

To Elizabeth Pease Nichol.

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22 Southampton Street, Bloomsbury, W.C.

June 18, 1867.

My very dear Friend:

In acknowledging the receipt of two letters from you since I last wrote, I have to thank you for your affectionate epistle of the 9th ult., sent to me and received at home after I had sailed from Boston, and just come to hand in an enclosure from Paris; so it has travelled between six and seven thousand miles, and, assuredly, is none the less appreciated by me on that account. All its kind sentiments I warmly reciprocate; and I shall feel happy indeed when I can greet you at Huntly Lodge.

The invitation from Prof. Nichol, conveyed through you, to have me and the children (Fanny and Frank) stop under his roof while we remain in Glasgow, is indeed very kind and hospitable. It is quite impracticable, however, for us to go to Scotland immediately; or, indeed, until somewhere about the 10th of July, or later.

A public breakfast is to be given me at St. James's Hall on Saturday, John Bright having kindly consented to preside on the occasion. Another is talked of to be given at Birmingham on the 2d of July, though no arrangements have yet been made. At Manchester, on the 10th of July, a similar affair will come off. Then we may go to Newcastle, and perhaps have a breakfast there. Then either go to Ambleside and the Lakes, or else to Melrose, Jedburgh, &c. Then to Edinburgh, Glasgow, and the Highlands. After that, probably to Belfast and Dublin. Then back to London by the 25th of July, on our way to Paris; and from Paris to Switzerland, to be gone about four weeks. Then back to Paris, to attend the Anti-Slavery Conference the last week in August. After that, I shall have six weeks left before sailing from Liverpool for Boston. How I shall dispose of that time — whether by going to Germany and Italy, or returning to England, and visiting various places — I have not yet determined, but probably shall conclude to return to England, my daughter, in the mean time, re-

remaining with her husband in Munich, with her German relatives, till I get ready to go home, when she will make her mother a visit, and come back next Spring.

Please oblige me, therefore, by sending a note to Prof. Nichol, and saying that his long promised visit, with his wife, to Dumblane, at the time he is contemplating, will make no difference with us. At what precise day we may get to Glasgow, we cannot now decide; but somewhere about the middle of July. Whether they are ^{then} at that date or not, we shall be none the less grateful for their proffered hospitality, though regretting if we shall not have the opportunity of seeing them. But on no account must they be put to the slightest inconvenience on our behalf. And we desire to be as little trouble to you as possible. You are, doubtless, more or less liable to have comers under your roof at any time, especially during the summer season. All we shall need will be two bedrooms for the week we may be able to stay in Edinburgh; but we can easily change to a hotel, if need be.

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To-day I have received letters from home, and am much relieved in mind to be assured that my dear invalid wife is getting along comfortably, and bearing up bravely against our absence. Of course, I shall make all my plans subordinate to any change for the worse that may possibly take place in her health. When I left home, it was with the understanding that I should return home on the first of September; but, by remaining till the middle of October, (not otherwise,) I shall be able to secure Fanny's company with me, and so wife will try to do without me a few weeks longer, in order to share her darling child with her until the Spring.

We are seeing the "sights" of London as fast as possible, under the guidance of our beloved and ever attentive friend, George Thompson, who this day completes his sixty third year.

Fanny and Frank send you their affectionate regards for their father's sake.

Ever your attached friend,
Wm. Lloyd Garrison.