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Washington D.C.

Feb. 2nd 1841

My dear Sir:

The first time I met
a wounded enemy face to face I
forgot his offence and my heart
softened towards him - and no
other suffering soldier could be
to me an object of indifference.

I hope your coffers will be
full to enable you to furnish
abundant relief to the sick &
wounded and their needy families

Yours sincerely
O. J. Howard
Brig. Gen. U.S.A.