

Montpelier Aug 4.. 1858

My Friend Marsh. I came to M.
on Monday last as I proposed, and
shall return to Boston on Friday.
Things here are going on pretty much as
they have been. The letters of protest that
I sent to P. when I was last here were in
some respects each of them heeded. Where he
had proposed to use nearly six tons of cast iron
in his new roof trusses, after getting some twenty
pieces cast weighing about (96 lbs each) he changed
his hand and the rest, are made hollow, thus
four tons are saved. He has no argument for
attempting to put the immense weight there, not
even that he wanted the solid pieces for the
big trusses for all are used promiscuously. Id, he
has changed his hand in the idea of putting
brimstone into the seams of stone in the rakes &c.

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