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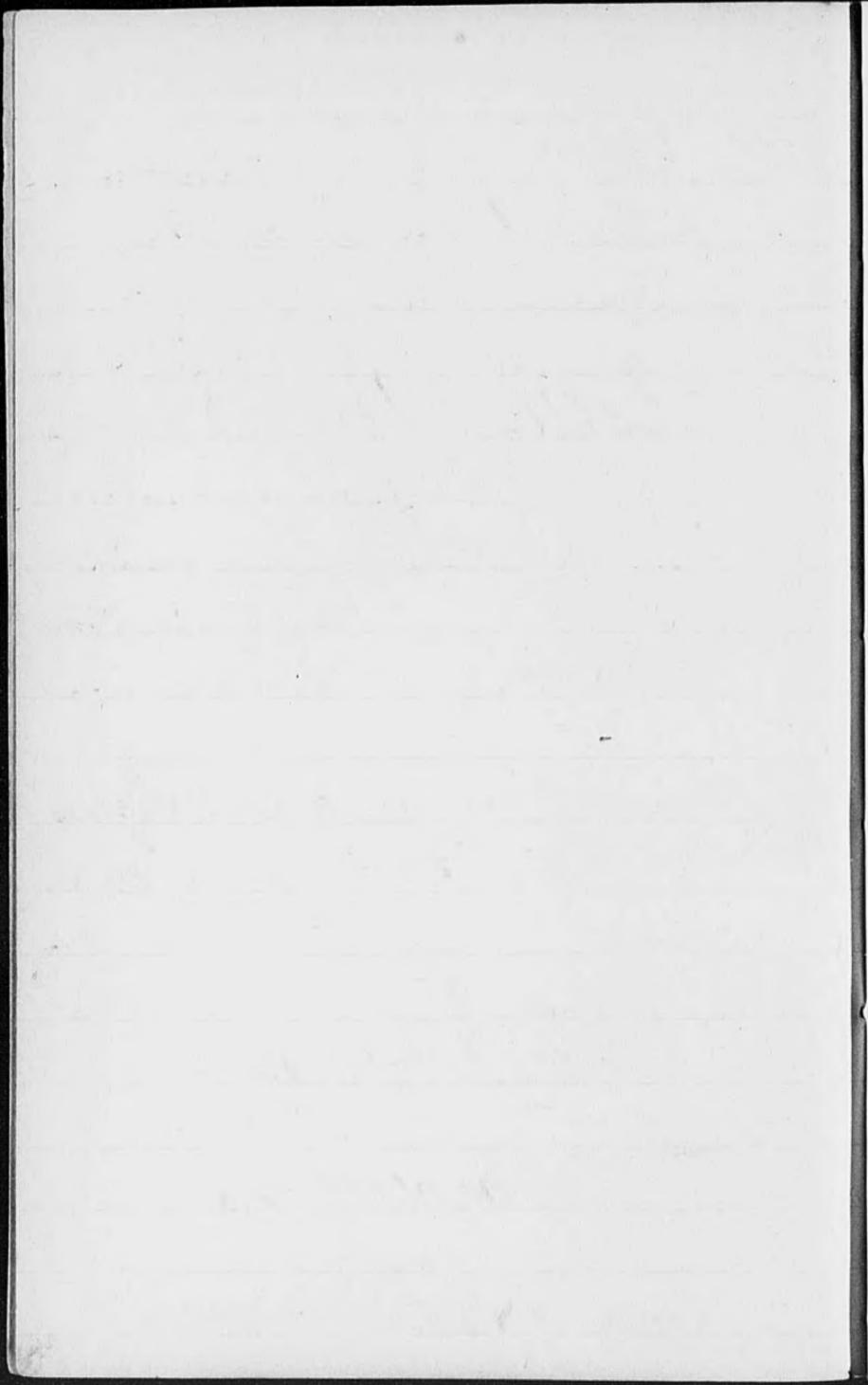
Words of Counsel

Given by Divine Inspiration,
in the First Order of the Church.

New Lebanon

To the Physicians

Copied. 1842.

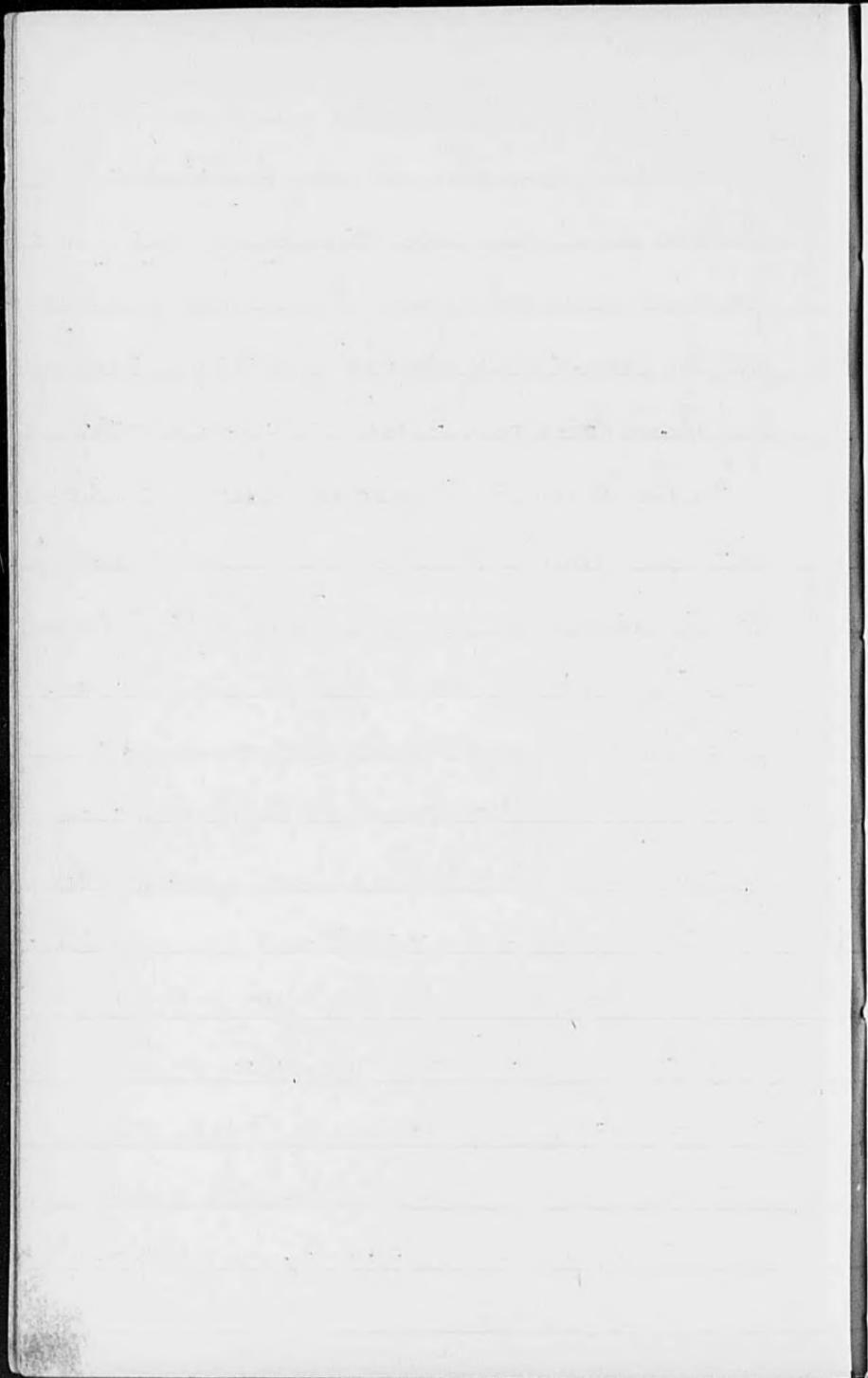


Preface.

Feeling anxious, and very desirous to keep in mind and ever remember the precious counsel of our Heavenly parents and the ministering spirits who have already finished their journey on this mortal shore.

We the present Physicians have in union with our beloved Elders carefully recorded the particular word of counsel of instruction to us in this little Book that it may never be lost neither forgotten by us nor any who may hereafter be called to fill this place of responsibility in Mother's house upon earth.

All that is here written we consider of great importance, and prize it as a valuable treasure and special notice of true love from our heavenly parents and as a law of protection and wall of safety in which we fear not forever to confide. D



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The Word of the Holy Selan,
Read by Father James, Nov. 10th 1840.

Hear, O hear ye inhabitants of earth, hearken to my voice, ye who dwell in the Holy Sanctuary of the living God upon earth; ye who stand as pillars in my Zion, ye who be burden-bearers, in my Holy House. Give ear, hearken to the word of the Holy Selan; even the God of heaven whom ye serve. For to my power is mighty and my word a word of truth.

Mock not the anointing in Heaven, mock not the anointing on earth: mock not the holy order of heaven, mock not the holy order of my house upon earth. Slight

not, slight not, neither treat ye
lightly, the manifestation of my
grace unto you. Slight not the
day of my visitation. Slight not
my mercy and charity, least ye
be smitten in judgment. I say
judge me not, neither judge ye
the power by which I make known
my will upon earth. I say judge
not the power, by which your blessed
Mother makes known her will
upon earth. If ye do, in judgment
will I meet you in time, or in
eternity. Trample not under
foot, trample not under foot, the
Holy Laws of my zion, and the
holy order of Mother's house.
Judge not the Holy Laws of my
zion: judge not the holy order

of Mother's house. The soul that judgeth me, the soul that judgeth my work, the soul that judgeth my power, in heavy judgment will I meet them, in time or in eternity. For lo, I am the Holy Selan, the God of heaven; and all power is in my hand. So judge not the Anointing of heaven, judge not the Anointing on earth. Judge not the power, through which I reveal myself unto you.

Hearken, hearken, give ear unto my word, for it is a word of truth, O ye children of men. Great mercy and much goodness do I send forth unto you. But how much will be required
at the endo.

A Roll Written by Father James,
To the Lot of Physicians. Jan^r. 17th 1841.

Dear Brethren and Sisters,
The time has come, when I can
again in union with your beloved
Elders, and by the order of my
blessed Mother Ann, sound the
holy word of God unto you. Yea
beloved children; when I, with my
blessed Mother Ann & Father William,
did speak our word to you; I then
said, that was sufficient for that
time; but I would yet meet you again
with my word. I have waited long;
I have prolonged the time, far beyond
your expectation. And this for reasons
known only in the heavens.

But O my dear children listen now. The time has come give ear and hearken.

I have been with you, I have sent Angels constantly to attend you. I have watched your out goings & incomings. I have visited you when you were together. Ye & Brethren when you have been together and no other one present, I have been with you. And Mother Lucy has as often attended the Sisters, in their social hours of conversation. And beloved children know ye this, when ye have visited your beloved Elders, to seek, to ask counsel, to ask advice & instruction, to consult with them, to take counsel with

them, and to seek their union ~~and~~
blessing in your goings forth.
Know ye in all cases like this, I
have ever stood by you, beloved
Brethren, and administered strength
and comfort to you. And the
work of your hands, has been
blessed & prospered. Mother
Lucy has as faithfully attended
to the Sisters as I have to the brethren.

But where ye have sought
counsel and advice of your visible
lead, my blessing has not been with
you. The blessing of God and your
heavenly parents, has in no wise
proved your stay. Yea & ever
since the day that, I spake my
word unto you, ye have been watched.

Now brethren & Sisters it is

my desire that each and every one of you prove yourselves firm & unshaken pillars in the house of the Lord, yea in the zion of God; in my Mothers house upon earth. And ye have all received that faith in Mothers gospel that time with all its vain pleasures, and earth with all its transient joys can never take from you.

Nay I say of your faith, no was he been si ren vo can rob you?

Ye know, and it is the dictates of sound preaching of your good faith, that by the established order of God, your visible lead, must be above all things looked to (and) respected. And in the lot & place in which you stand,

ye have no more right to go contrary to their counsel consent & approbation, than any other members called in church relation. You have no more right than the Deacons have, and they have no right to take one step without the union & blessing of their Elders.

Though ye may, as ye think with reason, say with in yourselves, the Elders never practiced or studied the nature of disease or medicine, how is it possible they can be of any use in giving counsel or advise.

But saith the Lord touch not mine anointed; the order of God in your Elders your visible lead upon earth, is as really your life & support, as your natural food

is the support of your body.

The holy order established by the gift and revelation of God, by your blessed Father Joseph & Mother Lucy, Subjected every member gathered in church relation to the Elders who ever they might be. The order was established as the life and support of the family. And all who stand in any lot or place of care whatever; from the greatest to the least, by the order of God must, yield, perfect subjection to them. Or prove guilty of the sin of rebellion, (which is nothing less than rising above the lead.) And which must inevitably cut them off, from a right, of inheritance with the people of God.

And separate them from God forever. But O dear children give ear to the word of a kind Father, for it is in love charity & mercy that I now speak to you. Therefore receive ye my word & be not discouraged, nor faint hearted for surely I am with you, & holy Angels do guard you, and I will guard you from harm if ye walk in obedience.

I have been much pleased to find you laboring to increase, to find more union and more love to each other growing among you. Yea I say I have with pleasure beheld you. But I am not entirely satisfied, I want to see you a little more dependent on your Elders. Brethren in

The Elder brethren, & sisters on
the Elder sisters. And brethren
according to the true order of God
that stand in the place you are in,
have no more right to controll the order
of the sisters, as it respects those who
are sick among them, any more than
the Deacons have to controll them about
their work; and sisters have no more
right with the brethren. But let
the brethren seek their union to the El-
der brethren, & sisters to the Elder sisters.
Then in the fear of God you can take
counsel together; and the blessing of
heaven will attend you. But where
ever it becomes necessary for brethren
to visit the sisters who are sick to
order medicine or to do any thing
what ever for them do it freely and

in the fear of God, but never without the full knowledge & union of those who stand in the place with you. Then you shall be blest at home and abroad, in your out goings & incomings. And you can thus be protected from any temptation, that may lay in your way, and the delusive snares of the Devil.

But now my beloved brethren one thing further. When it becomes necessary for one of you to leave home, you ought to take pains to let the other know where you are going; and never leave home without the knowledge of your Elders, also their union and consent.

But need I say any more, nay your beloved Elders are quite sufficient to lead and teach you.

But know ye this, the day has

come for the true order of the church to be reestablished, and in the lot and place in which you stand, it is your work to do according to the day in which you live. Consider this dear brethren and sisters and lay that foundation, that you are willing those who stand in the place when ye have done should build upon. Hearken to the loud preaching of your own faith, and then obey it.

So receive ye this my word dear children and with it my everlasting love and blessing. — Also the love and blessing of all your heavenly parents

Mother Ann's word to the Lot of Physicians Jan. 11th
1841.

Father William said beloved Elders,
I came to speak my word, but since I

entered the room, Mother Ann, has sent a Holy Angel, with her word which she desires me to speak for her.

Mother's Word.

O my dearly beloved children, listen ye to the voice of a true and kind parent, yea a Mother and a friend.

I have watched over you and have many times been with you; and have streached forth a protecting arm to shield you from harm. So now dear children listen to the word that Father James has written and caused to be written unto you. And know ye it is according to the order established by the gift (and) revelation of God, thro' your blessed Father Joseph and Mother Lucy.

Dearly beloved brethren and sisters; yea dear children, cleave to your

visible lead, keep your joining to your Elders: for this is the true order of God, for every member gathered in my first church upon earth, and throughout my holy house, even among all Mothers children. That they do learn obedience, & true subjection to the Elders. For here is the door through which they obtain the mercy & blessing, of God their Heavenly Father, of their blessed Savior and all their heavenly parents. Therefore be ye not dis-
couraged, neither think it hard that the word is so often sounded & resounded in your ears.

Cleave to your Elders. For thus you will be able to keep your union together, and the blessing of heaven will attend your labours.

But dear children the true order of your lot, or the place you are called to fill, has been trampled upon untill it is lost. The straight paths which were by the holy order of God laid for you have been crooked & covered, untill they can scarcely be found. But dear children it is your work according to the day in which ye live to find again this straight path, and the foundation which was laid, & build thereon. And this must be your labor, & the labor of every one that holds any place of care in my holy house.

Therefore I say be not discouraged dear children, but know this is the word of a Mother ever true (and kind) to you.

Receive ye my word and with

it my love and blessing to strengthen
you and to support you, So fare ye well.

Father William's Word, Jan^Y. 17th. 1841.

O beloved Brethren & Sisters I
have but few words to speak. For the
word of my Mother is quite full ~~and~~
sufficient. But I say beloved chil-
dren, the true order of your place
is lost, tho' I do not consider ye that
are now in it, to be the most faulty
in this respect; nay by no means.
But a straight path has been laid
by those who were first planted in
the gospel. But now it has been
covered & covered & crooked & crooked;
until as your Mother has spoken

it can scarcely be found.

But dear children take courage, you have all received good faith & must stand as firm and substantial pillars in Mother's holy house upon earth. You must straighten this crooked path & build upon the true foundation; that those who come after you may be able to go on in a true gift of God. This is your work ~~and~~ this must be your labor, consider this & the responsibility you are under.

For you shall not be left alone when the rest of Mother's holy house is again gathering to its true order. Therefore receive ye this my word, take courage and press on, for why will ye delay, why will ye be cast down; when all the powers of heaven are turned to holy

Mother's children on earth. There is no cause of discouragement to any good believer. Cleave to your Elders, keep your joining to them.

Thus you will be able to keep your union together and you will be strong: and the blessing of heaven will be with you.

Receive ye this my word into good & honest hearts; and with it my ever lasting love & blessing also the love and blessing of all your heavenly parents: and in peace fare ye well till we meet again.

From Lucy Clark to the Sisters in
the Lot of Physicians, in union with Mother Ann.

New Lebanon Jan^Y. 30th 1841.

Dearly beloved sisters & Companions,

It is not only in union

with my ever blessed Mother, but it is
by her request, that I write unto you
at this time; but rest ye assured
beloved sisters, that I am not only
well pleased, but thankful for this
privilege, although my subject is
rather a mortifying one, & it is some
what crossing to me to write upon
it; but perhaps there may be some
things mentioned, that will be a
satisfaction to you; and it will by
no means do me any harm, altho'
I am sorry to say, that a part of
this work I should have done while
I was still on earth. Know
ye dear sisters it is not only to
yield obedience to my Mother's word
that I now write; but it is to release
& release my burdened spirit from
all malice. And I trust of you to

yourselfes in nothing but love.

So take of my richest love,
love, love of purest blessing, (and)
seal it upon the wrapper of the
short letter you have written,
with this my word also, (and)
tell my beloved little ones, to
fear not but what they will do
my will and my pleasure,
while they pursue the path
they are now going, and my
blessing shall ever rest upon
them." — This & my sisters
is my word unto you, right from
the mouth of your ever blessed
Mother Ann, & now Mother Lucy
says I may fill out this wrapper
with the love of all your parents
in heaven unto all that stand

in the Lot with you.

So fare well for a long time.

From Lucy in love.

A short extract taken from
the Holy Book of the Word of God.

May 16th 1841.

Thus saith Jehovah, come nigh
O ye inhabitants of my Zion, and
listen attentively unto this short word
of my will and everlasting Law,
written here as it is written in my
Holy Book of my Eternal Word.

Again saith God the just,
the righteous Lawgiver. Hearken
to my Holy Law in regard to excess
of drinking, or of indulging the

appetites with that which is altogether unprofitable for the good of the soul of man, & indeed ruinous to both soul and body, many & very many times, (and is (and ever was contrary to my Holy Law (and righteous will, for my chosen people on earth to supply themselves with or use as they have done). And now know that my Holy and just Law does forbid that my chosen people make any common use of any kind of wine, even from the highest to the lowest, from the strongest to the weakest that can be named, as a beverage of any kind, use it not, save in case of weakness (and infirmity of body, is my command; (and then let it be dealt

out by those that are placed in the Lot (and order of physicians or nursing members among my people that they alone may be accountable for that which is entrusted in their charge).

My Holy Law forbids that my chosen people, or the indwellers of my House upon earth, wherein I have previous to this, set (and established, my sacred commands, should presume to drink in any measure that could be measured unto them; of that poisonous liquor which is so readily prepared at these most cruelizing, torturing & human butchering inventions of man, saith God.

Again saith God the

Almighty; Drink not of this, at morning, evening, nor at mid-day lest at that hour when my patience is sufficiently wearied, I smite thee and bring thee to shame; saith that God who is able in his own time, to accomplish His own works.

And even again hearken while I say, Let none of my people prepare or provide a draught of this kind for the general strength of the body; and by no means carry it into your fields of labor, your shops of trade; and finally take not to yourselves of hand not forth to each other a vessel filled with a preparation of this liquor, or adulterated

with the same, in any degree, even from the purest Alco-hol to the lowest distilled liquor; for from this time, know ye, (and understand,) Bye my people, that the invention of this most poison draught, was entirely of man, (and not of your God above,) whom ye profess to serve and honor above all others.

Therefore be careful & be wise
spurn not at my word, while
I again repeat it (and say.)

My Holy Law forbids that
my people on earth, those whom
I have called (and chosen to
worship me (and me alone), to
make any use of ardent spirits
or spirituous liquors of any kind
that can be described or men-

tioned merely to allay thirst, or satisfy even for a moment, the natural appetite, or inclinations.

And presume not to hand it forth unto the children of men, that dwell without the borders of my Zion, and have never known the true God. Except it be in cases that a stranger should fall sick among you (and need your assistance), or by any misfortune should call upon you for application of his kind; in such, (and) such like cases and circumstances, let your charity be felt, and at all times, prove unto all men that ye are in reality the true followers of your Holy Savior.

But for no other cause, reason,
or purpose, presume ye to deal it
out unto them, or receive it from
their hand when ye journey
among them.

This is the word, the will,
(and the righteous Law of your God;
the one only just and Holy Law-
giver of Heaven and earth.

But hear my word still longer
all ye that are called & appointed
to deal out, (and hand forth, unto my
people the necessary application
and portions of medicine) that the
very many difficulties & infirmities
of the natural body constantly re-
quire.— Unto you saith your God;
Supply yourselves with & prepare
for yourselves all things necessary

and profitable, for the comfort and
 support of my people so far as the
 line of your duty and calling; & indeed
 a very accountable and responsible
 calling) requires, yea, in every case
 from the most dangerous and extreme
 to that which would need the least
 of your concern. Spare no pains to
 provide as far as lays in your power,
 that which your best judgment and
 knowledge, teaches you would be for
 the good or relief of the patient or
 patients, that are relying on your
 charity and care, for relief from their
 sufferings. With hold nothing from
 the sufferer and the afflicted that in
 any wise would render relief even
 if it were only for the present.

If it be a preparation of the above

mentioned liquids or liquors, and even at times, an application of the same measure it out and hand it forth freely, as doing your duty in the fear of my Holy Name, ever remember this, the word of your Father in Heaven.

But further than this know ye that my Holy Law and my just commands forbid that ye raise your hands to measure unto my people the least portion of this cursed Seven dom That has been the death of thousands of my mortal creation, and caused mighty abominations to stain even mine own Sanctuary on earth, almost untill the present day, and untill I, the God of all power have been tempted and even ready to smite the hand that raised the abominable

draught to the lips, that did suff without remorse, (and the next moment would presume to call upon my Holy name and supplicate my mercy and protection, declaring unto me, that I alone, should be loved, served, (and worshipped.

So bow down, all such as desire (and still continue to pollute my Holy House with such like abominations, and receive this my word as the true love and indeed extended mercy of an all-merciful God of unbounded charity and endless forbearance, saith the Almighty, lest I speedily empty upon you (and your little ones the cup of my indignation which has long been filled to pour forth upon my

people if they refused to obey this word of my Holy Law when I should see fit, and my time should come to send it forth unto them?

And indeed unnumbered have been the mild means I have taken to tempt my people to turn wholly unto me, and even at the time that I sent forth my Holy Laws, or the many parts of my sacred word from my Holy Book, I was indeed justly provoked (and entirely ready to have added this, my word which is only an Extract, and a short one too, from the same Book; but for reasons known only in my Kingdom above, I did delay my time untill now; and by this means I have, and shall more fully prove the

true love, (and perfect or willing obedience of my people unto me their Holy God (and unto my righteous Law,
saith Eternal Truth.

Again hear the word of the Lord your God, O ye burden bearers (and providers in temporal concerns among my people.

If in any, many trades of business, a greater or less quantity of that liquor, (which I disdain even to call by a name known,) is useful (and necessary, carefully provide it, and deal it out as it is needed, & by no means neglect to ascertain at all times the quantity you purchase for the use of my people in this manner, (and suffer it not to be stored in the apartments of said

trades; save the immediate portion necessary. This is my word saith the Lord.

Again saith that God in whose power it is to pull down, & build up, to give, ~~and~~ to take away. Hearken to my word concerning the use of Cider.

O my people listen, hear ~~and~~ obey; hand not unto one another, ~~and~~ indeed provide not for yourselves, this kind of drink, to quench your thirst, to satisfy your appetite & desires for it, to strengthen your bodies, or revive your spirits.

For I, the Lord your God, do declare, even at this moment to every soul of man, that there is no lasting support or satisfaction

in it. And that I, the God of heaven and earth have long yea, to long suffered my people, my chosen and peculiar people, to indulge in this, and other things.

But my peace is at an end, (and the peace of my people I will disturb if this my word, be not listened to, (and the use of these corrupting liquids or liquors, which have from the begining caused all manner of sin and abomination that can be named among mankind, from the earliest ages, to the present time, be not from this time abolished as treats, or beverages of any kind (and used only as medicine, or as necessity requires, according to the judgments

(and wisdom of those set in order
to deal in such things, in perfect
obedience to the Holy Order of
protection before them, which is
ever the Holy chosen & anointed
Leader of my people on earth,
Saith the Almighty.)

Again saith the God of
Heaven; — From all intoxica-
ting drinks, I do command my
people to refrain. Touch not—
taste not, meddle not, smell ye
not after it. No class nor
age under sixty years, will the
Lord your God excuse. But let
pure (and wholesome water, (and
that which is simple, be your con-
stant drink.

No longer suffer any one,

saith the Lord God, that is under
the age above mentioned, let their
place and calling be what it may,
to use any kind of substitutes
for stimulating their spirits, in
the line of spirituous liquors: and
whatever they need as medicine,
that has spirits in it, must be
given by the Physicians; and in
so doing my blessing and protection
shall be found, in this respect.

Such of my people as may be
called to travel upon the road, and
do business amongst the wicked,
in such parts of the Country as
where good water cannot be ob-
tained, may drink, if they have
a desire, one quart of Cider; or
in lieu of Cider, if they choose,

one quart of beer, or four common glasses in a day. And this they must never exceed, on pain of forfeiting my protection & blessing saith the Lord: but they may come as much short of this, as they may desire, (and my blessing shall be increased upon them. And if they should ever have occasion to use a little wine, in consequence of not being able to get other drink, which is allowed by me, saith the Lord, they must set down the number of times they have drank it, and show their account to their Elders on their return. And those who travel journeys, should take regularly, and at proper times (and seasons, two meals a day. This

Wisdom requires, for the health of their bodies: and of this they must always partake with prayerful hearts to me, saith the Lord, that their bodies and their souls may be protected with health & strength, untill they again return to Zion.

All such as are over sixty years, from the day of this date, who have a desire, (and really think that it will make them more comfortable to use a little cider, must never, on any occasion, use over one quart in a day: (and this must never be used, only five days in a week. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.)

Let no strong drink of

any kind be taken on Saturday
nor on the sabbath; save that which
may be necessary for the Physicians
to administer in case of sickness.
For on these days, I forbid that
any of my people should use it,
Saith the Lord. And when those
who are now sixty years of age, are
all gathered into eternity, I will
no longer suffer this to be used as
common drink, in the Zion of my
likeness upon earth.

Remember ye people of Zion,
that this is my perpetual statute,
(and a decree which my own mouth
hath pronounced saith the God
of Heaven; and no excuse to depart
therefrom, shall in any way be given.)

From Mother Ann, To the
Beloved Ministry written Dec. 1st
1841.

Hearken, O my beloved, and listen
once more to the word of your Mother,
for know ye not that my time draweth
nigh to part with my children,
for the short season of time.
And shall I your kind Parents,
leave the least thing unnoticed among
my children, that has troubled
my spirit to behold.

Shall I return to my mansions
above, no more to sound my word
in the ears of my children, either
of my pleasure, Yea, my pleasure), or
my displeasure, and leave not
with you my word, concerning
the things that displease me, that

you may have wherewith to answer
right from the word of your Mother,
when I am gone, and my word fin-
ished. And that you may have
the same to leave with your successors
when you have done & gone, and they
can no more hear you repeat it,
and bear witness to it. And more
than this, that my children, for years
to come, may know my will, and your
will, ~~and~~ not be left to sin in my
sight ignorantly:— And to say
among themselves, "My Mother did
not mention these things, and those
that have traveled with our first Par-
ents did not witness against them,
~~and~~ where then, is the sin in them."

O beloved, that my spirits be
not grieved continually, ~~and~~ my

cars be not pained daily, after all my four years labor with my children on earth, I will give unto you my word in regard to some matter, that has indeed sorely grieved my spirit. The first is concerning the setting of false teeth for my children.

Surely my children are no more beautiful in my sight, than my first born have ever been that have never worshiped the God of their pride in this way. Some may say it is far from being pride in them; - but I would ask, Who is there that can plead the real necessity for this, any more now, in this age of my children, than in years, (and times and ages previous to this. If there is any

one that can, I have nothing to say
to them; but if there is not, then I
wish never more to behold such
marks of pride, fashion (and vanity)
printed in the mouths of my chil-
dren. O my beloved, I do not say
this shall never again be, but I
wish it might not. And I
will assure all my children, that
a false tooth does not beautify them
in my sight: still if there be one,
that can say that it is more
necessary for them than those
of my first born, that perhaps
suffered more by the loss of their
teeth than all do now, that are so
ready (and anxious for this foolish,
(and I say, unnecessary operation,
to such I have nothing to say.

But listen again, and be not weary of my words for they will soon be few unto you: listen I say, while I tell you that when I am done ~~and~~ gone, and my word finished unto you, I shall leave no permission for my Daughters of any age or class, any Lot or place, in any condition or circumstance whatever, to become slaves to their own natural inclinations or that of my sons, by bathing their heads or hands, their arms, legs or feet, or poulticing or plastering to any degree, more than to take care of a cut or bruise, that once dressing will be sufficient.

^{or} None of my Daughters are to do these things for my sons, save

Those that are placed (and stand
in the Lot of Physicians, or such
ones as the Elders may appoint
to assist them; — (and not even those,
save in the absence of the brethren
of the same Lot, or by consent of the
Elders: — (and the same I say of
drafting, blistering, and of combing
their heads. &c. O may may nays
I do desire that my sons will
take care of my sons, (and my
daughters take care of my daugh-
ters, at all times, and in all cases,
so far as is possible. And if this
be done, then like simple brethren
and sisters, let each feel a con-
cern for each other, upon whom each
are dependent.

This is the word of your

Mother; and now let it be your word, and in your wisdom, let it be the word of your successors.

From your Mother in love,
so receive it in love.

My love I send to every child of mine,
That will receive and keep this word thro' time;
My blessing too, I freely will bestow
Upon all such that in obedience go,
Unto my word, (and my counsel will obey,
To such I will be near both night (and day.
And should this be the last you hear from me,
I am your Mother dear, Thro' time & in Eternity.

From Mother Ann to her
children, in the purest of love.

A short message from Brother Eliab Sharlow, spoken by the word and liberty of Mother Ann, at the time she delivered her last and parting address to her children in the first Order:

Sabbath day forenoon. Jan. 19th. 1842

I have but few words to speak myself says Mother to the physicians, but I have brought with me a child that I love, it is one that has lately left you, it is Brother Eliab; I have brought him to speak a few words to those who are now called to stand in that lot where the gift of healing is to be maintained, For says Mother I was much pleased with the gift, that this, my child maintained when he

was upon earth, (and stood in that place).

Beloved Ministry & Elders,
says Brother Eliab, it is in your union that I speak a few words, to those who stand as physicians in this family? (Liberty was given)

I call myself brother Eliab, (said he,) because I consider you as brethren & as children of the same parents. —

I have not come to preach, for I did never expect the privilege again of speaking my word in this place. — But my blessed Mother took me by my hand this morning, saying come ye with me my child, for I am now going to speak my last (and

parting words to my children, in
the first Order of my church on earth.

O my beloved Brethren & Sisters,
says Eliab, ye who are called to
labour for a gift in the line of adminis-
tering to the sick, remember that if
ye are truly obedient, reconciled &
thankful, for that order and gift of
God, that is now established in that
place, for your protection, and for
the protection of those who may succeed
you, there will a blessing rest
upon the labours of those standing in
that lot, that has not been for many
years past.

Beloved children the gift of
healing is placed in your lot (and
ye must depend upon the gift of
God, this will do far more towards

administering relief to the distressed bodies of your brethren (and sisters) than all the knowledge that you can get from the wicked & the unclean? This knowledge alone ye must not depend upon

Therefore I beseech you dear brethren (and sisters) to be exceeding careful, and never again suffer the doors to be opened in that place, to let in the spirit of the world, and by that means bring that loss, sufferings (and distress), that has in times past, come in through that medium.— Great has been the sufferings, that ye have all had to feel on this account, and great, yea, still greater were the sufferings that your Heavenly parents, have felt for

The same. — But now, by the Order
of God through your visable Lead
you are placed in the right path:
the path of safty if you will pursue
it in true obedience.

I can truly say that I always
walked in strict obedience to the
Order (and counsel) that was for me,
in that place. Will you here-
after beloved, follow the example that
has been set you & walk in obedience
to the counsel you have received?

(Ans.) Yea beloved Brother Eliab.

I have not many words to
speak, but I love you (and bless you all),
dear gospel friends, (and will you all
receive my everlasting thanks, love &
blessing for all the kindnesses, which
were many that I did receive while

I sojourned among you;— So Farewell
farewell beloved ones.

Yea says Mother Ann, this
child has spoken the truth; This child
kept a sense, when he was upon earth
(and stood in the place of a Physician),
that God blessed (and I with the rest
of his Heavenly parents did bless him,
to the end of his days; (and then thank-
fully received him into our embraces;
for we found him clothed with the
garment of peace, and adorned with
the shining robe of beauty.)

Yea says Mother Ann, I would
to God that each (and every) one of
you who is in the hearing of the sound
of my voice, would enter eternity,
clothed with that beautiful garment
which ye had justly earned by your

own labours, that we found this, our
lovely child, clothed & adorned with.

He had never suffered his
feet to stray, from the strait ~~and~~
narrow path which I did show
unto him, when I was upon Earth
says Mother Ann.

All souls, when they enter
eternity, will appear just as they
are, clothed in just such a gar-
ment as they have prepared for
themselves; if they have been faithful
~~and~~ gained a treasure, they will
appear clothed in a garment
of righteousness; if they have been
slothful ~~and~~ unfaithful, they will
appear naked ~~and~~ destitute ~~and~~
their heavenly parents will be
under the necessity to say unto

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them "Depart ye, I know ye not,"
as was some times the case..

Finding in an old journal a short word,
which was worthy of notice; we, the physicians
have taken the liberty, to keep it, as it so well
agreed with the work of the present day; the
word as follows, was the gift for believers at
that time. — September 4th 1800. —

At that time there was a gift given
for Believers, not to drink spirituous
liquors; and from the same time we
received the following from Abiather,
in writing.

The understanding we have
of the use of spirituous liquors & wine
by the church. — Firally spirits

are not to be used only for medicinal uses, such as compound tinctures, elixirs and for the preservation of syrups &c, for internal use. —

And for wounds, bruises, sprains & broken bones as an outward application.

Secondly wines are to be used in the above manner, for medicine or for cordials; and on occasion for the weak when riding out, & feeling needs may drink a little wine.

And well people when wet & cold, when riding, on that occasion may drink a little wine, if they cannot get cider. — But if any have occasion to drink wine, they ought to open it to their Elders. —

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