

Waltham N. 17. 1868

My dear friend
Samuel May

I send thee a note by last
stage acknowledging the receipt of your re-
mittance of \$350 for our Freedmen's Aid. Our
an actual year is from Nov. 1. to 7 next. We are
but little more than half through it - a resolution
was offered at our last meeting by to close the
account the first of 4th, as we now have in
debt the remaining three months, much as
long as that stand - some of us in faith had
the resolution laid upon the table & offered
another, appointing a Com^{tee} to devise means
for sustaining the 7500 souls & want the aid and con-
sencement of closing them. We made a remark of
that to me exhibiting at home, by the reasoning
I made which is attached to each column of report, & I
sent downward, the head of the Freedmen's Bureau - in
each case we have been successful - we shall get
rid of our debt. The Com^{tee} has appointed one Clark
as a man for his Bureau & retained him in our
office paying his salary - & we have the heartiness
to continue our work until the end of the year.

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Concord Mass. 22. 2. 2. 2. 2.
My dear friend
I have just received your
kind letter of the 22nd inst.
and am glad to hear of
your success in the
cause of the Freedmen.

I am, my dear friend,
very truly,
your friend,
Samuel May