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Letter to Philander Chase

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Bishop's Court. Isle of Man.
Nov. 24. 1835

My very dear Brother

[You will let me know from time to time how you get on; & whether you have met with a second Mariott. more zealous & persevering being than he in the cause of a friend. & a good work never existed, but he had one weakness which led him into many errors in different times of his life. He would never see an error in the most worthless being, that he once took up - his adherence to West is only one of many instances of this. I am doing all that my pen can do & the hand of a dear daughter. I promote your cause, and I shew you how correct I was in my view of our Blessed Lord's exhortation - "Give & it shall be given unto you," my

letter in which I recommended
the cause of Illinois to Lady Rose,
together with a large packet of your
letters written since the commencement
of your persecutions & your being
driven into the wilderness was answered
by Lady Isabella King, (Lady R.'s sister)
with a donation of £ 40 & lay the
foundation stone of the new Church
which I am projecting. To nourish
the good old Ladies' zeal in contributing
to build the Houses of God. I have just
answered Lady Isabella's letter a copy of
which I have ^a great mind to send you
with the injunction that you will
return it. I wish you could meet
with the tract of Dr. Wells which I allude
to in some of the old Book Shops. You
will find a great deal in it to answer
your purpose - It would be a very
useful tract to circulate in America

Among the rich members of the
Episcopal Church.]

You must know that I am
almost quite blind. The sight of
one eye is quite obscured by a cataract
and very little light remains in the
other. I pray God that he may clear
& strengthen my eye of faith & withdraw
my affections from every thing in this
world except my friends, my people
& my duty. A man arrived at 74 should
have nothing but his God & his Saviour
& heaven in his eye. You must come
over & visit the old W. of Mann & see
the sea-girt scene of his labours, where
he has had enough to do to raise a falling
Church, which proves to me that
every Bishoprick in the Kingdom
is to two & several into three.

Over my dear Friend
most faithfully Yours

W. Loder & Mann

Richard Ward
Nov-24 1911