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My Dear Sir

Yours of the 31st ult. is received. I do not know any thing special about Mrs. Sharpe's people, more than you do. They have been on our book of applicants for some time, but as they could not pay any thing; we "let them be", hoping they could remain awhile, for I remembered that when you spoke to me about them last fall, you thought it doubtful whether your Soc. would agree to take them & pay all their expenses! But now the case assumes a new attitude of necessity. They must go! Then we must send them, or we must! Would that you could — for your letter comes at a most unfavorable moment — & finds us beset with embarrassment & straining every imagination to find out what to do & how to do it. Since I write you last two other cases have come to a finality — one of them has been in court & is decided & 102 people are

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