

Mass. Total Abstinence Society,

HON. OLIVER ANES, President.

BENJ. R. JEWELL, Sec. and Treas.

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sent him

July 15.

Edwin Thompson

July 23.



Rev. Samuel May

Leicester

Mass.

My Dear old fr. E. J.

I do not know who is more
worthy of a "camp meeting", when
numerous frs. may ~~be~~ come to, to
testify grateful regard & respect, than
yourself. You are a veteran of
2 ~~of the~~ grand armies - ~~very~~
~~grand~~; one which pioneered
the way ~~which~~ led to f. freedom of
more than 3 million Am. Slaves, and
delivered our land fr. v. shame & Sin
of holding them in bondage; the and
the other ^{of} which has ~~been~~ ^{expended} in a
for more protracted warfare - ~~a~~
~~warfare yet going on~~ - for the
deliverance of our ~~whole~~ land, ^{from}
the even worse ~~more~~ slavery of
the appetite for strong drink. To
both of these causes you gave yourself
~~of~~ ~~best~~ strength, in no half-hearted
way, in ~~the~~ the freshness of yrs. youth;
you have never slackened nor quailed
in ^{their} service of them; and are still
~~active~~ in your 78th year, ~~still~~
doing battle for ^{the} deliverance of
~~the~~ ~~unfortunate~~ ~~inhabitants~~ of ~~our~~ ~~land~~. A strong faith,
an unflinching hopefulness, and
a high courage, were
necessary for these; and these
you have constantly ~~had~~ ~~and~~
maintained. I am sorry that
it is not in my power to join
the weekly conv. friends on
Sat. next; ~~but~~ ~~for~~
~~that~~ Faith that, I
wish by this note to appeal
to you my respect & friendship,
and to offer ^{my} ^{kind} ^{regards}
upon reaching ^{the} ^{land} ^{of} ^{your} ^{rest}
~~at~~ ~~your~~ ~~rest~~ ~~at~~ ~~your~~ ~~rest~~
cumbering in peace of honor.
Yrs. truly Wm. W. W.