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Dear Garrison:

The Standard comes out this week in its new dress. It will look very neat. I have no doubt, though I have not yet seen it, the inside forms not having gone to press. The type has a clear, handsome face, & the quality of the paper is much better than that formerly used. The size of the sheet is precisely the same as before, & yet we have gained  $2\frac{1}{2}$  columns of room. The enlargement is quite perceptible.

Mr. Gay has not been at the office since Saturday, having been at the bedside of his sick daughter, who has been very low with dysentery. I hear this morning that she is better. He, you know, has had the management of all the details of the

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new arrangement. He expected to write the leader for this week, but I was compelled to do it at the last moment. I fear it is very far from being such an article as was needed, but I have done the best I could in the circumstances. I had given so little attention to the details of the matter, having confided them entirely to Mr. Gay, that I did ~~not feel~~ felt quite awkward in discharging this duty. Our new writers, you will see, have done nothing as yet; nor do I know how soon they will, Mr. Gay having conducted the correspondence. This hot weather is not favorable for starting such an arrangement, & I fear it may take us some weeks yet to get well a-going. Meanwhile, we must do the best we can.



I have sent 25 copies of the  
Proceedings of the Pa. Y. M. of Pro-  
gressive Friends to your A. S.  
Office. I wish you would notice  
the pamphlet (I presume you  
have a copy before now) and state  
that it can be had for 12½ cents.

Yours, truly,

O. Johnson.



