

Nantucket, March 15, 1846

Dear Spooner,

I have this day heard, from Thos.[?] Earle, a letter, containing his opinion of your book. I have bartered[?] to copy the same, which you have enclosed. I do not know whether he supposed I should do this. Let me know from you as soon as convenient, for I wish much to see what you have had to "say for yourself." In the closing part of E's letter, as you will of course notice as some thing not relating to your Essay. But I should be glad of any remarks you may have to make on these also.

I wrote you on the 24th of Feb. last, enclosing the letter in one of the same date to Dr. Hoyt. Why have you not let me hear from you since then? Not a syllable have I had from the Dr. either. I suppose he has been all _____ while too busy, in making bills & _____ people, to favor me with a letter. But Mrs. Hoyt, I do think she might have made me some compensation for her worse half's delinquency (if that's the word) in the premises. However, shabbily[?] or _____ have [?] _____ me, I'll venture to ask you to give my love to both.

My health is not very good. That _____ of mine troubles me. Were I in Athol, I'd soon have a _____ prepared for it, up among some of those mountain water=falls.

Has dear Mrs. Sargeant made her Athol visit yet?

My respects to your landlord; and my love to that sweet _____ patient of mine, dear Jane.

I am so weary of copying the enclosed long=worded letter, that this must needs be brief. You will remember I owed you none after all, besides.

Truly & affectionately Yours,

Geo. Bradburn