

Providence R.I. Sept 15th 1836.

Rev^d Pierre Irving

You will observe from the date of this my dear friend, that I am in the land of steady habits instead of on my way West as I rather anticipated when I had the pleasure of seeing you Monday last - I arrived yesterday at 3 P.M. after a tedious trip of 22 hours instead of 13, owing to the dense fog we encountered in the Sound.

I found my friend Gallagher well & doing well, & apparently happy to see me - In the course of conversation this morn^g, he informed me that he rec^d a letter from Mr Channing yesterday dated at Ry^e, in which he states that he has positively & conclusively declined the call to Geneva & intends to remain for the present at least where he is - Mr G. states that it will cause much regret & does not know what the Congregation will do - He heard since he wrote me to that effect, that you had not been called to Canandaigua & immediately wrote to a gentleman of the Vestry at Geneva respecting it - But this was before it was known that Channing had declined - I thought you would probably like to know this - if you already do not - And I have ventured to write you altho' you may deem it

not worth the postage - Mr. Gallagher does
not seem to know what will be the action of
the Church at Geneva upon receiving Mr. C's
declination, as they almost expected him to ac-
cept - I have gathered all the information
from Mr. S. which he seems to possess upon the
subject, without his knowledge of my intention
to write you & regret, if it should prove interest-
ing to you, that I have not more to add -

We expect to attend a Convocation of the Clergy
of this Diocese at Lansdown abt. 15 miles from
here, tomorrow - and I anticipate much pleasure
from the associations which I hope to form there.

It is a Monthly Meeting which has been Establi-
shed for some time past, for mutual intercourse
& spiritual improvement & has resulted in happy
effects upon the Church at large - This State
is so small that you can ride thro' it in a
day & in consequence they can meet without
much inconvenience - On Saturday we expect
to go to Boston. Spend Sunday - & look about
the City on Monday; return here on Tuesday &
then I shall mend my way to N. York as soon
after as I can leave - by Wednesday or Thursday at
farthest - I shall not in consequence be at
my post on Sunday next, to meet my class &c
If you are in the City & at leisure please inform
my boys of my absence & say to them that absent
I shall remember them & that please them on
their good behavior I hope to ^{receive} ~~see~~ good acts
when I return - Having been absent so long

already from my class I can scarcely justify my
present absence, & only do so by reflecting that
it is the only opportunity that will present for
a long long time to come - perhaps forever -

Remember me most kindly & respectfully
to all who may enquire - And with my
best wishes for the happiness of yourself & yours
here & hereafter. I am your friend & brother in
Christ.
Chas. H. Walsey

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