

New Kent Road 14<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1842

Esteemed Friend  
M. W. Chapman

I must beg thy excuse for not earlier acknowledging thy kindness in sending the noble Memorial of Anti Slavery Fair - Liberty Bell, I have read some of the pieces with much pleasure, as finding a response in my own heart, and enjoyed the charming picture of Haiti so favoured by nature and the happy emancipation of her Sons. Would they were blessed with the more full and glorious liberty of the Gospel I am no bigot, but yet have seen notwithstanding the brilliancy of faith & lovely devotedness of many of the Roman Catholic faith too much of the tyranny of their Priests & tenets, not to desire they may be delivered from such spiritual thralldom - It was truly gratifying to hear the Fair was so well attended and that the advantages of the Sale were considerable - but the chief good appears to me to be in the concourse of Persons and the opportunity afforded of spreading information, I have written dear Elizabeth Fry long time since & waited long for the reply - she has been out of Town & out of health so that they wished her to answer no letters. her daughter in law at length has replied for her mother

My reply rest upon you all, who will repay an untiring fight all those who are engaged for the oppressed, and faithful to him who help

Ms. A. 9. 2. 17. 55

B. you will  
sympathize  
with those  
who are  
disappointed  
in them  
hopes for  
Africa, in  
the failure  
of the Niger  
expedition  
yet they  
still hope  
good may  
result as  
there is  
much de-  
-sire for  
"Teachers  
and I believe  
an effort  
will shortly  
be made to  
send  
several  
negroes of  
good  
character

It runs thus. after adverb. My Mother  
desires me to say that she is sorry not  
to have been able to answer your letter  
before now, but she has been from home  
some little time, and she is in but a  
poor state, on reading the enclosed, (the  
note which I sent in mine) My  
Mother thinks it most difficult to  
write to Mr W. Chapman, as she is, or  
does not fully comprehend or understand  
the principles and characters of the  
members constituting the Society  
(no doubt she means in Boston <sup>and other places</sup>) and  
much as she wishes every way to  
help the abolition of Slavery, she  
does not feel clear in her mind about  
the Boston Anti Slavery Society, until  
she can have more particular & clearer  
information on many points, if it is  
simply an anti Slavery Society with  
that only in view, she would be glad to  
to write a few words of encouragement,  
but if they connect with it those lax  
views, that some of the Delegates  
expressed to herself when in England  
she could not recommend Friends to  
join them - however as you seem  
so interested in the Society, she of  
course cannot believe that to be the  
Case<sup>d</sup>

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Character  
& Education  
among  
them  
I shall  
be glad to  
hear that  
they dear  
husbands  
health  
is fully  
restored  
remember  
me please  
write to  
J. A. Adley  
C. A. Remond  
& McPhail  
my Brothers  
Woods  
I write if  
not home  
in sent  
ments  
of regard  
to myself

This was dated March 9<sup>th</sup> 1842 - I regret dear  
E. F.'s impressions, but have written again  
as yet I have no answer, but I am  
satisfied the world gladly do something to  
serve the cause in your land: the mis-  
representations of Party, that it is not  
an Anti Slavery Society only, across the  
Atlantic, but one mixed up with other  
& debatable points, questions on which  
there is no interest, but rather an  
aversion ~~to~~ to entering into in our  
land - has taken so firm a hold on the  
minds of many, that it seems like  
fighting the winds to combat these ideas.  
It is vexatious in this age of more  
extended knowledge & communication  
that the constitution of American  
Society and habits is so ill under-  
stood - and it requires a mind of a  
candid & deeply thinking order to  
look into and compare the views en-  
tertained, in which we may differ  
& fairly meet the points giving birth  
prejudice, the preference to what is  
found to work the most good. It is  
not for me to dictate, but I could wish  
that all Anti Slavery Advocates, would  
keep to that point alone. Leaving all  
other questions which may be agitated

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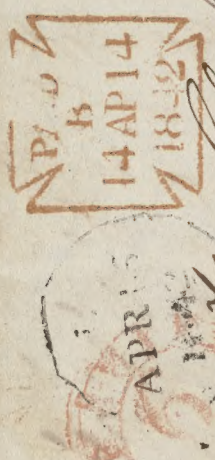
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Steamer

To Maria W Chapman  
No 25 Cornhill  
Boston. U.S.



To be left at  
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Estu Street

Minds of valuable laborers from the  
burnt, all no doubt will to attain freedom  
for the slave - There is nothing by which  
men be disposed in their pursuit than  
more readily effect their purpose than  
by creating divisions & making up new sides  
or principles - Let me again say I feel  
very kind and very friendly in thee to  
see me the 100th of

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the more so as I would it seems to me  
which she is to take a sisterly part with  
in your great & meritorious  
my dear friends in your great & meritorious  
who will repay an hundred fold all  
those who are engaged for the oppressed & them who

such as the rights of women &c. as I look  
upon it that without speaking or writing  
on any opinions - a steady pursuing the  
great cause of liberty for the Black &  
Coloured Races, would be far better, and  
then all your strength would be concen-  
-trated for this giant cause - ever since  
I have heard of the questions mooted as to  
the Equality of Women &c I have thought it  
would prove only as a stratagem to divert