

you on the subject. If you can see him ⁱⁿ a day
or two, it would doubtless hasten the service.

Yours with much esteem
in the cause of bleeding

humanity

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Dear Brother,

I saw Brother Rogers to day. He has made up his mind to appropriate one hundred dollars to my object and will concert a plan operation with you. I wish he had felt his way clear to have added fifty or at least twenty five more. As I think I might have got along much better. But as it is I shall try hard to do my duty and give him satisfaction. Much will depend on my field of labor. If I have to go into remote parts of the state, or into Maine, or N. Hampshire, my traveling and other expenses will be more, than in more contiguous places. But whatever be the sacrifice on my part, I am anxious to labor where I can do the most good. The extreme western and eastern parts of this state have been most neglected by the friends of the slave. There are certain localities near to us that have received little attention, as Marblehead, Gloucester, Manchester, Essex, Middleton, N. Reading, Wilmington, and several other places in their neighborhood. But whenever Mr. Rogers shall think best to commence operations, I am anxious to begin as soon as possible. He said he should confer with