Letter from Sarah Bagley to Angelique Martin (Mar. 13, 1846):

Lowell March 13, 1846

Mrs. Martin

Dear Madam, I wrote you some few weeks since and as I had not received a reply I thought my letter might be missent and I would write again. You wrote me some two months ago that you would interest yourself sufficiently to become our agent to procure means to purchase a press if we would commence such an enterprise we have bought a press and fixtures at an expense of $500 and paid $100 on the delivery of the property. Our next payment becomes due on the first of June, and we hope through the faithful exertions of the friends the enterprise to be able to meet it. We have rented our press $15 per year and shall be obliged to take the rent to meet our engagements. We shall publish for circulation all that we rent our press for after we have paid first, and if the manuscript of which you wrote me should not be previously published we should like it.

I have not seen Mr. Brisbane since you wrote us, but he has engaged to be here the first of June when I will speak to him about your manuscript considerable interest is manifested in the subject of woman's rights and our association have procure a course of lectures on that subject. We are indeed indebted to you for the new Goal of the friends of rights your letter gave them a new impulse. I trust you will write. To us and offer us words of encouragement and hope. Yours in the cause of the progress of our race.

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P.S. I have sent you several papers and tracts and should pay the expense of them and this, could I know whether you received them.

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