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 your me in love
 Heavens for whom
 that turning a
 my ~~that~~ have
 and a line of
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 I could
 this up with
 something worth
 you readers but
 there is time
 to offer me than
 the worst
 one of your
 I expect
 Mary Lettin

has just come to hand, in time to save your
 being troubled with a
~~heavy~~ ~~my~~ ~~more~~ formal application for
 what you have supplied us with in so complete
 a manner as ought to convince all who are
 open to conviction, & to prevent their puzzling
 themselves ^{further} as to why oil & water don't unite.
 But the Sturge & Gurney school have a consum-
 mate skill in confusing the ideas of those
 unsuspecting disciples who never dream of
 exercising the right of independent judgment,
 & these ^{claps of learners} will for a great while be numerous.
 Your "simile" seems to me a beautiful mode
 of bringing the thing home to them. It was
 more a vague desire of the people who heard
 your narrative to have it on record, & to be able
 to quote it, than an anxiety to thrust you
 publicly into the controversy, which after
 all they might not have been able to accom-
 plish. Mr Williamson does not suspect
 of Sturge himself of having meddled with

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The Examiner, we have no intercourse
with the proprietor which would enable us to
ascertain anything, so we must watch & wait.
The Quakers are in an increasing state of oppo-
sition, & I am prepared for their all withdrawing
from our Committee, if so we will make the
most of the significant fact, & point to "The Society
of Friends versus Antislavery." We have been
writing to you & sending, at Mr Webb's request, Bight's
Jamaica, ^{It goes} by an acquaintance (Miss Coates) who
has just started from Bristol to Italy passing
thro' Paris. She expects to be at the "Hotel
Brighton" on Monday or Tuesday, & as I felt
I had reached the limits of propriety in asking
her to take charge of the packet so far, I gave
her to understand that you would arrange
for obtaining it from her at this address.
I hope this is not giving you more trouble
than it is worth, but I could not do better, &
must trust to a long letter enclosed ^{with} from
Mr Webb ~~with~~ making up what our effusions
may have left deficient in rewarding your pains.
To announce this important packet is my
object in sending you this hasty line, when
you have it you will be abundantly supplied

with details. Mr^{rs} Armstrong intended to have made this the Japan letter a pretext for writing to you, but her eldest daughter's illness is taking up all her time & she can only send her love. Mr Armstrong has been away for some time. Poor Mr^r Vicker has been summoned to London on the sudden death of her only brother, the uncle to whom Fanny was so much attached. So you see the interests of the cause rest on my unaided hands, which, instead of making me despair over my forlorn condition, stirs up an indomitable resoluteⁿess to persevere. Our great deed of severance from ^{my} Broad St. Soc^y is however still unaccomplished from want of numbers enough to give any weight to the decision at the last Com^e meeting. I have discerned a susceptibility of cultivation in a recently elected member a Miss Godwin, sister of a theological student who favoured you with a great deal of his conversation on the way to Chepstow. She did not deliver her sentiments on any occasion when you were present so you may have forgotten her, but she took in a

few clear ideas & seems capable of seeing
straight - nat^l "Quarter". That word remind
me that a sudden reduction of labor has
come to me in the fact of my Father & Angus
having agreed to issue no Dispensary reports
this year, but to "roll two into one" at the begin
of next, which is an unlooked for respite,
I leave only the Royal School to attend to
of a public nature for some months. So
shall be able to get on with the A.S. "controversy"
which these people, who are so reckless of truth
deprecate. I hear it rumoured that Mr Stephen
is getting uneasy under the yoke, Mr Clark,
who writes such nonsense in the Examiner
being her cousin. I mean to see to her. There is
something very gratifying in having such a
meagre set of opposition letters, & those only
from Quakers! The best part of Mr Charleton's
last, my Father maintains is his commendation
of him! He has written you particulars
of his interviews with Mr Grant & with Mr G.
Thompson. I have seen nothing of mutual
friends, they kindly (to themselves as well
as to me) kept away during my Father's absence
so you will conceive how angry I was, & how
I begged him to stay away as long as possible. He

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