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Dear Sir. Your two letter of 18th & 19th came to hand this morning. also the bundle & box of books (not yet opened.) - Our Ex. Com. Voted \$100: = for your books. These 200 copies, I suppose, exhausts the _____ publication. In our present state of funds, I fear our income, will not be able to order more, especially as (if I understand you) it will be necessary to order more than another hundred. I wish we could supply all the "M- C's" with it, I will do all I can to effect it.

I was a little too sanguine in my last letter, in respect to the adoption your form of Circlular, [sic] (by our Sel. Com.) without amendment. It was thought necessary to add the words in brackets - "whether slavery can have any legal existence in this country constitutionally with {the original principles of Civil Government, the Declaration of Independence, and} the Constitution of the U.S."

I don't know [?]beet[?] you and I are getting to be "old fogies." Our disciples are getting ahead of us. Yours truly _____ Wm Goodell