

what notice, if any, should be publicly taken of it. Now I conceive
it to be very important that all this matter should be done exactly
right - as a model for the other women's societies in the country, which
are no doubt likely to go through the same process. And in order to this
I think it is all important that you should come out & be present at
the meeting. I suspected the possibility of your being there to some of them
& they were very earnest for it - & indeed fixed their meeting for
Sat^d in order that you might be there. The truth is, ^{between ourselves} that though these
women are as true as steel & will of course go substantially right, still
it is by no means impossible that they may go formally wrong - for their
ignorance of business is extraordinary. They have done just right so far,
but it has been only by continual drilling, - line upon line & precept upon
precept - that they have been kept from committing great blunders. I think
you will see the importance of their having a judicious person who under-
stands the whole matter & knows just how to proceed, to help them. And you
are the very person to do it. Should you think the notice too short for
a visit to the Lampens? I press you to come without ceremony to my
house. We are always ready to receive company from you with not discom-
modation & the S. J. one at some other time. So I conclude that matter
as settled & shall expect to see you drive up in the R. R. convenience
(which is the exact image of the one which conveys the frail & the faulty
to the House of Correction) on Friday eve^g. It seems to me that there had
better be a brief statement of facts & of the reasons which made them feel
obliged to withdraw drawn up for the Liberator & a series of strong
resolutions about Newb^o - the Map⁵ Soc. - the Liberator &c. - to be
adopted whether they originate anew or not. And it ^{is} my opinion that
the same had better be draughted in that it - among you - brought
out in your pocket in case of an emergency. No doubt it might be
so managed as to avoid the appearance of foreign interference.
I think, as I said before, that it is particularly important that this affair
should be conducted exactly right as it is the first of the series of attacks which
are to be made on the Female Soc^s throughout Map⁵. - & I do not believe
that it will go exactly right unless you can continue to be there. So perse-
vere not at your peril - as the writ runs. - I forgot to mention the addi-
tional inducement of hearing a lecture on Sunday eve^g from the very
preamble of your servants - which of itself should be a sufficient
attraction - as the theatrical puffs say - to induce you to come.
I rec^d a letter from Maria on Sunday eve^g - dated Sunday -
touching "Pinder" which I answered yesterday by W^m P. H. J.

was glad to see her handwriting write once more & seem so good
accounts of Henry's conduct. I feel no doubt now, of his getting
entirely over it. As riding on horseback is advised in such cases I must
recommend him to mount my hobby & take a pleasant canter in
the domain of Graham. I shall not consider that it is quite perfect until
it has banished forth of its limits all riotous eating of flesh & the
carcasses of dead animals as food. The chain of ultraism is incomplete
without this last link.

I had a very pleasant visit to Sam & quite a full house. Martha Smith
& her friends were there & we had some very pleasant talk. How lucky it was
that she happened upon the double-faced & double-named Mansford alias
Columan before the 4th of July! only imagine the notoriety of the human
race, in the birth day of his country, being arrested in the public &
examinatory dropped to prison for bilking his lodgings! And yet this
would have been no improbable event had the affair gone on. What
motive could induce an adventurer to come among abolitionists of
all the birds in the air I cannot conceive. Surely not for any money
or worldly good name he could get among them. I wrote to Bro. May a
few days since & proposed his case to him as a proper one for the
exercise of his charity. I trust the Abolitionists will not get hold of this
scandal - though that can hardly be expected. But if they are
down upon us on his account it will afford an opportunity for
a parallel, after the manner of Plutarch, between him & Phelps,
Tommy or some of the other leaders - which I apprehend will not be
to the disadvantage of our grand old friend. How I long to see the
treasures contained in the archives of the American Society. I trust they
will be imparted from time to time for the refreshment of the living.
Mona proposed to me writing to Gen. Tappan to ask him to write a
-tance with that worthy man except a self-introduction at the N. E. Convention
-tion I think she had better write to him on the subject. Still if it is truly
best I will make bold to epistolize him.

Last Saturday was celebrated, as I suppose you know, by the Whigs of Norfolk
at Dedham. Log-cabins - Ford-cider - Harrison badges & banners the
order of the day. What is remarkable is that the Ladies participated in
the proceedings - walked in the procession with a truly patriotic countenance
of Semidress - went to the dinner &c - which the very same persons would
no doubt be shocked at the idea of acting in an A. S. Society. Truly the
Sphere of woman" must be made of Caoutchouc of the most
elastic description ^{it is well} ~~never~~ to accommodate the never ending ⁱⁿ ~~adventures~~
-sistencies of this goat-straining & camel-swallowing generation!
When she can be used as the tool of man for the accomplishment of his
ambitions or sectarian designs, to change the administration of the State
or to sustain that of the Church & her sphere is just where she can be used

by her master most to his advantage - but if she ventures to act on her own account as an independent immortal for the attainment of prime great good to the race & straightway she is relegated to the pitchers of the nursery, as the one place where she can possibly appear! "Ink of all the coats that are cauted in in this century world the coat of 'Hyprocrisy' is not only 'the worst' but 'the most disgusting'." For us our part being of the opinion of his Prokdequasian Major one of the wisest menials of whom we read, "that he who makes two ears of corn or two blades of grass to grow where only one grew before deserves better of mankind & does more essential service to his country, than the whole race of jobbers put together," I stand at home & hold corn. Where you at Abington are that day? Of course you had a good time. I have wanted another sheet of paper in reply to Mrs. May endeavoring to show him that we stand just where he did say

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Dear to Mrs. Weston. Singh's Office
 P.S. Looking for "the ink of all the coats" is not only "the worst" but "the most disgusting." For us our part being of the opinion of his Prokdequasian Major one of the wisest menials of whom we read, "that he who makes two ears of corn or two blades of grass to grow where only one grew before deserves better of mankind & does more essential service to his country, than the whole race of jobbers put together," I stand at home & hold corn. Where you at Abington are that day? Of course you had a good time. I have wanted another sheet of paper in reply to Mrs. May endeavoring to show him that we stand just where he did say

referred to his intolerant orthodox opponents in Brooklyne only that they even respect. I told him that if he could retain his good opinion of the N. Y. duvergivers after reading their address that his charity was not only "diseased" but that it was in the very blue stage not to say in a state of collapse. I entreated him moreover that if he would mind upon his part so refractory as head that he would at least side it with a curb rein so that it should not kick or he patters his own friends for the comfort & amusement of his other enemies. But it is like firing musket bullets into a cotton bag - a mere waste of powder & shot - to attempt to pierce his triple mail. I shall expect to see you on Friday night without fail. You could spend a couple of very pleasant days here among the true blue Abolitionists & you should have some choice of churches on Sunday or you may come