

Dublin, Friday, June 20, 1853

Dear Mrs Chapman - I heard you the  
Poem in an arch po. It is copied by Mrs. Webb  
I hope sufficiently well to suit your  
purpose. I am very much vexed  
about the books. After making them  
out, I sent them to Hanson to the Estlin's  
who were with them, & who I understood  
had an opportunity - but it turned out  
that Miss Estlin was left behind in  
Newbury, and a letter I wrote to her,  
containing my letter to you, was  
sent to her by her father who did  
not understand about the books,  
until it was too late - as I suppose  
he did not open my letter. This  
is a long story, but the result of it is  
that my books are in England  
instead of France, as I hoped they  
would be long before this time. I  
told by <sup>Mr</sup> E. has been desirous you  
are for the books than I wished you had

them - so I now depend on you not  
to let him forget how much our  
happiness depends on our wishes being  
accomplished.

All I know of Mr. Chepman I have learned  
from Mr. Estlin. I have no doubt from  
some letters I have seen to Mr. E. that he  
is a true man & that Mr. Channon's  
is an honest man too. Except that  
it is probable for the members of the  
B. & F. A. Society had a good deal of  
orthodox history & views of infidelity,  
& therefore ran in to Seble or almost  
every thing because he had time &  
they had not - I don't think they  
had much active malignity. Seble  
had the bulk of his foot & and he  
kept it going - He is unscrupulous,  
- boggled, harrassed, and malignant &  
he did as he pleased with the funds  
that were very much at his disposal.  
This is ~~very much~~ <sup>the position</sup> ~~of the Society~~ ~~at the time~~  
many of the benevolent members in  
London - almost every thing is left  
to the sea. I don't smell very far

I have no doubt that Seble's course is generally known. What kind of a course  
is what the book can be had for - and how many volumes you if you to, when complete.

I have no fault that Southwark's New. de Paris is generally known. What I wish to ascertain is what the book can be had for - and how many volumes there are of it now, when complete.

Plant them up, the members of Committee having other business to mind, leave matters ~~unmanageable~~ in their hands. Slavery has become for years past ~~unmanageable~~ a delicate matter in England & so South's sub had it all their own way. I think Mr. Lottens activity - his letters & tracts, Lewis's pamphlet, Lewis, have done good service and that many of those ~~who~~ who feel guilty are ashamed of the shabby figure he has made them out in the eyes of the country.

I am in great hopes of a charge for the letter - I think the advocates who do good service & are sure there is no intention of giving it up at present. I would be exceedingly glad it could be got to pay its own way, and I would contribute liberally according to my means to keep it alive, if Mr. Edden is quite agog about it - but it would never do to have it depend solely upon him. - An idea has just popped into my head since writing the last line. How know Richard Allen. He has no family but he is. The business is worth probably 20,000 dollars a year. And he is free

of his money wherever any eclat is to be  
had by it. He promised Mr Estlin when  
he was in Dublin 20 dollars towards the  
"advocate" - but since it started, he has  
never opened his life to me about it.  
Now I think if you were to write him a  
letter from your view of the value of these  
papers as a simple cheap means of  
access to the A.S. public & of pushing  
forward the cause - give your opinion  
favorably on your case of the papers - say  
nothing of me - and suggest how valuable  
his support would be at this time to  
the paper - I think his vanity might be  
prized to come down somewhat liberal  
to the help of Mr Estlin. Mind, there is  
no want of good will between us, but he does  
like to play second fiddle, & it would be  
better to put the effort forward as Mr Estlin  
concern than mine. I believe they bright  
idea for your subscription. The two seem  
that brought £12 but me about as many  
shillings & your sister knew I would like  
to hear of their having gone off so well,  
I am greatly pleased accordingly. - As we  
say in Ireland it is mighty pleasant that  
Mr Star called on Garrison & that he liked him  
- I hope the admiration was reciprocal.  
- I don't doubt had taste  
your own truly Richd Webb

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