

New Bedford Monday night.

1836

It is now 12 o'clock at night - my dear Caroline so I can write but little. Mr Bent starts much earlier than I expected & I have been passing the evening out. It seems so long since I wrote to you that I hardly know where to begin. I will first answer your letter which I got by mail Friday night. I got the bundle by the stage containing the free sugar, perfectly safe, with a quantity of letters and newspapers. As to Garrisons bed I sent 2 pillows and a bolster with it & that is all I can tell you about it. You can't think how I long to come home, it seems as if nothing could get on with out me. however it will be 4 weeks from next Saturday when I shall come home for a vacation. You may be assured that I take great care of my health it being a thing upon which I set great store. I have been perfectly well since I have been here, excepting that during the last week I have had a cold, but as every one here is having one it is nothing peculiar. Mrs Weld gave me some honey, which has nearly cured me. My school still continues pleasant & I hear my scholars like me very much. I think I keep excellent order. The other night I took tea at the Mansion

House and found B. F. Hollett there I did
not see him till about 9 o'clock in the
evening when he came into the Double day's
parlour, he knew me immediately, was very
polite & made many enquiries after ^{you} us all.
Sunday night Mr & Mrs Angier spent the
evening here I liked Mr Angier very much
he seems very honest & simple hearted.
He is going down next week to help settle
his chay with whom he is going to exchange
soon; dear brother chay it will be an angel
visit indeed. I have been this evening at
the Angiers where we were all invited.
Mr & Mrs Adams (Mr Bent's sister) & Susan
Bent who are making a short visit.
Mr Choules & his wife were there too. Mrs
C looked like a beauty. Mr Choules I was
very sorry to hear defend the wine question
in which of course I sided against him.
It was amusing and at the same time
distressing to hear him use the very
same arguments in favour of wine, that
the anti abolitionists use for slavery.

Last saturday I went out petitioning &
got 27 names, wasnt that doing well
we have got nearly 300 names. As soon
as our annual meeting is over write
to me by mail, I am anxious to hear
how Emma is also. She takes so little care
of herself. I think Emma had better come
in from Weymouth I am afraid she
will grow savage out there

Mr Bent is going to Milton & will
give this letter to his brother to bring in to

Boston. He will then I hope offer to call
I take a bundle. Do you then do up my
blue gown, Anne's Italian Grammar,
loring, & the pieces of my brown silk
gown. Mr Nathaniel Bent says that
it will be a very good way to send the
watch by his brother to Chilton & he will
bring it to New Bedford. If you do send
it & I think you had better, tie the
key to it and let him put it into his
pocket loose. Do as you think best about
it. If you see Sam Bent & know that
it is he, it will certainly be a safe way.
Write also confidentially & hurriedly do
you write. How does Surrender get
on? Charles Harley Mrs Angier says is gone
to the south again. I see by the paper
that there is another slave case in Boston
write me what it is. I called at Mrs
Andrew Robeson's & liked her very
much. I have written this in great
haste & put down things as fast as
I thought of them, besides I am
awful sleepy. What was the truth
of that awful story in the papers
about an abolitionist being hung
at Chillicothe in Ohio? How to all
yours faithfully

D W Foster.

MS. A. 2. 2. 8. 1

Ward.

Gentlemen of our Board.

58. Brattleton Street
Boston

Miss Caroline Weston.

1836

House rules