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Miss M. M. M.
June 3! 1848

Dear Sir

I wish I had been able to dispense with calling your attention to the painful facts which I am going to mention, but a sense of duty to Prof. Libri and indirectly to yourself obliges me to act otherwise than I should have wished.

All those who have read Mr. Libri's answer to Mr. Mouchy's report say it is conclusive - all both here & in France as far as I know - all, even those who were most prejudiced against our friend. I have heard of one exception only - & that is M. Delaport. So long as that gentleman speaks only from his impressions as Prefet de Police, one might forgive his bias, and attribute it to the official habits of one whose business has been for years to act

to act on reports of informers, on ex parte state-
ments, and on anonymous informations. But now Mr.
Libri has so fully proved the utter groundlessness of
all the accusations, innuendoes & wicked reports spread
against him in so unfair a manner - so far as they
were brought to his knowledge - M. Delaport must
be anxious as an honest man, either to confess he
was mistaken, & make the best reparation he can
to Mr. Libri, or prove in a conclusive manner that
there can still be no doubt of this gentleman's guilt.
In the latter case he ought to submit his proofs
to you, knowing the uninterrupted friendship
with which you honour Mr. Libri, in order that you
should cease countenancing a man unworthy
of your esteem. I believe that M. Delaport has
not yet done this; nevertheless in some official
quarters his having expressed his conviction of Mr.
Libri's

guilt makes it all but impossible to remove
the wrong impression thus created.

I have thought it due to you to bring these
circumstances to your knowledge, with full liberty
to show this letter to M. Delaport, if you deem
it expedient, that he may become sensible of the
serious injury which he inflicts on Mr. Libri, without
giving him the means of redress, and of the
misconstruction to which the conduct of those is liable
who, being supposed not only aware of Mr. Delaport's
opinions, but unable to remove them, thus lay under
the imputation of associating on intimate terms
with a man whose integrity is not unimpeachable.

I beg to add that I have not communicated
this letter to Mr. Libri. Believe me with
great respect

Very truly yours
J. Fauriol

A. Fauriol
M. Fauriol

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