

Dublin 16th of November 1845

My dear Friend

We sent off our Barnack Box yesterday. I hope it may have a safe voyage and arrive in good order and undamaged to its destination in Farnwell Hall. Hannah thinks it is larger than we have sent for a year or two - I hope it is not less valuable - We got very little from Waterford or Wexford this year - I mean in fit little direct - for Maria's writing contributed beautifully in money to the things we purchased in Dublin - and Jerry Poole being still in his habit in Cork, accounts for little or nothing coming from that Wexford. Maria's writing, (Hannah's sister) lives with her mother in Waterford - and furthermore, Jerry Poole's country home, is about 6 miles from Wexford. Acting on your experience last year, I spent near all the money ^{at my disposal for the Barnack} ~~at my disposal for the Barnack~~ ~~at my disposal for the Barnack~~ ~~at my disposal for the Barnack~~ in the purchase of paper, sheets, and such like. Anne Allen did the same - and if you only make an ink on them as we understand you have done ^{in former years} ~~previously~~, we hope to hear of our money turning to good account. As we cannot guess what such things are worth with you, I marked the cost price and my initials on all the articles we sent - so you can put on what price you please. The very articles are not priced at all. This I know gives you some trouble - but there are two good reasons

for this. The fact is that we could not guess what
they would be worth in your eyes - and if we knew ever
so well, we had no time. Until the last day or
so, we could hardly ~~guess~~ form an idea of
what we would have to send, and it was hard enough
work to get them packed and sent off in time.
Anne Allen & Hannah were hard at work
yesterday marking and packing, and in the evening
I got the big box squared down to the necessary
dimensions - had it nailed, roped & left at the steam
packet office. This day two more contributions
arrived - one from Edward M. Wright of Philadelphia
consisting of chairs from Sheffield Mass - and the other
the Heinreich box. There is no help for the delay -
we must only send them to Cuba to join the Box from
there, which, with all my persuasion & entreaties, I
could not induce them to send till the 5th I even
wanted them to send me (before they had ready
to go in our box) but they would not be moved.
They make a little penny every year by the
exhibition of their collection - and they did not
choose to send away their show pieces. I fancy
that Frederick Douglass's visit put them out of
their reckoning and occupied the time that would
have been spent in getting their box ready in time.
But I have no doubt that any disadvantages that
may ensue from this cause will be more than com-

to think slavery a thing with which they have nothing
to do. I send in the box a paper which I wish
you particularly to look out. It is "The Atlas" &
was sent to me a day or two since by Wm. Hunt.
on account of a notice it contains of Frederick
Douglass's book. Some of the prefatory remarks are
so friendly of that character which you desire to
see from the pens of British writers of celebrity that
I write to ask his permission for you to insert in
the Liberty Bell (if there be time) the portions from
"The worst evil of Slavery in a country" down to "What
Americans" It is worth all the rest put together
that you read from England this year. I mean all
the writing for the Bell. I feared that Hannah
used to send many Slavery anti-slavery articles in
this box but I find she has not over looked it. Her
articles are very admirable for an almost diseased tendency
of thoughtfulness - and H. herself partakes of the same
good quality, though not to such an excessive degree.
I am anxious that you send Puller or something of
the nature of a friendly acknowledgment to Miss
Esther Fair, the poor but large-hearted mistress of a
charity school in Dublin - for her zeal in the cause -
to Mr. Joseph Clarkson of Dublin who has been wrought
unconquered to Miss D. Moore of
Waterford, my cousin & a kind & valuable contributor.

at his father's house in Waterford T. D. & J. N. Buffum
were repeatedly and most kindly entertained —
My brother James sends a bundle of sheets for which
he has the bundle ^{received from} of collars for the Barrack and ~~some~~
also from James. He meant to have sent 6 boxes
but the rest were not ready. I will take care to get
them from him and send them via Cork. He
can afford them, and he must shell out. The
Misses Maughams (James's daughters) were just
shipped up towards the Cape by J. D.'s vessel and
the Hutchinsons ship. I have no doubt that heath-
ens they will do more than ever if they land &
do well. A little fillip to them might not be
lost. One book to Deborah Gosh of Limerick &
one for Susan of Charlotte Fikes of Limerick
would not be ~~un~~ mispent. You understand that
I am only giving you hints — not putting in for books for
any body except in the way of seed for another
year. A few copies of Webb's "American Slavery
as it is" & of Prince's "American Church & the
Proslavery of Slavery" would be well employed. If a
bound copy of the former these two were sent as
a present from Wm L. Garrison (with his name
written in it by himself) to William ~~Scott~~
Thorth of Dublin, it would gratify him greatly
& confirm a new convert to our faith. He is a
methodist & a hard working fellow — teaches the preachers.
who are made of precisely the same stuff here as in America.

There are some very methodists in Dublin who read
the Liberator and are likely to give trouble to their
spiritual superiors. It is a good thing when you can
get a man to read the Liberator. Amongst the other
things in the box you will find a dozen little green
books which have had a vast sale in Ireland. I don't
know how they will sell among the Puritans. "The
Songs and Ballad Poetry of Ireland" I thought they might
take. I would like to know whether they sell at what
prices. It is quite a new book & has many fine things
not easily found elsewhere. I also put in 3 books (out
of my bookcase) to make up an amount I had promised
I put in the box was about being mailed up. ~~Will~~ Tell me
if you please such things good for my thing. I thought they
might happen to be picked up by devils wandering
through the hole. Tell C. L. that since she is
in the cut box - it was left in her care, to be put
in their box down in our hole. Her only came today.
I am glad Sir's eyes are wide enough open not to
continue to patronizing the repealers. It would be hard to find an
honest man among their leaders. There's my sentiment
we have got a nice little grey Kitten - I think she
is a tabby - she walked in to us of her own accord a few
days ago. I am told this is considered lucky to you
cannot do less than sympathize with us in our good fortune.
In packing the box
Some few small articles were tossed in, without affixing any price,
thinking you could do it as well yourselves & we had little time at
the end - and Anne Allen had left a husband in bed that morning, of

flicted with swelled face & toothache, I was in haste to get back to him. You
can mark these "whatever your honour pleases" as our poor beggars say.
There was no attempt to put articles of inferior value at the top of the
box this year, to cheat the Customhouse Officers. Does it make any difference?
Or is honesty always the best policy? I never grudge freight-money, but I do
grudge paying much duty, having little sympathy with the use made of our
cash by the government. I often wish we could see the boxes opening
in Boston & hear your notes & comments on the various articles - but there would be no
end to our wishes if we began, so in the mean time we must be content with

your reports in your letters, trusting to your telling the honest truth for the sake of the cause.

What does she mean by talking of "the honest truth" - as if
you were told any other - I am sure I don't know. We should
be offended. I have just and Wm. Knapp's prompt reply to

the note I sent him to which I have alluded to at the beginning.
He is quite sweetly calling that the passage I allude to and
his own name shall be used as you please. I know that
being a little hot-headed, I am apt to do things which I
like with the beautiful hues of fancy - but nevertheless
I do think W. H.'s criticism or his preference to it is well
worthy your notice.

The Antislaveryists left us about a week ago. They had not
large houses here - but their addresses were very much pre-
served. This however will not do for people who want to make
money and their visit to Dublin could have been a dreary
time if they had not been greatly invited out and hosted
by our week and the widely connected with our circle.
This they said chiefly to their characters in their first place
as consistent abolitionists and secondly to their remarkable
unaffected, childlike, cheerful, demeanors. All except
Lester who is not one of the most favorable specimens of
the ordinary class of mankind. But Judson, John, etc.

and Abby are quite charming. So thoughtful, so timely, so
free from the knowledge of good or evil - They quite capti-
vated James Haughton's family who paid them great
attention and paid quite lovely after them. In the box
from Dublin you will find a poetical effusion a Tribute
to the Hutchinsons by Wilfred Haughton - James's nephew
which I think it would gratify his custom to see in the
Liberator. J. M. Keiffen is now in Liverpool with the
Hutchinsons who have held two very well attended concerts since
they arrived there. James long for home sympathies. He clings
to an American. He can't go about alone. He must
have somebody to lean upon. I think he would be better at
home. He has not much curiosity to draw him from place
to place - no different information and intelligence to suggest
objects of interest to him. If I had his money and his leisure
what a town I should have. I would be in Rome in a fortnight
or in Boston in three weeks. I would certainly if the chance
happened just now - be off by the next steamer along with this
letter. Among the things in the little box is a little packet of
pencushions from "Alice Keyes" a little seven years old town-
woman of mine. I hope you will treat them with the due honor.
I like to see children ever so young come with spontaneous interest
in this cause. You will be so kind (if they are easily to be had)
send in with the Bells, ~~the~~ 24 copies of "American Slavery as it is"
and the invoice. I am sure no cards will spend as wisely to
better purpose for the awakening of peoples minds here.
I am afraid from the continual repetitions night after night
of the same songs with very little variety that the Hutchinsons
will not be likely to have a run any where. They have not good
memories and so far from their being improvisators (as Rogers
represented them) who burst forth in the middle of a meeting with
spontaneous heart warm effusions, I am disposed to think they
compose and study with great difficulty & require a good deal of