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Dear Sir

I have recd a letter from
Abner Stewart Esq of Utica touching the State
Convention - He thinks great exertions
ought to be made to get a large delegation
in which opinion no doubt all true
Anti Slavery Men concur although many
who are half converted think it is very
imprudent to hold a convention at all
now - The influence of this feeling
backed up as it is by the clamor of the
public press will keep back a fair many
from our Convention - Mrs Stewart wishes
me to remind You of the importance of urging
an attendance from the whole Western
region I would suggest that any merchants
who may be at the east should be
urged to attend or their may be & that
they be put to this effect at New York

Your Knife is safe - I have just recd
a letter from Bro Henry dated at Providence
in which he says he has very good
success & but little violent opposition
So now Bro stir up the funds of our
Cause at the West to attend the Convention
We shall spare no pains to obtain
a good delegation from our City & hope
the Crisis approaching will be met
by our friends in all parts of the
State as becomes Men & Christians

When shall we see You? Will You
not take time to visit us here before
the convention

Truly Your friend & Brother

Recd A. A. Phelps

A. A. Sperry