

Dublin 16th of 9th month - 1845

My dear friend

I have read thro' the packet of letters to all our luminaries, except a few who have been forgotten or put over his words - his letters for Moore, Milnes, or Maria Edgeworth. Between Hannah herself in her thanks up an efforts she has, pity & respect for our great country woman who is hale, hearty, and seventy five. Mr. Keble spent an evening with her lately at Edgeworthstown and was greatly pleased with her and the family. It is hardly likely that at her great age Mr. K. will be willing to go into the great subject - but faint heart never won fair play, and so we must try. I would be rejoiced if we succeed. The packets for Miss Barrett, J. Keble, & Zouge are made up and shall be promptly forwarded. The letters to Keble, Browning & Keble go to day. While Mr. Keble was here I showed him some attentions which he warmly acknowledged and I have taken advantage of his gratitude - rather meanly - while it is still piping hot - to add my request to them for a contribution. I am greatly in hopes he will do something. I think don't think much of the heartiness of the literati; in a general way they are a cold set - vain, jealous, & inclined to sneer at efforts for human duty. However it is well to try and get some good out of them. The letters to E. Dean, & M. Martineau were gone long ago. It is a good while since I had a line from E. D. I need to hear from her frequently. I hope she is not unwell. She is by no means robust or healthy - though she looks both one & the other. Had I better forward Moore & Milnes books with a line from myself. It wd be much better to have a note from beyond the water.

Douglas and Buffum have been now a little more than two weeks
with us. I like them both exceedingly. Douglas is a marvellous fine
fellow - full of talent, sense, and quick intellect. A real pleasant
companion - not to be put down or thrust into a corner. I have
let me see a man I could trust more fully than J. N. B.
There is a very shrewd simplicity about him that is quite a
treat. He is true blue. His speeches are most amusing - he has
I so often in his mouth that if his actions were faithfully
reported, he would empty "the I box" and bother the printers. He
turns himself inside out when he gets at home, and I feel
towards him as if he were my brother. Both J. N. B. and the
Noyes brethren in its true light - there is no sneering about them.
If I can send it you I will send this a note I had lately from
H. C. W. in which he takes "the right ground" - I was glad to get
it as he is so warmly attached to Noyes and his family. It is
impossible not to feel mortified when one thinks how completely
deceived we have all been in his lies & deceptions. I have no picture
when I think of his professions of poverty which made what he
was full and plenty, and living much more like a retired
gentleman than I can ever hope to do. We have had 2 meetings
in the Royal Exchange - the last was crammed beyond bearing. And
2 in the Friend Meeting Room. On the holy ground we have to mind
our stepping stones. We walk in if upon eggs. It is like a shaggy bag beneath
our feet. I sent a packet of steel beads by Dr. Pashman directed
for three weeks ago to W. Tucker. Did it ever come to hand. They
were sent as a sample of what could be had. The prices were marked.
The whole came to \$7. I don't know who one of thy letters is one and for.
It has no address and the only clue I see in it is a reference to some
extract in the Standard referring to a letter in defence of Geo. Thompson.
It is not Abby - as he got a letter by J. N. B. who can do it. I will look
through the Standard if I can do more. The Tribune for N. B.
from today. I send his letter I have not heard from her. It is possible she
may be out of the way - taking thro' the country and that she may not get
thy note in time to send her name for J. D. Harrington.

The Hutchinsons are likely to be engaged in Dublin very shortly. P.D. is to have a meeting in our
main hall tomorrow evening. It was originally offered for the purpose - and will hold 3000
persons. He is becoming quite notorious in Dublin - and his visit will be sure to do good.

I was glad to find from thy last note that I was soon
to hear from Edmond Quincy again but the letter did
not come to hand - perhaps he had not time & that
I may hope for something by the next week. I am rejoiced
to learn that Walter has so improved in his family
that he has time & spirits to communicate with those
distant ^{friends} whom he only knew by faith. This split among
the orthodox Friends is a polemical circumstance. The
more people are divided & subdivided I find to think, the
more likely they seem to break from their sectarian trammels
and to do some good in the world. Of course N.L.S. & letters
is not to be made for use of for your own benefit. When I quoted
them in my letter to W.L.S. I feared Gustavus in print and had no
idea that my request would have been disregarded. I am greatly
averse to the imputation of being breakers faith in thy or any other
way. I observe by the Glasgow Ladies Relief fund and that they pay
the people of this town - well in debt - and the reason is that they
are a more hardy folk who do any thing and that very few of them
have much money to spare. We do the best we can & look to
better if we could. I know you take the risk for the deed.
Such people as Lady Byron are hard to get at for any
practical purpose. If we get her name as a receiver of contribu-
tions, it must be through H.M. I have patches up a couple of
pages to go to the end of P.D.'s narrative. Write but if in note, they
had but of names I can make out. Still be better than nothing.
Glennal & our youth are come home at last after 3 months in
the country. We have a full house - and will have a numerous
one tomorrow with a variety much of which I brought Lady
Poole comes to see the stranger. She talked of coming last week.
Joseph Poole wishes both Herald of Freedom stopped & Sarah Poole
who has given pains under the administration of L. M. Hoag stops the
Liberator & then I may say in consequence. The Ads I grow the more I

abled the benumbing selfishness of popular religion. It only teaches
people to make faces and to shut up their hearts from all free
and generous emotions. Can that stoppage be managed - I. P. Cook
paid for the Old Herald - he has never paid for the others which
were sent him unasked. But I hope as he does not countermand
it till now he will pay for what he got. I am printing words of
F. D.'s narrative. It will be out in about a week. Please think it
the best sent Harry Cook she can read. Thine very truly Richd Webb

This letter to R. Buffum made possible
know his address.

Maria W. Chapman,
Federal Street,
Boston

I would like Richd Buffum to know how greatly I enjoy and
appreciate his hundred company. I consider it a privilege to
have him in my forest. I am sure he is enjoying himself as
much as he could do so far from home - and I think he
will be so well introduced from place to place that he will be
likely to have "a pretty good time." His Yankeeisms are rich and
so are his good nature & good temper.