

lated Messing, in the settlement of the concerns
of his deceased father, that I fear he will not
be able to comply with your request.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully Yours

Neh. Huntington

N. Huntingdon,

Peterboro Sept. 14. 1837.

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Rev. A. A. Phelps

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MSS.

Yours of 7th inst. addressed to Genl. Smith is just received. He has gone as far West as Canandaigua, laboring in the great cause to which his person pen & purse are so much devoted. I have a letter from him dated yesterday morning at Auburn whither, he went on Monday - arriving there on Tuesday morning - in which he says "We arrived here yesterday at 11. A. M. - and found a meeting of some 20 persons! By afternoon, it was swollen to about 50! a Resolution was offered & adopted that Genl. Smith address the meeting in the evening. I was accordingly announced & in handbills, stuck up in the village. All would not do. There were not more than say 300 persons drawn together. When I was here 8 or 9 years ago, this handbill process brought together 3 or 4 times 300 persons to hear me - but that was on temperance, & it was before I had lost my character for sanity. Even my friends have to admit now, that I was mad". I presume a large assembly would have congregated from the surrounding country if it had been known he would attend the meeting.

He will not return until next week & will then write you, doubtless, but his business at home is so accu-