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My Dear Mrs. Stone -

I have recd another letter from Charles by yesterday's Mail & inferring from it, that he did not send to you I will copy as much as I can of it. The Mail leaves very soon - We had just recd the letter sent after we heard of his being in prison - I told him, in that of the notices in different papers of him - "I hope you will preserve Dr. Holland's Obituary, for if he don't pay up what he owes me, I will write his epitaph. We had doubtless rather see my "ashes in place", than the real life live "squatter leader", who owed his life to constitutional ultraisms, "Failed in business"!!! What did the poor fellow do himself 'tis true he didn't do that for I believe he never failed to neglect to pay all demands against him - The Boston Friend, could not account for so quiet a person's heading an armed mob. - Now they can account for the conduct of the quiet anti-slave catchers in N. York & old Mass, in opposing a law of Congress & not be able to account for my opposition to an edict of an irresponsible & ignorant petty, bribed judge is not quite plain to me - Your Slave Law is not a circumstance down black code, & if you people can be justified in making a show of opposition to it, we ought to be glorified for our conduct. I never saw human nature in the same form as it has been

exhibited here. Men of standing & wealth would not blush at the
most revolting perjury - nothing but personal fear would have the
least effect upon them. They could not be drawn for public sen-
timents, & I have always felt since the affair of the 14th that more
was done in five minutes, on that day, for humanity, than could
be done in a by any other course of proceeding in ten years -
It has completely settled the question, I think, for it has drawn
attention to it - & people must all see, if they look, that we are
right - At my trial, an attempt was made by the Atty. Gen.
& others to get me sent into prison again & not admitted to
bail - Since then I am told, they are talking of impeaching
the Chief Justice for admitting me to bail. I hope they will
do it - for the more they act in that manner the better it is
for us - Our trials are put off till April - The speculators
were much offended at it, & the Mayor told the judge he
might as well discharge us, for by that time, nothing could
be done with us - They feel wretchedly because they can't
keep me out of the Legislature - 27th Mayor Bigelow died
of the Cholera night before last at San Francisco & was
buried here, at noon - Quite an effort was made to make
a show but it was a failure only about twenty persons attending
his remains at their last resting place - He has lived in
S. F. a long time, on account of fear of personal injury here.
The Common Council voted him 10.00 dollars the night
that he died & the members of the Council had it attached