

✓ Mrs. M. S. Society? They are the least of the
speakers in the Standard, made at the meeting of
P. S. Board you read the report of Mrs.
No. 532.

Wm. L. Garrison
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My dear McKim:

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I received your letter addressed to me at Detroit, enclosing an introductory note to Rev. Dr. Duffield. I had previously called upon him, and spent a pleasant hour with him; but I sent him your note, with a line, as it contained a friendly reference to Mrs. D.

I spoke twice in Detroit to small but very intelligent and respectable audiences. The evenings (Friday and Saturday) proved very inauspicious, as I did not lecture for any Society, and particularly as I had to compete (in addition to the weekly religious meetings) with "Artemus Ward", and Charles Kean and his wife, the actors. I only received enough to pay travelling expenses, but I trust my lecture concerning the Freedmen's cause will give it a fresh impulse in that city.

I had a private and satisfactory meeting on the subject, at ^{the} Russell House, of some estimable men and women, (among them Mr. and Mrs. Leygett, Mrs. Papi-
neau, &c.) who were much interested in my statements.

I have just received another letter from you here, in regard to Pitts-
burgh, and the projected union of the
Christian Commission with the Freed-
men's Aid Commission. I think that
union desirable.

Levi Coffin and Mr. Walden
have just called upon me, from Cincinnati.
Levi is on his way to the West, and Wal-
den thinks of returning back to C. in the
morning. They are here for a conference
with the Freedmen's Committee, to which
I am not invited.

I am to lecture in Cincinnati
on Thursday and Friday evenings, Nov.
30th and Dec. 1st. I shall leave in the
Friday night (10 o'clock) train for

Pittsburgh, arriving there Saturday morning, so as to be able to attend the Freedmen's meeting that evening, in case it is strongly preferred to have it that evening rather than on Sunday evening.

But, "other things being equal," I should, of course, much prefer Sunday evening, because I shall in all probability be exceedingly exhausted by incessant travelling and continual lecturing and talking. Will you let the friends there, having the matter in charge, know that they are at liberty to select either Saturday or Sunday evening, as they may deem most advisable? I can get some rest on my arrival Saturday. It seems to me that Sunday evening would insure a fuller attendance, as Saturday is a busy closing of the week's affairs. But the Pittsburgh friends will know what is best for that latitude.

I am very glad that George Thompson is to be with us on the occa-

Of course, I should prefer to avoid the night ride from Cincinnati to Pittsburgh if Sunday evening will answer the purpose for the meeting.

sion. I met him unexpectedly at the Weddell House in Cleveland, and he told me of what was contemplated, as he had just come from Pittsburgh, on his way to Buffalo and Syracuse.

I addressed a large and very intelligent and respectable audience here last evening, and, though laboring under severe hoarseness and great bodily debility, was well received by the audience. All the morning papers, contrary to my wishes, report my lecture so full (the Copperhead sheet, the Times, almost verbatim), that, as they circulate far and wide, it ^{will be} ~~is~~ shown of its interest to many who will come to hear me. It is not fair play.

I shall not leave here till Monday morning, when I go to Princeton.

The day is rapidly approaching for our beloved children to unite their destiny in the sacred bonds of wedlock. I trust and believe it will prove a most felicitous and perfect union.

Ever affectionately yours, W. L. G.