

Hon. Oliver Fiske

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My dear Brother

I wrote you a line a short time since with the hope, when I began, of meeting you in Boston, but recollecting before I finished that your thanksgiving was approaching about these days, I reluctantly gave up that hope consoling myself with the idea that I should at least see you in the spirit and converse with you by letter. My time then, however, was so short that I found no time for writing, & my stars were so unlucky, that your letter, which Robert informed me you had written, has not yet been received. I now write therefore, to renew the request that you would, among other things, give me some information respecting the Antiquarian Society in Boston. Having been officially notified of being elected a member, I wish to make suitable and proper acknowledgments for the honor conferred, even should it not be in my power to accept it.

I am happy to assure you that we are all enjoying usual health & prosperity - that peace & the late dissolution of our partnership with G. has operated favorably on my business, notwithstanding the thousand new stores that have been opened, and the prognosticks of G.'s wife that the greater part of my customers would "give in their adhesion to them." Business, tho' far from being as it was in the days