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Incomplete letter from [sender unknown] to John [P. Green] January 14, 1851 [John P. Green Mss. - L.]

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[Written in margin]: To Chile Mission

My dear brother John,

A few days since A.H.G. received a portion of your journal its closing date being I think Aug. 20th - also one or two letters - in one of which you mention the reception of his letter on the 16th of Aug. 1850 which was dated in the Feb. preceding - Making about six months passage of the letter from New York to you. This letter was sent in the most direct manner with which we are acquainted - and yet you see how long it takes to reach you by the most speedy conveyances. We all very much regret that you cannot more readily hear from us. This from no fault on our part, as we have sent many letters - We have sent papers and books. Before this reaches you - you will probably have received a large box forwarded by A.H.G. containing sundry articles - which you requested him to purchase and forward. Andrew is very attentive to do all he can for your interests - few brothers would be as much do. He has done his best to collect your debts - most of which are of an utterly hopeless character. For instance George Adams

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died long ago a poor, worthless fellow - who would probably never have paid you one cent had he lived for twenty years - I merely mention this as one instance of many where you have in your kindness of heart loaned money to oblige a person without taking proper security - A note is nothing from an unprincipled person - not the least security - I hope you will be more careful in future how you lend money & to whom you lend it - and all to the security - I fear you will spend your strength for naught - We all regret to learn that your de[s]tination is so uncomfortable and we all, as one, wish to have you return without delay - You have pursued, and are still pursuing a mistaken course, dear John - You cannot be happy, even if you had acquired millions, while you refuse to become an humble faithful follower of Jesus Christ - God has never promised to help those who continue in sin, who refuse to obey His commandments. It matters not that you have professed to follow Him - if you have "turned again to the weak and beggarly elements of the world" - If you follow the world you must have your portion in the

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world – you must perish with the world – There are but two paths – the strait narrow way which leads to eternal life and the broad road which leads to eternal death. You cannot be so blinded to presumptuous as to thing for a moment that you are in the only safe way – do you love Jesus? He says "If any man love me let him keep my commandments" – Do you keep God's commandments? You may be morally restrained from outbreaking sins in many ways – but do you "love God with all your heart soul – mind and strength" and "do you love your neighbor as yourself"? Where is the evidence of this? – Surely not in playing chess – attending theatres & c – on God's holy day – which He has commanded us to keep holy – to use as a season to him aside from our ordinary pursuits – to spend in the worship of Him – in purlie and [Ms. illegible] – a season to seek communion with Him – No doubt [Ms. illegible] if not all around you desecrate the Sabbath – Is that any reason why you should do it – not the least. If you dwell in such an atmosphere you are doubly responsible to let your light so shine that

others may be your good works and glorify Jone Father in Heaver - In have had superin opportunities to learn Gud's will - you have Ween better taught - Im know better and you but treasure up for yourself wrath against the day of wrath - by they despising God's command by they rejecting this Word - the teachings of this providence -Where is the proof that you love you neighton as yourself? Joyan who have receivedlight from above - indeavor to impact that light to others, by asking the revering influences of the Holy Spirit to rest upon their hearts? Do you all in your power to be antistinment to win their Lands to Christ? So you dech I strive to line near to god in prayer - Sin obedience to His command - not only that you may be blessed hi four own soul - but that you may prone a meduin of blepring to, others? Decerice not Townself my dear brother, by the vain hope that Am with at last he Land - Though you continue in din- ho-you much repent from sunt frosake Them or you much nap the door of the impeni tent. Ehint has promised - Him that Cometho

others may see your good works and glorify Your Father in Heaven - You have had superior opportunity to learn God's will - You have been better taught - <u>you know better</u> - and you but "treasure us for yourself wrath.. against the day of wrath" - by this despising God's commands - by this rejecting His word - the teachings of His providence - and turning your blessing into cursings - Where is the proof that you love your neighbor as yourself? Do you, who have received light from above - endeavor to impart that light to others, by asking the receiving influences of the Holy Spirit to rest upon their <u>hearts</u>? Do you do all in your power to be an instrument to win their souls to Christ? Do you seek & strive to live near to God in prayer - this obedience to His commands - not only that you may be blessed in your own soul - but that you may prove a medium of blessing to others? Deceive not yourself, my dear brother, by the vain hope that you will at last be saved - though you continue in sin - no - you must repent of your sins & <u>forsake</u> them - or you must reap the doom of the impenitent. Christ has promised - "<u>Him that cometh</u>

unto me Swill in no wise cash out " Joto Him - Carnetty such the renewing influences of the Holy Skirit - pray that your Soul may The guashed in the blood of Jesus Christ which cleansoth from all Bin that you may every mornent receive the aid or The Healy Spirit to enable you to prosable all sin, of thought, word and deed, of muttin and commission - If you damy yourself the religions- Locial & civil privileges by the land of your brith that you may homor to hish by Derving Stein, in endeaboring to induce Those around you to become this followers and prinds. then - you may be right to Itany where you are but if not - if your object is simply to obtain a certain amount of this world's treasures in a preign land to return home to take comfort withing world in spending your Substance - In err you are purchasing earthly comport, (which after ale you may never be permitted to copy, at too dear alrato - even at the expense of the improve ment of the talents and has given you - at the ge pense- of all Local and donlestie confort- and home unto me. I will in <u>no wise cast</u> out" - Go to Him - earnestly seek the renewing influences of the Holy Spirit - may that your soul may be washed in "the blood of Jesus Christ which cleanseth from all sin" - that you may every moment receive the aid of the Holy Spirit to enable you to forsake all sin of thought, word and deed of omission and commission - If you deny yourself the religions - social & civil privileges of the land of your birth - that you may honor Christ by serving Him, in endeavoring to induce those around you to become His followers and friends - then - you may be right to stay where you are but if not - if your object is simply to obtain a certain amount of this world's treasures in a foreign land to return home to take comfort in this world in spending your substance - you err. You are purchasing earthly comfort, (which after all you may never be permitted to enjoy,) at too dear a rate - even at the expense of the improvement of the talents God has given you - at the expense - of all social and domestic comfort - and more

dreadful than de you are herarding your prices lep soul, What shall it profit a man if he Igani the whole world and love his oundoul? Mhat reply will you give to this questin? Who can estimate the worth of the Int ? Who Can Calculate its lop? I think, dear John, that you are unwise not to leave an atmosphen So unfavorable to spiritual and intellectual Culture unless indeed you remain solely to be the instrument of saving the douls of theme among whom In reside. What are riches? What is amything without Indis blepsing? ban you expect this bleping without theeking it? Will it be bestowed if asked unles Myn Seek for grace to prouhe all lin. The have written repeatedly to you - and always have uged your return - assuring you our willing nep to do amything in our power to aid you to become established in businessi Mosth america - In home scarcely received me of our letters - i/do you would have acknowle frequently had me any assurance of thentetters reaching you - Be charitable in your conclusions

dreadful than all - you are hazarding your priceless soul - "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" What reply will you give to this question? Who can estimate the worth of the soul? Who can calculate its loss? I think, dear John, what you are unwise not to leave an atmosphere so unfavorable to spiritual and intellectual culture - unless indeed you remain solely to be the instrument of saving the souls of those among whom you reside - What are riches? What is anything without God's blessing? Can you expect His blessing - without seeking it? Will it be bestowed if asked unless you seek for grace to forsake all sin - We have written repeatedly to you - and always have urged your return - assuming you of our willingness to do anything in our power to aid you to become established in business in North America - You have scarcely received one of our letters - if so - you would have acknowledged them. We would gladly write you more frequently had we any assurance of the letters reaching you - Be charitable in your conclusions [.]

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library to you - in other words - several volumes - <u>papers</u> - pamphlets & tracts - Bibles, Testaments & c [etc.] - which it appears you have never yet received - I shall by this ship which sails in a few days - send you - "Hannah More in Hall Cottage" - "My Mother" and several other volumes, with some papers - tracts - Testaments & c. I may give you a list of them - You can read them & lend or give them as you see best - I shall also send a variety of garden seeds both flower and vegetable which I hope will safely reach you, and I trust you will leave them behind to benefit some one and return yourself to "<u>our home</u>" - Farming you will like and it will be conducive to your health. I will try to give you a list of the books and you will please acknowledge all you receive - never for one moment, think my dear John, that you are an outcast, that you are forgotten or uncared for by one of us. Very much the contrary in the real state of the case. and [sic] not a day passes [Ms. illegible] you are the subject of our [Ms. illegible] & earnest interest - Whatever you lose or neglect my dear brother, lose not - neglect

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