

East Abington July 29. 1841

Mr. Garrison - In the True American of today  
I see an article taken from the Liberator in  
which you say, "We observe in the True American  
of Wednesday, a letter signed 'B. Frost' in which a  
very ridiculous and rude attack is made upon  
Mr. Pillsbury, because he is said in a recent address  
to have remarked - 'The anti-slavery army have  
got to change their point of attack, and march into  
the broad aisle of the sanctuary, and overturn  
the pulpit and the church.'" "His cold assailant  
affects to misunderstand him, and says that all the  
drunkards, gamblers, debauchees, and infidels, will  
engage in such a warfare: This is very base on the part  
of Mr. Frost, &c. Now, what is this "rude attack"?"  
Simply this. I quoted one single sentence from  
Mr. Pillsbury's remarks, (word for word, as he  
uttered it,) and it is a "rude attack." "Very base."  
You say, "his cold assailant affects to misunderstand  
him" &c. How do you know? Did you hear  
him? Does Mr. Pillsbury deny using such words?  
If not, what might have you to make this "very  
ridiculous and rude attack" on me? "His cold assailant  
says that all the drunkards, gamblers, debauchees,  
and infidels, will engage in such a warfare."  
His "cold assailant" says no such thing. Look again.  
But to make the story short, you charge me with  
misrepresenting Mr. Pillsbury, and making a "ridicu-  
lous and rude attack" upon him. I deny it. I do  
not affect to misunderstand him? I believe I repre-  
sented him as uttering just the sentiments which  
he did utter. If Mr. Pillsbury thinks otherwise, let  
him point out wherein I misrepresented him,  
and I am ready to retract. I would do him no  
injustice. But for you to bring this charge against  
me, when you know nothing about the case -  
I call it a "ridiculous and rude attack." It is con-  
-temptible. You are out of your "appropriate sphere."  
B. Frost

