

Leicester, May 18. 1840.

My dear Sir,

I hope you have reached your home safely & well.

On my return, I found that I had been in error in saying to you that my Father had informed me that the opponents of Mr. Pierpont had drawn up, & put on paper, their charges against him. A letter which I had received from Boston stated that there was a report to that effect - but this letter was not from my father. How I came to receive so incorrect an impression, I am at a loss to tell. I feel called upon to make this correction to you, lest my father should be supposed to have said what he never has said.

I found a number of New Organizationists in the Norwich boat on my return; and, from conversation with them, I find that there is no accusation, however mean or flagrant, which some of them are not ready to make against the old Massachusetts

Society, & the Board of Managers in particular. -
Mr. St. Clair charged you, specifically, with dishonorable
conduct, and appealed to a young man who sat by
(Buffum by name) for his testimony respecting certain
facts. Mr. Buffum said that you had informed
him, some time since, that a great effort would
be made, by the friends of the old Massachusetts
Society, to get a large delegation to attend the Annual
meeting this year in N. York; and that you said
that if there were any who could not pay their own
expenses to & fro, means would be raised ^{by others} to defray
them. Mr. B. added that he made no charge ^{against you}
of dishonorable conduct; but Mr. St. Clair did,
distinctly, on the basis of the facts stated by Mr
Buffum, adding that you had, unsuspectingly,
discovered all your plots to this Mr. Buffum,
whom you supposed, from his name, to be a
friend of the old Society.

St. Clair made some further & worse charges

against Mr. Garrison, & referred me for the proof
to Mr. E. G. Loring, whom I shall shortly address
on the subject.

Very respectfully Yours

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