

Oberlin, Dec 3, 1863.

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William Lloyd Garrison, Esq.:

~~President of the American
Anti-Slavery Society,
Chestnut Hall, Philadelphia, Penn.~~

Dear Sir — Accept my thanks for your earnest and manly efforts in behalf of the American Slave. You and your noble co-adjutors have brought our whole land under lasting gratitude to you. It would afford me vast pleasure to be in Philadelphia today to aid in commemorating the Thirtieth Anniversary of the American Anti-Slavery Society. Ill health prevents my being with you tomorrow. Up to last evening I had hoped to be with you. I can now only thank you for your kind invitation to be present, and thank you for what under God you have been able to do for the American People and the American Slave. For in laboring to secure the Emancipation of the Slave, you achieved the enfranchisement of all the People. And let all the People be grateful.

Yours for God and humanity,
John M. Langston

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