

West St. Sept 21. 1840.

Dear Lucia,

I am resolved to do my duty in the way of writing to you & so will write a little every night. I had a pleasant enough ride in town, tho' there was some danger of a spring breaking - I have not been with Linfield for several years when the straw stage was so full - we had Francis & Isaac Blanchard, Margaret Brooks' husband, cum multis aliis. I found all well but Henry. He looked very delicate indeed, but I dont know what it results from any thing save loss of blood & abstinence. They were getting ready to ride out shortly after I came - I went first to Miss King man's to leave Sally's letter & then went with Henry, Maria & little Ann as far as Roxbury. We went over the Tremont road, so there was not much jolt, & kept the carriage windows shut. We went that way for the purpose of seeing a house near the Demist estate, owned by Hamilton Gray, which Henry has had thoughts of buying, but tho' it is a pretty enough house, I hardly think he will like it sufficiently for that. We took home Henry. Emma was not perfectly well, having some thing of a cold, so did not go out to day. After our return, Bishop & Johnson & Mary Chapman called. This afternoon Mr Ripley called to ask when the N. Westchester fair was to be held, but as Maria was out did not stop. Then came Mr Jones. Getting a wife runs very evidently in his mind, but we all bore such a very full testimony on the woman question, & it was evidently such very strong

doctrine to him that I do not apprehend that he will  
respect any of us with a preference. Mr Chapman called  
also. By the way your annuity how come. He has  
bestowed on you & Emma of 5. each. I will transmit  
it the first chance. Caroline came in town but went  
out soon after. Joseph Congdon has spent the evening here.  
Deborah met Mr H. on the step & he gave her Aunt M's  
note. Maria had a letter to day from a Miss Miller of  
Milton promising help for Fair. It will not be held till  
Christmas. Maria has had word from many country places  
that they want all the time they can have & she says  
it cannot be successfully till then. Maria has lately  
had a very good letter from Mrs Child in which she  
says "Give my love to Caroline & to that sweet  
born tilly Lucia; I wish I were a born tilly, or even a  
tilly by grace." The Lorrings have been to Northampton  
making a visit; this letter was written by them & in  
tolerable spirits, but one came to Kennetia by the  
same chance full of despondency. Caroline has 33  
scholars exclusive of Emma & Dixon. Little Ann is good as  
me & Gertrude ditto. I must now go & look up a place  
where to sleep. Tuesday evening 10 or 11. Henry worked as far  
as the office & Deborah & I called at Kennetia's. I saw only  
Catherine, Kennetia being out. Mrs Adam & her youngest  
daughter are staying there. Mrs A. leaves for Ensign  
on Saturday. C. said your bags had been extremely  
shewn & attracted great attention and regard. Deborah called  
on Angelina Howe. She was very agreeable & D. thinks he  
running back into the world instead of new org. Called at  
the office. After dinner I went to Sand's successor &

for ninepence had my hair nicely cut - Called at Myrtle  
who did not think it worth while to do my straw bonnet  
over. I met S. Owen in the street. She was very thin but  
seemed well. Miss Richardson & Eugenia Hoskell called.  
E. is rather faded, but just the same coin as ever.  
She has been making a visit at Lowell. "There" said she  
"I met a young gentleman who loved your brother Anne  
very much." I kept my countenance as well as I could  
and asked his name. "Cutter" she answered & on inquiry  
I found that worthy, was flourishing away in Lowell  
at a great rate, keeping school. He promised to work  
for the Fair. This evening Maria & I have been to a  
Board meeting of the N. H. Socy held at Thankful's. Gar-  
rison read part of his Report, which was very good;  
not so superior as some of his productions, but very un-  
exceptionable & calculated to strengthen G's reputation for  
goodness & discretion. He has had letters from Irish friends  
by the Britannia - one from Richard Allen - He is a great  
Temperance man as well as an Abolitionist & he  
says that Hubbard Winslow & West Adams called on him  
on the Temperance account. After that matter was  
talked over, he introduced Abolition & they went into the  
middle of the hot coal business & he used them all up.  
Also Clarkson has written a long letter to Garrison giving  
up the Colonization Socy. The beauty of this to me is that  
Clarkson should have reported himself to Garrison. Why  
not to those great men Lewis Tappan & A. A. Phelps,  
rather than to "an adventurer" like Garrison? Remond  
has written to Garrison. He stands firm as justice.  
Madison says that Father Matthew told him he very

Much regretted the decision of the London Conference  
as to the women. I submitted the business on my head  
to Dr Whipple & he says I must strike a violent blow  
on it with a brook. This agrees with the way it went  
away before. To day was the Annual meeting of the  
Cambridge Fair Female Socy. Martha Ball was there  
but was pretty well defeated through the labors of  
Emily Formell - There was \$30 in the Treasury, but Emily  
managed to give \$20 to Susan Wilson & \$10 to the Claypin.  
The Socy voted nothing about the Fair but the managers  
agreed to give Miss Ball what things they had left  
from last year's fair which was not much. Miss  
B. has been lecturing in New Haven & formed 2 societies  
there - I did not see little Sarah to night. From what  
her mother said I inferred she was worn out baking.  
The house heated like an oven. Deborah has a hoarse  
cough to night - E's cold is better. Henry walked out again  
this afternoon, wearing Kerner's coat which fits him  
exactly.

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The Committee on Finance report that <sup>with Dept</sup> in their

Chardon St. Chapel.

Wednesday evening.

Dear Lucia,

I woke this morning quite fogged out. I was kept awake by Deborah who had a bad head toothache - a nervous one, & it was long before she went to sleep. However after I have been up a while I resuscitate bed. at 1/2 past 9 I started for Chardon St. Maria nor Deborah went. It looked so like rain I wore my Alpaca. I send you the rough draught of my the drags of the Convention. Henrietta came up for a minute to the hall to ask me or any of us to come there & stay during the Convention - Ballou's speech was very good - Abby Kelly is here looking very well. She has been terribly persecuted in Conn. one minister in Washington in the eastern part of the state named - I forget now, has preached a sermon at her from this text "Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach, & to seduce my servants to commit fornication." He called her by name applying this verse to her. said every thing he could to attack her character. that "she was travelling up & down by night & by day, always with men & never with women." Not a woman in the town but was afraid to speak to her tho' they had known her well. But she seems to hold her courage well. I asked Mr. Fifield to Maria's to dinner, but as Mary asked her, she went there. Mary had quite a number there. I carried Mrs. Reed (Loring's wife) home with me. Edmund Loring took tea with us to night. Deborah has staid at home this eve'g with Henry. He has been out twice to day. I have got your letter. Do as well for little K. as you can. Loring gives but little trouble & Ann is very good. Caroline & I are going to stay with Henrietta to night. yrs ever A.M.M.

To night Damon Ladd, W. C. Garrison Bishop &  
Bradburn have spoken - nothing especially interesting  
Thursday morning - Being "per-atory" I have pens at  
hand, so will give you a word. I went from Kenilworth  
early this morning to drop - I find that Deborah is going  
to N. Bedford with Mr Howland - He called there last  
night and invited her offering to pay all expenses. Therefore  
I shall stay here while she is gone - Isaac Taber is here  
or was looking nicely & a very ditto. Dr Whipple went  
home with us last night - Bradburn offered but at

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Miss Lucia Weston.

Weymouth.

we were going to Poplar St we would not take  
him out of his way. I hope this letter won't get lost.  
Thursday afternoon. This morning's speeches were quite  
interesting but nothing very special - Garrison read  
some interesting communications from Escopus, but  
these you will see in the Liberator - I dined at Chauncy  
P.C. The three Misses Chase there - Mr Allott & Edmund  
dined there. A splendid dinner of roast chickens, squabs,  
pies, peach pudding, peaches & melons - Mrs. Field  
dined at Maria's

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