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On the first day of Jan. 1851 my Pamphlet on Free-schools in Va. appd. There were many typographic errors in it which bothered me very much. I was much gratified by its kindly reception by the Press of the State: there is much interest on that subject in this State I believe. May God increase it!

On Sat. the 11th Jan. I went over to the Landing to meet my dear friend Mrs. Marshall, who came that far alone, after the way of a “woman’s – rights woman” as she said. (There has been vast contumely & ridicule thrown on the “Worcester Convention” by the majority of both sexes. I rejoice therein greatly!) Mrs. M. came and everybody was delighted with her. O what a charming time we had. Aunt Mag. & Cousin Betty were here. I was very sorry that Ma had to leave whilst she was here: my dear Uncle Traverse was taken very ill & she was sent word to come. Poor Uncle T.! His embarrassment, & his loss of the Councillorship have done him much harm. I always held him among the dearest of my uncles. I certainly have few, if any, who are as talented & goodhearted as he.

Whilst Mrs. M. was here we had an interesting Missionary Meeting in Fred’g., whereat Bp. James & Dr. Durbin were present. They both made good speeches & more than \$1. per member was raised. We took tea with them – all of us – at Mr. Brown’s. I went to see Miss Beck. Green; she had too bad a cold to attend the Meeting. Gave \$1.00 to the Missionary Cause. Had supper on our return.

~~Sat 18th~~: On the next morning the Bp. Dr., Jennie & I started northward. Mary Peyton was going with us as far as Balt. – poor thing! She was

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going off alone to N. Orleans & had never left her kind Uncle’s before. God bless you cousin Mary! Jennie was very much interested in her & treated her very kindly: aunt Jane C. also sent her some presents by me: I saw her off in the cars.

On coming up on the Boat I became very well acquainted with Bp. James & Dr. Durbin they were very interesting. I found Dr. D. very chatty, & he having traveled so much was very instructive. He got me to attend his & Bp. J’s Tickets. Mrs. Marshall was very much amused when he told us that she had been taken on the boat for his wife & I for his son. In speaking of Germany where Dr. D. had been, I believe – I called to his mind a remark made by Prof. Jacobi in the last of his letters to the Quarterly – in which he said that the Democrats there were infidels, which I said I didn’t believe, but attributed it to the monarchical goggles thro’ which Jacobi looked. Dr. D. said it was pretty much the same way as old Parson Strong who is in an excited political struggle in Mass: said, “Brethren it has been charged that I said every Democ’t was a horsethief: I said no such thing; I only said that every horsethief was a Democrat – & that I’ll prove”! Bp. James was very much amused at my thinking that cousin Mary P. was sick in the river she could not be seasick again: “Try it young man” he said.

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We found Prof. M. awaiting us in Balt: went up to Barnum’s: next I went down to aunt Jane’s & staid all night. On the next day we left in the early train for Carlisle which we reached Saturday evening Jan. 18 at about 4 o’clock. I went to Mrs. Stephenson’s.

I didn’t go out that evening to see anyone: I thought I would wait until Monday to do my visiting. I was very kindly received at Mrs. Stephenson’s. On the next morning I went to

hear Mr. Brown preach. Sam. Emery sat in the pew with me. I turned once whilst they were singing the last hymn & saw her. She was beautiful as ever; but it was plain to my eye that some health had gone. I did not see her closely after church, but returned with Mrs. Emery with whom I went. All All that I saw looked well but Kate!

In the afternoon I went to the Sabbath school. It is not in as fine a condition as when I knew it of old. Prof. M. has left it Miss Kate's health will no longer permit her to attend.

Prof. M., little Gordon Seymour, and I took a walk afterward – and a beautiful one it was. At night I heard Mr. Devinney preach a good sermon.

On the next morning I went around for the first time to Mr. Emery's. Mrs. E. was there & Sam. Also – but Miss Kate was away. I sat there some time. Invited to tea next evening.

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20th. On returning to Mrs. S.'s. I was told that Miss K. was there. After a while Miss Jane came down with her. We met in good faith & heart: my reception from her was kinder than I had anticipated. She talked on as sweetly as ever. She is changed.

I went about to see various acquaintances. It was during vacation. Some of the old students were there; but those of my association were mostly abroad on the earth. It is a painful thing to return to such scenes: man was never made, I believe, to go or look backward.

Tuesday 21. Pursuant to invitation I went to Mr. Emery's that evening. Found that a company had been invited. All my old friends amongst the girls were there. O how my thoughts & recollections burned when I met them there!

Whilst in C. I enjoyed myself very much. I was at several parties – all very pleasant indeed.

Of course we all had the old talks & walks over again. Sally Snow has grown very pretty so have they all. George McDungal was there! A beautiful woman – as Mr. Pegotty would say. She & I met coincidentally.

I talked much with Miss Kate. We were very free-spoken. I need not write what I said for my journal – all is written on my inmost heart.

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I became acquainted with the new Profs. Johnson & Wentworth & their ladies. Was pleased. I had a good deal of talk with Johnson. We argued the Unity of Races: he says (& Prof. M. also) that the argument from Comp. Philosophy is going to sweep away “that heresy” of diversity! I think not. I heard Johnson preach a good sermon.

I remained 2 or 3 weeks in C. Busey came & I returned with him to Balt. On the way at York he carried me in to see his friend the Agent of the Railroad Co. & his family. There was a lovely girl there.

I stayed a week in Baltimore: I went to see Aunt Jane. I visited all my old friends there & made new ones. I went to Mrs. Pratt's to take tea by invitation. J. Emery & wife were there. They also dined at Aunt J.C.'s I went to Mr. McConkey's. I went with Miss Lizzi to see Em. Berry. She's very pretty. I also went with her to hear Dr. Stockton, E.M. Kirk, & Dr. Jones. I went to the preacher's meeting. Took tea at Nadal's with German Missionauer &c. Met many acquaintances. Bought Emerson's works – Carlyle - & others.

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Went from Balt. to Washington where I remained a week or more. Stayed at Uncle Cushing's. I went to see Miss Ellen Hamilton: she is very pretty & good. I went with her to see Miss C Dallon with whom I was especially well pleased. I met Miss Kate Forbes in the St.! – also Jack Marys in the Rotunda! We got Holliday to carry us in the Ladies Gallery. Hunter smuggled me in the senate lobby so that I heard the great debate on the Boston Shadrach Riot. Went with Jack M. to see the Panorama of the Bible.

On arriving home I found that they were all very uneasy about me & Pa was about the telegraph for me: I hadn't written.

I found that the Q. Conference had adjourned to meet at some future day on my account. I applied for recommendation to the Balt. Conf. I was examined closely by Bro' Brown, and recommended as I desired.

I was received in the Baltimore Conference on the 17th day of March 1851 and was appointed to Rockville Circuit Md. in connection with William Prettyman.

Old friend Hank appd. to staffd. Ct. went with him to father Greave's: on Sunday (30th) went to Hopewell – closed his meeting. Strange, that I!

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April 1st. I left Grandpa's on this ominous day for my circuit. Reached Occoquan at 3 P.M.: had a mouthful of bread that was so sour that it gave me bad dreams that night: pd. for this 37 ½ c. Overtook a poor Corsican: gave him a Dime to play two tunes on his organ out there in the woods. Spoke to him in French: he was delighted.

My house was very coy at night: reached Alex. at about 8 o'clock. Took tea: went to see Miss Lou Wilson: Found John Horner & Ham. White at Newton's. Heard from the former all of the minutiae relative to John Daniel & Scott Powhattan.

2d. Pd. my bill of \$2 & set forth arrived in W. early at Bro' Hamilton's: went to see Aunt E. and Mrs. White: - also took tea ~~dinner~~ at Mr. Havenner's. Bought a pair of gaiters (\$5): - went down to the boat & brought up my trunks in a hack for 25c. - The first time I was equal with a hackman! Slept with Sam Roszel.

3rd. Went down to the boat to try & hear something of J. Daniel - couldn't; went up to Uncle Peter's room: couldn't hear aught. Sailed off to Rockville: - arrived at about 1 o'clock; I was received cordially by Bro' Stonestreet. He sd. I must put up with Bachelor's fare as his wife was gone away.

Walked up after dinner to bro' Barry's & saw his wife. He came down & sat the evening with us. Queer old coger: I like him.

4th. Did nothing. Had my boot mended (12 ½ cts.)

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April 5th Looked about town: met some Methodists. In the afternoon went ~~up to take to~~ see Sister Wilson abt. 2 m. hence. In the evening took tea at bro' Barry's. Miss Martha is quite a spry girl: lisps: pretty fat. Went with her out to choir practicing at Mrs. Mines's. Had a pleasant time.

April 6th Had my Trunk carried to bro' S's. Fixed up and started for bro' Englishes abt. 5 m. Was very cordially received by his interesting family: dined. At 3 preached to a roomful from Genesis 49.18. – "I have waited for thy salvation, O Lord!" My first Sermon! I am truly surprised at the facility of extempore speaking.

After leading an interesting Class I had to leave although I hesitated when they pressed me so much, and rode over to Mr. Nathan Cook's, who loves to entertain the Preachers although he is no member of the church. His wife is: she met me at the door very cordially: sd. she had been expecting me. They have a bad little boy that asked me for Tobacco down at the gate.

There was a violent Thunder Storm in the Night whereby I was waked up: I have very rarely known such a storm.

7th. Looked unlikely, but afterward cleared off. We all went thro' a pretty county to Goshen. The people were assembling fast. A Crowd.

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It is sd that this is the best appt. in the Circuit. The congregation was not as large to day as usual. I preached from Gen. 4.9. – "Am I my brother's keeper?" Was considerably excited. Was hospitably treated. Dined at Mr. Magruder's - whose wife is a member of our church. In the afternoon rode over to Brookville: found a large concourse of the finest looking people I ever saw before. The Church – people – everything looked neat & refined. I was very tired, but they made me set my own tunes: which provoked me. I preached from Is. 55.9 "For as the Heavens are higher than the Earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, & my thoughts than yr. thoughts." The Congregation was attentive. Went over to bro' W. Waters': found the family pleasant: spent the night. Never slept so soundly.

8th. Went to visit our members – Sister Cassady (a lovely daughter) Newland, Hill, Parsely, Davis. Found the latter rich & very like Mrs. Judge Tyler. She treated me well: we had some friends in common. Dined. She said her little girl had come home and sd "O such a pretty man preached"! I told Sis I wd. sue her slander. Rode to Rockville in about 1 ¾ hours. Bro' P. hadn't arrived. Heard that J.D. & Scott had gone to N. Car. to fight their duel. To bed.

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8th. A rainy day; so I staid indoors all day. Wrote letters to Pa, Prof. M & Miss McC. Wrote up my journal. Read 2 arts. in the Quarterly; one very metaphysical by Holmes. The Sun says that the Duel is "amicably adj." Between J.D. & S.

9th. Went up to bro' Barry's: ladies came & I went. Rode up to Sister Wilson's. In the afternoon Bro' Prettyman & family arrived. I had heard much of Miss Mag.: she's a worthy girl.

10th. Employed the day very profitably, I think. Wrote Notes for SS. Took a turn with Emerson. Walked in the green fields – and read the Articles of Crooks & Nadal in the Q.R. for Apl. Tolerable. Mc has put my pamphlet on his "list," I see. The Q.R. is interesting. Learned that the Joke about "Jimmy Brown & the Robbers" took place in my room at Sister W's!

11th. Sister W. left for Geo. T. I went to R.: to the Parsonage - chaos. Received the Ex. – Letter from Sally Snow. Went with bro' Barry to see the Thompsons, Henleys, & Pomfreys: sat briefly and prayed with them. Aft.: rode to Bro' Waters'; & read Emerson on horseback the way.

12th. Went to Dr. Maclin's: pleasant family. Went to Pindell's H. none there but three ladies: prayed & left. The people say they wish a Sabbath appt.. Went thence to Bro' Cissels. Was very much pleased with the family: a pretty girl; fine children. Was pleased with bro' Connell a blind [one word illegible] singer. He is worthy & interesting. Slept together.

13th. Cloudy. Went to Friendship: tolerable cong. for the weather. Preached on Self-Ex.: went home to dine with bro' Leek – a pleasant family. He went once with me to Triadelph. It was snowing violently & yet the Bell was rung.

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A good cong. assembled & I preached on Gal. 3:1 "Who hath bewitched you that ye sh' not obey the Truth?" Staid at bro' Levi Kinsley's: prayer meeting at night. Exhorted. Visited the Factory Girls.

14th. Read Carlyle's Latter Day Pamphlets: was deeply interested. It is still bad weather. Visited more Factory Girls.

15th. Left for Rockville. Found Papers & letters from Pa & Dick Smith. Strange! – both commend me to read Paul's letter to Timothy. Pa's letter is as ever vigorous & good paper. Read the Mess. &c.

16. 47 A wet day. Went to the Ep. Church. Never had such a cold time everyway. 3 people there: I the only male. Staid in the House most of the time conversing with Judge Peters. He's a very interesting man – instructive. He's well informed: has been amongst Indians.

17. Staid indoors. Was much pleased on further acquaintance with Judge P. & lady. Was at dinner when Banate Prettyman came! Was rejoiced. Went abt. with him & home. Talked over old times. The ev'g Bro' P. and Miss Emma came. We had quite a fine time. Sang Hymns many.

18. Walked out. Read Emerson. Went to hear Mr. Carr preached with Judge P., as it was "Good Friday." The coldest affair yet which I've seen in the church way. There were many fat girls there who didn't behave remarkably well.

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At night the choir met at Mr. Stonestreet's. Went with the Misses P. Enjoyed myself very much. Staid all night at W.S.'s.

19. A wet day. Received letters from Ma, Miss Jane S. & Nat Supter. Charming! Mrs. M. tells me of the diff. of the Jun. Class at Dick. Coll. Hope it will blow over. Geese! Talked more with Judge P. & lady on various subjects. They are sensible Freethinkers. She is a Unitarian. He agrees mostly with the Vestiges of Creation! We had some close talking. She sd. she was glad I had none of the usually "cant"!!

It rained so much that I couldn't go to Sharp. St.

20th. In the morning went over to Emory: tolerably good congregation. Dined at Bro' Smiths. Came to Bro' Stonestreets to get ready for the Afternoon. Found the church jammed with people. Everybody seemed to be there. I felt worse than I ever did before. They say I blushed dreadfully. I thought I'd sink; but took some water. I forgot everything bad however when I got to preaching – Text. Exodus 17.7 "They tempted the Lord, saying, is the Lord among us or not?" I was exhausted when I had finished: Bro' Barry closed. He was very happy.

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Found Mr. Hall at Mr. S's on returning. He invited me to come and see him. At night went to Bro' B's with the P.'s to sing: had a fine time. I like Miss Martha very much. Staid with Banate.

21. Walked out with Banate: he reminds me of myself a year or so ago, in his skepticisms. Had a most delightful conversation with Sister Stonestreet. O what a charming and kind woman she is! Was up at bro' B's – introduced to Miss L. Johnson. Don't see how Newman cd. like her. Judge Peters went off to-day. Miss Martha & I were going to Mrs. Wooltons: but finding a house-ful – didn't. So we went on down to Mr. S.'s. I std. there at Bro B's. all night.

22. All of the folks gone to Barnstown to the S. of T. celebration. B.P. Miss M & I sang hymns until 12 o'clock. Dined with Bro' P. Mrs. Hall & family came: saw Mrs. Bowie. Miss M & I went to see Miss A. Woolton. Mrs. S. sick. Miss M & I went to see the P's who are going off to-morrow. Spent the night with B.P. – told me all about his love affair with K. Reed.

23. Had my horse shod – the shoe was lost in the course of his ride by Wils. Stonest. to the celebration (pd. 25 c.) Rode out to Mrs. W's after seeing Bro P. &c. off. Took a pleasant evening walk & read Carlyle's Lat. day P. by the Run. Took tea with Bro' Talbert.

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24. Took a pleasant walk on my favorite Run. Wrote a letter to Ma, one to Mrs. Marshall – sent the money for the N.Y. Tribune. In the afternoon walked to R. Had my horse sent for – for Mr. S's use. Was vexed at not being able to find the P.U. after much walking. Went to Bro' Barry's. Led Class: Had a fine time. Had a fine walk with that clever girl Martha B. – found out there was something between her & Ed. Wilson. Took tea at Bro' S's. – walked out toward Mr. W's with Banate: he stuck on overtaking Miss Lydia J. – I didn't.

25. Wrote one or two skeletons of sermons. Read Emerson on Soul: came across a clever old farmer named Spates down by the Run. Walked into town. Went to Mr. Thompson's; sat with his good hearted wife some time and sang Hymns. After Tea walked over to see Miss Martha B. Went with her to practicing at Mr. T's. I didn't enjoy it very much. Miss Mag. P. returned from W. Got them to sing Apheka.

26. Left early for Union. Got lost. Found one man there who came to invite me home to dine, Mr. West. There were some Negroes. I prayed with them & left. It is all aform to go away down there. Went down to Bro' Watkins': he was born 1769 - saw Washington: he laughed and rubbed his hand on my

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chin! I had a pleasant chat with him.

27. Went over to Concord: called on bro' Sayer. Had a rather small cong.: had to set the tunes myself. My text was Eph. 6.11 "Put on the whole armor &c." Led class. Went to dine with bro' Posey; a fine man with a fine daughter- a flower by name and nature: Deale's Flame. She went over with me to Tent: had a good cong. Text 1 Jn. 6.21 "Little children, keep yrselves from Idols." Was introduced to several of them: led class. After Preaching went down to G.T. Went to bro' Woodward's. Was very much pleased with the family. Bro' Myers there. Went with

Miss Lizzie W. to Church: Lanahan knew me and invited me to the Pulpit. The Choir sang well: one Slight deviation, however.

28th. Went over to W. saw L. Morgan & family: I dined at Mr. Havenner's. Saw Judge Peters on the St. In the Aft. went to visit Miss Martha Bauy & then to Mrs. Magruder's: spent the ev'g. Was delighted to find Miss Helen F. there.

29. Went over to W: Saw bro' Hamilton. Went by engagt. Miss Alice Magruder to visit the Marburys. We went over the Cath. Ch. just built.

After to dinner went to bro' Posey's: They had gone out. Had a pleasant time there.

30th. Went over to Mrs. Wallace's in the rain. Young ladies very pleasant; also young Mr. W – he had lately been kicked by a horse. Left - rode in the rain; was wet; went up to bro' P's. Was much cheered

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by finding letters from Ma & Mill & from H.B.R.! My Newspapers were also interesting.

May 1. A pretty May – day. Received this day to my Joy letters from Pa, Dr. McC; Uncle E sends one piece on “Socialism” – with a short note of his! Wrote long letters today to Nat Supter 4pp: Mill 8 pp. – Ridgaway, Dick S., Virgil P., Prof. U – 4 pp. each. Received 1st No. N.Y. Tribune (weekly) – Paper interesting.

May 2nd. Wrote Skeletons of Sermons. Smoked & talked with Judge P. about Hunting out West &c. Read Emerson on Intellect.

May 3rd. Went to Englishe's Cong. not very good. Text “Examine yrselves &c” Went over to see Miss Hower who is almost gone in consumption. Talked with her and prayed. It pained me very much to see so young and lovely a person dying at this rate. I felt rather badly at first but not afterward. Went to Mr. Cook's.

May 4th. Went over to Goshen: day rather gloomy - Cong. tol. Dined at Mr. F. Magruder's: made an engagement to come up from Triadelph on subsequent Monday to visit. It was so rainy at Brookville that I had only 20 gents. Text at Goshen Ps. 119-105 “Thy word shall be &c.” Text at Brookville “Little children keep yrselves from Idols”(see above). Went by invitation to Mr. Hall's. Was delighted with them all. Met a Mr. Donald who was interesting – also his Bro' Mr. Conlter

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who knows H.B.R. Had a conversation with Mr. H. on Catholicism. A very pleasant family.

May 5. It is actually snowing! & bids fair to continue day long. Played hymns on the Piano whilst Contler & Mr. D sang: they were much pleased with my meager accomplishment. Wrote a letter to Ma – 4 pp. Had some pleasant Conversation with Mrs. Hall: very sensible she is.

Went at night to visit Mr. Porter's Ladies.

May 6th. Wrote an obituary of Aunt [one word illegible] wrote to aunt Jane Crane. Wrote skeletons of Ss. Went to visit Miss Dorsey. Pleasant time. Read something abt. Quakers &c.

May 7th. Went over to Mechanicsville. Was very well pleased with the Barnsleys. They are kind plain people. Read Carlyle. Saw a very pretty girl Miss Laura Brady – quite quiet.

May 8. Walked 4 miles with Miss B home!! Had some quaint times. – know I shall never hear the end of that walk. In the aft. when to the Quakers marriage. A curious affair. John Stabler to Alice Bentley. Went to R. Exhorted at our 1st weekly prayer meeting. Staid at bro' Barry's.

May 9. Visited abt. Walked abt. with C.Y. & B.P. went to Choir practicing at Mr. Leadnell's. Went home with Miss Martha B.

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May 10. Went off mid-day for Pindell's. Dined at Mechanicsv. Got to Pindell's at the time: room half full. Preached on Idols again. Went to bro' Cissels. Found company there. We sang. Had the Toothache and so didn't sleep.

Pretty day on the 11th – Sunday. Went to Friendship: preached from Ps.119-9- Youth. Longest Sermon I ever preached. Dined at Mr. Gaither's: plagued me abt. Laura Brady – I knew it! Went over to Triadelphia with bro' Close. Larger Cong.: Text Gen 48-16-“The Angel that redeemed me &c.” Met class. Had dreadful Toothache so that I didn't enjoy my visit to this pleasant village. Exhorted at night. Didn't sleep a wink.

May 12. Couldn't go to Magruder's as intended because of Tooth. Went straight home to R. dined at Bro' Walters – none but his nice brother there. Had music however. Slept well that night. Next day Tooth was easy. Wrote letters at bro' B's. Dined there. Wrote to Sally Snow! - Had a terrific Storm that evening & night. Went to Mr. Johnson's. Dulness!

May 13. Went to preach Mr. Rickett's funeral. Wicked man – died suddenly. “He that being often reprov'd & hardeneth his heart shall suddenly be destroyed.” Text was St. J. 9-4 “The night cometh.” Called at Sister Nichols.

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May 14. Read & wrote variably. Led Class. Called with Miss Mary P. at Mrs. Thompson's. Exhorted.

May 15. Went out to Sister Wilson's. Called at bro' Barry's. Went out to bro' P Griffith's. Came in with Miss E.G. to practicing: had a pleasant time. A pleasant family.

May 16. Went to R. thence bro' Owen's. Dined there went to Mr. Porter's: fine & pretty ladies. Preached at Sharp St. to a larger col? Cong. Text 23c. Ex. – 20v. “Angel &c.”

May 17. Pleasant time at Mr. Porter's. Went to Emory: bro' Barry there. They asked me not to let him preach. Text Joshua 7.13 – Sanctify yrselves agt. Tomorrow.” Bro' B. led class. Came through to R. Had a good Cong. at R. Text - Ps. 8.40 What is man &c. Felt very badly on ending. Led class: formed a Sabbath School Society. 11 joined. Must write for books. Went to see poor Mrs. Hoit: read & prayed with her.

Went to see bro' T. Went over to bro' B's: good many of us there to sing. Staid late.

May 18. Bro' B. came. Dined with him. Desk Ed. Stonest. came: was pleased with him. He is in love with Mat. B. So is not she with him.

May 22nd. Singing at Sister Thompson's: staid there all night.

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May 23. Bro. Wilson came: never was gladder to see any one. Rode out to Emory: he on my horse. We had a long talk abt. myself. He sang me, “Oh don't get weary” &c. Told me “Remember Lot's wife.” He preached a fine Sermon. “For all who have sinned & come short of the glory of God” Afterward the Q. Conf. I was Sec. This was my first one. Dined at Bro' Owens: at night I preached from the text (Is. 21.12) “The morning cometh & also the night” I

never was so frightened. Retired Br. O's – received \$10 of Mrs. Owens. Had a charming time with W.

May 24. Pleasant Love Feast. Bro Wilson preached the best sermon I've heard for many a day. In the Text of Romans: "Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by Faith without the deeds of the Law" Its effect was tremendous. Communion. Dined at Bro' Smith's. At night bro. Prettyman Text "But one thing is needful." Stayed bro S.'s.

May 25. Went to R.; dined at sister Thompson's with Bros B.P. & W – Latter went after dinner.

May 29th. Went to bro. Griffith's: came in on horse to choir at bro. P.'s.

May 30th. Preached at Middlebrook: "The greatest of these is love" (1 Cor. 13.13) Stayed at bro E.'s Miss Hower Dead. Goshen next day. preached – Text "God so Loved the World."

Brookville: Text: "Then wilt show me the Path of Life" Stayed bro. Parsely's. ~~Next day wrote.~~

May 31. Wrote an Ob. of Miss Hower. Letter to Dr. McC.

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Dined at Mr. Hall's. Went to F. Magruder's. Horse shoed 2f (I spent all this week visiting in the [one word illegible] of Goshen. Was much pleased with it. Found then thinking hard that I hadn't been here before) Bt. a Padding 50c)

June 4 Went to R. Attended choir: bro Stonest's.

June 5. Went to Mr. Porter's: aft. to Pindell's S.H.

Friendship – Lovest then me more than them?

Triadelphia – I will get me honor upon Pharaoh.

A terrible storm came up: Had to dismiss ¼ before done. Took tea: then rode to R. Went to Bro. B's – returned Miss Martha's watch. Next morning went down to Alex. Dined & h. 75c. Went down 7 m.

June 7. Went to Dumfries – dined at Merchants. Aft. reached Stafford CH.: Pa & Peyt there Cl. Day. Had a delightful meeting. Std. with Pa at Dr. G's. Next m. went home. Staid till

June 11th. Dined at Ch – went to Ran. F. at night.

June 12th. Went with Nan. to Dumfries – preached - Text – "God so loved &c." Aft. at Clifton – "What is man &c." Std. at William Moncure's – stopped at Geo's. Next day went to bro.

Alexander's – aft. preached. "Little ch. keep yourselves &c." Std. there next day.

J. 14. Went home.

J. 17. Dined at Cousin G.W.'s – went to Harding, in

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Aft. instead of morning. Disappointed cong.

18. Went to Fredg.

19. Preached at Greave's – "The Angel wh. redeemeth" Large cong. Rained in aft. missed Hopewell. At night to a larger cong. in Fred'g. Text: But if ye are led of the Spt. ye are not under the Law" - Gal 5.18. Std. at Uncle E's. Rode over in carriage next m.

20. Took tea at

21. Took tea with Jack Marys – went (with Sally Braxton) to hear B.W. speak,

22. At night preached in Falmo. – ([two words illegible])
 27th. Went to C.H.
 28th. To Taylor – preached “God is Love.” (Mr. Philips)
 30th. Preached B. & R - same texts Fal. & T.
 1st July came home.
 3rd. Preached at C.H. Idols &c. Aunt M. & L. went to (Saw Emily B!) ~~Capt. Hill’s (“God is Love”)~~ After Mrs. [one word illegible]
 July 4. Friday – Preached at Capt. Hill’s – Text “God is Love”
 July 6. Went fr. Capt B’s preached at Providence – The N. cometh – Eb. Aft. “Born Again”
 Home that n.
 7. Started for W. Washington Got there at Night. Spent this week delightfully at Col. P.’s.
 Phillips Preached at Lou. (same text as Fred’g) saw Ridgaway. Heard J.A. Collins at the
 Dedication – preached too. Somewh. disaptd. in him. Preached my ser. “Lovest thou me” 1hr.
 10m! Left ~~Thursday~~ Wednesday.

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July 17. Reached Aunt Jane Chichesters.
 July 18. Called at the Miss Dulany’s. Went to Geo. T. heard bro. Hersey preach. Charmed.
 Friday – went to R. was at Xoir. Went to Union near there. – Concord – same as Fredg.
 Tenallytown “Work whilst it is called day &c.”
 23^d. At night preached for bro Lanahan in G.T.
 23^d. Monday. Purchased Channing’s works – Jer. T’s. Holy Living & Dieing – Paschal’s Prov.
 Letters &c. \$5.00. Went out & spent the night at Mr. Brooks. Dined at Mr. H’s with Prof.
 Tiffany & lady.
 24. Visited the neighbors. Accidentally called at Mr. Murdoch’s. Talked in Sanctification.
 Found him very ignorant on the subject. He thought that it took away Xt. as the mediation. He
 is very wealthy: an Episcopalian. Staid the night at Miss Councilman’s.
 25. Made way across to the Turnpike: went to R.
 26 & 27. Staid read & wrote. In the evening went out to bro. Griffith’s.
 28. Preached at Englishes’: Text ‘Pray without ceasing’ Went on to Mrs. Jones’ - a widow lady.
 Came up a most violent storm which lasted all night.
 29. The rain ceased only abt. 11 ½ o’c. Very few people at church. Exhorted briefly. Went to
 Brookville – after dining at Mrs. Lyon’s – Cong. rather small – the Academics having Vacation.

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Text: ‘Try the Spt. whether they be of God. 1 St. J. ivc. 1.
 30th. Remained at Mrs. Hall’s &c.
 31. Went down with Mrs. H. bro Roger Brooke: was disaptd. to find him absent. Was very
 much pleased with the Quaker Folk. Went that afternoon to Bro. Luke’s. Had a very pleasant
 time.
 32 Aug 1. A chilly rainy day from morning till night. Consequently did much work.
 33 2^d. Went to Clarksville to Mrs. Crawford’s. Visited in that vic. until
 4th. Went down to Pindell’s. “Pray without seasing.” Went that night to Mr. Cissels:

5th. Text at Friendship: "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward" (Ex. 19.15)
Dined at bro. Close's. Went to Triadelphia. Text, "If ye be led by the spt. &c."

I have not had such large congregations since I've been on the ct. as on this day. Had a fine meeting at night.

6th. Went to Miss Ruth Griffith's. Met Mrs. Maclay &c. there. Went to bro. Jeff G's in aft.

7. Went to Mr. Gaither's. Dined. Had a pleasant time at night.

8th. Went to bro. U. Griffith's – Stopped at Appleby's.

9th. Went down to bro. Walter's. Went over with Zach. to Dr. Magruder's. Pleasant time.

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10th. Went to Mechanicsville thence to bro. Owen's.

11th. Went to Porters - Sandy Sp. Met a very intelligent Quaker lady there – Mrs. Gilpin.

Discussed Theology & Philosophy with her. We agreed very well. In the aft. went over to Roger Brooke's. We spent the evening conversing on Theology. I was perfectly fascinated with him. He loaned me a Discipline & gave me a book saying "Thee can put that in thy Pocket." He was very witty. He asked me "Suppose to-morrow at Emory you should find that Spt. didn't meet you in yr. pulpit? - What a fix!" I replied, "I should think God's arm wasn't shortened that he could not save, nor his ear heavy that he couldn't hear, but that my iniquities had separated between him & me. So I should pray until he came." The old man has much delicate satire for the persecutor.

12th. Exhorted the young ladies. Preached at Emory "Love is the fulfilling of the law" – I dined at Smith's – preached at Rockville on "Born Again." Was very much shocked at hearing that Wm. Prettyman was dead. Miss Mag. very ill. went to bro. Thompson's. Mrs. T & I went up to bro Pb. Saw Miss Martha Barry. She's fatter. Plagued me abt. Miss K.E.! Went back hearing that Martha Jones was dieing! She was frightened by a dog – recovered.

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13th. Letters from home – Warrenton & Westchester. Aunt Margt. Daniel dead! Wrote Letters.

14th. Read & wrote. Went to Sister Wilson's.

15th. Dined at bro. Barry's. Went in the afternoon to Sister Shoemaker's near Tenallytown.

16th. We all left for Fairfax Camp. Gt. ↑Exhorted at 8↓ Many acquaintances & preachers amongst others. N. Brown A. Rozel preached over the heads of his Cong. fr. Text, "The Lord reigneth &c."

17th. Lovely day. It will be the greenest spot in my memory. Norval Wilson preached on the Holy Ghost & there was a descent that was allied to what I would imagine of Pentecost. I preached in the aft. – "God is Love." At night Newt. B.

18th. Meeting closed by N.B. exhg.

Went to bro W's – dined: Went to Mr. Wallace's.

Next Sunday 19th. Bro B. preached a good sermon at Concord. I preached at Tenallytown "Lovest then me more than them." Peyt. in my Cong. went with him. Staid at Lyt. Morgan's preached for him. Next day to Alex. on to Tolson's Camp.

Staid until

Friday 25. Went to W. Dined at bro M.'s. Peyt. went up to R. with me. Stopped at Sister Stonestreeets. Sat. Went to English's after dinner. Text "Blessed are the poor in

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Spt.; for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven” (Mat. 5.3. Went to Mr. C. Found a most charming lot of Girls there – 15 yearlings.

27. Preached fr. “So teach us &c.” 90th Ps. 12. Dined at W.U.’s: went to B.; preached fr. Text “I am not mad &c.” Went that night to bro. Close’s. Miss Kitty Hale & Dr. M’s family to hear.

28. Went over to the Camp at St. James’. Preached the same night – 90 Ps 12. – Peyt & B.P. went up to the Bench. Was very much pleased with Asbury ~~Roszel~~ Morgan.

Remained until Wednesday mistake in date evening 30th. Went to Mrs. Davis’.

29th. to R. Bro. W. came. std. with him. Spent the day however at J. Hall’s Dr. Magruder’s &c.

29th. Walked with Bro. W. Talked of marriage visited about. Went that night to W. Barnsleys. Visited Mrs. Farquahar – lent me a Book.

30th. Went on to Triadelphia – read together Mr. Janney’s Convs. Bro. W. preached Text – “God is Love.” Aft. Q. Conf. Received \$125. Dined at Mrs. Davis’. Preached myself at night fr. Text “I am not mad &c.” I went back to Mr. Davis’.

31. Had a charming Love Feast. I felt full of the Spt. I spoke under the Spt. Afterwds. Was most affected by Bro

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Wilson’s coming, putting his arm around me and sd. “Montc I didn’t know how much I loved you till I heard you say with tears in yr. eyes “I feel so feeble.”

Bro W. preached an eloquent sermon that morning. There was a tremendous crowd. Text:

After Bro. P Text:

Took tea at bro. H’s. Met Duval. Walters preached at Night: Text:

I exhorted. 3 mourners – 2 converts.

Staid at bro. K’s.

Sept. 1. Went to Mr. Gaither’s: read the Rel. Conv. of Janneys. Wrote letters to Peyt & Mr. Marshall. Wrote up my journal.

Bro. P. preached.

Sep. 2. Went out on the Camp-ground: worked hard. Took tea at U. Griffith’s: went on to T. Preached from “be not deceived &c.” 2 mourners. Bro. P & I were at phs. abt. my staying until the next night.

Sept. 3. Went to MM Smith, Haines, Cissel & Carr’s in the Friendship vic. Retd. to Mr. Miller’s at T.; met some pleasant ladies there &c; went up an preached from Mat. 5.30. 1 mourner received 3 in church.

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Sep. 4. Got up early and came down to J. Hall’s to breakfast. Came in to R; spent most of the day at bro. Barry’s. Received letters from home - \$20 from Pa.

Sep. 5. Called on Sister Thompson: went out to Sister W.'s. Found 2 young ladies there: wrote a letter &c. Gave one of the ladies a long talk on Religion.

Sep. 6. Bad weather for a Camp: read & wrote. In the afternoon went to Cracklin; was unwell – staid at bro Griffith's.

Sep. 7. Sunday. A great crowd on the Camp formed; all got wet it rained all day. Preached in a Tent in the afternoon. Had a mourner. Went to Sister Lynn's & staid all night. Next day cloudy in the morning: clear in the aft. Preached. Several mourners. He and they had a fine meeting Sunday night – 6 converts. My friend Coombs one. Went to Sister Lynn's to stay.

Sept. 9. Lovely day – crowd enormous. Had a good meeting – little effect visible. Preached at Night unexpectedly: got quite warmed up.

Sept. 10. Another fine day – crowd not so large on acct. of the Fair to-morrow. Not much good done until abt. 10 at night there wasn't one mourner. L. Morgan exhorted & asked the Xtians to rise: the others rushed: in one moment the Altar was crowded. The work of God! We had a fine meeting: by 3 or 4 almost every mourner converted.

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Sept. 11. Went to Rockville to the gt. Fair. Nothing extra: Bradley made a tolerable speech to a set of ~~one word illegible~~ intolerably ~~one word illegible~~ hot ladies and gents. Miss Ellen Dawson got most of the Premiums & then I'm told quarreled that she didn't get the premium for a quilt. They ought to have these Agric. Fairs in Va. Dined at bro. Stonest's: Took Tea at bro. Barry's.

Sept. 12. Went down to Union – 1 white woman 1 black boy – 1 dog – 1 cat were all there.

Went to Sister Nichol's – dined: over to Sister Wilson's: aft. tea went to R. to practicing.

Sept. 13. Went to Concord: hot ride! Bro. Henning preached in the morning. Sat. I in the night on Prayer: ~~Next day rainy~~ Staid at bro. Sayer's.

Sept. 14. Rain: good Cong. bro. H. preached. Love Feast & Communion: in aft. I preached at Night. he preached, I exhorted: great feeling.

Sept. 15. Lovely day: had a pleasant ride over to Mrs. Wallace's: a charming converse with Emerson on the way. Wrote letters to Ma & Virgil P. A new Ms. W.! – pretty & nice. At night preached from the T: "I know you not" had two mourners: had to do most of the praying & singing myself wh. wearied me. Went to bro. Posey's.

Sept. 16. Went to Geo.t.; dined at bro. Ede's; Miss Mag. & I sang tunes. Visited bro. Lanahan: was very much taken

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with a young Irishman Rev. Mr. Keys. Went over to Wash.: in bro. Ede's buggy – carried Rev. Mr. Ferguson out to Concord: he preached well – 5 mourners. Staid at bro. Sayer's.

Sept. 17. Went to W. to breakfast – very well pleased with bro. Ricketts & family wh. Bro Ferguson lives. He rode to G.T. with me. Called to see Dr. Marbury - out. Went to Dr. Magruder's: dined there. Dr.M. came to see me. Was very much entertained by Mrs. M playing "*Lugio di Lammermoor*:" what pathos & beauty! Not quite equal to *La Parisienne*. Went to Th. Sewells &c. Went out to bro. Posey's – some nice ladies Misses Davises there & Dr.D. Preached at night. 2 mourners – joined the ch. Went to the Wallaces.

Sept. 18. Left early: read Channing all the way to R. Spent the day pleasantly. Went to Class. Went to see the Misses Johnsons. Bro. P's.

Sep. 19. Wrote on Petitioning the Pope. Read Carlyle.

Sep. 21. Preached at R. Went to English's: preached, Text: "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward." Went to N. Cook's: Miss Mary Lumsden was there teaching school: her mother &c. there also. ~~Preached at G~~

Sep. 22d. Preached at Goshen to a tolerable only cong. Text "Jesus of Nazareth the King of the Jews" Dined at Walter M. had a very fine Cong. at Brookville: preached on Truth. Went to John Hall's.

Sept 23d. Went to R. Preached at night: small cong.

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Sept. 24 Spent the day reading. Bro. P. preached at nt.

Sept. 25. Went out to Mrs. Wilson's.

Sept. 25. Went in the afternoon to Mechanicksville. Went to see Mrs. Farquhar. I have never seen a woman that pleased me more: she's the most straitest sect' of Quakers.

Sept. 27. Went to J. Hall's: borrowed a Carpet-bag to carry to Philadelphia where I have resolved to go for my eyes. Came back to M. to attend the Fairhill Female Academy; (Quaker) Mrs. F. and I having made an engagement to go to the 5th day lecture. I have never been so delighted by a visit. The house, room & all seemed as if some Minerva had arranged it for the study of Philosophy. The girls looked tidy in their mouse-colored dresses: they were pretty & sweet; their motions were orderly & like clockwork. They seemed to love the schoolroom. Mr. William H. Farquhar & Mrs. Kirke are principals. The former was Lecturer. Subject, History. He had adopted a new method which was very characteristic enough of the Quaker. He commenced with the History of Today and went back! He commenced, I was told, with the World's Fair & had now reached the period from the French Rev. to the death of Napoleon. This is To-day's lecture. He mastered his subject. His authority, I think, mainly Carlyle. I was delighted with it & indeed with every thing I saw. Had I a daughter she should be there.

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Went thence over to Roger Brooke's: had a long conversation with him. Read a curious trial of two old Quakers William Penn &c. which showed a new phase of English Hist. to me. I think the family charming. – Aft. went to Rockville.

Sept. 28. Went to Sister W.'s. – dined: went to Claggett's: there preached on the Law. Had 4 hearers – plenty of rain.

Sept. 29. Preached at Concord to a few on "Making light of it" Aft. good Cong. at T – Text "Jesus of N. &c." Went to Washington: went with Miss Cay Dallam to hear William B. Edwards, heard M. Hamilton!

Sept. 30. Went to Smiths. Ins: Saw Prof. Baird & Alf. Ames. Walking in the Cap. grounds saw Miss Phoebe Paine with 2 young ladies on their way to C. Went with them to U.S. Hotel – Mr. Baird's – Sm. Inst. Dined at Mr. Hav's. Aft. went in the Cars to Balt. Maj Spilman & son came along. Was very happy to see them at Aunt Jane's.

~~Sept.~~ October 1. Went to have Books bound. Went to see H Slicer & Asb. Morgan. Went to see Mr. Thomas. Dr. Buckler advised Dr. Hayes of Philadelphia. Took tea at Mr. McConkey's. Asbury Morgan came in.

2d. Went to Philadelphia J.S. Girsuch aboard – seemed very much dejected on acct. of the murder of his father by the fugitive at Christiana where he was going. We put up at the Columbian – slept together. Went to see Mr. G.R. Crook & lady. Houseful – Mr. Crook’s mother & family from Carlisle.

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Took much int. in watching the Bloomer promenade. It is decidedly pretty – the dress- and just as becoming & decent as the other. People say “How would you like to see your sister dressed thus” – Ans. “Just as well as I would like to see them put on a longer dress if this had been the fashion á century.” I had little admiration for the Phil. Bloomers because I saw none in the daytime: which showed that it was not for use but promenade.

3d. Found a good many Fred’g & Va friends: Gallaher, Wellford, Forbes, Tyler, Wallace &c. Went to see Prof. McC: he was at his Sisters. He looked very well. Mrs. Emery was there. A match.

Went with Preston Wellford to Girard. It is the only building I ever saw that came up to the idea I’d formed: the Capitol wasn’t a touch. Went to Fairmount – a delightful place truly. Went to Prof. Crook’s to dine by invitation. Prof. McC came up with Mr. E. Profs. McC, Crook & all the ladies and I were all engaged examining a silk for a dress for Miss Kate Emery who is to spend the winter in Phil. Went to see the Gallery of Fine Arts. Resolved to go back and consult Dr. Smith about my eyes – The Phil. Doctors being all too gt. by repute. Took tea at Mr. [one word illegible] McClintock’s. Talked on all subjects. He is charming: he talks much of his Tour in Europe. He is going to Va: asked a Letter of introduction by John M. Daniel. Ed. Ex!

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4. Dined at Mr. Crooke’s. Agreed to go with Mr. Emery to C. Aft. went to Academy of Nat. Sci. by Prof. B’s ticket. It is exceedingly interesting. Took tea at Dr. McC’s. Mr. E remains till Monday! Strange. Went to see Dr. Durbin: he made me come up with my bag to his house – Bp. James was with him. We had a delightful time. They were going on to dedicate the new Exeter St. Church (Charles W.) I enjoyed Dr. D’s society much: we discussed Berkeleyism!

5. Left P. with Dr. D & Bp. J; after holding prayers. T.B. Sargent met us with a carriage. Went to see Nadal in the aft.

6. Went over to Mr. Hiss’s where Dr. D. & Bp. J. were. A pleasant family. Heard Bp. James deliver one of the most appropriate Sermons I ever heard. Dined at Mr. H’s by invitation. Aft. Dr. Durbin preached & for the first time with slight exception I heard an Orator! The true genuine orator is Dr. D. I never was so transported. He and Girard Cole are the only things that have touched my anticipations. Saw Kimberlin. At night preached for Nadal at High St. thought that something whispered “Isn’t it a farce for you to preach on the same day with Dr. Durbin!”

7. Went in the morning to hear Dr. Webster preach one of the “Weeks Meetings” sermons at Eutaw.

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Dined with H. Slicer. What a fascinating daughter! Took Tea at Mr. Bear's: bro. McIlfresh preached at Eutaw. I staid at bro. Bear's all night. He has a sweet family. They know bro. Barry well.

8. Went to hear Dr. Stockton at Eutaw. What a splendid painter! Dined with him at bro. Porsal's. He displayed his No – Creed church scheme. He has the Faith, Love, & Truth with him without the Intellect.

Took Tea at Mr. McC's. We all went to Church. There was a very large cong. I had to preach. My sermon was on Truth.

9. Went to hear Dr. Plummer – a giant he is. Dined at Bro. Brown's. Went around to Fuller Crane's: met Dr. Fuller – talked much – he is agreeable. Talked much with Harriett - walked together. Took Tea then preached at Franklin St. for Bro. Brown. A delightful meeting.

10th. Left Balt. with presents from Aunt J. Some ladies who had been to Niagara talked much nonsense behind me. At Wash. bro. Myers met me with his carriage – he was there for his mother. I went with him. Saw Wesley P. Heard some sweet music from the Navy Band. Was much delighted at visiting the N. Yard.

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Preached fro bro. Myers at Ebenezer - several mourners.

11. Went to Geo T. – back to W. with Misses M.P. & S.W. Dined at Mr. Haveners: went in the omnibus to Tenallytown. Went out to R. Went to Bro. P's to choir: few there. Went to hear the Baptist Revivalist Mr. Collins. A good sermon. Went home with Miss Martha B. & staid there all night.

12. Went down to bro. Barry to Union Protracted. m. Came back to R. Went down Sunday m. Had a large congregation: preached. Bro. B in the aft. Went to bro. Connell's – came back & preached in the aft. evening. bro. C's. Bro. P came out Monday night & preached; went together to Sister Nichol's. Went to R. Barnate Wesley Bro. P & I all came out after taking tea at Sister Stonestreet's. (Wrote a long Letter to Ma) Had communion and 2 mourners at Union. Went to Bro West's. Read Montague's Selections all next day. At night preached. Went home with Bro. Connell's.

16. Bro P & J paid visits then went to R. Had a pleasant talk with him. The more I see & know bro. P the more I love him. Dined there. Went out with them (Ps.) to spend the evening at Mr. Wilson's.

17. Read &c. all day: went to English's at night & preached in the Witness of the Spt.

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18. Went to Brookville to commence my Protracted M'g there. Bro. P. preached to 5. Dined at bro. W's. I preached a to a good cong at night.

19. Raining – no preaching this morning. Aft. a larg cong. Night bro. Barry preached.

20th. I preached to a cong of Ladies. Went over to Dr. Magruder's – spent the evening. At night Misses Mat & Lizzie, & I went over. Hening preached on what Joshua said to Aikin – we all exhorted again. There was communion. Went to Dr. M's.

21. Went to Mrs. Davis's. Wrote to Peyt. Spent a pleasant day. Took Tea at Mr. Parsley's. Preached at B. Slept at Mrs. Newland's.

- 22d. Dined & spent the day at Retreat. Had a pleasant time. Went to Mechanicsville. Mr. Farquhar's – several girls there.
- 23d. Went to R. to Mrs. Thompson's. Read all day. Letters from Ma & Sallie Snow. Went with Sister P. to see Mr. Keller & the Johnsons. Had a prayer mt'g at night.
24. Read Emerson's Poems. In the aft. to Mrs. W. Like to have had a falling out with Miss M.B. because she looked in my journal. Quite a scene! Went to practicing: dull.
25. Went to Tenallytown. Bro. Wilson preached. "Reckon yrselves alive with God but dead &c."

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- Slim attendance at Quart. Conf. – slimmer collection. Went to Sister Shoemaker's. Bro. Wilson very well. So Devining is dead because of his wife's death with strong suspicion of suicide; & Dr. M.C. & Mr. E. have recovered by marriage.
- Preached at night from Matt 7th c 24-27vs.
26. Raining. Aft. bro. W. preached. "Go ye into the &c."
27. Bro. W. preached "March &c." Went to W. at night bro. P.
27. Went to W. Dined at Mrs. H. Bt. Carlyle Misc: called at Dr. Magruder's – borrowed Alton Locke.
28. Went to Bro. Wilson's. pleasant day. In the ev'g rained – couldn't go to church.
29. Read – Alton Locke – sketched a sermon on Charity. Preached at night: God be merciful &c.
30. Left bro. Perry's. Went to Jas. Barnsley's to dinner. Spent the evening at Mrs. Farquhar's.
31. Went in the aft. to Mechanicsville.
- I have finished Alton Locke & lent it to Mrs. F. It is a good book with some reservation. There is as much egotism as radicalism in it. Many faults of style & incident: much affectation Its principles are gt. & such as must at last conquer the world.
- Visited Mrs. Gulpin a Quaker. Had a pleasant time: Preached at Sharp St. "O foolish Gallat"

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- Nov. 1. Raining. No one at Emory. Went to Bro. S. in R. to dinner: bro. Head there! He preached for me in the aft. "Therefore laying aside &c." At night I preached fr. Rev. 2.7. "To him that overcometh &c." We had a delightful time with bro. Head.
- Nov 2. Bro. Head left. I received letters from Pa & Peyt. Had a pleasant morning with paper at bro. P. Commenced Kavanagh – Read Carlyle on Richter.
- Nov 3. A blustering day. Went in the afternoon by bro. Griffith's – took Tea at bro. Walter's & went to Goshen. preached to a few on Immortality. Went to bro. Uriah Griffiths.
- Nov 4. Snowing! This is election day. Read from Bethune's Orations in the morning. He don't suit me much. Dined at bro. Appleby's. Aft. went to Rockville. Election excitement gt. Staid Sister Thompson's.
- Nov 5. Found bro T. elected & Hening &c. Spent a pleasant day reading German Prose Writers. I know nothing of German Literature yet.
- Nov 6. Went to Union – tremendous Cong – 4 people! Dined at Sister Wilson's.
- Nov 7. Went to Claggett's no cong. Went to Wallaces.

Nov 8. Preached to a small cong. on Immortality. Had a very large cong. at T (on the Gospel) went to Geo T. Went to hear Mr. Caldwell preach. Splendid music: good sermon.

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Monday 9. Dined at Mr. Sumsden's: came out with the Omnibus. Was over in Washington. Geo. A. Coffey had become Arian!

10th. Read during the day. 11th Went out to Sister Wilson's.

11th. 12th. 13th. 14th. Rainy days: had a charming time reading writing &c. in good quiet way. O for more rain!

15. Went up to bro. Pugh's. Had a stormy ride.

16. Small cong. At Goshen – good one at Brookville. Staid at B. Davis's: Dined at W. Mag.

17. Dined at J. Hall's. In aft. went to Geotown to hear something of Bro. Wilson & Best P. Dr. Durbin preached Sunday the same Naamar sermon I heard: Glad I didn't leave for it.

18. Was in Washington: went to see Aunt E.D.: Dined with Judge Peters: took tea with Thomas Johnson: went to Wesley Chapel with Alf. W. to Love feast exhtd. Std. at Mr. Havenuer's.

19. Bt. Carlyle's Life of Sterling: went out to Lieut. J's to see Miss Best. Had a pleasant time with her new relations. Talked metaphysics with Miss Eliza Morgan who is an abolishonist & baptist!

20. Read some of Sterling's Life: charming. Std. at J's till aft.; then left for R. Went thro' without touching to Sister Wilson's. Read till bed time.

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Friday 21. Wrote and read all the morning. At night went to the Choir at Mrs. Stonests. Heard Mr. Adams preach.

22. Went J. Hall to Olney. Went to Porter's to dine. Aft. Preaced at Pindell's on the Resurrection. Went to bro. Cissel's.

23d. Had a tolerable cong. at Friendship – few at Triad: commenced snowing.

24th. Went to bro. G's & to Ms. Ruth's. Spent a pleasant time there.

25. Spent the day at Mr. Gaither's: ~~to B. Davis.~~

26. Went to B. Davis' at night.

27th. Thanksgiving Day. Had a tolerably good Cong at Brookville: preaced. Radical preacher to hear me. Went to J. Hall's at night went to Radical Ch. Murray preached so did Shearman.

28th. Went to Mechanicsville visited abt. this & 29th.

Sunday. Preached at Emory and Rockville. Mrs. Thompson got to laughing at something I said concerning the miraculous power of Faith.

30th. & so on. Read at Rockville: mostly at Sister Wilson's. Received letters from home. They are very anxious for me to come home. I can't. Bro. P wishes me to commence a Protracted meeting for the colored folks at that time.

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I neglected my Journal about this time. Went on to Balt. To have my eyes doctored. Filled my usual round of appts. &c.

Dec. 25th. Went to St. John's. Mr. Hutton preached a good sermon. Invited me to commune. I preached at Brookville from the Text "& They brought gold, frankincense &c." Dined at Dr. Magruder's. Bro. B & Miss Mat there. Went to J. Hall's: O how I miss that bright little Johnny who was like a sunbeam whenever he entered the room. He is gone and I'm afraid his dear mother will never recover from it. God help her!

26. Took a pleasant ride with J. Hall & Miss Anne Farquhar in a sleigh.

27. Weather very cold. Went to R.

28. Went down to Washington to see the Great Kossuth. I've got the Kossuth fever about as badly as anybody. I love him – must see him. Remained in W. a long time saw Kossuth several times.

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January 1. Another year is past. I trust God will help me to be more faithful than I have been. It is a lovely day, after such a dull day yesterday: a real N.Y. gift! My heart is sunshining too.

Went with Miss Cary Carrie Dallam &c. to the Capitol to be at the [one word illegible]. I was struck with how much vanity was at the President's House: & of the sage who said Go forth my son & see with how little wisdom the world is governed. Went with Miss D. to see Mrs. J.Q. Adams. She is a very handsome and interesting old lady. Saw Kossuth returned & dined on Turkey &c. at bro. Morgan's.

Remained most of this week in Washington City. Was with 30 or 40 other preachers to see Kossuth. Heard him speak. Never was more delighted: he's the greatest of men. Was delighted to meet Sally Braxton in the capitol & Mrs. friends.

Jan. 3d. Preached at Concord & T. also for brother Edwards at Wesely Ch. Handsome cong. & Judge McLean to hear me. "Though hand join in hand &c." Text.

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Monday. Was at Seminary meeting at Wesely Chapel. Bro. W. there. Went over to Smithsonian Ins. & heard one of the most charming Lectures from Dr. Hopkins on the Method. Heard one from Dr. Kane also on the Franklin Expedition.

Tuesday 5. Went abt. the city. Saw bro. W. bought Burnap's Lectures to Young Ladies to give to Mill. Sent it by bro. Mc Ilfresh.

Had a dreadful ride in the snow drifts up to Rockville. Went to go out to P. Griffith's & got in the most awful snowdrifts 10 feet deep. Horse floundered. Had to jump off & leave my horse. Sent for him. Went up to Nathan Cook's: spent 2 delightful days there. Miss Martha B. there.

Sunday 10. Preached at Goshen on the Urim & Thummim. At B. to the largest cong. I have ever had there on Haggai 2.7. Went with the Porters. Met Miss Marshall there a very clever girl.

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most of that week. Went down to Dr. Palmer's to a party. Went to see many of the Friends.

17th. ~~Preached at Friendship on the Gates of Pearl at Triadelphia on the Burning Bush. Went to Rockville.~~ Quart. M. at R.

This week went to Baltimore with Sam. Wilson to see the new Dr. about my eyes & his ears. Went very fast. Had a very pleasant time there. Saw friends from home – Miss Annie Knox &c. Didn't have any other good done my eyes than this. Returned Sat. aft. from Balt. Left at 12 ½ P.M. – got to Sandy Sp. At 5!

Sunday 24 morning preached at Emory “Repent & do the first works over again &c.” at Rockville from Haggai 2.7 &c. Large cong.

Spent the week in the vic. of R. Read & wrote. Received letters from home. It bring my high spirits down to hear of my poor bro Peyt's illness. O who had thought it. [three words illegible]

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Feb 1. Had a hard ride & very small cong. at Concord. Large at Tenallytown: preached on “Repent &c.” (Rev.) At night preached for Bro. Mc. J at Union. Hag. 2.7. Went round to bro. Morgan's: found Miss L. Dallam there. I was very much pleased with her. She & I loved Kossuth so much I think we should have loved each other.

During this week I went to see Grace Greenwood and had a delightful chatty time with her. She is very fascinating.

Staid one or two days in W. Heard Webster on the Gaines case. Saw some friends. Dined at Mrs. Magruder's. Went out to Sister Hawkins then Rockville. Had a pleasant time there. Prepared a farewell sermon or two for my last round.

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7. Preached at English's. Goshen & Brookville. Had a good cong. Went to J. Hall's.

This week visited in the vic. Took tea at Mrs. Donald's. Went to see Mrs. Farquhar – spent a delightful evening Mrs. Walters Alex. Spent a night with Wm. H.F. we had much conversation especially on Immortality. He is too much a Rationalist to be a great man. Discussed Parker, Emerson, Carlyle, &c. Left his house Saturday 13.

14. Preached at Friendship & Triadelphia. Went to Mrs. Davis'

This week remained during the week – first part abt. Olney. Spent a pleasant time with Roger Brooke; - took leave of him with a heavy heart. He's a friend indeed. Spent Monday ~~night~~ evening with Mr. Farquhar & others Miss Hallowel's at Mrs. Farquhars. It is the most sorrowful thing this parting. No one knows how I love Mrs. F. I spent a delightful

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evening; except that the parting hour was like the Sword at the feast. As I went she made me a present of Janney's Poems. Miss Annie had copied off in a pretty hand the verses on Mary Queen of S. I admired. Farewell! Forever or not?

Feb. 21 Went up to Emory; abt. 5 or 6. Received 8.75 of Wm. B. preached farewell sermon at Rockville. They sang Unity & it almost broke my heart.

During the week I staid at bro. Thompson. Studied Watson Wesley & Conf. Studies. Spent the evening at bro. Barry's went with Miss Mat to Choir at bro. Stonestreet's. My last attendance!

Sat. Rained hard all day. Didn't go to Washington. Packed up.

Sunday 29. Preached at Concord & raised 7.30 at Ten. (13.49) Went to W. sent my horse to Bro. Posey's. Heard Lanahan preach Text "These shall go away into everl.: pun."

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Staid all night at bro. Edes'.

Monday March 1. Went down to the Boat. Pa can't come because my poor dear bro. Peyt is worse. O the agony!

20. Slept badly – rose at 5. The Cars left us. Went on at 9 to Relay house. Staid the day. At night went on to Cumberland got there about daylight.

3d. Went to Conf. Had a delightful time at communion. I had a baptism of the Holy Ghost. Met many old friends. Ridgeway was there he & I will be one & insep. We had a pleasant time. I went to dine at bro. Wilson & J. A. Collins at Hoffman's. I am to stay at bro. Devecmon's. Went at 3 o'clock & at night to Examination. Ridgeway & I didn't miss a question. I think. Long Ex. We had some great fellows there. Downes for instance.

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4th. Had a pleasant time at Conf. this morning. Was received & continued on trial. Bro. P & I settled our accts. I have received from Ct. \$97. Took tea with him at Mr. Sullivan's. Went to hear Hamlin preach. Sermon was the effort of an original fancy & mind very open to criticism. Good speaker and very interesting.

5th. Had a pleasant time. Bp. James delivered a lovely address to the Ordained. What a spiritual power is in him! Geo. A Coffey sent his credentials has turned Unitarian. Much discussion on bro. N. Wilson's motion to answer the letter – wh. prevailed. Very illiberal speeches were made by Collins, Slicer, &c. Session prolonged.

Aft. Wrote a long letter to Pa. Went to take tea with bro. Nadal my "Father" as he calls himself. Went to Church to S.S. Union Meeting.

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6th. Spent a pleasant day. Took tea with Edwards. He is in Bp. Wittingham's room. Went to hear Riley speak on Temp. – good. Saw J. Jacob! Ridg, he & I had a delightful talk.

7 Sunday. Went with bro Th. Meyers to see J. Sewall. Went early to the Meth. Ch. to hear Dr. Durbin. After waiting an hour or two & being very much afraid that Bp. W would preach – Dr. D. came. Such a sermon! "And may the whole Earth be filled with her glory" – as good as that I heard in Balt. He recognized me. Ordination. Aft. Went to hear Sam. Brisin because he married Pa & Ma. Tolerable. At night went to hear Ben. Brooke – good music!

8. Heard of my poor bro. Peyt's extreme illness. O I never thought it would come to this. "Sinking fast" God help him & me. Never in greater agony. Heard Sargeant preach on Miss Durbin & Slicer at night on preachers Aid. 10 o'clock left for home to be at the bedside of my dear Peyt.

9. Came to Washington. Spent the day. At night went on to Fred's. Went to Uncle E's.
10. Went over home. Alas Alas he is gone! – my dear brother there

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is now no hope of his recovery. My poor dear Parents seem worn out almost. May God support and protect us.

11. Uncle Traverse came. I took a long & pleasant aft. walk with him over scenes of old memory of him & me.

12. Arranged my Sermons &c. Took a pleasant walk. Had many sad reflections. Read in the Quarterly Holmes' Art. on Faith & Science. Went to John Moncure's he came to Fal. to set up with Peyt. I staid all night with Fanny & Anna Jane – now grown to be a pretty & pleasant girl. We talked about everything. Fanny is a noble woman: glad to see her so happy.

Sat. 18. Went down to Falmouth read the Book of Job with references to a criticism by Carlyle in it (Heroes in Hist.) It is indeed fine.

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Sunday morning Mar 14. We are around the family allas but one is not there! O God help us my dear bro Peyt is no more. Wherever I look I seem to read – “Died Mar. 13 10 O'clock W.P.C. I feel as if a half of my soul was paralyzed. I see how all's for the best but O do I feel submission Lord I believe help then mine unbelieving. My dear brother! – dear Peyt. How I miss him. Another tie to the Better land.

He was born Feb. 28th 1830. Went to School to Cousin Eliz: Gaskins early in life. He was remarkably precocious in mind and feeling: a sensitive plant. Many rude touches did it have to endure that Mimosa. Scarlet fever injured his nerves at an early age: A long attack of Bilious Fever unsettled it more; and some of his mental brilliance was gone. But he still had strong intellectual qualities. His excellence was in Mathematics: after his sickness I was able to cope with him in languages & could concentrate myself more – but he always beat me in every branch of mathematics to the day of death unless it was in Algebra wh. I liked.

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Monday 15. The Day of the Funeral. Pa & I took a peaceful walk: lovely day! 11 o'clock the wing sprung up: it howled very sadly during the Funeral sermon. “There is nothing in the wild wide world so like the Voice of the Spirit” (Gray) The House was crowded to overflowing. Hundreds. Mr. McPhail preached a charming sermon from Psalm 97 1&20v. O what a Sermon consoling able affectual.

The Procession was immense. The Sons of Temperance marched; and as they went over the Bridge the Band played a low melodious Funeral Hymn that as it swelled out on the breeze in fitful strains came to my soul as a thought of comfort that God might have uttered. O the Beauty of that Hymn it vibrated on my heart strings. My souls chords will partly sleep now, for the hand that touched them is in the dust. O my noble brother! We who remain will nestle closer & ask for strength. Our God will give it. Is all this a dark wild dream that is on me?

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Tuesday 16. I am go to Frederick Ct. with Jas. Brads. How'll I like that? To day I wrote a Sermon on Exod 17- 8th &c. also a Skeleton on Gal 6.5. Wrote a letter to Aunt Jane yesterday. Bro Head is here: an angel visit.

Wednesday 17th.

It is a very rainy day: the snow and wind luxuriate. They are in consonance with my stricken heart: for since dear Peyt's death I cannot see the sunshine as before, – but every object seems a Tombstone, and on it - “Departed this life W.P.C.” This is my birthday - 20th. Alas the saddest one yet: of what joy is any but a Deathday to me? There is a reproachful Voice that whispers “If the son of man should come would he find Faith in the Soul” Let me kneel and thank God that “His merciful kindness is great toward us and the peace of the Son endureth forever!” I have prayed God to sanctify my soul; and shall I fear the severe means he chooses therefore. Only Soul thou knoweth He is a God of Love. So he hath lovingly revealed himself to thee!

“Holy Father, may I have the tender submission of a child to Thee: may I be enabled by Thy Spirit to lay myself at the foot of the Cross: do thou illuminate and quicken my Soul with a living

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Faith. Give me, O God, the Eye to see Thee in all dispensations of life, – and may Spiritual Light fall upon it. Keep me from the rebellion of Faithlessness and Ignorance: support me in the hour of trial: may I be given “Sings in the night” May another year if Thou seest fit to prolong my unworthy Life so far, bear witness to a higher growth of grace, – may I be kinder in all the relations of life; may I be in more constant communion with Thee. I ask these helpings through Christ my Redeemer.

This day wrote to Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Stonestreet, B. Prettyman, Bro. Posey. I spent a very delightful day, reading writing talking.

18th. Went with Bro Head to the Ct. St.. We stopped at the Factory in Fredg. Several strangers were there and one remarked that the day before was a terrible day; “Not so bad as that day 20 years before” It was my birthday 1832. I always heard it was a very bad day.

Walked up from Brooke's to C.H. they all seemed very glad to see me. I had a pleasant visit to my dear Grandparents both as well as expected.

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19th. Went to Seldon Brooke's: Miss Fenton quite spry & sensible as usual. They say that she and Uncle John are surely engaged. She'd make a good bargain, for he's one of the best men I've known in this world.

I went down to see him at the Summer house. My account of my visit is as usual: “We talked & talked & talked” We discussed every theory, system &c. &c. that has ever insulted the Universe for the space of 6000 years. He has gone on in radicalism & Speculation until he has left rationalism and Instinctism and came to be somewhat Roman Catholic! Pretty much in the same way as Newman &c. of Oxford.

Dr. Minor (a brutal sort of man who has just married a young girl of 16 ~~son~~ daughter of Sarah Scott, one of the grandest of natural geniuses & beauties – an old flame of Uncle John’s – who threw herself away on a Jockey) came over to set the evening also Mercer Brooke. We had a pleasant time.

20th. Left for the cars. Went down with Mr. Head. Was glad to get home. Found bros. Brown & Krebs there. We had a pleasant time there. Read a simple review of R.W.E. in the Sen. Quart. and a

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good one by Moore of R. on English Infidelity.

Sunday 21. Walked over with Mill to Church. Heard bro. K. preach a splendid, or, rather appropriate sermon commencing his ministry at F. I think he’ll suit the Cong. very well. Went back home: Pa staid to dine with the Preachers, but as I had been compelled to preach at night I went home to make some preparation. I went over in the Aft. and took tea with Uncle E. Had a pleasant time. Preached on Heaven.

22. Composed after my usual walk with Mill a sermon on “the Cloud no larger than a man’s hand” Spent a delightful time. A great many visitors came today.

I have been very much interested in reading the works of young Dury of Brooklyn; an Ep. Minister who was ordained at 22 and died at 23. He was a youth of gt. hope. His few sermons evince remarkable piety and a high order of mind. I read several of his Sermons to Pa Ma & Mill and we were all

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deeply moved by them.

23. Was employed in looking over some of my dear brother’s papers: they are remarkably significant [~~paragraph illegible.~~]

25. Went to F. Heard Mr. McGuire’s bro. preach. Heard some of the same sweet music that used to enchant me in that church. Alas - Alas the days are changed when I was in that Church last. Who sat by me? – my brother Peyt – in health and beauty.

“When the wild wind blows
and blasts the beauty of the rose
they fate so plain to me it shows!”

Every now and then the lovely interlude of the organ would so shape itself that I thought I could hear his spirit voice saying to me “Weep not I am happy now” *Que tout notie saisinement se reduit a cedér au sentiment* – says Pascal. How often have I felt the force of it – sweet consolation of impossible fancies never leave me to the coldness of sense!

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Dined at Mr. Gordon’s. Visited aunt Maria. Got a Letter of Int. fr. B.W. to Rev Mr Atk.: Presbyt. min. in Fredrick. Went home and spent a pleasant time with br. Brown & family. Mrs. Peter H. came to spend the night.

26. Went over to Fred’g with Pa. Bro. B went to the railroad with me. Riuzer got on at Brook’s. Had Dr. Eily & Dr. Smith of Randolph Macon on board. The latter and I had a controversy on

slavery in se., wh. he says is perfectly right as a social thing! He made me acknowledge as was easy that there was no conversation pt. on a moral question. Then he wished to know what the principle of slavery was: - clearly the submission of one will to another. I admitted this: then said he Gov't is inconceivable without it! Then said I Gov't is inconceivably wrong. And I stuck to it that there could & should be a social existence without slavery and if Gov't meant Slavery it should be "reformed altogether" - I'd prefer anarchy. He said I better go on and marry Fanny Wright.

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He says the best Gov't is where the two elements of Slavery and Freedom balance. He said he only wished that he had me in his Senior Class where he lectured on this Subject weekly! - to think of such doctrines in the youth of this Country. I'm glad my star didn't carry me there.

We had much conversation on Norval Wilson also. He'll never forget the gt. controversy they had. He was on his way to the Brook Suit business then.

A tremendous black storm overtook us near W. I went up and after seeing to my trunk - went on to Rockville. I found my horse stone blind.

Stopped at bro. Stonestreet's Sat. fixed my Trunks. Stopped at Bro. P's.

Sunday 28. Had a very good cong. at the Ch. & preached with more freedom & pleasure & I hope effect than I ever did at that place on the "Cloud" Had delightful music. Went to br. Thompson's.

Aft. went to Presbyt. W. Carrothers preached. Went to Bro. B's to tea.

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Mrs. Cook & family were there. Bro B has another servant at the pt. of death. I sympathize with him. At night I went to the Baptist Ch. Bro. Creagle did tolerably.

29th. Spent the day pleasantly at Mrs. Wilson's. Went to Singing at night.

30th. Spent some time with bro. B. It was too damp to go to Fred'K. Took tea with N. Hank & B.P. at Sister Stonestreet's.

31. Swapped horses temporarily with Sister Wilson. Mine works finely. Set some time at br. B's. Staid with Banate we had a pleasant time.

April 1. Had an old time walk and talk with Elijah B. We talked of religion &c.

Went to Urbanna. Stopped at Col. Windsor's. Went down to the lyceum and made a speech in favor of the Maine Liquor Saw. We had a try & carried it. Slept soundly.

2. Walked about and talked on the St. Went to visit the Thompsons.

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I am much pleased so far with an Ct. In the Aft. Went to see Mr. Murdoch's family. Sister Simmons' family. Young Mr. Colton the preacher's son was there. I was very much pleased with him.

3d. Went to br. Kessler's - then to br. Duvall's; Buckeystown - good church here. Have some pleasant members. I am pleased with the tone of piety as far as acquainted. God be merciful unto us & bless us!

April 4. Preached at B. to a good cong. I addressed the S. Sch. Miss. Soc. Went to Hopehill in the Aft.; preached to a find cong. It rained & I couldn't go to Ebenezers. Went to Sister Simmons'. Had a pleasant time while there. Sang sacred music at night.

5. Read all day Aimie's, a story of Mrs. Sherwood's. The Hist. of a young Minister who was ensnared fr. High Ch. To Jesuitism. It is interesting enough: somewhat strained.

6. Rode to Fred'K city. Had a time in trying to get my miserable colt along the Sts. Attracted much attention thereby. Went to br. Tippet's. Had a pleasant time there with brs. T & Harding.

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Wednesday 7. Received letters from Pa and Mrs. Marshall. Pa's contains satisfactory advice abt. my horse, wh. has gone blind. I'm very sorry I am such an expense to him. Aft. – went to Middletown. It was a lovely road, prospect; and crowned by a lovely day. Stopped at Sister Brady – bro. B. is away. She is I think a very real Xtian lady. Her two little daughters Cecilia & Narcissa are sweet and sensible.

Wrote letters to Rev. R. Smith, Bethesda R.M.S. – Tribune – Examiner. Enclosed money (1.00) for Tribune.

8. Called on one or two brethren: tho' the day is too rainy for that. Read some pleasant Sermons fr. The "British Pulpit" one from Melville – a favorite author. The best was from Bp. Jebb: - the most interesting & remarkable Edward Irving "the man of his age."

9. Went with bro. Schlosser to Lewistown over the Mt. Road – the worst I could have conceived of. Found bro. Flower's a fine family. They know Mrs. Passapae.

10. Went over to Catocin furnace. Sat an hour talking to a sweet little girl – Sophie F. Mr. Ege one of the Proprietors of the Furnace is one of the Carlisle family.

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Aft. Went to a Funeral at Lewistown. Had a good sermon with some Dutch fire in it from the Ger. Refd. P. – Mr. Richards.

11. Preached to a good cong on the "cloud." Aft. at the Furnace on being "led of the Chx." Night at Mechanicstown to a larger cong. On "I am not ashamed &c." We have a church here almost completed. Bro. Sefton's family pleasant, - rough people.

12. Went to Fred'k city. Had a pleasant time. Determined to go to Rockville.

13. Went to R. Stopped at Clarksburg & dined with Sister Wilson. Stopped at Bro. Thompsons. Sister Prettyman there.

14. Walked out with Barnate. Stopped at Sister Stonests. Found Kate & son there. O it was delightful. Went out to Sister W.'s – my horse hurt. Took Sam's black for a week more. Took tea at Mrs. S. went to Mr. Hening's to sing. Slept with B.

15. Went to Mrs. S – dined. Aft. left. Got to Dr. T's at Ubanna. Found a very delightful home there.

16. Went to Middletown: went to Sister Bowlus' they were very kind. Aft. went to see bro. Brady. I will be pleased with him. Received

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a dear Letter from Mill. Bp. Hedding is dead. A gt. & good man. The acct. in the adv. is very interesting. I've heard Pa say that he went once when he was taking dear Peyt. To Carlisle to hear him. His Text was "Like as a father &c." He said it came up to his idea of a sermon. Pa's a good judge of sermons.

17. A Long Letter and enclosure from Pa & Ma. Alice M. has written a letter to Ma about Peyt. wh. I like none at all. Received my Papers wh. are interesting. Heard the small pox was at Carlisle. Wrote to Prof. M. went to Rintzhaus.

18. Preached from Ex. 17.8 &c. here. Had a good cong. A sympathizing one if I could judge from their tears & warm hands. At night weather awful. Preached on the wise man wh. built his house on a rock. More out than I expected.

19. Wrote a letter to Pa and Ma. Wrote for Zim's Herald for bro. B & J. \$1.00. Went to visit several members in the aft. and night. Went with Mary B. to Miss Beckwith's where it is said the Preacher's hearts are always snared.

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20. I have read over Childe Harold again, & have to thank God that I don't sympathize as much with its morbid tone & inflated feeling as I once did. I never loved Byron – never!

21. Read Headley's "Napolean &c." I can understand John D's criticism – "a bunch of painted feathers." Took a French Class.

22. Went to Jeff. A lovely place. Found the people very clever. Don't know what to make of Sister Ervin's staying in bed all the time. Was ~~delightful~~ delighted at meeting Rebecca McCaffrey (now Ervin) who used to live at Carlisle.

23. Went out to Mother Rice's. The sight of her "home" put to flight all ideas of my home at M. This was evidently prepared for me & my trunks. I could not have a sweeter place. There is a perfect Rice field here. The kind old lady told me she had more than 100 grand & many gt. grand children! They are simple hearted & clever people. There is a fine place here for walking out. Couldn't be better pleased. Sat up late – held prayer went to bed slept sound.

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Sat 24. Visited the Rice's. Read and wrote. Fine day.

Sunday 25. A fine day. Had a very large cong at Jeff.; preached Ex 17.8 &c; pleasant Class.

Dined at Mr. Windsor's. Aft. – tremendous gathering at Zimmerman's. Was given much freedom of utterance. After class went to tea with br. Howard, who has two clever daughters but, as usual, I was taken by the mother. Heard Slicer preach at night on the comp. Glories of the Mosiac & Xtian Dispensations – there was a gt. crowd. Staid at br. Tippett's.

26. Started early for Rockville – dined at Clarksburg; saw br. Cullum & his tremendous wife. Reached Mr. T's early. Took tea with the Henings & P's at br. Stonests. Had a pleasant evening, staid at bro. P's. Next day had a pleasant walk with Barnatt; he is one of the cleverest young men I know, - I shall not forget in this world the pleasant times, conversations, &c. I have had with him both at college and Rockville.

Dined at Sister Wilson's. My horse better. Preached to a large cong. At R. (Tuesday night 27) on Aaron's Rod. Went to bro. P's.

28. Went to Sandy Springs. Went to the Friends Meeting. Sat for three quarters of an hour in perfect silence. I had much spiritual exercise. Was led to "Examine myself whether I was in the Faith." The spirited searched into

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the "hidden things" that day. The gt. Question was, Am I truthful? Am I living in full Faith up to the Inward Voice? Am I not bowing before the "Strong wind" of custom & circumstance, instead of prostrating myself with the Prophet before the "still small Voice." I find it hard to open my Eyes. Then God seest me; Thou kindest that no excommunication that could from Earth would affright me; but O my Father, - hath he not grief enough already? When I hear him cry "One son in an untimely tomb another in the grave of disbelief." My heart recoils I cannot – O I cannot. God help me!

O that there had never been a creed, but that men had been content to take with humility & simplicity the Gospel of Xt – "knowing no man after the person." O what a conflict is there forever between Athanasius & the World and the Spirit! It is in my Soul. Though inwardly I have long decided for God, outwardly I am faithless enough to yield to the current. There is Text that at this time is more fearful than any other. Old Roger Brooke said it to me as I left him: "Walk in the Light while ye are children of the Light, lest suddenly darkness come upon you." O my Father bear with – take not thy Holy Spirit from me – may I not one day yet be thy Child.

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Toward the close of the hour Roger Brooke commenced speaking: "Now ye have received an anointing and ye need not that any man should teach you save as this anointing teacheth you. Some persons seem anxious to run about and hear preaching; but I think it only serves to distract the attention from the Great Teacher that "taught as never man taught" – His sermon was simple and striking. In a few remarks on the spirit worship he portrayed the scene with the woman of Samaria with great beauty. – He sat down and just before the meeting closed was led to exclaim "thou shall call his name Jesus for he shall save the people from sins – not in them." Very pertinent, thought I.

After meeting I shook hands with many of my Quaker friends: found them generally well. Went with friend Roger to dinner; found William H. Farquhar there & was much delighted thereat.

Aft. went over to John Hall's – found the girls gone to the Dancing School (monkey show). Went to Mechanicsville – thence down to William H. F.'s. Spent a most delightful night with him & his sweet family. I never saw my idea of love in a Cottage, so nearly approached as in his case. Two sensible people with health and sweet children.

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They want nothing – why should they? He is an enthusiastic as ever in his studies and theories. He has got hold of Emerson's 20. Vol essays. I am sorry for it: he won't get the genuine drift of his genius from that – unless his acute mind shall find it in surface &c. Nature, manners. I wish he had gotten hold of Nat. Addresses & Lec. 1v. essays.

29. I never in my life enjoyed myself more than in this morning's walk "over hill and dale" with Farquhar. We left abstraction & talked of reality – Ideal Nature. Friends by cards & wine, ye know not what this is! I enjoyed his company the more because, he is inclined to the material Philosophy & I to the Ideal. This destroyed monotony. I would love to live near him: but --

Dined at Mr. Porters – had a pleasant time. Went down to see Eliz. Thomas – all well. Went to J. Hall's – went into Church & preached to a fine cong. "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." Had much freedom of spirit & I believed the Lord used me as one to cause some of the "new school" (dancers) to pause to think whether they were serving to the flesh or the spirit. May God bless them. If our conf. Hasn't sent the usual

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Number of members to R. Ct. this year: Satan has sent his missionaries faithfully enough.

30. Spent a charming day at Mrs. Farquhar's Miss Annie looked very sweet. Read Burnap's Pamphlet on Elias Hicks aloud to them. It was very interesting. I think and always have thought that Hicks was one of the "best abused men" O'Connell speaks of.

After dinner I went to Rockville – put up at br. S's. Went to church & heard Dashiell preach a fine sermon Text: "& that ye may approve these things which are excellent." A good cong; good feeling.

He had Vertigo badly at the Parsonage after preaching: I slept with him.

May 1. A most lovely day. One of those words "spoken in seasons by our kind Father and which today is really an "apple of gold in picture of silver" I do not listen to any words as I do then silent teachings, when " Day unto day uttereth speech."

Commenced this morning at the Breakfast Table with my usual controversy with the "owes righteous" as Burns wd. style the Orthodoxy. I do think the literal Orthodox should send up a petition to

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God to put out men's eyes. If a man does but think it casts a shade on him as on "lean & hungry" Cassius: -

"He thinks too much; such men are dangerous." I see a Humming-bird! I always loved them. Sweet wee thing – I wd. I were as free to clap my wings and draw sweets from all Flowers! I would not be afraid of poisonous nor Vipers! – not I.

Came up to Buckeystown: dined at Clksbg. took tea at Dr. T's. It was a warm ride. Preached to a rather small cong. at B. fr. Mal 3.3. 1 cl. – tremendous cong. at Hopehill – Aaron's Rod. – Large cong. at Eb at 5. Ex 17.8 &c. Went to Col. Montgomery's. He has two pretty daughters: spent a pleasant evening.

3. Went over with Miss Annette M. to Wm. Dorsey's. Found them clever enough. Aft. went to B. Made a Temp. speech at night. Staid at bro. Baker's.

4. Preached at Funeral S. on br. Kohlenburg's little boy 2 y. old. Text "suffer the little children &c." Dined at B. Duvall's with other fr'ds. Went to Dr. T's found a clever girl there – Miss Shull. Walked home 2 miles with her. Made a delightful acq. wh. I wish to improve – Mr. Colton of Urbanna. We had much conv. in Meth. Doctrines. – I was so charmed with this gentlemen & real Divine

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that I was not aware how time was passing; and when I got to Dr. T the house was locked. Slept soundly.

I hope I shall make a warm frd. of Mr. Colton. His Cong. don't like him. I may tell him my spiritual troubles he seems to be such a man. Though I acknowledge to myself that Mrs. F. spoke much truth when she said at my being sorry that Eliz: Newport came to the Neighborhood just my departure that I might learn to lean for help in none – but within. And Mr. Emerson said to me “I will wish you the best issue from the contest into wh. every man must go alone” Alone! God help me.

5. Went to Sister Simmons'. Read a vile Catholic work that had been put into Miss Mary's hand by one who wished to proselyte her. I showed its vile fallacies. It was a defense against a Protestant minister.

I was led to reflect how useless it were to fetter the mind with creeds and how Satan availed himself of the principle of the soul's degradation to increase its load of absurdities.

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Aft. Miss Mary & I went over & spent an agreeable evening at Mr. Murdoch's. The walk back was pleasant; I availed myself of it to talk with Miss M. on the subject of religion. She is very serious.

6. Went thro. B. to Fred'K. Stopped at br. T's. Bro. Harding & br. Armstrong concluded that Margt. Fuller's life was not a book for me though I sent for it, because of its Agrarianism, Unitarianism &c. So I'll have to wait till I can get it. I sometimes think it's best to set down and be a slave without mere struggle!

Went round and spent a pleasant aft. at br. Slicer's. Miss Lizzie is pretty – played for me. Went with her to church. Preached to a good cong. From Mal 3.3. Spent some time with br. Harding at br. Slicer's after ch. Agreeable family.

7. Read all the morning. Aft. to Brookville. Found preaching wd. be next day. Stopped at Burkharts. Found one of the great upper 10 McPhersons of Md. There. A crazy woman with an illegitimate daughter there – board pd. by her friends. Truly God is no respecter of persons in his afflictions.

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8. Spent a pleasant morning. Read that old novel “Charlotte Temple:” also made a plunge with all majesty into Carlyle's “great Epic” – The French Revolution. It is most absorbing; I can't put it down, or scarcely. Aft. preached from “Be not deceived &c.” A singularly ugly assembly we were: more one-eyed, lame, ugly, people I never saw. Went to bro. Flower's to tea.

9. Mr. & Mrs. Passapae &c. &c. came up. Was very glad to meet them. – They have a fine boy – Charlie. Much talk of old times. Preached to a large Cong. – Aaron's Rod. Aft. preached a Funeral Ser. at Catoctin. Mal 3.3. Heard Mr. Clarkson (High Ch.) from Chicago preach a sermon at 5. Excellent sermon. At night the house was crowded to suffocation – very many couldn't get seats. We need our new Ch. here very much. – the people are Church-going & numerous. Preached Gal last, 7. Std. at br. Sefton's rough folks.

10. Went to Catoctin saw the mysteries of Iron molding. Dined at Mr. Fitzhugh's a very clever man, - knows my father & Uncle E & J.H.D. met them at the springs long ago.

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Had a long talk with Mrs. Fitzhugh on her High Ch. Principles - not decidedly formed. She is a pretty woman & clever. Aft. went down to ~~Andrew~~ David Boyd's near Fred'K. Found Ch. B. once at Carlisle there with his pretty little Ohio wife. Talked much with him. She plays well on the Accordion: is very sweet indeed.

11. Went to Middletown. Letters from home! Found my newspapers interesting & full. Wrote home that night.

12. Wrote to Banatt P. & B. Ridjaway. Read.

13. Wrote & read till Aft., - Went to Mother Rice's.

14. Took a pleasant walk - dived diligently into the French Revolution. How strangely grandly it reads out there amid sunshine flowers, simple hearted country folks & birds! Nothing so wondrous as War viewed from Peace.

15. Heard the young Ladies French today. A great Teacher I, one wd. say. Spent a pleasant day. Aft. went out to Rintzhaus preached.

16. Preached at Middletown twice - darkies in Aft. Had larger cong. Tea at Scholpers.

17. Wanted to go to Urbanna in buggy. Borrowed br. Schl's buggy. Horse fractioning. I got out: black man in. Ran away threw out black man - ran over him

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Ran a mile fell down - broke shaft &c. I fell thankful to God for his care. The black man was not much inspired if any. Horse not much.

Aft. went to Urbanna. Found them getting ready for our Trip.

18th. Quite a memorable day! Some 40 of us went to the Sugar Loaf Mt. One of the most charming days I ever spent. I never saw so grand a view: that from near Paris, Va. would be a finer one if the land were better cultivated. We had a merry Wagon full. Rev. Mr. Colton was along.

Miss Mary S. & I went to see a very poor woman at the foot of Mt. Wish I'd had some more money to give her - had only 50 cts.

19th. Dined at brother Tippet's. Went to Middletown - stopped over a storm on the Mt. At br. Stevens. Staid at Sister Wise's.

20. Spent a pleasant morning at br. Brad's & aft. at Mr. Smeltzer's.

21. Came to Mother Rice's. Had a pleasant time, reading &c. Composed with the Divine Blessing a sermon on "The Prince of Peace."

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22d. Went to br. J. Ervin's. Had a pleasant talk with him and his wife. Visited his father's.

23d. Had a tolerable cong. considering the rain. It cleared off: small cong. at Z's. Took tea at br. Howard's. Got in a shower going to Fred'k. Went to Ch. And preached to a pretty large cong. Diebl (Lutheran) closed for me.

24. Spent a pleasant day. Read &c. during the morning. Aft. Went to see Atkinson the Presbyterian. Met Samuel Tyler there: found him a man of cleverness. We all talked abt. religion & metaphysics very nearly enough to tire me who am usually unwearied on such topics. Tyler is Author of a Discourse of the Bac. Phi. Also a Work on Burns. I understand he is abt. to publish another work on the "Beautiful." Glad to hear it.

25. Went at night to spend the ev'g. with Mrs. Hannah: met young Ritchie there. He is a fine young man.

25. Walked out to br. Howard's. Aft. Went to Jeff. My trunk here at last. *Io paeon*. Went to Mrs. Rice's.

26. Was interested in a pleasant little confab with Montaigne - one of the few men I can actually talk with

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Wrote letters to Mrs. Marshall, Nat. Lapton, Greeley &c. Dr. McC, H.G. Smith - mind much at eased. Preached at night at Mrs. Rhodes'.

27. Ladies came over to spend the day. Went to my room most ungallantly & wrote an 8 page letter to Mill - God bless her. Enjoyed the ladies co. with good conscience afterward. Arranged the Jeff. Class book. Played some time with a little brat abt. to be Christened Hysam Conway Donner in my honor. Went down to Perry R's to spend the evening. Pleasant time. Read to the close of the 5th Book Fr. Rev. Went to bed; slept soundly.

28. Took a walk. Wrote a sermon on Ezekiel's Vision of the Holy Waters. Read another Bk. Fr. Rev. - visited abt.

29. Last Night I had a dreadful dream. ~~I dreamed I was at Uncle Richard Monicure's and Alice was a maniac! She was indeed in a terrible state abt. Peyt's death. After what happened one knows not whether or not to hope that the dream is true. If not deranged her behavior was vicious.~~ However in much grief I would preserve that charity "wh. hopeth all things."

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My poor horse! The Fates seem to have decided agt. his eyes. Smith Rice threw at him in trying to catch him in the pasture & struck him in the only good eye. I fear he'll never recover it. Eheu! &c.

Went to B. this morning: lost the way because my Directors were sure I couldn't miss the way. Spent the ev'g. at Mr. Davis'. Staid all night at B.D.'s.

May 30. A beautiful Sunday. Tolerable Cong. at B. & Hopehill: very large at Eb. Spent the night at br. Dorsey's.

31. Went to Hyattstown. Had a pleasant time. Tipton of W. city made a good Temp. address. Saw Hening, Breadwell, &c. Rockvillites. Went in the aft. To Newmarket to see some Quakers. Spent the night with Joseph Farquhar who is most kind & his wife also.

June 1. Was at Fred'k by 8. Heard that Bev. Wellford was in town, - called & could have cried to find him gone. Had a long talk with Miss L.S. Ev'g we took a walk to Reservoir.

2. Went to M. Brs. H. & Hunt came out. Br. Brady gone. Read Gen'l Cong proceedings. I was very sorry concerning the Pew proceedings. It is not Methodism.

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3. Went out to br. Michael's. Pleasant family. It came on to rain, - I was chilly. I read sermons from our New Bps. Simpson & Baker: both good – the former powerful.
4. Raining still. Aft. Went to M. Stopped at br. Brads'. Had a pleasant time.
5. Went over to Brookhill: found the way! Stopped at Zim's: preached on Naamar. Went to br. Flower's.
6. Preached to very large congregations.
7. Went to Mr. Fitzhugh's at Catoctin. Had a very pleasant visit. They were all Kind. High ch.-ism fading a little by Mrs. Ege's absence. I almost fell in love with Sophy! Staid there some time as it was raining. Wrote an Art. for Repos. on Mrs. Sherwood.
- 8th. Spend another day and night! Mr. & Mrs. F & I had a pleasant converse on various things. She treated me to some old Scotch ballads &c. of precious memory. She sang "Wife, children, & friends."
9. I went off. Dined at br. Tippett's. Went to Middlet. Stopped at Mrs. B's.
10. Went to br. Rhinehart's. Enjoyed myself – found them sensible people there. Came back and preached at night.

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- 11th Went to Mother R's & spent the day very profitably I hope. I usually do when there.
- 12th Went with Brs. Kepler & Keller to Buck. Br. Tippett preached well, "I have not called servants &c." Received \$15. Went to Fred'k & preached on Aaron's Rod. [one word illegible]
- 13th A lovely Sunday. Went out to B. in time for Lovefeast, - and O what a Lovefeast! br. Tippett preached a good sermon "I know that my Redeemer &c." I preached at Hopehill in aft. On Naamar – br. B & I took tea at br. Kessler's. Went to B. br. Harden preached at night. I was not as much pleased with Sermon as I thought I should be. It was too abstract. Text: "Let those that love him be as the Sun when he goeth forth in his might.": too much strain.
14. Slicer came out preached a fine Sermon on "Behold the Lamb" &c. Administered the communion. Dined with him at Graftins. Aft. went to Br. Cromwell's. Preached at night. One mourner a Miss Poole – she is near the Kingdom. Went out to Mr. Davis'. Had a pleasant time.
15. Went to see the mourner and talked with her. She is on the Path.

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- Went to Sister Simmons'. Spent a very pleasant day there. Annie Shull & her sister came over aft. Went over after teat to Mr. Murdoch's. Had a very pleasant visit there.
16. Went to Fred'k. Spent the day there. Took tea at br. Slicer's. I shouldn't be surprised at a match between Harden & Miss S.! Took Ice cream.
 17. Early came out to Jeff. Letter from Nat S. Ridgaway & he are flourishing. The day very hot. Read &c.
 - 18th. Rather cloudy, therefore pleasant.
 19. Dined at And. Kepler's – then to Ab.'s. Went to look for Camp g. Staid at his house.
 20. Preached on "God's Love," Zim's – "Daniel" – Temp.
 21. Went to mother R's. Enjoyed this week in Seclusaval.
 24. Went to Mid. Left horse there: shoed.
 25. To Eb. Br. B morning, I at night.

27. Preached in the camp g'd. They say I lost \$250 High Ch. & Cath. Money for our Ch. at Urbanna. It's getting hard for a man to preach the truth now. Had a pleasant day. Staid at br. Hendry's.

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28. Started on my long anticipated trip to Carlisle. Lovely day. Arrived in Balt. to dinner. Mill came in the Ev'g.

Had great joy in meeting many old friends: met Con. Chichester who is well. He spent a night with me & we had much pleasant talk of old times.

- So Kate Emery is engaged to Asbury Morgan! O God – my I feel the importance of the Lesson from the hard teaching it takes!

July 1. Went to Carlisle. Spent a week of joy. Made a pleasant acquaintance in “Burnap.” He delivered the address before our soc. It was very good on the “Phil. tendencies of the Am. mind.” I talked much with him on Theology & he has too much Metaphysics abt. him. His writings I like especially those not controversial.

Mrs. Marshall is happy in her family. Kate E. is prettier & sweeter than ever. She is happy in a restless way. Asbury will be kind & interesting, but he cannot love her as I did: and alas, I will never love so again not so, but better re D.C. 1898 for second love is only second & can't be first. “That gentle trust wh. – seems to itself immortal, cannot be given twice.”

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I will lay Wordsworth's “Complaint” as a flower on the Tomb of my First Love:

There is a change, & I am poor;
Your love hath been, nor long ago,
A Fountain at my fond Heart's door,
Whose only business was to flow;
And flow it did; not taking heed
Of it's own bounty, or my need.

What happy moments did I count
Blest was I then all bliss above;
Now, for this consecrated Fount
Of murmuring, sparkling, living love,
What have I? Shall I dare to tell?
A comfortless a hidden Well.

A well of Love, it may be deep
I trust it is, and never dry;
What matter if the Waters sleep
In silence & obscurity,
Such change & at the very door
Of my fond heart, hath made me poor.

Many changes abt. Carlisle. Met many old fr'ds. However. Took A.U. degree – joined the Alumni Soc. – attended exhibitions & parties numberless. Preached 4th July.

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Was much delighted at listening to a Controversy between Burnap & Durbin on the Church Tendencies – Durbin on the conservative side. I think B. was ahead. We were taking Tea at Prof. Tiffany's.

Left C. for Balt. with many others. Balt. for home next day – Liked to have missed the Cars. Fred'k to dinner.

Sunday 11. Preached 3 times at Middlet. Spent this week mainly reading &c. at Mother R's.

Sat. at Brookhill: found some clever persons there. – Mr. Wormley & wife & family from Phil.

18. Preached Lewist. &c. to large congs. Staid one or two week days at Mr. Fitz. Sophy & I are friends! I love her. So quick, soft – good souled. We took rides & walks together. Went to br.

Slicer's. Went to Buckeyst. Spent several days there. Miss Reed is at Mr. Davis' – a frail one, – from Geo'T. Loaned them Judith Ben. while they thought flat: staid at bro. Slicer's.

Something's the matter with my taste or theirs.

25. Very large cong. at Hopehill – uncontainable. Rained at Ebenezer. Boy had a fit at B. during Service.

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Staid till Wed. at br. Rice's – Fred'k. Fine people. Went out with Ladies to the Resovoir & then to Ice cream. Went to see Mr. Atkinson: had a pleasant talk.

Thursday: to the Camp-ground. A pretty one- whereon I don't anticipate enjoyment.

- Have finished this week Margt. F. Ossalis' Memoirs: - a rare book. Also read some from the Germans.

I have opened a coresp. with my Parents on my scruples concerning the Church and my remaining in it. It will every way be sad for them & me, - but "What is that to thee – Follow thou me." O God do thou help me to the right & give me dear parents thy support! How much wilt Thou require of me this early?

Aug. 1 Preached at Jeff., Zim., & Fred'k. Morning – "Born Again" – Aft. "God is Love" – Night – "The Prince of Peace." Several committees came to ask if I meant Scott or Pierce wh. saying I hoped for to see the day when we would vote for a man for something better than having "Gen." on to his name. I took the Quaker ground wh. excited discussion in those that I heard – as it must for a while.

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2d. Saw br. Brads, Chaney, &c. was to see John Ritchie. Spent the ev'g at br. Rice's to Jeff.

3. Read French on the Study of the Words: an invaluable book. Wrote an Art. on Jesuitism.

4. Read variously Montaigne, Carlyle, Margt. F.'s "Papers." Composed a sermon agt. superstition. Preached at night on Self-ex. Received Letters from Pa and Wm. Farquhar. Pa is evidently agitated. Alas, we can never agree – O if only he would consent cheerfully to that. W.H.F. is evidently improving in Sptl. Exp. I knew it because he is losing his love for

Unitarianism & getting over his prejudice for agt. Meth. Neuman on the Soul has done much good. His Letter is good.

- Wrote this ev'g. before going to bed. Letters to Pa, W.H. Furness, Mrs. Prettyman, H.B.R. Said prayers & slept soundly.

5. Went to Jeff. – mailed Letters & visited abt. Came back & read Margt. Fullors: A ray of Light warmed my Spirit in reading the “Two Herberts.” Looked over Cranch’s Poems: I agree with Poe that they’ve been too badly treated by Critics. Some pieces are very fine. Went to tea at George Rice’s. Read [Hobhine’s?] Prize Essay on Sacrifices (Hulsean) very suggestive.

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6. Went to H. Ferry: had a delightful time with Coomby. It is a pretty place; but it would require a sketch of estimation for me to think with Jefferson that it is worth a trip across the Atlantic. The Portrait of Washington was shown me on the Mt. I was surprised at it; C couldn’t see it! Bt. a horse of Edmund H. Chambers for \$100. Was belated returning & slept at P. Rice’s.

7. This is the gt. S. Sch. Exhibition in the woods. Br. Slicer sick, - sent Harden; I was not over-pleased with his address. Had much enjoyment. The rainbow was lovely; first of the kind I ever saw. Went to Jeff. Found Sam Wilson: he went to Middletown. Preached at Rintzhaus.

8. A lovely morning. Preached at M. agt. superstition devoting much to “Rappers.” Preached at the Camp ground in Aft. on “I am come to send fire on the Earth.” There was a gt. concourse.

9. Went to Mr. Lynch’s: pleasant family there. – Remained there & at Mother Rice’s until the Friday of the camp. Henning & Cullum came up: H preached Friday night (13th).

Sunday 15. Good persons there at the lowest estimate. Slicer preached “Harvest is Passed &c.” David Thomas preached a splendid sermon in aft. “The wind bloweth &c.”

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I made a gt. many pleasant acquaintances at the Camp. Charles Havenner was converted.

Langley was all the rage: a bright youth who should have been disciplined. We had a fine Camp: closed on Friday 20th.

Sat. Went to Fred’k. Sent \$100 to Chambers.

Sunday 22. Heard Slicer preach. Went to Hopehill & Ebenezer. Staid at Dr. Thompson’s.

23d. Went to Cracklin Camp. Got there in time to hear Dashiele at 11 o’clock. O what joy at meeting old friends! Never was at a better camp though the rain was worse than 1 year ago at the same place. One hundred converts.

24th. Went thence to Rockville wh. was very joyful. Preached 4 times there; there was great feeling and 1 convert which was a miracle for R.

Went up to the Quaker neighborhood. Never enjoyed myself more than there. Preached at Brookville.

There was a youth with whom I was pleased at John Hall’s – Thayer Abert. We had many conversations on gen’l politics & religion. He was conservative and well posted. We went over to dine at Benjamin Hallowell’s together. Benjamin

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& I got into a Conversation on Music, for the Quaker view of that is their gt. defect I think. From that we went into Religion. Thayer couldn't stand my Liberality to Mr. H's skepticism. He took me to book abt. it. Never did I realize my false position so much as then! I frankly confessed that my position made certain opinions justly expected of me that I could not advance. He seemed sorry for me; and gave me much advice abt. avoiding certain Authors. His kindness affected me deeply. But the longer I live & pray & trust the more do I see that I am not walking in the Light as a "dear Child." O who can tell the agonies of my life. I cannot write them even in my journal, but they are written on my experience. God help me!

Sept 2d. Left B. Hallowell's went by Dr. Magruder to Goshen preached: staid at Mrs. Jones at night with br. Kinsey.

3d. Went to Mr. Murdoch's & spent a very pleasant time. Night at Simmons'.

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4. Went to Frek'k. Harden & Lizzie Slicer are to be married: very well! Took tea at br. Rice's: aft. Went 12m. to an appt. at Rintzhaus: Staid there.

5. Preached at M. morning & night. My heart was full when a [one word illegible] old brother came to see me in the aft. & sd. That he had shed many tears over my morning sermon and wd love to have it in print. What fame is so sweet as the thought of comforting that old man. My text was I John 2.1.

6. Went to Buckeystown after going to Mother Rices & writing Art. 2d. Jesuitism. Had a fine meeting at B. after the communion. 4 mourners – 1 converted.

Tuesday 7. Read all day: went to Davis' in the aft. late. At night preached several mourners 4 converts.

8. Read all day until aft. went to Cunmish. Milford preached – 3 converts.

9. Went to Fred'k. Harden & host came out from Fred'k. H. got very warm at night. 10 mourners 2 converted.

10. Went in the rain to Jefferson. Returned to B. & preached. 8 mourners. The meeting was very

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quiet compared with some previous ones: I was in gt. misery lest my heterodoxy was the cause.

11. Went to our Quart. m'g. at Lewistown. In F. stopped to have horse shoed & buy a crupper. Br. T. preached; "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst &c." Received at Conf. \$10. No preaching at night for rain.

12. Br. T. preached "O that I knew wh. &c." Good Love feast: the best meeting in our Ch. I went to Mech. in the Aft. Preached at S. at night.

13. Wrote a review of Kip's Double Wit. Of Ch. a High Ch. Bk. For Mrs. Fitzhugh. Spent the evening at ~~her house~~ Mr. Picking's. Preaching at S. by Lowry (U.B.) 2 mourners. 1 convert.

14. Wrote all day. Fitzhugh's at tea. Preached night.

15. Read Blithedale in the morning. It is in some respects one of his cleverest of his charming Romances.

Was seized with slight epililepsy as I was abt. to start. Staid all night. Wrote Letters to Pa & W. Furness, Bert Phillips.

16. Went to F. Preached for Cold. at night.

17. Went to Buck. Read all day: tea at Hecter's. He and both daughters converted. Harden preached.
18. Went to Hopehill preached to 6 ladies. Dined at Mrs. Simmons'. Went to Urbanna pole-raising: few there: - John Ritchie made a very good Scott speech: quizzical & smart. Preached at night in favor of Religious Enthusiasm.

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19. Had a tremendous cong. at Hopehill: a good one in aft. at B. At night a very large one: preached on the Prodigal. All the mourners had been converted at the last m'g. Last night were 3 more!
20. Went to Jeff. Received a Letter from Ma that fills me with sadness. She says she apprehends dropsy. Only God what would I do on Earth & she in her grave. My God do spare her. Love her support her in her sickness. O if I could only see her. She writes me good Letters now as ever.
- Had an interesting general class at night. I didn't enjoy speaking in class as I used to because I am not allowed now to be sincere in my exercises. Fanny Tomlin said once to me that her ideal of a class meeting was lovely to her; her experience in them – ridiculous. I begin to sympathize in this with her also.
21. Wrote to Mrs. Farquhar a long letter. Br. Brady preached at night. The meeting is failing.
22. Preached at night on Daniel in the Den.
23. Went to the Association Mr. Bolton (Ep.) a grandson of William Jays preached a good sermon (Quench not the Spt.) They think of giving him a call at Zims: hope he'll hear it, though it is rare that Preachers are called from a high salary to a low one.

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- Preached a Funeral Sermon over a child 4 y. old. It is a hard task for me to attend to such things. I almost break down in the middle of our service. If I hear a suppressed sob; I can't hold mine. I must accustom myself more to those things. As yet I have never seen one die & have never but in one or two awful unforgotten times seen one dead. I could not bear the sight.
- Held a Prayer mt'g for the young converts at br. Duvall's. Few there – but we were blessed.
24. Went to the Association again: heard two of the most eloquent sermons from Mr. Killen. One on Judas: the other on the man "not having on a wedding garment." I dined with him & found him very pleasant. – Heard him again at night on "Lydia." He's eloquent.
25. Went to Brookville – preached a long sermon to a very small congregation. Went to Catoctin. Preached a sermon on Achan.
26. Preached morning & evening. Went in the aft. to Mechanicstown. Had a pleasant time. At night withdrew our appts. from Catoctin as the Ep have a P. now! The Intolerance of that Ch. is intolerable unless it were in Romanism.
27. Read Hawthorne's Stories for Children, & think that it is a nonpareil. I would love to be the writer of such a Book. I am resolved one day to write a child's Bk.

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Preached at night on the widow & Elijha. Broke up the meeting then.

28. Had a long controv. on Ch. matters with Mrs. F. – she couldn't get over this Question – Why don't you show the seal of the Apostleship – “Signs & wonders?” She gave me some lovely flowers & Sophy fixed them up. I am inexpressibly grieved because they have plagued Sophy so much abt. me that she is afraid to see me. She is a noble girl, I wish I had her to raise.

29. Went that evening to see Mr. Atkinson. We had a long animated talk on the high speculative points of Calvinism in wh. he is an ardent believer.

29. Read Chalmey Sermons on Depravity. What a comprehensive mind; what nerve & power. He proves facts to be such, but alas, doesn't prove the Theory of Depravity. All men are agreed in Sin & Evil: but the diff. Is, How came it? – By a Fall, or by the giving of a developing Law to the Soul?

Carried a bunch of flowers to Mrs. Atk. & an apple to the children. I have pleasant visits to them: they are like homefolks.

30. Wrote Letters. Went down to Mr. Murdoch to go with the ladies to the Mountain.

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Oct 1. Didn't go to the Sugarloaf Mt. – went to the Mill had a pleasant walk. There were some very pleasant ladies & girls along. – Eve. went to Fred'k. Sat a while with Mrs. Atk. talking of mutual friends. Br. Rice is very sick of Inflammatory Rheum:

2. Went to Mid. Preached at [Rintzhaus.]?

3. Commenced to-day by a conflict. I wanted the water to wash in my room: br. Wise (Dutch) wanted me to go out doors, - and didn't like my insisting though I carried my point. – Preached a Peace Sermon in the morning. At night on the wicked “in gt. power” &c. Was at br. Michael's in Aft.: they say he is backslidden. I hope not.

4. Went out to br. Rhinehart's with two girls: had a pleasant visit. Staid that night at br. Brads'. – Went over to Mother Rice's and spent very nearly all the time in reading & writing.

9th. Commenced a protracted mg. At Zim:

10th Sunday morning rainy. Aft. went to br. Tippet's who had picked up the Greatcoat I had dropped from under me Sat.

11th In Fred'k. Br. ~~Slicer~~ Tippet came out.

13. In F. br Slicer came out.

14. Went to Jeff. Wrote a Letter to Uncle T; also an Art. on Children; Novalis &c.

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During these quiet days to myself I had much reflection to myself. It is an awful thought but true that I am not representing a Faith I know to be untrue! I have written to my father telling him of it. I am not determined to leave the Church in March. But O God shall my life be false till then. Yet what can I do. I never say anything that is untrue. And if I thought that my remaining a Meth. Would make one more Orthodox I wouldn't remain a day. Lord! Then seest me: before Thee I stand or fall.

16. Commenced a mg. at Hopehill. Had a good Cong. – preached on Zeal. Old br. Kepler wanted to know if I “meant him”!

Sunday 17. Had a tremendous Cong. preached on “Am I my brother's keeper” at night on “I have seen the wicked &c.” Had some pleasant times in the vicinity.

Spent much of the week in preparing to go next week to Baltimore.

Old br. Rice died very suddenly. "He was a good man & full of the Holy Ghost and much people was added unto the Lord." His family are much afflicted by many things.

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24. Had a larger cong. this morning to hear my Sermon on "Try the Spirits," and also a similar one at Lewistown at night. Preached aft. at S.K. on Grieving the Spt. Went that night all the way to Fred'k.

25. A happy day. Ho for Baltimore, with a pleasant Company along. Never had such a delightful visit to any place in my life except occasionally home. I found them all well at Aunt Jane's and full kindness.

O how rejoiced to find that the Friends my Friends were just commencing their yearly meeting. I devoted almost all my time to them so that I was often accused of being a Quaker. I almost wish I had a birthright among them. But then I would not have had as much experience as I shall after seceding from Methodism: a very sad experience however. Would it were over. I found the Balt. Friends not any better today than our Montgo. Mrs. F – Wm H. were there. Mrs. F & I had some walks & talks together: she is my confidante.

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I was delighted that the Unitarian Autumnal Assembly whereof I will be at some time a member met. Indeed Providence seems to have had a hand in my being there when these two meetings between which my feelings have been somewhat divided – the Friends & Unitarians – should have a fair trial before me. I attended the public meeting of both. Wednesday I was at a public meeting of F's. Janney, Jackson &c. preached. I never was more moved than by a sermon from a woman. She was a handsome one, - and her sermon was truly inspired. I was melted. Indeed the meeting was a notable one in demonstration of the Spirit & of power.

I dined with Samuel Janney afterward. Tuesday night went to spend the evening at Mr. McC's. afterward Asb. M. & I went to hear Dr. Dewey. It was a strong sermon but I felt cold under it – all except the music which is surpassingly beautiful there.

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I heard some interesting debates also in Convention. Went with Wm. H. Farquhar to hear Mr. Ellis. He was a noble sermon and I felt not so cold, but not as fervently as at the Quaker. He has been studying that noble book of Newman's. The Soul: her Sorrows & Aspirations.

- Wm. H. & I went to the magnificent collation after it by special invitation. I heard some magnificent speaking. I made the interesting acquaintance of Mr. & Mrs. Monison. There was a Mr. Bishop (English) who reminded me of a dog flushing partridges when he alluded to Slavery.

I had a long conversation with Dr. Burnap on savior matters: I spent all Friday morning with him.

Another day I spent all the morning and took dinner. Dr. Dewey was present. He was interesting,

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but in politics too Conservative for my young unsophisticated taste.

I was taken very sick on Friday. Couldn't return to my Circuit. I find I have a slight affection of the lungs. Dr. Buckler gave me a prescription therefor.

The most valuable hours I ever remember to have spent were spent 4th Oct. in a long morning conv. with Drs. Dewey & Burnap on the highest problems of Theology.

- Asbury Morgan & Kate Emery are to be married (Phila. Xmas) I don't think appreciates his good fortune enough. He is uneasy because he has never told her he was a skeptic! If he does not woe! – woe!

I've resolved by advice of Drs. Burnap & Dewey to spend a year at Cambridge entering the U. ministry. I asked Dr. B what he thought of my denouncing Trinitarianism in a Sermon in his church just after Conf. The Sermon shall be printed.

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Came home on Thursday. There must have been signal changes in my manners & appearance: for my friends ask me in a whisper what's on my mind? O if they only knew what starting!

This week has been spent mostly in reading Burnap's works which really are charming. I like his Hist. of Xty. far better than Furness's Hist. of Christ. I did not know there was a Burnap in Md.

I have written Pa telling him of my Cambridge plans! O my Father support him in all things.

Alas, poor Becky is at the pt. of death! When I was here last she was strong & healthy. Now we are anticipating the Angel of death every moment. The old lady will quit housekeeping. Becky in her faithful & unselfish care of the preachers reminds me of Lydia in the Acts. Lord support her! She is very happy. I've talked much with her of heaven. Many preachers will drop a tear for Becky.

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7th Nov. Preached a charity sermon at Jeff this morning & aft. Sptl. Rappings at night. These practical subjects are the only ones I can now conscientiously preach. I am sick & faint with the anxiety lest I should on the one hand speak a falsehood in my sermons & on the other lest I should meanly take advantage of my position to propagate my free thought. May my Kind Father lead me aright!

Spent the week in study and wrote sevl. Letters, - also some M.S.S. for print.

13th Preached at Buckeystown on Charity: in the aft. At Hopehill on "Our father who art in H." Eb. – a cold time: - went to Dr. Thompson's. I preached at night on "God is a Spt. &c." in the school – hence at Urbana & had the Coltons.

14. Misses Serena & Cecilia & I went in and spent the chilly morning at Mr. Coltin's: I was in the warmroom but they say the were almost frozen. Mr. C & I conversed abt. very many religious topics. He amazed me by saying he thought the Apostle expected Xt's. speedy return during their lives. I borrowed of him James Martineau's "Endeavors after the Xtian Life."

15th Aft. Went to Jeff. Becky is dead! I remained all night at br. Ervin's and wrote a letter to Ma. Read "Endeavors after the Christian Life" – it is a lovely book. The first Sermon – "The Law of the Spirit of Life in Cht. Jesus" – is simply grand.

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"The gt. Year of Providence" is equally fine. James is rather more sptl. than Harriet: he however is going further into disbelief of Christianity. He is a noble man! – Grace Greenwood writes that she went to hear him.

15th This morning preached Becky's funeral to a good Cong. I never was more affected. We had a weeping time. Went out to Mother R's. The brethren many of them were astonished at my preaching at Becky's funeral that death was not the result of sin. I had not dreamed of the unusualness of the thought with them. I was sorry I had said it. I maintained my pt. albeit they "were astonished at my doctrine." I think immense evil has been done by making men think that death is the constant obvious punishment for sins they've never committed: it makes them discontented with laws that are good: the idea that it came from Adam's sin I have long seen to be nonsense.

Received urgent letters from Pa to come home. Bro Brady & Slicer secretly from me advised him to take me home on acct. of my health. My opinions would have carried me home abt. Christmas but this bronchial affection has saved me the unnecessary duty of going hom on acct. of my religious skepticism.

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19. Went to Brookville and preached on "God is a Spt." I didn't know what fine singers they had until I heard them sing "Naomi!"

20. Went to Fred'k. to a Book Auction. Bt. of Mr. Atkinson a firstrate copy of Erbben for 200 (4 vols) – it probably cost him \$5: he wanted a finer edition which this Auction man had. – I purchased a Prayer bk. (37 1/2) D'Israeli's Cur. of Sit. (1.12 1/2) 2 copies. Rasselas (30) Howitts Journal (1.10) Festus (40c) Abt. 5.30 for Books.

21st Went to Lewistown preached on Immortality. [illegible] Mechanicstown on "Good is a Spt."

22d. Came to Mrs. Fitzhugh's – had a long conversation with Mr. Windres on his High Church principlly. May God protect the dear family I am about to be forever parted from from the narrow principles of High Churchism.

It seems to have been providential that I should have been thrown into intimacy with intelligent High Churchmen & also rigid Calvinists, - for Mr. Atk. & I are investigating that subject. They serve to show me what historic Christianity if made essential will lead to, - on the other what the most consistent "letter religion" really is.

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Mr. Windsor didn't like hearing that I had been invited to preach a Thanksgiving Sermon on the Ep. Ch. (Zim's) It is strange to me. To day is a very snowy time. I must stay.

23d. Left. Went to Middletown, - then to Jeff.

24. Went down to Mr. Simmons': pleasant time.

25. Thanksgiving day! – a gloomy day. We all went to church. I preached on “Say not ye why are ~~not~~ the former days better than these for thou dost not inquire wisely concerning this.” Went over a written Thanksgiving Prayer.

- After went to Mr. J.F. Simmons'. I've rarely enjoyed myself so much. We talked & laughed and when we had done enough of that we read Zschokke.

26th Staid during the morning: in the aft. went away, - was caught in & rode 10 miles in a pouring rain! Got to Fred'k – Bt. that night from br. Tippet 5 dollars worth of Bks. – Huntingford on Trinity (1.00) Hist. of Apostles Creed (1.30) Waterland's Sermons on Div. of Xt. (75) Madge on High Ch. 1.00.

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Sat 27th Went to day up to Mid. Went to Quart. Conf. in the Aft. – the last I'll ever attend! I resigned as Jr. Preacher on acct. of health. I am glad that I will no more be obliged! I received \$50 from the Conf. Went that night to Fred'k city, where I've an appt. tomorrow.

28th Preached at Eb. At 10 o'clock my last week. It was on Elijah's sacrifice compared to Xt.'s Resurrection: a larger congregation. In the Aft. on Heaven at Hopehill: Staid at Mrs. Simmons.

29th Went to Jeff. Spent the week arranging matters to go home. Packed Trunks and answered letters: went to Middletown.

Dec 3d. Preached my last Sermon at Midtown on “Grieve not the Spt. &c.”

Dec 4. Left for Jeff. – preached on Eternal Joy. Preached to a larger cong at Fred'k on “In my father's house &c.” Staid with br. Harden.

Monday 5. Bt. 2 copies Hawthorn's True Stories – sent one to Bro. Brad's Girls, the other kept. Wrote a piece in Mat. Rice's Album & was presented with a fine book mark.

Went to dine at Mr. Murdoch's & spent a pleasant day in the Aft. went over to Mrs. Simmon's to the music meeting – enjoyed myself very much. Annie W. Simmons gave me a Book

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mark which I shall ever hold dear for her sake: What would I think of myself if these little girls ceased to love me!

Tuesday 6th – Farewell! O how sad to go off. I bade them all goodbye – gave Anne a kiss! – Left! I shall not soon forget you all. – My horse almost knocked my head off by nearly falling: I was thrown & he went back & commenced wallowing in a stable yard wh. Was better then going back to Urbana. I got to br. Wilson's (Clksbrg) to dinner: to Brookville at night. Staid at J. Hall's.

7th. Went to Quaker meeting & had a fine time thinking: went to Ed Porter's for a brief while – then to Roger Brooke's: told them all of my intention of going to Cambridge. The old man with the most aff. care advised me not; told me of those who built Babel - & said I was like them.

In the Aft. Went over to Wm.H.F.'s. He was surprised to see me & said that although he had not heard I was in the vicinity he had just been thinking that the wished I would visit him. – wh. he declared was Electric!

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We had a pleasant talk together. I am always charmed with him. There is a diff. of Opinion now on the Subject of Supernatural Chty. I cannot yet give it up: it is too grave a thing to give up so quickly & immodestly: I must study it.

8th Slightly raining. We went together to Olney. I put at Mrs. Farquhar's. Walked up to see the Barnsley's. Miss Annie & I to afford food for Gossip to the girls went together to hear Wm H.F. lecture: it was on the Crusades & Chivalry: very interesting. He came down and dined at Mrs. F's. We all then discussed me & my Cambridge plans. They don't approve them altogether, - indeed they doubt, for fear I'll allow my creed to be made-up! I see the danger now clearly. I'm afraid there's some fault newly come to me as there was not such approval from my Quaker friends. I find it reported all abt. that I'm waiting on Miss Annie!

I staid till 5 o'clock then returned with Wm. H.F. and spent another pleasant & to me instructive night. Our one topic of Conversation almost was Historic Xtianity.

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9th I went with him to Olney to get Wm. & Mary Howitt's Journal which I had left for Mrs. Farquhar to read: thence down to Rockville. Mrs. Dr. Stonestreet I was very sorry to find was away with Mrs. Magruder who is near death. She is a good woman & death will doubly be her gain - but her family!

Went to br. Prettyman's to tea. Sister P. & Miss Margaret were very much shocked at my Unitarianism. O how sad to the flesh are many of the soul's duties. Miss M & I went to the Choir meetg.. It was so familiar so delightful to be there again.

10th A dreadful morning in wh. I could do nothing better then set still & read Howitt's delightful Journal - it is an imported work and contains sketches of English & American [one word illegible] &c. It contains portraits of the very men I wished to see - Lamennais, Thompson, Clarkson, Wright, Emerson &c. It is just the work "for my money."

Aft. Was better though bad - I went to Geotown. Stopped at br. Edes'. Visited Dr. Magruder & br. Brison.

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Sunday 11th Preached at Georgetown on Alms. Went with Mrs. M fr. ch. to dine. I am sorry to hear Miss Rosalie's cough its bad. In the aft. Mrs. M & I went to see a poor woman who was almost too old & weak to walk & was deaf & blind; she had a grown daughter with her who could not read or write. We read & prayed with her. Such an instance of pious resig. under deep aff. gave me a Lesson. I gave her a dollar wh. was all I could afford then. From that house we went a hundred or so yds. to a grand Catholic Ch. to hear Pres. McGuire of the college lecture on Doctrines. It was very able very Jesuitical: but confirmed me in the weakness of Orthodoxy.

- At night I started for Washington but was turned back by Dr. Marbury whom I met near the bridge: I went to his father's, & O what a charming evening I spent! I went to Church with Miss Ellen & she & I had numberless things to say - amongst them are interesting conversation on Liturgies when I gave her some of my Newmanism. A pleasant time - and an excellent sermon fr. Caldwell.

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Monday 12th Went over after hearing much fine music fr. Sue Carr to W. Visited several friends. Dined at S. Rozel's. Found Bp. Ames there in aft. Was very much charmed to find my less orthodox Newman's Phrases of Faith there. Also purchased his "Regal Rome."

- Aft. got all my Trunks over & down to the wharf for 75cts. was charmed to find Dashiele at Edes. Went down to spend an hour or so at Mr. Marbury's. Found Miss Ella perfectly sweet. We commenced a friendly dispute on the doctrine of "perfection," which finally elicited the opinions & attention of all. I stood up firmly for our Meth. Doctrine, and they found out that they really misunderstood what it was in our view.

- Went over to Washington with Dash. we talked on doctrine & I informed him of my intention of leaving the Ch.

Tuesday – Went up to see Macartney who is now a Unitarian. When we left each other in 1848 how little did we suppose we should meet under such curious timing. We walked & talked a long time in the Carlisle Yard. He abuses Trinitarianism

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for perverting man's notions of human nature. I dislike its perversion of God's nature. At two I went by engagt. to the Senate Chamber where Dr. Baily introduced me to Charles Sumner, who will introduce me at Cambridge. Dined at br. Havenner's went to see them at Uncle Cushing's. Pet is lovely: the baby also.

At night tried to go to Alex. Horse came near leaping off the bridge in the Aqueduct: after going almost over a Boat came and drove me back. I staid all night in G. Went around & spent the evg. with Js. Sewall & we had much pleasant Theology talk. I can perceive easily that he is as settled a skeptic as I am! Poor fellow! if he is! for to be chained to false position is death!

14th: Went to Alex. Stopped at br. Walter's. Sat some time at Benj. Hallowell's talking to Mrs. Miller – found her more interesting than before marriage: she's perfection! Sent Emerson's Nat. &c & "Phases" to Wm.H.F.

Aft. – started homeward! Got only to Occoquan. Time was rendered more agreeable by meeting a young Theologic student going to the High Sch. at Alex. We got

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into an animated debate abt. Trinity &c I took the Unitarian side. A young man, resident, came in while we were talking and soon became interested. He addressed me "You believe that one who is sorry for sin may go to God directly & be pardoned?" I replied "If we confess our sins God is faithful & just to forgive us our sins." He shook his head & said If I believed that I'd fly to him. The Theo. Student felt I believe the Superiority of my idea of God to his!

- Slept coldly at night, abominable lodging – but how man worse off.

15th Took leave Kindly with the young priest who left me an exhortation. Got to Ct. H. in a snow, kindly received.

- Went through the rain to Falmo. Got there abt. twilight in an awful rain: - forgot all my sorrows, all my cares, in the comforts of dear dear home. O my Father may my love & fond memory of Home never cease: how often the line comes to me – "All that the heart can dream of heaven a home" "Home again" The sweet new song vibrates in my heart as I sit here at HOME!

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I find more changed: all looking well. ~~I'm afraid Richard is exhibiting the same nervous tendencies of my dear brother gone, who once said in his mania "I will live again in Richard as Monk is the soul of Milton"~~ May God defend poor Tim, ~~from that nervous affection.~~
During the following two days of the week I did little else than talk – listen to Mill on the Piano – and on Sat. ev'g. arranged all my Books in my Sib. I have abt. 140.
18th – a fine Sunday morning. Went to the Meth. Ch. & heard a fine Sermon fr. Mr. Krebs on "bearing one another's burdens." Sunday evening was spent in reading "Phrases."
19. Went with Mill to Fred'g.; returned. Had a long talk with Ma about my Unitarianism. I have had several long discussions with Pa on the subject. He seems to suffer so much by them that I shall always try to keep the subject away fr. our circle. I have a presentment that these two months are the last I shall ever spend peacefully at home. I would not have the benefit & enjoyment marred for any of us by Controversy. All that they wish me to do in reading & examining their Books &c I will do gladly. I've commenced Music Lessons with Mill!

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During the week purchased presents for all of the folks at home: was over in Fred'g. Had a talk with uncle E. on Slavery; ~~he said he'd have me drummed out of town!~~ Bev. Wellford & I also had a conv. He used to be vastly conservative now he's a Calhoun man!

I find Old Fred'g. which is what [one name illegible] would call his girl – "The dearest alive," in status quo – new Ct. H. & other nugae expected. I'm glad to get back.
Christmas morning – rainy, rainy! We have fine times at home at any rate. This is the first Xmas we have ~~also~~ all been together since 1850: but one is not here now!

The Children are delighted with the riches which Chris Cringle has reaped into their stockings; and Sunday startly cracker reports bear witness to their joy. Mill & I have had the pleasure of giving them Dr. Walt's Youthful Poems & Rasselas and they are satisfied. We have also just received a hard scolding from Ma for buying her a noble copy of Longfellow for 3.50. I've given Mill Zschokke's Tales.

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I've received Gifts of a Splendid Gold pen & pencil from Ma & a fine umbrella fr. Mill. Xmas night I set off fire works in the yard for the benefit of white & blk.

26th A fine Sunday morning. Mr. K preached on the Divinity of Xt. – and I had to follow in Prayer! I prayed scripturally. I dined at Uncle E.'s; went down after dinner to J. Minor's with Landon Eliasion. Had some pleasant conversation. We all took a walk to Stafford. On our return J.M. & I got into a talk on the Moral Sentiments: he is taking the side with Hobbes. I had to break off the talk to go to br. K's. – took tea with him. "I inferred" he said "from your prayer today that you were a Unitarian." "I am." Then for a talk that lasted till Ch. time & after ch. till very late.

27th – Came off to go home – called at Dr. Gordon's – rain kept me there all day & all night. We had much talk on Metaphysics & Theology & Politics: he is Skeptical & ought to have Unitarian. He said he's afraid to read Channing. I will attend to this more, he & I will have some talk on this.

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Tuesday 28th Came over. Sister Wilson and Mrs. Griffith are both here. The Material is out full of interesting matter, but with a horrible face of McClintock in it. Received 3 of his Pamphlets from M.R.K. Garnett, a man of fine powers & attainments but an unsafe thinker. Read a fine religious letter fr. John Randolph to St. Geo. Tucker his bro. On the Death of his son. What a man was Randolph I shall require more evidence to require him a madman.

29th Went up to Mrs. Jett's. Read during the day. Aft. went up to Mr. Fickler – found many ladies. Item – wrote this day 3 letters – one to Lyt. Morgan on to Dr. Burnap – one to J.S. Deale cont: \$10 for Ch.

Br. Wilson came, - found him pleasant as usual.

30th Remained at home reading Burnap's exhortation. Br. Wilson returned fr. Fred'g, and asked me for 15 minutes conv. It was to talk on the subject of Religion: his whole request was that in taking the step into Unitarianism I should not be precipitate. I don't think I am, I trust I will not: but br. W must remember that I have been exercised on these things, 4 yrs. & am prepared at least to say what I cannot believe. May God assert me to be humble & true.

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To day br. Krebs, Griffith, & Lambeth dined here. We had a pleasant time. In the evening I read New Years Eve by Zschokke: it's very fine. Heard br. G preach at night "Her ways pleasantness &c." There was quite an argt. On the Intuitions & Reason tonight – arising fr. a remark on Ma's that boys in games had rules & girls none. She & I upheld the sentiments as Truth – Pa took sides with br. W. I think our side beat. Br. W couldn't get over the fact that the sentiments of one age became the best history and belief of the next.

31st of December 1852. Well we have come to the close of the year! A kind Providence has kept me through danger and trial. God be merciful. Had a long argt. With Mill on the Diety of Xt. & found her thoughts posted. I had much mental trouble as to what is right for me to do under such circumstances. I do not wish to suggest doubts to her, and neither do I find it right to decline a defense of myself. Prepared books for presents on New Year's day to Mary E. Jett Mildred & Elizabeth Humphries. They are girls in humble circumstances, but sensible and modest: I wished to show them I hadn't forgotten my early schoolmates.

Went to Fred'g. to Dr. Gordon's – went with him to the Chess Club where as is my fate I got into an argt. on Slavery. Went to a watch night mtg. Heard br. Krebs Wilson and Griffith – staid at Dr. Gordon's.

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January 1st Another Year has dawned on me. I watched for it last night and at midnight I sang on my knees the covenant of hymn. I hope I did so with a true and sincere Revolution to dedicate myself afresh to God. The old sacrifices of ceremony are done away with, but God demands the sacrifice of my entire being to him.

This morning by engag't. I went to have a conv. With N. Wilson. It was a serious one. He protested before that I should wait till grown old before deciding. I told him that I thought that this cure was said to be in age for skepticism was simply, that persons got so entwined with earth's cares & uses that they became to wd. the last inclined to temporize! He said that he supposed I was sincere when I spoke of being converted, - but he thought he could awaken a doubt of it in my mind. I went over all my religious experience. He found fault only with the fact that I did not speak of having the Bible with me in all my exercises: but I think he was convinced of my conversion. I met with Jack Marys who gave me a Lecture & afterward fr. wht he said Pa was excited thinking I had been divulging my "peculiar news" it grieves me very much that my opinions excite him so much. O if only I could do anything to relieve it: - I cannot. The other ev'g he almost gave away to Mr. Wilson 4 Scholarships at Dickinson wh. he paid \$25 apiece for simply because he believed they had helped to unsettle my faith there in latitudinarian teaching!

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We all dined at Uncle Eustace's – discussed politics & as Dr. D. said "beef & literature." Purchased 1 pr. boots \$3.50 footed.

- Tonight Uncle John & I got into a discussion bearing upon Ancient & modern Literature – he upholding the former & abusing this wh. I took up for. In this course some of the modern radicals were mentioned wh. Brought out Pa's interpretive power. O what a time!

I feel tonight somewhat sad: I find how little sympathy I have with the exciting state of things. As I saw the Slave – hiring today I found out how much hatred I had of the Institution – and how much contempt for the persons engaged in it. "You look," said a friend "as if you were not in the world." I am not. My dear relations and friends cannot sympathize with & encourage the deepest chords of Faith & Reverence in my soul. Courage my soul! Your Infinite Father has not forgotten Thee! To him thou art more precious than many sparrows; with him thy every hair is numbered. O My Father do thou love me in this line of fire. O do thou guard me through the dark valley. Wilt thou be my father & I thy child – obedient loving: make my heart purer – may the relation between my heart & Thee be enduring and constant. Bless my Father & mother may they find support in Thee & do then help me to act by the Resolution that I write hereafter live a more tender son to them. Do then bless Mildred.

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my dear sister – may see be in they care. O Lord thou knowest how I love her. And do then bless my little brothers & may they grow up in thy ways. And O be with all my friends, - and all others – the poor & sorrowful. I feel like the sorrows of life have entwined new chords in my soul with all who mourn. Wilt then be pleased, O my Father, to guide me aright especially in the effort to seek after the Truth: illuminate my feeble mind; help me to be humble to the "Spirit of Truth" and in that Truth whereinto it shall lead me may it be a Comforter. O for Light & Humility.

Guide me O Thou Great Jehovah
Pilgrim through the barren land
I am weak but Thou are mighty
Hold me by Thy Powerful hand. Amen!

It is now late. I sat up till near one last night. I will lay down & sleep; and I feel tonight the full blessing of the words, "Beloved, if our hearts condemn us not then have we confidence toward God." I feel that tonight I love God & my friends & all men: "Who so loveth is borne of God!" I can say now with my early Trust.

And now I lay me down to sleep; I pray the Lord my soul to keep

And if I die before I wake

I pray the Lord my soul to take

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2nd A lovely Sunday morning. I went over to Fred's Church. N. Wilson preached a Sermon on "I love them that love me & those that seek me early shall find." It was an able & logical Plea for an Eternal Rev. – Such as I wished to hear. We had the Communion afterward. – wh. I enjoyed. Aft. – Uncle John H.D. & I read two Sermons from Burnap, - on Original Sin & Election & Rep. They were conclusive: - much more so than N.W.'s sermon on "How a man be just with God." I was led to reflect how awful was the Doctrine of Satisfaction, - & how little I would like a child of mine, if I had one, to be taught it. Several times he used the words "God was bound &c!" I over that I believe the God he spoke of unloveable. Ma & Mill & I had a muddy walk to & fro.

30. Uncle J & Myself went today out, to John Moncure Jr's. We met Judge M & Lady coming in. We spent a pleasant day with John's pleasant wife, - one of the rarest wives, I wish I had such a one. O how I would love her. This day I've read in the Sun "Married in Phila. on the 28th Dec. by the Rev. G.R. Crooks, J. Asbury Morgan to Catherine Emory daughter of the late Bp. Emory!" αεί ες κτημα.

They laughed at and persecuted me much today abt. my radicalisms & skepticisms, - my &c. I often am tempted to renounce all opinions but those of the company I'm in God help me.

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Pa read us aloud at night an Art. in the Quarterly on Bp. Hedding – very affecting also a tolerably fine one on Reason & Religion from Prof. Johnson of Carlisle. I remember to have had a conv. With him more interesting on that subj.

4th Ladies here to dine in the Aft. Up to that time I talked with Uncle J & Ma. Mrs. Ficklin & Mrs. Magruder left at 6. – the Masons came in remained till 9. It makes me feel old to see them & I grown up!

5th Went up to Mr. Ficklin's. Mr. Maguire dined there – had some pleasant conversation on Religious topics. He took the Low Ch. ground on Baptism. Mrs. Magruder had 2 children baptized. The service should be changed. Wrote letters at night to Lupton, Tribune, J.R. Thompson – Miss Mag. Prettyman. To bed.

6th Had a long conv. with Ma on Rel. and personalities. Aft. Went to Fred's to the Young Ladies' Club by special inv. At Dr. Gorden's. Little Ellen very sweet.

7th Went down to C.B. White & received the bk. I had been so anxious to get – Eclipse of Faith; commenced reading it. Maria Wilson & Lizzie White came over with Mill. We had a very pleasant ev'g. I'm surprised how much I like the society of very young girls.

8th The girls staid until aft: - we read Zschokke's Jon Frock. Went over with them to Fred's. Went to

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the Young Men's Soc. – made 3 speeches on, whether Romanism is dangerous to our Rep. Institutions. Yes – said I, - none with me – 3 opp. Went to spend Night with Laurence Marys, found him smart & talkative as ever.

9th Met the family & had Prayer. At the breakfast Table Mr. & Mrs. Marys & I discussed Calvinism. If circumstances had so willed it he too, I am sure, as well as others I know in F. would have been a Unitarian. – Went to hear Mr. K preach. “What doth the Lord thy God require &c.” Went home and read “The Eclipse” – deeply interesting.

- Spent the week reading this and other books. During this week Mill & I commenced a very fine Scrap-bk. Received Letters from Burnap – Ridgaway &c.

Bane & antidote are both before me!

I find that my mind is becoming more definite on the subject of my religious Belief – much whereof I ascribe to the “Eclipse” bk. I have come to regard an External Rev. as of mere importance. William H. Farquhar writes he is coming to see me: I'm very glad to hear it. I want sympathy for my views; I have much for my self. I also wish him to deliver a Lecture before the F.Y.M. Soc. when he comes.

Commenced Bleak House and think for the first 10 numbers the work infuser of all Dickens' works.

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15th Received a Note from Mrs. Krebs requesting me to preach next day, as Mr. K was in W. Went to Fredg. – Thence to spend the day at Mr. [one name illegible] M.W. & S.W. & M.C. there – a pleasant playtime. Aft. rode back to prepare for the morrow.

16. An extremely cold day. Went to Fred'g & preached fr. “God is a Spt. &c.” Dined at Uncle E's – J.U. & wife there. We walked out in the Aft. – I took tea at K's – went to Ch. & prayed. Staid at K's all night.

17. Called on several friends, - then went home. In Aft. had designed several Letters: but Mr. Griffith & wife came.

18. Spent the morning in Letters to Wm. H. Farquhar, H.B. Ridgaway, & Dr. Burnap. Catalogue of Dr. Kinser came & my name was omitted amongst A.M.'s! Wrote to Prof. Marshall abt. it.

19. Wrote to Mrs. Atkinson, Harden, P. Fitzhugh – I wrote to the latter about the death of the young churchman, Windsor – who I see by the Sun is dead. Wrote a piece on Goethe's backwards *Dass mehr Licht hereinkomme* in Maria Wilson's album.

20th Read to the 10th of Bleak House. Mr. Krook's Spontaneous Combustion is as funny as awful. At tea this evening something happened that pained me much. Tim flatly contradicted Mill in something – or said something of the sort. I was irritated & cried “Do you mean to say she lies?” – Ma rebuked me with a faltering for using such a word.

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~~I knew why her voice faltered & O how I could have wept for it came over me that once at the table Dear Peyt had contradicted Ma & Pa used to him the same words harshly! O how awfully like Peyt is Richard. God bless us all. Ma is just finishing M. Fuller's Memoirs!~~

21. Took a delightful walk. Ma brought me a litter Scrap written in poor Peyt's hand: -

Kennst due das: land wo die citronen blühn
Im dunkeln laub die gold – orangen glühn.
Knowest Thou the Land where the citrus blooms
In the dark shade the gold orange gleams.

22d. Went to Fred'g. Took tea at br. K's. Went around to the Y.M. Soc. – spoke in favor of the Sup. of Moderns to Ancients – carried the Ques. Slept with L Eliasen. Item – today united McPhails, Knoxes, Gordons, Braxtons.

23. Armistead Carter at uncle E's – enjoyed his Company very much. Heard Mr. K preach finely. Went home.

24. The week spent generally in my studies. ----

28. The gt. party at Greens. Miss Annie Knox spent the night. – Received Letters from Burnap, Lupton, Brad.

30. A fine Sermon from Krebs in "Then they who feared &c." Aft. walked out to Judge Moncures. Staid all night at John's – had a pleasant visit. Today read through Hebrews. I doubt its being written by Paul at all even in Hebrew. Had a conv. with John on Slavery. Letter from Wm. H. Farquhar.

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Monday 31. Uncle Val came down: poor Muggy is consumptive! Aunt Betty & I went to Fg. together. Walked with Sandy Little – Took tea at Dr. Gordon's – he has gone South. We all went to T. Knox's – a pleasant company. Made a "table turning."

Feb 1. Left in a high quarrel with Ellen all fun with child Found a large company of Preacher & fam. at home: had a pleasant – very pl. time. Did some copying: read one of Zschokke's (or as Annie Knox says Shocking) Tales. Visited the ladies at Cap. Green's – found them at Cards! – if they'd been Angels I couldn't have respected after that...To night Pa reminded me of a bad habit I had of half laughing after every thing I say. This is to be broken.

2nd Went to Mr. Griffith's to take dinner. Had a pleasant time – Bought a "Student's Bible wh. I value. At night went to Nelly Fitzhugh's party. Took tea at Dr. Nelson's.

3rd Went home. We all read Bl'k House.

4th Went to Wm. French's to see young Brooke fr. Loudoun with Eliasen.

5. Went over to young men's Soc. Discussed In. Copyright carried I wd. it were carried in the Senate &c.

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6th The rainiest Sunday this year. Spent the day reading Milton's Paradise Lost. Milton like other grand objects has not been grand until I've given him a long gaze. His power was never so overwhelming before this.

7th Went home in the carriage: & for some days spent the time making Scrap Bks. & reading.

9th Went down to uncle J.H. Daniel's. He is then to be certainly married! Fixing up his house. We talked and read much together as usual.

10. A pleasant ride home. Read Mrs. Tyler's Letter to the Women of England.

11. Went to Fred'g. N.B. Semple & S. Wellford died suddenly. There was a tremendous funeral & S. visited around with Mill. Had my hair cut.

12. Went over to Fred'g. Wm. H.F. came at last!! O how glad I am! W. came over. Was very sorry Pa went to the Ct. H. because he regarded Wm. H. as having something to do with my Unitarianism. All are pleased with Mr. F. he is charming.

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At night he lectured. It was the finest Lecture I ever heard in Fred'g. Everyone was charmed by it. Sunday came & Mr. F. & I took a stroll until 2 o'clock above the falls. O the delights of Chat Walk – they are ineffable! How lovely the communion of loving minds & hearts.

This is the last day I am to spend at home at present. May God help us all – my parents above all. O Father thou knowest that I wouldn't love to grieve them.

14. Took my leave. When shall I see them again. Aunt Betty, Annie, & Jannet Knox went to the Depot to see me off. Jannet disturbed me very much by plaguing me about Annie F. before Wm H. - we had a charming trip up the river – I parted fr. Wm. H. with much heaviness; at night was at Uncle Craves in Balt. Went that night to hear Thackeray.

I spent a delightful week (& more) in B. Saw many friends – talked much abt. Unitarianism & Trinitarianism. I was very much pleased at the absence

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of all bitterness amongst my Trinitarian Bretheren abt. this matter of mine. They were very kind. Some of them I found were not inwardly what they were apparently. They wished me too to bridge the matter over with Arianism. But no I shall try to forget circumstances in taking my stand for God & truth.

- Asbury & Kate seem to be getting on friendly – Kate gave me an acct. of how she went to see Dr. Burnap Lecture on the Unity of Xt. & cried all the time. I gave her his "Objections considered."

23d. Left in a bad dismal rain for Philadelphia. Put up at the Columbia House. Went around to Dr. Crook's to carry Kate's bundle. He told that If I would go to Harvard study faithfully & call no man master bring my Creed back there he would subscribe it. Spent the ev'g with Dr. Furness & found him & his family delightful. His son goes to Camb.

24. To N. York. Stopped at Mr. Osgood's. I don't like them much there - & now am sorry I staid at night there for I think it is not customary here even for brother ministers to stay at each others houses.

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Went at night to hear Geo Armne's Lecture in "France." It was good. I don't think him as clever as Charles.

25. To Boston. On the way the Cars ran into a train & smash! Reached Boston abt. 6. Put up at Marlboro House. A very orderly pleasant & orthodox place. They had prayers morning & night. At which a Piano with Aeolian addition was used. The first thing that strikes me hereabout is the extreme culture of music. After prayers there was singing till bed time.

26. I was introduced to many fine men & preachers. Dr. Young carried me abt. to look at various places. It was with a thrill that I cannot describe that I saw the Cradle of Liberty – Hancock House &c. &c.

I met with James McFarland with whom I anticipate a pleasant intercourse. I met Mrs. Lincoln, [one name illegible], Ellis. Went to Cambridge with McF. – was introduced to Dr. Noyes – found a room (34) bt. Carpet &c.

27. Went to hear Theo. Parker. His sermon was in Good & Evil Temper. “Better is a durian of herbs &c.” – Text.

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I don't like him at all: & wish I had worshipped at King's Chapel with dear Mr. Peabody who with his whole family I love in Truth. Aft. I went down to hear Father Taylor, - a good Sermon, but I think the old man is failing! He insisted in my going into his house afterward. He was at first inclined to be sincere abt. my leaving the M.E.C. “Brother, said I, if I could only be like some of the New England Meth. – you for instance be a Meth. & say I didn't believe the Trinity I would have done so: but Meth. Here & in the Balt. Conf. differ.” The old man relented at once: - “Well said, he, our Southern Brethren are very strict abt. what they know nothing.”

At night I heard my first Oratorio. O the ineffable delight. Fifty Sermons such as I heard in the same place in the morning could not breathe do much piety & sublimity through my soul as that grand Oratorio of the Messiah (& David) from the Handel & Hayden society.

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This week was occupied in arranging my room. – Meantime I made pleasant acquaintances Dr. Palfrey, J [one word illegible] & the families of several of the faculty. I find Cambridge & Boston charming. Friday night Mar. 4 I went to a reunion at Mr. [one word illegible]. Sat a bad day.

Sunday 6th morning heard a very fine sermon fr. Dr. Francis on the Text “The wicked shall not understand but the nobler sh. Understand.” I felt very peaceful at the communion: and my heart repeated until my eyes overflowed the sweet Hymn “Jesus and shall it ever be a mortal man ashamed of thee.”

I was introduced to Dr. Walker.

Aft. I went to King's Chapel – The most interesting Ch. In America to me. I took tea at Dr. Peabody whom I love more & more. He is so kind at night I had another treat in the Judas of Handel by the [one word illegible] Soc. O how grand it was – for [one word illegible] all I had ever heard I anticipate the greatest gratification of my passion for music in Boston.

- Went to Cambridge on the floor of a omnibus which was like a box of figs.

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Monday 7th Paid Mrs. McGee my board 2.75. I carried over G.F. & M.G.'s Pamphlets to Dr. Palfrey. Today our session commences.

8. Dr. Noyes gave us Exeget. subj. - & Dr. F. met us.

9. A very bad day. Had an interesting time in Dr. N's room discussing Fowle's essay wh. was Optimism. Bought Norton & Mellon's Prose. French Dr. N. gave me a list of books.

10. Spent the day in Boston – expected a gt. time at the Temp. Conv. it came off at night. Bt. Channing's Memoirs – Bible News &c. Went over with Little. Miss Palfrey came back with her mother. Letter fr. Home. Met with Theo Packer. I shall not ever like him. He is helping me to find Ben Wms. a fugitive fr. our neighborhood. Aunt Nancy's husband. He remembered an Art. I sent more than 3 ys. Ago to the XIX Cent. Rev. Gave me a copy of his "Two Sermons" wh. I don't like.

11. Wrote home. Wrote for Dr. Francis a Sermon Sketch on Phil 3.13 & th. Had a debate at night on the Basis of Distinctions. I made my debut – agt. Benthamism. I was extremely shocked to see in the Ex. The death of Vivian Daniel.

This ev'g as usual performed on the Organ – we shall have a good choir.

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12. Read 12th Blk. House – tedious. Heard a fine Lect. On Prophecies Mess. by Dr. N. Not quite satisfactory. Wrote Dr. Burnap. Read Extracts fr. Blanco White's Jour..

13. A lovely Sunday. Walked over to Boston and heard Dr. Peabody preach on the Text "Redeeming the time." I trust indeed I know that I was benefited by the Sermon wh. I regard as one of the best I ever heard form the Lives and Hearts of man.

- Aft. heard a very dry Sermon from Mr. Newell: sat in Mr. Palfrey's pew and had a pleasant walk with him to Dio. Hall.

Spent the ev'g. with Longfellow! O what an event! I found him everlong worthy of his works with a sweet & smiling family around him. There was a pleasant young English lady there – Miss Davis. Topics – Modern Authors, Personalities of Boston &c, and mainly Va & Slavery about which the lady was quite anxious. On returning I had not so pleasant a contriv. On Slavery with Fowler & Hine, who are fanatics and who I fear will make me an old Hunker.

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14. Delivered my Board to Stewart. Bt. Martineau's Miscellanies (1.25) Took 4 Bks. Out of the Lib. Received a Letter from Dr. McClintock: wrote one to Ash Morgan. How do I love these and all my friends. But Alas, for our human feelings! – It comes over me, how sadly yet sweetly of the Sunday just one year ago when the coffin was brt. to the house. Shall I never forget that time? – Too fraught with meaning & experience, however melancholy.

We will grieve not, rather find
Strength in what remains behind;
In the primal Sympathy
Which having been must ever be,
In the soothing thoughts that spring
Out of human suffering;
In the faith that looks this' death.

In year that bring the philosopie to mind.

17th My 21st birthday! This morning I thought the Irish girl who attended the room would eat me up because I was born on St. Patrick's Day. – This a beautiful day. Ma writes me abt. the use of my “freedom in years” which I have now attained. My dear kind mother is able to prophesy what of my majority, - for I shall never want nor have more freedom from my parents than I've ever had – which surely is all I should have.

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In all my life I never pined for this day. O my Father may I be Thine, – may I never outgrow humility and modesty: do then watch over me in the world as my mother & father watched in my unconscious childhood.

- I went at night to the Cath. Ch. heard a rhapsody from a Jesuit priest on St. Patrick. They sang St. Pat's day.

Friday 18. J. Sparks had a party at night. – two weeks ago I was invited; to night not. So I am not of as much importance as I thought I was.

19. Heard some sweet music at Rehearsal. Camille Urso played the Carnival d.v..

27. I heard a most noble Sermon this Easter Sunday fr. my dear pastor who is going away soon to Europe. He preached on Life & Immort. Brt. to Light by Xt. O how glorious is the Christian hope. It burst on me fully this Sunday as I partook the Communion. O I know I love my dear Redeemer. I dined with them at Dr. P's. Aft. went to the Quaker meeting. Reflected on the early persecutions of that Sect. whose only testimony now is small house in Milton place – where they have a meeting once a year - reminds one of the 100 y. Cactus.

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20. Heard Dr. Frothingham preach at K. Ch. Mr. Peabody's mother was dead. Went to hear Dr. Cummings in the evening in the Broomfield St. Ch.

At night by the kindness of Dr. Derby I was carried to the rehearsal of Handel's Creation – the real Oratorio.

21. Went over in the aft. to Boston: was at the Association at Dr. Frothingham's where I enjoyed myself very much. I went away abt. 8 ½ o'clock to the best of the instrumental concert's (Dresel's) to wh. Dr. Derby was kind to give me a Ticket wh. would have cost me \$1.00 otherwise.

22. Went to hear Dr. Holmes 1st Lowell Lect. on the English Poets. It was ~~on Byron & Moore & far better than that~~ on Rogers, Campbell, & Montgomery last Tuesday – (his first).

24. Alcott's conversation

25. Another Lect. ~~Scott & Macaulay~~ – not so good. Byron & Moore – very good.

26. Another fine rehearsal.

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28. A walk to Mt. Auburn with Metcalf.

29. A Lect fr. Dr. H Coleridge ~~Coleridge~~ Scott & Macaulay

30. evg A delightful religious meeting for conv.

31. Took tea at Dr. Francis met a daughter of Prof. Webster's there. Pleasant evening. Came back to hear Alcott's dry conv.

Ap. 1 All fool's day. Lect. fr. Holmes Coleridge. Went with [one word illegible] ticket.

2. Rehearsal in the Aft.

3. Heard a fine sermon to the Despondent in the morning & Resser. of Xt in the aft.

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in J.F. Clark's Ch. P. Mr. Peabody. At night heard the grand Oratorio "Creation!"

4. Read after writing my first exercise in the School – Conversion. I had a delightful religious conversation – like a Class meeting – in my room – Put my lovely picture up this ev'g – the Angels of the [one word illegible]. It will be much sweet company to me – my faith may make it perpetual Sacrament. Letter fr. home – Ma.

5. Read a History of Menachism. Went to hear ↑Dr. Holmes↓ 5th Dec. Soutbey & Landor – good.

6. I have been reading Browning with gt. delight but regret that I had not studied him before. I wish I read Paracelsus long ago. I read to day the Blot on the Scutcheon. The painful impression it left was only relieved by a long fine letter from beloved Wm. H.F.

7th Fast day! – who feels like it: I don't. Went to Charlestown this morning & heard a curious sermon fr. Geo. Ellis from Acts 19.32. In the Aft. went down there to a Sunday Sch. Celebration. He introduced me to the Cong. by giving a little of my Biogr. wh. I didn't like. I delivered to the children a 10 m. speech – Spent the even'g with Mr. Palfrey – met another daughter Sarah.

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8th Took tea at Dr. Young's; went to Mrs. [one name illegible] Rehears. - got to Holmes Lec. Nearly too late. It was on Keats – not overgood.

9th

10th Heard Dr. Peabody's Farewell Sermon before going to Europe. It was on St. P. to Rom.

12.1. A noble Sermon. I'm so sorry to part fr. him. I went over to C. – heard Ellis in the aft. on "Secret things of wisdom are double &c" fr. Job. – Took tea at Dr. Walker's & found him very fascinating indeed.

Monday & Tuesday wet day; read & wrote.

13. Wedns. A famous day. Went with Miss Rogers to see Dr. P off in the Niagara. Heard Dr. H. on Shelley.

14. Wet day. Wrote sermon on 2. Cor. 1v2 &c. Read some curious old papers on Va. I found I have neglected my Journal the only thing worth thinking abt. now is the Opera. I heard Sonnambula - my first! Barber of Seville – 2nd!!

- Went to [one word illegible] ch. Spent an ev'g at Palfrey's. Heard Holmes. Saw Longfellow.

Thursday 29 Finished Exeget. on Slavery.

Friday – Mrs. Sparks levee.

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~~Apr. 30~~ May 1 Heard Mr. Pope at K. Chapel this morn'g. Took tea at Mr. Sparks; after he his wife and I took an Omnibus to the "Stabat mater" given by [one word illegible]. It was glorious.

May 2. Spent the ev'g by invitation at Andrew Norton's. Very much interested.

May 3. The most memorable day of my life: spent with R.W. Emerson!

4. Went to Installation of Rufus Ellis: a fine collation afterward.

5. Went over with Palfrey's to Hale dinner.

6. Purchased 3 vols. (12 nos.) "Dial."

7. Wrote an essay on Eschatology

8. Spent the day with Geo. Ellis.

Several rainy days that I spent in reading &c. Received Letters fr. Annie Simmons.

11. [one word illegible] Lec. by Burnap. Had a pleasant day. Boston in ev'g.

12. Dined with Thomas – King.

13. Walked to Mt. Auburn.

14. Went to a house the other side of Mt. Auburn – a magnificent place with Metcalf. Wrote much on Hist. of Inquisition.

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On reopening this Bk. I find I have neglected it shamefully. The time of a month & a half has past since it was opened. But thought I have not written down all the experiences of the time I hope they are recorded somehow & somewhere within me.

27th June. After Commencement fatigues here am I at Concord.

Took Tea & had long talk with Thoreau.

28. Long walk with Thoreau.

29. Read through this eveng Wilhelm Meister. I am now introduced to Goethe. What will come of it. This Bk. Is an era in my reading.

29. Wrote to Ma & Mr. Farquhar. Read part on Yeast: tired me.