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My very Dear Friend

Our Society had thought to send some particular invitations to a few individuals of your Society to attend our annual meeting, (but it is now thought best to send only the general invitation, ^(using no partiality) which I suppose you have before this received through our Sisters, Sprinkle— We hope however to see thyself and Sisters, Mary Parker, thy Sister Chapman, L. M. Child if she is in the city, and others who will stir us up to good works.

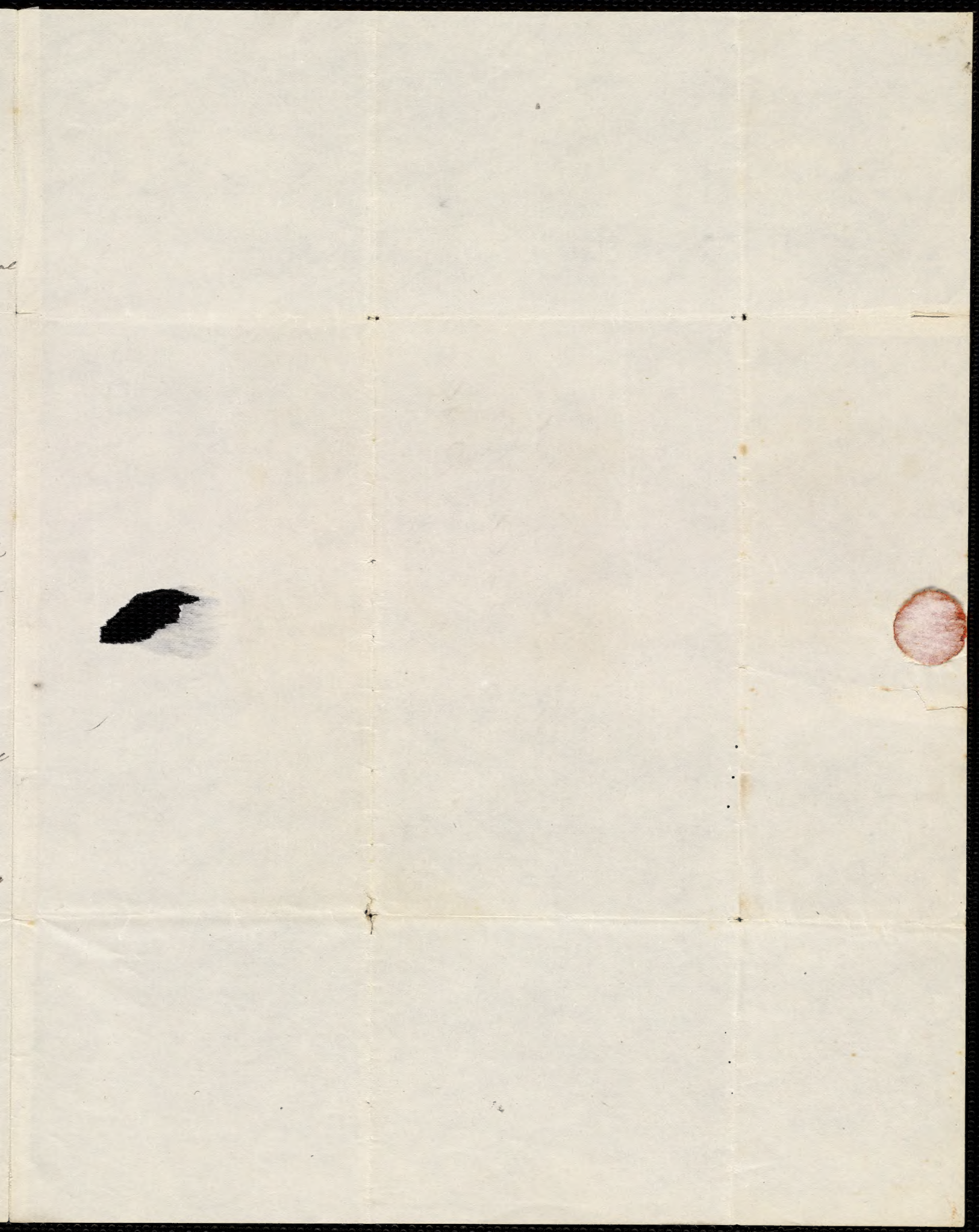
I purpose to offer a resolution saying we will make an effort to raise Five Hundred Dollars this year— but that resolution will not pass, I fear, unless our members are deeply impressed with the importance of raising funds— unless they are made to feel— there is the difficulty— if we felt as we ought we should blush at the meanness of the gift— But I trust that Angelina and Sarah will make us feel— and then some of your who are apt at devising will decide us to pledge the sum— By the way the resolution would be considered by most, almost as binding as a pledge; and we should not wish to pass it, unless we thought we should raise it— We want work laid out for the coming year, so that we may

have nothing to do but to go straight forward and
fill up the plan which shall be laid out at
the commencement - Is not that the best way?
But we are so dull here that we shall depend on
you to lift us along - Our Business meeting on Annual
meeting, will be in the afternoon Wednesday next at 3
o'clock which will be confined to our own members
unless our ^{parents and the members} friends think proper to invite those who
are not concerned in our business - The reason of
our making it private was because we thought there
would be more freedom on the part the diffident
to offer suggestions &c. - If we raise \$5.00, will
it not be a stimulus to some others around us to
go and do more? - What I have written in
relation to raising funds, perhaps you might better
not mention, except to some one or two who would
help us onward - I am not so clear that it would
be considered quite proper for me to tell tales although
I think it is in such a case - You will have an
invitation to take part in the transactions of our meeting

Please excuse my jumble of this morning as I have
to make great despatch - Hope thou will be able to
understand it -

Thine - Abby Kelley

We shall be happy for you to stay to the public
meetings on Wednesday and Thursday evening - A.K.



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