

Elm Valley April 21st 1842-

My dear Frederick,

We have found that your father forgot to
enclose your letter which we received last week from France;
and I improve the opportunity by Mr. Smith, to write you a
few lines, and send it herewith tomorrow. I was there this morning
on business, and he spoke of having a package from brother to
have with Arthur, so it will make him no trouble, and you
will probably have it when you go in on Saturday. - I hope
you will write us when he returns. Fanny came home with
us on the sabbath and has been enjoying herself highly, we are
about taking a walk to Pleasant Hill this afternoon. Tomorrow
your two sisters intend to spend the afternoon with her at your
uncle's. - We have heard nothing from William since you left us.
The bundles went on by Mr. Brooks, about a fortnight after
you left, & I enclosed a letter in that which we sent.
Theodore is very busy at present, at the Edwards place. he seems
to have caught the distemper of Gladley people, and as he does
not care to move his house far from its place, he has got Mr.
Adams, to help him turn it half round. Angel and Frank are
blowing at the mountain, and Throphilus occasionally lends a
helping hand. Samuel Lyon came last week to spend the summer
with him. Eliza and the baby are doing as well as we could
expect of such a feeble little mother. They hope Mrs. Lyon will
come next week, and stay with them a few weeks. Your father
has been very busy this week with his pen and his parchment
transcribing on clean white paper, correcting and adding and expunging
as he finds necessary; these two sabbaths at Northampton, will
doubtless bring on the blues - I hope you will find somebody
to relieve him; ^{before long} I believe he had rather preach at a distance
from home, he never had much partiality for the Unitarian
pulpit in Northampton, not more than his son Frederick. -
Mr. Cookidge did well for us two sabbaths - may the divine
spirit accompany the truth, to the heart and conscience -
we do indeed need a time of refreshing. - It is reviving to see
ministers alive, zealous, fervent in spirit. The Lord gives you my
dear son abundantly of his spirit, that you may in due time
go forth in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ. -

Now as ever your affectionate mother
Elizabeth

I want to know, My dear Fred, how you are likely to succeed in your Mission field.
in providing me a pulpit for two or three Sab^s. Do let me know as soon as possible. Mr.
D. Smith will return in a few days, I will bring a letter, if no other opportunity offers. A letter
left with Arthur will find him probably Yours Affly D. W.

Frederic D. Huntington
Cambridge
Ms.

Mr. Dudley Smith —