

Leicester, Sept. 10/58.

My dear Sir,

Friend & cousin;

I returned yest. p. m. from a foot-  
tright's Anti-Slavery tour in  
Vermont, in company with Mr.  
Garrison, which was successful  
& pleasant far beyond our  
expectations, and I am confident  
will be productive of no small  
amount of good. Garrison's  
extraordinary good sense, clear  
discrimination, & ready adaptation  
of his subject to his audience,  
qualify him for field-service,  
in my judgment, beyond any  
other I know of our "field-hands".  
During my absence, your note to  
me came, and ~~was~~ my wife sent  
it to me in Vermont. We were  
all glad to hear of the prospect  
that you would come to Mass<sup>ts</sup>

this autumn; and we will be  
much obliged to you, to give us  
a few days' notice of your coming  
to Leicester, that we may not  
fail to be on the spot, even for  
half a day. On the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>  
Octo. (- indeed the whole of that  
week) the Antislavery Fair in  
Worcester will occupy nearly our  
entire time. Since Mrs. Sarah  
H. Earle's death, the burden of  
the Fair will come, more than  
ever, upon Sarah<sup>(my wife)</sup>. We hope  
therefore that you will not come  
that week - except that, we  
expect to be at home, whenever  
you may come, - still, would  
like a few days' notice, as I  
have to be (now) a good deal in  
Boston.

The \$1. which you sent will  
pay for your Advocate the past  
year, and also for a year in

advance, commencing Octo. 1/58.  
- the Subscription (to you who pay  
your postage at yr. own office)  
being Half a Dollar yearly. -

We are much pleased to hear  
that you are having news from  
the boys which gratifies and  
comforts you, though we could  
wish that Joe's strength came to  
him more rapidly. I trust it  
will be found that his recovery,  
though slow, is certain.

My wife and Ade join me  
in affectionate remembrance to your  
wife, to Miss Coffin, and to  
Charlotte, from whom we rejoice  
to hear so good news, - and,  
tho' last, not least, to yourself.

Ever truly yrs

Samuel May jr

San Diego  
Sept 10, 1950