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BOSTON, NOV. 30, 1882.

DEAR SIR :

THE NEW-ENGLAND ANTI-SLAVERY SOCIETY will hold its *First Annual Meeting* in this city on the second Wednesday of January next. It unanimously invites you—among other friends of God and man, of religion and humanity, of immediate and universal justice—to be present on that occasion, and to speak to a Resolution expressive of *the evils and criminality of slavery, in a moral and religious point of view.*

It is earnestly hoped, for the sake of millions of perishing souls, that you will be able to comply with this invitation ; that you will, at a crisis so important and on an occasion so interesting, lend your influence and exert your talents to promote a cause that is paramount to any other which now attracts the attention and commands the support of wise and good men. The principles and designs of the Anti-Slavery Society, it is presumed, are fully understood by you. By immediately signifying whether you deem it probable that circumstances will enable you to be present at its anniversary, and whether you should be willing to speak on the subject above suggested, (or on any other topic more congenial to your feelings, appertaining to the welfare of the free colored and slave population of this country,) you will oblige the Society. You are requested to put the Resolution in such words as you may deem best, and send a copy of it in your reply—which may be directed to

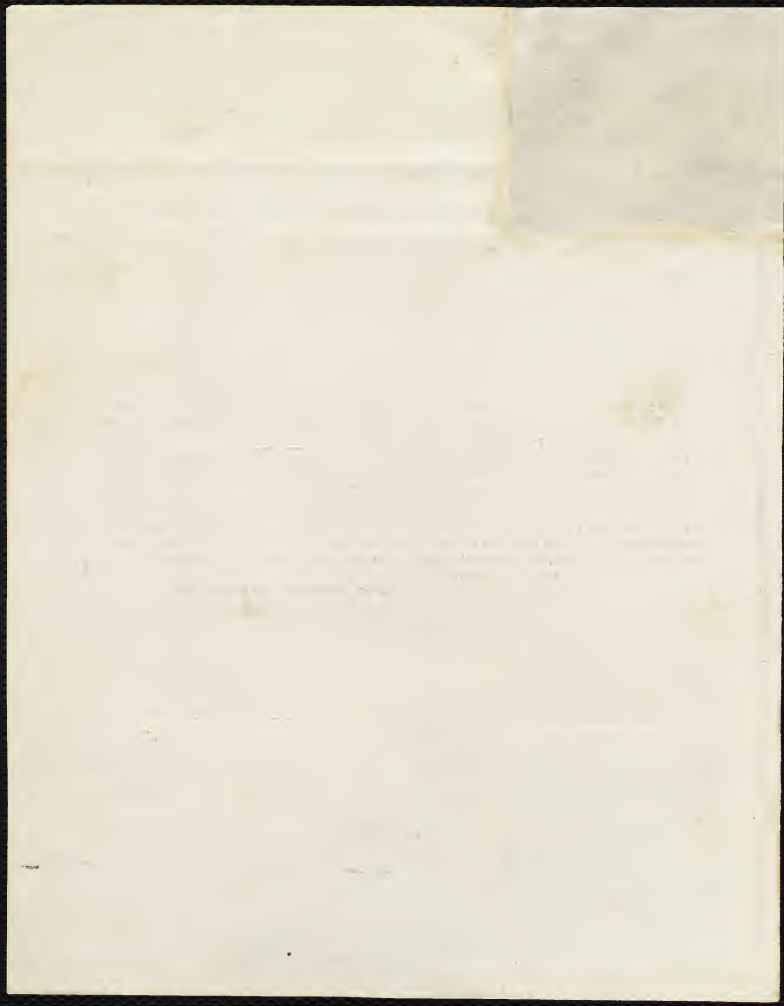
Yours, respectfully,

WM. LLOYD GARRISON,

Corresponding Secretary.

Rev. Samuel J. May.

Resolved — that the principles of the Anti Slavery do not impinge the rights of any of our fellow citizens, nor endanger the peace & happiness of our country.



Boston, Dec. 4, 1832.

Beloved Brother:

At the time of our annual meeting, there will be in this city, at least six hundred members of the Legislature, a large portion of whom we shall probably secure as auditors: hence it is highly important that we should make a demonstration of strength and talent on that occasion.

Our cause goes on prosperously. Indeed, when I consider the brevity of the period in which we have been engaged, and the nature and number of the obstacles which towered in our path, I am surprised to observe the impression we have made upon the nation.

Our condjuditors in England are fighting most manfully, with spiritual weapons against sin and cruelty. I have just received from them a large bundle of anti-slavery pamphlets, tracts, circulars, &c. &c. the perusal of which is almost too much for my poor nerves. The British abolitionists waste no ammunition - every shot tells - they write in earnest - they call, as did old John King, a fig a fig, and a spade a spade. When I see what they are doing, and read what they write, I blush to think of my own past apathy, and mourn in view of my poverty of thought and language.

By all means come at our annual meeting, if possible.

This letter, I trust, will find you and your lady, as it leaves me, in the enjoyment of good health.

Your steadfast friend,

Wm. Lloyd Garrison.

W. L. Garrison
Nov. 1832



Single.—Paid.



Rev. Samuel J. May,

Brooklyn,

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