

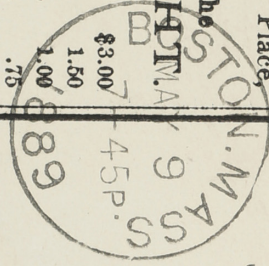
Luther Colby,  
May 9th, 1889,  
And May 12th

Return, if not called for in Ten Days.

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 Yours truly, L. Colby

Mr. Joseph Hazard,

Peaceville,

Rhode Island.

Private

Boston, May 9. [1889]

Dear Mr. Hazard:

In your letter of May 2d you allude to "Judge Marsh, who was swindled by the medium Miss Debas, and was so mortified that he removed to a place near Buffalo" etc. Now the fact is that Lawyer (not Judge) Sutter Marsh was not swindled out of a cent by Madame Des Debas, and he still asseverates that the portraits made in her presence were of spiritual origin. He did not leave New York City on her account, as he had long contemplated retiring from business and locating in the country, as was stated long ago by him in the press. I understand he returned to New York and took his children out of the control of the authorities and has placed them in a convenient home at his own expense.

Yours truly, L. Colby

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P.S. Mr. Ayer, as you say, deserves great credit for his liberality in erecting the Temple, although he has received since considerable money from friends of the Cause in consequence. Sately the city authorities put him into Court, alleging that his building infringed upon the public sidewalk, which he denied, and the Supreme Court decided the case finally in his favor; but it cost Mr. Ayer \$1200.00 for lawyers' fees and witnesses and diagrams. So the friends gave him an ovation, and we set down on the list \$100.00. He received in all \$500, and over.

Whenever you ascended brother Thomas reports, I will send you what ever he communicates. He is somewhat annoyed just now because of the persecution and prosecution our mediums are receiving; and <sup>he</sup> is just as earnest in protecting them as he was when here in bodily form.