

CW/VFM-43: *Oliver Otis Howard*

Oliver Otis Howard was a Union general in the Civil War and founder of Howard University. President Andrew Johnson made Howard, who was devoted to the cause of black betterment, chief commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau in May, 1865.

- Letter from Oliver Otis Howard to D.A. Buehler Esq., the Secretary of the Board of Trustees for Pennsylvania College, thanking him for a “distinguished honor.” Context indicates conference of an honorary degree. Dated 11 August, 1863. Sent from Washington on Freedman’s Bureau stationary. Ms. 1 pp.
- Addressed Envelope Ms. 1 p.
- Transcription of letter. Ms. 1 pp.

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