

Carthage, Miss
August 8th 1843

Judge Abner W. Fonguee
Mayville-on-Chautauque, N.Y.
Dear Sir:

Permit me
to gratefully acknowledge the re-
ceipt of your generous notice
of my little composition, bearing
the date of July 22nd 1843.

Your disinterested kindness
to me might be a matter of
some surprise if it were not
in keeping with what every
one knows of your conduct
in all things. I think I
realize the truth of all you
say, and will endeavor to
profit by it. However, I
intend, by the help of provid-
ence to make "time and

experience", persistent and earnest words, "do" a great deal for me; and as far as possible, prove your prediction in error.

Allow me again, with gratitude, to express my highest appreciation of all your kindness and trouble in my behalf, and to subscribe myself.

Yours very much obliged
Dwight H. Howard