

Boston, March 13, 1834.

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My inestimable friend:

Our Board of Managers have not yet been called together, to act upon the proposition for calling a Convention of anti-slavery Delegates in this city; but, as my advice will probably be followed, whenever they shall meet, I have concluded to say to you, in reference to your meeting to-morrow evening, that it will be premature for your Society to appoint any representatives, for the present. It is now my opinion that our Convention will tell more powerfully, if delayed until summer; because the time, between now and the middle or last of April, to notify the various anti-slavery societies, is too limited; and because, as these societies are now rapidly multiplying, by a little delay we shall be able to muster a strong delegation, which cannot be ~~done~~ ^{obtained} at the present time. Moreover, as there will probably be a great desire among our prominent anti-slavery friends, to attend the national meeting in New-York, in May, they will scarcely be

able to incur the expense and the loss of time in attending a meeting in this city, in April. For these and other reasons, I shall advocate a postponement of the Convention until June or July next.

The adjourned meeting of the N. E. Anti-Slavery Society at the Temple, on Monday evening, was the grandest we have ever held in Boston. An immense concourse of people attended, and though the hall accommodates about 1500, it is believed that not less than 1000 went away, unable to gain admission! — I made a few remarks, which, though strong and ardent, were well received. Professor Hollen, of Cambridge University, followed me in an excellent speech — next followed the Rev. Mr. Grosvenor of Salem, in a spirited and impressive speech — and then the Rev. Mr. Grew, formerly of Hartford, whose appeals were truly pathetic and powerful.

On the same evening, the Massachusetts Colonization Society held its annual meeting in Park-street meeting-house. It was an abortive effort, and they were wholly ^{indeed} to us for their audience — as it consisted of those who could not get into the Temple to hear our appeals.

[Say to our esteemed abolition friends in Providence, that Boston is now fairly redeemed from the thralldom of colonization corruption, and that the prospect of the complete and speedy regeneration of New-England is truly animating. Vermont is coming up to the work nobly - I have just heard of several new anti-slavery societies in that State, } to one of which (in Peacham) there are about 300 members!

Sickness prevented the Rev. Dr. Channing from being present at our meeting; otherwise, we should in all probability have had a speech from him. I understand he fully agrees with us on the great question of immediate emancipation.

Letters, just received from England, speak cheerily as to the interest and sympathy which are felt and expanding in the breasts of the philanthropists in that country, in relation to the anti-slavery contest in the U. S. We shall receive much assistance from them. The fruits of my mission will soon be seen in all their richness and abundance.

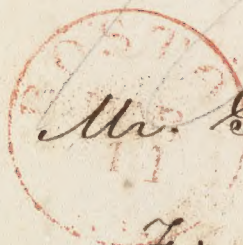
My best regards to Miss May, your lady, Henry, Mr. Chace, Mr. Prentiss, &c. &c.
Most affectionately and indissolubly yours,

Mr. Geo. W. Benson.

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