

Petersboro

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My d Sir,

Mr Miller hands me your letter of 19<sup>th</sup> inst. I am happy to hear by it that your study of the case inspired you with \_\_\_\_\_ in me "right to bring to suit in the State Court."

Judge Peabody of \_\_\_\_\_ is d\_pind ( & counsel do I suppose) of Royal Phelps. I have \_\_\_ leter in these letters from the \_\_\_\_\_ in whol of W. Phelps. He begs that we may not know proceedings against Mr. P until he, Judge Peabody, can inst me. W\_\_\_\_\_ that Mr Phelps does not \_\_\_\_\_ the fragment of money so much as the "inititated of a mind among[?]"

I hope you find the letter I wrote you some two weeks ago. My health still impaired. My terrible dispepy[?] is leaning me - though my shattered nerves are slow to give \_\_\_ composure.

I hope \_\_\_ able to tell my me story & the June in the \_\_\_\_\_ it (as have never \_\_\_ - the \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and them to be brought to trial

Very respectfully

Your friend

Gerrit Smith