

simple hearted man. If the deal came up to him (5
and said "Mr. Haughton, I assure you I am one
of the most maligned of men. I am honest and
good. I am high minded and virtuous. I can't help
my horns and my tail. I regret their existence
as much as you do" - and then began to weep.
James would pat his hair and would turn round
and say, "You see what the Devil says - he says
he is maligned - that he is honest and good -
that he can't help his horns and his tail -
I believe him. It is a shame to be so misappre-
hended." This is the kind of man he is. He
is so honest and direct himself that he believes
every body's professions and can hardly
trust his senses when he sees or hears of people
acting shabbily. Father's brother is not to be com-
pared with James Haughton for real nobility of
character - and he is not willing to tie families
there.

Immediately on receipt of your
letter Haunch wrote to Catherine Paton about
the shares - and we will endeavor to take
the hint to ourselves as far as we can. Do
said - De La Rue's invoice will tell you all
about the contents of his box - so that you
can regulate the price as you please. It will
be a great help to us to know at what rate you
lay in your profits on these. The books I send
a list of with my estimate of their value in America
in dollars & cents. The Haughtons have marked
12% their own contribution. By the way they always

send their gifts in a box packed up with strict
instructions that it shall not be opened and
disturbed - and we, making no promise, un-
warily open the box and send the things without
it - for they have no idea of the importance of
economy of room and they might put their
things as much in the box as they do. We take
great care that at the same time that their
donations shall go together as theirs, that their
glory shall not be given to another. This even
is a little bit of a case of conscience.

Some interesting articles from Mrs Edmondson
of Dublin (sister of Thos Wigham of Edinburgh) you
must wish yourself - as no price was sent
with them, and we don't know them, and the
donor is a little bit awful, I do not like to be
intended on by the like of us who are not rich
(the common measure of value) and don't belong
to her clique.

Some friends write me
from Miss Phoebe Mary Henzell of Carrick on
Shannon, an enthusiastic young lady who sits
beside me this blessed Sunday evening copying
Anti Slavery Poems. She is an Ipswichian, an
only child, a very nice amiable girl, and a
huge admirer of Douglas - whom she frequently
meets in Belfast. By the way she has just said
she spells her name Phoebe without the oe and says
that she thinks the name quite ugly enough without
the dip thing. I don't know how that may be - but she
is a very gay little body, amiable, comely, & sensible.

She let pale today that she was greatly gratified last
year by receipt of a Bell with your name on it. See
what a great woman you are. Is it not funny to
be asked for ones autograph - and to find that with
all ones humblity, some people really look on us
as somebody? There is also about to the value
of 16 or 17 dollars from my cousin Deborah Moore
of Watford - and another 25 dollars worth in
clothing and odds & ends from Maria Waring
beside her 100 dollars in the state treasury. You
will laugh at me probably for mentioning her so
often but this kind of beneficence is not common
with us whatever it may be with you - and she is too
pious and too silent I cant help staring. Some of
the other donors have more than 20 times her means
but as it is my wife & myself that beat about for the
money after gifts we do very little in the way of
giving and by telly how great is the generosity
of another. We are so high minded, you know, that
we seem to let down the cause to the level of
common charities. I am sure I hope you may
let me the Fair with her was stead of mind &
good & better treatment from the other than even
let her read. The crown of martyrdom may be
very glorious one but I am too selfish to wish
you to obtain it yet a while. I could wish it a
condition that I have a chance of seeing you before
you make your protest.

Among the articles near the top of the box you
will find a little grey chiddi snuff - I dont mean think
the ones in grey but the white ones. It costs 10 cents and was
made by your namesake my daughters nurse, who
got it - she is a little younger thing - just from a beauty, but

a kind, advertisement, gave our little boy who
has been brought up at the feet of his aunt Maria.
I would you to see the child's work - that it may
not be whisk'd away in the multitude of things
unnoticed by the eyes of one of "our faction" -
You have heard of our Irish faction fights at
fairs - from this has resulted a custom in the
fighting parts of the country of saying when a
man has a good large gathering of relations and
friends - that "he has a fair faction." I think that
with the lists sent herewith and Hannah's notes
with A, B, C, the facts upon them - and the sur-
roundings you will have you can hardly fail to
make the two affairs out readily. You will of
course have our boys before November over - &
can then check every thing at your ease. We
have written to urge the Cork people, but they are
generally late and don't like to be tormented
as I have found before now to my cost. There is
one piece of trouble I wish you could take, &
that is to compare De la Rue's notes with
the contents of the Bore-fes I gave to you they are
not very precise - and if this be the case, they are
likely enough to be particular where the
person who orders the goods has no chance of seeing
them except with the eye of faith. It would be
very desirable to know that we get the worth of
our money. This troubles assured me every thing
should be weighed so as to compare & know
them readily - and a little exhibition of vigilance
on our part would not be thrown away. I think
if there be any expressions blunders we could set it right

Among other things I send you a few copies of
an Index of my Anti Slavery Pamphlets - from (9
which I beg you to infer that if among the rubbish
that infests N. Carolina (like every such Defec-
tatory that I know of) there should happen to be
any tracts or pamphlets going begging, which are
not in my list - I will be greatly pleased by your
making them a part of the filling up stuff of
any box of sugar plums you may ~~possibly~~ send
ours here to keep your contributors in good humour.
This is an unbecomingly kind, & a very precious present
I would not give it - but as I am a man of business
(in a very small way) it is an act to be extremely
cautious. You have no Liberty Bells there - would
not a selection of the best Anti Slavery Books you
have authors ~~and~~ the purpose here will on this occa-
sion - Some of Fair's Books - or Mrs Childs - or Wills
American Slavery - You can hardly be namby-
pamby enough in your selection - though Wills is by no
means so - but I mean the beads the surface you
keep the more likely you are to please many of
those you may send to. We have not many in
Ireland who read the Liberator - there is not a
single copy taken out of Dublin ^{or vicinity} that I know of
and there are only 4 here. There will enable you
to know what sort of an one, and how he seems to be
fed with milk like babes. This is a great letter
with its two Bundles of papers - but I found we had
only one third left of some pretty thin papers I
brought in the Chauncy d'Arctur under your letter
127 Caroline's guidance - so had to find another other
remnant of another store - that also has just come to hand.

Annah has kindly undertaken to read the over-
to correct mistakes - even the 1st and help the
1st - and she can tell you whether I have
missed any thing material respecting matters
or things. Meanwhile, leaving her to speak
for herself I remain ever, ever truly
Rich^d Webb.

Your letter concerning is very worthy with I. S. whether
- be I like his letter better to the Pope particularly
I would like to know whether you think any
letter of the greatest of Genes's parts that C.
does. I am told you are a person of Genes's
judgement - so I shall pause respectfully
for a reply. I send a few copies of
my idea on the top of the Box I hope they
may come safely to your hands -

Dear Friend, Richard has written so fully on all
the little matters connected with our box, that I know
not of any thing to add - I hope you will not be
fuzzled by the multiplicity of directions - I will be well
to mention the Middle Haughton whom you make acknowledgments
of receipt of the box - their parcel is valued by them at nearly 50 dollars,
& contains some excellent articles - the only thing ^{of the sort} which I run afraid
of being injured is a little sawwood basket, but I packed it
up carefully - also don't forget Miss Hensell (whom R. mentions above)
she is a touchered little thing in spite of her orthodoxy which makes it
hard for her to bear the comouterism & free thinking of some of our friends
- I often feel ashamed to think how little Antislavery interest we have

created - it seems like keeping good things to ourselves, locking
up seedcorn instead of sowing it abroad for harvest. and
yet we could not possibly do much in this way, people are
so terribly afraid of contamination & heresy, & you can't go far in
serious writing without straddling over something dangerous. - The
liberators are a great test, but a trying one - This whole matter of
Father Mathew has been more trying to me than any thing in the
papers since the time of Rogers (for I can swallow the heebies freely) -
in both cases, I know that Garrison is right & Dan wrong, & yet I wish
to see the man handled more gently - Garrison, he can't burn within
him, & the truth will not allow him to turn aside to the right hand or
the left. He is right; & still I say, Alas poor Father Mathew with his
benevolence, his advanced years, his infirmities of mind & body I don't
like to see him dragged forward. Of course he is a priest still, & what
can you expect from a priest? He is sure to fail if called upon to
sink his own heebies & hopes for the sake of any cause however good. Father
Mathew let the claims of the Church pass above those of his pet cause of tem-
perance, & how can we expect him to do more for Antislavery? Cry out
against priestly influences, against the priestly character, whose bonds make
slaves of the best of men who come under their influence. Well, after all
there is no use in differing from Garrison, for he is almost always right.
- I could forgive him a great deal (great magnanimity!) for the sake
of that delightful leading article in one of the late liberators, "Kosciuszko
& Jesus" - I read it with great delight - it is true Christianity, according to
my ideas, and expressed so clearly, lovingly, & powerfully - I felt
as if I must write & tell him how it pleased me, & began a letter
but never finished it - The man is above your words, above caring
whether you (or any body in the whole universe) approve of what he
says - he only stands for the right, & here in is his strength - How infinitely
is he above our poor fellow-mortals, Father Mathew -

- Richard had truly a grand time with our friends ~~the~~ ^{the} Verriell.
- I had the offer of going with him, & feel that I had a great loss
in not doing so, - but at the time it did not feel easy, or
exactly right, for me to leave home. And he has more free
to go better & attend by himself than if I had been with him - because
if I had gone I should have been a receiver among all those bright people,
rather than a giver - but I hope to enjoy having them under our roof
after a while, for they are pledged to us on this return. How you
must long for the time of this return, although enjoying their pleasure

- The box contains one book not mentioned in the list - a copy
of The Jolly Beggar, of Burns, in a facsimile of his handwriting - it is
curious & interesting - Rich^d thinks it is worth about 2 Dollars, but of
course the price must be decided by what you can get for it -

- There will see by the lines, indicated that it has been twice given for
love, & it is to be hoped it will now bring a little of the vulgar wealth
of money - Then with recollect - Lizzy Poole's name as a donor to your

Beggar, & sometimes a contributor for the Bell - Her name is now
Adday, being happily married to a quiet steady young man, to the
surprise of almost all his friends - he being one whom we should not have

thought sufficient to satisfy one of ^{her} brightest & talent & poetic temper
- knows they are very happy together; but being more limited in outward riches
& not sufficiently established in business to have much to spare, she can

indulge herself in giving to the anti-slavery cause as she would like to do -
I wish some of us could be with you to give our help at the Fair, &

speak some of the veterans workers - I hope there will let other work this
to be satisfied to look on & give directly - it would be bad economy in the

cause to kill off its well-wishers - This does I keep to the quicker
style of speaking - I often say you when speaking to the "cold people", but

it does not come natural to me - As a matter of course I admire those
if I were only good current English, which it is not - but it is difficult

to shake off old associations & habits - May you have a prosperous time at
the Beggar, & receive it. Affectionately & respectfully
Wm. W. W. W.

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