

Concord Feb 21th

My Dear Mrs Chapman,

I will improve the opportunity of my husband's hastily determined upon, visit to your city, first to express to you my thanks for the interest you so generously manifested in our doings here, in the Anti Slavery cause. There was advice more needed than on this occasion, by myself and those connected with me. we are altogether new hands, and entirely unacquainted with the management of societies and fairs. indeed when we gave our vote in favour of a fair here, we felt as if we were stepping into the dark, and are still haunted by presages of failures and disappointment, but we are pretty much decided to do the best we can, and give ourselves but little solicitude about the event

We propose reconsidering the vote of the Society with regard to appropriating the proceeds of the Fair, at our next meeting, which will be planned next week, and do not anticipate a very large opposition to the proposed amendment, a small one we doubtless shall ^{have}, and ^{it} may be larger than we

look for. ~~The~~ differences which have been
disturbing the ~~Assembly~~, have never ~~needs~~
~~are~~ been manifested in our female society, but
we have as yet, had no test questions before us -
now that our Baptist ~~brethren~~ ^{ministers} openly oppose the
Herald, doubtless many will be carried away
by their influence. I shall lay before the
meeting the subject to which our friends in Allepa
Assisted with their aid contributions to be
applied, and if they choose ^{not} to adopt this as
their ^{then} ~~their~~ ~~own~~ object, that we must go on alone -
but I forget that I am not writing to Miss
Clark and am troubling you with details of
a very local character - but the cause is
one and the strife is one wherever and by
whomsoever ~~is~~ carried on. I trust Mr Rogers
will derive new strength from associating for a
few days with those who so kindly & heartily
sympathize with him, he has written himself
pretty much out of friends and out of the pale
of human sympathy in this region, and his is a
temperament which greatly needs the support
which they can give. Pardon my freedom this

would not have been ~~that~~ ~~so~~ ~~to~~ ~~an~~ ~~ni~~
held by such considerations as personal acquaintance,
distance, and the like, and touched by his warm
heart ever with the heart as "face to face in water"

With sincere esteem

Yours M. P. Rogers

Wife of R. P. Rogers

Fair in N. H.

1839

Ans.

Mrs Maria W. Chapman

Boston.