

To W. P. Garrison.

Leicester,

Aug. 13/67.

Dear Wendell,

225- Yrs. of yest. reached me at noon to-day, finding me in the grip of one of those headaches which make me about good for nothing, - but I will not forbear to pen a few lines in reply to yours.

Briefly - my judgment is that, beyond publishing your Father's note on the subject, you are none of us called upon to vindicate his course, in opposition to what last week's "Standard" contained. The fact of his absence being stated, his own letter is sufficient for the occasion, until he shall have himself the time & opportunity for any further statement, if he deems one needful.

As to that letter - I do not know where it is. I left it with the Master in Chancery, as part of the case.

It was his request, & doubtless your
father's intent, that it should be
so placed. I have always
been sorry I did not take a copy.
Probably your father died; and
if so, Wm. may be able to find it.
But I will refer him to Mr. Podman
(the M. in Ch.) who can doubtless tell
him where the letter is.

The article in the "Standard", wh.
I first knew of through your note, is
truly an extraordinary one, - sophistical,
with ad captandem statements perv-
ading every part, ~~not~~ ^{and} enough of
the suppresio veri to taint its
whole argument & conclusion.

The money, on the part of Mr. P.,
C. K. W., &c; was asked for ^{at the Committee's meeting} the
Standard; not for the Amer. A. S.
Society, - which is a distinction to be
considered, because the Socy. might have
(as in F. Jackson's lifetime it did have)
other ways of influencing public opinion

them by the "Standard" - as by its agents,
its tracts, &c. In both these last F. J.
thoroughly believed. In the "Standard"
he did not believe: i.e. he did not
believe it right to use trust funds to
sustain a journal, however excellent,
which went before only a very small number
of subscribers, & they mostly already persuaded
of the principles of the Abolitionists. He was
emphatic, pronounced, on that point - even
to voting money for it, under protest; - I do
not mean formal, written protest (that was
not our way) - but with the most decided
statements, frequently, of his objections, &
^{aspiring up} that he yielded only in deference to the
judgment of his associates. On this subject,
Mr. Chapman can be referred to, as well
as E. Quincy, your father, & others.

W. Phillips represents E. Jackson as
one of those who "wished all or a fair
share to be given to the Antislavery
Society." Mr. Jackson told me himself
that his own share was \$2000. to be

given to the "Standard" (not the Socy),
and that he was greatly astonished when
y^r. Father made the motion for \$4200. to
the "Standard". As Mr. Garrison did
make that motion, he did not feel it was
for him, he told me, to object.

Y^r. father & E. Quincy, strangely enough,
did not recall F. Jackson's opposition to
paying money to uphold the "Standard"
at the Trustees' meeting referred to. Had I
been there, I sh^d. have stated that fact as a
very strong reason against giving one dollar of
his money to the "Standard". Why was I
not there? I was at home & the road badly
blocked by snow; - more than that - the week
previous I had told E. Jackson I would attend
a Trustees' meeting any day but the next
Monday; - that I could not then, on account of
engagements at Leicester for the day & evening, -
& begged him not to take that day, as I was
bent upon attending. He said he w^d. take another
day. Judge of my surprise on Saturday to receive
a summons to ^{from E. R. Whipple} attend a Trustees' meeting on Monday
and at 10 a.m. It was probably physically impossible
for me to have been there, - unless I had started off that
(Saturday) noon - such was the accumulation of snow on
Sunday & Mond. morning - E. Quincy & E. Jackson did not vote
for the compromise, - they declined voting; but E. Q. did not protest.

Y^r. father told me the "Standard" was preferred, as the only reliable source of a paper supporting the
being omitted by Congress & the Nation left the Standard without any other selling point. Mr. Garrison's