

Jacobs writes to Amy Post, reporting that she meant to approach the author Harriet Beecher Stowe about having Jacobs's daughter Louise join her on her visit to England. "I thought Louisa would be a very good representative of a Southern Slave she has improved much in her studies and I think that she has energy enough to do something for the cause."

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My Dear Friend

I recieved your kind letter yesterday if silence is expressive of ones deep feeling then in this way I must ask you to recieve the emotions of what my heart *and pen* cannot express hoping the time is not far distant when we may see each other but I must tell you what I am trying to accomplish having seen the notice in the paper of Mrs Stowe intention to visit England I felt there would not be much hope of coming before her for some time and I thought if I could get her to take Louisa with her she might get interested enough if she could do nothing herself she might help Louisa to do something besides I thought Louisa would be a very good representative of a Southern Slave she has improved much in her studies and I think that she has energy enough to do something for the cause she only needs to to be put in the field I told my Ideas to Mrs Willis she thought they were good and offered to write Mrs Stowe she wrote last Tuesday asking her protection and if she would place her in some Antislavery family unless her services could be useful to her which I would perfer myself intending to pay her expenses there the letter was directed as yours when it is answered you shall know dear Amy since I haveno fear of my name coming before those whom I have lived in dread of I can not be happy without trying to be useful in some way I had a kind note from dear Sarah saying that she would be in New york on the 20*th* and wished to know our street and number I am going down to see her and Mrs Bush and if Mrs B do not sail on the 20*th* will you drop me a line to let me know I send an answer to Sarah to day also as she will not be there unless Mrs B sails I shall be more than glad to see you all

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