

Dorchester, Sunday eve, Sept 23, 47.

Dear Caroline,

I have been waiting & waiting - with the expectation of seeing you for a long time, hoping that I should go to Weymouth or that you would stop here in your flitting up to & from the city to your father's, as I hear that they are frequent; but hope has become weary, and expectation faint, and I write to learn what the prospect is of our seeing you here, or finding you at home were we to ride over to Weymouth.

I have proposed to Mr. Smith a number of times to go over to your father's, but it being difficult for him to find time & the uncertainty of finding you at home, have thus far prevailed.

I saw Mrs. Tiffield in the Cars some three or four weeks ago, & she promised to come & spend a day or part of a day & bring you with her, if you consented, but I have looked in vain. I hear through our friend Quincy, that you have left New Bedford. I am sorry that circumstances led you to give up your situation, if it is a disappointment to you, but I hope it will lead to your locating yourself in Boston, which may be more advantageous to you, and more pleasant to your

friends. I am glad that so pleasant an arrange-
ment has been made for Miss Chapman so
that her family papers will in part be made up
by your sister and her children, not withstanding
tho' by Mrs Maria W. Chapman giving up her house,
the Fair will be obliged to be given up, according to
brother Quincy as there will be no place in the
whole City to store the Foreign goods, or domestic
either I suppose. Mrs Chapman's appeal to the public
in behalf of the Fair is excellent; but I am
afraid it will not bring the \$1000 into the hands
of the Anti-Slavery Society. However, the people are
fast changing even the Christian Register is so
steeped in Anti-Slavery that I find nothing new
in it, and even the Mail mentions Mr. Garrison's
sickness with regret. I long to have a good talk with
an Abolitionist for I have lived with pro-slavery
people all summer. We have had a judge and his
wife, & an old scholar ^{of course} & her husband to board
with us this summer, but they have no sym-
pathy with us. I think, however, they will go on with
rather different views from what they were.

I write but a few lines, as I hope to see you very soon,
and these few I have written in such haste that
they are scarce legible. If I do not see you soon
do write to me, & let me know how you are, and
what you are doing. Mr. Smith & Maria send their
love to you, & wish very much to see you. Give my
regards to your sisters and remember your old
friend Estina A. S. Smith

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E. A. J. Smith

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Miss Caroline Weston
Weymouth.

