

Apalachicola, Feby. 29. 1861.

My dear Sir.

Yours of the 17th inst. is received. Glad to hear from you.

As to the Book, I think it would be better to send it by Express, as, in the Bags, the corners would be so much battered, as to spoil the appearance of it, at least.

Put a stout wrapper around it and direct "via Columbus, Georgia."

I enclose \$20, the expenses of the book to be deducted, and the balance to be devoted towards the purchase of whatever token you may decide to transmit to Mrs. Booth. I wish it was more, but it must be taken as my mite.

My health is only tolerable, but
better than when I last saw you,
and just such as to suffice for a
good excuse for doing nothing.

Yours, very truly,
A. M. Chapman.



Chapman, A. W. 1868. "Chapman, Alvan W. Feb. 29, 1868." *Asa Gray correspondence*

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