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To  
 Rev. Samuel May  
 35 Essex St. Dublin 20th May 1848

My dear friend  
 I have to thank you for two kind letters  
 the first of the 10th inst. the other of the 13th. I was so  
 very happy & although I have little to say to you in reply  
 which may be worth sending the long voyage this will  
 have to take care it reaches you, get a feel unwilling to  
 defer any longer sending you a few lines to let you know  
 that I feel grateful to you for your remembrance of me  
 & my family & for your kind expressions on account of my  
 having spoken to Rev. Dr. Parkman, & my subsequent con-  
 viction for the signers on the interesting question of  
 Slavery. It is pleasant to me not alone to know that I  
 am admitted into your & some other valued friends  
 your side the great waters, but to hear from you that  
 I have done some little to help you in your arduous  
 contest with the monster in his very den. I wish  
 could do it you more - Perhaps the day is not far distant  
 when we shall be able to rejoice together, in consequence of  
 the success of your great efforts - I saw the extracts that



were your own your letter in the Review of 24th June  
I was quite rejoiced to see them as they had the effect of  
giving new life to the subject & we need some exertions  
in order to awaken many minds that would otherwise  
slumber on forever. I often wish we could bring out some  
who would do as you the Temperance system, but we can't get any  
of them to write against us. I have thanks to you for your  
letter which appears in the Review of 23rd June, it is well  
levelled, & just in the right line. I have nothing more to say on  
the subject, & of our opponents did not give us an account for  
containing it it would soon be suppressed. I mean, as you  
will perceive, is still true to his colors - I have not replied  
to his last, which may appear, but of this I am not certain,  
as the Editor may think his readers have had enough of  
me. I have a lover of justice & liberty will not shrink from  
a reply to you - he tells us our people need a warm word on  
the subject of Slavery - if we were not careful, & on the  
question you would receive more active sympathy than  
than is extended towards you. You have taken effectual  
measures to make our Address of 18th June.  
is pleasant to see that other religious denominations are  
bestirring themselves. The late Protest of the American Unitarian  
in the Free Church. I trust H. B. Wright, J. B. Coffin, J. A. Rogers, & some others,  
are keeping up the Standard of our people to you & Southey  
It must grieve you to see a great number of right thinking  
in England. Our Standard has been a good example in that respect in  
eyes of the Unitarians of stated labor to the great joy of the  
Although our paper is not like an article that will be mentioned in  
have little faith in the value of merely passing a motion  
any real change in the Organ. I am, Sir, your obedient servant.



is showing evidence that the good leaven is at work. The Rev. Mr. James of Bristol was with us lately, he came only to preach, he gave us very sermons of the best Unitarian Society, some account of which you will see in the *Register* of 23<sup>rd</sup> Inst. Mr. James is an excellent man, I am happy to make his personal acquaintance, we had corresponded a little for some two or three years. That appears to be some excellent Anti-Slavery feeling in Bristol. A *Register* pamphlet on the subject, has just appeared here by Mr. Estlin, a Unitarian. It contains in a small space a review of Slavery in America, & of the doings of abolitionists. I only got it yesterday, & have not yet read it all. It is little so soft for my taste, on these points, & pro-slavery men, but it is a work which must do good. I expect it will be read extensively. I thank you for your *Standard Register*, & for Rev. Mr. Pierpont's letter. The former is an interesting record of the state of Unitarianism with you, & I read the latter with much interest. I shall be glad to see a little of Mr. P's dispute with some of the members of this Congregationalist. Had a noble fellow he is, how surprising - it is his opponents appear in contrast with him. It

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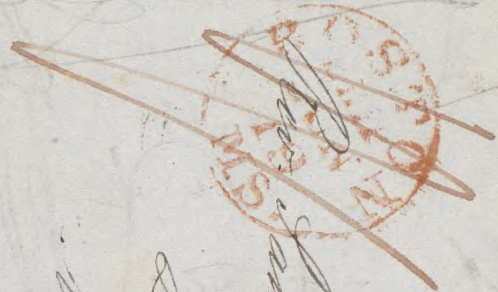
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all well, & frequently we them all, but I am sorry to  
 find that ~~our~~ ~~my~~ ~~other~~ ~~Abolition~~ ~~friends~~ here  
 can find time to work in the cause of Peace & Freedom, & yet  
 are deficient in other good qualities, for I can see no chance for us.

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Samuel May  
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Feb. 2. June 19.



Please remember me kindly to your brother Frederic. I should  
 tell you that R D Webb & his brothers James & Thomas, & R Allen  
 are all well, & that we generally all meet twice in each week  
 to talk about, & lecture upon - Temperance - Slavery & War.  
 Bro D Drummond & Bro Geo Armstrong & Mrs Geo Armstrong are