

Republican Society in Ohio
April 25th 1841

Wm. W. Anderson

I take the liberty to address you apparently with much presumption, you may think for one who has not the pleasure of your acquaintance.

Should you be at a loss to know from whom this comes, you are assured and doubtless may recollect in journal in company of Prof. Colver but his your place of residence at Northampton or your return from the East. As I learn no words of committal from Mr. Southwick whom I supposed to be the Editor.

But I presume more of your candor and generosity than to treat with that indifference, though presumptuous, the communications of any person singular or important, their vicinity may meet your approbation.

"Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh" is the only apology I offer at present in attacking myself. Your attention this brief notice, and hope my notice will be judged worthy the consideration of one so amiable in his appearance and competent to appreciate, and not to condemn without reason.

There is pleasure and satisfaction and contemplation in friendship and acquaintance, on a social and moral aspect aside from family or domestic relations.

And were it possible by any degree of propriety to do

any with the grace of our affection from the sacrificed
wings, how glorious than the thousand how ecstatic than the
solitude. But how if that sentiment is not reciprocated?
suffering only can sustain.

I am on a visit at my Mother's.
Not having seen him for some years and it is difficult
for me to suggest the precise time of my return, as
he is unwell, I should some weeks with him.

I am however desirous, were I permitted, to receive in-
sight to this your generous attention, should you be
so fortunate, as to receive fit in due time - when it would
be my utmost pleasure, if compatible with your feelings
to improve our acquaintance. But if not you have the
advantage of a friend (though unacquainted) of his in-
comparable regard and esteem.

Respectfully &c.

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