

Rev. G. F. Torrey

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Dear Brother Phelps,

The die is cast - and yesterday announced to my people my determination to leave Salem immediately. The ch. meeting to dismiss will take place to-morrow evening. I want to go to the National Convention next week - but if I go, it must be as the agent of you, (ours) or of the American Society - Will you have a special meeting of the Committee tomorrow, or Wednesday, and see if they will appoint me an agent -

My mind has settled down upon this - Let St. Clair, be "gen. agent" or what you will, in Essex, Middlesex, Plymouth, Barnstable Bristol etc. - Me; D. do, for Worcester & the Western Counties - Each with his team of subordinates - or if Henry comes, let my field be Worcester Co. with adjacent parts of Middle

sea & Norfolk Cos. My location to be at Worcester.  
I want to go to work right off. I should like  
to be appointed forthwith, & have my term of  
service commence forthwith - to continue  
one year.

Now as to salary - if my services are  
worth \$1,000, & expenses, per annum, I am  
at the service of the Committee, body and  
soul, so long as the two stick together.  
If the committee think they are not worth  
so much I do not say that I will not at  
any rate serve them - But I shall feel it  
my duty to try some other field of labor  
first - I am so much in debt, that I  
have no room to be disinterested in the  
matter - If I become an agent at all,  
it is my desire to remain in this state,  
and to be in the employ of the Mass.  
Abolition Society - Let the committee  
act, and do as they please - only let them  
please to act promptly, as I have no time  
to delay -

Now My dear brother,



you know - my heart & my circumstances.  
will you have the matter attended to, and  
let me know the result speedily. The  
modus, I leave to your discretion.

Yours with Christian affection  
Chas. T. Fovey.

(ch. Box 83)



Wednesday, July 22

Rev Amos A. Phelps,  
Boston,  
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