

Do not withhold your gift because it must needs be a little one. Remember the widows mite. Remember too that not many noble nor many wise, not many wealthy have been called to this odious reform. Give accord-  
-ding to your means, you beyond them, being assured that it will be recom-  
-pensed unto you a hundred fold. Above all do what you do quickly. We cordially invite you to remit forthwith such an amount as you feel called upon to give, directed to either of the subscribers or to Charles K. Whipple, Treasurer. Should it not be convenient to transmit the money immediately we ask you for a pledge, to be redeemed before the Annual Meeting in September. We would further entreat you to urge upon your neighbors who think with you on these momentous subjects, the duty of sending in their funds. We pray you neglect not this, for thus you may do the cause in calculable service.

We have not space to urge upon you. The claims of the Non-Resis-  
-tant. We know that it is not necessary. Should you remit more than the subscription price (\$1.) we shall place your name upon the list of subscribers, if it be not already there. We hope & are confident that you will exert yourself to extend the circulation of our Organ among your friends & neighbours, as well those who are willing to leave, as those that have renewed the faith. We hope that you will regard yourself as a voluntary agent to procure subscribers to it, - not forgetting the indispensable con-  
-dition of payment in advance.

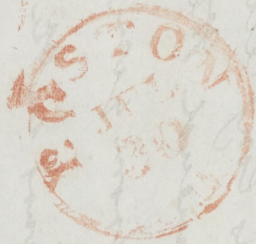
We make no apology for this long letter. We know that its object & our motives will commend themselves to your heart. Hoping to hear speedily from you.

We remain, Dear Friend, yours in the bonds of peace and love.

Wm. Lloyd Garrison.

Maria W. Chapman.

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Dear Friend:

The Executive Committee of the N. E. Non-Resistance Society at a meeting recently held, voted, that letters be addressed to all persons known to have adopted the principles of Non-Resistance, or who are favourable to their free discussion, stating the claims & the wants of the Society, & requesting such pecuniary aid at their hands as the cause requires. It is in obedience to this vote that this letter is addressed to you.

It is unnecessary for us to enlarge upon the objects of the Society. They are briefly set forth in the Declaration of Sentiments, which we have put forth to the world & in the Constitution of the Society. We have neither time nor space to expatiate upon the infinite importance of the principles we hold, & which we would fain apply to the business of the world as well as to the regulation of our individual hearts & lives - principles, the adoption or rejection of which, will in our adjoined determine the happiness or the misery of the human race throughout all time, & whose influences will reach beyond the bounds of time & stretch far into the endless ages of eternity. The law to which we have submitted ourselves, through obedience to which we have found rest to our souls, whose light burden & easy yoke we have combined together that we may, in all love, persuade our brethren to take upon themselves, is that paramount law of our being, to bring to light & exemplify which, the Son of God came into the world and, after a life of privation & persecution was at last nailed for our advantage to the bitter cross; - even the perfect & peaceable law of Love, we are confirmed in the belief, that this is the great law of our nature, by beholding in the world around us the mournful signs of the ruin which men have brought upon themselves by refusing to obey it. We see it in the vaunted, yet vain, schemes of Government, which they have devised for their own protection - combinations, which crush the poor & ignorant offenders, while they elevate wealthy & instructed criminals to the rank of the makers or administrators of their laws. We see it in the corrupt church, which make our land a spiritual desolation. We see it in an ambitious and self-seeking clergy, who claiming a title from Heaven to lord it over the consciences of their <sup>brethren</sup> ~~subjects~~, pervert <sup>souls</sup> ~~ways~~ from the right way, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men; - teaching that the impartial Father of all the dwellers upon the earth, sanctions the enslaving & imbruing of His own children; that He permits the traffic in the poison which consumes the bodies and the souls of men; that He is not displeased at the indulgence of ambition, covetousness & revenge, provided they be displayed in certain modes of man's own appointing; that He allows, nay commands, man to slay his brother,

if urged to the deed by the resistance of sudden evil, or if the doom  
hardness of death be pronounced by a tribunal of man's own erection, or if he be called  
upon by the authorities of the land to do battle with the enemies whom he is commended in  
all cases to forgive. We see it in the licentiousness & vices of private life & in the public  
profligacy & corruption which disgrace this Age. We discern it in the anarchy & violence which  
disturb our domestic quiet & in the hoarse murmurs, premeditated war, which are heard muttering  
along the frontier.

For all these evils which have fallen upon men through their forsaking the Law of Love,  
we see but one remedy & that is - immediate repentance & an instant return to their  
allegiance. It is to urge upon all men this only way of safety. That we have asso-  
-ciated together. It is that we may be enabled to do this work vigorously & effective-  
-ly that we make this application to you. Standing, a small company of men & women,  
banded together to war with spiritual weapons against the evil that is in  
the world, encompassed on every side by the bitter hostility of the powerful in Church  
& State, cruelly misrepresented & that too by men of whom we might have expected,  
of whom we do still expect, better things, derided by the unthinking, hated & feared by  
the sagacious, - to whom can we look, beside Him who is our strength, but to those  
who have taken up the same Cross with ourselves, or who regard our warfare, though  
from a distance, with eyes of sympathy & interest? To all such we confidently  
appeal. We want increased means for propagating the truths we hold dear. Our efforts  
have thus far been cramped by the narrowness of our resources. Still we have printed and  
circulated many tracts, have established the Non-Resistant, & have constantly em-  
-ployed an indefatigable & devoted Agent in the field. With added means we can  
exert a vastly greater moral force. Able & devoted men are ready to enter upon  
the work, ~~the more we are enabled to do~~ & we have materials for a  
mighty array of tracts. We are ready to take the field & with great power, if the  
sinews of this holy warfare be but furnished us. Upon the friends of this great enter-  
-prise we rely with confidence for our supplies. Upon you, dear friends, especially  
do we depend both for pecuniary & other help. We know that the mere statement  
of our necessities is all that is requisite to open your heart & your purse. They who have  
devoted themselves to this holy cause, they who have professed before the world their  
adherence to it or their sympathy with it, need no laboured appeals to excite  
them to a spasmodic generosity, or to overcome the selfishness which they have re-  
-nounced before God. But we pray you not to delay your contribution. If this  
faint appeal have awakened in your breast a resolution to cast in of your abun-  
-dantly, or of your penury, into the treasury of the Lord, let not the holy impulse  
depart without performing the object of its mission.  
"Hold the fleet angel fast, until he bless thee."