

February 10, 1841



Armington Ct Feb 10th 1841

My dear Sir

Yours of 7th reached me today -
Mr Sully will have informed you
in relation to the Application to Judge
Williams. It may be set down as
out of the question to expect any
action on the part of any of the
Judges of our Superior Court, so long
as the Supreme Court of the United
States has the matter under consideration.
As I should infer from what Judge Williams
said, that if the Sup Court of the U
States should decide that the Captives
shall be delivered to Spain under the
Treaty, he would not then be authorized
to interfere. But if the decree
of Judge Suddon should be confirmed,
then perhaps he might view it differently.
Gov Elmore manifested an excellent

Spint, altho' he did not fully agree
with you in the opinion that it was best
to act immediately - Mr. Hungerford
thought he could not consistently appear
as Counsel, after having acted for
Ruer & Monte, (which however he
was heartily ashamed of) yet he
volunteered advice & examined the
papers prepared by Ev. Elsmott -

There are many here
who are ready to forcibly ^{to} interfere
in behalf of these merged brethren &
if such a step could ever be justified
it would be in this case, where
injustice is apparent at every step -

I have however uniformly discouraged
any thing of this kind. I should
however feel perfectly justified in
endeavouring to provide for their safety
if they should turn their backs
upon their firm as I understand
they can do easily - This is a

matter however that requires much consideration,

If they ~~could~~ be kept in Court a few months longer, a season will come more favorable to their escape & to their ^{future} welfare, should they succeed. And moreover

this question has been the means as was intended no doubt by Providence, of advancing the cause of human rights ~~in~~ the Community. The

publications in the Journal of Commerce and Globe &c are bringing up great principles, which were once well understood by many in our land, but which had well nigh been forgotten -

We must rely on you in N York to give direction to our movements, as in no other way can there be any unity of action

Mr Burgess can be relied on fully - If at any time anything is wanted of me, WMB. could send to me a Dr. Hornum than it letter would reach me by mail.

Very truly Yours

Wm Linton

Geo D. Norton
Farmington, Feb 10/41
Result of application to
Ch A Williams
and
Plan of aiding to escape



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