

Battle Creek Mich May 21<sup>st</sup> 1855

Saml May Jr

Dear Friend,

I am, as you see, in the West on my way to Illinois and Wisconsin where I think of spending a few weeks lecturing on Anti-Slavery. If the Am Society deem best to pay my travelling expenses I will act as their agent and collect in their name - otherwise I shall go on my own responsibility in all good feeling to ~~them~~ the Committee.

I make the proposal - they know their means and emergencies.

However I go I shall seek to make the generous people of the West not embittered by an Organizational prejudice - better acquainted with the Anti-Slavery movement propa and its advocates and pioneers.

A word on another topic. Julia Griffiths it is said will probably go to England in June to get funds for the National Colored Industrial School and for such other purposes as you may imagine. It is needless for me to say except of her except that she has an unwearying industry and jealous vigilance which will work there as well as here. Although I do not expect she will do great things it is well you should know what is afoot and how Pillsbury knows it too. She goes probably first to Glasgow - to the new Society there I suppose. Rumor says she looks for a reception, a Ca H B Stone - rich indeed!

I should judge that the Lupidelity cry would be used and "divine frauds!" "Bible Conventions" be made to figure largely.

perhaps Garrison's desertion of the colored people and  
abuse of F. & come in also.

You know what to do. all I want and all  
you want is that England should know the truth on these  
matters without prejudice.

I had two meetings here yesterday and go to  
Union City to-morrow. I shall be in Chicago in a week  
or less. Please write me there if necessary and a line  
will be forwarded me at any time from there.

Such a tide of emigration never before poured into  
the great West as this spring. I crossed the lake in  
the "Western World" a magnificent Steamer of 2500  
tons burthen costing \$250,000, an exponent of the growth  
of this beautiful land.

Accept sincere best wishes of  
your friend  
Giles B. Stebbins

Sarah May Jr  
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P.S. Your line enclosing receipt was rec. thanks. GBS.

June 6<sup>th</sup>

Dear Miss Weston,

I had this letter from Giles Stebbins last week. I have written to Pillsbury, to give him information of its contents. Perhaps you may feel moved to write to either Miss Wigham or Mrs. Mapie about this mischief-making woman.

Truly Yours

S. May Jr

I am to be found by letter (or otherwise) at Leicester for a time to come.



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