

Dear ~~Wm~~

I tear a sheet of paper in two, purposing to fill one half to

Reverend the other to you in little crabbed hand - good measure. -

What is coming I know not, but thus much is certain - the Whigs

have put their noses to the grindstone, & if we don't grind 'em

down there's no snakes. Their course will of course determine

the Van Buren party to <sup>run</sup> ~~run~~ against abolition in the districts even if

V. B. had held his tongue <sup>on the subject</sup> in his address. Well, the V. B.'s going

against it will of course make the whigs <sup>still more</sup> furious for if even if the

clear light of abolition was not continually flashing in their now

<sup>rather than to be opened</sup> open eyes. The word of command has gone forth from the secret

councils of Whiggery "Open eyes! rear ranks!" So they will have

a smart chance of being really & truly, as well as politically

converted. Some of the Democratic abolitionists are very sorry

that the whigs have gone for us; but is it not plain, that the ad-

ministration <sup>being</sup> the administration by virtue of Southern votes

part, must be pro-slavery to a certain extent? is

not equally plain, following of consequence, that the aboli-

tions must always be in the opposition, whether the admin-

istration were whig or democratic? & is it not in a

concentration accordingly, that all other departments of

the minority must be political abolitionists, to get thereby

if they can, this great & increasing body of voters?

V. B. has "dished" himself for next term - or rather

he has cold-hashed himself up. dished he was some time



I love "To scan the words of promise

When not too deep for mortal sense."

I see clearly that it is in the councils of Providence  
to break up our accustomed line of march - Indian  
file, - & place us "all a-row." Think of the idle  
resolves of base politicians! "I never will sign a  
bill for abolishing slavery in the District," Quoth he, -  
"unless the southern states consent." (thinking it impos-  
sible they ever should consent.) He & his kind forge  
that there ~~is~~ the magazines of the Almighty,  
means enough to make the southern states ask it  
on their knees. We all know what "H. P. S. will  
is" - "thou shalt have no other gods before me!"  
Let the poorest honest man on earth offer himself as  
the instrument of the Almighty, & those southern gods  
shall be cast down from their high places, not  
one of them has philosophical penetration to foresee the  
natural consequences of things - nor religious faith enough  
to ~~rejoice~~ <sup>rejoice</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~plate~~ <sup>plate</sup> ~~of~~ <sup>of</sup> ~~life~~ <sup>life</sup> ~~marked~~ <sup>marked</sup>  
out for every ~~man~~ <sup>man</sup>, - ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~great~~ <sup>great</sup> ~~scheme~~ <sup>scheme</sup> ~~of~~ <sup>of</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~universe~~ <sup>universe</sup> ~~was~~ <sup>was</sup>. It is  
no wonder that men so selfish should



be blind to the resistless power of self-sacrifice  
or that men so weakened by iniquity should  
be able to do so little to counteract that power.

When <sup>like Dr. Channing</sup> ~~blind~~ men say of the abolitionists "they go  
dangerously fast, I reply, "If your vision had been  
cleared by obedience, you would see that we  
cannot go dangerously fast. For every acceleration  
of our progress does but call up an opposing  
influence <sup>ambitious the world</sup> just strong enough to prevent all danger  
but of no force to prevent our effecting our object.

What was the Faneuil Hall meeting permitted for? -  
that <sup>ignorant - as the</sup> the South might be assured on the testimony  
of 1500 credible witnesses that there really was nothing  
incendiary going on at the North. They meant  
it for evil to us, but it was overruled for good to  
the whole country. "If there were any incendiarism - going  
on," has been the inference of the South "these 1500 well  
disposed gentlemen could put a stop to it. But since they  
do not, & evidently cannot put a stop to it, it is  
clear that it is not incendiarism, but propagandism.



which is millions of times worse for us."

Why could not George Thompson lecture quietly through N.E. connections, as he went? Because the right sort of effort for the advancement of the cause - the real swift motion - the true thing, calls up just counteraction enough to prevent its being too fast. Had it not been the Lord's pleasure to save this nation from itself - Had he not for this strong purpose hardened the heart of N.E. for a course of years, the North would I doubt not have roused & aided the slave in insurrection. He will take care that men's eyes are not "darkened with too great a light," if we will but take care to flash our torches in their faces. This, (to speak calumniously) is electroengineering and also to send such a letter into the House of De Farnsworth, is much like the cry of "no popery" when the land is whelmed in Presbytery, & "fire! fire!" in hoar's flood.



Did you see the Daily Advertiser showing his teeth  
about the "agitation" in the Legislature & the  
Atlas!! chastising him for his opposition to  
truth & righteousness? Some of the abolitionists  
think that Hale has a party at his back  
to sustain him in getting out of the Whig  
traces. Truly I think so; the same party  
that induced him to talk unpleasantly to H.  
Chartman; — a D P Wier-party.  
or an Everett-party perhaps. His paper  
is but the echo of what he hears over night in  
a few fashionable houses. If Everett gets into Con-  
gress this coming election see if he don't turn  
Van-Buren man, <sup>which is to say pro-slavery</sup> after he gets there.  
A single abolitionist is  
fool enough to vote for such a fellow for a hog  
reene even, he deserves to be skun. Look  
at his proclamation!! oh the arch villain!!!  
I will see to their slippery concerns. I have  
not been out this fortnight; so can the Graham public.



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