

New Bedford April 28<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday morning


Dear Maria,

There will be so good an opportunity tomorrow for you to write that I shall expect a letter a quarter of a mile long — William Coffin, Mary Longdons nephew, will give you this leave over Boston in the afternoon, so you must sit down & write me every thing you can think of — Give me facts & incidents, for I dont want any string up — I heard through Edwin that you were down to Saugter Monday night — Why didnt you take a turn over here when you got so near — The N.B. people are much disappointed at not seeing you, but you could have done no special good by coming — I think much good was done by Garrison — Almost every body likes him — I took tea Friday afternoon at Mr Emersons with Mr Means a young man from Andover, who is preaching as a candidate here, & who is nephew to Jeremiah Chason — I asked him if he knew Mr Collins. Oh, yes, he said, he understood that he had taken the agency of the Mass society, which was just the place for him — In the course of his remarks he said, he hoped that Mr Collins was settled down at last — for he had been almost every thing, sailor, storekeeper school master & writing master. How will you ask Collins what kind of a man Mr Means is, for they think of settling him. I have talked with Mr Emerson respecting that letter of Phelps, but he

is not the sort of a man at all to get himself into any trouble on any subject, & though very thorough indeed, is not a man to stand his own hand. He however says I may have the letter to take to Boston with me when I come on to the N. E. Convention, & I suppose I shall have discretionary power to show it - to whom I please but - I would much rather that Mr Phelps knew nothing about it. I met too at Mr Emersons a young man that I think something can be made of - Ellis Bartlett by name - At present he is a feeler, but - it is entirely through ignorance, for he blazed out against the clerical appeal like a good abolitionist - Binney laboured at Amherst just before he left there. & mystified him somewhat - Only that the poor young man is to be a minister, I should have great confidence in him, & hope much from his labours.

I went over to Danburden Saturday afternoon & called upon two of the sisterhood there - One of them was Allen president of the soc. I liked much, she could not fully understand the troubles in the Boston Female, but she knew there was trouble & she wanted all their money to go where Mr Garrison was. That little article in last week's Liberator, yours I suppose, has opened every body's eyes to the state of the Boston Female - The friends here have concluded that it will be best to have the articles made here, sold here, & I think so too, for I don't doubt that you will have plenty of articles in Boston & the money raised here will be all extra - & all go the right way too - Have you written to Mr. Phelps, I should think could be had

from there - I saw the last Mass Ab at the  
Langdons, Saturday night - Ah that wicked Whittier!  
If he is saved, which I very much doubt, he  
will have to be beaten with many stripes - I  
declare my blood rose against him in a way  
that it has never done towards any body before  
As I read these testimonials of the 1st page of  
the Mass Ab from the anti-slavery papers all  
over the country, I felt proud of Mrs. She  
has fought this battle nobly, single handed &  
alone. By the way what a good article that is  
in the last Liberator signed "An old country  
Abolitionist" Who wrote it - B - some to send by  
our coffee Elizabeth Heyrick's pamphlet - & whatever  
colonisation tract you think best. I went to <sup>Adams</sup> Sam,  
to a party the other evening & had considerable  
talk with him, & liked him very much. I  
told him I had sent for the pamphlet & was very  
much obliged & very glad to get it - Write your  
own name on it; for he seemed much interested  
in you & would think more of it coming from you  
The Producers are all much pleased I suspect  
with Dr. Chauncy's notice of Lucretia's effort, for  
they all tell me that she is a distant connection  
of theirs - I send you \$2.50 for the Mass Soc  
which you must acknowledge in the Liberator as  
from the three Societies in South Dartmouth. The  
N.B. mens soc will send or I suppose in the  
course of the week \$236 and the Fairhaven  
women have got \$10 which Edwin Thompson is  
to send. I trust Edwin will deliver the money  
safely - I heard at Fairhaven that Mrs. Drew  
had received a very good letter from you, which  
made her feel bad, they said, for she has done  
nothing in the cause since she has been there

I shall go over to see Mrs Brew soon — I  
shall be at home in about three weeks I  
suppose if not before will you tell Channing  
please of this and give my love to them  
ever yours 

remember me

Miss Maria W. Chapman.

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Boston

Kindness of Mr Coffin —



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