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Charlestown, Jefferson Co Va 29<sup>th</sup> Nov, 1859.

Mrs George L Stearns

Boston

Mass

My dear friend

No letter I have  
received since my imprisonment here, has given <sup>me</sup> more  
satisfaction, or comfort: than yours of the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. I am  
quite cheerful: & was never more happy. Have only  
time write you a word. May God forever reward  
you & all yours. My love to All who love their  
Neighbours. I have asked to be spared from hav-  
ing any mock; or hypocritical prayers made over me, when  
I am publicly murdered: & that my <sup>only</sup> religious attendants  
be poor little, dirty, ragged, bare headed, & barefooted,  
Slave Boys; & Girls, led by some old grey headed, Slave  
Master.

Harewell.

Harewell.

Your Friend

John Brown