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My dear Mr. W. Chapman & sisters

I know not just where to direct, to Caroline Weston, so have adopted this address, in order also, to ask not only her, but her sisters, if they are making ready to come to our Annual Meeting at Kennett and to say to them that it will give us great pleasure to receive them at our house, on the way - and at as much earlier day, so as to make a visit here, as may suit their convenience to come.

The meeting is to be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> of next month, as the Papers have doubtless told you. We have not yet heard who is coming - but hope that several from Boston & its neighborhood will give us their company.

If Edmund Quincy will come, please say to him, that we have plenty of room & shall be right glad to have him stop at our house. Edward M. Davis & family are passing a few weeks at Geomantown - but their house is next door to us, with a communication from the chambers - so that Adin Ballou or any other whom Edward has invited to his house, can come directly to 138 where a hearty welcome awaits them.

We had hoped for W<sup>m</sup> L. Garrison's company & aid at our meeting - but he may do much more by going to England & Scotland, than by remaining at home or coming here, so we try to resign him cheerfully. We think he will remove some of the sectarian prejudice, that was arrayed against him in 1840. The disposition to receive & hear Fred<sup>k</sup> Douglass at the British & Foreign meeting,

seemed a little evidence of repentance at their past mis-doings.  
and I would rather the Standard had not been quite so severe  
in explaining why we had not exchanged more with them.  
If their conduct manifests a ~~des~~ more fraternal feeling toward the  
old-organization, let us as far as consistency & truth will admit  
of it, forget the things that are behind. So, of the parties that  
have been so hostile to us in this country. I know that Edw-  
Davis will not agree with me, for as he says, "he is for fight"  
Even for poor E. M. Clay - so lamentably fallen & degraded - my  
cringing soul is continually saying "deal gently with the young  
man". If it had been any other war than just what it is, it wd  
not have surprised us at all, for him to buckle on the armor,  
for which here, he said it would take a great deal to make him a  
non-resistant, and he liked to tell of his bravery in repelling his ene-  
mies. Consistency requires of us to give up his paper - & I suppose  
to publish him to the world as "such a fool" - but farther than  
his own conduct has proclaimed that fact, I cant help whis-  
pering "tell it not in Gath." His paper reaches many minds in  
our South land, who would think nothing of his present course,  
their views of allegiance to Government & to the powers that be,  
blinding their vision to the clear perception of truth. With this class  
I have thought, the Anti-slavery there is in the True American  
might do good, as they would see it no where else - therefore I would  
say, let it still circulate there, if they are disposed to take it.  
So have I always thought of the New Organiz<sup>n</sup> & Liberty Party  
Papers. I wd rather have anti-slavery in the mixture, than no

anti-slavery at all. While those who descend from the higher position which we occupy, & unite with these "world's people", need to be "withstood to the face, because they are to be blamed" - and they have been most abundantly.

Now, I expect, when Edward comes in this morning & reads this, he will give me a "blowing up." Do you know, that he had the assurance to call me "Mrs Rogers" last summer? and in the presence of Wm. L. Garrison too! I will leave a little space for him to fill - Why cant Wendell P. come - ask him from us - we wd greet him most cordially - and his Ann too, if her health will admit of her accomp'g him. Our best bed shall be made for them, if on return of mail you say they will come. Please answer as soon as it is ascertained who will favor us,

and oblige yours, for moral fight

L. Mott

Kind remembrances to Father Chapman's family - will not Mary G. come?

I have the slippers she sent me yts, with their drab work, wh. I suppose

she thought would best suit me - I love to look at, & wear them for her sake. I requested E. M. D. to return thanks for the Liberty Bell. A gentleman from Washington, was quite interested in looking over it here lately - - - What a calamity poor Doantricket has experienced! We hear of Boston liberality, & are trying to get up a meeting in this City - marked by the slow "growth of what is excellent".

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