

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

My dear Friend Colby,

Your kind note of  
1st. Inst. came to hand last evening, and  
I am thankful for your ~~view~~ ~~concerning~~  
my proposal concerning my Eulogy, my  
~~former~~ ~~and~~ expression of ~~thanks~~ gratitude, ~~to~~  
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 ~~been~~ ~~credulous~~ ~~in~~ ~~doing~~  
~~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, I 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~~ I <sup>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  
<sup>abhor</sup> ~~oppose~~ "Spiritual Healing Medicines,  
who ~~direct~~ so disastrously compete  
with their own; ~~and this, although~~  
~~system of treatment,~~  
~~they~~ ~~these~~ ~~same~~ ~~parties~~ have  
adopted With my best wishes  
for your welfare, I remain your friend

Jos. P. Hazard