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the most beautiful, quiet & pleasant
place I have ever seen. It is a
large open space, with a few trees
here & there, and a small stream
running through it. The water is
clear and cold, and there are many
fish in it. The air is very
refreshing, and the sun is bright
and warm. It is a perfect
paradise, and I would stay
there forever if I could.

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From Father William to Jonathan Wood

January 20th 1848.

Dearly Beloved B.^r. Jonathan,

It is unto you that I at this time write; because, my care and concern at this period is for the general good, and support of the temporal, or public concerns; and to help, and relieve those of you, that are now labouring under some serious troubles, concerning public & out business.

And as you are called to stand, yea chosen and appointed as the first in union with those that stand with you. First I say in my Mother's house on earth, in all temporal, or public affairs of trade, with the children of Mother, or the children of this world. And are you ready for a word from your Father? I say a word but I might say another word. For I think it is nothing short of word after word.

But shall I repeat my word again and again to have it forgotten? I say nay this I shall not do, so many times as I have done already. Know ye dear child that I write not because I think you do not know my will, for I have plainly made it known e'er this day, by many different ways, and thro' different means,

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and my will is still the same, and my word will be the same.

But I have for sometime, and many weeks contemplated on writing unto you that you yourself might have my word and will to peruse at your leisure, and to tell you on paper the many reasons for my delaying it until now, would lengthen my word unnecessarily, and perhaps burden my writer.

But in substance my word now, will only be the same that I have before spoken, and repeated, more than once, or twice, unto you, and in your hearing; both in the presence of your Elders and in your own dwelling place, the Office; where as I often times promised I would pass, and repass, at all times; and would be ready at any time to assist you, or your companions that are called to labour there with you. And have you not found me true to my word? have I not been ready and answered at your calls? yea this I have.

So now my beloved, O Jonathan! my true child. Harken I say, this once, harken unto the voice of your Father and friend. Again, after again, have I spoken but so it must be, for my word I will not withhold from you, and my

care for you I shall still continue. Yea and my watchful protection over you, and those with you, in obedience to my blessed Mother, will not at present cease.

For a short season, or for a few weeks past, until Jan'y. 12th I have strove to hold my peace; but not because my spirit was at rest, nay, in no wise; but that I had said sufficient just of myself (not mentioning the many) words of counsel you have received from your Parents, both by word and writing that I should suppose would have been all that was necessary for any child. But these words I have spoken, I thought quite sufficient for all to know my will, if they desired it, and learn upon what conditions I would extend my power of protection. But lo! desk vo ken, dry sen va, my dressen da.

But at this time I speak that my word may be heard, and I write that it may be kept and remembered. For it seems that the word spoken is soon forgotten, or mistaken for sounds of some other meaning. But as I said unto you, and your good B^r Edward on the 12th Jan'y. that when I spoke I did it to be heard, and when I asked or desired any thing of you or any child

of my Mother, I wished to be answered. And when I make known my will it is to be obeyed.

And now at this time I wish all to remember, this one thing, that I never write or speak, to have my word or will, cause any dispute, or argument among you my dear brethren. And altho' it does not alter my word, and my words, are not flattery, but they are words of true meaning, and generally they are solemn truth. This you all well know. To beloved B^r. Jonathan I see no need of further comments upon what is past, for I think you must know by this time, that if I speak I do not mean it shall be in vain.

But I would just carefully put you in mind of the word I gave you laste spring, and again in the summer concerning that Western Journey; And even if the word of warning which was given at these times, had been heard to, your trouble might have been less. And at another time, did I not warn you against danger, and tell you there was great need of the most careful dealings, with that vile reprobate, and all that he had been concerned with; or you would never get half of what you was liable to loose; for he had intended

to do you harm; and that it lay in his power to do a great deal of mischief if he pleased.

Did I not tell you the evening before you started that journey the first time, that if you would hear to my word, I would carry you safely thro', and that by the power which my (Holy Heavenly) Father would give unto me? I would go before you and stay the hands and power of those that had purposed to do you harm; and that if you did not think much of my word then, but time would prove it all true; and a short time too.

But more than all this, at another time, did I not plainly tell you to go your journey, even the whole rout of it, and to settle up with all that you could at that time? Yea this do with safety, in union with your beloved Ministry whose place it is to counsel you in such like concerns of publick trade and business. And did I not promise to go with you, and to send my Holy Angels to guard you? And then dear Brother did I not say, shorten your journey and never go the whole length again? Yea did I not advise you to cut off half of it, or that it was my will, that you should not go more than half the length

of that journey again? You may say that you have shortened it a bit; but I think it a very small bit. And to what amount were all these my words?

Can you say you did not know the will of your Father? or did you not know to your satisfaction that it was the word of your Father? But let that be as it may, in truth they are the words of your Father.

And again when you began to beat with the billows of trouble, and to come up square against some of the difficulties of which I had warned you, I said to my Mother; how is it that my beloved child must bear these trials. I shall only leave for a season, and then I will take means to prove unto him, that it really is his Father and friend that is striving to help him, for surely my spirit is grieved for him.

Now and again listen, while I tell you, since you returned from your last journey, I have watched your movements, and I also watched for some opportunity to relieve my spirit and lessen your troubles, if it was not too late, but knowing to my satisfaction of your tribulation concerning that journey; I felt to take such means, as would in time be to some effect.

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Accordingly on the 12th of this month, after seeking many opportunities, for some days, and learning by Father James, that you was, sitting in the presence of your Elders, I determined to improve the time, to sound once more my word in your hearing. And as you know I entered the room, and soon let you know it; I said I was pleased to meet with you and your good Br^r Edward; for I had long wished to see you two Brethren, and speak unto you, and relieve the burden of, my spirit. And now it was, a good time for you was, in presence of your Elders.

I said I knew your tribulation, and the reason of it, and I knew the great and heavy burden you was, called to bear, that you well knew I had promised help, and to bear you thro' all trials and hard cases, if you would hear to me, your Father and real friend. I said that in almost every case I had found you true and faithful to your trust and word, but in some few instances I did not feel satisfied.

I told you my dear child, that I had seen you pass round, and it appeared to me your whole heart was in trouble. That I felt very sorry for you. But I just that as I looked

upon you, that my word had passed unnoticed
and that my Fatherly care had been slighted; &
so I had to let you pass.

I then asked you, if you did not
remember that some time, or some weeks ago, I
spake unto you with my own word and made known
to you my will concerning that Western journey;
that I would bless you, in your outgoings and
incomings, in all your journeys, far and near, if
you would harken to me your Father. But it
was my desire and will that you should not
go more than half the length of that long and
tedious journey. That you should settle up the
concerns of it, cut it off, and have no more to
do with it.

And when you replied, that you
did remember, that I gave you my word upon
it, I said that my word is still the same, and
my will was the same. That altho' it had not
been remembered; yet it was not altered in the
least. I then repeated the same word again,
and then said if you had given to that bold
Wat Valens, or that vile reprobate the part he
desired or that which he chose, your troubles would

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have been less, and you would have gained a part, of that which you are not likely to gain; and have lost.

Yea I said dear brethren, had you but listened to my word, and felt to obey my will, much of that which you have lost, you might now have; and that which you are still likely to loose, you might not have been even in danger of. But know ye, you can not over come the passions of the wicked. Mortals cannot stay the hands of the wicked, or hinder their wicked devices, to do injury; they will bear sway, and mortal power cannot alter it.

But that one just and righteous God, even your Heavenly Father, with his holy power, this thing can and will do; and you, my dear children, may remember that, if you will labor to be wise, and put your trust and confidence, in the holy power of your God, thro' the means which he has and will provide, instead of so much dealing and striving with the wicked, I will, with the holy power (with my Father in Heaven) shall give unto me, again stretch forth my hand to has keen lava 'len the purposes of the wicked against you.

I said too, that you might depend upon my word; that you had never received any thing from your Parents, that would prove useless and in vain. Nay by no means; for you would find there was a time for every word, and notice of Heaven, to be fulfilled and obeyed.

I then asked you dear brother, if there had been any time when you had listened to my word, and obeyed my desires, that it had caused your burden to be heavier? and led you in to further difficulties; and in what case has my promise unto you failed?

Why then beloved, have you laid aside the kind advice which I gave concerning that journey, and business, which has caused you so much tribulation, and burden? But shall I leave you forsaken for that? Nay, nay, that I will not do; I will still be your Father. And again will I repeat unto you my will.

And tho' I oft times speak my word in earnest, without any reserve, yet my word, is a word of pure love. My words are not flattery, and this you may know. I then desired of your Elders present, to know if there was any place, or any children of Mother, that ^{were} was ever

called to bear a burden, that needed any more help and protection, or more parental care, than those that lived at the Office.

I said I had taken the charge of your concerns; especially of that journey, pretty much to myself. For Father James said, the he would not have any thing to do with it, by this time— I then encouraged you both cheerfully to bear your troubles. To go forth in the Holy Order of God, and to know that, you was in reality doing the will of your visible Head. Yea then in truth my will you could and would do?

And after I had given you the precious love, which I had brought unto you, from your Blessed Mother, did I not solemnly tell you, in plain and positive words, that if you would now hear, and obey, my word, in regard to that journey, that my promises unto you were still good; and should all be fulfilled? But if you still continue to contrive, and try other means; yea, that if you concluded to go, and to keep up the trade of that journey still longer; to remember I go not again with you; and do not promise my protecting care.

But when you my dear brethren, or any others, that believe they have ever heard the sound of my voice, think of me, and my word, they may remember that when I speak, I speak to be heard, When I ask I expect an answer. And when I make known my will it is to be obeyed.

Then with your promises, that you would be loving brethren, and obedient children unto me, your Father, and unto your visible Head; and, with my promises, of my increasing blessing of strength and support unto you, and upon you, I bid you farewell for that time. This dear child is the substance of my word unto you on the 12th of January.

I will now tell you the word I received from my Mother, and your Mother, when I returned to her.

I did not return immediately, but I stayed and walked round and about, to hear and see the effect, my word had on the minds, of my dear brethren; for I well knew the various opinions, and that my word, tho' only a repeated word, was a little surprising; and unexpected; just as I meant it should be.

But when I met with my Mother, she said to me, Well, B^r William, and how did you find the beloved ones, for which you feel such great care and concern? I replied, they seemed to hear my word with attention, and I have no reason to think, but what they will remember it, for some time; for I believe it was, quite unexpected to them and all present.

Mother said, I must now continue to visit them, until I had comforted them, and soothed their feelings. And I must fulfill my many promises, to visit them often. For she said, that all of you in the Office, needed all the strength, and support, comfort and help, that could be extended towards, and for you, so long as there was, many times, so much to pull against you.

Again said Mother, I feel pretty much in readiness to send some word, or provide some means for my children, that are called as burden bearers in the outer court of my house on earth; to know in full reality, the holy and sacred order, in which they are to stand, and walk day by day.

Mother did not then tell how she intended to bring what about. But bid me visit you at least once a day, until she released me. And until I had learned, to her satisfaction; how that Holy and sacred order, which was revealed and established in the first planting of the Church, in regard to temporal concerns, and public trade business. For that which had belonged in the order court, or Office, had been, and was maintained both by those that were called to labour there; and by those without.

This I have faithfully done so far. For on the 13th 14th & 15th I did visit you twice in a day. And on the 16th and 17th Did I pass and repass, and pass again thro' your dwelling at the Office. Mother also said, that if I had words to speak, not to delay my time.

I said that I had many words, that I should like to write, unto my beloved child, and B^r Jonathan, as he was called to stand as the first, in union with his companion^s, that were placed to labour with him, and in perfect conformity, to the mind and will of the beloved Head, to whom it is his place according to the sacred order of his calling, to look, to seek, and

to ask, counsel and advise, in public affairs, in union with his Elders in all things.

Mother said write, all that you have to write; for I think he will be thankful for whatever you have for him; but don't forget to seal it with my love.

To Beloved Brother, on the evening of the 1st did I write this lengthy word unto you. And truly according to the word of your Mother, I have sealed it with her everlasting love unto you, and your companions, in the Office. Take ye this dear child, read, and read again the word of your Father. And ever remember the will of your Father.

But this is not all I have done. I have written a short word by its self, and that I suppose you would like to have in keeping too. But I think you must ask your Beloved Mother Lucy for that; she seems to feel much for your welfare and prosperity, and says she always did, when she was upon earth.

But when you get it, you will have no more in substance, than I have written now; for it is only my word repeated again concerning that Western journey. That all may

know that whoever it may be, that goes the whole length of that journey again; may remember that I shall not go with them, neither shall I send my Angels of protection.

Here, in this writing, is my word, and my will. And as I have said my word is my word, and my will, is my will, and all may know that my word is unalterable, and my will, is unchangeable, let it be turned and twisted, ever so many ways. Or altho I have to withhold a part of it, at times for peace sake.

And now if there be any that think, they do not yet know my will, I am ready to repeat itz again at any time. So fare ye well, my Beloved with the Word and Will, and everlasting love, and blessing of your Father.

When the written word was finished, Father entered the room and said to the writer, write yet a few words for me; lest my beloved ones be not fully satisfied.

Hear, O. Beloved brethren in the Office, this the word of your Father unto you. I pray shorten your long journeys, let nothing but sickness, and very unexpected

difficulties lengthen your time over four weeks; That is as long as I feel willing to accompany any of you, unless for some very uncommon reason. It is as long as my Mother is willing that I should; and as long as she is willing that any of her children of her first church should be out among the wonderwonderwonder valens of this world.

This is my will, and was the will of your beloved Lead the Ministry. Now dear Brethren, read my word, and if you vary in your feelings concerning it keep silent, & wait the word of your ever blessed and visible Lead.

To receive ye this, in union with your Beloved Elders, who in their lot and place, are ever ready to support and strengthen you in your heavy burdens, with their love and blessing.

Inst. Zillah Potter.

To those living at the Office, directed to Jonathan Wood, as first in temporal care.

To the Ministry New Lebanon

February 21st 1841.

Paul, formerly an Apostle of Jesus the Saviour, (the true son of God) now one of his and Mother's children, in the same gospel, in which Jesus called me to labour in times long past; being made fully acquainted with Mothers children on earth, and in the invisible world, and being both owned and blessed of Christ and Mother, and recommended by the Saviour unto all the Parents of the new creation, as one who, for his sake and the gospel, hath passed thro' much persecution and tribulation, in the cause of building up that, which I, in and by the light and power of the Saviour was called to do while I was upon earth.

Being now called and sent forth by them, to assist in the line of writing epistles, to their churches on earth, in the upbuilding of zion, the several ministrations, anointed and chosen of God, to lead and direct the several churches of Gods delight.

O beloved and Holy anointed Head of the first, greatest and most beautiful church in time. Think not that I have come to preach, one side of a mission, or the union

of your kind Mother and spiritual Parents, but in union and by them I have been sent forth to reveal their word (which is the word of God; and not mine,) written by them in letters, folded and placed by them, from time to time within the precincts, of your well guarded store, from which ye are in, and at suitable times, to hand forth to the Instruments, through which Mother hath appointed for me to reveal the contents, of the letters, to the different Churches in their turn just as ye feel to have it done. The Instrument that hath written this my word unto you, is the one.

How be it, I can not, according to Father Joseph's word to me this morning, reveal more than this, unto you, O beloved until you have established, according to the gift of God, this Instrument and anointed it to write these things, which when written, ye are to judge and extend, as far as ye feel to do in your wisdom.

And as Mother does not see fit, to bestow the gift of vision upon this instrument, but only to receive, by the gift of revelation, impressions, from invisible

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spirit, that which is, to be sent abroad, or retained in your possession, may in union with your Heavenly Talents, be examined by some one, whom ye may appoint, in your wisdom, to rectify the phraseology of that which may be imperfectly written, tho' it may be all understood.

To fare ye well, O beloved, with my love to you in full measure.

Yrs Elisha Blakeman

From Father Joseph to the Elders.
(Order of Riding Out)

February 23rd 1841.

Once more, O Beloved Elders,
hearken to this my word, concerning the order
of riding out. Altho' it may have been given,
heretofore, yet as a conformation and witness to
the great necessity of its being kept, by the first
Church, I will just speak a little tho' this In-
strument to be written unto you kind Elders.

Mother Ann says "Ever again,
and again, have I with heart felt sorrow, seen
a Brother and a Sister riding thro' the village
at Lebanon, with but a small child with

them, for company) that scarcely knew how to speak, much less to understand that which might be spoken by the two, who took the child for company).

Now what does all this mean? says Mother. They pass, and repass, perhaps a number of World's carriages and teams, with which there are always more or less, who are ready to catch at any thing to circulate a story about, to the unbelieving world; And where, or how can there be any thing more calculated to make the world think and judge evil of my children, than to see a Shaker man and woman (as they call them) riding about, with a little child for company, tho' not understood so by the world.

Now Beloved Elders, says Father, you see what Mother says; and now I will tell you what I think of such riding out, and what I wish hereafter to be attended to, as an order of God, for the protection of Believers. I think that such a practice of taking a small child for company, is evidently giving the unbelieving world a great occasion to judge that Believers, do not live up to what is professed in their doctrines, in books, & by word of mouth unto them.

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And I think it to be a wrong thing for a Brother and a Sister, to take a child under the age of 10. years for company; unless there is an other older one with them; A child of this age of common sense, can be able if questioned by the Elders, to expose any thing that is not right. And they should be questioned, if having to go for company much.

And according to the will of God, this in union, and nothing short of the union of the Ministry, must hereafter be attended too, as an established Order of God. That no two who are gathered in to the Church; or in to regular established families among Believers, shoud ride together without company, and that too, which is over the age of 10 years, and then let it be done in the fear of God.

Farewell. From Father Joseph. to the
Elders 1st Order.

Inst Elisha Blakeman.

W^ords of Father Joseph to Deacon Richard Spire 25.

Concerning a Roll that was placed on the
Elders table, by an Angel; January 1st 1841.

Thus said Father.

Copied. Feb. 24th 1841

Deacon Richard; thou art a well beloved servant of God, a true and worthy child of Mother; and as you have long rested from your labours, and the burden of care that you had to bear while on Earth, in the line of temporal things; I now in union with Mother Ann, (on the 23^d day of February 1841,) call on you to inspire in to the mind, of a certain instrumental writer, of Mothers choosing, a true and accurate substance of my mind and will, which is the will of Mother, and God your Heavenly Father, as written for me on the 3rd day of December 1840, by an angel of the Holy Order of God, in the great City of perfection, at the Holy Selan, in the Eternal regions of light.

As it is the will of God to have the first Church, and Zion of his likeness, arrayed in greater beauty and order than ever before known, he hath caused this roll, which is ^{to} the order, and class of brethren who are and may here after, be established as tilters,

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of the soil, and burden bearers in the line of farming; and in the two first Churches of God, under the Bishoprick of the first Anointed Head on Earth; I say that the Eternal Father, God, hath caused this to be written to the afore said class, and he hath also caused another Roll to be written, at the same place, by the same Angel, and only one day later than the first mentioned.

This the latter Roll, is directed to the shopmen, or those who labour and bear a burden in the line of mechanical business, in the said Churches. It is to all those who are, and may hereafter be placed to labor in that line, by the leading influence, for that, and the like purposes. And now, said Father to me. Deacon Richard, if you wish to speak a few wordz to the Brethren, you may give them to be written, before you proceed to reveal the Rollz.

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Words of Deacon Richard Spire.

February 24th 1841.

Dear Brethren, greeting you in love, of the very best kind, I say peace be unto you all, with much fervency of spirit, to do, at all times, the will of God, as made known unto you all, by &

th'ro the means of his choosing) and eternal wisdom.

Once, dear friends, I was with many of you, so that you could behold my natural form of likeness, and body; and feel the fervency of spirit, that I possessed towards, and for the upbuilding of Zion on earth, in things both temporal and spiritual. And those of you who have never seen me, doubtless must, since my departure from the busy scenes of time, have heard more or less, of such a person as Deacon Richard Spier; that I was a man of Order, and placed to see that all things were kept in their order.

Harken O ye Brethren of Mothers first Churches, while I speak unto you, not as a worldly minded man, claiming honors undue to me, or boasting of any great parts and talents of my own; but simply to inform you, as an obedient child of Mother, that I have for my obedience to her will, and to the will of God, while I was yet on earth, been crowned with a crown of honor, that no soul in this the late dispensation of God's mercy and kindness to you (yet inhabitants of earth, can ever obtain, untill the sacrifice has been made, which can be said to strip the unthankful and

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craving) spirit, of every) particle even to a state of entire destitution of the riches and things of time! That none may claime a mite as their own.

I feel thankful to Mother, and to my) Heavenly) Father, that I found so great a degree of travel from the spirit of the world, as I, did, while I was on the earth, with Mothers first born children. My thanks cannot be expressed by mortal power and means; my) crosses have been rewarded to a far greater degree than I could ask for, and Mother says that my) reward is forever, thro' unbounded eternity, to be with the Holy saints and Angels of God, rejoicing) and feasting) with them on his eternal goodness.

So dear Brethren and Sisters, know ye and understand, what your Mother Ann hath often told me in the late movement of spiritual things; "that all who would freely assist and unite in the purification of Zion; by freely unfastening the doors and claims of all selfish, and useless things, and labor in obedience to the anointed Lead, thro' tribulation mortification, and by the cross, to upbuild and keep the Holy Orders and Laws of Zion upon earth; the same proving faithful, and unmoved to the end, shall in no wise loose the crown of

honor which, like unto yours, shining bright with
glory, in the store of crowns, hang ready for all
such; and they shall dwell with saints and Angels,
even as I have shown unto you my child".

Now beloved friends, and companions
in the work of God; I have laboured to convey un-
to you my feelings, in words, that I hope and
pray to God, may be understood and all retained.
Hoping, also praying that it may be an encourage-
ment, and strength to help all in the cause of sal-
vation, to resign themselves, cheerfully and readily
to the gift and call of God, let it be ever so cross-
ing to the fallen nature of man.

To dear friends Farewell, I have
no more to say at this time, as to that of my
own word unto you; what I have shown I am
thankful for the privilege to show unto you; for
surely, it is not any thing but love, that caused me
to sever my word at this time, which by the lib-
erty of Father Joseph I have done.

The following is the true substance and
meaning of the first Roll, written to the Farmers,
or those who labor out upon the plantations of the
two first Churches on earth. Written as before

mentioned, by the Holy Angel of Order, at the Selan
in the Eternal regions of light. And according
to the will of Father Joseph, whose will is the will
of God. The true substance and meaning of the
Roll, parts of which was written in an unknown
language, is to be revealed, and to be written in the
English language, by an instrument of Mothers
choosing, to be impressed into the mind & spirit
of the writer, by the power of Deacon Richard Spie,
as he standeth by the side of the writer, with one
hand on the writers head; holding the Roll in the
other hand, from which he gathers that which
Father Joseph has, marked to be given.

Words of the Roll as follows.

Children of Lion, — O ye children of the
bright Lion of God! Give ear and hearken to the
word of him who was forever, before the earth was
formed, or dust fashioned in to man; was yesterday,
is today, and will be forevermore; hearken ye who
are called, and established by his wisdom & light
and set in his first and holy Churches on the
earth to help build up and adorn his children
with whom ye all are numbered in the book of life.

Tho' ye are appointed to be helps in
a temporal line, out upon the plantation thing,
the soil, be joyful and rejoice; for God hath prom-
ised to bless you in your hard labors, both in your
basket and store. This blessing will be according to
the faithfulness in the fulfillment of your trust.

It is true ye have many wayz to
turn, to see that nothing comes under loss, that
your immediate duty calls you to perform. But
if ye are faithful, according to the best of your
understanding, and the counsel of the leading in-
fluence, you shall, in the end, find the blessings
of Heaven resting upon your labors; and the Chh.
to which you belong benefited by your diligence
and economy.

Whereas, if ye are on the other
hand, slothful and negligent, as to that of perform-
ing your reasonable duty, and the trust placed in
your line of business, ye will thereby bring a
loss upon the Church, and of the blessing of
God, ye will have to feel a far greater leaness than
the rest of the Church, to which ye belong; for
as ye do wrong to your Brethren and Sisters by
your own carelessness and neglect, ye certainly are,
in so doing, & ever will be the means of bringing

more or less loss, on the chosen people of God's delight.

But, and in so doing, ye sin against the light of God in your own souls; and condemnation will be your portion, until by confession and deep repentance, ye wash away the stain of sin, from your soul, and stand in purity before his sacred presence; fulfilling to a tittle the care of trust committed to you, in the Church of his establishing.

Therefore Brethren, take warning before it be too late; and in every point of your calling be faithful and wise. Improve all the time you have, to the best advantage, for the upbuilding of Zion; let not a moment be lost in idleness. If ye are well, and able to work with your hands there is always enough to be done. Improve your leisure moments, in something useful; making, and mending your implements for tilling the soil; repairing your carriages, and implements for gathering the crops, the blessings of God;

(How some may say,) being destitute of the knowledge of their duty, or if not so, destitute of a spirit of obedience to the will of God; that is not my place to mend, or make utensils for tilling

the soil, and carriages, and implements, for gathering the crops of the earth. It is only my duty to use them and wear them out after they are made. This some will be exposed to say, as heretofore has been said and done; this is the order and calling of the shopmen, the established mechanicks.

This is not a right spirit to dwell in my Zion, saith God, I from hence forth declare unto those, whom I have in my mercy and charity called to dwell in my Zion upon earth, that the ones, or ones who shall be called to, and now are placed on the plantation, to work out for the good of all, that when the weather, and the dark shades of the evening and morning shall be so as to prohibit the Farmers from working out, they must find something useful to do, as their time is passing on. And, as to this my word saith God, I give no toleration, only in case of ill health, or in union with my anointed Word, that I have placed to lead, and direct the ways of all, who live in my Zion, upon earth.

To the foreman, or leading Farmer, I say hark, and listen to my word, It is my will that you give the Elders, and Deacons of the Family, a clear understanding, in relation to

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things on the plantation; how they stand as to the prospect of future increase, of this thing or that, just as they may ask your judgement; also of the evils that may, perhaps by some means, threaten loss on this thing or that.

If you need assistance to secure crops, and the like, more than the regular hands, that work, or should work under, and according to your directions; then it is your place to call for as many hands, as you think the case requires. And never call on any, over one half of the fore or afternoon, without first making applications to the Family Deacons, and obtaining their permission; if they be at home, and you can have access to speak to them, and if not you may apply to the Elders.

If you have a number of hands, at work with you, and according to your directions, you should at all such times, labor to conduct yourself in the greatest care and fear, speaking mildly to them, and never in a passion; nor speak with an air of bigoted, or tyrannical authority; for by so doing, you may offend your companions in the gospel of Christ; and remember that if you do this, you offend Christ, who is your

final salvation, and not only him, but me your Eternal Father, and I shall not forget it, till repented of to my satisfaction, which is not a trifling matter to do; For I have given free and sure salvation to all who will come to my just and righteous terms, one of which I want all to remember, never to offend one another in, any way or manner.

And more yet, I will say to the leading one on the plantation; that is, that you bear faithfully the burden of seeing to the hands, the teams, the carriages, and utensils used on the plantation, that they be not left scattered about, in one place and another, being much exposed to weather, to the destroying elements thereof, or exposed to be lost and stolen away from my inheritance, there by bringing the people of my love under loss.

If the teamsters, or hands under your direction, are willfully disobedient, it is your right privilege and duty to inform the Elders of the family, wherein you reside, concerning the conduct and character of such individuals. And in no wise to magnify the evil and diminish the good, that such ones may show forth.

Sac that carriages are not left unsheltered, from the storms and parching sun. Never leave them with heavy burdens on them, overnight; for this is very ruinous to the elastic build of the wheels, and if done will sooner or later bring loss on the body of my Church. Suffer not the teams to be abused, neither the stock of live creatures; but be kind and see that they suffer nothing, avoidable in your power.

And when by storms and the like, as the shades of evening and morning before mentioned, shall prevent the out labourers from pursuing their daily labour; it must hereafter, in union with your Elders, be your duty to see that they are at such times, usefully engaged either at the barns, setting things in order, or in the shop making or mending that which would otherwise have to be done by the regular mechanicks; thereby hinder them from pursuing their regular and important business, for a time in which they can work to a much better advantage, at some art or trade, in which the unexperienced workman, or cultivator would loose profits and time.

The calling of the laborer on the plantation

is a very necessary, and important one. It is rugged and many times, fatiguing employment. And it is a calling, to which I call, on all to notice and bless. If the laborers, of this branch would know, my mind, and feelings towards their occupation; you may know that above all other occupations, my blessing is the most abundant and flows the most freely to yours.

To you all as up-builders of my Zion, on earth, be zealously devoted to fulfill your place, according to this, my Holy Order, and counsel, unto you. Remembering that as you are dependent on the mechanicks for assistance, to gather the crops of the earth, ye must do as I have shown unto you; assisting them all that you can, being zealous in every good work.

End of the Roll, to the worthy laborers on the plantations, of my two Churches, as far as the Lead feel to extend it.

To Shopmen, or Mechanicks, Dec^m 4th.

Copied Feb 25th 1861 by S.P.

The following are the words of the Eternal God, who knoweth all things, both in time &

"out of time" (as impressed upon the spirit of the writer,) "first written by the Holy Angel, for Father Joseph, to the class of Brethren, who are called in to the first Churches, of God, and established in the temporal line of business, as Shopmen or mechanics, Dec^m 4th 1840. and revealed, according to the will of Father, by Deacon Richard Spier.

February 25th 1841.

Thus saith the living God: "Gawkem O mortal men! ye who are favored with a privilege and honored, as Brethren in the Image of my Likeness on earth.

(Having) providentially heard the sound of salvation, and by this sound, and call left the honors, riches, and fashions, of a lost dark and sunken generation and world; for the sake of obtaining eternal life in the world to come; consider often, your calling, and according to the direction of divine light, and understanding, let all your ways and words, to be established in perfect order, purity, and holiness.

That when your mortal race is run, and your spiritual part called to give an account, of your past life, and especially of

the use you have made of the offers of salvation, and of the many blessings I have bestowed on you; you will not have to reflect upon any thing, which will cause your spirits to feel condemnation, and a burning uneasiness of conscience which is hell.

How long have I beheld, selfishness, and a spirit of disobedience, growing in opposition to the correct covenant of my Churches! Truly it is a long time. But to him that heareth, understandeth the vile and evil spirit of selfishness, shall no longer be suffered to stumble the feet and choke the way where in I have placed directions, how to gain eternal life, by forsaking all; for if this spirit is retained, by any one or ones, know ye that such have no part in me, and will if not given up in spirit, to do my will, and bear the cross, be sooner or later separated from the faithful and gathered to their own.

To to such as will, do according to my will, made known clearly and plainly unto you, so do. All know the way of life, and the way of death; and I have endowed all with power to choose, or refuse, the one way or the other, and according to the

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choosing) of each and all souls, so be it unto them.

Ye mechanicks, called to support & upbuild by your diligence economy and industry, the temporal part of my Churches, allotted out for each one or more, to carry on this and that trade, as is or may hereafter be that by the Leading influence to be the most suitable according to your different abilities, & circumstances,

Hearken to my word, at this time, tho I speak nothing, save that which has heretofore been spoken; yet agreeable to the request and fervent supplication of your Father Joseph, I speak unto you, to encourage, strengthen and help you all together, as one, to press ahead, from the spirit of self will, and the vain world, towards the bright Heavens which I have prepared for those that overcome. Giving yourselves up freely & joyfully, to do my will.

And ye may know that nothing temporal, or spiritual, let it be of the greatest magnitude, or of the smallest, never hattit, neither shall it ever pass unnoticed by me.

And as ye have different shops provided for you to labor in, each one or ones, (according to the number in different branches)

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with tools, or utensils best adopted to your business, you ought not to be led astray by fancy, or a craving disposition, thro' a spirit of selfishness and disorder, to gather tools and things, in to your shop, unnecessarily or such as you can consistently do without; for this, plainly shows a greedy covetous spirit, this shows the spirit of the world, striving to put out your shop with things tools &c. so as to have them appear popular,

O scan a bag ka bē lo, My good spirit will not attend to bless the inmates of such a shop where such things are retained; but flee away to the abodes of your first Fathers and Mothers, of my gospel, with words, of grief, to them to see as they often have, and hear of such unexampled things as have been gathered in to the Church, since their departure from time below.

If it be necessary, for two or more branches of business, to be carried on in one shop or room, requiring different tools, ye should be careful to keep the tools of each branch, in its proper order, lot and place, having a place for all.

If any, as regular shopmen, or as members of the Church, need to retain

utensils under their care, which are calculated and made for different branches of business from theirs, such utensils may in union with the Family Deacons, be retained, but if you have such tools belonging to other branches and the workmen of the branch to which they belong, have a far grater need of them, than you in whose possessions they are, it is your duty if called upon, to give them up to the Deacons, that they may place them to be used where the greatest need requires.

If ye cannot do as ye would be done by, and will not give that ye may receive that which ye retain, one side of its proper order, and not in union; such things as ye retain in this sense, shall become a burden to your souls, filling your mind, and shutting out the good things, and gifts which I offer unto you.

Therefore I warn all to search & determine upon these things, calling on the Deacons and showing to them, in presence of the Elders, all such tools and utensils in or under your charge, hiding not even the least in any manner, as deceiving your Head, for at such and all other times

remember my all seeing eye is upon you, and th'o
ye can willfully deceive them ye cannot deceive me.

Pace breaking contentions have often
arisen, and if not guarded against, often will arise
among Brethren who work in shops, concerning
their tools, rights and privileges. Some will say,
to others, you are a Doctor, and you are a Far-
mer, you are a Shoemaker and you are a Farmer,
you are a joiner, and you are a Blacksmith
and the like and the like; one of another, this
will be said, and that you don't this that &
the other tool or tools and conveniences, not
half so much as I do, in order to work at my
business profitably.

Now if all things were right,
there would be no need of such a fault find-
ing spirit as this but when one wanted a
tool to do a little work in some other line or
branch, one side of his daily employment
and branch, then ye would readily know
where to apply.

As I have heretofore with my
all seeing eye, discovered contentions, and
with my all hearing ear, heard the fre-
quent lashings of your spirits, and words

concerning things which you say, rightly belongs to you, I have the more readily and freely caused my mind to be made known in a particular style of plainness, at this time, and according to your Father Joseph's desires; That ye may all know and understand my peculiar watchfulness over the members of my Zion upon earth; and that the smallest thing therein, hath and ever will have my eye of inspection, & mind of judgement passed upon it.

So I warn you all to be watchful and careful, in all you have trusted to your care; also in that ye say and do. Love to walk in strait paths, in the light, knowledge and will of your spiritual and temporal Head; doing all the good you can, and as little harm. Let the spirit of industry, diligence and zeal bear the sway, calling upon you at all times, to improve well the moments of time, as they are swiftly passing by; to the profit and up-building of Zion.

Spend no time in sauntering and shirking about, from place to place, and shop to shop; for by so doing, you

indulge a spirit of slothfulness, and give place for evil; and unmortified spirits, to light upon you, even as fleas, light upon a dog).

Remember your occupation is with, in doors, sheltered from the untimely storms and beating, burning sun! if you feel to walk in obedience, gaining mortification, and the swiftest travel of soul, you will feel to improve all your time of working hours, in forward your business, and laying up something to support the gospel, and to impart to the poor of the world where in you live.

And when you are called to assist in gathering the crops, of your plantation, then recollect the source of my blessing, how that all good flows from me. Then lend a liberal hand, zealously and prudently, to gather these temporal blessings, seeing that nothing be wasted. For surely at such times, my spirit draweth nigh to see, and to mark the prudent, and the imprudent laborer.

It is my pleasure at such times and calls, for all to labor in the harvesting of your temporal blessings, to see all engaged, and cheerfully taking up their cross, without

making any excuses, only in the line of order; there if you have any to make, be free and use no deceit; for as I said before I am nigh at such times. And if you are excusable, leave your excuses for the Deacons to make, that none may judge you to be shirking).

I know that when I see an idle shirk, there I see an unthankful soul, which shall be counted and numbered with the unholy. If you will be faithful and true to your trust in all things, you shall not miss your just reward, when you assemble together to offer praise and thanksgiving to my name.

Then according to your zeal, sincerity and devotedness in spirit, I will, in the present tense reward your services, to an over flowing of love, peace, comfort, and happiness tho' I may tribulation, repentance, and sorrow there with, which worketh purifications of soul, proving in the end my love and charity unto you all, amen.

Yet a little more I will cause to be written, agreeable to your Father Joseph's request and humble entreaties, "Praise the Creator of all things" which is to the Gardeners, As ye the gardeners are by the directing and leading

influence, placed to labor and keep along that branch of temporal business, in my first and greatest Churches on earth.

Ye also should be up in your duty, and true to your trust, having your springs work done in season; and be in readiness, with industrious spirit, to pursue, and nourish with care, such things as will prove the most benefit to your Brethren & Sisters, and to the support and increase of the gospel.

Be careful not to gather the spirit of the world, as there are many of the gay flattering subjects there of frequenting the garden, when ye are the most or very attentively called thereto. I know your ways and your words, in all you say, and all you do. Nothing is hid from me; therefore I warn you to be careful.

See that nothing comes under loss by your negligence and slackness, but improve all your time in fear and reverence to my holy name. In the winter season I have marked your ways, and shall continue so to do, whether they be industrious or slothful; giving you my word, never to send abroad to the children of time, that which may prove to be false

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as it regards seeds; or any thing whatever, thereby bringing reproach, envy and loss on my Zion.

If you find, any time, more than your immediate duty, and business can fill to advantage, always make it known to the Family, Deacons, and, according to their desires, go and improve your time wherever they desire to have you, doing all the good you can; thereby laying up a store to subsist upon, and impart to the needy poor creatures who frequent your premises for succour, being destitute of home (as ye might have been,) without food and garment, to any degree, or small in comparison to your abundant store.

Now to all of the Brethren, as one, united in the bonds of love and faithfulness, preparing for the kingdom of Eternal salvation, and Eternal life, in the regions of light where I dwell, receive my love, and in this, Farewell Farewell.

The following are the Words of Father Joseph, as written on the margin of the last Roll, by his own hand, and is designed for all the Brethren, residing in the aforesaid Churches., Feb. 25th 1841.

Dear children (says Father) agreeable to my feelings for the increase, prosperity and welfare

of you; my Eternal Father, the all knowing and mighty God of Heaven and earth, hath condescended to have written unto you, in the plainess and simplicity of your own tongue, and the language which ye can all understand, his mind and will w^eg^r regards your temporal business.

And as he has touched upon many things, according to the desire of all your first Parents, and in union with your Head upon Earth, I do sincerely desire, and pray that you all may be benefitted there by; and in obedience to it you will keep your privilege, and standing in the gospel; and in no other way, can you inherit or worthily partake of his blessing.

Therefore, do dear children, be faithful and honor your calling, knowing that if ye are, ye surely shall receive a bright, and glorious reward, in the never fading mansions of eternal life, light and holiness, where you can dwell, with holy saints & Angels, and enjoy the presence of your Fathers & Mothers, who have so much done, and suffered, thro love and charity for you; that you might obtain salvation from sin.

With this receive the love of Christ and Mother, together with that of all your first Parents,

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and Elders in the way of God, your Eternal Father, Friend, and greatest benefactor. Read as often as ye hear the reading) of these rolls, as written in this book unto you; so often ye may all after bowing of times, repeating these words, "O ye Heavenly Father, We will be faithful, to do thy will."

After doing this ye may all hold forth your hands, and receive even his love; and ours, for without fail we shall all be with you at the time of this reading), and according to each ones sincerity and faithfulness; so we will bestow our love and blessing upon you all. So be faithful, stand fast in the way and power of God thro the many trying scenes, that you may have to endure.

Farewell.

To the Ministry & Elders.

(Says Father Joseph) "If you can feel union to have the foregoing read on the first sabbath in July, and first in December, or one of the two in the year 1841, and as many succeeding years as you, in your wisdom, may see fit, it would be agreeable to us, believing that much good may be derived from it. We do not feel particular, as to the stated times, of the reading, but leave it to your decision entirely. But know of a truth we will be present in & at the time.

Inst Elisha Blakeman,

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A Recd from Mother Ann to the Ministry Concerning Clothing &c.

March 6th 1841.

Dearly Beloved.

After I had written the word of my Heavenly Father, I seated myself in the presence of your Holy Angels, who are ever present in the hours of public worship; and wrote the following communication by the request of your Mother Lucy, to all the Sisters under the age of 50 years who assemble in Gods Holy Sanctuary to worship.

O come dear children hearken to me your Mother. For lo! I still wade in tribulation and my spirit resteth not. O Al ka na vi ne O! Ye that call on my name, while your hearts are afar off. Ye whose bodies are still clothed with earthly gaudy attire! which is indeed hateful in my sight! O Precious lan! Harken ye to my word.

What has been the teaching of my first born in this respect. Yea and what are the examples of your present Leader? Do they teach you to follow the fashions of the children of this world? Do you see them assemble in the Sanctuary of the Lord clothed in Babel's goods? Nay, nay I say. Nor

any one else, save those who assemble to worship
a God, of Lust and Pride! O Ar mo sa lin.

Again I say, ask my first born chil-
dren, if they ever saw me marching to the place of
worship, with my bonnet turned with pink colored
crapes, or muslin, either within or without? Ask them
if they ever saw me raise my hands in devotional
praises to God, with silk gloves on? or any other
kind for pride's sake only? O young Sisters! Ask
the beloved Lord to view your gay caps and hand-
kerchiefs, which you are so careful to preserve, for
the purpose of presenting your selves before the chil-
dren of this world! Ask them if they were able to
worship God to his acceptance, clothed in such fan-
ciful, Vermeles? Ask them if they can own and
bles you in so doing?

Many many are the times, dear
sisters that I have wept over you, in this sacred
place. Yea, and even while going to, and from the
house of worship. Many are the observations I
have heard made, while you were passing. Both
by faithful ones, and even the filthy sons and
daughters of Adam, who stood gazing upon you,
with wonder and surprise. O re sa lin ji ne! But
these I withhold.

Now I have no more to say at this time.
 But Mother Lucy says "She longs to see you dress'd, once more, according to your profession. Only
 dear Sisters do not murmur, at the plainness of my
 word, nor think that I forbid these things. Nay,
 I only say they are hateful in my sight; and in
 the sight of your visible Head, and my first born
 faithful children."

No particular Order shall I give
 you concerning these things, but shall only
 say, that those who wish to be my pretty simple
 children, will never again be seen walking back
 and forth on the Lord's day, with yellow, purple,
 or pink colored capes and trimmings on their bon-
 nets. But you may follow the examples we have
 set you; yea and of your beloved Head in these things.
 This is the word of God & Eternal life, given by divine Inspiration in union with my beloved
 and first chosen on Earth.

{ 2nd Order. New Lebanon.

A Note from Mother Ann ^{Wardley} Written by her little
Messenger James Wardley, March 16th 1841.

For all the children, that wish to receive all
 the good gifts that are for them.

Hark, hark dear children, I am Mothers little messenger, and she calls me her faithful little child,

Now my little friends you live in Mothers house. Are you Mothers children? Again I ask do you want to be Mothers? So you do. But if you are not like her children, and do not want to be, you cannot live in her pretty mansion long, you will be turned out and others will take your birthrights.

But you shall not be turned out, if you will be honest to confess your sins; every thing that you do and say to each other that is filthy and wicked; and repent and leave them off, as fast as you can; and if you confess it honestly you shall be forgiven.

If you would know how to please Mother, be obedient to your caretakers, and this will please Mother, and her faithful children before you.

Now little children I want to ask you a few questions. For I have seen those who were indeed Mothers pretty orderly children; I want to ask you some questions to see if you are like them. At night when you go to bed, do you kneel down together in one or two straight ranks, without laughing or pushing each other? Do you lay straight in bed, without touching each other unnecessarily? Do you go to sleep without talking and laughing.

If you do not, you are not Mothers children, and you cannot be until you do. — Again I ask, do you get up when the bell rings; and all kneel together in the fear of God? Do you then go to work, and not be found making a great noise? If so you are Mothers children indeed.

Mother's children, are still in the morning at their work or reading some good book, or they will be found talking to their little companions, about their good home, praying and desiring that they may be good enough to keep it.

Do you love to keep your orders & strive to remember them. Do you love and respect your caretakers, and when they ask you about any thing, do you always tell them the truth? And if thro' carelessness you make a mistake, do you rectify it as soon as it comes to your understanding? Do you mind your superiors at the first bidding? This is the way Mother's children do, and none but such can be her children.

Do you keep your shops in order, when you use any thing do you put it in its proper place again? When you are set to work with your superiors, do you stay with them until they give you liberty to leave them.

When you are set to work, one, two or three together in one place, do you keep to work, and not stop to play, because your superiors are not present? What kind of plays do you make choice of? Can you tell me what your amusements are? Do you chase, each other screaming and quarreling! tearing each others clothes, and do you hurt each other intentionally, and all such things? Are these your amusements? If they are, you cannot be Mothers children, until your amusements are like hers.

I will tell you how Mothers children on earth amuse themselves. When they have leisure moments, they will be learning to labor in order, correctly trying to shuffle right and make proper motions with their hands and holding them in their right place. And in so doing they imitate the Angels; for they motion their hands in heaven. They spend their leisure time laboring for pretty gifts & visions, which the good spirits always bring, when they ask and are ready to receive.

Is not this the pleasure you desire, Yea it is, and you shall have it, if you will be honest and obedient. = Now my little friends, I have asked you a number of questions, and if you put them close to your selves, each one,

for one, and demand the answer; you will indeed be Mothers children.

When you are at work out of your shops, you will keep the counsel of your caretakers, and when your day's work is well done, you will return to your shops in the fear of God. Will you promise me from your hearts that you will?

Now I will tell you, that the world is full of poor little children, cold hungry and destitute, nothing but a bed of straw to sleep on, while you have a good home, good clothes, and victuals, yea and every thing necessary to make you happy. You have Heavenly Parents, and good Elders to teach and instruct you. Think of this and repent of your disobedience to your caretakers.

Now dear children I will draw my Roll to a close. I will be present whenever this roll is read to you. If you are good children I will write again to you; I have a good many more questions to ask you; but I will close my roll at this time. Farewell. Be good children and continue to grow good every day.

Beloved Elders. If you feel union with what this little Roll contains, I will be

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present and help all the little hearers to understand, when you in your wisdom think proper to have them hear it.

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Hark hark, again little children, to the voice of Mother's little messenger. I promised to write to you again, and this the fulfilment of my promise, will show you that I know you have considered the questions that I put to you, in my last communication, and have answered them to your increase.

I have more questions to ask you, can you answer them with impartiality? Then I ask. Do you sincerely love your little companions? every one of you. Perhaps you do not understand really the meaning of sincere love. I will ask you a little more in relation to this, and then you can give a satisfactory answer.

When any one of you sees your little companions doing that which you know to be wicked, do you go to your caretakers, and tell them of it, & never tell it again? Is this the way you do? If it is then you have true love for your companions, and Mother will truly own you for her children.

But if you go among your companions, telling the disorderly works of any one of them

it shows you have no sincere love for them. How little children when you answer this, if you cannot say you have sincere love for each other, you can gain it for you now, understand that you must be orderly in all things, to be Mother's children and obtain her love.

Do you live in peace or do you try to vex each other, when your caretakers are not present? Do you ever give way to dispute, or quarrel one with another? If there are any of you that do so, will you promise me that you will leave it off, and be truly Mother's children.

Peace is like the Heavenly rose, that will never fade. I have a little flower of peace, for each one of you, if I give it to you will you keep it, and let it be seen by your caretakers, and all your companions?

What I mean by their seeing your flowers, I will tell you. If you keep peace and do nothing to make disunion, you will show them your flowers, by your good works.

Now if I give each one of you a rose, will you keep them? Well then hold out your right hand, I will be present and give you the roses.

Now little children, if you keep every good promise that you have made, you will indeed be thankful, for every day will be indeed filled with comfort and peace;. It surely will, for you have promised honestly to confess your faults; and if you get overcome to do wrong, and think of your promise, you will confess and repent immediately, this will bring peace unto your souls, and comfort without remorse.

Now little children, I want to tell you how you must do in a number of cases to please Mother and her children. When it is time to retire for spiritual worship, you must labor to feel solemn and consider that you are in the presence of pure and holy spiritz that watch over you at such times.

Also remember dear children that all your thoughts are known, at such times; so dear children let your thoughts and behavior be according to your teaching, whether it be in your own order or not.

And little children will you all promise me that you never will be seeking, or trying to make disturbance, or do any thing to

make each other laugh in retiring time? Will you set out to keep the fear of God in this one respect? So I think you will.

Do you ever sense how merciful God has been to you, to call you poor little helpless children from the world of sin, and danger, to live here in this pretty Zion on earth, where you have kind parental friends, that labor for your natural support; and cry to God in tribulation for your poor souls. Great is the day in which you live, dear children, you have a privilege to live in Zion, while the windows of Heaven are open, and the gifts of God are flowing freely to all within its walls.

These precious gifts that you now have will not always be offered to you in so marvelous a manner. But the time will come, if you are faithful, that you will give thanks to God, without ceasing, that you have lived to see this great day, of Mothers wonderful work upon Earth.

But you are young now and know but little of the greatness of the day, or the importance of your privilege among the people of God.

How little children I want to tell you some important things, which is if you get tired of being reproved and instructed by your

Elders, and turn to the world for rest, you will have to go to hell, never to be redeemed, for the privilege which you now have is great, and will prove a Savior of life unto life, or of death unto death.

Go be obedient now in your youthful days, be honest and if you get overcome, confess and repent. In this way you will gain true faith, which will show you the path wherein your feet must go.

How little children I have noticed you in a way that my holy Mother chose, and if you treasure it up, with every other good gift, it will be a guide to your feet on earth, and a bright star in your immortal crowns.

By request from Mother, dear children. I will now write you a little hymn.

The Honest Child

Great is the day in which I live,
And willing I must be,
All others faults freely forgive,
With true simplicity.
And never feel myself above,
One of my youthful friends,
But live in union peace and love,
This with the spirit blends.

2. I never will let haughtiness,
 Have place within my heart,
 I will not keep a foe like this,
 From me he shall depart.
 Tho' I am yet but young and small
 I fear the burning hell,
 Where I should go, if I should fall,
 Eternally to dwell.

3. So I must press ahead with speed,
 And be a patient youth,
 To every step I must take heed,
 And keep right in the truth;
 That when I do to manhood grow,
 I still in it may walk,
 That when the whirling tempests blow,
 I shall be on the rock.

4. With me my little friends unite,
 For I am bound for heaven,
 In honesty I will delight,
 Repent to be forgiven.
 For sin that's cover'd in the soul,
 Will wholly blind the sense,
 It soon will bear the whole controll,
 With darkness how immense!

5, So with me choose the certain road,
 To Honesty and truth,
 This is the narrow path to God,
 Trod by the faithful youth,
 So praise your trumpetz children dear,
 And give a promise bound,
 That you will walk in Godly fear,
 And in the truth be found.

Farewell dear children, you are welcome
 to all that I have given you.

Given at Waterville

Word of the Lord made Known by
Mother Lucy. March 21st 1841.

The following are the words which the Lord spoke as
 He passed thro' the dwellings of his chosen people in the East,
 West, North, and South.

My chosen people of the Lord, pre-
 pare yourselves, for I, the Lord, am going to bring
 heavy judgements upon the earth. Yea, and it
 will cause my chosen people, much tribulation.
 Yea saith the Lord, at this time will I set a mark.

upon my faithful children, that all may know that they are the Lord's. Yea saith the Lord; I will mark them with my power, my blessing, love, peace, strength, patience, meekness, forbearance, the fear of God, humility, innocence, charity, pity, courage, and the cross.

All these things the Lord placed upon his faithful children, and said; Tho' the judgements of God may roll, and continue to roll upon the earth, not one of my faithful children shall be hurt.

But thus saith the Lord, unto those that think to abide in the dwellings of my chosen people with their sins yet covered. Wolves in sheep's clothing. Woe! Woe! unto such souls. I the Lord do know you, and can see you through and through. Tho' you may think to escape the judgements of God, because you yet stay among my faithful; but be assured the judgements of God will follow you where ever you go, if you do not turn, turn, and overturn; and turn from your own ways; and turn your souls unto me your Heavenly Father.

For as sure as I am the Lord, so sure will my judgements roll thro' the land. And the children of this world will be exceeding angry and

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will try to overthrow the work of God; but they will try in vain. They will threaten to do great things. Such like as burning your buildings, and robbing you of your property. And they will try to make you think that they are going to destroy you.

But fear not my holy chosen; I the Lord will stretch forth my hand, and protect my holy people, if they will always keep the Laws of Zion holy and pure, holy and pure, pure and holy having pure hearts and clean hands.

Ins^t. Matilda Reed.

A Message from Father William to the Ministry and Elders, Respecting Doctor Books, & the deportment of Doctors.

April 7th 1841.

Beloved Ministry and Elders, says Father William. I have come in haste this morning; from your Blessed Mother Ann; and my words are few. Yet in the power of my Heavenly Father, do I sound them forth to you. My spiritual presence has been with you several times, when

you have been conversing) upon this subject, of which I have come again to give my word. Yea, and the word of you Mother.

My word is, in relation to great Doctors in the House of my Mother. I say, understand my word. Such Doctors as think that they must appear something more than common. They must be very smooth, certainly if they are going to see a patient, they must wear a very nice hat, a pair of fine gloves, and a very slick head of hair. Especially if they are going to see a young female. And here they must sit down, and converse very politely. Using such borrowed language as they may have learned, from some great Doctor Books. So that common folks, may see that they have advanced far into the great mystery of Doctoring.

Having read a vast many books, & stored their minds full of useful knowledge, as they call it; because it was fashionable among the world. But says Father William. I call a great part of this knowledge; an abomination in the house of my Mother.

Your great improvements in Doctoring for more than 20 years past; has been a curse to the Church of Christ, rather than a blessing.

It has been a veil, behind which has hid, many, yea very many, filthy, unclean and hateful spirits. And that, ^{to} in the Holy Sanctuary. But the Lord liveth, and my soul liveth, says Father William. I will lift this veil before I leave this part of Zion.

And every Book that is kept and stored in that Lot, shall be under as strict order, as those that are kept in the dwelling rooms. And there shall be none bought, or kept in that lot, but what shall be carefully be inspected by the Ministry and Elders; as well as any other book kept in Mother's House.

And they that cannot gain a gift in the line of a Physician, under these restrictions; the Lord hath not chosen, and will not bless their labours in that calling. But they that will, take hold of this gift, in the simplicity of the gospel, by practice and observation, with anxious desire, and labour to feel after some gift of God in their doctoring; will gain a far greater gift, and more suitable for that place; than has been there for 20. years past.

And this regulation respecting the Books kept in the Order of Physicians. Beloved Ministry and Elders, with your union, I desire

may no longer be delayed. For when I see and know that a thing is wrong, and it is in my power to right it; I always choose to do it on the spot. And not put it off, until tomorrow, and tomorrow. For by so doing one gets so many duties laid up in store before them, that they can scarcely see their way out; and many times feel almost discouraged. But all should well consider, and then perform their duty.

Yea Beloved Ministry says Father, I went and told Mother your conversation respecting this matter. I also told her the zeal and energy that Oldress Ruth and Sister Ascanath felt, in a special manner, in respect to this important matter. And Mother was so well pleased that she smiled pleasantly and said. Come James sing us a song and let us rejoice a little; for there will be something affected in putting away them filthy nasty Books.

And B^r William you must go to morrow morning, and take with you my son, B^r Eliab Harlow; and after you have spoken your Word, then Eliab must instruct them, how they must do, to keep a gift in that calling.

You must also take with you Garret Lawrence; to make a short, but humble confession

With his intercession, in order that his own soul, may in some measure be released from sufferings; which it has ever been under since it left the body. On account of Book and such like things that he brought in to that place, while he was upon earth.

My Beloved Ministry & Elders, says Br^r Eliab. I am thankful that I can be the least help, in this blessed work of my Mother and Father William. I now again testify, to all those that are called, to stand as Physicians in Mothers house as I did when I was upon earth, and as I have done to my Blessed Parents since I left the world. That the sense and manner of going, must be altered, or they can never find the blessing of God.

I say that one quarter part of the number of books, that are now retained in the Physicians. God is more than what they need, if they stand in that gift, and order which their Heavenly Parents have for them. I do my Beloved Brethren says Eliab "Most solemnly warn you against suffering your feelings any longer to plead the necessity of so much Book knowledge. For a very little of that, with the blessing of your Heavenly Parents will prosper much better in Zion than what knowledge could be got from all the books in the world without this blessing.

Therefore if you are faithful to improve your time, labouring for the simplicity and sincerity of Mothers gospel, in all your deportment at home & abroad you will be able to find an increase in your calling which you never have found. And be thankful with us says Br' Eliab, that the time has come, that every thing pertaining to that Lot must brought under the immediate inspection of the Ministry and Elders; for their approval or rejection; the same as any thing else belongs to Mothers house.

And I thank God, thro' my Heavenly Parents, says Br' Eliab, that this time has come. For none of you did know but in a small measure, the tribulation which my soul did many times feel, while upon earth, upon this account.

And with this receive my kind love, and everlasting blessing, Beloved Brethren who stand in this Lot. If you keep your teaching you will go safe, and have a gift of God. But if you depart from it, your souls will dwindle away, and die. And if you go to caviling and reasoning, with your natural reason, upon these things, you will destroy the gift of God from your own souls. For, remember, the holy and sacred things of God, are not sent forth for the carnal reasoning mind to understand.

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I have now liberty, says Garret, from Father William, and Br Eliab, to speak a few words to the Brethren in the Physicians Lot. Confessing my disorders, as I have heretofore done; of bringing books, & things, in to that place while upon earth, that were entirely contrary to order, and disowned by the spirit of Christ. And for which my soul has had to suffer; and must continue to suffer, untill they are spwged out; or brought in to conforrnity to the order established in Mothers House.

And this is my intencion; that ye would no longer hold, these disorderly things in your possessions that I brought in. O do Beloved Brethren, I entreat, have pitty and compassion upon my suffering spirit. And if I have ever set any good example, follow that; and no longer follow my disorderly ones. Either in spirit, or in deed; for I know that they have been many; and my suffrings yet remain.

Now Beloved Ministry and Elders, says "Father William receive my love love. My word is finished. Now see that the work be done, before your Holy Mother comes.

Ins't Philemon Steward.

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A Short^{re} Word from Mother Ann, M^{rs}
Lucy, & Elder Sister Olive, to Betsy Bates

April 10th 1841.

Mother Ann says " Beloved Sister Betsy, we did not feel as though we could leave you at this time, without letting you know that we had been present with you this afternoon. And I have stood by your side continually (pouring) love blessing and strength upon you, and know ye that you have been doing my will. And O my dearly beloved! do I do receive my hearty thanks, yea, the hearty thanks of love of your Mother, I do receive at this time, for your faithful labors, for the good of your, & my little ones.

And I have with me at this time, a glass of the sweetest of Wine, which I wish you to drink to strengthen you." Mother Lucy says " I have a glass of the waters of refreshment which I wish you Sister Betsy to drink from me." Elder Sister Olive says, " well I have a very good little sweet cake, in my hand, I do receive this from me; and eat it for it is very good. Eat it in the sweetest of my love.

And now says Mother Ann " O my most dearly Beloved, know ye that I your Mother,

do fully know the sincer feelings of your soul. O cheer your spirits and be comforted; for it is in love, love, love, yea the sweetest of love that I do greet you at this time; and my blessing I pour forth freely upon you; and know ye this I will ever do thro' time.

And in deep scenes of tribulation I will ever be near, to comfort your soul, tho' I may be far from this place, yet your soul and spirit will be near to mine. And truly I do love you as I love my own soul, Yea hear ye the word of your Mother for it is true. I love bless, and honor you, and return unto you my hearty, yea hearty and sincere thanks, for your faith and faithfulness in my holy work.

You have ever stood steadfast for me, and truly you have been a great help and strength to me, thro' many deep scenes of tribulation which I have passed. And know ye, even the holy Angels and justified spirits in Heaven, do sound forth your name with reverence and respect, for your holy and unshaken faith, in this your heavenly Father's work.

And shall such a faithful soul, ever be left forsaken? Nay in no wise shall you ever be left forsaken. But you shall be fed

from the richest feasts, and purest fountains, To be
ye comforted, and fare ye well in my sweetest love,
love, love, and richest blessing.)

Mother Lucy says! Beloved Sister Betsy, I have brought with me at this time, a little present for each one of my little ones, those of my class, who have been here this afternoon, I have put it in a basket and placed it upon your table. It is a pearl of the fear of God, and a gem of true thankfulness, for everyone. And it is my desire, that they should receive this little present together with the love of all their Heavenly Parents, the next time they come here to receive good from the hands of their beloved Elders.

And they may receive this present by kneeling down and making four bows, and repeating these words! "I love my Heavenly Parents, I love my blessed Elders, I love the precious way of God; and the simple gifts of Mother!"

And now Sister Betsy, if this is the sincere feelings of their souls, then give on to them this Pearl and Gem; and a bountiful of love of all their Heavenly Parents.

This is given by my hand, in union with my Blessed Mother Ann, And as,

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time is short, I must leave you for this time, So fare
well in my love blessing) and peace.

Elder Sister Olive says, "I love and I
bless you with all my heart; O my most dearly beloved!
I know something of the feelings of your soul by expe-
rience. Altho I did not pass thro but little to what
you have, and will still have to pass thro while here
in time. Yet I can realize very plainly the feel-
ings of your soul.

And I do receive my richest love
and blessing; for truly, yea truly I do love you And
as time is short I will say no more at this time,
but bid you farewell, farewell in my everlasting
love, love, love, love, love. !

Yrs. Mary. Wicks.

Copy of a Letter sent to the Ministry at
Union Village. New Lebanon, Apr^d 15th 1841.

Dearly Beloved Ministry.

Your important and
weighty communication, (bearing) Date^d 29th March,
came safe to our hand, on the 8th of the present Month,

But in consequence of some pressing and immediate labors, we were under the necessity, of delaying a few days, before we could find even time sufficient, to return a brief answer to your important, and we may ^{say} critical communication.

As respects that part which relates to the sacred Writings, and the manner to be pursued that a separation and distinction might be made between such parts as have, or may hereafter emanate from our Heavenly Parents, (or the spirit of truth) and such parts as have been dictated by wicked (or false spirits).

Considering, that both false and true, have been brought forward by the same Instrument, who has pretended to be under the same divine or invisible influence in both cases; and perhaps at the same communication. I say, for these reasons the subject becomes a very difficult and delicate one.

As it is our wish and most urgent desire, to preserve and carefully save all the good; but at the same time, we feel it our indespensible duty to carefully watch and instruct the Elders of each family in like manner so to do, with carefulness and wisdom that the Instruments be not led astray by false spirits, clothed with deceit and lies, and bring forth that which purports to be from our heavenly Parents,

and of a divine and sacred origin, which the wisdom of God in Mother's gospel cannot own.

Mother has often warned us from the beginning on this ground, and she did give us a criterion by which to try every gift and prove the truth and sincerity of every Instrument, which was this, that she should send forth no gift, or communication, either verbal or in writing, neither should she accept or own any, that were brought forth; that were not sanctified, owned & blessed upon the Altar of wisdom, which is vested in the visible Head where such gifts are brought forth, and here they must be tried. This has been Mother's word and caution from the first. That such Instruments as could not bring forth gifts for the People in this line of Order, were none of hers.

Therefore it is the duty of the Ministry and Elders to require the Instruments, especially those who are unstable and inexperienced; to firstly open all their gifts, to their Head, and then by liberty proceed to communicate them as may be most proper,

But as it often happens individuals, will be taken under inspiration in meeting and there request union, and liberty to speak. Mother's word, or the word of invisible spirits, which communication the Ministry and Elders have

previously heard nothing about, and of course have had no opportunity to labour upon it, to know what would be wisdom in respect to said gift.

And here comes a very straitning point. The Lead must either give liberty, for the Instrument to proceed under its present influence and make known the communication therin public; (whether the influence be true or false,) or they must negative the request, which the Instrument says is from Mother, and the good spirit; and have it sent off till they can see the Instrument alone.

This thing would at once stagger the Instrument, and weaken the faith of the assembly, in respect to these gifts being of divine origin, which would in its bad affect, be nearly equal to that of a false gift, especially to that class who, ever stand ready, to charge the Ministry and Elders of dictating these gifts. Or that they are brought forth by a false and clashing spirit. Therefore the lines of demarkation in all cases are difficult to be stated.

I will here make use of Father James words, in relation to the protection of Instruments, "There should never be says Father James, conversation held by Ministry and Elders, respecting the state of individuals, or such things as should

only be conversed upon among themselves when in the presence of an Instrument. Tho' the said Instrument may appear to be wholly abstracted from the things of time, and they have often times asserted when they were in these gifts (and tranced) they could hear and see nothing.

Yet I say, wisdom requires says Father that there should be no conversation of this kind held in the room where the body of an Instrument in this situation remain. For in this way there has been great advantages taken of deception in many places. And the adversary enabled to make up an imitation, (so far as the latter would go) of a true gift of God.

It is also the duty of Ministry and Elders to take means, and thoroughly ^{inform} themselves, of the unwavering carriage, depth of faith and obedience thereto, of every Instrument, that comes forth to speak in the name of their Heavenly Parents, whether they be male or female, old or young and bestow their care and watchfulness, for their protection accordingly.

Also says Father, the Instruments of each sex, should be carefully kept in their own order, and be the bearers of such individual gifts or messages, as may be for those of their own sex.

as far as possibly consistant. And such Instruments as are young (and inexperienced), who have not this understanding already; should be instructed by their Lead, to come forth with no gift in public, that would in any way clash with the established Order of Gods work and the means by which his people are and have been from the earliest ages protected.

For no such gift, could in any wise proceed from the source of truth. For God will never send forth gifts thro' our Heavenly Parentz, "says Father" to destroy the order of his own work; and every Instrument young and old should be thoroughly taught this, by their Elders.

The Instruments should also be instructed to keep their hands clean and hearts pure, by an honest confession to their Elders, and walk in the fear of God; wading in deep tribulations, day by day, or they cannot be Instruments to speak the word of God in truth.

But if the Instruments walk in low humiliation, and cleave close to their visible Lead every gift which upon them is impressed will hasten their travel, and work their own purification as well as for the good of others.

The true manifestations of God,

§2. "says Father" never go to build up and raise the sense of souls, above the order of their protection, or to lavish praise upon particular Gods or individuals unbecoming for mortals. In all these things it is the indispensable duty of the Ministry and Elders to closely watch and direct the bearers, of these sacred gifts, in order that the good may be preserved and the chaff blown away. For truly awful, yea far more awful than tongue can describe will be the state of that Instrument that turns and denies the work of their Mother, or any of their Heavenly Parents.

It is the desire of your Heavenly Parents, "says Father James" that all such writings, or parts, of writings, and communications, as are of a general or public nature, agreeing with the established order of God's work upon earth, should be carefully preserved, and put upon record. And the Ministry and Elders of every Society, must labour to decide what is suitable, and what not.

But if ye find it indispensible to vary any particular word or expression to prevent contradiction, or that which a coveling sense would hereafter be liable to prey upon, it should be waved

and the original manuscript made to agree with the face of the Record; so that if the record in aftergenerations be compared with the original manuscript, it may be found to be correct and true.

Inst Philemon Stewart.

A Present from Mother Lucy to the Ministry and Elders April 18th 1841.

Sabbath afternoon, Mother Lucy attended meeting with us. After meeting she went to Mother Ann's garden, and gathered for each of the Ministry and Elders; a large Pine Apple; and came back again and gave them to them.

And said Mother. "I have but a large Box for the Beloved Ministry. Yea says Mother this Box is locked; and it is to remain locked until the time comes for it to be opened; and that will not be until you meet your Blessed Mother Ann at Waterloo. Then it shall be made known to you what this Box contains."

The Ministry and Elders then thanked Mother for their present, and asked her if she would

be so kind as to receive their love. You said Mother I shall be very thankful to receive such good love. Then the Beloved Ministry and Elders asked Mother, to be so kind as to take their love and thanks to Mother Ann; and ask her to remember us and pray for us.

You said Mother, I will give your love and thanks to your Blessed Mother Ann, the first time I have the privilege of seeing her. I do not know how long it will be; but I will keep it pure and clear until I meet with her.

You says Mother Lucy; Mother Ann will meet with you at Waterleit, to finish her work there. This is all; so kindly farewell, in love.

Trust. Matilda Reed.

A Short Message from Armenia Douglas, to her little Companions, Delivered April 20th 1841.

After we had attended her funeral; Elder Sister Olive, with Armenia were viewing her dear companions, whom she had left,

"My dear little Sisters said Armenia"

Ye with whom I have enjoyed many playful & pleasing hours; ye whom I have loved and been obedient with, Remember I have not forgotten you; and I hope that you have not forgotten me. And that my days with you, are now no more; and my hours of comfort and pleasure in the body are no more! no more! no more!.

O my dear little Sisters! Can I! can I! can I go and leave now! Knowing that I never shall meet with you again as I have done. But I leave you in peace; and I leave my love with you. And I hope that you can all part with me in peace. And that when you think of me you can remember me in love.

And again remember O my little companions; that as often as I have liberty I shall visit you. Though you may not see me; yet I can see you. But I shall now have to leave you and go home; and gather to my companions whom ye know not.

So Farewell! O Farewell my dear little companions. But my heart is grieved at the thought of leaving you. O that I might always remain with you! But may, I must be obedient, this I always laboured to do when I was with you, and this shall ever be my labour.

And remember my little Sisters, if you ever wish to be happy you must be obedient

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children; love your caretakers and obey them. So far farewell.
I must now go.

She then raised her little mates once more, with her hands raised; and as she passed by them she crossed her hands for an instant and then raised them again, as she left them.

Inst Harriet Goodwin.

From Mother Lucy Elder St Olive H
Sister Polly Bates to Betsy Bates. Ap 21st 1841.

Mother Lucy says, " Beloved Sister Betsy, would you be pleased at this time to receive some cake and wine? Yea". " Well here I have plenty; I have two baskets one filled with glasses of wine, and the other with cake.

And know ye beloved sister Betsy this is from your Blessed Mother Ann. It is the remainder of the Holy Angels feast with your Blessed Mother, on this morning she took her leave of her dear children here, and entered the peaceful abodes of her Heavenly Fathers kingdom. Yea then did your Heavenly Father, and all the Holy Angels bow low, to

welcome your Blessed Mother to her holy habitation, & to the joyful Feast, which was prepared for her.

And after the Feast was ended your Blessed Mother gave unto me, of this cake and wine and said. "This take to my faithful children those whom I love so dearly. Tell them to eat and drink freely, knowing it is filled with my everlasting love, and blessing; and that I have not in any wise forgotten them.

And now says Mother Lucy. Beloved Sister Betsy, I wish you to eat and drink freely, out of these baskets of this precious cake and wine. And receive at the same time a large portion of our everlasting love and blessing; together with your ever blessed Mother Anne.

And after you have received a good portion for yourself, then I wish to have you the first opportunity, send these two baskets of cake and wine, down to your Beloved Elder Sister and her little company, with our everlasting love, blessing & strength.

And now says Elder Sister Olive, I have two baskets of this cake and wine, which I wish Beloved sister Betsy to take; and on the morrow, give unto all the sisters that are carding together with a large portion of this good love and blessing.

And says Elder Sister Olive. "Beloved sister Betsy; you do not know how pleased I am to see you this evening. And the love I have for you I know not how to express; but I love you with all my heart and as I love my own soul, and ever shall thic time and in eternity."

Mother Lucy says, Beloved Sister Betsy, think not that your Mother will ever forsake you, may; never, Never. But I will ever be near to comfort, strengthen and support you thro all trying scenes of tribulation, which you may meet while here in time. And know ye I have often been by your side when your soul was devoted in solemn prayer; and your heart overflowing with sorrow.

Yea by your side have I knelt and with uplifted hands, have I oft times prayed with you. And I have oft times sounded forth your prayers unto your Heavenly Father. So be ye comforted O my most dearly beloved; knowing that your Heavenly Father, does not in any wise nor at any time, turn a deaf ear to your cries and fervent prayer. And know ye and be ye assured that ye are daily doing the will of your Heavenly Parents. So be ye comforted in my sweetest love and blessing.

Sister Polly says, " O my beloved sister Betsy; my beloved Elder how can I express my love to you. Altho I do not say much to you, yet I love you from the sincerity of my heart, and ever have; And I consider it a great privilege at any time to come and see you and feel and receive your love and blessing. For truly I love and respect you as my Elder, and ever have since I left this world.

Yea I knew you the first time I saw you after I entered the spiritual world; I plainly saw that you had traveled far, yea far beyond me. But know ye, I have ever laboured to maintain our blessed Mother's gospel and I am now traveling on with you in her pretty little narrow path, which is truly my delight and pleasure.

And truly I do feel thankful for the privilege that I have to so often visit you with my blessed Elder Sister Olive; and O that this privilege might ever continue. But know ye beloved sister Betsy; I put the parting hour as far off as possible. I cannot bear the thought of it.

But my love and blessing I leave with you for truly I love you and ever have; and when you was very small you was truly my delight, and it was ever my labor to set you a Godly example.

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And to impress upon your young and tender mind
that which would be for your best good, and comfort
tho, time. And if I ever did, or said any thing to
the reverse in your presence it was unknown to me.
For truly I did love you, and felt an interest in your
welfare and prosperity.

And says Mother Lucy. "Beloved
sister Betsy, we have plenty of healing balsam here;
would you not like some?" Well I have placed upon
the table 12. vials full, and you may do what you
feel to, with this. So rest ye in my love to night.

Elder Sister Olive says". I will stay
and sleep with you; right in the bed with you. I
have often done this, altho, unknown by you. So fare
ye well in our sweetest love.

Yours Mary Hicks.

Mother Lucy's Word again respecting the Cake and Wine, and Spy Glafs.

April 2^d 1841.

On the morning of the 24th while in meeting,
Mother Lucy, went to Sister Betsy and said "I feel
very anxious that all Mother's children should partake
of her feast, together with her richest love and blessing.
For it is truly her desire. Soon Sister Betsy spoke of
the Cake and Wine, which she had received. And

she and Elder Sister gave it out freely. This was very pleasing to Mother. And after meeting she returned her hearty thanks and love, to the Elders. And she told Sister Betsy, it was her that impressed it upon her mind to deal out this treasure, and said she felt very anxious indeed that all should partake.

Then said Mother Lucy. Beloved Elder Sister, I have with me some love love; pretty love love love. Will you take it from me? Well said Mother, I have covered you all over. Elder Sister Olive placed a very large ball of love on Sister Betsy's head.

Then said they, "Have ye well in our sweetest love, love, love. — Mother Lucy says: Beloved Sister Betsy. I have a very long Spy Glass, that I wish you to receive. And the small end belongs to you, and the big end to Leillah. And it is my desire that you should look thro' this Spy Glass. —

Inst. Mary Wicks.

The following Words were spoken in meeting

On the 25th of April 1841. By Father William.

After the Brethren and Sisters had finished exercising and meeting was about to close, Father William spoke as follows.

"Your Father William, Father James, and

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Father Joseph, also Mother Lucy, have come to attend meeting with you. And I have come at this time, my beloved children, to bring unto you a heavenly & rich treasure.

At 8. O'clock this morning I did appear before the throne of my Almighty Father. And received from his hand, a bountiful store of love. Yea and the love and blessing of your Holy Mother Wisdom to bring unto you my dear children. They gave it freely unto me, and freely did I receive it. Even the love and blessing of your Holy, Holy Father, and your Holy Mother Wisdom.

And now I want you should all receive this love and be comforted. And there was a way proposed by your Heavenly Holy Mother, for you to receive this blessed love. I was so raised two loud heavenly and serene shouts.

Then Brethren and Sisters then raised two shouts. And Father William went round and gave to each individual some of the love. And they returned their thanks with bows, and with one shout.

Father William then said "This love was sent to you my dear children, to comfort you, so be ye comforted. Will you now dance a little song with me and rejoice in this love." Yea Father was

the answer. Father Williams song was then sung. "My pretty children, you're on a land of freedom &c &c" And the Brethren and Sisters danced it, and Father William danced with them, and with smiles of love and joy hugged and kissed the Elder Brethren and several otherz. When the song was ended Father said "Truly it is, as you have sung. You are indeed my pretty children, those in whom I am well pleased.

The Brethren and Sisters, then returned their thanks to Father, for the privilege that they had had with him. Father said: "You are kindly and heartily welcomed my dear children, my good children. I want that you should now be comforted, be lively & cheerful, take comfort in your tribulation. Why are ye so cast down? What makes you look so sober about it? That is no way at all. You must rejoice and take comfort in tribulation. You are my good children & you must be willing to bear; yea, cheerfully willing to bear, all that is for you. And not be so cast down and look so sober about it.

I can say in truth, there is not one in this room, even to the least child; but I can truly love and bless. So rejoice ye in my love. Feast upon it and be ye comforted.

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24. Father Williams Message to the Beloved
Elders at the North House. April 25th 1841.

"Will you harken to my word? For it is with pleasure, that I make my feelings known at this time. I must be short, for I have yet a great work to do.

It was, indeed, your Father, that moved upon your feeling to ask for the prayers of the Church. And truly ye had them in full measure. And to them I added my blessing and love; for I love to hear souls ask for what they stand in need of. And so long as ye continue to ask in faith, ye will in nowise, fail of receiving what ye desire.

Beloved Elder Richard. Thou art one in whom my spirit takes pleasure. And one whom the gift rests upon, to sound forth the word of God to poor lost souls. Be not discouraged, nor cast down; for it is not the will of God your Heavenly Father that you should die. But that you should arise and sound and sound, and sound your trumpet, for truly you have got one.

Sound it, and I will help you sound it, until souls learn in truth to fear God and walk softly in his presence. When this is gained

then souls will be thankful to have the gospel open, and not before. They then will be thankful to turn out of their own ways, without saying, within their own minds; I am sure that is an unnecessary cross; I do not see why I need to be disturbed at this time and turned this way and that, and the other. Well, I shall never take any more comfort, I am crossed almost to death.

I will ask if this proceeds from a thankful spirit. Or does it proceed from a spirit that would like to judge the Ministry and Elders of some injustice? I have seen and felt quite too much of this spirit. I desire that, it may be put away; that my spirit may rest in peace upon every soul. It is a selfish spirit seeking for indulgence; that is the best name I can give it.

Does not such a feeling serve more to shut out the blessing of God, than it does to make room for some poor soul, that is seeking to find some rest to their troubled mind.

Take courage Beloved Elders, You daily have the prayers and blessing of your Beloved Leader to strengthen you on your journey. Truly your tribulation will be great. But your joy and comfort will counterbalance, all that ye will have to bear.

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The time will come, when you will be able to set open your doors, and say to the strangers come in and welcome; and share with us in our tribulation & crosses; and in our comfort you may have a share, if you will labor to earn it, as we have done.

With these few lines take my never ceasing, never ending love, to strengthen you.

Farewell for this time. From Father Williams.

Inst Sarah Ann Standish.

Father James' Word and Present to Dr Rufus D.

April 26th 1841.

While I was sitting by a window, I saw Father James walking in the road, and Dr Rufus following him. And as Dr Rufus was passing by the Meeting House. Father James turned to him and put his hands upon his shoulders, and said. "This is my beloved in whom I am well pleased. Well done thou good and faithful servant."

Father then fastened a gold band, around Dr Rufus' waist; with a gold staff of honor, strength, and glory fastened to it saying. "Upon this staff, have I ever leaned; and now I freely give it to you. O Dearly Beloved, that you

may have something to remember me by when your spirit is borne down with heavy tribulation". Then did Father vanish out of my sight, and I saw him no more.

Inst: Harriet Goodwin.

A Message from Mother Ann to the
Ministry at Harvard. Written by Father
James, & communicated by Inspiration.

New Lebanon May 2nd 1841.

Beloved Ministry.

Believing and knowing, that the word of your Blessed Mother will be thankfully received at this time, I write with pleasure.

And, Firstly, are thy people all in as good standing as you wish them to be? Nay in no wise! Then harken, a few moments to the word of your Mother.

Look ye around to the example of those who are placed as Elders over them. Look ye to those who are placed in the outer court. See if the true Order of God is kept in their out goings, and their incomings. Look out, - look out I say in this respect; for know ye they are called to be shining

lights to the world around them. Do they keep the fear of God in their daily walk? Are their words & ways exactly according to Mothers gospel? Or do they vary as much from the Holy Order, as they think it will possibly bear? I say they do.

Now, dearly Beloved shall I speak freely? "Yea yeas." I think I hear you say. Then know ye, that ye are placed as watchmen on the walls of Zion; and know ye, that ye are responsible in a great measure, for every lamb in your flock. If any are left to break one link in the chain that binds Mothers children together, they are greatly exposed to leaveen back, in to their own way, and neglect the true Order of God.

See ye that every one that stands in any lot or place, are such as can be looked to for an example of goodness and virtue, for such they ought to be. If they are not then labor to help them, knowing it to be your duty. Spare not the chastening rod, for this ye are called to use. Remember whom the Lord loveth, he chasteneth; so chaste my people (says Mother,) For every Order of God shall be kept by my people.

My word shall ring, ring, till my people shall keep my holy gospel pure. For no longer

shall scoffers and mockers rest at ease in my holy
Lion upon earth. But they shall be striped, and their
nakedness shall appear to all around them.

For warnings, and warnings, I have
sent forth in various ways; but I say some have put
them far far away from their hearts. But know ye
the mighty hand of the Lord, is able to strip every
soul. Strip! strip I say. Mother the garments from
off my children, which have so long been worn and
worn. Remember one garment cannot always be
worn without washing.

So I say, (says Mother) my chil-
dren must wash and bathe in the streams of true
repentance, then my love and blessing shall freely flow
unto them.

Dearly Beloved, you cannot paint,
nor words describe, the tribulation I have passed thro'
for my children upon earth. I want every one that has
received faith in my holy gospel, to be shining lights
firm in the Lord, able to help themselves and others;
for the time will come, when many will cry for help.

But look! look ye around! (says Mother)
among my children; and see if they are prudent, and
saving of my precious gifts, great or small, for noth-
ing shall be lost, that has been handed to any one.

If they have felt my gifts not worth noticing; remember, the good spirits that have handed them forth, and seen them slighted, have gathered them up, and brought them back to me with sorrow. And if any one ever has the offer of these precious gifts again, remember it will be thro' great tribulation and repentance.

I say impress this, with weight, upon the feelings of all my dear children, for they must know and fear my name. For long, long, have I borne this from the high and haughty. And no longer shall I rest without sounding forth my word, where it will be heard and felt to be of greater importance, than the own way and will of man or woman.

Dearly beloved, I say to, O do impress this one thing upon the feelings of all your people. That it alters not the gift nor the good it will do, even if it come thro' one that is not what he or she ought to be. And if the Instruments are kept under the mortification that they ought to be, they will not bring any thing forward, only in union with the Lead.

Every one, dearly beloved, yea every one that has had any thing to hand forth from the spiritual world, at any time, ought

to keep a humble spirit, and have more of the fear of God, and be more exemplary in their daily walk. They need the protection of their Lord in their out goings and incomings.

"So watch ye over my little ones says Mother. Labor to prepare the people for an increase, in the holy work and order of God. For not one who professes the name of Mother, can stand still or rest at ease in Zion; for it is a progressive work from day to day.

The forms, fashions and customs of the world must be left behind, for the children of this world. If there are any, that wish to bring in any fashion or custom of the world, know ye they are not on the true foundation; they are not of my children says Mother. Know ye, there is a true Order for my children to stand on; and see ye that this true order is kept.

Place not my children in any situation, where they will be likely to harm one another, or to lay stumbling blocks in each others way. If you do, you will have to be accountable for it, for many times they are not able to be a protection to themselves, then you must be a protection for them.

And if they are faithful they will

see the time, that they will feel more thankful for it, than they are able to express. So feed ye my children with the true things of God, and they will forever bless you, thro' time and in eternity.

Do not be swayed by any one, but go forth in the gift and power of God, and your Heavenly Parents will help you thro' the dark, dark and dismal clouds that hang over you. But fear ye not, for my holy children shall suffer no harm, if they will keep my holy word unto them.

So fear ye not, fear ye not, I say, but press ye on, knowing ye shall in no wise, loose the reward that is laid up for every faithful soul. So be ye of good cheer, I am your Mother, and I will help you, yea I will help you in many trying cases, and many trying places.

And I say again, fear not to chasten my little ones if you do not want them to be bastards, Bring them up so that they can bear the truth, and they will see the time, that they will be thankful in every feeling of their souls. So be ye comforted in speaking plainly, knowing it will never harm any faithful child, nor one

that is striving to be good, and to keep sight of the true work of God.

Once more do I warn you dearly beloved, to look well to those who go out among the wicked world. Follow them up closely; see that they do not bring in any thing, only in union with you. For if they do, the blessing of God will not attend it; nay in no wise; and it will bring weakness, death and darkness upon the whole; and many will not know from whence it cometh. And "says Mother" many heavy scenes of tribulation have been brot on in this way. So watch with care; see that those who go out among the world, are those that you can place confidence in, knowing they will be true to you, & to their own souls.

Many have I known, (says Mother) to plead with their beloved Lord, for things that, they knew they (the Lords) did not own. And having on, when they knew it was contrary to the feelings of the Lord. And if they could get one word of encouragement, they would go on and do very much as their fancy led them to do, and go a little further, and a little further, till they landed themselves in misery where they knew not how to get out. And thus they lost their souls forever by not being willing to subject

themselves to the true appointment of God on earth, for the help of poor lost souls, who cry for help, & seek the mercy of God.

But those that seek, shall find, and those that will not harken, will fall a prey to their own carnal desires. So you will find in the many words that I have handed forth to you, at different times, and in different ways, that there is not much room left for indulgence.

Straight is the path, and few there be that walk therein. So lead ye my little ones in the self-denying way, in the cross-bearing way of true self-denial; and I will ever be your comfort thro' time and eternity.

So with my blessing, be ye encouraged to fulfill the great work, that is required of those that stand as leaders in my holy places upon earth. For great must be their tribulation, great must be their responsibility, great is the place they are called to fill. None can fill this important place, without giving up all, soul & body, to God, in the real sense, of the word, freely and voluntarily, without sparing one scrap of their own way.

But dearly beloved, remember

you have a blessed Lead before you. Look, look, I say, to them for help, for they are patterns of Godliness, and virtue in every sense of the word. They are fully able to help comfort, and strengthen you, in anything you can ask; yea they are able to counsel you in every difficult case.

Now, if you do not ask counsel, if you do not ask for what you need, and when you need, remember it is not my fault, for I have opened the door wide, for you help comfort & support.

Ask and ye shall receive, knock, and it shall be opened unto you; for free are the blessings of Heaven; free for every faithful soul. So be ye free in the Lord, knowing that my blessing shall rest upon you forever and ever in obedience to the holy word of your Blessed Mother at this time.

Now says Father James, receive ye my sweetest love: so farewell.

Written by Father James.

Inst E. Jane Blanchard.

A Psalm read by the Holy Angel after
Singing the Anthem entitled The Word of the Lord God Almighty &c

May 4th 1841.

Thus saith the Holy Angel of the Lord, Pre-
sir-e-fi-man. Yes ten-va-ren-vi-ne. is my name. This
day am I sent forth by the Lords command, to sound,
sound forth his, Harp some war unto you, O ye people!
For lo! his fierce anger is greatly kindled against you.
Yea thou hast justly provoked thy God because of
thy civil doings.

And now, O ye evil workers who
dwell in Zion, seeking to destroy Gods holy temple
O ye hypocrites! who seek to plumb in Zion, in
your sins and wicked abominations! O thou car-
nial reasoner! thou Infidel yea, thou Deist,
who believeth not the power of the Almighty.
I say unto you beware! beware!. Thy God whom
thou hast justly provoked, will yet meet you in
his vengeance where there will be no cloak to cover
you from your nakedness.

Yea I say unto you, his wrath
his fierce anger is greatly kindled against you.
And were it not for those faithful pillars now

standing) in the house of the Lord, who have waded thro' persecution sorrow grief and pain who are now wading) thro' deep tribulation, and in fervent cries and supplications to their God that he would again visit his people in mercy. I say were it not for these faithful ones the judgements of an Almighty God would now roll upon you.

But I say unto you, know ye there is a just and righteous God who knoweth the feelings of every one, now standing in the sanctuary of the Lord and will be able to render unto every soul according to their works.

And these words, know ye O ye workers of iniquity! ye will find will prove to be true, when ye are separated; yea, entirely cut off from the holy chosen of God, and his judgements doth roll upon you. Yea I say his judgements, his awful judgements roll without ceasing) upon you.

Ye shall in no wise escape the reward of your doings. Long, long, have the Heavenly Parents of the righteous, the holy Angels and justified spirits in heaven, bowed low, low, in humiliation, tribulation and

supplication to their God for you; with an outstretched arm of parental love and charity over you, which has been shown to you thro the Anointed of God in Zion; but ye have willfully and knowingly refused all righteous offers, therefore the doors of heaven are now shut against you. And ye are now no more numbered with the chosen of God, unless thro the most severe pain and suffering ye seek the mercy of God's people, that ye may gain the lowest seat in the mansions of peace.

And now I say, arise arise all ye inhabitants of Zion, who are seeking to know and do the will of the Lord your God, thro his Anointed; lift up your heads and rejoice, for lo! the day is near at hand, when the tree of life which has been planted here upon this spot, shall again appear in perfect beauty.

Yea every branch thereof shall shine as with the brightness of the meridian sun, and every dead and lifeless branch, shall be shook therefrom, when the house of the Lord shall be swept, and garnished, and every clog removed; and the inhabitants thereof shall rejoice with their God. When the blooming youth shall see visions, and the ancient dream dreams,

Yea the footsteps of your Mother shall ye hear throughout your dwellings, and her voice thro' out your habitations.

Therefore be strong O ye people in the Lord, For lo! the day which ye have long prayed for, is near at hand, even at the door, when your prayers shall be answered in full. For lo they who seek the Lord aright shall surely find him.

And now O thou son of God, even this day clothed with sack cloth and mourning; arise and hear my voice. For lo! this day am I, an Angel of the Lord, sent forth to sound Da pa se na va, unto you. Put off thy mourning attire, arise, arise, arise and be strong in the Lord.

Thou thy spirit, is now bowed down even to the dust, of the earth with heavy, lac se le n de lo ka, yet know thou art not forgotten by thy heavenly Father, nor forsaken by thy heavenly Mother, may and never will be. O thou beloved son of God. Tho' sorrow or sorrows upon you may yet roll, and gloomy clouds of dark, dis mel e ka around you may gather, fear ye not. Tho' the power of evil, may be mighty, and strong, yet the power of God is Almighty and will overcome. Therefore O thou son, rejoice knowing

the cup which thou hast begun to fill, shall be filled even to overflowing); for ye are chosen out of the world, by the Lord thy God; therefore ye are not of the world, but of God. And of the cup of sufferings which your Parents have drank, who have gone before you, ye shall in no wise fail of drinking.

I know ye again, ye shall in no wise fail of persecution, slander and mockery; yet be ye as I have ever proved you to be, strong in the Lord; and the weak in heart, shall overcome the mighty who trust in the arm of flesh for strength.

And now O thou son of God, hearken yet again unto my word. On the 23rd of August 1835. were seven loud trumpets sounded thro' the heavens, and at the end of the seventh trumpet, did I enter this the Holy sanctuary of the Lord, at his command, and here I have remained until the present day at your right hand.

O thou Beloved, long, long has been my stay with you, and many yea very many have been the scenes of sore tribulation and severe pain that you have passed through, during this time to maintain your blessed Mother's

gospel; and you have faithfully done your work. Your Mother you have owned and acknowledged, her gifts and manifestations you have, ever treated with reverence and respect; and loudly testified unto all your faith in her work.

Thou you have passed thro' many scenes when you knew not which way to turn, & many things have looked mysterious and strange, and beyond your comprehension; yet know ye O beloved, all things shall yet be vouchsafed unto you. But I say unto you, ere five hours roll over your head, I leave you; for this day, has the seven trumpets again sounded loudly, and I am called home to return no more, until the trumpeters in heaven, have sounded their trumpets thro' out the four quarters of the earth.

I have now finished the work I was sent to do, which was to make room in the house of the Lord, that the Holy Mother might enter & work with her children. And again sweep the house of those who were not prepared; neither would he, to meet the coming of a just and Holy Mother, & to remain with the inhabitants of Zion, until the Holy Mother had finished her work with her children, which work has been faithfully done.

And as your Mother has gone hence,
I am now called to go. And tho' I met you in a
day of sufferings, yet I leave you in a day of peace.
Yea long before I met with you were your cries
heard echoing and reechoing, yea, sounding and
resounding, to the throne of your Heavenly Father.
O Lord my God hast thou forsaken me? O give
me wisdom I pray to know and do thy will, O
mighty Father; and that only.

And dearly beloved, I repeat unto
again, it was on the 23rd of August 1837. that
the voice of your blessed Father William was
heard sounding in deep tribulation. O buck en sil
len la on tri ne co pe, pe te me, se ne pres te. (The same as to say)
O Lord, send a messenger unto my beloved ones, lest
he sink beneath, the heavy load he now has to bear.

This was the hour that I entered
to dwell with you, and at my arrival, did I
sing unto you the Anthem of which ye have
received one quarter. This did the Bloody Savior
place on my right wing, saying go thou quick
by and bear up the spirit of Del le me, han co
si, lest it sink. And there remain thou, until
the seven trumpets are loudly blown.

So dearly beloved the hour has now come in which I must bid you adieu. But know ye, I have ever proved you to be a true son of God, yea, a true child of your Mother, ever faithful and zealous in good works; and this shall be the word I carry of you, to your Mother when e're I meet with her.

So now receive ye my everlasting love and blessing, with the love and blessing of the Holy Savior, and all your Heavenly Parents which shall remain with you now, and forever more: Amen.

End of the Roll which the Angel placed on Daniels head after he had finished reading it.

Father Joseph's Word to Daniel Boler.

Dearly Beloved I now write unto you, concerning the word and Anthem you have received. Believing it will be very satisfying to you, to know why it is that these things, have been withheld untill the present time.

^{say} Knowest thou not well, that in the day and hour that these things took place

there were those residing with you who mocked, scorned, and shamefully trampled under their feet, every gift of God, Then know ye, O ye beloved, this would have been used likewise. And had it been given to you privately, ye would not have known all ye now do, nor what to have done with it.

And again the Lord worketh in times and seasons of his own choosing; therefore his time had not yet come, nor would it have been made known to you, had it not been thro' my fervent cries and supplication to my Heavenly Father, that it might be made manifest to you, that you might know that your cries and supplications were noticed at that time.

And knowing that the time would come, when you would meet with the same or something of the like again, and ye would then look back with great satisfaction, and pleasure upon this word, I say, had it not been thro' my intercessions with Father William, the Holy Angel would have peacefully and silently withdrawn to his peaceful abode unknown to mortals.

But we knew the ever grateful and thankful spirit you possessed. For the least crumb, therefore we could not let this feast pass

in peace. And know ye dearly beloved tho' the Anthem you have received is lengthy, yet, it is but one quarter of that which the Angels of Heaven, condescended to sing to you, and think ye it is any more than your reasonable duty, to learn this part and sing it in praise to them.

I know thy spirit abounds in gratitude, and thankfulness, therefore, receive ye once more my never ceasing and never ending, but ever flowing flowing love and blessing, for surely thou art worthy.

Father Williams Word to Daniel Boler.

May 1841.

O dearly Beloved can I stand present, with you, and see you receive this crumb so thankfully, and not put in my voice? Nay, may I shall in no wise keep silent. Tho' my word be short yet it shall be a comforting one, for you to reflect upon when ye hear my voice no more.

And now harken. Tho' ye have passed thro' many scenes of heavy tribulation, and will have many more to pass thro', yet the hour will surely come when ye shall sit down in the kingdom, of everlasting peace, singing praises to the Lord

your God, with your Heavenly Parents and justified spirits in Heaven.

Yea surely you have borne the yoke, and borne the cross, and you shall receive your just reward. And know ye are numbered among the choicest of your Heavenly Fathers jewels. Thy mansion shines with never fading glory, thy crown far brighter than the sun, thy robe is adorned with Heavenly virtues.

So now receive my comfort, my blessing, and my everlasting peace; for surely I love you, and can speak peaceable words of truth unto you. Yea surely thou art, a beloved child of thy Mother, and one in whom I am well pleased.

So now farewell, farewell, until we meet together in the mansions of peace, where I shall stand ready with hosts of shining saints, and holy Angels, to welcome your arrival Amen

Ins't. Harriet Goodwin.

A Visit made by Lovina Bates, Jun^r.

Accompanied by Elder S^r Olive. March 10th 1841.

"I have come" says Elder Sister Olive,
And brot with me Lovina Bates; that she may make
herself known unto you as owned of Mother. It is
now seven years, since she embraced this gospel; and
from that time, she has proved herself faithful.
And Mother's late manifestation, has done a great
work for her. And ye may not dispute the truth
of this; for she is truly one of Mothers children. And
Mother Lucy has granted her the privilege to speak
for herself; if you desire it.

Lovina's Word to her Sisters

"Dearly beloved Sisters; I have now embraced Mother's
gospel, which privilege I greatly desired while on earth;
and many have been my hours of tribulation,

After hearing my Father and Mother,
with the children had found the people of God, and
embraced the testimony; I felt anxious to come and
unite myself with you; but was placed in a situation
I could not. I often spoke to my husband in these
words; "I believe that my parents and Brothers &
sisters have found the people of God. And I greatly,

desire to go and live with them, He would answer me in this way. "Sister, you would not find them to be what they profess. They are not the true people of God, you would not like them, nor be willing to stay if you was there". And by such means he would try to turn my feelings. And if I persisted on coming he would threaten abuse.

O my dear Sister you know not what I have passed thro. I have spent many hours in prayer to my Heavenly Father, to provide some way for my escape. That he would take the life of my wicked husband or that I might be released from his hands. But God granted not this to me, untill I had suffered in tribulation till my days on earth were finished.

For a long time after leaving this earth, I wandered thro thick darkness, thro' thorny maze and trying scenes; untill I had suffered for my iniquities which I had committed, I continually bowed my soul in prayer and supplication to God, my Heavenly Father, untill he heard my prayer; and sent forth two Holy Angels to meet me. And they conducted my spirit to the realms, where I could find my blessed Mother.

I had felt the convictions of my

sins to that degree that I was ready, and thankful to honestly confess them, where the privilege was granted me. I am thankful for my privilege. Also for all of you that have remained among the people of God. William has been a great grief to me, for rejecting his precious privilege; one that I should have been so thankful for, could I have had it. But he alone must bear it & suffer for it.

I have had the privilege to receive strength from my Father and Mother, also from my Sister Polly, who are in Eternity; because I greatly desired this privilege while in time but could not obtain it. But this privilege of making myself known unto you, I never expected. I feel unworthy; yet I am thankful, and I desire your prayers for me that I may ever abide.

Elder Sister Olive is my loving Elder. She takes care of me and strengthens me in the way of God; and by her means I have had this privilege.

Now, my good Sisters, will you receive my purest love. It is not mixed with the affections of nature; but it is pure love, I have gained by Mother's gospel, and the cross. Dear sisters I do thank you kindly, for your intercessions and

good desires for me. Now receive ye my love & I wish you to bestow some upon me. So farewell.

From Lovina Bates, Jun^r.

To Betsy and Sarah Bates.

The following are a few words spoken by the Instrument, Elder Sister Olive says that Lovina is a worthy heir of Mothers kingdom. For she has washed her garments clean in tribulation. And knowing that you felt much for her, I sought this opportunity for her, that you might be comforted concerning her.

Inst. Eleanor Potter.

Words of the Holy Proclaiming Angel of God,
in our evening meeting. May 15th. 1821.

He firstly spake in unknown tongue but the words are now interpreted.

"Oye people of Israel! Oye children of the Lion of God. Thus saith the Holy Angel of the Lord unto you. Watch, I say watch; for lo upon your dwellings rests a thick cloud of darkness, and from the pit there cometh forth Devils, to war against

you. Yea I say the adversary of your souls is constantly at work seeking to destroy you.

Bar your gates, bar your doors, make fast your indoors that no evil may enter. For I say there cometh forth from the pit Dragons in great rage, breathing forth smoke with great wrath and fury, to war against you. Therefore I say bar your gates, bar your doors, make fast your indoors O ye people.

Watch, I say, watch, for the power of evil is strong and striketh hard against you. Devils come forth to this place with their maddening threats, and in their fury throw their venomous poison among you.

Therefore, I say again; Bar your gates, bar your doors, make fast your indoors, O ye people! The Lord setteth himself up to reign among you, which maddeneth the enemy of your good exceedingly. Yea they strive hard, very hard to upset you.

Therefore I say set a watch, and a strong guard for fear of them. Watch, watch, I say watch, O ye people! Thus and thus.

And now my word unto you is finished. Amen.

Instrument Miranda Barber.

Father Williams Word to the Elders.

May 18th. 1841.

There has been no gift of God handed forth but what has been true, and will come to pass in due time. For God is wise; and in his own wisdom hath he handed forth these things to mortals. And every soul will yet see, that his wisdom will comprehend, and surpass the wisdom of the natural mind out & out.

Therefore the display of his power and divine wisdom in the late manifestation, does not need to be compared one thing with another, and turn ed, and twined, to see if it is like to come to the understanding of the natural, and all prove to be true. And let no one say within their own mind, I do not know about all these prophecies and sayings coming to pass. I shall know better when I have seen some of them.

Truly, God will yet cause the earth to shake and tremble, and some of the inhabitants thereof with dislocated limbs, will be cause to be suddenly swept there from.

Therefore my beloved children beware how ye give place in your minds and feelings for doubts, and fears, to raise against my holy power saith the Lord Almighty God unto you. For if this ye do, I will in the day of my judgement withhold my arm of

mercy from you, and ye shall share in the judgements and desolations of the wicked.

And now beloved Lead, can you think there are any within the sacred walls of Zion, who are willing to carry along and keep closely concealed a large portion of unbelief in respect to the late manifestation of God's mercy to poor lost souls? Truly this is the case, saith the Lord Almighty.

And now my beloved in my love blow ye the fan of truth, until falsehood is swept far away. With these words is enclosed my sweetest love. Farewell. From Father William.

Ins^t: Sarah Ann Standish.

Words of the Holy Angel Valval Karen vesta,
Yo. Philemon Stewart. May 20th 1841.

Behold O thou beloved child of Mother I am one of the bright Angels of God, that was sent to guard your Blessed Mother Anna, across the wide Ocean, Yea I was sent in the day she embarked for America, by Heavenly Father to stand as her protector.

And when on the 13th of April 1841.

your Blessed Mother Ann left the Church family in this place, I soared by her side, intending to all eternity, to be separated from her. But Mother said unto me "Return quickly to Zion, and take with thee this leaf of love which on is written my word to the first Instrument which I choose to speak my word, when I commenced my work in the Church."

Then I said O Blessed Mother! May I write on one side of this leaf, word to that beloved child of thine? Mother answered, "Yea write unto him and fear not; and make known unto him things pleasant and interesting for I have a long time called him a child of tribulation"

So beloved you will find here the words of your Blessed Mother Ann to you, written on one side of a leaf of Love, which she herself has prepared. And on the other side of the Leaf is my word; or, the word of the Angel Val val Haren ves ta.

Word from Mother Ann to Philemon I Written on one side of the Leaf
May 30th 1844.

O thou child of tribulation! Yea truly I say thou child of great sorrow, harken O harken this once to the word of thy Mother,

When I finished my work in the

Church, my spirit was over borne in so much that I could not speak my word to thee) as I desired. But the first thing I did after I left you was to prepare for you a written word, that you might receive it and keep it forever in memory of me.

O dearly Beloved think not a kind and tender Parent sees not and knows not the troubles of her children. O my little son! thy troubles I have known from the days of thy childhood I have ever had a watchful eye over thee.

When you was but 9 years of age, I gave you a lovely Diamond of faith; I also placed upon you, while in the days of your youth, a bright golden Seal, intending by these to ever know you as a child of my own. Thus I watched over you from year to year, and from time to time.

Some times I saw you passing thro scenes of youthful vanity. Some times I saw you passing thro scenes of trial and temptation; into which the youthful and inexperienced mind is ever led, by the delusive and enchanting pleasures of time. And oft times beloved, did I see your spirit borne down with sorrow and tribulation.

Thro' all these times I looked upon the precious Gem of faith, which I had given you;

and I always beheld it increasing in brightness and beauty. And my little one, I beheld you firmly established in my gospel, by the sincerity of your heart and the obedience you had ever yielded to your visible Head

But now I say it was I, even I your Mother that caused you many disappointments, while you was young in years, that have so often caused your spirit to be humbled and bend in tribulation. For your perseverance, steadfastness energy & zeal my soul did love, Therefore, I held you close to me, to prepare you for a ten fold heavier tribulation, which you have now, in a measure experienced.

When thro' the power of His dom my Heaven ly Father bade me return to earth, I first passed unseen and unknown by mortals and viewed all my children thro' out zion. East, West, North and South, not any escaped my notice.

Then it was, and at this time, that I did begin to pour forth upon thy soul deep tribulation. Yea then it was that I caused thee to be awakened, and caused thy spirit to bow low and in deep tribulation, thro' fervent cries and supplications, to seek in earnest, the Lord thy God. Yea I did begin, and I did in no wise cease to pour forth upon

thee sorrow and sufferings, and caused thy soul to wade in the deepest of sorrow and tribulation untill I had prepared thy spirit to stand unshaken in days and hours of sorrow and trial.

And know beloved when by the visible Lead you was called to the first Order in Zion, my spirit did greatly rejoice, for it was indeed but the desire of your Mother that this might be done. For I had already proved you to be a true and steadfast child, and such a one as my spirit could own and love.

And I said unto Holy Wisdom, Shall not this Instrument continue to speak my word, and do my will, since I have tried his spirit and proved his faith, thro deep suffering and tribulation.

So beloved know I have never forsaken you, but as a Mother I have supported you thro' many trying scenes since you entered this place. Yea when you have stood alone, when you have stretched forth your hand and drawn it to you again, knowing the spirit of many. When you have in sorrow spoken my word, knowing the spirit of many.

I say in these days, beloved, know, I did not forsake you. I have supported your spirit and by the power of my Heavenly Father, I have sustained your mortal frame, untill my word from

my own mouth, and by my own voice, ceased to sound
in the Church.

And now, I can say, I have proved
you a constant true and faithful child; because in
the days of your trouble and sorrow, you have never
forsaken me nor denied my word, but from the commence-
ment of my work, even until the present time, you have
ever stood firm unshaken and true.

Now what more shall I say? With
your present lot and situation in the family, my spirit is
well pleased I am satisfied. Labor to gain strength both
of body and soul, to enable you to do your duty. Truly
I will love, truly I will bless you, yea my blessing un-
bounded, and my love without measure. I will pour
forth upon you,

Thro' time, yea thro' time, I will
never forsake you, and you shall receive in the eternal
world, your just reward for all the crosses, trials sorrow
and tribulation, thro' which you have passed.

Now receive the thanks, yea the
thanks of thy Mother for thy true faithfulness. Receive
my rich blessing and love, eat, drink and be strengthened
therewith. And let this my word be a comfort, strength
and support unto thee, while on thy journey thro' time.

Think of this, the word of thy Mother, and keep it in memory of Mother Ann. Receive with this, the blessing and love, of all thy Parents in Heaven above.

Farewell. from Mother Ann.

Words of the Angel Yal val. Ha ren vesta.

O Dearly beloved, altho' my word will not be so pleasing to thee, as the word of thy Mother; Yet I cannot forbear to speak, or to write my word upon this side of Mother's Leaf of Love, as a word of pleasant satisfaction to thee.

I am an Holy Angel of God, The first time I was ever sent from before his holy Throne to guard mortals on earth, was, when the Lord spoke to Moses from the burning bush. At that time the Lord said unto me. "Go forth and guard this man, untill I stretch forth my hand, and bring thee again before my throne." Therefore, I stayed with Moses from that day, till the time when he received the Law from Mt. Sina. Then I returned to stand before the throne of God.

When the children of Israel entered the promised land; again my Heavenly Father sent me forth to earth. - When Saul was made King over Israel, I was again gathered to the Heavens by the

hand of God, and I did not return to earth again, until the blessed Savior began to preach in the Temple at Jerusalem. — At the crucifixion of the Saviour, I was again gathered to the Heavenly World. But returned to earth again while St. Paul was in the House of Judas immediately after he saw the vision which ye read of in the Acts of the Apostles.

I remained upon the earth, until the gospel was preached thro' the earth according to the prediction of the Saviour. I was then called again before the throne of God, where I remained as a message bearing Angel ever ready to do the will of God until your blessed Mother was about to embark for America.

Then the Lord sounded aloud his solemn trumpet thro' the Heavens saying, "Who is ready to bow to earth to protect the Heavenly Bride, my holy chosen to a land of liberty?" And when these words were finished I with an other Holy Angel, whose name is Holy Raven, answered and said O Holy and righteous God we are ready to do thy will and pleasure.

Then said the Lord. "Go ye forth and I will give you power over the winds and power over the mighty waters of the deep which are even my creation and the work of mine hands. And I will give unto you two trumpets that you may sound

aloud, and I will bear and draw nigh unto you.

Stand ye at mast head, while a band of Holy Angels which I shall send forth, shall bear the Heavenly Bride company to a land of freedom. For by my power did I cause America to be discovered by the civilized world, and by my own hand will I yet raise up, upon that soil a Holy Lion of my likeness". All this did the Angels in Heaven hear loudly sounded from the throne of God. But not an inhabitant of the heavenly regions about, understood the meaning thereof.

So you can see verified the words of the Saviour. "The times and seasons no man knoweth not the Angels in Heaven, but by my Father only".

When the Vessel sailed from Port, or, as soon as it launched the Ocean, we were ready to obey the word of God. Many were the times during the voyage that we stayed the winds, and the fury of the deep, as well as the passions and temper of the Captain & crew. But when we saw we could not prevail on the Captain to treat Mother and the Elders well, we sounded aloud our trumpets, and God did draw nigh unto us. He gave the winds their fury, and the rolling deep its might even until the Vessel sprung a leak, and the crew had almost perished.

But when the heart of the Captain

became softened, we spoke unto Mother and asked if it was enough. She answered the will of Heaven be done! When she told the Captain she saw two bright Angels of God his spirit was greatly humbled, and then we did lay hold upon the mighty wind and caused the vessel to be restored, according to the account which ye have.

When they landed the Lord bade me still continue with Mother, untill the trumpet sounded to call me again to the Heavens. I was with Mother when she was at New York, and protected her from the abuses. I accompanied her thro' many scenes of trial; was with her when imprisoned at Poughkeepsie, stood at her right hand when she was taken thro' your street to Grants, And I held Prudence Hammond by the hair of her head so as to enable her to keep up with the carriage.

I never forsook Mother thro' her scenes of trial at Ashfield; but constantly enabled her to bear all these trials, knowing they must needs come, that she might reign with Christ the Saviour.

I stretched forth the tip of my right wing, and protected Zipporah Cory, when her enemies sought her life because she embraced Mothers gospel. I protected many that are now on the earth thro' perilous scenes, both here and elsewhere.

I had an eye over Oliver Smith's family, when the inhabitants of the settlement in which he lived were drove by the Indians. And I caused him tribulation till he sought Mother's gospel. I remained on the earth and was all my time helping some one untill the year the Church was gathered.

Then was I gathered again to the Heavenly Kingdom. The mighty trumpet of God had already sounded thro' the Heavens, and awaked many souls from the plumbes, of death; who had long slept in Eternity. Souls were then entering upon the new path which Heaven had paved for them. Even to bow low and acknowledge their spiritual Mother, confess their sins, and yield obedience to her gospel.

At this time I became closely united to my blessed Mother and Holy Savior. And I have ever since been by her side as a message bearing Angel. Mother sent me to earth, to protect John Meacham, Isaac Bates, and Benjamin Youngs when they went to the West. And I stayed on the earth, some times at the East and some times at the West till the people were gathered in to order. Then I returned to my Heavenly Mother, and I did not return to earth again till Mother returned. In this late manifestation I have been her constant and steady companion on earth for four years past.

I have protected Mothers children from many harms, I attended the Legislature at Albany in the year 1839. And I have not in any wise neglected the present case at Groveland. My stay on earth at this time will be short, but how soon I shall again return I know not; for I am a message bearing Angel for Mother, so I stay but a little while in a place.

Now Dearly Beloved brother, I have spoken of all these things, merely because I thought it would please and interest you, to hear and know my history. For many times by the order of my Mother, I have stretched forth my wings over thee. I have loved thee with my love, and blessed thee with my blessings. And it is with great pleasure, I have now written these few words on Mothers Leaf to thee..

So I will now sing thee a little song, and bid thee thou beloved child of my Mother, farewell.

Mother's Angel.

I am the Holy message bearing Angel of Mother. My name is. Gāl val Kāpan vēsta, I have guarded Gods chosen thro' ages of ages. O ye I false we no, for I have I kāpa voo. I guarded Gods chosen across the Red Sea. Yea I did guard them untill they reached Mount Sina. I guarded Blessed Mother Ann across

the foaming Ocean to this land of liberty. Therefore O ye children of Zion rejoice, and be ye joyful for the Holy Angels of Heaven, shall never forsake Gods chosen.

But now my work with you is done,
To Heaven to God I do return. Ofarewell O fare ye well, ye children of Zion fare ye well, Untill in heaven we meet again.

I have now, beloved Brother completely coverd Mothers pretty Peaf of love, and I have not room to write an other word.

Mrs Anna Dodge.

The following is a list of Presents sent from Mother Ann, and brought by an Holy Angel.
to the Sisters in the 1st Order May 20th 1841.

My dear children, my little Sisters in the gospel, I have gathered and selected from my choicest treasury the following presents for you: And know ye they are from your loving Mother Ann.

And when you receive these, which I suppose will be after I have left you, and you

do no more see my face, nor hear the sound of my voice. Then receive with them my sweetest love and blessing. And by this and these presents, with the very many presents that ye have heretofore received ever remember your kind and affectionate Parent.

The following are presents which I have designed for my pretty children and do now send forth unto them.

Firstly. I do send one, which I will place in the bottom of my Trunk, in which they are to be conveyed unto them: which is for each and every one of my Sisters over the age of 21. — A very white and pretty Cap; all having Geo. borders, and my name written upon the chin strings;

The strings of these caps were spun and wove and wholly manufactured by my little Joanna who lives with you. And the rest of the work about them was all done by the hands of your Mother; I made each and every one and also marked them. They are all very nearly alike, and are very beautiful spun and wove by my good child and very neatly done. Some of you may wonder why Mother did not do it all. But my dear children, Mother has a great deal to do, and sometimes has to call upon her children to help her.

The next are as follows,

For my beloved child Zeruah Clark, a Cup of patience, strength and courage.

For my little Prudence Hammond, a vial of balsam, and everlasting love.

For Chloe Tiffany, a skein of my blessings and love.

For Desire Sanford, a gold plate with a little sweet cake upon it.

For my little Anna Matthewson, a robe of my love which is adorned with Heavenly and beautiful flowers, with her Mother's name printed upon it, in large gold letters;

For Abigail Cook, a sweet songster of my joy, & a little gold cage to keep it in.

For Eunice Billings, A roll of my sweetest love and blessing.

For my good little Rachael Spencer, a nice pale blue shawl, bordered with gold; in this are set beautiful Diamonds, which shine most Heavenly, and are very glittering, and splendid.

For my little Hipporah C. a bright shining crown of my love, bearing 3560 stars, as a small reward for her faithfulness.

To little Lucy Smith, a gold chain which chains her to her Mother, By this gold chain

my dear child is ever bound near to me, and it never can be broken. A chain of my everlasting love & blessing.

To my little Betty Mixer. A robe of my heaven by love, in which she shall ever be clad. 'Tis heavenly beautiful and shining.

To Love Mcacharn. A pitcher of strength patience and courage, with my sweetest love mixed within it.

To Thankful Goodrich. A little blue bird of my love, whose beautiful praises never cease; but will bless her with comfort and strength, and feed her with blessing continually. Upon its back is written. Blessed Mother Annis pretty sweetest love, love,

To Mercy Bishop. A lamp of light and truth; which is filled with my heavenly love, burning tho' time and endless day. The light of the gospel, which abideth forever and ever.

To little Cynthia Hamlin. A golden bowl filled with my sweetest love and blessing. Which will never grow empty; but the more there is taken there from, the more will the store be increased.

To Sydice Mathewson. A beautiful little Dove, holding in its bill a flower of innocence and simplicity. Singing forth these words. "Love love. pretty love unto Mothers good children."

To Dolly Chauncey. A plate of gold. There on shines six square diamonds; and in the midst of them are the pictures of very beautiful little flowers shining heavenly and lovely; with Mother's name printed upon the edge.

To Little Molly Smith. A silver box filled with precious jewels of Mother's sweetest love; and a little song laying on the top of it; which is from her blessed Mother.

To Ursula Bishop. A little band box of sweet innocence, and humility, which rightly belongs to my pretty child. Tis lovely heavenly and beautiful. Upon the cover is written the following. To the child of my love, and my rich blessing everlasting, a child of my joy, Mother Ann's little babe, Ursula Bishop.

To Jane Smith. A glass bowl, of strength, love, patience, forbearance and courage, with the sweetest of her Mother's love.

To Molly Bennett. A small gold cup filled with roses and pinks from her Mother's garden. And upon it is written. Lovely child of Mothers love! Come come enjoy the Heaven, which is prepared far far above for all my faithful children. Thou worthy child, thou art a rightful heir to an inheritance in the Kingdom of Glory. Come come enjoy the blessings of the faithful.

To Elizabeth Lovegrove. A gold box filled

with heavenly love, strength and blessing from her Mother.

To Sarah Bates. A silken cord, in which is placed a gold heart; which is a heart of love from her Mother.

To Prudence Morel. A little white bird from the garden of the Holy Saviour, given to me by him to send unto her; which I gave in my own name, unto my dearly beloved child.

To Angelic Wedder. A china bowl with the likeness of her blessed Mother Ann upon it. And there is written under it. To a child of my love and joy my little Angelic. This bowl is filled with heavenly and divine gifts strength, power, zeal, and wisdom, for her to feast upon.

To Joanna Hetchel. A gold band of my everlasting love, which shall be placed upon her never to be taken away. And upon it I have written; A child of her Mothers love, in whom she delights, and constantly takes pleasure; Her little Joanna.

To Eliza Sharp. A silver belt which is wisdom power, life, love, meekness, patience, forbearance, charity and love to tribulation and the cross. In the midst of this belt is placed a gold cross, and upon it is written. Lovely lovely are my pretty children who bear the cross of Christ and follow their blessed Mother. They shall enjoy a beautiful Heaven in the city of their God,

giving glory unto the Lamb and Bride forever more.

To Sally Dean, a flaming of light, power & truth. Here in is written; Mothers love to those that use the sword, of light power and truth is exceedingly great. They shall gain power over their enemies and reign triumphant over the power of evil.

To Olive Wheeler. A beautiful Robin placed in a gold cage, with a silkson cord to fasten round her neck. This Robin is of a beautiful reddish color, and with music very cheering sing exceedingly sweet.

To Rachel Sampson. A little glass mug filled with Mothers love and blessing. It is of a pale blue color, and clear and transparent.

To Mariah De Witt. A little needle book with a gold cover. It is embordored with pale blue it is very beautiful. This is filled with very good needles. Some of them I have sewed with considerably says your blessed Mother. And upon the cover you will see the picture of a beautiful rose, one of those which grew in my pretty garden.

To Sarah Smith. A gold bowl of Mothers love and sweet manna.

To Betsy Groffman. A little blue china cup, filled with Mothers sweetest and purest, love love, and her richest blessing.

To Samantha Fairbanks. A silver box filled with pretty little gold crosses. With Mothers love and blessing chinked round in the corners.

To Olive Brown. A china box with a little white head handkerchief in it which has a pale blue border, and the name of her blessed Mother is printed upon it in letters of gold. Also little Olives name printed under it. And there is also a very nice collar in this Box which was my own; but now I give it to my beloved child, as a token of my love unto her.

To Mary Ann Mantle. A small plate of silver, with the likeness of Jesus the Holy Savior upon it.

To Addah L. Potter. A glass box filled with beautiful treasures heavenly and divine. And upon the cover is written. Mothers love, the faithful obedient children, is everlasting. Great are the blessings of the righteous.

To my little Hannah Ann Treadway. A golden bowl filled with the most heavenly and beautiful jewels of my sweetest and never ending love, And upon the top of this I have placed a young English Robin, holding in its bill a gold ring in which is placed four beautiful diamonds of my richest blessing shining with 45. beautiful little stars this I will give to the little child of my love Hannah Ann.

To Sarah Ann Standish. A little lamb lovely and innocent. I will say Mother administer love, strength, life, zeal and power unto my dearly beloved child.

To Rhoda Wilson. A little china cup of pure and living balsam.

To Eliza Ann Taylor. A little glass bowl & a little glass spoon in it. The bowl is filled with straw berries and loaf sugar. There is a little silver plate on the top of this bowl, that no one may rob my dearly beloved child of her treasure. Upon this plate is written. "Lovely, lovely and beautiful are my pretty children. Peace be unto the faithful forever and ever more."

To Mary Hazard. A beautiful silk handkerchief of a pale blue color, bordered with gold. It is folded and wrapped up in a sacred roll of Mothers sweet love, and blessing.

To Eleanor Potter. A little Ivory box filled with love strength and blessing, from her loving and affectionate Mother.

To Jane Blanchard. A little blue ball of Mothers love, and in the middle of this is a skein of Mothers blessing of Mothers. It has a golden cord and a great silver pin at the end of it, by which she can fasten upon her side.

To Sarah Ann Lewis. A little white basket. In this is a twig of Mothers love, a branch of her wisdom,

and a branch of her holy power. There is also a little gold watch there in, and a gold chain around it by which it can be hung upon her side.

To Morteney. Lockwood. A box filled with heavenly and divine songs. Also Mother's love blessing power and wisdom, for her to feast upon.

To Elizabeth Bates; A box of very sweet raisons,
To Lucy Gates; A pin cushion of a very
handsome pale blue; filled with gold and silver pins
from her blessed Mother.

To Matilda Reed. I send one of my most
beautiful robes. It is lined with beauty and formed of
my blessing and love. It is white a purity and shining
to behold.

To Tabitha Lapsley. A white pocket hand-
kerchief, with a gold border and the name of her blessed
Mother upon it. Upon this are flowers of my love and
beautiful pictures of my blessing. Your name, my dear
child is also printed upon it.

To my little Polly Reed. A gold basket of
figs which are white, and sweeter than the sweetest of
sweetness. There are also some pretty roses and flowers
in this little basket, and a little vial of pure and living
balsam.

To my little Anna Dodgson. A little silver

box filled with pretty little gold crosses. And Mother's sweet love and blessing at the bottom.

To Amy Reed. A gold staff of Mothers love, and blessing.

To little Mary Wicks. A little china plate with a cake of loaf sugar upon it. Under the cake of sugar is the likeness of her beloved Father William, drawn by the Prophet Isaiah. This is wrapped in a piece of silk paper, and sealed together with Mother's sweetest love love.

To Miranda Barber. A cage of little singing birds which will sing unto her heavenly and divine songs, and sound unto her music delightsome & pleasant.

To my little Abigail Hathaway. A glass box of great blue plums, they are sweeter than she can conceive. And in this she will also find Mothers pretty love love. Upon the cover is written a pretty little song for my little Abigail.

To Mariah Lapsley. A little band box, full of sweet Almonds and love nuts. There is upon the top of this a little bird singing a song for my little Mariah. This is from her loving Mother her affectionate Mother Ann. In union with the beloved Elders this my child must take this bird and give it to some one whosoever the Elders may think proper, while

they learn her little song, that is if she cannot learn it herself.

To Letsy Ann Bennett? A china cup filled with love and sweet balsam from her loving Mother. This is covered with a little gold plate and upon this is written a pretty song for my beloved little child.

To Harriet Goodwin A little silver canister filled with Oranges, and Peaches from her loving Mother Ann? Also a little blue ball of her sweetest love & blessing. Upon the top of the cover is a sweet smelling Rose, very lovely and sweet smelling.

Now my beloved Sisters says Mother Ann. Receive these little presents from your kind and loving parent, as a small reward for your faithfulness and obedience to my word. And if you will always continue faithful children when you have done with things of time, I your Mother will cause you to share far greater blessings than I have at this time bestowed upon you. Yea your Mother will prepare for your souls, a sweeter heaven of everlasting happiness, where you shall dwell forever.

So receive once more, beloved children, the love & blessing of your affectionate Parent your Blessed & loving Mother Ann. Always be her good children and the blessing of God will ever rest upon you. Kindly farewell in my love O ye children of Heaven! E Inst: Miranda Barber. J.

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Words of the Holy Angel of the Lord Spoken on the Evening of May 20th 1841.

Thus saith the Holy Angel of the Lord,
G. L. De. I. O. Ta. I shall not depart from this place
until I have spoken a few words.

Thus and thus I speak. Judgements
of the Lord come forth and rest upon the Dead!
Judgements of the just and righteous God; come forth
and rest upon the Dead! Judgements I say of
the just and righteous God of Heaven! and Earth!
Come forth and rest upon the Dead!!!

"Amen my word is finished"

Inst. Miranda Barber.

Holy Jerusalem Siran Silvestreen May 31st 1841.

Beloved Son.

As a loving parent, and a kind
and affectionate friend and Mother; I now improve
this present time and opportunity to convey unto you a few
words which I have long had in keeping to write unto my beloved
child)

Think not, my beloved little Son, that your Mother does not know, or has not known the many trying hours and scenes of tribulation which you have passed thro'. Nay, in no wise, but has with an eye of joy and parental love carefully watched over you. Yea and to my delight I have found the to be true unto thy Mother.

For which, remember thou shalt never be forsaken. I will remember thee and it shall be well with thee. I will lead thee with my own hand; and also I will feed thee. Thou shalt be blessed and comforted & shall be fed from the stores of Heaven.

But remember, beloved child, thy tribulation will at many times be heavy and great; and also very heavy croppes will roll around you like foaming billows, of great and extensive waters. Yea trials like mountains and sore tribulation, and croppes will certainly fill your way. But if you will be faithful I will never forsake you, but will shower down my blessing and love upon you to enable you to endure all that may come in your way.

And if this you do your reward in heaven shall be very great, and glory and beauty shall be the adorning of your lovely path which you shall tread. I will give unto you the bread of heaven; and with this you must feed my little flock.

I will also give unto you holy waters

of life; and with this you must refresh their weary spirits. Lead my little ones and I will lead you; feed them and I will bless you. Teach them the way of life, show unto them the path of their duty; and if this they will tread I will never forsake them. But will help them thro all scenes of tribulation. I will nourish and strengthen their weary spirits, and comfort the afflicted. Yea I will bless all faithful souls.

O remember my beloved children the many trying scenes, which your Mother has passed thro for your sakes. Remember the deep tribulation and sufferings of her spirit, her loving kindness, and also her unbounded charity, which she has shown forth unto you; O ye my little flock.

Think of this often my little ones; and can you bear to deny my holy work? Can you bear to deny your Mother? O Say! ye will say. Then remember I will never deny you, but will own you as my children. And as a branch of the lovely tree of my planting. I will bless you with my rich blessings, and will make you to grow and flourish with beauty and heavenly love.

And now my beloved Son, as you are about to make a visit, among my children in the East. I want you to prepare to enjoy peace

and comfort. Go among my beloved children there and gather all the love blessing, and strength that you can get. Leave behind all burdens here and go cheerfully for the purpose of gathering good, which is love blessing, strength and comfort.

I have a great many faithful children in the East, who have washed their garments pure and white in tribulation and sufferings, and they will be able to administer strength peace and comfort unto you; and your beloved Brother that is going with you. They are those whom I love, and you must give my most precious love unto all my faithful children where ever you visit.

Tell my beloved children in the first Church, that altho I have for a season left them, I have in no wise forgotten them. And give unto them my sweetest love, and richest blessing, for they are those whom I delight to honor and bless; because their heavy tribulation and burthen, which they have to bear.

I have blessed them with many blessings, and shall bless them with many more. So tell them Mother says they must be free and liberal with the treasures they have received, and they shall gain more. I freely give, and they shall freely receive.

To now my little child, receive my love my strength
and my blessing; and go ye on cheerfully. Give a
portion of the same unto my beloved child that
is going with you; and go and take ye comfort. I
will send good spirits and administering Angels to
guide you on your way.

So fare ye well in my love, fare
ye well in my peace; farewell till I meet you again.

From Mother Ann.

To Edmund Brent of Pleasant Hill,
Inst. Miranda Barber.

Holy Holy Mother's Word to Philemon S.

Water Street May 31st 1841.

These words were written by Father James on a gold Plate six inches square; which was given by Holy Mother, for B^r Philemon Stewart,

O my little one! I am your Holy Holy
Mother! I have indeed chose thy living soul while
surrounded by mortal clay, to be a messenger of mine.
I have poured freely upon thee my holy power,
and caused thee to feel great sufferings of spirit and
Godly sorrow, which would have more than taken the
natural life of any mortal. Had not I also given strength

to thy mortal frame, and fed thy soul with healing balsam.

Yea I have clothed thee with a robe, of light meekness and Humility. And if you will ever keep this beautiful robe, you shall ever be my little one, thro' time and in Eternity. Yea my child you have thus far been true and faithful with the Holy things that I have committed to thy trust. You have kept your heart pure and your hands clean.

Person, press on my little one and always keep this beautiful robe which I have given un to thee; for upon this robe I have set a mark, I shall know thee. Therefore you must always wear this robe and be my little one, then blessed shalt thou be. And I will never never cease, to pour my blessing freely freely upon thee.

O your Holy Mother, do know that you will still have to pass, thro' sufferings while you remain on earth. And now I give unto thee a holy Angel of mine, to abide with thee thro' time. This holy Angel will comfort thee, and direct thy steps in dangerous places, and administer strength unto thee when thy spirit is weary.

This holy Angel will carry tidings from me, unto thee. And at my command will bear

thy spirit safely unto me, your Holy Mother! Therefore press ye on in sufferings thro time, rejoicing in my holy work. And this you may know, that I have prepared a holy seat in Heaven for thee. O my little one.

Yea thou shall sit at my feet and be my little messenger, to go at my command, and make known my will to the shining spirits in Heaven.

Yea at the foot of the throne of God in eternal brightness I Holy Wisdom have prepared a seat for my little ones,

Now receive these few words and know they are from your Holy Mother, and that I have spoken them unto thee, thro a little one also of mine. Treasure them up for they are holy words, and let them comfort thee while here below.

And thus I finish my word unto thee at this time, saying rejoice on your way and be comforted. Be forever clothed with Humility, Meekness and Love, O my little one.

Then said the Holy Proclaiming Angel. Blessed are these little ones, on Earth & in Heaven for they are true and faithful their holy calling to fulfill.

Father James Word to B^r Philemon S.

O thou Son of my Blessed Mother Ann. Thou knowest not Se was to loose van. Nor will you

ever know while you remain in time. This beautiful Plate your Holy Mother has prepared for you to wear thro' time and in Eternity. And the word she spake to you in Watervliet May 27th were correctly written by me, on one side of this bright Plate to which is attached a bright chain,

And when this plate is given to you, I will fasten the chain around your neck so that the plate shall hang down in front with the side out, on which I have written these words of Holy Mothers. And you may wear it this side out while you remain in time. And when you are released from this mortal clay; I will turn this plate the other side out, and read aloud unto you what is written thereon.

Receive this with my love, from your
Father. James.

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Paradise Look sen wa na June 1st 1841.
Beloved Child Teng Mother Lucy

Arise, arise, and hear thy Mothers voice, for lo! she soundeth forth, kar a se ma wa na unto you, brother which will forever stand Dearly Beloved I in the first place

wrote unto you my owor words. Know ye not that it was on a lovely and pleasant morning, as I was walking thro the beautiful groves and pleasant path in the garden of Paradise; singing praises to my God, and admiring his creation, yea the work of his hand; that I heard the sound of one of the Heavenly trumpeters trumpets, I paused for a while and soon the sound ceased.

But as I advanced forward, I again heard the sound repeated, but it soon ceased; again, the third time did I hear it repeated, which was louder than seven thunders. And as I looked eastward, lo! I beheld the Angel of the Lord standing upon the top of a high mountain; holding his gold winding trumpet in his hand, which was 9 feet in length, and 3 in breadth at the middle and lower end.

^{1851.} He held in his left hand a candle of the Lord upon his head was placed a beautiful gold crown, shining far brighter than the meridian sun. And as I stood gazing at the scene with great admiration, he again sounded his gold winding trumpet, saying, "Sil o si wan sen vene, Arise and O thou Daughter of the most high! Thou Mother of the new Creation, put off thy mourning attire, and with a heart of joy and gladness meet

ye the beloved of the Lord. For lo! I say unto you on the 30th shall they arrive at thy once happy home to New Lebanon's peaceful shore.

And it is thy Heavenly Father's, and Holy Mother's will, that on the 4th day after their arrival, that this short Roll should be handed plainly written, to their beloved Son. Rose vil Len lis ka, tho' it may be handed to mortals before that day. Yet it should not be severed, save from the Holy Holy Church, on the Mount of the most High. For there shall all souls look for the blessing of God

Here the Holy Angel finished speaking and handed me the Roll, which I shall now cause to be written and handed to you, knowing it will be a pleasing word. Yea a word of everlasting comfort, and joy to you, to hear from your Holy Mother.

So dearly beloved, know ye that I have written this short letter unto you as an introduction to the roll, and believing it would be pleasing to you to know how I received it. So now in my everlasting peace I bid you farewell.

From Mother Lucy to
Her beloved Son. Rose vil len lis ka, Micajah Burnett.
Inst^r Miranda Barber. ??

Father William's Word of information &c.
 Concerning the Breast Plates received
 by the Ministry and Elders. June 19th 1821.

After your Blessed Mother Ann had prepared this pretty present, she begged her Heavenly Father, as she bowed before his throne, to lay his hands upon them, that they might be Holy unto her children on earth.

But her heavenly Father said
 "Not so, lest they know not that I have seen them.
 But I will write a word, even my own word, with my own hand upon every one of them, that they may receive it from me. I will speak unto them even as a man speaketh to his friend, that they may know of a truth that I am a merciful & holy God."

So Beloved you will understand, Mothers word is also written, below the word of her Heavenly Father, on every Breast Plate.

From Father William.

Mrs. Anna Dodgson.

The Word of the Lord, Written on a Gold
Breast Plate. Sent from Mother Ann,
by Father William to Elder Ebenezer Bishop

June 19th 1841.

Draw near unto me, O thou Holy Anointed
servant of my delight; hearken unto my word. From
thy youth up, have I blessed thee. My Holy power
have I given unto thee. Thou hast walked uprightly
before me thy God, even that thy path is found lovely,
and thy heart without guile.

Thy garments holy, and thy hands clean,
A perfect pure and holy repel in the sight of the Lord
thy God. A few more rolling years, and I will gather
thee to thy home, in my Heavenly Fathers Kingdom
to dwell.

Mother Ann says, "receive this little Breast
Plate, from me, and know the word upon it, to be the
word of God thy Heavenly Father. Receive also the
blessing and love of God, of Holy Mother Wisdom of
Christ the Savior, and all thy Parents in Heaven."

From your Mother Ann.

Ins^t. Anna Dodgson.

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The Word of the Lord, written on a gold Breast
Plate. Sent from Mother Ann. by Father William
to Brother Rufus Bishop. June 19th 1841.

O Vasten! Vasten! Thou servant of the Lord thy God. Lift up thy head and harken to my word. Have I not been a righteous and Holy God unto thee, from thy youth up; and have I not dealt wonderfully with my people?

I have anointed thee to sway the Scepter of truth, and justice in Israel, and to wield the power of righteousness and judgement. And Holy & Eternal Wisdom hath clothed thee. And by the power of truth I say unto thee, make the strong holds of Zion, yet stronger; that the adversary enter not, nor the enemy break down her walls.

O thou servant of my delight! Thou perfect, pure, and holy vessel in the house of the Lord. In tribulation are thy garments made white, & in sorrow of soul is thy path made lovely.

Mother Ann says: Receive this little Breast Plate from me, and know the word upon it, to be the word of God thy Heavenly Father. Receive also the love and blessing of God, of Holy Mother Wisdom, of Christ the Savior and all thy Parents in Heaven.

From your Mother Ann.
Inst Anna Dodgson.

The Word of the Lord Written on a gold Breast
Plate Sent from Mother Ann by Father William
To Eldress Ruth Landon June 19th 1841.

Harken to my word. O thou lovely Virgin of Zion. Yea, thou Holy One, whom in wisdom I have anointed to sway the scepter in Zion. I am the Lord thy God, whom thou hast ever loved, glorified honored and feared with all thy whole heart and soul, might mind and strength, from thy youth up. And behold, thou art now in my sight, as a perfect one, in whose heart there is no quile.

Thy garment are washed and made clean thro' sufferings, and tribulation, And thy daily footsteps have made thy path lovely. As a pure and holy vessel I view thee, and truly my delight is with thee.

Mother Ann. says. "Receive this little Breast Plate from me, and know the word upon it to be the word of God, thy Heavenly Father. Receive also the love and blessing of God, of Holy Mother Wisdom, of Christ the Savior and all thy Parents in Heaven."

From your Mother Ann.

Inst. Anna Dodgson.

The Word of the Lord written on a gold Breast Plate sent from Mother Ann by Father Williams to Sister Asenath Clark. June 19th 1841.

Draw nigh unto me thou emblem of true innocence, thou vessel of purity; thou holy child of thy Heavenly Mother. Draw nigh unto me and listen to the word of the Lord thy God. With great delight have I at this time extended my notice unto thee, for I find thee a perfect pure and holy vessel in Israel.

Thy garments are washed, and made white thro sufferings, and tribulation; and thy path is made beautiful, because of the straightness of thy goings.

Mother Ann says. "Receive this little Breast Plate, from me, and know the word upon it to be the word of God thy Heavenly Father."

Receive also, the love and blessing of God, of Holy Mother Wisdom, of Christ the Savior and all thy Parents in Heaven".

From your Mother Ann.

Ans^t. Anna Dodgson.

The Word of the Lord Written on a gold Breast
Plate Sent from Mother Ann by Father William
To Elder Dr. David Meacham June 19th 1841.

Beloved child of my pleasure harken a moment to the word of the Lord thy God unto thee.

I have proved thee from thy youth up I have known thee from from the days of thy childhood. Greatly have I delighted in thee; and greatly hast thou delighted to honor and glorify the Lord thy God. As a clean holy and acceptable vessel dost thou stand in my Zion; and in thy heart is found no quile. A faithful laborer in my holy Vineyard on earth.

Mother Ann says " Receive this little Breast Plate from me, and know the word upon it to be the word of God thy Heavenly Father.

Receive also, the blessing and love of God, of Holy Mother Wisdom, of Christ the Savior, and all thy Parents in Heaven.

From your Mother Ann.

Inst Anna Dodgson.

The Word of the Lord, written on a gold Breast
 Plate sent from Mother Ann, by Father W^m
 to Philemon Stewart June 19th 1841.

Thou child of tribulation, cease for a moment
 thy grief, and harken to the word of the Lord thy God.
 In thee I am delighted and in thee I take pleasure.
 For thou art a Holy and pure vessel in my Zion.

But prepare thy soul, O thou child of
 great sorrow; for greater shall be thy sorrow and heavier
 thy tribulation, than it ever yet has been. For I the
 Lord thy God, have chosen thee, yet to stand as a pillar
 in Israel. Prepare and make strong for the day of
 my coming.

Mother Ann says "Prepare and Receive
 this little Breast Plate from me, and know the word
 upon it to be the word of God thy Heavenly Father

Receive also, the love and blessing of God,
 of Holy Mother Wisdom, of Christ the Savior, and all thy
 Parents in Heaven.

From your Mother Ann.

Inst Anna Dodgson

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The Word of the Lord written on a gold Breast
Plate sent from Mother Ann by Father W^m
To Elder Sister Betsy Darrow June 19th 1841.

O thou faithful pillar in my holy house upon earth. — Harken to my word. I am a God of great love: and in this love do I now extend my word of notice unto thee. I have known thee from thy cradle; and from thy youth up. Thou hast greatly delighted to serve and glorify me. In deep tribulation thou hast made thy garments beautiful. — But the time will surely come, when in the Kingdom of thy Heavenly Father, thy sorrow and mourning will have an end.

Mother Ann says "Receive this little Breast Plate from me, and know the word upon it to be the word of God thy Heavenly Father.

Receive also, the love and blessing of God, of Holy Mother Wisdom, of Christ the Savior, and all thy Parents in Heaven.

From your Mother Ann.

Ans^t Anna Dodgson

The Word of the Lord Written on a gold "Breast Plate". Sent from Mother Ann by Father Wm
to Sister Betsy Bates June 19th 1841.

Hail! thou child of many sorrows and listen to the word of the Lord thy God. Long long have I viewed the days of deep sorrow, thro' which you have passed. But know you not, that I have Anointed the burthen bearer and a pillar in my Zion? Then I say seven fold heavier will be thy sorrow and ten fold greater thy tribulation than it has ever yet been; for my sake, and for the sake of my people, e're thy work on earth is done.

Thy garments are made white, and spotless pure and clean thro' sufferings and tribulation. In thy heart is found no quile. Thou art holy in my sight.

Mother Ann says "Receive this little Breast Plate from me, and know the word upon it to be the Word of God thy Heavenly Father.

Receive also the blessing and love of God, of Holy Mother, of Christ the Savior, and all thy Parents in Heaven.

From your Mother Ann.

Ins't Anna Godgesong.

The Roll Written by Holy Mother Wisdom
Read by Mother Lucy. Written by mortal hands

May 29th 1841.

July 2nd 1841.

O thou faithful servant of the Lord, in whom I am well pleased. Arise, now and hearken to the voice of a parent that has long known you. Dear a Parent that has with great satisfaction, delight and with pleasure looked upon you, and proved you to be a true and faithful servant in the vineyard of the Lord.

It is thy Mother, thy Holy Mother Wisdom that now stoops from the throne and carefully whispers in thy ear. My name I say is Wisdom Holy Wisdom; my dwelling is on high, in mansions of everlasting Peace, even with the eternal brightness, with God the Heavenly Father, the Holy Supreme Being.

Dear child now pause for a moment and consider. Was it not in the day of thy youth that I found thee, a poor benighted child lost in sin? I say was it not, O, dearly beloved? Did I find you full of pride and vanity, seeking joy and comfort, & finding none? I say dear child did I not? Truly I did.

Again, I say; did I not when I found you, lead you by the hand, as a tender Parent,

would lead the most dutiful child; with many more of your friends, and parents, Brothers and Sisters, to a school of wisdom piety and virtue? And teach you that which was Godly, pure, and holy?

Did I not lead you to the true physician who was able in truth to apply the healing balm & heal thy wounded spirit? Did I not lead you to the true comforter, who was able to give you that solid peace joy and comfort, that no mortal tongue could give or had power to take away?

Yea, dear child, truly I did, remember it was me, your Holy Mother Wisdom, that carefully watched over you, and gently led you by the hand thro all your youthful days, and trying scenes which were very many. Yea truly I did when in the days of your youth; pick you out from among many & mark you as a child of my love.

Yea even the bright shining cross of Christ the Savior did I place upon your forehead, And upon your head a gold crown, set with 12. beautiful diamonds. And as thou hast increased in faithfulness so have these diamonds increased in number and beauty, and they are now truly beautiful to look upon.

The lovely mark did I place in your forehead, that you might be known of all nations

to be one chosen of the Lord. And know ye dear child, never since the day I first placed my eye upon you, have I forsaken you, or left you to wander alone; but have sent holy and guardian Spirits to be with you.

And many times have I myself, looked upon you with delight, and pleasure; finding, and proving you to ever be faithful with your hands, in the cause of Christ and the upbuilding of Zion. Yea faith fully improving every moment of time that God allowed you, to work in to his honor and glory. Now ye O dearly loved, this thing has been pleasing to the Angels in Heaven.

But hearken yet again, O ye little ones. How many; how many I say, have been the opportunities, that the vain and benighted children of this world, have sought to over^{come} the work of God in your soul. Now ye, dear child, these things are not forgotten by me. Nay, but written in the Book of my memory, never to be erased therefrom.

Speak of these things unto you, in a land that you are unknown in by many, and to those that you are unknown; that you may know of truth, that I am your Mother. One that watched over you with an eye of care from your youth until the present day.

Yea, as I said before, I say again. It has been with joy and pleasure, that I have beheld you denying your self, of all pleasing, worldly, and carnal pleasures, and boldly standing for God and him alone. But know ye dear child, it has been by your Heavenly Parent's, cries and intercessions, that the Angels of Heaven have bowed low, and given you strength and power to stand thro' all trying scenes.

So now take comfort and rejoice in the Holy work of your God, knowing there is a beautiful mansion prepared for you, when here on earth your days are closed. But I say the hours of tribulation are not few, that you will meet with, before you meet this beautiful temple.

For I say unto you this gospel shall spread thro' outz the land, Yea, it shall be sounded in the ears of all nations. And in that great, day, will the tribulation of the chosen people of the Lord be very great, Yea, I say in that day let every soul stand firm and unshaken, in the house of the Lord; And the Angels of Heaven will help them thro' all afflictions & sorrows.

Now, O dearly beloved son in Israel, receive ye this, my word of comfort, and know ye I have long kept it in store for you, that you might this day, and from this place, "The Holy Church, on the Mount, of the Most High" receive it. And also receive my comfort, my strength, my everlasting love and blessing to remain with you now, and even forevermore. Amen.

Receive ye also, the love and blessing of all your Heavenly Parents. So in peace, I bid you adieu; for truly I love you. Thou art of my own choosing.

From Holy Mother Wisdom
To Micajah Burnette.

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Means for the Protection of Children.

Sent from Heaven, by Holy Mother Wisdom to the
Varetakers of Children,

July 15th 1811.

Draw near, all ye Anointed shepherds,

and bow low at the voice of Wisdom, Ye who are nearest to the little ones whom I have marked and promised protection, bow low & drink deep of my wisdom.

2. I have not marked, the least lamb of my fold, and promised them protection, without means to accomplish the same. And to you I have promised a blessing thro' whom my means must be used. And if in obedience ye do my will great shall be your reward, and your heaven without end.

3. Now again I say unto you, ye who have the oversight of these little ones whom I have marked and promised protection, ye shall labor in tribulation to do your duty to my acceptance; and in no other wise shall ye feel my love, and receive my desirable blessing.

4. This book I cause to be written by my lovely Angel Wisdom; even with his finger he wrote this unto you.

5. Firstly; in all cases, thou shalt let thy words proceed from true wisdom; that they may be a law unalterable to the lambs within thy care.

6. If at any time you feel angry or your patience tried or vexed, my wisdom forbids

you to punish or reprove them, while under the influence of this spirit. If this be the case let it be a sign to you, that you do not labor fervently, to gather the jewels of endurance, that I will ever drop from my kingdom for you.

7. A loud and solemn trumpet of wisdom I will give unto you, thro' which you shall speak unto the Lamb, in your care, and make visible even the sound of the trumpet.

8. Before ye attempt to use this, my loud, and solemn trumpet of wisdom, ye shall first labor in silent prayer; after which I will bless the labors of your hands. A mild still small voice I require you to use, by which you may accomplish many things.

9. My wisdom wholly forbids you to use any boisterous inconsiderate reproof in any case. In the fear of God administer ye to them, that light and knowledge may attend your labors. All ye to whom I speak bow low that ye may understand my word and keep my statutes.

10. When any of my little ones come before you to open their trouble, or to confess sin of any kind, you shall use no harsh words nor express any astonishment to them let the confession

be what it may), lest you hurt the soul and cause the avenues of confession to be closed.

11. The spirit of confession will prepare the little soul to receive true faith, knowledge and light, to walk in my way aright. My Wisdom requires you in such cases, to show them the awful consequences of walking in the paths of sin; and bring plainly to their understandings the path of obedience, and the comfort that is found in pursuing it.

12.th After they have made an honest confession, teach them how to repent. Tell them in so doing, the stain will be washed away, and I their Mother will bless them.

13.th If there are any of my little ones, that possess not the power of confession, labor with and for them, and in the fear of God pray for them, knowing the power of God is Almighty, and he maketh his will known to mortals. Tell them that are not willing to confess their faults, that you cannot love and bless them, as you can those good children that feel sorry when they do wrong, and are thankful to confess their faults, so as to get power to take up their cross, and not do so again.

14. And again you shall labor for and use true wisdom, whenever you question any of the

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children, concerning their own faults, or the faults of others, which may sometimes be necessary.

15. But my wisdom forbids you to let them know your opinion of the case in hand, lest they may lie even against themselves, for fear of displeasing you, and more than this if you should be mistaken, the child will readily see that you lack knowledge, and spiritual discernment. And truly it will be confirmed to them if you tell them they have done anything, and punish them for it, when they have not done it.

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I will now in my wisdom unfold to you the knowledge of a child. Its capacities are small, but it is ready to grasp at whatever comes within its reach. They are as a rich soil ready for planting; the first seed that is sown will yield a thrifty growth, hard to be uprooted if suffered to ripen.

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Therefore it is the wisdom of God, and his pleasure to call the young into his nursery, that they may be cultivated to do his will, and bring forth the first-fruits acceptable to him, the foundation of which may stand Eternally.

18th.

You may think that a child heareth and understandeth not, seeth and forgetteth.

I will show you the reverse of this, by a short parable.

19th. You may pass thro' a garden with many noxious weeds in your possession, and carelessly drop many, without thinking them worth stooping down to pick up. Therefore when the growing season cometh the scattered seed taketh root and springeth up, visible to the sight of the gardener, who will readily know by the first appearance of the sprouts, that a disorderly sower hath entered his garden;

20.th. Even so it is with children, if you allow yourself to deal unreasonably with them or to take undue advantage in the least, or break the orders of God before them, and think them poor ignorant children, and that they will not remember it afterwards; you are mistaken. When children grow to years of understanding, they will look upon these things to your dishonor. And again your example before them is the only foundation whereon you can establish your precepts.

21st. My wisdom forbids you, to strike a child on the head. You shall not use rulers, and the like to punish them with. Suitable rods may be used when all other means fail. When children are rebellious and saucy, and will not turn therefrom, you shall make the case

known to the Elders, and if their wisdom directs the use of rods, they may be used.

22." If a child resents your reproof and makes saucy returns, you must bring it down, and make it suffer under mortification untill it has well paid the debt. My wisdom will afford you means of mortification enough by which such a spirit shall be laid low.

23. My wisdom forbids you to rest at ease, when there is a spirit of lying, rebellion, selfrighteousness, and the like, among any little ones in your care. In such cases you shall sound my loud and solemn trumpet, in the presence of all my little flock, and forbid them to let this spirit in among them; yea forbid this spirit to approach your lambs. Tell my little ones that this spirit of rebellion and disobedience is loathsome in the sight of God and shall not stand in my presence.

24." You shall not threaten or promise a child any punishment that my wisdom does not approve of, or which cannot be performed in union with my anointed; thinking they will not dare venture beyond their limits, thro' fear, so as to deserve the fulfillment of your promise. Whatever you say to them say in true wisdom,

that your words may be readily brot in to action
should the case require it.

25. You shall never whip a child for getting
over come with the flesh; but you shall carefully
watch over and protect them where in they are
most exposed. You shall show them by means
of my wisdom, the dangerous precipice which
they are swiftly approaching; after which my
power will cause them to turn their course, there
from towards the valley low.

26. But if you discover a child of this
disposition teaching these filthy works to one
that is innocent, knowing not sin, you must break
up this connection and not suffer the second attempt,
if you use rods. With my loud and solemn
trumpet this may be done in my wisdom;
for it is willful disobedience.

27. Children are beset with many lying
spirits. Their inexperienced ways are heedless,
and will lead them in to the labyrinths of woe,
if they are left to run in their own paths.

28. Therefore I have looked upon the
little ones, of the world of mankind, and by means
of my own choosing, I have and will gather
thousands to my fold of protection, in sternly

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that they may glorify their redeemer, and know their God, by walking in my wisdom, that the first flowers of their souls may be delightful in my sight, and a sweet scent in my nostrils;

29. For this same cause I have called the little ones to my Zion on earth. But if they are not cultivated to my will, they will prove but a drug and be loathsome in my sight.

30. Often has my displeasure cast a gloom over Zion because of sin among the little ones. Therefore, all ye shepherds, let your eyes be opened, and your ears turned to the voice of wisdom, which crieth aloud unto you saying,

31. You shall not let the foundation of my little ones settle, and become barren; but you shall turn it over and over, until you make it rich, and beautiful, with the wine and substance of subjection. Then the seed of gospel faith can take root, and bring forth fruit holy and acceptable, unto me.

32. Then great shall be the addition of your treasure; yea all who have made ready the soil of my planting. By the use of any means, and the counsel of my Anointed nothing shall be left undone by you; but you shall be visited by

my Angels, and lastly meet me in peace.

33. Again I say unto you, ye shall warn my little ones of my displeasure if they are disobedient. Tell them thro my loud and solemn trumpet that mortification must and will follow the disorderly child. You must not let them pass after sufficient warning.

34. Before you punish a child in the least, you shall bring plain to their understanding & sight, why and wherefore your promise is brought in to action. Tell them it is not your pleasure to punish them, but it is your duty for the purpose of saving their souls from Hell, and to prepare them for an endless Eternity which is near at hand.

35. My wisdom, wholly forbids you speaking to children concerning the sacrificing of their birthrights in the following manner. viz If you are not obedient, you shall go to the world, where you can have your own ways, and do as you have a mind to, live in sin, and dress in the gayeties of Babylon, to the sad ruination of their souls.

36. I have heard these expressions made to the little ones, by reason of which I have seen them looking upon the world and its pleasures with longing eyes.

37." O ye willing Shepherds! bow your hearts and listen with attention to my words, and I will in the following manner, show how you may profit the souls of my little ones, and warn them against the sacrifice of their holy birthrights. Say to them. Do ye know who suffered persecution by the hands of the wicked, and bore it patiently in deep tribulation; to build up this lovely foundation of Zion, wherein you are called.

38. Bow low even to your feet and I will tell you; 'Twas your beautiful Mother Ann Father William, Father James, Father Joseph and Mother Lucy. Thro' their incessant labors and cries to God you have been offered this pretty home, where you have all you need made ready for you, by the labors of their faithful and obedient children, whom they did gather to the gospel.

39. And it is they that have gathered you, and if you are faithful, and obedient to your caretakers, you will grow up in the gospel, and be able to administer it to others, in its purity, whom God will call and send to Zion, to be gathered and clothed and fed. Then they will see your meek spirit, and gather to you for protection.

40. Then in heaven you will have a great

treasure and a crown of life laid up for you. All this is for you, little children if you will be obedient and honest. Is not this worth laboring every day to be worthy of. Yea it is. Is there any of you that would be willing to sell your holy birthright for torment and misery. Would any of you rather feel the wrath of God and his displeasure, than to feel his love and mercy.

41. You must be honest and obedient or God will cast you off from your pretty home of safety, where sorrow disappointments, plagues and judgments will rest upon you. Many of the rebellious that turn from him, and cast themselves out will be walking monuments of honor, !

42. Think of this little children when you want to tell a lie, or be saucy or disobedient in any manner. When you want to do any thing contrary to what you have been taught, remember the witnessess of God stand between you and his all seeing Eye, Vengeance is in the hand of him that hath placed you here, and if you rebell, he will repay you in his wrath.

43. Beloved these are the words of my wisdom and my blessing will follow them, But the end of my sayings is not yet.

44. When my little ones retire to rest, for the night there should be no loud, unnecessary conversation in the room, but all should keep the fear of God, retire to rest, and rise in the same sense, My wisdom affords means, and requires you to keep the fear of God in all things.

45. It is also my will, that if any one of my little ones set up, thro' the evening) retiring time, they should sit erect and spend it in silent meditation on spiritual things. This may be a profitable season, to them, tho' they were not going to attend meeting.

46. They should never be at work, talking loud and the like, while others are retiring for the worship of God. These are important duties, sacred and holy, due to God, for his mercy/charity and boundless love to the whole household of Zion.

47. There is an other important responsibility resting upon you; in relation to the meetings of my little ones. The worship of God adorns his kingdom. Now beloved shepherds my wisdom requires you to attend their meetings in general, and if at any time you cannot, then lay out their meeting, and look well to their proceedings. Let mortification follow the disorderly child.

48. And again, you shall not cease to strive with them, untill you make them fear to assemble in the parks with their companions with any sin or disorder willfully covered in them. Make them fear the wrath of God and his displeasure that awaits such a soul. Give them a full and open sense, that offerings of the unclean are loathsome in his sight.

49. If these things are not planted in their souls now, while the unlimited light of God surrounds them, and in the morning of their lives, they will never thro' time respect the orders of God, nor the worship of God; thro' love and his holy fear, to his acceptance. Neither will they fear to assemble in his holy Sanctuary with sin covered, but a heaven daring spirit will overshadow their path with temptation and sorrow.

50. Look at this my willing shepherds, and strive to do my will, and I will repay your labors with my blessing and glory that never shall end. Many of my little ones if cultivated with my wisdom, will be strong shining pillars to stay my church my holy temple on earth. Keep my statutes and I will bless the labor of your hands, and fill your cups to the overflowing.

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51. Beloved Anointed, if ye feel union with these my words, which I have caused to be written by my Angel; it is my will that the caretakers of my little ones, should have a full understanding of them. And with my hand I will place four loud solemn trumpets in the box containing this book, for the present shepherds of my lambs. And all that here after may stand as such, I will cause to be given unto them a loud and solemn trumpet, of wisdom.

52. All that hereafter receive these my words, may also from my Anointed receive a loud and solemn trumpet, of wisdom, which may cause the sleeper to awake, and tremble. If these my trumpets are rightly used in wisdom, and faith, they will prove a rod, a staff and a searching light.

53. Beloved Anointed, these words are heavy with my wisdom, & my blessing, which shall ever attend them. And the same I now seal with my finger, writing my name and my love.

Holy Mother Wisdom.

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Copy of a Roll Written by Mother Ann.
Brought by Father W^m for the Elder B^r Edmond,
Bryant of Pleasant Hill Kentucky.

New Lebanon July 18th 1841.
Mother's Word.

O Dearly Beloved.

With great pleasure, and delight,
do I now send my written word, even in this small
Roll to meet thee in thy Fathers house, and in thy
Mothers house at New Lebanon.

2. Yea, I say, with pleasure, I send thee
my word, for I have viewed thee, and thy beloved
companion with great pleasure, and delight ever
since you entered the center fold of Zion; I have
received glad tidings of good things from you;
And remember it was the will of your Mother that
you should visit, my children at New Lebanon.

3. Now Dearly Beloved; listen to
my word; Yea listen to the voice of a parent,
while I speak words true and truth unto thee,
The doors and windows of the Heavenly World
above, have for some time past been widely opened,

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and many blessings from the giver of all good, have been without measure, and without number, showered upon my children on earth.

4: No good thing has been withheld, North, and South, East and West, all Mothers children have shared the blessings of Heaven, Pause for a moment and consider! Can these days of plenty always be? Nay in no wise, the harvest is nearly ended,

5. Yea I say the time is near at hand when every soul in Zion will be left to prove, what they have gathered in the great harvest, Yea when the holy and searching Angel of the Lord, shall in very deed, search the camps of Israel, and the hearts of the people. In a day of famine and drouth, in a day of grief and bitterness of spirit, shall this be.

6. Yea when the vial of the wrath and judgement of God, is prepared ready to pour forth upon the inhabitants of earth, who are now fast ripening for judgement, shall these things come to pass, Marvel not at my word, when I say unto you, in that day which is not afar off, The idle soul shall suffer hunger.

7. For then even as the Wise and Foolish

virgins, of whom ye read in the parable of your Savior, shall the slack and slothful cry out. "Give unto us food; clothe us and give us drink; for lo! We be hungry naked and thirsty. The famine and pestilence are before us, the sword is behind us; and utter destruction is daily upon our path."

P. Yea I say, for unto them that have not gathered the Holy Angels will not give. Roaring Wolves in sheep's clothing and false spirits shall then be let loose, if possible, to deceive even those, whom I have chosen to stand, as firm pillars in Zion. Then, and in that day; let every soul in Zion remember these my words. "Let them that think they stand, take heed lest they fall."

Q. For as the slack and slothful in Zion, shall then fall an easy prey to the deceitful spirits that shall be loosed, and shall pass to and fro upon the earth. Even so I say unto you the firm and steadfast in Zion, will have no more food drink nor clothing than will possibly last to support them in this great day of the Lord your God.

10. Heaven has not poured forth these blessings for nought. The late manifestation of God, has not been a light matter, that it may be trampled upon, and set at nought by vain

mortals, For as God hath poured forth blessings without measure, upon earth, even so will a just account be required of every soul, before an Almighty God, for the use they have made of them. So be wise O ye children of my pleasure,

11. But harken yet again O Dearly beloved, to my word for I write unto thee, of the burthen of my spirit. Yea and as a tender Parent, would speak unto a beloved one, in whom they took delight, even so beloved do I speak unto thee. For full well I know thy troubled spirit, Full well I know the burthen thou hast borne for the young and rising generation.

12. Yea that they might find while young, a true planting in Mothers gospel; might gain good and true faith, strengthened by good works; might honor the name of Mother, and keep the laws of mount zion, and love the orders of Mothers House. This truly has been thy labor; O dearly beloved. And rest assured thy Mother knows the burthen, of thy spirit. Know I am satisfied. Now I am pleased; yea, well pleased with thee. Thy pretty family I truly love, and know thy labors are not in vain.

13. Be not wearied with my word, but harken yet longer, Many, yea many, heavy and

deep are the scenes of tribulation, which yet await my children at Pleasant Hill. But fear not; for the Holy Angel of the Lord, shall feed and clothe those who, in harvest day have worked for themselves.

Yea I say no soul shall suffer hunger, who has not suffered the blessings of Heaven, to pass by them in vain. The holy chosen of the Lord, shall never be forsaken. Zion shall never be forsaken of her God.

14. Therefore I say, O dearly beloved; receive this my Word: Receive this, the word of Mother & forget me not. Take my love with thee, give it freely to all. Give it to thy beloved Ministry and say unto them. "Here is the love of your Mother; take it freely; for freely she gave it to you. And then if thou and thy beloved companion, will raise your hands and say." "Here is Mothers love." Freely shall the Holy Angels pour it forth unto you.

15. Then take and give to your beloved Ministry, give to your Beloved Lot of Elders, these golden cords of love, which I have caused to be fastened about your necks by Father William. Tell them it is Mothers sweet love. Give my love, yea, and my blessing to the aged. Tell them I will meet them in peace. Give my love and blessing to the young, and tell them to forget not their Mother.

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16. O ye little ones, whom I have fed nourished and clothed; yea and for whose sakes I have bowed my self low before the throne of my Heavenly Father. Yea, for whom I have suffered, and borne heavy tribulation; receive my blessing and love and forget not your Mother.

17. Have I not been a kind parent to you? Then deny me not; forget not, forsake not your Mother; and know I will never deny, forget, nor forsake you. But when I see you drink deep of the Cup of sorrow & trouble, I will implore my Heavenly Father, to send his holy Angels to take care of you.

18. And now, Beloved little ones, I send unto you, by your Beloved E. B. and B^r Micajah Cups filled with tribulation. Yea to every one under 40. years of age in the first family. - O Dearly beloved I send at this time. Cups, well filled with tribulation. Suffer them to drink them upon their knees, in your presence, and in the presence of their Beloved Ministry; the first Saturday evening after you return home.

19. And on the following sabbath, suffer them again, to drink these Cups, while upon their knees at the supper table. And let the aged pour forth a blessing upon them, while the young drink deep

the solemn Cup. For it is the young and rising generation, I look to support the gospel pure and holy. To stand as firm pillars in Zion, and build upon that sure foundation, which time and desolation can never sweep away; and Satan with all his hosts can never overthrow.

20. So now dearly beloved, receive freely my love and blessing, and give to thy beloved companion; yea, both of you share together. Receive also, the love of all your Heavenly Parents; and in sweet love and peace, I bid you farewell.

From Mother Ann.

To Elder B^r Edmond Bryant.

Ans^t Anna Dodgson.

Words spoken by Mother Lucy to Elder B^r
Edmond Bryant and Dr Micajah Burnett.

First Order, New Lebanon. July 25. 1841.
 My Dear little Ones, says Mother Lucy.

Would it not be pleasing to you to hear from your Mother? I am pleased to speak unto you, & in union with the beloved Elders, I have brot some,

very beautiful presents to you: I have brot a large sack, of beautiful sounding trumpets. Will the Elder Brother, carry these and give to every one of his little ones? The sack is very large and quite heavy, and B^r Micajah will have to help Elder B^r carry it, and I will fasten it around your necks, and that will join you tight together. This will be pleasing to you, to be joined close to your Older Brother, (Yea Mother) said Micajah."

Then said Mother. "Elder, B^r these tum-
pets are to send love in. Tell my children where you live, that they must roll up balls of love, and put in to their trumpets, and then sound them, that their love may center here to my children at New Lebanon. And when you give these trumpets to your little ones, give the love of all your Heavenly Parents."

Every faithful child of Mother I want should receive their love. And I want you my dear little ones, to receive the love, blessing, strength, peace and good will, of all your Heavenly Parents, for truly they love you, and truly ye are worthy. And the love and blessing of your Mother you will need to help you thro' all trying scenes, crosses and tribulation, that you my little ones, will meet with.

But remember dear children, I, your Mother will be near in each trying hour. Therefore take

comfort and be cheerful. Then said she. "Elder Brother I have a box of Manna. I will place it upon your head, It is from Mother Ann. She says you must feed your little ones with it. Tell them it is the Manna of Heaven. (Again she said) "Micajah I have an other box, which I will give to you. It is from Father W^m and is filled with pretty little crosses. — Then said Mother) " You do not fear the cross do you? (Nay) Nay said Mother, you do not.

Well these are pretty little crosses, and there is one for each of the Brethren and sisters where you live and they must all share with you. Tell them not to fear the cross, for it will not hurt them. And give them Fathers love at the same time; tell them these are little crosses, and they may some time have greater ones.

Again Mother said, Elder B^r: I have a little present, which I will give to you, for you, and your Lot. If you will hold out your hands, I will place 4. Cups of Balsam, there on, for you and the rest of your Lot. Tell them it is from me their Mother Lucy, who knows and loves them.

Now says Mother Beloved little ones. Do you not think, I have got some very pretty simple children here? (Ans) Yea Mother. I think I have got some very pretty children, both here, and at Pleasant Hill, and, those that I love very much. And have you

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not gained a great deal of love for them?" Yea Mother, They answered. "Truly you have gained a great deal of love for them; and they have gained as much for you. And I have gained so much for you all, that I cannot bear to have you leave this place, untill ye have heard the sound of my voice."

"We are very much pleased to hear the sound of Mothers voice, and to receive her word." Truly ye are; and I am pleased to speak it unto you. Mother then addressed the Elder B^r. David Meacham, (who was going to take the two Brethren to Waterleit, before they started on their journey.) "Elder B^r. will you be so kind as to take the love of all your Heavenly Parents, to your beloved Ministry? (Yea Mother I shall be thankful for the privilege.) And I want these two Brethren should help you carry it, for it is quite heavy.

Now my beloved little ones said Mother, There is one thing more, that will please you more than all the rest; that is I have brot, two very beautiful little Angels, comforting Angels, to stay with you, and to go home with you. They will guard and protect you, and comfort you, on your way home. And they will help you carry these presents, which I have given you. They are pretty little Angels; they are flying all around you.

Father James has entered the room. Father says, "Have you not got some love for me?" (Yea was the answer.) I am greedy said he, I want a great store, of love and blessing, for I am going to your home, and what shall I tell them about you? (Answer) "Tell them we are among our best friends." Well that will be very good news; and I kindly thank you all for this good store of love and blessing. I will carry it safe to them; they are needy; they have lost their Elder B.^r for the present; and I am going to comfort them. So kindly Farewell.

Then said Mother, "my little ones is there any thing more that ye desire? There is one thing more that I have for you; that is a basket full of love. I want you to be so kind as to take it, and give it to the Brethren and Sisters at Waterleit. And when they have emptied the basket, perhaps it will be filled again for you. This is all; said Mother. And now in my love, and peace, I bid you kindly farewell.

From Mother Lucy, to E. B. Edmond B.
and Micajah Burnett.

Ins^t Matilda Reed.

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