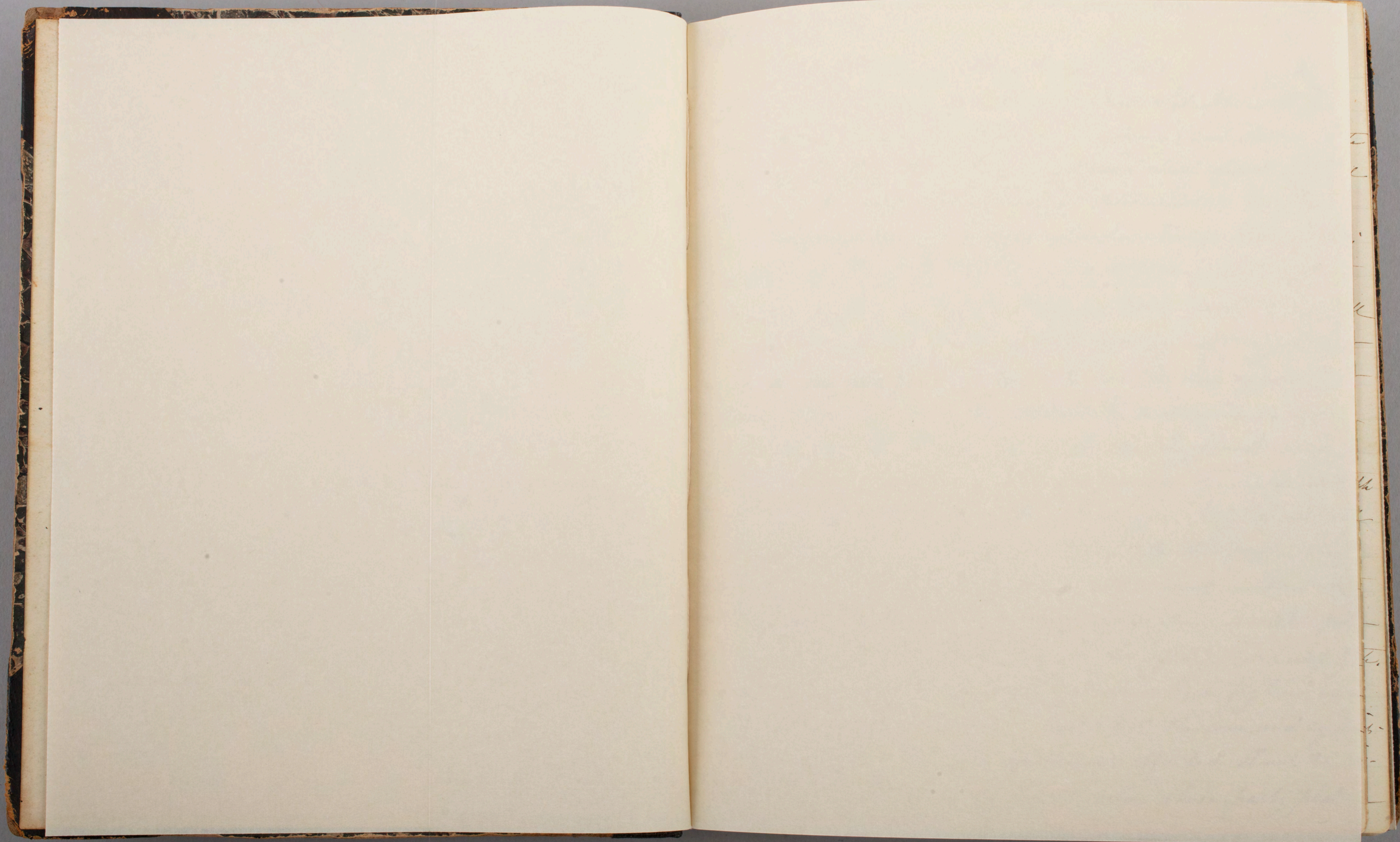


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Monday March 4th 1861

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Lincoln was to have passed through Balt- Saturday^{1st} with his family, but as the few Republicans in Baltimore had determined to prevent him from the Northern Central Railroad depot, to the Camden Station and the populace had determined on insulting them (not Lincoln) so said somebody Marshal Kane (a secessionist) telegraphed to Gen Scott that he could not ensure Lincoln protection and advised his passing through Friday night (in evg) I firmly believe it was a scheme of the secessionists to get up an expression of strong feeling from the Northern press against Baltimore, which would in turn irritate the Baltimoreans - So Lincoln was safe in Washington at 9 A.M. His family came on safely and all was quiet - Lincoln was quietly inaugurated the President of the Dis-United States of America. "But tell it not in Gath, publish it not in Askelon." Cannon loaded were placed on every Avenue leading to the Capital, and armed soldiers covered the roofs of adjacent houses; and why all these warlike preparations where all have hitherto dwelt so peacefully, each safely enjoying his own opinions under his own vine and fig tree, un-armed and needing no protection but what the wise and equitable administration of the government afforded them? A president elected by a sectional vote, whose party plot-

from is antagonistic to the views and interests of nearly half the County, takes the bath of office. If there should occur any outburst of indignation, it must be at the Cannon's mouth. Ah there were in that crowd compressed lips, and falling tears, and burning cheeks and bleeding hearts, suppressed groans at this prestige of our Country ruin. It was the digging of the grave in which all our hopes of the future were to be sepulchred.

Thursday 21st April March 1861

Went to Baltimore with Wilkins and stopped at Mrs Adams. To see Achsah and Louisa who are in their new home found Eliza Lisosway from N. York. Friday I went to see Sister Glenn. Saturday night I went to take tea with her by invitation and found Mrs Wilkins Glenn and Miss E. Brown there. The carriage was sent for us all and we were sent home in it. A very elegant tea. But as usual to me there was one essential ingredient wanting ???

Sunday 24th

Waited in my room expecting Wilkins to come up again before going to church. Went down to the drawing room Mr. Harris said it was almost 12 o'clock; hurried to Charles St, slipped in a pew and heard part of a sermon. Went to Charles St

at night to hear "Bacchus" - Monday came up in the cars Mrs Dossy left. and Miss Kate Brown came in

Wednesday the 27th 61. Wilkins went to Engleside for his sisters they staid all night at Mary Ann Thompsons and reached home Thursday to dinner. Wednesday afternoon Mrs Sallies, Gaither, Mrs Samuel Gaither, Mrs Gattrell, Mrs Kitty Brown, Miss Annie Brown, Messrs Ridley Brown and Walter Brown all spent the afternoon. Thursday we all left for Baltimore.

and staid by invitation with Achsah. Saturday morning Wilkins went up to College by the Northern Central, and in the morning we all took tea by invitation at Sister Glenns. She kindly loaned me her Carriage several days to do my shopping. Tuesday the children expected to leave for Engleside, but it rained heavily all day, to their inexpressible satisfaction. Miss Lizzie Brown called. I took her through the house which she greatly admired and I think it worthy of all admiration. They hung their pictures in the library. A vase of flowers presented by Captain Fitzhugh, the Madonna, Beatrice, a harvest-group, the Love Letters, Vandyke, Wesley, and others. Thursday 11th 61 left for home in cars and Coach and Thru.

Found my housekeeper Mrs. Loring had left Monday
April 8th and Miss Kate Brown in her place.

Saturday March 20th 61

We have most alarming intelligence from Bal-
-timore. Lincoln having issued a proclamation calling
for 96,000 men to protect Washington, put down insurrection
and station at certain points on the border, the troops
passing through Baltimore unarmed en route to Wash-
-ington, were excited by well dressed men (whom I believe
fairly were secessionists) to seize loose paving stones
as they were marching to the Camden station, they
endeavored to defend themselves but were at last com-
-pelled to fire on their assailants (some few of them being
armed) 14 citizens were killed and perhaps 4 or 6 Mas-
-sachusetts men. One of them crawled into a store for protec-
-tion, the crowd surrounded the house with loud cries of
Kill him! Kill him!, He calmly remarked, they might let me
die, which must soon occur. "I am the only son of a widow
and her only support - Had I thought you would have
objected to my coming through Maryland, I would not
have been here." Part of the troops got safely to Washington
The rest were sent back on the cars - The town was in

a state of fearful excitement.

Sunday 21st 61 - we did not go to church in the morning
fearing the Pennsylvania troops might take this route
the Westminster road to Washington - The Mayor called
a town meeting - Inflammatory speeches by Mr
Wallis, Preston, and other secessionists. Messrs Wallis
and Baune accompany the Democratic Mayor to
Washington who pledges himself that no troops shall
pass through Baltimore - A body of police sent out
by the Democratic police Commissioners are ordered to
burn the bridge over the Bush river, this might be
excused, but why pull up the telegraph poles and
break the wires and prevent all intercourse by telegraph
between Washington and the East? Then the Mayor and
City Council must vote \$500,000 for the defence of the City,
Against whom? The Lord preserve us from the wiles of the
secessionists who seem bent on our destruction. Then our
Gov yields and calls the Legislature to arm the State,
and gives an un constitutional time for the election.
While the people are in church messengers enter the pulpits
and inform the ministers, troops are marching on the City
from Pennsylvania, have reached Cockeysville, 10,000 men

are at Bush View trying to effect a crossing, to march on Baltimore to sack the city. All is hurry, alarm and terror, there is one general cry to arms. Stores are broken into arms are seized, Hackles, furniture wagons and articles of every description are seized, and loaded with armed and excited men hurry to Cockysville. To their surprise they find troops quietly encamped and completely astounded at this warlike demonstration. A mutual understanding takes place, friendly greetings are interchanged, the people return home, pay for the arms they seized and the equipages. The City send out loads of provision to the strangers who go back the same way they came when our base democrats send out the police to destroy the Central rail road bridges, and then it was all on account of the mob. No it was to get up an issue with the general government and precipitate us in a state of excitement into secession.

The South Carolinians attacked Fort Sumter and Major Anderson was forced to surrender. This has produced intense excitement in the North and they declare the North as a unit are now terribly in earnest to preserve the Union intact. The President issues

his war proclamation for 30 many regiments - All the free states respond voting large sums of money and the required regiments - Kentucky refuses and declares herself neutral - Tennessee and Missouri do the same - North Carolina also refuses and seizes all the federal property within her limits - The Virginia Convention being in session, the secessionists took advantage of the excitement and hurried through a secession ordinance which was to be submitted to the people in May - But instead of waiting to hear the voice of the people the Gov (Setcher) has seized all the government property they could, has armed the state and the Convention has sent delegates to the Southern Congress. The governor has issued a proclamation declaring he will only act on the defensive, and cannot aid Maryland. The Federal government has destroyed the navy yard and \$1,000,000 of property at Gosport Va. 30,000 troops are concentrated at Washington which is now considered safe from all fear of an attack from the South - The troops now embark at Poyssville, steam to Annapolis, take the rail road to the junction and thence to Washington. The gov of Ohio has ordered no provision can be shipped from that state via B & O rail road to Baltimore lest it

should be detained, to afford aid and Comfort to the Virginians. Gov. Letcher will allow no provisions to be sent from that State to Baltimore, as it will all be needed at home - We can get no supplies nor trade from Pennsylvania by the Northern Central. To what have the Secessionists done for our unfortunate City? If such is the first fruits of Secession what will be the fruits of the Cup, which, if William Glenn, Tractel Wallis, Beane, Scott, Petts, Wenans and others can only by their wily efforts, succeed in getting a Secession ordinance passed in some moment of excitement, for which with demoniacal intent they will watch, and seize, we shall be called to drink with all its unmitigated horrors - All our hope now is in God. Spare us good Lord: Good Lord deliver us! Good Lord deliver us from the machinations of these deluded men!

Friday 26th

Mr Davis went to Washington to see Mr. Blair; returned after I was in bed and asleep - The Legislature meets to day in Frederick. The delegates ^{from Baltimore} all Secessionists. At the Presidential Election last fall 32,000 votes

purpose of landing John Browns on the Southern coasts, and arming the negroes, or furnishing them with facilities for escape, and a strategical move to make the Republicans masters of the Continent." These I am glad to find have brought down the most indignant comments from the Canadian press. They declare our government to be in advance of all the despots in the extent of these proposals. We can only class them with their Compens, the Spies, and the Serus - Ah it will be long ^{er} this foul blot be wiped from N York's recutcheon - The Northern Abolitionists hail with delight the prospect of a civil war. They are anxious to precipitate all the fifteen slaves ^{States} into it - That they may have no pretext for demanding any Compromises or guarantees. Wendall Phillips affirms the end of this war is disunion or Emancipation. The first the government refuses the latter he concludes will be the result - I have always believed this intense excitement in Church and State must mean something. Perhaps the problem is now to be solved by the arbitrament of war. If God is in the whirlwind and the storm, it were vain for man to resist. In the affecting interview in which Joseph makes him-

self known to his brethren, Joseph says "Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hitherto: for God did send me before you - And yet God says of the Egyptians that nation will I judge" and so he did. Oh the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and his ways past finding out!

George Law a man from the lower walks of life, originally a common Contractor, who by instinct has made a large amount of money, and ascended from an humble dwelling to a luxurious palace, Alexander like, thrusts for other exploits, so from being plain Mr George Law, he aspires to be a notorious Mr Lawless of great military renown and daring achievements. So he avows the government and General Scott too slow, demands permission to march the Towars a Regiment to each of whom he has presented two revolvers, immediately to fight their way through our Baltimore. The Gov of Pennsylvania has ordered the bridges to be rebuilt and guarded by the troops and the Central road under charge of the Military to Baltimore and thence round the City to the Relay House. They will not allow any

pass on the Washington road, and I should not wonder if they impeded travel on the B & O rail road. Rev Mr Beecher advises from his pulpit the opposition of Baltimore should be borne our work and then a route through Baltimore should be forced through Baltimore. Why? just to get up if possible another collection to favor his abolition ends. He advises a collection to furnish volunteers with revolvers in addition to the arms furnished by the State. Might he not be mistaken for a fiend, fresh from the infernal regions - A writer from Harrisburg advises a friend in Baltimore if our Legislature pass a secession ordinance to fly with his family from the city for it and our State would be immediately occupied by the soldiers. A writer to "the World" says some of our people are so demented on the subject of slavery, that they believe they would make good citizens ^{and} work the cotton fields, after their masters are exterminated SSSSS - Am. I like Samuel when he had a dream and visions of his head upon his bed; then he wrote the dream and told the sum of the matters, or I am I awake, and in my right mind, calling American newspapers, read, endorsed and applauded, by hundreds of thousands of

men, possessing many of them. High intellectual culture, professing the religion of the meek and lowly Jesus, who uttered "Blessed are the peace-makers; for they shall be called the children of God," and boasting of the rapid extension of civilization. Sending hundreds of thousands yearly to convert the heathen in distant lands - Sending out from their ^{presses} millions of books and Holy Bibles breathing peace on earth; good will towards men; while their own hearts, must be as dry as bed-coufflers.

Saturday 4th May 1861

Mr Davis has just returned from Frederick. The Legislature after being in secret session for three days, have presented a bill appropriating \$2,000,000 to be placed in the hands of Gov. Pratt, Low, Mitchel and others without any security, or responsibility to be used at their discretion for arming and protecting the State (or rather to accomplish secession). They are afraid of a Convention but propose submitting at the ballot box the one issue, Will you go North ~~and South~~; knowing our State cognomen is southern they hope to enlist feeling and thus entrap the majority - Mr Davis has just prepared a petition opposing this measure and goes off to procure signatures - Received a letter from Rebecca, but of 42 girls only 29 remain - Also from Rebecca, Eliza returned to N. York

by a freight boat - Watkins Glenn tells her, "Why your property will be worth two to ours" - Rebecca said "Not in my day" - So much for entailing childrens property. His aunts, his mother and his sisters are all to be sacrificed at the shrine of his heartless Cupidity. Mr Davis remarked to Mr Winans "we in the Northern countries will lose all our slaves. Oh yes I suppose you will but Maryland will become a manufacturing state, and this is a southern rights man. Not one of the Baltimore delegates own a slave. It is party spirit, and political aggrandizement that actuates them. The Union ^{men} are greatly in the majority, but they want leaders. The secessionists are assisted by lawyers of position in aristocratic society, and thoroughly trained politicians, would be presidents, & presidents, secretaries of the different departments of government; Attorney generals, postmaster generals, Senators, Congress men &c in the new Confederacy. And I and my whole ^{family} to be immolated on the altar of political aggrandizement.

We are almost as excitable a people as the French and certainly as versatile. The first of May the national flag was ordered to be ^{raised} over the Custom house by the General government. Great enthusiasm was manifested by the crowd, and continued cheering. A young man cut one of the stays, and down came the flag. The man cut into the Custom house followed by the crowd, it was soon surrounded

The people crying Kill him! Kill him! The police with difficulty saved him. He was taken before a justice and held to bail in \$500. Not a secession flag is to be seen, but Union flags are selling in the streets. A strong reaction has taken place and it is thought it will be difficult to force the State out. Allegheny, Washington, Frederick, Carroll, & Cecil say they will not go out of the Union, but will claim the protection of the Federal Government. Petitions are pouring into the Legislature asking that the bridges be repaired and the usual routes of travel opened. A company of 5000 men are organized in Baltimore to defend any Northern troops that may pass. Our beloved City, I fear it is deeply injured. And it is thought government will do all it can to annoy us by way of retaliation. It does seem so pitiful, when they know it was the work of secessionists. I am no admirer of Lincoln or his cabinet. They are all trying to ape Jackson. To prove themselves men of nerve. We want firm men, but they must be statesmen also and here the present cabinet are lamentably deficient. The Apostle Paul good authority says all things are lawful, but all things are not expedient. They have no idea of yielding any ^{thing} to expediency, one grand and essential qualification of a statesman.

One remarkable fact at present, is the little estimate

set on human life. Ahsa says James Williams remarked to her his high enjoyment of soldier life, and talked with great glee about killing men as though he were going to a hog killing. If these things continue, we as a nation must become completely demoralized.

Tuesday May 7th 61.

Left home for Baltimore. Saw the first scene in the drama of war at the relay house, where I passed through a double file of armed soldiers. The sentinels were facing backwards and forwards. A man stepped on their platform. Instantly a bayonet was pointed at his breast. They appeared very undisciplined, and raw. They have not yet learned to shoulder a musket. There is a great pressure on the cabinet for permission to sack Baltimore, and lay it in ruins. The "World" says it must be chastised; if the parental government spares this rade, it will spoil the child. Mrs Judge Crane was in New York when the riot occurred here, thought Baltimore was lost. They reached here with great difficulty, found every body ^{armed} and determined on resistance. The Judge a strong Democrat implored them to stop and offer no further assistance or they would all be exterminated. They had the big gun

which sends 300 Cannon balls per minute planted on the
Central Rail Road. Had not the bridges been destroyed
there would have been an awful massacre - Baltimore
would not purchase the gun - The owner concealed it in
a Rockaway and put all the running gear in charge of five
men, a spy gave information, a car was seized and some
200 men sent onto Ellicotts to intercept it. Hearing some
commotion in his rear the Rockaway decamped to parts
unknown leaving the troops in quiet possession of the rest
which entered the camp at the relay amidst great
gratulation, but upon close inspection alas the big
gun was still in the hands of the enemy. It was on its
march to Virginia - The Great Eastern has made its ap-
pearance off New York. It is thought it will be employed
by the government - The New York press seems just to
have ^{waked} up to the magnitude of the task the government
has undertaken - To coerce, subjugate, and exterminate
10 powerful States - Every man, woman and child fight
for home and existence, promises along and tough
job. A Captain Billy Wilson collected a regiment in N York
when formed in rank, he called out, If there is an honest
man among you, let him step forth; we don't want him in

this company - A Rev Mr . offers himself, as chaplain
to a company is willing to swear 10 years, delivers a harangue
wants no men in his company, who have any Conscientious
scruples, at seeing the blood flow in purple currents from
the veins of traitors. Such men were worthy to have lived
contemporary with Robespierre. The governors of the Northern
States met in conclave recently and the tone of their speech
was equally savage - One says "the South ought to be forced
into the gulf, but not allowed to take their territory with them."
Gov Blain of Michigan, tells them the North is the Sods flail,
and the South his threshing floor on which treason is to be pounded
out - The events of the last few weeks clearly demonstrated
the assertion of scripture, "the heart of man is deceitful
and desperately wicked." They prove how inefficient an
agent is civilization to produce any radical change in
mans moral nature. Nothing but a supernatural
visitant, grace from on high can make that which by
nature, earthly, sensual and devilish, spiritual and
heavenly minded. Trunette has succeeded through her
Legislature. There is considerable excitement in Missouri
A riot in St Louis, collision of the troops and people, 30 killed
The troops at the relay came very unexpectedly into the City

last night and proceeded to Federal Hill, about 15.00.
The places were supplied at the relay. This is to intimidate
Baltimore - We can no longer talk about down trodden
Hungary, enslaved Poland, the Censorship of the press,
and other fruits of despotism. We once thought them
choice Exotics, which we did not care to transplant,
who ever dreamed of their springing up indigenous in our
midst - Mr Parr my tenant says his rent must be re-
duced one half or he must throw up - Mr Thomas C Miller
died suddenly last Saturday, he owes Mr Davis \$14,000
for which we have a mortgage on his valuable farm. Six
months ago it would have sold very high, now I doubt
whether it would cover the mortgage or sell at all - So we
are minus of \$900 of our income by this sad event -
Wilkins Glenn undertook the Editorship of the exchange, a
secession paper, some six months ago. He has lost such an
amount by the undertaking, that he has given up his house and
gone to live with his mother - Mr Williams has an income of \$6,000
from Texas and Cousin Rebecca \$2,000 in Baltimore her private
property - From the former they can now receive nothing, and the
latter of course precarious - There is no business doing in the city
and much suffering and privation - Secession is certainly stron

gled in Baltimore - Our lives are not in danger at the hands
of the soldiery, nor do we fear insurrection as Uncle Sam
has taken his friends and brethren as Gen Butler tells
us in his proclamation under his special care - The ex-
change Editorials are bitter and daring, I feel some fears
lest Wilkins Glenn should be arrested as a traitor, for he
is certainly daily endeavoring to fan and keep alive the dying
Embers of secession - When the troops came in the City from
the relay there was much excitement, and fear of a collision
Messengers on horseback were rapidly courring ^{the streets} summing
the companies to their armories to secrete their arms, lest they
should be seized by the government - This intention is now dis-
claimed as they only seized Federal property - There seems to be
one universal opinion that the Cabinet at Washington are
not equal to the Emergency - They are party men not Statesmen
Mrs Skinner called and met Anne Glenn. They had a political
skirmish. "Mrs Skinner wanted that glorious flag for which our
ancestors had suffered so much, to be laid on her breast -
when she was laid away in her Coffin, and none of your roses & posies"
Almighty God! Thou who holdeth in thy hand the hearts
of the children of men, so influence our people North and
South, that wise counsels and prudent measures

may prevail, and the blood-thirsty spirit, now so rampant
 give place to an earnest desire for a peaceful settlement
 of our difficulties throughout our whole land. Amen & Amen
 Sunday 12th 1861.

Went to hear Mr Williams on the
 "barren fig tree" at Chatsworth. He walked home with
 me. Saturday evening was at sister Glenn's ^{met} Wilkins
 Glenn and Mr Thomas. They were very violent, ~~expressing~~
 rejoicing over the news from St Louis, where was a collision
 between the troops and the people, about 40 killed.
 This they thought would help secession. They hoped
 something of the kind would soon occur in Kentucky.
 They regretted the Legislature did not pass the Mis-
 tery despotism bill. Thought the Legislature ought
 to adjourn from day to day until some emergency
 might occur of which they could take advantage.
 Wilkins, Thomas, Wallis, and others all have a hand
 in the "Exchange", by which Wilkins has lost a
 large sum of money. He has been obliged to give
 up his house and go to his mother's. Some of the
 Exchange Editorials are very violent. They plainly
 interpret the action of the Legislature, and say

plainly on behalf of our undoubtedly lawful state
 "We are under a military despotism to which
 we submit but only temporarily, we bid our
 time" Was there any thing more atrocious.
 I do hope the government in mercy will
 keep a large body of troops here to intimidate
 these revolutionists. Poor Mr Miller died after
 a few days illness yesterday the 11th
 Wednesday 15th Washington Bowie came down for
 me. Left at 1 1/2 o'clock, was home 6 1/2 o'clock. The
 secessionists in the neighborhood have been holding
 secret meetings and threatening to order leading
 union men out of the state. They have received
 a hint that they are known and watched and
 if they are not careful the State Marshal will
 arrest and imprison them for abetting secession.
 The whole world seems to be convulsed from center
 to circumference. I met Mr Rolf in Baltimore
 he had just received a letter from Europe. The Conti-
 nent was like a vast boiling cauldron, Prussia
 France Austria and other countries whetting
 their sabres, marshalling armies, and preparing

such destructive missiles of war, as the world never before dreamed of, so they are to make quick work of the business. I am reading Cummings on the great tribulation.

Surely the last bowl is poured out and we must be entering upon that awful period of the world's history of which the inspired bible says. "For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, nor, nor ever shall be. should."

And except those days be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elects sake those days shall be shortened." It is true of that day and hour a knoweth no man" yet when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near even at the doors."

I think that Cummings makes it quite clear that all these things are now many of them no longer prophecy but history. An earthquake has just occurred at Mendoza, which destroyed 8000 persons, there is at this time an awful famine in India occasioned by the ravages of a small black caterpillar. Who can contemplate these

floor. Wattie tried to stamp on it, John and I flew to rescue it. I crying, oh my flag! my flag! - But we saved it -
June 25th 1861

Wattie Bowie went in the carriage and Mr East in the Carryal. to Ingleside for the children and their baggage - They staid all night at Ingleside (Cotonsville), went the next morning early to Ingleside and brought them home to dinner at 2 1/4 o'clock - Their testimonials were all first grade in every study - Rebecca graduated, received a diploma and a gold medal - a heavy gold cross - as the head teacher who are superior teachers will not return, I expect May & Ester will not go back -

July 1st 1861

Thursday, Friday and Saturday in bed with a distressing head ache, and dyspepsia - Sunday Mr Elisha Griffith called, Washington Chickster to dinner - Marshal Kane head of the Baltimore police has been arrested and sent to Fort M Henry - A large amount of arms secreted in his office, a bag of letters found implicating prominent persons - and a train of gunpowder laid under the building - Gen Banks of the Federal troops appointed Major Henry of Baltimore provost Marshal - The police commissioners disbanded the City police

400 in number. Major Kenly by night had 400 armed men
to fill their places, or the City would have been unprotected.
This creates excitement. Gen Banks says as soon as they appoint
a loyal Marshal, he will withdraw Major Kenly - These are
trying times. How will all this fearful excitement terminate
we must still rest assured God will over rule it
for ultimate good - A severe thunder storm purifies the
atmosphere of the material world, so when Gods judg-
ments are abroad, men learn righteousness. It is historic
fact that wars have been followed by revivals of re-
ligion or some sudden development by which the
moral status of our race has been advanced - Rev Mr
Bellows remarked to Gen Scott, "he hoped this war would
be conducted on principles of generous humanity" "Christian-
ity, Christianity, Christianity, Sir" responded the old Chieftain.
German regiments, of 3000 each, both officers and men
having served in the European wars, have been offered to the
government - Last Monday Mr Robinson of Robert
living near Rockville (who married a grand daughter of
Judge Scott of Baltimore who married my mother's first-cousin
Miss Elizabeth Goodwin a highly intelligent and accomplished
lady, and only daughter and sole heiress) just as he was entering

the gate leading to his residence on horseback, was struck by light-
ning and both horse and rider instantly killed -

Tuesday July 2^d 1861

Col Frankle (ex member of Congress from Frederick) dined with
us to day, gave us some strong discussion arguments - Washington Bowie
in the afternoon will join the Confederate army when Bourquard
crosses the Potomac - Messrs Gatchel, Howard, Davis &
Police Commissioners arrested and sent to Fort M Henry -
Large bodies of troops in the city, Cannon at different points
The World says Baltimore ^{prefers} Martial Law to Marshal Kane but
they will find the sword heavier than the cane

Thursday July 1861

I am sick in bed. Mr Wilkins
returned from College - Received a second Certifica-
cate in the junior class - Was read out as one of
fourteen who received no disorder marks - In his
college report had No 9 in all his studies but
mental philosophy for which he received No
8. which is good. No 9 is very good -

Went to Baltimore with Wilkins and Peabree
staid at Mrs Adams - Wilkins carried down

his military suit to have his likeness. I carried
his sword inside my umbrella case - He put
on his suit, and over it his long duster, carry-
ing the sword in the case to the artist. I
presume we were observed by some of the spies
who crowd our City - The next morning we
had been out, on returning we found the dep-
uty marshal and a police officer who were
just informing Mr Adams they had been
informed some one here had arms and they
must search the house - We hurried to our rooms,
ran Wilkins sword up my dress and hung it up,
put his Carpet-bag in my room - and sent him out.
The seven spy officers outside - The house was searched
but they were informed my room was occupied by
ladies only - We were very uneasy about getting home
safely - Soldiers with bayonets came on the cars -
An officer came in and took a seat by Wilkins,
to our great uneasiness - but we reached Floods
Mills in safety. I think after such a scare I
will ^{not} travel with contraband articles again
Wilkins had some Carter visites, taken and so had

Rebecca - Not knowing what might be in the future
I had a very handsome painted photograph
taken of Wilkins in a rich frame Cost \$18 -
There has been some fighting in Virginia in
which the feduals had the advantage but
Gen Patterson has been afraid to attack John-
son as the latter is the superior officer and
has the largest force -

The armies have had a skirmish at Bulls Run
in which the Feduals had the advantage, The North
are perfectly jubilant. They are just going to walk to
Manassas, the rebels are to fly on their approach and
thence in triumphal march to Richmond -

John Glenn came up from Baltimore Monday
Wilkins took him to Rockville, they with Mr Davis
returned after we had dined, but we soon had a
nice dinner for them - They bring news of the entire
defeat of the Federal army, It seems they pushed
on confident of success to Manassas, and opened
fire on Sabbath morning, The Southerners, Command

retreating, and drew on the Federals, who thought they had the day, suddenly the Secs - made a desperate rally, and commenced flanking them, they had a large reserve not engaged, besides Gen Johnson had just arrived by the cars - ^{with 30,000} The shouts of the Confederates could be heard above the din of battle. The Federals seeing themselves outwitted commenced retreating, a universal panic ensued and the immense army commenced a regular stampede most disgraceful in its character, and disastrous in its results - Every effort to rally the troops was ineffectual, Cols, Captains, and sub-officers left their men and raced towards Washington, the men threw away their caps, shoes, blankets, arms, ammunition and even canteens. Members of Congress and civilians in hacks, artillery, ^{men} teamsters horses without leaders, pell mell blocked up the road, hacks were smashed to pieces, footmen were rode down without mercy, Mr Ely of Congress, and a large number of officers and privates, an immense amount of arms, ammunition, artillery clothing and provisions fell into the hands of

the Confederates - Gloom and Consternation pervade Washington lest Davis should advance on the city - It is said joy has given ^{place to} rage in the North - The World says every northern man's face looks like flint - Every effort is to be made to raise 60,000 men to overwhelm the South by attacking it at different points - Troops are hurrying to Washington 60,000 men are now in Maryland - The Montreal paper says their people are quite pleased at the result, as our government is so insolent and big-gadocio, bully Great Britain and threatening Canada. Mr Davis has gone to Frederick. The Legislature is in session - Mrs Bowie, Libby Bowie and son and pet Bratty spent the day here yesterday - Rebecca and Wattie went this afternoon to Mrs Browns - There have been a great many sad incidents connected with this war, now an exposure of man's deep depravity, and savage ferocity and then like a gleam of sunshine a thwart the gloom acts of gentleness and humanity which break the height from which he has fallen in his present degradation. I am opposed to

This was intoto - The Northern fanatics and
extremists inflamed and excited the Southern
minds. Of this awful demagogue took advan-
tage to seek and obtain power, Secession was the
result - To this I was and am opposed, and
now what can be done - We must either have
a devastating, and sanguinary war, or this
Union must be dissolved. This is certainly not the
interest of Maryland having the Capitol on her
soil - It certainly is against my interest, as if
we lose the Capitol our land must depreciate
greatly - Washington being the mart for our produce.
Two of our servants ran off Friday afternoon,
Monday Wilkins and Mr Earp went to Washing-
ton, searched all the camps, got a pass and
went into Virginia, returned Tuesday evening
unsuccessful. Wednesday Mr Earp went down
again and remained until Saturday, just before
leaving passing along the street he saw Bill walking
by an ammunition wagon, he pulled his hat over his
face, a little further on was Watt. Mr Earp
after a great deal of trouble procured an order

for their arrest, two police officers took them to
jail, Monday Mr Davis went to Washington and
brought them home. They state they went to see
their father, and were returning home when they
were accosted by a man who asked them who
they were, said they were free as he was and
offered them \$25 pr month, with a promise of
protection from arrest - Mr Davis wrote a
petition to Pres Lincoln, praying that the troops
be not permitted to harbor runaways, nor carry
them into Va. A proclamation to that effect was
immediately issued.

Congress has passed an act confiscating all
slaves employed in aiding the Confederate cause by
manual labor. I think this truly fiendish as I
think it was intended to arouse the blacks and induce
them to rise against their masters and fight for
their freedom -

Mr Davis sent Wilkins to Wilmington to
purchase a lockaway body. Went with his sisters
to see his aunt - Sunday went to Salem Chapel

heard an excellent sermon from Mr Wright. The family went to the Episcopal. Mr Re Hutton preached.

Went to Mrs Halls to call on Mrs Cutts and Mrs Parkhill. Mr Davis has gone to Baltimore to attend the Union gubernatorial Convention. Gen Lyon commander of the Union forces in Missouri is killed. Garibaldi has offered his services to the government. These are truly perilous times. I must still hope that some light may arise in this darkness.

Miss Maynard grand daughter of Gen Jeff. J. and Miss Cutts the great niece of both President Jefferson and Madison came here last Thursday. Miss Cutts is a young lady of beautiful manners and intellectual culture; she was gentle and pleasing. Sunday Wilkins, Miss Rebecca and Miss Maynard went to church - I was in bed Sunday and Monday to day am very weak - Mrs Bowie and Su Fanny here to dinner - The news of the Bull Run battle had produced a profound sensation in England, and France - There is much excitement in Washington. The Confederates

are steadily advancing. It is thought only to be a pretense to cover his or their design to cross into St. Mary's Point, March on Annapolis, thence to Washington, close up the Potomac, rush on the bridges at night - and thus intercept all communication with the North and thus ^{make} sure of Washington by cutting off supplies and preventing retreat - I think our Country is torn to pieces by two contending factions - The Southern people desire the perpetuation and extension of slavery ostensibly. I think as a whole because they think it a right guaranteed by the Constitution. But for Northern interference with Southern rights which is considered aggressive and oppressive the ultimate abolition of slavery might have been regarded as a work at least commenced by the present generation, and under the influence of religion, ^{and} civilization a rapid change in public sentiment would have taken place - But the present Administration came into power on a platform hostile to the peculiar institutions of the ^{South} Southern politicians took advantage of the excited state of the public mind to advance their political interests, by separating the Country into two Confederacies. All this might have been easily

adjusted by the North granting the Crittenden resolutions - or by the present administration demanding the call of a National Convention, for which the constitution provides, but the Administration, and the Republican party, are opposed to, because a compromise on an equitable basis would be the inevitable result, which of course dissolves the Chicago platform and the Republicans are but of the past - So the Republicans under the pretence of fighting for a government - have adopted a ^{war} peace policy reckless of money and human life, they will have the South succumb, or they must be subjugated, or even exterminated. But we must "Be still and know that I am God," He that rules all things visible and invisible is at the helm.

"His purposes will ripen fast -

Unfolding every hour"

In the North infidelity and every kind of religion but the gospel of Jesus is prevalent to an alarming extent. Abolition is the religion of the pulpit, the class and the prayer meeting. Perhaps God is about to rebuke this fanaticism, In many parts of the South doubtless the blacks are badly treated, and the hour for

entire Emancipation of the race may be at hand. To my mind neither they nor the Southern people are prepared for so sudden a change, but man's ways are not God's ways, and the Judge of all the Earth will do right. Oh God may we be deeply abased and humbled before Thee; May our hearts be truly broken and contrite, like Kinnich of old. May we mourn in sackcloth and ashes over our many offences, our mispent hours, our misimproved talents instead of being as a city set on a hill, our talent has been buried in a napkin, our Candle has been hid under a bushel, Spare us good Lord, Spare us we beseech thee until these clamours be overpast -

Wilkins went to Baltimore Monday to bring up Mary and Lucy Glenn, Mrs Perrins was very low - Annie Glenn's foot is worse since her return from Cape May - Etta and Mr Harwood are at St-Catharines Well, Soellmay could not come. Lucy came up Tuesday. Last week Misses Carrington, Mrs Carrington and Miss E Brown took tea with us. also Miss & Mr Remus Riggs spent evening here

Captain Abot, Messrs Strother and Lewis, dined and took tea with us. They were very agreeable. Mr Strother admired Marys drawings and Marys Rebecca's performances on the piano. He performed finely on the piano. He went down to his camp at the river and returned with his port folio and showed us his exquisite drawings. He is the celebrated Port-crayonne of Virginia. A black man came from the camp and said the Captain wanted a large ham and would pay for it - I weighed a 15 lb ham and sent the bill. The next morning he went off without paying for it.

Went to Salem Church in the morning and to hear Mr Pettyman in the afternoon.

Lucy Glenn, Wilkins and Rebecca went to Mr Halls to see Miss Maynard and invite her to Greenwood. but she was sick - Two sailors came here I bought some handsome shells, and Mary insisted on my buying a silk dress from them for her - It was a great piece of folly, for which I am on the stool of repentance.

Sunday The family went to Haulings river church in the morning, and Mt Calvary in the afternoon.

Yesterday afternoon Wilkins, Rebecca, Mary and Lucy Glenn went to Mrs Brown's to tea - This evening Jerry Watiss and his sisters were here to tea - Jerry's society afforded Lucy much amusement. It is almost ten o'clock, raining fast. Wilkins has just returned from Rock Creek. Met Captain Abot en route for Rockville. He passed some soldiers near Mr Watiss. They had stopped Washington Bowie and demanded his politics. He put spurs to his horse and said "good evening gentlemen." The Federal's have taken Cape Hatteras - A deputation of merchants have gone to Washington to demand some change in the Cabinet - I think the many are beginning to feel the dire effects of Republican rule, and are anxious to infuse some democratic element infused

Miss E Brown came here Monday, was much excited Tuesday I had a cold and head ache Mrs Worthington

and Betty Singleton spent the day with us - They have begged me not to send the children to Baltimore at this time, as the Confederates are expected to advance - Wednesday Miss E Brown came again to insist it was dangerous for me to visit Baltimore - Friday went to Baltimore with Wilkins and the girls - Stopped at Achesa's.

Sunday
Went to Charles St Church. Mind wandering -

Monday, received a letter from Mr Davis. had been to see Gen Banks, and Cap Abot. Saw also Gen McClellan, describes the latter as of middle stature, square built, dark complexion. Banks is short, but has a commanding air and manners highly polished. He was once a Carpenter, and ultimately Governor of his native state. He is more of a statesman than a General. Miss Kate Beattie died Saturday of Consumption and was interred Monday - Numerous arrests have been made, Mayor Brown, Mr Wallis, Dr Thomas, Frank Howard, Wilkins Glenn and others.

Tuesday Mr Davis came in town. Lucy and Mary

Glenn came to tea. Mr Davis went to see Sister Glenn to proffer his assistance and influence on Wilkins behalf. She thanked him coldly, and seemed quite indifferent - but Mrs Wilkins Glenn expressed her thanks warmly and hoped he would exert himself on his behalf. Wednesday Mr Davis went to the Fort. Saw General Dix who stated his case had been removed to Washington. Wilkins did not wish to compromise his honor, but referred the matter to Messrs Dobbin, Brune, and Thompson. They all concurred that he ought if possible to obtain his release on Parole - Mr Davis then went on to Washington. Got strong letters from Judge Blair, and Rev. Eddy Johnson. Went to seeeward but found him engaged with Lincoln. Have heard nothing since. Took Mary and Ester to Mrs Jones. Mary is to enter upon the higher branches, and take lessons in vocal and instrumental music, drawing, and French. Ester will take lessons in Music and French - Took tea with sister Glenn. Mr Harwood and Etta returned this morning from Canada - Thursday. Dr Coy took out my upper teeth. It was not so painful as I anticipated. Just learned

my sister Eliza and Anna have gone to Washington. Wilkins Sisosway who joined the Lincoln Cavalry is very ill with typhoid fever. He is quartered at Meridian Hill. The mansion house is very fine. It was formerly owned by my Cousin Mrs Thompson - There is much excitement. It is thought a battle at Washington is imminent and must occur very soon, perhaps to-morrow - 16,000 men came through by the Central rail road this week. They passed here. Some were able bodied men, armed and well equipped - with fine bands and colors; then would come a throng of the veriest ragamuffins, who looked like the outpouring of some northern almshouse, coats out at the elbows, without hats or any baggage and equipments.

Saturday - went to see Sister Glenn. She showed her a letter I had received from Mr Davis, stating Wilkins would be released. She said she received Mr Davis offer very quietly, but Ellen very warmly, in fact they had no one to go - She had thought Brauryard would bring Baltimore that day. Three letters had been received to that effect - from Virginia. This opinion was quite

wish him to make any further efforts, as he is unwilling to make any pledges to a government which he thinks has no right to demand them - Mr Davis is a candidate for the House of Delegates. The weather is unusually warm.

Wilkins went to Baltimore last Monday and entered Dr Smiths office Tuesday the 1st of October. It was a dull, gloomy, and rainy day - I hope it was not ominous of his future destiny.

Eliza and Anna Sisosway left for Baltimore Monday.

Wilkins Sisosway left for Baltimore. Soon after he left I received a letter announcing Wilkins Davis was slightly indisposed. Tuesday afternoon I received another letter saying he was very sick with remittent fever - I was very uneasy but as the following day was election day, and Mr Davis was a Union Candidate for the Legislature, all our horses were engaged to take persons to the polls - Wednesday afternoon another letter came urging me to come down

immediately. Wilkins was ill of Typhoid fever. Thursday I and Rebecca went to Ellicotts in the carriage and four hours, thence to the City. I found Wilkins extremely ill. Aunt Eliza had nursed him the whole week assisted by Achsah and some. I employed Mrs Mudd for one week. She made herself very disagreeable. Wilkins took a great dislike to her, convinced she had kidnaped him, carried him off and put him in a Coop - Asked his father to send for a police officer and have her arrested. Finding him so excited we dismissed her and employed Mrs M. Haffy. Dr Smith proposed calling in Dr Thomas Buckler, he was very low - We employed another nurse Mary Armstrong - He was utterly helpless. After the 24th a change for the better took place and he very gradually improved. Dr Buckler asked him why he wanted to study medicine, had as well be a night watchman. He replied I have no taste for any thing else - Dr Coxe and Mr Williams came several times to see him. He was often engaged in prayer - There appeared to be much sympathy felt and expressed for him. I knew we gave my sisters a great deal of trouble.

so I paid them \$150 a barrel of flour, meal and buck-wheat. I gave Eliza Djosway \$10 - Friday night before I left Achsah gave an Egg nog drinking to Sister Glenns family, Mrs Lorr, Fannie Comfort and Mr Hunt. I did not partake of it - Mr and Mrs Lorr have been to Europe, returning in Cincinnati Mr Lorr was arrested and carried to fort Warren - Mrs Lorr being unable to reach Saranna came on to Baltimore and remained with Sister Glenn - Mr Harwood has resigned his position as pursuer and is out of employ. Mr and Mrs Davis dined with Mr Blair in company with the Attorney general, who expressed their willingness to have the political prisoners released. Coming on to Baltimore and learning Wilkins Glenn was to leave for Mr Henry at 10 o'clock for fort La Fayette, he went with Judge Crane to see Gen Dig. After some discussion in which Mr Davis position in the Legislature and his interview with "the Blairs" was introduced Wilkins was ordered to return home until called for. But Wilkins says it was I who did it. I have employed a woman as housekeeper who has lived some years with Sister Glenn and Mrs Surman. They speak highly of her.

Returned from Baltimore my housekeeper
was not on the train which worried me very
much. When I reached Woodstock I received a
telegraphic dispatch saying she was at the relay house
and would come up in the afternoon train. She had taken the
Washington Cars by mistake - We had to ^{send} over for her and she ar-
rived at Greenwood at 10 o'clock P.M. After the children spent
Christmas at home. Rebecca went to see Mrs Warrington, J. J.
Bowie and Sister Kitty. Went to a large party at Mrs Pegg's
Mary took a violent cold and was confined to her bed sev-
eral days. Wilkins did not improve rapidly. Commenced
declining in strength. Complained of cold extremities and
general chilliness. had a spitting of blood. Dr A Pegg was
sent for but was too sick to come. Sent for Dr Artemus
Pegg, who advised a blister, which drew well. Tom Pegg
called to bring him a partidge at 4 o'clock. It commenced
raining and he concluded to stay all night. Wilkins
talked until most ten when I begged him to retire.
Soon after entering his chamber he had a very heavy
hemorrhage. I sent off for the Dr who came between
1 and 2 A.M. Mr Davis came the next day.
Miss E Brown, Mrs Bowie, and Miss Harriet

Greffith sat up with him every night, alternating
with Rebecca and myself - The first hemorrhage
was on the 10th of January and continued at intervals
for nearly a month - The neighbors far and near, Ulwin
and Trush, came to enquire and proffer their services -
Mrs Bowie staid two weeks - After Miss E Brown had
been here 4 1/2 weeks I began to think so did Wilkins and
Rebecca it would ^{be} best for her to go home for a while. Mr
were expecting Abigail and Annie Glenn from Baltimore.
I remarked at breakfast Miss Lizzie I am going to send
you home this morning. I fear I have taxed your kind-
ness too far, keeping you here sitting up part of
almost every night, and your health so delicate,
I in a very excited manner she said I will not go
After no breakfast seemed very much irritated. Said
she would not go home, she would go to Mr Hutton,
would not accept the Rockaway, would walk there
Said I only wanted to get rid of her - After a
violent ebullition of passion she went home and sent
a letter by the servant to Wilkins and myself hoping
if we really wanted her services again we would send
for her and she would come with pleasure -

Achsa and Annie Glenn came up from Baltimore and staid 4 or 5 weeks. They slept alternately in Wilkins room, and were very gracious, agreeable and attentive. Mr Leavis had quite a spell of sickness which confined him to bed nearly a week - I was also quite sick with a head ache.

I went to Baltimore and staid at Achsa's. The members of many of the Methodist churches who are opposed to the insertion of the new Chapter in our discipline have withdrawn and intend erecting churches separate from Conference jurisdiction. Achsa and Louisa have withdrawn from the Charles St Church -

Went to hear Dr Schuck - Went down street with Achsa to purchase some gold paper for my parlor.

The Confederates have fallen back from Manassas and entrenched themselves along the James & Rappahannock rivers. The Federals are now before Yorktown - An awful battle is daily expected. The Confederates have been driven out of Kentucky, Tennessee & Missouri - Beauregard is not at Shorth with 80,000 men where a terrible conflict is also expected. The exploit of the Mer-

humour attending to business. Isaac among the rest - ^{before Easter} ~~before Easter~~ Moses who was to have been free in 1 1/2 years went off. He was a bad negro, and a happy riddance. The night before Easter Wm who was a slave for a term of years ran off and one week after his brother Wm Ford, who was also a slave for a term of years ran off - I am not sorry they are gone as they were very disagreeable. Though our best hands, but we have two white men who are peaceable and very industrious ^{in their place}. If we could command free labour I would not only prefer it, but would submit to many inconveniences and privations to be rid of compulsory labor. Since the recent slavery agitation the servants are so sullen, and very apparently discontented.

May 1st 1862 This morning Isaac is missing. He would soon have ^{been} in the quarter and a serious expense, I am glad he has gone - Wilkins improves very slowly, is still confined to the house by the cool and damp weather. Wrote to Mrs Parryson to Enquire about Paper Town - The loss of our servant's labor is very trying just at this busy ^{time} but I am sure it will be better in the end.

May 3rd This morning five or six of our cattle are missing and Nitty a fine blooded mare is brought in with a serious cut on her leg - Mr Davis succeeded in getting a liquor bill forbidding the sale of adult spirits in this district. The neighbors with the exception of Mr Davis, Mr Mayruda and Mr Reddy signed a petition to Judge ^{Brown} praying licenses might be granted to the dealers in this neighborhood. It surely speaks badly for the moral character of our district. Weather mild but damp - A note from Miss Robinson.

May 4th - Went to Salem Church. Heard an excellent sermon from Mr Hopkins on Sabbath school instruction. Called at Dr Howards. Mr Abert to dinner. A man entered the church with a very solemn air, and took a remote seat. He had an unusual high collar, a very wide white stock, white cotton gloves. After service he sat for some time with handkerchiefs to his face. Then advanced toward the Minister and shook his hand violently, bowed to the men and bowed his head to the ladies. I think he must have been insane.

May 5th The Confederates have evacuated Yorktown leaving 71 heavy guns to the Enemy. Poor French. What can this all mean. New Orleans and Baton Rouge are in the hands of the Federals.

Prev Mr Effinger spent the day. Mr Davis gone to Baltimore. I intend seeing Cousin Mr Loring who is ill. Dr Buckler and Smith have seen him, his condition critical. Dr Buckler thinks the lump on his forehead of no consequence. Messrs Thompson & Bowie to dinner Sunday. I really consider this Sunday visiting not only a great nuisance but a positive sin.

Mrs Tom Warrington and Miss Singleton to dinner. The Confederates have evacuated Norfolk, The Merrimack burnt to the water's edge, and the Federal troops in pursuit of the retreating Army. No slaves allowed to be arrested in Washington not even by loyal citizens.

May 19 Rebecca spent the day at a picnic near our mill - did not return until 7 o'clock. Mrs Bowie, Thomas and wife and Mrs Bratty came to take leave of her. We left Tuesday 20 for Baltimore and staid with Mrs Adams. We found the company very pleasant, Mrs Chilton, Mrs Potter and daughter from N. Carolina, Mr Goddard, & Mr Winslow in the Federal service, Mr Sural and some others. They were all very kind and seemed to take great interest in Wilkins. The Potters were evidently persons of wealth and high social position. Miss Potter had

been educated at Miss Eastmans P.A. played on the piano and sang remarkably well. She dressed with great taste and quite expensively, but unfortunately Mrs Potter lacked decision and Miss had neither learned to obey her mother or treat her with respect even in public. So we often had little episodes in the drawing room painful to the spectators and very humiliating to the mother. I was sitting on the sofa, Miss Potter drew her chair in front of me and with a most distressed countenance said "now Mrs Lewis I want to tell you how my mother has treated me." I said excuse me Miss Potter these are times when the wisest people are at a loss to determine the safest course. You remember the old adage, "Young people think old people fools, but old people know ^{young} people to be fools." She laughed and was silent. Mr Goddard was very intelligent and treated Rebecca with great courtesy. Mr Sewall played the buffoon, was a violent secessionist much to the annoyance of Mr M Pherson a rabid republican who sat opposite to him at table, there were about thirty boarders, the upper end Mrs Adams called the aristocratic end or seash, the lower were the Union folk. However we got on very pleasantly. We must not forget Parson Saul an Episcopal clergyman from N Orleans. He was

formerly president of the branch U.S. Bank at N Orleans, of course must have been a financier, had travelled a great deal, been a finished man of the world, but in advanced life had entered the ministry. He was very fond of talking religion and at the sight of a card in the drawing room always hurried to his chamber, but Mrs Adams who was somewhat factious said you must watch the parson at dinner and then you will see how self denying he is. After breakfast Wilkins went to market to get some strawberries, but the parson who said he went to market and bought some strawberries but was cheated; they put large strawberries on top and green ones ^{underneath} on top, he then went to another place and got some more. Then took a third Edition of strawberries and in cream at dinner. We poor fallen creatures are certainly all at times very inconsistent. Dr John Buckler says Wilkins must take Cod liver oil once a day, and whiskey three times a day 1/2 wine glass at a time rubs his breast and shoulders with a counter irritant twice a day and take every day before dinner to stimulate his appetite. Ser Riggs has advised silk shirts at \$5 1/2 pr drawers at \$9 pr 2 pr, and stockings at \$1 pr pr quite an expensive outfit. Sister Glenn and her family have all been very often to see us. We all went to her house and spent the

evening, when I entered the parlour I found Mrs Bacchus
and Miss Maria Smith, In a short time they withdrew.
My sisters Achsa & Louisa, Mary and Ester, & Cousin
Comfort were the only company. Dr Buckler seems pos-
sibly Wilkins will have himmouhuges as soon as he reaches
paper town, so I determined to go up and remain a
short time with him.

We went up home with Mr Davis. Mr Roman
had written word he Mrs Roman, Miss Sallie and Miss
Kennedy would be with us on Tuesday; but on Monday a letter
came saying something would prevent their visit.

I returned to Baltimore and accompa-
nied Wilkins and Rebecca to Paper Town via
Harrisburgh and Carlisle. We went from Carlisle
to Paper Town in a hack. I asked the proprietor
Mr Clarke whether I should pay him or the driver.
I must pay him. It turned out the hack cost \$2.50
and I was made to pay \$3.50. We had the best rooms
at Clarke's, and found no one there but the Misses
Stewarts daughters of Gen Stewart, and their coun-
-in Miss Edmunson. Mr & Miss Marriott were at
Shaw's. The parlors were small and cozy -

We all walked together every morning after break-
fast and greatly enjoyed the refreshing and
stimulating atmosphere, rambling along ^{the} stream
or strolling in the woods - Rebecca collected
beautiful mosses, to my surprise on our return
some Rebecca has found even handsomer in
our own woods arrange them in a glass dish
with a glass bowl over them. They look beautiful.
She made a number of baskets for different
persons.

I returned to Baltimore went to
Mrs Jones closing exhibition. Mary & Ester
received some premiums Mrs Jones was very
anxious that I should promise to return them
but I shall ^{not} do so. I fear the influence of the as-
sociation has already proved injurious to them.
They do not seem much improved & Ester had
her cards visited taken at Brudans.

We had a musical soiree in the
Brookville Church. Misses Pettyman & Waters
assisted. Professor Daniels and daughters from
Washington with the addition of the brass

band from Clarksburg - Rev Messrs Cassidy
Effinger, Hopkins & Bear, and Hutton were there
The house was crowded and the performance really
very fine. Mr Davis was requested to return the
Thanks of the audience to the performers. He
went forward to be introduced to them and
assured them he would be happy to see them at
his house. The next morning a note came before
I was out of bed to say, the Band would dine
with us. We sent invitations to the Ministers
and other gentlemen in the neighborhood to say
we would be happy to see them at 2 o'clock. About
1 o'clock, 18 came and we had a most agreeable
time. The whole company were seated on the
lawn under the shade of our fine old trees.
Mr Davis came up from Baltimore with Mrs
Alexander. She remained here five weeks.
I do not admire as the intimate companion
of my daughter. She is much to be pitied
as she lost her mother when an infant. She is
too fond of society and continued excitement.
Every Tuesday, they all go to a musical service

Peggs and Magruder was exempted, The Genl
Hals went on to Gordonsville. In route to Rich-
mond. Will he get there. They have been driven
across the Rappahannock. The Enemy make
a point to cross after him, but in the mean-
while are deploying around to flank which
they do, capture all his wagons and large
amount of stores. After a succession of battles
at Bull Run, Malvern Hill, Culpeper Court
House, between Centerville and Fairfax, they were
finally driven back to Washington, as Mr Armon
says they are fairly bagged or rather tired.

It is rumoured Jackson has crossed the
Potomac. There is much excitement and alarm
A large body of troops are drawn up in line of
battle near Rockville. Pickets are stationed
along our roads, scouts are rushing up and
down.

Jackson has certainly crossed and
taken possession of Frederick. Bradley Johnson
and his staff rode into the city and demanded
its surrender - They purchased all the shoes

clothing and stores in the City - paying for them in Confederate Scrip and green backs. Sep 11th 1862 Burnside's division passed up the road to Cranklin. Gen Hooker's division, Gen Patrick's, and Gen Ricketts passed here thirty thousand strong. I consider them perfectly demoralized, a lawless mob - A number of officers stopped here some only took refreshment others staid all night. The first officer who arrived put a guard of 12 privates and an officer, or we should have been dreadfully annoyed after the army past an officer rode up to the gate and told the men they had work before them for there were at least 1000 stragglers on the road. Soon about one dozen ruffians approached the gate, the guard immediately presented his bayonet and ^{they} turned away muttering curses and imprecations. One night we had Gen Patrick, another a Col and a Major, another two Surgeons and three Lieutenants. So we always felt protected. Men would ride up and say "I want dinner for four or six men." "I want accom-

modation to night, supper and breakfast for so many, and would look quite astonished when told they could not be accommodated. One night we have 5 officers, 4 sick privates, and 4 on guard to feed, 20 slept in the barn and cooked their own rations. We have now 4 sick soldiers. The guard has been several times relieved. Their Company is from Massachusetts, an stationed at Brookville I should expect them to receive marching orders. Gen Patrick seemed much discouraged. Said Gen M^r Towell was a fine planner and a brave man but on the field was incapable of taking command, and Gen Pope was an abortion. Said when officers on the battle field would ride up to Pope and ask for orders he would reply do the best you can and so each man went on his own hook. He told Mr Davis confidentially, it was the opinion in high political circles in Washington, the Southern Confederacy must be acknowledged. An officer told me matters had assumed a new phase, they were now only fighting for a boundary. That

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They were all tired of it, and thought they ought to stop and settle it. He said there ^{was} no promotion now by the Cabinet unless the applicant was an abolitionist and none by the army if the officer was any thing of a disciplinarian. He said Popes order had ruined the army, they now thought more of pillage than any thing else, that all their ardour had been crushed out of them, and the only hope was from the new recruits. all seemed to deplore their want of good generals. Jackson's name seemed to them a just sign of defeat. A fellow came up with a bucket and asked for some milk. Wilkins very imprudently refused to let them have any. He went off doubling his fist and bowing vengeance, that night he broke into the dairy and took some milk and a large milk strainer which cost \$1,25. Our servant saw a party sitting round a fire cooking in our strainer and dipping into a jar of our servant Harrieth's preserves which they stole. They killed servant ^{Wilson's} boy. and took all his chickens

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They also took servant Isaacs chickens. Large numbers came in and asked for something to eat. The Sargent of the guard generally accompanied them to the door. We fed hundreds of them, Poor creatures they seem so weary, dejected and some sick. Some of them seemed so grateful, but others were very unkind they said Jackson run them so hard they were worn out. They nearly all expressed themselves weary of the war. All day yesterday we heard cannon. It was near Harpers ferry. Jackson has gone over the river very wisely before the Equinoctial rains. I packed up my selen for the boat - sent a trunk and two ^{or three} boxes to Achsai, and 7 boxes to Parrs, 4 contained China, 2 contained glass, 1 my work box, writing desk, and some handsomely bound books. Wilkins went with them. At Ellicotts the wagon was stopped, and they just about prizing one of the boxes with a bayonet when Wilkins presented his letter from Gen Patrick to Gen Wool, which proved sufficient. Coming out he found some difficulty

but happening to have an old pass in his pocket - it did him good service. Mr Earp was quite provoked, and said why you do not know an honest man when you see him. I was for the Union and am still if it can be preserved, but if not then I must go south, Peaceable if possible but if not then a beacon light on every hill, and let the tocsin sound to arms & to arms.

Sept 15th - 62 We heard the cannon all day yesterday there was a battle near Hagerstown. According to the American the Confederates under Lee were defeated. Gen Longstreet taken prisoner 15,000 killed and wounded. They expressed themselves very much disappointed at the secessionists - not hurrying to join them. I think their invading Maryland, and threatening Pennsylvania was a great mistake. It was strongly opposed by members of their own Congress - Gen Pers was killed. Captain Magruder U. S. was resigned. Mrs Larrison has kindly invited me to come on to N. York.

Sept 18th Hagerstown The Confederates have taken Harpers ferry with 12,000 prisoners. Col Miles who commanded had both his legs shot off by a shell. He died under the Rufr. Another great battle near Shepards town. The federals said to be victorious. Watkins has just returned from Mr Worthingtons. He was in the rear of a brigade of pretty rough fellows; two fellows were lagging behind, one said get ~~down~~ and let us ride. Watkins took no notice, he then said let us knock him off and take it any how, the other said Oh No the rear guard is behind. Our guard have gone, but we have a tent just inside the gate, a sick soldier sits in front of it all day, when any one enters he steps forward and if it happens to be a straggler he concludes the guard are in the tent and pass on. An officer dined here yesterday and bought Watkins horse - Flit for \$125 -

Sept 19th They have now been fighting hard for three days and the papers tell there must be another great battle to decide who is victorious. Our sick man heard his Company 51st.

had been engaged and were nearly cut to pieces. He seemed to be quite happy he was in such good quarters. Mr. Waters has just returned from the battle field. Many of the dead lay unburied. Weather damp

Saturday 20th 62. Three sick soldiers called and slept at night in Mr. B's office. Sunday they left for Washington professing to be heartily disgusted with the war. In the afternoon I went to church. Mr. Abot read an interesting sermon on the duty of resignation to the divine will, setting forth the sinfulness of murmuring and discontent as exemplified in the punishment of the Jews, which was certainly left on record for our instruction. And yet this is my besetting sin. I cannot feel resigned to all the misfortunes that have befallen me. If I could believe they were in the order of Divine Providence, but alas I fear they are the results of my own folly.

Monday 22^d Mrs. Waters, Ida, and Soliers paid us a visit this afternoon. The Confederates after very hard fighting retreated across the Potomac

is laid up with a sore leg, George has a gathering in his head and seems crazed. Wilson is sick at home, but is busy cutting his own corn crop. Isaac, Reuben, and Pompey have gone to Hood's mill for flour. Dick has only one arm and these seven are all the male servants left. Mr. Earp our manager came home from Wash - sick and there was no one to feed but Mr. Bowman a hired white man. Mr. Davis seems very desponding as he has to rely on women for most of the work - The future seems perfect chaos, who can bring order out of this confusion. This negro mania seems so strange. Mr. D met a sick soldier on the road on making some enquiries of him the man remarked unfortunately he was of the wrong color to expect any kindness or attention. The President has dismissed Major Key from the service for simply remarking the war will be protracted until after the next presidential election, when it will be settled on good old Democratic principles. Had peaches pared to dry for peach puddings, Mr. Walsh made peach preserves, and stewed peaches in sugar

for tarts.

Friday 2nd Wilkins returned from Baltimore he looks wretchedly, has lost ten pounds since his return from Paper Town - Dr Buckler very bluntly told him, he considered his lungs deeply affected, indeed this was a serious pulmonary affection. When he told us we were very sad. The loss of our personal property & the demoralization of our servants - and the coldness of friends, are nothing compared with this severe trial. To see this world one so full of promise crushed just on the threshold of manhood. But we must look up. It is all that can be done. We look into the Bible and read the hairs of our head, all numbered, and not a sparrow falls to the ground without his notice. God appoints in wrath or mercy, and we must ask for the grace of submission.

Sat-4th Has gone to see Mr Hallowell to make enquiries about Minnesota.

Sunday 5th In the afternoon we all left for Church. The tongue of the carriage somehow stopped

up and the horses ran off. Two servants happening to be in the road stopped them, and we were all miraculously escaped, preserved.

Monday 6th Wilkins went to Baltimore to get his exemption papers.

Tuesday 7th Left this morning for Baltimore with the intention of going to New York, to consult Dr Hunter - I shall also employ him for Mary who has a free officers discharge from the militia. My house keeper also went. This is a great effort for me to undertake house keeping, but I think it a duty I owe the children, to make them learn something in view of the change that must certainly take place in our social relations. The government seems determined on the ruin of the country - In the evening we had a musical. It was a sweet moonlight night and a large number of persons came. Miss Seaniels sang delightfully. Miss Singleton remained all night. Weather dry and sultry.

Wednesday 8th The girls busy making grey pants - loons for sick Confederates -

Thursday 9th This afternoon Mary dressed in her father's pants, a white body and Louisa's jacket. She and Rebecca danced round dances to our great amusement. She looked like an extremely graceful young man - Just as they were leaving on the Rockaway for the reading Coleridge Mr Thompson rode in to escort them to Brookville.

Friday 10th Mr Thompson escorted them home last night.

Tuesday Oct-14th The Confederate Cavalry under Gen Stuart - have made a bold raid into Pennsylvania. They visited Chambersburg and destroyed \$200,000 of property besides securing a large number of valuable horses, one fine stallion valued at \$1200. A large amount of clothing, shoes and blankets. They swept around Gen McClellan's Army, visited Emmitsburg, Liberty, and recrossed at Conrad's Ferry. They were at least 60 hours in the Federal lines. They were pursued but as they said fooled them all. Mary & R. went into the village at 2 1/2 o'clock to take a singing lesson with Miss Daniels. Took tea with Mrs W. Waters. A good many

persons at the Musical. Mr Thompson saw them home.

Wed Oct-15th Mary received a letter from Watkins, Dr Hunter thinks the upper part of his right lung contracted considerably, gave him Cod Liver oil, and an inhalant. Mr B. received a letter from Mr Gaither enclosing five tickets from Pittsburgh to Cincinnati, and promise of further assistance. Also received a letter from Mr. Hallowell enclosing letters from Mr Bryan of Washington and Dr Jackson of ^{Boston} Baltimore highly recommending Minnie's tea and giving several instances of entire recovery from pulmonary affections. Reading a work on Negro Emancipation, shewing its results - wherever it has been attempted and consummated, in Hayti, Jamaica, Central America & New Granada, followed invariably by decay and ruin. The northern free States exported in 1859 \$12,000,000, the southern \$246,000,000. Any decline in the quantity of southern produce must increase the price of such articles. If cotton is scarce, less will be used, the number of mills and operatives lessened and thus

many Mechanics and artisans Thrown out of
Employ. I see no future for the Country but ruin.
Oct 16th - 62 The girls have gone to the Coterie, Bebra
is to read a Composition in blank Verse called
"Ahab". I feel the change since my housekeeper
left. To break fast - to get; I mean to send out into
the field for white hands is not pleasant.
Made apple pies for them with my own hands
had rolls made and baked this afternoon for
breakfast in the morning, and a delightful
Yally. Lun for tea. Mr Davis wrote a letter to
the Sec of War, through Mr Rev Johnson praying
our country might be exempt from draft, on
account of the losses sustained by the depore
of the troops, the exemption of the numerous
body of quakers, the loss of our laboring hands
a large portion of whom have absconded, and
the employment of many of its citizens in
Washington by the government which exempt
so large a number that the quota require
456. will take 1 out of 2. The Secretary of War
has advised him through Mr Johnson to

apply to for Bradford. He goes to morrow to
Annapolis. When Jackson was in Maryland it is
said some ladies surrounded him, cut the buttons
from his coat, and commenced on his pants, for the
first time in his life he was alarmed fearing he
might be left only his shirt collar and spurs.
Mr Davis saw Bradford, but he seemed to feel
no interest; he said the draft must go on, and then
them it will rest with the Sec of War. Miss
Davis has written to Mr Blair soliciting his interference.
Cousin Wm Dorsey is very low Mr Davis saw
him, he thinks for the last time. Wilkins writes
he is much improved under Hunter.

Miss Singleton came today to assist the girls
in cutting out shirts for the Confederate prisoners.

Mr Riggs to tea, he staid very late.

It rained heavily, but the girls went to church
and took with them seven shirts - to give out to men?

I fully intended to Baltimore this morning
but as it rained heavily all day yesterday and
is raining to day I postponed it. Mr Davis has
written several pieces for the American over Observer

Poor Cousin Wm died Saturday morning
Gen M^r commenced his march to Virginia
last Thursday. The Northern papers are clamor-
ous for an advance and a speedy termination of the
war. England threatens intervention if something
is not soon effected. When Wilkins left Papu-
town Mr Hoffman carried his trunk to the
Express office in Carlisle. For some weeks it has
not been heard of. Wilkins has been again and again
to the Express office, but no tidings of it. Mr Davis thought
it well to see this elicited attention, and they set to work
in good earnest to find it. It was soon forthcoming.
Hearing it was at Acers I requested it might be sent
on to N. York. Wilkins came on from N. York. It had
just been sent to the Express office, he hastened to the
office and stopped it. It was to be sent up di-
rectly. But it was snatched up and went
travelling around for several days, but it has
reached home at last after a series of adventures.
Its contents cost \$150. Hunter has certainly been
-fitted Wilkins very much.

I went to Baltimore to fit him

out for Minnesota. Met Mr Amos and his wife
at Acers. Met my old friend Mr Norris -
Gen M^r Clellan has ^{been} displaced from
the army. Burnside takes his place.

Poor Wilkins left this morning for
Baltimore en route to Minnesota. ^{Angel of the} May the Lord
go with him and direct his steps. Rebecca accom-
panied him. It cost me a great struggle of feel-
ing to part from him. Events of such extraordinary
character have succeeded each other in such rapid
succession in the last few years, that I am al-
ways anticipating some new distressing develop-
ment. I have been musing to day on some of the
events of my early years which are very roman-
tic. When about twenty years of age I went
to the Light St. M. E. Church, and sat in the gallery
with the Sunday children as teacher. I saw a tall, gen-
-tle looking young man, whom I thought very handsome
with a sweet, engaging countenance enter the church
and take a seat in the middle aisle. His air and
manner was very devout. His appearance deeply
impressed me. On returning home I mentioned

it to my sisters. At night we all looked for the stranger but in vain. Sabbath after Sabbath I noticed everyone in Church, but he was not there. We called him the Unknown. When I would return from a walk they would say, Did you see or hear of the Unknown with whom I professed to be deeply smitten. I concluded he was some stranger who had passed rapidly through the City. After some months I went to Camp-meeting. Entering the front-tent I saw him sitting. I hurried to our sleeping tent and exclaimed The Unknown is in the front-tent. They all hurried out to meet him. A short time before my father died he had with me a private interview. He said he thought it was his duty to say to me he knew I was attached to Dr. Delin, and he thought the attachment mutual but it was his wish I should never marry him. He liked him as a man very much, but he was unmistakably in ⁱⁿdecline. After my father's death he addressed me. I told him I would marry him if my mother would consent, and requested him to see her and ask her consent. He did so

Ma told me she objected to it, because she thought he would go off in a decline, and she objected to his friends, who did not move she thought in her circle. I however was determined to marry him, but thought I ought not to act rashly, or hastily. I went to class and requested Dr. Roberts to remain for some private conversation. I told him of my attachment, and Ma's opposition and requested him as my friend to enquire his character as to Medical Capacity, as on his ability to practice medicine was my hope for future support. If he had sufficient ability I knew the standing of my family and the countenance and influence of my relatives so many of them persons of wealth and influence would enable him readily to get practice. In a few days I saw him again. He stated as the result of his Enquiry. He was considered an amiable young man, but all that he could gather from Dr. Right who was chief physician at the almshouse and from other sources was very unfavorable to his character, and impossible

me he was considered a young man of very moderate abilities. I was deeply disappointed. I wrote him a note declining his attentions on the score of my mother's disapproval and saw him no more. After a lapse of several years he married Miss Keener. Her father and mother are now dead and she heirs a handsome property. His father and mother are dead his only brother is a wealthy old bachelor and he is his only heir. I learn he has been very successful and has a very extensive practice. My single sisters are very intimate with him and his wife. I believe we were deeply and sincerely attached to each other but our marriage could never have been written in Heaven -

Mr Davis has returned from Baltimore. Wilkins and W. Bowie left yesterday for St. Pauls - Mr S and W. Stand at Barnums. R went down to breakfast and saw her brother to the cars. Mr Hoffman and M^r Kim called to see them. Rebecca is at her Aunt-Ant's. I am going to spend some time at her Aunt's.

love the travel very well. Though detained 36 hrs. Burnside was to be in Richmond in ten days, but the roads are very muddy in consequence of the recent heavy rains, the rail roads have been so damaged that it will be impossible for the Army to move under two weeks - Great preparations are making to attack Charleston, and drive the Confederates out of N. Carolina, and open navigation on the Mississippi but the Confederates seem to be on the alert to prepare them a warm reception. The accounts from the seat of war of the outrages & wanton destruction of private property is truly heartrending. The houses burnt, the contents carried off or ruthlessly destroyed, the fences burned, cattle and stock driven off, the land desolated, in some places not a blade of grass visible for miles, a perfect desert, all the fruit of patient, earnest toil, or the patrimony handed down from wealthy parents, which was regarded as certain and ample support for old age swept as with the broom of destruction. ~~When~~ ~~is~~ ~~the~~ ~~age~~ ~~is~~ ~~the~~ The shadows of evening fall on the fair old mansion venerable in years. Does the old family

waiter lower the curtains, light the lamps, and
 being in the tea? Is the lord grandeur in his cushion
 chair listening to the innocent platitudes who cluster
 around his knee? The cares of the day ended, is the
 father conning the news paper, or penning a few lines
 to an absent friend, or reading some choice book, or
 or studying perhaps the sacred page? Has the
 mother laid aside her thousand petty cares to
 enjoy the luxury of a quiet evening, has she opened
 favorite author, or reclining on a sofa, requests her
 young daughter just budding into womanhood
 to beguile the passing hour with some soothing
 air and touching sentiment, or perhaps songs of
 praise to him who has crowned his life with so
 many mercies? Alas! Alas! How many such
 mansions are now only heaps of ruins, to tell the
 passer by this was once a home. Where are now
 those lord ones? When are those wanderers Oh
 God in the midst of wrath Remember Mercy"
 Nov 23 - 62 Went to St Johns, heard Mr Barr
 on the necessity of individual Evangelism
 Tamed. He came with us to dinner and staid all night

entirely untrue. She was not aware until just before
 her marriage he had eight children. She has six
 by her. Three of her sons are in the Confederate Army
 and she has no support save her own property, much
 lessened by secession. Cousin John married an heiress
 she soon died and left him one son Harrison Loney.
 Her maiden name was Harrison. He then married
 a daughter of Dr Harris of Philadelphia. She left one
 son Thomas. His third ^{wife} was a daughter of Senator
 Mason. She had a large property left her by an Uncle,
 it is in Pennsylvania, and has been confiscated. He bought
 some property near Elletts at a high price expect-
 ing to pay for it with her money. It was not paid
 for, interest has been added to principal and now
 his whole estate is under attachment. He went to
 Virginia to see his wife. She would not consent to
 his return, became identified with public affairs
 and now cannot return. His wife is keeping board
 house in Richmond. Her mother and sister are with
 her. The Mason mansion and estate being totally
 despoiled. John's affairs are in a sad state.
 He says "I am a broken hearted man - God says

I will visit the sins of the fathers upon the children and I much fear this is an instance of it.
 Sunday Nov 30th 62 - Heard Mr Wilson "Ye must be born again" - Mr Williams at night "Except ye repent etc -"

Monday it rained, in the evening took tea with Sister Glenn - Rebecca is spending some time with Lucy, they have been very kind to her introducing her. She has spent part of a legacy left her by her father grandmother Wilkins in a watch & chain.

Tuesday I bought a coal stove for the library and a small stove for Rebecca's chamber -

Wednesday returned. Had a terrible time in the cars with some drunken soldiers, a pistol was fired, sabres drawn, a soldier reeled over me drew out his revolver and brandishing it declared Jeff Davis was the best man ever born save Jesus Christ. A very genteel young man sitting in front of me, begged me to be composed and assured I and Rebecca we should be protected. A German volunteer exclaimed to our amusement, they gave me a grate big coat, which came down to my heels,

and a pay to put me supper in, and a grate soul of sausage and a bit of bread, and when I get me knapsack and me blanket, the devil a bit I can walk, and if I get shot it will certainly be in me back, for I will certainly run.

Thursday Dec 4th Mr Davis went to Agricultural College, thence to Baltimore. Our servants are fully impressed. They are to be free at New Year -

Have been in bed three days with a violent headache and three days more in my room, very much prostrated. Miss Robinson kindly sent me Melburns Ten years of Preachers Life. Anyone who could marry a blind itinerant preacher without a dollar must certainly be very reckless, or have an uncommon faith that smiles at impossibilities or a love stronger than death. At any rate their organ of cautionness Combs would make very small. This experience of Western life, I fear would not be much to Wilkins taste. Cabin of one and two rooms, Soda and Salarratus biscuits, half done pone and seed cake, coffee. He thinks the people worthy the common adage "Shut your eyes and go it blind". There are no helps to be had, so they say the West is a fine County for Men and horses, but death on Women and oxen"

Wilkins met with a variety of incidents - After leaving
Alton, the locomotive and two express trains were thrown
off the track, and precipitated down an embankment
of 30ft - After leaving Cincinnati another accident
occurred and the engine was tossed over an em-
bankment of 25ft. The breaking of a coupling saved
the car he was in. The baggage car went over and
his trunk was stowed in at the end. At Wabasha
every thing was very neat, and the fare was good, and
the room he had being warmed by only a stove pipe he
had to dress in a temperature 7 deg below zero - He
has reached St Pauls. I wrote him to buy a sleigh
and horse, and take along with every day, to with
some bright eyed damsel sometimes to accompany
him. When a young lady talks much the college boys
say "she's a buck" so I told him to select a buck, he
could be entertained without the risk of flaking cold -
But I did not care about his bringing a buck to my
land. There was a superabundance here. Frederick's
burg has been shelled and the city almost entirely
destroyed. There was a great battle this
10,000 men were killed. The troops have re-
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The Rappahannock in haste. Had they made
another attack on the Rebels, they would have been
destroyed or captured. Even the American despairing
-ly exclaims, we are at a stand still for some time
to come.

My religion can be expressed in a few
words simply to thy cross I cling.

"In My hands no price I bring
Simply to thy cross I cling"

I sometimes feel happy in view of eternal life.
I realize that I am daily nearing "that happy shore"
I have had wealth and position, with bitter disap-
pointments, deep sorrows, and close trials, but
there was a "needs be" in them all, and they have
only wafted me heavenward. I rejoice that when
I enter those gates of pearl and walk those streets
of gold my "mourning will be turned into joy" and
God will wipe away all tears from my eyes.

Dec 22^d Paid a visit to Mrs J. Waters, & Mrs
John Hall; carried a bowl of sausage to Mr White-
sides. Mr Seward has resigned. The whole cabinet
are expected to follow. A committee from the Bor-

mer States have called on Mr Lincoln to pro-
 ceed against his promised proclamation the first of Jan
 I in his answer was "I am an Anti-slavery man, I
 see through slavery the strong arm of the rebellion it
 must be lopped off." A letter from Mr Wilkins, he is
 still improving. So much in the open air, and taking
 a great deal of exercise. Has been to St Anthony,
 -2- Minnehaha, and Fort Snelling where he saw 12,000
 he friendly Sioux Indians, men, women, children, horses,
 he dogs, and oxen, all living together. Gen Sibley, Dr Pat-
 -terson, and Mr Kubber had called on them and
 he invited them to dine Gen Sibley at 4 o'clock. Mr
 he Mr Kubber at 5 o'clock, quite fashionable for the time.
 he Wilkins proposes going to Fairbault to see Bishop
 he Whipple and accompany him on his Episcopal
 he tour for a while. Two deserters at night, they tell
 he us the "boys" are very sick of the nigger question
 -to that when they see a negro they feel like ringing
 he his neck off.

Dr 21st - Rev Mr Brown at night. Mr Brown
 he may be a good man, but according to my view
 he indulges too much in desultory conversation

and tells too many ludicrous stories on the
 Sabbath for my strict notions of Sabbath obser-
 -vance. He told one of Mr Gruber which was cer-
 -tainly not very refined for the entertainment
 of young ladies. At a camp meeting the people
 were thronging about the altar, the ladies
 standing on the planks or seats. They had been
 repeatedly requested to get down, but in vain.
 At length Mr Gruber came forward and said
 ladies please get off those seats, they took no
 notice of him. He then said Will those wo-
 -men please get down from those seats, one
 or two got down. He then passionately exclaimed
 You pussies get down! the seats were in
 a few moments empty. Turning round to
 the minister he gravely said "You see they
 know their names." We are in the midst
 of a great revolution, perhaps on the verge
 of anarchy and every conceivable war. The
 stoutest hearts shrink back appalled at
 the contemplation of the future shrouded
 as it is in mystery. The ablest statesmen

And the keenest politician seem at an
utter loss, the ship of state is in the breaker
rolling and tossing, every timber strains
to its utmost, the captain is unequal to his
position, we are on every side, the helms-
man knows not which way to steer, all
is disorder and confusion, But one thing is
certain there is some great purpose to be ac-
complished, We are to become two great na-
tions, or slavery is to be abolished, If the lat-
ter what untold horrors may be enacted in
the South during the coming year. My heart
bleeds at the thought. I ought not to judge others,
but I do not like trifling at any time on the Sab-
bath, but especially at the present time, It is also
a bad example, to young Christians.

Dec 25th Church at Mechanisville, Misses W. Brey,
Thompson, Wall and Bowie Magruder, to spend the
evening. I want Martha was married. There was
feasting and finery. Red, white and blue ribbons,
with book muslins. The groomsman had red white
and blue ~~some~~ rosettes. The negroes have enjoy

themselves very much. They alone had parties in the
holidays. With Emancipation their exemption from
care cannot possibly continue, as they will be compelled
to make provision for their own wants.

Dec 27th 62 - Messrs Brey and Thompson, (Wald
Dec 28th - Went to Church in Brookville).
Mr Hammond preached on the transfiguration on
the mount.

Dec 29th Misses Water, Miss Davis & Mr S Water to
tea - Watkins continues to improve. Says he is quite
strong at St Paul. Dined at Mr Mackubbin's at
5 o'clock with Judge Watkins and other gentlemen and
ladies. Took tea with Mr Braumont to whom he had
a letter from P. Master General Blair. Dined also at
Dr Patterson's admired his handsome daughters. Various
gentlemen had called during the past week on him and
invited him to visit their families. He had just been
fitting himself out for his travel with the Bishop
says if I were to appear in Baltimore in my trav-
elling costume I would attract more attention than
the fougars; in my buffalo cap, coat, mittens, socks, &
flaming red leggings and green goggles.

Dec 31st The girls have been spending a couple
of days with Uncle Tom, and Cousin Tom Brown.
Jan 3^d 1863. Mr Thompson caught Mary Phillips
so Mary sent him in a fancy box wrapped in ed-
-tow & Sugar Cigar lighted at the end, and the
following lines I wrote for her to accompany it,

Impromptu

This little Cigar,
Didst come very far,
and the lady who sent it,
A Phil. meant it.

Perhaps it was lighted,
By some absent one slighted.
But who'er she may be,
She's a stranger to me.

Oh think of the past!
The one you loved last?
Was she infidel or Turk,
Dost nothing tender yet lurk?
Concealed in your breast
For the one you loved best?

He had a dog named Turk for which he showed

such an attachment that his friends generally call
him Turk Thompson.

Jan 4th 63 Went to Mechanicsville. Heard Mr Thompson
Brown and he shall be called Jesus." Quite an
evangelical discourse. The church is very prettily
dressed. In front of the choir. Gloria to God in the High-
est, over the pulpit Emmanuel surmounted by
a star, and in perspective a cross. The pulpit, gallery
and pillars wreathed in green. The children have
been much praised for this performance. Rebecca
Wode to church on horseback, and Mr J Pigg came
with her to dinner, staid until 9 o'clock. We were all
tired out with such an uninteresting visitor on the
Sabbath eve. It is such a burden and interruption
after tea I read several pieces from the Episcopal Re-
-corder to him, and then went into the kitchen and
read a very eloquent sermon on the river of pure crystal
in revelations by a black man to some of the servants.
I collected

Jan 5th 63. W Bowie writes he reached Fortbault
the evening before Christmas and met the finest
man I ever saw, Bishop Whipple. He and Wilkins

assisted to dress the Church. They were delighted with Miss Whipple, she is so handsome and interesting. Wilkins and the Bishop left the 26th and Watten the 27th —

Have received a letter from Wilkins left Fairbault on Friday 26th Dec, with the Bishop & had only progressed 6 miles when they ran against a stump and broke the tongue, fortunately they were near a town called Elysin, where they had their tongue mended and staid all night. They drove through a dense forest 45 miles here and there a woodmans cabin a connecting link between a wood pile and a dwelling; slept 6 miles from an Indian reservation (Winnibago) of 36,000 Indians. Sat 27th reached Munkato, saw 350 condemned Indians, a missionary was preaching to them in Sacoteh tongue. They stood erect & firm as statues with their blankets drawn close around them, some of them 6ft 4 1/2 in tall. "Judging from my few days experience I think I am going to be greatly benefited by this trip. I already experience very sensibly the benefits of constant exposure to the fresh air. Watten was very much opposed to spending Christmas at Fairbault, and declared he was going back the next day after Christmas to St Paul; but when the time came

for him to engage his seat in the stage, & Mrs & Miss W. invited him to spend a few days longer. he came to the conclusion it was really so pleasant, he could not tear himself away. Just as I was leaving he told me he felt very anxious about me, and thought he would run down to Fairbault the 1st of Feb when I returned there to see how I was getting along. It is first rate to have a sick man to look after sometimes the Bishop has gone to Henderson & and left me with the Rev Mr Linnmore until he returns to-morrow.

Jan 1st - Rev Messrs Cassidy and Pettyman to tea.

Jan 7th - Put Bibbs gem in the library, works beautifully

Jan 11th - Quarterly meeting in Brookville. Rev Mr Phelps presiding elder, Mr Earps son Erasmus was drafted, but died yesterday of diphtheria, and was buried today. Mr Earp has been ill for some time with typhoid fever.

Tuesday Jan 13th - A letter from Wilkins has reached Minneapolis. Has had a pretty rough time. Has never yet stopped at a place where he and the Bishop had separate rooms, and at but one place where they had separate beds. But the Bishop was very kind, and took great care of him. Staid all night in a log cabin

The owners three sons enlisted in the army, had been discharged & passed our house with the Burnside's Corps En route to Antietam. Our guard was taken from their regiment they said and they perfectly recollected the house. We continue to improve.

Sat Jan 17th — Have heard from Wilkins he visited St Anthony's falls, Fort Snelling, Mendota, St John in the Wilderness, and St Pauls again. Has gained 9 lbs since he left home; weighs 135 lbs. A large number of persons drafted men have called on Mr Davis to assist them to buy a substitute. He has subscribed about \$200. Today has been one continual series of petty annoyances — The servants are extremely contrary. They dislike to be openly impertinent, but I think they try to be very provoking —

Wilkins has reached St Pauls. The Bishop confirmed 20 persons. Mr & Mrs M Cubbin among them. Wilkins rode home with the Bishop, who calls him "brother Davis" and Walter saw the Governor's daughter home —

I have had for several days, with cold and dyspepsia. Mr Davis has written a

letter of thanks to Bishop Whipple for his kindness to Wilkins and sent a New Years gift of \$30 —

Jan 23rd Mr Davis has gone to Baltimore. Oh! I am so ungrateful, so full of murmurings and discontent so dissatisfied at the roughness of the way — so unwilling to trust all my future to my Covenant-keeping God, who has been to me in the past a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night, who has fed me in the wilderness with manna and fat things, who gave the rock in the desert, who has wrought out for me so many wonderful deliverances, who has borne with my infirmities and compassionated my weaknesses, who has so often shielded my defenceless head, and guided my wandering steps aright, who has enabled me to come boldly to a throne of grace that I might obtain grace to help in every time of need, who is my compassionate high priest, who knows what sore temptations mean, inasmuch as he has been tempted in all points as I am though without sin, who is my deary man at the Mercy seat — And can I, will I still distrust him.

Jan 28th - Came to Baltimore yesterday via Elkton
 st-Barnums, May and I took tea with Sister Glenn, Cousins
 Ellen Tompkins, and Sarah Couch to tea. Brendan has
 been very successful with my Photographs. It is tra-
 lifully gotten up - He gives me my most pleasing and
 pleased expression - I came to get May a self dress &
 find a school for Ester. It has been storming furiously
 all day and I cannot get out.

Jan 29th 43 - Snowed in flakes until 10 o'clock,
 walking awful - Burnside has resigned, and Hooker in com-
 mand. The H of Representatives debating all day yesterday, ar-
 ing 150,000, Union negroes - Cameron offers to lead them, alas
 my poor Country.

Sunday Feb 1st - Heard Dr Hawks subject
 Hannah's character and conduct under her trials,
 her devotion of her son to God -

Feb 7th Mr Thompson invited the girls to
 ride down to Mr Worthington's, they declined bringing
 Sunday Mr Thompson gave Mary a little picture
 in in a small box as a Philliporn -

Monday Mrs Wilson, Misses Pellyman and
 Neal and Mr Keall called in the afternoon.

Wednesday 11th Rebecca, Mary, Ester & Mr Davis
 left for Baltimore at 5 min after 6 o'clock. The roads
 were heavy and they were 10 min too late. They had to
 wait until 5 o'clock in the afternoon, an accident
 occurred and they did not reach Baltimore until
 8 o'clock. Aunt Achsa furnace boiler was out, and Mr
 Davis took Ester to Mrs Jones, and Mary & Rebecca
 to Barnums.

"My heart is like a lonely bird,
 That sadly sings,

Brooding upon its nest unheard
 With folded wings."

"When glow exalted sense and taste refined,
 There runs anguish rambles in the mind;
 Then feeling is diffused in every part,
 Thrills in each nerve, and lives in all the heart.
 And those whose generous souls each tear would purge
 From others eyes, are born themselves to weep."
 Rebecca and Mary spent ten days at Sister Glen's
 then went to Achsa's. They are taking lessons in
 singing with Steffanini at 8 1/2 lessons. Mrs
 Robert Hoffman has given them a handsome

supper. He has spent several days with Henning Stewart daughter of Gen Stewart. Wilkins has visited the (Chippewa) Indians and acted as secretary in their Council with the Bishop. They have been ordered to sell their reservations which they refuse to do, and an Indian war is threatened. Wilkins is much improved indeed.

Thursday Went to Miss Kate Hall's wedding. She married Mr Janny. Quite a handsome entertainment and a large company. Mr Hall and myself led the way to supper.

Next day in bed with a bad headache. R. H. Manie is going to New York with Sister Eliza. Wilkins has sent us an amusing Valentine he received. They have been teasing him about a Miss Gramma. So he is represented as a very tall man with a pack on his back containing his plan of appointments and is studying Grammar through a huge eye glass. Walter has just written Mr Davis a letter advising that Wilkins buy a farm near Faribault and settle there permanently. Says Bishop Whipple

advises the same. This makes my heart very sad. I wrote a letter to Wilkins, saying I would rather have him sleeping on our beautiful lawn where I and his sisters could strew fresh flowers on his grave and water them daily with our tears. He answers however in his reply he has no idea of settling permanently in Minnesota nor of forming any premature matrimonial engagements. Bishop Whipple is endeavoring to procure him a situation to superintend the building of a college near Faribault. This will keep him occupied and give him exercise in the open air.

Went to Baltimore. Eliza Lejosina is from N. York. Stopped at Col Thompsons. Cousin Mary gone to church, both gates gone and part of the fence cows grazing on the lawn, a servant was driving them off. It is reported Uncle Borsay left all Mary's property in John's hands to invest, but he retained it for his own use paying her the interest. It is all gone. What can this all mean. Why has Uncle's large property mismanaged with such industry and care, and left to children so little educated mentally and morally. This melted

so rapidly away. How sad to see a family so suddenly prostrated. There can be no effect without cause. Was this property unjustly gotten or was God's portion withheld?

My daughter went to take tea with Mrs Woodward formerly Miss Virginia Burnes. My father married my mother in opposition to my grandfather's wishes, ran off with her and hid her at Mrs Burnestons. After Mr Burnes' death, he having ^{been} cashier of a bank, Pa was a kind friend to the family. Mary Burneston married Dr Walls who died and left her a widow with one daughter. Mary ^{Pa} rented a boarding place, paid for the furniture and became responsible for the rent. Mr Woodward came to Baltimore a poor youth and getting a good situation in the house of Jones & Co, boarded with Mrs Burnes and has become quite a wealthy merchant. So Mary W is now living in a spacious house in Cathedral St, with her man waiter, and a number of servants.

Took tea with Sister Glenn. She

red Eliza with an enameled breast pin, a gold and platinum buckle, and a pair of sleeve buttons with the cipher D on each of them for her three daughters. I met at Mrs Gannys wedding a Mr Hopkins who had met Willie's depository in the cars, he informed ^{him} of his relations here to me, his military achievements, and aspirations.

Went to hear Dr Hawkes, Eliza, Achsa, Louisa, Rebecca and Mary were all there. Returning home I met an old acquaintance Mrs Yates, and my Cousin Mary Thompson. It is gratifying to meet ones old friends and have a social chat. Coming out of church I saw Mr Hurst. It carried my mind back just back to a generation when I used to see Mr Hurst then a poor clerk standing at Mr Keile the Shoemakers talking to his daughter Thomazine, who had a red head, when she came to the door sometimes the boys at the corner would cry fire! fire! He somehow got himself introduced to Achsa and commenced paying her the most annoying attentions. He could not utter three sentences connectedly, grammatically. Yet he had the elements of success in his character pushed to the act. He became associated with Mr Barry in

business, married the daughter of Snyder the
 tailor, invited Mr Pitts, a young lawyer of talent
 and Mr Lord both young men moving in aris-
 tocratic circles to be his groomsman. His white
 vest was wrought in gold and theirs (presented
 by him) in silver. His shirt and night cap for
 the occasion were trimmed with Valenciennes
 lace. His wife died. He then moved up into a
 higher circle and married the daughter of Col
 Berry. He got money by his wife, and having made
 a good deal of money, is now a retired merchant
 of fortune, riding along Baltimore St in his ele-
 gant carriage. Gold went up to \$1,77, then fell
 to 1,39. But has gone up to 1,52. Goods are at fabulous
 prices. I had to pay \$10 for Rebecca's hat.

The siege of Vicksburg has been abandoned for the present
 at Charleston 5 iron clads have been repulsed and
 discomfited. My sister Eliza had some conversa-
 tion with me respecting the estate, was under the
 impression Uncle Joseph and Mr Glenn had mis-
 sioned a considerable portion of the income with
 a view of increasing the estate. Had bought

certain pieces of property. All an entire mistake and
 this is told to strangers who think it as really so.

Ester came home with me and spent the holidays
 Kate Brown staid with Mr Davis during my absence
 April 8th Rebecca and Mary went to N York.
 Mary looks pale and is very delicate.

April 12th Mr Davis, Ester and myself went to
 Mrs Gastull's funeral. Met Miss E Brown there
 and told I wished our past difference to be
 forgotten and our former friendly relations restored
 to which she pleasantly assented.

April 14th — A letter from Wilkins acknowledging the
 receipt of his gun as a birth day (his 21st) present his
 says it is much admired. Duck, and pigeons at
 this season abound in the neighborhood of Fairbault.
 My first hen hatched to day, only two live chickens
 My Turkeys laid their first two eggs. I formerly
 took no interest in poultry, but now I have no
 housekeeper I am obliged to pay attention to it
 or pay enormous prices. But I find the expense
 I now have to take of service to my health.

April 18th Mr Davis took Ester to Baltimore

servant I've accompanied him to see his relations
 promised to meet him at the Cars. He was not there
 Mr B came on to Ellicott's, not finding him returned
 the City, Enquired around, gave up but on returning
 to Ellicott's found him there, he had taken the W.
 train as far as the Relay and walked to Ellicott's.
 Much to Mr B's relief. Weather cool and damp season
 unusually backward. Mr Wm Cluings son Gellis fol-
 lowed the Confederate army to Virginia, returning home
 and finding he had been drafted, went to Baltimore
 and paid for a substitute. He has been arrested &
 confined in the old Capitol Mr D went at his father's
 request to endeavor to procure his liberation. Mr Sma-
 den Pleasants entertained several of his wife's rela-
 tives several days, but refused to ^{take} them across the river.
 he has been arrested, tried by a Court martial and
 sentenced to be hung. His mother has written a touch-
 ing letter to your ^{father's} begging his intercessions. The Pres-
 ident has commuted his sentence to imprisonment
 in Fort Delaware during the war. Your father went
 in his behalf to Mr Johnson. Chas Bown has written
 to Mr Davis asking the loan of some money. He has

lent him \$50. Will he ever see him again. Mr Davis met my
 nephew John Glenn in Baltimore. Congratulated him
 on the birth of his first child, a boy whom he calls John.
 He having been married several years, and no children
 John was a fine bright blue eyed boy, of whom I
 was very fond. I used to pay him 4¢ per week to learn a hymn
 and he took great interest in religious things which was
 attributed to Aunt Hester's teachings. He was the pride
 his mother, was to be a great lawyer and as she said
 was to hand his father's name down to posterity as a very
 rich legacy he had received. Mr Glenn was then at the
 top of his profession with an income of \$20,000 per year. John
 was sent to Harvard. At his boarding house had not only his
 chamber but his private parlour. He always kept apples on
 hand to entertain his friends instead of wine. He became
 when only six years of age a member of the Temperance
 society through his Uncle Sorensen's influence. The society
 held its annual meeting in the Light St Church. Judge
 Archibald presided. He and I also dined that day at
 Mr Glenn's. He was invited to take some brandy, declined
 but took wine, filling another glass he said to John
 come my little fellow, you must take a glass of wine with

me, (he having been brought into dissent and introduced
as a staunch Temperance Man) he said, John I cannot
take it. I think wine makes people drunk as well as
brandy." John did not study very closely, got into
some difficulty, had to be privately withdrawn &
was sent to another Establishment in New England
for some time, went back to Harvard but left
without an A. M., or a B. M. A. M. or an ~~A. B.~~ A. B.,
added to his name. This was a great trial to his parents.
It was kept as secret as possible and but few per-
sons knew but that he had graduated with Eclat.
Ella Gleason was suffering from a contraction of a mus-
cle in her neck and sister Gleason sailed from N. York
with her, Mary, and John to visit Priestnity famous
water Cure in Germany. The paddle wheel of the Steamer
Washington broke and they put back for repairs.
John at the Astor house ordered a bath which he
always took cold. Jumping into it he found it quite
hot and on getting out became chilly. The day
after his eyes were affected & it increased & the
other also became affected and he has been ever
since almost blind. He remained in Europe

at the water cure, and at Paris under eminent Occu-
-lists several years, but without improvement. Alas!
Alas! He had to relinquish the law without its opening
prospects. He kept a secretary who daily read to him
and by close study has greatly improved his mind
he is very neat in the arrangement of his papers and
can immediately detect a volume is missing from
its proper place in his library. His memory has great-
ly strengthened become very accurate. In referring
to a verse of poetry he can not infrequently refer to
the canto or chapter immediately. His wife was Anna
Garneth of Philadelphia. She came on to visit her sister
read a great deal to John, he became interested in her
and married her. She is thought superior to her sister
Mrs Wilkins Gleason. Mr Gleason owed a large amount
of borrowed money Wilkins did not pay this debt
because he naturally thought the property would
increase greatly in value, and boasted the Estate
was worth \$700,000. But Succession came, property
has fallen, currency has depreciated, a large num-
-ber of their houses are out of rent, a large Establish-
ment to be kept up, Wilkins in no business, John in

no business, Eliza's husband in Richmond, Mary
and Annie just 35, faded and sprattless and
Lucy the youngest just 21, and her prospects by
no means encouraging as to a distinguished
matrimonial ^{alliance}, the same blood of consanguinity
flows through veins, I love them all and feel
a deep interest in their welfare. Lucy has fine
traits of character, Mary is a very superior and
most agreeable person, of charming manners and
fascinating address, which a large store of general
information with highly cultivated tastes. She
has great skill in needle work plain and ornamental
Anne is a most excellent and very handy person.
Sister has held her head very very high, and "picks
hers before a fall." Wilkins married Ellen Smith
of Philadelphia "Unknown to fortune and to fame
save she was the sister of a Miss Smith who
married a Mr Cooper who made a fortune by the
sudden rise of some property in the west. He left
her a widow and she married the Rev Dr Back
us. He was in love with Miss Johnson, they
were engaged. Sister says Mrs Johnson wan-

-ted her daughter to make a distinguished match
and therefore wished her to marry Wilkins. But it
was broken off and he married Miss Smith. A great
coming down. Her father's (Mr Reverdy Johnson) grand
mother and my grandmother the Mrs Wilkins and
only brother and sister; she married Dr Gherslin
her two daughters Deborah and Sarah married
Johnsons. Deborah married John Johnson Chancellor
of the State, her son Reverdy is one of the most dis-
tinguished legalists in the world, and her son
John was also a distinguished lawyer and Chan-
-cellor of the State. Reverdy married Mary
Bowie a connection or relative of Mr Lewis Mott
who was Elizabeth Bowie.

April 20th W Bowie has returned from Minnesota
as very much improved in manner and appearance,
came by Harrisburg and Philadelphia to see Miss
Lizzie Whipple. It was a most favorable account of Wil-
kins health, is so stout thinks I would not recognize
him. Bishop immediately felt interested in him and
resolved to invite him to travel with him though with
many misgivings. Says it cost him many restless nights

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his breathing would sometimes be so quiet and short he would think it would be all over before the morning. He intended returning to St Pauls but the Bishop insists on his remaining at Faribault, until he goes to Superior City with the Bishops brother in May. At present he has a room at the Mission house, takes his meals at the Bishops, and drives out every day with Rev George Whipple. Mrs Whipple asked Watter to look at some green hams she had received. The Bishop passed the kitchen and said "What have you asked Mr Bowie into the kitchen, Why did you not ask Mr Davis she smiled and replied Oh he is too dignified." W. W. fixes their sewing machines, put up books, writes and attends to matters of business for the Bishop, who told Washington he was a young man of very fine judgment. Poor boy, it was his judgment and his skill in handling instruments I relied on to make an eminent Physician, but my hopes are nipt in the bud, I must come down. Watter insists on going to N York for the girls and their stopping in Philadelphia to see Miss Whipple - Her two sisters are also there, having just left St Marys Hall, Burlington.

April 21st - Went to St Howards, met Rev Mr Boye

our new Minister. His mother is a worthy woman who used to make our carpets, curtains etc. But when the Lord calls, has quite dignity enough in virtue of his high office as an ambassador of Christ - He has just married before the proper term expires, will the Circuit support him. Took Mrs Howard to see Mrs Waters, returned Caughy's "Earnest Christianity" and another work I have been reading. I have just read "Recreations of a country parson" a collection of essays on different subjects. They display great knowledge of human nature which is just the same it seems in all ages and the world over. I trust I shall be a wiser and a better woman, better qualified to do the battle of life more courageously for the future.

Have just heard from Watkins. Has a room at a house called the mission house.

Hooker has retreated across the Rappahannock. They have destroyed the chain bridge fearing the Confederates may advance. Gov. Cameron has offered 50,000 men for the defence of the Capitol. 7000 Contrabands to be enlisted in Washington and Baltimore. We hear a Confederate paroled prison named Quim here, doing

carpenters work, Three white farm hands named Bowman, one named Tom shorts, One Manager Mr Eap goes to market - Mr Brown, Mr Mulgrove, and a color'd man named Rezin are at work on a house for Rezin Wallis on the hill. His wife is a good laundress and in future may be useful to us. I have been rising very early to give all these workmen their ^{factor} pay at an early hour sometimes 5 1/2 o'clock. I fear it is too much for me, but Mr Davis rises at 4 1/2 o'clock and makes so much noise no one can sleep.

Sick in bed with severe headache and dyspepsia. Servant Martha left this morning for Washington

Rebecca and Mary have returned home after an absence of three months. They have made a most agreeable visit to N. York. Their Aunt, Uncle and Cousins made every effort to make their sojourn agreeable. Mary Glenn wrote me a touching letter announcing the death of Ellen Glenn. She gave birth to a boy, soon ensued, then determination to the brain. She requested Messrs Schenck, Brand & Backus, should be invited to unite with

her in the Eucharist. She improved a little and said "Oh I fear you are not going to let me go." Afterwards she told Wilkins she would be glad to live for his sake and the children. But chills and fever soon entirely prostrated her and sunk painlessly into the arms of death, leaving Wilkins, two sons John and Wm and one little daughter Knolly to mourn her loss. She was interred at Mt Timothy. No strangers save Achsah Mrs Wm Glenn, Mrs Armstrong, a widow the only surviving sister of Mr Glenn asked permission if not an intrusion to go to the funeral, but sister Glenn refused.

Mr Davis went to Baltimore to attend a private conference of leading Union gentlemen, a gentleman stopped him in the street and said "Can it be possible you are here to attend this Copperhead meeting. Every one who objects to the Administration is a Copperhead and a traitor. Vallandigham of Ohio has been sent south, and a great many persons, various ladies from Baltimore also

I wrote ^{my sister} Mary Glenn the following letter, on the receipt of Mary's.

To sister

Most vividly has the mournful annunciation in Mary's letter recalled to my mind, the injunction of the wise man, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh when thou shalt say I have no pleasure in them." Ah that good old man, knew from painful experience, as well as observation, these evil days, these days of dark and mysterious dispensations come alike to all. He had asked for only for wisdom to direct his steps aright, and received with it fortune and position, but they could not shield him from the doom of humanity, and in his heart's own bitterness he writes, "Vanity of vanities all is vanity." Ester wrote me of Ellen's severe indisposition and I had anticipated the result. Truly "one generation passeth away and another cometh" Collins must be the heart, and dead to nature's tender sensibilities, that cannot sympathize with the mourners in such a bereavement. The loved partner of all our joys and sor-

-rows; our mother whose gentle tones shall never soothe our little griefs, whose sweet kiss shall never brush away our childhoods tears, whose mild reproof, shall never curb the rising bile of our ripen years; The cherished friend with whom we held sweet counsel, and walked together; suddenly removed, and as to time forever. All these strong yet delicate ties of affection and friendship severed by the relentless hand of death.

"The spiders most attenuated thread of cord, is cable, to man's slender tie on human bliss, It breaks at every breeze." In this great sorrow may our hearts turn to the only source from whence consolation can be derived. Infinite wisdom has done it, may he enable us to say with her "Thy will be done." I would like you to thank Mary for her letter, and say to Wilkins I feel deeply for him and his little ones. May kind remembrance be to the rest of the family and accept the assurance of my sympathy and continued affection. Sincerely yours J. W. Davis

May 26th Mr Davis, Mary, Rebecca and myself went to Mr Aberts. Mrs Abert is the great-grand daughter of the celebrated Benjamin Franklin; her mother Mrs Bates is sister of Dallas minister to St James. I admire them both. He is a good man and is lay reader at St Johns when Rev Mr Brown does not officiate. We then went to Judge Bowens and spent the day. Thinking fresh provision so scarce I took her a quart of aflamb. But they had lamb, veal cutlet, and ham, a variety of vegetables for dinner, Truffle, cake and sweetmeats for dessert. Cousin B gave Rebecca his photograph. They have no children, as chief justice of the State he has a good salary, but now when he expects peace quiet, and freedom from care comes trouble. Her sister dies, and leaves six helpless, and penniless children to be provided for. She has taken home, and is supporting them. The road was very bad on our return we got into a deep hole, our traces broken the wheel passed over Mr D's foot and we got home. Thankful matters were no worse.

Mr Davis went to Baltimore to attend a meeting of Union men who are opposed to Emancipation

being presented to the people next fall. As for myself I am satisfied slavery is doomed its extinction is scarcely a matter of time. Our best hands have absconded, I have six female servants, ^{in the house} two good women would do all their work with, and I should have less trouble. Experience alone could form an idea of this great revolution in social life. Formerly, up to last September I kept a House Keeper, who attended to the serving of all the meals, carried the keys, looked after the breads, desserts, cake, ice cream, butter, poultry, sweetmeats, pickles, common sewing, etc etc, at present no order by such a person would be obeyed, her wages were \$8, board and waste \$10, I determined to attend to these matters, and do no sewing. It keeps me busy, too busy, often I am very much fatigued.

Rebecca, Mary, Mr D, and myself went to see Mr & Mrs Janny, they are quite neatly fixed, we then visited Mr & Mrs Harts horn. They are very nice persons indeed. He was the son of Dr Harts horn, of Philadelphia she is the grand-

daughter of Mr Lynch of Virginia after whom Lyn-
burg is named. They have a beautiful flower garden
Their vegetables and fruits are arranged in long
rows with a walk between each. Their lawn
house and surroundings were very tasteful.

Called on Rev Mr Boyle and lady
our new minister located in Brookville.

Miss Leavitt, Miss Davis, and professor
Hurdy spent the day here. We had some very fine
music. Had Strawberries, ice cream, gooseberry
tarts and sponge cake for dinner.

Went to Mechanicville church,
Mr Brown preached. He says true things but
in a common place manner, is not an inter-
esting preacher. Not a Sumnerfield or a Deane
or a James or a Bascom. I have experienced
much pleasure in hearing some fine pulpit or-
ators in past days. I enjoyed not only the
oratory, and declamation but appreciated
their subject matters.

Friday Went to Baltimore stopped at Achsa's
she had no servant but mine. On Sunday went to Charles
St Church, heard Mr Morgan "Whatsoever a man sow-
eth that shall he reap." My sister did not go to church.
In the afternoon I went to Sunday school and saw Mr M-
Kinn for the first time. Then went to see the home of the founders

Monday June Was walking down street, Cousin George
Williams ran across to ask if I had heard the news. The Conf-
ederates were advancing on Pennsylvania and Maryland
The excitement was intense. They are barricading the streets
with hogheads of tobacco, enrolling the militia, impressing
free negroes to throw up entrenchments. Lincoln has called
for 100,000 men, 10,000 from Maryland. The Confederates are in
Hagerstown, Chambersburg, and Frederick. We came
home Friday the Mr Armour came up with me. I
intended bringing Ester home but determined to leave
her until her school broke up. There has been no train
about Ellicott since Friday.

Sunday There has been a battle in the neighborhood
of Leesburg. A severe cannon action all day. It rained
and I did not go to church.

Monday dear I am so glad the Union cause

town at Rockville has thrown Mr Davis overboard
as unworthy their confidence because he will thus es-
cape publicity and can neither be a Candidate for the
Legislature or Congress. Mr Davis has sent 800 lbs wool to
Washington, a load of wheat to Ellicott's, and a lot of lambs
to Washington. Things are gloomy indeed Lee is making
rapidly for the Potomac.

The papers tell us Lee is going apparently to Pitts-
burgh and Wheeling, but it is a feint to conceal his
intention to attack Washington from the Maryland side,
which to knowing ones is becoming apparent. Ester Wood's
great excitement exists in Baltimore. Surely this is a
time of trouble. No one knows where to seek safety
Oh God be unto us a munition of rocks. "Cover our de-
fenceless heads" Give us a spirit of earnest prayer
let our eyes and hearts be unceasingly lifted up to
the hills from whence cometh our help. Oh Lord in
them do we put our trust, let us never be confounded.

June 26th - 63 Mr Armour went to Baltimore this
morning at 3 1/2 A.M. to bring up Ester. Servant - Matil
-da and her ^{two} children were missing. This ^{morning} and had
left with all baggage in the night for Washington.

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The Confederates were 12 miles from Frederick yesterday
at 11 A.M. and expect to reach Hanisburg Saturday
night. They are ravaging Pennsylvania. They have
just sent long trains of wagons laden with produce
into Virginia. Lee is crossing the Potomac about
Williamsport.

Sunday Went to Brookville Church, heard at
10 o'clock the confederates 10,000 strong were at Rockville
Mr S had just ordered his best horses to the remote side
of the farm, when an officer and privates rode to the gate. On
entering the parlour Mr Davis introduced me to my great aston-
ishment to Major Mason of Gen Lee's Staff who said he was
ordered by Gen Lee to impress eight of his horses. His privates
had gone to the stables and brought out my carriage horses
worth \$600, and a splendid saddle horse Flora Temple worth
\$250. They were passing from 7 o'clock until three in the morning
Our house was open until 12 o'clock. They were very courteous
and civil chatting with the girls, who were busy in ran-
ding out provisions to them. Major De Maron when leaving
offered me his hand but I begged him to excuse me of-
fering my hand to any one who would deprive me
of my horses. I told him I expected when the Confederates

came to meet the chivalry of the South, perfect knights errants. A Col remained until 12 o'clock; he seemed very much pleased, said it was more like home than any place he had seen. In Rockville there was a great waving of reds and little seash flags. They went within 7 miles of Baltimore and hastened on to Westminster.

Thursday July 2nd I had been in bed two days with a headache. I went to dinner, a servant came in saying a gentleman had galloped past shouting the Rebels are coming. We all dressed to receive them in best style. Mr L got ready to be arrested and marched off. Federal scouts were rushing up and down the road. A man passed stating a large Federal force was approaching. Another came and said the troops a 1/2 mile off were preparing for battle, planting cannon saw an officer pointing to the different hills, was sure Cannon were to be put on them. Mr L hurried in and told us to prepare to leave at a moment's warning. He collected his valuable papers, and we put our clothing in carpet bags, and pillow cases. The ~~one~~ ^{out} horse carriage was brought and an old shaft harnessed to carry us across the fields.

beyond the reach of the guns, a Federal officer and some scouts passed and said they had been a long distance down the roads, had seen nothing, only heard the Confeds were in Rockville. Thus ended our scare. Friday July 4th A heavy battle commenced Wednesday at Gettysburg, and continued Wednesday and Thursday. Gettysburg is terribly injured. This afternoon some Federal wagons passed. There was great excitement, we thought the Federals were retreating, but they were only a few empty wagons from Frederic. We heard a heavy cannon ^{side} yesterday. Gen Schenck has requested a flag be hoisted over every house in Baltimore to day. Every house without a flag will be considered disloyal. I fear some trouble.

Sunday 5th Washington Bowie and Washington Chesnut arrested and carried to the Old Capitol. Judge Bowie and Mr Abot have gone to Washington. Mr Davis has written to Mr Johnson on his behalf - Mr Davis took Rebecca down to stay with Mrs Bowie. A soldier passes from Westminster and says 20,000 Confeds are captured, and all the Cavalry are at Westminster. (strange lie)

Monday 6th Various exciting rumours. A soldier passes the Confeds had captured him, took his horse, he had just

been paid off. They took all his money. His government raffle was worth \$32. He offered to sell it to Mr D for \$3. A soldier just from the battle fields calls for something to eat. Says there has been hard fighting. The Confeds trying to retreat and the feds trying to flank. He saw a color bearer, falling his captain rushed to seize the colors, also a Confederate; the captain cut off the Confeds head, was bayoneted himself, after a great conflict the colors were retained by the Feds. The Confeds have retreated. Gen Longstreet and Hill said to be held. Gen Sickles by computation reported dead, singular reputation as he shot. Ky. Papers come, say there has been three days hard fighting. Lee asked an armistice of 48 hrs to bury his dead, refused. They think him retreating. Great loss of life on both sides. Gen Reynolds, Paul, and many high officers killed. Lee's pontoon bridge across the Potomac destroyed. Monday 7th a letter from Williams has visited Macon and Sault St Marie. Knew but one gentleman whom he had met at St Paul (Mr Smith) who was on a wedding tour. Was steaming across Lake Superior. Raining heavily to the great injury of wheat and hay.

Thursday 10th Judge Bowie has been in Washington since Saturday. Mr D went down and J J Bowie to inquire for Watter & Churchster. Fear they will be sent South. This is

a serious inconvenience and loss, to all parties in the midst of harvest retarded as it is by the heavy rains. The papers filled with marvellous accounts of heroic deeds of valor on the part of the Feds. The Sun Editor says they exceed Manassas. Mr James Holland was thrown from his horse this morning at Brookville and instantly killed. Mr Lewis had just passed on horse back, his horse might have stumbled and thrown him also, and in a moment I might have been a desolate and helpless widow. How uncertain are all things here below. We fade as a leaf. Great rejoicing in Washington. It is said Vicksburg surrendered 4th of July. My nephew John Glenn arrested on a general charge of disloyalty and sent South. He is blind, accustomed to luxurious habits, but must be torn from business, family, and friends, and banished his Country, because he hates this detestable administration. He was allowed to take a carpet bag and \$40 on general backs.

Friday 11th Mr D has just returned from Washington. Gen Taylor went with him to Gen Martindale, who after giving him a hearing sent for the Judge Advocate and requested him to release the young men. He said

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The witnesses would have another hearing this morning. But signified his willingness to release them. That evening they were released.

Saturday 12th Rebecca returned home bringing a letter from Mrs Worthington. She cannot accommodate Mr Armour and family.

Monday 14th - Rained heavily all day. No mail. A bridge washed away.

Wednesday 15th - A train of wagons passed here driven by Contrabands, who tried to seduce our servants off, inviting them to join them and drive the wagons. The following colloquy took place. "Did you feed the Confeds?" Yes. "But you won't feed us." You have just done breakfast. "If you did you would only give us corn bread, old prison stuff, they're trying to kill the niggers." We stand it. We do not look as if we were starved. Have you any flour in your mill?" No. "I see not, I guess you have not seen any since Noah was a baby." "Old Secession house, the Union flag, will soon war over you." This they shouted at the top of their voices, and passed on.

Friday 17th Lee and his army have passed over

The Potomac. The Sun tells us "with all his plunder," leaving not the worth of \$50 behind, save some wounded men. They crossed on a pontoon and two bridges. In one place the river was fordable. The poor dear Confeds. My heart is with them but my intellect decides their cause to be wrong.

I had hoped after Lee's repulse, and the fall of Vicksburg and Hudson, Lincoln would have had the magnanimity to have declared an armistice and issued a proclamation offering peace on terms as little humiliating to Southern pride and injurious to Southern interests, as the self respect of the government could dictate, but I am disappointed. We have a proclamation, but it invites us to thank God for victory in the field of battle once more, marches on our banners, and tells us this sanguinary, cold blooded, ferocious war, must be prosecuted to a successful issue. Rev Mr Boyle and lady called to see us yesterday. He prayed with us. Mr Cassel has been released, Mr L is coming, his security. The news from N York is dreadful. Resisting the draft, an armed

mob has had possession of the City for five days, and not yet subdued. Up to this time N. York has scarcely felt the War. The Tribune and other of its Republican papers have been clamorous for its continuance to the bitter end. Emancipation, Confiscation, and Extermination are their watchwords; the press backed by the pulpit. It would seem as though providence had intended to give them an ocular demonstration, of what breaking into private residences with picks and crow bars "smashing pianos and costly furniture, demolishing mirrors, mutilating paintings, throwing splendid bound volumes into the gutters, ripping up beds, stealing wearing apparel, appropriating silver plate, taking gold watches and jewelry from persons on the streets, gutting stores of their contents, burning private dwellings to the ground by an armed mob means. These losses the City of N. York must refund, and besides this have had to subscribe 2 1/2 millions to pay the Conscription fee in hopes of appeasing the people.

July 20th Received a letter from Watkins from

Sault St. Marie to Ontonagon. Visited the copper mines in that region. Went on a fishing excursion caught large pickerel, pike and trout weighing three and four pound apiece. Thomas S. Gaither has been arrested and confined in the Central guard house Washington. Major Arthur Chickster of Gen. Hill's Staff, is a prisoner in Washington. It is reported in the neighborhood one of the Confeds they said they intended arresting Mr D but refrained because I and my daughter were sickish. That I entertained them very handsomely, and in my best style, and made a great fuss over them. I truly believe they would have us arrested if they could suborn Evidence.

The Sun announces the death of Dr. Walter P. Smith, son of Professor Smith, a friend of Wilkins He died at Danville Virginia of Typhoid fever. Weather very warm.

Mr Gaither to breakfast, quite an amusing account of his incarceration in the old Capitol, and his trial.

Washington Bowie to tea. R and E were in front of the gate amusing themselves singing very loud, "My Maryland" when to their astonishment three Federals appeared at the gate, bringing a subpoena for Mr S on behalf of Mr Cashel. Ten carriage hours, and Flora Temple having left

for facts unknown he finds it no easy matter to go hurriedly to Washington.

I really almost envy Alexander Selkirk when he looked around and could say "I am Monarch of all I survey". I am at the head of a large family of people who are dependant on me for direction and instruction, and yet I am powerless to enforce a single rule or order. It is perfectly optional whether any one obeys or not. Formerly every one moved comparatively with alacrity, now every thing is a drag, nothing thoroughly done, the business of two hours spun out to a day, in lieu of pleasant cheerful countenances a heavy scowl, of most obsequious and studied politeness, a coarse familiarity of manner, which seems to say "now what can you do" and what can I do here enough. As continued disobedience was certainly punished, it was rare. A firm but mild discipline kept the machinery of our family moving regularly and harmoniously. An occasional clogging of a wheel was soon remedied by the application of a hickory towel which is a universal panacea for one of these dependants, however unpalatable to an Anglo Saxon

Livingston in his travels tells us of an interview with a black King who told them in his native simplicity, the surest way to make his people embrace Christianity was to whip them. The abolition of slavery in the District, to which I should not have objected if the citizens desired it, and the refusal to allow the rendition of slaves, also the wages paid them as transient \$25, has rendered ours valueless. I really wonder they do not go, with such temptations. Annoying as their conduct is I should be badly off without them. I must believe sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof, and trust God he will make some way for the future, by which both races will be ultimately benefited. At present things look very gloomy. The demoralization is universal it seems to pervade all classes. One might easily believe we are living in "the last days". So exactly does the character of this generation correspond with St Paul's description. Saturday July 25th Mr S returned from Washington last night. W Bowie came yesterday and took R to Mrs Worthingtons to see Mrs Arnor. She returned this afternoon. Col Geary has taken the beautiful residence of Mrs Edwards a relative of Mr S's near Leesbury, as his headquarters. They have taken every horse, and mule

from Arthur Chickster

leaving one blind horse, they have no means of even hauling wood for family use. When the Confederates passed through this county an old black man over the top of his house shouting Hurrah for the Union Hurrah for Uncle Sam's Hurrah for old Abe. A confederate said that's right old man! but come into the road. He did so, Come get up here behind me and go along with us since you like the Union so well. And off they went with him. Mr & Mrs Wadsworth were returning from church, and thinking they were Federals, assumed them he was a full blooded Union man, and Mrs Wadsworth was very chatty, assuring them as she was from N York, they might know what a Union woman she was. It was sometime before she discovered her mistake. I presume not until she saw the prisoners and contrabands in their rear. Received a letter from Mary Glenn. John Glenn refused to take the oath of allegiance to the C. S. and he was sent back to Fortress Monroe. Gen Foster examined his case, and sent him back to Schenck who confined him in Gelmer prison. In Norfolk he was confined ten days in a jail full of vermin

and filth with common felons. He has written a statement of his case to Sec of War (Stanton) which he requests Mr D to repair to Washington and present. Tuesday Mr Davis returned last night from W. Gen Hitchcock introduced him to Mr Stanton, who on examining his papers ordered Gen Hitchcock to write to Schenck and request if any charges were made against John to prosecute the case at once, if not to terminate it. Of course the unconditional release or parole was at Schenck's discretion. Mr D went to Balt and presented the letter to Schenck with an introduction from Mr Schley. He showed Mr D a telegram from Fish "Keep Mr D in custody I have the testimony of every Union man in Patonsville, and testimony enough to hang him." Gen Schenck was willing even to release ^{him} Mr Backus his brother in law had been to see him, also Mr Rev Johnson, Schenck showed Johnson the parole he had offered John. He remarked he is a damned fool to refuse. I asked Mr D to see J privately and urge his acceptance of a modified parole, but he refused it, except for two weeks when he will be tried by Court-Martial (Whom May God help him) Mr D has written to Judge Bond on his behalf having heard he has some influence with Schenck. Whom Mr D thinks when

man, while in his office a man who had just
come by permit through Rosencrans, and Burnside's line,
asked a permit to pass through Schenck's, but he
positively refused, saying Rosencrans and Burnside,
allowing him to pass was no reason why he should, an
old man came and ^{asked} permission to preach to the soldiers,
but he remarked he did not know what he might
preach about, and there was too much of that sort
of thing so he must refuse. The Enrolling office has lost the
barn in Hartford County. It is presumed the incendiaries
are persons opposed to the draft. Schenck infers they
must be seceders, has had the property assessed at
\$3000 and orders the seceders within six miles around
shall pay the amount in three days from notice sub-
scribed on. Has poor Maryland, my Maryland con-
tributed to this. Are we in the hands of a petty Yankee despot.
We have almost defied this government of ours.
We have said we are the people and wisdom will
die with us. This pure republicanism. This glorious
land of social rights, equality, fraternity, and
brotherhood, let us cast our banner to the breeze
and invite the oppressed of all the nations to
come and shelter under its ample folds. Ah

Neo, Caligula, and Dionysius, were not rare de-
velopments of a heart-deceitful and desperately wicked
They have been up in all eyes since the day

"When Adam ate of that forbidden tree
Whose mortal taste brought death into the world
With all our woes"

"The greedy lioness the wolf pursues
The wolf the kid the wanton kid the brouse"
and it seems instructive with man as he cannot be
a cannibal very consistently with the Commune
meats at hand, to oppress his fellow, when grace does
not ^{re} constrain him. ~~Richard~~ ^{like Pedro} Schenck seems
to have had counsellors who think a whip of scer-
pious most suitable to our unhappy state, take care
lest it send not the Kingdom asunder as it did
Israel of old.

Wednesday August 6th

Have been quite sick for two days
with head ache. Took a tepid bath and was on Michigan
ful refreshed. W. Bowie to dinner. A letter from Judge Bond
says although the whole Glen family have treated all
their Union friends with so much insolence he will urge Schenck
to dismiss John's case, on the score of his physical infirmity.

bring too great to permit him to do much mischief,
I having been reading with great interest a series of sermons
or rather Essays by Guthrie a Scottish divine, they are
replete with instruction. He is a Calvinist. Thinks beyond all
evil. The soul that to Jesus has fled for refuge,
Hell never! No never! Forsake to his foes."

The ~~work~~ certainly is all of grace. Free grace. Reading so
much about sanctification and coming so far short of it,
looking into my heart and seeing it such a cage of un-
clean birds, so full of impurity and sin, realizing the weak-
ness of my faith, and the strength of my unbelief I have
been tempted to exclaim "Wo is me for I am undone."

But this mans views have greatly encouraged me to be-
newed effort. "Bring dead by it & speak it." God will not
leave unfinished that good work he certainly, not I began
in my heart, I certainly believe he will perfect it. He has
led me by a way I had not known. Certainly a very sharp
one. What disappointments, sorrows, trials, vexations,
tribulations, harassments, and temptations have they
wound my lot. How my soul must have cleaved to the dust
to have rendered such severe dispensations necessary
to wear it hence. I am very sensitive and my poor heart
has been made to bleed at every pore. But it is the Lord

let him do what seemeth him good" for it will all
end in my salvation.

Friday Aug 27th Last night I was tormented by a flea un-
til 12 1/4 o'clock. I got up, the night lamp gone out, I groped
about for the candle, and massacred by my poor little enemy,
so small I could just see it moving at road speed
around the neck band of my linen. I retired but was rest-
less and nervous I did not fall asleep until almost day
I was awakened by Mr D calling from the window "Pompey
bring out my potter." How unlike my poor father, who slip-
pers in hand would have gone down stairs and enjoined
the most perfect quiet. I got up, went to the nursery and re-
tired my daughter to get up. Went into the front chamber and
tried to sleep but in vain on account of the noise. Came
down to breakfast at 8 o'clock. Kept house until 11 o'clock, Read
the Bible, rode on Michigan up to the dam, and around
the woods, the air was delicious, although it was in-
tensely warm. ^{in the sun} Rand Ester fished in the stream, the
water was rushing over the dam and gurgling around
around the rocks, I occasionally could catch a glimpse
of the white foam as it boiled over a miniature May-
area. It is a sweet ride, and so near the house, I won-
dered I had resorted there so seldom. Rode home

made baked apple dumplings for dinner, Read Gold-
sies Gospel in Ezekiel, Dinner of bacon, mutton, po-
tatoes, Tomatoes, squash, cabbage, rice, and apple-
dumplings. Read a monthly magazine until 4 o'clock,
retired to the wing and spent some time in secret prayer,
assorted the clothes, sewed until 7 o'clock, Warm rolls,
passover cakes, jumbles and cottage cheese for tea, made
a Sally Lunn for breakfast, This morning sent a bland
message to Mr Barnsley who is low with consumption,
after Typhoid fever.

Friday 7th Mrs Comfort Sorsy has written to Mr
S requesting him to see Gen Schenck and request him
to either discharge her brother John from the Gilman
house where he has been confined for several months
on a charge of going to the upper counties to visit the
Confederates. Gen Schenck being absent he saw Gen
Moonis who said he must either take the oath of
allegiance or go to Fort M Henry. He refused to take
the oath and was sent to Fort M Henry forthwith.

Tuesday 11th Achsah, Louise and their father
Mina, arrived from Baltimore today.

Friday 14th Achsah, Louise and myself went to
Mrs Browns and were cordially received.

Sunday, 16th Went to St Johns Church -
Monday 17th Mrs and Miss I Brown called, Dully
Thursday 20th Miss Hall and J Williams to dinner.
Friday 21st Mrs Bowie, Misses Bratty and Holland
to dinner. The siege of Charleston is progressing,
The Federals are retreating to Washington to act on
The defensives. The Enrolling office will be here to-
morrow. Ester received a letter from Willie Swan
Mary one from Priscilla Alexander, Rebecca our
from her Cousin Annie Lippesway. They were in
imminent danger during the Mob, and very much
alarmed. Our neighborhood is flooded with gov-
ernment cattle. Received a letter from Wilkins
He is still at Bayfield, Had packed up and
was looking several days impatiently for a steamer.
Had retired at an early hour and fallen asleep
was aroused by his Landlady knocking at his
door and requesting him to rise, as some ladies
had arrived and wanted his room. He descended
to the parlor and much to his surprise and
pleasure found Mrs Whipple, Bishop Whipple
Miss Farnum, The Misses Whipple and two
other young ladies, The Misses Noyes.

Mr. Davis went to Washington Wednesday to see Mr. Stanton the Sec of War on behalf of John Dossy but without success.

Thursday 20th James Williams, and Miss E. Hall to dinner. About 11 1/2 o'clock two Federals came, said they were in no hurry, they would wait our usual dinner hour, I soon served them a dinner, but they lounged around the lawn and laid under the trees in the shade.

Friday 21st - Mrs. Bowie, Pat. Baatty, and Miss Holland spent the day.

Saturday 22nd Mr. Hurly dined here and turned the Piano miserably, charging \$3.50 for his services. Charlston still holds out.

Sunday 23rd Went to Mt. Carmel, heard Mr. Poirel.

Monday 24th Mr & Mrs. Abert, Miss Abert, and Col. Abert to dinner. We had ham, Corned beef, lamb, fried chickens, ice cream, preserved apples, pound cake, iced and sponge cakes, sherry cobbler and wine. Coffe, biscuits, sandwiches and cake handed before they left.

Tue-29th Went to see Miss Harriet Griffith.

Sunday 30th Went to St. Johns church, Mr

Abert read the service.

Monday 31st Took a sweet walk to the Sumner house and river. Went out on a bank that hangs over the stream, a very umbrageous maple that served as a delightful arbor, a large tree had fallen across the stream just by its side, we sat upon it and see sawed in memory of sweet childhoods days when we sat upon our fathers boat and heard his affectionate tones "see saw Margery dear" I deeply loved my father, he was so good & kind. My sister intended to Baltimore to morrow, but a letter came by mail informing us Miss Poole from Liberty, would be at Fords Mills Thursday and I must meet her, they will remain until Thursday. Servants Isaac, and Wilson are both ill, In cutting up some government cattle that died they each cut a finger, their hands are swollen and Isaac is considered dangerous, his system being much affected.

Tuesday 1st Isaac and Wilson much relieved. Mrs. Bowie, Miss Wheeler, Bethe Singleton, Messrs Bowie and Mun Roster to dinner. Mr. D had just

cut down a locust by the side of the willow tree
The young folks seated themselves on it, and Mr
Mun Raster sketched them in a group, quite artisti-
cally. Before they left, the shutters in the library were closed,
the room brilliantly lighted, W Bowie dressed in
Wilkins military suit, and Mary dressed in a wool
red robe about one yard wide, a very short-waisted white
satin bodice with immense puff sleeves, a very beauti-
fully worked Cape, a broad sash, white kids, flesh
colored ribbed silk ~~silk~~ stockings, hair very high on her
head. (A dress I once wore to parties 35 years ago) Person-
ated Dr & Mrs Fontaine, as bride and groom, giving
a reception. Dr Fontaine was the Sen Surgeon of Fitzhugh
Lees Company, when they passed here en route to Penn-
sylvania, and admired Mary. It passed off very plea-
santly.

Wednesday 2nd Last night the government cattle
were hurried away in the night. A despatch from
Washington announced the Confederates were in Brookville
in large force. The excitement was intense. A large
amount of cattle, horses, and mules were hurried
to Washington, some of whom actually died under the lash.
It turned out to be only a very scare.

Thursday Sep 3rd Achsa Louise, and Nannie
left this morning, W Bowie accompanied them, to
Mills, where they found Mrs Poole. She is a very nice girl.
About 3 o'clock this morning two mules got into the yard
and clattering on the hard walks, waked up my sisters
who sprang out of bed thinking they were the Confed-
erate Scouts sure enough, I having ordered our cook-
man to hide our carriage horses in the woods for fear
they might come and take Kit and Coally, as they
did my highly prized Tom and Jerry.

Friday Sep 4th 63 - Rode into Brookville on Fannie, Nannie,
and Mrs Poole on Pocahontas. It is rumored six iron clad ar-
mor crossing the ocean to raise the blockade, and a number to be
ready in October. Foreign governments soon to recognize the
Confederacy - 40,000 government troops under Seymour in N-
York to keep the peace during the draft. Sonny Waters died
last night of bilious dysentery.

Great God! on what a slender thread
hang everlasting things.

The Eternal states of all the dead
Upon lifes feeble things."

Waken oh Lord my drowsy powers
To walk this dangerous road

And if my soul be hurried hence
May it be found with God."

It has pleased God so to order the events of my life that bitter and most unanticipated disappointments, deep humiliations, vexations, annoyances, crosses and trials, have been combined with unnumbered mercies, special Providences, wonderful interpositions. My pathway to the grave has been a chequered one. What a fair exterior I presented to the world, of continued prosperity, while who but God knows, the troubled spirit that withers beneath this placid face. But my soul by nature cleaves to the dust, and I feel deeply grateful that I so fully realize God is weakening daily the ties that bind me to earth, he is disengaging my affections from it, and I will call upon all the powers of my soul to exclaim O Lord I will praise thee.

Sat-Sep 6th 63. Went to Dorsey Water funeral. A large concourse of persons present. Rev Mr Pethyman officiated.

Sunday Sep 7th Went to Salem in the morning gave \$5 to the Missionary collection. In the afternoon

to Brookville. Heard Mr Cassidy - A very excellent service - and very interesting as he always is. Such a lack ofunction from on high sensibly. Monday Sep 7th The girls walked to the river taking their work and a sheepskin to spread on the rocks. Ester and myself went up into the orchard to see our sick carriage horses, at 12 1/4 o'clock comes Mrs Worthington, Mr Duval, Eude Armour, & Mrs & Mrs Armour at 1/4 of 10 o'clock, to dinner, some servants must prepare stewed apples, another make rice cream, we had nice cake on hand, another fill 4 chickens to fry and freeze so by 1/4 of three we set down to quite a nice dinner. I am afraid we will make a poor out - without our contrabands.

"But the birds without barn or stowhouse are fed from them let us learn to trust for our bread." Tuesday Sep 8th and M went to Mr Puffs. A letter from Wilkins is well. A steamer foundered last week on Lake Superior, all lost save one - a letter from Louise.

Wednesday Sep 9th A letter from Wilkins, saying "I am just about starting for the Indian Country, good bye pray for my safety in the wilderness." I feel very uneasy

A letter in the Exchange from Judge Bond to Sec
Stanton advising the acceptance of all the able bodied
slaves in this state as volunteers with bounty and pay equal
with the white soldiers - It is in direct conflict with the
laws of our state, which makes the enticement of slaves
from their masters a penitentiary offence - Knoxville
& Chattanooga in the hands of the Federals. An account of
two masters murdered on their plantations by 35 negro soldiers.
Mamma Pool is quite sick. Thomas Gauthier is seriously sick.
Mr & Mrs Magruder, Emma Magruder, and Miss Magruder
from Virginia called in the afternoon.

Thursday Sep 10th - A Mr Ward and son from this
county to dinner; has 9 sons and 4 daughters, a little family
servants - Extremely sulky and disagreeable.

Sunday Sep 13th - 63 Could not go to church the horses
bring sick - Read an admirable sermon by Rev A B

Monday Sep 14th - W Bowie came in his carriage and took
Mamma Pool, R. & M. to his house. Mr Ridgely brought me
some nice peaches. I preserved 9 #s and 8 #s of Marmalade
A letter from W. Kim. He met Gen Sibley returning
from an Indian fight. I saw Company with Gov
Ramsay and suits Bishop Whipple and several
gentlemen escorted by 200 Cavalry and a section

until the Lord brought him into a weathly place.
Tuesday Sep 29 Bought Ester two dresses and a leather color straw
straw hat, trimmed with leather color'd ribbon, scarlet & black flow-
ers in the cap. Dr Volk took out five teeth. Went to bed with a
bad head ache.

Friday Oct 2nd - Went to Dr. Volk's, Bespoke a black silk hat at Miss
Stewart's. Rained hard all day. The girls have no want. A wo-
man came to day washed the parlor paint and put down the car-
pet. Mary & Ester assisted. Ester brings up coal, and works around
Mary dusts the parlors and ^{staircase} something quite new for them.

I thought myself economical, but they are quite ahead of me.
It actually amounts to monomania. Bragg has defeated
Rosecrans near Chattanooga, captured between 40 and fifty
pieces of artillery and 30 stands of colors. Gold gone up to 1.49.

Gen Schuch has suppressed the Gazette. Mrs Kane and daugh-
ter sent across the Federal lines for writing a letter to her son in the
South, expressing the hope that the Confederate Army might soon meet
victorious through Balltown. Rev Mr Gibson wrote to a Union
man declining to take his son into his school because his scholars
were all of southern sentiments. This was forwarded to the Sec of
war. Gibson was arrested, his boys sent home. His case not decided
Have been in bed three days with a bad headache.

Sunday Oct 4th Heard Mr Wilson. The effectual fu

...went prayer of a righteous man availeth much.
A most admirable discourse. Gave a portrait of
Jacob's character, his selfishness, low cunning and
deceit, which had compelled him to seek an
alum in a foreign land. And yet after one night
of earnest wrestling prayer, his backslidings were
healed, his heart more entirely renewed, and his
name even changed from Jacob to Israel. "For as
My prince Thou hast had power to prevail with God."
Tuesday Oct 6th Took tea with Sister Glenn. Lucy wanted
to go home with me to make Rebecca a visit. I told
her we expected Lou Sipsway and hoped she would
come up Saturday with her. Sister said. "She has
requested Mr Garrett to see Sec Staunton and
presented to him the injustice of the thing and he
released John." And thus after all Mr Davis' trouble
and expense, actually receiving from Staunton the
money for his release before Garrett saw him. Mrs
S has just received a letter from Mrs Sorsay thank-
ing him so gracefully and heartily for his kind
effort in behalf of her brother, and assuring him she was
satisfied the whole thing was assumed by
him most cheerfully, and willingly.

Wednesday Oct 7th Lucy Glenn comes in to say
she has changed her mind, and cannot go home
with us. Rosa Glenn is to be married to Mr Hol-
linsworth of Elkton. She talked a long time with
Mary on the subject of matrimony. Thought she
was too fickle, and men too unreliable and she
thought she would remain as she was; that is
until she gets what she would call a good offer.
Which I don't think will be soon. Wilkins is in
England, says he made \$1500 by a speculation in N York.
John is almost worn out with business and troubles.
To her coachman George she allows \$3 per month.
He does her marketing and she considers him husband
by. She has just discovered he has stolen from her
carriage house five carpets belonging to Wilkins, also
four handsome quilts left her by me, and any amount
of market money. He is in jail and she is at a loss to
know what to do with him. James Williams being
engaged to Miss Emily Rogers, and expecting
to be arrested for some complicity with the South
changed coats with Mr Sumner who had a
new black one on, and was married at 10 o'clock.
He left at 4 o'clock for the South and arrived

Safely. His father went for his bride and
took her to his house to reside. Cousin Rebecca
has sent me an invitation to visit her, says
she would like the girls to know her, she is
sure they would like her. Mr Davis came to town
of humbly on Saturday and went to Philadelphia to
meet Bishop Whipple, but in consequence of the con-
dition of his hand he could not come on. He saw his son
Met a Mr Penniman from Pittsburgh who says
he wrote the Chicago platform; thinks democracy
is played out and will now have a despotic gov-
ernment inaugurated by the military. So abolition
will defeat itself. Lincoln's diffusion of great
freedom will be found to mean universal
slavery. The elevation of the black at the expense
of the degradation of the white. It seems
though God were very angry with us as a
people. Our sins and aggravations have become
so great. What nation has ever possessed ^{such} civil
and religious liberty, liberty of speech, liberty of
action, liberty to worship under our own vine
and fig tree and none to make us afraid. But
now an embargo is laid upon the press, nothing

can be published but what suits the taste
of the administration. No one can visit Canada
or leave for a foreign port without a passport
which he cannot procure without taking the oath
of allegiance. At every turn a man in military
costume reminds you this is a military government.
I hear the fife and drum and hurrying to the
window here is a regiment of black soldiers under
Bundy a grandson of a black woman. Most of them slaves
taken forcibly from their masters on the Eastern Shore
and many against their own will, brass bands
on their shoulders, red sashes and white gloves.
Knapsack and blanket strapped on the back; poor
fellows they are ordered to the seat of war. How
many will return to caress their loved ones. So
far they have invariably run from grape and can-
nister. Strange doings in America the boasted
home of the free and the land of the brave. The
last bulwark of our liberty has fallen in the sus-
pension of the habeas corpus. Ten days ago
there was a political meeting at Rockville.
Blair, Thomas and others spoke in favor of
emancipation, cheered by an audience com-

posed largely of negroes. I was glad Mr
Davis was in Philadelphia, but the people gen-
erally think it was a wise to avoid the meeting
as he is opposed to the extreme measures of the
administration. Wilkins has returned from the
Indian Country in consequence of the return of the
hostile Indians to this side of the Missouri. The
Bishop, Mr Tiffany of Philadelphia and Wilkins
were riding in a vehicle, heavily armed, the horse
stopped at the foot of a hill to water, the driver gave
them a furious ^{cut} They ran off, turned from the road
and ran across the prairie, turning round sudden-
ly, they upset the vehicle and smashed it to
pieces. They went three miles to a settler's cabin
in a light wagon, and proceeded 20 miles to Sauk
Centre about post. The surgeon decided Bush-
op Whipple's side was too much bruised and
hand which had been lacerated by a splinter would
so not admit of their going farther that night, they
bring only 4 miles from Gov Ramsey's camp which
they were anxious to reach. The next intelligence
came in that the border was alive with hostile
Indians, they had advanced within 4 miles

of Sauk Centre the night before, and killed
one man and stolen two horses, a great escape indeed
but for that timely accident they might have been
captured or massacred.

Friday Oct 9th Yesterday morning Lou & I
came on from St. Joseph, and we came up to-day
to Greenwood via Brookville stage, found
Mr Willie Porter and Washington Bowie to dinner.

Saturday Oct 10th W Bowie to dinner.

Sunday Oct 11th I had a bad cold, Lou was
indisposed. The rest went to church.

Monday Oct 12 Put down the carpet in the
drawing room, my chamber and Mary's, rec'd
a letter from Ester. Weather very pleasant.

Tuesday Oct 13th Lou & I came into my room and said Amy
I have some bad news for you. The Centre piece in the front
parlour has fallen. I said I do not like it: some supersti-
tious people would say, the stay of the house was going
to fall.

Wednesday Oct 14th The girls were seated around a
bright fire in the drawing room after tea. I ordered
Catharine to go round and tap the Knockers. Mary
rushed to the large chair and sat very smiling and

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Prin, R sat on an ottoman, and ^{said} I will be very much
and lowly, Lou quite excited said Aunt now take
back all your pity, but when it turned out to be only
a joke they were all very much amused.

Thursday Oct 15th Lou wrote a long letter to her
brother Willie congratulating him on his 20th birth
day which was last Friday the 9th and ^{celebrating} him what a
nice dinner we had and ducks too which he had re-
quested us to have that day two years ago when he
was, and how she wished she could have been here to en-
joy them.

May wrote to Wilkins. The boy went off with
the letter and returning brought one from Louisa to Mr
se stating she had just received a Telegram from NY
announcing the death in battle of Willie Sejosway.

Poor Lou I took her into the drawing room and told
her I was very sorry to be the bearer of sad tidings.
She said oh what is it, tell me, tell me! I said your
dear brother is no more. We had a sad scene.

Friday Oct 16th R. and Lou left this morning at
minutes of 4 o'clock. Took the stage for Baltimore and
will reach NY before 12 to night. Poor Eliza
I know full well what must be her anguish.
He had a foulough and left them this 24th of 84

full of hope that he would be promoted at Christmas
to a Captaincy, when he would resign and enter Collge.
He did not see his Aunts Jenn and A J Lou. They had
been very harsh and unkind to him because of his
entering the army. They must not recollect their unkind-
ness with no very durable feelings.

Saturday Oct 17th We learn today from "The Sun" Lieut Sep-
osway was shot by a private named Boyle of his own reg-
iment 1st NY mounted rifles. His assassin was con-
veyed to Fortress Monroe. Miss Willie Postu has just writ-
ten to say if agreeable to us she will visit us next week
of course we could not entertain company at present.

Sunday Oct 18th. Heard Mr Brown, Communion.
I was standing on the steps Mrs Brattie and Mrs
F Bowie brushed past me and got into Mr Bowies car-
riage without speaking to me. They are mist at some
thing I know not what. These are some of the tri-
als of life. Went in the afternoon to Brookville Rockhush

Monday Oct 19th Willie Sejosway was sitting in his tent
his servant fastening on his spur, his horse before the door,
a drunken soldier came up and said I will have
that horse, Willie replied no you will not. The sol-
dier fired, the ball striking the earth near his

feet, instantly several revolvers were pointed at
the man. Willie said do not shoot. I will talk
him out of it. Approached him and coaxed
said do not behave badly. The man quickly
raised his revolver and fired. The ball entered
his mouth and came out the back of his neck.
He fell into the arms of his orderly, tried to speak
but could ^{not} never a word, and died in a moment.
Received a letter from poor W. W. Kim. It is very sad in tone.
He says every one tells him he cannot live in Mary-
land. He likes Minnesota, the soil and the
climate but has the most utter disgust for
the people. Thinks he was never born to live in
the West. A sheep farm might be profitable
but it is so difficult to get help. And the farmers
are the lowest class of foreigners or Yankees.

Tuesday Oct 20th A letter from poor Lou. Willy's body
reached N York & Stanley escorted by a Lieut, 4 priv-
ates and his servants. To be interred to day. His body was
embalmed. The face looked natural save black spots
about the mouth from the powder. I wrote to W. W. Kim
not to listen to the foolish people who show their lack
of judgment by telling him he will never recover

and can never return again to Maryland. May
God in mercy restore him to his afflicted family or pre-
pare him more fully for his final change. Major Chestnut
C. A. has written to Mr S asking his friendly offices with the
government to permit his brother Washington to send over a
cart and oxen to haul wood for his family of 14 women
all his men having been carried off, and himself a prisoner of
war in Ohio. The government have refused. I suppose this
would be giving aid and comfort to the enemy. Edward
Bratley captured a prisoner in Washington. Weather mild.
Friday Oct 23rd W Bowie brought R from Baltimore. Mr
Muncester just comes and brings a drawing of a family
group which he commenced when here some time ago. At
the bottom is written "Just as we sat under greenwood tree"
Mr Davis, next Miss Wheeler, a little behind is Ester with
her hand on Snow. R sitting in a chair, Mary, Betty
Singleton and Mattie in a reclining posture. Mary's hand
on his head. In the distance is the Windmill, the
Cedar Ridge around the grave yard and the fancy
Arbour, Vitis, and Cedars. They all but R and W
were sitting on a fallen tree under the Weeping
Willow. Have just finished Uphams Interior
life. Oh when shall I, Can I be holy, with all

This mass of unward corruption, crushing
and dragging us down to earthly things.

The Col of Willy Lippesway approached without his
saber and ^{with} unbuttoned coat. Willy did not order
his men to present sabers and give the military
salute. The Col had him arrested for disrespect.

He plead it was not required under such circum-
stances, and the Col dismissed him. Two days
after he recommended him for Provost Marshal.

In performing fearlessly the duties of his office he
was assassinated. His body was embalmed, on
opening the inner coffin the room was perfumed
with a sweet odour from the roses and flowers sent
as an offering from the Rebel ladies of Williamsburg.

The following resolutions were adopted and sent onto
his parents.

Whereas - It has pleased an all wise Providence
to remove suddenly from our midst Lieut WW
Lippesway that while we deeply deplore the loss
of our young Comrade in arms, we remember
that he died like a soldier in the performance
of his duty. Therefore

Resolved that in the death

of Lieut WW Lippesway our Regiment has sustained
an almost irreparable loss, and our Country has been
deprived of a valuable and accomplished officer.

Resolved That the name of deceased will ever
be associated in our mind, with one of sterling integ-
rity of character, manly aspirations and of the most
brilliant promise.

Resolved that we tender our deepest
sympathies to the afflicted ones at home who
will cherish in their grief the consolation that
to the last he was a worthy son, a kind brother and a true
soldier.

Resolved that we wear the the usual badge
of mourning for thirty days.

On behalf of the Regiment

James W Wheeler Major 1st Reg Mc Rifs

C. S. Master Cap 1st Reg MR

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Lieut Clement Lippesway son of Mr Jacob Lippesway
has just married in Baltimore a woman of loose
character and brought sorrow on his father's
In Probab married them

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Saturday 24th Wrote and sent to the Sun an obituary
of Willy Lipsoway. Rain

Sunday 25th St. Johns Church

Monday 26th Cool and clear. Messrs Thompson &
Hutton. The former a candidate for Judge of Bishops
Court. The Confederates have fallen back: destroying
all the bridges and rail roads. Gen Meade at Ber-
renton. A young lady came up from Norfolk in the
boat with a hack, and drove to a Mrs Thomas N Stud
Told her she had been recommended her house by a Na-
val Officer who would arrive in a few days. ^{and they would be thus married} Are you
aware of the character of my house? It is our of ill fame
The young lady fainted, and lay insensible in Mrs
T's arms. She was taken to a room and assured of
safety. Marshal Van Vorstland was sent ^{for} who heard
her story. In the mean time Mrs T received a letter
from the Naval officer requesting her to take care
of this girl until he came. The young lady was con-
veyed to a genteel house and sent to her parents by
the next boat. The whole affair was then reported to
the Sec of War. A Lieut accompanied by two re-
giment soldiers went to Col Southwicks farm in St Marys

and told him they wanted all his able bodied
men. He told them of course they would take all that
were willing to go. The servants refused to go. The Lieut
insisted, an altercation ensued in which the Lieut
was killed and one of the soldiers wounded. The Col
fled into Va. I feel very much for them, having often
met them at Barnums Hotel. They were intimate at
Sisters Gleasons - Mr Newlands only woman ran off. His
son arrested her in Washington and brought her home
~~arrested~~ several negroes who decoyed her off and put
them in Rockville jail. A nyo bailed them out for
\$600, and Mr Joseph Newland was arrested in
Washington for kidnaping a negro in Washington
My mind is so full of wandering, and I am
such a prey to discontent. I have just thought of
the lines

The first I drew this vital breath
From nature's prison free
Crosses in number measure bought
Thou written Lord for me.
It is so hard to believe our trials are all meted
out by a fathers hand. Mr Pleasant is dead
he left a wife fully 30 years ^{older} younger than himself

Though the disparity in years seemed so great I fully believe there was great affection and congeniality of sentiment between them.

Oct 28th A police officer came up from Washington and took Mr Newlands servant woman to Washington Lee has recrossed the Rappahannock and defeated the Feds in two engagements. An attempted insurrection has just been squashed. The ring leaders arrested to be summarily dealt with. Reading Malbone. What a privilege and comfort to be the wife of a pious man. Time, talents, money all devoted to God. What a blessing on such a consecrated lot, Oh God in mercy pity the low estate of thy handmaid.

Thursday Oct 29th Mr Muncaster came and rode Rebreem to Brookville.

Oct 31st A letter from Watkins at Fort Ripley expects to accompany Sr Williamson, Bishop from (Roman C) and Bishop Whipple to meet about 5,000 Indians to pay off their claims. They will visit the reservations at Cape Pokigema, Winnipeg, Sandy & Rabbit Lakes - I want Wilson who contracted the government cattle disease has a sore hand yet, it will not heal. The cattle on the farms below us bordering on

Hawleys river, are dying in great numbers of this same disease. They must have poisoned the water, as only the cattle along the river are affected. Mr D brought 5:30 sheep I have been trying to lay my mind on the words. "Cast all your care on God for he careth for you." It is true W is in Minnesota, far far away, but he is with pious intelligent men. Had he remained here in good health, he might have been drafted and gone South as a private or a surgeon and I should have been a prey to the most distressing anxiety. I see in it all the hand of God. It is a just retribution. "Why should a living man complain for the punishment of his sins."

Nov 1st St. Johns church. Sunday service Mr Buzzs wife up to the pew and spoke to Mr Davis, who left the church. It seemed to produce much excitement. In a half hour he returned. A lady informed me after service all our servants had left, but had been stopped on the road. I proved to be only servant Ann. Who was in delicate health, and would do nothing any how, and we were too glad to be rid of her. The driver of the vehicle (white man) was sent to jail to stand his trial next week. Mr J Buzzs drove us home. In the afternoon to Brookville church. Gave \$10 to quertage, and \$10 as a present to Mrs Boyle. Mr J Buzzs brought B home

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in his buggy and pair.

Nov 2nd Mr Earp took Ann to Washington. Wrote a letter of sympathy to Sister Eliza, enclosing a copy of Willy's obituary. May received a sweet letter from Lou with a photograph of Willy taken in September it is very handsome.

Nov 3rd 63. Tomorrow is election day, The Democrats expected to make a handsome poll. Schuchert has issued an order that every man challenged shall take the oath of allegiance. Recruiting offices opened throughout the State to enroll recruits. Every loyal man who will give his servant a deed of manumission and take the oath shall receive \$300, for each negro, such as will not comply with these requisitions are to receive nothing but yet Montgomery is exempted.

Thursday Nov 5th. Went to Baltimore via Brookville stage. Met Cousin Comfort Doreys at Achse. But as I was not a good secessionist did not invite me to visit her.

Sunday Nov 8th. Went to Chatsworth in the morning, heard Dr Gibbons. Biddled St at night. Not much pleased with these divisions in the churches. so expressly forbidden by St Paul.

Monday Nov 9th Took tea with Sister Glenn. Lucy

gone to Elkton with the bride Mrs Hollingsworth.
Tuesday Nov 10th Went with Sister Glenn in her carriage to call on James Williams wife at Dr Doreys. She was absent. Achse invited Sister's family, Dr Dorey & lady, Mrs R Wiley and Mrs James Williams, Cousin Comfort Dorey and Mr and Mrs Ammon to tea. No body came to tea, Mrs J Williams accompanied by Mrs Throston came after tea to be introduced to me and May. I was quite pleased with her. She has not heard from James since he went South. Called to see Mrs Achse Armstrong, Misses Hudson, Miss Snowden, & Mrs Cromwell and daughters. Achse and Louise have become very parsimonious.
Thursday Nov 12th Came home with May in the stage Dr Howard's sale in Brookville. Just before tea her sister my sempstress, told her Master her husband a few men wished to speak to him. He wanted to find her for 25 per year, Mr D said no, he would sell her for \$500 cash. And thus ended the conference. Went to bed with a bad head ache.

Saturday Nov 14th Rode to Mechanicsville. I went woman Louise my washerwoman applied to our manager Mr Earp to ask Mr D to sell her. This is the third time she has applied. The whole thing of

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herself and Harriet is to annoy. As their husbands
will not take them to Washington. The democratic
ticket has succeeded in this County. The Military were
present at the polls, and made every body not only take
the oath of allegiance but vote, which recoiled on them-
selves and defeated them. In Berry's district
a printed placard was stuck over the polls, stating
that all persons who objected to the Military and
refused to take the oath, should be shot down as
confiscated property.

Sunday Nov 15th. At noon not a male servant to feed
the stock. Ben Coachman did not make his appearance
just before 3 o'clock a small boy came home and took us
in the one horse Rockaway to church which we reached
when the sermon was half over. I asked Mr D. to ride us
to church, but he refused, and rode off to see his Cou-
sin T. further, but he had gone to see a neighbor. He is
in wretched health, evidently in decline. And thus
people trifle with the Sabbath, and the Comman-
ments of their God. I have just read Wilbur's
life. Interior life by Alphonse. and life of
Edwards. Preaching Madam Guyon.

Tuesday Nov 17th W. Bowie to dinner. Mr Mearns

to tea. He does not come up to my brain ideal of
a sutor for Rebecca's hand. He wants character. She
may do worse, but I trust the Lord will direct her
choice of a partner as he did her namesake of old.
Oh merciful father I commend to thy Providence
care all I have, all I am and all I own. A letter
from Wilkins. Continues to improve. Just returned to
Fairbault. Was present when the Indians were paid
off. The traders immediately seized the whole of it.
Alas these poor Indians. I wish God had a reckoning
my with us. Vengeance is mine. I will repay saith
the Lord. And my observation as well as my own
experience affirms its truth.

Thursday Nov 19th. Went to Mr Ignatius Waters.
Two men went to Mr Brusson, asked for food, when seated
at the table said this was not what they wanted. They
must have money, drew their revolvers, and searched
the house, taking \$200 in gold. R. & M. went with Mr J.
Pryps to Mr De Griffiths. Mr R. to tea. The three Bow-
mans, & servants Washington & Rachel sleep in the wing
servants Catharine and Caroline in the ante chamber. A
loaded Carbine, 2. 6 banded revolvers, a sword and
a John Brown file (actually) constitute our armory

Lion stands sentinel on the garden portico. And
sundry of the canine species as pickets. Our man-
-ager Mr Eap is within call, or summon of our large
quarter bell. But the watchmen, watcheth in vain
unless the Lord Keep the City. Oh God protect us from
the midnight assassin, the torch of the incendiary
and all undue anxiety and alarm. We have most
wonderfully escaped molestation, and thank God our
almighty protector has dwelt in comparative com-
fort and peace compared with many others these
troubled times. To God be all the praise.

Sunday Nov 22nd Heard Mr Brown at St-Johns.
When I rose from my knees I could not think of
the text, nor have I since. He came home with us
and staid all night. He sat up very late talking on
indifferent subjects.

Monday Nov 23rd. Mr Brown staid until 11 o'clock. He
is evidently very fond of chat. But as far as I was
concerned he left no savor behind him. He told an
anecdote of an infidel who on board a steam boat
was expressing his disbelief in the existence of a God.
Going up to a poorly attired man he said You do not
believe in a God? Yes I do. Well I do not. Oh but

I have heard of you long ago. Ah! but where did
you hear of me? Why the Psalmist says The Fool
hath said in his heart there is no God. Bishop Whipple
has been invited by Mr Minturn of New York to accompany
him to Egypt. Mr B wrote yesterday to Mr Wm. that if
the Bishop accepted the invitation he wished him to ac-
company him. I hope they will go. Just received
a letter Mr Wm. The Bishop declines going. I fear he
will remain permanently in Minnesota. Submission
to this dispensation has cost me a severe trial. Poor
dear Thomas. I closed his eyes in death. But he is
safe with his God. Dear little Allen Bowie. His
sweet spirit is communing with the cherubs around
the throne, who continually behold ^{the face} of my father who is in
heaven. But poor Wilkins is a wanderer in a far off land,
left to buffet the wars of sorrow and affliction.
I took much pains with his education. Taught him
to perform ^{one} of the Piano and flute. Sent him to
Mr Prentiss three years, then to St-James College.
He retained Professor Smiths Office. Paid for his full
course of lectures in advance. After three years
study expected to spend one year at Paris or
Berlin. But the Typhoid fever, followed

of her mortgages deranged all this career
in such pleasing perspectives. But we must
trust God in this very dark hour. The many
strange and mysterious interpositions of Providence
in my behalf during my past life, ought to be my
strongest guarantee that he will not forsake me
in the future. Oh God enable me to put my whole trust
in thee. To hang upon thy word. To feel the promise
is for me. I want a spirit of self annihilation. To
say at all times and under all circumstances
"Thy will be done".

Tuesday Nov 24th Rained all day.

Wednesday Nov 25th. Spent the day at Mr
Worthingtons. Met Mr Riggs, Mr Bural, and
Mrs Bowie. Heard Major Cass said a rail
road to Council Washington would the Northern
Central would soon be made through this country.

Thursday 26th. This is Esters birthday. A social
at Mrs Jones. She is sixteen. Wears a blue silk
and peasant body, over a white Spencer. White silk
waist, and scarlet velvet bands. This is the
giving day, but my heart is bowed to the east.
Williams writes in response to a most extra

ordinary letter written him by his father, that
he will bro on the look out for a farm, and will
not let a good opportunity slip. Mr L has
offered to furnish the money. It must be borrowed
for he has none on hand. It is sheer delusion
and madness, recollecting the large sums he
has lost in the same way, borrowing, and paying
heavy interest, and ultimately losing by the
speculation. I can only compare my emotion, to
Egyptian torture.

Saturday Nov 28th Killed boys. A Mr Williams
an applicant for the Brookville Academy. A great
Federal victory at Chatanooga. Bragg is retreating
loses 60 pieces of artillery. Gen Grant has taken 6,000
prisoners. Meade is said to be pushing Lee

Sunday Nov 29th Mr Brown preached. Communion
a very interesting and solemn season.

Monday Dec 1st Mr L went to Baltimore. Mr L
cast. Staid all night.

Wednesday Dec 2nd Mr Riggs to tea.

Thursday Dec 3rd Dr Magruder & Rev Mr Corlies

Thursday Dec 4th Washington Bowie. Staid all
night. Weather very fine and open

Sunday Dec 6th Mechanicville Church. ^{and sermon}
About read the service. How much I have
read prayers, even the beautiful service of the Episto-
copal Church, and read sermons denouncing
ignorant persons, or prejudiced persons. But I
found God in the prayers, in the hymns, in the
Psalms and in the sermon. I certainly beyond all
deception, or hallucination, or superstition had
almysterious, but realizing sense of the presence of
for his name be praised forever and ever. Amen.

Monday Dec 7th Killed 21 hogs. weather clear
Tuesday Dec 8th In the kitchen all day about
lard and sausage meat. very much tried by
the servants. At night put up a box of Christmas
and presents for Bishop Whipples family. 24 yds blue
silk & 24 for Mrs Whipple. 10 yds Dutch Prep
and Netherlands & 10. 3 lace collars for the Misses
as Whipple girls, Mayant and Jennisons forms
a meal game, a curious turtle a box of jewelry
and candles, a box of glass balls and 2 doz little
wax candles for a Christmas tree. A very fine
box containing some articles of a young lady
and 1/2 doz linen Cambric bands for the Bishop

Wednesday Dec 9th Mr J Riggs to tea.
letter from W. Min. He tells me when he thinks of his past
his bright prospects, and all the castles in the
air he had built of future success and distinction,
of which then seemed such fair promise, he
felt sad. He had seen them all fall one by one
away and leave but a wreck behind. But he did
not wish utterly to despond. He thought God had
ordered it, and he would pray for submission,
and strength to drink with fortitude and resig-
nation the bitter cup that had been presented to
him. He thought few at his age had been called
so early to such disappointments, but felt assured all
would work together for his good.

Sunday Dec 13th Mr S drove us to Brookville Church.
Drove a Pig 25 lbs of lard, 16 lbs sausage, 1 China 2 Opurids
to Achsa. Mr J Riggs wrote a note to be inviting her
to ride to Mt Calvary Church on Sunday, she declined.

Wednesday Dec 23 - Rebecca and Mary went to Balt-
more to Mrs Jones, R to hunt for. Made pound cakes
and ginger pound cakes.

Thursday Dec 24th Made potato puddings, apple pies
and sponge cake. Myself plum pudding for Christmas

Dec 25th 63. Went to Church, very handsomely
served. Over the chancel a star and the words
in green letters of Wys of Bethlehem, round the Church
you shall call his name Jesus. Messrs W Bow
and Thompson to dinner.

Saturday Dec 26. Servant Lill married this morning
A great wedding dinner, I gave them 1 shouder of beef
a large roast of beef, a pickled round, and 4 chickens
at the off pound cake and 24 candies and little
for extras for the brides cake. They provided 2
turkeys, 2 geese and 7 chickens a large pound
cake oranges, almonds, raisins, confectionary
Mrs. Kles, pueris and other dainties. They must have
expended a considerable sum of money. Messrs Allen
and Puggs to tea. A stranger staid all
night. Mr Puggs went off with the strangers but
which was not discount until next morning.

Sunday Dec 27th Sent to Mr Puggs for the strangers but
Messrs Hall and Col Ware of Oregon to dinner.
I do not often prepare dinner for Sunday Company. But
Col Ware has been for 3 months in the Old Capitol
Mr Hall assisted by Mr Rev Johnson procured his
lease. His health is much affected, suffering from

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dysentery. Lemon plum pudding, potato pudding
confectionary, almonds, raisins. Ham, pork, turkey
potatoes, hominy, tomatoes & conds. The Col said it was very
different fare from fat muddling and beans in the Q. Capitol.
They were obliged to extinguish lights at an early hour, but they
saved the pork, and lighting it made a first rate can-
dle. Mr Stables sends me word the Rail Road is
very hopeful. A rainy day.

Monday Dec 28th We wished to get in Saturday, but the
wedding prevented it. Yesterday and today the rain prevents
the ice thickening. I trust we have not missed our only chance.
Reading Phillips doctrinal guide.

Wednesday Dec 30th. Spent the day at Mrs C Bowens
Saw two exquisite frames made of burrs, leather,
skunk skins and skin tented, beautifully arranged
and highly varnished by Miss Isabel Bowie.

Thursday Dec 31st A German staid all night.
Friday Jan 1st 1864 - Mr Lewis dined with
J. J. Bowie, with a number of gentlemen, Egg nuff
Apple toddy, and wine abundant. "Oh my soul
come not thou into their secret." A little boy comes
in crying, "he is so very cold." Servant Lillie pulls
off his shoes, he has on no stockings. Staid all night

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Friday Jan 2nd Mr Thompson comes to tea, and will stay all night. It is intensely cold. Mr Thompson tenant at Profbury promised to be here this morning to settle with Mr D. He did not come and we just learn he has packed up to start early on Monday for the Baltimore.

Sunday Jan 3rd Our Coachman does not make his appearance. Kind servant Breky's father and Tom, to drive us. So much for Jesus - Took the Communion. We had plum pudding. It was bitter cold and the air made me very hungry and I ate freely of it. Felt lethargic all the afternoon.

Wednesday Jan 5th In bed yesterday and today with headache and sick stomach. Miss Manchester & Riggs come to tea but Rebecca and Ester went to Mr Gartrell's wedding supper and they accompanied them.

Wednesday Jan 6th Very weak. Mind wandering, sadly beset by my usual temptations, want of submission to the Lord will. Lord pity my weakness, and help my many infirmities. Enable me to rise superior to my many difficulties, to cast all my care on thee, believing thou dost care for me, and dost only design

My dress to consume, and my gold to refine. At the wedding last night, Mr Baron Gartrell was t^hought, also Mr

Watkins, and Mr Frederic's father. Pretty company for my daughters. Mr A Gartrell asked Rebecca to play a jig on the accordion, she told him it was not made for fast people nor fast times. He urged Ester to dance. R was introduced to Mr Matthews who was quite gentle, handed her into supper. They went out of kind feeling to Mr Gartrell as our nearest neighbor. Received a letter from May, wrote to Mrs Thomas's grand party last Wednesday, to Mr Wm Albert Thursday, wore she says a blue silk, with elegant luscious body, diamond pin, all the hair dresses were engaged and Miss Jones assisted her to arrange her hair very handsomely with a wreath of white flowers and gilt butterflies. Mr J Riggs took R and E. a sleigh ride and returned to dinner. Our ice house just filled with beautiful ice. Mr Thompson and W Bowie after dinner. Intensely cold.

Friday Jan 8th Ester sick in bed rheumatic, Mr Thompson and W Bowie called in a sleigh, R handed them some pound cake, sherry and blackberry wine, the latter made by Ester. The House has appointed a select committee of 9 to consider the expediency of a R. Road through this County, en route to New York. A letter from W. All his presents come safely. Saturday (mas eve) a Christmas tree lighted with our tapers was arranged in the Bishop's study, and all

They was presents on and around it. He received
from the Bishop a silver fruit Knife, and from Mrs
a napkin ring of silver marked W W D. As Miss Lizzie
Whipple anticipates shortly a house of her own they
had a lot of kitchen furniture and a check apron one
the cord with a card written

A charge to keep you have
A house to beautify

The weather intensely cold.

Saturday Jan 9th Mr J Riggs came in after dinner
and sat the afternoon. Ester sick abed. Very Cold.

Sunday Jan 10th Too sick to venture abroad.

Monday Jan 11th Mr J Riggs took Rebecca out in a
sleigh, returned to dinner and sat the afternoon.
would have remained until bed time, but through

a mistake his sleigh was brought to the door. Mr
denburg's second wife dead with Pneumonia. Mr
I Waters very ill. Ester down stairs. I will not
think of sudden Emancipation. I feel confident
"The Lord will provide". I have always found
it safest to trust his Providence, it has never

failed me in the past.

Tuesday Jan 12th Very much oppressed. I feel as though
I had been on a high mountain enjoying a beautiful and
extensive landscape, furnished by new choicest trees,
clothed in every variety of light and shade, producing
the most exquisite enjoyment, suddenly the scene
changed, and I was suddenly hurled down a
precipice into a deep abyss afraid Eventide Raps

Thursday Jan 14th Mr Muncester all night, brought
the History of the Southern war by Pollard, Ester is
reading of -

Friday Jan 15th Mr J returns from Batumond. Achme
writes me a letter, requesting me to sign a petition to
the Chancery Court, praying her house may be sold, she
is offered \$20,000 for it, but has not made up her mind
as to what she will invest it in. It is quite likely she
will lose it.

Sat Jan 16th Went to see Mrs Waters. Mr W very ill
Mr Thompson here to tea. Will stay all night.

Sunday Jan 17th Went to St Johns. Rev Mr Brown
spent the night. What a talker. Certainly allows
himself great latitude, for he looks Pollard's History of
the War to his cross and says he set up to take

down reading it. I never have allowed my children to read newspapers, general literature, or write letters or study lessons on Sunday, and they strictly adhere to it. The last Sunday night he staid here he staid until a late hour reading a political speech.

Monday Jan 18th Rained all day.

Tuesday Jan 19th Mr Brown left this morning Rebecca in bed with sore throat. Mrs Whipple has been ill with brain fever but is now out of danger. The ladies of Maryland are to hold a State Fair at Easton. A State Committee composed of one lady from each County has been selected whose duty will be to invite the attention of the ladies of her County to the subject, make collections and all the necessary arrangements for a table to be furnished from her County. I have been elected for Montgomery. I received a letter yesterday from Mrs Phelps on the subject. I am in rather a tight place. But I must not shrink from duty. I fear I shall have to shoulder this burden. Mrs Blair is also appointed.

Excellent future 2000 miles off working on a small farm hoping manual labor in the open air in that salubrious climate may restore his depleted frame. His future is with God who putteth down and raiseth up in the good pleasure of his own will. Oh God in the midst of wrath remember mercy.

Tuesday Jan 26th Mr Otho Muncester to town. Wrote to Mrs Judge ^{Brown} about the Fair. Sent a Circular for the Montgomery County Sentinel. Weather lovely.

Wednesday Jan 27th Messrs Muncester & J Rygg to town. Sent off 143 Circulars. Almost ~~no~~ ^{no} person of respectability and means in this county are without sympathies. Rather dull prospect.

Mr J Rygg has sent me a half dozen of new music. Some he sent me today by mail Jan and Feb numbers of the National Magazine. Mr S received a letter from Sebastian Brown asking a letter of introduction and recommendation to Mr J. J. Alexander. He wishes to study law in his office and become a member of his household, to pay by undertaking service as a clerk. His family connections are very humble, his father kept a small school, he worked on the farm. His relatives have made a little money and have sent him to Carlisle college.

He took the gold medal for his diligence.
 The clipper Alexander moves in the most aristocratic
 circles in the city, and so he is determined to make a
 bold push, but he will fail in this effort. His Aunt
 Miss Kate Brown was our housekeeper 15 years and his
 Uncle who now assists him was our Manager. So the
 world goes, as the wheel of fortune turns round, he is very
 ambitious and I have no doubt succeed. Of his talents
 I know nothing, but his self conceit is proverbial. I never
 saw him. Pious Curran. Mr Davis blacksmith in Union has
 sent his son to study law in Mr Brendt's office.
 Politics in this County meet 22 Feb to nominate delegates to
 the Convention to be held at Cape Fear (April).

Sunday 1st Feb. Servant Caroline died not being in
 water, on inquiry, she her mother Sallie, who were my
 dining room servants, and her son Joe, who was my
 mail and errand boy had left the night previous for
 Washington. Sallie made our bread beautifully. It had been
 vaccinated by Dr Biggs, would not take. Mary was vac-
 cinated by Dr Smith. Ann very sore.

Wednesday 3rd Louise and Betty sick. Sallie gone
 on to make the bread, but I made Catharine make it
 for the first time, and it was excellent. Mr J Biggs

Life of Stonewall Jackson and the Washington Beehive
 Thursday Feb 10th A letter from Wilkins. health better
 but still coughs. \$5 from Misses Hollands, making \$19.
 Friday 12th A card and three partridges from Mr W
 Biggs to R. A sheet of music I know not why I have
 them from Mr Thompson. Feb and Jan numbers of
 Petersons magazine from Mr J Biggs. Quite touching at-
 tentions - R is better but still in bed. A letter from Bee
 The Northern bishops, Ames, Jams, and Scott have gone
 south to take possession of certain Methodist Church
 which have been turned over to them by the
 Military authorities, and filled the pulpits with
 southern men. She seems justly much offended.
 Sent Reuben to Mr Worthington to carry him a loaf
 of bread and a blanche mange - Great efforts are
 making in Congress to grant negroes the right of
 suffrage. There must be no distinction in the Washing-
 ton Cars in reference to color. There are Cars expressly for
 colored people but a Dr with a gold Epaulette or strap
 ventured into a car for the whites and was ejected
 so his case must be brought before Congress for re-
 dress. Then Mr Wilson says they must have social
 equality. Next in train comes Amalgamation and

we will then soon be a mongrel mulatto race. Where will all this insanity about the negro
 \$ 2 from Mrs & Miss Darby making \$ 21 - 1/4 its year from Mr Townsend. Mr D quite sick -
 Sunday Feb 14th went to church, to Mrs Brown to dinner, thence to Mr Worthington. He is very ill. has spasms which sometimes last four hours, eye watering pains in his heart; a large number of persons were there. There was an air of great meanness about every thing. Mr Worthington is fond of seeing things look nice and Mr Worthington has common sense enough to know that allowing her to manage her own business in her own way could not in the least impair his character as a man of character and judgment. Mr Rigg's letter -
 Monday Feb 15th Mr Davis much indisposed. snowing
 Tuesday Feb 16th Reuben Sinn informs Mr Davis called appeared before Provost-Marshal Todd in Washington, and wanted Moses & Matilda (was run away) sworn to her freedom and the Marshal told him to take them back, and give them when he pleased and he would protect them. So he has brought them back to a few myross Daniel Browns less than 2 miles from us. In the afternoon he had the impertinence send word to Mr Davis to come up to Mr Gatrulls to see him. Mr D wrote to Todd and also to provost-Marshal Todd

her dying exclamation naming her son Jacob the glory is departed from Israel, for the ark of God is taken. He had lost his two sons, his daughter in law his husband, yet all seemed absorbed in one great grief the loss of the ark of God. This devotion was contrasted with the lukewarmness of the present. The conduct of the Philistines in taking the ark from the charge of the Levites in Shiloh and bringing it into the camp, without special direction. The importance they attached to the ark and the confidence they reposed in it. Nothing in said of humiliation, or repentance or faith in God as the God of battles, but when the ark of the covenant of the Lord came into the camp, all Israel shouted with a great shout. They had the ark. Tho only a symbol, but that in their groveling imaginations was enough. How like many of the present day. It was written by an English divine but it was strikingly appropriate to the present times. Several Methodist bishops have gone south to take possession of southern Methodist Churches and setting their appointed ministers aside, fill their pulpits with loyal men generally from the north. Gen Butler has ordered the provost-Marshal in Norfolk to appoint loyal ministers to the churches, Soldiers

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white and Colored to have free access. A look
gesture of disapprobation to meet instant rebuke
If the usual worshippers refuse to pay the
purses, they are to be levied on - Thus the
of God is to be dragged into the arena of politics
to make a mere political engine. The Israelites
has - failed, and the ark of God was taken by the Philistines
it never again returned to Shiloh. I fear our
the men will draw down upon us still more heavily
Now we are of God. Weather very mild

Monday Feb 29th Mr B has taken servants Sallie and
her - dine out of jail, and hired them to Mr Tait in Rockville
che they cost him in one week in jail \$9.20 - I had no part
nor lot in this matter - Went to see Mrs Pennington
she has been sick four weeks - Dr Williams of Baltimore
app had come up to see her. Mr Puggs to tea. Sent 1/2 lb
meal, 1/2 lb brown flour 1/2 lb hominy, 2 kams of 2
the to Eliza Dejosway, N. York. Received several
the Music for Mail and March No of Petersons
the from some unknown friend. Mr deappointed
m - gate to the Rockville Convention. Met Mr Wilson
se says he will make me a chair for the fair, Mr
he will make a pair of shoes. Sent Mrs Boyle

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a series of resolutions, declaring Methodism is loyal, and
supporting the administration in all its acts, and pledging
the Conference to unite with the government in putting
down only rebellious spirits, but in abolishing slavery
within their jurisdiction by moral persuasion, affec-
tionately exhorting the brethren etc - Mr Reed also
moved you Augur be invited to come next day
and swear in the Conference - Voted to a committee
of seven -

Monday March 8th A recruiting office opened in Rockville
for white and Colored slaves - bounty \$6.8, \$900 - The Federals
have attacked simultaneously at five different points. The
and been handsomely repulsed. Richmond, (Charleston, and
Savannah, Florida, Mobile), Sherman & Smith's ex-
pedition making seven. Boyle the man ^{who shot} W.W. Dejosway
was sentenced to be shot, Lincoln commuted to hard labor
for life. Thomas Abrahams his guard allowed him
to escape, he deserted to the enemy and gave information
12 hours ahead of Butler said to liberate the Libby &
Belle Isle prisoners 30,000 in number. When they reached
an important bridge it was burned. In his rage Butler
had poor Abrahams tried for his neglect. He was sentenced
to be shot. Lincoln approves the sentence. The most our govern-
ment seems successful in so in finding something to

went its spite upon
 Tuesday March 8th Mrs Pennyman is dead. Miss H
 land sent me a bandbox full of articles for the Fair.
 Two detectives came up from Washington this morning
 with an order from Col Baker, emanating from Sec of War
 putting Mr Davis under arrest, before leaving he wrote
 to Messrs Blair, Rev Johnson, and lawyer Bradley
 requesting their kind Offices to procure his parole. It
 was raining heavily, and he not well, but he had to go
 whether or no. Washington ^{Board} is in Washington. Rev Mr
 Boyle came out in the rain to offer his services, was going
 to Baltimore, and would see any friends I wish to em-
 ploy. Mr Thompson came to tea, and will stay all
 night - Ch's Lord I will praise ^{the} for thy protecting
 care in raising ^{up} friends to care for me in this e-
 mergency. Let all that is within me bless and
 praise thy holy ^{name}, Oh how wonderful and mysterious
 are thy dealings with the children of men.

Thursday March 10th Mr Bowman is the
 at night. A letter of importance to me came
 this afternoon to Mr S from Mr Alex and in my place
 a house belonging to his estate to be sold, my delay
 probably would have not known it, but for the

circumstances of opening the letter, thinking it required
 an immediate answer. I answered the letter and
 requested Mr Alex and to secure the property if not
 retained as my private property. "Commit thy way in
 to the Lord, and he will direct thy steps"

Friday March 11th Mr Bowman did not come up last
 night, and there was no male in the house save old Washington,
 nor at the quarter but Tom Brown a free color'd man, and once
 this Mr S has owned 63 servants, besides losing 20 children.
 Col Dalghum and Kelpatuck, advancing on Richmond en-
 countered a negro boy whom he employed to guide him to the
 nearest ford, the river had risen and the ford was impassible, forced
 he charged the poor negro with duplicity, and took his own bundle
 to hang him on the nearest tree, he soon after encountered the
 Confeder's and received 2 bullets in his head and 2 in his body
 full from his horse and expired. His body was stripped and left naked.
 The papers found on his person were carried to Richmond and are copied
 into our Gazette. There is a copy of his address to his brass a picked
 company and order of procedure. They ~~are~~ to burn all the bridges
 around Richmond, all the R. Roads, liberate 30,000 prisoners
 from the Libby & Belle Isle, turn them loose on Richmond during
 the night, murder President Davis and his Congress, burn
 the City, its contents, citizens, women, children, plunder all

March 6th
to be the prey of 4000 brutal soldiers, with un-
limited license. If all these horrors were really pre-
sented by the intelligence given by Polley, then Mr
Dunwoody, Martindale, saved the lives of many of his
Rindred, and Richmond horrors that would have
been an Encouraging disparage to our Country's Greatness. And
had they succeeded doubtless it would have been plead as an
excuse the soldiers could not be restrained. It will be
seen before the house of delegates praying our representatives in
Congress be requested to as ~~the~~ Congress to appropriate 20,000
as Lincoln suggested to compensate slave owners in this
ages 37. says 31. This is justice in these degenerate days.
Mr was a delegate last Sat to Rockville Convention to elect de-
legates to Constitution Convention. Submitted a series of resolution asking
for Compensation laid on the table. Delegates Blair, Bowie, & Belmont.

Friday March 12th Mr returned home, went to Baltimore Thurs-
day, saw Rebecca, she had taken cold and was in bed, both arms
affected. Pol War had been to request him to accompany him
to Gen Stewart, but she did not see him. The man who was en-
suing off from Washington and whom Mr Johnson arrested
and sent to Rockville jail, had to give \$500 bail. Mr & Mr
I were summoned before the grand jury to give evidence against
him, Monday or Tuesday. The Provost Marshal at the solicitor

of this man's lawyer sent up and insisted them to prevent
their giving this evidence, so that the case would be dismissed
or postponed until Nov, when the new Constitution would al-
ter the law, as the state it is hoped will be free. Wilson our pastor
was too sick to work that day, yet he went into Brookville
to enlighten the ignorant community, as to Mr D's arrest. He
had been keeping him and his fellow servants in bondage ever
since Mrs Davis death, at which time they were all to be free.
\$19,00 had been collected in Washington and he would cheer-
fully add \$1,00 himself to have this matter investigated. It was
true of some and of others a considerable time, with princi-
pal and interest for the sum of 63 negroes was something
worth seeing for. The lawyer had been up to ascertain the
amount of Mr D's property, who in 15 minutes satisfied
the provost Marshal they were all his slaves by his father's
will as recorded in Rockville Court. The lawyer offered
to compromise with Mr D but he ordered him off, and told
him to bring the suit as soon as he pleased. Mr J Buzz
to tea - Trimm'd the grape and roses, or did did rather
Brookville, Mechanicsville, and indeed all the
neighb'hood were in the highest excitement. Mr
Went went instantly down to the Old Capitol thinking
of course Mr D was there. Mr Wonell as white son

sheet, stood with mouth and eyes wide open like a man paralyzed. Old Mrs Knox rushed down to Mr Thomas exclaiming My God! Mr Davis is arrested and sitting down wept bitterly wiping her eyes on the corner of her checked apron. Mr D says she certainly deserves a present for her tears, these hardened days, the secessionists were crowing and the Conservatives dismaying. The latter thought it was in consequence of resolutions offered at the Rockville convention.

Sunday March 13th Mr Brown preached a dull sermon on the duty of supporting a Ministry and diverting part of our substance to God. Rev. Carrison a man of strong faith. I trust with profit.

Tuesday 15th a letter from Ester, R has had sore throat and pains still in her arms. Dr Martin attending.

Wed 16th Mr Newcastle to town. Has lost his riding horse and servant boys.

Thursday 18th Mr Davis without saying one word to me has cut down 4 or 5 sheds trees which should be some outbuildings I was too glad to conceal. It was an act of vandalism. So like living just to please one's self. Very windy and cool. Washington was thrown into great excitement fearing a raid from Stewart's Cavalry.

March 18th I trimmed the shrubbery in the yeard and had the grass raked and swept. Yard and walks look very nice. Messrs Frank & Robert Brown are building a tenant house. Mrs Eliza Albert an old friend of our family died in Baltimore of confluent small pox. No one would go into her room but Rev Mr Crafton, who saw her daily, and a hind colored nurse. She was interred a few hours after her decease. She had recently returned from Europe. I met her on the street, she charged me to come and see her, she must show me all the pretty things she brought home and her beautiful flower garden. The next time we meet, will be in the judgment.

Sunday March 21st Mary had a letter from P Alexander inviting her to spend Easter holidays with her. Fanny A married Mr Keen last Friday. Ester was present. Yesterday Mr D drove me to Brookville Church. The regular Minister did not arrive and Mr Boyle officiated without due preparation. I was thinking on such occasions how advantageous to have the liturgical service, as all men are not gifted in prayer, and the intempering of scripture readings cannot but be profitable, but human nature is so prone to extremes. I wonder our people use the Lord's prayer, or do not insist on maintaining the hymns, because Mr Charles West

-ley did so. Having received a letter from Mrs
 Phelps relative to permitting the Prince George con-
 tributions being received at the Montgomery table
 I went to consult Mrs Lee about it. She had a
 large fernery with a great variety of plants, also a
 small one. In front of one window growing in a bay
 and running on a trellis to the ceiling and thence a-
 cross on strings was an Australia Vine. In each win-
 dow were beautiful hanging baskets with vines,
 The sun in the larger fernery. Passing a small
 house a woman ran out and besought my protec-
 tion some deserters had entered the house and in-
 sulted her. My Coachman seemed as much intimi-
 dated as the woman, so I took her in the carriage
 to the nearest house. A little further on a man
 stopped and ordered Isaac to stop, he took no
 notice, he ordered him to stop still more imperatively
 asked the distance to Clark's Spring, and whether he
 had a lady in there. "Yes. Ah soon" 15 colored volunteers
 left this morning. W Bowie in the afternoon.

Thursday March 24th Received a letter from Mr Williams
 inviting me to the opening of Chatsworth Church.

Friday March 25th Good Friday wrote a letter to Mr W

Enclosing \$10. as my offering. Mr I brought Ester to
 spend the holidays. He also brought me Bishop Hopkins on
 Slavery. Sunday March 27th Watkins is 22 years of age to-
 day. It is the first Sunday since his birth Easter occurred
 on the 27th. Messrs Hall, Col Ware W Bowie, & Mandata
 Thompson to dinner.

Monday 28th Messrs W Bowie and Thompson to dinner.

Tuesday 29th Went to Brookville, then to Mr J Waters, having
 conversed politically, ecclesiastically, and other subjects also
 about the Fair, I was tired (after talking to 15 persons) and
 laid me down to sleep, May awakened me to say Mr Poygs
 and Martin were in the parlor, the former vaccinated although
 inoculated for the small pox when young. Mr Muncester
 to tea. Staid all night, as a furious storm came up.

Wednesday March 30th Mr Muncester left after dinner.

Friday March 31st Francis P. Blair Esq of Silver Spring and
 Mr Edward Stabler spent the day. Dinner. Soup, boiled hen
 chickens with egg sauce, potatoes, carrots, and Tomatoes. Hot
 sweet meats, and sponge cake. Mr Blair says
 no negro soldier will be permitted to return to this State,
 but after the war will be marched to the Rio Grande.

Friday April 1st Judge Blair of the Cabinet, and Judge Bowie
 Chief Justice of the State to dinner. Mr Blair says the

Rail road from Washington to Hanover to form a connection with the Northern Central as certain. He advises that Watkins cross the plains and offers his assistance, as he can give him a free pass with the great inland mail to California. Bishop Whipple preached in Washington Good Friday, and got a pass with front to see the Army.

Sunday April 3rd Went to Brookville. no church. rode to see Mr J Waters foolishly, and talked too much as usual.

Monday April 4th Ester went to Baltimore at 6 o'clock. At 10 o'clock Mr Thompson came to offer his services to escort her. Edward Bratty is dead, W Bowie goes on to Sandusky for his body. A letter from Bishop Whipple. I'm staying with his cousin Gen Halleck. I looked into the future and could see no light. I held in my hand the Bible and my eye rested on Numbers XI, 21-22-23. God had promised to feed Israel with flesh, Moses doubted, "I shall the flocks and the herds be slain for them," or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them? The Lord said, "Is the Lord's hand waxed short, thou shalt see now whether my word shall come to pass unto thee or not." And it did come to pass. I must struggle against - my anxieties for the future and put my whole trust in God.

Tuesday April 5th Mr B returned from Baltimore. Rebecca still in her room.

Rebecca went to Baltimore with W Bowie in a Rockaway.

Friday April 8th Bishop Whipple, Mr Hinman & Mr Emmequayha Missionaries, Pepe & Trope Jacotahs the latter a chief, who had rescued 200 whites during the Sioux massacre and a young Indian theological student arrived at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M. Mr Thompson escorted them and remained all night. I had a bad head.

Saturday April 9th Mrs Bowie and J J Bowie Mr Abert Mr Hutton and Mr Thompson to dinner. The latter and Mrs Bowie staid all night.

Sunday April 10th Bishop Whipple preached at St Johns in the morning, at M.P. in Brookville in the afternoon and at my house to the servants at night. They were convened in the dining hall and housekeepers room. The Bishop asked them to sing hymns with which they were all familiar, this they did. He seemed much affected and said it recalled to mind past years, when he preached to their brethren in S. Carolina and united in singing the same hymns. Mr Emmequayha made a feeling address to them, contrasting their

of his poor brethren in the far West, who had
no gospel, no bible, no christian privileges, told
them how the great spirit comforted him in
his heart, that his son a youth of 17 years, said to
his mother, wrap up for me, I am going to the white
mans God, Father pray much and do good,, and
then expired. Then followed the benediction by
the Bishop; when the negroes sang spontaneously by
the Doxology. Mr E - said with much emotion
I wish to shake hands with these christian people
which was cordially responded to.

Tuesday, April 19th Mary & I went to Baltimore via stage,
found Rebecca still confined to her room.

Sat April 23rd went to the Fair. I saw only a few fa-
miliar faces, The elite of the City were not there.
Dr Keener purchased at a low price a copper mine
since his death his son Mr has formed it into
a stock company, which he has sold out and
realised for his sister Mrs Dr Julius and himself
a handsome fortune. As position and nobility
could some extent be purchased they have pur-
chased a very elegant residence on Monument St
at a very high price \$76,000 - An old lady bearing

of it said why her grand father was a very plain old
german who was famous for keeping a number of
pall, parrots - And so the wheel of fortune turns round.
Friday April 29th Returned home via stage, having made
a most uninteresting and unprofitable visit to the
City of Baltimore. Mr Muncester to tea.

Sunday May 1st St Johns in the morning. Messrs Bow
and Thompson to dinner. Brookville in the afternoon.

Whit Monday May 16th - Mary went to Baltimore, ser-
vant Louise accompanied, river at Roy bury so high,
the water flowed into the Rockaway. I was so foolish when
in Baltimore as to buy Mary a hat for \$20, Rebecca one for
\$16, and Ester one for \$12. So much for hard times. A large
number of loyal women have pledged themselves not
to purchase any foreign articles for dress. The General
conference in Philadelphia sent a delegation of five mem-
bers to visit the negro conference. They in turn visited the
conference. A large number of colored persons were pres-
ent, the conference received them standing, they were
conducted to the platform, made speeches which
were enthusiastically applauded, I presume the next
generation are to be ministers, It is said the speeches
were very superior. Our beds on the are untouched.

My dahlias are not planted. Nothing can be done until Rebecca comes to say, where my flowers are to be planted.

May and Rebecca came from Baltimore. It is much better.

Mr Thompson came to town Saturday. Wilkins arrived from Minnesota is a much improved in health. He has entertained us with a variety of amusing occurrences and anecdotes. Returning in the stage there were some soldiers, accompanied by a chaplain, one of them was very drunk and said, "I wonder where I am going to," the chaplain replied "I reckon to the devil." The soldier said "I am very sorry I have to keep such bad company on the way." After a while the soldier again said "I am making a damned fool of myself," the chaplain said, "How do you feel about it," Oh says he, "I have to adapt myself to the company I am in." Stopping at a tavern he went in to get a glass of gin, a boy was drawing whale oil which he mistook for molasses he dipped his finger into it and returned to the stage swearing dreadfully.

A man accosted Wilkins and said "You are the young

man that's travelling with the Bishop eh? I suppose you will make a preacher of you" Oh no I reckon not, "What's yer business when yer at home, are ye a lawyer," No. "Are ye a doctor," No. "Are ye a merchant," No, "Are ye a farmer" No. "What is you" I am a cooper at present.

At the consecration of a church, after the service a man was asked how he liked the service. I never rec'd any thing like that before, and I liked it very much, all except that old fellow with the long robe and ^{big} sears hollowing out. He was the King of Hell. The Bishop was preaching in a small town. The tavern keeper heading a parcel of rough men were seated in the lower part of the church; they were provided with prayer books, the bishop calling out the page for the different parts of the service. Commencing the psalter, the tavern keeper leant forward and stretching out his arm and pointing toward the Bishop, exclaimed "Hold on there Mr Bishop, you too fast for us, we aint up to this thing as you is."

Sunday June 5th Mr Brown to dinner. Told an anecdote of Rev Mr Carr at Laurel. Bishop Whittingham was about administering confirmation. The candidates were invited to

come forward. No one came. A second invitation was given. Two young ladies who had consented to become candidates rose and hastily left the church. Mr (was) followed them. After some time he returned almost breathless having chased them across a field. Exclaiming Bishop I could not catch them.

Monday June 6th Wilkins and myself went to see Miss Harriet Griffith at Mr Thomas Griffiths.

Tuesday June 7th visited Rev Mr Gilbert and lady Dr Martin and lady - National Convention

Wednesday June 8th visited Dr Magnuder lady, Mr Burns and family

Thursday June 9th - The convention nominated Lincoln and Andy Johnson - Fremont has also accepted the nomination - Wilkins and W Bowie have gone to Prince George county. W Bowie waits on Mr Berry and Miss Budd today - Gen Grant is before Richmond, claims to be advancing on inch at a time.

Friday June - Rev Mr Williams spent the day.

Sunday June - Mrs Magnuder died ^{yesterday} of dysentery and was interred today. Mrs J Gaither and son died recently, also Mr Philemon Sorey & son. Mr Williams

fine field of grass - Mr De wote to Wilkins yesterday and I wrote to day begging him to postpone purchasing his farm as we know not how soon the days of war may sweep away our possessions. Firing in the direction of Washington. Lord preserve us from all danger

Monday July - Looking all day for the Rebs
Tuesday July - I had just arisen when Mr De entered my room and said 'Well the Rebs are certainly in Unity - I dressed rapidly by 4 o'clock I saw them riding up. They dashed up to the farm stables but no horses there, another party searched the private stables with no better success - The front gate being chained they could not enter, but had a party with Mr De who was inside they threatened if the horses were not forth coming to carry him off to headquarters, but he pleasantly asked them in to take a drink which they accepted and soon forgot the horses. They numbered some 2000 Cavalry, under Bradley Johnson. They were returning from burning the bridges over the Northern Central. Some of them had been in Baltimore, they burned Gov Bradfords house first assisting to take out the furniture. They

did not touch their clothing, books, jewelry
or silver. Eddie Thompson, Harry Loney, Miss
Lyon, Elder, and a great many from Balti-
more were with them. We fed a great many
and handed cake and wine to some who
said they had breakfasted. A number
had whiskey and water. We politely asked
Mary for a kiss. They left at 10 o'clock. We
were all worn out with fatigue and excitement.

~~Wednesday~~ Thursday July ^{at 12 noon}. About 20 Confederates made
their appearance, searched for our horses
but found none. They asked if we had a
piano, they wished to hear some southern songs.
They were soon gratified. Before entering the
parlor, one said he would like to look at
a glass, ~~before~~ Mr L took him into the house-
keeper's room. There he spied a saddle which
had been placed there for safety, after sitting
a few minutes in the parlor, he returned
to the saddle, and taking it out notwithstanding
Mr L's expostulations putting it on
his horse, which was none other than my
saddle horse Fannie who bring sick had

been sent to our Roxbury farm. He went off
claiming I am a fighting man, I am a bully,
if you want to fight, pitch into me. They all
said he was quite drunk, or he would have been
the last man to have acted so outrageously after
having partaken of our hospitality.

Wednesday July - About 50 of Jelmer's Command reached
our house at 6 o'clock at all, bringing with them 4 Federal
officers & they paroled bring sick, & went with them. One
was Lieut Sterling of Sterlingville P.A. The two former were
sent in our Rockaway to Ellicotts. There was not a man
in the place all had fled and left the poor women to the
tender mercies of the Rebs - no mail, no cars. I lent one
of them a linen duster to conceal his shoulder straps, but
Mary like he did not return it. They were terribly fright-
ened and begged the driver if questioned to say they were
Rebels - Raleigh Thomas was with them. They were in fine
spirits and we treated them kindly. They all sat
down to breakfast in the dining room and used our
silver spoons and forks but touched nothing and said
they had orders to touch nothing. Some of them scoured
the fields and were driving up some 1/2 doz horses. Mrs
spoke to Cap Burke, and they were ordered to desist.

a deary waiter stepped up to R. and said with great
 glee Miss did you see our prisoners, what do you think
 of that. R replied I hope you will treat them kindly. Oh
 you see Miss I had nothing to do with it, but I have no
 objection to driving them. About 2 o'clock there was a
 great cloud of dust in the distance, and we felt sure
 they were still coming, and we felt some misgiv-
 ings as to our fate. The advanced guard rode rapidly
 past, Rebecca, Mary, Ester and Mary Barbours who is
 still here and the grand daughter of Uncle Sam's
 brother Caleb hurried to the wall and waved their
 hats, the officers all took off their hats. Mr S. walked
 out spoke to Major Gilmor and invited him in
 to partake of refreshments, they came in, our dinner
 was just coming in and they were too glad to partake
 of some fine chicken. Major Gilmor said his
 men had eaten something and they must go on
 but the officers looked trustfully at the chicken
 and said all the men seemed very hungry and
 in a very short ^{time} I could prepare something to which
 he assented and after taking himself some whis-
 key, which they said was the best they had tasted
 since they had been in Maryland went into

the parlour and had music while the rest
 ate. They all behaved remarkably well.
 They numbered 100 - The privates I entertained on
 wheat turn cake, bacon, and some nice apples with
 which they filled they filled their pockets, when I re-
 collect Hunters recent savage raid in Virginia. Lacked
 the houses, took the rings from the ladies fingers, tearing
 from their ears, breast pins from their bosoms, violated
 them and then set fire to their houses, slaughtered
 the cattle, hogs, and poultry they could not use. I am
 amazed at their forbearance. I can only account
 for it by admitting them as an entirely distinct race
 of people. The north has without partial most ego-
 tistically about their intellectual superiority and
 speak philanthropy, but take them as a whole they
 are far inferior in structure than the southern people.
 If ever they subjugate the south it can only be done
 by brute force and superiority of numbers, not by
 superiority of genius and military science or excess
 of bravery. I may have to suffer for giving aid and com-
 fort to the enemy, and although I wish our govern-
 ment if possible ^{put} put it, yet I could not, I
 would not refuse food and courtesy to these

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a oppressed southerners, nor help wishing from
g my heart that this miserable faction could be
of in some way driven from Washington. Dr Rigg
y came in to say the enemy was in force at Rockville and
of they took the road by Mr Huttons. They gave us a account
g of their exploits at the gunpowder. There were a great
many good things on the cars, these they spread out and
in invited all the ladies to partake. Those without gentlemen
p man they placed in carriages and sent to Baltimore.
s Gen Franklin was taken prisoner but escaped.
be All the cars and mails were destroyed. It is
had - sumed 10,000 head of horses, cattle and sheep with
or other plunder. Some of the infantry behaved badly
to but it was without the knowledge of the officers.
it It was a most daring raid, 500 men to threaten
of Washington - 8 to within 6 miles of Baltimore to burn
in the Gov (Bradford's) house and within 6 miles of
be Washington P Mastin Gen Blair's. The upper part of the
at state ravaged, with 200,000 people in Baltimore
in and 20,000 troops. What a set of politicians we must
be appear to the world. Supt Broccho was riding a
to horse which he took from a chaplain who had
at the time his haversack filled with silver for
and spoon. He was forwarded to the Libby. Two
storekeepers in Rockville lost \$8,000. Cousin Richard Boon
in (who is chief justice of the state) lost all his horses, and
all his corn. All his servants fled to Washington.
Thursday July . A servant informed James Williams
wished to see me in haste. He said some Confeds were
coming for horses and I had better order mine to be put
out of the way - They soon came and examined our
stables but found no horses. James had been captured, but
escaped, having lost his arms and horse. I was glad to
be purchased a hat at the Unity Store and paid for it.
Friday July . A Federal soldier whom they herded
came to our house quite sick. My servant Louise
to him. "Well I suppose the Rebels scared all
the blue juice out of you." They took my boots, my socks,
my watch, \$1 1/2 out of me pocketly and the finger off one
finger lately. If I had known more about them I never
or would have come to fight them. They are not at
all afraid of dying, they think no more of death than
so many chickens. One of them was wounded and
laid down not far from me, and I heard him say Oh
Lord have mercy on me, and I began to think Ah ye are
feeling it now, but he did not die. The confederated

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what I had heard of the vandalism of our country
He said some of the Rebs were as feeling and kind
men as were to be found in Gods world. One of the
guards let him lean on his arm and helped him
laid him under a tree, opened his shirt, and went
some distance to get him some water. He wondered
how many Federals would have done as much.

Saturday July Mr Camp arrives his two market horses
the Confeds have taken, also 12 young cattle from Rock
Creek - So we crowd too soon

Saturday July Soldier quite sick. Gave him a
dose of oil and laudanum.

Sunday July Unbarring out the carriage
our two bundles were gone, all except the blinds
which lay on the floor. Heard Mr Brown
a confederate died at Mr Sausdales and was
buried to day at Mr Calway by Mr Hutton.

Monday July - Federal Soldier left - Two of
Gen Sigels men called to be fed assured me after
They retreated from Martinsburg they formed a
distance this side in line of Baltimore, and could distinctly
hear the shriek of their wounded whom the Confeds
were despatching. I do not believe any such thing.

After we had dined two persons called and
asked for food for their horses, and something to
eat, said they had stopped at several houses and
been denied. They got some ham and bread and
butter, and I was mortified to learn afterwards they
were friends of some of my old acquaintances and should
have had a more hospitable reception. Mr de Thought
them Confederate recruits, and I thought them detestable
and we are a little uneasy about giving aid & comfort
and are a little chary of the old Capitol this hot weather.
The papers say the Federals pursued the raiders, and
the onslaught was tremendous, and captured 60 wag
ons, 1000 horses and 150 of the guard, but it is untrue.

Misses Riggs and Bondoff to tea -

Tuesday July Mr Muncester to tea. The Constitution
convention, have requested Lincoln to assess the losses of Union
people on Southern sympathizers and saying that all adults
who will not take an oath of allegiance be sent south or
imprisoned during the war -

Thursday July A violent diarrhoea in bed all day.

Friday July In bed all day. Read Keopius. Oh Lord
enable me to walk in narrowness of life; to overcome all my
sinful and corrupt inclinations, and to struggle with

increased diligence to overcome the world the flesh and the devil. Oh Lord be thou my strength and righteousness.

Sunday July . . . Last evening two men from Ba. came here at bed time, asking for food for themselves and horses, they were hurrying home by way of Flanders (I think) instead of Rockville. Telegrams had been received at Washington, the Confeds were crossing in large force all along the Potomac. The people in Rockville were leaving, stock was being hurried to Washington by this morning 100,000 men under Lee were crossing; next there had been a battle at Rockville 5000 Confeds killed, 4000 taken prisoners, one man a soldier saw 20 dead bodies himself. Had not another wagon from Washington. Mr L went down the road cautiously fearing he might encounter a rebel scout but soon returned it was a big scare, some 80 rebel prisoners crossing at Muddy Branch had been mistaken for the advanced guard, the packets ran, the telegrams were despatched and Montgomery was soon in a high state of excitement. Went to hear Mr Brown preach an excellent sermon from these light afflictions which are but for a moment work out for a far more exceeding weight of glory. I certainly returned home profited. I certainly am a deeply tamed woman.

Tuesday July Sisters Achea & Louise with Minnie came from Balt - Girls went to a picnic at father's

rocks - Messrs Murcastin, Abery, and Thompson to tea. Friday July Achea and I went to the different stores and purchased 11 yds calico at 35 ^{cents} per yard. Mr J Riggs to tea.

Saturday July . . . Messrs Thompson and Bradley Magruder to tea. Rumored the Confeds have crossed the Potomac. Bradley told us three Corps had gone up the Potomac after them.

Sunday July . . . Mr Davis started and went as far as Brookville en route to church, but learning the Confeds were at Clarksburg, (which proved untrue) he returned home. Mr Thompson to dinner.

Monday July - The Confeds have gone to Penn. At Chambersburg they demanded \$500,000. They did not pay and they have burned nearly all the town. There is great alarm in Harrisburgh and Philadelphia. They have blown up a fort and all in all at Petersburg - And are sanguine of taking Atlanta.

Tuesday July . . . 3000 persons in Chambersburg homeless. The affair at Petersburg a failure. The Confeds were on the alert and had removed their guns and men. 5000 killed on the Federal side. An unusual number of officers killed.

The blacks became demoralized and fled to the rear. All the ground recaptured. At Atlanta Sherman still assaults and is still repulsed. Gold \$2,50. Several men went to the house of a neighbor and robbed him of \$300. They called themselves Mosby's men, but I doubt it. What is to become of us poor country people, if the country is to be infested with Guerrillas. The Federals commenced this week devastation and house burning and pillage and now the Confed papers say they can no longer tolerate it and will be compelled to follow the bad example - Mr S went this morning to Baltimore Saturday July . The Confederates are taking 1-10th of all the crops in the Shenandoah Valley - The confederates have passed through Hagerstown en route to Penn - People in Carlisle removing goods and furniture great consternation in Penn - a fight near Penn - brland. The Confeds repulsed by Gen Kelly - A large force threatening Hancock - We have been looking all day for the 5th corps, Federal which is said to be the worst in the army -

Miss Barbours remained with us six weeks. Sisters Achsa and Louisa 4 weeks. Miss Abigail

2 weeks - Gen Hammond and son to dinner. Mr & Mrs Pleasants, son, daughter and Mrs Webb, to dinner - Mr Thompson and his brother Willie, a handsome widower to tea -

Atlanta has fallen at last. Sheridan watching Early and Early watching Sheridan. Sold my gold at \$2,48. it has since fallen to 2,10, and risen again to 2,29 McCallan has been nominated by the Chicago Convention as democratic candidate for the next President. The peace Democrats object, but I trust they will ultimately come in.

Sat Sep 10th John Glenn, Dr Williamson and Mr Roberts the latter an English Gentleman, spent the day Sunday Sep 11th Heard Mr Brown preach, St John's Tuesday Sep 13th Mr Davis gone to Rockville Court servant Ann having demanded her free papers, which the court refused, she being proved his slave for life. Messrs Muncasters to tea -

Wednesday Sep 14th Dr & Mrs Martin. Thursday Sep 15th Thomas Gaither & Miss Poole to dinner. Dr & Mrs Magruder. W Bowie and Mr Muncaster called. Mr Krome trimming cedars -

Ester and myself went to Baltimore in the Breakfast
stage. Sent a carpet bag to Mrs Henderson, Ester's kind
to Mrs Jones, and mine to Mrs Adams's boarding house by
Express, and walked up to Mrs Adams, To my dismay a
red flag was displayed from the window, and the
house was crowded with purchasers, as she was selling
out. I went to Mrs Turnbull, full, then to Mrs Brin
full, then to Mrs Walback, where I engaged a room.
poor Ester and myself stood in the sun and walked
to and fro until much fatigued before the Express way-
-on arrived at 12.6'clock. Sisters Achsa and Louisa
called to see me in New York. Sister Glenn called
to see me. Mrs Walback called to read delightful
cooking. Mrs Henderson fixed up my canton crape and
black silk very nicely. I received a letter from Louisa
she had seen a very nice double carriage not perfectly
new, but only used a very little for \$375. a new one
like it could not be built under \$800. I imme-
-diately wrote for it; went to the Express office, they
sent me to a steamer on Light St wharf, then to
M' Cann, Carriage maker, I made all the arrangements
and sent their cards to New York. Sent to Mr
Borow and ordered a draft. Went to the harness

maker. Mr Hunt, and ordered a handsome set
of harness for \$85. I offered Mr Webb \$60 for a watch
for Mary, but he refused it. I went home much wearied
and heated took a glass of ice water, which almost
produced Congestion. Sunday I was sick in bed
I sent for Ester - Sister Glenn, Annie, and Mary came
to see me. Monday I was very sick. Annie Glenn came
to say she would like to go home with me if I would
come to her house and remain until Friday. Tuesday I
went up in Sister's carriage, Thursday Dr Mahan
was installed Rector of St Pauls. Mrs Pratt dined
with Sister, was just from N York, her whole con-
-versation was about a new India shawl she had
just purchased, an ivory comb, a very wide belt &
buckle, and a heavy jet chain. She had on a superb
set of diamonds. occasionally she alluded to her
son who had just died, and seemed as though
she would weep, wearing deep black, but the fashion
seemed to get the ascendancy of every better feeling
Miss Washington was there, who is said to be en-
-gaged to Mr Glenn Perine. Rev Mr Brand
was also there. Friday came up in the Stage.
The servants are exceedingly provoking. Mr Boy

is very much excited on the subject of politics
votes for Mr. Clellan, and is violently opposed to
the New Constitution, not so much on account of
the emancipation articles as the School bill
and the test oath. The papers contain Messrs
Johnson, Schley, and Alexander's opinions in op-
position to it. Rev. Mr. Brown returned
from Church with us spent the night. Chatted
away most furiously. Annie Glenn said we had
a regular pow-wow. Bishop Whipple goes to
Europe. Wilkins finds great difficulty in get-
ting hands for his farm. Mr. Cowner planting a
new strawberry bed. Mr. Brown putting up a
dearant house. This is the 12th of October. The vote on the
New Constitution is cast to day. One article eman-
cipates the blacks, the 1st of November. Another im-
poses an onerous tax on the people until 18 millions is
raised for a school fund. A third exacts a test oath
preliminary which being retrospective would disfran-
chise many in continuance a large majority of the
voters. I leave all to God. He has some purpose to
fulfil, and when he appoints, who dare resist.
If it is in the order of Divine Providence, he

would make up all that is lacking. A letter from
Estlin and Wilkins. W. Glenn is in Baltimore.
Annie Glenn paid me a visit of nearly three
weeks and was very agreeable. Helped on the
sewing machine and assisted on two pair of under-
shirts, rode about and walked about looking
for chestnuts. We went to Balt. via cars. I was
invited to stay at Sister Glenn's but staid with
Achse. Advertised for a housekeeper, some 20 ap-
plications. Selected Mrs. Whitmore. Worshipped
Sabbath at the New Madison St. Church. Gave some
\$20 to assist the Fair, to be held for the furnishing
the chancel. Annie Glenn \$5 for the Confederate
prisoners in Baltimore Hospital.

Came up from Baltimore via Stage
Mrs. Whitmore gives much satisfaction.

→ The papers yesterday contained the
Governor's proclamation, giving freedom to slaves un-
der the New Constitution. The home vote against it
was nearly 2000, but the soldiers vote gave a Major-
ity of about 300 for it. This vote was illegal but was
found upon the people. Our servants all went to
work as usual. After breakfast Mr. L. Sumner

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them to the quarters and announced it to them, telling them he was pleased with their good behavior, and they were at liberty to remain until they could suit themselves with homes. He did not ask one to remain. Wilson, the miller and blacksmith, Isaac the waggoner, and Levi ^{garden} expressed a desire to remain. Our household consisted hitherto of 7 servants, white housekeeper, cook chambermaid, laundress and 3 dining room and parlour servants, 3 or four at the dairy besides women who worked out. In August Rachel the cook ran off. Last winter Sallie and Caroline dining room servants went. Becky dairy woman came into cook. She has gone to housekeeping in Brookville. Harriet chambermaid goes to housekeeping at Dr Magruder's, Louisa, Catharine (waiting) and her son Mortimer go to John Stables. So we part with all our women. It is best to make a clean sweep. The boys become so demoralized so insolent and so disobedient and dirty that some change is necessary.

Louisa came to the housekeeper and told her she wished to hire to me. Told the same to

Rebecca and at last sent for me, and asked what work she had to do, wished to be hired, did not even wish to be ~~hired~~ Stables. I said she knew my ways and if she would turn over a new leaf, rise early, be diligent, and do just twice as much work as hitherto I would hire her as Catharine. Then she did not know exactly she would let me know next day, Mr S was very dubious about it and thought possibly Stables house was not finished and she wanted to make a ~~conscience~~ of us, and if she hired it must be for one year; The next morning Louisa sent in word she could not hire, and we saw it was a trick to induce us to express a wish to hire her. I was much incensed.

B left yesterday for Baltimore to stay with her aunt fleur. Harriet left with two cart loads of valuables. Charlotte's father asked Mr S to hire her, he did not want her, I said I would try her, if she wished to stay. Mr S proposed it to her, but she said as all the rest of the women were going, it would be too low for her, so they had agreed to leave us without a servant if possible. Her father would not let her come to his house, and she could not hear of a place, so Becky invited her to stay with her until she could

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get a place. She was very much worried ^{at} ^{Cam}
home and milked, was suddenly taken with
apoplexy of lungs until Saturday night,
and died very hard. The servants were all to
have left Saturday but remained till her funeral
this morning. Warner Cook preached her funeral
sermon. Mrs Whitmore will attend to the
chambers and assist in housekeeping and the
milk and butter. Louisa and Catharine left
this evening in a fine horse wagon well piled up.
It is my firm impression they went well provided with
corn, potatoes, cabbages and apples. They had previous-
ly sent off a cart load. I feel well assured we
needed some change and feel every confidence
God will raise up servants to supply their places
and we shall feel much less encumbered than
with so many useless people, two doing what ought
to be done by one.

Tuesday Old Jenny and Becky left to day. Reason
Wallace, a clever black man moves into our of the quar-
ters, his wife Rachel comes to morrow to work in the
kitchen, her daughter Becky as warden ~~washer~~, her son
Uriah to work out, and to morrow another daughter

about eleven, so I think we will do very well for
the present. I have had a register put in my room and
one in Rebecca's room, that one coal fire may heat three
rooms. Mr Lewis would not permit him to go to Gray
town for Baltimore Company Coal, so he bought some
trash for \$15 per ton which does not throw out one pair-
tick of heat. Oh the perversity of poor human nature.
Friday Nov 11th Went to see Mr Water, very ill with Typhoid
fever. Lincoln is elected President of Johnson V. President
Therman has burned Atlanta. A freedomans nest has been
located in Mr Hoffmans late residence out of our Bal-
timore Palace on Franklin St - in the very centre of
Aristocracy, and the avowed rebel sympathisers
are to be levied on for its support. Aristocracy and sla-
very are inseparable in a Republicans mind.

Rachel came to let me know she could only work for
me by the day, next day she could only work two days in
the week and so far I have only had Mrs Whitmore
and two insolent girls. Mrs W has been very amiable in-
deed but she is very high tempered and insolent. Every-
thing must be done in her time and in her way, my ways
were just notions. I requested Becky to wash my new
carriage wheels, Why cant she do this, I was not used

you this. If I am to do this I must look out for
some other person." This is a specimen of her conduct.
Nov 21st Went to Rockville. Heard Bishop South-
gate. Left

Mary was confirmed. It rained and we staid all
night at Judg Bowens, en route home. heard of a
servant run at Mr Waters, of another Jan at Mrs How-
ards, hopes to get them, but my return home found my
house kept in a bad humour said her mouth was up to-
morrow and she was going to leave. She has been here one
month. Her wages \$8. I gave her a warm shawl, a hood,
a flannel skirt and two flannel shirts

Mary went to Baltimore and spent 4 weeks
at Mr Alexander, and then went to Mrs West-
lands, to spend Christmas. Rebecca was at her
Aunt Glens to work and her Aunt Achses
2 weeks. She fell on the curb stone and injured her
leg and was confined the greater part of the time to
her room. Dismissed servants and Engaged Harriet
for \$5 with a child 4 years old and a husband. Sally
a single woman smart but light fingered, at \$5.50
and Anne a woman with a baby. Ann and the
cook are perfectly worthless.

Thursday Dec 22^d Rebecca and Ester came home
May remained in Baltimore.

Friday Dec 23^d Miss Singleton and Mr Thomp-
son to dinner

Sunday Dec 25th Xmas day Went to St Johns. An
admirable sermon by Mr Abern. Ps 84. 11. 30.
Mr Mun casten to tea, staid all night.

Wednesday Dec 28th Mr Davis went to Baltimore
yesterday to attend a military court, Mr Griffith
is charged with harboring Lieut Robinson. The same
gentleman was here and was a Mr Roberts an
English traveller, a friend of the Glens. Just
heard from Wilkins, his health has not improved
recently. He is more susceptible of cold. James has
found me alive and in the possession of more
than my usual amount of health, though I have
been much annoyed by the indifference of the ser-
vants. I thought our slaves demoralized, but ab-
solutely their worst they were much superior than those we
had. But troubles and vexations belong to almost
every stage of life. They seemed to hover around my
path like so many vultures eager for their prey
I feel them more keenly than I left alone to brood

over them. In the City one can walk about
and visit a friend and while away a leisure
hour or find some little sympathy, but I am
literally left to tread the path of life alone in this
wide, wide world. There is something so terrible
to a social being in that word alone. It seems
to imply such desolation, such hopelessness.
And yet in my darkest hours, bowed on my
knees in my solitary chamber, I feel that I am
not alone. My Heavenly ^{Father} watches over his sor-
-rowing child whom he has seen fit so painfully
to chastise, but he is still my Father. He yet
owns me for his child. I will no longer fear.
I will put my whole trust in him and say with
David. Though he slay me I will trust him.

Mr Bowman sleeps in the house to night as protector
Some nights ago two drunken men came here and
tried to get in the house. Revolvers were in requisition and
we had quite a scene. The Federals have taken Sa-
-vannah and defeated Hood in Tennessee, but the
Southern papers are rejoicing it is no worse with them,
there is still hope. The darkest hours are often the
harbingers of a bright dawn

