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Weymouth Nov. 15th 1858

My dear Mary,

I write in haste to avoid any ill consequences of a Misapprehension about an Article that should have gone to the Standard to-day, giving more time to the dear Funds engaged in collecting funds for the Anniversary. We thought it all over carefully, & found that Christmas & New Year's time are no longer important, since the gifts are now to come from those that used to be purchasers, & they will have a better command of their funds just after the 1st Jan'y ~~the~~

than just before - & the
country friends like better
to combine the Anniversary
with the Annual Meeting
as they have heretofore gen-
erally lost one of the two occa-
sions, & now are glad to see a
chance to secure both by
having the Anniversary
on the eve of the Annual
Meeting in January.

So I sent to the Stand-
ard an article to that ef-
fect, but it unfortunately
did not reach in season
for the next New York Steamer.
Perhaps it is fortunate, too:
since by springing to my
pen, I shall reach you
a week sooner by the Boston

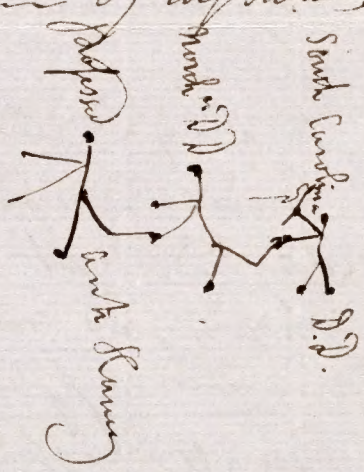
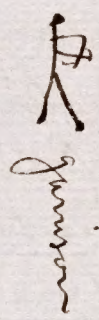
Steamer, & have a minute's
shot besides. The shot of it
is, the contributions to Boston
will be in season if we
hear of them in time to
report at the Anniversary -
i.e. for Steamers arriving be-
fore or during the 3^d week
in January.

We were much touched
by your Bristol Circular.
Pray say to Den Mrs Luke
Mrs Stephens & Mrs Leonard,
with every one of the
friends, that no stimulus can
be so strong to us as the
consciousness of their aid
& sympathy; & that if ever
we do accomplish our great
task, we shall not count

ourselves as having attained
otherwise than through
British Funds, sustaining
& cheering us onward,
& bringing the world's
ear to hear against Sla-
very. "America never stood so
low" says our friend R. D. W.
"Then the Cause stands
high!" — We joyfully ex-
claimed. The true real America
will emerge from the
false one under this firm
standard which, (begging to
the contrary notwithstanding)
Great Britain, through so many
of her leading organs is setting
up. Her people, like our people
are better than their Government.
Indeed a Government must

needs be still till the people
 move it. It is the nature of
 the thing. Do you remember
 your Dear Father sitting
 with us & enjoying the
 Scheme we were drawing,
 to show the South beyond
 the reins & driving the South
 to the land of destruction
 through a chain of influences
 thus? —

at length
 the chain of
 influences
 found itself
 broken, when
 one man



turned & folded
 his arms, &
 said, "get thee behind me Satan!"

The same scheme is applica
 ble now to the influences we

are establishing. Garrison
pulls one, - that one pulls
another - & he again
another, till the South
is fairly giving ground, with
all his bluster, when
leading Statesmen like
Sumner say to the
Abolitionists who ask
what will be done &
how, - "That is for you
to say." It seems but
small work that we can
do & yet obscure the
changed aspect of Amer-
ican affairs, under such
small efforts. If they are
all we can, they will
be accepted. Some find

her best love to you, &
bids me say how much
she regrets that her eyes
do not permit her to write
at all; but she longs to
hear from you & trusts
that whenever you can,
with reference to your own
health & affairs, you will
let one or other of us hear
from you. I am
well, though troubled with
a stiff arm. To read Bro.

Pillsbury's letter in the Stand-
ard lately, I fear you will
think it is running before
the Anti-Slavery door at
a dreadful rate, as the Friends
say. But I say with the
man whom Noah refused

to take in — "Go along
with your old ark! — I guess
'I ain't gon' to be much of
a shower after all!"

I enclose a single word
to Mrs. Tiber.

My kindest regards to
Mr. Chapman & his wife.
I have just sent a beautiful
little box of goods, containing
some of Miss Carpenter's, Mrs. Thom-
as's & Madame Bodichon's water
colours to our dear S. Pugh
& L. Mott for the Philadelphia
fair. Drawings are such an at-
traction, & when they do not sell
themselves make other things sell.
That I always counsel to keep up their
prices till a market is created by
improvement of public taste.

Excuse a cramped hand
& accept me as no less free of
heart notwithstanding, your affec^{ed} friend
W. M. Ch.