

Polar ridge Cayuga Co

Repls Ridge 3<sup>rd</sup> - 1841

Dear friends Rowland Robinson and wife and Ann King —

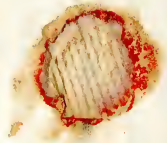
It has long been on my mind to revive our former correspondence, but being much inclined to procrastinate I have as often put it off for a more convenient season. many changes have occur'd since a that period, calculated to occupy my time and attention in a different way and manner from that, which I was formerly employ'd; and consequently have less leisure for retirement — you have probably heard or this that I was a house keeper, my companion and best friend & friend with whom I was united in marriage in 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1835 is a son of Jonathan and Abigail Leane of Newport R. Island — we reside in Suptic are members of south street preparative meeting — my husband is a carpenter by trade — his parents are aged and at present are under our roof — they <sup>often</sup> speak of your parents — having been acquainted with them in early life — they are patrons of christian meekness and quietness fathers in his 86<sup>th</sup> year and another in his 73<sup>rd</sup> it is a great comfort to have their company, they are in my view specimens of those described by the salmist "they that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God, they shall bring forth fruit in old age, they shall be fat and flourishing — I am very agreeably situated as respects my father in laws family, they are all kindly affectionate towards me, they have resided here nearly 30 years — as regards temporal I thought perhaps you felt interested — I think I may safely say I hardly know that I lack anything needful — my husband is well disposed to measure his comfort by mine, a lover of industry, and has sufficient employment all seasons of the year we have a home of our own and land sufficient for a mechanic — Land is very high and very good here, we have lately purchas'd a house and latt of 7 acres for 600<sup>th</sup> dollars —

It would be very gratifying, to see you at our next yearly meeting we look forward to that time of spared to see it as a season of deep solicitude — our place of residence is about 60 miles south east of Farmington 15 miles south of Auburn and within view of Cayuga lake — The cause of the oppressed Slave is gaining ground I think amongst friends and others, but there are these (the I hope the smallest number) who manifest a cold indifference on the subject, to us it is a matter of surpris and astonishment to meet with it in persons of acute sensibility — in conversation until an allusion is made to the cause of humanity; we feel it our duty to abstain from the use of the products of unrequited toil, firmly believing <sup>this</sup> is striking at the root of oppression — for what object would the slaveholder have in view of all abstinence from purchasing — the products of this labour, but because all are not equally convers'd this will not occur us it is difficult for us to obtain free labour very goods — but then we try to do with less — and rescribe our wants — believing it is better to wash our hands in innocency — that we may be favour'd to encompass his altar with acceptance —

James C. Jackson has been in our place the past winter <sup>approx</sup> has delivered  
some excellent discourses, which I believe were universally <sup>of</sup> - he also atten-  
ded a convention at North Wille a few miles distant - which appears by  
information to have been an interesting occasion. we have not felt it our  
places to join with other societies - but do not feel like censuring those who  
do we feel it right to encourage all of every class by example and precept  
in abstaining from the product of slave labor - it is a subject of serious  
importance that of liberating from bondage this oppressed part of the human  
family, and we sincerely desire that we as a society may so move as will be  
well pleasing in the divine sight - neither let apathy or a feeling of  
indifference prevail nor yet be too much excited - ~~we shall~~ <sup>perhaps</sup> we shall  
feel of doing much good it is not in the earthquake that strength in good  
or instruction afforded but in quietness and retirement - the still small  
voice is heard, altho obedience is required in our example and precept  
it is to his power we have to look for strength if ever the chain of oppression  
is broken. Amongst the many antislavery publications of the day the Ant  
Slavery Standard, Edited by Nathaniel P. Rogers 123 Nassau street New York  
we consider an interesting paper - altho it sometimes touches on subjects  
which do not altogether accord with our feelings yet we peruse it with  
much interest generally. My aged mother I suppose is still living  
we visited her about a year and half ago prepared to bring her home  
she seemed much rejoiced to see us - but could not consent to leave her  
society there and form new acquaintances - said she thought it not well  
to transplant old trees - my husband is united with me in every  
good word and work and joins me in love to you all - if you feel  
disposed to write - please direct - Poplar Ridge Cayuga County -

Your affectionate friends

Hannah C. Greene



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