

Bristol, Jan⁷ 1854

My dear Emma,

Gratitude, you know, is "a lively anticipation of future favours" so I write to express mine for your last (announced & intended) letter. But if your letter has failed, I know that I have much kind sympathy felt, & expressed to be grateful for: and nothing but my inability to write with facility or comfort has prevented my sending you a short sample of my manual inefficient long, long ago. In this I have oftened communed with you.

It is a great ~~comfort~~ relief to know that Mary is able to communicate to you every thing that we can devise likely to interest your circle, and tho' I cannot but sigh sometimes when contemplating my own helplessness I rejoice that none of you will suffer from it

"My friend" fully repaid the delicate
attention I showed her in sending her
my daguerretype by a very kind
letter written I fear with trouble to her-
self at a very busy time, - on the evening
before the bazaar opened. We were de-
lighted with the results of that under-
taking, & shall look with impatience
to your sister's report in the usual
gazette. We sent Adeline May a
stereoscope which seems to have
given "great satisfaction" An
Walt is going to give "Dear Henry" & Ann
Richardson, a dose in the next Advocate
& has quoted a rather spicy letter I was
wondering to scrawl to him on
the topic, with no expectation of its
being so employed. My labours in
this line are little enough now, &
not likely ever to be much more

We want, & hope, to see P. Pillsbury
soon at Mr. Webb's - My chief study
for the last week has been the Cimere
papers. G. Thompson's late course

might not do for Am^a but I believe it
judicious & useful here. It will help
him to make up some bee way: he will
make an unworthy compromise, & will
ever be ready even against for. Sturge
to contend for the rights. H. D. I pre-
sume will now ~~go~~ on attacking the
Cobbs, stimulated no doubt by Julian
bitterness & animosity. Personal at-
tacks are relished by the public, &
will probably sell his paper well for
a time, but the end must come! ⁱⁿ ~~ten~~ ^{years}

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