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### Letter to Luther Colby, 1889-05-03

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Peasdale R. I. May 3<sup>d</sup>. 189,

My Dear Friend Abby,

Your kind note of  
1st. inst. came to hand last evening, and  
I am thankful for your ~~view~~ <sup>view</sup> of  
my proposal concerning my Eulogy - my  
~~expression~~ <sup>expression</sup> of ~~thanks~~ <sup>gratitude</sup>, to  
Mr. Ayer; the founder & builder  
of the Spiritual Temple in Boston.

If I recollect correctly, my late  
Brother Thomas mentioned the  
~~the~~ expediency of the erection of  
this building.

I feel quite differently about  
this matter, and shall <sup>farther</sup> consider it  
~~the subject~~, before I decide to have  
this Eulogy published. though I think  
Mr. Ayer is entitled to such recognition of his &  
~~in regard to the message you~~  
\* As substantially expressed interest in the cause of Spiritualism,  
even though he may possibly have <sup>crucial</sup> <sup>as</sup> <sup>doing</sup>  
~~less to me from the spirit of my late~~  
In regard to the message you send to me, from the spirit of my  
late Brother Thomas, I will remark that



that the little money I have to  
spare, I <sup>endeavour to</sup> devote to the poor and  
needy, Please give my love  
to him, when he presents himself  
to you, ~~again~~ - I presume he  
frequently does so.

Let me here ask if ~~you~~ <sup>I am</sup> mistaken in  
supposing that <sup>Ministers of</sup> Christian Churches,  
as a rule - believe in the reality  
of Spiritual Manifestations <sup>of the day,</sup> though  
most of them are opposed to them;  
and much for the same reason that  
~~Doctors of the~~ the Medical Faculty  
~~oppose~~ <sup>abhor</sup> "Spiritual Healing Medicines,  
~~who direct so disastrously compete~~  
with their own; ~~and this, although~~  
~~system of localism,~~  
~~they these same parties have~~  
adapted With my best wishes  
for your welfare, I remain your friend  
for, P. Hazard