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Elihu Burritt to Thomas Harvey

No 5 Bishopgate Without, London  
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Dear Thomas Harvey,

As Mr. Thornton, the League secretary, has left Leeds, I must bother you again; but hope you will excuse it for the sake of the cause and my "importunity". I have got back to London after a long absence; and am now hard at work "beating up recruits" for the Paris Convention. We have now about 100 good men and true, I believe, who have agreed to go over conditionally. I leave for Paris next week, if all be well, to prepare the way there. Now, could you not set the brethren in Leeds at work, canvassing for two or three worthy men, members of the League, or persons who are true peace men? I knew not the address of any one but you, to whom I could write. I know how completely you are absorbed in business, but perhaps you may drop a word in the ear of some of the circle, who will do the work. I enclose a few circulars for such as one to give to those whom he may invite to go to Paris.

Ever truly thine,

Elihu Burritt