

Leicester,
Nov. 15/74,

My dear friend Garrison;

I met Dr. Henry J. Bowditch in
~~the~~ State Street yesterday; - stopped him,
& told him about you, and of my strong
desire to have you consult some one
who has made thorough study of such
cases as yours. He said he should not,
of course, wish to interfere, nor to offer
his own professional services; but he would
be most happy to do anything for you,
as a friend, that is in his power; - said
that he considered Dr. Calvin Ellis
(who is a nephew of the late Chas. E., and
a cousin of Chas. H. E.) ^{to be} as competent as
any physician he knew, - in his (B.'s)
judgment, entirely so, - to make examination
of your case, & advise appropriate
treatment; - and that he would, at any
time, if desired ^{by you} to do so, call upon Dr.
Ellis, & accompany him to your house,
introduce him, &c. This seems to

me to be opening a door to some good result; and I truly hope you will accept the friendly proposal of this dear old friend of yours & of the A.S. Cause, & appoint an early day for their visit to you.

I am quite heavy in mind at the thought of all you are having to undergo & suffer; and I feel that you surely should not refuse to avail yourself of this excellent method of getting at least some light upon the nature of your difficulty. Pray do not refuse it, nor delay it.

With very kind regards to Mrs. G. and to all your family,

Very truly Yours
Saml. May



