

The town of Collins enjoys a much better Anti-Slavery reputation abroad than it deserves. Among the Quakers, who are quite numerous, there are a few Abolitionists; but the majority of them seem to have a much greater love for the Quaker church and the almighty dollar, than for God and humanity. Wrapped snugly in the cloak of self-righteousness, they are altogether unapproachable. Are they not the peculiar, sanctified people of God? Why then should they condescend to take lessons of truth and duty from unsanctified lips? Among the friends who stood ready to render us and the Cause *active* service, I may mention *John Palmerton*, who, under many discouraging circumstances, and in the face of relentless opposition on the part of some of his own household, was instant in season in causing meetings to be appointed, circulating notices, and conveying us to and from meetings while in his section of the town. We are now at the house of Isaac Allen, two miles from the notable village of Gowanda, where we were received with open arms as the heralds of salvation to the oppressed. Here we found an Anti-Slavery family—father, mother, sons, daughters, married and unmarried, and their husbands and wives, as far as I can learn—all Anti-Slavery. Have made this house our head-quarters for a week past, but must leave (much as we regret the necessity of leaving such society) to-morrow, for Perrysburg, where we hope to see the faces of at least a few other friends of our cause.

We shall leave this town with the impression on our minds, that, while it contains some of the best Abolitionists we have met, it is, on the whole, in the most hopeless condition of any we have visited. A large proportion of its professed Anti-Slavery is milk and water, and skim-milk and muddy water, at that; and, besides, it is neither cold nor hot--just fit to be spewed out; and, worse yet, its possessors seem to be satisfied with it; and still worse, the rankest pro-slavery people don't seem to be at all dissatisfied with it.

Should any fugitive slave or wayfaring Abolition lecturer ever stray hither, he will find Isaac Allen, Barak Smith, Bernard Cook, Timothy Smith and a few others, ready to harbour, conceal, advise and assist him.

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