

Dublin 16<sup>th</sup> of November 1845

My dear Friend

We sent off our Barrow Box yesterday. I hope it may have a safe voyage and arrive in good order and condition 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 & Wexford this year - I mean we got little direct - for Maria's Waring contributed beautifully in money to the things we purchased in Dublin - and Terry Poole being still in his habit in Cork, accounts for little or nothing coming from ~~the~~ Wexford. Maria's Waring, (Hannah's sister) lives with her mother in Waterford - and furthermore, Terry Poole's country home, is about 6 miles from Wexford. Acting on your experience last year, I spent near all the money <sup>at my disposal for the Barrow</sup> ~~at my disposal for the Barrow~~ ~~at my disposal for the Barrow~~ ~~at my disposal for the Barrow~~ in the purchase of paper, sachets, and such like. Anne Allen did the same - and if you only make an entry on them as we understand you have done <sup>in former years</sup> ~~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 at the end of 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 even  
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 held out work  
yesterday marking and packing, and in the evening  
I got the big box sawed 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 - and the other  
the Heineck box. There is no help for the delay -  
we must only send them to look to join the box from  
there, which, with all my persuasion & eloquence, I  
could not induce them to send till the 5<sup>th</sup> 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-



permeated in the end. They are on flame in Cuba.  
When you <sup>learn</sup> ~~the~~ that nearly two copies of his book  
were sold there - and that he was twice publicly  
feted - once by Father Mathew - another time by the  
Anti Slavery Society at a public breakfast - and at  
a ~~large~~ public dinner the Mayor in the Chair - that  
an address was presented to him & publicly answered  
- that he was paraded about - and welcomed & proce-  
aded in the city by one of the most intelligent &  
delightful families of London in Cuba. you will admit  
that he must have felt somewhat uncertain at times  
whether he stood on his head or his heels. I have  
no doubt that Henry C. Wright is doing a great work  
in Scotland - the stories of his going the Free Kirk  
is just the way they <sup>try</sup> to excite the Scotch to thought &  
action - he is <sup>quite</sup> ~~very~~ humorous at "God shall see, Cun-  
ningham and Candlish" and telling them to send back  
that money. Oh! how gladly will both of them.  
He is a real fine fellow. His heart is in his work.  
He has written a capital pamphlet on the Dissolution  
of the Union, which I wish you would read - you will  
receive some copies in the Scotch box. I think it  
particularly suited to draw the attention of all who  
read it to the atrocity of the Union, and of the excess  
~~particularities~~ <sup>of the</sup> public sentiment that up holds  
it, such writers as W. D. and <sup>as Douglas</sup> such speakers as  
what is required in these countries to <sup>draw</sup> ~~draw~~ people  
into attention to this cause. They must not be allowed



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 Letter" of  
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 pen 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 portion 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 Mary Hunt's autograph article in  
the box but I find she has not overlooked it. Her  
writing is never remarkable for an almost diseased tendency  
to thoughtfulness - and H. herself partakes of the same  
good quality, though not in such an excessive degree.  
I am anxious that you send Pulls 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. Clapp Claxson of Dublin who has been most  
merciful & kind in his patronage of the Hutchinsonian  
& of Frederick Douglass - to Miss D. Moore of  
Waterford, my cousin & a kind & zealous contributor.



at his father's house in Waterford F. D. & J. N. Buffum  
were repeatedly and most kindly entertained —  
My brother James sends a bundle of shirts for which  
he has the bundle <sup>of shirts</sup> of collars for the Bazaar and ~~collars~~  
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 Haughtons (James's daughters) were greatly  
stirred up towards the cause by F. D.'s visit and  
the Hutchinsons' Song. I have no doubt that heath-  
ens they will do more than ever, if they had  
the will. A little fillip to their people, but be  
it so. One book to Deborah Gosh of Limerick &  
one for ~~James~~ Charlotte Fisher of Limerick  
would not be ~~unprofitable~~. 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 Churches, the  
Patriarch of Slavery" would be well employed. If a  
boarded 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  
& convert a new convert to our faith. He is a  
methodist & a hard working fellow — teaches the preacher.  
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 fine 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  
Song and Ballad Poetry of Ireland" I thought they might  
take. I would like to know whether they take, & at what  
price. 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 devious wanderers  
through the hole. Tell C. L. that Emma shall be  
in the cut box - it was left in Limerick, & is, I suppose,  
in their box down in our hole. Mary came today.  
I am glad Mary's eyes are wide enough open not to  
continue to blame the repealer. 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~~ <sup>her</sup> ~~our~~ <sup>our</sup> 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 houses that be. 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 read Wm. Howitt's pamphlet, & I have just read 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 clothe anything I like with the beautiful hues of fancy - but nevertheless I do think W. H.'s criticism or his preference to it is well worth your notice.

The Antislaveryists left us about a week ago. They had not large houses here - but their audiences were very much gratified. This however will not do for people who want to make money and there went to Dublin (and) has 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 Jesse 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 trueful, 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 lavishly 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. Keuffen 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 time 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 a spontaneous interest  
in the 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 our money 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