

I am exceedingly indebted to you, My Dear  
Grace for the valuable little Books you sent to the  
Sunday school, which I like so well, that I should  
be very glad to obtain as many more numbers as  
are printed, and will thank you to put me in the  
way of obtaining them. I beg you will recollect, that  
they were several months in the box, before I received  
them, and still this leaves plenty of time, to have  
before expressed my thanks, for your thoughtful gift, in send-  
ing them. I know you are deeply interested in  
the cause of instruction, and hope you may have  
the satisfaction of seeing the rising generation of Israel,  
growing wise unto salvation under the ministry of  
him you delight to honor - we are certainly in an  
age of improvement. In England & Germany the  
Jews are receiving liberal educations - the fruits of  
which reached us in such useful books as you have  
sent me, Miss Aquino's book and several psalmical,  
of some merit. Mr. Luce too has a circular, afloat  
for a new Magazine of Hebrew literature which I hope  
will succeed.

We moved this morning into the new school room  
back of the Synagogue, and had above ninety pupils  
present I hope your school had resuscitated, and  
in a flourishing state, if not you must hasten to

The passage and take it into your own hands -  
Beal in the world has become of our little Beecher.  
we have nothing from her - we have letters from  
St Louis - Kentucky - Savannah, but not a word  
from her, tho' I have left my Godson, to her care and  
expect to be informed of the progress of his educa-  
tion and improvement - in every circumstance  
but I beg you my dear Lucy not to insist on  
his being brought forward too soon in the syna-  
gogue as I believe it is the custom in N.Y. to give  
boys the opportunity to say as soon as they can disp.

I congratulate you on the beautiful little  
niece, which I hear Betty has given you, and hope  
both mother & Babe may be long happy together  
may present my regards to her, your father  
the girls - and all these interesting young folk  
I admired last summer - also to my friend  
Leah Lewis & your good brothers. We my dear Beecher  
I am afraid of encouraging her in bad habits, by writing  
to her when she is so long in my debt. tho' I do assure you  
I am strongly tempted - but I am retreating on  
previous time - present my respects to Mr L -  
and believe me my dear Grace very sincerely  
Your obliged & affectionate

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