

Kalamazoo Apr 23. 1830

Mr + Sister

I hardly know what to write as Caroline has filled nearly all the Sheet with news and observations and to you nothing that I can say would be news while much that you can say of your place + people habits manners numbers of I would be new + exceedingly interesting. Very likely many things that were interesting to you would be so to us now though the frequency of them to you has made them unimpressive.

Our Congress as you will see by the publick journals has spent the winter in discussing the question of Slavery. The admission of California + the abolition of Slavery in the federal district Mr Webster of Mass has turned to the wind with Great Cap and while the Elements are moved + all nations worked by Slaveholders many stand firm for Freedom. Mr Edward J. P. Hall Chas. Giddings Root of several others have dealt mortal blows to the institution + Slavery must soon fall in our land or Revolution occur

On the subject of Temperance more decisive efforts are being made than ever. Massachusetts + Vermont prohibit the sale of it. In our State no good conclusion has been made. But the young State of Wisconsin has made it requisite for the dealer to give bonds to pay all damage that the sale + use of their liquor may occasion. The general progrip of good is retrograde and while for Satanism exists it will continue to decline "a House divided against itself cannot stand". No Church organization that makes enemies of its allies + friends by creeds can stand.

I suppose that I have said but little that will interest you I as no mention or notice has been given me in any letter I hardly hope to interest you much but hoping that you may have health + prosperity + I wish to know how you get on at home. I should like to see you when you go abroad. I am your affectionate friend

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