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Headquarters Army of the United States,

Washington, D. C. May 11 1848

Care Horatio C. King.

New York -

My Dear Sir,

I am just back from
Aurora and find your valued
letter of May 8. - I have
made so many appointments
for May & June, and
find it much to be
that it will be worse
than I expect to pretend
to come to you ^{Springfield} ~~Stafford~~
next. As a matter
of course these Army

Meeting, for a Special
Chair to me, and I am
sure I do a full share
in their attendance, but
must renew my request
to be excused.

Truly in the vast
array of distinguished
Lecturers, you cannot
fail to have a strong
attendance, and the
memories of the war
will rise spontaneously
and find real interest to
your Meeting. The

present war of Congress
against an Army, forces
me here to defend the small
heroic Remnant of Regulars,
who are surrounded by Indians
and Saupis of the most
implement kind, and ^{these} look
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of Learning, may pass, and
strip our profession of all
claim to respect -

with thanks I am truly,

Yrs de

W. P. Sherman

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May 11 SHERMAN, WILLIAM TECUMSEH

To Horatio C. King.

My Dear Sir,

I am just back from Cleveland and find your valued letter of May 8. I have made so many appointments for May and June, and find so much to do here that it will be worse than deceptive to pretend to come to your Springfield meeting. As a matter of course these Army meetings have a special charm for me, and I am sure I do a full share in their attendance, but must renew my request to be excused.

Surely in the vast array of distinguished survivors you cannot fail to have a strong attendance, and the memories of the war will rise spontaneously and give real interest to your meeting. The present war of Congress against our Army forces me here to defend the small heroic Remnant of our Regulars who are surrounded by Indians and dangers of the most unpleasant kind, and these look to me to guard their Rear - There is now a Bill in Congress which under the plea of economy, may pass, and strip our profession of all claim to respect.

With thanks I am truly
yrs &c.

W. T. Sherman