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Sept 24th

Was a season of communion previous to my leaving two were ~~[illegible]~~ added to the church. A. Miller and Mrs Moser. Sermons somewhat interesting and I hope profitable. Addressed some of my dear people doubtless for the last time on an occasion like the present. Felt deeply impressed with the thought that perhaps for the last time I was proclaiming to some perishing sinners for the last, that yet there is room. Yet salvation be had without money & without price. All appeared solemn and attentive but alas few few felt the awful truth. In the eve. meeting at the Mission house.

Tues 25th Spent most of the day in visiting, was [illegible] in morning severely bruised my thumb by a fall. Called upon Elizabeth Smith an orphan who has been sick for some time, and her recovery doubtful. Inquired of her if she

found delight in prayer on her bed of sickness.
with a cheerful smile (fastening her eyes upon me)
~~[illegible]~~ she replied, "yes I do I want to hear and think a-
bout nothing else but God. And never did I want
to hear Christians pray so much before." ~~[illegible]~~
I inquired after some conversation ~~[illegible]~~ if she had things com-
fortable, as the case may be, "Don't you want something!" "No" she said
and if she did not need it
I have enough. I don't concern myself about my
body ~~in~~ (what I shall eat.) If I have that which is good
I thank God and if it is not so good I think God
give it to me and so I thank him. When about
to leave prayer was proposed in wh. she seemed very
anxious to unite. ~~I then~~ and then inquired if there was any-
thing in particular wh. she desired? "Yes" she replied
"I want to have God give me more ~~good thoughts~~,
and enable me to hold out to the end." She then
~~went on~~ proceeded to give some account of her children.
"At first" says she "I think about my children
now they will have nobody to take care of them, (I have
no relations here to take care of them) I then cry
but I think of God, & so I give them up to him
I then feel better, I cry no more, and now feel
willing to go or stay just as He pleases. All I

want is to have my Children & friends good." I then prayed and left her expecting to see no more on this side eternity but I felt it good to be there. To go to the house of sickness or mourning I find better than to go to the house of feasting.

Wed. 12th In the A.M. visited some. Called on Esther Littleman. Blind Esther as she is called now 78 years of age the oldest one excepted (old Anna who is 85) in the town. Found that the infirmities of age were fast creeping upon her; yet she seemed very comfortable in her mind and gives much evidence of being a christian. She says I want all to be christians then I go pointing upwards ——

Sab. 16. Weather pleasant. In the morn. crossed the river and went in pursuit of our Indian boy who did not return the eve. before. When I arrived at the upper landing I seemed to have got beyond the Sab. There were boats loading & business going on the same as on other days. Or as tho God had never said remember the Sab. day &c. I then passed on to t. lower ford landing half or 3/4 of a m. there were a large band of the Ind. removing their lodges and preparing for to proceed down the river besides a number of French tents. But O the Sab. these poor Ind. know not, neither t. God of it, & the French in respect to practice are nearly the same—

Returned between 10 & 11 o. clock and went meeting. In t. A. M. pr. to t. young, wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? and in t. P. M. pr. from 1 Pet. 4:18. the difficulty with wh. t. righteous will be saved & t. certainty of the destruction of t. wicked. In the eve. meeting a Tim— Jourdains. Both solemn & interesting. Many wept and all listened with fixed attention.

John. Tr. C. Arose & said Father I have a few words to say to you. The time draws near in wh. you must leave. God only knows how soon. Sorrow fills my heart, but it has been so ordered & I must submit. The time seems very short since you came amongst us, many have died since you came and probably more will before you return. You have spoken a great many good words wh. might have done a great deal of good if we had listened. I cannot say that you have not been faithful to me for you have declared to me my danger & my remedy. You have probably spoken to some for the last time, & they will hear you nomore. You will have much good news to tell the good people where you go. A few years ago not a quarter part of the people attended meeting that now attend, and there were never somany belonged to the church before. Still there are a good many that keep back. A little while and I was considered a hopeless case, but God I hope has had mercy on me. And I hope that there will be a good many when you return that will shake hands with you and tell you that they have been trying to walk in the way of Gods commands.—

17th Mon. In the morn. our boy left again & went to some wig-wams. I followed him, and requested him to return but he refused. I then laid hands upon and compelled him to leave the

Lodge but did not succeed in getting him — left him & he soon followed — O my soul this has been a bitter day. I cannot charge myself with angry, revengeful feelings, but I fear that I was too rash — Pardon me O my God if I was in that respect guilty of sin —

- In the eve. walked out and took a sudden cold.

18th Tues. About noon returning from Mr Shermans felt sore in my limbs, & somewhat unwell; but returned and lay down to rest. In the P. M. was taken with a severe headache wh. lasted until I got rest by sleep.

Wed. 19. A little better but still my head remained affected. In the eve. more unwell.

Thurs 20. In the morn. felt better but in the P. M. had some fever. In t. eve. still more unwell than I had been. Resolved to take medicine the next day.

Fr. 21. Mr S. undertook to bleed me but I soon fainted & he was obliged to desist. I then took a

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powerful emetic & was under the operation of it 3 or 4 hours; had afterwards a cathartic also. Much exercised with pain and distress. Revolved constantly in my mind H. K. White's piece written in prospect of death. See 2. vol. p. 62. I then seemed to have before a prospect of a fit of sickness. And if I did I feared it would go hard with me as I had never before been sick. Besides all of my plans for t. ensuing winter would be frustrated, still I felt as tho' t. hand of God was in all this & it became me to bear t. rod & him that had appointed it. Thus I endeavoured to submit all to Him who upholds & governs the destinies of all, & felt but little anxiety in respect to the result.

During the night was somewhat troubled to obtain rest had considerable of fever.

Oct. 22. Took during the at several times powders composed of tartar emetic & jalep, this produced nausea all the while they operating

Was exercised with considerable pain in my head. At night more fever than before & very thirsty. Just before I retired, took a small quantity of cool water, which seemed very refreshing. Soon after lying down I sunk into a refreshing sleep and slept for some hours quietly. Awoke and found my fever gone; slept quietly the remainder of t. night. Sab. morn. awoke found myself materially better. The fever had turned and I felt as tho. I should speedily recover. Continued comfortable thro. t. day. During the night (Sat) a vast quantity of rain had fallen, accompanied with a great deal of thunder and lightning. Somewhat stormy during the day. Since Sab. day I have continued to grow better from to day. To day Wed. I have have had a tolerable appetite for food, had no pain and have every human prospect of being in a few days in the enjoyment again

Oct. of my usual health.

Blessed be God for his goodness in thus restoring me. Blessed be thy name that thou didst bless the means used, so that they produced the desired effect. Blessed be thy name for the kindness which has been shown me in this sickness by this family, in that they have watched over me by night & by day with christian solicitude. Reward thou them O God for their kindness, in thine own way. I bless thee that I have been so favourably situated, have had a comfortable Room, clothes, and such food as I stood in need of. I bless thee for keeping my mind so calm, and for preserving my reason, that most precious of earthly blessings.

I bless thee that I had some interesting views of my own heart during this time, have been led to see my unfaithfulness, and many of my failures in duty to my people and above to thee my God. But I would above all bless thee that thou hast not in righteous judgement

cut me off from the land of the living and send me
to hell as I most justly deserve. O Lord I am a witneſs,
and I call upon my soul and all that is within
me to witneſs and to testify of thy goodneſs and
of thy forbearance and long suffering towards
me an undutiful & unthankful child of thine.

If thou shouldst disown me in the great day
my mouth would be forever shut in silence. But
if thou shouldst I will now and desire forever
more to say thou art Good, long suffering and very
pitiful, thou hast waited long upon me to be
Gracious & to have mercy upon me ——

From henceforth until I close my earthly
career I desire to do and be, to live and conduct
towards all very differently from what I ever
have before —— Yea I desire to be thine
Divine Saviour wholly in spirit, soul &
body —— that all of my pleasures and pursuits, as well as all of the feelings of my heart
may be such as thy word and my own conscience will justify.

Left Green Bay ~~Fri.~~ Thurs. morn. Nov. 3d in the Marshal Ney left Ward about half past eight o clock A. M. On board Esqr. Beall & his family during t. day but little wind and somewhat rainy. during the night the wind fair; slept pretty quietly.

Fri. 4th Wind fair. about 1 o clock a squall struck us, and we were in some danger of being upset as the vessel had no ballast of consequence; but were graciously preserved and no accident befel us, and at eve. about 5 o clock arrived at Mackinaw having had a passage of 32 h. hours from the Bay. Very sea-sick the latter part of the day; but my life and health continued to be precious in the sight of God & blessed be his name.

Sat. 5th Weather pleasant. Concluded to leave the vessel and tarry a few days at M. parted with my company. Dined with Mr. Stewarts family. In the eve. a prayer meeting at t. M. House.

Sab. 6th Weather moderate. Preached all day for Mr F. in the morn. from 1 Pet. 4:18. and in the eve. from Acts 26:28. In the morn. visited the S. S. very interesting indeed. At noon visited the Infant S. S. most interesting sight I ever witnessed— addressed and prayed with them. Returned and visited a few Indians, and addressed and prayed with them— In the eve. had an interesting interview with a class of young ladies under Miss Skinners care—

Mon. 7th Weather pleasant. Spent the day at the Mission House — In the eve. Monthly Concert. Well attended and interesting. ~~Rem~~ Remarked fr. the 62d of Isa. Ye that make mention of the Lord——

Tues. 8th Brother arrived in the Marengo. Spent the day with him and dined at dined at Mr Stewarts.

Wed. eve. Lect. Brother P. preached fr. Neh. 4: part of the 6th v. for the people had a mind to work. He first mentioned Gods dealing with the jews, how

he blessed them but when they sinned he frowned
upon them, & brot. their enemies against them
who destroyed their city & temple; when they humbled
themselves, & turned to him he forgave their sins and
brot them again to their own land —

He then laid down some propositions as the foun-
dation of his remarks. First here is a work to be
done. Sinners will not do it. Christians must —
They have access to the Throne of Grace, God works by
means. Encouragement, fr. t. fact he hears and
answers prayer. Inducements the worth of the soul
the danger of its being lost, and the willingness of
Christ to save.

Thurs. eve. 10. attended a prayer meeting at Mr
Stewarts. First mentioned the reason why christians
derive no benefit fr. attending prayer meetings
they do not prepare their hearts, they do not come
to meet God, nor feel the need of the blessing sought
Meeting both solemn & interesting; Weather
very boisterous that eve. and rainy —

Sat. A. M. walked around the Island, went to Skull,
burk
sugar loaf and arch rocks. with Mr Heyden

and brother Porter.

13th Sab. Weather foul, storm & cold.

Brother P. pr. from Isa. 6:5. Doctrine a clear view of the character of God leads to a correct ~~view~~ knowledge of the evil of sin —

In the eve. pr. from 1 Cor. 10:22.

14th. Monday Set sail about half past 3 o'clock P. M. Miss Delia Cook a member of the Missn. F. accompanied me. This season has been indeed cheering and refreshing to my own soul and I hope in some measure profitable to others. The Spirit of God is evidently hovering over that consecrated spot, may it descend in copious effusions —

One Mr Duncan Stewart is indulging a faint hope that he has passed from death unto life; and some others I hope are in a measure anxious. Monday night, Tues. and Wed. on board of the Lady of the Lakes. Smooth passage and no unpleasant occurrence during it; arrived Wed. eve. about 8 o clock at the city of Det. in health and safety, and put up at Mr Davis. The Lord be praised for his goodness during the passage. The company good as could be expected and I found many opportunities for doing good.

17, 18 and 19 until about 4 o clock P. M spent in Detroit. Had many interesting interviews with dear Christian friends. But found some suffering fr. bodily indisposition. Here I met with Esqr Fletcher son of Dea. Fletcher formerly of Bridgewater N. H. Altho: for many years as it were an outcast but now I trust an humble follower of Christ. Met with the Rev. Mr Beach from the State of Ohio. Sat. P. M. Left D. in the Steam Bt. William Penn Capt. White for Cleveland, during the forepart of the eve. the wind blew very fresh and the Bt. was very much tossed, beginning to be sick I retired. But before 12 ocl. arose and wrote two letters one to Mrs. A. and the other to Mrs Cobb of Andover.

20th Sab. weather pleasant, arrived about noon at C. and took my leave of Miss. C. who goes to the East to visit her friends. After half or three quarters of an hour found Mr Hudsons house and was welcomed by Mrs. H. Mr H. being absent.
Immediately returned to meeting and heard the Rev. Hutchins preach from these wds. God forbid that

I should glory save in the cross &c. The sermon was edifying and instructive & calculated to do good. In the Eve. I preached fr. 1 Pet. 4:18. Audience full and solemn. May the seed there sown spring up unto everlasting life.

21. Met with Judge Vn. Horn whose father is a preacher at Caghnawaga. This man stated that Mr Vn. Tassel at Maumee was dishonest. And then related that his daughter knit a pair of socks and gave it to that Mission, but that he afterwards found them at Col. Hunts store. And also that the Rev Mr Badger stated a year or two ago, that there were 80 scholars at the school and that they raised one hund. & 30 dolls at C. for that Mission.

Tues eve. 22. Prayer meeting, quite a number present. Passed the night at Mr Gabaudan's a very excellent family indeed.

Wed. 23d Spent the A. M. in visiting the infant school. Miss Porter from Hudson and a Miss Chisby having charge of it. The children appeared very well but not so well as at Mackinaw. The former not so well managed as the latter, neither are they as forward, altho some of them are Indians and French. In the eve. took tea and spent the eve. with Mr and Mrs. Hutchins at Mr Gabaudans.

24. Thurs. In the eve. preached from Matt. 5:3. Blessed are the poor &c. Quite a number present but felt little I fear the spirit of my subject. O Lord grant me that poverty of spirit whereby I shall be led to give all glory to thee while I lie abased in the very dust—

Fri. 25. It being the day set apart for Thanksgiving & prayer. Prepared in great haste and preached from 1 Chron. 16: 34. O give thanks unto the Lord &c. was enabled to go thro. with the exercises tolerably well, but felt somewhat embarrassed, inasmuch as I was not at all acquainted with the state of the people and was poorly prepared.

Dined with Br. Hutchins at Mr Gabaudans. Their table was spread in a plain, frugal manner, yet there was a sufficiency, & that too wh. was good enough. An excellent example for the rich and at the same time it places no temptation before any one to indulge in gluttony. Bless the Lord O my soul for his goodness & mercy towards during the year past. He has preserved my life from the shafts of death and raised me from a bed of sickness—

27th Sab. Weather stormy. considerable of snow fell during the day—

A. M. Br. H. pr. from Joshua 24:15. "Choose you this day whom you will serve."

2d division of the dis: Our capacity to choose. God has made us free, agents with capacities to choose or refuse. On no other ground can man be a subject of reward or punishment—

3d the time in wh. the choice is to be made—

Br. H. seems as Cowper says must impress him-self as conscious of his awful charge—

P. M. pr. fr. 1 Cor. 16:22. "If any man love not our Ld. Jesus C. &c. felt somewhat assisted whilst preaching. The audience solemn & attentive. May that word be like the fire & the hammer to break the rocky heart of some sinners who hear—

In the eve. Br. H. lectured upon the 1st Chap. of Gen. Mentioned the reason why the word of God is called the Bible. — taken from the Gr. W. which is Biblos or book of books. The Hebrews and Christ called them Scrs. sacred writings &c. The Hebrew language ceased to be spoken as a living language after the Babylonish Captivity.

The Bible is the oldest Bk. by 700 years. The Old T. was first written in Heb. and the first translation was made into Gr. about 200 years A. B. by order of Ptolemy Philadelphus, and was called the Sept. from t. 70 Trans. This trans. was in common use in the time of Christ—

The Bible is called the O. & N. Test. from t. Latin word Testamentum i.e. Covenant. The one is called by the Apos. the O. & t. other t. N. cov. The O. T. or cov. was that wh. was committed to Moses wh. contained the rites & ceremonies under the law, the N. T. or cov. contains all of the blessings & promises connected with the gospel. The present Tr. of the Bible was made by order of Kg. James. He employed 54 men but 7. either died or declined the task leaving 47 to complete the work; it was commenced in 1607 and completed in 1611. These men were divided in 6 divisions and when each had accomplished the part assigned him, they all came together and compared their trans. with the original copies or manuscripts. One read whilst another held in his hand some original copy and interrupted the reader when he thought necessary. so that the whole Bible underwent at least 7 revisions by the greatest & most learned men that could be obtained in England. And the present Tr. for correctness, simplicity, & perspicuity has not and perhaps cannot be surpassed.

Notwithstanding all of the different renderings wh. might be given still there could be no essential alteration in respect to any of the doc. or duties of the sacred word.

The Authenticity or the genuineness of the Books denominated the Pentateuch cannot be doubted by any rational being. As it respects the genuineness of these Books that Moses was the author has never been called in question even by the enemies of the Jews or of the Christian religion. This the Jews have always affirmed. as well as Josephus and many other writers— Some suppose he wrote them in the Land of Midian others in the wilderness.

The work of the creation is a matter of faith for says the Apostle thro faith we understand the worlds were created by t. Wd. of God. &c. The sources from whence Moses derived his information, were doubtless tradition as people at that time lived many hundred years, guided by Inspiration, as all Scr. is given by Inspiration &c.

In the Beginning i.e. when the world was created; for time
is a relative term and relates to duration only—
To create signifies to form out of nothing. Matter can
not be eternal because there cannot be two self-ex-
istent principles. Besides it is one of the very first
principles of Philosophy that matter is inert hav-
ing no power or capacity for motion or action.
Neither can Motion be eternal. because we cannot
suppose an infinite succession in it for then there must
in every particle of matter that capacity, which would
lead to move in every direction so there could be no
motion at all—— But that there is a God in-
finite, eternal, all wise, and benevolent all nature
declares. The seasons in their annual rounds declar
it. The rising and setting sun declares it. The thou-
sand mercies wh. man receives declares it.— Every
member of the body & every sense unite in declaring
it, and above all revelation declares it— Blessed be
the name of the Lord for the Revelation whi. he has
made of himself in his holy Word——

Holy Vol. Bk. divine.
Precious treasure thou
Art mine. Be this evermore the language of
my heart—

Closed the Sab. in religious conversation with Mrs. H. in a very agreeable and I hope profitable manner— Blessed Lord I thank thee for the rest of the holy Sab. for the privileges I have enjoyed during it — for the opportunities I have ~~enjoyed~~ had of getting & doing good—

Mon 28th Quite stormy. In the eve. heard the sleigh bells jingling merrily thro' the streets and saw the boys sliding down hill. Passed the night at Mr Gabaudans.

Tues. 29th Very blustering and cold as much as it was the middle of Dec. last year at Green Bay.

Left Mr Gs. and had an interview with Br H. respecting free-agency. P. M. Spent the time in writing to Mr Greene. In the eve. attended the prayer meeting. Remarked first: Hoped that Christians had left the world behind them, saying as Abraham to his servant Abide ye here &c. 1st He then directed them to come with humility— 2d deeply impressed with a sense of the Sav. willingness and ability and 3d of their need of the influences of the divine Spirit and of the perishing need of sinners—

Meeting solemn & interesting; Br. H. in conclusion made some remarks to the impenitent. Nothing prevents but what you yourselves throw in the way of your coming to Christ this night and casting yourselves

upon his sovereign mercy. — A wicked, depraved heart
keeps you from C. but ah you cannot long resist &c.
A number of prayers were offered, some for those who had
went to dance. Felt in a measure my own need of an in-
crease of deep feeling for the cause of C. Alas if any at all
how little do I feel!

Nov. 30. Spent the eve. at Dr. Long's Mrs. L. a professor of
religion and an excellent woman. The female benev. Soc. had
their meeting on that P.M. and eve. Made a few remarks to
them upon the importance of exerting themselves in behalf of
the cause of Missions. It is not the duty of every Christian to
go as a Mission. but it is a duty enjoined upon every one to
aid in promoting this cause. What you do I remarked
with right motives the Sav. will regard as done to himself.
And your labors will meet with the same gracious re-
ward, that Mary did when she brake the alabaster box of
ointment and poured it upon the head of her divine
Master. Altho' avarice like a treacherous Judas may say
"Why is this waste," yet regard it not any more than
Mary did and your Lord will plead your cause for you.
Dr. L. obj. that the Missions were engaged in a system of
speculation — had built one or two vessels for this purpose
and that the Am. Fur Com. only could hold their way with them.
Closed the eve. with prayer and returned to Mr. H's

Dec. 1st. Late in the eve. Mr Hudson returned from N. J. Had a very agreeable interview with him; find to be a man of worth, & apparently a devoted christian;

Dec. 2d. It being a day set apart by the Ch. as a day of fasting, humiliation & prayer preparatory to the celebration of the Lords supper. Meeting at eleven o'cl. Opened the meeting myself and afterwards read and remarked upon the 9th ch. of Dan. Mentioned a number of reasons why we should humble ourselves. 1st Our sins are many & great both in thots. & actions. 2d. Short comings in point of duty — Neglect of duty towards others. — the coldness of our affections, ~~[illegible]~~ want of love, faith &c. & lastly that we have not been so devoted to the cause of Christ as we ought,

In the eve. Pr. from 1 Cor. 11:28. Had some assistance as I hope but mourned that I was not more affected myself. Lord prepare me for the proper commemoration of thy sufferings & death at thy table —

Spent the eve. at Mr Galaudens. Mr G. mentioned the absurdity of the catholics praying to the Virgin Mary from the fact that angels are not omnipresent see Dan. 9:23. How can she know what is done on earth? or how can she at the same time hear thousands praying at once What is prayer — How can she know what passes in the hearts of the children of men?—

She mentioned an anecdote of a tenant to whom a rich catholic rented a house. It was a principle with him never to rise upon his rents. But at a certain time his steward raised, this he could not pay; the steward wanted the house for a relation. She made application to a number but it availed nothing. He at length resolved to go to the man himself. He did, but found him in his ante chamber invoking the saints &c After he got thro. he came out; he makes known his wants the nobleman says I knew nothing of this and I will give you a new lease of it. he did. But the man whose heart seemed to have been imbued with the love of God could not leave without saying something to him. The man asks him if he wanted any thing more he then began and stated how he made application first to his steward and then to others but they afford me no relief at length I resolved to go to the fountain head I did and have obtained my request. now you do the same in respect to the obtaining the pardon of your sins and you will find mercy— It was blessed and he became a good man.—

3d. Sat. eve. Attended meeting at Mr. G's. Mentioned the importance of praying for and with christians, and also with regard to a proper preparation for the Lords Supper. Ibid, an interview with Dr Adams a pious physician, who is teaching school here.

Sb. 4th. Weather extremely cold, and blustering—

It being the Union ch. the sac. of the Lords Supper was celebrated ~~[illegible]~~.

Pr. in the morn. fr. Jn. 19:30. "It is finished."

House full & solemn, may the word be like the good seed so. P. M. About 14 admitted upon profession & 8 or 10 by letter. Br. H. baptized those who had not received the ordinance kneeling, which added much to the solemnity of the scene. About 75 it was judged sat down at the table of the Lord, to com. his dying love at his table. The season solemn & interesting—

Br. H. explained the nature of the ordinance. and remarked from these words What mean ye by these things &

Attended the S. S. after meeting, and made a short address. In the eve. attended the Bible Class. Sup. Dr. A. of Gen. Exercises interesting, remarks were made by us both upon the institution & ob. of the Sab.

Related the anecdote about capt. Grosier, and the printers in N. Y. of men who broke the Sab.

Dec. 6th Visited Mr G's family. Conversed with his daughter Jane Ann, who has indulged a hope heretofore & given it up; she appeared somewhat affected & conversed with her. Her sister Josephine in the same condition she also seemed to feel in a measure the truth whilst I endeavoured to press it upon her conscience.

Called on Dr Longs' family. Mrs. L. & her daughter who united with the ch. last Sab. interesting christians. Dr. L. a pleasant man, but not a christian. In the eve. took tea at Mr Gallups with Br. H. Mr G's family agreeable but pious. Meeting for prayer interesting & solemn. Remarked from a verse in Rom. But knowing the time &c. Spoke of the importance of praying for and with christians —

On my return from meeting called with Br. H. at Mr Crentons. Mrs. C. an interesting and engaged christian. Br. H. spent a little time at my room and we parted with prayer —

The Town of Cleveland contains about inhabitants. There is a court-house, jail, Academy, and an elegant meeting house belonging to the Ep. denomination. The Pres. soc. now meet in an upper room of a store. The place of meeting not large

Dec 1831 but very well filled on the Sab. The pres. ch. consists of about 70 members, 21 united last Sab. 14 by profession and 7 by letter.

7th Set out with Mr H. for the Town of Hudson 24 m. distant, and arrived in season. Put up for the night with Prof. Greene.

8th Called on President Storrs and had an interesting interview with him. There met with the Rev. Harvey Coe agent for H. Coll. and the Rev. Mr Hanford of Windham.

9th Went to Ravenna with Rev. Mr Hulan now preaching in Warren, Prof. G. Mr Wham and Br. A. R. Clark. in order to attend a convention for the purpose of petitioning congress respecting the S. W. Indns. S. Mails and the abolition of slavery in the dis of Col. Little however was accomplished.

10th Returned to Cleveland. Feeling that I had accomplished but little for God during the week.

11 Sab. Weather cold & blustering.

A. M. Br. H. pr. Text Gen. 2:1-3. The subject the Sab. a divine institution —

One argument in favour of it he brought up was that all of the ancient both Jews & barbarians observed one day in 7 as a day of holy rest.

P.M. I pr. fr. Phil. 4:6. The subject was prayer. Felt somewhat unprepared whilst speaking, attention very good. Immediately after divine service attended the funeral of a Mrs. Allen, a member of the baptist ch. Spoke to ~~the~~ people who assembled for a considerable length of time — In the eve. pr. again from Acts 2:37-8. Felt indeed thankful for the assistance I had whilst endeavouring to press divine truth upon the consciences of sinners — Passed the night at Mr G's. Heard of an interesting revival in Pleasant Valley N.Y.

Mr Henderson related occurrence in the Ger. Ch. wh. shows most clearly ~~that the~~ Catholics are guilty of idolatry. A certain man related to ~~him~~ an incident respecting his little child that he took out in the field. The child asks who is up in the heavens? The fathers ans. God. No says the child he is not for he is hung up in the room

He mentioned about a priest who when he read a person kneel down & pray towards the wall said ~~that~~ he wondered what ~~they~~ he did ~~that~~ for because there was no image before ~~the~~ him.

Mrs. H. stated ~~that~~ whilst in Sandwich Mass a vessel came ashore there and a part at least of the crew were lost amongst the rest was the son of a catholic. He was buried; his father however soon came after him, and at first appeared in an agony. He had him dug up and when he saw his coffin (he had come to carry the corpse to Boston) he appeared overjoyed and says "Well William it will be well with you tomorrow night." for ~~he~~ they expected to arrive in Boston and get him prayed out of purgatory —

May 3d Returned to Cleveland and recd letters from Mrs. H. and Br. Burbank —

Mr David Smith of Richfield, says "I have seen on Mr Hs. ware-house. 'Hudson Missionary Ware-house'!!! Besides that he had seen a vessel called the Missionary vessel which cost some thousands of dolls. Whereas no vessel in wh. the A. B. C. has the least interest or concern has been out — until this Spring. "of the Supply!!"

Sab. 6 Passed t. Sab. in C. A. M. Prof. G. pr.

Text "Him being delivered" &c. Doctrine of divine sovereignty illustrated & proved. Gods purposes in no way infringes upon the moral agency of t. creature. All men are conscious that they act freely. God deals with them in this manner. — Besides when mankind act they do not intend to fulfil t. purposes of God — they crucified Christ in t. wickedness of their hearts — His purposes are hidden from us — not t. rule of duty, but his revealed will.

Reflections this subject ~~a subject of support~~ affords consolation to the true believer, — not injurious in its tendency — and should be preached —

P. M. Rev Mr Clark fr. Miss. pr. I beseech you therefore brethren by t. mercies of God &c.

Entire consecration of ourselves & all that we have to God. A reasonable service — bought with a price — our happiness requires it, the salvation of souls require it and God requires it

Eve. Prof. G. preached again.

"Had ye believed Moses ye would have believed me &c.

Were mankind honest in what they profess to believe they would embrace the gospel. 1st. Professors of a pure & sound morality were addressed. Pure morality founded upon the law of God, and that gospel upon that— The gospel the very soul of morality. If then you are sincere in your professions you will embrace the gospel.

2. Those who profess to depend upon the general mercy of God. The gospel a system of mercy— infinite mercy too—

3d Professed admirers of the gospel

We think religion a good thing &c. a criminal who is condemned to be executed is offered a pardon, he looks at it says it is a good thing speaks highly of the govt. but then he tramples it under his feet and spurns at it—

4th Those who profess to have no strength & we are not able to come to Christ—

Reflections

The hypocrisy with wh. those are chargeable
who profess to be admirers of pure morality — because
they do not embrace the Gospel — Christians are
charged but are they t. only ones?

2d From the concessions or professions of these
various classes God in t. final day will have suf-
ficient ground for condemning sinners —

Passed the week following in Cleveland writing to the A. Boa
Sab. 13. passed at Chagrin. Put up Sat. eve. at Mr Cowles
Serm. Pr. A.M. fr. Acts 26:28. Almost &c. P.M. end of the
righteous scarcely be saved &c. In the eve. gave some account
of the Indns. Passed t. night at a Mr Spaldings a methodist
Mon. 14th morn. left C. for Cleveland; in the P.M. left in
the Steam Bt. Niagara Capt. Standard for Detroit.
On the whole a pleasant passage and arrived at D. the
next day between 2 & 3 o'clock P.M. and put up with Dr.
Rices family

Passed the remainder of the week in D.

Sab. 20. Rev B. Greene pr. A.M. The wages of sin is
death &c. Motive characterises the action; sin opposed
to God. In the P.M. preached from Eph. 1:4.5. The
subject of discourse the purposes of God & election.

Sermon not much liked. Complaint that it was treated in too abstract a manner. Many, alas professors of religion do not like to hear it from the desk, and also think it does no good to say the least to preach upon it.

Esqr Fletcher remarked: "That he did not consider an open avowal or statement of the doctrine at the outset best calculated to do good"!! And that ministers overrate the good of argumentative preaching. Or Metaphysical speculations in public. He would have them mingle more with the world, and learn to preach more in a matter of fact manner. The case of a lawyer not like that of a minister; in the former case there are (generally) no prejudices to overcome but there are in the latter. First, then, seek to disarm prejudice, and take mankind as they are. He would urge the duty of the sinner immediately to repent, whilst the dependence upon the sovereign mercy of God or his electing love is also to be set before him.

The subject of Marriage.

When a man takes a woman and lives with her in an unmarried state, he becomes responsible in law for all her contracts. The public are supposed to know nothing about nor are they to inquire whether they are married or not, the fact that he lives with her as with a lawful is sufficient to make him responsible. But this couple are not prohibited from separating and marrying to whom they will unless other things present.

If a man has obtained a Bill of divorce from his wife or a woman from her husband, it is proper for a minister to proceed accordingly & he is not obliged to inquire how he came by it, i.e. if he procured it of the proper authority.

In case of divorce, the guilty party may not marry during the life-time of the man or woman from whom he or she has been divorced. And the parties are not at liberty to marry again when one or the other is separated from bed and board. If a minor marries without the consent of his or her parent or guardian the contract might probably be dissolved by a court of Chancery, but not otherwise, altho' the individual marrying that couple would be liable to a civil process.

In the case of Indians who are not amenable to the laws of the United States, the same rules and regulations cannot be brought to bear upon them. Circumstances & differences of habit and education are to be taken into the account. In point of equity where a person has been compelled in a state of minority to marry as was the case with Jacob Chicks daughter Betsey and violated the contract and was divorced, she ought to have the privilege of marrying again. The divorce notwithstanding—

Hard to judge Fletcher would decide in respect to any case similar to that.

Is it proper to admit members to the ch. immediately after they indulge a hope?

Subject of reflection th providence of God.

Catholicism.

Catholics not sincere. A catholic who had married a protestant was very anxious ~~that~~ his wife shd. unite with the catholic ch. He declared, that the wafer was really & truly by t. blessing or consecration of the priest the body of Christ. But says he it makes no difference who prepares the wafer. And that its nature was changed by t. blessing of t. priest. He told if she would go she might prepare the wafer herself. She did, and prepared it with arsenic and then told him of it but he refused to make use of it in the sacrament.—

A Mrs. Hunt of Detroit a very intelligent lady, said that she was trained a catholic and had been to the confession but she very providentially had been prevented three times from joining the ch. When urged by t. priest she inquired of him if t. bread was really the body of Christ, the priest Mr Richard says It is the Spirit which quickeneth the flesh profiteth nothing. But to others he would say ~~that the~~ wafer was really the body of Christ.

At an other time he assured her ~~that~~ he could not pardon
her sins, but to others he would say, that he could by
their performing pennance, absolve them from all
their sins. The intelligent catholic perhaps does not de-
pend upon the priest but the more illiterate do.

Fr. May 20 to the 27 passed in Detroit. Sab 27th
Weather pleasant. Was called early in t. morn. to go
on board of the Marshal Ney bound to Green Bay; but
Remember t. Sab. day is t. com. & I could not go. felt
some satisfaction in refering my case to God.
Desire in some measure to obey thy commands, but
when I would do good evil is present with me —
Have had many melancholy feelings; felt much
deficiences as a minister of the Lord Jesus Christ.
O Shouldst thou thrust me out of the vineyard,
it would be just — If I love thee, may I be wholly and
forever thine — Rev. Mr W. preached all day
and myself in the eve. In t. A. M. fr. the word there
remaineth therefore a rest for the people of God. and
in the P.M. the sentiment Christ the only hope of
sinners and t. only refuge to which they can fly —
Like the shadow of a rock in a parched desert —
Had some freedom in t. eve. but soon detected
my heart in seeking for praise

on account of something wh. I had done —
Alas! O Lord I have a most proud & rebellious
heart —

May 28th Left Detroit in the Steam Bt. Gen. Gratiot
Capt. Edwards. The weather very fine, and we crossed
Lake St. Clair with a delightful breeze Wind S.S.E.
having on board quite a number of passengers.
Mr Hurd and a physician from the Co. seat of St Clair

Met with three infidels at least. One of them a
most vulgar and profane fellow. But alas! he had
Christian parents, and cast off the restraint wh. had
been laid upon him in early life. — Another
probably a follower of Mrs Wright. who would admit
nothing but demonstration or facts of wh. we have
a personal personal knowledge. I assured him that
all Scr. is given by inst. of G. Do you know this to be t.
case? I ans. yes. Are you willing to swear to it? Yes, ?
I replied. I replied ~~that~~ we have internal evidence
of t. ~~truth~~ of revelation, the purity of its moral pre-
cepts. He then compares the Bible with Senecas or Lycur-
cus writings. I informed him that they borrowed
all that is truly valuable from revelation. How
do you know is t. inquiry? Is it said so? There
is difficult ground, for there are many things wh.
we must take for granted wh. at t. same time we
have not proof wh. amounts to demonstration —
But we have no positive proof that they ever send a
book at all for it is not said so.

She charged religion with all of the abuses of the Auto-de Fe &c. But I told him that religion is not responsible for t. excesses committed by its pretended friends;

Religion is not to charged with these excesses unless ~~it~~ they are the legitimate fruits or effects of following its injunctions and precepts. If for e. a Master gives directions to his servant but instead of following them, he takes a course entirely contrary, this surely is not to be charged to the fault of the Master, as the legitimate effect of his instructions; nor shd. the man who had thus employed him, ~~he thrown on to justify him in this~~ be regarded as in any measure culpable unless he had been made acquainted with this servants course & justified it. But with regard to God his laws are holy just & good. He made man upright but he hath sought out many inventions. And instead of justifying the course and conduct of such Zealots he has most strictly forbidden it. and requires the exercise of mercy & forbearance and t. highest degree of purity of life.

It may be most abundantly shown, ~~that~~ t. conduct of catholics &c. is altogether at variance with the spirit and precepts of t. Christian religion

Now as we see so high degree of purity both in principle & practice as where individuals or communities ~~and~~ adhere most strictly to these rules,

For proof I adduce the apostles as examples in proof of this statement.

Take for ex. t. Apostle Paul. Look at him before his conversion. He is Pharisaical, intemperate in his zeal and bloody, he persecutes the christians even unto strange cities. He does all of this under t. garb of religion, but it is not t. religion of Jesus Christ. But behold t. persecuting Saul after he had embraced t. holy religion of our Lord &c. How kind, affectionate, and forbearing. The lion is changed into the lamb, — the fierce persecuting Saul into the meek and humble follower of the Lord.

two or three o'clock of this day (Mon.) I went on
By
board the vessel wh. left t. day previous (Sab.) feeling that
I had lost nothing in remembering t. Sab. day but on
t. other hand, feeling a consciousness that whatever shd.
take place I had done my duty. The Schooner,
Marshal Ney, Capt. Stewart, was now to be my home
for a while at least, but hoping that it might be
very short. Little wind during the day and at night
came to anchor. Passengers Lieut. Thornton, and wife
Rev. Forsythe and sister, a Mr Farnsworth fr. Plattsburg and Mr Gregory, going to the Mission. at Gr. Bay
Tues. 29th A little wind and fair made some progress up the river. But just at night a heavy squall

came over fr. t. N. W. the wind and t. rain fell copious
ly for a short time. Immediately the sails are hauled
down and t. anchor cast: and we passed the night
in quietness altho. t. continued high.

Wed. 30th The ~~wind~~ favored a short time & the vessel
made a very little head way, perhaps a mile or two.
and then t. big anchor is cast & we remained du-
ring t. day; the wind high and directly a head.
Soon went on shore, and walked up to t. ~~shore~~ Ft. Called
upon Maj. Thompson and Lieut. Galligers' families.
I held a long & most interesting conversation with Lieut.
G. upon ministerial duties and Miss. operations.
O may it prove lastingly beneficial. He remarked free
ly upon t. importance of a minister applying himself to
study, otherwise the mind will relax, or as he express-
ed it, grow rusty. The calling of a minister is a high
& holy one, he remarked & nothing shd. turn him aside
fr. it ——
He remarked also upon infidels, that we can pass as
many difficulties as they can. *Can* they show that
any such person ever existed as Seneca or that he wrote
his "Book of Morals." &c. Walked upon t. L. shore and
reflected, upon the occasion and circumstances wh.
had brought me there at the time; how short t. time
had been in t. retrospect, since but as *yesterday*, or

few days. O many indeed have been its trials, still I am preserved and bless God for them all. May they work for my good and growth in grace.—

Returned & passed t. n. on board t. vessel.

Thurs. 31st. The day clear & [illegible] & pleasant, but still the wind directly a head. Lying at anchor in sight of Ft. Gratiot; whilst standing on deck I had a fine view of the Canadian shore and of the English settlement for the Indns. After some time had elapsed in consequence of not being able to get across, three of us started in a skiff & crossed over in safety.

We first visited Mr Harris. family. the Teacher, he being absent we conversed a while with Mrs. H. a very pleasant agreeable woman. Mr H. has a family of eight children, and appeared to be an interesting family too. Walked out & met Mr H. was much pleased with him & he appeared to be a man of t. right stamp, and much experience & common sense. His views respecting the civilising & christianising t. Indns. very correct. His visit ~~h~~ ~~explained~~ to the feast and t. course which he took was highly interesting.— He inquired of them if they worshipped t. old way & they said yes: but says he I see you have whiskey, and t. Great Spirit give you that. So you have ~~f~~ on red clothes and t. Gr. Sp. give you these? &c. But I am pleased, that you come dressed

clean & keep t. dogs out: this is all good &c. The Miss
was unable to reply — He also mentioned t. first object
is to do away a persons prejudices, for if you excite them
against you, you at once cut off their ears and then
you can do them no good —

At Black river, t. wicked are belching out their
spite against Missionary operations &c. But
do they learn this fr. the Missies? Do they here learn
to swear, to get drunk &c. &c. or do they learn these
things from such as oppose them? —

The Indn. reservation here is 4 miles square, and there
are about 400 souls, but generally very wretched &
degraded. The Eng. Govt. have built about a dozen
neat log-houses, for these Indns. along on the river
and they are now almost in a state of readiness for moving into them. Mr. Jones the agent, an aged Gentleman
and apparently a very good man. The prospects of this
colony now dark & cheerless, almost like t. Mts. of
Gilboa, may yet thro. the blessing of t. Gr. Head of
the church, be bright & glorious, and flourish like
the garden of God. At present there is no school or religious meetings on t. Sab. But may the grace of God
be sufficient for them. — Bade these servants of Christ
a hearty adieu and returned to the vessel.

I heard much profane swearing, seldom have I
met with a crew so much so, the whole of it cd

some of t. passengers are addicted to this abominable
felt deeply that it would be a hell indeed to be
confined with such a gang, and desired to know
what was duty in such a case — was impressed
with reading the words strait is t. gate & narrow
is the way &c. in t. 13th of St. L. Soon went on shore
crossed over black river & walked up to visit some Indn
lodges. A feast had been held this day & it was a
drunken frolick also. Many Indns present, but
the feast had ended. Found a young Indn. calling
himself Gordon, said that he had been at Mackinaw
of this dreadful number. Conversed some with him
& but understood but little. Soon a young
squaw came along, appearing to be t. wife of a young
Indn. ~~they, soon and to be~~ was a little angry with him, said
a few words wh. seemed to take hold of his feelings and
make him him ~~a~~ angry. Both soon started, she first but
he ran after her, stripping up his sleeves and as soon
as he overtook her knocked her down, stamped upon
her with his feet, then ran & took up a piece of
bark wh. had been dried and curled in t. sun and struck
her with the greatest violence with it two or three times
wh. broke it in many pieces. By this time a num-
ber had reached them, and clinched him, and a most
dreadful scene ensued, the old Ind. who soon came up
and took hold of him he immediately began to fight and
appeared more like a tiger than a human being.
This lasted for some time but at length they parted
them and led

them off. O! horrible!! horrible!! How does the very world of woe in ardent spirits disgorge its veriest contents upon the world! Went on still further and tried to converse with some whom I found sober but could not make them understand me. — When shall these days of darkness be cut short?

Fri. June 1st Weather fine. Wind N.N.E. all day, and still lying in t. river St. Clair about a mile below Ft. Gratiot Passed t. day at Lieut. Gallaghers. A truly excellent & godly man, his wife and children very interesting — Herself a daughter of the Rev. Mr Snowden of Princeton N. J. His children 4 in number one son and three daughters. Had most interesting & important conversation with him. Particularly upon a sermon fr. in Detroit — Alas! that christians feel thus upon hearing a particular doctrine discussed — Surely either few are qualified to preach t. Gospel or else there is a squeamishness altogether at war with t. Scrs. gone abroad in t. churches. Now it is almost as much as a ministers reputation is worth to preach upon or t. doc. of elec. Can this silence of ministers in the desk upon this subject, be in unison with the spirit of t. injunction of t. Apostle "Declare t. whole counsel" &c. all Scr. is given by inspiration &c.

May I find mercy of God if in that I erred from thy Word O God, and may all of t. wrong feeling excited in consequence of my preaching that discourse be forgiven them. Experience and experience teaches me that this is an unfriendly world, and that even christians and ministers of t. holy religion of Jesus Christ often prove most unfaithful. Feel much depressed in spirits and almost as tho' I was alone in the world — Yet that I could most freely commend the affair to God he rules. Blessed be his holy name forever & eve

The Lieut. said much respecting study & mental attainments — all very good — Returned and passed t. night on board t. vessel.

Sat. June 2d. In t. morn. weather warm, still lying in the river; all waiting with impatience for a fair wind. Hear much murmuring & finding fault with God on this account; alas! vain man who art thou to censure the ways and government of God! Went on shore, crossed black river and visited some Indians [illegible] Saw Riley who had been at school one year in Baltimore & could speak some english. A sensible Indn. but alas a victim of intemperance. The whole No. of Indns small the reservation

I believe about 2 miles square. Perhaps there are 7 or 8 lodges.

Wind shifted all went on board again, we weighed anchor ascended t. river and put out into the Lake. Wind rather light during t. night; and t. Lake not rough.

Sab. 3. Lake rather rough & felt somewhat sick so much so as not to be able to take breakfast, and felt somewhat so during t. day. No religious exercises on board; t. day long & gloomy. Conversation altogether foolish and vain with those engaged in on board. Alas! what will they do in t. day when God dealeth with them — Had many gloomy feelings, & much depressed. O Lord revive my drooping spirits — The thought refreshes me that I shall probably before another Sab. be amongst my people Oh may I prepared to commence my labors there with such feelings of responsibility and of t. worth of t. soul as I have never as yet possessed —

Mon. 4th Somewhat unwell in t. morn. but better in t. P.M. Felt less melancholy; still on L. Huron. In t. morn. near Presque Isle 50 or 60 miles from Mack. Weather cold and seems rather like March or April than t. first of June. Wind very light all day and almost ahead. Many on board find fault with God's dealings in thus ordering t. winds, but as for myself I feel that is all right! Read with much satisfaction t. Review of the Rev. Mr Dimmick's sermon upon t. death of H. Pettengill.

Wed. 6th In full view of Mackinaw; arose early and we had just passed the light-house; immediately after breakfast left in t. small boat for the Isl. 4 or 5 m. distant. arrived in safety and was welcomed by t. Miss. F. a precious cordial indeed, I longed to enjoy it but felt alas! that in a few hours and at longest in the course of one day I must leave that hallowed spot; where many beloved christian friends meet, and hearts uniting with heart, they seem to live and love like a band of the Redeemers followers. O could I be permitted to enjoy such society as that how would my heart rejoice. But God does not thus ordain, and may I cheerfully submit. May thy right hand O Lord guide and direct me — was busily employed during t. day & in t. eve. Pr. fr. Jer. 3:7. Audience solemn and attentive — immediately after was called to go on board, accordingly bade t. family adieu. Passed a restless night in consequence of excessive fatigue but rested a little.

Thurs. 7th Early in t. morn left M. for Gr. Bay but the wind ahead. The weather very fine but rather cold.

Fri. 8th. On Lake Mich. Head wind all day, & little progress made. In sight of the Beaver & Fox Is. all day. Just at dusk t. Marriner Capt. Johnson passed us.

Sat. 9th Weather very fine, a light breeze in t. morn & fair, still very little is made until about noon a S. W. sprang up and during t. P.M. we entered Green Bay. O the satisfaction of feeling that I shall soon arrive at my place of destination after the long absence of seven months—

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A reipe for preserving shoes.

Take an equal quantity of Blubber oil and fresh butter together with a small portion of lamp black.

The Rev Joseph Badger

Mrs Von Tessel has inventeda way of washing clothes. Put a tight-cover on a kettle bore some holes in t. cover, put a barrel on over these holes perforated also and put ~~in~~ the clothes into the barrel until it is full then put a cloth on t. top & steam them about 3 hours. The clothes are then taken out & washed in soap suds.

To keep bugs fr. eating vines -

Cut a barrel in two and fill t. halves with earth & plant t. seeds on t. top.

Commenced Dec. 5th 1831.

Monthly Con. of Prayer. I first gave an account of t. S. Indians, beginning from t. time t. little ch. was formed in t. State of N.Y. and went to W.T. in 1818. Traced the history of the ch. until t. present time; mentioned t. revival in t. fall of 1828 – how many were added 15 or 20 to t. church. Then t. num. dec. but not t. present no. The revival last winter – the death of A.A. the number wh. has joined t. ch. Increasing in habits of industry &c. Mentioned in brief B. C's case and Betsy P's. In conc. mentioned their kindness – Christians think of the poor Indian when it is well with you – when your hearts beat high.

with hopes of heaven, think of t. poor degraded, benighted Indn. He has a soul as precious as your own – but how can he hear without a preacher &c.

Mr. Hudson read t. account of Mr. Kenah t. Otheman. Remarked by the way this brings to my mind says he what occurred in respect to Mrs. Leguthrie. Wh. she came to hear t. Bible read after she became a christian she would stop & get into conversation about t. Bible, she says so great is her anxiety to hear, "Come, come, you can eat any time I am hungry & depend upon to feed me".

Mr H. further remarked t. Missries receive no salary, all they receive is a bare support for all of their toils —

It has been reported says he that I made money enough out of t. A. B. to set my-self up in business. I might have saved enough to have borne my expenses her again, but I did not receive a single dollar. And I was worth nothing when I left. It is said the Missn. at M. is engaged in speculation &c. But the Arro altho. built by his direction still the A. B. were in no way concerned. A brother of Mr F. became responsible for one 4th but the Missn. saved all of t. freight which would have amounted to some hundreds of dolls. It is also said that t. present vessel was built for purposes of speculation. But this was a case of necessity. Their other little vess was found to be too small & was about done altho' it had abundantly paid for herself. This repair cost out about 15 or 16,00 dolls. All of their wood has to be brot. fr. an Isld. 7 m. distant, it would cost 2,50 a cord to purchase it and they burn 400 cds. in a year — Their hay has to be brot. 45 m. fr. Drummonds Isl. Then there are other thgs. as coal, fish &c. and the saving of expense to the Missn is not much short of 1000 dolls. a year. Br. read a letter fr. Dr. Judson, closed with singing the Missy Hymn —

From Greenland's icy &c.

Which of you convinceth me of sin John 8:46. Here make a distinction betwixt those who are christians in name only, & those who indeed adorn their profession.

Esqr Fletcher of D. said that he knew of no reason why that Petition wh. the P. Indng. was not granted there was says he no obj. to it.

16th Thurs. P.M. went to Euclid and visited A. Rev Mr Peete who appeared to be an excellent man and his wife a very godly woman. Concluded not to visit his people on t. coming Sab. on account of t. recent efforts there made in behalf of t. D. H. M. S. & because an effort wd. soon be made to make up a subscription for Mr Pe's support. Returned that eve. & attended meeting. Spoke fr. t. last ch. of t. 2d Pet. Seeing that all these thgs. shall be dissolved what manner of persons &c.

Had some freedom in speaking but alas!
how little then compared with t. moment-
ousness of the subject—

17. Fri. Accomplished but little. Attended t.
meeting of t. Seamans Friends at t. Rev.
Mr. Mc. Elroys who appeared to be a fine
man and is said to be truly evangelical.

About 12 o'clock Magnus Vibicent the
wind arose & blew more furiously than
I ever knew it before. The house at times
trembled very much — a number of chim-
neys in the town were blown off and one
house unroofed. Felt somewhat alarmed
at first but at length felt composed from
t. thought that I and t. dwelling was in t.
hands of him who holds t. wind in his fists.

Sat. 17th Very cold & blustering. Left C.
a little afternoon for Aurora Por. Co.
and arrived in safety about 7 o.c. and
was cordially received by t. Rev. John
Seward who has been t. Stated Pastor of
this people for 20 years. His wife a
daughter of Esqr. Right of Tallmage &
sister of Prof. R. of Hud. Coll. Met with
a Mr Robins from t. state of N. Y. who is
commencing studies at t. age of 30 prepar-
atory to t. sacred ministry.

Sab. 18th Weather cold. Preached A. M. fr.
Acts 26: 28. Almost thou persuadest me
to be a Christian. The weather so cold &
no fire in t. Meet. H. that I found it diffi-
cult to preach. Few present on account
of t. cold. P. M. fr. p. M. 16. "Go ye therefore
People listened with deep attention

The Lord grant that good may be done in t. name of Jesus Christ. In t. eve. appointed a meeting at t. Sch. H. in order to give an account of the Dr. W. M. Stations. Quite a number present & was enabled to go thro. pretty well. Mr S. thought a more particular account of the Mack. Station shd. have been given. viz. what they were doing to help themselves in respect to t. cows &c. wh. were donated by Christians on t. Reserve. — The number of scholars in t. school wh. is I think 70 or 80 & also in my own school. I omitted to mention t. situation of my congregation & their apparent devotion on t. Sab. And also forgot to mention t. eligibleness of M. for a Missn. Station. Its advantages & its influence on t. Indn. country. The great change wh. by t. ins. of t. Missn. has been wrought upon t. inhabitants of t. Ind

The Sab. is now very generally regarded. Gambling abolished and t. majority of the influence on t. side of morality & religion

19th Made a few visits spent t. night at Dea. Spencers. an excellent family 4 of t. children pious.

Spent t. w. in visiting & col. do. of provisions &c. very cordially received. Spent one night at Mr J. W. He ricks. They mentioned t. case of Mrs. E. Rileys strong faith in t. conversion of her husd. was very anxious to have Christians pray for him — and said that she had faith to believe that she shd. have prs. in her family before t. week closed and altho her husband was not awakened until t. last of t. week still it was done unto her according to her faith. Let all who have unconverted husbands & wives go & do likewise. But another lady Mrs Granger a member of t. ch. thot it not expedient to do as Mrs. R. had done & now her husband is opposed to religion and hence opposes whilst Mrs R. appears to be a devoted christian and contributes to objects of charity— Blessed be God for this ans. to the prayer of faith.

Mr Abel Parkers family also another excellent family. Mrs P. a lady of an excellent spirit and has trained up her family for God.

Mr Blodgett Bissells family a fine f. Mrs. B. possesses a happy spirit & her daughter & son much interested in t. subject & so was Mrs. P. daughter.

Mrs. Graham upon whom I called her husband being absent appeared to be a fine woman indeed.

Mr Leonard truly a devoted man & benevolent. More & more pleased with him t. more I saw of him.

Feb. 24th went to Bainbridge in Geauga Co. weather cold, sometimes the Ther. has been 20° degrees below zero

B. is a new Town having been
settled about 15 years. A small ch.
but no minister. A number of ex-
cellent christians viz. Dea. Childs,
T. W. Kingsley, Mr Sprague, Geo.
Smith & Mr Crosby. Mrs Hannah
Booth an aged lady an excellent
christian & deeply interested in t.
cause of Missns. Passed Sab. ev.
at Dea. Childs. Sab. pr. fr. Jn.
3:7. Ye must be born again. P.M.
pr. M. Missy sermon. In the eve
Gave account of the Indns. at Mr
Bissells. Was very cordially re-
ceived indeed & a great degree of wil-
lingness was shown to aid t. sacred
cause. Here I met with Esqr

Osborn from N. Y. state of late.
a strong Jacksonian man, yet
an intelligent man & indulges t. ho
that he is a christian —

Returned Tues. eve. to Burton
Spent t. night at Mr Herricks
Wed. Mr H. set out for Cleve-
land with a quantity of provisions
for t. A. B. Very much fatigued
indeed in getting t. things in a state of
readiness. In t. P. M. set out
for Windham 18 M. arrived about
8 o'cl. The eve. stormy, and cold.

It being t. time when t. Circular
conference met there. It was nearly
t. close of t. eve. meeting when I arrived
The house full & solemn. Found the

Rev. Messrs. Hanford, Seward & Finn present. Meeting very solemn and all of the exercises appropriate. Returned & passed the night at the Rev. Mr Treats. Kah win-e minwaindum maun dun Mukatakonia. Waunun anishe shin Kunebeuh.

Then pr. fr. pr. B. T. Felt somewhat impressed with the truth child-pressing it upon others. Meeting very solemn; at the recess about a dozen went to the ch. house to attend the meeting of inquiry. In the eve. a number came forward to the anxious seat; one a young man fr. Nelson very deeply impressed. The next morn. he returned home rejoicing in hope. The Rev. Mr Finn pr. "Mary hath chosen that good part" &c. 1st M. hath chosen the good pt. 2d chosen. 3d It shall never be taken away fr. her. Solemn & im pressive in his manner. Passed the n. at the Rev. Mr Hs. Had an interview with a Mr Taylor a teach. of the ch. upon the subject of Missions.

The morn. arose at 5 o'cl. & went to a pr. meeting; the brethren seemed indeed to possess a spirit of prayer meeting well attended. At 10 o'cl. went to the house of prayer again; after a season of prayer pr. fr. R. 10:4. and felt somewhat deeply impressed

Whilst preaching. The audience very solemn. The Rev Mr H. followed with some remarks. At the recess a number went to t. m. of inq'y; some of them very deeply impressed. A little after 3 oc. broke up for t. day. Went & took supper at Dea Alfords. a fine family indeed. two promising chil- of t. Son of Dea. A. seemed very attentive. In t. eve. pr. fr. A. 20:28. was enabled to press with unusual earnestness t. importance of making an immediate decision whether they wd. be for God or this world — The Rev Mr H. followed with very appropriate remarks stating t. danger of indecision

fr. t. case of a farmer or a merchan who shd. be undecided about a piec of work &c. Sinners will make a decision of some kind now &c. You will say I am afraid of doing it now lest I shd. be insincere but you will decide to go on for t. present & contin in sin that is just what t. devil wishes &c. Seldom have I witnesse a more solemn & impressive scene. Surely it was good to be there — the place was awfully solemn. O may I remember forever that eve. Yes I shall and every one present while time & eternity shall endure —

Spent t. n. at Esq Washingtons a descendant of t. father of our country.

Esq. W. is one of t. finest & most gentlemanly man I ever met with but I fear not a christian neither his wife altho an excellent lady— Esq. W. had difficulties respecting the necessity of t. influences of t. Holy Ghost. And inquires what more is necessary to conversion than that a sinner just return to God & do his duty?

Left him with some earnest desires that talents, and accomplishments like Esq. Ws. might be consecrated to t. cause of C. God grant it for his dear sons sake

Sat. 31. Went to Palmyra In t. eve. attended prayer meeting at t. sch. h. at t. center a number present. meeting interesting & christians in a measure engaged.

Passed t. night at Freeman Perks: Closed another year a year of many trials, still of mercies & blessings. Have enjoyed uninterrupted health excepting a few days when I was ill of a fever. But blessed be God that having obtained help of him I continue until t. present time.

Sab. Com. a new year desired to begin it with God. Prepare me Lord for whatever may be thy will concerning me— Bless me & crown my poor services with thy blessing. Pr. A. M. fr. R. 10.4. Had I hope assistance in t. discharge of these solemn & important duties. Few present but those solemn. P. M. fr. Acts 20. 28th And was then enabled to press t. subject with some solemnity & earnestness. God grant that t. precious seed altho. sown in weakness may be savingly efficacious in t. conversion of souls— In t. eve. attended meeting at Dea. Palmers. The children all pious 3 sons & 3 daughters except t. youngest. Highly gratified with t. family and their christian disposition. Surely God will bless that household— May he do it forever more—

In t. eve. Attended the Con. of Prayer at t. Centre Sc. H. An interesting season and som interest I hope excited in the good cause. Spent t. n. at Dea. Noah Smiths. Had a long conversation with the sch. teacher Mr Chapman upo the doctrines of t. Bible.

Tues. 3d Visited an old acquaintance B. O. Plimpton. At present a Meth. Pr. He mentioned an anecdote of Dr. Manary of Deerfield. Respecting a follower of Mr Campbell. The man called himself a disciple

The mans name was Cornelius Finch. He says if you had called yourself Abel Holt I shd. then have supposed that you had denied yourself but now you say that your name is &c. Thus showing that you are the same man. The man replies that is not what it means by denying ones self &c. Other replies the Dr. you are making commentaries &c. The man was nonplused and says no more — Had a lovely interview with Dea. Palmers' family 5 of his children pious, & his 2 daughters interesting young ladies.

Left P. in the eve. and came to Chrinburg and put up at Mr Edmund Bostwicks. Mr B's. family also an excellent one Mrs. B. out of health. Mr B. a fine obliging man; his daughter Nancy a professor of religion & a fine young lady. Found a number of t. neighbors present. Dea. Strong & wife an excellent couple. Before closing the eve. interview sung Hebers Missy H. and united in prayer.

Wed. 4. visited Dea. S. family and 2 or 3 others. Felt more deeply than before t. importance of being uniform in all my deportment serious & solemn. "I believe says a young man that this man

is sincere from t. looks of his eyes:
His name was Olmstead. May
I never be found otherwise altho I
felt undeserving of t. compliment.
In t. eve. pr. to a few friends of
missions & others at Mr B's. Considerable of interest being felt in
my object. The Lord crown this
& all my efforts with his blessing.

Thurs. 5th Weather
more moderate considerable of
snow having fallen during t. n.
and t. appearance of rain.

Went to Ravenna with
Mr B. visited Dr. Swift the
Co. Treas. of t. A. B. &c. and
Br. Nash. Fr. R. went to
Charleston and visited t. Rev. D. L.
Coe. Returned to C. again the eve.
& night-riding. Felt the importance of being kept fr. my
easily besetting sin. Often fear lest
I shall one day fall by this strong foe.
"I stand upon a mountains edge O
save me lest I fall."—

Fri. 6th devoted t. day to visiting & in
the eve. led a meeting at Mr Justin
Eddys. Subject of serm. Phil. 4.6. Be
careful for nothing &c. Recd. Letters
from Mr Hill of Boston, Mr Cor.
Tappan and Esqr Beall. Felt much
dejected on hearing respecting t. probable
destiny of my poor Indians. Alas I fear
they too must cross t. Miss- Oh
shall the

wanderings of these poor Indns. cease?
and when will t. white man say he has
land enough?

Sat. 7 Left Mr Edmund Bostwicks and went to Ravenna.
Mr B's family treated me with all
possible kindness the Ld. reward them
for it a hundred fold into their bosom—
Mr Greenberry Keen also a fine
man & his wife & children very agreeable & intelligent. Dea. Strong
& his wife an excellent couple and
devoted to the cause of Christ—
On the whole much pleased with
that people & t. cordial manner
in wh. I was treated t. Ch. small
containing about 20 members

Sat. eve. staid at Major Shalers
for 10 years in the army, during
the whole of t. war. Was wounded
twice in t. battle of Bridgewater opposite to Niagara; one ball passing
thro' his arm and an other thro his
side fr. wh. he nearly lost his life
He was in 5 general engagements
and once was cast away between
N.Y. & N. Orleans. An intelligent
& pious man as well as his wife. But
of late has been greatly afflicted by
losses, sickness & the death of his oldest
daughter 8 y. of age. May these afflictions be sanctified—

Sab. 8th Stormy and wet. Pr. in
t. A.M. fr. 1st P. 4:18. & in t. P.M. fr.
Mt. 16:25— a [illegible]

The Audience not large but solemn. God grant that it may appear that good has been done in t. name of Jesus C. thy Son. For without him I can do nothing. Felt to day but little spirituality of mind. and am afraid that I have but little true love to t. cause of my blessed Master. Ld. increase it a hundred fold—

In t. eve. made some statements in respect to the Indns. It being raining & but few present.

Passed t. night at Major Shelers.

Mon. 9th visited a few individuals found but little encouragement in Ravenna

Called on Mr Thompsons' family Mrs. T. and her children appeared remarkably well. Mrs. T. almost a mother in Israel, she has trained up her family admirably: one of her children Owen T. is a graduate fr. H. Coll. O. May that family be blessed for her sake and for Christs sake Mr Ts. family once resided in Stock. M.

In the eve. went to Charleston Rev. David L. Coe Pastor.

Revived the Gent: Association. Rev. D. L. C. Pres. Dr. Rufus Pierce Secr.ty & Treas. and apparently a good man. he made a donation of stone ware to t. A. B. Le.

Rev. Mr. C. a man of an excellent spirit not great but good, & uniformly devoted. His wife a pleasant, agreeable woman.

Was cordially received at this place. A full meeting and good attention paid. Dea. Joel Dorman apparently a very good man.

Mrs R. M. Coe Treas. of t. Ladies As. and an excellent woman —

Mr Coe requested me to collect minerals and forward him.

About sun set left C. and went to Eddinburg. called a few minutes at Mr Bostwicks, found them all well and soon left for Rootstown. Arrived rather late but in time to attend the meeting. Found the school-house filled. It being situated about a m. & a half fr. t. centre —

There received the As. which had done nothing for two years or more. Mr Daniel Bosworth Pres. and Mr Wm Seymour Treas. Esqr. Gibbons. Found them rather inefficient but the affair was unexpected and they intended no disrespect or unwillingness upon the subject. Passed the night at Saml Coes. Much pleased with t. family. Esqr Gibbons & Esqr. Spelmans, Mr Cases & Mrs C. an interesting woman & sister of the Rev. J. Seward of Aurora

Mr Bosworths Rd Dea. Pitkins. J. and his Son Dea. Truman P. all fine families. Dea P. a ~~very~~ godly man and very aged; his wife
her maiden name Catlin
an intelligent woman, ^ an acquaintance of Miss. D. Cook. of M. Mission. An acquaintance of
also acquainted with the Stock. Indns.
Mrs. Farrar of Andover Mass. ^

Left R. in t. P. M. and went to Randolph. The Rev. Joseph Miriam Pastor. In the eve. attended a prayer meeting at Mr   the meeting interesting & solemn, ~~[illegible]~~ most present hopefully pious.

Heard of t. death of Mrs. Right the wife of Br. Asher R. of Seneca Mission. Her death was sudden but peaceful

Felt that it became me to reflect more upon t. uncertainty of human life & of being always ready for I know not t. time nor t. manner of my death —

Lord increase my faith in eternal realities — in thy word — and give me more zeal in thy blessed cause — Furnish me to the faithful discharge of my duties as an agent &c.

In the eve Jan. 13. attended a meeting. a goodly number present. Related an anecdote wh. created a smile which I regard as wrong

The people came forward and very readily subscribed for the aid of t. funds of t. A.B. The failure of these associations appear- to have arisen fr. t. Rev. Mr Sheldens leaving Franklin who was Sec. of t. Co. Soc. for For. He left to engage in the cause of t. Bible Soc. Since that time little has been done for the cause of For. Missns. by t. Assns generally. Altho. some have continued in active operation particularly the Female Assns. The Assn in Charleston & Windham in active operation as is also Nelson. F. Ass.

Was requested by a student fr. Hudson to correspond with the Soc. of Inq. in that Coll.

– Mr Youngman fr. Hollis

Mr. H. keeping school in Randolph. Visited his school Jan 14 most of his scholars pious, much pleased with the appearance of the school

Jan. 14. Weather very fine, and moderate thawed considerable.

Sent a Mr Spalding to Palmyra The Lord go with & bless him.

Visited in t. A.M. Much pleased with t. appearance of t. people. Mr Oliver Dickinson an old & venerable man; his four sons settled near him with one of them he lives, and all of their wives pious. The families all pleasant and agreeable & benevolent

The Town of R. well laid out

At the centre 4 roads running E. W. N. & S. Everything about it has t. appearance of neatness & industry. Houses generally pretty large & painted. The church numbers about members. A revival last year

In the P.M. Left R. and went to Atwater. The Rev. W. L. Buffett Minister. As I passed along the country appeared remarkably fine & level tho' not too much so for purposes of agriculture. Saw the buildings at t. centre some 2 m. before I reached it. And along for almost the whole of this distance there were fine farms and good houses and every thing wore t. aspect of industry & good husbandry.

Arrived not far fr. sun set at Dr. Haddocks t. Boarding place of the Re Mr. B. Dr. H. absent on a visit to Warren t. Co. seat of Trumbull. The eve. spent in conversation in part; 5 youth present 2 professors of religion. One a young lady had indulged a hope at a protracted meeting in Randolph but had relinquished it. Alas! unhappy youth if indeed you have turned your back upon t. Sav. how will you endure at t. last—

The Ch. in A. 90 in number more than doubled since t. Rev. Mr B. came here 4 years ago.

Br. B. concluded to go to Deerfield and let me preach to his people.

O my soul another week has gone into eternity & I am another week nearer to death &c. What hast thou done for God — Feel that I have been too light & trifling in my feelings and have not prayed as I ought —

Jan 15th Sab. Weather very fine and clear. Pr. in t. A.M. fr. Acts 26:28. The almost christian deficient &c. Had considerable assistance as I hope whilst pressing the momentous portion of divine truth — The audience solemn & attentive, In t. P.M. a Missy Serm. Felt in some measure t. weight of my subject.

Whilst t. audience listened with deep interest. In t. eve. made statements in relation to the Station &c. Felt that I was too prolix and not sufficiently pointed. Passed the night at Mr Atwaters a merchant from whose Grandfather t. town took its name. who died in Ct. aged 9 a short time since. Mrs. A. a 2d wife and a fine woman, both professors of religion.

Mon. 16th Left Atwater and went to Deerfield 7 M. distant. The centre 5 miles only fr. At. The ch. presbyt'n preaching one One fourth of the time t. Rev. Mr Anderson supplies. Quite a number of t. people Germans.

for his health &c. At length a toper was remonstrated with for drinking and he replies "I shall drink as long as Dea B. does." This was told to the Dea. & he says He shall no longer have this for a plea & immediately abandons his temperate drinking, and now says "that his health is better in consequence of it."

Wed. 18th somewhat rainy. Spent t. day in visiting. Called first upon Dea. J. Baldwin the venerable father of t. Rev. Mr Baldwin of N. Y. City. next upon Mr. John H. Whittelsey. His wife a godly woman & sister of Mrs Thompson of Ravenna. Mrs. W. one of t. most devoted of christians. "Nothing says she "do I dread more than the hidings of Gods countenance. I know that I love his word, his children and t. duties of religion. I love to be in his hands & willing that he should do with me as seemeth good in sight." I have seldom met with a lady who entered more into the heart-work of religion — Altho feeble in respect to bodily health yet she is strong in faith, & appears to glorify God by a patient endurance of her afflictions —

In t. eve. very rainy; returned to Dr. Haddocks. Just returned fr. a visit. An excellent man as well as his wife, & benevolent. It being t. eve for lect. four or 5 only attended, we sung conversed a little & had prayers.

Felt an astonishing degree of barrenness of soul, & coldness of heart. O Ld. be gracious, be gracious, & leave me not, neither forsake me for I shall do no good without divine assistance and guidance

Mr Randolph S. Whittelsey informed me that he had cleared 75 acres of land in about 10 years and hired but very little; exchanged works principally in logging. — That he had one piece of 4½ acres which he chopped of heavy timber. he could get no help easily, but that Mon. morn. he went into t. piece alone with his oxen & went to piling & that in 8 days without any help he had t. whole piece in one pile.

Mr. Crosby of Bainbridge a very good man said that he had cleared 50 acres in about 5 years, and had exchanged works altogether in piling —

Fri. 20 Left Atwater and returned to Randolph, Recd a letter fr. Mr H. Cleveland and mailed one for Mrs. H. P. M. went to Springfield Rev. John D. Hughs minister. passed t. night at Mr Mc Right.

Sat. 21. Went to Middlebury, where Rev. B. C. Baldwin now preaches half of the time. Went also to Tallmadg & saw t. Rev. Mr Hayes. Returned & passed t. night at Dr Chapmans with Br. B. Attended a meeting for young converts, full & interesting

Sab. 22d Pr. for Br. B. In the
morn. fr. 1 Pet. 4:18, In the P.M. fr.
Mark. Audience solemn and
attentive. Ch. small and lately formed
Mr Neaf an excellent man, saw
a Mr ~~Hamilton~~ Cleveland & wife both pious,
Mr Oastrum an ex. man. & Dr
Cs. family agreeable also. Saw Esqr
Beach from Rochester N. Y.

Mon 23. Went to Springfield
in the eve. preached, few present
but meeting interesting. Ch. high
Presbyterian and aux. to the
Assemblies Board. Passed the
night at Mr Solomon Dudleys
a Potter by trade. No Miss. Asso.
now nor did they think it expe-
dient
to form one, choosing the Assy's Bd.
There is no Assn in Middlebury
the ch. just formed and many preju-
dices have already been encountered
& it was thought that new ones might
be excited in consequence if one shd
be formed.

Tues. returned to M. & waited
the whole day for my saddle wh. had been
carelessly taken.

Wed. 25th Left M. for Hudson.
The weather exceedingly cold 20° below
Zero Farenheight. Called on Prof
Green, Pres. Storrs & the Rev. Henry Cox
the latter an excellent man indeed, &
decided in his character. Passed
the night at Esqr Hudsons.

Thurs. 26. Left H. for Ravenna t. Co. Seat in company with Rev. D. L. Coe. Passed thro. Franklin, called on a Mr Clark. Arrived in R. and passed t. night at Dr Swifts. The weather as cold as the previous day.

Fri. 27. Left R. for Edinburgh. Staid a while at Mr Bostwicks & then went to Charlestown. Passed t. N. at Ransoms Coes a br. of Rev D. L. C.

Sat 28th Called on Dr Pierce his wife seemed to be a very good woman — It soon came on to snow & continued thro. t. day exceedingly stormy.

Started for Braceville Trum. Co. Called upon Dea. Stow. a very good man. Dea. S. returned and informd me that two ministers had already arrived. Accordingly left for Warren 7 or 8 m distant arrived about 10 o clock P.M. and with much difficulty found Br. Hurlin. Took cold on my lungs. Put up with Mr Masons family. Mrs. M. a fine woman.

Sat. ~~30~~29th Weather Pleasant, but exceedingly cold. Br. H. pr. in t. A.M. myself in t. P.M. In t. eve. made some statements respecting Indn. Missns. A pretty full house & attentive. Passed t. night at Mr Fitchs Cashier of the Bank. a pleasant family, 3 of t. family pious. Mr & Mrs F. and a daughter.

Mon 30th Spent t. forenoon in visiting some and visited also a select school taught by two young ladies fr. Mass. Miss Esterbrooks

In t. P.M. went to Braceville and put up at Mr Rows. The family not pious altho pleasant. & was kindly entertained. In t. eve. quite a number present & appeared interested in my object altho not disposed to form an Assn. One having formerly been formed but had become extinct.

Tues. 31. Left B. and visited Newton a Pres. ch. here but no stated Pastor; visited Dea. Hoover. He choose t. Assemblies Bd. in preference to t. A.B. and thot. that t. ch. would choose rather to contribute to t. aid of t. funds of t. former than t. latter.

Called on Dea Robert Russell of Milton. The Township of M. unite with N. and so there is only one ch. in both Townships. Dea. R. an excellent man. Passed on to Ellsworth and put up at Mr Smith's, a tanner: Himself absent. Attended a meeting for young people. It being quite full & interesting. Read a part of t. 18 ch. of L. The account of Blind Bartimeus & remarked upon t. Sav. Lamentation over Jerusalem also. Had some liberty in speaking still felt much barrenness of soul.

Feb. 1st. Weather moderate. Left E. and went to Canfield the Rev. Mr Stratton minister here and at C. also. Neen keh win uppiche minnaindum ween, Onisheshin giya Minwaindum Kishe manetoo Oguissun. Neen uppiche gushkaindum noangoam—

Rev. Mr S. stated "that there were certain objects wh. his people must necessarily attend to & if after attending to them they were disposed to anything for t. A.B. he shd. be glad" Accordingly I did not press as he said that his people must soon be called upon for contributions to other objects as much as he thot proper to call upon them. After t. pr. meeting I took t. liberty to make a few statements respecting Missions &c. He said if any felt disposed to aid t. cause there was an opportunity and 25 cts. were contributed. Some young ladies there I found felt deeply interested in t. object & resolved to do something by way of preparing a box of clothing. These young ladies felt sorry I was informed because they had had no opportunity of doing anything for t. cause &c.

Feb. 3d Left Ellsworth having preached t. eve. previous at t. centre school-house; and passed t. n. at Capt. Fitches. Raining a considerable part of t. day. Felt much cast down in reflecting upon t. poor success of t. past. Stopped about 4 m. fr. Youngstown at a Dutch Grocery by the name of Frock. Distributed some Tracts. People extremely ignorant of t. Gospel. Started on and overtook a man fr. New Lisbon A follower of Alex. Campbell. Had much conversation; the L. d. bless it — He stated in reply to my remark respecting t. thief on t. cross that he was not baptized, that t. testament was of no force while t. testator lived &c.

Called upon the Rev. Mr Stafford found him to be an excellent man & his lady a fine woman. Attended a meeting in t. eve. & remarked upon t. 6 of Heb. Few present — Had after meeting much interesting conversation with Mr Stafford — The whole no. of inhab. in Y. 15 or 1600 & about 70 or 75 houses in t. village. Monthly Con. attended tho not generally.
This Ch. Pres. belonging to the Hartford Pr
Whole no. of t. Ch. about 130 and the Rev Ward Stafford pastor. Monthly concert attended.

Feb. 4th Sat. Stormy. The snow all went
off a day or two previous, t. weather having been
very warm. Wrote to Mr Hudson and Mr
Hill of Bos. Mr S. mentioned t. case of a young
man who inquired of his minister wh. he shd.
take in marriage a young lady who was pious but un-
happy in her temperament or another who was not
pious but possessed of an excellent disposition? The
minister replied take t. one who is not pious. The
young surprised at this asked t. reason, t. Min. say,
"remember t. Grace of God can live where you can
not!"

Inquired of t. Rev Mr. S. about baptizing
t. children of members of other churches for ex. Meth-
odists. He replied that he shd. be governed altogether
by t. character of t. ch. and of the individuals, & never in
no instance baptise where there was not evidence
of personal piety.

5th Sab. The weather again cold, it having snowed a lit
t. n. before. Pr. all day for t. Rev Mr S. in the A. M. fr.
1 Pet. 4:18. P.M. fr. M. 16:15, 16. & in t. eve. fr. Acts 26:2
Had some freedom in speaking t. assembly not full bu
solemn. God grant that good may there be done by
my poor feeble labors — Thine shall be t. glory —
Called in t. eve. after service at t. Mr Brisons an eld
of t. ch. perhaps in a decline. Laboring under great
darkness of mind. He hd. lift- upon him t. light
of his reconciled countenance —

The family of t. Rev. Mr S. an interesting & lovely
one. He has 8 interesting children & a beloved wife.
A thousand blessings rest upon him & his inter-
esting family — Had an interview with Mr
Hon. M. Montgomery daughter of Lewis R. Morris
of Vt. and Great grand daughter of Pres. Edwards.
an interesting, good woman. Mrs M. resembles in
some measure Mrs F. of Andover Mass.

6th. Mon. Month. Con. of Pr. Meeting at 11 o'cl.
not many present. Found difficulty in speak-
ing to an empty house— After meeting a Tem.
S. Soc. formed— Took supper with Dr. Manning
his family a fine, interesting one indeed.

Left Youngstown about 5 o'cl. P.M. for
Vienna 10 m. dis. & arrived at V. in safety &
found t. people (a few only) collected for t. monthly
Con. Alas how little comparatively is felt!
Put up in t. family of t. Rev Chester Birge.
Ween watcgamuk onish[illegible]in;— Was kind
ly received, Oh! how different t. scene in this
of t. Rev. Mr B's f. of J. fr. that I experienced in
Con— The Rev Mr B's ch. consists of 90 members
& is strictly Cong.

The Rev. Mr McIlvaine stated that
Miss Mc Crea daughter of t. Rev Mr C.
was not ~~#~~ chargeable with disrespect to her
father as reported for her father stated to him
"that she was a dutiful child."

Tues. 7th Left Vienna, visited Fowler,
Hartford, Vernon and Kinsman; Put up at
the Rev. Mr Isaac McIlvaines. Mr & Mrs M.
Onishishin, uppiche, ween bewisz onish-
eshin, go nawch giza.

Wed. 8th rainy & warm. Went to Gustavus. Fath-
er Badger absent. & Fr. J. went to Johnstown—
The Rev. Ucias S. [illegible]ls minister whole no. of th
ch. Here attend a protracted meeting, the
Rev. Mr B., Birge and Pepoon present. In t. eve.
t. Rev. Mr Birge pr. fr. Rom. 10:1. The eve. meeting
solemn & interesting. Remarked upon t. importance
of prayer— At t. close a woman came & says Remem-
ber my husband at t. throne of grace for his part
Christ &c. O God have compassion upon him—

& grant t. request of thine handmaid his wife— In t. night a great fall of rain & very heavy thunder & lightning, a greater say some than had been known for 25 y. previous.—

Thurs. 9th pr. in t. A.M. fr. 1 Pet. 4:18, audience very solemn; felt somewhat impressed whilst pr. with t. truth myself— Grant that it may have a saving effect upon many hearts— In t. eve. the Rev. Mr Pepoon preached. Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers. Meeting rather solemn.

Fri. 10th Left Johnstown & went to Vienna pr. to a few. The Rev. Mr B. much engaged in t. good cause. In the eve. went to Fowler. Preached to a full house. Felt considerably myself & some interest excited in my dept. The Rev Mr Colls preached to this people one half of the time wh

Returned to V. & passed t. night

Sat. 11th Went to Warren. Rec'd 5 letter 2 fr. Washington 1 fr. Boston 1 fr. Rodtown & 1 fr. Aurora. Very raining all of t. P.M. Returned to Vienna. And in t. eve. set out for Vernon — arrived at V. about half past 10 o'cl. P.M. and passed t. n. at Mrs Sarah Coes wife o t. Rev. A. Coe. [illegible] piete. Sab. 12. Stormy few at ch. In t. A.M. pr. fr. Rom. 8:10. in t. P.M. Miss Ser. In t. eve. had a meeting.

Mon. 13th Went to Hartford & pr. and attended a Tem. meeting. The Choir performed in a most admirable manner. The contrast betwixt what I have witnessed and with what I had previously witnessed among wild Inds. was

overwhelming. May none of that Choir
be found wanting when thou shalt make
up thy jewels— Watchman tell of t. N.
was sung—

Returned to Johnstown in t. eve. & pr.
~~Wed~~ Tues. 14th In t. A.M. went to Mecca
& attended a meeting with Mr Pepoon— con-
cluded to pass this place by. They were a-
fraid it would injure t. revival to have
t. subject of For. Missions presented— Strange
fear— Returned & pr. to Dr. Ells people
fr. Rom. 8:16. At a ch. meeting 3 or 4 were
examined one little girl 12 years of age
In t. eve went to Gustavus. Few pres-
ent. Much pleased with Father B. Passed
the n. at Father B's. Found him to be a
man thoroughly read in Miss'y subjects

The ch. in H. Cong. & Pres. and
numbers 80 or 90. The Rev Mr
McIlvaine Pastor

The ch. in Vernon Cong.
& numbers 30 or 40.

The ch. in Hartford Pres.
the Rev Wells Andrews Pas.
formerly of t. District of Colum-
Left in the eve. and went to
Greene. Pr. fr. Rom. 10:14. & then
made a statement respecting
missions under t. patronage of t.
A. B. The number not large.
The good people quite interest-
ed in my object. One lady
Mrs Bailey, her maiden name
Brown was brought up with
the Stock. Inds. Passed t. n. at
Mr Harringtons, both himself &
wife members of the ch. wh. con-
tains I think 10 or 20.

Fri. 17th Called on Mrs Bailey and
there met with the Rev Mr Wood-
ruff of Wayne Ash. Co.

Concluded to alter my course
& go to Bloomfield & Mesopotamia
Set off with Mr W. called at B. on
a Mr Colmstock & dined, then
went on to M. and put up with
Mr Merrill formerly fr. Castleton
Vt. both Mr & Mrs M. members of
the ch. wh. members.
and I it a pleasant family —

Sat 18th Spent the day at Mr
Merrills in writing. Weather rainy
and quite warm. In the eve. meeting
at Mr Ms.

Sab. 19th Somewhat rainy not cold
Felt much difficulty in speak-
ing. In t. morn. Pr. fr. 1 Pet. 4:18.
and in t. P.M. fr. Mark. audience
solemn

In t. eve. meeting interesting contributed a small sum — much fatigued in body. May it hereafter appear that good was done ——

Mrs. Dolly Merrill formerly Dolly Porter of Farmington Con. acquainted with Miss Cook of t. Mack. Mission. Mr M. acquainted with Mrs Denison of Detroit M. T.

In Mesopotamia an oil spring the oil resembles the British oil in color & smell. The month. Con. attended here with some interest on the part of some. About building a small meeting house. The Ladies intend making a donation of clothing to the A. B. Some excellent christian females in M.

Mon. 20th Stormy & cold; considerable of snow fell during t. day. Left t. M. and went to Hamden Geauga Co. Had an interview with a family of Campbell-ites by t. name of Hale.

Called upon t. Rev Cobb. Himself absent. Wewun Onishishin, gonanch giza

Tues. 21, Set out with Br. Cobb for Thompson. Roads bad. Arrived sometime after noon at Mr Barnes where t. Rev Mr Wilson boarded. After dinner set out for the Centre, in order to attend t. ex. of Mr W. Met t. Presbytery. Rev. Messrs. Woodruff, Cobb, Adams (Mod. of P.) Austin Dr. Cowles Henry Cowles, Beardsley, Child, Burbank and Chapin present. Mr W. passed a good ex. the Pres. after attending to other business adjourned, after 8 o'cl. P.M. Passed t. n. with Br. B.

Wed. 22, Mom. cold, but t. day pleasant set off in t. morn. to attend t. ordination of Mr W. Made a few remarks to the Pres. and succeeded in passing some resolutions. The first was offered by t. Rev Mr Cobb, the 2d. By t. Rev H. Cowles and t. 3d by t. Rev Mr Burbank. and passed t. Pres. unanimously. Voted by Pres. to publish them in the Hud. paper. Rev. Mr Cobb. opened t. exercises Read t. first Ps. (100 L.M.) & made t. introductory prayer. Rev Mr Cowles pr. sermon.

Rev Dr. Cowles made t. cl. prayer, Rev Mr Child gave charge, Rev Mr Beardsley gave right-hand of fellowship Rev Mr Adams gave charge to t. people. Exercises solemn & appropriate. After exercises left with 12 or 13 ministers and delegates for Austinburg, about 13 m. distant. rode 5 or 6 m. thro' t. woods arrived in safety at A. about 7 o'cl. P.M. & passed t. night at Rev. H. Cowles.

Thurs. 23d Stormy & cold. Spent t. day in writing. In t. eve attended the con. of prayer for t. Colleges. Read t. death of Dr Cornelius. "Time flies, death enters & there is none can let." May this mysterious but wise dispensation of divine providence be sanctified to t. A. B. C. and to all in t. sacred ministry Meeting interesting. passed t. n. at t. Rev Mr Austin's. his family an excellent one. His children pretty & well behaved.

Fri. 24th The day fine but rather cold. Went to Ashtabula; called upon ~~the~~ Mr Russel Clark Merchant a fine man and so is his family. An old acquaintance of Mr Hastings of Detroit. He was a short time since fr. Clinton N.Y. Returned and in the eve attended t. meeting at Austinb. near the Rev. Giles H. Cowles D.D. quite a number present. passed t. night at his house. His family Christian Conversed with the Rev Henry Cowles upon the Apocrypha. The Jews never received it as inspired, it was never translated into Heb. Christ & his Apostles never quoted it & they refer to all other parts of Scr. Protestants never received it as inspired. St Jerome says "we read it but in a lower place than the Scr." denoting its inferiority, in places of worship as a history and on account of t. moral precepts it contains. It was not received by t. Romish ch. as ins. until it became corrupt. It was thot' to favour some things favourable to catholicism the worshipping of angels. One of the councils of Trent decided it to be of equal authority with the rest of t. sacred canon

25th Sat. Stormy. passed t. m. previous at Dr. Cowles. Went to Morgan. Rode a part of t. way with Dr. Cowles

Sab. 26th Weather more pleasant.
Pr. all day. In the eve. attended meeting
at Rock Creek. The house well filled.
Returned to Br. Cs. & passed t. night.

Mon. 27th Weather moderate. Called on
Mr St. Johns family Onisheshin, Wawon-
giga Chenoche. Went to Rome, called
upon Dea. Chester. An excellent man.
Just heard of t. death of his brother in Conn.
who died in t. triumphs of faith.
In t. eve. addressed t. people. Passed
t. night at Dea Cs.

Tues. 28th Left for [illegible] Por.
Co. & arrived in t. eve. The Circu-
lar Conference had met in t. ev.
Heard t. Rev. Mr Danforth pr. Not
a large cong. present.

Wed 29th In t. A.M. the Rev Mr
Miller pr. "The Son of Man came to seek
& to save that wh. was lost." P.M. the
Rev. Mr Hanford pr. For the time is
come to favour Zion &c. In t. E pr. pr.
1 Pet. 4:18. Audience solemn. Not
many impenitent sinners present.

Thurs. 1st next Weather pleasant. In t.
A.M. pr. fr. Rom. 8:16. Audience sol-
emn, some sinners deeply impressed
one or two indulged hopes. At noon left
and went to Freedom.

Passed the n. at Dea. Hammons. Mrs. H.
Onisheshin.

Fri 2d Morn. Weather fine. Called on Milo
Footes family and Mr Milligans families
Went to Windham arrived late for t. meet-
ing. Heard t. Rev. Mr Hanford pr. But ye
were as sheep going astray but are now re-
turned to t. Shepherd & Bishop of your souls.
Afterwards addressed t. people. Passed the
night at the Rev. Mr Hanfords.

Sat. Morn. 3d Weather fine indeed.
Called at Mr Clarks & Esqr Washingtons
Hope that Esqr W. is a good man.
Went to Nelson. Passed t. n. at Mr Cris-
ets. Mrs. Cs maiden name Flora Eldred
formerly acquainted with Mrs Stevens.

Sab. 4th Raining all day. In t. P.M. a
thunder shower mingled with hail. In t. A.M. pr.
Few present ~~at~~ meeting.
fr. Phil. 4:6. P.M. miss. sermon.
In t. eve had an interesting meeting
and the people came forward and subscribed
liberally for t. good cause. Had an interest-
ing interview with Mrs. Bierce wife of Dea
Bs formerly a Miss. Conant fr. Windham.
The Rev. Mr Fenn related an interesting
dream wh. her Br. Marty Conant had
about 10 years ago.

It was a time when there was some talk about war. He dreamed one night that a man came to him who rode upon a white horse. The man was noble in his look and appearance, dressed in a military dress and had a bright sword hanging at his side. He had under his arm a roll and wished him to enlist and take t. rank of first sergeant. The man urged but he refused, and says I know of one who will, & mentions his name Benoni Messenger. The man replied "he has already enlisted and a sister of Benoni M. and also one of his own sisters also. The man informed him, that if he did not enlist then there would be no other opportunity for 10 years. But he still refused. The man then turns & goes away & he departs his appearance was very luminous & he saw it was t. Saviour. This Benoni M. his sister and one of this man's sisters became pious about that time. This man was serious but did not become pious. The dream made some impression upon his mind. This Benoni M. applied for aid to t. W. R. E. S. for aid but was rejected, and about t. same time the [illegible] remarked, to one [illegible] who said B. M. "will never make anything," he will yet be an ordained minister," & so it came to pass. This rejection roused him to effort & he has ever surprised his friends. This Mandy Conant became pious last summer about 10 years from the time of his dream.

Passed t. n. at the Rev Mr Fd. conversed with two young ladies

hopes in t. mercy of Christ but the other does not.

Mon. 5th Rainy & snowy again. Called on a few families and left for Farmington Tr. Co. Put up with the Rev Daniel Miller. In t. eve. attended the Month. Con. of Prayer. Not many present. reorganized an Asso.

The ch. in F. numbers about 80 members. Mr Sidney Woodford's family [illegible], & very kind & liberal.

Tues. made some calls but met with little encouragement. Passed t. n. at Dea. Wolcotts, a good old man, & full of days—

Wed. 7th Pleasant called on old gentleman by the name of Belden. Was deeply impressed with t. manner in which he gave the cloth wh. he had purchased to make him some shirts. The good man was old & poor but he gave cheerfully, what he could. The Lord bless him for this an hundred fold & make t. eve. of his days like t. clear setting sun—

Left Mr W.' & went to t. centre called upon Dea. Josiah Wolcott. A fine old man, be[illegible]. With him I visited a number of families.

the name of Evaline a very fine
and interesting young lady indeed.
Returned in the eve. and attended a meeting
near t. Rev Mr Woodruffs. at Mr Eliphalet
Phelps: passed t. n. at Rev Mr W's.

Saw in Gustavus a Mr Hull, who re-
quested me to inquire after a man
by the name of Hubbell whose brother
David H. lives in Whitesboro N.Y.
the man enlisted and went to Green
Bay.

Tues. 13th Left Williamsfield. Called on Dea
Leonard family (professing) and Dr Kellogg
his wife daughter of t. Rev Mr Woodruff.
Called also at Mr H. H. Vernons who was
appointed Deacon. Weather changed and
very cold & blustering. Put up at Mr
Zadok Steeles in Andover formerly acquainted with
Miss Cook. Mr Seler Merrill also acqua-
inted with her. In t. eve. attended a
meeting. Not many present.
Some attention to religion here. a very
good settlement on the State road ab-
out 2 miles fr. t. center

Wed. eve. had a meeting at Andover
fr. Acts 20: 28. A time solemn
passed t. n. at Esqr Lymans. family
professing.

Thurs. 15th Left Andover & went to
Monroe alias Kelloggsville. Called at
Capt. Browns (a Tanner) family pro-
fessin. Here heard of the decision of t.
Supreme Court respecting the Missionaries
On my way had a narrow escape
in consequence of t. fall of my horse.
Blessed be God for that gracious preser-
vation of my life

Called also upon Esqr. Kelloggs. passed
t. night at Judge Moffitts his family pro-
fessin Episcopal. Two daughters, both
pious.

Fri. 16. Weather fine. called upon a
number of families. Dr Holbrooks
Mr Helvering his wife sister of Mrs H.
Ream Col. & some others.

The Rev. Elijah S. Scott minister S.S.
In t. P.M. went to Salem called upon Mr M
or a hatter, Keen a German Irish.
A Rev Mr Pettis preaching here, who calls
himself an Independent Cong. State of rel-
ion very low. Con. of Prayer poorly attended
& not at all t. past winter. The no. of in-
habitants 17 or 18 hund. but little religion
however. The Town finely situated hav-
ing the appearance of considerable of wealth

Situated 1½ m. fr. t. Lake.
In t. eve. returned to Kingsville. Called upon t. Rev. Henry J. Kelley. Who married a Miss Garland of Me. A sister living with him. [illegible] onish. Heard further particulars of t. dreadful fall of t. Rev. S. Arnold. Alas! what will not men be guilty of when left — May it make me more deeply sensible of my entire dependance on God —

Sept. 17th The night previous having been very cold & stormy. Still continued so thro the Day. Went to Ashtabula. Called upon Mr Clark. Returned before evening and t. Rev Mr H. went to Ash. —

Sunday 18th very cold few present at meeting. In t. A.M. pr. fr. Rom. 8:10 The Spirit ar. In t. P.M. Miss. Serm. in t. eve. attended meeting at the [illegible] Noise. Considerable interest felt in t. subject.

Mon. 19th Left K. and went to Austinburg Recd 5 Letters from friends and t. A.B. one fr. Mrs. H. of Lon. N.H. In t. eve. attended meeting near Esqr Austins, meeting interesting. Passed t. n. at Rev. Henry Cowles.

Tues. ~~[illegible]~~. Spent the day in writing, in t. eve. went to t. S. part of t. Town. & pr. fr. th words "I have given you an ex'ple." Returned & passed t. n. at Dr Giles H. Cowles.

~~Thurs~~. Wed. I went to Jefferson and in t. eve. pr. th people resolved to form an A. So. Passed th night at Col. Jones.

Thurs. 22 Pleasant passed a part of the day in visiting with Rev Mr Beardsley Called upon a family th[illegible] Ash wife has friends living in Brownhelm, Ms. a most excellent lady, & devotedly pious. The Rev. Mr Betts settled in Brown. The Rev William Beardsley Pastor of this & t. Ch. in Andover. Keen worker onisherin chemoche giza. The Township of Jefferson rather pleasant, a court house & an Academy here. The Pres. Ch. organised last Summer — In t. P.M. left J. and returned to Austinburg and fr. thence went to Geneva; no meeting appointed on account of the scattered population & t. shortness of t. notice. Passed t. n. with the Rev. Perry Platt.

Members of Dr Giles H. Cowles family:
Martha H. C. (onishesin) Lysander M. C. and Cornelia twins. Elizabeth M. C. [illegible] giza onish. Louis D. C. Mrs. Austin wife of t. Rev. Mr A. and Dr. C. a physician in Mantua.

The Huron Pres meets 2d Tues. in Apr. & the Rev H. Cowles will be in Painsville the Sab. previous.

Fri. 23d Weather very pleasant and warm. Left Geneva & called upon Dr Hotchkiss family, onishesin.

In t. P.M. left Dr. H's and went to Madison. Called upon Brother Chapin ~~[illegible]~~ then we were much. From thence went to Br. Caleb Burbanks boarding at Deac. Martins. Took tea at Mr Smiths a neighbour of my fathers formerly in Dan. Heard from my friends particularly my poor sister R. may her repeated & sore afflictions be sanctified to her & my fathers family. Heard also of t. death of a number of my acquaintance in D. and St. Johnsbury. Returned & spent t. night at Madison with Br. C.

Sat. 24th Weather very warm,

a most striking difference betwixt t. weather to day & one week ago for then I went to Ashtabula and it was exceedingly cold. Called in Ash. upon a number of families, among t. rest Mrs. Brewster, mother of Sydney B. at Maumee, a pleasant family.

March 21 wrote to Mrs H. & 2 d mailed t. letter. In t. fore part of it personal expressing t. high regard entertained for her. Then request for union &c. Then proceeded to ans. some inquiries respecting t. joy & sorrows of a missy. obeying t. command of t. Sav. & elevating in t. scale of intellectual being t. aborigines. on his sorrows, unsuitable fellow-laborers, t. iniquity wh he must witness, & his unfaithfulness. mentioned that I saw her brother that I wished he (if) to engage in miss. labors. &c.

Sab. 25th. Weather very warm and a little rain, it appeared like a day in May.

In A.M. in Br. Chapins cong. & in the P.M. in Br. Burbanks, at 4. o.clock at Br. Chapins again and in t. eve. at Unionville very good attention at meeting and a goodly number present—

Madison a very populous town and quite wealthy, one of t. most pleasant Townships wh. I have visited. Called ~~[illegible]~~ Mr Benj. Smiths family, his children very respectable, Stephen married to a pious girl, Eloisa to a Mr Stratton Susan also married and lives about 100 m. distant; Emily a fine girl and professor of religion, so is S. and E. Susan indulges a hope. and one of his younger sons.

Mr Jason Olds an acquaint-
ance of Mr Stevens. Called upon Judge
Jeffers family visit. Mr Ensigns
& passed Sab. eve. at Mr Strattons.

Painsville Geauga Co. O.

Mr Bronson cashier of t. bank
Mrs. Bronson an excellent lady.
Malcolm, Wm. E. and Edward C.
Bronson. Master Howard, Caro-
line and Julia Adams children
of the Rev. William M. Adams.
Mr Silas Pepoon Collector of t.
donation and two other Brothers
Benj. and Augustus

Inquire at Green Bay
for a woman by the
name of Burnham her
husband a Master of a vessel
by request of Dr Matthews
Painsville

Inquiries respecting
Mr L. of the Rev. J. Seward
What is his moral and religious
character? Is he worthy t. patron-
age of the A. B. Are t. reports
respecting him base and ma-
licious or true?

Sab. eve. 25 turned cold & 2 or 3 in-
ches of snow fell on Fri. previ-
ous 23d heard t. frogs croak; the
roads about M. dry and dusty.

Mon. 26. Weather rather cold but
pleasant, left Madison & went to
Painsville. Called upon t. Rev. Wm.
M. Adams. family visit. attended a
meeting in t. eve. very few present.
Tues. 27th. Spent t. day in visiting with
t. Mr Pepoon, a singular man in-
deed tho I hope a christian. Passed the
night at t. Rev Mr As. W
Wed. 28, very pleasant, called upon
Mr Kingsley's family and delivered the
t. letter left in t. P. M. and went to
Hambden and attended a meeting among

Br. Cobbs people, it being rather interesting, passed t. night at Dea. Maynards. his family quite respectable

Thurs. 29 Went to Huntsburg & passed t. n. at Mr Witters, a pleasant family in t. morn. his son perhaps 16 or 17 prayed in t. family.

Fri. 30. very pleasant went to Burton & called on t. Rev. Dexter Witter, & fr. B. went Claridon and called upon Rev. Myron Tracy who married a Miss Weld a former acquaintance, they have now one child about 4 years of age. In t. eve. attended a meeting, the house full & attentive. formed an Aso. among t. Ladies & Gent: [illegible]. passed t. n. with Br. T. a niece of Mrs. T's living with her, a Miss Flint.

Sat. 31, Weather very fine, in t. P.M. [illegible] in t. A.M. went to Huntsburg and attended a meeting formed an Aso. of Gent. Ladies. and returned to B. and fr. went to Chester, called at Mr Lymans and passed t. n. at Mr L's. with Br. Goodell.

Sab. April 1. very pleasant passed last n. at Mr Lymans in Chester Geauga Co.

Started and went to Kirtland preached in t. A.M. for Mr. Cobb in t. Methodist Chapel, in t. P.M. for Br Joel Goodell in Chester and aided in the administration of the Lords supper, the Rev Mr Palmer and Col. Packard having had some misunderstanding previously, but Mr P. came forward made a public & humble acknowledgement, and Col. P. responded, made a mutual confession and gave to each other t. hand of Christian fellowship. The whole scene interesting and affecting — The audience solemn and attentive, God grant that good may be done in t. name of Jesus Christ — Left Chester and went to Burton over

12 miles over a rough road and arrived rather late in t. eve. but attended to my appointment, but alas! I had gone too far, and my strength has begun to fail — I fear a hemorrhage fr. the lungs — Rested rather poorly, and Monday morn. Spit a little blood much fatigued with t. labors of yesterday —

Mon. 2. Very pleasant. Left Burton after I had dined & went to Mesopotamia Called upon Mr Merrills family, after tarrying awhile went to Bloomfield and called upon Mr Crockers family formerly fr. Rensselaerville N. Y. Mr. C. not a Christian but his wife I trust is, and a very pleasant couple and I received every attention.

In the eve. attended t. month. Con. of prayer at Dea. Smiths. few present. Some interest however expressed in t. subject of foreign Missions. Passed t. n. at Mr Crockers.

Tues. 3d Left Bloomfield for Kinsman, a dreary road indeed fr. B. to Greene; called at t. Rev. Mr Badgers in Gustavus. Arrived in K. about 2, o'clock P.M. Attended in t. P.M. the meeting of t. Presbytery. Rev. Mr. Eells preached fr. If I forget thee O Jerusalem &c. In t. eve meeting of t. ~~Dom~~. Soc. Rev. Mr [illegible] Birge, Drs. Allen & Porter fr. Fowler and Mr Halin addressed t. Soc.

Passed t. n. at t. Rev. Mr Mc. Ilvaines

Wed. 4 Attended meeting of t. Pres. & had t. subject of foreign Missions brot. up & discussed considerable of interest felt. and 2 resolutions were passed relative to t. A. B. &c. All went on harmoniously and the whole business I had anticipated was accomplished.

Truly this success demand devout acknowledgements of thanksgiving & praise to God for his goodness & mercy — Passed t. n. at Mr John Andrews. his family originally in

Rev Mr Hurlin preached in t. eve.
for t. preaching of t. cross is to them
that perish foolishness—

Thurs. 5th Left Kinsman for
Warren called at Vernon Mr Smiths
& Dea Sutliffs, at judge Hayes of Hart-
for, Mr Goulds also and t. Rev. Mr An-
drews. Passed on to Vienna called at
Br. Biggs & from thence to Warren &
arrived a little before night, having
had Br. Hurlin in company—
In t. eve. attended a prayer meeting
in t. vestry and afterward called on
Mrs Moffatt, returned & passed t.
night at Mr Masons.

Fri. 6 Left W. for Painesville, called
at t. Rev. Mr Tracys and Cobbs. and ar-
rived about 8 o'clock P.M. at t. Rev
Mr Adams' 42 miles fr P. in
safety. Passed t. n. at his house
and on Sat. 7th attended to
some business in P. and then left
for Euclid a distance of 20 m.
Stopped at Chagrin at Mr Ls.

his eldest daughter pious &
carried on the millenary business—
Arrived at E. about 8 o'cl. P.M.
and put up with Dea. Adams.
a pleasant family for t. Sab.
Mr Nehemiah Brown, son
of Mrs. Tupper of Thornton
lives in Norwalk Huron Co. O.
and has 5 children ~~one~~ 2 of them
pious. The widow of Seth
B. lives in Monroe H. Co.
and has 4 children.
John Brown lives in Ridge-
field, and has 7 children, 5
indulge hopes. Aunt Strong
lives in Lyme Huron Co.
Lydia Parks lives in Nor-
walk H. Co. and has 7 children
and her oldest married having
one child. Betsey lives in
Ridgefield Hur. Co.

and has 3 children her oldest 8 years. Patty alias Martha married a Mr Sanders, & was married March. Hannah m. a Mr Hathaway & has one child, and lives in Ridgefield. John lives in Huron & has 6 children & belongs to the Pres. Ch. & is hopefully pious. Washington lives in Milan and has 3 children but not pious.

Sophia now lives with her mother. She

Aunt S. remains still the same. But in addition has become a universalist, & alas I fear will die such. I inquired of her if she had the feeling of her dear sister alas! now no more? It seemed like an arrow to her heart. it convulsed her whole frame. Not so with John an interesting devoted christian. Seldom have I had a visit more

satisfactory; he seems to be ripening fast for heaven —

The letter wh. sisters wrote me last year was mailed in Milan but never came to hand.

8th Sab. rather cold but pleasant. Pr. fr. R. 8:18. P. M. Miss. Se Rev. Mr P. absent at Chagrin. Attended meeting in t. eve. a goodly number present. & considerable fa number present.

Mon. 9. Left for Cleveland, staid a short time & then started with t. Rev. H. Cowles for Wakeman about 50 m. dis. fr. C. Passed t. n. at a Mr Porters in Dover.

Tues. 10th Set out early on our journey, stopped at Elyria at t. Rev. D. W. Lathrops and t. Rev Mr Shipherds, from thence went Brownhelm and called on t. Rev. Mr Betts

Arrived at Wakeman about 8
o cl. in P.M. Here met with Mr
Mr. Tefft, & another Betts of W.
Rev. Mr Judson of Milan, Rev. Mr
Conger, Rev Mr Robertson Rev
Mr Barber of Milan and E. P. Salmon
Passed Wed. and a part of Thurs. in
W. aided in administering t. Lords
Supper with t. Rev. Mr Barber.

Thurs. 12 Left W. and went to Ridge
ville, & passed t. n. at Mr John Browns

Fri. 13. visited a number of
Mr Bs. children. Called on Mr
Hamilton, whose son is at Gr.
B. a son of his Wilber lately died
Passed t. n. at Cousin John Mars.

Sat. 14th Set out for Cleveland
about 5 1/2 m. Providence
appeared to turn me out of my
way to see a sick woman who
had none to take care of her.
arrived in safety between 9 & 10
o clock P.M.

Sab. 15. A little stormy, P.M. pr.
for Br H. & in t. eve. also

Mon. 16 Left & went to Hudson passed
t. n. at Mr Baldwins or Esqr Hudsons

Tues. 17. Left very early for Claridon
about 20 m. & arrived a little af-
ter noon. rather cloudy & unpleas
ant but arrived in safety.
Found Rev Mr Adams and t. Rev.
Chester Chapin of Newbury Geau. Co.
Mr C. formerly Pastor of t. Church in
Granby Mass. Requested to be
remembered to t. Rev Mr Terry.
Mr & Mrs. Tracy wished to be remember
ed to Br. Bartlett —
Left before night & went to Burton &
passed t. n. at Rev. D. Witter.

Wed. 18. Left for Ravenna & arrived at
R. about noon. Attended meeting of
Co. T. Society. Rev. B. Greene made remarks
& Dr Earl made an address. Meeting
interesting. Rev. Mr Fenn remarked of
Mr L. that t. christian publick are pre
judiced against him, — that he is
rash, imprudent & rather overbearing &
besides his moral character labors some-
what — passed t. n. at Maj. Shalers.
Thurs. 19. Left and went to Hudson —

passed the night at Bro. Greens:

Fri. 20. Passed the day in doing but little went to Twinsburg. Called on Capt. Oviatts family. Inquired of Mrs O. respecting Miss McRee. She says Miss McR. when told on com. day, that her father was present at first took no notice of it, & when told again, she blushed — After the exercises she went immediately home, but did not stop for her father — went directly to her room & did not come down to tea until called the second time. And when she came down never gave her hand to her father & only bowed her head, and to questions put to her by her venerable father she would give very short answers, & made no conversation with him. She went out into the neighborhood but never invited her father, & did not wish to have him in the same room with herself. This deeply affected the old gentleman, so much so, that he shed tears —— For this extraordinary conduct they knew no reason, except that it was said that she had been taught by her mother to look upon her father as belonging to an inferior caste

Sat. 21st Called on Pres. L. he thought advisable to have an Agent appointed to collect

to the collection of donations &c
on t. Reserve.

In t. P.M. went to Twinsburg
put up for t. night at a McHills
a very good & pious family t. Rev
Mr Biſsell Paſsed t. n. here also.

Onikehtin Mukahkonia.

Pr. all day. A.M. Acts 20:28.
P.M. Miſs'ry Serm. a full house &
solemn attention. Took supper at
Mrs. Mabel Welsof's a widow.
Returned and held a meeting in t.
meeting at H. a goodly number present. the Lord greatly
assisted me bleſsed be his name
may great good be done in the
name of Jesus Christ.

First took a view of t. condition
& prospects of t. heathen, and secondly of t. uncivilised Ind. &c

of the progress which has been in civilizing them —

Passed t. night at Mr Harvey Baldwins.

Mon. 23d Passed t. day in calling upon various individuals & passed t. n. at Capt. Heman Oviatts a very good family. Passed Tues. Wed and a part of Thurs. visiting the families in Tw. Thurs. eve. 26 went to Twinsburg and held a meeting; a goodly number present, & considerable interest felt in t. cause of F. M. Passed t. n. at Mr Mills.

Fri. 27 Passed t. day in calling upon the families, generally well pleased with them, and as a people better pleased with them than almost any other ch. I have visited. Sat. 28. Left & went to Richfield in Medina Co. Passed the night at t. Rev. Israel Shailers. Orthodox in Anti Masonia but not quite strict enough in his family so it has been seen.

Sab. pr. all day and at 1-2 meeting also. Congregation appeared very well. Passed t. n. at Mr Shailers.

30 Mon. Day warm & pleasant. Called on a number of families Gen. O. M. Oviatts, Nelson Oviatts and Thos. E. Elsworths' [illegible] Called on Capt. Bigelows; here encountered a storm — not of thunder & lightning, but of a clamorous ~~womans~~ tongue. Alas! ~~for that couple~~ — May God shows ~~them~~ their er- ~~rors and give them timely repentance~~

Passed t. night at Gen. Oviatts

May 1. Left Richfield and returned to Hiram. Passed t. n. at Prof. Greens.

Wed. passed t. day in Hiram. The winter-term in t. Coll. closed on this day. In t. eve. attended a conference meeting & addressed t. people fr. t. wds. For knowing t. time it is high time that we awake out of sleep. Passed t. n. at Capt. Oviatts.

Thurs. 3d Left H. and returned to Cleveland. Called on my way at Twinsburg. Was named in this manner; because a pair of twins by t. name of Wilcox, were among t. first settlers and gave some land for a square at t. centre; both sickened about t. same time and died also very near together and were both buried in t. same grave.

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Sab. 17th Rainy and cold. Mind completely distracted in consequence of reports of Indn. hostilities. Heard that the Sacs, Foxes some Pottawottamies and Winnebagoes were about 70 miles fr. Ft. Winnebago. Found it difficult & almost impossible to keep my mind off fr. t. subject— Still found some relief in prayer and in commending myself and t. interests of the Mission to God. Meeting well attending both in t. A.M. & P.M. Felt to rejoice, that I was again permitted to resume my labors amongst my dear people. Had a very strong desire most of t. Day to do more & to be more useful than I have ever been before. Felt depressed in spirits as tho. I could not possibly say a word before I com. in t. morn. but was enabled to go thro. t. exercises with as much ease as I could expect; the people very solemn & attentive. Eve. meeting at t. School-house and quite interesting, was deeply impressed with t. appropriate remarks of J. H. Clark and Sally Anthony. I had been preaching respecting the almost christian, and found that they had not been inattentive hearers of the word— Remarked upon t. immortality of t. soul, & t. danger that some o them would lose their souls——

Jues. 19th Weather very pleasant. In t. A.M. attempted to study but could accomplish but little, mind being constantly filled with distressing apprehensions of Indn. aggressions! Still feel it is wrong to distrust the goodness & mercy of God, for he can preserve me and my people & station altho a host shd. rise up against us. At times I find relief in prayer and can trust all with God & then ere I am aware my mind is in the very midst of the enemy or I am planning some means of defence or destruction to the foe in case of an attack, and seem almost to see & hear their approach & savage yell — or feel t. poisoned arrow & tomahawk —

But again I recall my wandering thoughts and strive to fix them on my subject & God, but these subjects alas! seem like strangers or unwelcome guests after such vagaries of the mind. During t. last n. enjoyed a very refreshing nights repose, my mind not being so much troubled in sleep as I had been before since hearing various reports fr. t. Indns. respecting the sheep. Felt remarkably tranquil and that God had indeed heard my prayers in keeping me in safety during the night, & permitting me to commence another day — Had a long interview this afternoon with a member of t. Ch. Sally Anthony, who remarked that o the text We therefore as workers together with him — beseech you not to receive t. grace of God in vain, and that she had great distress of mind subsequently, & soon found peace, but feared previous to that that she did not know what it was to love God in heart — Since then thinks that she has had increasing evidence of her relation to Christ — Bless t. Lord O my soul for any evidence, that my poor services are accepted of him in any measure — Conversed also with her sister Mary, who has been almost a Mary Magdalene before she was converted, would that she was like Mary M. afterwards —

Afterwards went & visited Sally Hunt and found her in a very interesting state of mind, says now she cannot shed a tear on t. death of her son Thos. for God done it & it is all right. Then returned to Timothy Jordans and took supper together with Mr Stevens family and J. W. D. At t. close of t. interview Timothy expressed his gratitude to God for my safe return, and to us for visiting him, and partaking of the bounties of Gods providence with wh. God had blessed him. "When" says he I hear, that our Teacher had returned I felt almost sure of heaven, for now I had two & they would help each other and me also" — Felt deeply impressed whilst hearing him my own responsibilities and a strong desire to do my duty — closed t. eve. with prayer —

my every word [illegible]

Wed. 20. visited t. school, made some calls and took tea
at Mr Shermans; returned and attended a little prayer-meet-
ing at t. school-house. Few present; most of t. present
at a Council, at wh. one of t. Peace-Makers S. Mor. was
put out of Office, for Misconduct.

Thurs. 21. Visited some and returned at dusk, & it was re-
ported that t. Senecas &c. were about 70 m. fr. t. Portage & com-
ing this way; all was immeditatly alarm & confusion.
Mr & Mrs. S. passed t. night with us, but there was little sleep
in t. M. house during t. n. I felt at first somewhat
alarmed, & discomforted; but was enabled I trust to find relief
in prayer; and that in some measure I could say t.
Ld. of Hosts is with us t. G. of Jacob is our refuge—
And that I could fleeing to t. blood of t. everlasting cove-
nant commend myself & t. interests of this Missn. to
t. God of Missns. even if I must now close my earthly
career— Walked to & fro for some time up & down
about t. Missn. h. t. latter part of t. n. feeling that
there was a possibility that I might discover or be sur-
prised by a deadly foe— The moon shone beauti-
fully— all was calm & quiet around, & nothing to
break t. stillness of t. scene but t. murmuring

of t. water in t. F. river. Still everything appeared to
wear a Melancholy appearance, because I knew not what
dangers awaited me, nor but that it might be near—
— But that from t. woods, or bushes I might hear
them coming to do their dreadful & tragical work of
murdering & scalping both old & young— But t.
morn. returned I had slept a little after t. day began
to dawn, — t. sun shone into my room pleasantly &
t. morn. seemed to smile and I arose thankful as I
truly hope for t. kind preservation of t. n. and that no mid-
night-alarm had been permitted to disturb our dwell-
ing—

Fri. 22. Accomplished but little during t. day
felt exceedingly indisposed to study or perform any kind
of business. Attended t. ch. meeting—

Sat. 23d Spent t. whole day in preparing for t. Sab. and en-
joyed much peace & composure during t. day—

Sab. 24th In t. morn. weather fine, but in t. P.M.
a thunder shower, & considerable of rain.
My mind somewhat distracted with wandering thots.
& had but little spiritual feeling thro. t. day. Preached up-
on t. transactions of t. judgement day— That G. will
bring every work into judgement—

Mon. 25th Weather very fine; in t. A. M. spent t. time in going to to see some of t. head men but accomplished nothing. Still in a state of suspense & we are constantly hearing contradictory reports respecting t. Inds. some feeling that there is no danger, and t. Sacs &c will not come here but others, that they probably will —

Held a consultation respecting Mr. Cs. family going to Green Bay in order to be out of danger provided there should be an attack of t. Inds. but no decision was made — O Ld. direct that I, nor any entrusted with ~~this~~ t. concerns of this Mission may err, or do anything for wh. we shall be sorry hereafter —

Saw 3 or 4 of Inds. peeping down upon t. opposite side of t. r. went across & had an interview with them. Heard that a party of Sacs, had been killed by a band of white men & 25 Winnebagoes, & their scalps brot. in ~~at~~ near the Blue Mds. if I rightly recollect. — That they were daily expecting them at Ft. Winnebago, & were only one day & a half's march fr. t. latter place. The whole number supposed to be not far fr. 8 or 10 hundred

That 8 white men had been massacred at Galena & the Bl. Mds. — That they had told t. Winnebagoes that they wanted to have them get out of their way for ~~they~~ if they did not they might step on them, and that they did not wish to hurt them but they wanted to kill t. white men — And also that t. tracks of 5 [illegible] Sacs had been seen betwixt the B. D. Mort and L. W. Alas! what trials & troubles await this Mission. I know not; When I look at my own unfaithfulness, and ill-desert, as well as at my sins and the sins of this people I feel, that we are deserving of all of t. calamities of war & even unspeakably more, banishment fr. his presence eternally, but O! his mercy & forbearance I desire to plead towards myself & people & altho. my crimes are black as hell, yet with *thee* there is forgiveness & plenteous redemption, that thou mightest be sought unto in this hour of perplexity and trouble

In t. ev. endeavoured to seek relief in prayer & hope that in some measure I did, & retired at a late hour but t. news of t. day, conversation &c. would not permit me to rest; often woke during t. n. with same burden upon my mind, rose & looked out but could see nothing, retired again after commending myself anew to God, and enjoyed some refreshing sleep —

But was aroused very early by t. firing of guns and t. stir of t. family, and felt as tho. I could indeed give thanks to G. for t. light of returning day— How many have slept to wake no more, but I am still spared— God grant that it may be to live for thee and thee only— Felt as tho. before God I could resolve if He would deliver me from this trouble, and continue unto us t. blessings of peace I would do more than I ever have done to promote his glory, and t. salvation of souls. Still my own strength is perfect weakness, and unless I am endued with grace and wisdom fr. on high I shall not keep this resolution—

Wed. 27. Mr. Sherman & Mrs. S. Mr and Mrs. Stevens left for* Gr. Bay, passed the remainder of the week alone, both in peace & quietness. had but little fears fr. t. invasion of the Sacs. Still felt during t. week as tho. G. wd. preserve me & this Mission. And as tho. I could rest upon t. words of t. Ld. to Hezekiah when Sennacherib came against Jerusalem. Therefore saith t. Ld. G. concerning t. Kg. of Assyria, He shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there. Isa. 37:33. Lord may I never presume upon thy goodness & mercy, but guide me in t. way thou wouldst have me to go—

Another month has gone— A month of many trials, and of much deep anxiety of mind respecting my own personal safety, and that of t. Mission also. A m. too of signal mercies, I have been returned to my station in perfect health & safety after an absence of about 7 1/2 months on a tour to O. having been preserved fr. dangers by land and water— Now that I have been permitted to resume my labors here, may I have grace to do it with more zeal & fidelity than ever before. Enable to feel more deeply than ever before the worth of t. soul, t. shortness of time, and t. awful responsibilities of a minister of t. gospel—

May the month upon wh. I have now entered be remarkable for peace, & for blessings both spiritual & temporal—

July 1st. Sab. Considerable of rain in t. morn. but t. latter part of t. day pleasant. Was alone all day & was enabled to go thro. with its labors with much ease. The house full and solemn in t. eve. meeting at R. Kronkapots, and rather interesting—

7th Day of t. ch. meeting, intended to have visited, but did not. Saw John Whistler who had just returned fr.

Lead Mines. Heard of some shocking barbarities— (Force) That t. Sacs shot two men, one a Lieut. belonging to a Ft. (at t. Mines I believe) cut off his head, peeled up t. breast bone, took t. heart and cut off slices fr. t. fleshy parts of t. body to eat. Alas! how brutal, how is man turned to be worse than wild beasts of the forest for they devour when pressed with pinching hunger, but these to gratify a spirit of revenge—

Gen. Dodge killed another Indn. a chief of a band in a skirmish, and after snapping his gun at him 3 times, came at him with his spear, and when within pistol shot killed, and he scalped him, and he had tied in t. back part of his hair what appeared to be t. scalp of a white child— This band fought until they died, & one when actually dying continued to cry, hooy, hoow, wh. was t. same as fight.— The Sacs were then stationed in a fortified place on a point of land in a Lake called

and provided they made their escape would probably cross t. r. somewhere, and perhaps, some of them come to this place— Mr S. returned fr. the Bay and spent t. Sab.

July 8th Not having been very well thro t. week pr. only part of the day. I had hoped to awaken much attention by my sermon but I fear that I trusted too much in myself, & on that account fear that I did little good

In t. eve. did not attend meeting, but had a season of reflection after reading—

July 10th Mr & Mrs. S. having returned late t. previous eve. in order to prepare to go to t. East perhaps, was very busily employed in assisting them to start. Much confused in mind as well as weary in body from want of rest t. night previous. About Noon bade them farewell, perhaps for this world. May t. Great Head of t. church be their present help in every time of time of need & make them abundantly useful to the ch. of Christ—

July 15th Sab. My health tolerably good, weather rather warm, preached all day and attended t. S.S. the meeting also in t. eve. wh. was held at John W. Quinney's—

During this week fr. the 16 to the 21 much engaged in the secular business of the mission. Securing hay &c

Thurs. 19th A band of Winnebagoes called at t. Mission. ho wh. were on their way to Gr. B. preparing to go out on a war excursion, one having a large spear, t. blade perhaps a foot & a half long, and the handle covered with red baise, another ~~had~~ carried t. colors, among other

other things with wh. it was ornamented was a piece of a Sac Indns. scalp. Some of them were painted red and had horses tails so adjusted upon their heads that the hair all hung down upon their shoulders. and upon the crown of the head was a plume and another still carried a sort of drum wh. t. natives make use of in dancing, which they beat on with a stick, and is a kind of tamborine — Their behaviour was perfectly civil and after tarrying a short time. they went on their way—

On Tues. two men arrived fr. t. U. S. army stating that t. Sacs had retreated and gone towards Milwakee perhaps 80 m. fr. Gr. Bay—

Fri. 20th My birth day. The weather pleasant tho at eve. a fine shower. Much engaged in business during t. day and had but little time for reflection. Blessed be God for keeping me thro. another year; various & trying have been many of its scenes, still numberless have been the mercies wh. I have received. My health & reason, and opportunities for doing & getting good have all been continued unto me; notwithstanding my ill desert and all my aggravated sins. Upon a retrospect of the past I find errors and sins mixed with all I have done. Still I hope in t. pardoning mercy of God. And desire to begin t. year with God with renewed resolutions to love honour and serve him—

Sab. 22. Weather fine and warm. preached all day and in addition attended t. S. S. was too much fatigued to attend t. third meeting—

Tuesday 24th Mr Stevens returned with his family from Green Bay after an absence of about 4 weeks. Rev John Clark Missionary of t. M. E. Ch. accompanied him and Daniel Adams a Mohawk also.

Thurs. 26th Day appointed for the Preparatory Lecture Took for my text 1 Cor. 5: 7. Purge out therefore t. old leaven &c. and went on to show t. importance of putting away sins of all kinds. Was enabled to press t. subject with some degree of earnestness, and hope that I felt in some measure t. importance of doing the same myself—

Friday 27th Attended the church meeting, was called to

go and attend to some peculiar business. Had the satis-
faction of meeting Mr Metoxen, having just returned
from Washington. Saw perhaps 50 of the Menominees
Who were on their way up the Fox r. on a war expedition
to join the U.S. army against the hostile Sacs. They ap-
peared indeed thoughtless as sheep bound to the slaugh-
ter. Their painted faces, ornaments, drums, whistles
sa war clubs, spears &c. &c. made them appear indeed
tim savage and warlike. Their songs uttered from t.
t throat, ~~seemed~~ consisting in deep guttural sounds and very loud
without distinction in sounds seemed most like the
singing of frogs, and t. occasional whoops were cal-
culated to make one feel, that darkness and moral
death still broods over this region, removed at a
very considerable distance from t. peaceful abodes
of civilisation, and peace. The contrast seemed very
striking and impressive when compared with the
stillness and order wh. among a company of their
brethren & kindred according to the flesh who
were collected in a house wh. they passed, consulting
upon the interests of the Redeemers kingdom.

Sabbath 29th The weather fine but not excessively
warm. Rev Mr Clark preached for the first time at Smith-
field. It being also the day set for having a com-
munion season, and a number were also to be admit-
ed to the church.
In t. A.M. fr. 1 John 5:6. This is he
that came by water & blood &c. The congregation solemn
and attentive. At noon met t. candidates and convers-
ed with them, the season was indeed interesting and I felt
much anxiety respecting them. At the opening of the
meeting we sang the ~~Hymn~~ Ps. "See what a living stone" &c
(Ps. 118 P. M.) and proceeded to admit some who had
made confession, and to read the Articles of Faith, to
baptise of whom there were 5 unbaptised adults and
to the owning of the covenant. All which was attended
to with so much solemnity, and all was so still
around that it rendered it to myself one of the
most solemn & interesting days which I have witnessed
since entering upon Missionary ground.
Felt somewhat desirous of putting away the old leaven
and to renew my covenant with God & my

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brethren. Had much freedom in addressing the candidates, and some feeling I hope of the right kind whilst partaking of the holy ordinance of t. Supper— In the eve felt to pray that it might be with me as it was with Elijah when he went for many days in the strength of the meat with which the ravens had fed him by divine direction. So Grant that I may long feel and remember the impression wh. that same and those precious privileges were calculated to beget in the mind—

July 30th Wrote Brother Knight First. Called to mind Andover, its scenes, endearments &c. My return to the station, difficulties after my return and being left alone— hostile invasion of the Sacs,— murdered about 40. my fears of bands coming here, my gracious preservation My Indns. whole number of souls — No. of the ch. & Tem. Soc. addition at t. last com. and the death of Thos. S. The arrival of Meth. Miss'y. and some inquiries about chronometers &c.

August 2d. Had a long interview with a Mr Johnson, a Brotherton Indn. fr. N. Y. and an intelligent man too—

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He remarked, that he thought "the reason why Indns. are so fond of strong drink, that their mothers are generally more lustful or desirous of some particular thing than white women, and that the thirst for strong drink in the while in — caused their children to have such a thirst for it. And this he showed from an ex. of a white woman who at that state longed for ardent spirits & her husband refused to let her have it, and when her child grew up he was a most notorious drunkard"—

Secrets of the Trade R. at Green B. a whiskey dealer, told Mr J. in confidence ~~that~~ of one barrel of whiskey of common proof he had often made two and this he did by putting in soot, ~~pearl~~ pot-ash and pepper. Alas! what will such as deal in this dead by poison do in the end thereof—

August 5th Sb. Weather warm, towards eve. a refreshing shower. Preached all day In the P.M. endeavoured to set before my people t. nature of t. Christian warfare and described the weapons to be used— Not indeed carnal, but spiritual.— The foe is not an open but a secret one & even more dangerous.—

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Spent most of the week fr. t. 6 to the 10th in writing letters to friends &c

Sab. 12th Weather rather warm, & in t. morn. felt rather unwell but blessed be God was enabled to go thro much better than I had anticipated the duties of the day. In t. A.M. & t. S.S. less. an most important & interesting lesson; the principal subject repentance. Him hath God exalted to give repentance &c. In t. P.M. took the parable of the sower &c. In t. eve. Rev Mr Clark preached at the Missn house fr. Heb. 4:16. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of Grace &c.

Aug. 13th to the 18 accomplished but little some of the time unwell. On Thurs. Mr S. returned fr. G. Bay accompanied by Esqr Beall. Recd. letters fr. friends, particularly my fathers family. I desire to bless God for having preserved their lives altho He has deeply afflicted them. May these afflictions work for their good & growth in grace. O soon will these storms cease both myself & dear friends over t. sea of life, & if found faithful we shall enter t. haven of eternal rest.

Sab. 19th Weather fine but felt ill in t. morn. and fearful that I should not be able to go thro with the

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duties of the day. But t. L. enabled me to go far better than I had anticipated altho with great difficulty especially in t. P.M. Read Dr. Woods sermon on t. death of Mr Evarts Cor. Sec. of t. A.B.C. Was both interested & edified and desired my self to do as that good man did make t. subject of for. missions t. one great business of my future life. No man can accomplish any great good unless he pursues one object as t. chief business of life, and to this directs all of t. powers of his mind.

Tues. 21st Mr Thomas Dean Agent for the Brothertown Indns. arrived on his way to L. Winnebago.

Wed. 22d Started for L.W. in company with Mr D. & Esqr Beall, and went up t. F. R. arrived in t. P.M. at the Grand Shute about 12 m. fr. t. Missn. house. ~~The scenery about it is grand~~ At the foot flows a pure spring of water from t. banks & at wh. we slaked our thirst. There the grape vines were thickly entwined about t. limbs of t. trees, which gave t. scenery an air of delight & fertility, and as we ascended t. bank found the top of it covered with grass, upon wh. we sat down to rest for a while and to enjoy the scenery as ~~ours~~ we were in advance of our boat. As we looked down upon t. river below which was about 40 feet and saw it tumbling over a precipice of 4 or 5 feet and heard t. gentle murmur the clearness & serenity of the sky, and cheerful aspect which nature seemed to wear, gave a cheerful, religious turn to my feelings, and I looked to see if there were none to enjoy it but saw nothing except two or three deserted wigwams, and a few pumpkin vines which seemed to languish for want of care.

Our boat soon came up and the baggage was carried over the shute by hand and t. boat with much labor of the Indns got over also, afterwards all went on board and proceeded up t. river, the sun now going down, about sun-set we landed on t. l. side of t. river in sight of t. little Butte des Mors. There we encamped for t. night. The Indns immediately struck up two large fires near each other, & cooked ~~a~~ supper of which we partook with a good relish after our march thro. t. day by land & water. After this all assembled for eve. devotions & I read t. last ch. of Revelation and lead in prayer. All the ~~them~~ retired to rest and I lay down for the first time upon

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a mat ~~in~~ drawing a blanket over me, with only the canopy of heaven for a covering, but I rested well and found myself in good health and spirits t. next morn. The Indns. arose early & prepared our breakfast wh. we ate about sun-rise, and after prayers we proceeded on our way it being somewhat cold and a little rain fell, but soon cleared off & t. day was delightful. We soon came to t. Isl. at the out-let of L. W. a large fertile ~~isl.~~ one and upon it a band of Winnebagoes reside; it is probably 2 m. in length & one in breadth. As we came near t. lake. I got out and walked, found a thick luxurious growth of timber, and t. soil appeared to be very fertile, but it is said that it does not extend back a great ways before it is all a swamp. Here I saw hillocks in rows where corn had once been planted but so long ago that trees had since grown up ~~3~~ a foot & a half or two ft. thro. I walked in company with Capt. B. Metoxen and two or three other Indns almost t. whole breadth of t. L. to t. E. channel, and found but little to divert t. mind except the track of t. wolf & t. deer and looked and ~~thought~~ perhaps t. time not far distant when t. wild beasts give way for him who is lord of the soil —

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When we arrived at t. N. E. corner of t. L. we ascended a steep precipice 60 or 70 feet. and here sat down for a few moments to rest, & then proceeded on our way. the land generally rocky & appeared barren. After a March of 4 or 5 m. we came up with our boat wh. proceeded across t. head of t. L. and arrived, about 2 hours before us. It was now 3 or 4 o'clock P. M. and being much fatigued I proceed no further. passed th. night more comfortably than the night previous, having enjoyed sweet & refreshing rest.

Fri. 24. Set off about 9 o c. in t. A. M. with about a dozen Indns. to explore the land, whilst t. boat proceeded up t. L. after travelling a few miles came to a fine stream of water large enough for mills, & traced it up to its source, I found it issued from a hill clear & pure as crystal; in a quantity half large enough to carry a mill. After a little repose and refreshing ourselves at this delightful spring we ~~started~~ to find another wh. was supposed to be about 3 or 4 m. distant, (on our way crossed a ridge perhaps half or three quarters of a mile in width

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wh. at some former time ~~was entirely~~ has been visited by a tremendous hurricane & prostrated every tree for there were none more than from 4 to 8 or 10 inches thro. standing but could every where see the windfalls, & oak logs not quite ~~demolished~~ decayed; and this extended W. to t. L. two or three m. distant. At length we came to the stream not quite as large as the first but the water quite as pure, still it is large enough for mills. About 100 rods fr. t. source of it found an excellent Mill-seat for a grist-mill if not for a saw-mill. — traced to its source and found on the way two tributary, boiling springs and then we came to it issuing from a ledge of rocks perhaps 80 or an 100 ft. high. Ascended to t. top & here & there was enabled to catch a glimpse at the country below wh. appeared like one vast, delightful plain gently descending towards the L. And as I descended was struck at t. grandeur of nature to see t. rocks piled one upon another in a promiscuous heap along down the side as tho they had been washed in by a flood— Followed the stream to the Lake

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and found the land excellent abounding in beech maple, bass-wood, hickory, oak & some butternut; about the middle of t. P. M. came out to t. L. and our boat soon came up, we took some refreshment, tarried a while & set off again to find another stream still further down. After travelling briskly 3 or 4 miles came to another stream larger than the one just described and t. water quite as pure. My guide not thinking that there was sufficient time to trace it to its source descended to th mouth; when we came out found t. sun had not gone down and we took a canoe and went in search of another stream still lower down but found it had dried up; And after proceeding about 2 miles came in sight of the Calumet or Pipe village about 4 m. dis- ~~distant &~~ heard th beating of t. drum, probably engaged in a war dance, having just returned from such an excursion against t. Sues. The sun had descended below t. horizon & t. shadows of t. approaching eve. rendered it necessary that we should return and came up with t. boat wh. had just landed at the mouth of t. last stream wh. we had descended. There we en-

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camped for the night. During t. whole day had been highly pleased with t. appearance of t. soil, it being principally a black loam & gravelly in some places. Some of the timber very large and all looking ~~thrifty~~ & free from knurls and low shrubbery as is t. case in a barren soil, The land is generally watered sufficiently for agricultural purposes & free from swamps, and doubtless at some future day will be in as high demand as any part of t. State of N.Y. or Ohio.

I felt as tho. I had now seen all that was profitable and to spend more time could not be ~~profitable~~, justifiable and resolved on returning t. next morn. but being detained a council held between t. Committees of t. two tribes I did not set out until about 9 o clock A. M. and then left with Esqr. B. being at least 25 miles from Statesburg. The first part of the way we found pleasant as we found excellent water at short intervals, & it was cool & we were not annoyed with mos~~quitoes~~chetoes, but for 3 or 4 miles before we reached t. ~~had~~ lower

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end of t. L. we found none, nor any wh. could be drunk until we arrived at t. Mission house —

About one m. fr. t. N. end of t. L. descended a ledge and soon came into a swamp continued for nearly 3/4 of the rest of t. way, and much of it doubtless is covered with water in t. wet season of t. year: Here floods of Moschetoes attacked us, the thirst wh. we suffered, & t. fatigue from our march made our way truly painful —

At length t. sun went down & night came on; I had left the trail on purpose supposing that I had found a more direct road but was deceived; and we were somewhat afraid of losing our way, but a gracious providence conducted us safely out and we arrived in safety a little after dark at t. Mission house, truly thankful to Him who had preserved my life & health, & carried me out & brought me in under circumstances of goodness & mercy. My health much better and my lungs stronger than they were when I started. Blessed be God for his goodness & mercy —

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As I passed along near t. N. end of t. L. saw what evidently appeared once to have been an embankment thrown up in time of war, and wh. extended for several rods. It was about 2 ft. above t. level of t. ground & had an oak tree~~s~~ standing on it ~~[illegible]~~ ~~of wh.~~ ~~[illegible]~~ 1 1/2 or 2 ft. thro — A little N. of t. L. saw t. rocks wh. had been broken off from t. ledge some had fallen and others seemed just cleaving off wh. were large as a house —

Sab. 26th Rose in t. morn. rather late but found myself in tolerable health. Was enabled better than I expected to perform t. duties of day. In t. eve. had more than usual interesting meeting.

Mon. 27th In t. A.M. went to the store & in t. P.M. visited again Jacob Seth who I fear is drawing near t. close of life, conversed with him & found him quite stupid, but endeavoured to show him his sin & danger and pressed upon

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him t. immediate importance of making his peace with God, and altho t. last golden sands of life may be running still it is not too late for t. thief found mercy on t. cross —

I proposed having prayers to which he readily assented, and to ques. what do you wish me to pray for he replied with tears "pray that I may repent." I did & then left him, and after conversing with Sally A. Chas G. & Jeremiah S. and another woman Rich. S's woman returned home.

In t. we were visited with a thunder storm and there were two peals of thunder the heaviest & most piercing ~~[illegible]~~ of any that I recollect ever to have heard before; altho the quantity of rain wh. fell was not great. But God who thunders marvellously protected this dwelling & our lives fr. that dreadful element and blessed be his name forever.

Sept. 2d Sab. preached fr. Zech. 9:12. Audience very still & solemn, many ~~[illegible]~~ seemed to listen with deep interest, and t. word appeared to take effect, but alas

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Often are my hopes & expectations disappointed in this respect, they hear but do not understand, nor will they obey the voice of t. Lord to "Turn to the strong hold ye prisoners of hope": And often do I mourn that I feel so little that after all it is "God who must give t. increase" —

Baptised one whole family containing five interesting children. It was t. family of A. Miller who has within a year past united with t. ch. formerly a very unsteady intemperate man, but now I hope, by t. grace of God a new man. These are always interesting occasions as it affords me an opportunity to give instructions to parents respecting their duty to their children, & to explain & enforce the nature of their obligations after giving them up in this solemn ordinance, to train them up for God.

In t. eve. some extracts, from an address of Dr. P. contained in his memoirs, were read & commented upon. After this Dea. Chicks prayed in English — It was Daniels prayer contained in his ninth Chap. He repeated it verbatim, & such was his manner enunciation & the feeling too with wh. he prayed, that it produced

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a Solemnity upon t. minds of t. audience & ex-
cited an interest wh. could not have been awakened by ~~any~~ a
white man. It seemed rather t. language of a peni-
tent Jew confessing his sins, & t. sins of his people, &
pouring out his soul in supplications for his city &
people, rather that of a christian Indn. ~~praying with~~
~~a form~~. (using his words ages afterwards)

Seldom have I been more edified by hearing a
prayer offered up or seen ~~th~~ an ~~..~~ audience ~~wh.~~ that seemed appeared
deeply ~~interested and~~ more so, ~~for~~ some ~~affected~~ were affected to tears—

Sept. 7th Went to Green Bay in a canoe. Almost
every one I met was intoxicated and every Indian
was so, and when I got along by judge Laws saw the
Menominees in great numbers there and below
drinking and drunk — Passed t. n. at Mr.
Shermans.

Sept. 8th Qualified myself for the office of P. M. had
an interview with Dr. H. A. Steinnecke a truly god-
ly man to appearance. In the P.M. returned on
the way met a soldier by the name of Crowle on his
way to Green Bay who informed me that the Sioux
had brought in 70 scalps and taken 30 prisoners and
~~that~~ Black Hawk and the prophet were

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taken. Black H. had deserted his men and then taken again
alone. The Council at Rock Island commenced on the
10th inst.

Feb. 9th Read sermon having been unable to prepare
during the week in consequence of absence. Besides was
very much fatigued the eve. before after returning from Green
Bay—

13 Visited Jacob Seth. conversed with him respecting the con-
cerns of his soul and endeavoured to set before him the
importance of immediate repentance. Found him
more inclined to listen than before. Inquired the mean-
ing of John 3:6. That which is born of the flesh is flesh &
whether there was any chance for such to be saved—

Prayed with him & during prayer time he appeared
affected & wept. O that tears of genuine sorrow & repent-
ance might flow! Visited Joshua Aaron a mem-
ber of the ch. also found him some better than he was a
few days previous when I visited him, still in a languish-
ing state. I inquired of him whether he felt as tho' he
was a christian, "No" he replied, I do not consider

myself a good christian, for I am great sinner still I love Jesus Christ and delight in his worship & service." He expressed much sorrow for his sins and dependance also upon Jesus C. for pardon & salvation. After commending him to God left him, with the impression that he had been taught by the Spirit of God.

10th In A.M. took for my subject the character of Joseph Gen. 39: 2-4. And felt much interested while tracing it out. The principal traits dwelt upon are first his early piety, 2dly His faithfulness in his Master Potiphar's house as a servant. 3dly The boldness & resolution which he resisted temptation. 4th the spirit of forgiveness which he manifested towards his brethren — And 5th his diligence. In the P.M. The state of the christian after death better to be desired than the present life. Phil. 1:23. "For I am in a ~~strait betwixt two~~ &c. In the eve attended meeting at Isaac Jacobs.

17th Went up to Smithfield to attend the opening

of the school under the patronage of the Methodist Miss. Soc. Most of the parents present, and all of the children which at that time they engaged to send were 92. And an interesting intelligent appearing little group too as I ever saw. Mr C. then remarked respecting the duty of the parents to send the children to school &c. I then remarked that I rejoiced to see that day, — a house so good & convenient erected for the accommodation of the school & worship &c. and Mr S. also followed with remarks. Sung a hymn and Mr C. closed with prayer —

Tues 18. Mr C. left to return to his family in N. Y. State.

Sab. 23d Weather pleasant. In very good health. In the A.M. preached fr. t. text "Search t. Scrs. &c. Felt an unusual degree of earnestness while pr. May I, and may all feel more deeply t. importance of searching t. holy Scrs. Was listened to with solemn & serious attention. In t. P.M. Subject law & gospel. Txt. For C. is t. end of t. law for righteousness &c. Congregation very solemn & attentive. —

27th The day of t. stated Ch. meeting. Ever since I became acquainted the ~~st~~ member of t. Ch. I found their disposition to journey a great evil, not only expending

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their time & money to little or no purpose but they have generally fallen into temptation — I introduced a resolution in wh. every member agrees to ask advice of t. ch. before taking any considerable journey, & if they think t. reasons slight or insufficient it is to be abandoned, but if t. object is approved, a letter of recommendation is to be given in order that such may enjoy t. watch & fellowship of christians & chs. with wh. they may meet whilst absent. After reading & having it interpreted it met with a cordial reception, and I am sanguine in t. expectation if properly followed it will be of great service & greatly promote steadiness in their habits & check this roving disposition wh. is characteristic of t. natives in an uncivilised state, & wh. it takes a great while to break up after they have become in a measure civilised.

Sept. 4th Called upon B. C. who has been very ill for some time with rheumatic complaint. Found him exercised with much pain & weak, but in a comfortable state of mind. Said that it was his constant

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That this affliction might be sanctified to him be the means of humbling him on account of his sins & of weaning him from t. world." I am altogether unworthy says he but my whole trust is in t. merits of C. At times my sins appear very great & aggravated and then I call to mind those words 'My crimes are great but can't surpass Thine' — and so I obtain consolation." Closed t. interview with prayer. She expressed a great deal of gratitude that I should take so much pains as to call upon him, and says I even feel better than before you came."

5th (~~The day~~ of t. ~~regular~~ ch. meeting) At the ch. meeting ~~Called t. atten-~~ questioned the members respecting ~~tion of t. members (of t. ch.) to~~ t. subject of my discourse t. preceding Sab. wh. was t. nature of t. christn hope distinguishing it from those that are false & delusive inquired also what was t. object of their faith ~~and also respecting the object~~ ~~(and t. object of his faith whether [illegible]~~ ~~itself could satisfy him. Have I took occasion to)~~ (questioned them as) to t. grounds of their hope, & what was t. object of their faith &c.) Some of t. answers were highly satisfactory and showed ~~that~~ they were not inattentive hearers of t. word. Inquirers ~~Of~~ S. A. ~~Inquirer~~ who appears to be a growing christian & ~~she~~ adorns her profession ~~(Inquirer~~

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what would satisfy her? (~~[illegible]~~)
She replied
(& her reply was truly laconic & striking) "To be with
C. ~~myself~~, to see him, & to be like him," in a tone
too
of voice & manner wh. seemed to show that it came
imbued with t. love of God
from ~~the~~ a heart, (~~[illegible] too [illegible]~~ ~~t. love of God [illegible]~~
~~[illegible] by t. Holy Ghost~~ This is a trophy of
of victorious grace whose character was formerly ~~[illegible]~~
~~He has raised [illegible] grace for those who once were not on-~~
now
like many others in this ch. similiar to that wh. t. apostle
~~ly in natures' darkness but sunk down in vice & deg-~~
gave of t. Corinthians, but to whom he says "Ye are wash
~~radation And many such [illegible] he has [illegible]~~
ed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified" &c
~~[illegible] ye are now~~
~~justified &c.~~

The eve. meeting he being
Oct. 7th ~~Meeting in t. eve.~~ at B. Calvins, sick
During t. meeting I made
sick & weak. ~~After~~ some remarks respecting,
t. conversion of a sinner an hundred years old (Eng le
having been awakened by the recollection of
short) ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] [illegible] calling to mind~~ a ser-
the Rev 85 years before
mon wh. he heard Mr Baxter preach when 15 years
of age (fr. 1 Cor. 16:22. If any many man love not &c
& t. effects it produced) After this he exclaims
O what love that could pardon such an old sin
ner —

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And O what encouragement to the chief of sin
ners when I who had lived all my days in sin &
was just ripe for ruin sho. be selected as a brand
fr. t. burning & made a vessel of mercy. ~~And~~
(O what encouragement) — (And now my friends
accept of my humble thanks for complying
with my request to come under my poor dwell
ing for I wanted to meet with you once more)
I ask an interest in all your prayers that I may
be supported & have t. light of t. Sav.'s countenance
when called to pass t. Jordan of death, that I may
pass thro' & fear no evil & be received to his heaven
Please to sing the 51st Ps. of Dr. W. Shew pity
ly Kingdom — ~~I wish you to sing t. 51st Ps. [illegible]~~
Lord O Lord forgive — This is a favorite Ps. with him
L.M. Shew pity Lord, O Lord forgive, wh. is with
a favorite Ps. and often refered to —

12th Attended t. funeral of two children, one
13 years ~~years~~ of age (son of Mrs. Deming) The father
He was one of our
a member of t. ch. ~~His~~ ~~His acquaintance~~ ~~[illegible]~~
S.S. scholars. The instruction wh. he there received and ~~at~~
with his attendance at S.S. had early led him to
from his father had deeply impressed his mind with the
think of religion. I visited him frequently during
importance of religion.

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the latter part of his sickness, & found him ready to ~~answer questions~~ converse. ~~I found that~~ he did not expect to recover & ~~t.~~ ~~he~~ had of his own accord requested prayers on t. Sab. – He seemed to have some sense ~~of his sinfulness~~ that ~~He said that he felt himself to be a~~ he was a sinner & said that he felt himself to be one ~~and that~~ ~~sinner~~, still he hoped that ~~he~~ [illegible] ~~that~~ ~~he~~ had & hoped that ~~he~~ the Sav. loved him. ~~forgiven him his sins, & was willing to die~~. ~~and said~~ ~~to his father that~~ he ~~[illegible]~~ said at first ~~he~~ felt unwilling to die Some days before his death he said to his father but now, I do ~~did~~ not, for I ~~he~~ wanted to go & be with the Sav. Address t. people fr. Jere. 9:21. For death hath come up into our windows –

" 14th P.M. No man cared for my soul. People listened with fixed attention generally, particularly in t. eve. More feeling manifested than usual & all of t. time was occupied, & many spoke with deep feeling. Rejoiced to hear Isaac Jacobs speak; for once a more hopeless case there was not in t. whole tr. But blessed be G. a great change has apparently been wrought. He appears like a new man, or rather like t. man who was clothed & in his right mind who sat at Jesus feet

Oct. with tears running down his cheeks he spoke of t. goodness of G. in restoring his health so far as to enable him again to go to t. house of G. For many weeks having been confined wholly to t. house by an inflammation in his eyes wh. has left him almost blind. Towards th close of th eve. meeting wh. had been very interesting John Hunt t. Munsee ~~also~~ spoke & prayed (An-other ~~[illegible]~~ most striking case of t. sovereign mercy of G) ~~and~~ Mentioned his increased desire & determination to live henceforth for G. "Religion says he appears more & more pleasant ~~to me~~ t. more I know of it, and heaven must be a ~~pleasant~~ desirable & happy place & it is all my desire to reach it."

O Ld revive thy wk. in t. midst of t. years.

S.S. Lesson Acts. 1: 15–21. During t. time of asking questions my attention was arrested by Mr S. calling out twice interspersing a few remarks be-twixt t. questions – What is t. quest. wh. Peter puts v. 21. Wherefore &c.? I replied, as a teacher ~~that~~ I did not understand that there was a quest. asked & showed my reasons. Mr S. in reply says Dr. Scott & Henry supposed there was, but

nothing about any proposition in t. rem-
arks made to the school while he conversing up-
on it. In a few minutes he proposed deferring
it for future consideration, & all passed off as I
supposed pleasantly. As only a few minutes were
occupied upon t. v. and t. remarks I had made
were in ans. to his quest. put to the school In t. eve. I ~~had~~ re-
fered again to t. subject in t. family one of t.
teachers being present & after some remarks
mentioned other places where t. same wd. Ep. 8v was
used but there was no question. ~~the Gr. wd. is~~
~~used~~. In reply he says "These remarks are alto-
gether uncalled for. here (turning to Dr. Henry)
it is a proposition implying a question, and
I have got proposition on my paper," refer-
ing to a list of questns wh. he had drawn up, and
once said proposition in t. school. But ~~propo-~~
the word proposition was not used when t.
quest. came before t. school nor was it used
in t. discussion wh. followed. ~~But~~ After a few remarks
he says "that discussion had ~~matter~~ been attended to in another
place."

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Sab. Weather delightful & quite warm.

A.M. Dr. upon t. insensibility of mankind to eternal things
and particularly as it relates to their duty towards G.
Showing that t. sagacity or instinct of the fowls & beasts
reprove them. Jere. 8:7. Yea t. stork in t. heaven knoweth
her appointed time & t. crane & t. swallow &c. but my
people know not t. judgement of t. Ld.

P. M. Subject Advantages of christian humility.
a son of t. head chief or Sachem Capt H. who died two
Thomas Hendrick & Susan his wife presented their chil-
or three years ago. Both himself & wife had lately united with the
dren for baptism six in number. All very bright &
ch.
active and intelligent. The sight was truly interesting
and affecting to see six interesting, lovely children brot.
forward to be given up to G. in t. solemn ordinance
of baptism. Both t. parents & children ~~were~~ affected
~~[illegible]~~ to tears. (& there was a deep solemnity upon t.
minds of t. whole audience) Seldom if ever have
felt more interested or impressed in t. administration
of this solemn ordinance, or felt as tho. I could more
heartily unite with t. parents in consecrating this
children to G. May t. blessing of t. G. of Abraham rest
upon this family ~~that household~~ forever, & t. parents have grace
to command their children after them to keep t. way
of the Lord.

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In t. eve. meeting at Benj. Palmers, well attended & solemn. One old man & grey-headed spoke expressing some concern for himself. May he never find rest until he finds it in peace & believing.—

Mon. 22. ~~Went to visit a member of t. ch.~~ visited Joshua Arno a member of t. church who appears to be in t. last stages of consumption. (Coughed considerable, his breath somewhat obstructed, & much emaciated.) I asked him if he considered himself near his end & he ans. yes. I then spoke to him of Christ's love in dying for sinners & he wept. (I inquired of him ~~if~~ ~~said he felt~~ ~~[illegible]~~ willing to die & if he wanted to go & be with t. Sav. (& he ans. in t. affirmative) After further ~~conversation~~ conversation I prayed with him & he seemed af-
feeling that in a short time he called to try the re-
fected & left him. ~~Probably he will~~ ~~[illegible]~~ (~~try & feel~~
alities of eternity
~~for himself the dread~~ (~~momentous~~ realities of eter-
nity in ~~a~~ short ~~time~~, ~~May~~ he ~~be prepare~~ ~~for t. sol-~~
~~emn~~ hour of death—

O. 25th Preparatory Lect. People many of them absent at the Council at Gr. B. Pr. fr. 1 Pet. 2:25. In wh. I endeavoured to make t. com. between sheep & christians. All listened with fixed attention and altho' fr. my peculiar circumstances I felt unprepared yet I had considerable freedom in speaking. May the Lord bless his own word & souls be savingly benefited

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28th Sab. The day on wh. the sacrament of t. Lords Supper ~~Sacrament deferred on account of t. absence~~ was to have been administered but ministers of t. ch. being absent ~~t. members of t. ch.~~ at Gr. B. attending t. Council it was deferred.

Read sermons all day. In t. eve. meeting at Timothy J's ~~very~~ well attended & ~~considerable~~ solemnity. Timothy J. in t. course of his remarks says "I do love t. bible altho I know, that I break its commands, since I have begun to study it I have learnt more than I ever did at school— It is a light to my feet & I cannot express t. feelings of joy wh. I often have when I read it." (John Stuart also expressed his feelings of sorrow & deep regret on account of t. life wh. he had lived, his great & aggravated sins, his breach particularly of the holy Sab., ~~But~~ before I came here says he my mind was all dark I did not know any thing. And my friends I hope you will forgive me all that you have seen amiss in me.)

31st. Visited t. sch. at Smithfield. found t. children progressing as fast as could be expected, & was gratified with t. readiness with wh. they ans. questions. Conversed a while with E. who had greatly backslidden. found her feelings rather tender & she seemed in a measure sensible of her situation, that she had felt very

very unhappy in her mind, & sometimes had been
upon t. point of giving all up for lost & then she wd. feel
as tho' she cd. not. After having exhorted her to repent of
her sins, confess & forsake them, she manifested a desire to do as
I had enjoined upon her — May t. Lord reclaim
her fr. t. errors of her ways & give her true repentance for
her sins — Felt much grieved on hearing that
two of my ch. Thos. H. & his wife had set sail fr. Gr B.
to go to N.Y. O when will this people learn wisdom,
& understand what is for their highest interest both
in this world & that wh. is to come! That couple are
now alas like sheep strayed fr. t. fold, and I fear may
be lost, lost perhaps forever. They have run into
temptation & can expect nothing less than that
G. will leave them to fall & pierce their souls with many
sorrows. They go contrary to my strongest objections
& affectionate expostulation to stay at home, & take
care of their affairs & family &c. & should I see
them no more I can testify in t. sincerity of my
heart that I have endeavoured to do my duty —
Still may they [illegible] be kept, see the folly of their
doings

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have repentance given them for their sins & be
returned again in due time in safety —

Nov. 4th Sab. Communion day. weather quite
cold. Pr. fr. 1 Jn. 3:1. Behold what manner of
love &c. First showed t. character of t. sinner, his
lost & perishing condition, & then t. greatness of t. Fathers
love in sending his Son & thus preparing t. way whereby
such might be called Sons of G. The ch. especially
appeared to listen with deep interest. May t. word be
like t. good seed; & this ch. be built up in t. faith, order
& fellowship of t. gospel. In t. P.M. administered
t. sacrament. Numbers of t. ch. were absent; but
it was a solemn season, & I wd. humbly hope refresh-
ing to t. spirits of God's people. Two were added who
had never joined since they came fr. N.Y. Mrs. H.
& her sister C. L. Three children also were baptised,
May the transactions of this day long, long be kept
in recollection, & great good be done in t. name
of Jesus Christ —

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13th The day ~~for~~ of t. quarterly meeting of t. T. S. Austin D. t. ~~Society~~ ~~t. Chair~~ was Chief in t. Chair— Timothy Jourdan, ~~a member of t. Soc.~~ addressed it. Read t. Speech of a Creek Indn. & it excited considerable of interest. Meeting very well attended, and a good degree of interest was ~~felt in t.~~ expressed in t. object. But it appeared that little progress had been made ~~in t. course~~ during t. last quarter. Some had broken their promise— ~~It appeared there were seven or eight de-~~ ~~linquents~~ & among t. rest a member of t. ch. ~~one~~ ~~one young man~~ J. D. C. ~~too~~ of whom we had cherished high hopes, & who had drunk nothing for about 2 years. ~~He is still drinking~~ & ~~what t. event will be I know not.~~

I have fr. time to time painful evidence of t. fickleness & instability of those whose minds in early life were not fortified by moral and religious principle ~~&~~ who have perhaps for years given t. reins to t. pursuit of passions. Altho by ~~t. force~~ t. moral suasion, some alarming providence or by religious instruction, this vicious propensity seems to be overcome for a time, ~~it seems~~ ~~sometimes to~~ still at times it rouses ~~again~~ its expiring energies, when it wd. seem ~~t.~~ victory was almost complete, and compels its

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former deluded votary to say when shall I awake I will seek it yet again!"—

14th Attended t. funeral of Joshua Dason. Preached ~~(Addressed t. people)~~ fr. Rev. 14: 13. (I heard a voice fr. heaven saying unto me write blessed are t. dead &c.) The audience listened with deep ~~there appeared to be much~~ ~~seriousness~~ & solemnity ~~upon t. minds of t. people~~, whilst ~~de-~~ ~~scended to [illegible]~~ I pointed out what those labors are fr. wh. t. pious dead rest & ~~what~~ ~~are~~ the kind of wks. ~~they are~~ wh. follow them. Joshua appeared willing & ready to depart, often spoke of it & said that he wanted to go & be with t. Sav. Altho he felt himself to be a great sinner. As he drew near t. close of life he could ~~converse~~ ~~to~~ converse ~~[illegible] little~~ but little, still when I spoke to him respecting ~~the~~ Saviour ~~[illegible]~~ ~~to t. Ld. Jesus C.~~ he wd. often weep, altho unable to speak and express his feelings. This is t. second death wh. has occurred in t. ch. within about 6 months & both of them young men. Thus another of my charge has been taken & whether I have been faithful or unfaithful I can now do no more for him, O may I feel that not only people but

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Minister also must ere long be summoned hence to meet our final doom—

(10th Commenced a course of Lectures to t. ch. upon family govt. and instruction ~~t. proper training up of their children~~ This is greatly neglected and is an evil wh. I have ~~[illegible]~~ ~~this is greatly neglected in t. ch. as well as in t.~~ from my first acquaintance with the tribe, deeply deplored ~~nation~~. Some [illegible] feel ~~in a measure~~ t. importance of training up their children in t. way in wh. they shd go ~~a proper~~ still are deficient in this. Whilst others follow too much t. pagan mode wh. is to let their children do as they please, with but little restraint. The consequence is what might be supposed. Such children go in t. way wh. a depraved inclination leads—are unsteady & vicious. And their example is alike ~~in destructive~~ ~~both~~ detrimental to (t. (interests) of society & religion. ~~A very good attendance at~~ The meeting was well attended & t. subject was listened with interest. I feel sanguine in t. ~~expectation~~ hope that thro. t. blessing of G. great good will result ~~be done~~—)

18th Sab. A snow-storm com. t. eve. previous, stormed all day, during t. night; & continues still (Mon. eve) The wind N. E.

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Preached A.M. fr. t. parable of t. supper And they all with one consent began to make excuse In t. P.M. fr. Ex. 12:26 And when yr. childn shall ask you in time to come &c. Explain t. reason on subject of infant baptism. The day stormy but t. people turned out well to meeting & found that t. subject was listened to by many with fixed attention. Feel more & more impressed with t. importance of this subject, but I fear few parents lay to heart either t. solemn obligations by wh. they bind themselves when they give up their childn in this solemn ordinance, or t. preciousness of this everlasting covenant. If they did they wd. be more faithful & more of their children wd. become Christians. Meeting at J. W. Ds. in t. eve. Jacob C. prayed t. prayer of Daniel—

20th At eleven o'clock last eve. all clear & the stars shone beautifully. The storm had ceased the

Nov. winds were hushed, & all was quiet in t. elements as tho their Maker had said "peace be still." So shall it be with t. humble christian, after he has buffetted for a while t. trials of an ungodly & unthankful world, like wintry storms, his Redeemer having watched his toils will come & give him a joyful release, & gather him where t. storm shall beat nomore & songs of immortal praise forever dwell upon his tongue. Isaac Jacob. called awhile upon me. Conversed with him for a considerable length of time. Found indeed a new man fr. what he was one year ago. Then he was one of t. vilest of sinners & exceedingly debased. But now the lion seemed changed into a lamb, & t. drunkard & the villian to a temperate, honest man & a christian. During the whole of t. season past he has been tried severely both in his family & by personal afflictions have had an inflammation in his eyes fr. wh. he has suffered a great deal, being some of t. time almost blind; but these trials he appears

Nov. to bear with christian fortitude & patience. When expressing his feelings he says "I never had such a heart before, sometimes it wakes me up in t. night, & I love to think of these things, but I never did before. And I love to pray before I go anywhere, because it is Jesus Christ who gives me strength & who goes with me wherever I go."

D 1st Called upon two members of my ch. Phebe L. & C. L. one whom had violated her covenant vows & t. other had backslidden. The former manifested little signs of penitence altho she has grievously offended & lived so for a considerable length of time. But t. latter appeared better & manifested a willingness to return & do her duty. Conversed also with a ~~a aged sinner~~ few old men. Benj. P., whose locks have grown grey whilst he has lived in sin. For sometime past has been somewhat awakened & has been very attentive at meeting. The tears ran down his aged cheeks whilst I pointed to him the way of salvation thro' Jesus Christ. And assured him that there

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was mercy for t. chief of sinners. And at t. close of t. interview he expressed a strong determination now to attend to t. concerns of his soul. And whilst t. lamp holds out to burn the vilest sinner may return—

22d It being t. day set apart for thanksgiving & prayer Pr. fr. 1 Chron. 10:8. A full house & serious attention paid to pr. After meeting was invited to dine with Mrs B. widow of t. late head chief of t. Stockbridge tr. Her table was set in excellent order, & served up with well cooked & ~~excellent~~ food. After wh. I went & married a couple C. Chl. & M. A. & fr. that place went to t. singing ~~school~~ meeting. between 40 & 50 were present who took part in t. exercise. The singing considering their advantages was excellent & I have seldom heard a choir of singers who had better natural voices for singing. And during t. whole eve. altho. there was a full house there strict order & decorum, & t. exercises were closed with prayer by one of the natives, & all retired in the

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most orderly & decent manner. Thus closed this day wh. alas in too many places amongst those who ~~clai~~ lay high claims to civilization, is only a season of mirth festivity. But here I have witnessed no irregularities nor any conduct inconsistent with t. nature of t. occasion.

O Lord revive thy work & bring t. youth & the aged to the knowledge of the truth—

23d Fri. Attended t. Lect to parents. A goodly number present. Took for t. subject of t. ere. t. family of Jonadab and showed t. influence wh. he had & wh. a parent may have over his childn either in bringing down a blessing or entailing a curse upon them. Mentioned other families also wherein God either blessed or cursed t. childn on account of t. parents faithfulness or unfaithfulness. Much interest appeared to be manifested in t. subject. And I am flattered with t. hope that ~~it~~ these Lect. will do much good.

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25th. Sab. Weather mild. A.M. took for t. subject of my discourse t. conversion of St. Paul. P.M. upon remembering t. Sab. day. The house was filled. and a deep & solemn stillness prevailed. Have long felt t. importance of bringing up this subject but various circumstances have prevented. Fr. t. attention & fr. other remarks wh. I heard in t. eve. am persuaded that many felt t. importance of remembering t. day according to t. Comd. & particularly so in respect to their families. Did christian parents but feel what an influence their ex. and instruction on that day might exert on their families, they could not spend t. day as alas too many do. and if they had a sense too of t. solemn account wh. they must render at t. bar of G. t. wd. sanctify this day in their houses and in all of their deportment—

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Attended the adjourned meeting of t. S. S. Had an interview with J. W. C. Gave me an account of his dreadful fall. I set before him before him t. greatness of his sin & t. danger he was in of being left to perish under an awfully aggravated condemnation, & exhorted him to immediate repentance, assuring that if he did there still was hope in his case. He wept much and I left after he had engaged to humble himself before God, with t. hope that his case was not as yet a desperate one, & earnestly lifting up my heart to G. that he wd. give him repentance.

Fri. 30th. Attended t. eve. Lect. Not quite as many as usual present on account of t. weather, but those present appeared to manifest an increasing interest in t. subject of training up their children in t. nurture & admonition of t. Ld—

Dec. 2d. Sab. Stormy. Alone all day. Mr S. & his

Dec. family went to Smithfield. In t. P.M.
preached upon rendering to all their dues and
to owe no man anything. The subject was listened
to with deep interest. This subject has not been
well understood by this people & many evils ex-
ist in consequence. The Lord direct my steps
in every matter & undertaking, that I err not, nor
lead immortal souls in t. wrong way—

Mon. 3d. The day of t. Month. Con. A considera-
ble of a number present. Read t. interesting ac-
count of t. Cherokee Camp-meeting in Aug.
given by t. Rev. Mr Butler, wh. greatly rejoiced
our hearts and we immediately lifted our hearts
& voices in thanksgiving & praise to God for his
goodness to t. poor, (oppressed) Cherokees. Accounts
of this kind seem to excite t. liveliest interest in t. minds of
this people, for they not only have a tender sympathy
for them ~~but as~~ such as all christians have in common
but such as kindred have for each other, whether in pros-
perity or adversity, but especially t. joy wh. they have when
t. Gr. Head of t. Ch. pours out his Spirit upon them—
Read also a narrative of t. State of religion in connexions
with t. Asso.ns in Mass. and also within t. bounds of t. Pr. C. This
also greatly cheered our hearts, & we were to bless G. & take courage

6 prayers were offered by the members of the church

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Fri. eve. Attended t. Lect. to parents. A considerable of a number present. Tho not as many as usual. The Lect. was listened to with deep interest, and there appears to be an increasing attention to t. subject of parental govt. John N. Chicks came forward & made confession of his sin in getting intoxicated, gave some evidence of penitence but not so much as I wanted to see therefore t. ch. defered acting upon his case until another week.

Sab. 9th Weather very fine. In t. A. M. preached upon t. importance of doing our duty whenever made known. For t. servant who knew his Lords will & did it not &c. In t. P. M. upon t. ~~fifth~~ eighth commdt. House full and solemn, Reminded them at t. close of my duty to declare t. whole counsel of God. In t. eve. meeting at Jacob Barons. Found that t. sermon had been heard with interest too, and a number of inquiries were made -

Timothy J. remarked when I overtook him that I had been preaching all about him, how he did in going down to P. Bay &c.

10th Called upon B. Calvin still in a languishing state. Found him exercised with much pain, yet patient & submissive. I inquired into t. state of his mind "sometimes" says he I have dark seasons, still all my hope, & trust is in t. promises of G. and sometimes I can say tho' he slay me yet will I trust in him!" I reminded him that it ~~might be~~ was probably his last sickness and that he shd. set his house in order I have says he. and I know of nothing wh. could keep me here or for wh. I desire to live." ~~[illegible]~~ ~~when~~ then I asked him how he felt about getting well wh. he wd. choose if t. question was ~~put to~~ left to him ~~for decision~~. "I would rather say" he replied "thy will be done." The interview was closed with prayer & he wished me to pray that he might have true submission to t. will of G. & and cheerfully acquiesce in all his dealings with him. Called a short time after at a womans lodge, constructed of small

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sticks locked at t. ends, & covered with bark. At one end t. fire was built against a small flat stone & the sticks above were only plastered with mortar. The fire was made on t. ground & some loose boards were laid down for a floor. A short bench, one chair, a scanty bed without any feathers in it & a few dishes & utensils for cooking composed t. furniture of this little hut. Everythg. wh. I recollect of seeing as eatable was a little shelled corn in a wooden mortar before t. fire. This picture of poverty & wretchedness alas! is t. fruit of iniquity & intemperance. A sad presage of that wretchedness wh. awaits her beyond t. grave unless speedy repentance prevent. After conversing as plainly & faithfully as I could I left her disgusted at what I had witnessed & pitying & praying for her also——

13th Made some calls. First at Jared Hicks. Mrs. H. inquired "If when parents brot. up their children in sin having never prayed for them or done their duty

Dec. and their children were taken away, but afterwards they repented, would they be forgiven? After some explanation & conversation, went and visited her sister Lucy. I had considerable conversation with her respecting t. difficulty wh. had taken place between her & her husband. Endeavored to show her t. wickedness of her conduct & how far she was fr. manifesting t. spirit of a christian — at this she wept: whether for sorrow or anger I know not. And after proposing a meeting betwixt them I left her & returned home.

Sab. 16th Weather still mild. Pr. A. M. fr. 2 Cor. 4 3. Audience full & solemn. P. M. subject t. seventh comdt. House as full as it cd. hold, and all listened with deep attention. Felt some solicitude upon pr. upon t. subject previously but hope that good was done. In t. eve. meeting at Mr Balwins. He wished to have t. 85th H. sd to be sung

Why does your face ye humble souls
Those mournful colours wear?

He remarked that he felt that ~~his~~ time with him was short, and repeated ~~as~~ ~~in~~ ~~[illegible]~~ a passage "~~This is t. last time I may be in all human probability that you will meet with~~ ~~me~~ come in t. presence of God people"

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~~Still I hope that you will remember me in yr. prayers.~~ "If except there are any young people present who have not made their peace with G. I beg of them to do it now, for a sick & dying bed is no place to attend to it: — And I wish to leave a bright evidence behind me not only to my little family but to all my brethren & sisters that I have gone to glory!" This he said with deep feeling & apparent anxiety in behalf of those who were unconverted. And ~~[illegible]~~ as he uttered t. last words his voice faltered, but a deep & sol~~emn~~ impression was left ~~made~~ upon all present. His little log cabin was litterally stowed full; & all appeared to have a listening ear. O that God would give t. understanding heart.

Tues. 18th In t. eve. met with some others at Mr Metofers in order to settle a difficulty ~~with~~ between Isaac Jacobs & wife; after a long & tedious session it was ~~[illegible]~~ settled amicably & she returned to her husband.

Fri. 21. Attended t. eve. lect. Meeting interesting and there appeared to be a very good state of feeling in t. church

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22 Sat. was much interrupted & could not pre-
pare for t. Sab. I had much difficulty in cross-
ing t. river for t. Mail & had well nigh gone down
t. river, but blessed be God I succeeded in gaining t.
shore.

23d Sab. In t. A. M. pr. a funeral serm. fr. Eccl.
7:2. It is better to go to t. house of mourning.
Audience full & solemn. In t. P. M. read a serm.
of Dr. Worcester's. Subject "The good old way"—
In t. eve. meeting at R. Houskeeper's & quite interesting
Retired about 10 o'c. unusually fatigued—

Narrow escape fr. fire.

24th This morn. was awaked between 3 & 4
o'clock by t. smell of ~~smoke~~ a little smoke in my
room, & immediately arose to see if my fire was
safe & finding it secure, was induced to keep on
not feeling however any alarmed, because t.
chimney was badly constructed & we are much an-
noyed with smoke. I passed fr. door to door without

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discovering anything & when I came in sight
of t. door of t. sitting-room saw a bright light
under t. door, & supposing some of t. family ~~was~~ up, was
upon t. point of returning when t. ~~thought~~ entered
my mind, that I would go & see what they were do-
ing & as soon as I opened t. door, saw t. floor al-
most t. whole width of t. room in a light blaze altho
somewhat stifled t. room being ~~very~~ tight & not as
yet having ~~enough~~ ~~of~~ vent; the fire had already got to a
corner of t. room in wh. Mr and Mrs. S. with a part of their
children slept, and in an almost opposite part of t. room
had communicated with a front closet filled with
clothes.

Momentarily I roused t. family fr.
their perilous condition, & with our utmost ef-
forts, together with t. aid of a near neighbor, the
flames were extinguished. When I returned to my
room to adjust my clothes I found that t. fire had
begun to make its way thro' the floor at t. foot of
my bed, in wh. but a little before I ~~had been sound~~
lay fast a sleep, & wh. would very soon have proved as
my grave, or else have escaped with my own life and
those of t. family, with t. loss not only of our house

wh. is in the second story and ~~in a other part~~ of t. house fr. wh.
the fire caught

but furniture, clothing, winter supplies of provision & books, for in a very few minutes more, but few things if any could have been saved.

In no previous event of my life have I seen more manifestly t. hand of God. And never can I be sufficiently grateful for His watchful providence who never slumbereth nor sleepeth for awaking one at that critical & awful moment crisis beyond wh. all human efforts to save t. house would have been wholly abortive provided t. family had escaped.

For I had retired Sab. eve. about 11 o'clock unusually fatigued with t. labors of t. day, & partially awaked only until this time. The fire probably originated fr. a defect in t. hearth, and was doubtless at work 18 hours before it was discovered, fr. t. fact ~~that~~ when t. family returned fr. meeting there was a singular smell in t. room but search was made in every part of t. house & nothing could be discovered.

Dec. The damages of t. house can be repaired for 20 or 30 dolls. but t. greatest loss was in clothing &c. B family lost a considerable part of ~~that~~ probably to t. amount of —

Bless t. Lord O my soul for his goodness unto us, as a family & individuals; for not only our lives are spared but our dwelling, our books provisions &c. The loss of wh. at this season of t. year would have distressed us very much besides t. interruption of our labors for t. rest of t. winter. O make me to feel more my dependance, my sinfulness and unworthiness before thee O my God & Savior & may this life wh. thou hast so graciously spared be devoted wholly to thee. Thou hast smitten, but it was far less than our sins deserve — it was with a fathers hand, and enable me to bear t. rod & Him ~~that~~ hath appointed it —

25th Tues. Christmas. At a council previously called, the nation resolved of their own accord to spend t. day in a religious manner (instead of in mirth & festivity wh. has been usually t. case with some belonging

Dec. to the nation.) Accordingly we met at
the usual hour of meeting on t. Sab. and in t. A.
M. had religious exercises & in t. P.M. devoted t.
time to the cause of temperance. There was a
good attendance all day. And I returned home
rejoicing that G. had put it into ~~our~~ their hearts to spend
t. day so differently & profitably too, fr. what it had
been spent in years previous——

28th ~~Again called up on B. L. On my~~ Went out to visit some of my people.
Spent a part of t. day in visiting some Menominee wigwams,
~~pass~~ Passed ~~by~~ some Menominee wigwams,
& hearing t. sound of a native drum ~~&c.~~ ~~sup~~.
Concluding ~~pagan~~ that they were performing some
religious rite, turned aside to witness it. Found
that they were performing what is called
or t. Grand Medicine dance.

As I approached heard ~~(t. instrument, voice~~.
~~one sound~~ of a number of men ~~voices~~ singing
~~something like~~ a native tune, ~~and~~ wh. was responded
to by ~~a no.~~ females, emitting t. sound thro'
t. nose so ~~that~~ at a distance it sounded like persons
in distress. ~~In t. mean time one of t. men~~
beat ~~upon~~ (with a stick upon t. drum and

Dec. and another shook a gourde shell filled
with something wh. rattled) in order to keep time
whilst t. women danced ~~around~~. When I came
up I inquired of ~~one~~ a woman what ~~that~~ was going on, and she ~~she~~
replied very seriously ~~with a very sober countenance~~, "Mani-
to-kaw-so-ic. Grand Medicine dance" and went on to tell me
~~that~~ a child was very sick and was expected to die.
Looked in & saw t. women dancing around t. fire
in t. middle of t. wigwam, holding by t. arms
as they went round a ~~little~~, pale, emaciated child
too sick & weak to stand itself & perform t.
senseless ceremony in order to ~~hasten~~ be ~~healed~~ cured;
as they vainly expect ~~that~~ this rite ~~has a su-~~
~~as it is~~ ~~sure~~ has a mysterious ~~and healing~~ efficacy
upon a person when sick and like to die.
In t. mean time one of t. men beat upon a drum, and another
shook a gourde shell in order to keep time —
After dancing a few minutes all ~~are~~ seated
themselves around t. fire, & then followed a short
speech by t. one who took t. lead, wh. was res-
ponded to by a loud grunt. But their songs
& speeches ~~on~~ ~~these occasions~~ are a mere repetition
of words without ~~much~~ meaning like ~~the~~
all of t. vain repetitions of the heathen——

Dec. What added to the disgust and sorrow wh. I felt
In addition to all of this vanity and
in witnessing a ceremony so utterly devoid of mean-
senselessness of t. ceremonies they were per-
ing was, that it was performed with whiskey wh. is
formed by t. aid of whiskey wh. ~~[illegible]~~ is ~~a~~
nominally the case on such occasions ~~and~~ it is con-
indispensable on all such occasions, and soon
sidered indispensible ~~And when~~
I saw them ~~set~~ ~~[illegible]~~ with t. ~~poor~~ child to dance
the second time
but its ~~poor~~ mother was too drunk to move
and merely stood up and made t. child perform
t. motion of dancing while t. others went round.

From this scene of superstition, degradation &
drunkenness I turned and inquired how
long shall more than Egyptian darkness brood
over these immortal beings? And when will
t. light of t. gospel shine upon them?

Found Mr. C. quite comfortable in
mind, but not expecting to recover. "When I
look within says he upon t. evil surmisings
of my own heart I am sometimes afraid it
has deceived me. But then I take great
encouragement from those words,
Come, ye ~~weary~~ sinners, poor and needy, ~~come~~, ~~Sick & sore~~
It is said in t. Bible if any are sick let

Dec. them call for t. elders of t. ch. and as the
prayers of t. righteous avail much I wish
that a few of t. brethren would come in & have
a season of prayer with me." I then read t.
42d Ps. & prayed with him wh. seemed to be
very comforting to his mind—

30th Sab. Weather very moderate. Not very
well myself, feeling still the effects of over ex-
ertion in putting out t. fire the Mon. morn.
previous; but was enabled to preach all day.
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At noon Sab. S. Lessn Acts 8:19–25. Upon
v. 21. Mr S. remarked "That Commentators
supposed that t. Apos. Peter had still in mind a
temporal kingdom, for t. Jews were now under
t. Roman yoke." &c. To wh. I replied that I felt
very much dissatisfied with Com. who thus explain
ed t. Scrs. and that they must go to their Bibles,
besides t. Apostle now had t. Spirit wh. guided
into all truth." Mr S. ~~immediately interrupted~~
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interrupted me while saying this & says "Mr M." (with an agitated tone of voice) "you overlook one important thing, that Peter had to have a special vision respecting pr. t. gospel to Cornelius, he yet supposed it was to be confined to t. Jews." In t. eve. a few individuals went down to Mr Calvins & held a meeting —

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Tues. Jan. 1st. Weather very fine. Mr S. went to Green Bay. There being no school we had a meeting in t. P.M. a few present. Julia Mr S. eldest child grew worse. During t. n. about 2 o.clock sent a man after him. Julia not expected to live perhaps thro. t. night.

Wed. 2d. Raining all day. J. still growing worse about t. middle of t. P.M. he arrived with Dr. Satterly but all efforts were unavailing. The remedies applied had not t. desired effect; & death seemed hastening on a pace. For a short time she

lingered & about dark she expired, leaving behind her very satisfactory evidence that her heart was sanctified, & that she was prepared for death

She had a presentiment of her approaching dissolution altho. not quite four years old. She was often heard to pray, & frequently asked her mother to pray for her. Told them that she shd. die, but said she was not afraid to—

Thurs. 3d Still raining. Dr. S. left & returned to the Bay. In t. P.M. went to Smithfield & attended t. funeral of a child Peter Coopers. Addressed t. people fr. Acts 17:30,31. But now commandeth all men everywhere to repent &c.

Fri. 4th Attended t. funeral of Julia. Spoke a short time fr. Job 7:1. Is there not an appointed time to man upon earth? A good many present and t. attention paid was very good— In t. eve. not many at the ch. meeting but had an interesting meeting still.

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Sab. 6th first in t. year. The day rather pleasant. Preached all day. In t. P.M. a new years discourse. Txt. Pharaohs question to Jacob & his ans. Gen. 47: 8. 9. About one twenty third part of t. inhabitants of S. have died t. last year. What a lesson of wisdom shd. I learn from this. How strong t. inducement to fidelity & activity in t. gr. work of my ministry! Perhaps it will prove my last, & can I render a joyful account to t. Gr. Head of t. Ch. for t. manner in wh. I have discharged my duty to t. people of my charge? If I am not called probably some of my people will be before another annual revolution. And as I know not whom ~~that~~ will be, Give me O my Sav. grace to do discharge my duty with fidelity, so that if any neglect t. great salvation & perish it may not be in consequence of my neglect— May this year be remarkable for peace & prosperity to Zion & t. cause of missions & may this station also be a partake

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11th. Fri. eve. lect. a goodly number present, & those appeared deeply interested in t. subject wh. was a continuation of previous lects.—

Sab. 13th Weather remarkably fine.

Went to Smithfield & administered t. sacrament. The day deeply interesting. Preached upon t. importance of self-examination. Almost all of t. settlement present. The first time I was ever present at a Methodist com. Was struck with t. different manner. First I questioned all t. communicants as to their feelings, and desires to follow Christ &c. And after this having given them some counsel, about a dozen at a time came forward & kneeled before a bench and received the sac. & as they returned the others united in singing a verse from a hymn selected for the occasion; this was repeated until all had partaken of it. Then I closed with prayer & the benediction. In t. eve. returned & attended t. meeting at Timothy Jourdans. Quite interesting. Daniel Davids spoke.

Timothy Towsey expressed his feelings and really appears to be getting along very well— My ~~fears~~ respecting him begin to vanish— The Lord grant that he may indeed prove to be a true follower of Christ.

14th In the eve. attended a meeting at Elkanah Dicks. Read t. 4th Chap. of t. 1st of Pet. & remarked upon t. v. t. end of all things is at hand &c. Mr Metoxen remarked this has been a house of prayer once— Here a pious old woman once lived & died, Elizabeth Pye She was a christian a great while, I do not know but she became so in old Stockbridge. She was t. guide ~~of~~ and teacher of t. young Christians as she was t. oldest member— When I heard that Mrs. D. wanted to have t. meeting here it made me thoughtful, I asked why is it? It is for something. & if she is a christian I hope we shall meet here oftener—

16th Wed. Attended t. S. S. Ex. Quite interesting. The behavior of t. children & t. readiness with which they

answ. questions was very pleasing. Not a large number present; t. weather very cold. At the close Mr S. resigned the Supt.cy of t. S. S. and Fri. eve. was appointed to attend to the subject.

17th Spent t. eve. at Mr M's with a few other Christian friends—

18th Took charge of t. school while Mr S. went to Green Bay. Was in a state of doubt & difficulty of mind all day not knowing what I shd. do in respect to some affairs then pending. In th eve. met t. Ch. and after consultation they concluded to go & make arrangements with regard to the S. S. &c. Returned home late & much fatigued—

19 Sat. Dr. Satterly arrived fr. t. Bay. Felt more composed in mind, particularly in t. eve.—

20th Sab. Weather very mild. Preached all day. A. M. fr. 1 Tim. 4:8. & in t. P. M. to t. youth Eccl. 11:9. House very full & solemn. In t. eve went down to Mr Calvins, & had a little meeting with his family, Jacob Chicks & Mrs. Z.

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21.st Mon. a day of much confusion & I
have accomplished but little. My health tolera-
bly good, tho. somewhat apprehensive of an attack
of the quinsey—

22d Find myself well, & desire to bleſs G. that my
life & health are precious in his sight.

Fri. week almost closed — a week of trouble, of
perplexity and sorrow — Hardly know
what course to take. Deeply impreſsed this
morn. with my own sinfulneſs, rashneſs and
want of prudence — Felt to abase myself in
t. dust as it were, & to cry to God most heartily
for mercy. — That mercy I humbly hope is
found and bleſsed be God for his great good-
neſs — Felt to cast myself upon his sove-
reign mercy & grace anew, & to repose in
my dependance — O for that wisdom wh.
is profitable to direct — Was much im-
preſsed by reading t. 51st Ps. both in prose and

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verse. Read also the Tr. entitled Moun-
tain Miller and was much edified — O that
in spirit I might be like him —

Sab. 27. Rather cold. The first Sab. after I had
taken charge of t. S.S. Entered upon t. duty with much
anxiety & depreſsion of mind owing to recent oc-
currences. The S.S. very interesting. Took t.
history of t. Saviors infancy & childhood —
P.M. Preached upon t. sufferings of t. wicked
in the other world — That they will be princi-
pally mental, altho. those of t. body will be ex-
treme. In t. eve. meeting at Benj. Parmers,
crowded pursued t. history of t. Sav. My own
feelings much interested. Meeting solemn.
Returned much fatigued, yet with much
composure of mind. This day on t. whole has
been a very comfortable one; in t. morn. had
more than a usual sense of my dependance, sinful-
neſs and unworthineſs, in prayer. My life

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appeared exceedingly unprofitable, and my heart full of selfishness & sin. O Lord purify it fr. t. defiling power of sin, and lead me in thine own perfect way —

Feb. 3d Sab. The weather remarkably serene & pleasant, & seemed more like a Sab. in May than in Feb. It being t. day for our regular season of communion. Most of t. ch. present a few being detained on account of sickness. Preached fr. John 6:51. The subject ~~itself~~ opend to my view in a new & delightful manner. While I contemplated ~~upon~~ it. but to look round & see so many who gave comfortable evidence that they had ~~ate~~ eaten "t. living bread wh. came down fr. heaven" it ~~was a sight calculated~~ ~~to~~ awakened feelings of t. liveliest gratitude. ~~Some~~ (Still when I looked upon some and remembered what they once were as the offscouring of all things in consequence of their intemperate habits, & seemed past recovery, but now to see them decently clad, listening with fixed attention & childlike simplicity to the dispensation of t. ~~word~~

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And then see them draw around the table & partake of t. memorials of t. Sav. dying love, ~~I was~~ it leads me to exclaim behold what hath God wrought!)

My attention was attracted by t. deep solemnity wh. rested upon t. countenance of a Munsee woman (Sally Hunt) one of a family of 8 who came here a few years ago pagans; (Of these I have made mention before) At t. ~~Fri.~~ meeting preparatory to t. communion I inquired of all respecting their state of feeling &c. but she was so much affected that she could not express her feelings. The next day (Sat.) she called upon me & says in broken english "I want to have a little speak with you; Last night I feel so I could say nothing. When I look back upon my life & then into my heart it look very bad, and I feel very poor & weak but when I think of Christ I rejoice, rejoice all t. time. Then I want to come and see you but then O I sorry I cant understand, for I want to know more. Sometimes when you ~~preach~~ talk I dont understand but when you speak about Christ and ~~[illegible]~~ heaven (pointing upwards) then I understand, ~~[illegible]~~ then I'm very glad" All this time the tears were

Feb. were fast flowing down her cheeks, & her whole manner showed that it was no affectation but the simple, honest unsophisticated feelings of a heart deeply imbued filled with the love of Christ. She then spoke of her two little children, wh. are t. only members of the family now living but what belong to t. church; And expressed a strong confidence if not now that they would become christians. One of them has been much awakened and has manifested a great deal of interest in t. subject of religion.

During the time since our last communion (in Nov.) altho. there has been no very special attention to religion, still, religious meetings have been ~~very~~ generally & punctually attended, & then there has been a great degree of peace & harmony in t. church; and the members have manifested an increased desire to receive instruction not only in relative & domestic duties but in t. things wh. pertain to t. Kg. of God. O may our little Zion arise & shine, t. glory of t. Lord having arisen upon her.

4th Called ~~at~~ upon the Munsee family abovementioned (John Hunt) in order to baptize ~~t.~~ a child wh. was ~~[illegible]~~ very sick. Big Bear formerly head chief & Menomonie Dr. ~~[illegible]~~ came in, and looked very attentively. ~~After I performed~~

Feb. At the close of that service I inquired of him what he supposed that ~~to be~~ was the meaning of ~~it~~? He replied, that "he supposed t. child was bewitched, and so I baptized it in order to cure it." ~~The~~ They impute ~~almost~~ more or less diseases & sicknesses to t. influence of evil spirits or witchcraft. In such cases they ~~And~~ apply imaginary remedies of various kinds to effect a cure but the one most usually resorted to is t. grand medicine dance."

Altho. once the head chief ~~of t. Nation~~ & ~~of course~~ a principal Counsellor still he appeared entirely ignorant of t. spiritual malady with wh. t. soul is diseased or that it had any need of ~~cleansing~~ moral purification.—

I then explained to him t. meaning of t. ordinance and from that went on to preach to him the necessity of being born of water of t. Spirit &c. he listened attentively but replied that they had received different commands fr. their fathers & they must follow them.— That the Great Spirit had them different from t. white men, and they (their fathers) had told them that t. white men came fr. the East & would go back there when they died, but the red men came from the West and

Feb. that they would return thither after death." This is the prevailing ~~idea~~ opinion among t. natives respecting t. future. After they arrive there they suppose that they will be engaged in dancing hunting &c. and that t. good i.e. good hunters, kind generous &c. will find an abundance of game but that t. bad i.e. the cowardly & poor hunters &c. will be doomed to scenes of endless misery.

+ ~~[illegible]~~ they dress them as for a dance seriously supposing that in that world to wh. they go, they shall there engage in sports in song & dance. Such is the spiritual darkness and gloom in wh. t. natives around are shrouded. ~~Alas what a state of mind and [illegible] such gross darkness and superstition~~!

7th Attended t. funeral of John Hunts child. Read t. 14th Chap. of Job. & remarked upon it.

8th Fri. eve. Meeting taken up in questioning t. ch. as to t. manner of training up their children. ~~It~~ It was interesting & ~~I trust~~ doubtless will be t. means of doing much good. ~~Felt that~~ Found there was a great deficiency in respect to family govt. & instruction. ~~[illegible] & t. great need of family govt. & instruction being attended to amongst many people.~~

9th ~~Attended~~ Attended a wedding. Married J. Jurkey & Anna Haines. Afterwards supped

+ before burial they dress t. ~~dead~~ corpse with the

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guests, the eve. very pleasantly & I would hope not unprofitably spent.

10th Sab. was very well indeed in body. S.S. very interesting & pleasant. P.M. was much tried in mind to see how few were present & how listless many of them appeared. Preached upon t. greatness of G. in t. wks. of creation.

In t. eve. meeting at Mrs. Hendricks. Read t. 30 No. 2d Bk. Come ye that love t. Lord & remarked upon it. Felt my mind enlarged as I spoke, & had some melting of soul whilst speaking. Addressed the youth & pressed upon them importance of early piety &c. O! bless that meeting divine Saviour, & make it t. means of great & everlasting good &c.

Mon. 25. ~~Started~~ in company with a number of t. head men Mr Metoxen, Austin Quinney, Andrew Miller & Timo. Towsey for ~~Duck Creek.~~ the Oneida Settlement about 20 m. distant.

Was considerably perplexed in getting ~~started~~, but arrived in safety about 7 o'clock in the eve. & put up with Cornelius Baird

Feb. Found t. minds of t. Indns. much distracted in consequence of late difficulties amongst themselves. Their spiritual prospects dark and the monster intemperance making havoc amongst them. Visited fr. house to house during the day and in t. eve. collected t. people and addressed them upon the subject, but could not induce them to form a Soc. their minds being too much occupied about other things.

Tues. 26 The day appointed by t. A. T. S. for holding general meetings in order to promote t. cause of temp. Somewhat stormy during t. day yet not cold. Visited a number of families, & found them considerably engaged in talking about t. subject of temp. Called on David Hill found his family in a little log-cabin about ten feet square; A little door not sufficiently high enough for a man to stand up under, & wh. was made of two split sticks, opened into it. A little hole thro' the side which had not been filled up with mortar afforded it all t. light wh. was here enjoyed except what crept thro t. roof wh. was covered with bark. A few stones laid up at one end covered over with mortar constituted t. fire place, and near the top, sticks laid in thatched clay, in t. form of a cob-house received t. smoke. Not a chair or a table or a bed-stead graced this humble abode whilst he sat near t. middle upon a stool smoking his pipe. His health had been poor, and he had been able to accomplish but little. He said that "he was lame at heart." In t. eve. held a meeting at Cornelius Bs. The weather cold, many were out of town & not a great number attended. Some of them appeared considerably interested. Did not succeed in forming a T. Soc. but hope one will be formed soon.

27th Weather pleasant but cold. Left Duck C. for Gr. B. feeling somewhat unwell. Arrived at t. settlement a little after noon more indisposed. Consulted Dr. F. who informed one that it was t. incipient stages of t. dysentary: concluded to remain & take medicines. Went to Capt. Arndts & remained until Sat: at wh. time I was convalescent. Thanks be given to God that he has again restored my health, may it be devoted indeed to Thee—

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2 Sat. Returned to my Station weather very cold.

3d Sab. read sermons not having been able to prepare for t. Sab. on account of my absence—

5th Attended t. funeral of Pometium a Menominie Indn. who was killed by t. accidental discharge of his gun. Addressed t. people fr. t. words. be ye also ready &c. After-words made a short address to t. Menominies, thro. an interpreter. They listened attentively but I felt much embarrassed in speaking to those whose minds were so benighted, & full of superstition. But not by might nor by power but by thy Spirit O Lord must t. hearts of men be affected & renewed therefore make these feeble efforts t. means of everlasting good.

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Singular Dreams.

Fri. During t. day I had visited some families & amongst t. rest Daniels Ds. near t. S mill ~~With~~ his wife I conversed ~~&~~ [illegible] very pointedly & altho. she could not gainsay still she did not seem convinced— That night I dreamed that I came to a place where some people were fishing, it was an open place in t. ice, and it seemed that they did not catch many, but I immediately baited my hook, put t. bait on carefully, taking care to conceal t. point of t. hook in t. bait; and I drew up t. fish as fast as I could put my hook down, and when I had taken 4 or 5 I put down t. hook carelessly t. point being all bare, still a fish bit and I pulled too soon, t. hook broke its hold, and some of t. entrails came up on it; I looked at it & immediately felt sorry for I thought that I had killed t. fish & lost him too—

March. 10th Sat. Night— I dreamed that I saw the moon just on the wane after full, rise

in a different part of t. horizon from what
it usually does, and kept along for a short
time but a few degrees above it, and at
length I saw it fall to t. earth, I thought it
must produce some convulsion, still
I witnessed none. Soon after being in a
strange place, I looked ahead & saw something
bright like t. sun approaching, it appeared
to me that it was a person, still t. light was
so bright I could discern no one, as it came
near I stepped into to the door, ~~th~~ but stood
with it partly open in order to see it pass, &
immediately my brother S. came in, we greeted
each other most cordially, he looked perfect-
ly natured, but soon he was gone before we
had exchanged a word—

19th Attended t. singing school. This is t. closing
up for t. season. Was much pleased with t.
singing & with t. order wh. prevailed. Made a
short address. First mentioned the ~~design~~
design of God in giving us voices—viz.

that we use them to express our feelings of grati-
tude & praise to God for his goodness & wonder-
ful works to the children of men. Secdly It was a ra-
tional kind of amusement & enjoyment such
as angels would gladly unite in. It enables the
mind & ~~raises it above~~ leads it to seek a
higher kind of enjoyment, than that of sense—
When once the latter kind has been tasted, it de-
grades it & it is seldom able to rise above it—
Thirdly It is a duty. God made nothing in
vain. Our musical powers are not necessa-
ry for any of t. ~~[illegible]~~ ordinary purposes of life
And God by giving them to us designed that
they should be improved— Neglect therefore
to improve these powers is sin as much as
t. commission of any thing forbidden.
Fourthly. It keeps fr. temptation — It t. is
t. road to usefulness — to respectability — An
important means of grace — It prepares t.
Christian to shine brighter in heaven —

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Those who sing therefore ought to be possessed of a good moral character; otherwise they disgrace & pollute this most important & delightful part of public worship — they shd. be at peace among themselves— be humble and not lifted up with pride—

In t. eve. considerable of thunder and lightning, tho but little rain—

21st. I heard the birds begin to sing—

22d I heard the robins for the first time, a token of returning spring—

Attended t. examination of the school. Scholars generally appeared very well, this is considered as t. close of the winter school. Between 20 & 30 children present.

29th heard the frogs croak.

31st Sab. Weather exceedingly pleasant, as much so as it could be in May or June.

As I returned from Meeting, saw thousands of flies sporting in the air, as if ex-

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pressing their joy at t. return of Spring; the weather was warm, all was calm as a summer's day, and nothing around appeared to disturb the sacred repose of t. day—

In the A.M. expounded the S.S. lesson. wh. was the trial and crucifixion of t. Sav. At noon t. children appeared unusually interested in it; and There was a very solemn & serious ~~attention~~, and a greater readiness than usual in ~~to~~ ans. questions. The Lord bless t. ~~instruction~~ given to the saving benefit of many souls. In t. P.M. Pr. from James 4:8. House full and solemn. Showed first what is meant by drawing near to God, 2dly how we are to do it & 3dly how God draws nigh unto us. In t. eve. Meeting (at the house of a Br. in Jude (Abram Skesucks.) Spoke of t. importance of searching the holy Scrs. After wh. Sally Hunt spoke and inquired "What she should do! I hear, says she, but I understand but little, and the word appears like t. waters of t. running brook, wh. immediately pass on and are seen no more, this makes me exceedingly wretched— That love must be great indeed

Christ could pardon such a sinner as I have been and bring me out of darkness into marvellous light." I want to know more how I shall keep t. Sab. day as I should & when I break it." Mrs. S. expressed her feelings and hopes that she has lately found peace in believing on the Lord Jesus C. Spoke of her sinfulness and unworthiness, and of t. satisfaction wh. she now felt in religion. Blessed be God if one soul has been truly born again.

2d. Tues. Was awoke this morn. by t. report of a gun on t. opposite side of t. river, but supposing that t. some one was shooting ducks I took no notice of it; but I immediately heard a Menominie calling very loudly & I immediately arose to see what was t. matter and saw a deer swimming across t. river; with all possible haste I put on my clothes & ran out and as I came upon the bank of the river saw her lying down upon the stones and she started into the river but I pursued and caught her immediately and tried to drown but could not; I then brot her out and her ~~throat~~ was cut and so we made sure of the

poor animal and she became food for us. This is t. life of the poor animals made a sacrifice for the comfort and convenience of man. For him thousands of creatures live & for him they die, yet how little does he regard it, or think of his responsibility to Him who gave his life a ransom for us —

4th Meeting of the Tem. Soc. few present but "quite interesting. John W. Clicks came forward & made his confession for drinking and was restored.

5th Chr. meeting quite interesting. John W. C. who had grievously fallen into t. sin of intemperance came ~~made his confession to t. ch. after~~ and appeared quite forward & made his confession penitent. ~~Deacon~~ Dea. C. his father addressed him in a very earnest & pathetic manner ~~and after~~ His confession was accepted. & he was received on trial consultation it was forgiven and put upon trial that a sheep who had ~~wandered~~ ~~far astray~~ The Lord be praised & ~~indeed he is a true~~ fr. t. fold has been brot. back again — penitent and may he be kept by t. power of God thro' faith unto Salvation —

7th Sab. Weather remarkably fine. In t. A.M. preached upon t. reward wh. every one will finally receive at the bar of God for his works

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and in t. P.M. upon separating ourselves fr. t. world. Text: Ezek. 20:7. Cast ye away every one t. abominations of his eyes &c. The house generally very still. But one girl, alas! a foolish and silly thing made disturbance. In the eve. meeting at Moses Charles' quite interesting; spoke fr. the words "Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to t. thgs. wh. we have heard lest at any time we should let them slip." Had much freedom in speaking, and was enabled to press with much earnestness t. importance of immediate repentance. Cornelius C. a youth of 16 or 17 and who had been sick expressed his feelings and appeared much affected. May he never find peace until he comes to Jesus Christ—

April. 18th Solemnized ~~the~~ two marriages (of two couple Aaron Tinkey and Hannah Peters and Benj. Fry & Betsey Charles.) (The latter at Absalom Quinney's house) The utmost decorum & good order prevailed. Afterwards ~~sat down to~~ was invitied to partake of the [illegible] and wedding supper. ~~took a wedding supper~~ which was finely cooked & well served up. It consisted of fresh pork After supper all returned home in peace and quietness no ardent spirits, or eggs, or cordials ~~being~~ used on the occasion. having been baked, and also made into a few with crust, fowls, potatoes, bread, apple and pumpkin pie, sweet cake and Ginger bread.

25. The day of the annual Fast.

Preached fr. Prov. 14: 34. (Righteousness exalteth a nation &c.) ~~A good attendance at meeting.~~ The day generally observed by t. tr. and the meeting as well attended as on the Sab.

— Could feel but little myself, because I could not bring my mind to bear upon the subject, nor could I enlist my feelings. Still I indulged the faint hope ~~that~~ thro. t. goodness of God it might do some good. Held Prayer meeting towards eve. wh. was solemn and interesting. some of the br. appeared much ~~affected~~ Timothy J. appeared much affected, spoke of his enjoyment, and feeling for sinners, while tears run down his cheeks. I had a ~~season~~ of private meditation & prayer between meetings & hope that it was in a measure profitable —

May 2d Preached t. Lect. preparatory to t. communion. Text Rev. 2: 17. Dwelt particularly upon t. words To him that overcometh &c. In consequence of t. foul weather

few present. Felt my mind somewhat enlarged whilst speaking of t. hidden manna and white stone, which t. Sav. has promised to all that "overcome". The church also listened with deep & solemn attention. Alas! how little do I strive in this holy cause, how low and grovling are my affections, as well as weak in faith —

Quicken me O Lord & I shall call upon thy name, and may my affections be placed supremely upon thyself —

3d Attended t. ch. meeting preparatory to t. celebration of t. Lords Supper. Isaac Jacobs & Lucy his wife were examined as candidates for admission into t. ch. Both appeared very well & seemed to show, that a work of grace has ~~be~~ begun in their hearts — Behold t. sovereign mercy & grace of God in making two of t. vilest characters vessels of mercy. Once they lived in all manner of iniquity but now I hope are washed, & sanctified & justified in t. name of Jesus

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of Jesus & by the Spirit of God. This they have appeared to manifest in a good degree by their lives as well as conversation.

Another difficulty having arisen in consequence of a suspicion against a member Timothy P. for stealing was very satisfactorily settled and he wholly absolved—

5th Sab. Communion day.

Weather very warm. In t. morn. ~~went~~ called upon a family wh. had lost a child t. mother a Stockbridge to Mrs Hendricks; conversed & prayed with Mr but t. father a Catholic Duchemin's family wh. had lost a child, himself a Catholic; Made some effort to get him to have it buried here without carrying it to the Bay but could not. Phebe his wife appeared somewhat affected when I conversed with her, & so did Olive.

In t. A.M. pr. fr. John 1:29. Behold t. Lamb of God &c. Audience very solemn & attentive. the house filled all day. The Sab. S. interesting at noon. In t. afternoon Sac. of t. Lord's Supper administered; the season solemn and interesting. In the eve. administered the

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sacrament to blind Esther. She is now aged & is one of the oldest professors of religion in the nation & 84 yrs of age has been a member of this ch. years — Her head is white with age & she seems rather like a ~~patient~~ pilgrim at t. gate waiting for the Lord to open unto her, that she may enter in—

6th Month. Concert. (Very) well attended & with much apparent interest of feeling.

Recd a letter from Dr Palmer of Fairfield among the Cherokees (Nation) West of the Arkansas— and another fr. t. Sandwich Islands giving an account of a revival at ~~the~~ one of the Islands. Both of wh. were listened to with deep ~~attention~~ and appeared seemed to excite considerable of feeling.

Six prayers were offered besides singing &c. and a glow of feeling seemed to be kindled up in their countenances such as I have not witnessed for a long time. It is cheering ~~my heart~~ to think that we are remembered by t. friends of Zion, who are now ~~in~~ engaged in united prayer for t. building up of Zion.

do daily lift up their hearts unitedly to the throne of divine grace. Felt some concern as I hope more than usual for t. poor, perishing natives around, that God have mercy & cause this wilderness to bud & blossom spiritually.

12th Sab. In t. A. M. pr. fr. Eccl. 9:18. But one sinner destroyeth much good. Felt some liberty in speaking & earnestness in addressing t. people. Very serious & solemn attention. In t. P. M. fr. Luke 6:31. And as ye would &c was enabled to set t. subject forth in some satisfactory light, and was listened to with deep attention. O God graciously grant me grace in this hour of trial, when I hardly kn. wh. way to proceed. Darkness seems to hang over the future, within is much doubt, and about me turmoil. O! may I have real trust & confidence in thee; permit me to commend my soul, my all and the in-

terests of this mission to thee— Wherein I have erred make me sensible of it; and give me godly sorrow for my sins. If deceived, undeceive me. If indeed one of thy dear children purify my heart fr. all filthiness of t. flesh & of t. spirit and make me humble obedient & faithful unto death—

13th Mon. Communicated to Mr— t. decision of t. Board, after I had deeply reflected upon what I thought to be duty and had looked to God for direction—

14th Annual Meeting of t. T. Soc. I addressed both the parents & children of the S. S. having previously invited them all to attend. The meeting was deeply interesting. After I had closed some of the head men addressed t. children. After this I invited the children of t. S. S. to join the Soc. after fully explaining to ~~them~~ t. object ~~A considerable~~ a twenty seven number immediately came forward, and with smiling countenances requested to have their names put down upon the constitution with their

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parents. One little girl Abigail Jourdan came up, and says "will you put down my name for I wish to join and I cannot do it myself." After this some of t. Older people also came forward & united with the Soc. This
more & more important to begin with
It appears to me will give an impulse to the
children in order to dry up the fiery stream of intemper-
cause wh. will long be felt —
ance wh. is sweeping over and desolating t. Indian country
far and wide in its dreadful course —

15th Conversed the whole day with Mr S. upon the subject of our difficulties &c.

16th Brought them to a satisfactory conclusion, and settled them by a mutual confession. O Lord, thou hast corrected me but in measure. I bless thee. Thou hast in some measure brot. me to my right mind I thank thee. Let me never, no never be left again to depart so far fr. t. way of thy commandments. I condemn myself; guilty, guilty, I desire to be abased in t. very dust before thee, O my God on account of my sins. Evils and much of thou only knowest I am chargeable

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with, – but with thee is mercy and forgiveness for the vilest sinners. To thee, thro Jesus Christ I desire to look, upon thee to wait until I obtain the desired blessing —

19th In the morn. had some degree of earnestness in secret prayer; felt as tho' I must have different feelings before I should do any good. Dreadful darkness veils my Mind, my ~~[illegible]~~ way seems almost to be hedged up. Wh. way shall I turn? I desire to go no where but to thee O my God against whom I have so grievously sinned — In t. A. M. was enabled to go thro' with t. duties tolerably well — S. S. at noon very interesting. Children generally present. And all appeared interested. O Lord pour out thy Spirit upon this little charge. Sometimes I think ~~that~~ I feel an increasing desire for t. conversion of the dear children under my charge —

In t. eve. meeting at Mrs. Hendricks, very full and solemn. Subject of remarks the ~~strait~~

O Bay gate & narrow way— One of t. Ch. Timothy J. spoke with deep feeling upon that he had heard and also in respect to those who are still out of Christ— Sometimes says he I think I am not a christian, because I am guilty of so many sins. But then I do have a love for t. children of G. who. I do not have for any body else. And when I hear of them falling away I am very sorry, but when I hear of others who are not Christians committing those sins I do not have those feelings. I think that is their nature. Still I have a concern for them. Now I think if I was not a christian why did I not have these feelings before! I know that I never felt so before and it does appear to me if I did not love our Ld. Jesus Christ I should not feel as I do—
&c.—

21st Went to Gr. B. in company with Dr. Ward. In conversation he remarked "you have said much to me about religion, but you have not told me what I must do in order to obtain it." The remark instructed me, & led me to feel how important it was to be definite in all my instructions.—

Passed the night at Mr Ellis' house—

22d Wed. passed t. day at the Bay

23d Thurs. Left for Duck Creek and arrived in t. P.M. (Passed) t. n. at Cornelius Beards. Had an interview with Mr W. appeared very friendly—

24th Fri. visited some and succeeded in getting two children to be sent to Mackinaw; and in t. P.M. returned home—

26th Sab. Cloudy and in t. P.M. rainy. In t. forenoon explained t. S.S. Lesson contained in t. 6th of Luke and dwelt pretty largely upon the characteristics of t. true & false professor of religion—

S. S. more than usually interesting, children asked many questions and appeared more inquisitive than I have seen them before. O May the Holy Spirit descend upon them and every one become savingly acquainted with t. Lord Jesus Christ—

27th Called upon Mr C. t. Clerk of Mr W's store. and had an interesting interview with him. He appeared somewhat affected whilst I pressed t. subject of immediate repentance. O Lord save him by thy grace and now bring him to t. knowledge of truth

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30th Spent part of t. day visiting. Conversed with Cornelius Charles a youth of about 17. and found him still in an enquiring state of mind. He appeared willing to hear and I hope has some sense of his sins & need of a Sav. But I could not ascertain t. exact state of his feelings so as to judge— O Ld. be gracious unto him & save him for thy mercies sake— Visited Cornelius Doxtator & had an interesting ~~time~~ season with Dolly his wife—

Sat. June 1st Cold & stormy. Built a fire in my room—

Sab 2d. Raining all day. The number at meeting small, yet very attentive. In t. A. M. the subject the conversion of Zacheus. At noon S.S. more than usually interesting. The children asked many questions. In t. P.M. preached upon humility describing it and its fruits &c. O Lord clothe thine own children with it & may their lives be an exemplification of its importance & excellence— In t. eve. meeting at Eve Ld's. Returned home & found Mr F. Miner & his sister Elisabeth had arrived fr. t. Bay—

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4th Visited Joseph M. Ld's family. Read the regulations wh. I had drawn up for t. ch. They express their approbation of them in general, altho. their views & my own did not accord ~~in re~~ respecting witch-craft. Joseph said that one night he was walking along in the road, near t. place where an old woman (who was afterwards burnt up in her house) used to get her medicines, and he saw a person coming but he did not notice him until he came so near that he reached out his hand to take hold of him but he eluded his grasp, this he repeated two or three times until t. other man spoke to him &c. but the other said nothing— Very soon this other man was taken almost blind altho. it was not very dark, and he had to lead him for some distance

Again he had been present at a medicine feast of the Menominies, and saw them throw down their tobacco pouches where t. skin of some animal taken off whole, and shortly they were re-animated to appearance & began to run round amongst them and they would take them up in their hands and point them at one another and the creature would make a noise t. same as tho. it was alive which would knock any

Down unless well skilled in witchcraft; and by this they tried each other to see if they were good in the art— Alas! how much are such as practice these things under t. influence of t. prince of t. power of t. air. Their worship & sacrifices to devils not to God, and which only provoke him to anger more & more—

6th Gov. Porter arrived at R. Gardners fr. Gr. Bay. The day previous he requested Mr S. to inform the head-men of t. time he expected to arrive & shd. wish to meet them at some place wh. they should designate, & to write a line & have it left at R. Gs. against his arrival. This he did, & accordingly a letter was written. After his arrival he informed t. Runner J. P. Q. that he shd. be along soon. But soon a Mr Herschell came along & told t. Indns. that t. Gov. was too much fatigued to come up & that they must come down there. This the people felt unwilling to do; and Mr J. W. Q. wrote a second note stating as there were contradictory reports they did not know what to believe, and shd. therefore wait until they heard what was his pleasure as to place of meeting him. His Excellency immediately wrote back ~~that~~ he had not conveniences in t. woods for writing letters

and that he told them last fall that he had not come to do business with white men, but themselves and that he wanted no interference of t. white man in writing letters & that he wished to see them that eve. if disposed to come, but if they were persuaded by white men not to come he shd. leave t. next morn. for. t. E. side of L. W. where he expected to meet them. In order to avoid difficulty in t. outset t. peace-makers went; but Mr Metoxen said that he should not go near ~~that~~ house; and should have an interview with t. Gov. & give him his reasons. This change of mind had doubtless been effected in t. mind of t. Gov. by misrepresentations of white men Mr. J. P. A. & Mr. H. let this be as it may be I feel that no cause whatever or reason exists for his singular conduct wh. leads me to suppose that the M. F. are in any way culpable —

7th Fri. Meeting rather interesting. I spoke to them counselling & cautioning them in respect to their conduct at t. present time; and to keep their tongues as with a bridle, while t. wicked are before them &c. &c. Sung t. 39 Ps. Thus I resolved before t. Lord

June.

After meeting Sally H. came to me & said by an interpreter, I want to join t. "benevolent Soc." meaning the Miss. Soc. I was sorry that I did not understand that it was going to meet on Mon. Last year I gave six dollars but this year I want to give twelve, because I want to have the gospel sent to the Indians who are destitute of it." while her solemn countenance & eyes filled with tears showed t. deep feeling of her heart— and made me promise to do it before I left. The Lord grant this Spirit of benevolence may be greatly increased amongst all of his dear children here, as well as thro'out the world.

9th Sab. The day very fine. Preached in t. A. M. fr. 1 Kgs. 18:21. Subject importance of decision in respect to religion. House full & solemn. Felt embarrassed not having had sufficient time to prepare i.e. I could not bring my mind to the subject wh. I had spent about a day in studying—

In t. P. M. Fr. upon Spiritual mindedness. Text 2 Cor. 4:18. While we look not &c. Was somewhat assisted as I hope in declaring the precious truth— The audience generally very attentive. The Lord bless t. word to the saving benefit of immortal souls. Eve. Meeting at Jos. M. Los

June. And more interesting than the Sab. eve. previous. Read an account of the miserable end of a young man in t. State of N. Y. Of whom t. word the last state of that man &c. had an awful fulfilment. This I hope excited some feeling and one Abram S. who had formerly been awakened but relapsed, seemed much interested and came & borrowed it— Returned much fatigued but with much composure of mind. The eve. calm & pleasant fit emblem tho't I as I gazed from my window of t. Christians heart when delivered fr. the condemnation of t. law & bro't into a state of favor with G. The river ~~[illegible]~~ rolled onward more silently than usual, with scarcely a ripple, tho' with accelerated velocity as it approaches a rapid, another emblem of times rapid flight and then seemingly most swift as he draws near to his end— And the shadows of the eve. were thickening upon the earth so ~~thought~~ I deaths dark shade will soon envelop me & I shall lie down to rise no more until day & night come to an end.

Thus may the eve. of my days be when I shall have completed t. business of life with faithfulness to my blessed Master and I be gathered to that rest wh. remains for the children of God.

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16th Sab. A. M. took for my subject t. S. S. Lesson contained in Eph. 5. 1–7. Felt under no embarrassment whilst speaking. And all appeared to listen with deep attention. Dwelt upon t. importance of chastity in thot. speech & behavior principally—

In the P. M. Repentance its nature and the duty of was explained & enforced; Paul may plant and Apollos water but God must give t. increase; make me to feel this in all my exhibitions of divine truth, whilst I feel more & more t. importance of seeking to find out acceptable words, even words of Knowledge.

18th Went to Green Bay and passed t. night at the Mission station—

19th Went to Navarino. Was introduced to his Ex. Geo. B. Porter Gov. of Mich. Was treated very politely by his Ex. & found him to be very affable. In the P. M. Mr Whitney arrived in the Lady of t. Lakes, and brot a letter fr. Mr Hill of Boston. Had an interview with his Ex. together with Capt. Russell, respecting the civilisation of Indians &c. He remarked that he did not think t. gospel or to teach them t. principles of our holy religion necessary in order to civilise them—

June He would have them ~~taught~~ t. handi-craft arts, and females to spin, weave &c. and ~~then as a~~ finishing stroke or to complete their civilisation he would establish schools & have them ~~taught~~ to read, write & count— Nor did he consider t. Knowledge of the gospel necessary to their salvation—

Such sentiments but illy accord with t. Apostles For there is none other name given under heaven—

Returned & passed t. night at Mr Bades—

19th Again went to Navarino Made a few calls and returned home. The Rev. Mr C. informed me that Mr [Mazzuchelli] Messer Halley had been up and baptised some of t. Winnebagoes, and had received t. Spring past to their church 150 men, women and children belonging to the Menominies. Alas! for t. poor souls of such as are brot. within t. pale of t. catholic Ch.

23d Sab. Weather foul. Felt very well in body Took for my subject in t. A. M. the S. S. Lesson Not so many present as usual, but those who did attend paid good attention. S. S. rather interesting. And the children were generally presen

June 24th Spent much of this day in ~~[illegible]~~ reconciling a man & his wife Benj. P. & Betsey P. who have had a difficulty for a considerable length of time. It seemed t. wife had "usurped authority over t. man"; in one instance had laid violent hands upon him — and had neglected t. affairs of her family. After a long conversation brought them together, they forgave each other, and agreed to treat each other as husband & wife. I then prayed with them & felt much freedom in pleading for them — Afterwards Betsey remarked that she had never felt so before when she had made up — it seemed as tho' God had sent me — everything seemed to fly fr. her mind — the burden had left her heart and she felt like a new married couple — I then cautioned them to beware lest at last I should rise up in judgement, & holy angels and above all t. heart-searching God and ~~testify~~ against them, ~~that~~ they had not fr. t. heart forgiven each other their trespasses —

July 6th Sat. Mr Crawford the Methodist Teacher arrived with his family.

July. Recd. a Trunk of clothing fr. Detroit —

In t. A. M. a strong temptation to sin was placed before me, but blessed be God I was kept fr. falling into it. I went to bathe and some Mr — W. followed ~~after~~ ~~but~~ ~~I~~ felt that ~~I~~ I could not parley with temptation and immediately went my way — O Ld. enable me ever to say as did Joseph How can I do this Great wickedness & sin against God!

Was much interrupted during t. whole day & could study but little —

7th. Sab. In the A. M. pr. to a full house upon t. worth of t. soul. text M. 16:29. Felt some during my discourse still little when compared with the magnitude & importance of t. subject —

In t. P. M. Read a sermon of Dr. Paysons —

Eve. meeting at Mr Metoyens. house full. Read t. ~~tract~~ entitled "t. Lost soul" and commented upon, and all listened with deep solemnity —

On my return home conversed with Sister Sh. and she remarked that she felt unprepared for death, and that she was not living as she ought. But ef —

expressed a determination to begin to seek in earnest the salvation of her soul— O Lord have mercy upon her & create her anew in Christ Jesus unto good works—

Mon 8th Attended the month. Con. for S.S. rather more than usual present, and considerable interest appeared to be manifested. I felt as tho' all that was needed in order to have t. blessing of God descend upon our School was a spirit of prayer and faith. O Lord revive thy work—

14th Sab. Weather pleasant. Preached all day upon carnal & spiritual mindedness— Felt greatly dissatisfied with myself and hardly knew how I should get along. My mind was much distracted, and the duties of t. P.M. appeared exceedingly painful— But I was enabled to go thro' better than I had anticipated. In t. eve. meeting at Daniel Dickz a Br.tn family. Spoke fr. t. words Pure ~~& undefiled~~ religion & undefiled before God &c. Jas. 1:27. Few present but the meeting solemn and interesting—

17th Weather warm & pleasant. Black Hawk with his train which consisted of five individuals viz. the prophet, his brother (B. H.s) nephew, a son of Bl. H. and an adopted son of the prophet. Mostly dressed in Indian style. The most noble appearing Indians that I ever saw, particularly the son of Bl. H. His frame large & broad, his eyes black & piercing, and very dignified in his appearance. His father perhaps 60 years old, was less sprightly in his appearance than I had anticipated, still there was much dignity in his appearance and he spoke with energy.

Mr Metoxen made a short speech to the prince and gave him the white wampum (the emblem of peace) which they receive in due form. "I bless God" says Mr M. "that I see this day— and I am permitted again to meet with my friends and Grand Children (the appellation they give to the [illegible]) I see your tears running down and I put my hand to wipe them off. Our fathers have told us that ~~[illegible]~~ you our Grand Children

July have always been at peace with us we wish to keep the chain of friendship bright— Your Grand father says that you must live in peace with all about you. We have heretofore lived a great ways apart, now we have come a little nearer perhaps when we & take a few steps more we shall come over where you are. We expect soon to move on to the E. side of Lake W. and perhaps in two or three days we shall come over and visit you at yr. fire-side"— To this Bl. H. responded, and cordially invited them to come and visit them—

18th Weather warm.

Spent the day most unprofitably. I count it as lost— nothing was accomplished for God— or in my studies. Endeavoured to get a passage to the Bay for Mr. L. but utterly failed besides losing my time & trouble— Mr. J. had two canoes one of wh. he might have lent but would not and the mission c. had been taken without liberty— ~~this~~ I returned home weary, disappointed and dejected—

July 20th This day completes thirty three years of this short and transitory life, wh. God has graciously lengthened out. The goodness of G. during the past year has been great towards me— I have enjoyed a great degree of health of body— having had only one or two seasons of being unwell— I have met with some trials yet I hope, that they have done me good.— I have enjoyed some spiritual comforts as I hope but alas I have followed the Savior afar off— I have enjoyed a great degree of peace amongst my people and I bless God for it. In view of my obligations to thee, thy right to me and all that I have,— my relation to thee as my God & Redeemer I do desire humbly and with all my heart to dedicate this body & soul, my time and talents to Thee anew, and to give myself up unto thee anew in the bonds of an everlasting covenant, and to renew my covenant with Thee this day— As I know not how many days still remain unto me may I not be so anxious to live long as to live well. May this year if thou

July shalt spare my life or whilst thou shalt spare it be more sincerely & heartily devoted to thee. And may my ministry be crowned with great success — Which wilt thou accept and grant for thy Sons sake Amen.

21, Sab. Weather very warm. In t. A.M. pr. respecting t. Pharisee & Publican. Felt much assisted whilst speaking, the audience not large but solemn. At noon S.S. quite interesting, the children ansd. questions with greater readiness than usual. And appeared solemn; reviewed the lesson respecting the last judgement contained in Matt. 25th. P.M. pr. respecting t. young man who came to C. inquiring what good thg. he shd. do to inherit eternal life. And applied it principally to such as hoped they were christians; there were few present but they listened with fixed attention — God grant that t. word spoken altho in weakness, ~~[illegible]~~ may still prove like the refiners fire — In t. eve. Rev. Mr Clark pr. fr. 2 Pet. 3:18. But grow in grace. His discourse very instructive & impressive and calculated to do good. The house filled and t. people appeared well pleased

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Visited in the P.M. Called upon Deac. Metoxen and conversed with him respecting ch. affairs. Ascertained, that his Son Simeon & his wife Elizabeth left in a clandestine manner, having never consulted his father or friends, and enjoined secrecy upon one to whom they told it.

Felt much disheartened ~~at th~~ upon hearing of it as both are members of the church and until last Spring have walked very orderly.

But alas! since that have been giving evidence that they are not born of God. Both have drank and S. has broken t. holy sab. and a special rule of the church respecting journeying without first asking and obtaining leave of the church — I cannot expect anything less ~~than that~~ they will be left to commit all manner of iniquity. — O Lord forgive & have mercy upon them —

Visited another member Joseph M. Q. who has for a length of time neglected attending the weekly ch. meeting — found him very ready to converse and received the admonition with kindness apparently.

to my mind until after meeting when returning I called. Found her in great distress. Her countenance wore a death-like appearance her ~~[illegible]~~ lips purple and tongue much furred— She had frequent spells of cramp, wh. made her groan aloud but no spasms. And I was told ~~that~~ there was a very bad dysentery. — And that she was taken first with the cramp, then the diarrhoea followed with occasional vomiting — I inquired of her if she felt willing to die and she readily ans. yes. ~~that she was expecting it & constantly preparing herself for it—~~ And that she ~~should~~ found the Sav. near to her in that time of distress, — that she was trying all the time to prepare herself for death.

Called again in t. eve. & found her a little easier.

Attended meeting at Mr Pendleton's. The number present not large as there was another meeting. Addressed them first respecting true and false confidence after reading an extract from a Tr. And afterwards respecting their insensibility upon the subject of religion.

There appeared evidently to be more feeling than

I have seen before for some time. Mrs. P. spoke and after meeting says I am well in body but not in mind— I then exhorted her to seek with her whole heart for an interest in C. and repent; confess & forsake her sins assuring her that if she did she should find mercy—

29th An exceeding heavy thunder-shower

About 1 o'clock Mrs. Satterlee arrived from the Portage. Christeen was buried. One of her friends visited her a short time since, spoke to her respecting her corn and things, how nice they looked. Yes she replied but others will gather and eat it. And when mention was made of removing to Lake W. "I shall not go there," says she, pointing to the burying ground, "there is my grave," she again remarked. She came to her grave in a good, old age having been a member of the church almost six years, and during that time she had adorned her profession, and ~~her~~ was an example ~~of~~ in her house of cleanliness, industry and temperance— "Blessed are t. dead who die in the Lord &c.

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1st Mrs Satterlee & Mrs Whitney returned to
Green Bay. In t. P. M. preached the prepara-
tory Lect. Text 1 John 2: 20. But ye have an
Unction from t. Holy One &c. Meeting very
well attended and solemn –

In the eve. Mrs. S. Remarked that when she first
come here she attended all the ch. meetings and
monthly Concerts. But now they were the
most uninteresting meetings that she ever att-
ended, and she did not wish to go so far to hear
a prayer made. And then asked me my rea-
sons for not having what was said interpreted. I re-
plied, that there was much repetition – often they
only told how well their minister had preached &c.
and besides it consumed a great deal of time.
She further remarked that she did not see
what I held meetings for &c. This appeared to
me a subject which I should well consider, for
setting aside the manner in wh. it was introduced
the occasion &c. I ought not to be influenced by
unchristian feelings, but should do what I thought
was most strictly just and proper to be done.

2d Sat. Had a good season of prayer in secret.
Afterwards was interrupted by some visitors
Lieut Lacy and wife

Aug. who called on their way to the Portage.
and I could not fix my mind upon my
studies during the whole day afterwards.

4th Sab. The day of our regular communion.
Pr. (in t. A. M.) fr. 1 John 2: 1. Congregation large
and solemn. S. S. quite interesting at noon.
Spent the whole time in asking questions, the
children generally answering with a great de-
gree of readiness. In the P. M. administered
the Sacrament. Remarked to the church upon
the free, distinguishing, condescending and
expensive love of Christ in dying to save us.
The season I felt to be good, it was unusually
solemn and interesting – None were added to
our number as we had anticipated but one had
been taken, – taken as I trust where she no lon-
ger needs these precious emblems to assist her faith
& hope for they are swallowed up in full fruition.
In the eve. attended a meeting at Solly Anthony's.
Read the Tr. entitled Blind ~~Betsey~~. All appear-
ed interested and Betsy Fen. & Jonas Throop. two individuals appeared
concerned for their souls. Mrs. ~~[illegible]~~ on her
home spoke of her enjoyment in the meeting –

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5th Month. Con. Very well attended. The speech of Seneca White was read, wh. seemed to excite much interest in t. minds of christians as most of them were acquainted with him & t. speech itself was deeply interesting. Five prayers were offered accompanied with singing and exhortation. The subject of missions seems evidently to be gaining ground & deeper interest felt in behalf of those around & in t. regions beyond us wh. are still in pagan darkness. One man Timothy J. came forward and gave a half a dollar saying that he had been unfaithful but he wanted to do something.

As I returned home met a woman Rebecca Moses, weeping bitterly and I inquired what was t. matter. she replied, "that she was such a sinner and her heart was so bad that she did not know what to do." She had ~~started~~ to come & see me but ~~had return-~~ ~~ed~~ was returning. Altho. the day before she had sat down at the table of the Lord, still she said she was afraid that she did not come aright; and so had been guilty of a great sin — I exhorted her to go to C. to cast herself wholly upon his mercy,

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for just such weary & heavy laden sinners he invited to come unto him, and however great her sins were his blood cleanseth from them all — I left her after she had engaged to do it feeling thankful for any evidence that the Spirit of G. was amongst us.

7th Held the semi-annual examination of the S.S. Each weekly lesson containing seven verses and it is the design that each scholar capable of committing in the S.S. shall get one v. a day. Those not capable of reading in the Test. are taught from a catechism prepared in manuscript —

~~Between 40 & 44~~ Forty & 4 children were present; the usual number who have attended about 30. The former were examined upon the lessons giving an account of the birth and sufferings of Christ in Gethsemane his crucifixion and the last judgement; ~~accompanied with singing of appropriate hymns and~~ The latter were questioned from the catechism. The answers were given with a readiness which showed ~~that~~ they had not only made

ing. pleasing progress in the study of the Holy
Scrip. but that they understood what they
had learnt — The exercises interspersed with singing appropriate hymns were solemn
and listened to by the parents with deep in-
terest. ~~and~~ They evidently appeared from
their remarks to be more deeply impressed
with the importance and benefit of S.S. in-
struction — It is gratifying to remark, that
this subject has appeared to be increasing in impor-
tance in the minds of this people for some
time past. At the close of the examination
one of the head-men remarked, "Our children
even know more and are able to answer
questions that we could not;" This ought
to encourage us to feel more and ~~do~~
~~more~~ to encourage ~~them~~ ~~and~~ ~~help~~ them
~~doing~~ all that we can to attend the S.S."

8th Made some calls. First visited Mrs Hen-
drick's ~~family~~, and conversed with the mem-
bers of the family. At length turned to Cath-
arine a niece of Mrs H's and inquired of her
whether she felt anxious about her soul, she
replies I do not like to ask so many questions
&c. I don't confess my sins to Missionaries

Any. but to God he knows my heart &c.
All this and much more she said with a
bitterness of spirit such as I have not before
witnessed amongst Indians. At the close
I addressed her in a very serious manner and
left her feeling how impotent are the most
forcible ~~arguments~~ words without the Spir-
it of God to accompany them to the heart.
Visited Rebecca M. also, her husband however was
absent and we did not accomplish the bu-
siness on wh. we went. Closed the interview
with prayer —

9th In t. P.M. Attended t. Ch. meeting. A number
were gone out to the Lake, but quite a large
number were present. The meeting principally
occupied in hearing the members relate their
feelings. Mr M. Jacob D. Benj. P. Andrew M.
and Sally H. spoke, I found they had a better state
of feeling than I had anticipated. The three first
seemed considerably affected, and expressed a
determination to persevere, making use of
greater diligence, than they had before in the
christian life — Sally H. spoke of the joy she
had the Sab. previous in being permitted to sit
down at the table of the Lord, and of the love

Aug. ch. she tried for the children of God, and in as much as we are christians we ought to love one another — Also of the gratitude wh. she had in being permitted to come to this country where she could educate her children, and that she was very glad to see how much they had learnt and how well they appeared at the ex. of the S. S. the Wed. previous —

11th Sab. A Thunder shower just at meeting time. Mr S. out at W. Lake.

In t. A. M. preached upon t. subject of regeneration. Text John 3:5. and in t. P. M. fr. Eccl. 11:6. And addressed t. subject to parents upon t. subject of S. S. instruction. In t. eve Meeting at Andrew Millers, and read an extract fr. t. Ob. & Tele. giving an account of a protracted meeting in Brockport N. Y.

Was spoke. Mrs. Pendleton and Cornelius Chesley both having been serious for some time.

I urged upon them the necessity of immediate repentance & faith in Jesus C.

In the morn. just before meeting Isaac Jacobs who at t. season of commun. in May was propounded for admission into the ch.

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called at t. Mission house in a state of intoxication. I immediately ordered him out of the house and after some delay he went.

Alas I fear he has returned as a dog to his vomit.

For some time I have had doubts and fears respecting him. Something appears to be wanting — He cannot or will not govern his temper and indulges a spirit of jealousy towards his wife —

13th Tues. Spent a part of t. day visiting. Called upon Elizabeth Smith an Oneida woman and found her ~~in the stages of the consumption~~ ~~t. borders of t. grave~~ Wasted all away by the consumption & breathed with great difficulty.

But she appeared calm, & a heavenly serenity rested upon her countenance. Long and severe have been her afflictions but she has borne them with christian fortitude and patience, and now in the last conflict when t. energies of nature are well nigh exhausted & soon in all probability will be called to resign her spirit into t. hands of him who gave it. she ~~can~~ looks upon death with composure and rejoices in hope of that blessed

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immortality which she hopes soon to enter
~~[illegible]~~
upon. She could converse but little. ~~yet~~
~~Her answers to my inquiries~~ respecting the st. of her affections
~~And [illegible] Did she~~ showed that she was ripe
and children were less satisfactory and
for the change wh. awaits, and that death
will be her unspeakable gain. (I inquired
of her if t. Sav. was near & precious, & she ansd.
yes. If she felt that God had laid too great
afflictions upon her and she replied No: and
how she felt about leaving her little children and she said that she could leave
them with God.) I prayed with her and then
bade her farewell, never expecting to meet her
again upon the shores of time. But feeling
~~that [illegible]~~ The chamber where t. good
man meets his fate is privileged beyond t. common walks of virtuous life, quite in the
she died a few days afterwards
verge of heaven—
After this called upon and another family and
Called for a short time at old Mr Pendletons
conversed with the woman
and conversed with his wife who expressed a
hope of having passed fr. death unto life—
~~Found that~~ she appeared very well and con-

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versed like a new person— Visited Catharine Charles also whose locks are white with age,
and spoke to her of the shortness of time and the
importance of being prepared, ~~and~~ she said she felt
willing to go and that her continuance here
could not be long—

18th Sab. In t. forenoon and afternoon also
preached upon t. subject of infant baptism.
A. M. house filled, but in t. P. M. many went
to attend t. funeral of Elizabeth Smith, widow
of the late Hendrick Smith.

At noon felt much disheartened in consequence of four Teachers of t. S. S. being absent. Electa W. H. being invited as I suppose by
Mr S. stopped at t. Bible Class, John W. C. being
also absent for what reason I kn. not, Olive was sick
and John P. Q. it was said was unwell—
A very good attendance on t. part of t. children
and generally had their lessons.
In the eve. meeting at Benj. Parmers.
Full and very solemn. Many wept

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One young man Moses Charles, spoke and appeared deeply impressed on account of his sins. "I am in t. dark says he, I know not wh. way to go. I am a great sinner and I do not kn. what to do; I hope that all christians will pray for me." May t. Lord revive his work indeed amongst this people and save both old & young—

19th. Dreadful effects of intemperance amongst the Menominies— Wishing to cross ~~the~~ F. river I went to Bald-heads wigwam in order to get a canoe, and found him drunk and almost all the rest t. worse for liquor. He had a bruise on his head wh. I afterwards understood he received fr. his wife; just as I pushed off saw a mother knock her little girl down & stamp on it; an other large girl seeing it went and pushed her over and the child got up and fled as for its life—

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20th Early in t. morn. heard that a murder had been committed at a Menominie village about 2 m. off. After breakfast I went in order to ascertain t. ~~truth~~ of t. ~~[illegible]~~ report. When I arrived at t. village wh. contains perhaps 10 or a dozen wigwams and 18 or 20 families ~~I heard that~~ ascertained that it was a ~~what was reported was a~~ fact and got a young Indian to conduct me to the wigwam wh. was in t. extreme part of t. village There I witnessed a scene ~~calculated to fill t. mind~~ which filled me with horror.

In the wigwam lay t. aged father having had his brains beat out by his own son in a drunken frolic and looking like an ox ~~had~~ in a slaughter house and bruised & otherwise shockingly mangled. ~~After he had performed this horrid deed, he flew at~~ ~~at the entrance lay t. mother~~ ~~his mother stabbed her with a large knife~~ ~~with so much violence as to break it in the act~~ ~~and left it in the wound; besides giving her~~ ~~a deep wound on the head; soon as he recovered~~ ~~[illegible] in t. [illegible]~~ ~~sides having a deep~~ [illegible]

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~~on t. top of her head, around her were some females administering to her wants; and on t. other side of t. wigwam lay t. son who had performed these horrid acts of parricide having put an end to his own life by hanging himself in the wigwam where his father lay.~~

his senses a little and recollecting what he had done, the thought was too awful and in this state of keen remorse he hung himself with his handkerchief in his fathers wigwam and there he too lay on the opposite side covered up in a blanket immediately under t. place where he had done t. suicidal deed.

The poor woman lay near t. entrance of t. wigwam in an agony of pain and some squalid females who had ~~just~~ themselves just recovered from a drunken frolic were administering to her wants; and near by ~~they~~ lay the stake with wh. t. son had done t. dreadful deed.

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I learned that both t. father and son had been a boating for an Indian trader and as a reward of their services he let them have three kegs of whiskey containing about ten gallons. The day before they had returned with the fruits of their labors and t. night following all of this transpired wh. I have ~~mentioned~~. I returned home not wishing for vengeance to be executed either upon t. trader or those who had furnished him with t. liquor but wishing that they who are engaged in this iniquitous traffic [illegible] might have been there to have witnessed t. scene, ~~and~~ to see what deeds they are t. cause of feeling assured ~~that~~ that if their consciences had not become entirely seared by that fiery stream by wh. they dwell and send forth, they must have performed their office and ~~that they would~~ have said to their possessors when God shall make inquisition for blood

Ans.

Ye will not be found guiltless.

But ~~if~~ the Grower of the material from wh. this poisonous, destructive liquid fluid is made, would have said I did not make t. whiskey, I only parted with t. honest fruits of my labors (with wh. t. Lord had blessed me). — The Manufacturer with his mouth filled with arguments would have replied, Why I did not raise t. grain, ~~I put it~~ After it was ~~they had~~ sold ~~it~~ to me I put it into the distillery and there came out whiskey but nothing is made in vain, besides I did not sell it to the Indians, and t. ~~merchant~~ ~~and~~ Trader says ~~could~~ ~~[illegible] also [illegible] said he~~ did not make it besides if I do not sell others will, & so, ~~my~~ our my trade will be ruined — Thus by a course of reasoning no less fallacious than theirs who said the woman thou gavest to be with me she gave me of the tree & I did eat — and the woman said the

Ans. They will eventually find that they stand in the same relation to the guilt ~~that~~ the stream does to the fountain

serpent beguiled ~~me~~ &. they continue to send forth upon these frontiers a deadly stream wh. spreads ~~[illegible]~~ Desolation and death ~~and desolation wherever~~ ~~But altho' by this means they may quiet conscience and escape human justice, still they must stand before a tribunal from which there is no appeal~~ ~~ever it sweeps along~~ ~~something must be [illegible]~~ to spread death and desolation ~~sent forth~~ ~~something~~ along our frontiers, let them send swarms of locusts and altho every green thing might be devoured, and ~~famine~~ starvation with all its horrors ensue, ~~it would~~ it would be far less dreadful, for the undying soul might then be saved, but the floods of whiskey with wh. this region is deluged not only destroys lives in multitudes of cases but damns the immortal soul —

Misery & wretchedness wh. cannot be described is occasioned in a thousand forms — life and health, & every ~~[illegible]~~ thing ~~[illegible]~~ also wh. ~~can~~ make existence desirable, is destroyed and t. immortal ~~soul~~ spirit damned eternally

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In the P.M. I had t. pleasure of attending a Tem. meeting amongst t. Stockbridge Indians. The Speaker was one of their own number; one who had himself been rescued fr. t. paths of the destroyer, and more than that gives evidence of having passed fr. death unto life. As I was much interested in his speech wh. was delivered in his own language and afterwards interpreted to me I will send you a few extracts—

Au 1st Went again to visit t. village found t. poor woman still living, altho in much pain. They had removed ~~their~~ wigwam a few rods fr. t. place where t. fatal tragedy had been acted. I went to the spot where the bodies had been buried [illegible] day before, and found that both had been interred in one grave, and a fire the following night had been kindled at ~~the~~ [illegible] both ends of the grave

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on account of some superstitious notion respecting the dead—

In the month of March three Indians, a man, his wife and their son came in fr. Manitowuk and went to a French house not far fr. my place of residence where whiskey is kept for sale, and bought a quantity, on their return. they encamped for the night two or three miles distant from the place where they had obtained their favorite beverage. There they drank and in t. frolic, the father shot his own son. He afterwards brot. him back to bury him, and told the Indians that he shot himself, altho. fr. t. circumstances & manner in wh. t. ball passed thro. him it was impossible that this should have been the case. And as he was subject only to Indian customs, by telling such a story it was passed over nothing was done ~~with him~~

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During t. month of May near the same house, an Indian partially intoxicated levelled his gun at his wife and shot her down as he would a deer. He immediately gave himself up and told t. Indians to do as they pleased with him on that day but ever after let him alone. As they were about to exercise retributive justice by shooting him some of the family before alluded to interposed in his behalf and saved his life, but no punishment of any kind was inflicted upon him. Here I will pass over scenes of frequent occurrence too disgusting and shameful to be named wh. every one is compelled to witness in this country and just mention as I pass along ~~one or~~ two occurrences in the interval till I get to another murder or ~~attempt~~ at it, such as drunken husbands & wives when under the effect of whiskey, getting angry and breaking

Aug. ~~their~~ guns over each other, or a drunken husband dragging his wife by the hair of her head, beating and kicking her outrageously. In July a young Indian about a half a days march distant when intoxicated attempted to murder his father-in-law, the knife I was informed went partly thro. his arm and entered his side, but t. wound did not prove mortal. His father a petty chief on hearing of it immediately repaired to the spot with pipes and tobacco and saved his son inasmuch as the ~~man~~ did not ~~die~~ recovered again. Now is to be inserted the scenes first described—

Mr. L. Some of your having found their way to this region of country I observed in some of them, ~~that~~ you ask for facts respecting intemperance, this notice has induced me to keep a journal of such things

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as transpired either under my immediate observation, or else were attested by credible witnesses: I take the liberty therefore of sending you some extracts, and you are at liberty to make any use you please of them.

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22. Jn + P. M. visited the school. Felt sorry to see the evidence of improvement no greater. The children not under proper subjection, appeared little interested in their books except in turning them over or gnawing them, and spoke with very little animation when they read and spelt indifferently. Jacob Hicks made a few remarks to the school and closed with prayer —

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4th Wed. Attended the examination of the body ~~and~~ burial of (John Adams) a young man a Br. to Indian who committed suicide the Sab. before in a state of intoxication. ~~He performed the horrible deed by strangling himself~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the time some by the body being in such a state of putrefaction that it was impossible to go into much of an examination. But it was evident ~~that~~ the dreadful deed was done by a charge received from a gun having only a wad in ~~with~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the muzzle placed close to the body. Nothing whatever went thro' t. body, neither was there any wound except a slight bruise on the thigh. A hole as large as a charge would naturally make was made thro' the shirt. The wound in the body was the whole bigness of a charge and was 3 or 4 inches below the pit of the stomach. Around it and upon pieces of fat which were pressed out there was powder, as also the stain of it upon the shirt.

It appeared according to t. statement of Mr. Daniels a white man, ~~that~~ he had drunk about a pint and a half

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of whiskey that day and that the Frenchman was so drunk who had had about the same quantity that he did not hear t. gun when it went off.

— That when he returned to the camp (he had been out hunting) he found t. Fr. and two Menominies there, t. former was asleep. —

And John lay a little ways fr. t. camp upon his face, his gun wh. was about 3 ft. long partly under him, the hammer down in the pan and the ram-rod lying near him.

The body was very much swollen and was one ~~presented a~~ of the most awful spectacles I ever saw. This awful ~~death~~ was without doubt occasioned by intemperance, as he was habitually an intemperate man and had drunk considerable that day (Sab.) and had spent it in an idle, wicked manner.

~~He~~ was a notorious drunkard and was in the practice of spending his Sabbaths drinking and in ~~this~~ state he was hurried to stand before his final Judge —

Let this be a warning to drunkards and let the dealers in this deadly poison see another of the dreadful effects of their trade and prepare to answer for it at the tribunal before whi. they must shortly stand —

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8th Sab. In the A.M. pr. fr. Pauls words to the jailor, "Do thyself no harm;" the audience very solemn & attentive, And in t. P.M. fr. 1 Cor. 15:20. But now is C. risen fr. t. dead &c. it being on a funeral occasion, the child of Abram Skesuck. Endeavored in t. first place to prove t. doctrine of the resurrection, show its importance &c. And whilst I was speaking felt somewhat impressed myself with the subject—

15th Sab. In the A.M. read a sermon of Dr Paysons and in t. P.M. pr. t. words of Martha to her sister M. "The Master is come & calleth for thee." Few people present most of the men absent being at work on the road which they are making to the Lake—

The S.S. at noon quite interesting; commenced asking questions upon t. subject of temperance.

18th Early this morn. an Indian came in & said, that a body was found in the river near his wigwam. I hastened to the ~~[illegible]~~ dreadful spot and saw it lodged upon a stone ~~in~~ but ~~#~~ the countenance

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This is second case within a year of the kind. Last fall very late in the season an Oneida Indian was left drunk on a Island near the mouth of Fox r. the ice around was very bad & he in attempting to get off on to the land fell in and was drowned and in the Spring when the ice broke up the body came ashore. He also left a wife and three ~~interesting~~ little children entirely des-titute. But his wife an interesting, humble christian has since languished in a consumption and died. & During his lifetime she had to suffer much from his neglect in consequence of drinking & often expostulated with him but ~~has gone. & I doubt not to that world where t. wicked~~ ~~could not~~ [illegible] was never to murmur or complain of her lot but now she is gone ~~&~~ & I doubt not where t. wicked cease fr. troubling &c. But Sir, can they go there who are the occasion of so much suffering & of t. loss of so much precious life! Will that God who has said Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself, receive such

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22 Sab. A number of the people absent being out at the Lake. The house filled all day and good at-tention paid to preaching. In t. A. M. fr. fr. Pr. 29:1. Endeavored to show first who are the often reproved, 2d how they are reproved and finally the danger of continuing in sin and the fatal mistake wh. those make who suppose their danger cannot be great be-cause they have not gone all lengths in wick

wickedness. At noon the S.S. quite interesting, and a very general attendance.

In the P.M. pr. upon cleanness of heart fr. Ps. 51: 10. In the eve. Mr Crawford pr. at Mrs. Dick wife of the Thomas D. After meeting made a short visit called upon Mr R. Hawkeposts family. Mrs R. spoke with deep feeling & even with weeping respecting her children, because none of them were christians. Blind Esther expressed her feelings also and appeared very well, altho ignorant I hope that she is indeed a child of God. Closed the interview by singing & prayer.

Sab. 29th Exceedingly blustering in t. morn.

In t. A.M. expounded t. S.S. Lesson and in t. P.M. pr. fr. Phil. 1:27. Only let yr. conversation be as becometh t. gospel. Showed how ~~it~~ they should live in order that their conversation might be such as t. gospel required. First. They shd. ever keep in mind that they have been bought with a price. secondly. Should live near to God. thirdly. They should make it t. great business of life to overcome sin & perfect holiness in t. fear of God. fourth. They should love oneanother. And finally they should so live as that others might

led to see & feel t. excellency of our holy religion & to glorify God &c. The congregation very attentive & solemn. The Lord grant that t. word may be like t. good seed sown upon t. ground—

In t. eve. meeting at Mr Calvins, t. house quite full, & t. meeting very solemn. Spoke fr. t. words If two of you shall agree as touching anything that they ~~ye~~ shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which ~~of God it shall be done unto you~~ is heaven. Matt. 18:19.

6th Sabbath. Weather cold. In t. A.M. expounded the S.S. Lesson contained in Matt. 5: 17–23. A very good attendance at t. S.S. at noon, children still and attentive, and answered questions readily. In t. P.M. pr. fr. Luke 10:42. Marys choice. First showed what it was, and secondly its importance. House full and attentive. The Lord give efficacy to his word, and may many be led to do as Mary did—

During this week much engaged in preparing letters to send to t. East

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13th. Sab. Having been unusually engaged the
previous week in preparing letters and being otherways hin-
dered was unable to prepare for the Sab.

In the A. M. expounded th. S. S. lesson. wh. was
contained in t. 5th of Matt. Dwelt upon v. 25 and
27 & 28 verses. Showed who was meant by adversary,
judge &c. Then spoke of the extent &c of t. 7th commandt.
In t. P. M. read a sermon fr. t. National Pr.
In the ev. meeting at t. School house and was
full and very solemn. Remarked at some length
upon t. words But rather seek ye t. Kingdom of
God and all these things shall be added unto you
Luke 12:31. Showed what was meant by the Kg. of
God and what a loss they sustain who come short
of it and what they gain who seek it first.

During t. meeting two spoke viz. Moses Charles
and John Abrams, expressed their determination
now to seek t. salvation of their souls and asked
an interest t. prayers of Christians. Afterwards,
Timothy Jourdan arose & spoke at length. Refered
to his past life with much feeling. When I was
young says he I had no one to watch over me
and restrain me, but [illegible] other of my youthful
associates had. ~~Still~~ We used to drink and carry
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together and lived very wicked lives. At length
one of them was cut down in the midst of his wickedness
even while the words were upon his tongue. Then
another was taken sick and lived but a few days
and then another; and so on until ten were taken
away by death in a short time, and I seem
rather like the messenger ~~of Job wh.~~ which came
to Job when the wind had smitten the four cor-
ners of the house and it fell upon his sons and killed
them, I have as it were escaped to tell you what God
has done. But it is not because I am any better
but because he would show that he can change the
hearts of the worst and make them his children.

Closed the meeting feeling that it was good for
us to be there; and with the humble hope that God
would speedily revive his work.—

Mon. 14th Spent a part of t. day visiting. Had
an interview with Daniel D. a Br. Indian—
Once a speaker amongst t. Baptists but since
has relapsed into sin. Having of late lost a br.
who died a most awful death, and pursuing
the same course as formerly wh. was to indulge in
the use of strong drink, I felt it my duty to warn

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He endeavored to exculpate himself by saying that that wh. was born of G. sinneth not, whilst that wh. is born of t. flesh is flesh, and to the latter he attributed his habits of intemperance, while he held on to his hope of being a christian by the former. After I had told him by their fruits ye shall know them de- he at length said it was done he had come to the determination to drink no more and should lead a new life. "Now he had got that light within wh. lighteth every man which cometh into t. world, the monitor within, this he intended to follow," further this light or monitor says he is the Spirit, the testimony of Jesus wh. is the Spirit of prophecy. I then told ~~of~~ him that according to the divine direction he must show me that he had this ~~testimony~~ testimony of Jesus which is the Spirit of prophecy by uttering a prophecy and then if it came to pass I would believe him. This however he declined and I left him after a solemn admonition.

Then called upon Catharine Charles a member of the church, who appears to be wasting away with t. consumption. I inquired of her if she expected that she was near her end and she immediately ans. in t. affirmative. She appeared very ready to

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converse, said that she had no fears of death that the Sav. seemed near and precious to her, that she was constantly preparing herself for her departure and would rather die than get well again. But she felt willing to be in the hands of God and that he should do with her as seemed good in his sight. Closed the interview by commending her to God in prayer —

Wed. 10th Mr and Mrs. Stevens and family left for Green Bay with the view of going to the State of N.Y. Perhaps I shall no more labor with them or see them in this place, but whatever may be the dispensation of divine providence with regard to it I desire to say t. will of the Lord be done. Felt after all were gone and I had returned to my room, not only its sole occupant but that of the house also excepting a boy Joseph Pye, as tho. I could pray most heartily Lord forgive all that I have thought, or said or done amiss towards them or they towards me. The Lord go with them, and bless them —

Spent a part of the P.M. with Mr Miller in

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repairing the school-house. Returned about dusk, the clouds fast gathering for a storm and found no living soul there.

But ate my supper and in due season retired, in the night was awaked by the sound of thunder, in the mean time the rain fell as it did most of the night plentifully. It seemed as tho' it must produce a flood, there had been so much of late. What will the wicked do or whither will they flee when flood of divine wrath shall come upon them!

Thurs. 18th Snowed a greater part of the day, the wind N. N. W. Spent t. day in making some repairs about th. house, it has passed like a dream and I have done little to day for God.

Fri. 19th At t. eve. meeting spoke fr. t. words "Let us search & try our ways & turn again to t. Lord." Showed first what it was to search &c. We are to search our hearts — search by t. light of God's word. And turn again &c. They return but not to t. most High. But would we have t. Lord return unto us we must return unto him with all our hearts — A number spoke and

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the meeting altho. few were present was interesting.

Oct. 31st Set out at four o'clock A.M. in company with Mr Whitney for Green Bay. The weather being remarkably cold and the ground white with a thick, heavy frost. Arrived in safety about ten.

Towards eve. the Rev. Mr Cadle returned from the East having been absent about 3½ months. Spent a part of the eve. at the Mission and passed the night at Cap. Bealls.

Sat. 3d Early in the morn. bade farewell to Mr Stevens family on board the Steam Boat Michigan; they however did not leave until afternoon on account of the breaking of some of the Machinery on board the Boat.

Returned to my station in the eve. considerably fatigued in body, but in health and safety.

4th Sab. Read a sermon of Dr. P's. to the people entitled the Blameless pair. fr. Luke 1:6. and they were both righteous before God &c.

This seemed to awaken considerable of attention and in the eve. the meeting was quite interesting —

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8th Attended the meeting of the ch. preparatory to the communion. Most of the ch. present and there appeared to be no jarring; and all went on very harmoniously. One aged man Benjamin Pye, formerly a notorious drunkard, as well as a wicked man, came forward and was further examined as to his evidence of piety. the answers he gave to questions were very satisfactory; and so far as I can judge appears to be a christian. He had grown grey in sin and now blessed be God appears to have become a new creature in C. Jesus. Surely he is a brand plucked from the burning. and to the riches of God's grace and mercy be all the glory.

10th Sab. Sacrament-day. In the A.M. preached fr. Jn. 19:30th "It is finished." Showed what was the meaning of the Saviours words ~~[illegible]~~ and how great the work he had then ~~[illegible]~~ accomplished — Salvation from sin & hell and complete restoration to the divine favor and eventually to the divine likeness all who are interested in it. The audience much larger than common,

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very [illegible] ~~and~~ numbers appeared much affected. The sacramental season solemn and interesting. Felt, ~~that~~ there was real cause ~~for gratitude~~, Rejoiced that one more was added that one more was added to our number, whom I hope will be saved. May the showers of heavenly grace descend abundantly upon this ch. and not one only but great numbers be brought to join themselves to the Lord in a perpetual covenant —

After meeting went and administered the sacrament to two in private; one in a decline, Catharine Charles and Betsey Miller who had long been deprived of the privilege and also of ~~coming~~ going to the house of God by her infirmities. Then returned to Mr Metoxens took some refreshment and went to the school-house and attended the eve. meeting — Thus I closed the holy Sab. having had many troublesome thoughts in the forepart of it; still hoping that it had been in some measure profitable to me and to others.

12th The Quarterly meeting of the Tem. Soc. was held. Altho. a very busy time with the Indians still a considerable of a number were present,

particularly of the children & youth, who had been
specially invited to attend. The meeting was
addressed by ~~[illegible]~~ J. W. Quinney
one of their own number
tho' not quite appropriate for the occasion
still was admirable as it displayed thought
and a very general acquaintance with the
subject: which was education.

After the address examined the S. S. children
briefly upon some Temp. Questions wh. had
been previously drawn up. These they ans.d
with great promptness and were listened to
It appears that
with interest by all present. Less had drank
in
the last quarter, than for a long time previous,
and the cause is evidently gaining ground.
and the S. S. I find to be a grand means of pro-
moting it for while we teach the children ~~in the~~
~~Sch.~~ ~~and~~ ~~school~~ the instruction is carried
home to all of their families; and I have found
has been amongst them a subject of remark;
yet ~~then~~ ~~no~~ numbers are still floating upon this fie-
ry stream, and exert an exceedingly baleful

influence.

"The Stars are falling."

13th T. Was awaked very ~~early~~ between 4 & 5 o'clock this morn. by
an alarm wh. a neighbor part Indian (Mr G.)
had given that the stars were falling. Observing
this ~~singular~~ remarkably phenomenon first and being
somewhat frightened, he came to call me
and said "that if it kept on they would
all fall." There was a clearness and serenity in the
I immediately arose and went
atmosphere such as I have seldom witnessed and the
out to witness the strange sight. There was
scene was awfully grand and striking and filled
one continual full of meteors — some shot
the beholder with wonder — like a ~~thou~~ lamps hurled
thro. the air in a ~~horizontal~~ horizontal di-
~~tion~~ thro the air in every direction
rection — and the tail continued to burn in
the air for 10 or 12 seconds, — others fell
obliquely; and once or twice a cluster of
them fell together emitting as ~~very~~ a light as
as brilliant light.
One thing appeared very remarkable, ~~in this~~
~~strange phenomenon~~, and that was that
a greater part of them appeared to proceed
Wherever I cast my eyes there ber.

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from a point near the zenith and shot obliquely in every direction ~~from that point~~. ~~At~~ first there was one continual shooting ~~darting~~ of them like the falling of snow, but they became less and less frequent as daylight approached, but were perceive ~~seen~~ as long as darkness was visible.

This led to reflect ~~brought to my mind~~ what mighty things will to pass be ~~a vast change~~ amongst men when they shall ~~and closely at~~ ~~begin to see the signs of~~ see the Son of Man coming in ~~the last day~~ when the clouds of heaven to judge the world — the elements shall melt with fervent heat and the ~~earth~~ earth and the works things wh. are therein ~~in~~ shall be burnt up. Ah! "Whither will the wicked flee", when consternation turns the good man pale"

18th Was detained about all day by company, and was unable to study even an hour during the day, and tomorrow is the Sab. and I have made no preparation for it., The Rev Mr Crawford called in the P.M. and I persuaded him to spend the Sabbath with me —

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17th Sab. Weather cold. The day previous was much exercised in mind respecting forwarding a servant girl to Fort W. but was enabled this day to lay aside the perplexing cares of the week. and felt much composed in mind. In the A.M. expounded the S.S. Lesson and in the ~~P.M. Rev. Mr. Cra~~wford preached from Heb. 4: 9. ~~There remaineth therefore a rest~~. The meeting in ~~the evening also quite interesting~~.

19th Went to Green Bay in company with Mr Crawford and a sergeant from Fort H. Had a very tedious days ride and did not arrive at the Bay until about 7 o'clock in the eve. much fatigued in body and our horses almost tired out: Passed the night at Mr Lawsons: Found a vessel lying off near the mouth of the river but was unable to get on board. Heard nothing directly from Mackinaw, of course I shall not obtain any Teacher this fall, and must pass the winter

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alone. Felt at first somewhat disappointed but the Lord doeth all things well and to Him I desire to commend myself and the interests of this mission. I had rather a thousand times be thus situated than as I was last winter. May such scenes as I then passed thro. never return, nor if consistent with the will of God may [redacted].

20th Returned Home again. Found all things here orderly and quiet and felt thankful for God's kind preservation of my life and health whilst absent and that no accident or calamity befel the mission buildings &c. during this time.

21st Fri. In the morn. it began to rain but soon began to snow and it stormed very hard all day.

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24th Sab. Weather rather cold to day.

Meeting very full. In the A. M. expounded the S. S. Lesson and in t. P. M. fr. Titus 2: 11,12. For the grace of God &c. Meeting in the eve. quite full & interesting. Read extracts fr. t. O. Ob. respecting camp-meetings & revivals and then remarked upon the words As soon as Zion travelled she brought forth children: Showing how that there is always and must be a spirit of fervent supplication in the church before there will be a revival of religion. Such are t. prayers as God has promised to hear and answer and such I humbly hope have here been offered up in times past for here he has sent down the Holy Spirit in copious effusions.

I rejoice to hear what God is doing in the churches at the S. & C. - that he is adding to the number of such as love to pray for the peace and prosperity of Zion. May these revivals increase in numbers and power until the

the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of God

And nation after nation
Taught the strain
Earth rolls the rapturous
Hosanna round.

Thus spoke Daniel Davids and Moses Charles. The latter appears some like a true penitent, and remarked, "That he had rather cry for mercy here where it can be obtained, than in that dreadful world to which he was hastening, where it never could be, altho. sought ever so much!" Timothy J. remarked at some length in Indn. and appeared much affected and then prayed. It seemed to me as tho. it was good to be there and that the meeting was not only pleasant but profitable—

Nov. 28th Annual Thanksgiving.

The weather very fine. Preached fr. 1 Sam. 12:23,24. But I will teach you the good & right way &c. Showed first what

things they had to be thankful for. Secdly the Christian manner of showing gratitude — by serving the Lord in truth and with all t. heart.— The house was very full before t. close of t. meeting and serious attention was paid to t. preaching. After meeting was invited to take supper with Timothy Jourdans family. A number of the neighbors were present and the supper was well served up, nothing costly but it was plain, well cooked and good. Had a very pleasant interview indeed with the family. The children came round me to talk and sing some hymns wh. they had learned.

In the eve. met the young people by previous appointment. A part of the eve. was spent in singing, and during this time good order prevailed and the singing

was good. After this I addressed the young people and was listened to with deep interest by all present. Spoke of t. season of youth by referring to my own experience how t. young wish for amusement &c.
2dly Respecting obedience to their parents—
3dly About remembering the Sab. day—
4th About company and dancing parties, what kind of company they should keep out of. viz. such as come from Green Bay to have frolics. and urged the importance of improving their minds during the winter season.—
and 5thly Exhorted them to attend to the subject of religion.

29th Fri. Eve. meeting well attended.

Spoke of the duty of the Church towards t. young people. and urged t. importance of faithfulness and of seeking their salvation immediately. This they appeared to feel

in some measure. Many spoke and some with much apparent feeling. The Lord grant that Christians here may feel the worth of the souls of the children and young people.
As I returned home rejoiced that I had had so good a meeting—

Dec. 1st In t. A. M. expounded the S. S. Lesson. Dwelt principally upon the verse Matt. 6: 33. But seek ye first t. Kingdom of God &c. In the P. M. from Matt. 3: 3. Prepare ye the way of the Lord &c.
Showed first that God has a way by wh. he comes when he revives his work and 2dly the necessity of preparing that way—
O Lord revive thy work and gather souls into t. fold of Christ— In the eve. remarked upon the words, Remember fr. whence thou art fallen & repent and do the first works &c. Rev. 2: 5. Daniel Davids again expressed

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his feelings and appeared to have a better state of mind than he had t. Sab. eve. previous, spoke of his determination to forsake every sin & serve God with his whole heart; asked the prayers of Christians &c.

During t. meeting heard t. report of guns at a distance ~~and a~~ accompanied with ~~[illegible]~~ hallooing but was unable to ascertain the cause of it.

Dec. 2d. Violent death of a Me. Ind. and ~~manner of preparing for burial~~ early this morn. ~~a neighbor called and said~~ heard that a young ~~man a~~ Menominie Indian ~~and a son of a chief~~ had shot himself when partially intoxicated the day before (Sab.) (and the firing and out-cry last eve. was to spread the news of his death —

After breakfast set out to go and see him and learn the particulars of this tragical event. (After travelling about a mile came to a number of wigwams and was directed to the one where the young man was.) When I arrived found the father sitting in

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the ~~wigwam~~ (where his son lay dead) looking very pensive having his face painted black wh. is the only badge of mourning wh. t. uncivilized Indians have. (Near the corpse a sister of the old man sat weeping, ~~with a small~~ having one side of her face partly painted in the same manner, and appeared far more affected ~~than did~~ the parents did. Requested permission to examine the wound &c. ~~and~~ As I opened the blanket saw they had painted the face red and had put on a handsome new pair of Mokasins and leggins trimmed with red ribbon; ~~there was~~ upon his was a fig of tobacco & a pipe. I inquired of t. father why they put that there)

The corpse was prepared for burial the same as for a journey as t. uncivilized Indians believe ~~that they~~ shall go &c. after death. It had on a new pair of Mokasins and a leggins ~~trimmed very~~ handsomely trimmed with scarlet and [illegible] red ribbon. ~~and~~ the face was painted red. ~~I requested permission to examine the wound and~~ As I opened t. blanket to see ~~the wound~~ I found a small mirror ~~tied~~ attached to the body to the body

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such as the Indians ~~generally~~ carry
with them when travelling, ~~and~~ a fig of to-
bacco and a pipe, which were tucked under a handker-
chief which was tied under the arm and over ~~round the neck~~ as
over shoulders.* I inquired of the old man
why they put the pipe &c. they he replied Because that
his son was very fond of smoking in his life
time." ~~and they~~ He vainly imagined that he would
still be attached to his pipe in ~~that~~ world
*As It is a generally believed ~~by Indians~~ of the
to which he has gone. I inquired of him
amongst t. wild Indians they suppose that those who
if he thought his son would smoke there &c
have died ~~he~~ still pursue ~~and~~ are attached to the
he said "Yes." I then told him that his son
service that they were here.
would have no need of his pipe now for
he had not gone to the West as ~~they~~ he sup-
posed but to the Great Spirit and there
was no smoking there &c. I felt exceed-
ing sorry that I could not converse in their
language for then I could have preached
unto them Jesus and t. resurrection, for
of these momentous truths they know
nothing. After speaking a few words res-

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drinking the
pecting the awful sin of ~~taking the~~
Sko-ta-wah-bo fire water as they very significantly
~~fire-water as ardent spirits are very~~
call ardent spirits, ~~and these~~ ~~especially~~ as drink ~~&~~
appropriately called in their language
~~whisky. So I left them with a very sorrowful heart —~~
I left them with a sorrowful heart —

I ascertained that the unfortunate young
man ~~together~~ with another had been drinking
until he was almost drunk and was
laying before the fire with his gun loaded
before him and it was supposed and from
the manner in which the wound was made
in the body that he fired it off himself with
his toe as he had been cautioned a little
~~about it~~. before about lying before the
fire with his gun.
Thus the life and every-
thing most dear to the Indian as an im-
mortal being must be sacrificed to gratify
the cupidity of t. white man. Were the evil
confined to this life, altho. his time and
money and almost everything which he can get

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of t. poor Indn Trader
is taken by the ~~dealer~~ for this destructive poison still this is only the smallest part of the evil ~~still~~ still it overbalances a thousand fold t. good wh. it does t. dealer, but he is t. means of sending t. undying soul covered over with t. guilt of drunkenness into the presence of its God) there to hear the appalling sentence of depart ye cursed &c. pronounced by ~~those very~~ that very Being who but for strong drink might have welcomed it to the mansions of everlasting bliss.

Mr. Wright informed me that he saw the young man ~~[illegible]~~ having two guns with him immediately after he fired the first and he supposes that he shot at the other but did not know certain, and when he saw him alive was ~~two~~ or three minutes before he heard the last gun, ~~and~~ he was holding one in his hand and the other was leaning against him ~~a~~ and he ~~thinks without doubt he~~ shot himself

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4th In the eve. called at Chib-be-de-way or Bald-heads wigwam, as ~~I had heard that~~ he had been to the place where his son came to his dreadful end in order to find out more particularly respecting it. (It appeared however that no one saw t. tragical scene only, the report of two guns was heard immediately succeeding each other.) Notwithstanding this awful death and so lately too, I found the wigwam full and some were partially intoxicated. ~~It is as much a pattern to call use [illegible] of his family~~ The old man and his ~~daughter~~ [illegible] ~~mourning as it was formerly~~ [illegible] to be ~~[illegible]~~ appeared much affected, and said "Now, ~~I had~~ and I have no son to hunt deer for ~~me~~ for he ~~is~~ dead" ~~and~~ with a lamentable tone of voice often ~~said~~ repeated the words Neen ah-piche gus-kaim-deem! or [I am filled with ~~sorrow~~!]

Alas! He mourns as those who have no hope and altho God has smitten him he neither sees his hand, nor knows that it is from

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God on account of the darkness of his mind. May this darkness which covers these poor pagans soon be dissipated and a brighter day dawn upon them.

8th

Read sermons fr. t. National Preacher upon Private & social prayer by the Rev. Dr. Bouton of Concord N.H. Was much instructed & benefitted as I hope myself by the perusal. The subject was treated in a very lucid manner and calculated to edify as well as to warn those who neglect prayer. Found at t. eve. meeting that they had excited a considerable of interest, as numbers referred to them in their exhortations and made inquiries respecting parts which they did not understand. Daniel Davids and Mrs. Pendleton spoke, both expressed a determination to seek religion now and with their whole hearts— May Lord be gracious unto them and may they find only where true peace can be found—

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12th Visited Catharine Charles,
a member of the church—
Found her very weak and low and her cough much worse. When I approached her bed-side & spoke to her, she looked up with more than usual cheerfulness ~~and answered~~ ~~my inquiries~~. She appeared evidently to be near her end & seemed conscious of it but was much nearer than I anticipated. Being so much troubled with her cough as to be unable to speak much I could only ~~ask~~ make a few inquiries ~~questions~~ respecting her feelings and views of death &c. In answer to these she said, ~~She said, in answer to my questions~~, that she felt willing & ready to die and that all her trust was in the Sav. whom she found now to be near and precious. ~~to her soul~~— After some conversation with the family, I closed the interview with prayer

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Not expecting however that it ~~would~~ be the last as it proved to be that should ~~were~~ with her on earth — But the following morning, I heard that in a very calm and quiet manner she resigned her spirit into the hands of him who gave it, (and breathed her last) at the age of 65 years. ++ The day after her decease I attended ~~the~~ the funeral and ~~spoke~~ addressed to the people ~~and an~~ [illegible] from Job. 5:26. Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age &c. ~~It~~ ~~words appeared to me appropriate to her case.~~ ~~She~~ Catharine united with the church in 1828 the first season of communion which ~~they~~ the church had after the Rev. Mr Mines' arrival. Since ~~that time~~ or since the time ~~of~~ she indulged ~~the~~ a hope that she was a christian which was almost a year before she united with the church, her walk has

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Dec. been peculiarly exemplary: Never in any case having been a subject of discipline for any offence — Her constitution had become broken down by age and ~~sick~~ infirmity ~~and~~ so that her health was for the last years of her life ~~usually~~ very poor, this led her to think [illegible] of death and to make it familiar to her mind. Tho' she lived and died in deep poverty yet in life and death she gave evidence of having an heir to that inheritance which is incorruptible, undefiled & ~~that~~ fadeth not away — [illegible] seemed to be her trust and confidence in God that during her last sickness she manifested no desire to recover again, but in conversation once said to me she wanted to go and be with the Lord.

~~Her mind was tranquil and serene~~
~~Her soul was filled with conscious peace~~
~~A steady faith subdued her fears~~

+ "Her mind was tranquil and serene
No terrors in her looks were seen
Her Saviour's smiles dispelled the gloom
And smoothed her passage to the tomb."
(Select H. 224. v.5.)

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15th Sab. Preached all day upon the judgement fr. Acts 17:31. And in the eve. read an account fr. t. Home Miss. of t. death a young man who had lived all his days in pleasure — This seemed to excite considerable interest in the minds of the people and Mr J. W. D. read it in Ind. The meeting as during t. day was solemn & interesting.

16th Mon. Went to Green Bay in a canoe in order to bring up Miss Miner. Mr D. B. Whitney accompanied me as far as Black-Bird Island. Arrived at Mr Dickinsons about sun-set after having encountered a strong head wind all t. way. There I procured a horse and waggon and proceeded to Navarino but it snowed and the wind blew hard fr. t. N. E. besides the travelling was very bad and it was extremely

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tedious, but I arrived in safety about 7 o'clock A. M. & passed t. night at Mr Cournos:

17th The weather in t. morn. extremely boisterous but I crossed t. river and called upon Miss M. at Gen. Brookes. I found Mrs. B. an exceedingly intelligent, & agreeable lady. The spirit wh. she manifested respecting Miss M.s leaving was truly noble and Christian —

Breakfasted with Mr Ryan.

About ten o'clock left for this place, and reached a Mr Wrights at Plumbreak. We were treated in a very hospitable manner, altho. their hut was very small and there were in all 12 persons to lodge in it —

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18th Arrived at the landing about 10 o'cl. A.M. and here about 12 no accident having befallen me or my company by the way. Thou O Lord hast kept me in my going out & coming in & I bless thy holy name—

20th Fri. Meeting in t. eve. unusually interesting. Many more spoke than usual and some apparently with deep feeling—

22d Sab. In t. A.M. expounded t. S.S. Lesson which was the parable of the sower, and in t. P.M. pr. fr. Num. 16:24,26. Respecting the people of God separating themselves fr. t. company of t. wicked, lest they also be punished with them—

In t. eve. Mr D. B. Whitney made confession of his sin in breaking the holy Sab-
and

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requested the church to consider him as under their watch & care while he might continue here—

Cornelius Charles spoke again; mentioned how great a sinner he had been, but now desired to break off fr. all his sins; and spoke also of t. death of his christian mother—

Dea. Hicks addressed t. young people, setting forth t. excellency of religion, how much it excelled every human art, and was more valuable than all riches &c—

The state of feeling seemed to be very good & I hope may result favorably to the cause of Christ— O Lord revive thy work—

Read the account of the death of a good woman in Tuscaloosa Ala. who was carried to t. meeting house on a communion-day after listening to a sermon fr. t. He spake of his death wh. he should accomplish at Jerusalem— She expired after shouting three times glory glory glory

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23d Miss Miner commenced t. school, & was myself busied most of t. day in arranging matters respecting it — The weather quite storming, and during t. day and following night 4 or 5 inches of snow fell —

24th Spent part of this P.M. in visiting. Called first at J. W. Es. conversed a while with Eunice. Found by a remark that she made respecting keeping bad company that she is not an inattentive hearer of the word — Next called upon blind Esther, found her very cheerful & happy, and said she wanted to be better all the time and prepared for death. "Sometimes says she I think I go next." Then went to J. T. Quinneys and talked a long time with Margaret wife of Cornelius Charles. I feared from her conversation —

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Dec. that she had never been taught to speak t. truth. My object in visiting her being to reconcile some difficulty wh. it seemed there had betwixt her and her husband — This she agreed to make up tomorrow eve — I then visited Anna Aukauween, Jacob Davids family, and Mr Abners a Brothertown Indian, found Mrs. A. a very intelligent woman and I hope a sincere Christian —

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Nov. Intemperance &c —

A party of Menominies some miles up the Fox river from Green Bay in a drunken frolic, got a fighting and ~~one~~ the clothes of one took fire and he was burnt so badly that he is loosing the use

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Of one side and ~~his~~ arm also—

Second week in Dec.

An Oneida woman, belonging at Duck Creek a notorious drunkard, was found dead at Green Bay ~~under the fence~~ near the door of a grocery, having marks of violence about her person
* After a few inquiries were made and a momentary attention excited respecting the manner in which she came to her death ~~and~~ all passed on as before —— +

* Whether she was murdered or died thro the influence of liquor is unknown. She was at this place in a drinking frolic and late the night before was left drunk at some distance from the place where she was found dead—

+ Thus perish the poor Indians as perishes a stranger in a busy crowd, a little pause, a few inquiries are made and then they close in and all go on as before—

Dec. 25th Christmas.

Attended the meeting of t. Tem. Soc.

Altho. many were out of Town still there was a much better attendance than usual, particularly of young men.

After reading t. the Speeches of the Hottentots and some other extracts upon the subject of temperance accompanied with appropriate remarks I was followed by some of t. head men and others present with animated speeches and remarks, setting forth the evils of intemperance & encouraging those who had joined the society to persevere from the benefits which they had already received and the good it would do to others—

The Constitution was then passed round and Eleven male and female came forward subscribed ~~to it~~ the Constitution making the whole number in regular standing in the society 140 besides a number of white persons— But the society was under the necessity of excluding ~~four~~ two viz Jetoisken Abrams, Peter Skanando, ~~John C.~~

~~Do tetler~~. Polly Williams and Abigail Bean teetotlers. And received four upon trial who had broken the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~2~~ rules of the society. Since the formation of the soc. in 1830 seven of its members have died. From the remarks and the interest manifested in the meeting I had pleasing evidence that t. subject of temperance is taking deeper hold of the minds of this people; still there are those who pursue their former course with accelerated velocity——

In the eve. went to John P. Quinneys and there met Jacob Chicks and Benj. Parsner expecting to settle some difficulty which had induced Margaret Charles wife of Cornelius C. to leave her husband. But she denied what she had the eve. before stated, that she was willing to go back provided he would have a steady home and keep steady. And after making many inquiries

to none scarcely of wh. she would reply altho' perfectly understood we were obliged to leave having accomplished nothing. But feeling that she was not one who would speak the truth and I fear too she learnt that odious ~~[illegible]~~ practice from one who ought to have led her in the right path——

20th Made a few calls upon some families. Had some conversation with Cornelius Chs. He commenced t. conversation upon religion by inquiring what was t. sin against t. Holy Ghost as he was afraid that he had been so profane that he might have committed it. After answering his inquiries I continued t. conversation assuring him that all sins unrepented of would never be forgiven, and urged t. necessity of immediate repentance &c. To this he replied that he meant to — to try and forsake every sin and give up his heart to Jesus Christ — that he knew if he should die he should go right down to hell; and ~~that~~ seeing his good mother die so

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willingly and peacefully was what awaited him —

28th Went to Duck Creek in company with Moses Cornelius ~~there~~ to preach & being of Oneida Ind. chief by a late arrangement with the U. S. has been obliged to ~~remove~~ [illegible] from their settlement [illegible] near the Stockbridges. The travelling on horse back being bad I walked, and was enabled to perform t. journey much better than I feared I should at first. The day was remarkably fine and I arrived at Mr Crawfords in New Smithfield sun about one hour high; and was cordially received.

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29th Weather very fine. Before sun-rise the horn sounded for a prayer-meeting — Soon a number of Indians collected and a short season was spent in singing and prayer. At eleven meeting commenced. The congregation was not large but attentive. I preached fr. John 1:29. And afterwards administered t. sacrament

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to about a dozen communicants (all kneeling according to the Methodist custom when they partook of the sacred emblems.) The season was ~~truly~~ solemn & interesting and I hope profitable to my own soul and those of these also. The Lord had here indeed seemed to spread a table in the wilderness for only a short time since and this was all a howling wilderness, and now only small places had been cleared away in the midst of wh. they set their houses — It was a sweet opportunity of renewing my covenant with thee O my God and Sav. and of celebrating thy death at thy table. May I feel my increasing obligations to be ~~[illegible]~~ thine. May it increase a spirit of deadness to the world and a lively devotedness to thy service —

In t. eve. walked ~~down to t. Duck Creek~~ about 4 miles to the principal settlement of the Oneidas ~~and preached.~~ at ~~settlement and preached at~~ Joseph Powlis'.

Text James 1:27. Showed what a person must be and how he must live in order to have pure and undefiled religion before

God, and the Father and keep himself unspotted fr. t. world— The house was full and solemn, and t. ~~people~~ word was listened to with deep interest. The Lord bless the word, and make it savingly efficacious to immortal souls— Passed t. night at Cornelius Beeds.

30th Quite stormy. Attended a meeting (wh. had been previously appointed) for t. purpose of forming a temperance Society. The weather not being ~~very~~ favorable and some prejudices also respecting denominations prevented many from attending; (Fifteen or twenty were present and after appropriate remarks &c) still a society was organised, and eleven subscribed the Constitution. Altho' few joined and there ~~was some opposition~~ leader in t. Ep. Church Cobus Hill oppose it. still from this small beginning I am

encouraged to hope by the blessing of God ~~for~~ that great good will result as t. result and ~~that~~ many ~~may~~ will be rescued from that fiery stream wh. is bearing so ~~many of them~~ great a part to a drunkard's grave—

31st Tues. early in t. morn. bade Mr B's family adieu and returned home t. cold having greatly increased and some of t. way was severe— Thus I have gone out and returned in peace and safety, and blessed be t. name of the Lord—

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In t. morn. t. cold intense but towards eve. more mild.

Mr Austin D. and Saml. Miller called upon me and conversed a long time respecting t. affairs of t. people &c. Related many things which filled my mind with sorrow—

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After that Moses Charles came and wished for advice respecting a difficulty which he had with Cornelius Doxtater about mill-logs. It appeared that two or three years ago they got in a quantity in partnership and Cor. D. sold t. boards without his knowledge or consent and had made him no compensation &c. He also mentioned, that he felt his heart was very wicked &c. and he wished to know what he should do— Often he was easy to get angry at almost anything, and he did know how to get rid of such feelings. These inquiries were made apparently with much feeling and a sincere desire to know his duty— I urged the necessity of immediate repentance & faith in Jesus Christ, and to forsake every evil and false way &c.

After this visited the school. Found it in a very good state was pleased with the order which prevailed, and the general appearance of the scholars—

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Three boys Benj. Yoccum, Thomas Hendrick Jr. and Joseph Pye had been guilty of misconduct towards their Teacher—

In the eve. a singing meeting— The behavior of all was becoming, and the singers performed very well. After this I addressed them in short— Spoke of t. mercies we had received t. year past— How God had preserved our lives fr. danger & death,— kept us by night and by day, and supplied all of our wants &c.— Above all he had waited one more year to be gracious and how great were their obligations to repent and seek God face and favor; and to begin the year with God &c— Was enabled to address them with some feeling and earnestness. Felt myself the importance of beginning t. year with God and of consecrating myself more entirely to

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My gracious Saviours service— And in humble prayer endeavored to give up myself anew, body and soul, time and talents to him who has redeemed me as I hope with his precious blood.

During t. past year have had many and severe trials, yet t. Lord has graciously brot. me thro' them all, he has afflicted me far less than I deserve. But I bless his name for them all, and if I am not deceived can say I would have it not only as it respects the past but future just as God shall see fit to order— May I know no will except my heavenly Fathers— May his service be my delight, his statutes the rejoicing of my heart— And whether I have entered upon my last year or not Lord make me to feel that time is short and eternity near—

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2d. Attended a wedding.

Isaac Littleman was married to Mary Abrams. Was sorry to hear of t. intended marriage as I had advised the contrary, having some doubts about her character and in addition she has joined t. catholic church— Two or three evenings previous conversed with her and found no evidence of piety, but that she prayed to t. virgin Mary and that t. Priest could forgive sins. These errors I endeavored to expose and exhorted her to repent and seek t. salvation of her soul—

After the solemnization of the marriage took supper with t. company— which was well served up; and excellent order and decorum prevailed, as much as tho' t. company had been all white people

After supper went to visit a sick child

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of Benj. Farmers. On the way Mr Austin L. was contrasting t. wedding wh. we had just attended with those they had a few years ago. "When Daniel Davids says he was married they drank & danced for a fortnight afterwards. At length the fiddler got tired & locked up his fiddle, still they kept on, by & by they heard it going in t. chest and it frightened them so that they broke up!"

After conversing awhile with t. family united with them in prayer and returned home – On my way called at Catharine Littlemans. Asked C. if she got along pretty well in religion & she said yes. And if she loved to think of death and of going to be with t. Saviour and her reply was that she did—

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3d Fri. Weather coldest of any day as it appears to me since I have been in this country.

5th " Sab. first in t. year. Weather still very cold. In t. A.M. expounded t. S.S. Lesson. Felt much embarrassed, and as tho' my preaching would do little good.

In t. P.M. pr. new-years sermon fr. Ps. 90:9. We spend our years as a tale that is told. Showed first how this is done and secondly t. consequences of spending time in this manner— Concluded with an exhortation to some parents Benj. & Betsey Farmer, whose infant child was now lying before me in t. coffin. The house was very still & solemn until interrupted by t. crying of a child. Felt much tried in mind on account of it. As t. procession started for the grave they commenced singing t. 63d " 2d Bk. "Hark from the tombs" and closed just as they reached t. grave. This seemed to deepen the impressions which such scenes are calculated to make. I had visited t. little infant sufferer whilst it lay gasping for breath t. night in wh. it died & had prayed with it. I felt a satisfaction in so doing for it was a child of t. covenant and now it seemed that G. was about to take what he had lent and was given back unto him again in t. solemn ordinance of baptism—

Now its sufferings on earth were ended, and it was about to be committed to the lonely grave there to rest until t. resurrection morn. and I trust its immortal spirit has returned to Him who has said suffer little children &c—

"And millions of infant souls compose
The family above"—

At t. eve. meeting Cornelius Charles t. elder and Cornelius C. t. younger also spoke—

I read some remarks in t. Ohio Ob. from t. words what shall t. end be of them that obey not t. gospel of God; after I had commented upon t. chapter— O Lord bless thine own word to t. salvation of undying souls—

6th Month. Con.

Had intended to devote t. whole of t. day to prayer and fasting but was prevented by secular business.

Still devoted t. eve. to prayer. A goodly number present. Read t. 137th Ps. and made a few remarks upon it. Afterwards read some extracts from t. Miss. Herald giving an account of the revival at t. Sand. Isles in 1832. And was highly interested as well as all present. Blessed be God for his goodness to those Islands, which have been ~~and those Islands~~ so long covered with gross darkness and t. shadow of death and that they are at length awaking because their redemption draws nigh—

Much of t. time was spent in prayer, interspersed with remarks and singing; and When t. meeting closed I felt that it had been good for us to be there. May the prayers of Zions friends be heard for this church and mission, as well as for all t. stations amongst t. Aborigines, and this be a year of t. right hand of the Most High—

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7th Mail arrived from t. Bay. By the man Bellaire heard distressing news if true of t. Station at Green Bay — That a number of boys for some misdemeanor had been severely whipped and had their hair cut off also very closely—

Felt that it was extremely important that I should be careful how I act in extreme cases and do nothing rashly— O Lord keep thy poor, unworthy servant from all imprudent measures and hasty acts—

In t. P.M. visited t. school and was very well pleased with its appearance, and am induced to believe that it will be a profitable one—

In t. eve. called on Mr J. W. Quinney. In conversation he informed me respecting their ancient custom of marrying. Which was as follows. When a young man wished to marry, he went round to all his relations mentioning his intentions and they according to their ability, or generosity,

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made him presents. These were all collected and put in a bundle, and some honorable person was selected to carry t. precious boon to his sweet-heart. If she received it it was considered t. same as consenting to marry him; then after selecting a few of t. choicest of them she distributed t. remainder amongst her friends who in return gave her such things as were needed for t. wedding supper, and they had t. privilege of sitting down at t. first table. But if she did not accept of the bundle it was considered t. same as a refusal and there perhaps it ended. Great account was made of weddings, and they were not only seasons of feasting to wh. all came but of revelry and drunkenness—

8th Wed. Have been much interrupted this day by calls &c. and have had little time for study or writing. Moses Charles called upon me in order to have some religious conversation. Said that his bad heart told him to put off t. subject of religion for it was no use to live as christians, and that he would have a great while still to live. But he did not mean to listen to it, and wished to know what was his duty for he now wished to forsake all his sins &c. Said also that four years before he felt very much concerned about his soul, and that he was a great sinner but he kept forgetting it until he became as careless as before. — From time to time he had been promising that he would attend to the subject when he got open, or had done sowing &c. and he found it was of no use to put it off for if he did he never should get ready! —

After setting before him t. danger of turning back again, I exhorted him to immediate repentance &c. and closed t. interview with prayer — Conversed also with an old man Mr W. Gardner, who acknowledged t. importance of religion but appeared entirely careless about his soul —

Said that once he had indulged a hope but now he felt that it was good for nothing —

10th Fri. At t. ev. meeting read a part of t. 12th chap. of t. first of Kgs and commented upon that part which spoke of Rehoboam's following t. counsel of young men instead of t. aged. Disastrous consequences. First the revolt of the ten tribes and the division of t. nation of Israel. Secondly their lapse into idolatry, and thirdly t. commencement of t. animosities and wars; ~~fought~~ betwixt t. two parties. Thus they became worse & worse until they became ripe for t. judgements of God and he brought in their enemies & they were conquered, their city and temple plundered & they were carried captive to Babylon —

Applied t. subject to t. people in their present state, in view of t. divisions, jealousies, and in addition some party Councils wh. had of late been held, in wh. none scarcely of t. lead men had been present, but principally as at the one wh. I happened into at Jonas Thompson's, young men. Felt it duty to make these remarks in view of the hard state of feeling which at present prevails. Little was said afterwards except what Jacob D. and Dea. C. said—

After meeting was grieved to hear that one of my church Sally A. was going to marry a man who is not a christian—

Twice I have advised her not to, but to put her trust in t. Lord and wait still longer or not marry at all—

12th Sab. Very stormy. During t. night previous and this day perhaps 10 inches of snow fell. Still a good attendance upon public worship & in t. P.M. t. house was filled.

In t. A.M. pr. an extem. sermon fr. Mi. 6:8. What doth t. Lord thy G. require of thee &c.

In t. P. pr. upon evil speaking from James 4:11. Speak not evil &c. The audience very attentive and solemn. The Lord grant that t. word spoken may do good and be t. means of preventing in some measure at least this

dreadful evil.

In t. eve. few present at meeting. But there appeared to be much feeling and I hope t. Spirit of t. Lord was there amongst us. The time about all occupied, and some spoke with interest and feeling—

13th Made preparation to go out to the Lake

14th In the morn. started in company with Austin L. Benj. P. & Saml. M. to go out to S. Weather very pleasant; and after three or four hours ride we arrived at Mr Metoxens Camp in safety, found him at work erecting a log hou Here I passed th n. and slept upon a board with a mat spread upon it; th n. was cold and I rested but little.

15th Went to view t. Lot wh. t. Indians had appropriated for a Mission-Lot, and found it a very good one still felt as tho. it was not duty to accept of it on account of its location &c. Afterwards went and explored some new lots wh. had lately been run out and

and was much pleased with them. The travelling very hard and felt much fatigued before night. About sun-set arrived at Austin D's camp, here we passed the night; but some time after we lay down were aroused by the bed clothes of some of the company taking fire, but it was extinguished and but little damage was sustained.

This day having heard that Sally Anthony was going to be married I sent word by Cornelius D. that I could not marry her until I could write the Board.

16th " Went after breakfast in order to find a site for mission buildings &c. and found a lot situated E. of Timothy Js. 2 hund. rods N. of t. centre of t. two Tshps and about the same distance E. of the great-road, where it appeared to me would be an excellent spot for the purpose. Here I marked a tree and concluded should be the building-spot.

Afterwards went and assisted Mr Metoxen

in putting up his house. And about 5 o'clock P.M. started for Statesburg, and at 20 M. past 9 o'c arrived at t. Mission H. having come most of the way in t. rain. Soon after Isaac Jacobs and Levi K. called upon me to go and marry Sally A. but felt it my duty to refuse. She informed me that she could go to the Bay & be married to wh. I replied, that she could if she thought proper but if the Board did not approve of it she must suffer the consequences &c.

17th " Early in t. Morn. Esther Joshua called to converse upon the affair of the previous eve. and went away as it appeared satisfied —

In t. eve Josiah M. arose and inquired if he might ask a question; leave having been given he asked t. reason why I did not marry said couple &c. I then rose and mentioned t. whole subject in detail — Stated what advice I had given Sally at two different times, with wh. she appeared well satisfied; — that after I heard she was going to be married I went and wished Mr Chicks to go and converse with her but found him entertaining a different opinion from

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from myself - but thought no more of the subject until I got out to the Lake and there heard that the wedding set on Thurs. that I sent word to her &c. This seemed it appeared had been done according to my request - I then stated that t. Apostle had said and that I feared if I married her, the Board would censure me &c. But could provided they approved of it. And in t. does ~~that~~ such of the members of the ch. as had advised her to go contrary to my advice had done wrong &c.

19th Sabbath Preached all day fr. Rom. 8:16. The Spirit beareth witness &c - The audience very solemn & attentive. Showed in the A.M. what were not evidences of christian character and in the P.M. what were -

In the eve. meeting very interesting. Found t. subject had taken hold of t. feelings of many. The Lord grant that it may prove a great blessing to them - Absalom D. spoke, Isaac Jacobs and Cornelius C.

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Was busily engaged in preparing a letter ch. I addressed to t. Chiefs and Head men upon t. subject of altering the mission lot &c and forwarded it by John W. C.

22d Sent Mr B. to the Bay but he got into the water, froze himself and turned back, ch. cost me much trouble to get the sleigh &c back again. Heard that Sally A. had gone to t. Bay to be married. This has been a day of sorrow and disappointment but it is all right because God has done it. I did not calculate upon such disappointments and they came t. more suddenly upon me - May I be humble under God's mighty hand & never murmur at any of his dealings -

25th Went with Mr Metoxen to visit Mr Calvin respecting some misunderstanding betwixt them. This was soon settled about their monied affairs and I was called to witness to it -

Next the subject of Timothy Towcey's difficulty came up; I stated the opinion of legal gentlemen Esqr B. besides making other remarks still the old man could not be convinced as it appeared that there had been any wrong about it. At length he concluded to call the petitioners and consult with them upon the subject. Closed the interview with prayer —

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24th Jan. Called at a Menominie Wigwam that had been burnt in a most shocking manner by her clothes taking fire when drunk.

She lay upon a Mat in a cold wigwam made of flag mats before a little fire in the middle of it.

I found her in extreme pain and so low that it was difficult for them to raise her up.

As they began to take off the bandages a terrible ~~stench~~ odour was sent forth which gave me painful evidence before hand that it was no ordinary catastrophe which had happened to her.

And indeed I found it to be so for such a sight so revolting to the feelings I never before witnessed: as the whole of right side nearly as low down as the hip, including the arm and breast was so dreadfully burnt that I presume the flesh will leave off from the bones!! But in this distressed condition she had no comforts or conveniences suitable for a sick person and nothing to eat except hulled-corn, and that they told me she could not eat. Surely if one has any feelings for suffering humanity his sympathies must be called forth upon witnessing such spectacles. She appeared to be about 35 or 40 years of age and ~~she~~ had a husband & young child. Altho she suffers on account of her own folly & we seem less disposed to pity, still such is the propensity of Indians for strong drink and such their ignorance and moral darkness that they will drink so long as it is to be obtained. Whilst they who manufacture and send it ~~[illegible]~~ knowing the

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Dreadful destruction wh. it occasions & must be answerable for these evils —

Three or four days after I went again to see that wretched woman whom I had before visited, but found that the Indians had all removed, and nothing remained except the poles of wh. t. wigwams were constructed. ~~and~~ A little pile of straw had been burnt where she lay at my former visit.

I went to a house not far distant and learnt that she was dead and that they had drawn the corpse across the river upon a hand-sled for burial that day. And notwithstanding t. awful warning they had had I was informed they kept up their drinking from time to time and probably gave to her until she died —

26. Sabbath. Weather quite cold.

In t. A.M. expounded t. S.S. Lesson contained in Matt. 18:8-14. At noon S.S. quite interesting. In t. P.M. preached upon christian admonition and forgiveness. Text Luke 17:3,4. Felt somewhat impressed whilst

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endeavoring to enforce t. subject upon t. hearts and consciences of t. hearers. The subject was listened to with solemn interest & attention. In the close told them that this command was as important as any other and if they did not keep it and obey it in love too they could not expect to meet with t. approbation of their final judge —

O Lord keep thine own word —

In the eve. spoke from Mark 9:44. Where their worm dieth not & t. fire is not quenched.

First mentioned what it is wh. will torment the sinner viz. his passions & desires, 2dly his conscience. 3dly t. fire will be unquenchable or the torments of t. damned will never cease —

House quite full and very solemn Abram Dockstater, John Abrams and Sampson Marquis spoke; besides a number of t. members of the ch. Felt encouraged to hope still that God was about to revive his own work —

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But reproached myself on account of my insensibility & listlessness in the service of my divine Master — After I returned home felt an unusual degree of earnestness & freedom at t. Throne of divine grace in pleading for myself & others particularly those who had spoken, as one S. M. had been notoriously wicked, and has appeared t. year past to be rushing upon his own ruin with great rapidity. — O Lord have mercy upon him and glorify thyself in his salvation —

28th Tues. Called upon J. W. Quinney and conversed with him respecting the opposition amongst t. people to my proposed removal fr. t. place appointed by t. people for erecting mission buildings [illegible] to another further N.

Ascertained that when my letter was read it was strongly opposed, and with bitterness. As one man Sampson M. said when he heard Mr G's instructions respecting building upon a public road, What says he are t. Am. Board

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going to make us servants! Or words of this import &c. Mr Q. told me to go on as I had begun for he considered that it belonged to me & t. Board to say where the buildings should be erected. &c. Afterwards went to t. Menominee wigwams where a woman had been burnt, and found that she had died &c —

In t. eve. called upon Jacob Chicks to converse with him upon t. subject of my last letter and was sorry to find him even bitterly opposed to t. measures wh. I had therein recommended.

He said much against it — that it was crowding out t. Munsees, that they had no right there &c. and that there would probably be a public road at that place wh. I had selected &c.

I found he had got t. idea or tried to make out that I had changed my mind from what it had been, and "they were going to be mis-led by their priest." But [illegible] I told ~~th~~ him there were hundreds of fields where t. A. B. c could send their

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Missionaries here upon the same extent of ground as that upon which they would be scattered over. they might have as many thousand souls to labor amongst as they would have hundreds here — And if they chose to have their farms in just such a place as they pleased rather than be near to schools & meetings they could, for God would give them their choice but would probably send leanness into their souls —

Returned home much disheartened to see such a spirit of hostility to a measure upon which I must feel matters of unspeakably higher consequence depend than the object which they have in view — Was very restless during t. night in consequence, but had some sweet peace in commending myself and this matter to Him who judges righteously & sees t. end fr. t. beginning —

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30th In t. P.M. visited t. school and two of t. head men came in. The school I ~~thought~~ did not appear quite as well as usual. But t. children read & spelt very well notwithstanding.

31st Towards eve. Mr Suydam & Groom called upon me fr. Green Bay and passed t. night.

In t. eve. at t. ch. meeting spoke fr. t. words Having therefore these promises Dearly beloved let us cleanse ourselves fr. all filthiness of t. flesh & spirit — Showed first what t. promises were & t. importance of cleansing ourselves or avoiding and denying everything wh. is contrary to purity and holiness — Not a very full attendance at the meeting —

Feb. 1st Sat. Detained during t. whole of the forenoon by company. Mr Suydam, Groom & Esq. Beall being here. In t. P.M. wrote to Gov. Cass in behalf of Mr. W.

2d Sab. People from t. Bay at meeting in the A.M. House full to overflowing.

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In the A.M. pr. fr. Job. 22:5. My object was to show that our sins are infinite in numbers & enormity. Felt some during t. latter part of my discourse, but during t. forepart was some embarrassed. At noon S.S. quite interesting Lesson Matt. 18:21–27. Subject forgiveness of injuries — In the P.M. preached upon caring for the souls of others. Text. Ps. 142. 4. "No man cared for my soul." In the eve. Spoke upon t. sin wh. is unto death and read a short account of a man who under t. power of a strong temptation cursed God with his mouth. Afterwards felt calm as he said unless some one talked to him about religion &c.

But little said in t. meeting. Still I hope some salutary impression has been made by the subject of the eve. O Lord awaken & convert sinners.

3d. Month. Concert. Was exceedingly busy during t. day and felt unprepared for the meeting. A goodly number present—

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Four prayers were offered after I arrived and a number of hymns suited to the occasion were sung. Amongst the rest Hebers Miss'y Hymn. From Greenlands icy mountains &c—

After this called & conversed awhile with Mr D. Whitney & then bade him adieu he being about to set out for the East—

Aft. towards eve. J. W. C. called and informed me of the result of t. council t. previous eve. That there was but little or no opposition, that those who had formerly been violently opposed to t. proposed alteration of the settlement were either silent or had changed their minds— That Mr Metoxen opened t. council with a very excellent speech, calculated to conciliate their minds, and told them that they must act as in the presence of G. &c. Afterwards they went on and transacted their business in a calm & peacable manner. And agreed to make t. alteration wh. I had proposed. John W. Quinney

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Robert Konkapot and John Hunt were appointed a committee to go out and make t. proposed alteration on Mon. next (Feb. 10th) This I regard as a glorious triumph of principle over prejudice and self-will. — A decision or measure wh. does honor to the Nation and seems to me to be calculated by the blessing of God to produce the highest good and must have a salutary effect upon the nation in all future time —

But not unto me, not unto me, but unto Him whose is the victory, and t. power, be all the glory. Thus t. supplications have been answered wh. I put up unto God in t. night watches, whilst filled with deep concern so that sleep went fr. me. Let me henceforth learn to trust in God more implicitly than I have ever before done —

Attended t. preparatory Lect. in t. eve. Pr. fr. Ex. 12:26. What mean ye by this service? And applied it to the inquiry wh. Christians

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should make on coming to t. holy sacrament. Not a very general attendance, but those present appeared very solemn and attentive.

Had divine assistance as I hope whilst speaking for I felt a degree of tenderness and melting of soul whilst urging upon the church the importance of coming a right to the table of the Lord.

Afterwards called at Mr Metoxens and found a Mr Prickett fr. Gr. B. who has been trading amongst t. Indns near t. S. end of Lake W. He stated that t. last week in Jan. a trader Saml Irwin fr. Gr. B. came there and sold whiskey to t. Indns — that a woman stabbed a brother in law in three places in a drunken frolic in order to be revenged upon him for biting her sister last fall — The wounds however were not likely to prove mortal, but it was feared, that his friends would kill a brother of hers (according to an Indn. custom wh. is to take the nearest relation) by way of retaliation for her offence

He also stated that Grisly Bear was very sick with some disease, and that some time before he had sent his son to a trading house Bends at t. Big Butte des Mors to get a keg of whiskey so that he might have one more drunken frolic before he died; but that, O horrible! the liquor when he drank it ran out [illegible] of his throat below his chin as it went down the gullet.—

Also that when t. Indians build fires at t. graves of deceased relations it is for t. purpose of offering sacrifices to t. Dead, that they carry food to feast upon there, a part of wh. they throw into t. fire the spirit of wh. they say t. Dead eat.—

7th Weekly Church-meeting.

It appeared there were many difficulties in t. Ch. unsettled. Andrew Miller, Sally Pye alias Anthony, Betsey Peters and Timothy Towsey had unsettled difficulties. Much discussion respecting Sally P's case. Some said they un-

stood me to say I was willing she should go to the Bay & be married, but upon further inquiry I found that others did not understand me so, but only as saying I had no authority.

She made confession to the church for acting so rashly & setting aside the advice wh. I had given.

Others came forward viz. Jacob Davids, John P. Quinney, Jacob Chicks and Eunice Jourdan and made confession of t. same offence for having advised her to act as she did. There seemed to be more harmony of feeling than I had known for a long time before. I read the rules denominated Fence for the communion and made remarks. The meeting closed when t. eve. was considerably advanced, and I felt as tho. it had been in some measure profitable— The Lord send among us peace and brotherly love—

Returned late in t. eve. found Mr J. Smith waiting for me, having arrived in t. eve. fr. Gr. Bay He informed me of their late troubles— that t. Rev. Mr C. had resigned his office as Supt. of t. Mission, and that an attempt had been made by an incendiary to burn t. Mission buildings, and 2 hund. dolls. reward had been offered to detect the villian—

9th Sab. Season of communion. Church generally present but four were not permitted to sit down with t. ch. on account of unsettled difficulties.

The church renewed their covenant, and after some remarks with regard to the importance of taking heed to it the sacrament was administered—

In t. eve. gave some directions to christians respecting their duty after having been at the sacrament. The meeting full and solemn, and the remarks were listened to with much interest—

Tues 11th Went out to t. lake and met the Com. who had gone out to lay out a settlement upon a new plan— Returned late in the eve.

I found Dr. Satterlee here. After much interesting conversation with him I retired to rest about one o'cl. in t. A.M.

14th Received two letters fr. t. Board, informing me of my appointment to go upon an exploring tour W. of the Mississippi Felt indeed to bless God for t. opportunity wh. will thereby be afforded me of doing good and of extending to those benighted pagans the kn- of salvation—. May the Lord by his grace prepare me for the tour and grant that it may be performed so as to meet with the acceptance of t. Board, and above all be accepted of the Great Head of the Ch. Went to the Ch. meeting and read t. Rules and made remarks upon them—. A number made inquiries respecting things wh. they did not understand, particularly with regard to frolicing &c

16th Sab. Pr. from Ps. 119:63. I am a companion of all them that fear thee &c. Addressed the children & young people in particular. Good attention was paid, generally & some appeared interested in my remarks. In t. P.M. text Heb. 13:14. For here have we no continuing city &c

Mentioned first t. transitory nature of all thgs here. 2dly t. character of such as were addressed by t. txt. 3dly What was understood by seeking, and what it was they desired—

In t. eve. t. meeting unusually interesting & solemn. Addressed t. people fr. Isa. 26:20. Come my people enter into thy chambers and shut thy doors about thee & hide thyself for a little moment as it were &c. To christians It is but a little moment and you will sit down with Abra. & Isaac & all t. redeemd in heaven; you may therefore say welcome trials, troubles &c. for they will endure but for a little moment— And to sinners. Your time is short; "but a little moment and your joys & pleasures will forever cease &c.

A number of spoke and some who appeared

deeply anxious. Mary Littleman says I feel that I am a great sinner, I have no Savior for I have slighted him, I have sinned against him and I have no excuse: but I am resolved that if I must perish I will perish pleading for mercy—

Nancy Hunt an aged Munsee woman says "My friends I wish to say a few words. When I look into my heart and at my sins it makes my tears run down, because I am such a great sinner; and when I look back upon my life it makes me very humble, and now my friends I want you all to help me by your prayers so that I may be strong, and love God more & be saved at last in heaven". "O Lord revive thy work, in the midst of t. years make known, in wrath remember mercy":

17th Paid some visits. Mentioned to Mr Metoxen about going on t. contemplated tour W. of the Mississippi. He appeared much pleased, and says I am willing to go if I can do any good, for it is the last I expect to do towards civilising Indians

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Sent Mr. B. of an errand but not returning I went about 1, or 2 O'clock A.M. in pursuit of the horse and brought him back— This was quite trying to my patience but endeavored to bear it as well as I could— About 3. o.cl. I retired to rest—

19th Dr Satterlee came up from the Bay and I went down to see him at the landing—

After this I went out to visit those who spoke Sab. eve. Conversed awhile with Mary Littleman found her still anxious and ready to converse. Said she was sometimes troubled with what the priest had told her, viz "that her sins could never be forgiven if she joined t. protestant church"— Still she felt that she had been wrong ever since I conversed with her about the time she was married— After stating to her what it was to become a christian, & urging the necessity of immediate repentance, I closed the interview with prayer— Afterward called at Mrs. Hendricks, and conversed with the family, particularly with John Abrams, who had twice of late spoken in meeting, and found him also somewhat anxious.

21st Rev. J. Crawford arrived fr. Duck Creek and passed t. night here. He is on his way to see t. Brothertown Indians and expects to pr. to them on t. coming Sabbath.

In t. eve. inquired of t. church individually respecting their state of feeling &c. Numbers of t. ch. being out of town, the meeting was not very fully attended, but such as were there appeared very well; and ~~appeared to~~ manifest a desire to persevere in t. ways of well-doing—

23d Sab. In t. A.M. at 10 clock or a little after, I met t. Sab. S. Teachers, but few present. After pr. pr. Luke 17:32. Remember Lots wife and applied t. subject to those who had been awakened and had turned back and also to such as were now anxious. Attention paid to t. pr. good, but was pained to see two young girls laughing— At noon t. S.S. lesson was reviewed, and t. school appeared quite interesting. O Lord bless these children and pour out thy Holy Spirit upon them— In the P.M. pr. fr. 1 Jn. 5:4. This is victory wh. overcometh

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the world even our faith— The object was to show, that by a living faith in Christ alone t. world can be overcome—

In the eve. read t. 62d chap. of Isa. and commented upon the 6th v. Ye that make mention of t. Lord keep not silence &c—

First showed, that christians might be called God's Remembrancers, — That he commands them to inquire of him to do those thgs. for them wh. must be done in order to t. building up of t. ch. — That he has annexed precious promises — and the many & powerful revivals of religion show that does hear and ans. prayer—

Meeting very interesting, & solemn— O Lord revive thy work. Some of those who had spoken t. Sab. eve. previous, again asked an interest in t. prayers of christians and expressed a determination to seek t. salvation of their souls—

Conversation betwixt a Menominie Chief and John Hunt a christian Indian.

Menominie C. We used to have things plenty — a plenty of Ducks and rice, but lately we have only a very little, and we are afraid by & by ~~that~~ we shall ~~not be able to kill even a deer~~ have nothing, and not be able to kill even a deer—

John H. It is t. Gr. Spirit who gives all these things, and who takes them away.

He knows just how it is with you, and that if you had a great many thgs. you would spend them all for strong drink, that would only make you worse; and so he has taken these thgs. away from you: but if you will receive t. Good Book (the bible) and become good all of these thgs. will come back again (that is you will have enough to eat &c) and then you will be very happy —

Mr. C. Well. that is all (very good).—

Thus I am gaining evidence from time to time, that these Indns. are effecting a salutary influence over the surrounding natives, and that they listen to what they say with deep interest. This will appear evident from another occurrence. Some Menominies called upon a Stockbridge family one day in order to make inquiries respecting religion. They wanted to know how it was with their Missionary, whether he made them give him money, &c. when they ~~got out of t. way~~ did wrong— They said that if they (the Menom.) got drunk, the priest made them give him a dollar or bring him a bag of corn to forgive them, and suffer [do penance] ten days. On two of these days they must nothing except a little piece of bread, just enough to keep them from starving. Besides from Friday until Sab. after meeting he would not let them eat any meat; this they thought very hard.

The answers wh. this family gave to their inquiries & t. instruction wh. they gave was such as made left a very favorable impression upon their minds in favor of t. protestant religion—

28th Preached a Lecture to the Church respecting the formation of a new settlement. Text 1 Cor. 12:31. But covet earnestly the best gifts and yet show I unto you a more excellent way.

First showed what it was wh. t. Corinthians sought t. best gifts— but these would soon be of no avail "for whether there be tongues they shall cease, whether there be knowledge it shall vanish away." Made an application of the subject to the people from their seeking apparently with greatest anxiety a large and a good farm, instead of being

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anxious to settle so as to secure the benefits of schools, meetings &c. Those who understood appeared much pleased; the Lord grant that it may be the means of great good —

March. 4th Attended the meeting of the Tem. Soc. It being the Quarterly meeting. No address was made but I read extracts from Gerrit Smith's Letter giving an account of reformed drunkards. This excited deep interest. Afterwards a number spoke; all appeared animated. One man Sampson Mar. who had on a former occasion been excluded fr. t. Soc. on account of violating its rules, came forward voluntarily and confessed his fault and wished to be received. He was put upon trial for 3 months. Another Gerrit Thompson a notorious drunkard came forward and wished to unite with the Soc. The next day one man Timothy J. remarked I never had such a good meeting. Thus

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we have evidence fr. time to time that the good cause is gaining amongst us—

Wed. 5th Started in company with Timothy J. for the Lake. arrived in safety toward eve. and passed t. night at Timothy Jonneys.

6th Early in t. morn. arose, attended prayers with the family and started to go and select a place upon which to erect mission buildings &c. Dea. Chicks, John W. C. Andrew M. and Timothy J. in company. After considerable of examination and conversation we made choice of a lot, selected the spot for the school-house and consecrated it by prayer. The whole transaction of selecting the lot and choosing t. place where the school-house should stand was characterised by harmony and kind

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and the act of consecration was peculiarly interesting and solemn. Because one man Dea. C. seemed to unite in this matter heart and hand who had before opposed the plan of settling there in the most violent manner— And once said to me in person "Their priest was mis-leading the people." After prayer he went and made choice of the other lot on wh. to erect a house for his own family, altho. his lot is but about half a mile off. Whilst I rejoice at such appearances of success and desire to bless God for it; still I do it with trembling because much dependance is not to be put in a people who are often controlled more by prejudice or feeling than by reason and a regard for the highest good of the whole. Returned in the P.M. to this place and found to my sorrow that all thgs. had not gone on well in my absence. Mr B. my hired man had not conducted

himself properly and had again violated the condition upon wh. I had hired him for the 3d month—

Sab. 9th Met the Teachers of the S. S. before meeting.— preached fr. Rom. 10:17. So then faith cometh by hearing &c.— And in the P.M. fr. Luke 16:31. And he said unto him if they hear not Moses & t. prophets ne The house quite solemn all day, but little feeling however was manifested in the eve.

10th Month. Con. for S.S. The number present not large but those appeared considerably interested. Four prayers were offered accompanied with singing and appropriate remarks—

15th Sat. Rev. Mr Cadle and Esq. D. arrived from Gr. B.

16th Rev. Mr C. preached all day. Col. 3:2. Text in the A.M. P.M. John "I am the living Bread." In the eve. I remarked

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upon the first S. Meeting quite solemn

17th Went out to the Lake in company with Rev. H. C. and Esq. B. Passed the night at Mr Metoxens. Mr M. was living in a little shantee erected for the purpose without any chairs or tables in it and having t. fire built at one end and a blanket put up for t. door— During t. night quite a smart thunder shower — About five O cl. I rose and went to Mr Chicks.

18th Returned to this place and found all thgs. well. Felt that I had fresh cause of gratitude to God for his great goodness. For I was carried out and returned in safety, no accident befel me, and no calamity came nigh my dwelling— Yet I could not feel as tho I had been faithful or had accomplished any good by going out—

19th Wed. Rev. Mr C. and Esqr. B. left for Green B.

Thus almost half of this precious week has passed and I have done nothing for God I fear. It seems to me a vacuum, alas! how many such there have been in my life—

O time how few thy value weigh
How few will estimate a day!
Days, months, and years are rolling on,
The soul neglected— and undone—

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Preached in t. A. M. fr. Gen. 18:19. and in t. P. M. fr. Isa. 28: 10. In t. S. S. a review of former lessons. Some of t. Teachers and scholars out of Town, but a goodly number present. In t. eve. remarked upon John. 17: 3. This is life eternal to know thee the only true God & Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. Meeting quite full and much solemnity prevailed. Three young persons spoke who had frequently before, but now appeared deeply affected. John Abrams said "I find t. path t. path in wh. I have been endeavoring to walk to be more & more pleasant — I take more delight in it than I ever did in t. ways of wickedness. I desire ever more to walk in it for it is a delightful way — I feel anxious

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that others might come, my companions & acquaintance and go with me — My friends I want to have you come, and come now for you know not how long you may live — And Christians will you pray for me, that I may be kept and not turn back again".

Mary Littleman says "I also wish to serve the Savior. But it seems as tho' I had two hearts, one leading me to do that wh. is good & the other evil. I know that I am a great sinner. — I have been one of the vilest sinners, but Jesus Christ died to save such & why should I not love him? I do not wish to be a Christian just to escape punishment but because I wish to serve and love the Sav. he is so good and has done so much to save poor sinners. To him therefore, and to him alone will I confess my

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sins, because he is so merciful and ready to forgive. I know that there is no where else that I can go, and him I mean to serve & follow all t. rest of my days —

These expressions were t. more striking to one, inasmuch as she had been a member of the catholic church at Gr. B. and when she returned to this place appeared very strong in t. catholic belief. Expecting to be saved by her own works — penance, prayers &c. but appeared to have no sense of her sinfulness and no dependance in the merits and righteousness of Jesus Christ —

29th Sat. Attended the annual examination of the S.S. First examined the children upon part of the 5th, 13th and 3d chapters of Matthew's and John's gospels. Those who had committed to memory lessons in the N.T. generally answered

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with much promptness. A part of the children had already removed with their parents to their new place of residence. And a pretty large part of those who remained were small; these answered questions from the Scripture Alphabet. Many of them can say nearly all of the verses of the Alphabet and answer the questions. Besides these ~~they~~ ~~[illegible]~~ Many questions upon the subject of Tem. and others relating to children &c. the answers taken from the Bible were also asked and ansd. with promptness. The children generally evinced evidently ~~that they~~ having made much progress in the study of the Holy Scrs. ~~Some of the parents were present~~ ~~seemed pleased~~ The exercises were interspersed with singing appropriate hymns and at the close the children were addressed by two of the head men present—

30th Sab. Weather very pleasant. In t. A.M. pr. fr. Hos. 13:9. And in t. P.M. read a serm. of Dr. Tuckers of Troy N.Y. fr. t. text. Ps.

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During the services was pained to see many falling asleep, others looking round entirely careless and inattentive. I wrapped and then spake a few words of reproof,— Still some appeared determined to have their sleep out—

The subject of the serm. was ingratitude wh. appeared peculiarly appropriate and I cannot but that it was the means of doing good—

In t. eve. meeting at Mr Eatons—

Sab. 6th In t. A.M. pr. fr. 1 Pet. 2:7. Unto you therefore which believe he is precious. And in t. P.M. fr. L. 11: 21, 22. When a strong man armed keepeth his palace &c— My object was first to ~~[illegible]~~ ~~the~~ mention the occasion upon wh. this parable was spoken. Christ had cast out a devil and the Pharisees had charged him with doing it by demoniacal influence— This charge he refutes and then speaks the parable contained in t. text—

In this he compares the hold which satan has of the hearts of sinners, to the security and safety from being dispossessed with which a strong armed man keeps possession of his house — This I endeavoured to show from various considerations and then applied to the condition of sinners present — The audience appeared to listen with a most solemn and serious attention and the Lord enabled me to speak with greater freedom than usual — In the eve. pursued the same strain of remark, and read an account of a young man who having been often warned &c. but still persisted in sin meaning as he said to repent, until at a certain time when out a fowling in a boat his gun went off accidentally and the whole charge entered under his ear and he died without a groan — The expectation of the wicked shall perish —

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Mon. Con. In the A.M. made some calls. Having heard that the Priest had been 3 to visit Mary L. I called upon her also. He forbade her attending the protestant meeting, or reading our bible, and told her that she would be excluded from heaven if she went to another church &c. I found her much troubled and perplexed in mind not knowing what to do. "When I first begun" says she "to follow the Savior I tho't I must look to him alone and I felt happy in doing it, but since the priest has come it seems as tho' I had two hearts." "It has seemed as tho' I could not pray and I have been in darkness of mind" &c. — After hearing her story I compared the instruction &c. of the priest with God's word, and then told her to choose whom she would believe and obey the priest or t. holy scrs. At length she became satisfied as it appeared to me what was her duty

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and gave her catholic books to me.
After which I closed the interview with
prayer and left them feeling rejoiced
that I had had the interview.

In the P.M. attended the Concert. The
number present rather small but those
appeared much interested. Most of the
time was spent in prayer, interspersed with some
remarks and singing—

11th Heard that there were three places
where whiskey was sold at the landing
where the fish are caught. And that
one of my people Jacob D. had been very
severely bruised by a drunken Indian, when
going to rescue a woman whom he was
beating— Also that a member of my
ch. Betsey A. had fallen by drinking!
Alas! how intemperance & wickedness abound.
It would seem as tho. the white
men were determined to extort from the

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poor Indian all of his little earnings
and then fix the seal of ruin upon
him— Felt exceedingly tried and somewhat
of a spirit of impatience but endeavored
to compose my mind by looking
unto God in prayer— Attended the
ch. meeting and spoke fr. t. words "Because
iniquity shall abound t. love of
many shall wax cold— And endeavored
to rouse t. members to a spirit of watchfulness
and prayer; and to plead that God
would lift up a standard against the
enemy—

13th Sab. Pr. in t. A.M. fr. Zech. 9:12
"Turn ye to t. strong hold, ye prisoners of
hope and in t. P.M. fr. 1 Cor. 6:9, 10.
And endeavored to set forth t. evils of licentiousness.
The house was quite full
and the subject listened to with much interest.
A sin wh. abounds here amongst

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t. young people, so much so that there is scarcely one possessing a good character in the whole settlement— And amongst the wild Indians around it is said that there are no females who have arrived at the age of 14 but what have been prostituted—

After meeting Miss M. was taken with a kind of spasmodic-affection which lasted for some time; it being a distress for breath and a rattling inwardly— As often as she recovered a little and could speak she would say "how thankful we ought to be for friends to assist us"— again "I feel as tho' I wanted to praise G. with every breath when I get a little better" &— Felt somewhat fearful she might not recover; but had in my own mind the strongest assurance that our loss would be her unspeakable gain if indeed the Lord should take her away—

In the eve. meeting at Mr Calvins—

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After meeting Mr C. spoke of t. darkness of mind he had had during t. last week and said "that almost seemed to him as tho' t. holy Spirit had departed from him" Still he could not give up but meant still to seek and hold on his way, or words to this effect—

14th A number of Menominies very decently clad and in a very orderly manner came up to hold a council with t. Stockbridges respecting putting a stop to t. vending of ardent spirits to their people. After t. people were convened two of them in a very respectful yet spirited manner addressed the head-men— And set forth t. injury that it was doing to their young men— That they wanted to do better and leave off drinking "that poison" which was destroying them but they could do nothing so long as there was so much about— Besides their young men ~~whilst the~~ could catch fish without it and they did not need it—

After some consultation the Stockbridgeez replied. John W. Quinney made the speech. Told them that they were glad to see them there — so well dressed — so sober and ~~upon~~ for such an object. — That they were deeply sensible of t. injury that it was doing their people and that there were a great many bad white men who were engaged in this business, and they must help themselves otherwise they would be all destroyed — That they would do all they could to put a stop to it and would that day go and tell them to take it away otherwise it would be destroyed &c —

In t. P. M. attended t. S. S. Con. a few present but t. meeting was interesting. Afterwards called upon Miss M. found she had had another ill turn and was worse than the day previous. Her state of mind very good and seemed perfectly resigned to the will of God — She was somewhat apprehensive she

might not recover, but said she willing to leave it all with God.

20th Sab. In t. A. M. felt somewhat unwell, and read sermons all day. The Sab. S. at noon quite uninteresting and but few of t. children had learned t. lesson. Very good order in general prevailed with t. exception of one or two Sally A. with one other appeared very light and trifling, and there appeared to be generally very great stupidity. O Lord convict & convert sinners and thy name shall have all t. glory — In t. eve. a heavy thunder shower prevented me fr. attending t. third meeting, but I visited two sick persons. Mrs Konando and Betsey Pye —

26th Went out to Stockbridge to attend the funeral of Esther Thowhosquh

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Addressed t. people and mourners from Ps. 37:37. Mark t. perfect man & behold t. upright for t. end of that man is peace.

Showed first who t. perfect in t. Scr. sense & what kind of peace it is that he enjoys and how it is obtained. Such I hoped was t. end of Esther Stockosqut. She had been a member of the church for more than 50 years, and for the last 12, or 13 years has been a useful and ~~substantial~~ member, not having been known to depart in any respect from t. rules of t. gospel.

For many years she had been blind, but she appeared to bear t. affliction with christian patience. This ~~prevented her from~~ and her infirmities prevented fr. attending often t. place of public worship after my arrival, but meetings were often held where she lived, these she ever appeared to enjoy as well as religious conversation. After t. death of an aged member of t. ch. last fall I visited her, and inquired how she felt; she replied "sometimes I think I go next." She manifested a deep concern in t. spiritual welfare of her people and of the church also. A few days before she was taken sick, she addressed t. whole family, saying to them that she should soon die and urged t. necessity of new hearts, after she was taken she was unable to speak, her disorder being as I suppose a shock of the numb palsy, and on t. 4th day she died at the age of 80 years

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27th Sab. In t. morn. saw one of my people passing the mission-house with a team. Immediately the words came into my mind who ever hardened himself against God & prospered. Having been greatly interrupted t. week previous was unable to prepare for t. Sab. & so read sermons. In t. A. M. read one of Pres. Edwards' "Their foot shall slide in due time," was t. text. It seemed to make considerable impression upon t. audience. In the P. M. t. ~~txt.~~ was 1 Pet. 3:8 "Love as brethren

In t. eve. meeting at Mr Calkins. Here I read a sermon written by a Cherokee Mr John Huss. fr. t. ~~txt. Christ~~ is t. guide. This excited much attention, and numbers spoke of it afterwards. Mr. C. spoke and asked the prayers of all present "that he might not be given up to presumption, delusion or despair." At t. close of t. meeting arose and shook hands with me asking very affectionately for an interest in my prayers——

Called again as I returned at Mrs. Skanandos. She appeared insensible, her pulse hardly perceptible, and as tho' she could not long continue. I looked upon her and desired to receive instruction. For some weeks I had attended upon her almost daily, administering such medicine &c. as I was able, and from time to time pressed upon her t. importance of immediate preparation for death. Sometimes she had appeared affected and at others not. But now I could do no more, my duty whether faithfully done or not towards her was now discharged, and I can do no more. But must meet at the awful bar of God when time shall be no more — At one of my last interviews I asked her if she felt afraid to die she replied "Not much." and again if she felt some times as tho God had forgiven her sins and she ans. "Yes." But whether her heart was changed I know not. And in the hands of a just God I leave her —

29th I heard that Mrs S. died very early this morning —

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Tues. Attended the funeral of Mrs. Scanando Addressed t. people fr. Job. 14:5. "Seeing his days are determined t. number of his months are with thee thou hast appointed t. bounds of his habitation that he cannot pass." Remarked First that God had been pleased to place man in a state of trial — that he had set bounds to it — The reason why he had done this was that he might gather t. good to himself as the husbandman gathers t. ripe fruits in harvest — and also that he might take vengeance upon t. wicked &—

By way of inference remarked, that this would lead us to see t. folly & wickedness of those who say "We are in God's hand and cannot do anything ourselves, besides we shall not die before our time comes." — That we ought to use all proper means to preserve our lives & health. &c — A larger number present than usually attend funerals, and very solemn attention was

was paid to t. word preached. O Lord bless thine own word to t. saving benefit of perishing sinners here —

May 1st. Annual Fast.

Preached fr. Isa. 21:11,12. Watchman what of t. night &c. Considered night as portending a state of affliction or trouble and enumerated some of those thgs. wh. appeared to me to threaten t. future destiny of this nation, and perhaps might destroy it. The first was want of family discipline — want of industry — the enormous debts in wh. t. nation are involved — divisions amongst themselves — want of good laws well executed &c. Concluded with an exhortation to those who are at t. head of t. nation. Good attendance at meeting, and very serious attention paid — After a short intermission held a prayer-meeting — I remarked upon t. usage of fasting by good people in t. days of t. Prophets, and apostles —

7th Interview with Big-Wave, formerly Head chief of t. Menominies.

This aged chief, probably 80 years of age, called upon me on his return from a visit to a Menominie-village over 30 m. distant at the S. end of W. Lake —

He was decently clad in blue, having the ~~the~~ collar and cuffs of his coat trimmed with scarlet, and wearing deer-skin gloves upon his hands. He has of late I conclude become a catholic and he had been out to that village ~~to talk to his people upon t. subject~~ thro' mud and water as he told me in some places over nkle-deep in order to talk to his people upon the subject. He appeared to put on the cheerfulness and vivacity of youth, and his mind seemed wholly engrossed with t. subject.

His only apparatus for his journey was his knife, tobacco-pouch and pipe, which led to think of the simplicity in wh. the first propagators of the religion of Jesus travelled whom he ignorantly intended to serve, and I felt a strong desire to declare unto him t. only and t. right way of salvation thro' Him.

After eating before wh. he uttered a few short sentences, and then with a kind of obeisance says "Bo-shee" (which is a form of salutation) he asked me many questions e.g. "Who made the earth, t. trees, the rain, thunder &c. and when I answered he told me these were t. thgs. wh. he had been telling his people. He then said that t. people asked who told him to come and tell them those thgs. and he told them Kesh-a-mani-to." "Some says he listened."

He was going to stay at home two nights he said and then was going to start again, for another place about 70 miles distant Menominie river to talk to them there.

What zeal this! I becoming a better cause, an enlightened, and devoted missionary of the cross of Christ. Felt ashamed to think

of my own want of zeal and fidelity in promoting t. Sav. cause and desire to learn a profitable lesson fr. it —

8th Early this morn. ascertained, that some money had been taken out of my trunk. This affords me fresh evidence of t. want of moral principle amongst Indians and of the great neglect of family discipline. I know not who has done t. mischief but suspect it must be some one in my employ —

In t. P. M. preached t. Preparatory Lecture — Having been very busily engaged and interrupted withal during most of t. day I had little time to prepare in. Still felt some freedom in discoursing upon t. words from 1 John 1:3. And truly our fellowship is with t. Father & with his Son Jesus Christ. Most of t. ch. in town present and I felt as tho. t. meeting was profitable at least to myself —

Upon my return found Dr. Satterlee here from Fort-H. and he slept t. night with me —

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10th Attended the regular church meeting. The members generally present. Sally Piper was again brot up and discussed. Felt in great doubt respecting t. proper course to be pursued in her case. Her brother Isaac L. inquired what more she could do, that she had not done already for she had often confessed her misconduct to the church— My reply was ~~that~~ I did not know what t. Board would decide was best to be done in her case, but as for myself I could not say what they would decide upon &c— At length she was advised not to commune with the ch. Betsy Palmer was advised in a similar manner as she and her husband were at variance again—

I then exhorted the church to make all preparation for t. solemn season approaching, in as much as this was our privilege and duty &c. Closed with prayer—

12th Sab. Sacrament-day.

In t. A. M. preached from 1 Cor. 11:28. But let a man examine himself &c.

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Showed first how self-examination prepares us to partake of the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner. 2dly It leads us to see our own vileness. 3dly It prepares us to appreciate t. death of C. and to see the abounding grace of God in instituting this ordinance— Mr Metoxen being present interpreted. A greater number present than usual and very solemn attention paid—

At noon t. S. S. quite interesting. Lesson in 13th of Matt. The Sav.rs explanation of the parable of the tares of t. field. In t. P. M. at the opening of the exercises baptized a child of Mr D. B. and Mrs. Whitney. Then made further remarks to t. ch. respecting self-examination. What am I? What choice have I made? What change have I experienced? What is t. bent of my affections? And what the course of our conversation?

In t. eve. gave some directions to the ch. respecting t. manner of living after they have sat down at the table of the Lord.

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Jan. 1st

Church met in the 3 P. M. and had a prayer-meeting. Wh. lasted until near night, The meeting generally attended. After meeting invited Mr A. Miller, and Messrs. Metoxen & Chicks to my room in order to attend to a letter which Mr M. wrote me last Summer charging me with insulting him &c. After some preparatory remarks I introduced the subject and read the letter. After calling upon him to show the "insult" to which he made little ans. but made some statements which were positively untrue, he left in a very abrupt manner; and altho. Mr C. went after him and requested his return he utterly refused saying "he wanted to hear nothing about it"—

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Mr M. after consultation was requested to see and labor with him in order if possible to reclaim him. But if he would not listen he was directed to ask him to appear before the church, and there answer for his conduct—Closed with prayer—

After this attended the singing-school and found a goodly number of young people present. At the close Mr Metoxen addressed them, and I followed with some remarks and prayer—

During the night Mrs. H. was delivered——

Feb. 9th

Mr Chubb, Teacher at Duck Creek and Mr Summerfield school-teacher at [illegible] and Peter Green Esq the two latter Ojibways passed the previous with us. But all left during the forenoon to return to their respec-tive

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Morng; Commenced a letter to the Rev. D. Greene. In the eve. invited a member of the church, J. N. C. to come to my room — Alas! how has he fallen — how has he played the part of a hypocrite upon the church, and concealed the sin of which he knew that he was guilty — Yes he concealed from us that he had been guilty of the awful sin of adultery even with a member of the church C. J. Found but little evidence of repentance; yea rather a most hardened state of feeling and a disposition to excuse and extenuate his crime —

After a long conversation in which I endeavored to show him the greatness of his guilt, I exhorted him to repent and copy the example of the royal penitent in his 51st Ps. — Yet there appeared in the close but little probability of success or that he would follow my counsel —