

This was recd. Feb 6 – 1855

Dear friend,

I have just rec'd your note and as I am hurried, on the eve of leaving for New York, cannot answer it as fully as I ought.

Believe me I have studied your arguments so thoroughly that I think there's no man in the U.S who understands is letter, excess yourself – the note you speak of I've not seen though I bought a copy of your last edition last week to send to \_\_\_ Stowe – You see \_\_\_ willing all should see both sides.

I never made the remarks you quote as applicable to yr argument, but only said of the general claim of \_\_\_ every character of thw laws. That it actually took for granted the \_\_\_ of the people, who would not have accepted a proslavery course. My object was simply to show that, according to that law: both people and Cons. Were Antislavery – you would have had no objection to my statement – had you heard it. The Comm in which it was made & the use made of it.

As to the wills statement I must leave it for another time.

Your papers are in Nauting \_\_\_ harder, as you requested, When I return from NY, I'll call & see him & learn the result.

Yours truly,  
W. Phillips

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