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Salem, Oct. 19, 1858.

My Dear Friend:

Your letter is just received. After all, I shall not be able to go to Syracuse on Saturday and Sunday next, but our friend William H. Fish holds me to my original engagement, and I must therefore be in Portland on those days. I asked him to write to you about it, and suppose he has done so, ere this. I am sorry that I can be with you <sup>only</sup> one Monday, for I would like to spend two or three days with you and your dear family.

And now as to Monday evening next. You will understand that I have no particular desire to give an Anti-Slavery lecture in Syracuse at that time, as the people have had so much on the subject, and especially as we could spend the evening socially together; yet, of course, I will most cheerfully speak to the people that evening, if you think it worth while.

I submit the whole matter to your own good judgment:—do as you think best.

I have given your kind messages to Marius R. Robinson and Benjamin S. Jones, and their wives, and it was very gratifying to them; and they unitedly desire me to send you their loving and admiring remembrances. Marius was particularly pleased with your commendation of the Bugle. He is a very modest man, and always disposed to underrate himself; and such a well-merited compliment as you sent to him is very strengthening to him.

We have just concluded the Anniversary of the Ohio A. S. Society. It has been a magnetic occasion; all hearts have melted and mingled together; every one is encouraged to go forward; and a strong impulse has been given to the cause.

I go to Cleveland to-day, and shall lecture there to-morrow evening. On Thursday I shall leave Cleveland for Rochester.

If you have occasion to write to me again,  
please direct your letter to the care of Susan  
B. Anthony, Rochester.

The weather is ravishingly beautiful,  
and the moonlight evenings brilliant and  
exhilarating.

I am glad you think of going to  
Europe, not merely ~~as~~ with a view to the  
improvement of your health—a matter of  
first importance—but also that many  
true friends of freedom and humanity there  
may see and know you personally,  
and you become better acquainted with  
them.

With much love to Mrs. May,  
the two Charlottes, and all the dear  
household, and regards to Mr. Wilkinson  
if he is at home, I remain, in haste,

Ever your most loving friend,  
Wm. Lloyd Garrison.

Samuel J. May.

N. B. Your letter did not reach  
me promptly, as you directed it to  
"Salem, Louisiana, N. Y." and it  
first went to Salem in your State, and  
then was sent here at a venture. I  
lose no time in answering it.

W. Lloyd Garrison  
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