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Dear Catherine - I am sorry
that you have quite given up coming
to us now - For though there may
be a better time in store, the future
is always so uncertain that one can't
depend on it - When you are
pretty certain of coming I (being a
common body) had a thousand mis-
givings mixed with pleasant anticipa-
tions - fears lest you should find Dublin
stupid after all the enjoyment &
excitement of your late life - being
also that we are not all so interested
as Richard himself & that our circle
of friends to whom to introduce you

is but small - How soon these diffi-
culties have almost disappeared now
in the feeling of disappointment at
your not coming - Richard of
course will go to you, for now he
cannot hesitate - could it be possi-
ble that yourself, Mrs. Chapman &
George Thompson could lay out to return
with Lewis & pay us even a week's visit?

- I don't ask this merely for my own
pleasure, but I am sure you could do
some good, such as you delight in - in
confirming some of our little committees,
& encouraging a few true-hearted friends
of the good cause, making some
misty matters look clearer - Perhaps
have the way for a decenter box of
articles for the bazaar than I put there

is now a prospect of. - The days are
shortening, but we could have some
pleasant talks ~~round~~ the fire-side - and
a few friends to enjoy them with us -
and George Thompson might have one
or two good public meetings - he has
already been invited by our committee,
I now could be the time for him to
come, before they grow cold, but his
American experiences & zeal are fresh
about him. Be sure he would speak
all the better for knowing that certain
leaders from America were of the audience
- I long to get you to agree to this
plan, but I don't like to build it
upon you. When Richard is with you
you can talk it over & try how
it could be accomplished.

I have enjoyed Mr. Hunt; ^{entirely} ~~totally~~ very
much - am his little display of intol-
erance toward Unitarian "extremes" subjects
may tend to find account in, connection
with his cordial cooperation in A. S. M. V.
Matters. The adhesion of other ex people
is very valuable, especially in England.

I shall leave Richard himself to say
the rest - certain that you will have
a bright time together whether it be in
Bristol or on the promised excursions

With kind remembrances to all your
party, I Mrs & Miss Estlin -
Yours truly

Hannah Webb