Dear Sir,

Do You or at Plymouth, have any letters dealing with regular and why he does not write? I can not hear and it is impossible for us to answer all the complaints, yet it would take two clerks to do it. Although our paper is always deposited at the city P.O. in time for the mail, and also we receive to go out 24 hours in advance of the National Intelligencer, yet our subscribers inform us the Intelligencer gets to them first. Col. Sanders informed me last week that the Intelligencer is always 24 hours behind the mail.

Last week I found out that our weekly paper sent to the city post office on Saturday was not sent away from that office before the Monday following. This was delightful to reflect upon when I had persuaded so much to get the mails off regularly.
Last week I had our weekly paper made up—printed and sent to the office in the city, on Friday, the day in advance of the regular publication day, and the whole mail was delivered to the city Post Office before 9 o'clock P.M. The following day—Saturday—I addressed a note to Col. Gardner asking him if our papers deposited in his office the day previous in time for the mails had been distributed and sent off. He called for me and said he was sorry to inform me that they had not been sent away from his office. He pledged me his word it should not occur any more. I sometimes think he has some casual clerks in his office who either keep the Union back or send it off in a wrong mail. It is really foolish to think that our paper (and the weekly always) has lain in the office 24 hours before sent off. I have tried my best endeavors to time our deliverer to receive the papers early but it has been of no avail.

Yours Truly

T. Ritchie