assistant Commissioner also received letters from freedmen, local white citizens, state officials, and other non-Bureau personnel. These letters varied in nature from complaints to applications for jobs in the Bureau. Because the assistant adjutant general handled much of the mail for the Assistant Commissioner's office, it was often addressed to him instead of to the Assistant Commissioner.

In a circular issued by Commissioner Howard in July 1865, the Assistant Commissioners were instructed to designate one officer in each state to serve as "general Superintendents of Schools." These officials were to "take cognizance of all that is being done to educate refugees and freedmen, secure proper protection to schools and teachers, promote method and efficiency, correspond with the benevolent agencies which are supplying his field, and aid the Assistant Commissioner in making his required reports." In October 1865, a degree of centralized control was established over Bureau educational activities in the states when Rev. John W. Alvord was appointed Inspector of Finances and Schools. In January 1867, Alvord was divested of his financial responsibilities, and he was appointed General Superintendent of Education.

An act of Congress, approved July 25, 1868 (15 Stat. 193), ordered that the Commissioner of the Bureau "shall, on the first day of January next, cause the said bureau to be withdrawn from the several States within which said bureau has acted and its operation shall be discontinued." Consequently, in early 1869, with the exception of the superintendents of education and the claims agents, the Assistant Commissioners and their subordinate officers were withdrawn from the states.

For the next year and a half the Bureau continued to pursue its education work and to process claims. In the summer of 1870, the superintendents of education were withdrawn from the states, and the headquarters staff was greatly reduced. From that time until the Bureau was abolished by an act of Congress, effective June 30, 1872, the Bureau's functions related almost exclusively to the disposition of claims. The Bureau's records and remaining functions were then transferred to the Freedmen's Branch in the office of the Adjutant General. The records of this branch are among the Bureau's files.

THE FREEDMEN'S BUREAU IN MARYLAND AND DELAWARE

ORGANIZATION

In June 1865, Comm. Oliver Otis Howard appointed Col. John Eaton as the Assistant Commissioner of the District of Columbia, which included Maryland, the District, the city of Alexandria, and the neighboring Virginia counties of Fairfax and Loudon. On September 27, 1865 (Special Order Number 77), Commissioner Howard appointed Lt. Col. William P. Wilson as acting Assistant Superintendent

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for Maryland. Wilson served until March 30, 1866, and was then replaced by Bvt. Maj. Gen. George J. Stannard, who became the first Assistant Commissioner for Maryland. Stannard's headquarters was at Baltimore. His command included all of the state, except the counties of Calvert, Charles, Montgomery, Prince Georges, and St. Marys, which were under the control of the Assistant Commissioner of the District of Columbia. In early summer 1866, six counties in Virginia and two in West Virginia, known as the Shenandoah Division, were added to the Maryland Command (transferred to the Virginia command in the following September). By July 1866, Bvt Maj. Gen. Francis Fessenden replaced Stannard, and served for 1 month before he was replaced by Bvt. Maj. Gen. Edgar M. Gregory. On January 16, 1867 (Special Order Number 7), Maryland's jurisdiction was expanded to include Delaware. Bvt. Brig. Gen. Horace M. Brooks replaced Gregory in January 1868, and by August 1868, Bureau affairs relating to Maryland and Delaware were reassigned to the Assistant Commissioner for the District of Columbia. A subassistant commissioner, Fred C. von Schirach, remained in Baltimore until December 1868. A claims agent remained in Baltimore until 1872.

ACTIVITIES

Unlike its operations in states of the Deep South where providing relief, supervising labor contracts, and the administration of abandoned property was of primary concern, the Bureau's activities in Maryland and Delaware and other areas under its jurisdiction centered largely on freedmen education, the administration of justice, and veterans' claims.

The Freedmen's Bureau's efforts to provide education for freedmen in Maryland was hampered by a system of illegal apprenticeship of school-age children. In direct conflict with the Civil Rights Act of 1866 (14 Stat. 27), black children were being bound to their former owners for indefinite periods of time with the help of Maryland government officials. An estimated 10,000 black children were bound out as apprentices between 1864 and 1867. The Bureau, however, through writs of *habeas corpus* and other court actions, fought vigorously to have these children released. By 1868, the intense efforts of the Bureau had largely ended the apprenticeship system in Maryland.¹

Although the illegal apprenticeship system hindered the Bureau's educational activities in Maryland, the agency still managed to provide assistance with the construction and repair of school buildings and protection of and transportation for teachers. To increase its visibility and to gauge the interest of freedmen in establishing schools, Maryland and District of Columbia Bureau officials traveled

¹ Annual Reports of the Assistant Commissioners, District of Columbia, October 10, 1867, [pp. 3-9], Records of the Commissioner, Records of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, Record Group (RG) 105, National Archives Building; W. A. Low, "The Freedmen's Bureau in the Border States," in *Radicalism, Racism, and Party Realignment: The Border States during Reconstruction*, ed. Richard O. Curry, (Baltimore: John Hopkins Press, 1869), 247.

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to various counties, holding meetings on the benefits of education and the agency's intention to provide aid for schools. In addition, the Bureau worked closely with private benevolent societies, such as the Baltimore Association, the American Missionary Association, and the Freedmen's Union Association, to sustain freedmen schools in spite of intense and often violent opposition from whites. From October 1867 to October 1868, the Bureau provided aid and assistance to some 80 schools in Maryland.²

Although the black population in Delaware and West Virginia was small, and Bureau operations in these states were limited, the agency still managed to provide noteworthy assistance for freedmen education. In Delaware the Bureau assisted in the construction of several freedmen schools. The agency also provided aid to various civic groups and benevolent societies, especially the Delaware Association for the Moral Improvement and Education of the Colored Race, which maintained some 23 schools in various parts of the state. West Virginia maintained a system of free education. However, whites controlled funds for schools and employment of teachers, and schools for blacks and whites remained separate, as required by law. Bureau officials, nonetheless, worked closely with the West Virginia superintendent of free schools in the establishment of schools for freedmen. As in Maryland, Bureau officials traveled throughout West Virginia counties, advising freedmen of their support and plans for building schools. Similar to other areas under its jurisdiction, the Bureau supplied funds for buildings, and teachers were generally paid from public funds, contributions from blacks, and aid from benevolent societies. By 1868, with cooperation mostly from freedmen themselves, the Bureau was able to establish 9 schools in West Virginia.³

Safeguarding rights and securing justice for freedmen was of paramount concern to the Freedmen's Bureau. Following the Civil War, several Southern states enacted a series of laws commonly known as "black codes," which restricted the rights and legal status of freedmen. Freedmen were often given harsh sentences for petty crimes and in some instances were unable to get their cases heard in state courts. In a circular issued by Commissioner Howard on May 30, 1865, Assistant Commissioners were authorized, in places where civil law had been interrupted and blacks' rights to justice were being denied, to adjudicate cases between blacks themselves and between blacks and whites. In the District of Columbia and Maryland, the civil process of law had not been interrupted, and unlike many areas of the South under the Bureau's jurisdiction, no freedmen's or provost courts were in operation. The Bureau did however, provide legal assistance to freedmen in civil and criminal cases in both the District of Columbia and Maryland. This was done especially in instances where freedmen lacked counsel and in cases where Bureau officials felt that freedmen were wrongly convicted or imprisoned. In 1868, the Assistant

² W. A. Low, "The Freedmen's Bureau in the Border States," pp. 247-49. Annual Reports of the Assistant Commissioners, District of Columbia, October 10, 1868 [pp. 11-13, 15-24].

³ Annual Reports, Assistant Commissioners, District of Columbia, October 10, 1868, [pp. 26-30]. See also W. A. Low, "The Freedmen's Bureau in the Border States," 256-57.

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Commissioner for the District reported that of the nearly 900 cases handled by his office, a large percentage involved incidents in Maryland.⁴

In accordance with a law passed by Congress on March 29, 1867 (15 Stat. 26), making the Freedmen's Bureau the sole agent for payment of claims of black veterans, Bureau disbursing officers assisted veterans and their heirs in the preparation and settlement of claims. To administer claims, the Bureau established a Claims Division. This office was abolished in 1868, and most of the activities of the Maryland Bureau relating to claims were then centered in Baltimore, MD, where two full-time disbursing officers were assigned to settle and pay veterans claims. At the Baltimore office, the Bureau handled claims for Maryland, Delaware, and other areas under its jurisdiction. In 1868 Bureau agents disbursed more than \$10,000 for military claims.⁵ The Bureau maintained registers and files for claimants for payments of bounty, back pay, and pensions. These records often contain the name, rank, company, and regiment of the claimant; the dates the claim was received and filed; the address of the claimant; and remarks.

RECORDS DESCRIPTION

These records consist of volumes and unbound records. The volumes reproduced in this microfilm publication were originally arranged by type of record and thereunder by volume number. No numbers were assigned to series consisting of single volumes. Years later, all volumes were assigned numbers by the Adjutant General's Office (AGO) of the War Department after the records came into its custody. In this microfilm publication, AGO numbers are shown in parentheses to aid in identifying the volumes. The National Archives assigned the volume numbers that do not appear in parentheses. In some volumes, particularly in indexes and alphabetical headings of registers, there are blank numbered pages that have not been filmed.

The volumes consist of letters and endorsements sent and received, registers of letters received, unregistered letters received, general and special orders and circulars received, registers of claimants for bounties and pay arrearages, and registers of complaints of illegal apprenticeships. The unbound documents consist of letters and orders received, unregistered letters received and narrative reports received, special orders and circulars issued, general and special orders and circulars received, and other series.

⁴ Senate Ex. Doc. No. 6, 39th Cong., 2nd Sess., Serial vol. 1276, p. 34; Annual Reports, Assistant Commissioners, District of Columbia, October 10, 1867 [p. 3], and October 10, 1868 [pp. 5-11].

⁵ Annual Reports, Assistant Commissioners, District of Columbia, October 10, 1867 [pp. 10-11, and October 10, 1868 [pp. 13-15].

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RELATED RECORDS

In the same record group, RG 105, and related to records of the Assistant Commissioner for Maryland, are those of the Bureau headquarters in Washington, DC. Several of these records series are available in the following National Archives microfilm publications:

M742, *Selected Series of Records Issued by the Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1872*

M752, *Registers and Letters Received by the Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1872*

M803, *Records of the Education Division of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1871*

M1902, *Records of the Field Offices of the District of Columbia, Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1870*

M1875, *Marriage Records of the Office of the Commissioner, Washington Headquarters of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1872*

Records in other National Archives record groups supplement those of the Assistant Commissioner. In Records of United States Army Continental Commands, 1821-1920, RG 393, are records of the military district that included Maryland and Delaware. Records relating to employment and welfare of freedmen and abandoned property before the establishment of the Bureau are among Records of Civil War Special Agencies of the Treasury Department, RG 366. The records of the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, 1865-1874, in Records of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, RG 101, contain information relating to former slaves who maintained accounts with the bank branches at Baltimore, Maryland, and the District of Columbia.

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APPENDIX

This list provides the names and dates of service of known Freedmen's Bureau personnel at selected subordinate field offices for Maryland. Additional information regarding persons assigned to various field offices might be found among the Bureau's Washington headquarters station books and rosters of military officers and civilians on duty in the states and other appointment-related records.

LOCATION	DATES
ANNAPOLIS Disbursing Officer W. L. Van Derliss	June 1866–Sept. 1870
BLADENSBURG Superintendent G. E. Henry	June 1866–Sept. 1867
ROCKVILLE Superintendent R. G. Rutherford	June 1866–Oct. 1867

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	The two volumes of letters sent, May 1866–December 1868, 1 (3) and 2 (4), are arranged chronologically.	
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	The two volumes of registers of letters received, April 1866–December 1868, (1) and (2), are arranged by time periods. The entries within each time period are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the correspondent and thereunder chronologically. For letters received, see the unbound letters received,	

⁶ The Adjutant General's Office (AGO) of the War Department assigned the volume numbers shown in parentheses after the records came into its custody. The volume numbers not in parentheses were assigned by the National Archives and Records Administration.

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Unbound narrative reports from the assistant inspector general, the superintendent of education, and the officer in charge of the complaint division, October 1866–June 1868, are arranged chronologically.

Oct. 1866–June 1868

Assistant Commissioner's Quarterly Reports of Operations

Unbound Assistant Commissioner's quarterly reports of operations, October 1866–July 1867, are arranged chronologically.

Oct. 1866–July 1867

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Unbound Assistant Commissioner's monthly land reports, July 1866–July 1868, are arranged chronologically.

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	<i>Reports Received from the Shenandoah Division</i> Unbound reports received from the Shenandoah Division, June–August 1866, are arranged chronologically. The series includes reports of operations, rations issued, land reports, reports of persons and articles hired, and quartermaster returns.	June–Aug. 1866
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Unbound miscellaneous reports and papers, July 1866–October 1868, are arranged chronologically. The series includes a copy of the apprenticeship law of Delaware, a report by the disbursing officer of moneys received and disbursed in December 1866, and a report in the case of a Dr. Somers.

July 1866–Oct. 1868

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CHIEF QUARTERMASTER AND DISBURSING OFFICER

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The two volumes of letters sent, November 1866–June 1867, 1 (28) and 2 (29), are arranged chronologically. Volume 1 (28) has a name index. Volume 2 (29) also contains a register of orders for transportation (January 1867).

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7 *Press Copies of Letters Sent*

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16	contains receipts of papers by claimants and others dated November 1866–August (cont.) 1868.	
	Volume 1 (41)	Nov. 1866–Aug. 1868
	Volume 2 (42)	May 1868–May 1871
	Volume 3 (43)	May 1871–June 1872
	<i>Register of Disbursements</i>	
	The single-volume register of disbursements, March 1868–October 1871 (44½), is arranged chronologically. The entries give the name of the person, date, and amount paid.	
	Volume (44½)	Mar. 1868–Oct. 1871
17	<i>Receipts for Pay, Bounty, and Pension Certificates</i>	
	Unbound receipts for pay, bounty, and pension certificates, dated 1866–70, are arranged alphabetically by the initial letter of the surname of the claimant.	
	A–R	1866–70
18	<i>Receipts for Certificates (cont.)</i>	
	R–Z	1866–70
	<i>Bills Paid</i>	
	Unbound bills paid, 1867–68, are arranged chronologically.	
		1867–68
19	<i>Check Stubs</i>	
	The five volumes of check stubs, July 1866–December 1867, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, are arranged in chronological order and numbered.	
	Volume 1	July 1866–Feb. 1867
	Volume 2	Feb.–June 1867
	Volume 3	June–Aug. 1867
	Volume 4	Aug.–Oct. 1867
	Volume 5	Oct.–Dec. 1867

SUBORDINATE OFFICES
CLAIM DIVISION

The Claim Division was originally a division of the Office of the Assistant Commissioner. After the abolishment of that Office in 1868, a claims agent remained in Baltimore until 1872. Many of the letters in these series were addressed to the Assistant Commissioner but all of them relate to claims.

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
19	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
(cont.)	The two volumes of letters sent, September 1866–September 1867, 1 (5) and 2 (6), are arranged chronologically, and both volumes have name indexes.	
	Volume 1 (5)	Sept.–Dec. 1866
	Volume 2 (6)	Jan.–Sept. 1867
20	<i>Press Copies of Letters Sent</i>	
	The six volumes of press copies of letters sent, July 1867–June 1872, 1 (7), 2 (8), 3 (9), 4 (10), 5 (11), and 6 (12), are arranged chronologically, and each volume has a name index.	
	Volume 1 (7)	July 1867–Mar. 1868
	Volume 2 (8)	Mar.–Oct. 1868
21	Volume 3 (9)	Oct. 1868–Mar. 1869
	Volume 4 (10)	Mar. 1869–Nov. 1869
22	Volume 5 (11)	Nov. 1869–May 1871
	Volume 6 (12)	May 1871–June 1872
23	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, January–August 1868, are arranged according to their entry in Volume (2) of the registers of letters received among the records of the Office of the Assistant Commissioner mentioned above.	
		Jan.–Aug. 1868
	<i>Unregistered Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound unregistered letters received, May 1866–May 1872, are arranged chronologically. Some of these letters appear to be entered in a register, but the register has not been located.	
		May 1866–Dec. 1867
24	<i>Unregistered Letters (cont.)</i>	Jan. 1868–Mar. 1869
25	<i>Unregistered Letters (cont.)</i>	Apr.–Dec. 1869
26	<i>Unregistered Letters (cont.)</i>	Jan.–Sept. 1870
27	<i>Unregistered Letters (cont.)</i>	Oct. 1870–Apr. 1871
28	<i>Unregistered Letters (cont.)</i>	May 1871–May 1872

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
28 (cont.)	<i>Letters Received Relating to the Claims of Loyal Slaveowners</i> Unbound letters received relating to the claims of loyal slaveowners, December 1866–March 1867, are arranged chronologically.	

Dec. 1866–Mar. 1867

Register of Claimants for Bounties and Pay Arrearages

The single-volume register of claimants for bounties and pay arrearages, June 1866–March 1872 (23), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant. The entries give the name, rank, company, and regiment of the claimant; the dates the claim was received and filed; the address of the claimant; the type of claim; and “remarks.” For case files of many of the claimants entered in the register, see the series of case files for claims for bounty and pay arrearages (1867–72) mentioned below.

Volume (23)	June 1866–Mar. 1872
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29	<i>Case Files for Claims for Bounty and Pay Arrearages</i> Unbound case files for claims for bounty and pay arrearages, 1867–72, are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant. The case files consist of jackets giving the name, rank, company, regiment, and address of claimant and the dates when the claim was forwarded and returned. The jackets often contain correspondence relating to the claim.
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A–F	1867–72
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30	G–L	1867–72
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31	M–S	1867–72
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32	T–Y	1867–72
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Register of Claimants for Pensions

The single-volume register of claimants for pensions, June 1866–March 1872 (25), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant. The entries give the name, rank, company, regiment, and address of claimant; the dates the claim was received and filed; the type or nature of the claim; and “remarks.” For case files of some of the claimants entered in this register, see the series of case files of pension claims (1867–72) mentioned below.

Volume (25)	June 1866–Mar. 1872
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33	<i>Case Files of Pension Claims</i> Unbound case files of pension claims, 1867–72, are arranged alphabetically by initial letter of surname of claimant. The files consist of a jacket giving the name, company, rank, and regiment of claimant; the address of claimant; and the dates the claim was received and filed. The jackets often contain correspondence relating to the claim.
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A–G	1867–72
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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
34	<i>Case Files of Pension Claims (cont.)</i>	
	H-R	1867-72
35	S-Y	1867-72

Register of Maryland Bounty Claims Filed through Hugh L. Bond

The single-volume register of Maryland bounty claims filed through Hugh L. Bond, May-November 1868 (24), is arranged numerically by regiment. The entries give the name, company, and regiment of claimant; the dates the papers were forwarded; the amount of the claim; and the date it was paid.

Volume (24) May-Nov. 1868

Register of Claims Not Originally Filed through the Baltimore Office

The single-volume register of claims not originally filed through the Baltimore office, March 1867-January 1872 (22), is arranged chronologically. The entries give the name, rank, company, regiment, and address of the claimant; when and from whom the claim was received; the action required; and the date and to whom returned.

Volume (22) Mar. 1867-Jan. 1872

Register of Loyal Slaveowners, Maryland and West Virginia

The single-volume register of loyal slaveowners in Maryland and West Virginia (24) is undated and arranged alphabetically by the initial letter of the surname of the slaveowner. The entries also give the name of the slave.

Volume (24) Undated

Names and Addresses of Claimants

The two volumes of names and addresses of claimants, 1 and 2, are undated, and each is arranged alphabetically, A-Y.

Volume 1 Undated
Volume 2 Undated

36 **COMPLAINT DIVISION**

The Complaint Division of the Office of the Assistant Commissioner was apparently mainly responsible for complaints relating to the filing and processing of claims, although it also dealt with complaints arising from illegal apprenticeship of children. After the abolishment of the Office of the Assistant Commissioner in August 1868, correspondence relating to complaints of claimants was continued in these series.

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
36	<i>Press Copies of Letters Sent</i>	
(cont.)	The two volumes of press copies of letters sent, April 1868–April 1872, 1 (19) and 2 (20), are arranged chronologically and each volume has a name index.	
	Volume 1 (19)	Apr. 1868–Dec. 1869
	Volume 2 (20)	Jan. 1870–Apr. 1872
37	<i>Registers of Complaints</i>	
	The two volumes of registers of complaints, 1 (17) and 2 (18), cover the period July 1866–March 1872. Vol. 1 (17) is arranged chronologically and thereunder by page number. Volume 2 (18) is arranged in chronological order and numbered. Each volume has a name index. The entries give the name of the complainant, an abstract of the nature of the complaint, and notations relating to actions taken in the case.	
	Volume 1 (17)	July 1866–Feb. 1868
	Volume 2 (18)	Jan. 1868–Mar. 1872
	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, July 1866–March 1872, are arranged according to their entry in the registers of complaints 1 (17) and 2 (18) mentioned above.	
	Entered in Volume 1 (17) pages 2–97	July 1866–Feb. 1868
38	Entered in Volume 2 (18) numbers 2–417	Jan.–Dec. 1868
39	Entered in Volume 2 (18) numbers 3–180	Jan. 1869–Mar. 1872

SUBORDINATE FIELD OFFICES

The records of the offices described below were not subordinate to the Assistant Commissioner for Maryland, but because they are listed in the “List of Book Records for Maryland,” they appear here as the “subordinate” offices in Maryland. The offices in Annapolis, Bladensburg, and Rockville were subordinate to the Assistant Commissioner for the District of Columbia. The officer in Wilmington was a claims agent.

ANNAPOLIS (Disbursing Officer)

Letters Sent

The single volume of letters sent, June 1866–March 1868 (48), is arranged chronologically.

Volume (48)	June 1866–Mar. 1868
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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
39	<i>Press Copies of Letters Sent</i>	
(cont.)	The single volume of press copies of letters sent, March 1868–September 1870, (49), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (49)	Mar. 1868–Sept. 1870
	<i>Endorsements Sent</i>	
	The single volume of endorsements sent, July 1866–September 1868 (47), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (47)	July 1866–Sept. 1868
40	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, June 1866–December 1868, are arranged chronologically.	
		June 1866–Dec. 1867
41	<i>Letters Received</i> (cont.)	1868
	BLADENSBURG (Superintendent)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The single volume of letters sent, June 1866–September 1867 (50), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (50)	June 1866–Sept. 1867
	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, May 1866–December 1867, are arranged chronologically.	
		May 1866–Dec. 1867
	<i>Register of Complaints</i>	
	The single-volume register of complaints, June 1866–September 1867 (51), is arranged chronologically and has a name index.	
	Volume (51)	June 1866–Sept. 1867
	ROCKVILLE (Superintendent)	
	<i>Letters Sent</i>	
	The single volume of letters sent, June 1866–October 1867 (53), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (53)	June 1866–Oct. 1867

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
41	<i>Endorsements Sent and Received</i>	
(cont.)	The single volume of endorsements sent and received, July 1866–September 1867 (54), is arranged chronologically. The volume is cross-referenced to the register of letters received (52) mentioned below.	
	Volume (54)	July 1866–Sept. 1867
	<i>Register of Letters Received</i>	
	The single-volume register of letters received, March 1866–September 1867 (52), is arranged in chronological order and numbered.	
	Volume (52)	Mar. 1866–Sept. 1867
42	<i>Registered Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound registered letters received, May 1866–September 1867, are arranged in chronological order and numbered. The letters are registered in the register of letters received (52) mentioned above.	
		May 1866–Sept. 1867
	<i>Register of Complaints</i>	
	The single-volume register of complaints, June 1866–September 1867 (55), is arranged chronologically.	
	Volume (55)	June 1866–Sept. 1867
 WILMINGTON, DELAWARE		
	<i>Letters Received</i>	
	Unbound letters received, May 1867–July 1870, are arranged chronologically.	
		May 1867–July 1870
	<i>Register of Claimants for Bounties</i>	
	The single-volume register of claimants for bounties, November 1867–July 1869 (56), is arranged chronologically. The entries give the name and address of claimant, information about the time of filing of claim, and the service of claimant.	
	Volume (56)	Nov. 1867–July 1869
	<i>Register of Claims for Pensions</i>	
	The single-volume register of claims for pensions, March 1867–March 1868 (57), arranged chronologically by the date of the application. The register gives the date of the application, name of pensioner, residence, number of certificate, and date and amount of payment.	
	Volume (57)	Mar. 1867–Mar. 1868

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ROLL	DESCRIPTION	DATES
42 (cont.)	<i>Register of Payments</i> The single-volume register of payments, January 1867–December 1868 (58), is arranged alphabetically by initial letter of the surname of the claimant. The entries give the name, rank, regiment, and company of the claimant; the date payment was received; the number of the Treasury certificate; and the amount of payment.	
	Volume (58)	Jan. 1867–Dec. 1868

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MARYLAND AND DELAWARE, BUREAU OF REFUGEES,
FREEDMEN, AND ABANDONED LANDS, 1865-1872

ROLL 4

**OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER
CORRESPONDENCE**

Unregistered Letters Received

Oct. 1865-Nov. 1868

*Letters Received by Lieutenant Colonel William P. Wilson,
Acting Assistant Commissioner*

Oct.-Dec. 1865

ISSUANCES

General Orders Issued

Volume (15)

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OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

CORRESPONDENCE

Unregistered Letters Received

Oct. 1865–Nov. 1868

J. 22 Reports vol 3 1865

Burnettsville, Md. Oct. 30th 1865.

Mr. Tilghman, Wm.

Requests aid in procuring the release of his son John Edward, who was unlawfully apprenticed to Mr. Edward Howard of Somerset Co. Md.

War Dept. Bureau of Refugees &
Washington, Nov. 11th 1865

Respectfully referred to Lt. Col. Wm. P. Wilson, Act. Asst. Commr. &c, for investigation and report.

By order of

Maj. Genl. Howard,

Wm. Woodruff

Asst. Adjt. General.



(1 Enclosure.)

Rx 337

Burnettsville Somerset Co. M.D.

Oct 30th 1865 Major General

As regards My Dear friend
would you best time to me
& my son as to adve us out of
denial trouble there is a citizen
Mr Edward Howard of this
Somerset County M.D. that
take my son John Edward
during my absence from the
county & had him unlawfull
y bound to him by the Secesh
Court I have bin instructed
to call on you & you had the
Power & the discretion to
due me & him both Justice
I had just got my son so
that he was able to be of some
help to me & then & not till
then did they the Secesh
take him away ally Dear
General be on the side
of our poor Darkes & I pray God

to be on ~~your~~ side
please do me the favour to
answer this as soon as it may
suit your convenience
& tell me what you believe
of my case.
I conclude by saying
I remain your
obedient servant
Thos Digman

Indemil and sandyls mil they
take my 2 Boys and they will not
let me have them please to write them
Dase my children to me they But they
Hague

to be an ~~error~~ & I like
please see the favour of
answer this as soon as it may
be that your own convenience
to tell me what you believe
of my case.
of Conscience by saying
of America by the
election will be in front
Thomas Johnson

Indemil and sandlye mil they agree
take up 2 Boys and they will not
let me have they please to make them
Give my children to me they but they

S. 59 R. F. & A. L. ^{2nd} 1865

Sandy Springs Md.

Nov. 10th 1865

Schooley, Mrs. Jane

States that she is support-
ing an old negro (Dennis
Howard) formerly a slave of
her brother, and wishes to
know if he can be sent to
the Freedmen's Home.

Certificates confirming her
statement appended from Hon.
E. B. French 2nd Auditor, and
F. S. Gaither Clerk 2nd Auditor's
office

Wrapper (1 Enclosure.)

Rec'd Bureau R. F. & A. L. Nov. 16th 1865.

War Department,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen &c.,

Washington. Nov. 16th 1865.

Respectfully referred to Lieut. Col. ^{and}
William P. Wilson. Acty. Asst.

Commissioner to.

By order of

Maj. Gen. Howard Commissioner.

Wm Howard

Asst. Adjt. General.

S. J. Rivas vol 3 1878

Respectfully referred
to the Commission of
Forelman, Bureau
The Knitthen is clerk
in the Office and the
Assistant from the
Mr. Schooley residing
in Howard County, Md.
Account P.O. "Sand Spring"
Montgomery Co. Md.
E. J. Rivas



Mr. Gathen

Dear Sir Mr. Cassin Gathen

advised me to write to you concerning an old negro man was a slave to my brother Jack Adams until the emancipation Mrs Adams drove him away he went to a Negro's Georg Nettles this Nettles sent him to me the 3rd of last January he is perfectly helpless with the rheumatism or something

Trinity Department
2nd Auditor's Office
Nov 14, 1865

Respectfully referred
to the Commissioners of
Freedmen's Bureau
Mr. Smith is a clerk
in the office and his
statement is reliable.
Mr. Schooley resides
in Howard County, Md.
Nearest P.O. "Sandy Spring"
Montgomery Co. Md.

E. B. Rives

Nov 10th 1865

Mr Gathen

Dear Sir

Mr Edwin Gathen
 advised me to write to you con-
 cerning an old negro man he
 was a slave to my brother Jackson
 Adams until the emancipation
 Mrs Adams drove him away
 he went to a negro's George
 Nettles this Nettles sent him
 to me the 3rd of last January
 he is perfectly helpless with
 the rheumatism or something
 of the kind has been so for
 a long time I have to keep
 an extra fire night and day
 and have hire persons to wait
 on him at extravagant wages

Trinity Deputies
 2nd District Office
 Nov 14, 1865

Respectfully referred
 to the Commission of

my means is not sufficient as
I have 5 small Children to
take care off. I have applied
to the commissioners of Howard
County they will do nothing for
me we have no poor's house
in this County I pay taxes I
think it is wrong I wish you
would please see if I could
send him to the Freed man's
home or tell me what would
be the best to do. Please write
by return mail and direct
to Sandy Spring Montgomery
County

Very Respectfully
M^{rs} Jane Schooley

Was
I have been ac
named in the
past 12 or 15 y
man (Dennis
served Jacks
of slave for a
that he is now
Jackson Adams
M^{rs} Schooley
I have heard fr
M^{rs} Adams (w
Drove Dennis a
Proclamation w
he was carried
place and that s
woman to take

clerk in

Washington D.C. Nov 14, 1865.

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Children to
have applied
ers of Howard
do nothing for
po poor's house
I pay taxes &
I wish you
if I could
the Freed man's
re what would
do. Please write
d and direct
y Montgomery
Respectfully
are Schooley

I have been acquainted with the parties
named in the foregoing letter for the
past 12 or 15 years, and know that the
man (Dennis Howard) in question,
served Jackson Adams in the capacity
of slave for a number of years, and
that he is now perfectly helpless, and that
Jackson Adams is dead, and that
Mrs Schooley now supports Dennis.
I have heard from good authority that
Mrs Adams (widow of Jackson Adams)
drove Dennis away when the Emancipation
Proclamation was enforced, and that
he was carried to and left on Mrs Schooley's
place and that she is compelled to hire a
woman to take care of him.

Francis S. Gaither
Clerk in 2nd Auditor's Office

J. S. B. F. P. A. Lt. Capt. Comm. Ind. 1865

Dr. Dep. Genl. Office
Washington, D.C. Nov. 27, 1865.

Card, Benj. C.
Col. S. M. Dept.

States that the Dr. Dep.
Genl. has decided that
Chaplains of the Army
are entitled to mileage

Recd. Capt. Comm. Ind. Nov. 29, 1865

Quartermaster General's Office

Washington D. C. Nov 27, 1865.

Maj. Genl. A. S. Howard

Commissioner, Bureau of Refugees &c.

Washington City

General;

Your communication of the 26th of August last asking whether Chaplains are allowed mileage when traveling under orders, was referred to this Office by the Adjutant General; and in reply you are respectfully informed that, in the opinion of the Quartermaster General, Chaplains of the Army are entitled to mileage in cases in which other officers of the Army are entitled to the same allowance.

I am, General, Very Respectfully &c.

By order of the Qu. Mr. General

signed, Benj. G. Bard,

Col. Qu. Mr's Dept.

Official copy respectfully furnished for the information of Lt. Col. W. P. Hilew, Asst. Comr &c, Baltimore, Md

Washburn

Col. Asst. Adj. Genl.

S. G. P. F. A. G. Capt. Gen. Md. 1825

Surgeon General's Office
Washington, Nov. 27, 1865.

Barnes, J. H.
Surgeon Genl. U. S. A.

Relative to accounts of
Act. Capt. Surgeon, U. S.
A. serving in the Freed-
men Bureau.

Recd. Capt. Gen. Md. Nov. 29, 1865

Surgeon General's Office
Washington D.C. Nov 27, '65

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with directions of the Secretary of War, accounts of Acting Assistant Surgeons serving with Freedmen & Refugees will be approved in this Office for all periods previous to and including May 31st 1865.

I am, Sir,

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

(Signed) J. N. Barnes

Surgeon Genl. U.S.A.

Official copy respectfully referred for the information of Lt. Col. W. P. Wilson, Asst. Comdr. Baltimore, Md.

Dear Wood

Brvt. Col. & Asst. Adj. Genl.

~~Gen. D. R. F. P. G. - Mad.~~ 1866.

War Department
Adj't. Genl. Office
Washington, April 9, 1866.

Lowmnd, E. D.
Capt. Adj't. Genl.

States that the President's
recent Proclamation does
not remove martial law
no interfere in any way
with the operation of the
Freedmen's Bureau.

Recd. Capt. Comm. Mad. April 10, 1866.

War Department

Adjutant General's Office

Washington, April 9th 1866.

Bvt. Maj. Genl. W. M. Brannan

Comdg. Dept. of Georgia

Augusta, Ga.

The Commissioner Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & for the State of Georgia having inquired whether the President's recent Proclamation removes martial law, and stated that the Department Commander does not feel authorized to arrest parties who have committed outrages on freed people or Union refugees, the Secretary of War, with the approval of the President directs me to inform you that the President's Proclamation does not remove martial law or operate in any way upon the Freedmen's Bureau in the exercise of its legitimate jurisdiction. It is not expedient however to resort to military tribunals in any case where justice can be attained through the medium of civil authority.

(Sgd.) E. D. Townsend

Assistant Adjutant General,

Official Copy of Telegram respectfully furnished for information of

Bvt. Maj. Genl. Geo. J. Stannard, Sup^t for Freedmen's Affairs.

C. A. Howe

Bvt. Brig. Genl. G. A. A. Genl.

N. 109 7083 R.C. 1866

Office Com. Musters
Balto Md April 7. 66.

Wharton H. W.
Maj. and Comy. Musters.

Requests certificate
of discharge of James
Henson (late Priv. Co. H
19th U.S. I.) - to enable him
to obtain the Bounty &c
due him,

Ernestine & Co.

Recd a/c. Apr. 9, 1866

War Department
Chief General Office
Washington April 12/66

Respectfully returned to
Major H. W. Wharton c/o
Commissary of Muster
Middle Military Department
Baltimore Md with the
information that the giving
of a duplicate discharge or
any certificate in lieu
thereof is peremptorily
forbidden. Henson should
make application for
his Bounty as indicated
in General Orders No 86 of
1862 and 30th of 1863 from
this office

By order Deputy Asst. Secy of War
W. J. Magruder
Asst. Adjt. Gen. &c.

Office Commissary of Masters
Middle Mil. Depart.
Baltimore, April 7th 1866

Col. F. W. Taggard
Offsr. Adjt. Genl. Vols.
Washington, D. C.

Col -
Private James Henson, late of Co
Hth 19th U.S. colored troops enlisted on
the 31st day of March 1864, for three years,
and was discharged from the McKim
hospital on the 25th of July 1865 by Surg.
L. W. Read on certificate of disability
for disease contracted while in the
service. — He gave his discharge
to a claim agent in this city, to procure
his Government bounty, and up to the
over

present time) he has been unable to obtain this bounty. As the claim Agent says, he forwarded the discharge to Washington and has never received a reply.

My object in troubling you on this subject is to ascertain if Private Henson can be furnished with a certificate of discharge from your office, in order that I may lay it before the Paymaster General.

If this can be done, may I ask the favor of you to have the Certificate sent to me, as the man is sadly in need of the amount due him.

I am, Colonel, Very Respectfully
Your obedient servant

H W Wharton

Major U.S. Army

Commdy Muster Mid. Mil. Dept.

~~Bureau R. F. and A. L. - Recd. 1866~~

Bureau R. F. and A. L.
Hd. Qrs. aft. Comm. Dist. Columbia
Washington, April 28, 1866.

Marble Geo. F.
Clerk for Art. Brig. Genl. C. H. Howard

Is directed by Maj. Genl.
Howard Comm. to say that
permission is given Genl.
Stannard to visit Washington

Recd. aft. Comm. Recd. - April 29/66.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Headquarters Ass't Commissioner District Columbia,

Washington, April 28th 1866.

Brig Genl.
Geo J. Stanford
Baltimore Md.
General.

In answer to
your communication of 27th inst. Maj. Genl.
Howard, Commissioner, directs me to say
permission is granted you to visit this city.
Brig. Genl. A. H. Howard, Act Comr. is absent on leave

Very Respd
Yours Offsct
Geo. S. Maule
Act Comr. Brig. Genl. Howard

L. B. R. ^{Young} ^{of} ^{the} ^{Ind.} 1826.

Baltimore, Md.
April 30, 1826.

Latrobe G. H.

Requests transportation
from Baltimore to Sal-
isbury Fla. for two
freedwomen - for the
within named reasons.

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Recd. aft. Com. Md. May 1, 1826.

Application
for Compensation
in the cases of
Pink Richards
and
Gabriella Penultima

Baltimore Md

April 30/1866

Maj Genl Starnes
In charge Freedman Bureau
Baltimore etc

Genl

I hereby make applica-
tion for transportation from this City (Balt^o)
& Tallahassee Fla. in the following cases

1st A coloured woman about 60 years of
age and very rheumatic whom I find in
the City of Baltimore last Fall but whom I
know belongs to, and has until the close of the
War lived in Tallahassee Fla. She is too infirm
to work and has not the means to reach
her home where she has a husband and
children.

2nd A young girl 15 years of age now acting
as my nurse whose parents live in Tallahassee
they have written for her, and she anxiously de-
sires to return herself to her home with the
girl as her parents have the means by which
she could reach home, I hired the girl in Fla.
at her Mother's desire at the close of the War and
brought her with me to this place

Respectfully Submitted

C. H. Latrobe

Care of Freedman Bureau (St.)

Baltimore

Tallahassee Florida

March 1st 1866

My dear wife

My Daughter received your letter day before yesterday, and we were rejoiced to hear of your very good health. I have moved from the old house to the Dr Taylor's old office, I rented the whole of that place from Mrs Taylor - I have delivered your message to Sister Mary Patten and Sister Emma Bull and they say that they are rejoiced to hear from you - I sent you by Mr Shepard when he went on a few little presents, as nice as I could get at the time, or as suitable as I could conveniently find, at that time, I sent you transportation from the Quarter Master at this place so that you could come home. Some time ago, I have written you regularly every month since you left here. ~~That~~ so if you have not received letters from me it was not my fault - Col Osborne of the Freedmans Bureau sent the transportation to Col Howard and I asked Mr Latrobe ^{to attend to it} in my letter to you containing the transportation - I did not send you any money because I had none that I could spare at the time - I unfortunately got in a law suit that took all the money I could rake and scrape up to the present time, but I hope soon to be able to get entirely clear of it - I have found some very good friends in my troubles, and some that I thought would stick up to me failed when I needed friends. You must excuse this letter as it is written in a hurry and there is no news worth writing. This leaves the children and myself all well and hearty, and getting along very well - write to me as soon as possible - If possible I'll come and bring you home though money is so scarce that I cannot say for certain. Your aff. husband. Alex. Taylor

S. S. B. R. L. K. L. - Md. 1866

Baltimore, Md.
May 2, 1866.

Shepley Joshua H.

Statement concerning
the length of time, Bristol
Cook and family worked
for him.

S

Recd. aft. term. Md. May 8, 1866.

Prisco Checks and family commenced work with
 Joshua H Shipley for \$160 per year on the 15th of Sept 1865

1865	Sept 13 th	To one dollar lent him in Washington	\$1.00
		To freight on goods	2.50
	29	To twenty five cents for Tobacco	25
Oct	3	To 1 lb. of Candles & Tobacco	40
	21	To an order to W. Marsh for	8.00
Nov	25	To Ten dollars p ^o . in the presence of Marsh	10.00
Dec	23	To five dollar cash p ^o	5.00
	27	To Elias P. Sevier bill for linen for Aurelia	4.50
	28	To one dollar & twenty five cents p ^o Aurelia	1.25
1866	Jan	To 1 pair of shoes for Aurelia price	3.50

Prisco Checks quit work on the 23rd of December 1865 and went
 to work again on the 14th day of April 1866 his wife and
 daughter lost but little time

I paid six dollars passage money for them to come on according
 to contract but they were to stay one year from the 15th day of Sept

Brisco. wife & daughter Amelia wages to say nothing
of the children was as follows \$10 per month for Briscoe
his wife Sophia \$5 per month, and his daughter Amelia
\$40, per year and then the children was taken into
consideration and the whole was agreed upon \$160, per year
the question arose whether I could board the children for
that amount my reply was that the oldest one could
do a good many little ^{things} about the house, and the captain
himself proportioned the wages to each to Briscoe \$70,
to Sophia \$50, and to Amelia \$40, accompanied with
this remark to Briscoe I do not intend to let you have all
this money

Baltimore Wednesday May 2nd 1866

To Genl. Starbuck

You will find a statement of fact in Briscoe case above
the wages agreed upon and set apart by the Capt. himself, if
it not putting you to much trouble and taxing your patience
to much I would like you to make the bill out he will hope
works on the 1st of may however I will settle with ^{him} to what I
conceive the contract is if there is any appeal to your honour
in regard to the matter if you conceive there is any wrong let
me hear from you and it shall be attend to you &c

Joshua H. Shipley

~~B. R. F.~~ ^{and} A. G. M. D. 1866

Paymaster General's Office
Division of Referred Claims
Washington, D.C. May 5, 1866.

Holmes, C.

Brig. Genl. ^{and} Paymaster

Forwards the discharge
of Wm. Miller with check
No. 1441 payable to himself
being in settlement of his
claim

P

Recd. apt. Comm. Md. May 6, 1866.

C. HOLMES,
Bvt. Lt. Col., and Paymaster.

Paymaster General's Office,

DIVISION OF REFERRED CLAIMS,

Washington, D. C., May 5th 1866.

Sir:

I send you herewith the Discharge
of William Miller together with Check No. 1441 on
National Bank of the Republic, payable to himself or
order, for Seven Hundred thirty four ⁹³/₁₀₀ Dollars, the same
being in settlement of his claim, received
and registered at this office. May 1, 1866, against the
United States Government.

Very respectfully, your obedient serv't.

C. Holmes

Bvt. Lt. Col., and Paymaster.

To Geo A Hackett
Care Genl Brown
Baltimore Md.

~~to~~ B. R. F. & A. L. - Ind. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of B. F. & A. L.
Claim Division
Washington, May 5, 1866.

Fowler, Jr.
A. A. Hunt.

Forwards blank forms
for colored soldiers, deacons
& their representatives for
claims and printed
instructions for same

Recd. Capt. Comm. Ind. May 6 1866.

En. 166.

Wm. Dechartreuse
Chief of B. O. & A. Lands
Claim Division
Washington, May 5th 1866.

Brig. Genl. G. J. Stannard,
Asst. Commr. B. O. & A. Lands
Baltimore, Md.

General

I have
the honor to transmit by to day's mail,
blank forms in claims for colored Soldiers,
Seamen and their representatives, against
the United States, and printed instruc-
tions for preparing same.

Please acknowledge receipt.

I am, General
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant
Wm Dechartreuse
A. A. Genl.

R. I. B. R. E. & A. S. - Md. 1866.

Wilson's Landing Va.
May 7, 1866.

Remington, J. H.
Capt. and Capt. Supt.

Enclose an order for
transportation for a freedman
en route for Washington with
a request that the trans.
be obtained for him from
the Sr. Com.

R

Recd. Capt. Com. Md. May 8 1866.

Wilson's Landing Va.

May 7th 1862.

Agent of Bureau R. & A. S.

Baltimore Md.

Sir:-

Enclosed
you will find an order for trans-
portation from Baltimore to
Washington for the bearer of this
for Sallie Black, en route to
Washington to join their parents.
Please obtain the transportation
from the L. M. and send them on
their way and oblige

Yours Obedient Servant

A. W. Livingston

Capt & Asst Supt

Bureau R. & A. S.

~~Port Deposit Md~~ 1866

Port Deposit Md.
May 8, 1866.

Jackson, Mrs. E. Garrison

States that she has ~~some~~
ascertained the name of
one witness - within named.
Makes statement relative
to her being ordered out
of the depot.

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Recd. Capt. Com. Md. May 9, 1866.

Port Deposit May 8th 1866

Gen. J. Stennard

Sir I have the pleasure of informing you that I have been successful in ascertaining the name of one witness viz David Gould who resides at 57 Mulberry St. I should have sent the address today but could not arrive in Port Deposit in time to mail it hence the delay. I would not mail any letters at Havre de Grace in consequence of the delay of letters mailed there. On leaving your office yesterday afternoon we went directly to the depot. We arrived there about 20 minutes before 4 o'clock. Mr Cornish asked me if I was going inside. I answered yes. I cannot stand out here. We were then in the street. We passed into the depot, and I made my way to the ladies' room. I took my station near the table, by the door. I had just time to take a glance at the occupants of the room when the female in charge of the apartment ~~came~~ came up to me and ordered me to leave the room which of course I did not heed. As I considered that I was in the right place. She ordered ^{me} out several times, and asked me if I was deaf. If I could not hear. And told me if I would not go she

would get someone to put me out. She then left the room as I supposed to put her ~~that~~ in execution. meantime I stood waiting as patiently and silently as possible for her reinforcements to arrive but I waited in vain. They did not come when she called and I remained until it was time for me to take the car. I did not know but these facts might be of use as I was the only one whom she addressed in that insulting manner while I was in the room. Therefore she did not treat me as she did the others present. I feel as though I ought to strive to maintain my rights. as long as our friends have passed a law for our protection we ought to contend ~~for~~ for our rights and let our friends see that we appreciate their efforts in our behalf. Hoping that I have not wearied your patience.

I remain yours most respectfully.

Mrs. E. Garrison Jackson.

Ford Deposit.

Md.

Cecil co.

~~Dr. B. R. F. & Co. - Md.~~ 1866

War Department
Bureau of P. & A. C. S.
Claim Division
Washington, May 8, 1866.

Fowler, Wm
A. A. Kohl.

Forwards Blank forms
required in the Claim
Division of the Bureau.

Recd. aft. Com. Md. May 9, 1866.

No. 172

War Department,
Gen R. F. and A. Lunds.
Claim Division.
Washington May 8th 1866.

Provost Maj Genl. Geo. J. Stannard,
Asst Comm Genl R. F. and A. Lunds.
Baltimore, Md.
General.

I have
the honor to send you by to-days mail,
100 blank forms, "Mothers declaration for
Pension." (Army). The "Proofs of Dependence"
will be sent you as soon as printed.
Please acknowledge receipt.

I am General.

Very Respectfully.

Your Obedt Servant.

Wm Fowler
Asst Adjt Genl

~~Post~~ B.R.F. & A.S. Md. 1866.

Bureau of R. F. and A.S.
Official Local Supt. Dist. of Columbia
Cor. Seventh and O Streets
Washington May 11, 1866.

Spurgin Wm. L.
Local Supt. D.C.

Forwards statement of
W. W. Banks relative to
the swindling operations
of one Oliver Wood, 61
2^d St. Balt. and his Agents.

Recd. aft. Comm. Md. May 12, 1866.

Bureau, Refugee, Freedmen^{and} abandoned Lands
Official Local Superintendent District of Columbia
Corner Seventh & O. Streets
Washington, May 11th 1866

Lieut W. W. Rogers

A. A. A. Genl, Bureau R. F. and A. S.

Dist Columbia

Colonel.

I have the honor to forward the statement of W. W. Banks, in the form of a deposition (not yet sworn to) showing up, the rascality of Oliver Wood, 61. Second St. Balt, & his agents. Wood, in my opinion should be arrested and prosecuted, for deceiving and swindling Freedmen. He receives a certain bonus, from the farmers of Md. for hands furnished them, and has agents in this city (or did have) & in Richmond, who make false representations, to the Freedmen to entrap them. I have no doubt Wood is an infamous scoundrel, from what I have seen of him, since July last, and do hope an end may be put to his operations, by his being arrested,

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
(Signed) Wm. J. Spurgin
Local Supt - D.C.

Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
Office of Local Superintendent District of Columbia
Corner of Seventh & D. Streets
Washington May 12th 1866

City of Washington
District of Columbia.

J. W. Washington Baults, a resident of Richmond Va. have been duly sworn, doth depose and state that on or about the 3rd inst. I contracted in Richmond Va. with a colored man named Sola Johnson, also a resident of Richmond Va. I contracted to go to the city of Baltimore, to work in that city and was promised free transportation from Richmond to Baltimore. Twelve other Freedmen went with me on the same conditions. When we went to Baltimore, we were taken direct to the Office of a man named Oliver Wood, 61 Second, who immediately took us in charge. The next morning he placed us on board a steamer, and sent us to a place called "Fairhaven, 60 Miles from Baltimore. When we got off at Fairhaven, a colored man that Wood had sent with us, directed us to a place called Friendship, a few Miles from Fairhaven, and placed us in charge of a man named Griffin, who was to hire us out to the farmers round about. We were told by Johnson in Richmond, that we would receive \$15 - per month in Baltimore. When we got to Friendship, we

found we could get but \$6. per month, also that the expenses incurred in our getting there, was to be taken out of our first month's wages. Finding that we had been deceived, four of the thirteen walked from Friendship to Washington.

I live in Richmond on the corner of 5th & Baker Streets,
Navy Hill.

Wm. Washington ^{his} Banks
Mark

Sworn & Subscribed to
before me the 11th day of May 1866
(sgd) Wm. W. Rogers
Prot. St. Col. & a. a. S.

Bo. B. P. F. and O. S. Ind. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of P. F. and A. S.
Claim Division
Washington, May 11, 1866.

Fowler, Wm
A. A. Genl.

Forwards blank forms
required in the Claim
Division Dept.

Recd. Aft. Comm. Ind. May 14 1866
Rec May 14/66

No. 146

War Department
Bureau of P. F. & A. Lands
& Claim Division.
Washington, May 11th 1866.

Brig. Genl. Geo. J. Stannard,
Asst. Commr. B. P. F. & A. L.
Baltimore Md.
General

I have the honor to transmit by to day's mail 25 copies "Directions for making out papers," 25 copies instructions as to proof of marriage required, and 50 copies "Proof of cohabitation and common repute." Please acknowledge receipt.

I am, General
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.
Lawler
A. A. Cull

ack
May 14/66

~~Wm. B. C. F. P. B. S.~~ - Md. 1866.

Md. Inv. Middle Mil. Dept.

Baltimore, May 13, 1866.

King Adam E.
Bvt. Brig. Genl. ^{4th} U. S. Inf.

Directs that the orderly
on duty in the office
of the Bureau - belong-
ing to the 8, U. S. Inf. be
relieved and ordered to
report to his Co. Commander.

Recd. Aft. Comm. Md. May 14/66.

Headquarters, Middle Military Department,

Baltimore, May 13 1866.

Br. Major General Sherman
Asst. Commr. Ordnance Bureau
Baltimore, Md.

Genl. Sir: Inf. having been received from duty in this Dept., the Major General commanding directs that the man on duty in your office as orderly be ordered to report to his company Commander for duty without delay.

I am, General,

Very Respectfully

Yours obed. Servt.

Adam Doring

Br. Brig. Genl. & Asst. Adj. Genl.

B. C. B. C. L. P. A. L. - Md. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of P. F. and A. L.
Claims Division
Washington, May 14, 1866.

Fowler, Wm
A. C. Hunt.

Forwards blanks re-
quired in Claims Di-
vision -

Recd. of the Bureau of P. F. and A. L. May 14 1866.

(No. 186)

War Department
Bureau of R. I. & A. S.
Blair Division
Washington D.C. May 14th 1866

Major General Geo. J. Starnard
Supt Freedmen's Affairs
Baltimore Md.

General

I have the honor to transmit by today's Mail 50 blank forms of "Power of Attorney" & 150 blank forms of "Declaration of Minor Children for Pension." Please acknowledge receipt

Very Respectfully
Your att. Servant
S. Fowler
Bvt Major & A. A. G.

Ack
May 17/66.

~~W. B. F. P. A. L. - Md~~ 1866

War Department
Bureau of B. F. and A. L.
Washington, May 15, 1866.

Fowler, William
A. A. Genl.

Encloses copy of form
of contract used by the
Bureau in Washington City

Recd. Aft. Com. Md. May 16 1866.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, May 15th 1866.

But. Maj. Genl. G. J. Starnard,
Ant. Levee

Genl.

Please find
enclosed a copy of the form of contract
used by the Bureau in this city for
the freedmen, which I promised yesterday
to send to you.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. servt
Spencer
A. J. S.

B. P. R. F. A. S. Med. 1866

U. S. Sanitary Commission
Army & Navy Claim Agency
242 F. St. Washington, D.C.
May 16, 1866.

Bascom, W. F.
Genl. Agent

Enclose Certificate of Pension - for Benjamin Malone

The enclosed Pension Certificate is for Benjamin Malone and is for the Department of the Interior.

Recd. of the Com. Med. May 17, 1866.

No. 30.

U. S. Sanitary Commission

ARMY AND NAVY CLAIM AGENCY,

242 F STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 16 1866

The inclosed Pension Certificate, issued from the Department of the Interior, has just been received at this Office.

You can draw the Pension in person, or by attorney, on application to the Government Agent, whose name and post-office address are given on the back of the Certificate.

If you choose to draw in person, take the Certificate with you to his office; but if by attorney, write to the Agent, requesting him to send you the proper blanks and instructions.

Please acknowledge to this Office forthwith the reception of the Certificate.

Respectfully yours,

W. F. BASCOM,

General Agent.

Benⁿ Malone

Care of Maj Gen^l Starnard

Baltimore, Md

Received Baltimore May 24/66
of Major Gen^l Starnard
Dist. Comm^r Annapolis R. D. & A. D.
Certificate of Pension No. 63082

Benⁿ Malone
622 Wisconsin Alley
Witness
Wm^o Starnard
Capt & Major

No. 30.

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Please acknowledge to this office forthwith the reception of the Certificate.

W. F. BASCOM,

General Agent.

Received at Baltimore May 22/66
of Mr. Geo. J. Harman and
Respectfully yours,
Benj. Malone
62 Welcome Alley
W. F. Bascom
General Agent.

Benj. Malone

son of Maj Gen & Howard

Baltimore

~~Recd.~~ P. R. F. and A. S. - Md. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of P. F. and A. S.
Claim Division
Washington, May 16, 1866.

Fowler, Gran
A. A. Lund.

Forwards the Rolls of the
H. U. S. C. I. - pertaining
to Maryland State Bounty
also to discharges and orders
on the Treasurer State of
Maryland.

Recd. Capt. Comm. Md. May 17, 1866.

No. 200.

War Department.

Bur. of Ref. F. & A. Lands.

Claim Division.

Washington, May 16th 1866.

Brvt. Maj. Genl. G. J. Starnard.

Asst. Commr. Bur. of R. F. & A. Lands.

Baltimore, Md.

General.

I have the honor to transmit by to-days mail, the rolls of the 4th Regt. U.S.C. Troops, pertaining to Maryland State Bounty. Also five (5) discharges, and orders on the Treasurer State of Maryland. The blank orders referred to in your communication of the 14th inst. were enclosed by mistake with other blank forms which were sent you yesterday. Please acknowledge receipt.

I am General.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obt. Servant.

Wm. Fowler

A. A. Genl.

Ack^d
May 17/66.

B. M. B. F. and A. L. - Md. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of R. F. and A. L.
Claim Division
Washington, May 17, 1866.

Fowler, Wm.
A. A. Genl.

Forwards blank forms
required in the Claim
Division

Recd. Capt. Tom. Md. May 18, 1866.

No. 213
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War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Claim Division
Washington, May 17th 1866.

Brvt. Maj. Genl. S. J. Stannard,
Supt. Freedmen's Affairs
State of Maryland.
Baltimore, Md.

General.

I have the honor
to transmit by to-days mail, 150 blank forms "Declarations for
Invalid Pension", and 50 blank forms "Application for Prize
Money". Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours General,

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant,
Wm. Fisher

Adj. Genl.
"

Ack
May 18/66

B. H. B. R. F. P. A. G. Ind. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of P. & A. G.
Washington, May 18, 1866.

Fowler Green
A. A. Capt.

Transmit the discharge
order on the Treasurer State
of Md. in the case of the
within named colored Soldier
States that Jas. H. Key
formerly of Co. "G" 4th U.S.C.T.
desires his Md. State Bounty
deposited in the Freedmen's
Savings Bank, Washington
D.C.

Recd. aft. Comm. Ind. May 19/66.

No. 227,

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, May 18th 1866.

Det. Maj. Genl. G. J. Starnard

Asst. Comd. R. J. S. & L.

Baltimore, Md.

General

I have the

honor to transmit herewith the discharge and order
on Treasurer State of Md. in the case of each of
the following named men:

Joshua Johnson Co. 4th U. S. C. Troops.

Chas. Lingham " " " " " "

Isander Green " " " " " "

James F. Price B. " " " " " "

James H. Key, formerly of Co. F,
4th U. S. C. Troops, desires his Maryland
State bounty - when collected, deposited in
the Freedmen's Savings Bank, Washington D.C.

Please acknowledge receipt of enclosed papers

I am, General
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant
J. Fowler
A. A. Genz.

B. B. P. F. and A. J. - Ind. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of B. F. and A. J.
Washington, May 18, 1866.

Fowler, Gen
A. A. Genl.

Writes concerning the
discharge of Joseph
Carroll Co. F. A., U.S.C.F.

Recd. Capt. Comm. Ind. May 19 1866.

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, May 18th 1866.

Capt.

Your letter respecting the discharge of Joseph Carroll Co. 4th U.S. Col. T. is received. If I remember rightly, the discharge was handed to me by one of the Freedmen's Bank carriers. A blank order will have to be sent him for signature &c.

Very truly
yours
S. Fowler

A. A. G. S.

Capt. J. F. Lebur,

A. A. G. S.

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Pat. B. R. T. ^{to} ^{by} ^{of} ^{the} ^{War} ^{Dept.} ^{May} ¹⁹ ¹⁸⁶⁶

War Department
Bureau of P. & A. L.
Claims Division
Washington, May 19, 1866.

Fowler, Wm
A. A. Arch.

Transmits blank drafts
on Treasurer State of
Maryland for State Bounty

Recd. Capt. Comm. Ind. May 20 1866.

No 1821

War Department
Bureau P. F. and A. L.
Claim Division

Washington D. C. May 12th 1866.

Post Major General Geo. J. Starnard

Asst. Commissioner Bureau P. F. and A. L.
Baltimore Md.

General.

I have the honor to transmit herewith blank drafts on the Treasurer State of Maryland, for State County. Please acknowledge receipt.

I am General
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant.
A. A. Paul

Note May 14/66
that 12 blanks were
not enclosed
Rec May 17/66

A. I. B. C. F. and A. S. - Ind. 1866

Indiana Penn.
May 21, 1866.

Gibson, W. E.
Sate Suit. 4, U. S. C. F.

Make statement concerning
certain money which was
in his possession and
belonging to Priv. Perry
W. Scott Co. "K." 4 "U. S. C. F.

Wrapper - One Enclosure

G

Recd. Capt. Comm. Ind. May 23, 1866.

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At. E. S.

indebted to
ask no further
it is unnecessary
writing

Respt - your
Sunt

H. G. Gibson
Sunt
S. S. S.

C. Indiana Pa

May 21st 1866

Capt

Your communication of the 16th
let. was received this morning in
reply to which I have the honor
to state that all the money
which Perry (W. Scott Post-est
4^{1/2} U.S.C. had. in my possession
was by me turned over to him
some time ago I presume he thought
it was not but if so he is
under a mistake as I let him
have it just as he wanted to
see it. if this is not satisfactory
I am prepared for any investigation
that he may be pleased to make
I received his money merely to
accommodate him and to keep it
from being stolen as he thought

it would be if he returned it
himself. I will give you a statement
of what I received and what I return
to him. I do this merely to show you
that swindling a poor miserable colored
man is hearnat me not - that I
am compelled to do it - for I
do not feel that I am

I received from him \$65⁰⁰ on the
7th day of December 1865 -
paid to him at different times

the following amounts

Dec 6 th 1865	\$10 ⁰⁰
Dec 8 th 1865	\$38 ⁰⁰
Dec 16 th 1865	\$23 ⁰⁰
Dec 26 "	\$50 ⁰⁰
Jan 13 1866	\$30 ⁰⁰
Total paid	\$165 ⁰⁰
Total Received	165 ⁰⁰

Leaving a balance of nothing
I am unable to think how he could

claim that I am indebted to
him I will make no further
statement as it is unnecessary

Yours
Very Resp^t - yours
Wm. G. Gibson
Supt. of the
U.S. Coast

To Capt
Jacob F. Lane
A.A.C.S.

C. J.
Capt
Your com
let. was received
reply to which
to state that
which Perry (W
4th U.S. Co. was
was by one turn
some time ago
it was not by
under a mistake
have it just as
one it if this
I am prepared
that he may be
I received his
accommodate him
from being stop

~~Butt.~~ B. R. F. & A. Q. - Md. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of R. F. and A. Q.
Washington, May 24, 1866.

Fowler, ~~Grass~~
A. A. Lamb.

Transmit discharge
and order on Treasurer
State of Md. for bounty
of the within named
parties.

Chas. A. Wilson,	G. 4
N. G. Wilson.	F. 4
R. M. Smith	B. 4
Jacob Scott.	A. 2

Recd. aft. Comm. Md. May 25, 1866.

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War Department,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, May 24th 1866.

Col. Maj. Genl. G. J. Starnard,
Asst. Commr. B. R. F. & A. L.
Baltimore, Md.

General

I have the honor
to transmit herewith the discharge and order on Treasurer
State of Maryland, for bounty, of the following named
men, formerly of the 4th Regt. U. S. C. Troops:

Charles A. Wilson, G. Co. Nathaniel G. Wilson, F. Co.
Robert M. Smith, B. Co.

Also of Jacob Scott, formerly Pvt. Co. A. 2nd Regt.
U. S. C. Troops. Please acknowledge receipt:

I am, General,

Very Respectfully,
Your Obedt. Servt.,
A. S. Quab.

~~B.R.F.A.S. Md. 1866.~~

Paymaster General's Office
Division of Referred Claims
Washington, D.C. May 24, 1866.

Holmes, G.
Act. Surg. Gen. Paymaster

Baltimore May 28/66.

Forwards Check No. 1489 on
National Bank of the Republic
for \$473.⁸⁸/₁₀₀ being in settle-
ment of claim of James Seely,
registered Feb. 1.

Received this day the
within mentioned check.

his
James X Seely
marks

Witness
Jacob F. Blum.

Recd. aft. Comm. Md. May 25 1866

C. HOLMES,
Bvt. Lt. Col., and Paymaster.

Paymaster General's Office,

DIVISION OF REFERRED CLAIMS,

Washington, D. C., May 24th 1866.

Sir:

I send you herewith the Discharge
of Yourself together with Check No. 1439 on
National Bank of the Republic, payable to Yourself or
order, for Four Hundred Seventy Three ¹⁰⁰ Dollars, the same
being in settlement of your claim, received
and registered at this office Feb 1, 1866, against the
United States Government.

Very respectfully, your obedient serv't.

Holmes

Bvt. Lt. Col., and Paymaster.

To James Lively
Care Maj Gen G. S. Standard
Baltimore Md.

B. 15. B. P. F. and A. L. - Inds. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of P. F. and A. L.
Washington, May 25, 1866.

Fowler, Gen.
A. A. Genl.

Forwards blank forms
required in Claim Division

Recd. Capt. Comm. Ind. May 26, 1866.

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War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, May 25 - 1866.

Dist. Maj. Genl. G. J. Stammers,
Asst. Comm. D. P. F. & A. L.,
Baltimore, Md.
General

I have the honor to transmit by to days mail, blank forms, "Proof of Freedom," "Power of Attorney" and "Receipts," Please acknowledge receipt.

I am, General
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant,
Wm. Fowler
S. A. Cull

P. 16. R. F. & B. L. - May 1866.

War Department
Bureau R. F. and B. L.
Claim Division
Washington, May 28, 1866.

Fowler, Gen.
A. A. Genl.

Forwards Blank Forms
required in the Claim Divi-
sion of the Bureau.

Recd. aft. Command. May 26, 1866.

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War Department,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, ^{Blain Bureau} May 25th 1866.

Brig Major General Geo. J. Stannard

Asst Commr B. R. F. & A. L.

State of Maryland

Baltimore Md.

General

I have the honor to transmit by today's mail 150 forms "Declaration of Children for Bounty & Arrears of Pay" & 150 forms "Proof of Dependence in Mother's claim for Pension." Please acknowledge receipt.

I am General

Very Respectfully

Your obt. Servt
A. A. General

A. A. General

Bureau Refugee, Freedmen &c.

Baltimore, Md. May 26 / 66.

Bolemus, A. W.
Capt. U. S. A.

Report concerning the
murder of Ed. Sherrard
Colored. Also on the
condition of the freedmen
in Eastern Md.

Recd. Capt. Comd. Md. May 26 1866.

Bureau. Rufus F. Truman 8th
Baltimore Md. May 26th 1866.

Captain.

In Obedience to D. O. N^o 3, dated 5th Dec. 1854.
Commissioner. Bureau. R. F. & de. Baltimore Md. May 23th 1866. I proceeded
to Easton Talbot Co. Md. and respectfully report.
I arrived at Easton, May 24th at 12 o'clock M. The Court being in
Session, the Town was full of People, from the surrounding Country,
From their Conversation among themselves and with me, I found
nearly all bitterly opposed to the Government, by Reason of the
Release of their Slaves, and very much prejudiced against every
person who takes an Interest in the Welfare of the unfortunate
inoffensive col^d. Race. The col^d. People to whom I applied for Information
are afraid to speak or complain, for fear of being murdered in
open Day. I went to the Judge of the Court, to ascertain what Steps
had been taken to arrest the Murderer of C^o. Sherwood col^d, who was
shot and instantly killed on Sunday last, while quietly walking
to Church, and was informed that James Kent Harper (Son of S^r. Harper
of Easton Md) late a Rebel Soldier, has been indicted by the Grand Jury
for this Murder and that efforts were made by the Sheriff, to arrest him,
But I also ascertained that the Murderer remained undisturbed in town
until Monday, when he publicly left on his fathers horse.

Over.

I would Respectfully recommend that the Governor of M^d. be requested to offer a suitable Reward for his Arrest.

I visited the col^d. School at Easton and found nearly 100, one hundred children in Attendance, directed by (2) two col^d. female teachers. The Scholars very Obedient, attentive and learning their Lessons well. There are three more Schools in this Co., One at St. Michaels, One at Trappe and One at Hw Oak. The Schools are supported by the Baltimore Association and other Generous Contributors and Nothing from the State Schoolfund, as reported to me by the State Superintendent of Public Schools. They require Schoolhouses very much, at present the Churches are mostly used for that Purpose. I have requested the Preacher at Easton Mr. Sobson, a very intelligent Shoemaker, to inform the Bureau of any difficulties which may occur.

I have ascertained that there is a large surplus of laborers in this Co., The Price of Wages now is from 8 to 15 dollars per Month and food and Quarters.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
W. W. Dolnius
Capt. 22^d. Regt U.S.A.

Captain J. F. Chew
U. S. A. Genl.
Bureau Refugee Freedmen &c

Baltimore, M^d.

May 26, 1866

Concerning
Deposits of Public Funds

War Department
Adjutant General's Office
Washington May 26th 1866.
Major General Howard,
Commissioner,

From and after this date public funds in the hands of Officers of your Bureau will only be deposited with the Asst. Treasurer and Special Government-Depositaries, a list of which you will obtain from the Secretary of the Treasury.

Officers receiving funds for sales of public property except the ordinary sales of Subsistence stores will without unnecessary delay make deposits in the nearest Depositaries to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, on account of the appropriations to which they belong.

Transfer from one Depository to another shall not be made without Special authority from the Secretary of War. Where there is no Asst. Treasurer or Special Depository, and a place of deposit is needed the fact will be reported to the Secretary, and application

made for leave to deposit in the National Bank.
Funds shall remain in the Depository until actually
needed for disbursement to the public creditor.
Disbursements shall be made of the identical funds
received from the Depository.

You will prepare and issue instructions in
conformity with this Order, and transmit a
copy thereof to this Office and acknowledge
these instructions.

By Order of the Secretary of War
(Signed) E. D. Townsend,
Ass't. Adjt. Gen.

Official copy respectfully furnished to Major General
Geo. J. Stannard, Supt. Freedmen's Affairs, who is hereby
directed to see that the requirements of the above Order
are complied with. A list of Asst. Treasurers and United
States Depositories is herewith enclosed.

By Order of
Major General C. C. Howard, Commissioner
A. P. Ketchum
Adj't. Ass't. Adjt. Gen.

Bureau Refugee & Freedmen
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J. L. W. S.

Report of investigation
of Freedman's affairs
of
Queen Anne's County Va

Bureau Refugee Freedmen &
Hd, Drs, Asst, Commissioner

Baltimore May 30, 1866

Brvt Maj Genl. Geo. J. Stannard
Asst Commissioner

General

In compliance with Special Orders No. 4, from Hd Drs Asst. Commissioner Dated Bal. May 28th 1866 I left the City at 7 o'clock on the morning of the 29th Inst. for Centerville Queen Anne County Md. for the purpose of making an investigation of Freedmen's affairs in that county.

As the result of said investigation I have the honor to submit the following report, I mingled freely with the people of Centerville, the County Town of said County, conversing with persons of all shades of opinion & consulting particularly with the following gentlemen all of whom were represented to me as unflattering union men
Marshall Gough ~~bro~~ former Provost Marshal
Mr Hahn Editor of the "Citizen" & Mr Arlet Esq
also John Adams a very intelligent colored man & J. R. Ballard (Colored) Teacher of the

Freedmens School.

These persons were unanimous in the following points to wit.

1st That a large majority of the citizens of Queen Ann County were disloyal during the rebellion, & that they still feel partial to the people of the late rebellious States, & consequently are more or less bitter towards those who were loyal.

2^d. Notwithstanding this they say that with the more intelligent & better class of people there is no disposition to persecute or oppress the Freedman. On the other hand they are anxious to give employment to them - paying to the men an average of 13 dollars per month, & to the women from three to five dollars.

3^d That the Freedmen, are, as a general rule, industrious, & contented, that they spend less money for trifles than they did when slaves, that they are as comfortable, & as well provided for, now as in their former condition, & in many instances better, - that there is no doubt but that in a few years when they become accustomed to their new status, they will be greatly benefitted by the gift of freedom, The former master is benefited by this new state of things, having the same labor performed by fewer hands, & at less expense.

4th That altho at first there was

considerable prejudice against the education of
Freemen, there is now, a growing feeling in its favor,
that the only exception to this rule is the extremely ignorant
There is but one school for Freemen in the County at present
This is at Centerville, & is taught by J. R. Ballard, an intelli-
gent colored man, & is in a flourishing condition. There
have been two others, but they have been suspended,
one, because the church, in which it was taught, was
burned, I was told that there was a vigorous effort
made to learn who were the persons engaged in this
diabolical act, but without success. The other was
suspended because of its proximity to the white school
I would earnestly recommend that some measures be taken
to establish more schools, as I regard it as a principal
means for the regeneration, & elevation of the colored
race.

5th That there is a great laxity of morals,
& almost an entire disregard of the obligations
of the marriage relation among the Freemen.

In conclusion you will permit me to
remark that the wants of the colored people
opens a field for the united & earnest efforts of
the school teacher, the statesman, & the Christian
Philanthropist.

Over

I am very respectfully
Your obt. Servt
L. McDougall
1, St. V. R. L.

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B. 17 B. P. F. and A. S. - Inds 1866.

War Department
Bureau P. F. and A. S.
Washington, May 29, 1866.

Fowler, W^m
C. A. Genl.

States that in the claim
of John Reed a Power of
Attorney will be needed
blanks for which ~~will~~ ^{have}
been forwarded.

Revenue stamps are
not required on any
papers relating to claims

Recd. aft. Comm. Inds. May 30 /66.

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, May 29th 1866.

Captain,

Your letter of the 28th inst. has been received. In the claim of John Reed a Power of Attorney will be needed. I believe blanks for that purpose have been sent to you. One should accompany every claim in the body of which no power of atty is inserted. No revenue stamps are required on any papers relating to claims of soldiers or their families for back pay, bounty or pensions.

Very truly,
Grafton

Capt. J. F. Chew

A. A. G.

A. A. G.

H. B. P. & Co. Ind. 1866

Anapolis, Ind.
May 29, 1866.

Fowler, Joseph O.

Writes in reference to
the request for a marriage
certificate of Mary B.
formerly Mary Smith.

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Recd. Aft. Com. Ind. May 30/66.

Mr J. F. Blair Esqr, Annapolis May 29th 1866

Dear Sir

Your favor of 8th May is before me asking of me a Marriage certificate for Mary B--- formerly Mary Smith - who was married some 26 years ago at the House of Mr Jas Harrison Lower Marlboro, Calvert County -

I received also a Letter from J. P. Breager U. S. Claim Agent in reference to the same Woman's case -

I recollect some years past probably 25 or 26 years - to have married a Woman of Mrs H. Hodgskins at the House of Mr James Harrison by the verbal request of Mr Harrison who was at the time acting as agent for Mrs H. - but I made no record of the Marriage and had entirely forgotten all about it until I was written about it and now do not remember the Man's name to whom she was married - if I can do any thing for Mary B. - I am willing to do it -

I will write Mr Jas Harrison who may refresh my Memory - & Satisfy my Mind on the Subject. - If so you shall soon hear from me - Yours Most respectfully
Joseph O. Fowler

~~Butt~~ B. B. F. & A. S. - Md. 1866

War Department
Bureau of P. F. & A. S.
Claim Division
Washington, May 29, 1866.

Fowler, Gen
A. A. Genl.

Replies & communication
of 26 inst. relative & form
of copy of certificate of
discharge &c.

Recd. Aft. Com. Md. May 31/66.

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Claim Division
Washington, May 29th 1866.

Col. Maj. Genl. S. J. Stannard.

Asst. Comr. Bur. Ref. F. & A. Lands.

Baltimore, Md.

General.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 26th inst. and in reply to your query as to form of copy of discharge certificate to be placed on file in the office of the Comptroller of the Treasury of the State of Maryland. state that I will prepare forms and send to you as soon as printed.

I am General

Very Respectfully

Your Obl. Servant.

Wm Fowler

No. 272

A. A. Genl.

B. 17. D. 10. 7. ^{and} C. S. - Md. 1866.

Depot Quartermaster Office

Baltimore, Md.

May 30, 1866.

Bradley, G. W.

Col. Chf. Dr. in. Mil. Dept.

Requests a roster of all
Officers on duty in the
Bureau, stationed in Bal-
timore and who are en-
titled to Commutation of
Quarters &c.

Recd. aft. Comm. Md. May 31/66.

Depot Quartermaster's Office,

Baltimore, Md., May 30th 1866.

Capt. J. H. Thur, a. a. g.
Armedman's Bureau,
Baltimore, Md

Captain.

Will you please furnish this
Office with a Roster of the Officers sta-
tioned at Baltimore Md, in duty with your
Bureau, who are entitled to commutation
of Quarters and Fuel, with the dates of
their reporting, respectively.

Very Respectfully &c



Colonel. Chief Q. M.

Md. Mil. Dept.

Bureau Refugee, Freedmen &c.

Baltimore, Md. May 31

Polk, A. W.

Capt. and Inspect. Officer

Report upon the condition
of Freedmen affairs
in Kent Co. Maryland

James T. [unclear] [unclear] + [unclear] lands

Baltimore Md. May 31st 1866.

Captain

In compliance with S. P. no 4 dated Feb 22nd last Commission
in Bureau H. and S. Baltimore May 28th 1866 I have visited Kent Co. Md
and respectfully report. The white population treat the col^d people
in apparent fairness which appeared to me to be the result of the
good moral conduct of the colored community and their usefulness
as laborers. Able bodied farm hands receive from ten to twelve dollars
per month and women from three to four dollars. Sick and disabled
freemen are assisted by a society of colored persons of the county.
There are at present nine schools in the county at the following places.
At Clinton town taught by J. C. Young 45 scholars female school
taught by Maria Dixon 30 scholars, Fountain Church by Julia A. Smith
45. Clinton Kent Co. by Madame Wagner 48. Woolen Point by Miss
Allen 40 Quaker Neck by Miss Howard 50. I W. Miss Cooper
25. Millington Miss A. Smith 65, Edenville Miss M. C. Anderson
25 scholars. Of all these schools only the one at Millington has a
school house all the others are carried on in churches or private
dwelling. loaned by colored persons for that purpose. Application
for schools ^{has been made} to the Baltimore Association from the following
places in this county. Rock Hall, Little Pond Cross Roads, Morgan
Cock Neck, New Market and Gaena but have as yet received
no teachers. The county and State declining to assist in furnish-
ing means to build school houses I would respectfully suggest

That application be made to the government. The inclemency of the weather prevented me from visiting the schools. The above information was received from Mr. Wm Perkins ^{Act} Superintendent of the colored schools and from the teacher I met. It is gratifying to report that the school of Mr. T. E. Younger, Sr. at Chattanooga will compare well with any public school I ever visited. The teacher (H. G.) was educated in Canada West and the discipline of his school is perfect. In regard to the complaint of T. E. Younger (referred through the Col. Association to General Skannard) I find it was caused by some intoxicated students and as nothing of the kind has occurred since he (Mr. Younger) is not willing to make any deposition thinking it might renew his persecutions. I have requested him and also Mr. Perkins to inform the Bureau of any difficulties that may occur. Frequent visits of officers of the Bureau will be beneficial to the interests of the colored population as it proves to rebel sympathisers that the government is determined to protect the refugees and to redress in their rights.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

W. W. Robinson

Capt. 22nd C. R. C.

Captain Jacob L. Chur

A. A. A. Genl.

D. S. B. P. L. & A. S. Ind. 1866

War Department
Bureau of P. L. and A. S.
Claim Division
Washington, June 2, 1866.

Fowler, Gen
A. A. Gent.

Acknowledge receipt
of Army & Navy discharge
of John Reed, ^{Seaman} and states
that proof of freedom is
required in his case

Recd. Capt. Comm. Ind. June 8 1866

War Department,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, *Claim Division June 2^d 1866.*

Col. Maj. Genl. S. J. Stannard.

Asst. Commr. Bur. R. F. & A. Lands.

Baltimore, Md.

General.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Army and Navy discharges of John Reed, and declaration in his claim for bounty on account of transfer from Army to Navy. Proof of freedom is required in this case, as the man enlisted prior to July 18th 1864. also Power of Attorney, as none is embodied in the form.

I am General.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant.

Spencer
Towler

A. A. Genl.

No. 295.

B. J. C. R. F. and Co. J. - Md. 1866

War Department
Bureau of P. F. & A. L.
Washington, June 2, 1866.

Ketchum, A. P.
Act. Capt. Adj. Genl.

Circular Letter relative
to officers of the V. R. Co.
failing to comply with
Par. 468. Army Regulation

Recd. aft. Comm. and. June 2, 1866.

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, June 2^d 1866.

Circular Letter -

General:

Information having been received from the Adjutant General's Office that many officers of the Veteran Reserve Corps, on duty in this Bureau, have failed to comply with Par 468 Army Regulations, the Commissioner requests that all officers of the said Corps, on duty within your District be directed to comply promptly with the requirements of the same, making their report to the Adjutant General of the Army direct

By order of

Major General O. O. Howard, Commissioner.

A. T. Ketchum

Acty. Adj. Genl.

May. Genl. Geo. J. Starnard,
Inch. Freedmen's Affairs.

Post Office, C. Md. 1866

Centerville,

Queen Anne Co. Md.

June 3, 1866.

Ballard J. R.

Requests that an officer
of the Bureau may be
assigned to duty in his
section to protect the Freedmen.

Recd. Capt. Comm. Md. June 4 '66.

Centerville,
Queen Anne Co
June 3rd 1866
Gen. O. C. Howard

Sir,
I was
visited during past week
by one of your officers - inquire
ing of me the state of affairs
around and about Centerville.
I had but few minutes
conversation with ^(him) conse-
quently I could not expect
much, but he stated to
me in a very few words
the object of his visit, which
was to establish an office
for protection of Freedman
I write you to know
whether we are to have
that office here or not.
and how long it will

be before it is established.

Do not deprive us of
such office. The state
of affairs are of such na-
ture, as to demand the
immediate presence of
free Quiltsmen in Blue

There are more than
fifty Freedman who have
been turned out by their
employers with little or
no compensation for
their labor. Please

write me immediately
what is to be done,
and if such office for
the protection of Freed-
man on these shores
can be established,
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Yours Respy
A R Ballard

Direct

J. O. Ross

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Direct Centreville
P.O. Box 38 Queen Anne
Md.

Bureau of Freedmen &
Office for Commr
Baltimore Md June 6th 1866

Chin Jacob L.
Capt. & A. A. A. Capt.

C. J. B. R. & A. L. - Md. 1866

Solicits reformation of Margaret
Merndon and three children
If supported by the Government
and if she agrees to return
with her children to her husband
in West Va. ages of her children
& reside in Lynchburg.

Recd. Capt. Commr. June 7th 1866

Respectfully referred to
Lt. J. P. Woodell V. R. L. &
Asst. Supt.

R. L. Lacey Capt. &
Asst. Supt.
Lynchburg Va June 8th 1866

Office Asst. Supt. B. R. F. & C.
Lynchburg Va June 8th 1866

Respectfully returned Capt. R. S. Lacy Asst.
& Supt. The within named woman
and two of her children are in the
Barracks at this place and are suppo-
rted by the Government. These children
are aged 10 and 11 years. She has an
other daughter at work near Syn-
durg aged 20 years. The mother
is desirous to go with her children
to her husband. Her husband has
sent her twenty dollars (\$20.00) to
defray her expenses ~~and~~ going to
him that amount not being enough
to pay the fare I have written
him for more money

J. P. Woodell
Lt. V. R. L. & Asst. Supt.

Bureau of F. & A. L.
Office Asst. Supt. 7th Dist of Va.
Lynchburg Va June 10th 1866

Respectfully Returned to
Capt. Jacob F. Chin A. A. A.
Attention invited to report of
Lt. J. P. Woodell V. R. L. & Asst. Supt.

R. L. Lacey Capt. &
Asst. Supt.

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Bureau Refugees Freedmen &
Office Asst. Commissioner

Baltimore June. 6. 1866.

Capt. J. B. Tracy.

Dept. Freedmen's Affairs

Lynchburg. Va.

Captain.

A communication has been referred by the Bureau to this Office requesting information relative to Margaret Merdow / Col^l and her three children. she being desirous to join her husband in West. Virginia. The Asst Com^d directs me to inquire of you, as to the following points

Is this woman and her children supported by the Government? Do it her own desire to return with her children to her husband? Does she reside in Lynchburg? And what are the ages of the children.

Very respectfully
Your obt^d servt.

Jacob T. Shaw
Capt & W.A.A.G.

B. 23 B.R. ^{and A.L.} ~~Met.~~ 1866

War Department
Bureau of P. F. ^{and A.L.}
Washington, June 6, 1866.

Fowler, ~~Wm.~~
A. A. Genl.

Acknowledges receipt
of papers in the claim
of Washington Wilson
for arrears of pay &c
on account of his
deceased son.

Recd. aft. Com. Md. June 7, 1866.

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War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, June 5th 1866.

Br. Maj. Gen. G. J. Stannard,
Asst. Comm. B. P. F. & A. L.
Baltimore, Md.
General

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of papers in the claim of Washington Wilson, for arrears of pay, bounty etc. on account of his deceased son, Robert A. Wilson.

I am General,
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant
Wm. Fowler
A. S. Gay.

C. I. R. F. & A. Co. - Md. 1866.

Office Asst. Commissioner
Bureau of B. F. & A. Co. F.
Tallahassee Fla.
June 6, 1866.

Case Char. 06.
P. O. Box 87.

Applies for a clerk-
ship in Bu. R. F. & A. Co. F.
in State of Md.

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Recd. Asst. Comm. Md. June 9, 1866.

Office Asst. Commissioner
Bureau R. Freed U.S.
Tallahassee Fla. June 6th 1865

General G. J. Starnard
Asst. Commiss. R. P. Street S. for Maryland

Sir

I humbly make an application for a
clerkship in your Office I have been in the
Office of the Asst. Commr for this State, several
months, besides having experience in other places.
I flatter myself that I understand the duties
of the Adjutant General's Department, thoroughly.
I can furnish the best of references, both here,
and in the North, Senator Dixon and others
in Washington. My salary is \$100 per month
here, but I am expecting \$125. However, I
would rather work for the former. North, than
the latter, here. Hoping to receive a satisfactory

reply, soon.

I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

Charles H. Case

J. O. P. 187.

~~Genl. B. R. F.~~ ^{2nd} A. S. - Md. 1866

War Department
Bureau of Lt. F. & A. S.
Claim Division
Washington, June 7, 1866.

Fowler, ^{Wm}
A. A. Supt.

Acknowledges receipt
of 150 blank forms. Chil-
dren claims for arrears
of Pay & Bounty.

Recd. aft. Com. Md. June 8 1866.

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War Department.
Buro of P. F. & N. Lands
Claims Division.
Washington June 3rd 1866.

Art. Maj. Genl. L. J. Starnard
Asst. Commr. B. L. F. & N. L.
Baltimore, Md.
General,

I have the honor
to acknowledge receipt of 150 forms "Children's
claims for arrears of pay and bounty" forwarded
by you on the 3rd inst.

I am, General
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant,
Wm. Fowler
A. A. Goss,

~~Recd. B. F. & A. S. - Feb 1866~~

War Department
Bureau of P. F. and A. S.
Claim Division
Washington, June 7, 1866.

Fowler, Wm
A. A. Lamb

Acknowledges receipt
of Power of Attorney in
the case of John Reed^{Deuman}
requests that proof of freedom
be forwarded.

Recd. apt. Comm. Recd. June 8, 1866.

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War Department
Dir. of L. F. & A. S. S. & S.
Claim Division.
Washington, June 7th 1866.

Col. Maj. Genl. G. J. Stannard,
Asst. Comm. B. R. F. & A. S. S.
Baltimore, Md.

General

I have the honor
to acknowledge receipt of your communication
of the 2nd inst. enclosing Power of Attorney in
the case of John Reed. No proof of freedom,
as called for in communication (295) from
this office, of the 2nd inst. was enclosed.

Please furnish this evidence, as the
claim cannot be audited without it.

over

I am General

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant,
Miss Fowler

A. A. Gush

Bureau Refugee, Freedmen &c.
Office Asst. Commissioner
Baltimore, Md. June 8, 1866.

Don Schurack, Jr. Co.
Bvt. Maj. ^{and} Capt. 7, U.S.C.

Reports upon the Con-
dition of Freedmen's
affairs in Harford Co.
Maryland.

Recd. Asst. Comm. Md. June 8, 1866.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & A. C.
Office Asst. Commissioner
Baltimore Md. June 8th 66.

Captain

Having proceeded to Harford County, Md. to investigate and report upon Freedmen's affairs in that County, in obedience to Special Orders No. 6. Ex. II. from Headquarters Freedmen's Bureau for the States of Maryland and West Va., Baltimore Md. June 6th 1866, I have the honor to report as follows:

Taking the 9.20. A. M. New York Express train, I arrived at Havre de Grace 11 o'clock A. M. June 7th; immediately upon my arrival I called on the different leading men of the District, civil functionaries and others, who were all without exception anxious to give me all facilities possible for the performance of my duties; the people of Havre de Grace and other parts of Harford County are, as a class, good law-abiding citizens, they are of course prejudiced to some degree toward their colored fellow beings.

but this will wear off in time; the better class of white citizens express themselves greatly in favor of having colored children educated and deem the operations of the "Freedmen's Bureau" alike beneficial to the social welfare of both black and white. - The only disturbances between the two races originated from some returned Rebel soldiers, but now, although a great number of the ⁱⁿhabitants are "Southern sympathizers" even the latter are not permitted to interfere with the colored people of that section, the County officials, assisted by the better class of white citizens, seeming disposed to protect the colored people from the lawlessness of Rebel ruffians. - About two miles from Harde de Grace I visited a school for colored children, taught by Miss M. J. C. Anderson (colored); there were present nearly 50 pupils, who are progressing very finely under the teacher above named; Miss A. informs me that the full number of her pupils is (55) fifty five, both male and female; she is keeping school in an old church near a Country road; the sanitary condition of the house and grounds I deem excellent. -

Having been verbally instructed to investigate into a charge of assault upon a colored girl, I ascertained that one Michael O'Donoghue aged about sixteen (16), had been riding on horse back across a field near the school house, at the time when the children were playing outside the house, he rode up to a gate and called to one of the girls, about 8 or 9 years old, to open the gate for him, which she did not comply with, he then dismounted, opened the gate, went up to the girl and did beat her, not seriously however, after which he rode off. - These are the facts of the case, which I deemed, considering the age of the aggressor and prejudice, yet existing but gradually wearing off, towards the colored people in the section, not important enough to have ~~them~~^{it} brought before some civil Tribunal, but I have warned all parties evilly disposed towards their colored fellow beings, to abstain from all further aggressions, as the Government being determined to protect white and black alike in their rights. - At Hazemell Cross Roads is a school for colored

children in fair progress, numbering from 35 to 40 children, teacher: Joseph H. Rogers (colored). Miss H. B. Rossier is teaching school at "Green Hill" with 18-20 pupils. - At Darlington (12 miles from Sharre de Grace) Miss M. E. Watson is teaching school, number of pupils I could not ascertain; this school is under the supervision of the "American Missionary Association". - Preparations are made at Churchville, under auspices of "Baltimore Association" to establish a school within this month. -

The only assistance towards elevating by education the colored people of that County, is derived from the "Baltimore Association" (with the exception above referred to) neither County nor State giving the least aid or countenance (I may even say) to the truly Christian work of enlightening and elevating our fellow beings, hitherto in the chains of bondage and utter darkness! I beg leave to suggest that an Officer be sent from time to time to Harford County, deeming the presence of an Officer in that County an encouragement to the weaker race! - I am, sir, your most obedt. servant

Sept. 7. F. Church
A. D. A. G.

Franklin von Schirach
Brit. Major, Captain 7th Regt.

D. 26. B. 6. 7. Aug. A. J. - Md. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of B. & A. J.
Main Division
Washington, June 8, 1866.

Fowler, Wm
A. A. Genl.

Reports changes in the Post
office addresses of the
within named men for-
merly of the 4th U.S. C. J.

Caleb Dorsey "K" 4

Philip Hubbell "

Asw Potter "C" "

Asw Lewis "C" "

Dorsey Hubbell

Promus Brown "K" 4

Recd. aft. Com. Md. June 9 1866.

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War Department,
Bureau of P. O. & A. L.
Claim Division.

Washington, June 8th 1866.

Col. Maj. Genl. G. J. Starnard,
Asst. Commr. B. O. & A. L.
Baltimore, Md.
General

I have the honor to report changes in the Post-office address of the following named men, formerly of the 4th U. S. C. Troops,

Caleb Dorsey, 230 B. St. Washington D. C.
Phillip Hubbell, " " " "
Geo. Booker, Newbern N. C.
Geo. Lewis, Sykesville Carroll Co. Md.
Dorsey Hubbell and Primus Brown desire

their MD State Bounty, when collected, depo-
sited in Freedmens Savings Bank. Wash. D.C.

I am General
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant,
Wm. J. Fowler
A. A. G. W. J.

Wm Shannon

States Attorney
for Calvert Co.
Mr. Wilson -

James Brown
38 Greenwillow
St or Alley

2^d Monday of Oct.
+ May, -

June 8, 1866



State Library.

Annapolis, June 8th 1866

Capt A. W. Bolnisi;-

Sir:- The witnesses
in the case of Mr Shannon, indicted
for the murder of Robinson and
Maria Smallwood, Henson Dowell,
Kingzie Croft, Abiam King,
Joseph Robinson, Thomas Norfolk,
John Green, Hannah Dowell,
Martha Dowell, Pearce Bias.

James Brown - Mr Shannon
can be used as a witness against
his assailants - - The witnesses are
all in Calvert County near the
Bay side about seven miles from
Friendship in Anne Arundel Co -
James Brown is in Baltimore - and I
can direct you how to find him any
time -

I have given all the facts in
the case to Hon W. S. Jones District

Attorney of the U.S. for Maryland -

You had better take the
Steamer at Baltimore and go to
Plum Point in Calvert County
and enquire for David Pauls
(Colored man) near Young Thomas
Chew's place - quite near the Bay
Side - Shannon has a Brother
named John - who can direct
you where all the witnesses reside -

The Colored men who are now
in arrest are in a little tow log
pen at Prince Frederick, and in
imminent danger of being killed

It would be an act of justice to
have a guard placed there to protect
them -

If we could only have
a U.S. Commissioner appointed
for this (Anne Arundel Co) and
Calvert County, we could have
some of this brutality to Colored
persons checked - -

I have mentioned my son's name
Hirshel E. Jordan, who is a young
Lawyer of promise, as a suitable person
to be appointed Commissioner -

There is a Justice of the Peace
living at or near Pinee Fredrick.
by the name of Hopwood -

Your humble Servant
H. P. Jordan
Attorney for Shannon

LB-J-225-2-1866.

Office Asst. Commr.

Freedmen's Bureau

Baltimore July 3/66

Respectfully referred to

Leaac Brooks Jr. U.S.

Commissioner, for

his action under the

"civil rights Bill"

recently passed by

Congress.

Rchaud

Pl. Lt. Col. A.S.

acting asst. Commr.

for Maryland &c.

LB-6-25-1866.

Can't find any
record of

Witness W L Vanderlip

Brevet Major U.S. Volunteers

Acting Assistant Superintendent

of Freedmen's affairs

Annapolis. Md

In the matter of
Wm Shannon
a prisoner in the Calvert Co jail }

Bohemius

A W ~~Bohemius~~ being duly sworn deposes as follows:

I called on Mr Hopwood a Justice of the Peace residing at Prince Fredericktown, Calvert Co Maryland and requested him to accompany me to the jail to take the deposition of the above-named William Shannon, the jail is situated not more than two hundred yards from the said Hopwoods residence, I also offered to convey him to the jail in my wagon for the purpose aforesaid, Mr Hopwood declined taking the deposition alleging as one reason that he had no authority to take the deposition of a negro against white men, I then proceeded to the jail and myself took the deposition of Shannon, first interrogating him on his knowledge of the obligation of an oath and then solemnly administered it.

AW Bohemius
Capt. V.R. Co., 2^d Regt. Inf.

Subscribed and sworn to
Before me this 30th day of June 1866
Isaac Brooks
As. Commissioner

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Hd Qrs. B. R. F. & A. L. Md. & Va.
Baltimore Md June 9. 66.

Piatt John H.
Bot Maj. (3) A. D. C.

Requests information
relative to Philip Hines
Priv. Co. F. 2^d Regt. T.

Record - giving name
as - Philip Hines - roll

Recd A. G. June 11. 66

E. B. T. P. 116.
PHILLIP HINE, F. 2^d

War Department,
Adjutant General's Office
Washington, D. C.

June 16. 1866.

Respectfully returned
to Brevet Maj. John H. Piatt, Adjt. A. D. C. Bal-
timore Md.

Philip Hines is borne upon
the muster out Roll of Co
F. 2^d Regt. Colored Troops, dated
January 5. 1866. and reported
"Died in Genl Hospital, Wash-
ington D. C. Oct 30th 1863.
Cause unknown".

The name of Philip Hines
does not appear upon the
records of said Company.

By Order of the
Secretary of War:

E. B. Tappan
Adj. Genl. Vols.

Ad. Gen. H. J. V. S. Md & Va.
Baltimore Md June 9th 1866.
Col C. W. Foster

Colonel Bureau Washington &
Colonel -

I have the honor to request
information in regard to Philip Rines
Private Company "F" 2nd Regt. U.S.C.T.
He enlisted at Camp Belzer Baltimore Md
was mustered into the service at Washington
about August 1863 - and died at Key West
Florida (in U.S. Barracks) about June or July
1866 -

His mother is anxious to know
what, if any, back pay is due him, &
what remarks (if any) may be upon opposite
his name upon the Muster Roll of his
Regt. By giving this information you
will greatly oblige -

Very respectfully
Yr. Obedt. Servt.
John H. Piatt
1st Major Ad. Col.
Staff of Maj. Gen. S. S. Seward

~~1867~~ D. B. F. ^{Genl.} - ~~1866~~ 1866.

War Department
Bureau of P. & A. L.
Washington, June 11, 1866.

Fowler, ^{Genl.}
A. A. Genl.

Acknowledges receipt
of discharge and order on
State Treasurer in ~~charge~~
of Chas. Howell formerly
Co. I. 4, "U.S.C.I."



Recd. at Comm. Ind. June 12 - 1866.

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War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, June 11th 1866.

Col. G. J. Starnard,
Asst. Comm. C. & F. A. S.
Baltimore, Md.
General

I have the
honor to acknowledge receipt of discharge
and order on State Treasurer in the
claim of Charles Wood, formerly Pvt. Co. D,
4th N.Y. C. S.

I am,
General
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant
Wm. J. Fisher
A. A. Guib.

B. S. B. P. ^{May 25} - ^{Ind.} 1866

War Department

Bureau of P. F. and A. S.

Washington, June 11, 1866.

Fowler, Green

A. A. Genl.

Forwards 277 "Blank
Discharges" as per request.

Recd. aft. Comm. Ind. June 12, 1866.

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War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, June 11th 1866.

Art. Maj. Genl. G. J. Starnard
Asst. Comm. D. R. F. & L.
Baltimore Md.
General,

I have the
honor to transmit by to-days mail 294,
"Blank Discharges" as called for in your
communication of May 26th 1866.
Please acknowledge receipt.

I am General
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant,
Wm. Jewell
A. A. Gould.

B. 29, D. R. T. ^{Genl. A. L.} - Md. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of G. & ^{Genl. A. L.}
Washington, June 12, 1866.

Fowler, ^{Genl.}
A. A. Genl.

States that the printed
Circular letters requested
will be forwarded as soon
as prepared.

Recd. Capt. Comm. Md. June 18, 1866.

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War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, June 12^m 1866.

Col. Major General G. J. Starnard.
Asst. Commr. B. R. F. & A. L.
Baltimore, Md.
General,

I have the honor to inform you, that the printed circular letters, called for in your communication of the 9th inst, will be sent you as soon as prepared.

I am General
Very Respectfully
Your obt. Servant,
Wm. J. Tucker
A. A. Craig.

Crafton West Va
June 13 1866.

Douglas Thomas C.
Capt & Adjupt

Makes application for
Five (5) Blank Books

S. B. P. 1. No 2.

~~S. B. P. 1. No 2.~~ S. B. P. 1. No 2. - Md. 1866.

Recd. Capt. Comd. Md. June 14 1866.

Office Adj. Genl Supt Freedmen Affairs
Grafton West Va June 18th 1862

Capt J. A. Chas
A. A. Genl

Capt:

I have the honor to
make application for four (4) Blank Books
@ \$3.00 each, for keeping record of
such business as may be transacted
in this ~~business~~ Office

I am Captain
Very Respectfully
Yours & Servant
Thos. E. Douglas
Capt W. R. C. A. A. Supt

Capt J. A. Chas
A. A. G.

Grafton West Va
June 13 1866

Douglas Tho. C.
Capt + Assupt

Reports his arrival
at Grafton West Va

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D. 2. B. R. F. & A. L. Ind. 1866.

Recd. Aft. Comm. Ind. June 14, 1866

Office Acty Asst Supt
Freedmen Affairs
Grafton West Va
June 13th 1866

Capt J. F. Chur
A. A. Genl
Balto Md

Capt:

I have the honor to
report that myself and Lieut Johnston arrived
here at 12 o'clock A.M. today,

and have succeeded in securing
an office and furniture at \$12 - per month.

I am Capt

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

Thos. E. Douglas

Capt U. R. C.

Asst A. A. Supt

O. S. D. [unclear] [unclear]

Church Creek
Dorchester Co. Md.
June 15, 1866.

Orren, Daniel L.

Replies to letter of 11th Inst.
and states that he will be
in the city in a short time.

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Recd. Apt. [unclear] June 17, 1866.

Church Creek

Dorchester Co. Md

June 15th 1866

Capt Jacob Churr
Baths Md.

Sir:

Yours of 11th was duly
rec'd. In about two weeks time from
this, a little sooner or later, I shall be in
the city when I will try to see you
again in the matter of which you write.
I hope that will be in time, but if not
you will much oblige me to notify me.

Very respectfully

Your obedt Servt

Daniel S. Oriskany

D. J. P. F. ^{Genl} A. S. - Md. 1866

U. S. Sanitary Commission
Army & Navy Claim Agency
242 F. St. Washington, D. C.
June 16, 1866.

Bascorn ^{Genl} F.
Genl. Agent.

States that the applica-
tion of the brothers & sisters
of James Johnson late of
Co. B. "4," U. S. C. I. for arrears
of pay &c. is received and
will be examined.

Recd. Aft. Comm. Md. June 17, 1866.

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No. 6.

U. S. Sanitary Commission

ARMY AND NAVY CLAIM AGENCY,

242 F STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 16" 1866.

The Application of the Brothers & sister
of James Johnson Lab. of Co.
"B" 4" Regt. T. for arrears of Pay

which you forwarded to this office, under date of June 13" 1866,

is received, and will be examined, and, if found correct, filed in the proper
Governmental Department.

Owing to the great pressure of business in all the departments, a very considerable
delay in the adjustment of claims is frequently unavoidable. This is especially true in
case of arrears of pay and bounty on account of deceased soldiers. Your claim will
receive all necessary attention; and, if anything further is required to sustain it, you will
be duly notified.

Letters of inquiry, in regard to the state of your claim, will be duly answered. To
insure a prompt reply, every letter should give the full name and post-office address of
claimant, the name, company and regiment, with date of discharge or death, of the soldier,
the nature of the claim, and, if possible, the date at which it was sent to this office.

In case of removal from your present residence, please notify this office promptly,
that your correct address may be known whenever we wish to communicate with you.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. BASCOM, General Agent.

Wm. F. Bascom
Capt. & Co. A. S.
Bureau Refugees Freedmen &
Baltimore Md.

Baltimore, Md.
June 16, 1866.

Von Schurack, F. C.
Bvt. Major ^{and} Capt. V. R. C.

Reports investigation
of complaint made
by Nicholas Brown & other
colored persons of Galena,
Kent Co. Md.

Recd. aft. order. Md. June 16 1866.

Baltimore, Md.
June 16th 1866.

Captain Jacob F. Thur.
A. A. A. Genl.

Sir

In obedience to Special Orders No. 8. from Headquarters Asst. Commr. of Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & A. L., dated Baltimore Md. June 12th 1866, I have the honor to report that I proceeded on the 13th of June to the town of Galena, Kent County, Md., arrived at that place on the 14th, called on the Justice of the Peace of that section, Mr. John T. Shurtz, informed him of my business, exhibited to him the sworn statements of Nicholas Brown, David Wilson and other colored citizens of the town of Galena, to the effect that they had been generally maltreated and abused by the white inhabitants of that town and more particularly by one George Christfield. Andrew Christfield and others; I asked the Justice whether he was willing to prosecute the white offenders against the law, named in the affidavits and see that the colored

complainants had the full enjoyment of the rights conferred upon them by an act of Congress, more commonly called the "Civil rights bill"; Mr. Stewart assured me that he would give them now, or at any time, a fair impartial trial, that he however had not been practising the custom to have colored persons appear before him as witnesses, unless they were parties themselves in the offence committed, that he only knew of the "Civil rights bill" by hearsay; of its contents he knew nothing whatever and requested me to furnish him by letter with a copy of the act. - I then respectfully recommend that Officers from these A. D. Courts, when sent on tours of inspection, or to investigate into complaints, be furnished with a number of copies of the "Civil Rights bill", the magistrates in the country being generally in total ignorance of its provisions; for distribution among the different civil officials! - In order to obtain a correct understanding of the feelings of the white inhabitants of Chestnutown, Galena and surrounding country towards the colored people of that section, I conversed with most all of the

influential men of the different political parties, as well as with a number of colored persons, and find that in Chestertown the better class of citizens, although they are strongly prejudiced against the colored race, seem disposed to treat them fairly and kindly, but there is a class of young men from 16-20 years old generally, in Chestertown and vicinity, who, without any provocation whatever, will kick, beat and abuse every colored boy or man coming near them, without being interfered with in the least by either authorities or citizens. I witnessed with my own eyes and ears two cases of this kind, ^{one} of these I will state briefly as it conveys a fair illustration of the anti-negro rowdydom practised in that section of the country: A number of young men were standing in front of the barroom in the basement of the principal hotel, when a whitehaired old colored man walked along the street, he was hailed by the party with: Hold on you old nigger where are you going, to and other questions, having stopped him, he was repeatedly asked what his business was, he answered he was going

to see his son, one of the party asked him who his son was and he answered, that his ^{son} was living at a certain place, that he had been in the army, that was sufficient cause to punish the old man and one of the rowdies struck him over the head and kicked him, meanwhile the white spectators laughed in chorus; such expressions as: "I'll lay him low", "he ought to be killed", "O - a nigger son - of -" and others are very common with that class of rowdies! - In Galena it is worse than in Wheatertown for the colored people, they are abused and maltreated wherever met, although respectable white persons never molest them; every Saturday night they have a "nigger hunt" at Galena and woe to the poor colored girl, boy or man who is observed on the street after 6 o'clock p.m.! - In concluding this report I must state that this has been the first visit of an Officer of the Fed. B. to Galena, and I deem this visit of great benefit and good result, the white people getting convinced that the Government is willing to protect the colored people and the latter receiving encouragement by such visits, I therefore earnestly recommend that Officers be sent frequently to Kent County. I remain, sir, your obedient servant

Fred. Horn Schirach.
Bvt. Major, Captain 7th U.S.C.

S. 104. R. F. & A. L. June 2nd 1866
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Baltimore, June 16th 1866.

Stannard, Geo. J.
Brig. Maj. Geil
Asst Comm ~~Asst~~

Acknowledges receipt of
S. O. 81. - placing the within-
named counties under his
charge. - and requests to
be furnished with a list
of officers on duty therein.



War Department
Bureau Refugees Freedmen &c
Washington D.C. June 19th 66

Respectfully referred to the Asst.
Comm. of Virginia with the request
that a list of the officers on duty in
the within mentioned counties may
be furnished, as within requested.

By order of
Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
A. P. Ketchum
A. A. Genl.



Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Maj. Genl. Asst Comm. Va.
Richmond, Va. June 20th 1866

Respectfully returned to Maj
Genl. C. O. Howard, Commissioner
The list of officers on duty in the
counties transferred to Brig Maj
Genl. Geo. J. Stannard, Asst
Comm. Md. is as follows.
J. H. Remington, ^{capt} V.R.C. Dist. Capt.
~~HD Sup for Winchester~~
Gilbert R. Chandler, Capt. V.R.C.
Asst. Capt. Winchester, Va.
E. H. Ripley, Capt. V.R.C. Asst
Capt. Fort. Royal, Va.
A. F. Hoigge, ^{1st Lieut} V.R.C. Asst Capt
Warrenton, Ferry, Va.
J. T. Hoall, Lieut. V.R.C.
^{Asst Capt}
Woodstock, Va.
E. M. R. L. S. L. S.
257.210
Maj Genl & Asst Comm.

War Department
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen &
Washington June 21, 1876
Respectfully returned to
Maj. Genl. Stannard Asst. Comr.
whose attention is invited
to the report of Maj. Genl. Jung
Asst. Comr. of Va. Legion

By order of

Maj. Genl. Howard, Comd.

- A. P. Ketchum
Asst. Comr.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & A.
Office Asst. Commissioner
Baltimore June 16th 66.

May. Gen^l D. D. Howard
Com^d Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Washington D. C.

General.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of Special Orders No 81 current series of Bureau R. F. & A. L. placing the countries of Rockingham, Page, Shenandoah, Warren, Frederick, Clark Berkeley and Jefferson under my charge. I respectfully request to be furnished with a list of Officers on duty in those countries

I have the honor to remain

Very respectfully

Your Obedt servant

Wm. J. Stumm

3rd Brig. Gen^l

Asst Com^d

Crafton N. Va
June 19th 1866

Douglas Thomas Esq
Capt V.R.C + Cavalry

Notifies this office
of his intention visit
his home

~~D. D. P.~~ and A. L. - Ind. 1866.

Recd. apt. Comm. Ind. June 20 1866.

Office A. A. Supt.
Freed. Affairs U. S.
Master June 19th 1866

Capt. J. F. Chur
A. A. A. Genl.

Captain

As per directions received from Genl. S. J. Starnes Asst. Comr. Bureau, I have the honor to notify your office, that I will be absent from my office visiting my home, to transact important business, from June 22^d to June 25th 1866

I leave Lt. Johnston in charge of the office during my absence.

I am Captain

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt
Thos. C. Douglas

Capt. V. B. and
A. A. Supt

Grafton N. Va
June 19-1866

Douglas Thos G.
Capt Cavalry

Reports the condition
of Freedmen in West
Va

Office Asst Supt
Grafton, N.H.
June 19th 1866

Capt J. H. Chubb
A. A. S.

Captain:

In pursuance to instructions received from Genl G. J. Stannard Asst Comr. I have the honor to inform your office concerning the condition of the Freedmen in this place.

There are but few colored persons in this town and County. They are as far as I am able to learn, throughout the County, and the State entire, employed and receiving good wages. I have not seen or heard of any abuse toward them.

The people, with very few exceptions, seem well-disposed toward the Freedmen.

I am very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Thos. E. Douglas
Capt & a. a. Supt

U. S. B. C. F. ^{and} A. S. - Ind. 1866.

War Department
Adj't. Genl. Office
Washington, June 29, 1866.

Foster, C. W.
A. A. Genl. Vol.

Instructs Genl. Brown
Chf. Mstrg. Officer States
of Md. & Del. to make out
and forward to Genl.
Stannard at Balto.
the discharges of Private
Noble Grayson and
Thomas West Co. "G."
4th M. S. C. L.

Recd. aft. Com. Recd. June 21/66.

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, June 20th 1866.

Brevet Brig-Genl W. H. Browne,
Chief Mustering Officer
States of Maryland and Delaware,
Baltimore, Md.

General,

I am directed to instruct
you to cause discharges to be made and
sent to Brevet Major General George
J. Stameard, Assistant Commissioner
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen &c., at
Baltimore Md., for Privates Noble
Grayson, and Thomas West, Co. "C",
4th U. S. Colored Troops.

Said soldiers were transferred
to the Navy in April 1864, and no
(over)

discharges furnished,

I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servant
(Signed) L. W. Foster
a. a. General vols.

Official copy respectfully furnished for the
information of Brevet Major General
George J. Starnard, Assist Comd
Bureau Refugees Freedmen &c. Balti-
more Md.

L. W. Foster
a. a. General vols

D. O. G. B. R. P. M. A. S. J. M. L.

War Department
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen &
Washington, June 21, 1866

Fowler, Wm.
A. A. Genl.

Furnishes extracts from
printed instructions from
Pension Bureau in
support of applications
for Invalid Pension

Recd. Capt. Comm. Res. June 22/66

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War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, June 21st 1866.

Capt. J. F. Elm,
A. S. A. Genl.
Baltimore, Md.
Captain

I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt of your communication,
of the 19th inst, making enquiries relative to the
evidence required in support of applications
for Invalid Pension. The following extracts
from printed instructions from Pension Bureau
are herewith furnished for your information:
1st Every applicant for an Invalid Pension must,
if in his power, produce the certificate of the Captain
or of some other commissioned officer, under whom he
served, distinctly stating the time and place of
the said applicants having been wounded or other-

wise disabled, and the nature of the disability
and that the said disability arose while he
was in the service of the U.S. and in the line
of his duty. 2. If it be impracticable to
obtain such certificate by reason of the death
or removal of said officers, it must be so stated
under oath by the applicant, and his argument
of the fact proved by persons of known respect-
ability, who must state particularly all the
knowledge they may possess in relation to such
death or removal; then secondary evidence will
be received. In such cases the applicant must
produce the testimony of at least two credible
witnesses (who were in a condition to know the
facts, about which they testify) whose good
character must be vouched for by a judicial
officer, or by some one known to the department.
The witnesses must give a minute narrative of
the facts in relation to the matter, and must

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to which they testify.

Very Respectfully
Dun O's, Sergeant
J. Fowler
A. A. Guiz.

A. B. R. T. & A. L. Ind. 1866.

Hd. Qu. Md. Comd. of D. C.
Office Judge Advocate
Raleigh, D. C. June 20, 1866.

Gardner, A. B.

Supt. ^{and} Judge Advocate

Wrote in reference to his
being relieved from duty
in the Dept of D. C. and
transferred to Baltimore

Recd. Aft. Comd. Ind. June 25 1866.

Private

Headquarters Military Command of North Carolina,
OFFICE JUDGE ADVOCATE,

Raleigh, N. C., June 23rd, 1866.

Bot. Maj. Gen. Geo. J. Stannard
Asst. Commr. Bu. R. F. & A. L.
General.

I ret^d here this week and resumed my duties on the Staff of Bot. Maj. Gen. Robinson as Act. Asst. Adj. Gen. for the Bureau in North Carolina.

I have the honor to enclose a note which I have just rec^d from my old College friend Ketchum and earnestly beg that you will kindly apply for my assignment with you to Gen. Howard, for which I am more anxious owing to the present indisposition of my wife.

The Departmental Gen. Court Martial of which I have so long been Judge Advocate is just closing

its trial of an A. Q. M. for malfeasance,
prior to its dissolution and will end,
for some time at least - Military litigation
in this State.

The Bureau Court remains in
"statu quo" awaiting the arrival of
Gen. Turner its President.

I have a very nice position here
and the good will of all my
Superiors who kindly concur in wishing
me success in my efforts for transfer.

In begging you therefore to
apply for me, I would have you
believe Gen. that I am actuated
by no other feelings than a desire to
be nearer my Home in Balto. Co.
& friends & family.

With Sincere Esteem

I am, Gen. Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.

Asa Bird Gardner

Lieut. Col. Asst. 7th Regt. Vt. Res. Corps
and Act. Asst. Asst. Gen.

~~1866~~ Am. R. F. Co. A. D. 1866

Baltimore, Md.
June 28, 1866.

Polenius, A. W.
Capt. and Inspector

Report relative
to the case of Wm.
Shannon dtd. Confined
in jail on charge of
murder.

Recd. Capt. Am. R. F. Co. June 28, 1866.

~~Recd.~~ Gen. R. F. ⁴/₄ Ad. 1866

Baltimore, Md.

June 23, 1866.

Polenius, A. W.
Capt. ^{and} Inspector

Report relative
to the case of ^{Wm.}
Shannon dtd. Confined
in jail on charge of
murder.

Recd. Capt. ^{and} Inspr. June 23, 1866.

Baltimore June 23rd 1866.

Captain

In compliance with Special Order No 6, dated Bureau R. F. & Assistant Commissioner, Baltimore June 6th 1866, I proceeded June 19th at 7 O'clock A. M. in company with Lieut Bailey, to Light Street wharf, where we were expected to find horses ordered from the Quarter Masters Dept. The horses did not arrive, and we proceeded to Annapolis, with the intention of hiring transportation there, but found the expences so great, (\$40 dollars to Fredericktown and return) that we did not consider ourselves authorized, to incur them. We therefore, returned to Hd Quar. for further instructions. Having received directions from Lieut Col Chandler to proceed at once in obedience to the above order, and hire transportation, I left Baltimore for Annapolis on the morning of June 21st at 7 O'clock A. M; hired horses there for thirty dollars, and left at 12 O'clock for Cwingsville and West River. On arriving at Wilson Stallons place, I found that David Boom had removed his family from the place, and left word with his colored friends, that he should lay his complaint before the officer of the Bureau

over

stationed at Annapolis. I next proceeded through Friendship-town, to Prince Frederick-town Calvert county, and found William Shannon Col.^d, in jail, heavily ironed. I went, at his request to the Justice of the Peace Mr. Hopwood, and requested him, to take the complaint of W^m Shannon, against, Dr. Wilkinson, and other white men, who had assailed him, and were the cause of his shooting, and killing, Mr. Robinson. Mr. Hopwood declined, saying, he had no authority for taking the evidence, of colored, against white men; as per certificate marked No 1, witnessed by Maj W. L. Vanderlip U.S.C. I next called upon the States Attorney, to inquire, why, the complaint of this colored man, had not been laid before the Grand Jury, while they were in session, at the last court; but he was not at home. I then went to the jail keeper, for the purpose of obtaining admision to the cell, where W^m Shannon was confined; but he was also absent. I next waited on the clerk of the court, and requested him to open the doors for me, which request, he complied with in so far, as to allow me to take the testimony of W^m Shannon in the passage way, through a hole about 8 by 4

inches, in the door of his cell; which testimony,
marked No 2, I respectfully herewith submit. I
would further report; that the trial of William
Shannon, now under indictment for murder,
has been removed by his counsel, to ~~Hancock~~ Hancock Co.,
where he will be tried at the next session of
court.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servt.

W. W. Bolinius
Capt. 22nd Regt. V. R. Co.
& Inspector.

Captain Jacob F. Chur
A. A. A. Genl.

D. S. G. R. F. and A. S. - Ind. 1866.

Office A. A. Supt.

Freed. Affairs, West Va.

Grafton Va. June 26, 1866.

Douglas Tho. E.

Capt. and A. A. Supt.

Report of Station.

Recd. Capt. Com. Ind. June 27, 1866.

Office A. A. Supt.
Free. Affairs. West. Va
Grafton June 26. 1866

Capt. C. F. Chew
A. A. S. Genl.

Captain

I have the honor to report
myself present, for duty.

I am Captain

Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt. Servt
Thos. E. Douglas

Capt. W. B. C. and
A. A. Supt.

I. S. Du. R. F. & Co. Md. 1866

Baltimore, Md.
June 26, 1866.

Israel F.

Refer the enclosed letter
from James Syke of
Sykeville to the Capt.
Comm. and requests that
he will adopt the sug-
gestions contained in it

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Recd. Capt. Comm. Md. June 27 1866.

R. F. Wood, Dec. 1866

Stimmon, Ind,
June 26, 1866.

Dear Sir

The enclosed letter
James Syke of
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and requests that
adopt the sug-
contained in it

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Comm. Ind. June 27 1866.

Wynessville June 25 1866

James W. Tyson Esq
Dear Sir

Permit me to call
your interference in behalf of
some quiet & peaceable colored men
who have been rudely assailed by some
young rascals of our village. They
made a violent attack upon me
on Saturday night but ~~let it be~~
The second time they have ^{been} molested
by the same parties, the names of
the offenders are Adolphus Proctor, George
George Whalen Thomas, ~~Collins, James~~
Campbell, James Collins, Charles
Collins, Elias Campbell, now can you
not confer with some of the
Townsmen here, and not implicate
yourself or me as the parties are
able to do, and may do us some
great injury

perhaps if a note from the Asst
of the Freedmen Bureau was
not dropped to those parties it might
put a stop to their vile conduct
can you add any other in the
Date of the Letter if so should
be greatly obliged to you.

I was glad to hear of your safe
return to your Fatherland &
hope this will find you & Family
well to whom make my kind regards
in that
Yours very truly
James P. [Signature]

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you
your safe
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you & family
all my kind regards
Very truly
Yours
J. B. Beach

Gen Standard,

This letter
is referred to you
with the hope that
you may feel it
important to a-
dopt the sugges-
tion it contains,
or take any other
means to reach
the offenders.

"Yorkville"
is about 20 miles
from Balt on Balt
& O Rail Road

W. Respt
June 26 }
1866 } J. B. Beach
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~~Atwood~~ B. R. F. and A. L. - June 1866.

Bureau of B. F. and A. L.
Winchester, Va. June 27, 1866.

Atwood Robt. M.
A. A. Surg. U. S. A.

Reports for instruction
in compliance with S. O.
81. G. S. War Dept. B. R. F. & A. L.

Recd. apt. Command. June 29.
1866.

Bureau R. I. & A. I.

Winchester, Va. June 27th 1866.

Br Major Genl Geo. J. Stannard
Asst. Commissioner
Baltimore, Md.
General

In compliance with G. O.
No 81. C. S. War Dept. Bu. R. I. & A. I., a copy of
which is enclosed, I have the honor to
report for instructions.

I have taken the liberty to report by
letter, my duties here requiring my
constant presence -

I am, General

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

Robt. A. Atwood

A. A. Surg.

U.S.A.

War Department
Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Washington, June 11. 1866.

Special order
No 81.

II. At the request of Maj. Genl. A. S. Terry, Dept. Comd. and Asst. Comd. of Virginia, the counties of Rockingham, Page, Shenandoah, Warren, Frederick, Clarke, Berkeley and Jefferson, being in the middle department, are placed under the charge of Lt. Maj. Genl. Geo. J. Stannard, Supt. of Freedmen's affairs at Baltimore, to whom all officers on duty in the counties will report for instructions.

By order of

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard

Commissioner

(Signed) Saml. Thomas

Bt. Brig. Genl. & A. S. A. G.

Official Copy
A. H. Remington
Capt. & Maj. O. R. G.
Superintendent.

B. S. Bu. R. L. - Md. 1866.

Depot Quartermaster's Office
/ Baltimore, Md.
June 27, 1866.

Bradley, G. W.
Col. Chf. En. In. - M. M. Dept.

Reports that by authority
of the Sec. of War he is now
ready to turn over certain
buildings to the Freedmen's
Bureau.

Recd. aft. Comm. Md. June 27, 1866.

Lieut. Buckley again
designated. See letter
Book July 2, 1866.

Depot Quartermaster's Office,

Baltimore, Md., June 27th 1864

St. Maj. Gen. G. S. Steward
Asst. Com. Freedman's Bureau,
Baltimore, Md.

On the 9th inst, upon authority of the Secretary of War, the Quartermaster General, directs, that the buildings at Ft. Mifflin under direction of the Q. M. Dept, be turned over to the Freedman's Bureau &c.

You are respectfully informed, that I am now ready to turn over the same to any officer designated by you to receive them, in compliance with the authority above referred to.

I am General. Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servant.

W. Bradley
Capt. Chief Qu: M. M. Dept.

Bk 2-Q-796

Bwt & Co. L
370 Des. Dir of Shew
Wichita June 27/86

Respectfully forwarded
attached

J. H. Remington
Lieut. & Major
Subdiv. Shew

H. L. B. P. G. and Co. L - Md. 1866

Director of B. F. and Co. L
Office of the Subdiv. E.
Harper Ferry W. Va. June 27, 1866

H. L. B. P. G. and Co. L

Lieut. and Capt. Subdiv.

Request leave of absence
for three (3) days visit
Baltimore on business

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Recd. Capt. Comm. Md. June 28, 1866

Bureau Refugees Freedmen & Aid Index
Office 1st Supt Sub Dist E
Harpers Ferry W Va June 27th 66

Sir

I have the honor to request a leave of absence for three
days for the purpose of visiting Baltimore Md on important business

I have the honor to be

Wm. R. Peffer
Your obedient servant

Capt J. A. Chas.
A. A. Sew

W. R. Peffer
1st Supt Sub Dist E

~~W. D. F. Jones~~ A. S. - Md. 1866.

Hd. Qm. Mil. Comd. of N. C.
Office Judge Advocate
Raleigh, N. C. June 28, 1866.

Gardner, Ara Burd
Lieut. ^{and} Judge Advocate

Reports having received
Special Order No. 89. Ex. II.
Ordering him to proceed to
Baltimore without delay.
States that he is temporarily
detained as Judge Advocate
of a Mil. Court Martial

Recd. Aft. Comd. Md. June 30, 1866.

Headquarters Military Command of North Carolina,
OFFICE JUDGE ADVOCATE,

Raleigh, N. C., June 28th, 1866.

Bot. Maj. Genl. G. J. Stannard
Asst. Commissioner Bu. C. J. ^{and} A. L.
for Maryland ^{and} West Va.
General.

I have the honor to report
that I have rec^d. Special Orders No. 89. Ex. I.
dated War Dept. Bureau Ref. Freedmen & Washington,
June 27th 1866, through H^d Qrs. Asst. Commr. Bu. C.
J. ^{and} A. L. for North Carolina - directing me to proceed
without delay to Baltimore ^{and} report to you for
assignment ^{and} that I am temporarily detained
as Judge Advocate of the Genl. Court Martial in
session at these Head Qrs. and hearing the
defense in the case of the U.S. vs. Capt. A.M. Paroutte
Asst. Q^r. M^r. U.S. Vols. - soon to be concluded.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.

Wm. Bird Gardner
Lieut. ^{and} Adj. 4th Reg. Vet. Res. Corp.
^{and} Judge Advocate

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA,
Raleigh, North Carolina, May 23d, 1866.
SPECIAL ORDERS, }
No. 127. }

[Extract.]

* * * * *
A General Court Martial is hereby appointed to meet at Raleigh, North Carolina, on the 28th day of May, 1866, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the trial of such prisoners as may be brought before it. The Court will sit without regard to hours.

DETAIL FOR THE COURT:

Brevet Brig. Gen. N. GOFF, Colonel 37th U. S. Colored Troops.
Captain H. B. BLACKMAN, Assistant Quartermaster.
Captain GEORGE C. ALMY, Commissary of Subsistence.
Captain H. E. WHITFIELD, 37th U. S. Colored Troops.
Captain JOHN E. FARNSWORTH, 37th U. S. Colored Troops.
1st Lieutenant FRANCIS H. MOON, 37th U. S. Colored Troops.
2d Lieutenant BENJAMIN F. BELL, 37th U. S. Colored Troops.
1st Lieutenant A. B. GARDNER, Adj. 7th Regt. Veteran Reserve Corps, Judge Advocate.

No other officers than those named can be assembled without manifest injury to the service.

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BY COMMAND OF BREVET MAJOR GENERAL RUGER:

(Signed,)

J. A. CAMPBELL,
Assistant Adjutant General.

OFFICIAL:

A. B. Gardner

1st Lieut. and Adj. 7th Regt. Vet. Res. Corps.
Adj. Capt. U. S. Vols and Judge Advocate.

D. D. A. R. L. and A. L. - Md. 1866.

War Department
Bureau of G. & A. O. S.
Washington, June 28 '66.

Ketchum, A. P.
Bot. Maj. and Act. Capt. Adjt. Gen.

Forwards in accordance
with request copies of the
"Civil Rights Bill"

Recd. Capt. Com. Md. June 27/66

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, June 28th 1866.

Bot. Major General Geo. J. Stannard

Supt. of Baltimore Md.

General,

In accordance with your request I
transmit herewith, copies of the "Civil Rights Bill"

Please have them circulated as widely as possible
among the officers within your District,

I am General

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant,

A. P. Ketchum

Bot. Maj. + Adjt. Genl.

H. J. A. Asst. Commr.
Bureau N. F. & A. S.
Baltimore June 29, '63

Knower E. C. Capt. U. S. A.

Report of investigation of
complaint made by Mr.
James Sykes of Sykesville
Md.

H^d. q^{rs}. Asst. Comr.
Bureau. Refugees F. & A. L.
Baltimore Md June 29th 1866

Brig. Lt. Col. Chandler
Sir.

I have the honor to submit a report of my investigation of the accompanying complaint made by Mr James Sykes, of Sykesville Md. in compliance with S. O. No. 11, from these H^d. q^{rs}. dated June 29th 1866. The parties complained of are in the hands of the civil authorities, three (3) of them now confined in the jail at "Elliotts Mills", and two (2) under bail for appearance in court.

Very respectfully
Your obt. svt.
Edw. L. Knower
Capt 9th Regt V. R. C.

R. S. Du R. F. W. D. F. D. D.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen &
Aid. Gen. Div. Division
Manchester, Va. June 30, 1866.

Remington, J. H.
Act. Insp. & Supt.

Report the amount of
Bureau Funds on hand
at \$5.⁶⁷/₁₀₀ and in his hands.

Recd. aft. Comm. Insp. July 2/66

American Refugee, Freedmen & Land
Head Quarters Division Shenandoah
Winchester June 30th 1866.

Col. Maj. Gen. Geo. J. Starnes
Asst. Commissioner
Baltimore Md.
General

I have the honor to report the amount
of Cash (American Funds) on hand, with
ending Saturday June 30th 1866, to be Five
hundred dollars (\$500.00), and that it is deposited
in my hands.

I am, General
Very Respectfully
Yours Obedient
J. I. Remington
Capt. & B. Major, R. L.
Supt. Shenandoah Div.

Grafton West Va
July 2^d 1866

Douglas Thomas E.
Capt U.S.A.

Report the condition
of Freedmen in
West Virginia,

L.S.B. (which we have not got)

Grafton. West Va
July 2nd 1866

Capt D. P. Chur
A. A. Seal

Capt:

I have the honor to report
that I have been stationed in this place
since June 13th 1866, as acting Asst. Superin-
tendent of Freedmen Affairs; that I have
examined into the condition of the Freedmen
as far as it was possible to do so through
out the state, and find that they are generally
employed, receiving good wages, which is
promptly paid them by their employers,
They seem well-contented with their condition,
and but few altercations occur between them
and the whites, and these only with the
Irish laborers, who seem to have a general
aversion to the negroes. Several cases have
been reported to me of violence done the
Freedmen, but on examination, I found
that the civil authorities did their duty

promptly in the premises.

There are but few colored schools in the state, and none of these as far as I can learn under the auspices of the Government -

It would be difficult to adopt any general system of education among the freedmen of this state, owing to the sparseness of the Negro population.

They have always been few in numbers in this state, and the numbers seem to be on the decrease; those residing here are generally house-servants - The agricultural labor being generally done by white men.

I am Captain
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Thos. E. Douglas
Capt and Asst Surge

B. Z. DeR. Y. and Co. L. - 7th. 1866.

Bureau of B. Y. and P. L.
Ad. Inv. Sher. Division
Manchester, Va. July 5, 1866.

Remington, J. B.
Bot. Maj. and Supt.

Forwards for Approval
Forms No. 2 of Persons
and Articles hired.

Recd. aft. Comm. 2nd. July 7, 1866.

Rec. July 7 - Rec. July 7/66.

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten notes and signatures in the right-hand columns.]

Bureau of Prisons, Inclosure A, D.
Head Quarters Gen. Division
Wichester, Va. July 5th 1866.

Bt. Major. R. Chaudler, A. A. G.
act. asst. Commissioner
Baltimore, Md.
Colonel

I have the honor to enclose
for your approval and return
one copy of my Report of Prisons &c (Inc. 2)
I am, Colonel

Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt Servt
J. H. Remington
Capt. & Bt. Major, U. S. A.
Supt. Gen. Division

18. 24. B. R. F. and Co. - Ind. 1456

War Department
Bureau of P. F. and A. S.
Washington, July 6, 1866.

Ketchum, A. O.
Capt. and A. O. Co. Ind.

Reports that wanted
forms for reports of
rations issued and a form
for report of officers
on duty in this District
have been forwarded.

Recd. Capt. Comm. Ind. July 7, 1866.

18. 24. B. R. F. and Co. - Ind. 1456

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, July 6, 1866.

Brig. Maj. Gen. G. A. [unclear]
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir

I have the honor to inform you that
I have forwarded to you this day by mail
100 printed forms for reports of rations issued
to refugees & freedmen, and also a form for
report of officers on duty in your District.

A form for school reports will be
sent in a few days.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your Obedt. Servant

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

A. P. Ketchum

Brig. Maj. G. A. [unclear]

P. J. B. H. F. and Co. - Ind.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen &
Hd. Tr. Serv. Division
Winchester, Va. July 7, 1866.

Remington, J. H.
Col. Maj. and Supt.

Enclosure \$ 5.00 Bureau
Funds - amount collected
during month of June

Recd. Capt. Casper, Ind. July 9 1866.

Burmau Refugee Fundmen & a. L.
Head Quarters Shanauoal Division
Winchester, Va. July 7th 1866.

B. St. Col R. Chandler a. a. L.
Act. Apt. Commissioner
Baltimore, Md
Colonel

Enclosed please find
Five Dollars (\$5), Burmau Fund,
being the amount collected by me
during the month of June 1866. from
all sources.

Please sign and return the
enclosed triplicate receipts -
I am, Colonel

Very respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt
A. Remington
Capt. & B. Major, O. L.
Capt. Shan. Div.

9 12 Vols. C. S. 1866.

Baltimore. Md. July 2nd 1866.

Fred. C. Von Schirach
Captain of 1st V. R. Corps
Brevet Major - &c.

Requests the following
information for the
use of the Bureau of
R. S. & A. Lands for
Maryland.

The name and P. O.
address of the last
County officer of Comp.
"B" 23rd Reg. C. S. Corps

Wm. A. Reed

Rec'd. N.Y. July 3rd 1866.

War Dept. N. Y. C.

July 11th 1866.

Respectfully returned
to Brevet Major Fred. C.
Von Schirach, Office Assist-
ant Commissioner of Freed-
men &c., Baltimore, Md.,
with the information
that the present address
of W. H. Hurd, Captain
Company "B", 23rd U. S. C. S.,
at Muster out of service,
as stated in his acceptance
of appointment, is Lane,
New Hampshire.

By order,

Lew. Foster

A. J. General Vols.

C. S. Vol. 5. Page 74.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & A. S.
Office Asst. Commissioners
Baltimore, Md. July 27th 66

Colonel Foster.

Bureau of Colored Troops
Washington, D. C.
Colonel

By direction of the
Asst. Com^r I have the honor to request to be
furnished with the following data: What is the
name and P. O. address of the Comdg. Officer of Comp.
"B", 23rd Regt. U. S. C. Troops (formerly in 2nd Brig. 3rd Div.
9th Army Corps) or, if the company has been mus-
tered out of the U. S. service, who was the last com-
manding officer of the company. -

I am, Colonel,

very respectfully

your obedient servant
Fred. S. von Schirach

Capt. Major U. S. A., Captain
7th Regt.

Baltimore Md.
July 13th 1866.

Janney, P. G.
Supt.

Acknowledges the receipt
of certain Building at
Annapolis Md. for St. Peter
St. also Fencing & C
at Camp Newport, which
was sold for \$200 - and
the money expended in the
purchase of flooring.
He also states, that all the
property and proceeds has been
or will be appropriated for
building of School houses for
the colored people of the State
of Maryland.

Recd A. A. L. M. July 13th 1866

Removed to Rooms 4 and 5 Tyson's Building, N. W. Corner of Charles and Lexington Streets.

BALTIMORE ASSOCIATION FOR THE
Moral and Educational Improvement of the Colored People,

~~ROOMS 8 and 1 BIBLE HOUSE.~~

Baltimore July 13th 1866.

I have the honor to report that there has been turned over to the Baltimore Association for the Moral & Educational Improvement of Colored People the following

- 7 Barracks at Annapolis
- 1 Iron Store Building 125 x 24 ft.
- 1 Barber Shop 10 feet square + 1 Old Stable } at Fort
of no value } Federal Hill
- 5 Stables and 7000 feet of fencing at Camp New Kent.

The fence at Camp New Kent was of small value to the Army and was sold by them to Hayward & Bartlett for (\$200) Two Hundred Dollars which amount has been expended in the purchase of flooring.

All of the above property and proceeds has been or will be appropriated for building of School Houses for the Colored People in the State of Maryland

Very respectfully
J. M. Farney

M. 332. P. S. A. S. Vol. 6. 1866.

Baltimore July 14th 1866.

Maryland,
R. Chandler,
Actg Asst Commr.

Requests that the buildings at
St. Marshall may be turned
over to R. M. Janney, Supt
of Schools for Freedmen, for use
of the "Balt. Ap." for moral and
educational improvement
of colored people.

Bureau of P. S. A. S. Rec^d July 17th
1866. Washington.

War Department
Bureau of Freedmen &
Washington D. C. July 18th 1866.

Respectfully returned to Col.
R. Chandler A. A. Commr.

Permission is hereby
granted for the transfer of
these buildings as within requested
but they must remain on the
papers and be regularly accounted
for by a bonded Quartermaster.

By order of
Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard,
(signed) A. J. Stetchum,
A. A. A. Genl.

The buildings cannot be given
away without an act of con-
gress - but they may be used as
requested provided Lt. J. D.
Buckley keeps the material
on his returns.

(signed) O. O. Howard.
July 20th 1866.) Maj. Genl.
Commdr in

Office of Asst Commr.

Baltimore July 19th 1866.

Respy: returned to
Maj. Stetchum. The object of
Mr. Janney, Supt, is to take
down the within named
buildings, and use the lumber
for building schoolhouses for
Freedmen. They are now borne
on the Gr. M. returns of Lieut
J. D. Buckley, A. A. A. M. of this
District who is not a bonded
officer. I respectfully request
that they may be turned over
to Mr. Janney and dropped
from the returns of Lieut
Buckley.

(signed) R. Chandler,
Brig. Genl. A. A. S.
Actg Asst Commr.
E. B. 11-36.

Office of Asst. Commissioner
Bureau of P. T. & A. S.

Baltimore July 14th 1866.

Major A. J. Stetchem
A. A. A. S.

Major: I most respectfully request that the buildings
at Ft. Marshall, near this City, may be turned over to
R. M. Janney Supt. of Schools for Freedmen in this State,
for the use of the "Baltimore Association for the Moral
& educational improvement of the colored people."

Said Buildings are now under the Charge of our Quarter-
master, having been turned over to him by Col. Bradley
Chf. Qr. Master of this Department.

They consist of six small Buildings, and were formerly
occupied by troops, but are now vacant and of no
use to the Bureau.

Very Respectly,

Your obt. servt.

R. Chandler.

Brig. Gen. A. A. S.

Acty. Asst. Commis.

This application and also the

indorsements are true copies (signed)

of the original.

~~W. M. Stetchem~~
Brig. Gen. A. A. S.

Norfolk Va July 17/66

Whetfield Benjamin
late Capt. E. 4th U.S. I.

Requests to have
his claim and discharge
papers forwarded to Capt
William P. Austin, Supt 1st Dist
of Va. B.R. 7 & A.S. when appointed

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L. O. No 34
Rec'd B.R. 7 & A.S.
6. 16. July 1866

L. O. No 101,
War Department.
Bur. R. F + A. Lands.
Claim Division.

Washington July 21-1866
(BENT. WHETFELD E. 4th)
Respectfully referred to
Capt. J. H. Piatt U.S. I.
Bur. R. F + A. Lands
Baltimore, Md.

By order of
Maj. Gen. Howard
Saml. Thomas
Port. Cong. Sec. & A.S.A.G.

Note Whetfield July 24/66.
Enclosing papers for execution

Newport Va July 17th 1866

Brvt. Maj. Fowler.
A. A. Gend.
Washington D. C.

Maj.

I respectfully request
that you will please forward my Claim
and discharge Papers, to Captain Wm P. Austin
Supt. 1st Dist. of Va Bureau of Land & L.
When adjusted.

Your attention will much oblige

Your Obedt Servt,

Wm. Whitfield

late a Priv. in Co E. 4th Reg. W. S. 65.

I hold your receipt dated Washington

May. 7. 1866

M. 332 R. F. & A. L. Vol. 6 / 1866

Baltimore, July 14th 1866.

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Act. Asst. Comm.

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Schools for Freedmen, for use
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and educational improvement
of colored people.



War Department
Bureau Refugees Freedmen &
Washington D.C. July 18th 66

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A. T. Ketchum
A. A. Asst. Comr.

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requested provided Lt
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material on his returns.
July 20th 1866
O. O. Howard
Maj Genl.
Commissioner

Office of Asst. Commr.
Baltimore July 19th 66.

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R. Chandler
Bot. Lt. Col. a. a. s.
act. asst. commr.
343-11-36.

Office of Asst. Commissioner
Bureau of R. F. & A. L.
Baltimore. July 14. 1866.

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a. a. s.

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They consist of six small buildings, and were formerly occupied by troops, but are now vacant and of no use to the Bureau.

Very Resptly

Yours H. Servt.

Richard

Art. Lt. Col. a. a. s.

act. asst. Commr.

~~Dep. Sec. of War~~ *Dep. Sec. of War* 1866.

War Department
Bureau of *Dep. Sec. of War*
Washington, July 19, 1866.

Ballock Geo. W.
Brvt. Col. ^{and} Chf. Dist. Officer

Forwards copies of Cir.
No. 9. and blank Estimates
Suggests that a bonded
officer be detailed as
Dist. Officer in the Dist.

Recd. apt. Comr. Ind. July 20/66.

ACWMS. V. (B) 29-26.

Woomer ^{Page 14}
Chester town Kent Co Md
July 21 1866

Johnson Harriett (col)

Complains that her
daughter Adaline Waters
has been illegally appren-
ticed to Mr Stephens of
the Orphan's Court
Kent Co Md.

Enquiry made of Wm Stone
July 28th 66.

no answer to this date
Sept 27th 66.

W.S.

Two (2) Enclosures

Ent. C. B. No 14.

Chester town Kent Co Md

July 21st, 1866

Adaline

Harriet Johnson complains that her daughter Adaline Waters, was apprenticed to a Mr Stevens (farmer of Kent Co. Md. at the age of 11 years. without her consent and against her will - Said Adaline - was her daughter by a man (col^d) named Waters, while she (Harriet) was a Slave - and was the Slave of Said Stevens - After being emancipated she (H. J.) asked Mr Stevens to deliver over to her keeping her daughter - He replied "I you do not keep away - and give me any more trouble, I will make this world too hot for you" - Thus at the time of Emancipation of the Slaves, when when they were about apprenticing her child, she was told "if she would go to Court and refuse her consent they could not bind them - and she did comply on said day & stated she had been offered a situation for the child - where her board, clothing and \$2 - per month would be given her -

And that she was bound wholly against
her will - And Stevens since will not
permit her child to visit her

J. M. Johnston

Wm. H. B. No. 14.
Wm. H. B. No. 14.
Kent Co. Md.

Aug 21 1864

Johnson Harriet (rel)

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daughter Adeline Water
has been illegally appren-
ticed to Mr Stephens of
The Orphan's Court
Kent Co Md

Enquiry made of Wm. H. B.
Subj. S. B. B.
We answer to this date
Sept 27 1864.

For (2) Enclosures

Ent. C. B. No. 14.

Recd. Sept. Div. July 22nd / 1850.
Sept. B. - 14. -

Johnson, Harriet
(Child.)

Affidavit concern-
ing her child - illegally
bound to W^m Stevens
of Chertown Kent Co^{va}
also of threats & harsh
language to her by Steven

State of Maryland

Kent County, to wit

On the 2nd day of July Eighteen hundred and sixty six before the subscriber a Justice of the peace of the State of Maryland in and for Kent County aforesaid personally appeared Harriett Johnson, colored woman of Kent County and made oath in due form of law that Adeline Waters her daughter aged 13 years on the last day of August 1865 was the slave to William Stevens of Kent County Maryland, that after the Emancipation of all the slaves of the State of Maryland by the present Constitution of the State, she, deponent, called upon Mrs. Stevens and demanded her child Mr Stevens said if deponent would pay two hundred dollars for the child she could have her and not otherwise - that after this, being a short time after the Maryland Emancipation Act was confirmed by the ^{Constitutional} Convention of the State, Mr Stevens informed deponent that it was the intention of Mr Stevens to have her daughter Adeline Waters bound to himself and named the day the child was to be carried before the Orphan's Court of Kent County and bound out as an apprentice - This deponent appeared before the Orphan's Court of Kent County at the time the child was to be bound out, and before the child was bound out, and stated to the Orphan's Court that she objected and would not consent

that her child should be bound out by
the court to Mr Stevens - that the court,
said no regard to the objection of
this deponent but proceeded to bind her
said daughter out to Mr Stevens without
the consent of this deponent and against
express objection - that about a week
after her child was bound out to Mr
Stevens, as aforesaid - This deponent called
upon Mr Stevens in relation to her child
and Mr Stevens became very much
excited and in an angry and spiteful
manner sworn and declared to deponent
that if she gave him any trouble about her
daughter that this world would be too hot
to hold her - adding to the declaration
a wicked oath - This violence on the part
of Mr Stevens alarmed deponent and
she was afraid to take any step towards
obtaining her child until she was informed
by some white person, that it was not lawful
for Mr Stevens to hold her child in any
such manner -

That William Stevens aforesaid still holds
said Adeline Waters daughter of this deponent
and refuses to give her up to deponent.

Harriet Johnson

This affidavit and declaration are made
for the purpose of procuring such aid and action
before the Freedman Bureau as will enable
deponent to obtain her child -

sworn & subscribed before James Graves

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Maryland Kent County to wit
On this 26 day of July A.D. 1866
before the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace
of the State of Maryland in and for
Kent County aforesaid personally appeared
Kitty Filshman free woman of color of Kent
County and made oath in due form
of law that she is well acquainted
with Harriett Johnson who is the mother
Adeline water, and also with Adeline
water - that this deponent was present
before the Orphan's Court of Kent County
at the time the Court bound Adeline
water an apprentice of Mr William Stevens
that this deponent heard Harriett Johnson
aforesaid object before the Orphan's Court
aforesaid to the binding of her daughter
Adeline to Mr William Stevens - the
Orphan's Court seemed to pay no regard
whatever to the objection and proceeded
at once to bind her out notwithstanding
the mother's objection -
Sworn before James Graves

The Post Office address of Harriett
Johnson is Chestertown, Kent County Maryland
Care of W. S. Lapell -

B. F. B. R. L. P. A. L. Ind. 1866.

Baltimore July 24th 1866

Brooks & Isaac.

U. S. Commissioner

Reports that John Hopwood.
will have a hearing, for refusing
to act under the Civil Rights
Bill on Monday next. Requests
that Capt Bohanus remain as a
witness.

Baltimore July 24th 1866

Respectfully referred to Major General
Francis S. Seward, Asst. Commr. for
Md. & Dist. Va. for information, with
whom I will be authorized to comply
with the Request of the U. S. Commr.

A. W. Bohanus
Captain U. S. A.

Recd. July 24, 1866. Aft. Comm. Ind.

Date July 24th 1866
Capt Bolinus
Dear Sir.

The Case
of United States vs. John
Hopwood arising under the
Civil Rights Bill will be
heard by me on Monday at
10 o'clock if nothing prevents.
You will oblige me by remaining
in town as it is necessary to
have you as a witness.

Very Res^t
Wm. C. Conroy
U.S. Comm^r

D. H. R. F. P. C. S. - Ind.

War Department
Bureau Refugee, Freedmen &
Washington, July 24, 1866.

Dallock, Geo. F.
Dist. Col. ^{and} Chief D. O.

Forwards Form for
Accounts Current ^{and}
Form for Receipt for
Funds -

Recd. aft. Comm. recd. July 25, 1866

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, July 24 1866.

Brnt Maj Genl Francis Pickens
Baltimore Md.

Sir

Enclosed I send you
forms of Account Currents, referred to in Circular
9, and forms for Receipts for funds, (2, kinds)
more can be had on application to this office.

I am very respectfully
Yours obedient servant
Geo W Puccio
Brnt Col & Chf S. C.

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Caroline Anderson

Sept. Div. B. - 12

Headquarters Bureau C. F. & D. Co.

Office Asst. Commr.

Baltimore, Md.

July 24th 1866.

Respectfully referred to
Captain C. C. Knower, Inspector
for investigation and
report.

By order of Maj. Gen. T. T. Spencer
Asst. Commr.

Geo. L. Smith

Det. Major & Inspector

Balt. Md. July 25th 66

Respectfully returned
with the information
that the woman Anderson
as told a deliberate falsehood
as the boy has been legally
bound to Mr. Faithful, and
the complaint had been
once decided in Mr. F's
favor by Judge Bond of
this city

Edw. C. Knower

Capt. V. R. C.

Recd. Sept. Div. July 26th 1866.

Sept. B. P. 12. - 6.

Anderson, Mrs. Caroline (col'd), states that her son, Charles Anderson, about 14 years old, is now in keeping of Mr. William Faithful, N^o. 73. Livingston street, Balt. Mo^d, who refuses to give the boy up to her. - She says her son has not been bound to Mr. Faithful by any legal process, as she has never given her consent to such proceeding. - She now desires to have her son returned to her, as she is fully able to support him. -

~~Rev.~~ Gen. R. E. Va. L. - Md.

War Department
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen &
Washington, July 27, 1866.

Ballock Geo. W.
Det. Col. ^{2nd} Regt. Chief D. C.

Transmit check for
\$23-0.⁰⁰/₁₀₀ - the amount
called for on requisition
Wishes receipts returned
at once.

Recd. aft. Comm. Md. July 28, 1866.

Receipt returned
July. 28. 1866.

Al. W. W. V. (B) 30-30.

July 28, 1866

Check for
amount
of
to be returned

Wm. W. V.
July 28, 1866

Wm. W. V.
July 27, 1866

Wm. W. V.

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, July 27 1866.

Brnt Maj Genl Francis Sissenden
Baltimore Md^a

Sir

Enclosed I have the honor
to transmit my check to fill the amount called
for on your requisition for funds (\$250⁰⁰) Please
have the enclosed receipts signed and return to
me as soon as practicable.

I am very respectfully
Your obedient servant
Geo. M. Balloch
Brnt Col & Chf S. C.

Cambridge, Md.
July 27, 1866.

Bailey, Wells S.
Lieut. and Inspectr.

Forwards Report
of Freedmen's affairs
in Dorchester County
Maryland

Recd. Sept. 11, 1866 July 29, 1866

any information required for the proposed adjustments
of any difficulty that may arise through ignorance
or prejudice. I would recommend that this circuit
be inspected by an officer of the Bureau. Mr. Lati
demonstrates of different judges at the 18th message of
the amendments to the proposed Bureau bill has
assumed nearly if not quite all the objection to
the civil rights bill and Messrs (Civil) are willing
to conform with its provisions as soon as furnished
with copies judges please propose to distribute them
if he can obtain them from any source. Mr. has applied

D. C. message/B/30-32

Cambridge Dorchester Co Md
July 27th 1866

To
Jacob F. Chas.
Capt ^{and} A S A Genl

Sir

I have the honor to report that I was detained in Denton Caroline Co Md by illhealth and did not arrive in Cambridge until yesterday A.M. July 26th and am unable to proceed with a thorough inspection of this county (being unable to ride from injuries & advised by surgeons not to attempt it at present) I intend returning to my Hd Qrs at Easton Caroline Co this P.M. to investigate a complaint from ^{Mr} A Michels Caroline Co. & return to Balto next week. I paid a visit to Judge Spence (Circuit Judge of Dorchester Worchester & Summerset Cos who is a friend to the Bureau & will administer Justice in accordance with late acts of Congress) who recommends & requests that his Circuit be inspected thoroughly by an Officer of the Bureau once in 4 or 5 weeks furnished (for distribution) with

copies of the late laws giving those opposed to the Bureau a knowledge that it is an established fact (and not all papers) and that acts of Congress are laws and are to be respected by all. His Judge Spence admits that a strong prejudice exists against the Bureau but that an Officer will be respected and allowed every facility in his power for obtaining any information required for the proper adjustment of any difficulty that may arise through ignorance or prejudice. I would recommend that His Circuit be inspected by an Officer of the Bureau. The late decisions of different judges & the Veto message of the amendment to the Freedmen's Bureau Bill has removed nearly if not quite all the opposition to the civil rights Bill and Officers (Civil) are willing to conform with its provisions as soon as furnished with copies Judge Spence proposes to distribute them if he can obtain them from any source. He has applied for them at Washington but cannot obtain them. He lives here in Cambridge.

Hoping this will meet with your approval

I have the honor to be very respectfully

Yours Obedt Servt

Wells Bailey Smith

and Inspector of Talbot County & Dorchester Mills

Del. and Servt B/30-32

Warpis Temporal
July 28th 1866

Wigg. A. J.
Sto asst. Supt.

Asks for transportation to
destitute Refugee

W. B. F. P. C. J. - 1866

Recd. Capt. Carr. 2nd. July 30, 1866.

Rev. J. O. A. J.
Sto Supt. Division
Winchester. July 28th 1866

Respectfully forwarded
approved - By furnishing
transportation, the Bureau
will be relieved from the
expense of a considerable
amount of rations, and thus
a saving to the Government
will really result.

J. M. Remington
Capt. B. Major's
Supt. Gen. Div.

ab. m. w. v. / H / 174-9

Bureau Refugees Freedmen & Abol Lands
Office of the Supt Sub Dir
Harper's Ferry W Va July 28th 66

Dear

I have the honor to request transportation to the following points for the below named destitute Refugees, who are now drawing Rations from this Bureau. I have carefully examined into their several cases and find that their removal would be of great benefit to the community and themselves.

James Mansfield, Wife and six children, (aged 12, 10, 8, 8, 5, 4 3 years,)
to London Madison Co Ohio

Susannah Gidley and four children (aged 10, 8, 5, 4 2 years,)
to London Madison Co Ohio -

Wm Geo Fessenden
Supt Commr
B R F W
(W Va & West Va)

I have the honor to be
Most Respectfully Your obt Servt
A. D. Higgs
Acting Supt

P.O. B.R. ^{Post} A. L. - Ind. 1866.

Bureau of R. & ^{Post} A. L.
Hd. Qrs. Shenandoah Division
Winchester, Va. July 28, 1866.

Remington, J. B.
Br. Insp. ^{and} Supt.

States that on the 7th inst.
he addressed a communication to Col. Chandler
A. A. G. & Act. Aft. Comr. en-
closing \$50.00 - Bureau funds
received during month of
June. Has received no
receipt for the money.

Recd. aft. Comr. July 31, 1866.

Bureau Refuges, Freedmen & A. S.
Head Quarters, Shenandoah Division
Winchester, Va. July 28th 1866.

Maj Genl. J. J. Insull
Asst. Commissioner
Baltimore, Md
General

I have the honor to state that on
the 7th inst. I addressed a communication to
Dt. St. Col. R. Chaudin, A. A. S. actg Asst. Comdr.
enclosing Five Dollars, Bureau Funds, collected
by me during the month of June, and transmitted
to him in compliance with Paragraph III. of
Circular 17, War. Dept. Bu. R. S. & A. S. dated
Washington Sept. 20th 1865 -

I also enclosed triplicate receipts, which I
requested him to sign -

These receipts have not been returned, nor has
any acknowledgment been received by me of the
arrival of the amount -

It will be impossible for me to

make the required accounts to the
Treasury, until the receipts referred to
are received -

Very Respectfully, General
your Obedt. Servant
J. T. Remington
Capt. & Lt. Maj. U.S.A.
Supt. Gen. Div.

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War Department.

Duncan Refugee, Freedmen's

Washington, July 28, 1866.

Ballock, Geo. W.

Brig. Col. and Chief D. O.

Transmits check

to fill the additional

Estimate for Funds.

ab. memo. (B) - 30 - 31

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, *July 28th* 1866.

Maj Genl Francis Serran
Baltimore Md.

Sir

Your letter of July 26th forwarding additional estimate is received, and enclosed I transmit check to fill the same. — Hereafter have your disbursing officer include this, and any other similar estimate in his regular monthly estimate, as I wrote you before it will be better for Capt Ches to make all the disbursements in your district. The fewer hands that money goes into, the less liability there is to error.

I am very respectfully
Yr obedient servant
Geo W. Falloch
Asst Cashier S. O.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen &c.

Baltimore, Md. July 30, 1866.

Boleson, A. G.

Capt. and Inspector.

Reports relative to the
Case of United States vs
John Hopwood, for vio-
lation of the "Civil Rights
Bill"

Bureau Refugees F. & A. L.

Baltimore Md July 30th 1866

Major Jacob F. Chur

A. A. A. General

Major-

In the case of the United States versus John Hopwood, for violation of the Civil Rights bill, laid June 30th 1866, I would respectfully report.

The defendant had a hearing, this day, before the U. S. Commissioner, on the charge of refusing to hear the complaint of William Shannon, (Col^d, confined in the jail at Prince Frederick town, Calvert Co Md,) against Dr. Wilkinson, and others, (white) and was held to bail in the sum of One thousand (\$1000.00) dollars, to appear before the Grand Jury, in the U. S. Court house, in the City of Baltimore, on the first Tuesday in September next.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant.

W. T. Bolinius
Capt. 22nd Regt. V. K. Co.

~~B. R. F. & A. L. Md. 1866.~~

Baltimore Md.
July 30, 1866.

Benson Robt. F.
113. So. Exeter St.

Applic for a clerk-
ship in the Bureau

Recd. Capt. Comm. Md. July 30 1866.

Baltimore
July 30th 1866

Freedmen Bureau

In compliance with instructions received I herewith make application for a Clerkship in your Office, was a Commissary Clerk at Fort Monroe for eight months and gave great satisfaction.

I would be pleased to fill a vacancy in the Baltimore Office, can refer to several merchants of this city.

I am Sir
Respectfully Yours
Robert H. Benson
113 So Exeter Street

~~Adj. Gen. R. F. Waller~~ - Ind.

War Department
Adj. Genl. Office
Washington, July 31, 1866.

Vincent Tho. Jr.
Capt. Adj. Genl.

States that so soon as Major
Wharton is relieved from
his present duties, an ap-
plication for detail in the
Bureau will be entertained.

Recd. aft. comm. Ind. Aug 3, 1866

War Department.

Adjutant General's Office.

Washington July 31st 1866.

Major General O. O. Howard

Commissioner &c
Washington D.

General,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of letter forwarded to the Department by your endorsement of the 26th inst, from Major H. W. Wharton, U. S. Army, Mustering and Disbursing Officer, Baltimore, Maryland, requesting assignment to duty as Disbursing Officer in your Bureau.

In reply, I am instructed to inform you, that so soon as Major Wharton is relieved from his present duties, an application from him to be thus assigned will then be entertained.

I am General

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

(Signed) Thomas W. Vincent

Assistant Adjutant Genl
(over)

Official Copy respectfully furnished for the
information of Maj. Gen: Francis Jessenden,
Sup: Freedmen's Affairs.

Saml Thomas

Acty. Ass't. Adjt. Gen:

R. H. B. R. F. P. C. S. - 1111.

Bureau of Engraving, Treasury Dept.
Ad. Ins. Gen. Division
Washington, D.C. Aug. 1, 1866.

Remington, J. B.
Det. Maj. Gen. Dept.

Transmits accounts
for service rendered
for payment.

Recd. aft. Com. Ind. Aug. 3, 1866

Bureau Refuges, Freedmen & Land
Head Quarters Shenandoah Division
Winchester, Va. Aug. 11 1866.

Capt J. S. Clark
Disbursing Officer
Baltimore, Md
Captain

Enclosed please find
accounts for services rendered; which
I have the honor to transmit to you
for payment.

I am, Captain
Very Respectfully
Your obedient
J. H. Remington
Capt & B. Major, etc
Supt. Shen. Div.

Bureau Refuges, Freedmen & L.
Head Quarters Shenandoah Division
Winchester, Aug 1. 1866.

Major Genl. F. Freuden
Asst. Commissioner
Baltimore, Md
General

I have the honor to transmit
herewith the following Monthly Reports and
Returns for the month of July, 1866, viz:

- ✓ Report of Persons and articles hired (Form 2, 1866)
- (Two copies of this Report are enclosed, one of which
please approve and return →
- ✓ Report of Officers and Enlisted men -
- ✓ Report of Land (1 Rec 11)
- ✓ Report of Schools
- ✓ Report of Rations (Freedmen)
- ✓ Report of Rations (Refuges)
- ✓ Return of Bureau Property, with
abstract I, I, 1000, 1000 and 1000 -
Your approval of abstract I, and 1000

To abt S. is requested, it being required by
Capt. M. Brown the C. G. M. of Bureau at Washington
Account Bureau Bureau Invoice with account
of money received from abt A. Voncher,
B. & Voncher, B. C. Voncher, Returning disbursing
officers Voncher -

I also enclose for your information,
(as required by Asst. Comdr. Va) a copy of my
I. M. Return without Voncher -

I also enclose \$5 + Ten dollars
amount collected by me during the
month, and have the honor to request
triplicate receipts for this and the \$5 -
previously sent, both belonging to the
"Refugees, and Freedmen's Fund." -

I am, General

Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt Servant
J. T. Remington
Capt. & B. Maj. U.S.A.
Supt. Gen. Div.

R. G. B. R. F. and A. L. - Md. 1866.

Bureau R. F. and A. L.
Hd. Qu. Shenandoah Division
Winchester, Va. Aug. 2, 1866.

Remington J. H.
Bvt. Maj. and Capt.

Acknowledges receipt
of transportation for
the within named parties.

Recd. Capt. Carr, Md. July 1866.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & L.
Head Quarters, Freedmen Division
Wichita Kan Aug 2. 1866.

Maj: Gen. J. Jessup
Asst. Commr
Baltimore, Md
General

I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt of transportation
for James Mansfield & family, and
Susan Liddy and family -

Very respectfully
Yours Obedtly
J. H. Remington
Capt & Bt. Major
Supt Gen. Div

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Baltimore Md.
Aug 4th 1866.

Richard R
Batt Lt Col W. A. B.

Inquires concerning
Henry A. Whittington
6th U. S. Col. 1st Regt. Troops.

not on list
Amy Whittington
Mother
278 West Street

Recd A. B. O. Aug 8th 1866.

D. F. - 15 -

Sept. Div. 65 - 9 - E. B. - 68 - 54.

Adj. Gen. 12th 1866.
Bureau Refugee, F. & A. Co.
Headquarters Spt. Com. 1st U. S. Col.
Baltimore, Md. Aug. 7th 1866.

Respectfully referred to the
Adjutant Gen. U. S. A. -

Richard R.

Batt. Lt. Col. A. A. J.
Acty. Spt. Com.

E. B. 7th 2nd J. 20th

War Department
Adjutant General's Office
August 10, 1866.

Respectfully returned to
Batt Lt Col. Richard R. May,
Acting Sub Commissioner
Bureau Refugee Freedmen & A.
Baltimore Md. with informa-
tion that this man is not
known upon the records of the
6th U. S. Col. Troops on file in
this office.

By Order of the Secretary of War:

O. B. G.

[Signature]

Rec'd back Aug. 13, 1866.

Whittington, Amy, Mrs, desires to be informed, whether
her son, Henry A. Whittington, Corp. 2^d 6th U. S. C. Tr.,
is dead, and if so, when, where, and from what cause,
he died. —

B. 36

War Department

Bureau Refugee Freedmen &c.

Washington, Aug. 8th 1866.

Ballock, Geo. W.
Bvt. Col. and Chf. S. O.

Acknowledges receipt
of account of funds
of Maj. J. H. Remington
Supt. V. for month of
July 1866.

Rec^d. Ab. W. & V. V. Aug. 10 - 1866.

Ac. W. & V. V. (B.) 31 - 36.

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, August 8th 1866.

Maj Genl Francis Pickens
Baltimore Md.

Sir

The accounts for July
1866. of Maj J. W. Remington forwarded by you
Augth have been received at this office.

I am very respectfully

Yours obedient servant

Geo. W. Bullock.

Bvt Col 60th P. S. C.

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War Department
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen &
Washington, Aug. 8, 1866.

Brown, J. Sr.
Prot. Maj. and Chf. Dr. Ser.

Acknowledges receipt of
property accounts, "Store"
pertaining to Bureau R. F.
and A. L. of Prot. Maj. J. H. Rem-
ington Supt. R. for month
of July 1866.

Rec'd - W. W. W. - Aug. 10 - 1866

J. C. W. W. W. / B. / 31 - 35.

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, August 8th 1866.

Br. Lieut Col. R. Chandler

W. A. Genl.

A. Asst Com'r, Bureau Refugees, F. & A. L.

Baltimore. Md.

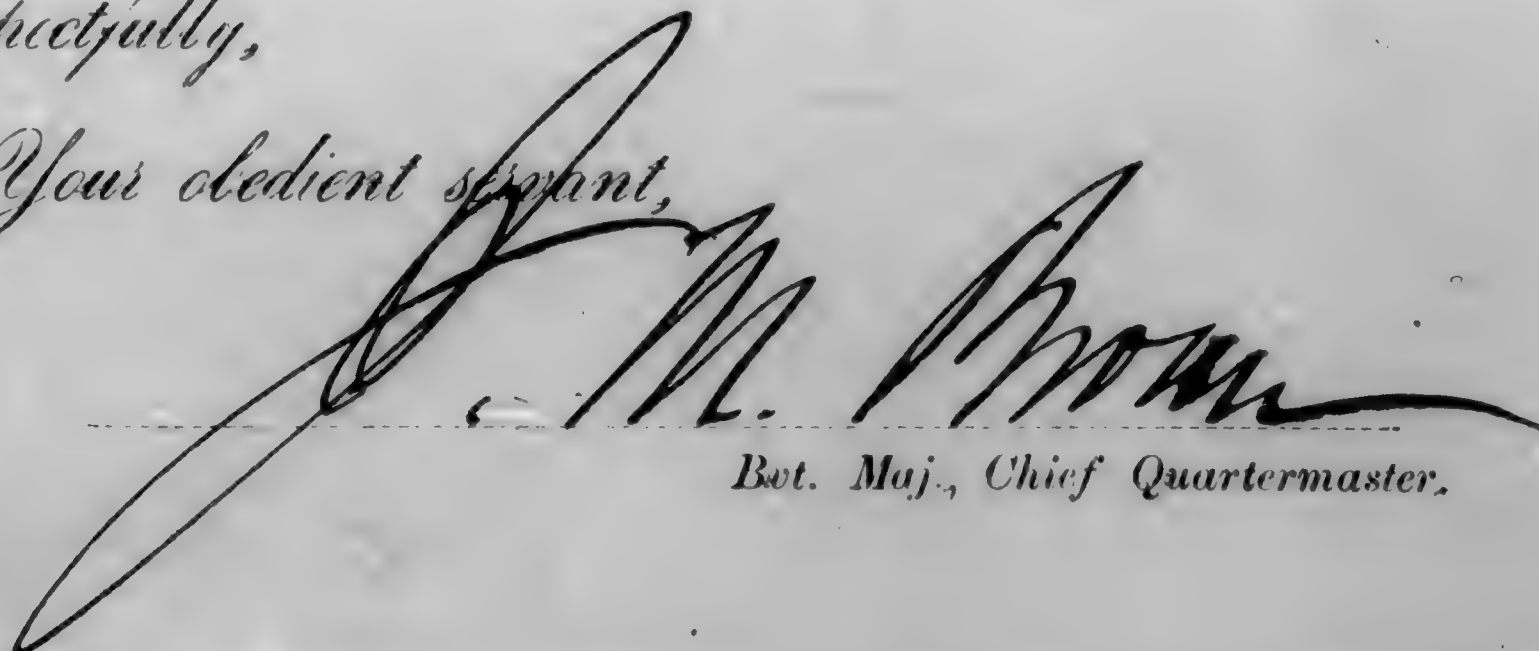
General:

By direction of Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the property accounts "Stores pertaining to the Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands," of Br. Major J. H. Remington U.S.C. Supt. Shenandoah Div. at Winchester Va.

for the month of July 1866 forwarded by you August 7th 1866.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,



Bot. Maj., Chief Quartermaster.

B. 7. B. R. 4 x 2. 11. 1866.

Bureau Refugee Freedmen &c.
Hd. Qu. Shen. Division
Winchester, Va. Aug. 9 1866.

Remington, J. H.
Act. Secy. and Supt.

Acknowledge receipt
of Check No. 7. in favor
of Arthur Turner,
on U.S. Depository.

Rec^d A.C. W. S. V. Aug. 11-1866

Bureau R. G. & A. L.
Hd Qrs, Gen. Div.
Winchester Aug. 9th 1866.

Capt. Jacob F. C. Pur,
Disbursing Officer,
Baltimore Md.

Captain :-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your check (No. 7) on U.S. Depository in favor of Arthur Turner. The vouchers from Woodstock and Faunt Royal will be sent as soon as the required signatures can be obtained.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
J. H. Remington
Capt & Bt Major U.S.A.
Dep't Gen. Div.

J. B. R. H. V. S. - Md.

Baltimore, Md.

Aug. 11, 1866

Janny, J. M.

Reports that all
property belonging
to his ~~cap~~ has been
removed from Feder-
al Hill.

Rec^d

Aug. 11/66

Recd. Capt. Comm. Md. Aug. 12, 1866

Removed to Rooms 4 and 5 Tyson's Building, N. W. Corner of Charles and Lexington Streets.

BALTIMORE ASSOCIATION FOR THE
Moral and Educational Improvement of the Colored People,

~~ROOMS 4 AND 5 TYSON'S BUILDING~~

Baltimore, ^{the} Aug 11 1866

To Capt. J. H. Blair

I have the honor to report that I have removed all property belonging to this Association at Fort Federal Hill & that there is no longer any necessity for a guard to be stationed there

Very respectfully

F. M. Journey

~~Dr. D. R. Clark - Md.~~

War Department
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen &
Office Chief Medical Officer
Washington, Aug. 13, 1866.

Hornor, Caleb W.
Chief Med. Officer

States that Dr. De Witt
request for a few days
delay in reporting for
duty, has received the
favorable consideration
of the Commissioners

Recd. aft. Comm. Md. Aug. 14, 1866.

Surg. M. E. De Witt
Chm
Rev. M. E. De Witt
Harrisburg
— Penna.

War Department,
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.
Office Chief Medical Officer,

Washington, Aug. 13th 1866.

Cot. N. Chandler

A. A. 9th & Act. Art. Com's

Dear Sir

Dr. DeWitt's
request for a few days delay in
reporting for duty at your
to induction has received the
favorable consideration of
the Major General Commissioner,

Very respectfully

W. A. H. H. H.

W. A. H. H. H.

Surg. U.S.A.
Chief Medical Officer

S. A. Bu. R. F. A. d. - 1866

U. S. San. Commissioner
Washington, D. C. Aug. 16/66.

Barcom, Gen. G.
Genl. Agent.

In Pension Claim of
Clarinda Chase - evidence
is required of the fact, date
and cause of soldier's death
Widow of Saul Chase
§ 34th U.S.C.

Recd. apt. Comm. Ind. Aug. 18/66

all done
Dallimore

U. S. Sanitary Commission

ARMY AND NAVY CLAIM AGENCY, 242 F STREET,

Washington, D. C. August 16, 1866

Sir:

Yours of the 6th inst. relative to the Pension claim of Charinda Chase, on account of Samuel J. Chase, late Pt. "E", 39th Regt. U. S. is at hand, and in reply I have to say that the case is awaiting evidence of the fact, date, and cause of the soldiers death. On the 11th of June we informed Gen. Sturmand of what was wanted, and requested that he procure, if possible, the required evidence.

On the 19th of the same month we received a letter from Capt. O'Leary, stating that claimant had been examined, and could give no particulars as to her husbands death, neither could any of his late officers be found, and the men from same regiment can give no evidence of a satisfactory nature. On the 7th

retired we wrote to the Adjutant
General W. J. A. for the names and
address of the officers attached to
the company of which the deceased
was a member, but as yet have
received no reply. If we succeed in
obtaining their address, I shall
apply for a certificate, showing
the facts as required. —

Respectfully, Yours,
W. F. Bacon,
Gen. Agent.

Sicut. Col. R. S. Chandler
Act. Asst. Comm.
Pension Bureau,
Baltimore

Recd. at H. Com. and. Aug. 18/66

R. S. C.

to require of the fact, date
and name of person, death
widow of Saml. Chase
\$ 347.12 1/2

W. F. Bacon, Secy. G.
H. Com.

A. J. Van Compton
Washington, D. C. Aug 18/66

U. S. B. A. 4800-1866

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, August 16th 1866.

Major Gen. J. M. Schofield
Comd'g. Dept. of Virginia.

General,

You are hereby appointed Assistant Commissioner
of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
for the District under your command.

All officers on duty in your Department in connect-
ion with this Bureau will make to you the usual
reports required by orders. In accordance with
instructions from the Secretary of War.

Very Respectfully
Signed O. O. Howard.

Major Gen. Comr.

~~Official~~

A. A. A. G. G.

over

Official Copy respectfully furnished for
information of Ash Carriers State of Maryland
By order of
Major Genl. O. O. Howard

J. M. Dudge
a. e. e.

~~U. S. Army~~ U. S. Army 1866

U. S. Army Commission
Washington, D.C. Aug. 18, 1866.

Parsons Geo. F.
Supt. Agent.

Has received Report of
Medical examination of
James Ferry, late of Co.
"H" 26, U. S. C. I.

Recd
Aug. 20

Recd. Capt. Comm. Ind. Aug. 20 1866

No. 6.

U. S. Sanitary Commission

ARMY AND NAVY CLAIM AGENCY,

242 F STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C.

August 18th 1866.

The *Notice of Medical examination*
in support of the Pension claim
of James Henry Co. of Co. "G,"
26th Regt

which you forwarded to this office, under date of *August 16th 1866,*
is received, and will be examined, and, if found correct, filed in the proper
Governmental Department.

Owing to the great pressure of business in all the departments, a very considerable delay in the adjustment of claims is frequently unavoidable. This is especially true in case of arrears of pay and bounty on account of deceased soldiers. Your claim will receive all necessary attention; and, if anything further is required to sustain it, you will be duly notified.

Letters of inquiry, in regard to the state of your claim, will be duly answered. To insure a prompt reply, every letter should give the full name and post-office address of claimant, the name, company and regiment, with date of discharge or death, of the soldier, the nature of the claim, and, if possible, the date at which it was sent to this office.

In case of removal from your present residence, please notify this office promptly, that your correct address may be known whenever we wish to communicate with you.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM F. BASCOM, *General Agent.*

Major Gen. F. Fessenden
Asst. Com. Freedmen's Bureau
Baltimore Md.

(NELSON ENBURY)

C. G. No. 177.

War Department

Bur. of Ft & Lands.

Claim Division

Washington, Aug. 24th 1866.

Respectfully referred to
Maj. Genl. V. Fessenden Act
Comr. Bur. of Ft & Lands.
Baltimore Md. who will
please give desired information
in the case and (if same can
be dispensed with in the pro-
secution of his claim) send
his discharge to this office

By order of
Maj. Genl. Howard,

Yours
A. A. King.

Piatt.

abolition Pro the

Hancock Washington Co. Md.
August 14/66

Proctor Nelson

Requests to know
if my State Bounty has been
collected yet or not, also
requests my discharge sent
to him as receipt of this letter
P. G. Du. R. F. and A. L. Md. 1866.

Rec'd Aug 16th
Return

Rec'd Capt. Com. J. P. Aug 29, 1866.

L. O. P. No. 40.
Rec'd B. F. & A. L.
C. S. Aug 16th 1866

Hancock Aug 4th 66
Wm Fowler a gent
Bun. of Coy F & H Land

Dear Sir you will
please inform me if you
have made any effort to
collect my Stat. Bounty
and if I will you get it
or not. — Let me know
if you have not yet received
it if you can get it without
my discharge papers. —
Also you can collect it,
but I wish you to send me
my discharge upon receipt
of this and much oblige

yours
Wirtup
Messers
B. L. S. J. S.

Most obdly
Nelson ^{and} Pibetor
mess

Hancock Washington Co Md

Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Office Supt 6th District Va.
Fredericksburg Va. Aug 28th/66

Respectfully forwarded to
Supt Genl O. Brown,
Bureau R. F. & A. L. Rich-
mond Va. inviting attention
to communication of Lieut
H. R. Wentworth, Asst Supt
of date Aug 21, 66.

James Johnson
E 416 3
3195 3 Major W. R. S. Supt



M 430 R F & A L 3766

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & A. S.
Recd 2nd Asst Comm. State of Va
Richmond Va. Aug. 24th/66

Respectfully returned to Major
General C. C. Edwards Commissioner
inviting attention to enclosed re-
port of St. M. R. Wentworth, and
Statement of Mrs M. B. Wright -

W. R. S.
Major General

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(4 Encls)~~

New Dept. Bu. R. F. & A. L.
Washington Aug 27/66
Respectfully returned to
Annhead Postington
(Thro' Office Asst. Comm. of
Mrs.) and attention invited
to endorsement of Lieut
Wentworth, enclosed.

By order of
Maj. Genl Howard, Comm.
[Signature]
aa general.

1st Lt. Supt. Aug. 29th 1866

Office of Asst. Supt. R. F. & A. L.
Sub-Dist. of Essex, King & Queen & Middlesex Cos.
Pappahannock, Essex Co. Va. August 21, 1866.

Maj. James Johnson
Supt. 6th Dist. R. F. & A. L.

Major:

I have the honor to forward herewith through your Hd. Qrs to the Hd. Qrs Asst. Comdr. the enclosed statement of Mrs. Mary B. Wright sworn to.

I am, Major,

Very Respectfully, Your obt. servt.

Watson R. Wentworth
2nd Lieut. V. R. C. & Asst. Supt.
Bureau of R. F. & A. L.

M 430 R 7 r a S Va 3 766

Office of Asst. Supt. R. F. & A. L.
Sub-Dist. of Essex Co. Va.

Tappahannock, Va. July 26, 1866.

Maj. Jas. Johnson,

Supt. 6th Dist. Va. R. F. & A. L.

Major:

In compliance with the enclosed endorsement of the Asst. Comr. I have the honor to forward the enclosed statement of Mrs. Mary B. Wright in regard to Armistead Covington (col'd.) who claims wages of her for services rendered last year.

From what I have learned it is my opinion that he is entitled to nothing more than he has had, as he raised seven hogs and a quantity of corn on another farm where his wife was living, and feigning to be sick went to his wife while there worked this corn and stayed there five weeks. He also raised corn on Mrs. W's farm and worked his corn mostly when he should have been working for her, was very impudent and done such work for her as he choosed.

I am, Major,

Very Respectfully, Your obt. servt.

W. A. Mason

2nd Lieut. 9th V. C. & Asst. Supt.

Bureau of R. F. & A. L.

Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Office Supt 6th Va District
Fredericksburg Va. 19 July/66

Respectfully referred to
Lieut Watson & Wentworth
Asst Supt Essex Co Va
for compliance with endorse-
ment of Major Genl A. H. Terry
Act Commissioner of R. F. & A. S.
State of Virginia,

James Gordon
154 Major W. R. Supt &c

M 430 R F & A S Va 30066

Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Office Supt 6th Dist Va.
Fredericksburg Va. July 30th 1866

Respectfully returned to
Brent King Genl O. Brown
Bureau R. F. & A. S. Rich-
mond Va. inviting attention
to enclosed report of Lieut
W. R. Wentworth Asst Supt
and statement of Mrs M. B.
Wright - also enclosed.

James Gordon
Exm } Major W. R. Supt &c
3.1.66 }

Three (3) Enclosures.

Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Head 2nd Dist Com^r Va
Richmond Va Aug 1/66

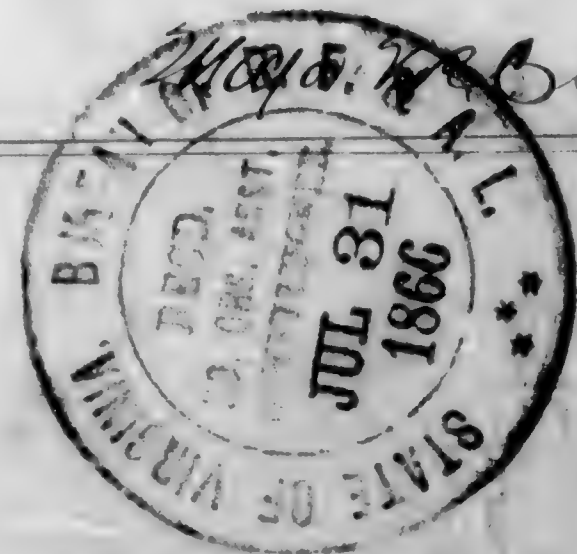
Respectfully returned to
Lt W. R. Wentworth Asst
Supt (thro' Maj Jas Johnson
Supt 6th Dist) who will
require Mrs. M. B. Wright
to make oath to her state-
ment herein enclosed.

By order of Maj Gen. A. H. Terry
Act Com^r of 2nd Dist
Exm James Gordon
200,317. A. F. A. S.

Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Office Supt 6th District Va.
Fredericksburg Va. Aug 2nd 1866

Respectfully transmitted.

Exm.
3.1.76



Dir. R F & A Lands.
Actg. Asst. Commissioner
Baltimore Aug. 13th 1866.

Chandler, R.

Dir. Genl. Col. & A. S. Genl.
Actg. Asst. Commissioner.

Requests the names and resi-
dences of as many officers of the
29th Regt. Inf. as can be ob-
tained.

Thos Kenyon
"D" or "E" 29th Regt

L. O. No. 925.
Recd. R F & A Lands. Aug. 20/66.

L. O. No. 173.
War Department
Dir. R F & A Lands.
Claim Division
Washington Aug 22nd 1866.

Respectfully returned to Dir.
Genl. Col. R. Chandler Actg.
Asst. Commr. R F & A Lands.
Baltimore Md, with the
request, that this office be fur-
nished the letter of the Companies
to which the officers who P. O.
addresses are required, belonging,
as the A. G. O. declines giving
the names of all the officers
of the Regiments.

Wm. J. Taylor,
A. S. Genl.

Ad. Dir. Asst Comr
Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Balt. Aug. 24 1866
Respectfully returned
the information desired
is in the case of Thomas
Kenyon who was a
private in either Cos. "D"
or "E" 29th Regt. I. S.
R. Chandler.

Br. Sr. Col. War
Actg. Asst Comr

Rec'd bank Aug 25

Return
L. O. No. 181.
Rec'd. bank. Aug. 25/66

C. O. No. 1817.
War Department
D. M. R. F. + A. Lando.
Claim Division
Washington, Aug. 29 - 1866.

Respectfully returned to Det.
Lt. Col. R. Chandler, A. A. G.
D. M. R. F. + A. L. Baltimore, Md.
The Adj. Gen. reports that the
name of Thomas Newson does
not appear on the rolls of Co's
"C" or "D", 29th Regt. Inf. troops.
The name and address of the
Surgeon of the Regiment is as
follows:

David Mackay,
New York City, W. Genl.
S. A. G. 29th Regt.
A. A. G.

Chair took this case
to be abandoned

Written to Thomas Newson Sept 27, 66.

Bureau of Refugee, Freedmen and A. L.
Head Quarters, Aft. Commissioner
Baltimore, Md. Aug. 13, 1866.

Major W. M. Fowler.

Aft. Adj. General.

Washington, D.C.

Major,

It is absolutely necessary in a case for a pension brought to this office, to obtain the names and residences of some of the officers of the 29th Regt. U. S. C. T. I therefore respectfully request, that you will send the names of as many officers of said Regt. as you can obtain, as soon as practicable.

I have the honor to remain,

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servant

R. Chandler.

Fort. Lieut. Col. A. A. G.

Actg. Aft. Comr.

Winchester, Va.
Aug 31, 1866

J. H. Remington
Capt & Lieut.

Report of affairs in
Shenandoah Division

Aug 31, 1866

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & A. Lands
Head Quarters of the said Division
Wichita, Mo., August 31st 1862

Maj. Genl. D. Greener
Assistant Commissioner
Baltimore, Md.
General

I have the honor to report that
the affairs of the Bureau in this Division
with the exception of Sub-Division D, are
in a very satisfactory condition.

In Sub-Division D, Lieut J. D. H. Hall
has experienced considerable difficulty
in performing his official duties, in
consequence of the bad feeling which has
sprung up amongst the white citizens
there toward the Bureau agents.

Upon a request from their Head Quarters
a temporary detail of troops was made for
duty at the H. Qs. of the Asst. Supt. at
Woodstock, by Col. J. V. Bonford & of Subj.
commanding Post of Wichita, since which

no further complaints have been received - For a
fuller account of the troubles at Woodstock, vide
accompanying report of Bureau Affairs by St. Hall
Asst. Supt. Sub. Div. D.

The state of feeling between the white and black
population in the other sub-divisions, is as good as at
any former period since ~~since~~ I have been on duty
at this place, and very few complaints have been
made of injustice or outrage towards the freed men.

Instructions have been issued to the several
Asst. Supts to give notice at once to the officials
responsible for the care of the poor in the several
counties, of the intended discontinuance on the
1st of October of the issue of rations, as directed in
Circular No 10. G. J. from Bureau Head Quarters at Washington,
in order that ample time may be given for each
County to make provision for the support of such
indigent persons as have heretofore been
dependent upon the Bureau - In accordance
with the Circular issued last month from these
Head Quarters, the issue of rations, especially
for negroes, has already, as will appear from the
Returns for the present month, been greatly reduced

It is greatly to be feared that when the issue shall be entirely discontinued much suffering will result amongst the large number of destitute persons, who will thus be thrown upon the local authorities, which will hardly be able to afford them at once all the needed assistance -

All the schools in the Division have been enjoying vacations during the month. Most of them will recommence their sessions during the coming month, and several additional ones will be opened, if authority can be obtained, as has been requested, to hire or construct suitable buildings for their accommodation.

The prosperity of the schools as one of the most important enterprises under the protection of the Bureau, will be made an object of special care in this Division.

All of which being respectfully submitted

I remain

Yours most obedtly

J. H. Remington
Capt & B. Maj. U.S.A.
Supt Genl Div.

Baltimore Md.
August 31st 1866.

Jannet P. M.
Secretary,

Acknowledges the receipt
of certain Building, Lumber
&c. and distribution the
same to the colored people
of the State of Maryland,
to be used by them, in the
erection of School Houses.

Recd. O. A. Q. M. O. Sept. 5th 1866,

BALTIMORE ASSOCIATION FOR THE
Moral and Educational Improvement of the Colored People,

Rooms 4 and 5 Tyson's Building, N. W. Corner of Charles and Lexington Sts.

Baltimore, August 31st 1866

Lieut Buckley.
Quartermaster U.S.A.
Baltimore Md.

I have the honor
to report, that during the month ending, August 31st
1866, I have received the following named lumber &c
from the Freedmen's Bureau, viz

Baracks at Fort Marshall, Md,
containing 52,500 feet of lumber, 45,000 Bricks,
10 Doors, and 56 Windows and frames, }

All of which,
has been distributed by me to the colored people of
Maryland, to be used by them, in the erection of
School Houses

Very Respectfully
P. M. Gamney

as per agreement
Since Mr. Radcliff retained \$50.00
Mr. Radcliff afterwards took Mrs.
Escay's ^{Bank} note payable in September
1866. Mr. Radcliff now holds this
note.

Mr Radcliff -

54 1/2 ~~Cent~~ Dockets -
opposite Banner

May Bishop -
P.O. Tobacco Store.
Dorchester Co - Md -

(colored)
Mary Bishop filed claim, in
August last, for back pay, ^{state} bounty
& Pension, in behalf of Abraham
Bishop, Res. son, Co. I. 4th Regt.
U.S.C. ^{I also did.} She has received the
back pay ~~state~~ Govt. Bounty
and Pension, but now makes
application for ~~Govt~~ State
Bounty of \$300.

~~She filed her claim~~
The claim was filed in August,
by Mr. Jonathan P. Creager, and every
thing except State bounty of \$300
has been adjusted & paid.

Mrs. Bishop now makes com-
plaint that Mr. Creager has re-
ceived the \$300 bounty, as she is
informed by her Lawyer, ^{Mr. Radcliff,} who obtained
the information from The Comptroller.

Afterwards Mr. Radcliff called on Mr
Creager, and obtained ^{from him} \$100, from which

F. O. Tobacco Stick
Archives Co. Ind.

Bishop Mrs. Mary
Colored

Complain that Mr. J. P.
Creager claim agt. her
received the \$300.00 bounty
due her & has only paid
\$100.00 to Mr. Raddiff her atty.

C.B.28.

Wrapper One (1) Enclosure
entered on Bureau list
Abramam Bishop
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Complaint B page 20.
O. O. Hutchinson, Mary
July 26/64

Eliza Harris (col) complains
that her daughter Mary
Elizabeth Harris, was, by
the Orphan's Court
Kenc. bound to
Saml W. Spencer, Chestnut
without her consent &
during her temporary
absence in Balt
& when she returned
& made application
for her child, she
was refused & ordered
by Spencer never to
set foot on his prem-
ises again, which she
can substantiate by oath
of her sister, J. M. Johnson
General Gregory will attend

Rec. Court. No. 100 Sept 20th 64.

Ent. C.B. 21 in 1.

Blackston - ²¹Mad of Safafaf
River, Kent Co. Ind.

1866.

Harrison, Maria
Colored.

Complains that her three
children were bound done
Dant. C. Blackston without
her consent - also of ill
treatment of them.

Ent. C.B. 27.

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Maria Harrison (colored) of
Kent Co. near the head of the
Sassafras River, complains that
~~she~~ her three children Robert
Victorine & Nelson, are bound
to one Saml C. Blackstone of said
place (P.O. Head of Sassafras, Kent
Co. Md) against the will and
consent of their mother, their father
being dead. She wants to get the
wages - also complains of ill
treatment to her children -

Maria lives at Hd. of Sassafras
and has a husband.

P. O. address of Blackstone -
Head of Sassafras.

Bureau of Ordnance
Adj. Gen. Gen. Division
Winchester, Va. Sept. 2 1866.

Remington, J. H.
Bvt. Maj. and Capt.

Transmit the within
named vouchers for
payment by the Dirby
Officer

Approved
J. H. Remington
Bvt. Maj. and Capt.

Original in possession of the Adj. Gen. Division

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & S.
Head Quarters Howard out doors
Winchester, Va Sept 3rd 1866.

Maj Genl J. Jessenden
Asst Comr. Baltimore, Md
General

I have the honor to transmit herewith
the following vouchers for payment by
the disbursing Office of the Bureau, viz:

A. J. Derry	\$97.50
Sydney P. Gub	15.00
Chas. Hancock	6.00
Arthur Turner	15.00
William Turner	6.00
William Danner	6.00
John Vilwig	8.00
John St. Steel	5.00

I am, General \$158.50

Very respectfully
Yours obedt Servant
J. T. Remington
Capt & Maj. G. B. Co.
Dept. of the Interior

War Department
Bureau Refugee Freedmen &c.
Washington, Sept. 4, 1866.

Balloch, Geo. W.
Brig. Gen. & Chief D. O.

In accordance with
request forwards such
Circulars & as are needed
Blanks were sent
summitum service and
should be in this office

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, Sept. 4 1866.

Capt Edward C. Knower
Baltimore Md.

Sir

Your letter of Sept-12th is at hand. and in reply I send you such circulars as I think you need. In regard to Plunks. I sent a full supply to Baltimore only a few weeks since and they should be in the office. The Plunks of the L. M. Department are used, altered to suit. I keep Plunk Estimates Receipts for funds. and account Currents. If you need any of these let me know. Abstracts are generally ruled out by an officer needing them. General Gregory has had large experience & will keep you all right.

I am very respectfully
Your obedient servant
Geo. W. Dalloch
Prov. Cashier, D. O.

Bureau R. F. and A. S.
Hd. Qu. Gen. Division
Winchester, Va. Sept. 6, 1866.

Remington, J. H.
Det. Maj. and Capt.

Transmit for payment
Voucher of Geo Beck
for office rent at
Front Royal.

Bureau Refuges, Freedmen & A. Lands
Head Quarters General Division
Wichestera, Sept 6th 1866.

Maj. Genl. Insuaud
Asst. Commr.

Baltimore, Md.
General

I have the honor to
enclose for payment by Disbursing
Office of Bureau, voucher of Wm. H. Buck
for office rental & rent legal etc. \$5-

I am, General

Very respectfully

Yours Obedient Servant

J. W. Livingston

Capt & St. Major R. B.
Supt. Gen. Div.

Qu. R. F. and A. S.
Hd. Qrs. 9th Dist. Dept. of the Potomac
Manchester, Va. Sept. 11, 1864

Remington, J. H.
Prov. Maj. and Supt.

Returns vouchers of
G. Beck with sig-
nature & certificate
as requested.

Received of
G. Beck
1000
Sept 11 1864

1000
Sept 11 1864

Bureau R. F. & L.
Hq. 9th Dist. Artillery
Winchester Va. Sept 11th 1866.

Capt. Edward C. Knowen
Disbursing Officer
Baltimore Md.

Captain -

I have the honor to
return you in Dr. vouchers for amt
to Wm. M. Buck with signature
to certificate as requested in
your communication of Sept 10th
1866.

Very Respectfully
Loyal & Obedient Servant
J. T. Remington
Capt & B. Major, U.S.A.
Sept 9th Dist.

War Department
Bureau Refugee Freedmen &c.
Washington, D.C. Sept. 12, 1866.

Ballock, Geo. W.
Bot. Col. & Chf. D. O.

Encloses skeleton vouchers
and gives instruction
relative to making out
abstracts &c.

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, Sept. 15th 1866.

Capt Edward C. Knower
Baltimore Md

Sir,

Your accounts for Aug.
have been received. I see you do not deduct the
revenue tax from the face of the vouchers, and
also enter it full on the Abst. I send you
a skeleton voucher which you will at
once understand. Enter the amt less tax on
your Abst. You need not change the acct
already sent -

I am very respectfully
Yours obt servant
Geo W Pallow
Asst Dir of B. & A. L.

Paymaster General's Office
Division of Referred Claims
Washington, D.C. Sept. 17 1866.

Gardner, Thos. H.
Paymaster U. S. A.

Writes in regard to the
conspiring riots at
Shepley Woods.

T. H. GARDNER,
Paymaster U. S. A.

Paymaster General's Office,
DIVISION OF REFERRED CLAIMS,

Washington, Sept 17th, 1866

Col W. R. De Witt,
A. A. General.

Colonel,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 14th inst and in reply would state, that I have no personal knowledge of the riot, which, occurred on the night of Thursday the 30th of August, at the Camp Meeting, at Shipley's Woods A. A. Co.

I was not present and knew nothing of the affair until the following morning when I arrived at "Jesseps Cut," on my way to Washington. On that morning I found assembled there, a crowd of young men, known as rebel sympathizers in the neighborhood, who had just returned from the Camp Ground and who, in my judgment, had been concerned in the riot. They were unknown to me by name, except two; a young man called Dr. Worthington, a clerk in a store at "Savage Factory" and a person named

Anderson.

The first named, - I have since been told - was present at the Camp and engaged in the assault on the colored people. This information was from Mr Dwing, who was one of the Camp guards and whose statement you should by all means obtain, as he was an eye witness of the whole affair.

His P.O. address, is "Annapolis Junction".

Concurrent statements, of a number of persons who were present agree, that a returned rebel, Charles Dorey, was prominent, in the affair and fired several shots from a revolver, into the crowd of colored people.

My own belief, is, that, it was a preconcerted affair and mainly planned and participated in by rebels and rebel sympathizers, in which, that neighborhood abounds.

The universal testimony of the loyal white people who participated, in the meeting is, that, there had been the utmost harmony between the colored people, during the whole continuance of the Camp, down to the last night and almost the last hour of the night, when it was disturbed by this organized party of whites.

I regret, that I did not attend the Camp

on that occasion, as I could, then have given a more satisfactory account than I can now.

My impression is, that the local authorities of a. a. Co, have not used very earnest efforts, to ferret out the guilty parties, their efforts appearing to be, to fix the guilt upon the colored people.

So far I have not heard of the arrest of any white person.

I have been so much engaged in my duties here, as not to be able to give the matter as much attention, as I would otherwise have done:

I would suggest, that you summon Mr Curing - P. O. address given above - Thomas Pitt, clerk for M. Cannon, Lawyer, Baltimore, Md, William Cook, Savage P. O. Howard Co, George Warfield Justice of the Peace, Hooverville, a. a. Co, Dr A. P. Leithicum and Rev Richard Griffith, Hooverville a. a. Co.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Thos. H. Gardner
Paymaster U. S. A.

B. M. S. Pub. R. F. V. A. L. - Feb. 1866

Bureau Refugee Freedom
Baltimore Md Oct
1st 1866

McDuggall Chas
1, St. & Supt, Pub. Ins.

Monthly Report of
the Freedmen Schools

Recd. Oct. 6 1866

Bureau Refugee Freedmen, &c

Baltimore, Oct. 1st 1866

Capt Kumer

A. A. G.

Captain

I have the honor to report that the schools for Freedmen & Refugees, within the District of Maryland, have been during the month of September, in vacation, and there is, therefore, no detailed report of their condition to make.

I am Captain

Very respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.

Wm. Druggall

1st Lt, Supt, Pub, Sch

Williamsport Washington Co. Md.
Oct 18/66

Taylor Charles P.
Late Capt 4th U.S.C.

Requests

Information regarding his
Claims for Md. States Bounty

F. O. No. 260
War Department
Bureau R. F. and A. L.
Claims Division
Washington Oct. 11th 1866.

Respectfully referred to Col. Brig.
General G. W. Gregory, Asst. Comdr
Bureau etc. Baltimore Md. with the
information that the claim of the
within named man for Maryland
States Bounty was transferred to
the Asst. Comdr. Bureau etc. Baltimore Md.

By order of
Maj. General Howard
H. M. Dodge

Col. Reg. & A. A. Genl.

F. O. No. 129
Rec'd B. R. F. & A. L.
C. S. Oct 11th 1866

WilliamSPORT Washington Co N.H.
Oct 5 1867

Mr Wm Fowler Sir it is with
Much Pleas that I seat my
self to let you a few lines to show if you
can get the Bounty that is coming
in us & we hear that the ar
the for us if the ar Pleas to let
us show & if you can get it with or
Discharged if you can I shod like
for you to see so some of the Boys ar
Giling an Esy it Bout thear Papers
& the Money in the ar so Money
After them to let them get it
for them the let them that the
can get it sooner

Rumor But I stil

Reman your abidant

servant

Charles P. Taylor lat. sargt. U.S.A. 67

Wm Fowler

a a Genera

Clerks Office Circuit Court
Cecil Co. Md.
Elkton, Oct. 11, 1866.

Forbert, Henry R.
Clerk Circuit Court

Report that no murders have
been committed by or on Freed-
men in his Country.

Recd. Sept. Court. Md. Oct. 22/66

~~Henry K. Torbert,~~
Clerk.
W. K. RECKERUS, Deputy Clerk.

CIRCUIT COURT

Cecil County, Maryland.

Clerk's Office,
Elkton, October 11th 1866

Capit Edward G. Knower
T. R. O and a a a G.

Balto Md:

Dear Sir:

In reply
to your request of the 11th Inst, I would state that no
murder has been committed in our County since the adoption
of the New Constitution nor for many years previous,

Very Respectfully

Yours ve

H K Torbert

Deputy Clerk

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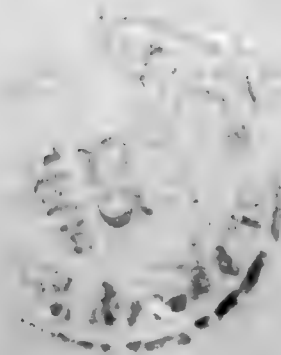
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U. S. Sav. Comm.
Washington Oct. 23/66.

Respectfully returned
The certificates and checks will
hereafter be enclosed to you
and P.O. of claimants as
shown by our books stated
in letters of Transmittal

W. J. Bascom
Gen. aft.

Received Claim Division
Dd Oct 26, 1866



Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
HEADQUARTERS OF ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,

Baltimore, Md.

October 24

1866

W. F. Bascom Esq
General Agent
Sanitary Commⁿ
Washington D
Sir:

I would respectfully represent that several letters containing 2^d Auditor's Certificate for money, directed to Colored Claimants in care of this office, have been taken directly to the residence of the party indicated by the street carriers instead of coming to this office, thereby occasioning inconvenience to all parties concerned. I would suggest, in view of the above statement, that hereafter all such communications be directed to this office, with the name of the party endorsed on envelope and we will then notify them of the receipt of it, and see that it is opened in their presence and proper attention given to the collection of the money and proper transmittal of receipt to you.

Very respectfully &c &c

Wm. Thompson
Brut. M. U. S. V.

31/25. Vol. 6. C. S. 1866.

Baltimore. Md. Oct 25th /66

Issuedmen & Bureau of.
Sub Maj. Genl Gregory -
Asst Commr. for Maryland

Wishes to learn the ad-
-dress of the officers
of Co. "B." 23rd Regt Troops

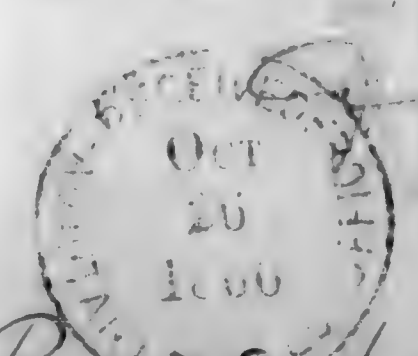
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Recd. Regt. Oct 27 /66



Adjutant General's Office
November 9th 1866.

Respectfully returned to Col
Major General Gregory, Assist.
Commissioner Bureau Refugee Freed-
men and Abandoned Lands, Bal-
timore, Md.

The names and addresses of the
officers of Co. "B," 23rd U. S. Col. I.,
at date of muster out of service,
as given in their letters of accep-
-tance of appointments are as
follows:

Capt. W. H. Hurd, Keene, New
Hampshire.

1st Lieut. C. B. Gillett, Victor
Ontario Co. New York.

2nd Lieut. Keelon C. Norton
Waterville, Lucas Co. Ohio.
(over)

Lew. Foster
a. a. general vol.

E. B. Vol. 5. P. 212.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
HEADQUARTERS OF ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,

Baltimore, Md.,

October 25th

1866

Adjutant General
United States Army
Washington D.C.

General:

I have the honor to request that this
office be furnished with the address of the officers
of Company "B", 23d United States Colored Troops.

I am General

Very respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

Wm. L. Schenck

Quart. Major U.S. Vols

Staff. Maj. Gen. Gregory

Fairfax Co Va Oct 26th 1866

Mr

Sir as I passed through Washington on my way to Petersburg I stopped over one train, and found some letters there from you to me, and I was as much shocked in perusing their contents as you may be in reading this.

I have not been doing business in the office in Washington except through another man for some time, as the government seemed as long time settling up the claims, and I was very desirous of going back in the ministry again. I left all my business in care of my clerk, giving him orders that all important business must be sent to me for adjustment. The first of May I settled in Phila. Pa. as Pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church where I still reside. I am here for the purpose of preaching on the Sabbath. The case of Lewis Chase, I supposed was settled until now, I have come

Several letters very bitter against
me, I am truly very sorry, as
I have ever aimed to do all I can
for my own people, and had I
have known what I now know about
this matter, it would have been settled
in part at least before this time
I am informed that it had been
Paid by mistake to a wrong man
which I learned today. of course
the Department does not hold
me responsible for the deceptions
of men, but I am willing for the
good of the poor man to make the
money good to him as fast as I can
earn it to do so with. I have no
money but what I labor for as a
Minister of the gospel. I never did
and trust I never shall wrong my
fellow men. I can only say in
regard to the case, I knew nothing
of what Mr. Roff or Jackson have
written in this or the case of Mr
Joshua's case, or that they had written
at all until I hear it from you.
But I will make you a monthly
remittance from my small salary
monthly until it is all Paid

Ad
Cer
or
H
of

I will be home in a few
days let me hear from you
and then we will make all
due arrangements for the
settlement
yours very respectfully

Rev Chasney Leonard
No 915 Lombard St
Phila Pa

Answered this letter Nov 2^d demanding a
Certificate of deposit sent at his bank
or at my bank if deposited with the
Nov 13th ^{where} to send to me by the 20th
of Nov

U. S. Sanitary Commission

ARMY AND NAVY CLAIM AGENCY, 242 F STREET,

Washington, D. C. Nov 2nd 1866

But Major Fredt von Schirack
Bureau R. F. & A. L. Baltimore, Md.

Major:

The Discharge of Jesse
Owings, is herewith returned in accordance with your re-
quest of the 15th instant.

Very Respectfully,
Your obt^d servt

W. F. Bascom,
General Agent

N^o

Finksburg, Carroll Co. Md.
Nov^r 10th 1866.

²
Lewis George
Pt. Co. 4th U. S. C. I.
Wishes to be informed of
the condition of his claim
for Maryland State bounty.

O. C. B. No. 366
War. Department
Imm. & A. L. Claims Div.
Washington, Dec. 16th 1866.

Respectfully refer to Prof. Brig.
Gen. G. M. Gregory, Asst. Commr.
Imm. & A. L. Claims Div. Wash. D. C.
Notice notified of reference.

By order of -

Major Gen. Howard,

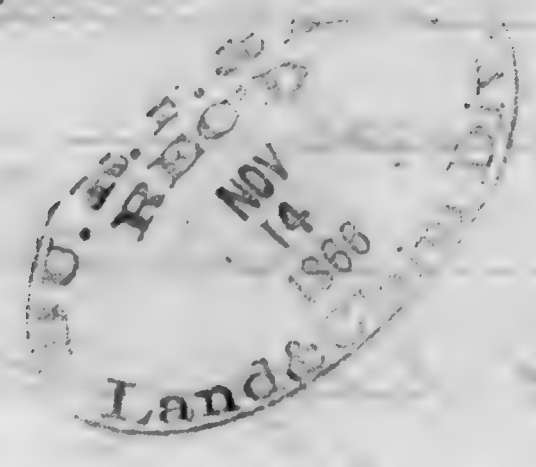
Adj. Gen.

John

A. A. Smith

Claimant's name
1866
Claim Div.

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Trenton Nov^r 10th 1866

Mr G
Fowles A A General

Dear Sir - I write to let you know
that I am in need of money, You have my discharge for
the purpose of collecting Maryland State County, please
inform me when and where I can get it, whether I will
have to come to Washington or not, to get it, If you will
let me know all about it by letter you will oblige me
very much -

Yours &c

George Lewis
private in Co C 4th Reg^t
U S Coloured

My Address is
Trenton
Carroll County
Md

No. 2nd. Dist. Comm. Dist. of Md.
Bureau R. F. & A. Landos
Baltimore, Md. Nov. 22-1866.

Von Schirach, Fred
Det. Maj. U.S. Incharge C. D. Co.

States that Daniel Ham
mond late Corp. Co. F.
4th Regt. desires his dis-
charge & paper sent to that
office for collection of Ar. &
State Bounty.

V. No. 50. Vol. 2.

DAN'L HAMMOND "F" 4th



C. B. No. 378.

War Department
Bureau R. F. & A. Landos.

Claim Division,
Washington Nov. 23-1866.

Respectfully returned
enclosing discharge cer-
tificate of within named
man as requested.

Receipt of same to be ac-
knowledged.

By order of
Maj. Genl. Howard.

Spencer
A. A. Genl.

HEAD-QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Baltimore, Md. November 22nd 1866.

Brvt Major William Fowler,
Assist. Adjutant General,
Chief Claim Div. Bureau of R. F. & A. L.,
Washington D. C.

Major.

I have the honor to state, that
Daniel Hammond, late Corp. in Co. F. 4th Regt U. S. 6. S.,
desires to have his Discharge sent here, for collection
of State Bounty.

I am, Major,
Very Respectfully,
Your Obedt Servant
Wm. L. Johnson
Brvt Major U. S. Vols.
in charge Claim Division Md.

C. 14. Du R. F. 4000. S. Ind. 1866.

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Secillon Ind.

Nov. 22, 1866.

Sunningham, Jno. F.
M. D.

Replies to letter of Nov. 17,
1866, and makes statement
in reply to charges brought
against him by Wiley
Savage & others. Cld. con-
cerning contract for labor
and wages due them.

ent. C. B. 38,

Recd. up to Court. Ind. Nov. 26, 1866.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen &
H. d. Ins. Aft. Commission
Baltimore, Md. Nov. 26, 1866.

Respectfully referred
to Brig. Gen. Wm. H. Keigel,
Chief Inspector, in charge
of Complaint Dept. Bure.
R. F. and A. L. State of Ind.

By Command of
Brig. Maj. Gen. T. G. Young, Aft. Comm.
Edw. C. Newnes
Capt. U. S. A. & A. C.

Baltimore Md Nov 22^o 1866

Wm Capt Edward C Knowles

Balt Md

Dear Sir

I must say that the fellow Sav
age went to Washington last month & made
the same complaint at Head Quarters -
I satisfied the Agent in Washington ^{that} Savage &
his party were in my debt & left without
my consent - refused to work &c.

I have hired the party, Savage & Gaddy at 12¢
per day for the whole year 1866 - Savage's woman (not
his wife) at 6¢ per day. It cost me over 30¢
to buy the party, here; they ate my bread
& meat for two mos. January & February &
got by the fire - did almost nothing -

You may know something of a farmer,
if you do, you are aware of the fact,
that no work is done in winter - & that
these men did no more than earn their
bread. I paid them one mo. wages
each & gave them sundries in a second
mo. When March came, when I could
put them to work, they left & did, left
without my consent.

as to their
business in Washington, that is all moonshine
Savage has been to Washington probably
half dozen times since - he won't stick
any where.

When these men left me
they hired for 17¢ per day & could have
got that ever since - for they made
money by breaking their contract with
me. I say they could have got 18¢

In no way since they left me & they
have cheated me out of six \$ a month
by leaving me, as well as the expen-
ses incurred by buying the pinky line

The woman Harry Savage is a
devil - wont work; refused to get
up when called in the morning. Refused
to buy my wife & I & Wiley encouraged
her in her laziness. Wiley refused to
rise in the morning when called up by
my foreman - tried to produce in
subordination among my boys.

Now in I referred Capt Vandenberg
Asst Supt D.C. to Genl Geo C Keller of
War Dept & Hon S.A. J. Oreswell US Senate
who can vouch for me & my principles

I am the friend of the Negro - I am
not a friend for a villain black or
white

If this party ever come to Cecil
County again I shall commenda out
for Delaware, I can prove by witnesses
how all that I have said above &
will say my damages just as high as
my conscience will allow me.

Respy & c & c

W. F. Luningham

N. W. H. H. R. E. P. H.

B. F. & S. Bureau of
Baltimore Md
Nov 24/1866

Gen Schirach I. S.

Requests the Army
Discharge of David
Larkins late Co "D"
39th Md Inf Troops,

Rec'd at B. O. Nov 20 1866

DAVID LARKINS Co 39th

War Department
Adjutant General's Office
Washington, Dec. 4, 1866

Respectfully returned to
Brevet Major J. L. Vondschirach
Bureau Refugee Freedmen and
Abandoned Lands, Baltimore,
Md., Chief of Claim Division,

On the Muster Out Roll of his
Company this man is reported
transferred to the Navy April
18th 1864 in accordance with
Circular Order No 32, War
Dept. dated April 24, 1864.

The Circular provides that
the Discharges of men transferred
to the Navy shall be made out
by the proper officer and put
in the hands of the officer
who conducts the men to the
Naval Station, and as it does
not appear upon the records
on file in this Office that
no discharge was furnished
in this case it must be
presumed that a discharge

was actually furnished
him.

Application for any pay
or bounty due this soldier
should be made in ac-
cordance with General Orders
No. 86, War Dept. U. S. O. of
1862, and No 30, of 1863.

By order of the
Secretary of War:

E. S. Tamm
Adjutant General

C. S. Tamm

C. S. Tamm No. 125

HEAD-QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Baltimore, Md. November 27th 1866.

Col. F. W. Taggard,
Assistant Adjut. General,
Washington D. C.

Colonel.

I have the honor to request, that I be furnished with the Army Discharge of David Sartins, late Co. G. 39th Regt. U. S. C. I. who was transferred to the U. S. Navy, and has never received his Discharge from the Army.

The Discharge is not on file in the office of the Chief Mustering Officer for this State.

I am, Colonel,

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant

Wm. A. M. Smith

Brig. Maj. U. S. Vols.

Chief of Claim Div. for Mrs.

Washington D.C.

Dec. 3rd 1864.

Ballock, Gen. W.

St. Brig. Gen. Cof. D.O.

States that transportation
orders issued by the Q. M. D.
on account of the Qu. R. F. etc.
must be sent to Gen. Whittlesby
for settlement.

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Washington, Dec 3^d, 1866.

Capt. Samuel S. Wright A. G. W.
Baltimore Md

Sir:

In reply to your Enquiry in relation to paying vouchers given by this Bureau on the D. M. Department. you are informed that all such vouchers must be sent to Port Pay Genl H. M. Whittelsey Chief D. M. of the Bureau for adjustment and record. previous to payment

I am very respectfully

Your obedient servant

Geo. W. Ballou

Port Pay Genl & Chf S. O.

Med. Dept.
B. 1. Bu. R. F. Va. S. - Ind. 1866.

War Department
Bureau Refugee Treatment
Office Chief Medical Officer
Washington, Dec. 10, 1866.

Edwards, L. A.
Surg. & Bot. Col. Chf. Med. Off.

Wishes a report of the
nature & extent of the
duties of the Surg. in Chief
Dist. of Va. Also wishes
to know why no Medical
reports have been forward-
ed during the last three
months.

Recd. Surg. in Chief Off. Ind. Dec. 12 1866.

War Department,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER,

Washington, Dec. 15, 1866.

Sir:-

As the records of this Office furnish us information as to the operations of this branch of the Bureau in the Dist. of Maryland for the last three months, you will please report, at once, the nature and extent of your duties, the date of your entering upon the duties of Surgeon-in-Chief of the Dist. of Maryland together with any explanation as to the non-remittance heretofore of the usual reports required of Surgeons-in-Chief.

Very respectfully,

Your obedt. servt.,

L. A. Edwards.

Surgeon Major & Dist. Col.,
Chief Medical Officer.

Surgeon Wm. R. De Witt J. M. G.

Surgeon-in-Chief, Dist. Md.,

Baltimore, Md.

Wrappers 402.

Bureau of F. and A. L.
Office Supt. 6th District, Va.
Fredericksburg, Va. Feb'y 22^d 1867.

Respectfully returned to Brig Genl O. Brown, A.A.G.
inviting attention to endorsement
of Lieut E. M. Busby, Asst Supt.
In the absence of
Major James Johnson, Supt.

Hector Sears

2^d Lt. F. R. B. Asst. Supt.

Wrappers 2

Office of the Potomac
Bureau of F. & A. L.
Fredericksburg, Va. Feb. 25th 1867.

Respectfully returned to
Major Asst. E. M. Gregory, Asst
Commr. (Chro. Bureau U. S. G.) in-
viting attention to endorsement
of Lt. Busby. No reason ap-
pears to exist against a suc-
cessful prosecution of this claim
in the civil courts.

W. Schofield

Brig. Major Asst
Asst. Commr.

E. M. }
I. V. 133.

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Wrappers 2.

War Department, Bureau of
Refugees, Freedmen and A. Lands,
Washington, Feb. 28. 1867

Respectfully returned to Brig. Maj.
General E. M. Gregory, Assistant
Commissioner for Maryland, & his
attention invited to the endorsement
of Major General Schofield hereon.

It appears that this property is
not held by the Government, but
by an individual holding adverse
possession. This case seems clear-
ly to fall within the jurisdiction of
the civil courts, and does not seem
to warrant interference on the part
of the Government.

By order of
Major General Howard,

A. P. Ketchum
Brig. Lieut Col., A. A. G.

C. B. 42.

Recd. by Capt. Com. M. Del. March 1 1867.

Enclosed No. 3.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen &c.

Hd. Qrs. Aft. Comr. Md. ²⁴ Del.

Baltimore, Md. March 1, 1867.

Respectfully returned to Pvt.
Col. W. H. Meigel, A. A. G. in
Charge Complaint Division,
with attention invited to pre-
ceding endorsements.

By Comd. of

Pvt. Maj. Gen. Gregory, Aft. Comr.

Edw. C. Kuover

1st Lt. 45, U. S. I. ²⁴ A. A. G.

Settled

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
HEADQUARTERS OF ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,

Baltimore, Md. 186

Special Orders, |

No. |

By command of Major General Francis Fessenden,

Assistant Commissioner.

Asst. Adjt. Genl.

S. 31. Bu. R. F. & A. L. - Ind. 1866.
S. 31. Bu. R. F. & A. L. - Ind. 1866.
Page 33.
Dec 11, 1866.

M Sprittle, Mary
Complains that 23 years ago, she and her husband Jim Sprittle (since deceased) were driven from their home in Northumberland Co. Va. (their own property) without cause. Requests the Bureau to assist her in having her property restored to her.

Two (2) Enclosures

Back.
Recd. Capt. Casin. Ind. Dec. 11, 1866.
Recd. Complaint Div. Dec. 11, 1866.

Head Qrs. Assistant Commissioner
Bureau of R. F. & A. L.
Baltimore Dec 11th 1866

Respectfully referred to Capt E. C. Knower, V.R.C. A.A.A. Genl for the information of the Aft Commissioner, and with the request, that these papers may be forwarded to Major Genl C. C. Howard, Commissioner. for such action as he may deem proper.

M. H. Niguel
Bt Col + A. A. Genl
Inspector

DEC 15 1866

Bureau Refugee, Freedmen &
Aft. Com. Aft. Commissioner
Baltimore, Ind. Dec. 11, 1866.

Respectfully forwarded (thru Hd. Com. Commissioner Bu. R. F. & A. L. Washington) to Maj. Genl. Schofield, Aft. Commissioner for the State of Va. for such action as he may deem necessary.

E. M. Gregory
Prot. Maj. Genl. Vols.
Aft. Commissioner

War Department
Bureau R. F. and A. L. Cases
Washington Dec 13th 1866

Respectfully transmitted to Maj Genl J. M. Schofield Aft Commissioner for Va. By order of Maj Genl Howard
A. P. Ketchum
A. A. Genl

Baltimore December 11th 1866
Major Genl C. M. Gregory
Assistant Commissioner
Baltimore.

General.

I most respectfully
call your attention to my case, which I think is one
of great injustice and hardship, and beg that the
Officers of the Bureau, will give me protection and
compel the restitution of valuable property to its
rightfull owners -

My husband Jesse Sprittle (since
deceased) about 27 years since, bought a large farm
in Northumberland Co Va. and after several years living
on the farm. We, owing to our color, and being free,
owning valuable lands, became envied and were
without cause, driven from the home we had bought -
and now, after 23 years have elapsed, call upon you
to aid us in the restoration of the property, which
by brute force and evil passion, was stolen from
us -

I am General

With great Respect

Your humble servant

Mary ^{her} X Sprittle
mark

Widow of Jesse Sprittle -

Statement of Addisno
Waddy - Colored

Ms. 534. P. Fr. A. L. Vol. 8, 66

Statement of Addison Waddy

I am well acquainted with Mrs. Mary Sprittle, I also knew her husband Jesse Sprittle, he has been dead a little over a year. I lived with Jesse Sprittle, when he bought the farm, this farm was situated ~~at~~ Tobacco Warehouse Creek, and Cockles Creek, about 6 miles from Heathsville - and 7 or 8 miles from Smiths Point - Northumberland Co Va. He bought this farm from Samuel Berry (White man) who died about Twenty Three (23) Years ago.

I know that he moved on this farm, I lived and worked with Sprittle - and heard him say, he had bought the farm, for 300 Acres. I know nothing of the cause of the difficulties, which caused the driving away of Mrs. Sprittle from her home - It was fully understood among the neighbors that the farm belonged to Jesse Sprittle.

his
Addison X Waddy
mark

Now I subscribed to before me, this Eleventh day of December 1866.

W. M. Wigg
Notary Public

Statement of M^{rs} Mary
Sprittle - Widow of
Jesse Sprittle - deceased

M. 534. P. F. A. L. Vol 8, 66

Statement of Mrs. Mary Sprittle.

I am the Widow of Jesse Sprittle, who died in August of 1865. My husband bought a farm about 27 Years ago, (as near as I can now remember) this farm was a large one, I am certain, over 200 Acres - and is situated, in Northumberland Co. Va., about 6 or 7 miles from Smiths Point - and about 5 or 6 miles from Heathsville. it is the adjoining farm to William Blunding or Blunden on one side, and on the other side, to Samuel Curtis - that was nearly 23 Years since - the farm was bought from Samuel Perry -

The causes which drove my husband and family from this home he had bought, were as follows - A large Meeting was held in our neighborhood, at which my husband took a leading part, and on his return home met a neighbor, who commenced cursing him, and charged my husbands dog, with having bitten his Hogs - and then struck my husband, threatening at the same time to kill him - My husband then shoved him away - when he procured a warrant against my husband for an assault, and got a notorious, bad man, named Betts, to come to the house at night, with several others, to take my husband away - and as they then said, to kill him - but my husband heard they were to come, and hid himself at a neighbors house - He then (my husband) secured the services of a Lawyer named Clabaugh or Clarebrook who interfered to protect him from bodily harm - They afterward notified him to leave

the State of Virginia - and gave him 3 Weeks time to settle his affairs and leave - threatening to kill him, if he failed to leave in time - He accordingly left taking us with him - He came off without taking anything but a little meat &c with us - to Baltimore where we have been living since -

My Certificate of marriage and the deeds, and all of the land and other Records are or should be (if not destroyed during the War) in the Northumberland Co. Court House - and if found, will prove my right & title to this farm -

her
Mary X Sprittle
mark

Now Subscribed to before me, this Eleventh day of December 1866.

Wm. H. Hester.
Chas. Hallgren

85 to R. F. & A. Lands
Bureau of R., F. & Abandoned Land
HEAD QUARTERS ASST. COMMISSIONER DEPT. OF THE POTOMAC.
Richmond, Va., Dec 15th 1866.

Respectfully referred to Major
James Johnson Supt
for report.
By order of
Bot^l Major Paul Schofield
Asst Commr
of Work
a. a. s.

Bureau of R. F. and A. Lands.
Office Supt 6th District, Virginia.
Fredericksburg, Va. Dec 17th 1866.

Respectfully referred to Lieut
C. W. Busby, Asst Supt. for
report.
James Johnson
Supt
P. 287.

Transd the case over
to Mr. Daniels

(E. D. 16) (Wrappers.)
Heathsville Northside Co vs
Feb. 15th 1867

Respectfully returned, with
information, that a deed of
trust for the benefit of his
creditors was given by Jesse
Spriddles, for the within lands,
before he left the place, the total
amount of land was (317) two
hundred & seventeen acres.

Soon after he left ^{117 acres of} the land was
sold to one of his creditors for the
sum of two hundred dollars. of
the remaining ~~one~~ hundred acres
I can find no record of its transfer
or from the trustee.

The deed of trust, was not
signed by Mary Spriddles,
which would entitle her to
revert in the property.

The facts in relation to Jesse
own

Spriddles being driven from
the County are correctly given
in the statement of Mary
Spriddles. All the free
people of color in the County
at the time, were ordered
to leave & many of them
were compelled to sacrifice
comfortable homes in comply-
ing with the order.

Mary Spriddles is
mentioned in numerous
conveyances, & legal documents,
on file in the County clerk's office,
as the wife of Jesse Spriddles,
but no register of Marriages
was kept at the office as long
ago as the time they were
probably married.

C. W. Busby
Asst Supt.

Fredericksburg, Va.
10th of Northside & Danvers Co

No of Deaths Amongst White Population of Balto City for year Ending Dec^r 31st 1866

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Males	210	175	178	249	200	236	425	307	231	344	221	186
Females	188	125	173	220	183	200	246	244	193	243	203	132
Total	398	300	351	469	383	436	671	551	424	587	424	318

+ Total number of Deaths 5412. Whites
 " " " 964 Colored

No of Deaths Amongst Colored Population of Balto City for year Ending Dec^r 31st 1866.

	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Colored	76	81	60	95	32	90	112	101	75	116	80	46

(Total number of Deaths 964.)

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A. A. White
 Asst. Health Commissioner

Hd. Qu. Capt. Commissioner
Prison Refuges, Freedmen &c.
Baltimore, Md. Dec. 20, 1866.

Capt

In accordance with instructions from
Br Maj Gen. Gregory Asst Commissioner
I have the honor to report that I
have visited and carefully examined
all the Public Institutions in the
City of Baltimore, in this examination
I had several objects in view -

- 1st To find out into what Institutions
of a Public Character Colored
persons were admitted,
- 2nd To find what Institutions they were
excluded -
- 3rd In those Institutions into which they
were admitted, what was the proportion
of white and colored.
4. What ^{is} ~~was~~ the proportion of crime
and poverty amongst the Colored

people in proportion to ^{among} that white inhabitants. 2

The only Institution of a Public character into which Colored persons are now admitted is the House of Refuge. ~~now being admitted into that institution except white.~~

The Census of 1860 give us the white population of Baltimore City 132023. The Total Colored population 28862 or about 1 black to 5 whites. It is however supposed that the colored population has increased at least 20 per cent since the ~~commencement of the war~~ ^{of 1861} and it is now supposed by those ~~most~~ ^{now} capable of knowing that ~~now~~ the proportion is about 1 black to 3 whites.

At the time of my visit to Bay View Asylum Dec 18th 1866. The ^{Total} number of inmates was 670. of these 100 were colored. being about 1 colored person to 5 whites. Mr. Bain the Superintendent of this excellent institution kindly furnished me with every facility and sent me the following

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certificate. Bayview Asylum Dec 18th 1866.

This is to certify that the Books of the Institution have been carefully examined with the following results. namely there appears on Record 52 Colored Males 56 Colored females. The Institution being one of Charity admittance is granted to all irrespective of color, no discrimination being made in the treatment. The increase since the Emancipation Law passed in pauperism in the Colored population averages over one hundred per cent. (See^d) George M. Bain Surg.

It will therefore be seen that Taking the Census of 1860 as ~~the~~ ^{the} proportion the basis of calculation, that the proportion of ^{colored} paupers admitted into the Bayview Asylum, which is the City Asylum, is about the same as that of the whites, notwithstanding the sudden change from a condition of slavery to

freedom, if on the other hand it is true ⁴
That the percentage of blacks in the city
has greatly increased the conclusion
is unmistakable that there is much less among
the blacks than among the white population.
~~So~~ There are four (4) Dispensaries in the
City of Baltimore for the benefit of all
the poor irrespective of color. From three (3)
of these institutions I was able to get
statistics. In one (1) the Gent Dispensary cor-
ner Liberty & Fayette Streets I was informed
that no records of the color of the patients
were kept, all being attended provided with
medicines & medical attendance was
afforded - In the Eastern Dispensary
during the Quarter ending Augt 11th 1866
there were 873 patients attended of which
624 were white and 249 were colored -
during the Quarter ending Nov 11th 1866
there were 712 patients attended of which

534 men white and 170 Colored -

At the North Eastern Dispensary, which is conducted on the same plan as those above mentioned there were in

1857-	2034 white and	340 Colored	attended
	and provided with medicines and medical		
	attendance. in 1858 - 2088 whites and 241 Colored		
	in 1863 - 1652 white and 232 Colored		
	in 1864 - 1368	"	" 212 "
	" 1865 - 1733	"	" 341 "

I was enabled to procure the record for 1866
 These statistics embracing ^{several} the years before emancipation
 and also several years after emancipation
 show very little increase in the proportion
 of poor blacks treated. This is the more remarkable
 as this Dispensary is situated in a part of the city in which there is a large proportion
 of Colored people

In the Southern Dispensary during this year there have been supplied with medicine & medical attendance 1704 - of which 1127 were white and 577 colored.

The total number of patients admitted into the Marine Hospital during the year 1866 were 150 of which 24 were white and 126 colored.

The total number of deaths in the city of Baltimore for the year ending Dec. 17th 1866 were 6376 as shown by the following Tables +

(How insert tables)

It will be seen by the above Tables that the relative proportion of deaths is 1 colored to 6 whites. showing a less rate of mortality in proportion to the population than among the whites.

On the day of my visit to the Baltimore City Jail there were 128 white inmates and 67 colored. The large proportion of colored, ~~being~~ ^{inmate being} in a great measure, ^{owing} to the fact, ^{that} the doors of the house of ~~correction~~ ^{refuge} are closed against ~~colored persons~~ ^{them}, and the judge of the Criminal Court being compelled to send colored persons to the County Jail when he would otherwise send to the House of refuge.

^{Annual}
 From the report of the Directors of the jail of Baltimore
 City to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore
 Nov 26
 I find that during the year ending, 1858 there
~~were~~ were committed for various causes 3811
 whites and 1141 Colored - from the same report
 I find that the number of white prisoners committed
 for various causes during the year ending Nov 26
 1865 was 4371, of Colored 1243.
 I was unable to procure the statistics for the year 1866
 These facts will show conclusively that as far
 as Baltimore City is concerned, the percentage
 of crime is not greater at this time than
 it was before the emancipation, notwithstanding
 the large influx of Negroes into the city from
 the surrounding country -

From the preceding remarks it will be seen
 that the provision in the city of Baltimore for the
~~care~~ of medical attendance of the colored poor
 is the same as for the whites ~~and~~ - it is however
 very much to be regretted that a known

of Refuge for colored person has not
been established, as it is believed
that much crime would thereby be
prevented, ~~and that the jail would~~
~~thereby be relieved~~

I am Captain

Very respectfully

I am etc etc

Orlando

Very etc etc etc

Very in chief Dept of my line

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen &c.
Hd. Qrs. Aft. Commissioner
Baltimore, Md. Decr. 20 1866.

Dr. Witt, W. R. Jr.
Surgeon Art. Qu't. Col. U. S. Vols.
Surgeon in Chief Art. of Med.

Reports having visited
and carefully examined all
the Public Institutions in
the City of Baltimore.

War. Department
Bur. Re. P. & A. Funds
Wash. D.C. Dec 20th 1866

William Wm J
Carlier, Freedman Fund.

Reports the receipt of \$45,
being the amount of the 1st
advance made to Frisby
Williams late P. & A. U.S.C. & J.
on account of claims against
the Govt. & State of Md. Informs
that a 2^d advance of \$55.-
was made to the said F. Williams
-claims which has not yet been
paid. Desires an examination
to be made to have the last
advance of \$55.- paid.

"W. 94. Vol 2/66
P. 104. Bur. R. & A. Fund. 1866.

Recd. Capt. Corrie. Wash. Dec. 24 1866.

C. O. No. 471.

War. Department
Bureau P. & A. Funds
Claims Division
Washington, Dec. 22nd 1866.

Respectfully referred to Bvt. Maj.
Gen. G. M. Gregory, Act. Comd.
Bureau P. & A. State of Md.
who will attend to the recovery of
the sum of \$ 55. from the within
named man advanced by writer
on his claim for bounty from the
State of Md.

By order of
Major Genl. Howard
Spur
A. A. Gould

FRISBY WILLIAMS

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen &
Hd. Qu. Aft. Commission
Baltimore, Md. Dec 24, 1866.

Respectfully referred to
Bvt. Maj. G. E. Von Schirach,
U. S. C. in charge Claim Div.
Bur. R. & A. U. S. C. for Funds,
with attention invited to
preceding endorsement.

By Command of
Bvt. Maj. Genl. Gregory, Act. Comd.
Edw. C. Hoover
Capt. U. S. C. & A. A. Genl.

C. O. No 164

War Department,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, Decm 20th, 1866

May. Wm Fowler
Chief of Bureau Claims

May.
Sir

I have the honor
to report to you the receipt of [#]454, being the amount
of the first advance made to Frisby Williams late private
in 4th Reg. U.S.C.T. on account of his claims against the
Government of the State of Md. I have to inform that a
second advance of [#]554 was made to the said
Williams which has not yet been paid. Have the
kindness therefore to examine into and have this last
advance of [#]554 paid and greatly oblige

Yours most Obedt Servant

William J Wilson
Casher Freedman's Savings Bank

War Department
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen &
Affairs Chief Medical Officer
Washington, D.C. Dec. 27 1866.

Edwards, L. A.
Surgeon S.A. - Port. Col. Chief Med. Officer

Writes an estimate of the
different blank forms re-
quired by Med. Dept. in
this Dist. for first quarter
of the ensuing year.

Recd. apt. (arriv. Med. Dec. 29, 1866.

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER,

Washington, Dec. 2nd, 1866.

Sir.

You will please furnish this Office with
an estimate of the number of the different
blunt forms required for the use of the
Medical Dept. of the Bureau in your Dist.
for the first quarter of the ensuing year.

Very respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servt.

L. A. Edwards,

Surgeon U.S.A. Dist. Cal.

Chief Medical Officer

Surgeon W. P. Witt Jr. U.S.A.

Surgeon in Chief

Dist. of Maryland.

Head-Quarters, Assistant Commissioner.

BUREAU of REFUGES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS.

District of Maryland and Delaware.

Office of Disbursing Officer
Baltimore, *July 8th* 1867.

Respectfully returned to Genl
E. M. Gregory Ad. Com. with
the information that the
receipts have been sent,
as requested in the
within letter, and the
money will be sent,
as soon as they are
returned properly signed.

Your obedt Servant
David J. Wright,
Spel. Agt. & D. O.,
Dist. of Md. & Del.

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here as credited
respectfully, &c.,
H. Perry

Clearspring, Washington Co.
Maryland. Dec. 30th 1863
Maj. Gen. E. M. Gregory,
Com. Bu. R. I. & A. S.
Sir:

A Colored man,
James Stoops, late Co. D, 4th Regt. W.
S. C. Troops has just called upon me
with a letter from your office, informing
him that you have the "Additional
Bounty" money of \$100. - due him
in your hands, ready to be paid
to him whenever he calls for it.
He requests me to write to you for
him, asking you to do him the
favor to send the money to him
by Express.

Last week, in behalf of two
other Colored men of the same Company,
who had their money collected in
Washington, & deposited with Mayben,

C. C. Howard, Com; I wrote to
Gen. Howard, & asked, in consideration
of the limited pecuniary circumstances
of the men & the great need of saving
to the men & their families every cent
justly due them, that he would so
arrange the payment of the money as
to save the men the expense of going
for it. He complied with the request
by sending duplicate vouchers to be
signed by the men in presence of
proper & competent witnesses, & then they
were returned to him, & the money
was forwarded to them by express as
the men ordered, & the receipt of
the money, duly acknowledged by
them.

Said James Stoops having
heard of the course pursued by
his comrades, requests me to ask
you if his money cannot be sent
to him in the same manner.
If so I will see that justice

is done. The
represent,
I am
in this case of
due soldiers, be
favors. To these
men, who are
incompetent to
themselves. I
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of the money
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Troops having
pursued by
to me to ask
cannot be sent
circumstances,
that justice

is done the Department you
represent,

I am in no way interested
in this case or that of any other bounty
due soldiers, but am simply doing
favours to these poor ignorant colored
men who are unable to write and
incompetent to transact business for
themselves. I make no charge for
services I render them

If the money can be sent to troops
it will be a well deserved favor to one
who can ill afford to bear the expense
of going to Baltimore, & who is
in need of all he can honestly get
to support himself & family.

I wrote to you in behalf of
the colored soldiers here who were
members of the 4th U. S. C. Troops in
relation to their City bounty. Will
you oblige me by keeping me
informed for them when the bills
now in progress will be determined

& what is the result of said trial.
As soon as the suits are determined
I will notify the colored people here
& they can then proceed accordingly.
During the winter & spring of 1863-4, I
was agent for this & the adjoining district to
look up the quotas & credits due the districts
& on my visit to Baltimore for that purpose
I called at the Office of Col. Bowman
then on Holliday St, & obtained access
to his books & I there learned that
the colored men ^{of the 4th U.S.C. Troops} who went from this place
were credited to Baltimore & on going
to Washington I attempted to have the
credit taken from Baltimore & given to
this & adjoining district, but the War
Department decided against our claim
& it was left to Baltimore, I now have
^{taken from Col. Bowman's books,}
a list, in my possession of those here so credited
to Baltimore.

Respectfully, Y.C.,

H. G. Perry

Maj. Gen. C. C. Com.

James Stoops
S.C. Troops has
with a letter from
him that you
"Bounty" money
in your hands
to him whenever
He requests me
him, asking you
favor to send
by Express.

Last week
other colored men
who had their
Washington, & de

January 15, 1867

Respectfully
referred to
Genl Gregory

with the remark
that I think
he ought to
see that this
Sheriff is paid
we can't.

Recd

by W
H Howard

Jan'y 26th

Proval Bill for. by Gen.
Gregory for the action of the
Commissioner with original
statement of expenses

Accountant
Howard and paid
Jan'y 30th \$25.00

1867

Dear Sir

Balto January 16th 1867

Enclosed I send you the bill which you told me you would get Genl Howard to endorse; ~~so that~~ or in other words you would put me in a position to get the money. it is case I served for Matthews & Loney. it is hard I should lose the money. You will find on examination that the children were discharged. Please attend to this for me and you will much oblige

Yours Truly
Joseph Grafflin

To
Hon H B Bind

(See endorsement of Judge Bond.)

State
No
Hetcher Jackson
Caroline 100

Habeas corpus to bring
into ~~Court~~ Criminal Court
the bodies of James Henry,
& Alice Johnson Returnable
June 22. 1866 Served June

Expenses as follows
Carriage to Trappe 2.00
" " " Easton 3.00
Dinner + Horse feed 1.25
Carriage to Greensburgh 8.00
" " Jackson 2.00
Board Greensburgh 2.50
Stage 1.50
Dinner 0.75
Carriage to Paets 4.00
\$25.00

15th 1866. Children bought
in + discharged. given
to Parents

War Department
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen &c.
Washington, Jan'y 25, 1867.

Hetchum, A. P.
A. C. A. Genl.

Wishes authenticated copies
of all State Statutes, af-
fecting Freedmen, in the
Dist. of Maryland, passed
since 1st of July last.

Attended to Jan'y. 27, 1867.

Recd. Asst. Commr. Ind. Jan'y. 26, 1867.

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, January 25th, 1867.

General

The Commissioner directs me to request that you will forward immediately to this office authenticated copies of all State Statutes affecting freedmen within your district, passed since the 1st of July 1865.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

A. P. Ketchum

B. F. Major and A. A. A. Genl

Major Genl E. M. Gregory

Assistant Commissioner

Maryland

Jan. 26, 1867

Salisbury, Ma. Jan'y 26 1867.
Capt. Samuel J. Wright,

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 24th
has been received containing check for \$15.00,
for which accept my thanks.

Very Respectfully

Wm. Abbott, Secy

Saml. A. Graham

M 25 P. J. A. L. Vol 90

Baltimore Md.,
January 26. 1867.

Maryland-

Bot Maj. Genl E. M. Gregory.

Forwards approved, vouchers in
favor of Joseph Grafflen, for
services rendered in serving writ
of Habeas Corpus for recovery of 2
colored children illegally inden-
tured.



Respectfully returned, approved.

By order of

Major General Howard,

A. P. Ketchum

Bot Maj. & ady.

Bureau Refugees &c
Washington Jan 29. 1867

HEAD-QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

Baltimore, Md. Jan'y. 26th 1867.

Col. Major A. P. Ketchum,
A. A. General,
Washington D.C.

Major:

I have the honor to forward herewith for the action of the Commissioner formal Bill of Joseph Craften for expenses incurred in serving a Writ of Habeas Corpus by which means James Henry and Alice Johnson (colored children) were delivered to their Parents.

The original statement of expenses is also enclosed. The parents of the children were not able to pay the charges.

Very Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

E. M. Gregory

Brigadier Major General,

Asst. Commissioner

for Md. and Del.

Balto. Jan'y. 27 1867.

Brooks, Isaac, Jr.
U.S. Comm. Dist. of Md.

Reports the number of
Warrants issued by him
for violation of the
Civil Rights Bill in
Maryland.

Box 344

Civil
Genl. Gregory;

Balto. Jan'y. 27, 1867.

Dear Sir:

At your request I would state that as United States Commissioner for Dist. of Maryland, I have issued the following warrants for violation of the Civil Rights Bill in Maryland, and would also state that these are the only cases brought to my notice. In every case where proper information was lodged a warrant was served and the case examined into.

July 6, 1866. John Hopwood, refusing to receive negro testimony, case heard July 30 - Defendant held for action of U. S. Grand Jury.

July 20 Thomas Watkins, Justice of the Peace, refusing to receive negro testimony, case heard July 17 - Deft. held to Bail for action of U. S. Grand Jury.

Dec. 18, 1866. John A. Simmons, Justice of the Peace, refusing to colored persons equal laws & proceedings &c.
Dec. 29 Case heard - Deft. discharged for want of Evidence.

Nov. 8, '66. Judge Daniel R. Magruder of Annapolis Md. refusing to receive negro testimony. Case heard and Deft. held to Bail for action of Grand Jury. (I would here state that an indictment has been found & this case will be tried at next term)

Dec. 20th Judge Daniel R. Magruder was again arrested on a warrant issued by me and was held for action of U. S. Grand Jury, the charge

on the last arrest was for "subjecting certain colored citizens to different punishments than those prescribed for white citizens," by selling them for a term of years, on conviction of larceny.

These are all the cases that have been brought to my notice.

Very Resp.

(Signed) Isaac Brooks, Jr.

U. S. Commissioner for
Dist. of Maryland.

A true copy

Capt. V. R. (Vol.) 2nd Regt. 45th Inftry.

and A. A. A. Genl.

~~Del. Ass. Jan 25th~~
~~1867~~

W. R. Bullock
Secy

Reply to communication
asking for
reports of schools

DELAWARE ASSOCIATION FOR THE
Moral Improvement and Education of the Colored People.

Wilmington, Jan'y 26th 1867-

Lieut. C. M. Douglass U.S.A.
Capt^y of Schools

Dear Sir,

I am
sorry to say that I fear we shall hardly be able to
communicate information respecting Schools in the
form desired by the first of February. We have as
yet no schools fairly in operation under the auspices
of our Association - A night school for adults has
just been started in Wilmington and we expect
to inaugurate one in Dover on the first day of February
others to be established through the state as rapidly as
possible. Our Association is but just fairly organized
and at work - Should your request apply to Schools
not under the care of the Association, and which have
been long established, reports might be furnished
upon intimation of a desire to have them -

Very Respectfully,

Yours

A. R. Bullock Secy of Assⁿ

Annapolis, Md.

Jan'y. 28, 1867.

Ganderlip W. L.
Supt. Freedmen's.

Forwards copy of Act
Repealing law in re-
lation to the punishment
of negroes.

Recd. aft. in in Md. v. D. C. Jan'y. 29, 1867.

Annapolis Md Jan'y 28 1867

St E L Knowles

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Baltimore, Md

Dear Sir,

In answer to your request of 26 inst
I enclose printed copy of the bill referred
to. A certified copy would cost \$4
or \$5 and be of no earthly use. I know
of no other laws yet passed relating to
Freedom.

Yours Respectfully
W E Stauderly
Maj Sup't

Baltimore Md,

July 8th 1867

Dear Mr Howard
Supt of Schools,

Reports the emigration of
the Col. people in this Dist.

Respectfully
Yours

Recd. Capt Com, Md & Sec. July 8th 67.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Office of Supt. of Schools,
Baltimore, Feb. 7th 1868.

Bot. Capt. E. C. Knower,

A. A. A. G.:-

It is made my duty by Orders from Washington, to investigate the condition of the Colored People of this District, and to report.

Accordingly I have the honor to call your attention to the following brief

Statement:-

I have found many tokens of interest in their own uplifting, among the Colored People, and much, therefore, to give joy to their friends:- but I have learned with regret, as I have traveled through various portions of this District, that the ~~conduct~~ of the Colored People in cer-
tain

tain localities is not always in accord with usually received ideas of what is correct in well-ordered life. I refer not to life in their homes, but on the streets and especially in public meeting.

The complaint from enemies and friends is, that, construing Liberty to mean License, the Colored People, not now restrained by municipal enactments, as a rule keep their religious meetings in session until after usual bed-times; and extend them generally to half-past ten, eleven, and twelve o'clock, at night, and, in some cases, to later than this.

The manner of these meetings, it seems, is unusually noisy, and neighborhoods, especially in towns and cities are really disturbed by these services.

In conversation with Rev. Mr. Hillman (of Wilmington, Del.,) one of the best friends of the Colored People, as they themselves would admit, he attributed many irregularities to this way of lengthening out the religious meetings. In conversation

tion with Rev. Spencer Williams, (himself an influential colored man,) I found that he fully acquiesced with Rev. McKim's views.

As a result of these late meetings, and of noisy conduct on the street when returning homeward, the Colored People are losing some of their friends. One lady, and a Union Lady too, said - "I wish the old laws were re-enacted." This referred to the fact that the old laws obliged even Free Colored People to be at home by nine o'clock at night.

I make much allowance for early training, and for religious enthusiasm intensified by "protracted effort," as it is called: - but I think the present state of things injurious to the Colored People, and for their sakes I apply or seek to apply a remedy.

I propose only this: - That the A.S.S. Com^{rs} will issue a private Circular - entirely so - to every leading Colored Pastor, calling attention to the subject, in a friendly way, and compromising, by suggesting ten o'clock as the closing

closing-time of meeting.

Very Respectfully,

Wm Howard Day,

Supt. of Schools.

Vol. 2. 1867

Baltimore, Md.

February 18th 1867

Maryland, State of
Edw. C. Knower
Lieut & A. A. Genl

States that the number of cold apprentices in Md. will be forwarded, at the earliest moment, but states that considerable delay in so doing will be unavoidable.

Recd A. S. B. 2/19/67

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands

Head-Quarters Asst. Commr., D. C.,

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28th 1867.

Respectfully returned to Post Major Genl. Gregory, Asst. Commr. Bureau R. F. & A. L. for State of Maryland.

As it will be impracticable to procure this information, desired to be used for this Congress, sufficient time may be taken without great haste in collecting the statistics required.

As this information is desired for the procurement of the passage of an Act of Congress it is important that the information should be as full and accurate as possible.

W. Howard

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A. S. B. 1167.

Post Brig. General
Asst. Commr.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE,
HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,

Baltimore, Md. Feb. 18, 1867.

Lieut. W. W. Rogers,
A. A. A. Genl.

Sir:

In reply to communication from Genl. Cha. H. Howard requiring statement of the number of colored apprentices in Md., I desire to state that the information will be forwarded at the earliest moment, but considerable delay in so doing will be unavoidable. The Records of the Orphans Court, for this city, alone, filling twenty-two volumes, each requiring separate examination, no distinction having been made on the books with reference to ~~white~~^{the} colored apprentices. Please inform me what length of time can be allowed in obtaining the statement. I have already taken steps to procure the information from the Counties by correspondence, but, if limited in time, will send an officer to each County. In conclusion I would state that the required information is exceedingly difficult to get as the Court Records, only show the whole number of colored children bound, without stating what changes have occurred, either by death, expiration of service or otherwise, therefore rendering it impossible to definitely know the number of apprentices at present.

in the State.

Very Respectfully
Your obt. Servant
Edw. C. Mower
2^d Lieut. 45th U. S. I. & C. A. Regt.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER,

Washington, *Feb. 21*, 1867.

Respectfully *referred to Capt.*
Samuel Wright Agnew

Geo W Parlock

Bot. Brig. Genl., and Chief D. O.,

Bureau R. F. & A. L.

War Department

Feb. 20 1867

Transmits Account of
J. B. Rose & Co. for job printing
amounting to \$¹⁰⁰500, approved.

War Department,

Washington, Feb 20, 1867.

Bot. Brig Gen. G. N. Ballou,
Chief Disbursing Officer
Washington, D.C.

General:

The following named account
for Job Printing having been audited is herewith
transmitted to you for payment:

No. 2823 - J. B. Rose & Co - Baltimore, Md. - \$6.00

This account was received with letter of Capt S. F. Wuggett, A. S. M.
dated Baltimore, Feb. 7, and submitted by Gen. Howard with
endorsement, Feb 14, 1867.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Wm. B. A.

Chief Clerk.

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Washington D.C.

February 26th 1867.

Saxton, S. Willard

Replies, for the Gen. Supt. of Schools, to a communication to Maj. Brown (L.S. 60. -) in relation to Blanks for School Reports, and states that the Printing Office has not facilities for printing a larger blank than the one used.

Mentions a method by which the small blanks may be made to answer.

Rec'd O.C. & M. for ms. & d. Feb. 27/67

War Department,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, February 26, 1867.

Capt. Saul S. Wright,

A. Q. M. & D. O.

Baltimore, Md.,

Captain,

Your communication to Maj. Brown, relative to Education Blanks, having been referred to the Gen. Supt. of Schools, I have the honor to reply.

The Bureau printing-office has no facilities for printing a larger blank form than the one annexed, a copy of which you transmit; Mr. Alvord is therefore unable to furnish one of the size you ask for.

The usual way of making out the Reports on these Blanks has been, to paste in one or more blank sheets of paper to make it the size required and rule it down with a pen, or to fasten several of our Blanks at the top, as is done in some of the longer accounts in the A. M. Dept., cutting off the questions at the bottom of the Blank on all but the last sheet, carrying forward the "total" of each sheet. The latter plan is perhaps the least trouble.

This form is the largest we are able to obtain at present, and I have this day forwarded thirty copies for the use of the School Supt. for Maryland.

A supply will be forwarded at any time upon your or his requisition.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant,

J. Willard Gaston.

Balt. Ass'n of
Imp. of Col'd. People
Baltimore March 1st 1857.

Jarney, R. M.

Gives detailed list
of lumber furnished
by the Government to
build School Houses
in Maryland.

BALTIMORE ASSOCIATION FOR THE
Moral and Educational Improvement of the Colored People,

Rooms 4 and 5 Tyson's Building, N. W. Corner of Charles and Lexington Sts.

Baltimore, March 1st 1867

Capt Saml. J. Wright A 2^d M
Chf Qr M^r. Bunaw R. F. & A L for Md & Del
Baltimore Md

I have the honor to
report that I have distributed the following
lumber for the use of the Colored People of this
State to build School Houses.

From Camp Newport.

To Church Hill	8.000 ft. lumber			
" Pine Neck	11.600 " "			
" Elkridge Landing	14.100 " "			
" ³ Havn De Grace	10.360 " "	10 Windows	1 Dorr	8 Sec of Roof
" Sandy Spring	2.500 " "			
" Blue Marsh	11.000 " "			
	<u>57.560</u> " "	<u>10</u> "	<u>1</u> "	<u>8</u> " " "

From Fort Federal Hill

To Millington	15.700 ft Lumber	12 Windows	1 Dorr	16 Sec of Roof
" Snow Hill	11.000 " "	12 " "	1 " "	16 " " "
" Cambridge	7.800 " "	10 " "	3 " "	0 " " "
" Middle River Neck	3.000 " "	00 " "	0 " "	0 " " "
" ⁴ Still Pond Neck	7.500 " "	10 " "	1 " "	8 " " "
" ⁵ Easton	25.000 " "	18 " "	4 " "	0 " " "
" ³ Elkton	14.000 " "	18 " "	4 " "	0 " " "
" Edesville	10.064 " "	10 " "	4 " "	16 " " "
" Spanish Neck	12.224 " "	11 " "	3 " "	15 " " "
	<u>106.288</u> " "	<u>101</u> "	<u>21</u> "	<u>71</u> " " "

From Fort Marshall

To

" Middle River Neck	3000	"	"	00	"	0	"	0	"	"
" Still Pond Neck	7.500	"	"	10	"	1	"	8	"	"
" Easton	25.000	"	"	18	"	4	"	0	"	"
" Elkton	14.000	"	"	18	"	4	"	0	"	"
" Edesville	10064	"	"	10	"	4	"	16	"	"
" Spanish Neck.	12.224	"	"	11	"	3	"	15	"	"
	<u>106.288</u>	"	"	<u>101</u>	"	<u>21</u>	"	<u>71</u>	"	"

From Fort Marshall

To Trappe	Falbot Co.	10.192	ft of lumber	10	Windows	2	Doors	12	Sec of Roof
" Head of Bassafra		10384	"	10	"	2	"	12	"
" East New Market		10765	"	0	"	4	"	12	"
		<u>31.341</u>	"	<u>20</u>	"	<u>8</u>	"	<u>36</u>	"

From Hick's Hospital

To Deal's Island		11.252	ft of lumber	12	Windows	4	Doors	14000	Shingles	12000
" Union School	2 Ann Co	11024	"	12	"	0	"	14000	"	0
" Easton	Falbot Co	5000	"	4	"	3	"	14000	"	12000
" Pine Neck		1600	"	12	"	4	"	4000	"	"
" Oak Swamp		6462	"	9	"	1	"	6000	"	5000
		<u>35.338</u>	"	<u>49</u>	"	<u>12</u>	"	<u>52000</u>	"	<u>29000</u>

By Maj Genl. Ingony

To Elkton	Seel Co	23481	ft lumber	28	Windows	4	Doors	14000	Shingles	15000
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Recapitulation

From Camp Newfort.	57.560	ft lumber	10	Windows	1	Door	8	Sec of Roof	00	Shingles	00	Laths
" Ft. Federal Hill	106.288	"	101	"	21	"	71	"	00	"	00	"
" Fort Marshal	31.341	"	20	"	8	"	36	"	00	"	00	"
" Hicks Hospt.	35.338	"	49	"	12	"	00	"	52000	"	29000	"
" " "	230.527	"	180	"	42	"	115	"	52000	"	29000	"
By Maj Genl Ingony	23.481	"	28	"	4	"	00	"	14000	"	15000	"

F. M. Jamney

Baltimore Md.
March 2^d 1867.

Wallace W^m

Replies to note requesting
his wife to attend at
this office on Saturday
morning &c.

Belle March 29th / 67
Gen. E. M. Gregory

Sir

In reply to your
note requesting my wife, Mrs
Sarah Wallace to attend your
office, on this Saturday morning,
to pay some alleged debt,
permit me to say, that I
do not acknowledge you as
a judicial officer, of this State,
nor of the United States, and
that I have forbidden her to
comply with the terms of your
note - Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt Servt
Wm Wallace

206 Madison Ave.

Washington D.C.
March 9th 1867.

War Department.

Transmits "approved"
account of John N. Lowe for
Job Printing - \$19.

Paid March 19th 1867.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER,

Washington, March 11, 1867.

Respectfully to Capt. Sumner
Knight A. G. M. for
payment.

G. W. Hancock

Bot. Brig. Genl., and Chief D. O.,

Bureau R. F. & A. L.

War Department,

Washington, March 9, 1867.

Brig. Gen. S. A. Ballew
Chief D. C. B. R. S. and A. L.
Washington, D. C.
General.

The following named account
for Job Printing having been audited is herewith
transmitted to you for payment:

No. 2826. — John H. Lowe, Baltimore Md. \$19.00

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

W. B. A.

Chief Clerk.

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B. 31 - S. G. Office - 1867

Respectfully referred to Col. I. H. Edwards, U.S. Med. Director, Dept. Washington for his action.

By order of the Surgeon Genl:

M. J. Spence
Surgeon, U.S. Army

S. G. Office
March 9, 67



EB-354 - M.D.O.P.N. 1867
March 11, 1867

Respy returned to Sgt. Maj. Genl C. M. Gregory, to know if the within named man of Geo. Dutton Co. 7. 30th U.S.C.T. has received an order for an artificial leg, and if so, by whom the order was issued if not, it will be necessary for him to forward his discharge certificate to this Office, together with an affidavit to the effect that he lost his leg in the service of the U.S. and that he has never received an order for an artificial leg - he will also give the manufacturer desired.

L. A. Edwards

Surg. Col. U.S.A.
Med. Director.

M. D. Office
Dept. of Wash.

March 11, 1867

March 13, 1867

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE,
HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,

Baltimore, Md. March 8, 1867

Gov. Maj. Genl. J. L. Barnes,
Surgeon General U. S. A.,
Washington, D. C.

Sir,

I have the honor
to request that Transportation may be furnished
George Outen, late of Co. "F" 30th U. S. C. I. from
Barnettville, Somerset Co. Md. to Washington, D. C.,
and return, for the purpose of obtaining an
artificial leg.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.

E. M. Gregory

Gov. Maj. Genl.
Asst. Commissioner

Act passed by Delaware
Legislature, doing away
with discrimination of
punishment between
Negroes, and whites.

"An Act concerning Free Negroes and Free Mulattoes"

Whereas slavery or involuntary servitude except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, is strictly forbidden to exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction, by Article 13 of the Constitution of the United States:

And Whereas, though the said constitutional provision legalizes the selling of criminals into slavery or involuntary servitude, yet that slavery is virtually abolished by said provision, so that when a person is offered at public sale, as a servant, to the highest bidder as a punishment for crime whereof the party is duly convicted according to Title Twentieth of the Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware entitled "Of Crimes and Punishments" the sale of said party is rendered impracticable for the want of bidders on account of said constitutional provision, thereby subjecting white persons to the extreme penalty of the law, and subjecting them to a greater punishment than free negroes or free mulattoes;

And Whereas it is useless for a law to remain upon our statute book that is not executed;

And Whereas it is necessary and proper that free negroes, and free mulattoes should be amenable to our laws as well as white persons; therefore

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met,

Section 1. That from, and after the passage of this act upon the conviction of any negro or mulatto of any of the felonies or misdemeanors enumerated and defined in Title Twentieth of the

Revised Statutes of the State of Delaware, entitled "Of Crimes
and Punishments" the penalty and punishment of said negro
or mulatto shall be the same as is or may be provided by
law for the penalty and punishment of white persons for
like offences.

Section 2. And be it further enacted by the authority afore-
said, That all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this
act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Passed at Dover, March 12, 1867

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Wm J. A. L. Tolg, 1867,
Baltimore Md
March 12th 1867.

Maryland State of
Gregory, E. M.
Brig Genl Asst Comd

States that the information
in reference to the number
of colored apprentices in
his District under the
existing apprenticeship
laws of Maryland, was,
with few exceptions obtain-
ed without expenses, For-
wards list of the Registers of
Wills for several counties
who have asked for pay
with amounts.

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BUFAU N.Y.C.

Bureau R. F. of A. L.
Head Qrs, Asst. Com. D. C.
Washington March 25, 1867.

Respectfully returned to
Brig. Major Genl. E. M. Gregory,
Asst. Com. State of Maryland,
with the request, that reason may
be given why so much greater charges
is made for examining the records
in some Counties than in others.
It was not expected, that so large
a sum should be paid for this in-
formation; it being required for
purposes of legislation.

If Genl. Gregory will favor the
Asst. Com. with his judgement,
as to what amount would be a
fair charge, inasmuch as the
matter had his supervision.
The bills will be paid when the
Vouchers are forwarded to these
Head Quarters.

L. M. Howard

Brig. Genl.
Asst. Comd.

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Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE,
HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,

Baltimore, Md. March 12, 1867

Col. Brig. Genl. Chas. H. Howard
Apt. Comm. Bu. R. F. & A. L. - D. C.
Genl.

The information with reference to number of colored apprentices in this District, under the existing Apprenticeship Laws of Maryland, contained in Report forwarded to you on the 12 inst., was, with a few exceptions, obtained without expense. It being necessary to get as full and accurate statistics as possible, I stated to the Register of Mills of each County, that the Bureau was willing to pay a fair compensation for such information.

The following list of those who have asked for remuneration, with amounts required, is respectfully submitted, for your consideration.

Robt. W. Todd, Reg. of Mills for Caroline Co.	\$46.50
Jo. B. Ireland, " " " " Kent "	50.70
Eli S. Petticord " " " " Howard "	3.00
J. L. McLean " " " " Frederick "	4.80
Geo. H. Bishop " " " " Worcester " - No amount stated, but information requested as to how payment can be procured.	

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Very Respectfully
your Obedt. Servt.
E. M. Gregory
Det. Maj. Genl.
Capt. Commissaries.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER,

Washington, *March 22, 1867.*

Respectfully returned to Capt.
Saml. J. Wright, A. Q. M.,
Chief Q. M., Dist. of Md. & Del.,
with approval of enclosed
Invoices, as requested.

*Invoices handed over to
Wistar and Thomas Mar 23/67
Office of A. Q. M. Dist. of Md. & Del.
Balto. Mar 23/67.*

Henry Mitchell
Lieut. Brig. Genl., and Chief Q. M.,
Bureau R. F. & A. L.



Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE,

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,

Office Chf. Quartermaster

Baltimore, Md. March 21st 1864

General,

I have the honor to forward herewith
to you for the action of the Commissioner,
Invoices in quadruplicate for Stores for Freedmen
to be turned over to the Q.M. Dept. for ship-
ment to Jamestown N. C.

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant,

Samuel J. Knight
Captain and Chf.

C. Q.M. for Md. and Del.

To

St. Brig. Genl. N. M. Whittlesy,

Chf. Quartermaster,

Washington

D. C.

P. 7 RR 40 A L. Ind. Del. 117.

Philadelphia, Penn.

March 22^d 1867.

Kimber Tho. Jr.
Presk. Del. Ed. Afon.

Writes in reference
to the building of
school houses for
freedmen in Dela-
ware &c.

Recd. C. & G. W. H. Ind. Del. March 23 1867

Elmira & Williamsport. Rail. Road Co.

Office 208 Walnut Street.

Philadelphia March 22 1869

Major Gen. Ingony

My dear Sir

I write this letter
as requested embodying
our position & asking
definitely for authority
to writing to incur
expenses of printing bulletin
ding for schoolhouses
at Expense of Freedom
Bureau; & also definite
statements in regard
to the aid the Bureau
would extend to us

But have no reply -
We are now about open-
ing the school at Mill
ford, one at Odessa
& one at each of the
other points & up
to this time have
not had a cent of
practical aid. My
Dear General, or
such authority as
would enable us to
procure it. —

We have made several
requests of lumber
& timber but so far

as we can learn without doubt
It has occurred to me that
I might facilitate matters by
a full statement of our case to

but have no reply -

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ford one at Ridge

& one at each of the

other points & will

at this time have

not had a cent of

practical aid. My

Dear General and

such anxiety as to

could I possibly

procure it. -

We have made several

inquiries of lumber

& lumber but so far

as we can learn without result.

It has occurred to me that

I might facilitate matters by

a full statement of an case to

Mr. Stanton, with whom I have

a favorable acquaintance; but

I hesitated to do this, till

I had your judgment as to its

availability for the cause.

Yours truly
W. K. Noble

Please telegraph me

if anything important as our Board meets Saturday again

Bureau of Engineers & Surveyors
Washington D.C.
March 26 - 1867 -

Whittier Henry W.
Bt. Brig. Gen. U.S.A.
Acknowledged receipt of
Transportation Order No. 481
issued for Ephraim Smith and
ret. for cancellation -

Wm. L. G. Smith, Capt. & Det. March 28th 1868 -

War Department
Bureau of Refugee Freedmen &c.
Washington, March 26 1867.

Received of Col. Maj. Genl. E. M. Gregory, Capt.
Commissioner, Bu. R. F. & A. L. for Md. & Del. Trans-
portation Order No. 481. issued for Ephraim Smith,
destitute freedman from Baltimore to Mount Airy
Md., returned for cancellation.

Wm M. Whittelsey
Col. Eng. Genl. C. S. M.

Col. Maj. Genl. E. M. Gregory
Capt. Comm. Bu. R. F. & A. L.
Baltimore, Md.

Bull ass March
28th / 1867

Re Israel Act
The
Gate Clerk

Reply to communica-
tion in relation to
Miss Brooks pay

BALTIMORE ASSOCIATION FOR THE
Moral and Educational Improvement of the Colored People,

Rooms 4 and 5 Tyson's Building, N. W. Corner of Charles and Lexington Sts.

Baltimore, ^{to} March 28 1867.

Lieut C. M. Douglass

Dear Sir

Our Committee have determined to pay the salary of Miss Brooks in full, from the time she was sent to Ebenezer School: but we are united in the opinion, that the Bureau ought to pay her board bills, up to the 8th of March, at which time, the school was transferred to us.

Miss QuaiFFE, returned us \$28; and we paid her 18¢ board, and have given you credit for the 10¢ balance, on Miss Brooks's acct.

The school ought to have paid its way, we think, and to have been transferred to us without debt.

We are willing to pay the salary if you decline to do it but we claim the board as before stated

Very resp^{ly}

F. Israel acting
per Yates

Elmira & West R. R.
308 Walnut St.
Philadelphia Mar. 28th 1864.

Kimber,
Pres. Jr. Pres.

Encloses requisitions for
Lumber approved for several
points in Delaware.

States that materials for
Dover should be consigned to
Joshua Parker and for Odessa
to Daniel Corbitt. Informa-
tion will be given as to
other parties also about brick
and lime.

Official copy furnished by Capt.
Krover.

Estimate filed.

Delaware & Philadelphia Rail Road Co.
Office 308. Walnut Street
Philadelphia, March 28 1867

Major General Gregory

My dear Sir:

I enclose herewith the requisitions for Milford, Adessa, Middletown, Georgetown, Laurel, and Camden, with my approval in form. Hereafter they will be duly certified on being sent.

I was much obliged to you for the telegram to Wilmington and read it and the letter to the Board on Saturday.

To Dover please consign the materials to Joshua Parker, To Adessa to Daniel Corbett, To the other points, names will be duly provided on Saturday —, as also the information enquired for about bricks & lime.

We are preparing on, within coming month I hope to organize 6 or 7 Schools on a sound basis in Delaware.

Yours truly
(Signed) Tho. Kimber, Jr.
Pres.

A true copy

Edw. C. Snow

2^d Lieut. 45th U. S. Inf. a. c. a. Genl.

Wilmington Del.
March 29th 1867.

Woolman, Samuel

Transmits a list of
Prices of Brick, lime etc for
School Houses in Delaware
at Wilmington.

Copy furnished by Capt. Kewer
April 1st 1867.

Wilmington, 3rd mo. 29th 1867.

Dear General

A memorandum reached me from Tho^s Kimber, Pres. of Del. Association, asking me to furnish cost of lime, brick & etc. wanting for school houses. I suppose etc. means such articles as it is not likely you have on hand = on inside page please find Wilmington prices as well as quantity required for a one storied house.

I find there was no demand made in my estimate of 26th for any front doors for the 7 houses - please send them with about 500 feet board for stairs.

Most Respectfully
(Signed) Samuel Woolman

A true copy of
Edw DeBowes

S. Genl. 45th D. S. D. & A. A. A. Genl.

over

Prices of items for a one story School house.

20000 bricks	12 1/2 per thousand	2350
60 bush lime	50	30.
1 Keg nails		7.
20000 plastering lath	4 1/2	10
900 feet Roofing	6 1/2	5950
2 pipes for ventilation	2	<u>400</u>
		\$ 13550

Prices of items for a 2 storied house.

5000 bricks	12 1/2	6250
150 bush lime	50	7500
3 Keg nails	7	2100
35000 plastering lath	4 1/2	1875
13000 feet Warren Roofing	6 1/2	<u>8450</u>
		\$ 25875

Our Board has come to the conclusion to confine themselves to one story houses after Dover, Seaford & Milford probably there will be 10 or 12. one story wanted but cannot tell positively

Respectfully
(Signed) Samuel Woolman.

A true copy
Edw Mc Weaver
2nd Lieut. 45th U.S.D. M.A.A.A. Genl.

Winneton, Wt.

~~Apr~~ Mar. 30 '67

Christ;

J. H.

Directs that lumber
for school house at
his place be shipped to
Greenwood Sta. Western
N.H. R.R.

Rec^d O. G. Ouellet, rec^d. Apr. 2/67.

Ans^d. Apr. 2/67. D. S. 95

Umontown Md
March 30th 1867

Maj Gen. Gregory
Asst Com. Bu. of H. R. A. G. for Md

Dear Sir,

Please send
the lumber intended for a school
house for the colored people in
Carroll County to
"Ginwood" Station on the W.M.R.R.,
instead of "Unionbridge" as before
directed. The reason of this change
is that Mr. Haines has kindly offered
the colored people the use of his
siding or switch on the Rail Road
free of any cost, for that purpose,

Respectfully Yours

J. H. Christ

Orphan Asylum.

Baltimore

April 1867

Morris, Mrs. J. S.

President & others

As President and
ladies connected with the
Association for colored orphan
children they express their
gratitude for the ^{of Mrs. Gregory} offer
to buy a Building for an
Orphan Asylum, and accept
the same.

A special meeting of the Association for "Orphans of colored soldiers, and friendless colored children" was held at 217 Madison Ave. April 28th 1884. The President stated that every effort to procure a house had been unsuccessful, until application was made to the Assistant Commissioner of the Freedman's Bureau, - General Gregory, who kindly responded, and an offer to purchase a house for rent had been made by him, if it meet the judgment of the Association.

The property in view, is the residence of Mr. C. W. Butler, on East Fayette St. near Front St. (Front side.) As Government holds no

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The property in view, is the residence of Mr. C. W. Butler, on East Fayette St. near Front St. (North side.) As Government holds no

real estate, we will be compelled
to buy the ground rent, at a
cost of \$1,568.

The undersigned gratefully
accept the offer made by
General Gregory, and authorize
the Trustees to purchase the
ground immediately.

Mrs J. P. Norris - President
Mrs. Edwin Johnson
Rebecca Turner
Mrs J. J. W. Ware
Mary D. Brown
E. Ellen Piley
Mrs J. T. Pentecost
Alice Brooks
Mary B. Hanson
Martha E. Tyson.
Isabella Tyson -
Mrs W. H. Hanson
Mrs S. E. Peirman

Wilmington Del.
April 2nd 1867.

Fursey, John G.
Agt. & Cor. Secy.

Gives a list of consignees
to receive lumber for school
houses at Newark, Christiana
Odepa, Camden, Milford and
Seaford Del.

See Estimates.

Rec^d O. C. Qu. & O. S. M. S. & Del. Apr. 3/67.

Delaware Association for the
Moral Improvement & Education of the Colored People
Wilmington, (P.O. Box 674) April 2^d, 1867.

Major Genl. E. M. Gregory,

Cpt. Comr. Freedmen's Bureau, Balto. Md.

General:- In accordance with instructions received I hereby send you the necessary directions about shipping the lumber intended for school houses in Del. It is believed that it can be shipped best by Rail Road to the several places.

I am Sir, very truly & respectfully yours.

(signed) John G. Furcy, Agent &c.
for Del. Assoc.

- 1 For Newark, New Castle Co. To George Morris & Washington Milburn
- 2 " Christiana " " " Thomas H. Blackson & Charles Davis
- 3 " Odessa " " " Hewitt-Carter & Sewall Shockley
- 4 " Camden Kent Co. " Nathaniel Drunkley
- 5 " Milford " " Charles Furcy & Peter Hill
- 6 " Seaford, Sussex Co. To Jas. H. Henson, Noah Blackson & Dennis Ross. -

P.S. - There are other points for which lumber has been ordered, but I cannot today give you definite directions about them, but will do so as soon as possible. The blanks for School Reports will be filled up & sent soon. - (signed) John G. Furcy.

A true copy.

Edw. C. Knover

2^d Locust St., U. S. D. & A. C. A. Bldg.

Requisitions for
building materials
for School Houses
in Milford, Adefa,
Middletown, Georgetown
Laurel & Camden,
Delaware. Approved
by Thos. Kimber, Jr.
Post. Del. Apr. 11, 1861.

Mapper - Two (2) Enclosures.

HEADQUARTERS OF ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,

Baltimore, Md. 486

Special Orders, |

No. |

By command of Major General Francis Fessenden,

Assistant Commissioner.

Asst. Adj. Genl.

Approved by order of
the Board

Wm. K. Miller
Secretary
of the Board

Requisition for Materials for
Schoolhouse at Mifford Del

2 sills	6x6	50 feet long
2 "	6x6	24
5 plates	4x6	56
4 "	4x6	24
12 posts	4x6	22
120 joist	3x9	12
56 Rafters	3x6	14
176 pieces	3x4	12
76 "	3x4	10
3800 feet siding		
3000 flooring		
1500 Sheathing board inch thick		
24 window frames sash to fit		
5000 Bricks		
3 kegs of nails 8. 10. 12 D		
1300 feet warrens roofing		
100 bushels lime		
3000 plastering lath - The lath are made near Mifford of a good quality		

Burman Refugees, Freedmen's
Hd. Qrs. Aft. Comm. Md. & Del.
Baltimore Md. April 9 1867.

Mr. Douguell, Chas.
1st Lieut. & Supt. Schools.

Report of an inspection of a
building known as "Garfield
Academy," at Hood's Mill
Howard Co. Md.

Recd. aft. Comm. Md. & Del. April 9 1867.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore, April 9th 1867

Capt. G. C. Krown

Major R. F. A. S.

Sir

I have the honor to make the following report of a recent visit to the neighborhood of Woods Mill in Howard Co. Md to make an inspection of a building known as "Fairfield's Academy"

The above named building is a two story stone building in pretty good repair standing on a lot of one acre with a good front on the public high way - dry rolling ground - well shaded & large enough for a burying ground Besides the main building there are two other small buildings of some value - also a good spring of water near by to be included in the deed

my

The price of this property is \$1500 on which there has been made a payment of \$340.85. When this shall be increased to \$1000 Mr Hood will give a deed to the colored people & take a loan on the property for the security of the payment, of the balance on which two years time will be given

Then living within a reasonable distance of the above place seventy five colored families. The country around is an average of Maryland farming communities - has been settled for a long time & quite thickly populated with an industrious peaceable & meludy class of citizens pretty strongly marked with the rebel element. There are a few original consistent Union men - some of them are coming in

The colored people are very much in earnest about the purchase of this property & I have no hesitancy in say-
ing

that I believe that if the Government will
advance them the money to make the
first-payment of one thousand dollars
they will raise the remaining five hundred
in the time required

I would therefore respectfully
recommend that the necessary appropriation
be made

Very respectfully

Your obt Servt

Wm J. Fugall

1st Supt. of schools

War Department
Bureau, Refugee, Freedmen, &c.
Washington, April 11 1867.

Howard, O. O. - Major Genl.
Comr. per J. A. Slader

States that the Matron of the
Colored Orphans Home - has con-
sented to take charge of the
boy before alluded to.

Written by Judge H. L. Bonds

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, April 10th 1867.

Gen. Hugh S. Bond

My dear sir

I have
just received word from
the Matron of the Colored
Orphan Home who says
she will take the boy - so
if you will send him to
me I will have him
placed in the institution.

Very truly yours

As the boy has gone
out and will probably
not return today - I take
the liberty to send this
letter without his examine.

Hugh S. Bond
Commissioner
- J. A. Scales.

Wilmington Del.

April 13th 1867

Furey, John G.

Directs that the
lumber which was to
be sent to Odessa be shipped
to Williamsville Kent so. &c.

~~Revised See letter Apr 15/67.~~

Shipped to

A. R. Harrington Harring-
ton Del. Apr. 13th

Copies furnished by Capt. Knowles
April 15/67.

Alleghany Association for the
Moral Improvement & Education of the Col'd People,
Wilmington April 13th 1867

Maj. Gen. Gregory

Sir,

By direction of the Executive
Committee of the Association I write to request you to
change the direction of the lumber ordered for
Colesa, to Williamsville Kent. Co. The lumber
should be sent to James Friend, care of Augustus
R. Harrington, Harringtons Del.

Hoping that this not come too late I
remain Sir very truly yours

John C. Furey
Agent &c.

Copy

Wilmington Del.

April 15th 1867.

Purey,
John G., Agt.

States that by direction of
Ex. Committee he has ordered
the (R.R.) Agent at Middletown
to forward the lumber sent
there, without name of con-
signee, to James Friend care
Anqueter R. Harrington Harring-
ton Del., that lumber need
not be shipped to Middletown
or Odessa until further orders.

Copy furnished by Capt. Keweenaw Apr. 16/67

Delaware Association for the Moral
Improvement & Education of the Colored People
Wilmington, April 15th 1867.

Major General E. M. Gregory

Dear Sir:- I write to say that your
letter to Dr. Bullock, Secy. of the Board of Managers is received, and
that at the suggestion of S. W. Harrington Esq. One of the Ex. Committee
I sent a dispatch to the Agent at Middletown & have the lumber
sent there forwarded to James Friend, Care of Augustus R. Harring-
ton, Harrington Delaware, as per order of the Ex. Committee
on Saturday the 13th as I wrote to you on that day. Under
the circumstances I could not see what else to do, for there
is no one at Middletown authorized to receive the lumber, &
I do not know that there will be soon. If the lumber sent
was intended for Odepa I suppose it is all right, if not I can
only say please do not send any to Odepa or to Middletown
until you hear from us again. This whole matter has been
somewhat confused owing to circumstances mentioned in
my letter sent a few days ago. I am much obliged for
the list sent me & will send you the names of proper persons
at Georgetown, as soon as I can visit the place and ascertain
the facts of the case. I am now unable to tell you, as I am
ignorant of the real wants of the colored people of that place.

The names of Consignees at Leusel I sent to you about a week ago, & you of course have them already, as the letter sent by me was answered in due form. I regret very much that there should have been any confusion about this matter, but the orders were sent by other parties in my absence & I could not prevent what has happened. Hoping however that it will come right, & that my action today will not conflict with your duty in the case - I remain very truly and respectfully yours.

(Signed.) John G. Fussey
Agent &c.

P.S. - I did not receive the dispatch mentioned in your letter to Dr. Bullock - Please send over Bill of lading for the lumber forwarded to Herrington, to Genl. Freight Agent Wilmington Depot. He so requests. J. G. F.

Of 1165
No. 2368

The above are

the nos. of cars on which the lumber was shipped

J. G. F.

A true copy

Edw. C. Knowles

2^d Lieut. 45. U.S.A. & A.A. Genl.

Wilmington Del.
April 16th 1867.

Fursey, John G.

Expects to visit Georgetown on school business soon. Gives the name of Mirros De Laury as consignee for Lumber at Laurel.

Hopes that lumber (designed for Middletown) sent to Harrington will not interfere with our arrangements.

Lumber shipped Georgetown & Laurel Apr 26th + 19th

R/L sent to Harrington.

Copy furnished by Capt. Knowlton '67

Delaware Association for the Moral
Improvement and Education of the Colored People.

Wilmington, April 16th 1867.

Capt. Knowles,

Dear Sir: Your communication lately sent have all been received. I have written in regard to the children supported here in Laurel & hope to hear about them soon. I shall also as soon as possible send you what information I can obtain in regard to the "Unfortunates" in Del. I expect to visit Georgetown this week & will at once send you the name of some responsible person there to whom lumber may be consigned if they agree to the terms proposed. I think you have the name for Laurel, but if you cannot easily find it, please send it to Minor DeLaney or William Liffle or to both as a Committee. I earnestly hope that my action yesterday in regard to the lumber forwarded to Harrington for Williamsville may not cause trouble in your arrangements. If you will send a new bill of lading to the Freight Office at Wilmington, the matter will be all right. There was no name signed to the letter sent to Dr. Pullen.

Truly yours (Signed) J. G. Turner, Capt. W.

P. S. - Perhaps I may as well say to you that the order for lumber to Middletown was (as I think) a mere mistake.

The people at Odepa are, as yet, too poor to do any thing
with it.

A true Copy
Edw. C. Knowles
2 Lieut. 45, U.S.A. ^{and} A.A.A. Capt.

Lower Del.

April 17th 1867.

Stevenson, Jas. A.

Enclosure Bill of Lading
of Nails receipt of nails
shipped here on 9th inst.

Gives an account of
what the colored people are
about to do, and of the state
of feeling among the people.

Rec^d - O. C. G. & S. O. Md. & Del. Apr. 19/67

Lower Del April 17th 1867

J J Wright Esq

Dear Sir

Your of the 15th
was rec^d yesterday, as well as the mail
by RR sent y^r inc please find rec^t
enclosed. The bold people have not
yet begun their school house; (they have
a very good school going on, kept in their
church) they expect to give out the
contract for building the new house
next week; they need a great deal of
stimulating to get them up to the work
or rather to believe that they can raise
the required amount to buy the ~~lot~~
ground and build the house which
will cost them from 6 to 700\$. they
can do it but the trouble is to get them
to think so. Not knowing the advantage
es of even a common education they do
not know its worth; some of them are

beginning to see the advantages of it,
and many others we hope soon will
The bold people in our state particularly
in the two lower counties are perhaps as
bad off as in any other state in our country;
although (formerly) by law a slave
state yet there were but few slaves in
it; and it appeared there was no
class of men to care for the poor negro;
many of our laws tending to degrade
~~them~~ and keep them down; and but
few would dare to raise their voice
for them; but there is a happy change
going on at this time; and yet there
are many among us (if they dare) would
chock the wheels and drive every one
of the negroes into the worst kind of
slavery; but there is a higher power
than man carrying on this great
work. and man cannot hinder it
he may impede its progress, but it must
go on. May it advance with great speed

Yours truly
J. A. Stevenson

Wrapper - N. Enclosure

War Department
Bm. R. F. D. Land
Claim Division
Washington April 17/1867.

O. B. No. 206/67.
Respectfully returned to
Dr. Wm. G. E. H. Gregory,
A. C. Bm. & Baltimore Md.
Attention invited to serial
and signed J. B. Daddison.
In view of the fact office
address of Army Office
C. H. B. G. P. O. & D. G. O.

Directed
C. H. B. G. P. O. & D. G. O.
J. Fowler
A. C. Bm.

Bureau Refugee, Freedmen &
Hd. Quarters, Comm. Md. & Del.
Baltimore Md. April 17/1867.
Respectfully returned to
Supt. Don Scherach in charge
of Claim Division, calling
his attention to the endorsement
of Maj. Fowler, A. C. G.

By Command of
Prof. Wm. G. E. H. Gregory, Capt. Comm.
Baltimore Md.
Wm. W. H. H. H.
Prof. Col. A. C. G. G.

At P. D. address.

Recd. via Capt. Comm. Md. & Del. April 17/1867.

James. M. M. Combe

Wrapper N. Enclosure

New Department
Bm. R. F. D. Land
Claim Division
Washington April 17/1867

C. O. No. 206/67
Respectfully returned to
Dr. Wm. G. E. H. Gregory,
A. C. Bm. & Baltimore Md
Attention invited to encl-
sure & sign of B. Dawson
No more of the Post office
address of Wm. G. Gregory
C. O. No. 206/67, W. D. C.

Directed
Major General
C. M. Fowler
A. C. Bm.

Bureau Refugee, Freedmen &
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Brig. Gen. Gregory, A. C. G.
Wm. W. Wood
Brig. Col. in A. C. G.

Head Quarters, Baltimore Md.

James. Ch. M. Tombe

Rock Islands Ill

Eben Jackson Boston Mass

Bureau Harris
Claim

Washington D.C.
April 18th 1867.

Crown, J. M.
At. Major A. G. M.

I am directed by the
Chf. Q. M. to say that
the Transportation Orders and
Bills of Lading furnished
by the Q. M. Dept. are
not to be accounted for
on Property Returns.

Rec^d - Pleas. & C. Md. & Del. Apr 20th 1867.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Quartermaster's Office, No. 132 Pennsylvania Avenue,

Washington, D. C.,

April 18th 1867

Capt Saml. I. Wright

W. Q. M. Bureau R. F. & A.

Baltimore Md.

Captain:

I am directed by the Chief Quartermaster of the Bureau to inform you that the Transportation Order and Bills of Lading furnished you from the Quartermaster Department USA are not required to be accounted for on Property Returns (Form 23), they being reported monthly on form prescribed by Circular N^o. 10 C. S. Bureau R. F. & A. -

Your Receipts will not be used by me, being merely filed as memorandum -

Very Respectfully

Yours obedt. Servant
J. M. Brown
Col. Major & Asst. Q. M.

B. 1 (B.M. Hall) S. D. Atty. 1/10

Belt S. L.
Rock Hill, Md.

as to Paton Brown

Rec'd Atty Apr. 26/67

Rock Hill Apr 24th 67

J. J. Jackson
B, vol 1. 1867

Sir

Last

February twelve months I went to Charlottsville there hired five persons for the year Paton among them they worked for some a short time but when they found they could get higher wages elsewhere than I agreed to give them, they left me and I was compelled to hire others hands this was no uncommon occurrence for I believe out of some sixty or seventy brought to this vicinity scarcely one have remained with their first employer after harvest, last fall Paton came back and asked me to hire him again which I agreed to do, I have all

ways read his Grand fathers
letters to him & left it to him to
do as he chooses about the matter
of returning to Va he so far has
not seemed much inclined, but
says his Grand father has children
able to assist in supporting him he
seems happy and contented but
I suppose he will get in the notion
of returning some time, I have four
men & two boy besides him whom he
is on good terms with

Respectfully yours

N B about ten days J L Belt
ago Paton stoped work
and I settled with him
the next day he applied to me
for work again he is still with me
J L Belt

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Baltimore, Md. April 26. 1867.

Wm. F. A. L. Vol 461,
Maryland, State of
Gregory, E. M.
Bvt. Major Genl. or Asst. Comr.

Forwards for payment Vouchers
for expenses incurred in
obtaining information with
reference to number of apprentices
at present held under existing
laws of Maryland.

Names of parties claiming com-
pensation.)

J. L. McLean, of Frederic Co. Md. \$4.00.
Eli T. Piddicord, of Howard " " \$3.00.
Robt. W. Todd, of Caroline " " \$10.00.
Jos. J. Ireland, of Kent " " \$10.00.

(12 Enclosures)



See...

C. B. 78-105

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands
Head-Quarters Asst. Commr., D.C.,
WASHINGTON, APR 30 1867

Respectfully forwarded
to the Commissioner, Bureau
under R. F. & A. L. as this
expense was incurred
for information part of
which does not relate
to this District, it is re-
quested that the account
be paid by the Chief Dis-
bursing Officer, Bureau

R. F. & A. L.
C. Whittier
1867 Bvt. Brig. Genl. A. A. Com

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER,

Washington, May 4, 1867.

Respectfully returned to Bvt. Maj.
Genl. E. M. Gregory, Asst
Comr., who is authorized
to pay these accounts
from the R. F. Fund in
the hands of his Disbur-
sing Officer.

By Command
Maj. Genl. O. H. ...
Commissary
Geo. M. ...

Bvt. Brig. Genl., and Chief D. O.,

Bureau R. F. & A. L.

C. B. 78-105

C.D.C. 67

April 26. 1867

L. V. A. Co.
State of
Md.
Asst. Comr.

Vouchers
in
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of apprentices
or existing

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Mo. \$4.⁰⁰
" \$3.⁰⁰
" \$10.⁰⁰
" \$10.⁰⁰

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands
Head-Quarters Asst. Commr., D.C.,
WASHINGTON, APR 30 1867

Respectfully forwarded
to the Commissioner, Bureau
near R. F. and St. L. as this
expense was incurred
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quested that the account
be paid by the Chief Dis-
bursing Officer, Bureau

R. F. + St. L.
E. B. 78-105
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a.c.
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Bvt. Porry. Genl. A. A. Comr.

C. Whittier

Human of R. P. + A. Lands.
Washington, May 3rd 1867.

Respectfully referred to Bt. Brig. General
G. W. Ballou, Chf. Disbursing Officer,
who will please pay the within accounts
if correct.

By Order of
Maj. Genl. Howard

A. P. Ketchum

E. B. 78-105 Acty. Asst. Asst. Genl.

{ Rec'd O. D. O. rec'd. 4d. May 4/67 }
{ Accounts paid - S. S. 166-169 }
S. R. 67
Headquarters, Assistant Commissioner,
BUREAU of REFUGEES, FREEDMEN and ABANDONED LANDS
District of Maryland and Delaware.
Comptrol Division

Baltimore, May 6th 1867

Respectfully returned to Capt.
Saml. J. right. Chf. Mtr
& Civil attention invited to
preceding and movement
of Bvt. Brig. Genl. G. W. Ballou
Chf. S. C. Bureau R. P. & A. L.

By Order of
Genl. M. Gregory
Asst. Commr.
Edw. C. Knower

E. B. 78-105 2nd Lt. 45th U. S. I.
C. C. A. Genl.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore, April 26 1867

Sicut. W. W. Rogers,
U.S.A. - Dist. Ct. Md. & Del. - D.C.
Washington, D.C.

Sicut.

I have the honor to forward for payment, enclosed vouchers for expense incurred in obtaining information with reference to number of apprentices at present held, under existing laws of Maryland. They are sent to you in compliance with your endorsement dated March 25 '67, stating, that "the bills" will be paid when the vouchers are forwarded & the Ad. Ins. The difference in amounts charged, is in proportion to the information furnished, and is what I consider fair compensation.

The following are the names of parties claiming compensation with amount charged.

J. L. McLean, Frederick Co.	4. 80
Eli S. Piddicord, Howard "	3. 00
Robt. W. Todd, Caroline "	10. 00
Jo. P. Ireland, Kent "	10. 00
	(over)

Please forward the money through this office.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.

E. M. Gregory

Brig. Maj. Genl. Vol.

Asst. Commissioner



Recd 0.20 mo. Del. Apr 29/07

(Form 1.)

War Department,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, April 27th 1864.

Capt Saml I Wright
a. m. Asst. Commr. Bureau R. F. & A. L.

Baltimore Md.

General: Captain

By direction of Major Genl O. O. Howard, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt this day of Statements "A" and "C" of public property, made in compliance with Circular No. 3, Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, dated April 23d, 1864, of Capt Saml I Wright a. m. & D. O. Baltimore Md for the Quarter ending March 31st 1864, forwarded by you April 26th 1864.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

[Signature]
S. B. [Signature]
S. B. [Signature] Dist. Major, Chief Quartermaster.

AD. E. E. ...

Wilmington Del.

May 1st 1867

Hoolman

Dear Sir,

Agree to.

Enclosed letter from
Rt. W. Walford stating
that lumber shipped
to Salisbury "Del"
should have been shpt.
to Bridgeville as the
latter is nearer George-
town the place of des-
tination

Acct. May 7-7 - L. S. 164

Rec. of ... Del. May 7/67
New Bills made out for
Bridgeville ...
1867

Send by J. Woodman
who has Georgetown, Del.
gone to and April 29, 1867.

John G. Hurey Esq.

Dear Sir:

I have re-
ceived the Bills of Lading
from Capt. Saml. J. Wright, of
Baltimore - of the material
shipped for our School
House, and find there has
been some mistake made
in shipping the Lumber.
The Bill of Lading states
that it has been shipped to
Salisbury, Del. There is no
such a place as that but
there is such a place as
Salisbury, Md., and I sup-
pose the Lumber has gone
to that point. This town - Salis-

improvements - construction of school house

Should have been sent through
print to us, and the number
the Del. R.R. is the number
number, Bridgeville Station, on
embark for it, I have the
from Georgetown and so
way is about 3 or 4 miles.

DELAWARE TELEGRAPH LINE.

WILMINGTON.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Dated Wilmington 3rd Nov 1867

Rec'd, Wilmington, _____ 186 _____ o'clock, _____ min. M.

To Saml J Wright Anarternore
Cot Friend

The freight agents request the
a New Bill of Lading issued
for Scumbe refered to in inclosed
letter from Robert Wolford, Georgetown
Del. - He will return the Original
Bill of Lading made for Salisbury,
Del. which you will see is not
correct - and will send Scumbe
to Bridgeville, Del. to be delivered
to Mr. Wolford at once.

P.S. will be in the hands of
Mr Crawford Baltimore

Most Respectfull
Saml Woodman
Agent for Del association for
improvement & Education of Col people

Wilmington Del.
May 2nd 1867.

Purvey, John G.
Ag't. Del. Agric^l.
Imp. of Cold. People.

Expressed gratitude
to Genl. Gregory for his
forethought in regard to
the lumber for the col-
ored people of Delaware

Refers to freight ad-
vanced on lumber by
Mr. Stevenson of Dover.

Rec^d. O. G. and O. No. 1. Del. May 9/67.

DELAWARE ASSOCIATION FOR THE
Moral Improvement and Education of the Colored People.

Wilmington, May 2nd 1867

Captain Sam^l. J. Wright, -

Dear Sir:- Please
say to General Gregory that in behalf of
this Association, I return my thanks to him
for his kind forethought in the matter of
the Lumber - for the Colored people of
Del. - - General Gregory will always be
welcome, as he knows, at this office and
at any meeting that may be held here. -

It was the case you mention
as occurring at Dover that suggested
the remarks I made in a previous letter.
I am gratified to know that Mr. A.
Stevenson will be reimbursed. -

I enclose a few lines to Lieut
Krover. Will you be so kind as to hand
it to him & oblige
Yours very truly
John J. Finney
Agent -

Wilmington Del.
L. S. K. T. A. D. W. G. P. M. C. P.

See Alfred, St. Rev. &

States that the Delaware Assoc.
propose to open a Normal School
for the education of colored
persons, and that any aid from
the Bureau would be
thankfully received

(matter)

Rec'd B. R. G. A. S. May 11 - 48 64

War Department
Bureau of Refugees Freedmen &
Washington May 13, 64

Respectfully referred to Capt. Maj. Gen.
E. M. Gregory Assistant Commissioner
for Md. & Del., to whom this enter-
prise is, by the Commissioner,
favorably commended.

By order of
Major Gen. O. O. Howard
A. P. Ketchum

E. B. ... Lt. Col. A. H. Seal

attended to by A. P. Ketchum in person

Wilmington Delaware
S. J. May 10th 1867

Lee Alfred

Says that the Del.
Ass. propose to open
a Normal School for
the education of colored
person, and further
states that any aid from
the Bureau would be
thankfully received

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School will be widely
felt beyond the borders
of our own State. If
the Freedman's Bureau
can extend aid to this
enterprise it will
be exceedingly acceptable
and we believe useful
to the cause —

Asking your kind
consideration of this
matter I remain,
very respectfully & truly
Yours
Alfred Lee

1867 (R. F. & A. L., Vol. 9) 1867.

Potter's Landing, Md.

May 10th, 1867.

Boydton - Rev C. B.

Reports, after examining the locality, that it is a suitable place for the erection of a building for a colored school

Enclosure

WRAPPER (1 Enclosures)

Received, Bureau R.F. & A.L., May 14, 1867.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

WASHINGTON, May 14, 1867.

Respectfully referred to the Agent Commr of Maryland &c., who will send an officer to Potter's Landing, with a view of causing the construction of such a building as Dr Boydton desires, provided he can consistently do so out of his appropriation, & who will please consult with Dr Boydton on the subject.

By order of Major General Howard,

A. P. Ketchum

Adjutant Colonel & A. A. A. General.

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Vol. 3, 673

Case explained by Asst Commr to Genl Oot Howard in person - May 23^d 1867

Ms. A. 9. 1. 1861

Arthur Phillips

Potters Landing May 10th 67
Delivered to Mr
Maj Gen O O Howard
Commissioner &c

Sir

Having looked over the ground
here somewhat since my arrival,
& conversed with some of the leading
people, in regard to a building
for a Freedmen School at this point -
I am of the opinion that it would
be a judicious expenditure of funds
to erect a suitable edifice at this
point which is central to quite a
large colored population. It would
perhaps be well, should it meet your
approval, to construct a building

C. 1861

Arthur Willis

in which the upper rooms might
be ultimately used for a High
School or Normal School.

If you consider you
should think favorably of
this proposition will you be
kind enough to write me at
this place, & I will try to
introduce such measures as
you may desire.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Chas. B. Doughton

Baltimore, Md.

June 20, 1867

Wright, Saul J.
Capt. & D. O.

Forwards transportation
vouchers in favor of the
Balt. & Chas. S. S. Co.
of which Mordecai & Co.
are the authorized agents

Pd. Aug 23/67

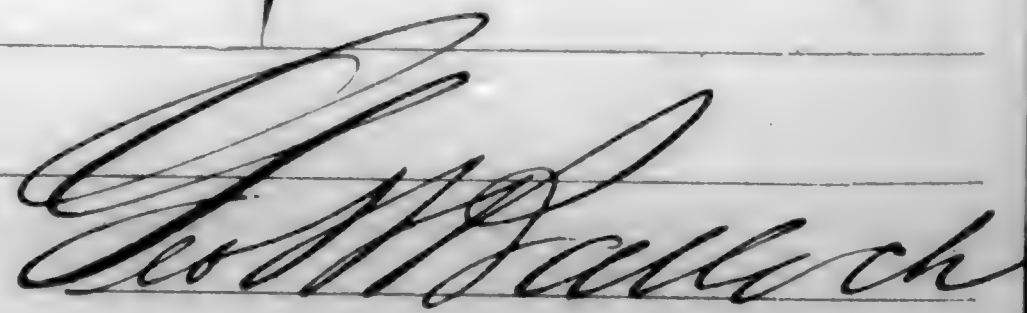
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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER,

Washington, Aug. 22, 1867.

Respectfully referred to Captain
Samuel J. Wright D. O.
for payment.



Bot. Brig. Genl., and Chief D. O.,

Bureau R. F. & A. L.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE

Office C. G. M.

Baltimore, June 20th 1867.

781.

General:

I have the honor to forward herewith to you the following Transportation Vouchers for service rendered by Balto. ^{Charleston} Savannah S. S. Co. for which Mordecai Co. of this city are the authorized receivers:

Bill of Lading Balto. to Charleston

52 Bales &c.

" " Balto. to Charleston

Box of Harness &c.

Transportation Order, Balto. to Charleston.

In regard to the 52 Bales &c., I will say that they should have been shipped by Savannah Str., but the Charleston Str. took them from our Draymen who had ticket for Savannah Str., and the Charleston Agt. had loaded the Stores before I knew of it, but said that the Freight would not be any more through to Savannah than if sent direct.

(over.)

I am informed by Bt. Lt. Col. Low at Charleston that the charges on the same from that place to Savannah were as follows:-

" 52 Bales of Bedding @ 50 [¢] ea. \$26.00	Whfg. 3 [¢] ea. 1.56	= \$27.56
" 26 Boxes Clothing ^{4[¢] ea.} 353.5 at 10 [¢] ea. 35.35	" 10 [¢] 2.60	= 37.95
" 5 Barrels Furniture " 75 [¢] ea. 3.75	" 6 [¢] 30	= 4.05
" 5 Packages Miscellaneous, 25 [¢] "	1.25 " 2 [¢] " 10	= 1.35
		\$40.91

Very Respectfully,
Your obt. servant,

David J. Wright,
Captain and Aft. Q. M.

Bot. Brig. Genl. H. M. Whittlesey,
Chf. Quartermaster,
Washington,
D. C.

Vol. 2 No 2730 H. D. 1867
C. P. Rollard, P.
Simpsonville.

Howard County, Md.
June 25th 1867

Rollard, P.

Official Ed. acts

Requests information as to what extent the Bureau will assist the colored people of Howard County, in the erection of a School-House, of which they are greatly in need.

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War Refugees, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands.
Head-Quarters Asst. Commr., D.C.,
WASHINGTON, JUN 27 1867.

Respectfully forwarded Post-
Brig. Genl. F. D. Sewall, A.A.A.
Genl. Bureau R. F. Post A. L. with
the request that the attention
of the Asst. Commissioner of
Maryland, may be called to
the subject of the within letter,
the locality named being in his
jurisdiction.

The writer of this letter, Maj.
C. P. Rollard, is known at these
Head-Quarters, as a reliable and
worthy gentleman.

C. P. Rollard
Post-Brig. General.

Acty. Asst. Commr.
C. B. M. 3rd Div. D. C. D. C. 1867

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen &
Washington, June 29. 1867.

Respectfully referred
to the Asst Commr of Maryland,
who will please furnish the
information requested.

By command of
Major General Howard:

F. D. Sewall

Acty Asst Adjt Genl.

Simpsonville, Howard County Md.

June 25th 1867

Lieut. W. W. Rogers.

Acty. Asst. Adjt. General

Bureau R. F. and A. S. for Dist. of Col.

Lieutenant

In this vicinity there is a number of respectable ^{and} worthy colored men; These people most if not all of them were slaves; they are poor and have no means only what is necessary to cloth and feed their families. They are badly in need of a school house, and would like to know if the Freedman's Bureau can assist them ^{and} to what extent.

If this should reach you, please communicate what would be the proper course for them to pursue.

I am one of the very few persons in this section that is disposed to assist them in this undertaking

x x x
Yours very truly

(Sgd) P. Pollard

Bureau R. I. M. A. S.

H. Q. A. S. Comm. D. C.

Washington, June 27th 1864

Official

W. H. Rogers.

A. A. G. S. C.

Washington June 28/67

Crown Iron
Gov. Mai. Saques

Transmitter's receipt
= and Transportation
Orders - bonds -

Recd O.D.O. No. 12 del. June 29/67
and d. June 29/67 L.S. 311.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Quartermaster's Office, No. 132 Pennsylvania Avenue,

Washington, D. C.

June 28th 1867

Capt S. J. Wright
Asst. Quartermaster
Baltimore. Md.

Captain,

By direction of the Chief
Jr. Mr. Bureau R. S. A. L. I have forwarded by to-
days mail to your address (100) One hundred Transportation
Orders "Stamped Payable by Freedmans Bureau"

Please sign enclosed receipt, and return it to
this Office as early as convenient

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt

C. M. Mun

Pvt. Major & Asst. Jr. Mr.

Office Superintendent
P. R. F. & A. S. District of Del.
Wilmington June 28 1867

Col. Genl. Wm H. Heigel a. a. g.
Baltimore Md

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Sir

By reference to enclosed note from Mrs. Walker teacher of colored school it will be seen, that transportation has been issued to Milbraham Mass instead of Seneca Falls N.Y. As the latter place is her home, she desires me to ask if transportation can be given her from N.Y. city to Seneca Falls N.Y. in exchange for that already issued from N.Y. to Milbraham Mass. Please send me the necessary vouchers for making out my Postage account.

Very respectfully

Yours obt servt

Edw. L. Sawyer

Asst. Supt. P. R. F. & A. S.

Baltimore, Md.
July 5, 1867.

Wright, Samuel J.
Capt. A. G. M. & D. O.

Forwards vouchers for
freight due the Balt.
Steam Pk. Co. on goods
shipped by that line.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER,

Washington, Nov. 15th, 1867.

Respectfully referred to Captain
Samuel J. Wright D. O.
Approved, for payment.

Acct 649. Dup.

3 Vchrs. — \$2⁸¹

Balt. Steam Pk. Co.

S. R. 544
Rec'd. 9th Dec. 1867

Wm. P. Ballou

Bot. Brig. Genl., and Chief D. O.,

Bureau R. F. & A. L.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Office of the Assistant Commissioner,
Baltimore, Md.

July 5th 1867.

General:

I have the honor to forward to you
herewith Vouchers for freight due the Balto.
Steam Packet Co. on Stores shipped to Norfolk
Portsmouth and Old Point during the month
of June 1867.

W. H. Falls, is President and Agent
of the Company at Baltimore.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servt.

Paul S. Wright,
Captain U.S.A.

Co. 100th Regt. Col. 1st Div.

Col. Brig. Gen. A. M. Whittling

Off. Quartermaster

Washington

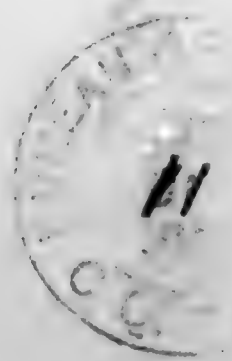
D.C.

Baltimore, Md.
July 10, 1867.

Wright, Saul J.
Capt. & D. O.

Forwards two vouchers
for transportation service
payment for which should
be made to Mordecai & Co.

Pd, Aug 23/67



Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER,

Washington, Aug 22, 1867.

Respectfully referred to Captain
Saul J. Wright D. O.
for payments.

A. M. Rand

Bot. Brig. Genl., and Chief D. O.,

Bureau R. F. & A. L.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Office C. O. M. P. O.
Baltimore, July 10th 1864.

General:

I have the honor to forward to you
herewith two vouchers for transportation of
two Agents of the Bureau from Baltimore
to Charleston. The payment of these vouchers
should be made to Morecai & Co. of this
city, Agt. Balto. & Charleston S. S. Co.

They charge reduced rates fare of
\$15. for Agents of Bureau travelling under
orders, from Baltimore to Charleston

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant,

Saml J. Wright.

Captain and Agt. Quar. M. & D.

D. O. for Md. & Del.

Col. Brig. Genl. A. M. Whittier

Chf. Quartermaster

Washington

D. C.

Washⁿ July 16, 1867

Malloch Geo. H.
Capt. Brig. Gen. and Chf. Q. Q.

Acknowledges receipt of
letter of 15th inst with Encls
me - (receipts for 10 06. 14)

Rec^d O. O. O. and Del. July 17/67.

War Department,
BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN, AND ABANDONED LANDS.
OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER,

Washington, D. C., July 16th 1867.

Capt. Saml. F. Wright,
A. D. A. 2^d D. C.
Baltimore Md.

Sir:

Your letter of the 15th inst.
enclosing the following described receipts, is at
hand.

Wm. & Susan Grose, parents of John.	C. 7 th U. S. C. T.	\$ 100.00
Wm. Grose - father	" " " " " "	234.33
Jefferson Harris	Jacob - G. 30 th " " " "	327.99
Charles Clifford	John H. 39 th " " " "	333.82.
Mrs. Miss Lida Wise, Att's Fees in case of Edward Williams	H. 28 th " " " "	10.00

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.
Geo. W. Pullock
Bt. Brig. Gen. and Chf. D. C.

Washington

July, 19th 1867

Palmer Gen. H.

Act. Brig. Gen. C.D.O.

Has received telegram
and transmits Ch. #450 on
Mt. for \$250⁵³ for Anne
Robinson wife of David
A. Robinson lat of "F" 4
U.S.A.

Rec'd P.O. No. 15. & Del. July 20/67
Acad. July 20/67 Ex L. S. 383+384.

Send to
G. W. Z. Black
Frederick City.

7834384
10/20/02

"11"
and
m
450m
Laguna

100.

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War Department,
BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN, AND ABANDONED LANDS.
OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER,

Washington, D. C., July 19th 1867.

Capt. Saml. F. Wright,
A. D. M. Balto. Md.

Sir:

Your Telegram
is received. In reply I herewith enclose
to you my check No. 450, on Asst. U.S. Treas-
urer N.Y. for Two hundred fifty ⁵³/₁₀₀, (250, ⁵³/₁₀₀)
Dollars, for Ann Robinson, wife of David A.
Robinson, Co. F. 4th U.S.C.T.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.
Geo. W. Fuller
Bt. Brig. Gen. and Chf. D.C.

J

Charleston S.C. July 19th 1867

Pillsbury P.
Superintendent

Requires transportation be furnished
from Charleston to Cottonwood Pond
for Robert Tucker (14 years old)
Orphan freed boy



HP. QRS ASST COMMISSIONER

BUREAU R.F.C.A.L

SOUTH CAROLINA

CHARLESTON July 19th 1867

Respectfully forwarded to Major
General O.O. Howard, Commissioner

Approved

The boy is now
dependent upon the Government
for support

S.B. 161 P

N. K. Seaton

Asst. Major General
Assistant Commissioner

War Dept
Bureau R.F.C.A.L.
Washington D.C. July 23rd 1867
Respectfully referred to Brig Genl
H.M. Wittelsby, Chief Q.M.

By Order

Maj Genl O.O. Howard.

F. D. Swann

A.A. Seal

EB 381 776 3

Shaw Orphan Asylum.
Charleston S. C. July 19. 1867.
Brev. Maj. Gen. R. H. Scott.
Asst. Com^d U. S.
General.

I have the honor to request free transportation from Charleston S. C. to Baltimore Md. for col boy, Robert Beecher, aged fourteen years (14), long an inmate of this institution. He was sold from Baltimore to Charleston, before the war. His father Henry, his Mother Louisa, and two brothers reside in Baltimore. 187 West Franklin street. where he will be consigned. Have just learned the facts.

I am respectfully
Yours obt^l Serv^t
G. Pillsbury.
Supt.

[Form 1.]

War Department,
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands.
OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER,

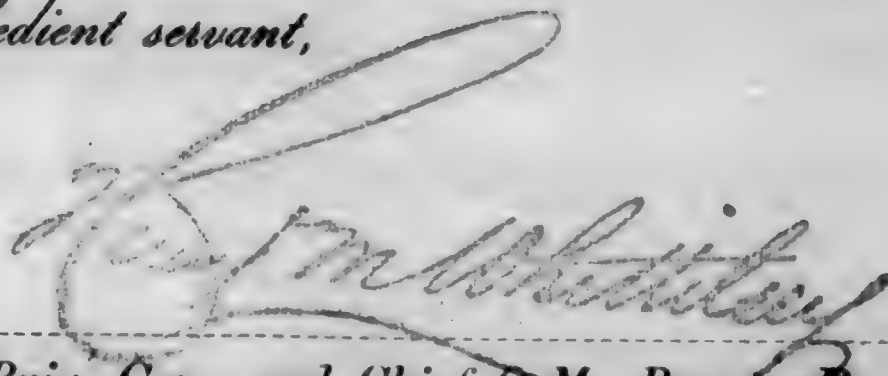
Washington, July 20th 1867

Sir:

Your Statements "A" and "C" of Public Property, made in compliance with Circular No. 3, Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, dated April 23, 1866, for the Quarter ending June 30th 1867, forwarded by you July 19th 1867, have been received at this office.

By order of Maj.-Gen. O. O. Howard, Commissioner.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,



Bvt. Brig.-Gen., and Chief Q.M., Bureau R., F., & A.L.

To Capt Samuel S. Wright

A. D. M. and D. O.

Baltimore Maryland.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Office Chief Quartermaster,

WASHINGTON, July 24 1867.

(ROBERT BEECHER)

Respectfully referred to Pvt.

Maj. Genl. E. M. Gregory

asst. Commr. P. O. A. S.

Baltimore Md.

Information is desired
as to the ability and
willingness of the pa-
rents of the boy Robert
Becher to support him -

It will be noticed that
it is stated in the enclosed
communication that they
reside at 187 West Frank-
lin St. Baltimore -

General Gregory will
please cause the neces-
sary investigation and
report to be made -

These papers to be re-

turned with report.

By Command of
Maj. Genl. O. Howard

Commissioner

of the Freedmen's Bureau

Chf. Q. M. A. S.

P. O. A. S.

Baltimore,
July 21. 1867

Maryland -

Gregory, E. M.,
Capt. Maj. Gen'l Vols.,
Assistant Commissioner.

Request transportation for
Rev. Saml Johnson (destitute) from
Baltimore Md, to Columbia S. C.



(REV. SAM'L JOHNSON)

War Department
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, etc.,
Washington, July 24th 1867.

Respectfully returned.
Under existing orders transportation can-
not be granted to this applicant. It is
only granted to such loyal refugees and
freedmen as are dependent upon the
Government for support.

By order of
Major General Howard:

F. D. Sewall

Actg. Asst. Adjt. General.

P. B. 385, Vol. 3.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore, July 22nd 1867

At Brig Genl F. D. Sewall.

At A. A. Genl
Washington. D.C.

General.

I have the honor, very respect-
fully to request Transportation of Rev Samuel Johnson, Unitarian
Minister from Baltimore Md to Columbia S.C. where his
Church & Congregation are -

Mr. Johnson, is in a destitute condition
having been north to collect for his Church - and been
very unsuccessful.

I deem this a proper case, and Sincerely
hope this request may be granted.

I am General, very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

E. M. Gregory
Bt Major Genl
Assistant Commissioner

U.S. Army, F.A.C. Providence, R.I.,
Bureau Refugee Freedmen & Col.

Washington D.C.
July 23rd 1867

Whittelsey A. W.
Chief Q. M. B. R. F. & C.

Transmits Transportation
Order No. 1730 for Transporta-
tion of two Teachers

Bureau Refugee Freedmen & Col.
H. Q. Gen. Com. Ins & Sec.
Baltimore, Md July 26th 67

Respectfully referred to Capt. A.
Wright, Q. M. B. R. F. & C. for his
information and action,

By Command of Brig. Gen. C. M. Gregory
A. G.

W. H. Meigs
Brig. Gen. & A. G.

July 24th 1867

Recd. O.O. no. & Del. July 27th 67
Recd. Ass. Com. & Del. July 26th 67

[Form 6.]

War Department,
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
OFFICE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER,

Washington, *July 25th 1867*

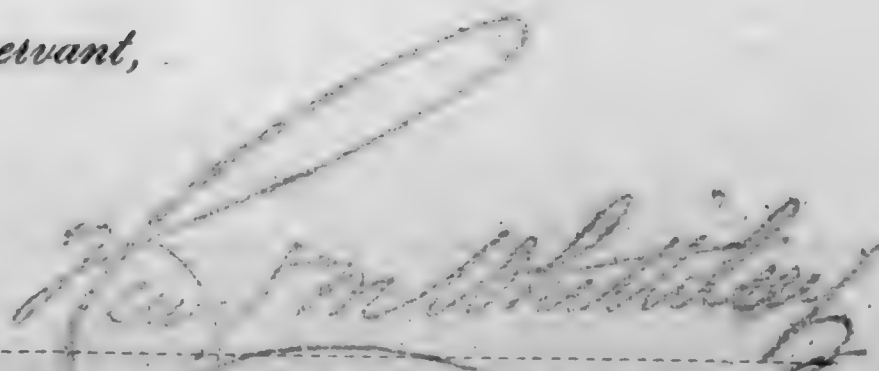
Bot. Maj. Genl. C. M. Gregory,
Assistant-Commissioner, &c.
Baltimore Md.

General:

I respectfully forward herewith Transportation Orders,
No. 1730, _____, *for transportation of*
Teachers, _____
the same having been requested by your telegram to this office,
of date July 25th 1867.

By order of Maj.-Gen. O. O. Howard, Commissioner.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,



Bot. Brig. Gen., Chief Q. M., Bureau R., F., & A. L.

Baltimore July 26th 1867

Muirhead Andrew.
Manager of the Colored Orphan
Home -
No. 16, E. Fayette St.

States that two (2) Officers of the Liberal
St Domingo Army - who were seized
and sent in chains to Genoa Italy -
and then landed, have arrived in this city
with passports so all right.

The Police were desirous of
sending them to jail - but he took them
in and sheltered them. They desire
transportation to St Domingo - and he
can not keep them longer as it is in
violation of the laws &c.

RECORDED
JUL 31 1867
WASHINGTON

Recd. Capt. Com. Ind. Sec. July 27 1867

Head Quarter. Assistant Commissioners.
District of Maryland & Delaware
Baltimore July 30th 1867.

Respectfully referred to Major Genl. C. C. Howard
Commissioner D. N. T. & A. L. for his information
& action.

These men are of some rank & distinction
in their own homes, and as they can speak only the
Spanish Language, ^{and no English} are dependent on the
Government for subsistence.

They desire transportation
to their homes, and promise to return in full,
(as soon as they arrive there) the amount of
the costs of transportation.

E. M. Gregory

Major Genl.
Assistant Commissioner

RECORDED
JUL 31 1867

Recd. Capt. Com. Ind. Sec. July 27 1867

War Dept
Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Washington D. C. Aug 1st / 67.
Respectfully returned to Asst Commr
of Md - there is no authority to
issue transportation to the within
mentioned persons.

By Order of
Maj Genl. C. C. Howard.

C. M. H. H. H.
A. A. L. L. L.
C. B. 415-2063

C. B. 415-2063

Recd. Capt. Com. Ind. Sec. Aug 22 67

Baltimore

Baltimore July 26/67

Brig Gen Greogrey

on the 19th Inst Capt John A
Payne of the Brigg J. A Darnell
from Genl. Landed on one of
the Wrecks of our City town soldiers
of the Revolutionary Army of
St Domingo one "Brig Genl"
and Governor of "S. A. C. C. C."
from the Capital named
Joseph Ruyter the other Charley
Munieran "C. C. C." Regt^{ts}
as they speak the Spanish
Language, I have not been
able to get from ^{them} all you
would like to know the most
Prominent Points are
in the context the Denison
under this General when
invited and these two men
who had some influence

where bound with ropes
and chained on Board a
vessel and chained to Genoa
with instructions to land
them any where but in
the Spanish Dominions

the men seem to be respectable
in their own home have
passports from Italy and have
their army uniforms with
them. but the ones without
the means of living and are
in distress about their families
who do not know of their
whereabouts.

The Police of our City want
have sent them to jail up
wayside. but as they
where men of colour
and in distress I sheltered
them in our Orphan Home

with the contrary
of the particular
score of the
have been
much

What the
to get home
they saw
Party in
home

they are
respectfully
care to give
and kindly
assistance

Signed
by Andre
Morse
orphan
16 East

with ropes
Board a
ed to Genoa
to land
but is
messes
to be respectable
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Italy and have
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to Guilup
as they
of Gullon
sheltered
home

with contrary to the nulls
of the participation but on the
score of humanity they
have been with reform
well

What the men want is
to get home and they say
they can indemnify the
Porty when they get
home

They would most
respectfully submit their
case to your inspection
and fondly hope for your
Assistance and Protection

Signed on their behalf
by Andrew Munken
Manager of the
Orphan Home
16 East Fayette St
Burlington

Louisville Ky.
July 24th 1867.

De Witt, W. B.
Surg. & M. S. V. Col.

Encloses R/S, of stores
shipped him, duly certified
to as requested.

Recd 000^{ms} & d July 31/67
Bill ret'd. for sig. to certificate
of weight July 31/67.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
Assistant Commissioner's Office, State of Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., July 27 1867.

Capt Saml. J. Wright
A. L. M
Baltimore Md

Captain

Enclosed please find
"Duplicate" Bill of Lading certified to
as requested in your letter of July
16th 1867

Very respectfully
Yours obt servt,
W. B. DeWitt Jr
Surgeon & Bt Col U.S. A.

Baltimore July 29/67

Wright Saml I
Capt. + D.O.

Forwards bills for
transportation service
amounting to \$266.²⁵/₁₀₀

Paid Dec 19/67

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Aban. Lands,

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER.

Washington, Dec 17, 1867.

Respectfully referred to Capt. Saml
I Wright D.O. Approved for
payment

Acct 812 Dup-

47 vchrs - \$215.⁰⁰

Balt. Steam Pkt Co.

Wm Pouch

Bvt. Brig.-Gen. and Chief D.O.,
Bureau R., F., and A.L.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Office D. O. July 29th 1864.
Baltimore.

General:

I have the honor to forward to you herewith the following described Bills for Transportation Service:

Balto. Stn. R.R. Co. \$276 ²⁵/₁₀₀

Balto. & Phila. Steamboat Co. \$40 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀

accompanied by sub-vouchers.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant

David J. Knight

Captain and Disty. Officer

Maj. Gen. O. J. Howard

Commissioner,

Washington,

D.C.

Little Creek Landing
Kent Co. Delaware
July 29, 1867

Butts Thos. J.
Coroner for Kent Co

Reports result of inquest
on body of Wm. Evans
colored, and states sus-
picion with reference
to Mr. Collins

Little Creek Landing 29th July 1867

Dear Sir. I received your letter on Saturday evening (27th inst) & held an inquest over the body of a colored man that was murdered by hanging by the neck on the 25th ^{But could not} elicit sufficient testimony as to justify me in arresting any one for participating in ^{the} murder. But there will yet be made every possible effort to ferret out the perpetrators of the foul & inhuman act. I went to Dover on Saturday hoping to see the Hon^{ble} Attorney general but he was absent from home. I wished to consult with him as what would be the best & most judicious mode of procedure in order to bring the offenders to Justice & especially to whether I still had the right as before (after making my report) to bring persons before me for examination.

I passed him yesterday at a camp meeting but he did not seem willing to talk much about the subject as it was Sunday but said he would proceed to look into the affair after the camp meeting broke. I believe that the case will be thoroughly investigated by the civil authorities for this community is perhaps nearly unanimous in condemning mob or lynch law in any and every shape or form for they are willing & able to sustain the civil authorities.

I think that W^m T. Collins is thought to be the chief instigator if not actually one of the actors in the disgraceful transaction but through I summoned three witnesses beside himself from his house I could not draw any evidence from either of them.

7.

that would justify me in arresting him as an
accomplice in the affair
this Collins had on Monday night the (22nd) a boy
Burnes & this man (Mr. Evans or Obe) worked for him
& he (Collins) suspected him & a woman that also lived with
him of perpetrating the arson & it is believed that
suspicion led to the murder & it is not hardly
supposable that others (would unbeknown to
Collins & without his sanction) would feel so much
interest in his loss as to go to his house & take
one of his labourers off & hang him, Besides Collins
& his wife made it convenient to be absent at
that very particular hour beside he had a white
man (or lad) which also found it convenient to be
absent - a coloured man named Sam^l Jones testified
to the abduction but denied knowing any of
the perpetrators, but I rather thought he knew more
than he was willing to say, but this is mere surmise
The verdict rendered death by hanging by the neck
by some person or persons unknown to coroner
& jury

excuse interlings & other inaccuracies as I have not time to copy

Yours very Respectful M^r J. C. to Coroner

Lieut. Dew. C. Knowles Little Creek Landing

Sup^{at} 13.

Little Creek Hundred

Wilmington

Thent Co Del

del

Baltimore, Md.
July 30, 1867

A. C. R. May,
Stephen Little
Audr.

Forwards accounts for
transportation ser-
vice amounting as
claimed to \$131 ²⁶/₁₀₀

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Aban. Lands,

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER.

Washington, Dec. 20, 1867

Respectfully referred to Capt.
Samuel J. Wright D.O. Approved

for payment -

Acct. 831 sup.

125 rebn - \$630 ¹²/₁₀₀

Northern Central R.R.

G. W. Russell

Bvt. Brig.-Gen. and Chief D.O.,
Bureau R., F., and A.L.

Paid Dec. 21/67.

Accounting Department Northern Central Railway Co.
OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR
CALVERT STATION,

Baltimore July 30 1864

Henry M. Whittelsey

Dear Brig. Gen. & C. D. M.

Ruman, R. F. & A. D.

Sir:

Herewith please find

bills & requisitions for transport furnished on orders of Sunday Officers, as follows:

Dear Lt. Col. Jas. M. Moore	\$ 1.44
Dear Maj. J. M. Brown	533.49
Dear Lt. Col. F. P. Johnston	35.34
Dear Maj. G. W. Marshall	5.25
Dear Maj. Geo. D. White	18.51
Dear Maj. C. T. Watson	16.20
Capt. Saml. J. Wright	16.38
Capt. Jas. E. Payne	4.35
	<hr/>
	\$ 631.26

Please have the above a/c audited at your earliest convenience.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt
Stephen Little
Audr. C.

Baltimore, Md.

July 30, 1867.

Wright, Samuel J.,
Capt. & D. O.

Transmits B/d. for stores
shipped from Baltimore
to Charleston; freight on
it being payable to Messrs.
Mordecai & Co.

Pd. Aug 23/67



Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER,

Washington, Aug 22nd, 1867.

Respectfully referred to Captain
Samuel J. Wright A. G.
for payment.

G. W. Randall

Bot. Brig. Genl., and Chief D. O.,

Bureau R. F. & A. L.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Office Dyby. Office
Baltimore, July 30th 1867.

General:

I have the honor to transmit to you
herewith Original Bill of Lading of Stone
shipped from Balto. Md. to Charleston S.C.
by the Balto. & Charleston S.S. Co. for payment
of freight which is due Messrs Woodruff & Co.
of this city.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant

Samuel J. Knight.

Captain and Dyby. Officer

Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard

Commissioner

Washington

D.C.

Dover, Del.
July 30th 1867

Draper Henry W.
Deputy Atty Genl,

States that he would
be pleased to give any
information in his power,
with reference to Lynching
affair at Seppie, and
would be pleased for
any assistance in find-
ing out the perpetrators

Wm. Belmont
July 30 1867

Lieut. E. C. Turner

Sir,

I will be pleased to
give you all the infor-
mation in my power
relative to the lynching
of a colored man near
Leipsic - last week and
shall be pleased to
have you render me
any assistance in your
power in my efforts to
prevent out the perpetua-
tion

Yours very truly
Henry W. Draper
Deft. Atty Genl

Baltimore Md.
August 16th 67
May Union Citizens

Writes Genl Grant in reference
to the manner in which Bureau
affairs are conducted in that city
Recommends Colonel Hendrickson
as a suitable man for
the head of the Bureau at
that place.

War Department
Aug. 17th 1867
Respectfully referred to
Genl. Howard
By order of the Secy of War.

(Signed) Horace Porter
Act. Secy. War. U. S.

Bureau R. F. & A. C.
Washington D. C.
Aug. 20th 67

Respectfully referred to the
Assistant Commissioner of Ind.
for remarks, particularly with
regard to Col. Hendrickson
By Order of
Maj. Genl. O. Howard
(Signed) A. P. Ketchum

A. A. A. Reed
Bureau R. F. & A. C.
Act. Secy. War. U. S.
Baltimore Aug. 23rd 67

Respectfully returned to Maj. Genl.
O. Howard Comm. R. F. & A. C. Wash
ington D. C. with information that
Col. Hendrickson is a retired officer
of the regular Army, and now on
Recruiting duty in this city.

I have no personal acquaint
ance with him, but understand
that he has been a good, faithful
soldier. (Signed) E. M. Gregory
Act. Maj. Genl. U. S.

Baltimore August 16th 1867

Hon. U. S. Grant,

See How

Sir,

In the press of business that must of necessity be at present upon you, any additional trifles may seem but ill timed, but my object is simply to ask your attention to the manner in which matters are managed at the Freedmen's Bureau in this city. It is controlled by Genl. Gregory, aided by a number of satellites, among whom is Col. Wiegell, who has twice been put out of the service, but has been put back by influence. The whole management of the Bureau, is on the most extravagant plan, they drive a splendid equipage, and fare sumptuously, while the poor negroes are being emmelled, and are kept waiting day after day for the pittances due them, while the whole is consumed by expenses of board &c.

Through reformation is required, and a discreet conscientious Officer, placed in charge. There is an old Army Officer here without employment, who would make an excellent head of this Bureau, this person is a Col. Hendrickson he is a conscientious loyal safe man, and his appointment

To the place would give great satisfaction,
Many United
Citizens.

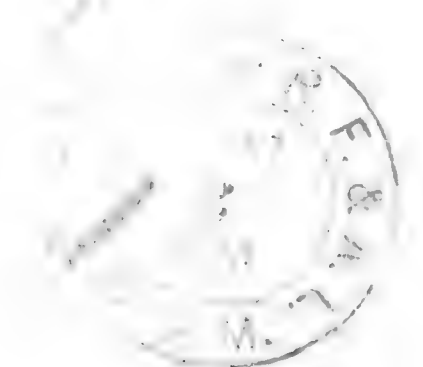
True Copy of original Letter & Endorsements

Edw. C. Knowler
Lieut. & A. C. C. Genl.

Baltimore, Md.
May 31, 1867.

A. Beaudt, Sr.

Encloses requisition
for transportation
of stores for Freedmen's
Bureau, for payment.



Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER,

Washington, Aug. 17, 1867.

Respectfully referred to Capt.
Samuel J. Wright S. G.
for payment.

notified Aug 19
Pd. Aug. 27 67

Chas. M. Beaudt

Bvt. Brig. Genl., and Chief D. O.,

Bureau R. F. & A. L.

Baltimore May 31 1864
Genl. Brig Genl A M Whittelsey
Chf. Q. M. Bu R. F. & L
Washington D. C.

Enclosed we hand you requisition
signed &c which we wish you to order to
be paid by the "disbursing Officer of the
Freedman's Bureau" of this district. That Officer,
here, refuses to pay until he receives orders
from you

As this will decide the "modus operandi"
of collecting all future claims against said
Bureau You will oblige us by

An early answer
Very Respectfully

J. Brandt Jr.

Per J. Gough Powhatan St Et Co,
cc
President

N.Y. vol. 6. C. P. 1867.

Baltimore, Md.
Aug 29[#] 1867.

Knowen, Edward C.
1st Lieut. U.S.A.
of the Freedmen Bureau.

Requests to be furnished
name and address
of the surgeon 39[#] U.S.
Colored Troops.

Ex. 10. 15. 152

✓
a hot subscription

Recd. a. l. o. Aug. 31st 1867.

Adjutant General's Office
Washington Aug. 31. 1867.

Respectfully returned to
the Assistant Commissioner
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen
&c., Baltimore, Md., with
the information that Wm. Tucker
was Surgeon of the
39th U.S. Colored Troops at
date of muster out of
regiment; his residence
prior to appointment was
Washington, D.C.

Geo. Taggard
1st Lieut. U.S. Army

In charge Bureau Colored Troops.
C. P. vol. 5. P. 534.

Ex. 10. 15. 152

C. P. vol. 6. C. P. No. 205

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore,

Aug 27 1867

Adjutant General
United States Army
Washington D C
General

I have the honor to
inquire the name and place of residence
of the Surgeon of the 39th United States
Colored Troops as shown by rolls of
the Regiment

Very respectfully

Your Obedt Servant

Edw. C. Knower

1st Lieutenant 45th U.S.C.

A. N. A. General

In absence of Genl

E. W. Gregory, Asst

Commissioner

L. 1748 p. 30-8 B. 117, 14 S. Dept. of Del
Office Delaware Apr 20
Wilmington Oct 5th 1867

Furey John G. Capt.

States that the colored
people at Seaford, Williams-
ville, Christians & Newcastle
are embarrassed for funds to
complete their School houses,
and asks if the Bureau could
grant any additional aid
to complete said buildings

Recd B. F. & A. S. D. of Del Oct. 5th by

In the absence of Lieut. Knowen
Respectfully referred to Maj. Gen.
E. M. Gregory Asst. Commr. of
Bureau R. F. and A. L. Balt Md.
J. G. Furey

DELAWARE ASSOCIATION FOR THE
Moral Improvement and Education of the Colored People.

Wilmington, October 5th 1867

Lieut. E. C. Knower:

Dear Sir: - It has lately come to my knowledge that the Colored People at Seaford, Williamsville, Christiana, and Newcastle are embarrassed somewhat for the funds necessary to complete the school buildings now erected by them. As it is, however, very important that the School Houses should be at once finished & made comfortable for winter, I have been directed by the Executive Committee to state the matter to you & leave it to your judgment whether or not something additional could be granted by the Bureau to affect the end in view.

At Seaford 30 Bushels of lime, 4000 plastering lath & about \$50, in labor, would I believe be sufficient.

At Williamsville 1500 ft of siding or weather boards, 30 Bushels of lime, 5000 plastering lath & \$50, in labor, would be about enough.

At Christiana 20 Bushels of lime & \$30. in labor would do.

At Newcastle 2500 Bricks for underpinning the building & making it weather & fire proof from below is about all they need. - This is of course but an estimate, & it is possible that less than is above stated would answer the purpose. - But more we cannot ~~will~~ not ask.

I am Sir very truly Yours, John G. Furey, Sgt. & Cor. Socy.

Oct 19/67

Book 161.

Robinson
Chas H.

Receipt for \$92.⁹⁰/₁₀₀
Atty. &c. lrs attys. Fees
collected thro. At. Col.
Wigal Inspector.

HEAD QUARTERS ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore, Oct. 19th 1864

Received from Pt. Maj. Genl. E. M. Gregory Capt. Comr. Pa. R. 4th and A.S. Dist. Md. and Del. through Saul. J. Wright Supt. & D.O. the sum of Ninety-two and ⁹⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars being amount of my Bounty &c. (\$112.) less Atty's Fees &c. collected through Pt. Col. Wm^r Higel Inspector, also my certificate of Discharge.

Chas^r ^{his} Robinson
mark

Witness:
Gabriel Fynn
E. H. Montfort

Baltimore, Md.

Oct. 22^d 1867.

The Oblate Sisters of Providence.

Statement as to Free
and Orphan Schools,
with request for
"pecuniary aid."

Very Resp. Referred to
Maj. Gen. E. M. Gregory
Asst. Com. Oct. 26th /67
St. Louis, Mo. *St. Louis, Mo. 26th Oct. 1867*

William Howard Day, Esq.,
Superintendent of Freedman's schools,

Dr. Sir,

The very flattering notice in the Zion's Standard and Weekly Review of Sept. 4th 1867, of our Academy, and the zeal you have shown in the moral and intellectual education of the children of our race, lead us to hope, that the reports herein enclosed - will be favorably received by you, and that you will, by your influence endeavor to obtain from the Freedman's Bureau some pecuniary aid to enable us to continue the good work, in which you yourself are so deeply interested.

We respectfully submit to your consideration the history in brief of our Establishment. In the year 1829, a few Ladies of color, formed themselves into an association for the Education of children of our race. It was the first effort of the kind made in the United States. Our support was derived from the tuition charges of the Boarders in the Academy, who received a

good English Education, consisting of the branches usually taught, such as, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Sewing. Besides these it was optional for the Boarders or day scholars, to learn, French, Music, Tapestry, Waxwork &c. at an extra charge. Among the Boarders and day scholars some have always been received free. By great economy we have struggled to maintain ourselves, and to continue us to impart to those entrusted to us, a good Education.

Free School,

To further the advancements of our race, and to rescue many children from ignorance, the Sisters in March 1865, opened a free school for young girls. The attendance has ranged from 50. to 70. yearly. The buildings necessary for this school cost \$1500. dollars. The hours of class are daily from 9. A. M. to 2. P. M. and the children are taught, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic and Sewing. Children of all Denominations are received and nothing is done to interfere with the religious views of any.

Orphan Asylum,

To rescue from want and misery, many young children left helpless by the ravages of war or poverty, we in the year 1866. opened an Orphan Asylum, in this home children are received from infancy to the age of 16. They are taught daily the usual branches of an English Education as Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Sewing. The number at

presents in the Asylum is 25. The buildings and
and furnishing of the house cost \$3300. dollars. We
have depended upon the charitable collections of the
Colored people for the maintenance and clothing of these
orphans. (Orphans of all denominations are received).

General Sterns,

The Oblate Sisters of Providence receive and educate children
of all denominations; but for the promotion of order, they
require a respectful attendance at Divine service, morning
and evening prayer from all. In doing so they carefully
and religiously abstain from interfering with the
religious convictions of Parents or children. During
the war they clothed, fed and furnished with books
& children from Southern States, whose Parents were unable
to transmit funds, and since the close of the War they have
been unsuccessful in receiving pay.

The first and longest established Institution in the County
the Sisters have never received one dollar of assistance
from the State or General Government.

They respectfully submit to your impartial consid-
eration, that the Free school and Orphan Asylum seem
to fall under the class of schools, which since the war
the General Government has so nobly maintained
in this and other States.

The teachers in the Free school and Orphan Asylum receive no pay for their services, being supported by the labor of their hands, by sewing &c. and by the revenue from the Academy or Boarding school.

This truthful statement, would be incomplete if we did not mention, that the debts of the various schools amount to \$8000 dollars, and the income from the Academy is only about \$4000 dollars, leaving us struggling for the maintenance of the Free school and Orphan Asylum.

The continuance of the Free school and Orphan Asylum must depend, upon the very precarious collections from our poor race, unless your influence and charity shall come to our assistance, by obtaining for us some substantial recognition from the General Government.

During the 38 years of the existence of our schools, the number of Pupils was at least 1500 hundred scholars, of whom 800 hundred at least were of a different denomination from that of the Sisters.

Thanking you sincerely for your attention and the interest you have been so kind to take in our schools, we remain Yours very gratefully,

Oblates of Providence,

Baltimore Nov. 5. 1867.

Wright Saml J.
Spec'l Agt + D. O.

Forwards bill for trans-
portation services of
Baltimore Steam Packet
Company: with four
Bills of Lading.

Paid Dec 18/67

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Aban. Lands,

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER.

Washington, Dec 17", 1867.

Respectfully referred to Capt.
Saml J. Wright. Approved
for payment.

Acct. 822 Dup.

47 chn — \$947

Balt. Steam Pkt. Co.

Geo W Halleck

Bot. Brig.-Gen. and Chief D. O.,
Bureau R., F., and A. L.

HEAD QUARTERS ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.

DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Office Dicty. Office
Baltimore, November 5th 1867.

General:

I have the honor to forward herewith
Bill for Transportation Service rendered by the
Baltimore Steam Packet Company in the month
of October 1867 and accompanied by four
Bills of Lading.

Mr. Falls the Agent of the Company
states that he has not yet received payment
for Bill of Transportation Service forwarded
from this office July 5th 1867.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant,

Saml. J. Wright,

Spec. Agt. and D.O.

Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard,

Commissioner

Washington

For Chf. Q. M.

D.C.

2nd ad.
Nov 16/67

By decision of
the Attorney Genl.
(Mr. Bates) of the
14th of July 1864,
giving bounty only
to colored soldiers
free on the 19th
of April 1861 -

Wesley
E. B. French
By J. W.

HEAD QUARTERS ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore, Nov. 18th 1867

Hon E. B. French,
D^r Auditor U. S. Treasury,
Washington D. C.

Sir

I have the honor to
inquire, under what provision of what law,
Colored men, who were slaves at time of
enlistment, are deprived of the bounty
paid to free men who entered the service
at the same time.

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

E. M. Gregory

Brvt. Maj. General

Asst. Commissioner

Washington D.C.
Nov 13th 1867

3rd Auditor

Your Appropriation fund
and R. & F. do. for Oct.
1867 and your returns of
Rev. Tax for same month
have been rec^d at this
Office -

not entered in L. R. Book.

Rec^d - A.C.O. Nov 14th 1867.

Treasury Department,

Third Auditor's Office,

Nov 13, 1867.

Sir:

Your *Apptⁿ* *Saml J. Wright & Co.* account
current for the month of *October*, 1867, has been
received at this Office. Also Return of Rev Tax for
the same month.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Amory

For Auditor.

Saml J. Wright & Co.
Baltimore
Md.

NOTE —Strict conformity to Form No. 10, Revised Army Regulations, 1863, p. 183, so far as relates to transfers of moneys, will be required—in all cases giving the name, rank, and regiment of the officer to whom the transfer is made; also the date and amount of the transfer. Where the number of transfers make an abstract necessary, a copy of it should accompany the account current.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & A.S.
Wilmington Del.
Nov. 18th 1867

Thomas C. Co
Recept. Supt. Del. Dist.

Forward Copy of Appren-
ticeship Law of Delaware
with act passed March, 1867
doing away with dis crimina-
tional punishment
tho, White & Black

Recd. Act. Com. Inst. Sec. - Nov. 18-1867-

Office Superintendent
D. R. L. & A. S., for Dist. of Del.
Wilmington Nov. 16th. 1864

Sp. Col. Wm. H. Meigs a. a. g.
Baltimore Md.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated Nov. 6th. directing me to make inquiries in the "Negro Apprenticeship System" which you say, "the Asst. Commr, has been un-officially informed is being revived, in Delaware, and that many cases under the old forms of this system still exist." In reply I have to state that the system referred to above, is not being revived, for the reason that it has always existed by authority of State Law, a copy of which I enclose herewith. The law is yet in force and applies equally to whites, and blacks, there being in the State, full as many bound, of the former, as the latter. Discrimination of punishment provided by the apprenticeship law, has been removed by an Act passed March 12, 64, a copy of which I also enclose. In the concluding portion of your letter, I am directed to report to your Head quarters such cases that still exist "under the old forms of this system."

Do you mean cases where the indentures, for Negroes, may not have contained the same provisions, required by the Law of Delaware, as for whites, or is a report desired of all cases now on record throughout the State? If the latter, some considerable time will be required, as the number in each County is undoubtedly large, and is being daily increased by the binding of white, and black children. I have been informed by reliable authority that redress as provided for, by the enclosed law, is always obtainable, when complaints (which are rare) of injustice, or failure to comply with provisions of indentures, are brought before the proper authorities.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt
Edw. C. Knower
Lieut & Supt. D. R. S. & A. S.

The first clause of the apprentice law does not make any real discrimination between the rights or obligations of white and black apprentices; - it does so apparently.

over

The apprentice laws of this State (which are favorable to blacks as well as whites) have not been affected by the Constitutional Amendment abolishing Slavery: nor has any effort been made, so far as I am aware, to practically enslave freedmen by fraud upon the apprentice law.

One or two instances may have arisen where former masters have induced parents to bind their children, and have refused to pay the consideration: our laws afford ample remedy.

Saml. M. Harrington

Wilmington Del. Nov. 18. 1867

Enclosed find the document A. C.
Wilmington Del.
Nov. 18. 1867

Amos C. C.
Wilmington Sept. Oct. Dist.

Forward Copy of Appren-
ticeship Law of Delaware
with act passed March, 1867
striking away with dis-
cussion of punishment
Mr. Phelps & Blacke

Recd. Court Com. Nov. 18. 1867

War Department
Col. R. F. A. L.
Claims Division.
Washington, Dec. 21-18. 17.

Respectfully returned
with the information
that the half brothers
and half sisters are
entitled.

By order of
Maj. Gen. H. M. Smith
William P. Drew

Agent R. F. A. L.
In absence of Maj. Gen.
H. M. Smith. W. P. D.

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HEAD QUARTERS ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore, Nov. 22 1867

Major General O. C. Howard
Commissioner &
Washington D.C.
General

I have the honor to inquire who will be recognized as claimant in case where a man dies leaving no wife, child, father or mother, but leaving a step mother and a half brother and half sister, also some uncles on the father's side.

I have the honor to remain

Very respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

Saml J. Wright,
Spec Agt, & D. O.
in the absence of
Genl Gregory and
Col Weigel.

Baltimore, Md.
Nov. 26th 1867.

Parry, Joseph.
endorsed by
Townsend, Samuel C.
Savings Bank, Baltor

States situation and number
of School at Jarrettsville,
and respectfully requests
lumber or any other matters
that will enable them to
carry out their benevolent
purpose.

Ship to Edgewood, Balt.
W. & B. R. R., directed
to S. S. Wetherill, Jarretts-
ville.

Mr. Howard Day
Supt. of Schools,
Bar. R. R. Dist. of Md. & Del.

Nothing done,
so may in Co
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BRANCH OFFICE

National Freedman's Savings and Trust Company,

Banking House, No. 7 South Gay Street.

Baltimore, Md., 11th mo 26th 1867

Dear Gregory

Res^d Friend

I am requested to give the information of our proceedings in regard to a school in Harford Co, situated on the road leading from Bellair to Jarrettsville six miles from the former & 4 from the latter place no school of the kind within six miles - The school last winter numbered 30 and it is thought that a larger number will attend as soon as a proper school house is built. We respectfully request Lumber or any other matter that will enable us to carry out this benevolent purpose.

Res^d

Joseph Parry

I am acquainted with Joseph Parry and his statements are entirely reliable -

Sam Townsend

Edge wood Phil W + B RR.
Ship to ~~Harford~~ ~~to~~ ~~W.C. R.R.~~ & send
to E. Hetherall, Jarrettsville P.O. Harford Co.

B. D. p. 30-10. B. W. & C. D. of Del.
Office Del. Asst & C.
Wilmington Nov. 26, 67

John S. Furey
Actuary.

States that the Del. Asst & C.
have adopted the "Daily School
Register", and "Teachers Monthly
Report No. 4", as furnished
by the Bureau, and request
that a supply of each be
issued for use of the U.S.A..

Suggests that 25 copies of
the Register, and 200 copies
of "Form 4" will be sufficient
for the wants of the U.S.A..

Recd B. W. & C. D. of Del. Nov. 26, 67
Office Supt & C.
Wilmington Nov. 26, 67

Respectfully approved, and
forwarded to Bt Col. Wm. H.
Wigell a. a. G. B. R. & A. S. for
Dist of Md & Del.

Edw. C. Knower
3d Capt. U.S.A. Supt & C.

Bureau Refugee Soudmore
Hd. Qu. U.S. Army
Balt. Md. Nov. 27-67

Respectfully refers to Prof
Wm. Howard Day Supt of School
for the Dist. for his informa-
tion & action.

E. M. Gregory
Bt. Major Gen.
Capt. Command.

Office of Supt. of Schools
Nov. 27, 1867

Recd. R. H. & A. L. D. of Del.
Hd. Qu. U.S. Army
Office of Supt. of Schools
Nov. 27, 1867
I have requested Registers and
Reports from Major Gen. G. O. Howard
Comd. B. R. & A. S. for use in
this District. Wm. Howard Day
Supt. of Schools

DELAWARE ASSOCIATION FOR THE
Moral Improvement and Education of the Colored People.

Wilmington, Nov. 26.th 1867

Capt. E. C. Krower:

Dear Sir: The Executive
Committee of this Assoc.ⁿ having at Your Request
adopted the "Daily School Register" & the
accompany form "No. 4." for School Reports,
I have the honor to inform you of the
same and to request that you will
be so kind as obtain for us such a
supply of the forms & the Registers
as will meet the demands of our
Case. We will shortly have twenty
schools in operation, & will therefore
need at least that number of Registers
(and forms enough for seven or eight months.
I suggest 25 Copies of Register & 200 Copies
of form No. 4 as an adequate supply to
meet all the present & prospective necessities
of this Association between now & July 1.st 1868.
I am, Sir, Very Respectfully Yours
John G. Furey, Actuary.

Baltimore Md. Sept 20/67

Wright Saml J.
Special Agt & D. O.

Forwards vouchers for
transportation in favor
of Mordecai & Co amounting
to \$128.85 for audit.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER,

Washington, Nov. 30th, 1867.

Respectfully referred to Capt. Saml
J. Wright D. O. Approved
for payment

Acct. 724 Dup.

2 Vchrs. — \$127⁰⁰

Balk. & Chas S. S. Co.

Mordecai & Co. Agents

[Handwritten signature]

[Handwritten signature]

Bot. Brig. Genl., and Chief D. O.,

Bureau R. F. & A. L.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Office Dist. Officer

Baltimore, September 20th 1864.

General:

I have the honor to forward to you
herewith the following described vouchers
of transportation service performed by the
Baltimore and Charleston J. J. Co. of which
Messrs Monahan & Co. of this city are the
authorized receivers of moneys due the
Company:—

Bill of Lading - Stores to Charleston	\$103.85
Transp. Order - Passengers " "	25.00
	<u>\$128.85</u>

which same are forwarded for audit.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant,

David S. Wright;

Spec. Agt. and Dist. Offr.

Maj. Gen. O. V. Howard,

Commissioner

For Chf. Q. M.

Washington D.C.

Jarrettville
Dec. 6th 1867.

Wetherill, S. S.

States that not
having heard from
Asst. Comd. he writes
to know if there is
any prospect of
assistance for the
Colored People's Church
Bldg. at Jarrettville.
States that there would
be 40 scholars by day
and more at night.
School at present in
a private room and
there are more scholars
than Teacher can take
care of. Lot of ground
offered them, and they
are able to put building
up. Refers to Mr. Gallaway
and Chas. D. Boulden of
Belair.

Wm. Howard Day
Capt. of School
Bar. N. Y. Fort. C. Dist. of Del.

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Garrettsville
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Chas. D. Boulder of
Fair.

Howard Day
Capt. of Chgo. Co.
7, Feb. 1868. Dist. of Del.

Garrettsville Dec 6th 1867

Gen. Gregory

Dear Sir not having heard
from you since October concerning
the school house I was to see you
about I take the liberty of writing
to you we should like to know whether
or there is any prospect of your doing
anything for the colored people here
in the way of school as they stand in
need of it very much, if there was
a convenient house, there would be
a school of forty scholars at least
through the day and more at night
there is at the present time a school
taught in a private room by a colored
girl and she has more scholars than
she is able to take charge of and the
place is not suitable, now when they try
to do I like to give what assistance we can
if you can furnish the lumber for a house

They are fully able to get it put up
they have the offer of a piece of ground
from Theodore Gover which would be
quite convenient, if there can be any
thing done please write if you wish reference
to Mrs Galway, or Charles & Boulder
Belair

Yours Respectfully S. S. Wetherill

Direct Jarrettsville Harford County

Baltimore Dec. 16. 1867.

Wright Saml J.
Special Agt & D.O.

Forwards for Settlement
Original Bill of Lading
for transportation service
performed by the Baltimore
and Charleston S. S. Co.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Aban. Lands,

OFFICE CHIEF DISBURSING OFFICER.

Washington, *Jan 18*, 1868.

Respectfully referred to Capt.
Saml. Wright, D.O. for
payment.

Paid Jan 21/68

Geo. W. Balloch

Bot. Brig.-Gen. and Chief D.O.,
Bureau R., F., and A.L.



HEAD QUARTERS ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.

DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Office Disty. Officer,
Baltimore, December 16th 1864.

General:

I have the honor to forward herewith
for settlement, Original Bill of Lading for
transportation service performed by the Bal-
timore and Charleston S. S. Co. for which Messrs.
Mordue & Co. of this city are Agents and
authorized receivers of monies due the Company
(Bill for stores shipped to Charleston Oct.
25th 1864.)

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant,

Saml. S. Wright,

Special Agent and Disty. Officer.

Maj. Genl. O. B. Howard,

Commissioner,

Washington,

For Chf. Quartermaster. D.C.

HEAD QUARTERS ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE

Baltimore,

Dec. 17th 1864

~~Wm. O. Howard,~~
Commissioner,
Washington D.C.
General

I have the honor to inquire whether
any late decision, from any quarter
has been reported as slaves
upon their muster rolls, prior to
the 19th of April 1864, are
entitled to the same bounties
as granted to free men, other things
being equal?

Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servant
E. M. Gregory
Asst Commissioner

Cashin Ind.

Jan 14/68

Harrison Dr. Saml. W.

States that Pinway Maclin the
owner of this was a free slave of
his, and desires that he be kept
out of the hands of Claim Agts,
in the prosecuting his claim,
asks the Bureau to give him all
the necessary information -

1/4/68 Secy of State,
giving conditions -

Recd. Cashin Ind + Dec. 14/68

Board of School Commissioners, Talbot County,

Easton, Md., Jan'y 11 1868

Genl. Howard
of the Freedmans Bureau
Murray Martin,
who will deliver this, was for-
merly my slave, and I have
been endeavoring to protect
him from the claim agents by
attending to the collection of his
bounties myself. I have now
placed in his hands all the
papers in my possession, &
have cautioned him against
sharpers who will visit him.
A colored man, representing
himself as having been sent
over by you, informs Murray
that you desire that he should
present himself before you
to receive in person his money.
If this is not a mere pre-

since, as I fear it is, it is prob-
able you will pay Murray no-
thing more than what he is
intitled to from the U. States
government. He also has a
claim against the state of
Maryland, and his papers are
on file at Annapolis, where
they await the payment of
the claim. Be good enough
to return to Murray all
the papers not required for
your purposes. If you direct
I pay his state claim, let
me know. I am no agent,
and am acting without any
fee for Murray. He was
raised by me, & served me
faithfully, and I am trying to
return something to him in the
way of service. If necessary, you
can know who I am and
what I am, from Judge
Bard - Stoddard - or any other

of the prominent legal men
of Balto.

Very Resp^{ly}
Wm. A. Harrison

1/4/68 letter to Court,
Care Dr. Harrison
now in the possession of

1/4/68 letter to Court

Harrison Dr. Saml. A.

As the Hon. Mr. Justice
of the Court has
and clearly that he be kept
of the records of Claims Dept.
in the proceedings his claim
As the Bureau to give him all
the necessary information -

1/4/68 letter to Court
giving conclusions

Recd. U.S. Com. Insp. + Sec. Aug 14. 1868

J. H. vol. 7 c. 1805

To Baltimore, Md.
December 11, 1867

Gregory, E. (of the Freedmen's Bureau)

As one of the names has been furnished with the name and address of the Surgeon #19 Regt. U. S. Col. who was on duty with that regt. prior to October 10, 1867, also the name of the officers Co. E same regt. who were on duty at that time:

Recd. W. G. O. Dec 8 1868

Adjutant General's Office

Washington Jan 11, 1868

Respectfully returned to Mr. Gregory, Esq., Assistant Commissioner of Freedmen, Baltimore, Md.

John B. McPherson, Major of the 19th U. S. Col. Troops, at the date with mentioned. His residence at time of appointment Pilot Grove, Lee. Co. Iowa.

The officers of Co. E of same regiment during the same period were as follows:

- 1st Lieut. Wm. H. Davis; residence not known.
- 2nd Lieut. Henry H. Fowler, New York
- 2nd Lieut. Charles B. Wilson

W. G. O.

HEAD QUARTERS ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore, December 31th 1867

Adjutant General
United States Army
Washington D. C.

General

I respectfully request to be furnished with
and Post Office Address of the Surgeon, on duty with the 19th
U.S.C.T. prior to October 15th 1867, also the Names and P.O. A.
of the Com. Officers on duty with U.S.C.T. at the time
mentioned.

Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

E. M. Gregory
Asst. Commissioner

Jan'y 16/68

Paymaster Genl.

Bot. Maj. Genl. W. W. Bruce

Asks if Wm H. Weigle,
A. A. Genl. Vols. is still
retained in service.

(Respectfully referred to)
Major General Howard,
Com'r Freedmen's Bureau,
inquiring if Major Weigle
A. A. G. of Vols. is retained
in service under the pro-
visions of Par. III, General
Order No. 101, of Nov. 26, 1867

(s.d.) J. C. Kelton
A. A. G.

A. G. O.
Jan'y. 16, 1868.

War Dept.
Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Washⁿ, Jan. 16, 1868.

Respectfully returned.
Maj. Weigle was not
retained under the order named.
I think his retention
was accidental.

(s.d.) O. O. Howard
Maj. Gen. Commr.

(Respectfully returned
to the Paymaster General
U. S. Army, with the informa-
tion that Major Weigle,
U. S. Vols. is mustered
out of service under the
operation of Genl Order
No. 101, War Dept., A. G. O.
Nov. 26, 1867, to take

effect Jan'y. 1, 1868.

(s.d.) J. C. Kelton
A. A. G.

A. G. O.

Jan'y. 16, 1868.

Official copy: - furnished
for information of Major
W. H. Weigle, A. A. G. &c

J. C. Kelton
Paymaster General.

P. M. G. O.
Jan'y. 17/68.

War Department,

Paymaster General Office,

Washington, Jan. 16, 1868.

Gen. J. C. Kelton

A. A. G.

Sir -

(Will you please advise
me if Wm. H. Keigel, A. A. G. of Vol. is still
retained in the service -

I am very resp^{ly} &c

(sd) B. W. Boice

P.M.G.

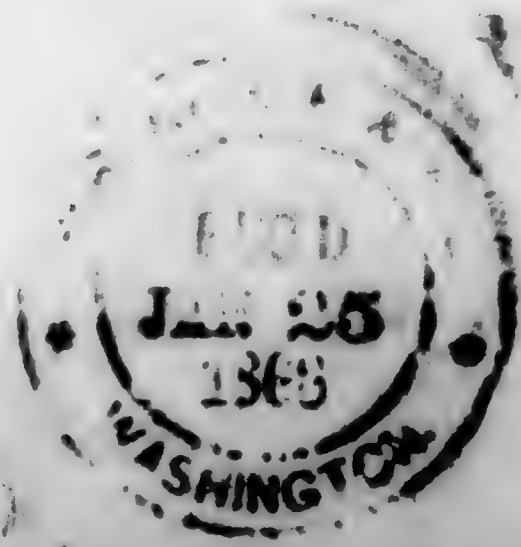
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Jessups cont Md Jan 22d 1868

Barter Joseph, F.

Requests to be appointed
to a Clerkship in the Court
in Maryland as he has
heard there will soon be
a vacancy, &c

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appointed
in the Army
as he has
will soon be

January 22/68

Genl. O. O. Howard
Sir

Having ascertained that
there will soon be a vacancy in the clerical
force of the Treasurers Bureau in the state
of Maryland, occasioned by Mr Glynn having
received an offer of a position at Fort Gibraltar which
he assumed me he was going to accept, and intend
-ed to start February 1st, in case he does vacate
his present position. Believing, I will not have to
swear by A. & in this case, I would most respect-
fully make application to you for the appointment
I have served my country about 3 yrs - having seen
the enemy - twice a prisoner - I forward to you a
copy of copy of my Discharge along with this
application. if appointed I shall endeavor to discharge
my duties faithfully and honestly.

I am Sir Yours Respectfully
Joseph J. Carter

Deputy Asst. Surgeon Genl. U.S.A.

War Dept.

Bureau R.F. & A. Co.

Washington D.C. Jan 27/68.

Respectfully referred to Assistant
Commissioner of Maryland.

By order of

Major-General O.O. Howard.

C. H. Hittlesey

A.A. Genl.

CRP-184 No. 19

Copy of Discharge

Wm R. A. Smith

OATH OF IDENTITY.

.....
of the Town of.....
County of.....in the State of.....

On this.....day of.....in the year
one thousand eight hundred and sixty.....personally appeared
before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace for the County
and.....above mentioned,.....

who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the
identical.....who was
a.....in the Company commanded by
Captain.....in the Regiment
.....commanded by.....

that he enlisted on the.....day of.....
for the term of.....and discharged
at.....on the.....day
of.....by reason of.....

Sworn and subscribed to before me the day and year above written.

I certify that.....before
whom the above affidavit purports to have been made, is a Justice
of the Peace duly authorized to administer oaths, and that the
above is his signature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed

my official seal, this.....day of.....
L. S. in the year.....
at.....in the State of.....

Clerk of the.....

To all whom it may Concern.



Know ye, That Frederick F. Carter

of Captain
Company, (C), Third Regiment of Maryland Battalion Volunteers, who was enrolled on the fifth day of April one thousand eight hundred and sixty to serve three years or during the war, is hereby **Discharged** from the service of the United States this thirty first day of July, 1865, at Washington D.C. by reason of U.S. 119 Miles Dist of Washington

July 24/65 (No objection to his being re-enlisted is known to exist.)

Said Frederick F. Carter was born in Baltimore in the State of Maryland, is thirty-two years of age, five feet seven inches high, Fair complexion, Grey eyes, Black hair, and by occupation, when enrolled, a Farmer

Given at Washington D.C. this thirty first day of July 1865.

*This sentence will be erased should there be anything in the conduct or physical condition of the soldier rendering him unfit for the Army.

U. S. G. O., No. 99.]

(Signed)

Walter Roper

Capt. 2nd Michigan 10th

Commanding the Regt

Asst. Commissary of Muster

1st Division 4th Army Corps

(Signed) Gilbert P. Robinson
Adj. Col. U.S. 10th and
Dist. comd'g Bat.

174 Druid Hill Avenue
Balt^o July 22^d 1868

Hugel Aug 16

Was yesterday informed
by General P. F. Butler that the
Commissioner suspected that
Hugel had been to the Pres-
ident to effect the muster out
of Gen. Gregory.

Called yesterday to deny it
in person, but the Com^r was not
in.

On account of sickness
must immediately to Balt^o
expecting to return to day, but is
unable to do so.

Therefore takes this opportu-
nity of assuring the Commissioner
that the charge is with-
out the slightest founda-
tion, etc.



War Department,
Bureau R. F. Sub A. C.
Washington Dc. July 35 1868

Respectfully referred to
Brig ^{Gen} Horace Brooks
Asst Com^r for Maryland,
for his information

By order of Maj Gen C. O. Horn
J. A. Haden.

Br, Capt Sub A. D. C.
U. S. A.

153-100-17

Baltimore January 22nd 1868.

Major General O. O. Howard.
Commissioner Bureau D. F. & A. S.
Washington. D. C.

General.

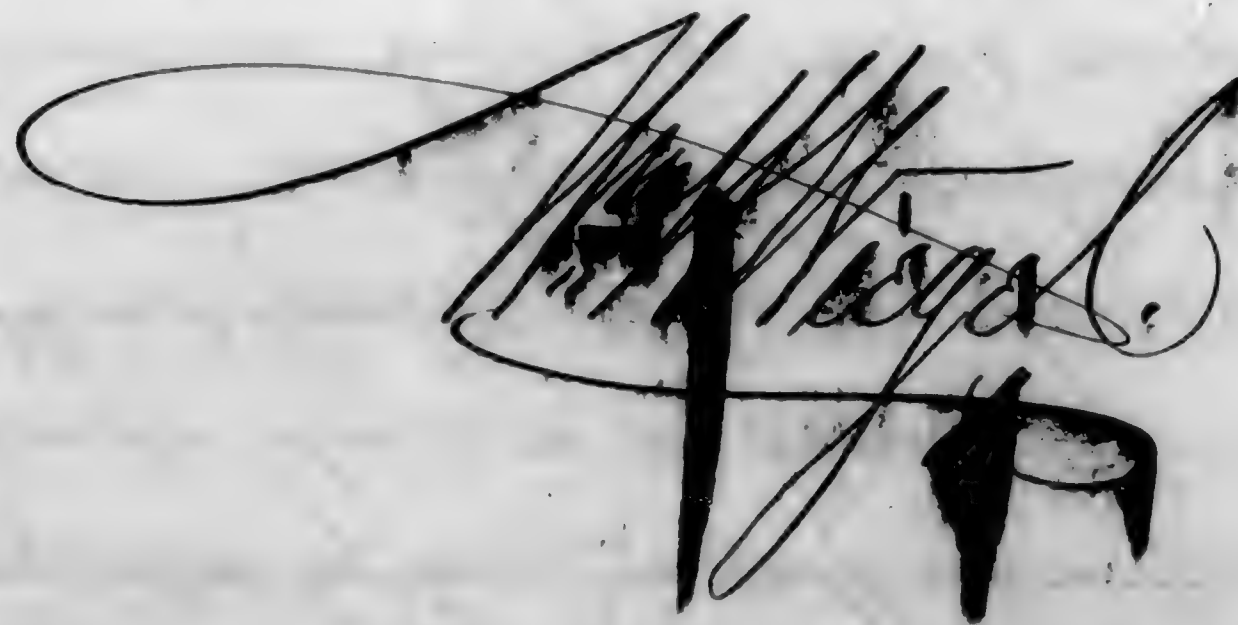
I was yesterday informed by General P. F. Butler, that you were under the impression that I had been to the President, to "effect the Muster out of the Army, of General C. M. Gregory" - and was requested by him, to call upon you and deny in person, what he had already done, in my absence.

I at once proceeded to your Head Quarters, yesterday afternoon, but was informed that you were not in, and having been confined to my bed for several weeks by sickness and having a chill coming on, I came immediately back to Baltimore, intending to call upon you to day - but am unable to do so. I therefore take this opportunity of assuring you, that the charge alledged against me, is without the slightest foundation. I had nothing to do with it.

I am General, as ever

Very truly & Sincerely

Your most obedient Servant



Residence 174. Doric Hill Avenue

Baltimore Md

Jan. 25. 1868

Maryland

H. Brooks

Brig. Gen. & Asst. Com.

Requests to be furnished with
Blanks of Land Reports.



War Department.

Bureau of Refugees F. & A.

Washington Dc. January 28. 1868.

Respectfully returned. Twenty
(20) Blanks, as requested, will
be send by mail this day.

By Order of

Major General O O Howard

C. M. Mason

A. A. A. Genl.

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HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE

Baltimore, Md. Jan 25th 1865

W. H. 11
Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard

Comm. 18th U. S. Col.

Washington D. C.

General

I have the honor to request, to be furnished with a few blank forms for making monthly reports of Abandoned and Confiscated Lands

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.

H. H. H.

Capt. Lewis

1st Breg. Genl. U. S. A.

S 80. (R. F. & A. L., Vol. 12, 1868)

Tattamone Md

February 7, 1868.

Sterling Arthur

Recommends the favorable
consideration of the
application of Joseph
J. Carter, late Maj 3rd Inf,
for a Clerkship in the
Freedmens Bureau

The above writer is endorsed
by Hugh S. Bond

WRAPPER (Enclosures)

Received, Bureau R.F. & A.L., Feb 8, 1868.

637 158- m, 32-

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

WASHINGTON, D.C. Feb. 11th 1868.

Respectfully referred to Assistant Com-
missioner of Md. in connection with
previous papers referred to him Jan 27/68.

By order of
Maj-Genl. O.O. Howard.

E. Whittlesey
A.A. Genl.

637 158- m, 32

Baltimore Feb 7 1868

Major Genl O. O. Howard

S 88 R 7. A. L. 10 c 12, '68.

I beg leave to recommend
to your favorable consideration the
application of Major Joseph F. Carter
late a Major in the 3^d Maryland Infantry
and breveted for his gallantry while
in the service, for a clerkship in
the Freedmen's Bureau,

Beside any claim which
this gentleman may have on account of
his military services I take pleasure in
saying that I have ^{to believe} reason ^{to believe} him to be
qualified for the place, and every way
deserving on account of his moral
character

Very respectfully
Yours obly,
Arch. Stirling

Dear General

The gentleman who
signs this is the President
of our Savings Bank &
is the father of our Mr Stirling

The young man himself
I know & can endorse

He wants the place
under Gene Gregory
now occupied by a
Mr Glynn who is
going west as I was
to meet

Yours truly

Hugh B. Bond

Adjts. Assistant Commissioner
Bureau R. T. & A. Lands
District of Md & Del.
Ball, Md. Feby 8th 1868

Maryland.
Brooks, H. Col. Brig. Genl U.S.A.
Maj. Commr &c

Requests the assistance of the
Bureau in procuring from Dr. Wm.
D. Shedd the discharges of Colored
Men, who filed their claims with
S. Swaburg & Co. (Suspended Atty!) of
Washington, D. C.

States that Shedd makes a
charge of \$2, in each case and
will not deliver the discharges
to their owners, until said amount
has been paid him.

War Department
Bureau R. T. & A. Lands
Claim Division
Washington D. C. Feby 10. 1868

S. O. No. 48. V. L. 2/68.

Respectfully returned with the in-
formation that this Bureau having
no authority over Dr. W. D. Shedd
cannot compel him to deliver the
discharges referred to, to their owners.

There is no alternative but to com-
ply with his demand.

By Order of
Major General Howard
Commissioner &c

A. P. Howe
Col. Maj. General U. S. A.

Feb 10 1868

For the Bureau

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HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore, February 8th 1868

Major Genl O. C. Howard,
Comr. &c. Washington D.C.

Sir

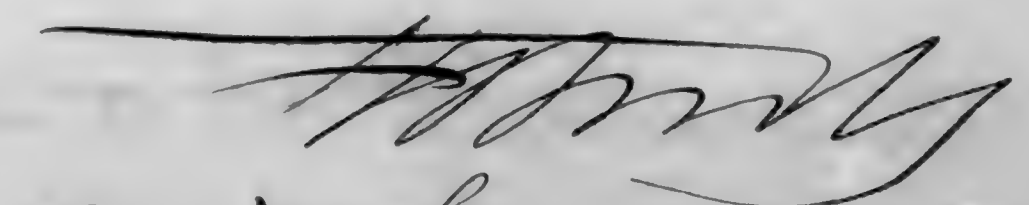
Numerous complaints and inquiries, having been received at this Office, from colored claimants, with reference to claims for bounty &c left for prosecution with S. Surbrug & Co. claim agents formerly of this city, it was, upon inquiry ascertained that the above firm had (on account of fraud) been denied the right to file claims with the Departments.

In consequence of above action S. & Co. turned over all claims in their possession, to agents in Washington; among others, one, Dr. Wm. B. Shedd, Cor. Pa. ave. & 8th street.

Shedd in reply to many requests, from this Office,

refuses to return Discharge papers unless we forward
in each case (accompanied with Grobrug & Co's re-
ceipts) two (2) dollars. In many cases the
Discharges have been returned to Shedd, on ac-
count of rejection of claim, and can therefore be of
use, only to the owner. Not believing that Shedd
has any authority for his demand, I respectfully
ask your assistance in obtaining from him the
Discharge Certificates of claimants whose names are on
within receipts. In conclusion, I respectfully call
your attention to Shedd's endorsement on enclosed
letter, and add that there are some twenty cases await-
ing result of this statement.

I am very respectfully
Your obt. servt


W. B. Brown
Asst. Commr. &c.
Bot Bay Cent. Ref. A.

Headquarters
Parson, R. F. ^{Asst. Comdr.} ^{Land.}
Dist. of Louisiana,
New Orleans, March 21st 1868

Warren, Lucius H.
A. A. A. Comdr.

Enquires whether or not Mr.
L. Jolissaint, A. S. A. Comdr.
has obtained any additional
information respecting the
whereabouts of Charles Cousy
freedman -

C. P. 17th M. 88

Recd. 1st Div. Dist. Mar. 20th 1868
Recd. back 1st Div. Dist. Mar. 24th 1868

W. 139. 1st Div. Dist. Mar. 21st 1868
1st Lt. Dmsau R. F. ^{Asst. Comdr.}
1st Sub Dist. Dist. of La.
New Orleans. March 23rd 1868

Respectfully transmitted to
Mr. L. Jolissaint, Asst. Sub-
Asst. Commissioner.

W. S. Lynch
Capt. 42nd U. S. Infy.
Dist. Dist. Col. U. S. A.
Sub Asst. Commissioner.

C. P. 17th M. 88

Recd. Off. A. S. A. Comdr
March 23/68

J. B. Burk Hill ^{Co. 68.}
Office of Asst. Sub Asst. Comdr.
Rev. R. F. ^{Asst. Comdr.} ^{Land.}
Parish of Orleans 2nd Div. ^{La.}
New Orleans March 24th 1868

Respectfully returned to
Capt. Lucius H. Warren, A.
A. A. ^{Sub-Asst.} ^{Comdr.} ^{Thro. Dist. Lieut. Col.}
W. S. Lynch, Sub Asst. Comdr.
with the information, that,
Mr. J. M. Wilson was applied to
again on the 23rd inst. who
can afford no additional
information respecting the
whereabouts of Charles Cousy
freedman. The said Wilson
suggests that information
would more probably be
obtained by consulting
"Bills of sales" in possession
of Wilson & Henry Baltimore

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L. Jolissaint
Asst. Sub Asst. Comdr.

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W 39 1st Div. B.R.T. No. 2 L. 2nd 1868

No. 2nd Div. Bureau, R. F. M. D. R.,
1st Div. Dist. Dist. of La.
New Orleans - March - 24th 1868

Respectfully forwarded to
Captain, L. W. Warren, Actg. Asst.
Adj. Gen. Bureau, R. F. M. D. R.
R. Land. Dist. of La.

~~W. D. Lynd~~
Capt. 42nd A. I. Regt.
Ordn. Dept. U. S. A.
Sub. Asst. Commissioner

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Approved by Gen. S. S.



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HEADQUARTERS,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA.

No. 154 JULIA ST.

New Orleans, La., March 21st 1868

Mr L Jolissaint.

Asst Sub. Asst Comr, Bu. R. F. & A. Lands.

Parish of Orleans (L. P.)

(Asst Sub Asst Comr, 1st Sub Dist La.)

Sir.

I am directed by the Assistant Commissioner,
to enquire whether or not you have obtained any add-
itional information, respecting the whereabouts of
Charles Comsey - freedman.

S. R. B.
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Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Merrill W. W. W.

Capt '39' U.S. Infy
a. a. a. Genl

R. III. Bu R. F. A. L. a. 18.
Ad. Div. Gen. R. F. A. L. a. Sands,
District of Maryland & Delaware
Baltimore, Feb 14 1868

Refugees. Sumner &c
Brooks H.

But Brig Gen U. S. A.
Asst. Commissioner

Requests to be in-
formed of the whereabouts of
Charles Coursey, freedman
who was sold by Wm. H. Adams,
of Baltimore, to Wilson &
Heins. States that Mr J. M.
Wilson, of the above firm, now
lives in New Orleans.

Feb 14 1868

R. III. Bu R. F. A. L. a. 18.
Headquarters,
Gen. R. F. A. L. a. Sands,
District of Louisiana,
New Orleans Feb 25 1868.

Respectfully referred
to Mr. L. Dolissaint,
Asst. Sub Asst Comr.
(Thru Lieutenant G. A. H.
Clements Sub Asst Comr.)
for any information that
he may be able to obtain.
This paper to be returned.

By order of
Br. Maj. Gen. R. C. Buchanan,
Asst. Commissioner.

Meus W. Hagen
Capt 39 U.S. Infantry
a. a. a. g.

at present

W. H. L. R. F. A. L. a. 1868
Hdqrs. Gen. R. F. A. L. a. Sands
1st Sub Dist. Dist. of L^a
New Orleans Feb. 26 1868

Respectfully transmitted
to Mr. L. Dolissaint, Asst. Sub.
Asst. Comr & c. Attention
directed to endorsement from
Hdqrs. Gen. R. F. A. L. a. Sands,
Dist. of L^a dated -
February, 25 1868.

L. A. H. H. H. H.
1st Lieut. 44th U.S. Inftry.
Sub. Asst. Comr.

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HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore, February 14th 1868

Asst. Commr B.R. F. & A.S.
State of Louisiana

Sir

I have the honor to request your assistance in obtaining tidings of a colored man named Charles Coursey. The following are all the facts we are able to furnish in the case. Charles, "is probably somewhere in Louisiana" having been bought, by an agent for the firm of Wilson & Hines, from Wm. H. Adams, late of Baltimore.

Mr J. M. Wilson, formerly of the above firm, now lives in N. Orleans, and may facilitate the discovery of Coursey's whereabouts. An inquiry also made through your agents, school teachers, and pastors of colored churches, may result in success.

Very respectfully

Wm. H. Adams

Your obt. son

Henry

Asst. Commr

Det. Ing. Gen. U.S.A.

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Handwritten note:
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May 11th 1868 Mr. M. G. ...
Residence 719 108 ...
States that one ...
died in the ...
City in 1860. Also one of the
same name was sent to
New Orleans ...
Cannot say to whom sold.
George

Wrapper - (..... Enclosures.)

HEADQUARTERS,
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

New Orleans, March 26, 1868.

Respectfully returned to Col,
Brig Genl. A. Brooks, USA,
Assistant Commissioner,
Bureau, Refugees, Freedmen
and Abandoned Lands, Distd
of Maryland and Delaware,
attention invited to endorse-
ment of Mr. L. Delesaint,
Asst. Sub Asst. Commissioner.

Robt. D. Buchanan
Col. Maj. Genl. USA
Asst. Commissioner
of Louisiana

Handwritten initials:
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July 17th 1868
About Case of Chat. Courney
Closed - see letter of
Sept 8, to Mr. Schley

R. 111, Bur & Al. Co. 68.

Office of Asst. Sub. Asst. Comdr.
New Orleans, La.
Parish of Orleans, La.
New Orleans, March 6th 1868

Respectfully returned
to Capt. Lucius H. Warren,
A. A. A. Genl. (Thrd. Bot.),
Sicor., Col. W. F. Lynch, Sub.
Asst. Comdr., with the informa-
tion, that, Mr. J. M. Wilson, who
I find to in these papers, has
been found in this city - he
can give no account of
Charles Coursey, at present;
but, thinks, he may be
able to do so, when a gen-
tleman, formerly his clerk
returns to the city; which
will be about the 10th inst.
Whatever information, I
may be able to obtain will
be forwarded with the least
possible delay.

EB
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L. Jolissaint
Asst. Sub. Asst. Comdr.,
C.R. p. 115-116, 88

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Adj. Genl. Bureau, A. F. Wash. D. C.
1st Sub. Dist. Dist. of La.
New Orleans, March, 6th 1868

Respectfully forwarded to
Capt. L. H. Warren, Adj. Asst.
Adj. Genl. Bureau, A. F. and
A. Land. Dist. of La.

W. F. Lynch
Capt. 42nd W. S. Dupuy
Bot. Lt. Asst. W. S. A.
Sub. Asst. Comdr.

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Further report
from the
Bureau

Baltimore.

July 27/68

W. H. Day
Supt of Schools

School House at Elkton

July 27/68

Dearest Court? Yesterday when I made
inquiry I found the Deed ready for signature,
but with a blank space for signature.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Office of Supt. of Schools
Baltimore, Feb. 27th 1868.

Bot. Capt. C. C. Knower,

A. A. A. G.,

Baltimore, Md.:—

Captain:—

I have the honor to report that according to instructions I visited Elkton, Cecil County, Md., to make inquiry as to the execution of a Deed for the School Trustees from Church Trustees in that place.

After a long delay in fulfilling promises made to Gen. C. M. Gregory late Asst. Comdr., on Dec. 30th Mr. W. J. Jones, Attorney at Law promised in writing to have the Deed properly made out according to instructions from As-
sistant

Baltimore.

Feb 29/68

W. H. Day

Sup't of Schools

Lebanon House at Elbtown

10/12/68
J. H. [unclear]

Assistant Com? Yesterday, when I made inquiry, I found the Deed ready for signature, but not signed. The Trustees of the Church came down to Mr. Jones's Office, and objected that they could not sign away any of the Church rights without a vote in favor by a majority of the Male Members. A meeting for that purpose they promise shall be called on Monday, 2^d of March.

The Deed only conveys the use of the lower portion of the Building, with ingress and egress but no land. The Deed also forbids the use of the lower portion for any purpose except for a School Room. With the sort of Trustees now in control of the Church-property, this might shut out a lecture or a festival to raise funds for the school.

Whether or not the Deed is in accord with the agreement of Genl. Gregory, late Asst. Com? I cannot say.

Very Respy,
H. Howard Day, Sup't. of Schools.

Baltimore. Md

Mar 5/68.

W. H. Day
Sup't of Schools

School House at Elkton

W. H. Day
Sup't. of Schools

Baltimore, Md

Mar 5/68.

W. W. Day
Sup't of Schools

School House at Elkton

Deed, "as we fear it is not drawn in accordance with the agreement made" for transfer.

Captain - I await the order of the Asst. Comr. in the matter.

Very Resp'y

Wm Howard Day

Supt. of Schools.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE

Office of Supt. of Schools,
Baltimore, Mar. 3^d 1868.

Bot. Capt. E. C. Knower,

A. C. A. G. :-

Captain :-

I have the honor to report that I have laid the whole matter of the Elkton School and School-House before Gen. E. M. Gregory, and he says that the agreement was that the land should be conveyed to School Trustees, as the Church-property has been conveyed, elsewhere, and that the Deed now drawn is not in accordance with the agreement.

Gen. Gregory says he will "straighten it out," but recommends that a letter be written to the Attorney, (Mr. Jones,) asking him to defer executing the Deed

Deed, "as we fear it is not drawn in accordance with the agreement made" for transfer.

Captain - I await the order of the Asst. Comr. in the matter.

Very Respdy

Wm Howard Day
Supt. of Schools.

Baltimore, Md

Mar 5/68.

W. W. Day

Sup't of Schools

School House at Elkton

U. S. C. B. P. & C. L. B. B. No. 1868
Bureau of Refugees Freedmen & A. S.
Washington D. C.
March 4th 1868

Henry A. P.
Brig. Maj. Gen. U. S. A.

Acknowledges receipt of papers
in the claim for bounty of
Charles Griffin C. 4th

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1868

Recd. Office U. S. C. B. P. & C. L. B. B. Sept. 3rd 1868

War Department,
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
CLAIM DIVISION.

Washington,

March 17 - 1868.

St. Denis Kent H. Brooks
Chief Commr (Qu'te)

Baltimore Md.

Sir

I am directed by Major-General O. O. Howard, Com-
missioner, to acknowledge the receipt this day of papers in the claim
for bounty _____ in the case
of the following-named discharged soldiers:

Charles Driffus, Co. Co. 4th, Regt. U. S. C.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

A. P. Howe
Assistant Adjutant-Gen.

Br. Maj. Genl. W. G. A.

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Adj. Gen. B. F. A. S.
Asst. Comdr. Office
Complaint Div.
Baltimore Md. March 6/68.

Maryland
Knowers E. C.
36. Capt. A. A. S. Genl.
In absence of Asst Comdr.

Requests to be informed
as to the status of the claim
of Harrison Meyers, late
Co. F. 30th U. S. C. T.
transferred to Navy Claim
filed by C. F. Chase Brooks
in Md. in 1865.

War Department
Bureau R. L. and S. Lands
Claims Division
Washington, March 21/68

E. B. No. 173. Vol. 2/68.
Respectfully returned with the
information that the service of the
within named man is incorrectly
stated.

The Adj. General reports, that
the name of Harrison Meyers is
not borne on the rolls of Co. F. 30th
U. S. C. Troops, on file in A. G. O.

The Fourth Auditor reports that
the claim was returned to Mr.
Chase, July 16th 1866, and has
not as yet been refiled.

By Order of
Major General Howard
Commanding, &c, &c,
A. P. Howe
Dvt. Maj. General U. S. A.

C. B. W.

E. B. 171. no 83.
C. D. not filed

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HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

DISC. OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE,

No. 12 NORTH CALVERT STREET,

Complaint Division

Prud. L. 422-1011

Baltimore, Md., March 6th 1868.

Maj Genl O. O. Howard
Comdr. Bureau R. F. & A. D.
Washington D. C.
General,

I have the honor to request information of the status of the claim of "Harrison Meyers", late Co. "F" 30th U.S. Troops, transferred to the Navy. "Meyers" states that he deposited his Navy discharge with a Mr. "C. F. Chase", Claim Agent of Brooklyn New York in 1865, and has not been able to obtain any information from that gentleman since.

I am General,

Very Respectfully
Your obt. Servant,
Edw. C. Knower

Br. Captain of A. A. A. S. C.
In absence of Capt. Comdr.

Returned to char. on July 16th 1866, and has not been since defiled, Name not on the rolls.

*Mary
W. C.*

Bureau N. F. & A. L.

Washington D. C.

March 12th 1868

Howard Maj. Gen. O. O.

Requests that Maj. Dan. A.
Mann. be furnished with a
room.

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington City, ~~Nov 11~~ 1861.

Gen. Banks Asst. Com.
Gen.

Please give to
Maj. Mann, the money he was
to receive as much as he needs
I am obliged yours truly

O. O. Brewster
Maj. - Gen. Comd.

General Banks, Asst. Comd.

General:

Not having time to present
this in person, I would respectfully inform
you that Col. Faetz has charge of
the affairs requiring a room at your
Head Quarters and he will explain to you
the necessity.

New York

Your Obedt Servant

Genl. S. Mann

Baltimore Md.

March 14/68

Wright Saml. J.
S, A + D

Makes a report of his inves-
tigation in regard to the delay
in the erection of School House
for Freedmen at Emmitsburg
Frederick Co. Md.

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HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DIST. OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE,
No. 12 NORTH CALVERT STREET,

Baltimore, Md., ~~March 10th 1868.~~

General.

I have the honor to make the following report of my investigation in regard to the delay in the erection of the School-House for Freedmen at Emmitsburgh Frederick Co Maryland.

I Complied with your Special Order No. 8 dated March 6th 1868. I left Baltimore on Monday March 9th and arrived at Emmitsburgh Md. that same day. The next morning (Tuesday) I began my work by conversing with both white and colored citizens - I found that William Ulrich of whom the Bureau had purchased the Land, was taking the whole charge of putting up the building, and had made a contract for the Carpenter work, and had bargained with a Stone Mason to build the foundation, which was partly completed and by his going-

forward in that way the people got the impression that this Bureau had clothed him with full power to erect the building and send the bills to the Bureau for payments - and all the colored people had to do was to take possession when the building was complete.

When that impression was corrected and the colored ^{people} found they had to assist, then the cry was raised that Mr Ulrich was not trustworthy -

I saw Mr Joseph Hays and David Gamble, who had written as in regard to the trouble with Mr Ulrich, and found them both bitterly opposing him through a misunderstanding of the facts.

I arranged with Mr Hays to call a meeting of both white and colored, or any one who wished to know the facts in the case - and at eight o'clock that P.M. the meeting was called to order, and I stated the case in this way, That the Bureau had bought

of William Ulrich a certain bill of Lumber
to be delivered on the short lay - and that when
he had done that his connection with this
Bureau ceased - and that this Bureau did
hold the Colord people responsible for the
Erection of the School House, and that Mr
Ulrich had nothing to do unless they required
and asked his assistance.

I was assured by Joseph
Hays that the Colord people and their friends
would put the building up, and if necessary
-ny he would pledge himself as their Security
for the performace of their part -

The whole trouble was on
account of Mr Ulrich's not carrying out
his part faithfully with this Bureau -

I will here give the trans-
-action between this Bureau and William
Ulrich - About the middle of
November R. M. Janney actuary of
the Baltimore association came to
these Head Quarters with and introduced

Mr Ulrich as being a reliable man and asked that his request for materials to build a School House for Freedmen at Emmetsburgh Frederick Co. Maryland, be granted, and on his recommendation the Assistant Commissioner, issued an order for me as Disbursing Officer to purchase the materials for the building, and in compliance with said order - I gave Mr Ulrich the following order, as he was a Lumber dealer -

Head Quarters &c
Baltimore Md.
Nov 16th 1868.

William Ulrich Esq
Emmitsburgh Md.

Sir -

You will please deliver to Messrs Samuel Brown and John Johnson Building Committee of Freedmens School House at Emmitsburgh Frederick Co. Md. the following materials for use of School House Emmitsburgh Md. - (Here follows a bill of items with prices)

on giving Mr Ulrich the order I said to him that as soon as the Lumber was delivered to take the receipt of the building Committee, and forward to me, and as soon as I received their receipt for the materials the money would be sent him,

On the twenty third of November my order was returned with the following receipt on it-

Received this 20th day of November
the above Lumber for building our School House
^{Witness}
Joshua Rowe } (Signed) Samuel Brower
James J. Rowe } John Johnson

I thereupon prepaid vouchers and sent him which were signed and returned and he was paid for the Lumber, but I find in my investigation that Mr Ulrich got the receipt of the building Committee before the Lumber was delivered, and that he took one hundred dollars of the money paid him for the Lumber and bought the lot on which to build the School House, and

that he had paid some Eight dollars and seventy Cents for the laying of the foundation, and had bought some Lime, and paid two dollars on the Carpenter work. A small portion of the framing Lumber was on the ground, a part, was sawed at the Mill, and the balance was to be sawed in two or three days, and Mr Ulrich assured me he would have all the framing Lumber ~~on the~~ lot this week, and that the coming week he would deliver the balance -

I had him drive me out, to the saw Mill to satisfy myself that the arrangements there were all right, and I found them satisfactory. Mr Ulrich had at his house the materials for the window & door frames, he also had the Sash and Glass. and a portion of the Shingles. and assured me he would have the balance of the materials brought from Gettysburgh this coming week - Though Mr Ulrich's action in getting the money by

getting the receipts of the building Committee before the lumber was delivered, is a Criminal offense; still I do not think he intended to defraud us, and will I trust, deliver the materials without further trouble - and when it is delivered, inspected, and accepted, by the building Committee; the Colored people will refund what he has paid for the lot, &c

I have the honor to be
Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant,

Saul J. Knight,
Spec. Agt. & D. O.

To

Mr. Brig Genl H. Brooks
Asst. Commissioner

Bu R. F. & A. S.

Dist. of M. & D.

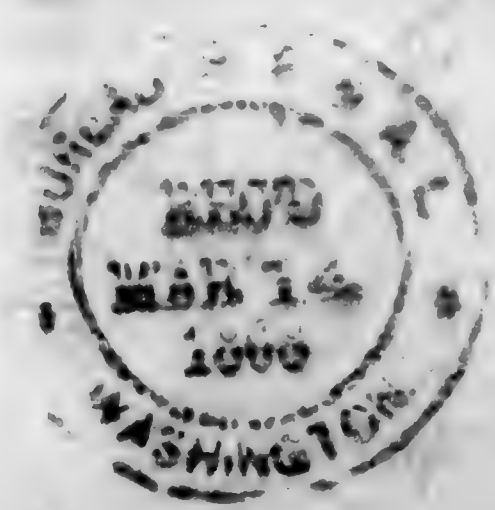
W. R. A. [unclear]

Salmon March 16/68

Maryland

Genl. A. G. [unclear]
Asst Comr

The appointment of Mr. [unclear] having been
revoked to date March 15/68.
and his pay having been
suspended by previous
orders from Hd. Qrs, ask
if he is to consider the
revocation of his appoint-
ment as authorizing his
pay until 15th March.



War Department
Bureau A. F. & S.
Washington March 14/68

Respectfully referred
to Genl. A. G. [unclear] Asst.
Comr of Maryland
who is authorized to
pay Mr. [unclear] to
March 15. 1868.

By order of
Maj. Genl. Howard
C. Phillipsy
Adj. Genl.

App. 16th - in [unclear]
March 16th 1868
City Office [unclear]

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DIST. OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE,
No. 12 NORTH CALVERT STREET,

Baltimore, Md., March 15- 1868

Maj. Gen. Howard,
Com. F. B. & A. S.

Sir,

Inasmuch as the appointment
of W. C. W. Hildreth is revoked
to take effect on the 15th of March 1868 -
& inasmuch as he is entitled to every
body concerning his pay - which
has been suspended by previous direc-
tion from the H^o Des. of F. B. - permit
me to ask if I may consider the
revocation of his appointment, as
authorizing his pay until the 15th of March
1868

I am very respectfully

your obedient servant

H. Brooks

Acty Com-
missioner

Letter among
pages of
W. H. Edwards

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore, March 13th 1868

My Genl. Howard

Com^{dr} - F. B. & A. L. S.

Sir,

Inclosed as the appointment of W. C. W. Fiedrich is revoked, to take effect on the 15th of March - & as he is writing to every body concerning his pay - and as his pay has been suspended by previous direction from H^{on}. Drs. permit me to ask if I may consider the revocation of his appointment is sufficient reason to pay him to include the 15th of March 1868 -

I am very respectfully
Yours
W. B. S.

Head-Quarters, Assistant Commissioner.
BUREAU of REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS.
District of Maryland and Delaware.

Baltimore, Md. April 24th 1868

Respectfully referred to Hon. Henry
Steelebridge solicitor for the
Bureau, with the request that
information be furnished the
office of what action if any has
been taken on the within applica-
nt.

By Comd. of H. Steele

Capt. Connor

Bt. Brig. Gen. U.S.A.

Edw. C. Knowen

Bt. Capt. U.S.A. Gen.

Baltimore March 28th 1868

Polemius A. St.
agent &c. &c.

States on the 23rd ultimo,
"John Scott," a Colored
Citizen, of Belair, Hartford
County Md., made Complai-
nt at this office, that some
disorderly People disturbed
their regular Sunday
Church meetings, and
the Justice of the Peace
refused to protect them,
Respectfully request the
matter be referred to Mr.
Stockbridge, Solicitor for
the Bureau, for his action.

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

L.S. p. 440, No. 151.

Complaint Division
Baltimore, March 28th 1868

Captain E. O. Knower
A. W. O. Agent.

Captain

On the 23rd ultimo John Scott a colored citizen of Belair Hartford Co. Md. made complaint at this office, that some disorderly People disturbed their regular Sunday Church meetings and that the Justice of the Peace refused to protect them. I was directed to refer Complainant with his cause to Mr Stockbridge Solicitor of the Bureau, and wouldt respectfully request, to be informed what action if any have been taken to prevent a recurrence of the evil complained of.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

W. B. Holmes

Agent in Charge of Courts

Washington D.C.
April 1st 1868.

Howe, - Bot. Maj. Genl. A.P.

Requests that the Aft. Court of Maryland be directed to send to Washington, Spencer Jones and some one to identify him and testify to his character, he being required by the Bureau Solicitor as a witness &c.

Recd. R. S. & A. L., Washington, Recd. April 1. 68.

War Dept, Bu. R. S. & A. L.
Washington, April 1st 1868.

Respectfully referred to
Genl H. M. Whittlesey, Chief
Q. M., who if seen transportation
and transmit the same to
Genl Brooks, Aft. Commission

By Order of
Maj. Genl Howard

EPB. }
387 } @ E. Whittlesey
Vol. 4. } A. A. General.

Recd. Office Chf. Q. M., Apr. 2nd 1868.

EPB. 147 Vol. 1. 1868

War Department,
Bureau of R. S. & A. L.,
Office Chief Q. M.,
Washington, April 2nd 1868.

Official Copy: - Respectfully
referred to Bot. Brig. Genl
L. Brooks, Aft. Comm. &c.,
Balt: Md., with Transportati
Order no. 299, enclosed, in ac-
cordance with instructions
contained in the endorsement
of the Act. Aft. Aft. Genl.

Henry M. Whittlesey
Chief Quartermaster
Bu. R. S. & A. L.

EPB. 175 - Vol. 9 -

Order for transportation delivered to
E. H. Mendenhall L.C. April 3rd 1868.

War Department,
BUREAU OF REFUGEES, FREEDOMEN, AND ABANDONED LANDS,
Claim Division.

Washington, April 1st, 1868.

General:

I have to request that the Asst. Commissioner of Maryland be directed to send to this place Spencer Jones, and a person to identify and to testify to his character.

Jones is required by the Solicitor of the Bureau, as a witness in the prosecution against the Bank of the Republic.

Very Respectfully
(signed) A. P. Howe

Bot. Maj. Genl.

General Whittlesey
Asst. Adjt. Genl.

Official Copy.

Henry M. Whittlesey
Chief Quartermaster
Bureau R. F. & A. L.

W. C. ...
Centerville Md.
April 6th 1868

Price Robt. G.

States that he has delivered
up to the mother the same
quit by and is paying the
other wages, but the mother
is unable to support her
children

sent to the ... for his
support April 9th 1868

To be ...

Case closed

See letter of April 16,

from Wm. J. Lee

C.B. 148. Case Closed
sent April 9th 1868

Centerville April 6. 1868

E. C. Kueer Esq

Dear Sir. I have no desire to keep
the Apprentices unlawfuly. I have delivred up to the
mother the Boy I had by your direction. I do not
know your informant's heart the reason that I kept
the Boy is that his mother is not qualified to take
care of him, for she is "very worthless herself and
the Boy is very small not large enough to be worth
any wages. the other Boy I have been paying wages
to and I have supported their Mother nearly all
this cold winter if she is the only one to take
care of her Child he must suffer and that
to a considerable extent. she voluntarily bound
the children to me in order that I might take
care of them, and I have endeavored to do so
Please to let me here from you on the Subject: I
refer you to my Community for the kind treatment
that I have extended to their Mother. I would
like to know your informant if there is no
objection from the fact as I have stated
before my treatment to their mother and her children
they would have all be dead this day had
it not been for me. Their mother has been free
for over ten years and I have been supporting
her ever since paying her doct^r Bills and attending
to her wants.

Your reply, will confer
a favor

Yours Very Respectfully
Robert G. Rice

W. D. B. (R. F. & A. L., Vol. 13) 1868

W. D. B. Vol. 13, No. 3/68
Baltimore Md.

April 4th, 1868

Maryland & Delaware
Bt. Brig. Genl. A. Brooks, Asst. Comm.

Enclose communication from A. W. Collins Esq. etc. submitting list of complaints against J. P. Crager claim agent for collecting fraudulently witholding County's fine money. Refered to Mr. W. Stockbridge Bureau Solicitor by him endorsed that though Crager would be liable civilly, an execution against him would be valueless, that he could probably not be convicted criminally under the Statutes of Md. the offense not being a technical embezzlement. Genl. Brooks states that complaints are daily received from colored people whom Crager has defrauded & whose claims papers he refuses to surrender though he has been suspended by the Dept. at Washington. Asks whether the opinion of Mr. Stockbridge who does not even disfavor to pass the matter shall govern the case, or whether proceedings shall be instituted against Crager.

WRAPPER (2 Enclosures)

Received, Bureau R.F. & A.L., April 6th, 1868

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

WASHINGTON, D.C. April 7th 1868

Respectfully referred to Bt. Maj. Genl. A. P. Howe in Charge of Claim Division for remarks

By order of
Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard.
C. Whittlesy
Asst. Genl.

E. D. B. 11. 179. Vol. 2/68.
Claim Division.

April 5th 1868.

Respectfully returned.
I recommend that J. P. Crager be proceeded for refusing to deliver to the claimants their money, in his hands, and to recover their papers in his possession.

I further recommend that an affidavit man (over)

be appointed Solicitor in place of A. Stockbridge.

A. P. Howe
Asst. Genl.
Chy. C. Sw.

War Dept.
Bureau R.F. & A.L.

Washington, D.C. April 10/68.

Respectfully returned to Genl. Brooks, Asst. Comr. of Md. fraction in accordance with the recommendation of Genl. Howe, hereon.

By order of
Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard.

C. Whittlesy
Asst. Genl.

Cases closed see letter of June 29. 68 from Stockbridge

W. 67, Rec. R. P. 3/14/68
Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Hd qrs Asst Comd
Complaints Div.

~~W. 67, Rec. R. P. 3/14/68~~

A. W. Bohemius
Agent &c.

Submits list of com-
plaints against J. P.
Creeger, with request that
they be referred to
Mr Stockbridge Solicitor

Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Hd qrs. Asst Comd.
Balt March 25. 68

Respectfully referred
to Mr Stockbridge Solicitor
R. F. & A. S. for his
action

C. B. 174. No. 92

By command
W. Brooks
Asst Comd
E. L. Knowler
13th Capt. Vandy
M. + Del. Mch 26. 1868.

Rec. Asst. Comd. M. + Del. Mch 26. 1868.

36 Lexington St.
1 April 1868

Respectfully returns, it being
impracticable to institute legal
proceedings in my opinion.
The parties complaining could
all undoubtedly recover judg-
ments against Creeger but
from my understanding of
his condition I suppose
they would be able to get
nothing by an Execution agt.
him & they would have to
pay costs therefor for nothing.

From my understanding of
the facts, I think they would
hardly succeed better in a
Criminal proceeding. Our
Statute gives some power in
matters of Embezzlement beyond
that which we have at Common
law. But I doubt its being
sufficient to convict him. His
act falls rather under what

is known as a "breach of
trust," than a technical
"Embezzlement." Although we
could send him to the peniten-
tiary if we could prove the latter
we have no redress through the
Criminal law agt. the former
Unless therefor some case ar-
ises in which the facts differ
from what I understand them to
be in these cases we are pow-
erless in our Courts.

Respy to N. Stockbridge
Solicitor &c.

C. B. 174. No. 92

reply is hardly satisfactory, & seems to show if it shall be con-
-sidered final or whether the enclosed papers be returned with-
-out objection to proceed against. I suppose, who should not be ob-
-liged to go immediately, if the documents are to be protected.

May. Gen. C. C. Howard

Commodore B. B. Peck

Washington

Wm. R. A. Smith

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.

W. R. A. Smith

Capt. B. B. Peck

Washington, Jan. 24/62

Washington
Jan 24/62



HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

K. 48-10-108

General:

Baltimore, Md. April 4th 1868

I have the honor to invite your attention to within enclosement of Bro. Solicitor in regard to enclosed list of complaints,

Creager has now in his possession records pertaining to a large number of State and Govt. claims filed by him as agent of the Sanitary Comm. and complaints are daily received from colored people whom he has defrauded, or whose papers he retains against their wishes. Many of the claimants, desire to withdraw their papers and file them through this office; others who have filed new claims with us are unable to obtain necessary evidence in Creager's hands, victims paying a fee,

The claim papers in his hands are of no use to him, he having been suspended by the Dept. at Washington D.C.

We have tried in every way to obtain the records, but

Cozager refuses to surrender them until his Court-fee are paid,
Finally it was decided to refer the case to Mr. Sted-
bridge, who does not seem disposed to prep the matter. As his
reply is hardly satisfactory, I desire to know if it shall be con-
sidered final or whether the enclosed paper be returned with
instructions to proceed against Cozager, who should not be al-
lowed to go unmolested, if the claimants are to be protected.

Maj. Gen. C. C. Hagan
Comd. Bvt. & Genl.
Washington

W. D. M. M. M.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.

[Signature]

Capt. Commandt.

Bt. Breg. Genl. U.S.A.



List of Claims & Complaints
against J. P. Creager

Ms. 22 R. 1. A. 1. 12, 1868,

Bureau Ref. ²/₃ of A.S.
Complaint Division
Baltimore March 24th / 68

Complaints against S. P. Crager Claim agent
(Remaining omitted on the Records of this office)
For collecting State Bounty, and appropriating proceeds to
his own use,

Mary Bishop, } Residence,
Mother of Abram } Tobacco St. \$300.00
Bishop (deceased) } Dorchester Co. State Bounty
Late Ser. J. 4th U.S.C.T. } " " " "

Maria L. Gros }
widow of John } No. 95 Pine St. \$300.00
Gros late Co. "C" } Balt. City. State Bounty
4th U.S.C.T. }

Ambrosia White }
Sister of James } No. 15, Douglass St. State Bounty
H. White, late } Balt. City. \$300.00
of Co. "B" 4th U.S.C.T. }

Perry White }
} No. 51 East St. State Bounty
} Balt. City. Am. not known.

Jacob L. Hatten }
4th U.S.C.T. } Clear Spring Md. State Bounty
} Am. not known.

Ephraim Schofield }
Ser. F. 19 U.S.C.T. } No. 35 State St. State Bounty \$123.²⁵
} } Money deposited in
} } Balt. City Bank by Crager,
} } for complainants use,

Benjamin Griffin }
Ser. G. 30th U.S.C.T. } } State Bounty, Am. not known.

Ann Maria Dorsey, }
Mother of Nathaniel }
Dorsey, late Co. B. }
4th U.S.C.T. }
No. 51 Low Street,
Balt. City. State Bounty,
Amt. not known.

Sophia
Wm H
No. 11

Petey
Isaac
lev. G.

Elisha Canton }
Clearspring }
Washington Co. Md. }
State Bounty,
Amt. not known.

Deborah Palmer,
claim for Son, (deced.) }
No. 24, Ohio Av., }
Balt. City. State Bounty,
Amt. not known.

Josiah
late Co.

William Wise }
lev. G. 34 U.S.C.T. }
No. 48, Church St., }
Balt. City. State Bounty,
Amt. not known.

Pessie
Landon

Elsy Watson
for her Son }
Olmstead Watson, }
lev. K. 7th U.S.C.T. }
No. 43, Church St., }
Balt. City. State Bounty,
Amt. not known.

Jane Anderson
for her Brother }
Richard Anderson, }
lev. G. 30th U.S.C.T. }
No. 79 Melcom Alley }
State Bounty,
Amt. not known.

Mary Camper }
widow of Charles }
Camper, late of Co }
19th U.S.C.T. }
Cambridge }
Dorchester Co., }
State Bounty,
Amt. not known.

Mary James, widow of }
Isaac H James, lev. I 4th U.S.C.T. }
Happ Talbot Co }
Md. Amt. not known.

Sophia Groff, widow of
Wm H. Williams

No. 165, Dallas St.

State Bounty,
Amt. not known.

Petsy Stewart widow of
Isaac Stewart, late of
lev. "G." 39th U.S.I.

Queenstown P.O.,

Queen Ann Co. Md.,

State Bounty,
Amt. not known.

Josiah Mathews,
late Co. "H." 4th U.S.I.

Unionville P.O.,

Frederick Co. Md.

State Bounty,
Amt. not known.

Jessie Owings
Landsman

No. 3 Peach Alley

Balt. City.

Large money

W. M. Bolinius
Agent in charge of complaints.

County,

known,

County,

known,

County,

known,

Bounty,
known.

Bounty,
not known.

County,

known,

County,
known,

State Bounty,

not known.

Wilmington Del

April 24th 1868

Day Mr Howard
Supt of Schools -

Spoke with on Monday April 20th the
Building Com. of Wilmington Del.
determined to commence their new
school house on 1st May - On
the 22nd inst. dedicated the Lincoln
Institute at Milford, assisted
by Mr Gregory + others, and on
23rd inst visited Dover & church

Recd. Act Comm. Inst. + Del. April 25th 68

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DIST. OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE,
No. 12 NORTH CALVERT STREET,

Wilmington, Del., 1st. Div. 1868.
Baltimore, Md., 1st. Div. 1868.

Rev. Capt. C. C. Snow,

A. S. C. S.

Baltimore, Md.:

Captain:

I have the honor to report that I arrived
here on Saturday P. M.

I immediately sought out the leading colored
men, and particularly the Chron. of the Com. in procuring
a ^{to} school Bldg., to know whether they intended to
persevere in the matter and when to begin work. Geo
Chron. appointed a Com. of Conference meeting to be
held on Monday Evening.

Sunday I spent with the Conference of the
African M. E. Lion Church, then in session, and
Monday was present at the meeting of Committee.

I took occasion to refer to the facts as devel-
oped previously, and also to state that if they
were laboring on the strength of Gen. Greaves' prom-
ise of bricks, &c. that they had better present the matter
in some tangible form to Bot. Brig. Gen. Brooks, (Asst. Comm.)

WASHINGTON, D. C.

They thought they ought to go ahead, whether they secured help from the Govt. or did not secure it - and a good time commenced their work in May, we felt now, it seemed a little too early.

On Tuesday, I prepared a portion of my Annual Report, and visited Schools.

On Wednesday, I proceeded to Michigan to dedicate the School Building. Gen. Green joined me at Milninton. The hills, an afternoon and evening meeting, each of which was very successful. A crowd was present of white and colored people, and the result of the effort was greater union among the Colored People, and deeper interest on the part of the Whites, of the Community. Rev. Green, the two colored ministers, and two Teachers, Messrs. Evans and Jones assisted me in the Dedicatory Services.

The name of the School, "The People's Lincoln Institute."

Yesterday, I came to Love, and spent the afternoon in examining the School.

Arrived here, late last night.

Very Respy. J. H. Howard, Jr.

War Department
Bureau R. F. and A. Lands
Claim Division
Washington D. C. April 25th 1868

C. O. No. 211. Vol. 2/68.

Respectfully returned to
Asst. Comm'r, Baltimore, Md.;
and attention invited to
endorsement of Second Auditor
of the Treasury.

By Order of
Major General Howard,
Commissary, &c, &c

A. P. Howe

Brig. Maj. Genl. U. S. A.

(2. Enclosures) C. O. No. 15-211, 59

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Bureau P. H. and A. Lands
Dist. of Md. & Del.
Baltimore, Md. April 2nd 1868

Maryland

Brooks, H.C.

Col. Brig. General U.S.A. & A.C.

Transmits discharge of James
Wilson, late of "E" Co. 30th U.S.C.T.
to whom addl. bounty has been paid
by 2nd Auditor's Check No. 401711,
and requests information, whether
claimant is not entitled to bounty
under Joint Resolution of Congress,
dated January 18th 1864.

COND. DIVISION
APR 11 1868
OFFICE

Evidence furnished & dis-
charge returned to the
above named man -
Jan 1/68

War Department
Bureau P. H. and A. Lands
Claim Division
Washington, April 7th 1868

L. O. No. 178. Vol. 2/68.
Respectfully forwarded to
Hon. E. D. French, Second Auditor
Treasury, with request for decision
on within case.

A. P. Howe
Col. Maj. General U. S. A.
For Maj. Genl. Comm'r.

Second Auditor's Office
April 24. 68

Respectfully returned to
Gen. A. P. Howe -
The soldier named in
the enclosed discharge is
borne upon the rolls as a
"Slave April 19. 61" - No
Act under Joint Res. Jan
1864 - is paid to men of-
ficially known as slaves
but they are, by decision
Second Com. Auditor, allowed
the same Act July 25. 64
This soldier is not en-
titled to any more bounty.

Respectfully -
E. D. French
Auditor
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HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE.

Baltimore, April 2 1868

Maj. Genl. D. O. Howard
Commissioner &c.
Washington D.C.

General:-

I have the honor to enclose
herewith Disch. of James Wilson
late Pvt. Co. "E." 30th W. S. I. paid "Add. Bounty"
by 2^d Auditor's Cert. No. 401.711 and
to request information as to whether
claimant is not entitled to Bounty
per Joint Resolution Jan'y. 15 1864.

Very respectfully

J. H. M. M.
Asst. Commissioner
Bot. Brig. Genl. USA

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James Wilson, "E", 30th W. S. C. Trps
Discharged Dec^r 10th - 1865. Filed thro'
Phillip Piper. Huntington, Md. 1866
How? Letter by Justice 401711 in Han, Adm
County, and sent to Mrs Van Martin etc. No receipt
for Ray's a receipt & have a current receipt me
County -

Rec^d March 6th 1868 & paid
Ray, — over

2^a C.B. 16. n^o. 76.

Bureau P. P. and A. Lands
Dist of Md & Del.
Baltimore, Md. April 30th 1868.

Maryland

Books, H.

Brig. Genl. U.S.A. x Adjutant
In his absence
Knower Edu. C. U.S.A.

Requests information as to the status
of claim of James Wilson, E 30th U.S.
C.T. which was filed in 1866 by Philip
Piper, of Huntingtown, Calvert Co, Md.

E.P. 205-10, 218

MAY 31 1868
U.S. DEPT. OF WAR

War Department
Bureau P. P. and A. Lands.
Claim Division
Washington D.C. June 26th 1868
C.B. n^o. 328. Vol. 2/68.

Respectfully returned
with the information, that the
claim referred to within was
paid by the C.D.O. of this Dep.
rean, March 6th 1868

By order of
Major General Howard,
Commissary, &c, &c,

Wm. Drew,

Agent, in charge Division

E.P. 205-10, 218

Case closed. Sept 26. 68

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

DIST. OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE,

No. 12 NORTH CALVERT STREET,

"Complaint Division,"

Baltimore, Md., April 30th 1868.

L. Sp. 481-2m 226
Maj Genl O. O. Howard,
Comisr., Bureau R. F. & A. L.,
Washington D. C.

General,

I have the honor
to request information of the status of the claim of
"James Wilson", late Private Co. "C." 30th U.S.C. which
was filed through Mr. "Phillip Piper," claim agent
Huntingtown Calvert Co., Md., in 1866.

I am Genl.

Very Respectfully
Your ob^d servant.

Edu DeKowen

Br. Captain of A. A. Genl.

In absence of Capt. Comisr.

Elfton (Md.) May 2^d 1868
Wm. K. H. Staples
Teacher, Miss N. E.
(Teacher.)

1st Wishes information in reference to the Vanguard of Freedom.

2^d States that there is misunderstanding between School & Church Trustees. Church Trustees deny the right of School Trustees to rent School Room without their consent - if they do so rent it, Ch. Tr. can stop the Sch. Trustees coming on their (the church) ground.

[The Church own the lot - but said the school should have ingress and egress - and now refuse to give a Bond to secure school rights. The Bureau has put \$1600. in the building.]

A Temperance Society, Good Samaritan Order, desires use of the school room for an exhibition, but Church Trustees have interfered to prevent it. Desires to know if Church Trustees have this right.

Exp. No. 11174

J. Howard Day
Supt. of Schools

Rev. R. J. + A. L.,
Dist. of Md. + Del.,
Off. Supt. of Schools,
Baltimore, Md., May 28th 68.

Resp. referred to Prot. Capt.
E. C. Knower, A. A. A. G.

J. Howard Day
Supt. of Schools.

Exp. No. 11174

War Department,
Bureau B. F. & A.
Washington, June 3rd 1868.

Respectfully returned to
the Asst. Comm. for Maryland.

As the material was furnished without requiring a guarantee of the right of way, the Bureau has no power to compel the same. Care should be taken in similar cases to obtain the necessary security.

By order of
Major Gen. J. P. Howard:

C. J. Matthews

A. A. A. Genl.

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Exp. No. 11174

Head-Quarters, Assistant Commissioner
BUREAU OF REFUGEES, FREEDMEN & ABANDONED LANDS
District of Maryland and Delaware.

Baltimore, Md. May 29 1868

Respectfully forwarded to H. G. [unclear]
Burt & A. L. Washington D. C. [unclear]
Attention called to portion of [unclear]
which endorsement includes [unclear]
deed within brackets. I have the [unclear] right
know to inquire whether the Bu. [unclear]
has any power to compel the [unclear] in
recognition of the School Trustees [unclear]
rights. The material was furnished [unclear] to
ed without requiring a proper [unclear]
deed, and as the building, (being [unclear]
built on a solid foundation) is a [unclear]
part of the property, the school
Trustees refuse to surrender in any
way their control, Mr. Stebbins of Bu.
Solicitor, says we have no power under [unclear]
State Laws. As there may be other cases [unclear]
of similar nature, it is important to
have the matter decided,

CR J. M. [unclear]
full entry
Apr. 176 - Dec. 174
Capt. Comm. [unclear]
Bt. Brig. Gen. [unclear]

Elkton May 2 1868.

To Prof. W. H. Day,

Superintendent,

Sir;

I have attempted to form a Temperance Society, will you please be so kind as to inform me to whom I must apply for Certificates for the members, with Post Office address.

There is some misunderstanding between the Church & School Trustees. The former say that the latter have no right to rent the school room without their consent, if they do, they can stop them from coming on their ground.

There is a Good Samaritan Society here, the members of which purpose giving an Exhibition in the School room & agree to pay the School Association four dollars for the use of the room, but because the Society is not willing to give all the profits for the benefit of the school, the Church Trustees are determined to prevent them from having the room. Please inform us whether the Church Trustees have this power or not.

Very respectfully yours
H. E. Fletcher.
Teacher.

Approved: R. F. C. A. S.
No. 243. J. F. M. 10 13 68.
Assistant Commissioner's Office.
Baltimore, Md. May 8/68.
B. 374 Bu. R. F. C. A. S. 1878

Brooks, Jot. Brig. Genl. U.S.
Apt. Comr. R. F. C. A. S.
District of Maryland & Delaware

Encloses copy of a letter requesting assistance in obtaining tidings of a colored man named Columbus Courney, son of Ruth Courney, (now living in Frederick City, Md.) States he was sold as a slave some time ago to Lewis Ramsburgh, of Tenn; also that the original was mailed to the Apt. Comr. of Tenn, on the 14th of Feb/68. Requests to be informed whether the desired information has been obtained.

C. B. 119 192. in 155

Bureau. R. F. C. A. S.
Assistant Commissioner's Office.
Nashville, Tenn. May 13/68.

Respectfully returned to Br. Brig. Genl. U.S. Brooks, Assistant Commissioner R. F. C. A. S. Dist. of Maryland and Delaware, with the information that the original letter was never received at this office. The enquiries will be prosecuted on the copy, and any information received will be transmitted promptly.

W. P. Carlin
Br. Maj. Genl. U.S.A.
Apt. Commissioner
State of Tennessee

E. B. 119

C. B. 119 192. in 155

Bureau Refugee Freedmen
No. 243. J. F. M. 10 13 68.
Baltimore, Md. July 27th 1868

Respectfully returned to Br. Maj. Gen. Carlin Apt. Comr. Tenn. Please inform this office whether any information has been obtained in regard to the within named case.

W. P. Carlin
Apt. Comr.
Br. Brig. Genl. U.S.A.

War Dept Bureau R. F. C. A. S.
Washington July 28th 1868.
Respectfully transmitted to Br. Maj. Genl. W. P. Carlin Apt. Comr. Tennessee.
By order of
Maj. Genl. O. O. Howard
C. W. Hensley
A. W. A. Genl.

C. B. 119 192. in 155

Bureau R. F. v. State of Tenn.
Asst. Commr's Office.

Nashville, Aug. 5th 1868.

Respectfully returned to Bot.
Brig. Genl. H. Barks, Asst.
Commr. Md. & Del. at Bal-
timore, Md. (through Commr.
Office, Washington, D.C.) with
the information that inquiry
has been made for the within
named man in different
localities in this state - but
nothing has yet been heard of
him - Other inquiries are
being made, and any in-
formation gained will be
promptly transmitted.

E. B. }
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Exp. 219 -
No. 262 -

W. V. Martin
Bot. Major Genl. U.S.A.
Asst. Commr.

John G. ...
H. Barks

Head Quarters, Assistant Commissioner,
 Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
 District of Maryland and Delaware,
 No. 12 N. Calvert Street,

L. Sp 488-10, 244

Baltimore, Md., May 8th 1868

Ap't. General Butler & A. S.,
 State of Tennessee

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose
 herewith Copy of letter from this office, mailed on on the 14th
 of Feb'y. for asking information of our Columbus County,
 Please inform me whether the desired information
 has been obtained.

Very Respectfully
 Yours Obedt. Servt.

J. J. Jones
 Ap't. General

Bureau A. F. to State of Tenn.
 Asst. Commr's Office.
 Nashville, Aug. 5th 1868.

Respectfully returned A. B. C.
 Brig. Genl. A. M. Brooks, Asst.
 Commr. Md. & Del. at Bal.
 Annapolis, Md. (through Commr.
 Office, Washington D.C.) with
 the information that inquiry
 has been made for the within
 named man in different
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 him. Only inquiries are
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 promptly transmitted -
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 Asst. Commr. W. D. C.

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 No. 262 - 1868

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

WASHINGTON, *Aug 10th* 1868.

*Respectfully returned to
Bvt Brig Genl H Brooks
Asst Comr Ind, attention
invited to enclosures of
Genl W.P. Carlin.*

By order of

Maj Genl A. S. Howard

*E. J. H. [Signature]
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20th / A. S. H. Genl.*

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*Case closed
See letter Sept 8 to Mr Schley*

WRAPPER (..... Enclosures.)

Received Bureau R., F., & A.L.,, 1868.

Bureau, R. F. ^{and} A. S.
Assistant Commissioner's Office
Baltimore, Md. Feb. 14th, 1868
B. O. R. F. ^{and} A. S. ^{and} A. S.

Brooks, J. P. Brig. Genl. U.S.
Apt. Comm. R. F. ^{and} A. S.
Dist. of Maryland ^{and} Delaware
B. O. R. F. ^{and} A. S. 1868

D. 236, U.S.D. 1868
Requests assistance in
obtaining tidings of a colored
man named Columbus Coursey,
son of Ruth Coursey, (now living
in Frederick City, Md.) states
he was sold as a slave some
time ago to Lewis Parnsbury
of Tennessee. Is of the opinion
that his name may be found on
the rolls of some Tenn. Vol. Col.
Regiment.

Recd. U.S.D. May 28th 1868.
Recd. S. D. Aug. 8th 1868

Bureau, R. F. ^{and} A. S.
Assistant Commissioner's Office.
Nashville, Tenn. May 13th, 1868.

Respectfully referred to Capt.
Geo. E. Judd, Sub-Asst. Comm.
Nashville Sub-District, for
investigation and report. In-
formation as to the where-
abouts of the said Coursey
may be obtained at the Adj.
Genl's Office, State of Tennessee.
This paper to be returned.

By Order of
J. P. Major, Genl. W. P. Berlin,
Assistant Commissioner,
D. W. Tower,
St. ^{and} A. S. ^{and} A. S.

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Bureau R. F. ^{and} A. S.
Office Sub. Asst. Comm.
Nashville Tenn May 14th 68

Respectfully referred
to Bro. Maj. C. G. C.
Frederick Asst. Sub.
Asst. Comm. for investi-
gation and report. This
paper to be returned.

Geo. Judd
Capt. R. C.
Sub. Asst. Comm.

R. F. ^{and} A. S.
Office Asst. Sub. Asst. Comm.
Nashville Tenn May 11th 68

Respectfully returned
to Capt. Geo. E. Judd.
All the colored guards
have been notified of
the within request and
if Coursey is in Nashville
he will be sent to this
Office

W. J. Stidgen
Bro. Major S. J. A.
Asst. Sub. Asst. Comm.

Head Quarters, Assistant Commissioner,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
District of Maryland and Delaware,
No. 12 N. Calvert Street,

Baltimore, Md., February 14th 1868

Capt. H. C. Burtchell
State of Tennessee

Sir:

I have the honor to request your assistance in obtaining tidings of a colored man named Columbus Coursey, aged about 21 years. The following are all the facts we are able to furnish in the case; Columbus is a son of Ruth Coursey (now living in Frederick City Md.) and was sold as a slave some time ago to a person living in Tennessee, by a man named Lewis Ramslough; His mother (Ruth) thinks that her surname will be found on the rolls of some Tenn. Vol. Sold Regt. An inquiry made through your agents, a pastor of colored churches, and school teachers may result in success.

Yours truly,
Edw. C. Knowlton
Bt. Capt. & A. A. S. M. C.

Very respectfully
Yours Obedt. Servt.
(Sgd.) H. Burtchell
Capt. H. C. Burtchell
Bt. Brig. Gen. U. S. A.

13. W. Ball & A. D. Foxworth
Bureau Refugees Freedmen & A. L.
Washington D. C.
May 15th 1868

Have A. D.
Bt. Maj. Gen. U. S.
Acknowledges receipt of papers in
the claims for bounty i. e. of
Thomas Skinner D^r 7th
and Samuel Johnson F^r 4th
Also claim for Transfer Bty in case of
H. H. Williams U. S. Navy

Recd. Act. Gen. Inv. & Ad. May 19th 1868

War Department,
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
CLAIM DIVISION.

Washington, May 15 1868.

Col. Brig. Gen. H. Brooks
Asst. Comm. Bureau
Genl. Baltimore, Md.

I am directed by Major-General O. O. Howard, Commissioner, to acknowledge the receipt this day of papers in the claims for bounty in the cases of the following-named soldiers:

Thomas J. Skinner, A Co., Regt. U. S. C.
James Johnson, F " " " "
also claim for transfer bounty in the case of
Wm. N. Williams, late U. S. Navy

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

A. P. Howe
Assistant Adjutant Gen.

Col. Maj. Gen. J. A.

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Headquarters Ass't Commissioner, District Columbia,

Washington, May 19th, 1868.

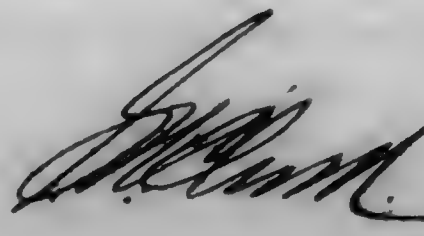
Br Brig Gen. G. Brooks,
Assistant Commissioner
Maryland,
General,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 16th inst, referred by the Commissioner in reference to the liberated apprentices now in the Orphan Asylum at Baltimore, and would say in reply that Major W. L. Van Derlip has been telegraphed to make application for all necessary transportation at once.

I am General.

Very respectfully,
Sgt Stuart Eldridge
A. A. S.
In absence of Asst. Com.

Official


A. A. S.
& A. A. S.

No 3 P. S. Vol. 2, 1868.

Baltimore, Md. May 16/68
M. 26 H. S. Brooks, Asst. Comr.

Maryland,
H. Brooks
Asst. Comr.

Asks are there any arrangements being made to restore to their parents the ten (10) children recently released through action of Major Van Derlip, by U.S. District Court. States that they are in the Orphan Asylum in Baltimore under Govt. expense & cause great trouble to the managers of said institution which is a private one & cannot permanently provide for these children.

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BUREAU R.F. & A. REC'D MAY 18 1868 WASHINGTON
BUREAU R.F. & A. REC'D MAY 20 1868 WASHINGTON

Mr. Dep't. Bureau R.F. & A. L.
Washington, D.C. May 18/68.
Respectfully referred to Genl. C.H. Howard, Asst. Comr. of District Columbia, who will answer this letter.

By order of
Maj-Genl. O.O. Howard
F. D. Sewall
Asst. Genl.

Bureau R.F. & A. L.
Headquarters A.C. May 20. 1868
Respectfully returned in compliance with instructions of the Commissioner. The inclosed copy of a letter to the Asst-Comr of Md., explains all action taken in the matter at this office.
C. B. McMillan
Vol. 5 Serial #106
Matters of Asst Comr

Wm. Dept, Bureau R.F. & A. L.
Washington May 21. 1868
Respectfully returned to Genl. Howard Brooks, Asst. Comr. of Maryland, attention invited to enclosed letter.

By order of
Major Genl. Howard
F. D. Sewall
C.B. }
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Matters of Asst Comr

495- No. 258-

Head Quarters, Assistant Commissioner,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
District of Maryland and Delaware,
No. 12 N. Calvert Street,

Baltimore, Md., May 16th 1868

May Genl O. C. Howard
Comm Buss
Washⁿ D. C.

I have the honor to inquire whether there are any arrangements being made to restore, to their parents, the ten (10) children recently released, through action of Major Dan Derlip, by U. S. District Court. They are in the Orphan Asylum in this City, under expense to the Government, and cause great trouble, and annoyance to the managers of above institution, which is a private one and cannot undertake to permanently provide for the children

Very respectfully
Your obt. Serv
H. M. M.
Asst Comm,
B. B. B. Seal etc.

Baltimore Maryland

July 15th 1868

Baynes Gamble
Trustee

Request a donation of Sixty \$60
dollars for the Helena Wells
School, to pay rent, and for cur-
rent debts. The amt. left by said Wells
being only enough to pay teacher

Recd. Am. Cong. Trust. Dec. 17th 1868

General Brooks
Com^r of Freeman's Beau
for Md.

Feb. 2nd Mo 12th 1868

Resp^d Friend

We the Trustees
of Nelson Wells Colored free School present
our petition for a donation of Sixty dollars
to pay our annual rent and for six desks;
as the amount left by said Wells is not
sufficient to pay our teachers a fair com-
-pensation for their services

Remain thy friends

James Payne } Trustee
John Needles } Trustee

Balti Md,

May 20th 1862

Dear Mr H
Supr. of Schools.

In reply to request of Capt.
Comm. suggest the Com:
& appropriations necessary
for certain School Homes for
freemen.

Head Quarters, Assistant Commissioner,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

District of Maryland and Delaware,

No. 12 N. Calvert Street,

Off. Supt. of Schools,
Baltimore, Md., May 20th 1868.

General :-

Permit me to suggest in reference to the School-Houses on the List handed to me:-
1. Of the Delaware applications, Newport is most pressing. They promise to immediately put up the building, and to take more interest in the School than ever. The number now in attendance is 27. Before the public mtg. held by me last Friday night, the Church people and the School trustees seemed at variance - but Church and School people then united, and promise to work together. Now they say they "understand the matter."

I do not think that they need a House 24x40. Mr. Woolmapp proposes to build the house 24x36 for \$525.00 - saving \$75.

2. We have now 7 School-Houses erected in Harford County - and it seems fair to let that County now wait until those who have less may be supplied. It and Kent County have more than other Counties.

3. Princess Anne, Somerset County, I think ought to be assisted. They will need a school full 30 x 40 as mentioned in the bill:— and have furnished a deed, as required. They have competent colored men to oversee the work. They have 55 pupils reported even in April, when the larger pupils are taken from the school — and in the winter, the night and day school numbered 99. The people have promised in my presence to unite and put up the lumber as soon as sent.

Princess Anne is the County Town of Somerset County. We have furnished before this in that County only about \$125⁰⁰. This was for Deal's Island. All the sash the Princess Anne School will need I think can be found at Milford, Del., where I found they had 20 odd more sashes than they needed. It is new Princess Anne & all by rail. The lumber, I think, could be got out at Princess Anne perfectly good and far cheaper than we could furnish it. If by that means we could furnish a house larger than 30 x 40 it would be a benefit.

J. Magrath is the leading man. He is responsible. At the Railroad from to Princess Anne will cost nothing — I would go down to see if I can

4. New Market, Frederick, ought to be furnished with lumber for a school-house.

Two letters upon the subject I append to this sheet.

Henceforth we have furnished Lumber for only one place in the County - viz: - Point of Rocks.

5. The Port Deposit people (Cecil County) have, in good faith, secured the Deed which has been declared by the Bureau Solicitor (Mr. Stockbridge) to be sufficient for the purpose of securing the School House to the Colored People. Gen. Gregory (former Asst. Commr.) even had the Order issued, and the People know that.

Having furnished the Deed, they have written to know if the Lumber is to be sent. I, this morning, respectfully referred their letter just received, to Mr. Monteith, D. C. I referred to the Port Deposit case, at length, in my Quarterly Report, lately submitted. They have a promise of \$96. from the County Commissioners, immediately and \$44. more during the year. I think, therefore, that \$100. less than the estimate would answer. But I think that Port Deposit ought to have a new School House, as soon as it can conveniently be furnished. The difference of opinion waged by Mr. Martin and fostered by Mr. Hany, a preacher, is mainly associational, and I think, ought not to be allowed to interfere with the good work proposed.

6. Of the balances on the list, Furnace Branch (Brooklyn P. O.) seems to be most prominent. We have done but little for our part of Anne Arundel County (where this Furnace Branch is) and I am told that the people are earnest for a school-house and generally enterprising. The Deed for School House at this place is here.

As the other places mentioned have no Deeds ready, I pass them by, at present.

7. At East New Market, Dorchester County, there is a little bill which they ask the General to pay, as follows:—

1077 ft. Flooring @ $\frac{3}{4}$ pr. ft.	\$35. ⁰⁰	
Nails, Screws, Latches,	<u>19.⁰⁰</u>	\$54. ⁰⁰

This kind of additional bill Mr. Monteith says the Bureau usually pays.

8. There is a similar bill (I believe) of larger amt., at Dover, Del., but whether the Bureau ever agrees to pay it or not I do not know.

Robt. Brig. Gen. H. Brooks,
Asst. Commr.

Very Resp^{ly} Submitted,
J. Howard Day,
Supt. of Schools.

Filed May 18 1868.

Wm. H. D.

Sept. of S. C.

New Market Frederick County Md.
To William Howard Day, Superintendent of Schools.
Bureau of R. F. And A. L. Dist of Md. And Del.
Esteemed Friend.

I was employed by the
Actuary of the Freedmen's Association of Baltimore,
to take charge of the colored school in this place
as teacher for 10 months, commencing the 1st of the
10th mo: (October) last. I was solicited by the Freedmen
to ask the Association to aid them in erecting a
suitable building for a School House. I received an
answer that the lumber would be furnished; but before
any thing would be done, the church property, on which
they wished to build a school House, must be deeded to
school Trustees. Trustees were appointed, a deed executed, but
before signing, it was thought best to consult a lawyer
to know that all was going on right. He, the lawyer, after
examining his books, decided a good and lawful deed
could not be made without a special act of the
legislature, - so this put a stop to the matter,
consequently the colored People of this vicinity have
no school House, which, the Actuary, upon visiting
this place last winter, acknowledged was very much
needed. Sometime in the latter part of the past winter,
the Actuary requested that the Colored People should petition
the Freedmen's Bureau to furnish them lumber, which
was done and signed by the Trustees.

Hoping your Honorable Body will feel it right to
give them the required assistance, I remain
thy friend
James Russell, Teacher.

Amontown Md

March 27th 1868

Wm Howard Day
Supt of Schools

Dear Sir

I paid a
visit to New Market Frederick Co,
a few days ago and I found there
a very fine colored school under the
instructions of Mr. James Russell a
white man one of the County School
Commissioners for Frederick County.
The colored people in that vicinity
are very anxious to have a school
house. I think they have purchased
a lot. Mr. Russell requested me
to write to you on the subject to
know whether or not the government
would furnish material for that
purpose and what steps were necessary
for them to take. Please give them the required
information. Address

over

James Russel
New Market
Frederick County
Md.

Yours Respectfully
J. M. Christ

Mem. - Mr. Russell called
and learned particulars. Has to fur-
nish a written statement of what
is wanted.

Wm. A. L.
Supt. of Schools

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Baltimore, Md.

May 25th. 1868.

Maryland

Brig. Gen. J. C. Brooke
Act. Commr.

Enquires if in cases where
an appeal is made to the
U. S. Courts, in regard to
cases of apprenticeship before
that Office - the expenses of
the same can be paid
from Remaind funds.
C. P. 196-20175



War Department. Bureau of Finance
Washington May 27th 1868.

Respectfully returned to Brig
Genl Howard Brooke, act. Commr
of Md. Necessary expenses of
the kind referred to may be
paid.

By order of
Major Genl Howard

E. J. Whitlesey

Adj. act. Genl

C. P. 196-20175-

HEAD QUARTERS, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

DIST. OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE,

No. 12 NORTH CALVERT STREET,

Sup. 504-20278

Baltimore, Md. May 25th 1868

My Genl O. C. Howard
Comm, Bu &c

Washington D. C. S.
Sir.

It is anticipated, with regard to the numerous apprenticeship cases coming before this office, that in some instances where we are compelled to appeal to the U.S. Court, the "costs" of proceedings will be thrown upon us. So far we have not been driven to the above extremity, but there seems to be an indication, in some of the "Eastern Shore" counties, to contest our action.

It is believed that such opposition promptly, and successfully met will have a salutary effect in aiding the good work we have commenced. It is also, occasionally, necessary to obtain certified copies, of indentures, for which County officials require a fee. I have the honor to inquire whether this Bureau will be authorized from your Hon. Qts, to expend funds for above objects.

Very respectfully

J. P. Jones
Asst. Comm.
Bt. Brig. Genl. U.S.A.

Wm. J. ... Vol 12, 18.
Baltimore, Md.
May 29th 1868.

Maryland.

Brig Genl. J. P. ...
Asst. Commr.

Encloses papers in the case of Eleanor
Ganeth, (col'd) who was illegally apprenticed
to a Mr. Hammond of Howard Co., Md. ...
prior to the decision of Judge Chase on this
subject. The parents of this child are both
dead and Mr. H. is willing to give up the
child if desired, but requests that she may be
again bound to him under the same indentures
as white children. The child is well treated
and seems to stay with Mr. H. It is therefore
recommended that his request be granted, and
the same course pursued in similar cases, as
it will be better while in the power of the Bureau
to bind as many of the orphans in this manner
as possible, the County Court will undoubtedly
again bind all orphans when the Bureau is
withdrawn &c. A decision, and the
return of these papers is requested.

Exp. 19th Dec 1868.

(2 Enclosures)

War Department,
Bureau C. F. & A. S.
Washington, June 2nd 1868.

Respectfully returned,
the recommendations herein
contained are approved.

By order of
Major Genl. C. O. Howard,
C. G. Mottley
U. S. Genl.

Exp. 19th Dec 1868.

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Head Quarters, Assistant Commissioner,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
District of Maryland and Delaware,
No. 12 N. Calvert Street,

Baltimore, Md., May 29th 1868

General,

I have the honor to submit following statement:
Since the decision of Chief Justice Chase with regard to Md. apprentices we
have been acting upon the unfinished cases received prior to said
decision. One of such cases is a complaint made (June 30, 1866) by a
colored woman against a Mr. Hammond, of Howard Co, for the illegal
detention of her sister, the father of said child being dead, and the
mother (since reported dead) insane. Enclosed find reply of Mr. H.
to our demand for the child's surrender. An agent was sent to in-
vestigate the statements contained therein, and, as shown by
Com'n sent herewith, reports the child well treated, and con-
tented to remain. Mr. H. has since called at this office, agreed
to have the indentures cancelled, and (while willing to abide by
my decision) desires the child again bound to him under the
same indentures as provided for white children. I have the

honor to ask whether there is any objection, in this, and
similar cases, to granting the request: and would add
that being responsible for the child's future welfare (as the
Complainant cannot be found) it is desirable that a good
home should be obtained for it. Mr. M. has, and will
provide for its maintenance, As the County Courts will undoubt-
-edly, when the Bw, is withdrawn, again bind all orphan
children, I would respectfully suggest that where the
interests of such children require restraint, it would be
better while in our power to see that they are properly
bound. I respectfully ask that these papers be
returned with your decision

May Genl. O. V. Howard
Comr. Bure
Washington D.C.

Very respectfully
Chas. J. Johnson
J. H. Smith
Asst. Comr.
Br. Brig. Genl. U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

Sandy Hill, Md.
May 30th, 1868.

Your circular of May 21st, has just come to hand and I hasten to reply thereto. In the first place, George son of the Harriet Coffey mentioned in your letter is not at my house, nor has he been there for some three months, but I presume he is at his own liberty and has chosen a home for himself else thers. Now in regard to the other boy named in your circular (Isaac) he is at my house, and I can truly say that I have not as yet ever detained him and am always willing to obey the law of the land, he is as before I stated at my residence and subject to any order you may deem proper to make.

Yours respectfully,

Edward C. Knover Esq.

James B. Waters,

26.14, care vol. 1, 1868

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WRAPPER (./ Enclosures.)

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

WASHINGTON CITY, June 5th 1868.

Respectfully forwarded to Col
Brig Gen Horace Brooks,
Asst Comdr for Maryland, etc.
The Commissioner de-
sires me to say, ^{simply} that he knows
Mr S. P. Wisley, one of the firms,
as a man of the strictest in-
tegrity and ability; and that
he has furnished building
material for the Bureau in
the District of Columbia.

By order of Maj.-Gen. HOWARD, Commissioner,

J. J. L. L.
Bot. Capt. U.S.A., Aide-de Camp.

26. 14. C. O. 26 Vol. 1. 1866
562. 7th Street
Washington D. C.
June 2nd 1866

Hamilton H. W. & Co

Enclose a slip in regard
to the building of freedmens
schools in Maryland, and
call attention to the fact that
they have a very large as-
sortment of doors, sash and
blinds, etc.

26. 14. C. O. 26 Vol. 1. 1866



H. W. HAMILTON.

S. P. WRISLEY.

PERRY COLMAN.

OFFICE AND WAREHOUSES OF

W. HAMILTON & Co.,
DEALERS IN

Goods, and Building Material Generally,

14th Street, opposite Centre Market,

Washington, D. C., June 2^d, 1868.

[Faded text, likely a list of locations or products, partially obscured by a dark mark.]

Bewick Brig: General

Asst Commissioner Frederick Bureau

For the State of Maryland.

Dear Sir:

Noticing the enclosed in a
Rockville paper, and as we are furnishing
for the use of the Bureau here, we thought proper
to write you and call attention to our very large
assortment of Doors, Lath, Blinds & Builders Hard-
-ware

Enclosed we hand you one of our Cards.

We are

Very Respectfully,
H. W. Hamilton & Co.

N.

S. P. WRISLEY.

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OFFICE AND WAREROOMS OF

H. W. HAMILTON & Co.,

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562 Seventh Street, opposite Centre Market,

Washington, D. C., June 2^d, 1868.

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H. W. HAMILTON & CO.,

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in

Building Materials,

Builder's Department, 102 Seventh Street,

*In all its branches, executed,
Opposite Centre Market,
and neatly executed.*

WASHINGTON, D. C.

at moderate rates.

PARTICULAR ATTENTION PAID TO ORDERED WORK.

(over.)

OUR STOCK COMPRISES—

Doors,
Sash,
Blinds,
Pannel Shutters,
Inside Shutters,
Door & Window Frames,
Door Jambs,
Wash Boards.
Mouldings,
Brackets,
Newel Posts,
Hand Rails,
Hot-Bed Sash,
Wood Mantles,
Slate Mantles,
Marble Mantles,
Paints, Oils,
Glass, Putty.

Builder's Hardware,

Nails, Mortise and Rim Locks, Porcelain
and Mineral Door and Shutter Knobs, Sash
Fasteners, Blind and Shutter Hinges, Pul-
leys, Sash Weights and Cords, Butt and
Strap Hinges of all kinds, Screws, Japan-
ned and Bronzed Iron Brackets, Hand Rail
Screws, Hat and Coat Hooks, &c. &c.

Patent Gong Door Bells.

Baltimore Md.

June 15th 1868

Day Smith,
Superintendent

Submits a report of his tour
through portions of Delaware and
Eastern Shore Maryland

Head Quarters, Assistant Commissioner,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

District of Maryland and Delaware,

No. 12 N. Calvert Street,

Office of Supt. of Schools }
Baltimore, Md., June 12th 1865. }

Captain;

I have the honor to report that I saw Mr. Lewis of Smyrna whose letter was sent here, relating to an agreement between him and Mr. Hurry to have the Bureau pay Rent for use of School House in Smyrna. My reply was, that he must settle any matter in dispute with the parties who made the promise; and that as to the future he must lay the matter in writing, before the Asst. Commissioner.

After visiting the Schools with Bot. Brig. Gen. Brooks, I found the Annual Conference of the African M. E. Church in session. Knowing that they have ministers stationed in our District, I thought it important to meet with and address them briefly, upon "Collection of Claims," "Apprentices," and "Educational Interests," which I did, on Saturday, June 6th. The Conference unanimously passed a Resolution

olution, endorsing the remarks made, and pledging co-operation with the Bureau in its benevolent work. I will insert the Resolution in my Quarterly Report.

I will also notice in that Report, the Celebration and Dedication at M^r. Comas's Institute, where addresses were delivered by Gen. Brooks, Asst. Com^r. M^r. M^r. Comas, M^r. Marine, and the Supt. of Schools. The mtg. was a success. The Celebration was held June 1st.

I saw M^r. Turner of Newport School (Del.) and he requests the presence of some one to represent the Bureau at their Exhibition, about the 30th of June.

I learn that the ^{in Wilmington Del,} Norway Schools will close Tuesday, 23^d June, or Thursday, 25th.

At Salisbury, (Eastern Shore) Maryland, I found that the School is now closed. It drew out from the Balto. Assⁿ when it demanded the \$15. monthly, and has since been conducted solely by the People. The people hope to re-commence, as soon as they can secure

secured as Teachers. I told them to write to Baltimore.

At Princess Anne, (Eastern Shore) Md., found the School reduced in numbers. The highest number for this month is only 30, and the number present when I visited the School, only 19. The Trustees seem to account for this decrease by laying the blame on the Teacher. The Teacher retorts by charging want of interest, on the part of the Trustees. The Teacher's salary is much behind, but the ^{Teacher} and the people expect to hold a Festival to raise the amt. necessary. They seem united as to a School - House, and say that it shall go up without delay and promise that the School shall be kept going. The deficiency as to the Salary of Teacher, is attributable to the demand of the Balt. Assn. for the \$15. It was "the last feather which broke the camel's back."

I propose, (with Gen. Brooks's order) to visit during my next journey, Talbot County, Kent, and balance of Somerset.

Respectfully,
Wm. Howard Day
Supt. of Schools.

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Wm. Howard Day
Supt. of Schools.

(R., F., & A.L., Vol.), 1868.

....., 1868.

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

WASHINGTON, D.C. June 25th 1868.

Respectfully returned to Genl. McBrooks
with kind of Md. whose attention is
invited to endorsement of Genl. E.D. Townsend.
A.A. Genl. hereon.

By order of
Maj. Genl. O.O. Howard.

E.D. Townsend
A.A. Genl.

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Applicants notified

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Baltimore Md

June 4. 1868

Wm R. A. Lewis 1868.

Capt E. Knowlton

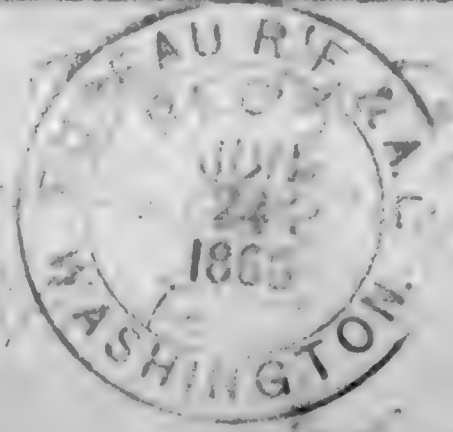
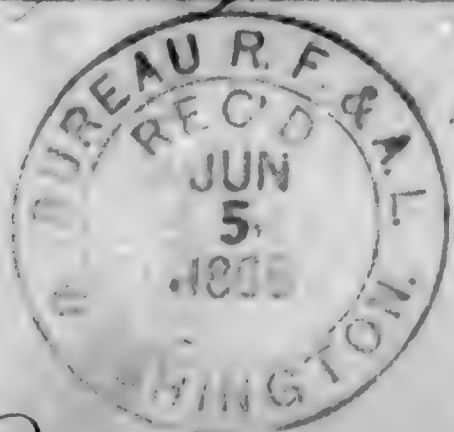
Chaplain of 1st Corps

Bureau Refugees Freedmen
and Abandoned Lands

Status that Catherine H. King, wife of
John H. King "K" Co. 38th US Ct. has applied
for rations. She has lost an arm and the
City authorities refuse to aid her. Can
rations be issued & cost deducted from
her husband's pay?

Referred for instructions
by the Commissioner
Bureau R. F. & A. L.

Off. No. 217



Rec'd A. O. June 12/68

War Department
Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Washington June 8/68

Respectfully forwarded
to Adjutant General M. J. A.
for instructions as to the
best course to be pursued
in this case, the husband
of this applicant being
a U. S. Soldier

E. D. Townsend

Major General
Commissioner
Bureau R. F. & A. L.



E. 12,10092, page 37, 1868
Adjutant General's Office

Washington June 20. 1868.

Respectfully returned to
Major General O. B. Howard,
Commissioner of Bureau of Refu-
gees, Freedmen, and Abandoned
Lands.

No authority is known to this
office, under which relief can be
afforded the wife of the soldier
mentioned within.

It is not thought advisable to
make stoppages against the pay
of a soldier in cases of this kind
unless with his consent.

It appears from the records of
this office that the within named
man was last paid to February

29. 1868.

Off. No. 217
D. T. A.

E. D. Townsend

Assistant Adjutant General.

Head Quarters, Assistant Commissioner,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

District of Maryland and Delaware,

No. 12 N. Calvert Street,

Baltimore, Md., June 4th 1868

General:

Application has been made at this office by Catherine
a. 'Nix, wife of Gen. H. Nix Co. H. 38 U.S. (Col.) for Ration
Her husband having been in the Army about one
year, and now paid off, she is very destitute and disabled,
having lost one arm, and the City Authorities refuse to give
her any assistance, for the reason that her husband is in the
U. S. Service. I have the honor to ask
if rations can be issued to her, and the money value of same
deducted from her husband's pay.

Major Genl. C. C. Stewart

Comm. Burt + Co. A.

Murkinight 46

Very Respectfully

Yours Obedt. Servt.

Edw. C. Knowlton

1st Capt. & Co. A. A. G.

In absence of Capt. Thomas

Bureau H. & C. L.

Balks Ind. June 5th.

E. M. Gregory

St. Maj. Genl. Inspection

Report as to the alleged mis-
application of funds appro-
priated by the Br. to erect a
school house for the col'd people
of Emmitsburg, Frederick
Co. Md.

Wails

Gettysburg

To Peter Brown
Trustee
Emmitsburg

John Constant

James Hallam

John Burkett

(Frederick)

Joseph Lisle

Lordy Daves

Charles Francis

~~W. E. Y.~~ ~~W. E. Y.~~ ~~W. E. Y.~~

Camp, Williams
side

Frank Deekings

Thos. Brown

Wm. H. & J. H.

Shaw

Mrs. J. H. D.

Wm. H. D.

Wm. H. D.

Reuben Carter

Wm. H. D.

\$1.00
1.25

B. A. Bunninghouse
i.e. Surg. Dist.

Frederic
Sawd. 50 cts. a week

Met. Edch. Coland

borrowed \$1000

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Head Quarters Bureau Refugees Freedmen & A. L.
Baltimore, Md.

June 30th 1868.

General

I have the honor to make the following report as to the alleged miss application of funds appropriated by the Bureau to erect a School House for the Colored People of Emmetsburg, Frederick's Co., Maryland.

In compliance of Special Order No. 28, dated June 24th 1868, I left Baltimore June 25, reached Emmetsburg the same day, called a few of the colored people together in the evening, upon inquiry learned the work of the building of the House had ceased, and that the colored people were greatly discouraged, the cause seemed to be the result of a difficulty between William Ulrich, Joseph Hayes, and David Gamble, all professed friends of the colored people.

William Ulrich of whom the Bureau had purchased a bill of lumber, had not delivered all of the lumber according to contract, and had obtained a receipt from the Building Committee, colored people, upon which receipt sent to Captain Wright our financial Agent, and had obtained pay for the full bill, \$467.75. This act was evidently wrong.

We adjourned our meeting to Friday evening the 26th during the day (26th) Mr Ulrich delivered on the ground all the lumber according to contract with the Bureau, which we measured and counted on the morning of the 27th. Except the following articles, two doors, two thousand feet of white pine siding, and three hundred feet of two inch pine, and five hundred and fifty shingles, the siding, doors, and shingles, Mr Ulrich says

will be without fail, delivered this week, on the ground, which I believe will be done this lumber having been sent to Emmetsburg from Harrisburg, (see Telegram enclosed) the three hundred feet of two inch is not required for the building.

At the meeting with the Colored People in the evening they presented their subscription books upon which was about a hundred and twenty dollars (\$120) subscribed, among the subscriptions Mr Ulrichs was twenty dollars (\$20), Mr Hayes, subscribed a good bell for the house, the Trustees and Building Committee agreed to contract, with the Messrs Lowe & Bushnell, to do all the carpenter work, and finish it within sixty days, in the morning we met the carpenters and made a written contract, in which is stated the amount agreed upon for the work, and the time to pay it, we then settled the account between Mr Ulrichs and the Trustees, he having bought their lot for them, and paid the money, he gave to the Colored people all the time they desired to refund him the balance, the Deed from David Gault and wife to the Trustees, Peter Brown, Peter Constance, W^m Wallace, W^m Shorter, and Samuel Elder, is on file for record at the Clerk's Office in Frederick's County.

In my judgement the building will be erected within the sixty days, and be a great blessing to both Colored and white people of the town.

I learn from the white people that the Colored people were responsible and able to put up the building & to meet all their engagements.

I am General

Brvt Ing Genl H Brooks,
Assistant Commissioner,
Bureau R. F. & L.

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedient Servant

E M Gregory, Lt Maj Genl
& Inspector

Proceedings of Board of
Survey entered at-chero
Head Qrs. July 29th 1868
by A. C. 37-

Head Qrs, Asst Commissioner
Burr R. F. and A. L.
Baltimore, Md, July 31st 1868.

The disposition of the within
named property will be made
as recommended by the
Board of Survey.



Asst Commissioner.
and Brig General U.S.A.

Proceedings of a Board of Survey convened at
Hd qtrs. Asst. Comd. Bn R.F. & A.S. for District of
Maryland & Delaware by virtue of the following
S.O.

Bureau Refugee Freedmen &c.
Hd qtrs, Asst. Comd. of Md & Del.
Baltimore Md July 28, 1868.

Special Orders }
No. 37 }

A Board of Survey is hereby directed
to convene at these Hd qtrs, at 10, a.m., July 29, 1868 for
the purpose of ascertaining conditions of the following prop-
erty, for which E. M. Monteith D.C. is responsible alleged
to have been damaged by the flood of July 24, 1868.

One Record Book	24 qrs. Note paper
1925 C. B. Envelopes	12 " Cap "
550 Letter do	3/4 gross Steel pens
5 1/2 quires letter paper	2 Doz Lead pencils
1/2 Doz sheets Blotting paper.	

Detail for the Board

Bt. Capt. F. C. von Schrack 1st Lieut. 43d U.S.I.

Bt. Capt. E. C. Knowlton 1st Lieut. 45th U.S.I.

x x x x x
(Sgd) H. C. Brooke
Asst. Comd. &c.
Bt. Brig. Genl. USA

Hd. Qtrs, Asst. Comm.

Bw. R. F. + a. S.

Baltimore July 29th 1868.

The Board convened in compliance with foregoing
G.O. Present,

Bt. Capt. T. C. Dow Schorack 1st Lieut 43d U.S.

Bt. Capt. E. C. Knower 1st Lieut 45th U.S.

The below mentioned articles of Stationary for
which E. H. Monteith Distg Officer is responsible were found
to be worthless, having been damaged by flood, July
24, 1868. The Board find that said damage occurred
without fault or neglect on the part of E. H. Monteith
and recommend that he be relieved from all respon-
sibility connected therewith, the property being use-
less for official purposes the Board further recommend
that it be disposed of by the D.O. for the best interests
of the Bureau

List of Property

- | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| One Record Book | 24 gross Note paper |
| 1925 O. B. Envelopes | 121 " Cap |
| 550 Letter do | 3/4 gross Steel pens |
| 5 1/2 gross Letter paper | 2 doz. Lead pencils |
| 1/2 doz sheets Blotting paper | |

Approved
[Signature]
Asst Comm.
13th Brig. Genl USA

[Signature]

1st Lieut 45th U.S.

E. C. Knower

Bt. Capt. 1st Lieut 45th U.S.

No. 247. P. T. & A. Vol. 15. 18.

Head Quarters A. Com^d & A. Com^d
Baltimore July 29/68

Maryland & Del

H. Brooks

P. O. Genl & A. Com^d

States that several apprenticeship cases
are awaiting action - The appointment of
Mr. Stockbridge, Solicitor, having been revoked,
requests authority to arrange with some
attorney - to bring such cases before the
U. S. Dist. Court.
E. B. 533, }
Vol. 4, 18. } No. 250

These cases awaiting
legal action



War Dep^t & A. Com^d & A. Com^d
Washington July 30/68

Respectfully returned to Genl. Brooks,
A. Com^d with authority to take the nec-
essary measures to have the cases named
brought before the U. S. Dist Court.
Agreement should be made with an At-
torney and the proper vouchers forwarded
for approval.

By order of

Major General Howard, Comm^d

C. F. Whittelsey

E. B. 533, }
Vol. 4, 18. } No. 250 U. S. Dist. Court

Head Quarters, Assistant Commissioner,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
District of Maryland and Delaware,
No. 30 HOLLIDAY STREET,

L. S. Vol 2-48-2m. 392

Baltimore, Md. July 29th 1865

General:

Several Apprenticeship cases are awaiting legal action; the parties, illegally holding bound children, having refused to restore them to their parents. The appointment of Mr. H. Stockbridge as Rev. Solicitor having been revoked, I respectfully request, if consistent with your views, authority to make arrangements, with some Attorney, to have the above cases brought before the U. S. District Court for trial. Also any similar cases that may arise hereafter.

Very respectfully,
Yours obt. & v. b.

A. M. S.
Asst. Commr.,
St. Brig. Genl. U. S.

To Maj. Genl. C. O. Howard
Comm. B. & F.,
Washington D. C.

Bureau Refugee Free Office

Baltimore Md,

August 1st 1868

Reverend A. H.

Agent in charge Complaint, Div.

Reports result of action in
compliance with A. O. no.
33 from this Ho. Gen. dated
July 27th 1868.

Case closed

Sept. 24/68

see E.B. p 239 no. 46

Rec. Cont. Gen. Ind. Div. August, 1868

Head Quarters, Assistant Commissioner,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,
District of Maryland and Delaware,
No. 30 HOLLIDAY STREET, "Complaint Division".

Baltimore, Md. August 1st 1868.

Br. Captain E. C. Snow, A. A. Agent,

Captain.

In compliance with Special order N^o. 35. b. s. from these Head Quarters, I have visited Washington D. C. and Prince Georges C. Md. and obtained evidence that William Johnson, now confined in Maryland Penitentiary is innocent, also a number of affidavits referring to the character of said Johnson. from the clerk of the Court at Upper Marlboro Md. I obtained Copy of Record of trial also affidavit that Johnson, was convicted principally on the evidence of A. Stewart, who now states that he was then in error. The signature of the District Attorney who prosecuted, I could not obtain, having since died. and the Judge promised to act on my application after he had consulted with the present District attorney, W. Magruder, defendants Counsel also signed the petition for pardon. these papers Judge Berry, promised to send to me by Monday's mail. W. Johnson, was not tried by a Jury, but by agreement submitted his case to the presiding Judge.

Very Respectfully your ob^d. servant.

A. W. Bolinius
Agent Complaint Division,

Q. #61 (R., F., & A.L., Vol. 13.,) 1868.

Philadelphia Pa.

August 3rd, 1868.

Dungan O.B.

Draws attention to the condition of the Freedmen in Eastern Md. and suggests that the Bureau aid them in building log houses upon rented land which they would be enabled to purchase in two years, etc.

WRAPPER (Two Enclosures.)

Received Bureau R., F., & A.L., Aug 2nd, 1868.

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands.

WASHINGTON, August 5 1868.

Respectfully referred to General Horace Brooks, Assistant Commissioner, State of Maryland.

By order of Major General Howard.

E. Whittlesey

Adjutant General.

Oct 27 - M. 253

I am sure no
judicious use of
a sum of money
required for this
object can be
made.

Your truly
C. B. D.

W. J. F. A. No. 13. 65.

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no more
so small
as would be
object could

truly
C. B. Dingle

Phil^a Aug 3. 1868
Gen. O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

I am engaged building
a Rail Road from Smyrna Del
to Oxford Md. thus crossing the
States of Delaware & Maryland in
a south west direction and have
now virtually completed 32 miles
& shall have it shortly done through
Tobacco County. The entrance of
Caroline Co. on this Eastern Shore
has brought to my knowledge the
painful situation of many of
the Freedmen who are suffering
greatly in common with most of
their race & in this & adjoining
Counties a considerable number
of worthy & unworthy persons are
squatting about gathering &
precarious living & exposing

themselves to all the evils incident
to approximation to their more
favored white neighbors.

Certainly no more advantageous
charity could be exhibited than
such as would relieve their
troubles and I am led to
think the Bureau under your
charge can do it at a very
small expense. By means
of the Rail Roads, Philad., Balt.
and N. York are now easily
accessible from these lands which
are extraordinarily fruitful &
productive and wonderfully respond
to the smallest culture. The
Whites are taking advantage
of this state of things to a large
extent but the poor negroes
seem to be shut off from this
success by that want of sympathy
so universally apparent in the
South.

I am acquainted
Churton gent
in this Co., where
these negroes
10 or 20 acres
they build
to cost only
the Bureau can
one year they
that would
not only they
purchase the
second year
to call you
important
that D. W. G.
Greenboro, Co.
esteemed Elder
Church & work
in their suffer
be a most
to Superintendent
and settlers

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to their more
neighbors.
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parent in the

I am acquainted with a
Christian gentleman owning ground
in this Co., who will gladly rent
these negroes small tracts of
10 or 20 acres conditioned that
they build themselves a Log House
to cost only \$60. - If therefore
the Bureau could keep them for
one year they could get a start
that would enable them to pay
not only their Rent but even
purchase their homestead the
second year - I beg leave
to call your attention to this
important matter, and to add
that Dr W. S. Ridgely of
Greensboro, Caroline Co, a highly
esteemed Elder of a Presbyterian
Church & who takes much interest
in these suffering people would
be a most excellent person
to superintend their choice
and settlement -

I am sure no more
judicious use of so small
a sum of money as would be
required for this object could
be made.

Your truly
C. B. Dungen

W. J. F. M. No. 13. 65.

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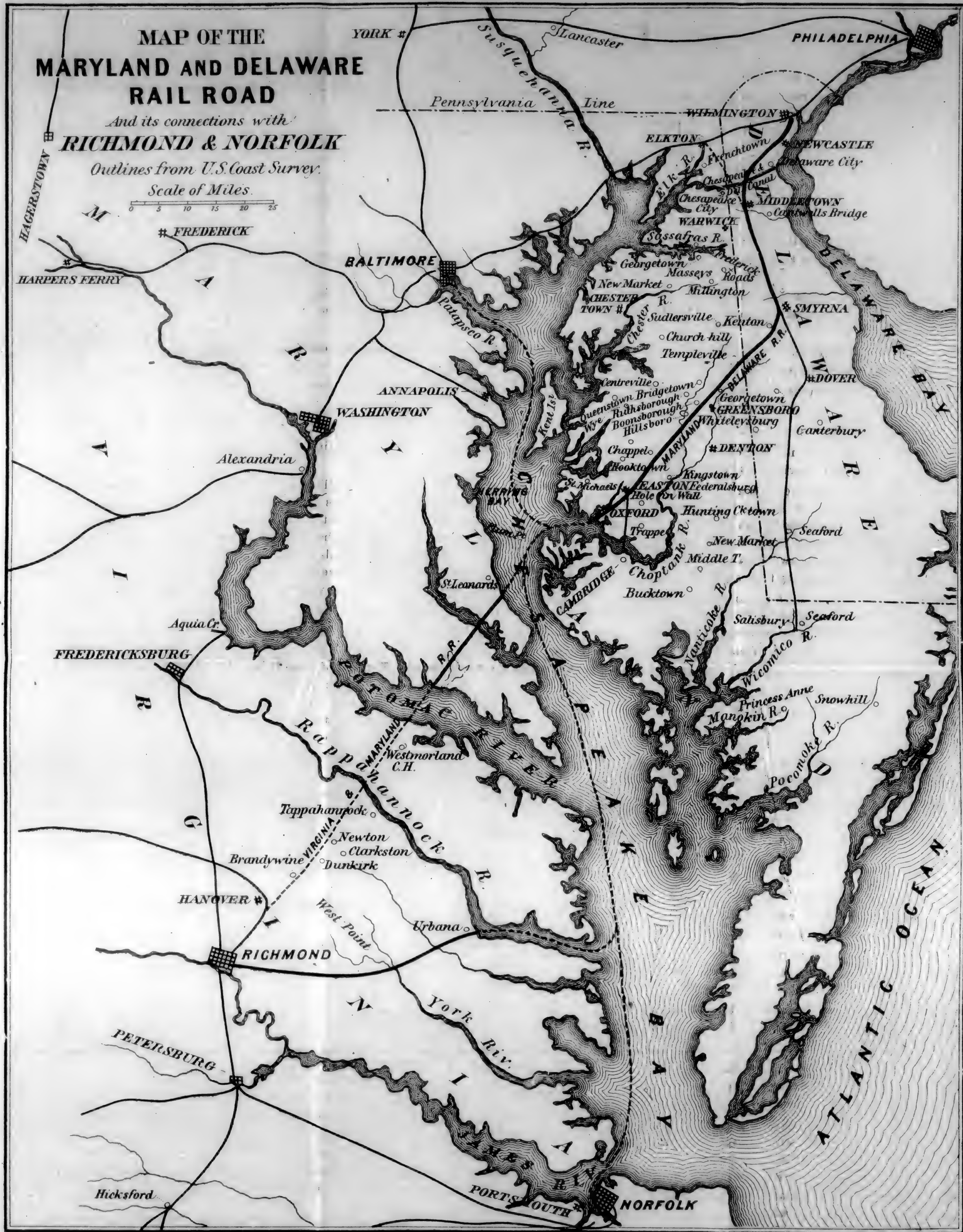
Genl. O. Stor
Dear Sir
I am
a Rail Road
to Oxford in
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MAP OF THE MARYLAND AND DELAWARE RAIL ROAD

And its connections with
RICHMOND & NORFOLK

Outlines from U.S. Coast Survey.

Scale of Miles.





Old P. F. A. H. No. 13. 78.

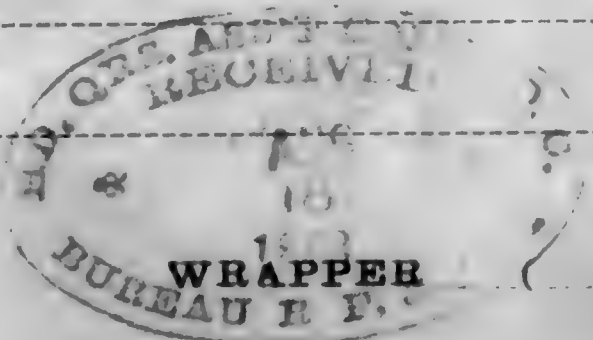
ИМПЕРАТОРСКОМУ
ВЪСТОЧНОМУ
ДЕПАРТАМЕНТУ
ИЗЪЯВЛЕНІЕ
О
ПРИНАДЛЕЖНОСТИ
ОТЪ СЕВЕРНОГО
ПРЕДЪІЯ ПЕНТАПОЛИСА
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Elkton Md
E. J. Woodcock
August 13th, 1868.

Ewing W. P.
Atty at Law.

writes at length in reference to the
case of children James & Stephen Cooper
retained by Mr. P. Hendrickson.
The parents of the children are able
to provide for them & wish to
have possession of them. Thinks
that under "Civil Rights Bill" and
Judge Schous ruling they are clearly
entitled to possession of the children.



Received Bureau R. F., & A.L., Aug 10th, 1868.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17. 1868.

Respectfully referred to Genl.
A. Howard, Asst Comr Dist of Columbia.
The case is one which can
be settled only by the civil
Courts.

By order of Maj. Genl. Howard,

E. J. Woodcock
A. J. A. General.

Case closed Aug. 11. 68

Head-Quarters A
WASHINGTON

Respectfully referred to Pt. Capt. F. S.
Schlach, U. S. A. Sub Officr Comm'd
at Baltimore Md who will prepare this
case for same action as has been taken in
similar cases.

By Order of Asst. Commissioner

E. P. Hobbs
No. 342.
Pt. Major U. S. A. & C. A. & C.

On subsequent
investigation a
letter was written
at this date
to W. P. Ewing
Atty & to Mr. Hopkin
in presence
of sub Commr of
the Commission.

(A. Howard)
A. C.

Baltimore
Aug 24 1868

W. P. EWING,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
ELKTON, MD.

Old
1868

In answer to a com-
plaint against Mr. P. Hend-
rickson for retention of
two colored children, forward-
ed to the Head Quarter
of Asst. Com^r of Bureau
of Refugees & for Old.
I have just received the
following communication:

(copy)

Baltimore Old Aug 11/68

Mr W. P. Ewing
Attorney at Law
Elkton Old

Sir - The complaint
against Mr. P. Hendrickson
for retention of the col^d children
Jesse and Stephen Cooper was

Elkton Md

Aug 13 1868

Sir -

In answer to a complaint against Mr. P. Hendrickson for retention of two colored children, forwarded to the Head Quarter of Asst. Com^d of Bureau of Refugees &c. for Md. I have just received the following communication:

(Copy)

Baltimore Md Aug 11/68

Mr W. P. Luning
Attorney at Law
Elkton Md

Sir - The complaint against Mr. P. Hendrickson for retention of the col^d children Jesse and Stephen Cooper was

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referred by me to the action
of the Commissioner of the
Bureau at Washington D.C.
who has come to the con-
clusion to suspend further ac-
tion in this case, having re-
ceived satisfactory evidence
that the children are well
cared for by Mr. Hendrickson.
This case does not come
under the decision of Judge
Chase, the children being bound
before Emancipation and there-
fore free.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Edward C. Knower
Brook Captain U.S. Army, A.D.A.G.

Now as this case has
only been suspended by you,
I wish to again call your

attention to the matter. I think the case does come directly "under the decision of Judge Chase". I have not the Judges' decision by me; but Judge Giles in *Jane Cromwell vs. John Pettibone*, a similar case, uses this language;

"I understand him (Chase) to have decided in the case before him that the holding of a colored child under the indentures drawn in pursuance of the laws of the State in relation to negro apprentices, is a case of involuntary servitude within the meaning of the first section of the 13th Amendment, and that the Civil Rights bill

enacted under the authority of the 2nd clause of said Amendment, is constitutional and applies to all conditions prohibited by it, and that where it appears by the indentures that they do not contain certain important provisions, which are required by the laws of the State in reference to white apprentices, they are void and the apprentice will be discharged."

In the case now before you, it ~~does~~ appears by the indentures of Stephen Cooper that they do not contain those provisions - the acts for "White Apprentices" and "Colored Apprentices" being very dissimilar. And as regards the other child Jesse, he is

held without any indentures
or any authority whatever —
simply by force.

The fact that Mr. New-
drickson treats the children
will has but little to do
with the matter, so far as
I can discover. The parents
allege that they are able to
provide for them, and wish
to have possession of them.
And I think under the Civil
Rights bill and Judge
Chase's ruling they are
clearly entitled to them. If
downer your final decision
is adverse to the claim, we
will have to seek redress from
the United States Courts.

Please let me have
your decision in the case

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at as early a day as
practicable.

Very Respectfully
W. P. Ewing

May. Gen. O. O. Howard
Com^r Bureau of Refugees
Washington
D. C.

Exp. accretionis

Case of Stephen & Jessie Cooper
(No. M. 258.)

Genl. H. Brooks submits case of
Stephen & Jessie Cooper to P. Henderson
and requests instructions whether the
children referred to shall upon the
written & verbal recommendation of Sen.
Criswell be allowed to remain with Mr. E.
In his opinion they will be benefitted by
remaining. See (M. 258.) is a kind and
indulgent master. Requests return of
papers with decision.

Returned - E. B. 562. vol 4.

Respy. Ret. to A. C. M. D. If Mr. Henderson
will give a pledge to treat the children as white
apprentices would be treated, and give them
school privileges it may be wise to suspend
action in the case, as it is doubtful
whether the decision of the Chief
Justice applies.

CC

1336 P. R. F. & A. S. 1868

Bureau R. F. & A. S.
11 Asst. Commr's Office,
Nashville, Tenn. Aug 21. 1868.

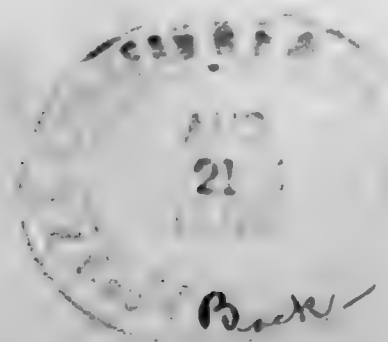
Respectfully referred to
Chas. R. Simpson, Esq.
Actg. Sub-Asst. Commr. Pulaski
Tenn. for investigation and
report.

It is necessary that the inquiry
be made & this paper re-
turned at the earliest prac-
ticable date.

By order of
Bvt. Maj. Genl. W. P. Carlin

E. B. 3
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Asst. Commr.
W. H. Power,
Lieut. & A. A. Genl.



Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Office Sub Asst Comm
Pulaski Tenn
Sept 3rd 1868

Respectfully returned to
Bvt. Maj. Genl. W. P.
Carlin Asst Comm
R. F. & A. S. state
of Tennessee with the
information that I
have made diligent
inquiry through the
different 'Cold Churn'
and responsible
colored men of this
Sub District and
can not ascertain
anything relative to
said Columbus Leamy
whereabouts

E. B. 3
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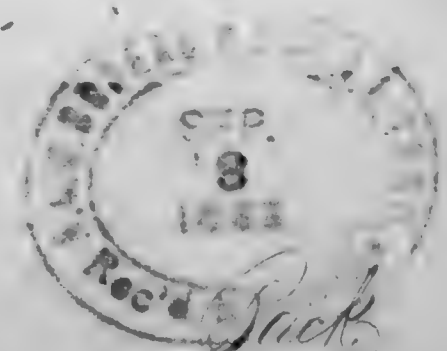
Chas. R. Simpson
Sub Asst Comm

Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Asst. Commr's Office
Nashville, Tenn. Sept 8/68

Respectfully returned to
Bvt. Brig. Genl. H. Brooks, Esq.
Asst. Commr. Dist. of Maryland
and Delaware, whose attention
is invited to the foregoing
endorsements.

E. B. 3
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W. H. Power,
Lt. 45th Inf'ty.
and A. A. General
In the absence of the Asst. Commr.
E. B. 3
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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

STATE OF TENNESSEE,

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

Nashville, Tenn.

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Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Subdist. C. of Memphis,
Subdist. Comm. Office,
Memphis, Tenn., Aug 3rd 1868
Respectfully returned
to Lt. W. H. Bowers, A. L.
A. S. G. A., Nashville, Tenn.,
and attention invited
to endorsement of Mr.
W. Brown, Esq., Agent
G. O., dated July 31st 1868.
E. B. Moore
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J. S. Palmer
Lt. Col. & Sub. Dist. Comm.

Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Asst. Commis. Office,
Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 5th 1868.

Respectfully referred to Pat.
Capt. Saml. Walker, Sub. Asst.
Commis. - Knoxville, Tenn.
for investigation and early
report -

This paper to be returned -

By order of

Prot. Major Genl. W. P. Carlin,

Asst. Commis.

J. D. D. Dower,

Lieut. & A. A. Genl.

E. B. Moore
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Bureau R. F. & A. L. Land
Dist. Asst. Comm. Office
Knoxville, Tenn., Aug. 18th 1868

Respectfully returned to
Lieut. W. H. Bowers, A. L. Asst.
Bureau, R. F. & A. L. Nashville, Tenn.
I have made inquiry at
all the Col. Churches, and the
Col. League, and examined
all the "Registers" of Col. Yooks,
that were accessible, but
found no information rel-
ative to the whereabouts
of the within named man,
Columbus Coursey.

John Walker
Capt. in Charge
in absence of Capt. Walker
S. A. C.

Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Office Sub Asst Comm
Washington Tenn May 26th 68.

Respectfully returned
to Prot. Maj. Genl W. P.
Carlin Asst. Comd
for Tenn with the
information that
I have made diligent
inquiries regarding
the within named
Columbus Cursey
and have also caused
Notices to be sent to
the different col'd
Churches in this City
but can find out no
clue as to his whereabouts

E. B.
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Wm. E. F. Smith
Capt & R. C.
and Sub. Asst Comm

MAILED
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RECEIVED

Bureau R. F. & A. S.

Assistant Commissioner's Office
Marshallville, Tenn. May 26/68.

Respectfully referred to St.
Col. Fred. S. Palmer, Sub Asst
Comm. Memphis Sub-District,
for investigation and report.

This paper to be returned.

By Order of.

Prot. Maj. Genl. W. P. Carlin

E. B.
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Assistant Commissioner

W. W. Dower.
St. C. & A. S.

Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Sub-Dist. of Memphis,
Sub-Dist. Comm. Office,
Memphis, Tenn., May 29th 1868.

Respectfully referred to
W. W. Brown, Agent, & C.
in charge of Shelby Co.,
Tenn., for the desired
information. These
papers to be returned
with report.

W. S. Palmer
Sub-Dist. and Sub-Dist. Comm.

7 Bureau R. F. & A. S.
Office, Agent & C.
Memphis Shelby Co. Tenn. May 31st 68
Respectfully returned to St. Col.
Fred S. Palmer with the infor-
mation that I have made dili-
gent search for the within named
man but without success
W. W. Brown
Agent

C 277 R. F. A. L. 13. '68

Washington D.C.
Sept. 12th 1868.

District of Columbia
C. H. Howard
Agt. Commr.

Requests information as to whether in the transfer of the District lately under charge of Gen. Brooks the State of Delaware was included &c

C. P. 238-200-43

War Department
Bureau of Refugees Freedmen & A. L.
Washington Sept. 17 '68

Respectfully returned. No reference is made to Delaware in the orders transferring to the Assistant-Commissioner of the District of Columbia, the jurisdiction formerly exercised in Delaware by the Assistant-Commissioner of Maryland nor does it clearly appear what his authority and duties in that State were. In the absence of any direct instructions relating to Delaware it is presumed that the Commr intended to invest the Agt. Commr. of the District of Columbia with the same power in Delaware as was exercised by Genl Brooks, until restricted by positive orders.

By order of
Major Genl. O. O. Howard
(Signed) A. D. Suwall
A. A. A. Genl.

C. P. 238-200-43

Head-Quarters, Freedmen, & Abandoned Lands,
Head-Quarters Asst. Commr., J.C.,
WASHINGTON, SEP 18 1868

Official copy respectfully furnished
to Capt. F. C. von Schleich Sub.
Assistant-Commissioner Baltimore
Sub-District for his information
By order of the Agt. Commr.

[Signature]
A. A. A. Genl.

C. P. 238-200-43

Bureau Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Headquarters Ass't Commissioner, District Columbia,

Washington, September 12th, 1868.

Gen. F. D. Sewall

A. A. C.

General— I have the honor to request information, whether in the transfer of the District lately in charge of Brig. Gen. H. Brooks, as Assistant Commissioner, to my jurisdiction by letter of the Commissioner dated July 29th ult., the State of Delaware was included. This inquiry is made because Delaware was not specifically mentioned in said letter, but had been included in Gen Brooks District.

Very respectfully
(Signed) C. H. Howard

Asst. Commr.

L. B. Vol. 4 No. 1012

John Williams
106 York St.

[Signature]

Claimant notified
& discharge paid Dec 26/68



[FORM No. 37.]

Treasury Department,

Second Auditor's Office,

Sept 15, 1868.

Sir:

The claim for Bounty of Mr. Tillman
Co. C, 7th Regiment U. S. C. T., is disallowed,
and his certificate of discharge herewith returned.

The records of this Office show that he was paid all arrears,
~~and \$100 Bounty, Act July 28, 1866,~~ all he is entitled to, as
he is borne upon the Rolls as "~~not free, &c.~~ a substitute
not entitled under any law,

Respectfully,

E. B. Rusk

Auditor.

Maj. Wm. Fowler
Brevet

CSB/67

George Miles

Principal Assn

Amalgamated Co., N.Y.

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Notified & answer
received Disch returned
for diff of pay

Dis on file at Wash



[FORM NO. 37.]

Treasury Department,

Second Auditor's Office,

Sept 24, 1868.

Sir:

The claim for Bounty of George Miles
Co. D, 19 Regiment U. S. C. T., is disallowed,
and his certificate of discharge herewith returned.

The records of this Office show that he was paid all arrears,
and \$100 Bounty, Act July 28, 1866, all he is entitled to, as
he is borne upon the Rolls as "not free," &c.

Respectfully,
Per Wm W. Fowler
Washington
D.C.

E. B. Ruch
Auditor.

Wm W
F

Bu R. F. + AL
Washⁿ D.C. Sept 26/68

J. M. Brown
B. May, & D. C.

Encloses check for
\$30.48 for payment
of clerks and
others on duty in
Balt Md.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Office Chief Accounting and Disbursing Officer,
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

132 Pennsylvania Avenue, between 19th and 20th Streets,

Washington, D. C., Sept 26 1868

Major Wm Schmidt

U.S.A.

Sub-Maj. Genl.

Major

Baltimore, Md.

In reply to yours of yesterday
I shall be at Baltimore either on
30th of Sept or 1st Oct to pay Clerk
+ others on your rolls.

If you have any other accounts
please forward them to me as early
as possible for receipt & approval.
I enclose Check No on your A.S. of this
date to your order (in payment of) for \$30.⁴⁸/₁₀₀

Major Wm Schmidt postage 9.⁸¹/₁₀₀

Capt. Knowen

do 1.²⁴/₁₀₀

Hughes & Menner

for pay 19.⁴³/₁₀₀
\$30.48

Very Respectfully
Wm. M. Brown
Act. Secy & D.O.

Jos Keyton

78 Chestnut St.

D 29

Client informed
of nature & discharge
of term Dec. 9, 68



(FORM No. 31.)

Treasury Department,

Second Auditor's Office,

Sept 30, 1868.

Sir:

The Claim for Bounty of Thos Keyton
Co. D, 29 Regt. U. S. C. T., is disallowed, and his
Certificate of Discharge herewith returned. The Records of this
Office show that he was paid ^{after Sep 5/64} ~~being a substitute~~ ^{installment}; all he
~~substitutes after that date are entitled to no bounty whatever~~
is entitled to. ~~Men who enlisted under the Act of July 4, 1864,~~
~~under any act~~
~~(although mustered out by reason of their services being no longer~~
~~required,) are only entitled to the installments of Bounty that had~~
~~become due at the time of discharge.~~

The Act of July 28, 1866, does not apply to ~~men enlisting~~
~~under Act of July 4, 1864~~ substitutes

Wm Fowler
Washington
D.C.

Respectfully,

E. B. French,

Auditor.

JHR

MONTHLY REPORT
OF THE
ACTUARY
OF THE
DELAWARE ASSOCIATION
FOR THE
Moral Improvement and Education
OF THE
COLORED PEOPLE.

WILMINGTON, DEL.

October *1868*

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THE DELAWARE ASSOCIATION
FOR THE
MORAL IMPROVEMENT AND EDUCATION
OF THE
COLORED PEOPLE.

Office,

Wilmington, Del.,

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Actuary.

Schools under the care of the Delaware Association
For the Moral Improvement of the
Colored People.

No.	Town	County	Name of Teacher	Color of Teacher
1	Wilmington	New Castle	Lucinda H. Watson	White
2	Wilmington	New Castle	Nellie M. Drury	White
3	Wilmington	New Castle	Abbie C. Peckham	White
4	Wilmington	New Castle	Eva J. Pickford	White
5	Gover <u>dud</u>	Kent	Joseph H. Rodgers	Colored
6	Seaford <u>dud</u>	Sussex	Fanny J. Potts	White
7	Imyona	Kent	Margaretta Moses	Colored
8	Christianna	New Castle	Emma J. Whittington	Colored
9	Odessa	Kent	Mary E. Fayerweather	Colored
10	Milford <u>dud</u>	Kent	Comelia Smith	White
11	Laurel <u>dud</u>	Sussex	Mary T. Douglas	Colored
13	New Castle <u>dud</u>	New Castle	Sarah T. Douglas	Colored
14	Milton <u>dud</u>	Sussex	Medora T. Brooks	Colored

(over)

No.	Town	County	Name of Teacher	Color of Teacher
15	Newark	New Castle	Celinda D. Anderson	Colored
16	Delaware City	New Castle	Harriet P. Park	Colored
17	Lewes	Lussey	Pauline Allen	Colored
18	Camden ^{dead}	Kent	Lucinda A. Smith	Colored
19	Newport ^{dead}	New Castle	Lizzie N. Smith	Colored
21	Port Penn	New Castle	Anna M. Hughes	Colored
22	Mt. Pleasant	New Castle	Anna M. Taylor	Colored
23	Dutch Neck	Kent	Jane S. Allen	Colored
12	Georgetown	Lussey		
20	Wilmington	Kent		
		<u>Not opened.</u>		

Bu R.Y. & a Co
Wash. D.C. Oct 19/68

Mr. Brown
Bklyn. & D.C.

Encloses check for \$5.110
in payment of Ins.
Carys account

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,
Office Chief Accounting and Disbursing Officer,

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

132 Pennsylvania Avenue, between 19th and 20th Streets.

Washington, D. C., Oct 19th 1868

Capt E. C. von Schirach
S. A. C. Bu. R. F. & A. L.
Baltimore Md.

Captain:

I enclose you herewith check on the U. S.
Treasurer at Washington D. C. for (\$3⁰⁰) Five dollars, in
payment of account of Gen. Leary - the vouchers for which
were forwarded by you on the 7th inst.

I am Respectfully

J. M. Brown
Ch. Majors & Co.

Bw. R. F. & A. D.
Washⁿ D. C. Oct. 26/68

J. M. Brown
B. M. & D. C.

Regarding Blankets
for horses and
Report of Persons
& articles for Oct

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Office Chief Accounting and Disbursing Officer,

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

132 Pennsylvania Avenue, between 19th and 20th Streets,

Washington, D. C., Oct 26th 1868

Dear Sir,

I spoke to the General (Chas Howard) re, regard to blankets for horses he says he intends to send for the horses before long and does not think blankets an "expense" We have none on our horses now.

Please forward me to names of possible list of persons who are employed at Bolling's Yard for month Oct. 68.

Very Respectfully
A. M. Brown
B. M. 000

Rev. R. F. + A. G.
Washⁿ D.C. Oct. 29/68

J. W. Brown

30 May + D.C.

Encloses checks nos
184, 185, 186, for respecti-
-ly \$16.43, \$20.51 and
\$22.23

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Office Chief Accounting and Disbursing Officer,

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

139 Pennsylvania Avenue, between 19th and 20th Streets,

Washington, D. C., Oct 28th 1865

Prof. Captain F. E. von Schwaich
U.S. Army
Baltimore, Md.

Captain,

I enclose herewith checks on U.S. Treas.
of this date No. 184 to the order Capt F. E.
von Schwaich in payment for $16\frac{43}{100}$ —
No. 185 to the order Hayes T. Emerson in
payment for $20\frac{51}{100}$ — No. 186
to the order Capt E. C. Hoover in payment
Miles (Both above No. & Vol. 234 Miles) $22\frac{23}{100}$

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servant
J. M. Hoover
Act. Major & D.O.

Nathan Coltman
195550

Dr. Stearns
Waltham Center St. near
Bay St. -
134 W. Center St.



Baltimore Dec 16th /68.

Examined -

Geo. M. Stevenson
Esq. Surge

(ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.—CIRCULAR No. 4.)

Department of the Interior,
PENSION OFFICE.

Oct 21, 1862.

Sir:

Mr. Nathan Colman
whose application for an invalid pension, No. 35550 under the
act of July 14, 1862, is pending in this Office, must report himself
for examination to Dr. J. M. Stevenson
of Baltimore Md.

Respectfully, yours,

Chas. C. Cox.

Commissioner.

May Wm Gowler

R. R. F. & A. S.

Washington

D. C.

S. C. No.

Maryland and Pennsylvania Forwarding and Commission House.

HUGHES & EMERSON,



Flour, Grain and Produce Commission Merchants,

No. 121 North street,

Baltimore,

Oct 29 1868

Received of J. M. Brown M. Major + D. Co., For
freedmen's Bureau Twenty $\frac{51}{100}$ dollars.
in full for the per bill head

\$20.51

Hughes + Emerson
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W. F. F. A. C. W. L. S. O. R.

Washington Del.

Nov. 5th 1868

Wiggins Wm. B.

States that he analyses ch. payable
in order of W. F. Swain, to pay Mr
Heil, claim in Baltimore, his
fee for obtaining Pension for Russanna
Blackson. Wishes to know if this
Bureau can get the certificate and
prevent Russanna, being perjured as
some understrapper has written to
her that upon receipt of \$15, he would
send it to her

C. O. Vol. 5. No. 116

Head-Quarters, Treasurers, & Abandoned
Head-Quarters Asst. Commr., D. O.,
WASHINGTON, NOV 6 1868

Respectfully referred to Bot
Capt. Fred C. Vondshirack U.S.A.
Sub Asst Commr. Balt. Md.
who will see Mr. Hill ^{and} ascertain
what his charges are (Mr. Wiggins
gine has sent me ten dollars
(to pay the same), and if
practicable have the within
request complied with.

[Signature]

Botley U.S.A.

Actg. Asst. Commr.

C. O. Vol. 5. No. 116

C. O. Vol. 5. No. 592

Head-Quarters, Treasurers, & Abandoned
Head-Quarters Asst. Commr., D. O.,
WASHINGTON, NOV 6 1868

Wilmington Del. Nov. 5, 1868

Col. D. C. Surin

Washington D. C.

Dear Col.

I enclose my check to your order for the following purpose to wit: to pay a certain Mr. Hill, Claim Agent in Baltimore his fee for obtaining pension for a certain Rosanna Blockson I don't know his first name - She called on me two days since with a letter from some counterfeiter who asks her to send him fifteen dollars and he will send her the certificate upon her paying him for his trouble - She comes to me as an agent of your Bureau to borrow this \$15. and I have promised her I will attend to it and see that she is cared for; can't you get the certificate through your Baltimore officers and save her the wrong sought to be practised upon her.

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(signed)

+
Wm. Briggins

Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Head Quarters A. C. D. C.
Washington Nov. 6th 1863

Official

J. G. ...
Col. Maj. Wm. A. A. A. ...

P. 209, 13m. R. Fr. & Dem. 1868-

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 6, 1868.

Palmer, Fred. S.

Dist. Office of Customs

to
Bvt. Capt. Fred. C. Von Schirck -

Sub. Asst. Commr.,

States that he has received
from Bvt. Lt. Col. J. N. Rivers,
U.S.A. late Sub. Asst. Commr.,
at Orleans, Tenn. trans-
portation for Mary Living-
ston, and two others - from
Jackson, Tenn. to Baltimore Md.
C. P. 209 - No. 117 -



Bureau R. F. & A. L.
Asst. Commr's Office
Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 9, 1868.

Respectfully referred to
Bvt. Capt. Fred. C. Von
Schirck - Sub. Asst. Commr.

Bureau R. F. & A. L. Baltimore
Md. (through the Office of the
Assistant Commissioner B. R.
F. & A. L. State of Maryland)
for his information.

James Thompson.

Bvt. Lieut. Col. U.S.A.

Assistant Commr.

C. P. 209 - No. 117

Received at the Post Office, Nov. 12, 1868

Bureau R. Land, A. S.
Memphis Tenn Nov. 6th 1868

Prot Capt Fred C Von Schirach
Sub. Asst. Com.^r
Baltimore Md

Captain

I have the honor to inform you that I have received from Prot Lt Col S. H. Reers late Sub Asst Com^r at Bolivar Hardinaw Co Tenn. the orders for the transportation of Mary F Livingstone and two others (all under 12 years of age) the children of Maria Jefferson. from Jackson Tenn. to Baltimore Md. forwarded by you Sept 7th 1868. This information is furnished you so that Maria Jefferson may be informed to whom she can present the order referred to in your communication

forwarding the transportation
I am Captain
This Asst. Com. Office Very Respectfully
Cincinnati Tenn

Your Obedt Servt
Geo. S. Palmer
Disby Office of Claims

TOP HAS OVERSIGHT

Baltimore Md
Nov. 4th 1868

von Schirach F. C.
Bvt. Capt. U.S.A.
Sub. Asst. Commr.

Encloses vouchers & Bills for
rent of rooms used as headquarters
sub. Dist. of Baltimore, from Sept
1st 1868 to Oct 31st 1868, amtg.
to \$333.33.
E. B. p. 264 - m. 120

(4 enclosures)

RECEIVED BY THE COMMISSIONER

"I can not imagine of the expense
of your Mt. Geo. building by the
we estimate of the normal
"I have no objection in what we
"have our interest" the Commission

Respectfully referred to Mr.
Major J. M. Brown, I. O.

J. M. Brown
Bvt. Major U. S. Army
Actg. Asst. Commr.

Bureau R. F. ...
Office of ...
Washington ...
Respectfully returned
to Bvt. Major J. M. Brown
U. S. Army ...
This building is not reported
by Major ... in his
Report (No. 2) ...
hints of ...
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J. M. Brown
Bvt. Major U. S. A.
E. B. p. 264
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Refugees, ...
Quantum ...
WASH ...

Respectfully returned to Bvt.
Capt. F. C. von Schirach, U. S. A.
Sub. Asst. Commissioner at Balt.
Md. with reference to endorsement
of Bvt. Major J. M. Brown, I. O.

E. B. p. 264 - m. 120
J. M. Brown
Bvt. Major U. S. Army
Actg. Asst. Commr.
E. B. Vol. 5. No. 6411

Bureau R. F. ...
Head Quarters Asst. Comm. I. O.
Washington Nov. 17th 1868.
Respectfully returned to Bvt. Capt.
F. C. von Schirach, U. S. A. Sub
Asst. Comm. at Baltimore Md. with
the information that but \$30.00 per
month will be paid for rent of the
Office at Baltimore, and the balance
of this bill, as rent for ...
School at that place.
By order of Asst. Commissioner

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J. M. Brown
Bvt. Major U. S. Army
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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands.
Head Quarters, Sub-Assistant Commissioner,

Baltimore, Nov. 13th 1868

Respectfully returned to Brig. Maj.
S. G. Swain, U. S. Adjt. Gen. Comm.
Lieut. Col. W. H. Wash, U. S.
with information, that I am un-
able to certify to the correctness of
within account, as I know no-
thing regarding the terms of rent
for rooms occupied by this Office.
In the same reason I omitted to
report the building on my Report
(No. 2) "Persons & Articles hired," pre-
suming that Maj. Brown, U. S.
was aware of the terms of con-
tract (if any existed) for rent of
said building. Officially I
can only state that this Office
was moved to its present location
on suggestion of Maj. Gen. O. O.
Howard, per letter dated July 25/68.

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in which he states "Schwie
"I can rid myself of the expense
"of your H. Ho. building by the
"reconciliation of the Normal
"Schwe Building in which we
"have an interest." The amount
of rent paid by this Office
while in Holliday Street was
\$50.00 per month.

Wm. C. Condit
Sub. Capt. Comm.
Bvt. Capt. U.S. Army
C. B. 264 - No. 123.

HEAD QUARTERS, SUB-ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands,

NORMAL SCHOOL BUILDING,

L. L. Wood, Jr. 56-100 Cor. SARATOGA and COURTLAND Streets,

Baltimore, Md. Nov. 4th

1865

Brig. Maj. H. C. Swain U.S.A.

a. a. a. Gen. Dist. Md. M^o, & D.C.

Washington D.C.

Major:

I have the honor
to herewith enclose duplicate bills for 2 months rent of
rooms of the Balt. Oper. M. & C. D. C. P. Army, to \$333.33
and also Bureau vouchers covering the same.

I am, Major

Your very obedient Servt.

Fred. C. von Schirach

Adj. Asst. Commr.

Brig. Capt. U.S. Army

[No. 22.]

BUREAU OF REFUGEES, F., AND A.L.

No. ABSTRACT B. 1868.

Dollars 100

Paid , 1868.

"Appropriation of Congress."

W. H. S. C. W. S. C.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands.

THE UNITED STATES,

To Baltimore Association Dr.
For Moral & Educational improvement of the Colored People.

1868.

DOLLARS. CENTS.

November 1st

For rent of rooms of the Association adjoining
the building N. W. Corner of Courtland & Saratoga Streets,
said rooms being used as Head Quarters of Sub,
District of Baltimore, Bureau R. F. & A. L. from
September 1st 1868 to October 31st 1868, both dates
inclusive, at \$2000.00 per Annum.

\$ 333.33

I CERTIFY that the above account is correct and just; that the services were rendered as stated; and that they were necessary for the public service.

Received, at WASHINGTON, D.C., the _____ of _____ 1868, of Brevet Major
J. M. BROWN, Disbursing Officer Bureau R., F., & A.L., the sum of _____
dollars and _____ cents, in full of
the above account.

[DUPLICATE.]

W. Fors, Acty. Actuary
Balt. Assoc.

PAID by Check No. _____ on the Treasurer of the United States, at Washington, D.C., dated
_____ 1868, for above amount.

[No. 22.]

BUREAU OF REFUGEES, F., AND A.L.

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[DUPLICATE.]

*Mr. Lore, Actg. Secretary
 Balt. Assoc'n.*

PAID by Check No. _____ on the Treasurer of the United States, at Washington, D.C., dated _____ 1868, for above amount.

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Balt. Md. Nov. 2nd 1868

The United States Government,
To Balt. Assoc. M. & E. J. C. S., Dr.

For 2 months rent of rooms of the Association
adjoining the building n. w. corner of
Courtland & Saratoga streets, up to
October 31st. ult. } 333.33

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Balt^o. Md. Nov^r. 2nd. 1868

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Courtland & Saratoga Sts, up to
October 31st. ult.

333.33

(FORM No. 31.)

Treasury Department,

Second Auditor's Office,

Nov 20th, 1868.

Sir:

The Claim for Bounty of Josiah Thompson
Co. A., 7th Regt. U. S. C. T., is disallowed, and his
Certificate of Discharge herewith returned. The Records of this
Office show that he was paid \$100. - ~~original installment~~ ^{Bounty, on Muster out,} all he
is entitled to. Men who enlisted under the Act of July 4, 1864,
(although mustered out by reason of their services being no longer
required,) are only entitled to the installments of Bounty that had
become due at the time of discharge.

The Act of July 28, 1860, does not apply to men enlisting
under Act of July 4, 1864. He was a substitute
and not entitled to additional Bounty.

Respectfully,

Maj. Wm. Fowler,
Washington
D.C.

E. B. French,

Auditor.

J. B. D.
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This case was rejected March 3/68. and discharge sent to
the claimant at Baltimore Md.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE
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Enclosure

Department of the Interior,
PENSION OFFICE.

Washington, D.C. Nov. 30 1868.

Sir:

The claim for arrears of
invalid pension No. 68,011 of
Isaac T. Downs is rejected for
the reason that his original
pension certificate granted him
a pension from the date of his
discharge.

His pension certificate is
enclosed.

Respectfully

Chas. C. Cox,
Commissioner

Mr. Wm. Fowler

A. A. G. B. R. F. M. H.
Washington D.C.

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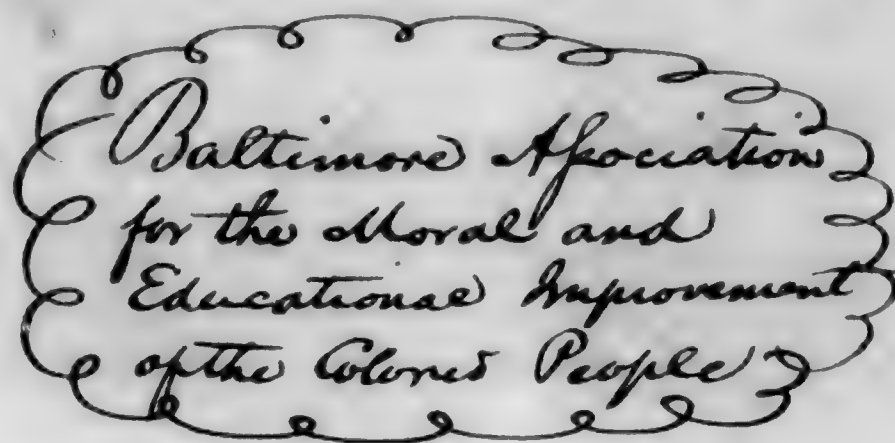
The Baltimore Association for the
Moral and Educational Improvement
of the Colored People acknowledges
to have received from the Commissioner
of the Bureau of Freedmen Refugees
and abandoned Lands for the State of
Maryland the sum of Ten Thousand

dollars which
has been expended by it in the erection
and repair of the Normal School House
at the corner of Courtland and Saratoga
Streets in the City of Baltimore for the
education of colored teachers and
the said Association also acknowledges
that to that extent the United States
has an interest in the Normal School
In testimony whereof, the

The said association has caused its
President to sign and the Secretary
to countersign this paper and affix
the corporate seal of said association
thereto

Wm. J. Albert President

Geo. A. Pope.
Secretary.



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*Letters Received by Lieutenant Colonel William P. Wilson,
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Point Lookout, Md.
Oct. 5th 1865.

Gardiner, H. E.
Capt. & A. G. M.

Encloses letter received
from a colored man
(Joseph Jumerel) living at St.
Inegoes, which states he was shot
by a white man named
Nace elart and beaten
by one Tom Mackey.

(1 Enclosure)



War Department,
Bureau of Refugees
Washington, Oct. 7/65

Respectfully referred to
Lt. Col. Wm. P. Wilson, Act.
Asst. Commissioner, for
State of Maryland; for in-
vestigation and report.
Please return these papers.

By order of
Maj. Genl. C. C. Howard.

Max Woodruff

Asst. Adjt. General.

Office of Assistant Quartermaster,
Headquarters St. Mary's District,

Point Lookout, Md. 5 October 1865

Major Genl Howard.

in charge Freedmans Bureau.

Washington D.C.
General.

I have the honor
to enclose a letter received from a colored
man residing at a place called St. Inegoes
on the St. Marys River about fourteen
miles from this Point.

Yours General

Very Respectfully,

Your obed^t Serv^t.

L. D. Gordon

Capt & A. Q. M.

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Sept 29th 1865

Sir will you please to come or send and see me for I have been shoot a few days ago by a white man nam'd cree-Clark, also beat by Tom Mackey with a stick they came to me in the woods where I was at my work, Tom Mackey cut a club and begin to beat on me and I run off and Clark shoot me in the back as I run from them now I am afeeling very much with the Ball also see a great deal of trouble for fear they might come to my house and make a finish of me, for if they come in the woods and treat me so without a cause I'm afeard they might come and kill me, for none of the Officers wont arrest ^{them} here,

If you come out send call at Mr Crookshanks and inquire for my Horse.

Yours
Jos. M. Sumner

338. R. W. A. D. 10th 1865

Annapolis Md. Oct. 28th 1865.

Sawyer, Rev. Samuel
late Chaplain &c

States that Mrs. Julia Heady
(Colored) of that City is much
annoyed by her old master
Col. John Walton; that she has
5 Children, whom the Col. has
had bound to him by the Court.
that 3 of them have left him,
and the Mother has been arrest-
ed in consequence, & thrown
into Jail, and ordered to appear in
Court. Asks that appropriate
action be taken for her relief.

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War Department
Bureau of Refugees Freedmen &
Washington Oct 30th 1865

Respectfully referred to Lieut. Colonel
Wm. P. Wilson. Actg. Dist. Court for
State of Maryland. for investigation and
report. Please return this papers

By order of

Maj. Genl. Howard. Commissioner.

Wm. Woodruff

Act. Adjt. General

Annapolis Md. Oct. 28th 1865 -

Maj. Gen. Howard - Freedmen's Bureau -

Dear Sir -

I have the honor to represent that Mrs. Julia Handy (colored) of this city - is greatly annoyed by her old master Col. John Walton of City Hotel - She has five children - three of them able to take care of themselves - & she can find comfortable homes for the other two - Col. Walton did not like to give up the children - ~~she~~ has influenced the court to bind them all to him - Three of them left him to do for themselves - The mother has been arrested in consequence & twice thrown in jail - & next Monday she is ordered to appear in court - charged with encouraging her children to make their own contracts subject to her approval. She has paid lawyer Brewer fifty dollars - also fifty dollars to lawyer Clod - who have told her it may go hard with her - if she is convicted of persuading her children - ^{may be sent to the penitentiary - &c. &c.} - to leave their old master - that she

These are the statements she makes to me - she denies any improper interference on her part -

Can you do any thing for her relief? Please write me, or take such action as seems appropriate - Yours very truly, Samuel Sawyer

later Chapter 47 of the Freedmen's Bureau - in Ark.

Washington. D.C.
Dec 9. 1865

Max Woodhull
Brit Col Kearny.

Relative to Consular,
No 19.

Dec 9 1865

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.

Washington, Dec 9th.....1865.

Br. Lieut. Col. Wm. F. Nelson

Act. Assistant Commissioner, &c.

Colonel

I am directed by Major-General Howard to inform you that the Circular No 19 C.S. issued from this Office extending to the Bureau the privilege of drawing a month supply of Commissary Stores upon the requisition of Act. Commissioners was intended to meet any sudden emergency, where extreme suffering from want of food should be discovered. Yet Assistant Commissioners are held strictly responsible that there shall be no waste, and that such issues are confined to cases where humanity evidently demands them. Orphan Asylums and Hospitals will be cared for as heretofore. Let every Commissary estimate and requisition be based upon actual necessity, and when parts of rations will answer, do not make requisition for the full ration. Report immediately any increase in the

number of indigent.

III When Commissaries are doing Commissary duty after detail in the Bureau, they are not exempted from Commissary duty in their own department. Let every Commissary do Commissary duty when possible.

I am Colonel.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Max von Thun

Bot. Col. and Asst. Adj. General.

Washington.

Dec 9, 1865

Max Woodhull

Col K. A. G.

Requests copies of all
resolutions concerning
freed people acted on
by Legislature of Md.

Dec 9, 1865-

War Department,
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.

Washington, Dec 9 1865.

Lt. Col. W. P. Wilson

Acting Asst. Com'r &c.

Baltimore, Md

Col.

The Commissioners of the Bureau desire to obtain copies of all resolutions, concerning freed people, that have been acted upon by the Legislature of the State for which you are Actg Asst. Commissioner. Please forward to this Office such as you are able to collect.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

Wm. H. Hall

Col. Asst. Adj't. Genl.

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Head Quarters Asst Commissioner
Bureau Refugees Freedmen & I. S.
Baltimore June 11. 1866.

General Orders }
No 1.

In compliance with instructions
of the War Department all business at these
Head Quarters will be suspended during this day
as a mark of respect to the memory of the late
Lieutenant General Winfield Scott.

By Command of
Bvt. Maj. Gen^l Geo. Stannard
Asst Commissioner
Jacob S. Shaw.
Capt & A. A. S.

Head Quarters Asst Com^r
Bureau Refugees Freedmen & I. S.
Baltimore June 13. 1866.

General Orders }
No 2.

The following named Officers
having reported in compliance with orders from the
War Department, Bureau Refugees Freedmen & I. S.
are hereby assigned to duty at these Head Quarters

Bvt. Lieut Col. <u>R. Chandler</u>	Capt & A. A. S.
Bvt. Maj. <u>J. H. Pratt</u>	Capt & A. A. S.
Capt. <u>Jacob S. Shaw</u>	W. C.
- <u>C. C. Knower</u>	W. C.
Bvt. Maj. <u>S. C. Von Schmack</u>	Capt. W. C.
Capt. <u>A. W. Bolenius</u>	W. C.
1 st Lieut <u>J. D. Buckley</u>	W. C.
1 st - <u>C. W. Donnell</u>	W. C.
2 ^d - <u>Wells S. Bailey</u>	W. C.

Geo. Stannard
Bvt. Maj. General
Asst. Commissioner

Head Quarters Assistant Commissioner
Bureau Refugees Freedmen & A. S.
Baltimore June 30. 1866.

General Orders }
No 3.

In compliance with instructions from Bureau Refugees Freedmen & A. S. the Office of the Asst Commissioner is hereby left in charge of Bt. Lieut Col. C. Chandler A. A. S. until further orders.

Wm. J. Sturtevant
Bvt. Major General
Asst. Comr

Head Quarters Asst Commissioner
Bureau Refugees Freedmen & A. S.
Baltimore July 2. 1866.

General Orders }
No 4.

1st Lieut Charles McDonnell W. B. is hereby designated and assigned as General Superintendent of Schools for Refugees & Freedmen for the States of Maryland, West Virginia and the Shenandoah Division of this District

By Command of Bt. Lt. Col. C. Chandler
Actg Asst Commissioner
Jacob J. Shurr
Capt & A. A. S.

Head Quarters Asst. Commissioner
Bureau Refugees Freedmen & A. S.
Baltimore July. 20. 1866.

General Orders }
No 5.

The following named officers having reported pursuant to Special Orders No 13 current series from these Head Quarters - are hereby assigned to duty in this Office.

Captain Thos. E. Douglass W. B. C
Lieut James M. Johnston W. B. C

By Command of Bt. Lt. Col. C. Chandler.
Actg Asst Commissioner
Jacob J. Shurr.
Capt & A. A. S.

Head Quarters Asst. Commissioner
Bureau Refugees Freedmen & A. S.
Baltimore July. 18. 1866.

General Orders }
No 6.

1st Lieut. & Bvt. Capt. Asa Bird Gardner W. B. C having reported in compliance with Special Orders No 89 from War Department Bureau of Refugees Freedmen & A. S. dated Washington July 27. 1866 is hereby assigned to duty at these Head Quarters.

By Command of
Bvt. Lieut Col. C. Chandler
Actg. Asst Commissioner
Jacob J. Shurr
Capt & A. A. S.

Head Quarters Asst. Commissioner
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & F. L.
Baltimore July 20. 1866.

General Orders
No 7

In compliance with Special Or-
ders No 327 War Department A. S. O. dated Washing-
ton D. C. July. 10. 1866. the undersigned assumes
charge of the Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Aban-
doned Lands for the States of Maryland, West Virginia
and the Counties of Rockingham, Page, Shenandoah
Warren, Frederick, Clark, Jefferson and Berkeley in
the State of Virginia.

The Officers now on duty at these
Head Quarters will for the present, remain as heretofore
announced.

May. General Wols.
Asst. Commissioner

Head Quarters Asst. Commissioner
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & F. L.
Baltimore July. 31. 1866

General Orders
No 8

During the temporary absence of
the Asst. Commissioner from the City, the duties
of said Office will be performed by Bot. Lt. Colonel
R. Chandler A. A. S.

By Command of May. Gen. S. Bessenden
Asst. Commissioner

Jacob S. Shaw
Capt & A. A. S.

Head Quarters Asst. Commissioner
Bureau Refugees, Freedmen & F. L.
Baltimore Aug. 6. 1866.

General Orders
No 9

Bot. Lt. Col. W. H. La Motte Capt
& A. A. S. having reported at these Head Quarters in
compliance with Special Orders No 349 War Dept A. S. O.
July. 20. 1866 is hereby assigned to duty as Chief Disb.
Officer of this District.

By Command of May. Gen. S. Bessenden
Asst. Commissioner

Jacob S. Shaw
Capt & A. A. S.

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & F. L.
Head Quarters, Baltimore, Md.
Baltimore, Md. Aug. 14. 1866.

General Orders
No 10

Bot. Lt. Col. W. H. La Motte Major & A. A. S. having reported
for duty in compliance with S. O. No. 106, War Dept Bureau of Refu-
ges, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, dated Washington, July 27. 1866,
is hereby announced as Chief Inspecting Officer of this District.
He will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

By Command of May. Gen. S. Bessenden Asst. Commissioner
R. Chandler
A. A. S.

Bureau of Refugee Freedmen &c.
Hd. Qrs. Aft. Commissioner, Md.
Baltimore, Md. Aug. 15, 1866.

General Orders,
No. 11

Bot. Genl. & Comdr. II
Capt. J. C. Thur

Bot. Genl. Col. W. A. Seawater, A. A. S. U. S. V. is hereby appointed Chief Disbursing Officer for this District, and will relieve Capt. J. C. Thur who is temporarily performing said duty. Capt. Thur will turn over to Bot. Genl. Col. Seawater all Bureau funds in his hands, and close up his accounts as soon as practicable.

By Command of Brig. Genl. F. Gossenden, Aft. Commissioner
Richardler
A. A. Genl.

Bureau of Refugee Freedmen &c.
Hd. Qrs. Aft. Commissioner
Baltimore, Md. Aug. 31, 1866.

General Orders,
No. 15

Bot. Genl. & Comdr. II
a. a. s. u. s. v. Col.
Capt. Kromer
U. R. C.
Bot. Genl. & Comdr. II
d. Kelleck
Aft. D. by Off.

In consequence of his being ordered mustered out of the service, to date September 1, 1866, in compliance with Special Orders, No. 249, War Department, A. G. O. dated August 28, 1866, Bot. Genl. Col. W. A. Seawater Capt. "as Aft. Aft. Genl. U. S. V. is hereby relieved from duty as Chief Disbursing Officer of this District. Bot. Genl. Col. Seawater will turn over to Capt. Edward C. Kromer U. R. C. all Bureau funds in his hands. Capt. Kromer is hereby appointed Chief Disbursing Officer of this District.

Official
Edw. C. Kromer
Capt. U. R. C. &c.
(Signed) Francis Gossenden
Brig. Genl. &c. Aft. Commissioner

Bureau of Refugee Freedmen &c.
Hd. Qrs. Aft. Commissioner
Baltimore, Md. Aug. 16, 1866.

General Orders,
No. 12

H. R. District
Surgeon U. S. Army
Washington

Surgeon G. R. DeWitt, U. S. V. having reported for duty in compliance with S. O. No. 114, War Dept. Bureau of R. & A. U. S. L. dated Washington, Aug. 6, 1866 is hereby assigned to duty as Surgeon in Chief of this District.

By Command of Brig. Genl. F. Gossenden, Aft. Commissioner
Richardler
A. A. Genl.

Bureau of Refugee Freedmen &c.
Hd. Qrs. Aft. Commissioner
Baltimore, Md. Nov. 28, 1866.

General Orders,
No. 14

In compliance with Proclamations of the President of the U. S. and Governor of Maryland, appointing Thursday, Nov. 29, 1866, as a day of Thanksgiving and Prayer, all business will on that date be suspended at these Hd. Qrs. in order that the day may be properly observed.

By Command of Bot. Maj. Genl. E. M. Gregory, Aft. Commissioner
Edw. C. Kromer
Capt. U. R. C. &c. A. A. S. U. S. V.

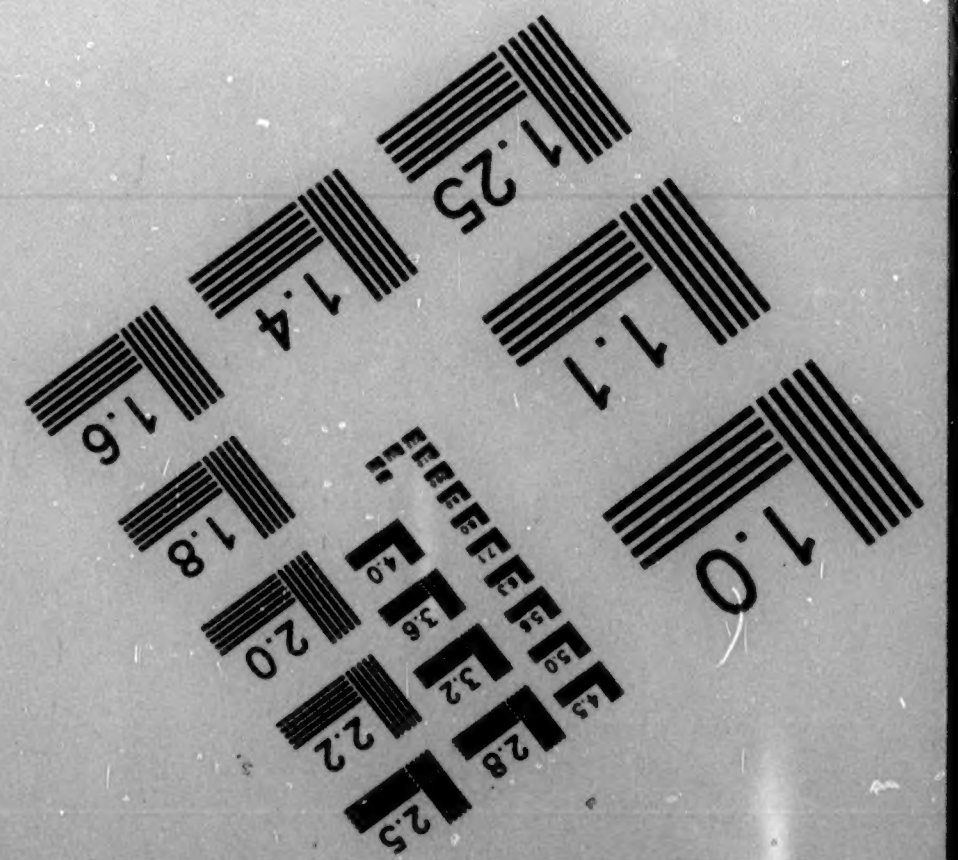
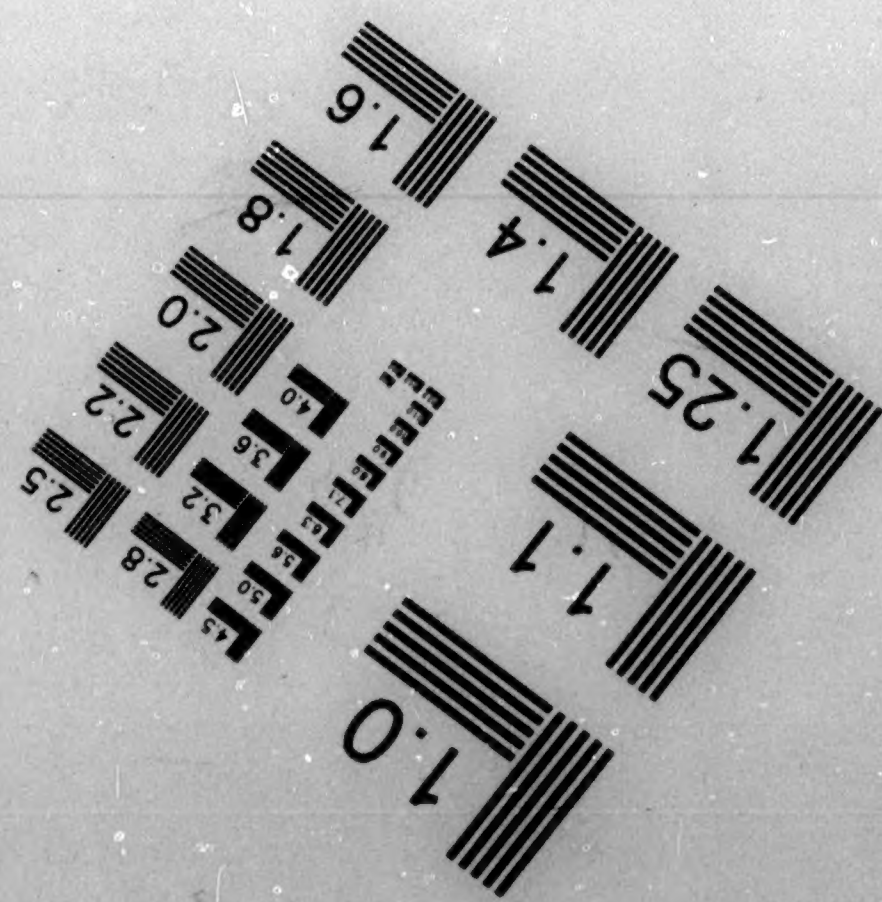
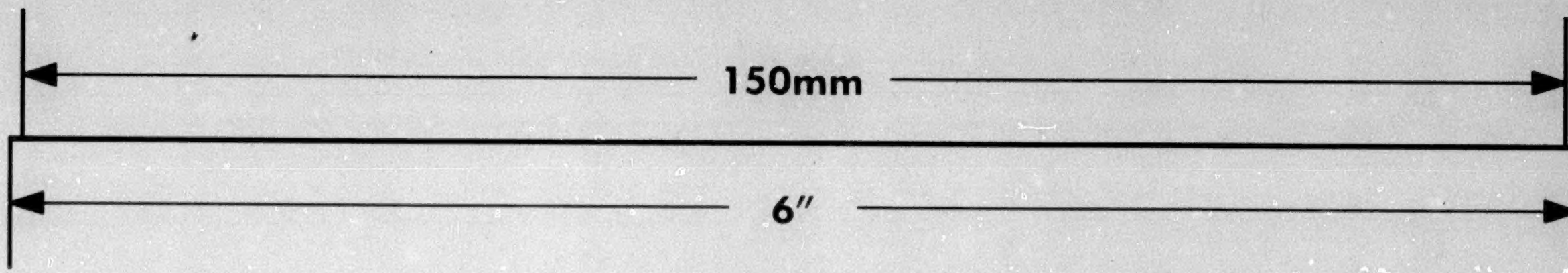
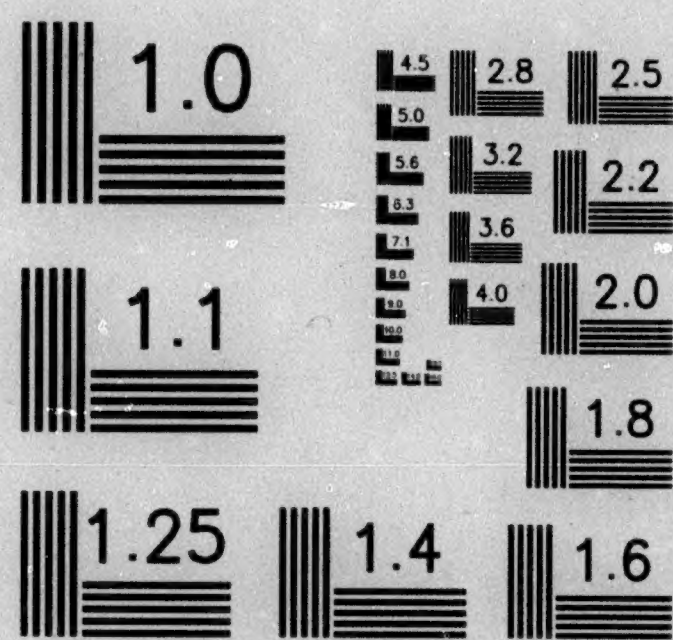
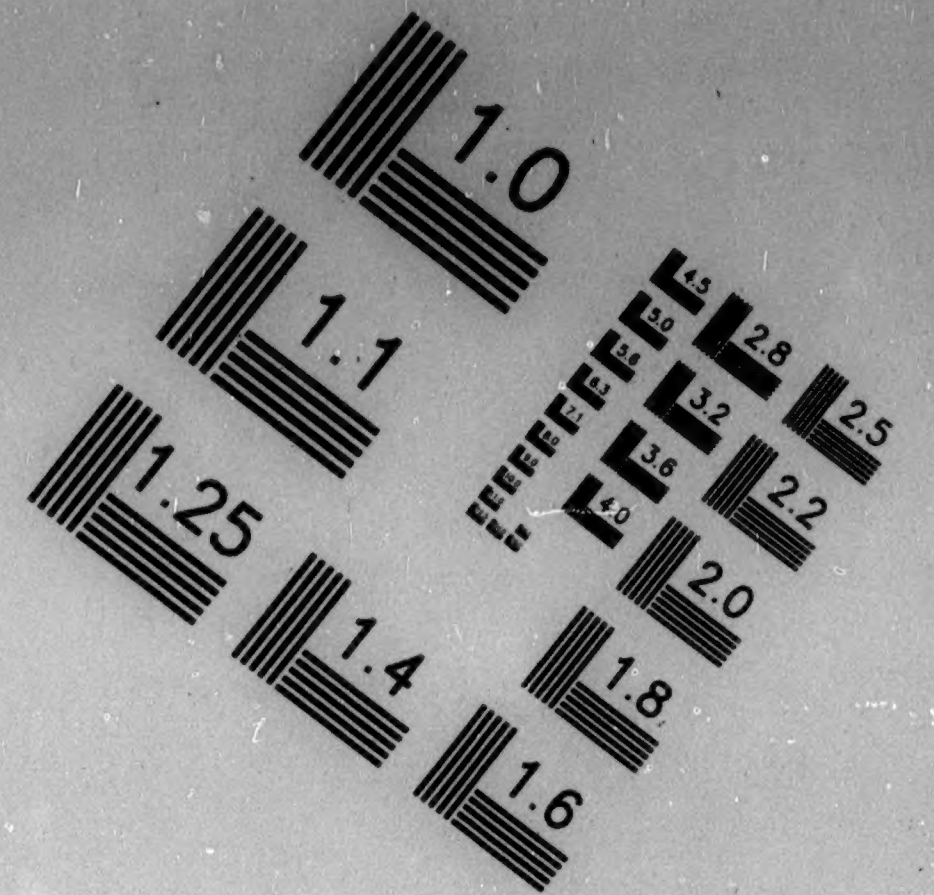
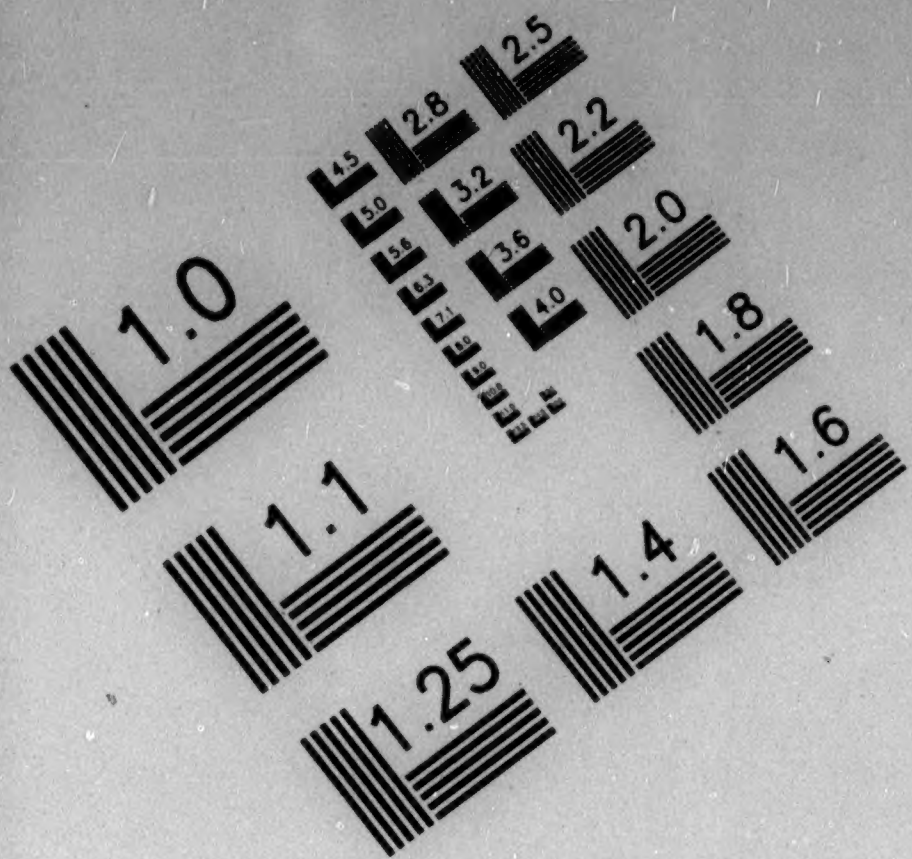
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