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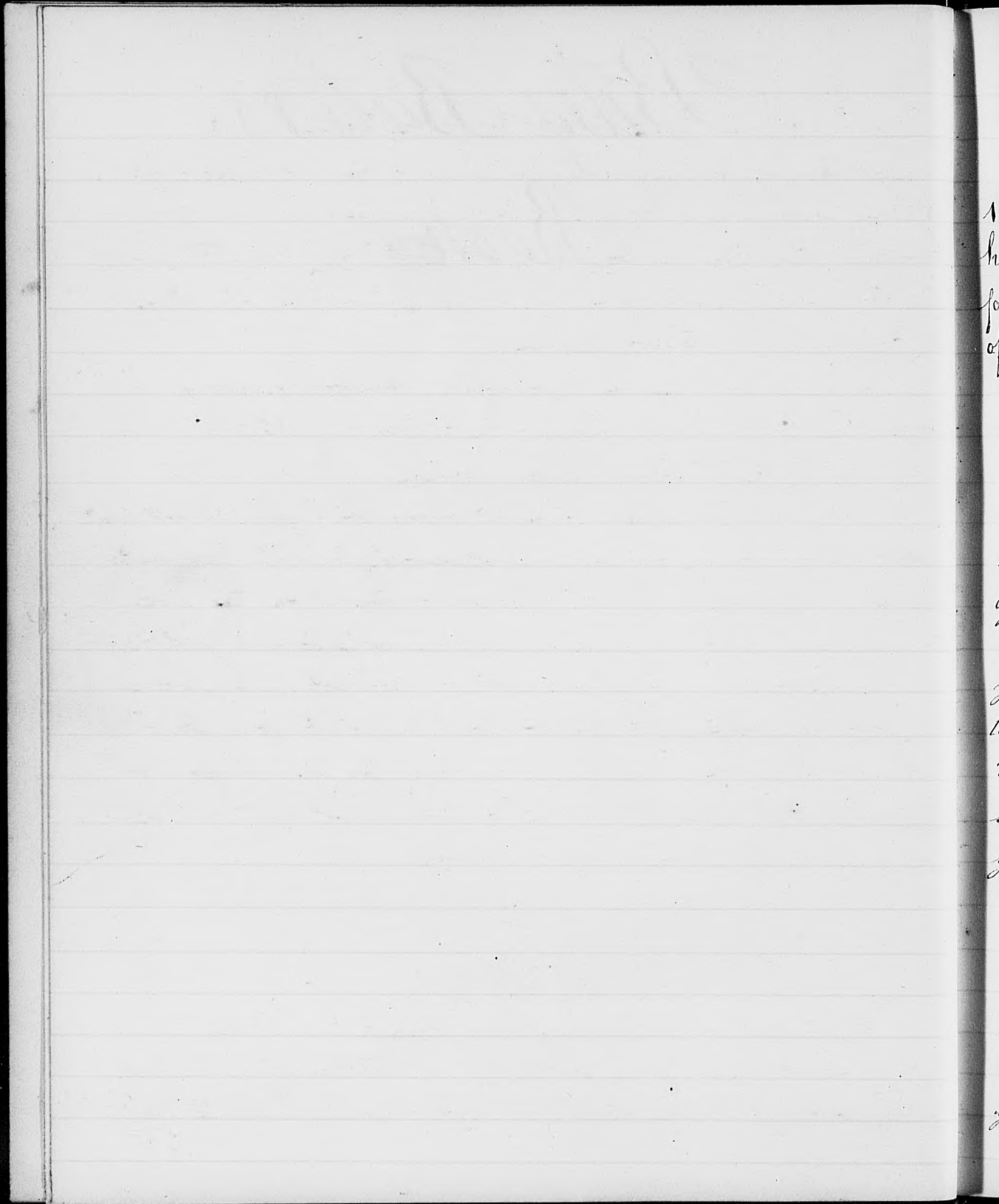
Book of revealed laws regulating the use of swine's flesh,  
tobacco, strong drink, coffee, tea, etc. Also communications  
from Mother Ann, Father William, and others. Lists of the  
Elders and Trustees of the First and Second Orders, Mt. Lebanon.

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Book





Copy of a Book, brought by Father William, and  
 Father James, and given to the Elders in the first Order. April 21<sup>st</sup>  
 1841. Where in is contained the desire and feelings of all your  
 heavenly Parents. Also a Covenant written by Father William,  
 for all the middle aged and young, in the first and second orders  
 of the Church at New Lebanon.

Read by Father James; and copied Tuesday morning,

May 19<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Words of Father James to the writer.

Know ye my child, it is in union with your beloved Lead,  
 that I have chosen you as an Instrument, to write the words  
 of your heavenly Parents, that are contained in this book.

Therefore bow low thy spirit in humble supplication and prayer;  
 yea bow low, even to the dust, and in tribulation prepare ye  
 to write the words, that I shall read aloud to your soul.

For the time has come, yea, fully come, for these things to be  
 sounded forth unto the people, that the mind and will of  
 your heavenly Parents may be known.

Part. I.

Chapter I.

Words contained in the book given to the Elders.

O ye children in Zion, ye children of Mothers. Long have we,  
 your heavenly Parents, desired to make known our mind and

and feelings in relation to some things, of which but little hath been said: knowing the time had not come, and all were not prepared to receive, it hath been delayed untill the present time.

2. And now dear children, listen and give ear unto these words, and receive with thankful hearts, and ye shall be blessed with Wisdom, to know in what manner to use the sacred things given unto you, that they may prove a blessing unto your souls.

3. But ye who think to judge the sacred things of God, with your own natural reasonings and judgments, take heed, beware, lest ye are smitten, with the judgments of a righteous and just God. For as sure as any soul thinketh to judge with <sup>his</sup> ~~their~~ own natural reasonings, and judgments, the holy work of God, and the work of your heavenly Parents, so sure will that soul lose the protection and blessing of God, and be seperated from his people.

4. Therefore ye who wish to be the children of the heavenly kingdom, owned and blessed by your Parents in Heaven, treasure up in your hearts, with true sincerity and thankfulness, the many blessed treasures given unto you.

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## Chapter II.

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Of the faithful labors of the Lead. 1. Of temperance. 4. Of the use  
 O ye beloved Lead, ye Elders in Zion. Well do we your heavenly Parents, know your faithful labors, and the sincere desire of your souls for the welfare, prosperity and increase of the young flock in this place, that they might gain that abiding faith, and sure planting, in the way of God, and stand in that order and rectitude, in which they are called, to be a shining example, to all other souls upon earth.

2. Ye truly, beloved Lead, ye have desired these things, and have faithfully labored to teach the young the path of their duty, in all things, both spiritual and temporal, that they might find protection, and gain victory over every evil propensity of a fallen, corrupt nature, that leads the soul astray from the pure way of God. And truly beloved children, ye have gained much; but still there remains room to gain more.

4. For ye are called to be a pure people, and <sup>to</sup> live a pure and godly life, being temperate in all things, both <sup>in</sup> eating, drinking and sleeping: and by no means <sup>to</sup> indulge the cravings of your appetites in eating or drinking, or any unnecessary indulgence whatever

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5. But dear children, though ye have received counsel in times past, in respect to making so much use, and such

extravagant use of animal food, how little is it observed, and how little attention is paid to it, by many in this place; but still go on, indulging their appetites, bringing sickness upon their bodies, and losing their precious time, that ought to be improved in the support and up-building of the gospel, and gaining a treasure for their own souls.

6. Why will ye dear children, why will ye work <sup>against</sup> yourselves, and against your own best good and comfort.

7. O ye young and inexperienced children, 'Listen to the words of your Parents, who love you, even as ye love not your own souls: for if ye loved your own souls, as we, your heavenly Parents do, ye would do different in these things.

8. Ye young, who are in full strength and vigor of days, need every moment of your time, in laboring to subdue and bring into subjection your evil propensities, and overcome a fallen, corrupt nature of the flesh, which is the fountain of all evil and corruption.

9. Why will ye indulge in those things that give life to the root. For by eating or drinking to excess, you feast and feed the Animal passions and propensities of your bodies, and bring death on your souls. And in <sup>a</sup> special manner, so much use of Animal food serves to strengthen that animal part, and give life to those propensities of nature, which every true believer is laboring to bring into subjection.

10. It is therefore the desire of your heavenly Parents, that the middle aged and young, should find an increase in these things. And those who desire and crave so much meat and animal food, should cross their appetites, and labor to feel reconciled with one half the quantity they now eat.

11. And those of the young, the youth and children, who are not able to judge for themselves, should have such orders and regulations made by their Elders and care-takers, as they in their wisdom see fit.

12. And by living more upon vegetables, and having every thing cooked in a plain, simple manner, ye will be more free from disease and sickness, and be more able to do good with your hands, and lay up a lasting treasure for your souls, when ye have done with time. For every moment that is spent in indulging a carnal nature, in any way, will have to be repented of, either in time or eternity.

### Chapter III.

Words of our heavenly Parents, concerning the use made of Tobacco among the Middle aged & young: and the manner in which they are to treat the aged part, who wish to ~~make~~ use of it. &c.

O beloved flock, listen ye to the words of your Parents, who in pure love and condescension, do make

known unto you the will and desire of our souls. For long <sup>have</sup> your beloved Lead, desired to know our mind and will, in relation to the use made of Tobacco, among the middle aged and young in the Church.

2 And even as the desire of your beloved Lead has been in this respect, so is the desire of us, your heavenly Parents, that those of the young and rising generation should make no use of Tobacco, unless thought best by the Physicians, as a medicine; and then in union with the Elders.

3. For all your hard earnings ye spend, unnecessarily, in this way, or any other, merely to please and gratify a taste formed by habit, will certainly prove a clog and hinderance to the travel of your souls.

4 Though there ~~has~~ <sup>have</sup> been some among Believers who have possessed a very wrong spirit in regard to this thing, and have given way, in their feelings, to a spirit of hatred towards their brethren and sisters, on account of their using Tobacco, and have thereby lost their union, lost their protection, yea, and lost their souls, and fallen from the way of God.

5 Therefore dear children, if ye desire to find a fruitful travel, in the way of God, let not the spirit of hatred, strife and contention, find a resting place in your hearts. Judge not one another in these things, for ye are not called to be judges one of another.



6. Think not beloved flock, that we, your heavenly Parents, feel to deprive you of any of those things that are needful and necessary for the comfort and support of your natural bodies. Say in no wise. But it is our desire that ye might make a wise, prudent, and Godly use of all that God has blessed you with. And that the young and rising generations, may not be found in any way indulging their appetites and cravings in those things that serve to strengthen the propensities of a fallen nature.

7. O ye children of Zion! ye who are called and chosen to stand in this first Church upon earth, consider well the blessed privilege that ye have; ye have no time to lose, no time to spend in ease and indulgence.

8. Ye who are young, and in the prime of your days, let every faculty of soul and body, and every moment of your precious time, be spent in the service and will of God.

9. Follow the example of your aged brethren and sisters, your Fathers and Mothers in the gospel; those who have spent their lives in faithful labors, for the support and upbuilding of the gospel, which ye are made partakers of.

10. Let your souls bow with reverence and respect to those faithful first-born children of Mother. Yea those faithful children, who in sufferings and deep tribulation, have labored and toiled, for those temporal blessings

which ye daily enjoy. Let your souls bow with reverence and respect, and make it your delight, to do all in your power to make them comfortable. For it is from those faithful pillars, ye have received the blessings of the gospel: and in no other way can the blessing of God be extended to you, dear children.

11. Ye beloved flock give ear and listen. Had it not been for those faithful pillars and first-born children of your heavenly Parents, ye would not have received many of those blessings and heavenly treasures that ye have received in times past. Neither would ye have been protected from your <sup>persecuting</sup> enemies as ye have been, in times past.

12. And now can ye little ones, rise up with a spirit of oppression, with a spirit of enmity and hatred towards these, your Fathers and Mothers in the gospel, because they make use of some things, which we, your heavenly Parents, and your beloved Lead, desire the middle aged and young to make no use of: believing and knowing ye will be far better without, them.

13. Do you consider yourselves equal, and on a level with those faithful children? Can ye judge them and the reason and propriety of these things?

14. Beware, beware, O ye children, what spirit ye possess! For this spirit of enmity and hatred, this spirit of judging, is from the evil one: and all who indulge in

this spirit commit sin, and bring condemnation on their own souls.

15. And it is the desire of us, your heavenly Parents, that the aged, those who ~~have~~<sup>are</sup> advanced in years, whose feeble bodies need much support and rest, should continue, and feel union and freedom in smoking, and making use of Tobacco as they have done. And that the young should feel it their duty and privilege to make them comfortable in these things, and not feel unwilling to be in their company, or show any dislike or disrespect on the account. Remember if you do, ye will shut the blessing of God from your souls.

16. O Beloved flock, ye on whom the burden must soon fall. It is our fervent desire, that ye might gain that <sup>and</sup> sure abiding treasure, and true substance of the gospel, that ye may have wherewith to give unto all other Believers upon earth: for ye have a greater privilege, than any others, and greater must be your tribulation and sacrifice, in order to be worthy of your privilege, and <sup>to</sup> stand in that order in which ye are called.

17. But dear children, how often have we seen those that are young, spending hours of their time in idleness, in vain, foolish and ungodly conversation, while their aged brethren and sisters were in faithful labors with their hands, to the extent of their strength.

18. If ye think to find victory over your evil propensities in this way, ye are greatly mistaken. An evil, fallen, corrupt nature of the flesh is no easier subdued now than ever it was; and you will need every moment of your time, to subdue your own evil propensities, each one for themselves.

19. And all that ye indulge yourselves in idleness, or the cravings of your appetites, in eating, drinking or sleeping, <sup>to excess, or in the world</sup> you feed and feast the nature of the flesh, and make it harder for your souls to travel in the self-denying gospel.

20. Therefore dear children, be wise, and treasure up the word and counsel of your heavenly Parents. Follow the example of your blessed Lord; for truly they set you an example in these things, that ye may follow in safety. Cleave close to their counsel and teaching in all things; and if ye do their will, ye do the will of your heavenly Parents: for they are able to teach you in all things. And if ye walk in obedience to them, ye shall receive our love and blessing, and the love and <sup>the</sup> blessing, of all the heavenly Hosts.

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## Chapter III.

A Covenant written by Father William, for all the middles aged and Young in the Church.

Concerning the use they are to make, or that he wishes to have them make, of Spirits, Wine, Cider, Tobacco, Meat, Tea and Coffee.

O ye children of my love, ye whom my soul delighteth to see increasing in the pure way of God. Listen to the word of your Father, for truly I love you as I never before loved children upon earth. And it is my desire, to have this family, this Church, stand in that order and rectitude in which God has called them.

2 I want some young brethren and sisters in this Church, that will stand firm and steadfast in the way of God, as bold as Lions. Who feel they are called to a greater work, than to indulge themselves in the vain pleasures of time. Who will cheerfully and willingly take up every cross that is presented; and will count it a privilege to deny themselves of every thing, that serves to hinder the travel of the soul. And such are the children of my pleasure and love, and shall be truly blest.

3. How many of you, dear children, will covenant together, and solemnly promise your Father, in presence of your beloved Elders, brethren and sisters, that you will <sup>forever</sup> from this time, henceforth, cheerfully and willingly

take up every cross that is presented, to you, and be faithful with your hands, to do all you are able, and indulge not yourselves in any way, eating, drinking or sleeping, more than is really needful and necessary for the support of your natural bodies.

4. How many of you, will promise your Father, that ye will from this time henceforth, make no more use of spirits or wine, only when really necessary in case of sickness, and thought best by the Physicians.

Will ye promise your Father, in presence of your beloved Lead, that ye will, from this time henceforth, drink no more Cider? (Let no one promise but <sup>they</sup> what who can cheerfully and willingly perform); for it is the cheerful, the willing and obedient, that receive a blessing.

5. Will ye covenant together, and solemnly promise, in presence of your beloved Elders, that ye will make no more use of Tobacco, only as a medicine, and when recommended by the Physicians in union with your Elders? And will ye promise to always respect and reverence those of the aged, that may feel to use it, and show no dislike or disrespect on the account, but always endeavor to make them comfortable in it?

If ye do this, ye will be truly best, and the love and blessing of your heavenly Parents will remain with you.

6. Will ye cheerfully and willingly take up your crosses against using so much meat, and be reconciled to whatever regulations, may be thought best by your beloved Lead, Ministry and Elders, and make as little use of tea and coffee, as they in their Wisdom may think best? Truly, beloved flock, if ye will solemnly promise to do these things, and live according to the counsel that has been given, ye will find an increase in the way of God; And with this, ye may receive my kind and everlasting love, with <sup>that of</sup> the rest of your heavenly Parents.

In<sup>t</sup> Benjamin Gates.

## Part II.

### Chapter I.

A Short Word from Father William, in regard to excess in eating and drinking, after the Elders had spoken a few words upon the subject, or at least upon indulgences of many kinds.

New Lebanon, Sabbath morning, May 9<sup>th</sup> 1741.

O ye, said Father William, my spirit is delighted to hear these your words O beloved: but how can I refrain from writing my word with yours, or speaking words of my own,

in regard to this one sin; for surely I call it a sin. Yea it has long been a great sin, and has caused many to sin in my Mothers house on earth."

2 I say is it in union with you, O dearly beloved Seed, that I speak my word at this time, entirely free from any embarrassment, by or from the feelings and opinions of mortals? \_\_\_\_\_ (Ans. Yea.)

3. Then indeed know ye, that I speak forth unto you, O ye children of my Mother, the grief and burden of my spirit, just now, and thankful I am, that a time has come that this I can do; for I have, for a long, long, and many times, desired to sound aloud the word and will of your God, above, concerning the indulgence of the natural appetites, and inclinations of his chosen people.

4 But I have never seen a time, even until now, that I could so well, just speak my own word, and make known my will, as this. So hear ye now, O ye brethren and sisters in the house of Israel, hear my words, even the word of your kind, and still loving and true Father. I say hearken, and answer the questions I shall ask you.

5 Have ye not all received, and many times received from my hand, from the hands of all your heavenly Parents, and even from the hand of your <sup>ever</sup> blessed Mother Ann, and this repeatedly, for a long time, that which you well know how nourished, strengthened and supported your souls, your spirits, and even your bodies?



6. I say have ye not been fed from the feasts of your Mother, and have ye not drank from the cup of your Mother? Yea of the bread of Heaven have ye not shared, and of the purest of your Mothers wine, have ye not tasted, right from the hand of your Mother? And have ye not been fed with her cake, yea and again supported from the cup of her wine, untill ye were satisfied with the goodness of your Mother, because of the strength ye received, from that which she dealt out to you. Indeed is it not so? (Yea.)

7. And has not your Mother, even she that has now bid you farewell in her love, and in her peace, fed you again and again, with, and from her own hand of these good things, to nourish and support you both soul and body? And have ye ever known, the blessings of Heaven, the blessings of your Mother, or the food with which she has so freely fed you, and the drink which she has poured out and handed unto you, yea just even her cake and her wine, ever to fail of nourishing and strengthening you? I say did you ever? (Nay.)

8. Why then have ye, or why will ye continue, O my brethren and sisters, ye that are called to stand as clean and pure vessels in the house of the Lord, I say why will ye ever again, feed and feast, eat and drink of the things of time and of earth, to the gratification of your natural appetites, and carnal propensities of your natures (I might say,) for it is no better in my opinion; and I will assure you, it is

abominable in the sight of your God; but I say why will ye or why have ye, so long, or so often, and still continue to do this thing?

9. Again I ask, and I wish to be answered. O beloved, which of the two has really satisfied nourished and supported your souls, and even your bodies, the most or the longest: When ye have eat and drank more than was needful, even to the satisfying and indulging of your appetites, or when ye have feasted on the food of Heaven, the food of Angels, yea, that which ye have received from the hand of your Mother so often. Which, I say is it? (Ans. The food of Heaven.)

10. Surely, that is true. And again I ask, which is it? Is it the pure wine from the cup of your Mother, I say is it your Mother's wine, or is it that which ye have supped when ye have raised the cup, filled with that which has caused many to sin? O which is it? (Ans. Mothers Wine.)

11. Truth, truth! And now if it is so, and ye know it, why will ye not leave from this time, those things that satisfy not your souls, and do your bodies no good: yea the things that have caused sin and judgment in the house of God upon earth.

12. And now, O beloved children of my Mother, who is there among you, or how many of you will promise, now, even now at this time, while you stand here in my presence, that you will never again, drink of the cup of indulgence,

of that which has caused you to sin; yea sin, and in many ways too. O how many can or will do this? (I will). And how many will promise me, your Father, that from this time, ye will forever let Cider alone? (Ans. I will.)

13. Here Father William paused a moment as if to consider, and give all present a time <sup>to reflect</sup> to; then said, "What ~~always~~ from this day and time? And do, all again repeat these words, and say too, that you will never again taste or meddle with it, save when it is handed unto you, by those that are set in order to deal out that which is necessary for the infirmities of the body. Then receive it like other medicine.

14. But O never again commit sin in this, or never, never bring a curse upon yourselves nor upon the house of my Mother again, because of this sin of indulgence.

O yea, let this day make an end of my sorrow, and finish the grief of your blessed Mother, in this one matter.

And now O beloved Ministry, Elders, Brethren and Sisters, give unto me, your Father, the word ye desire me to carry to your blessed Mother, in regard to these things.

(Ans. We will thankfully leave them.)

15. And now how many, or, will all of you promise me, that when ye feel borne down with tribulation, or when your spirits need support and nourishment, or at times when your souls feel destitute and lean, and perhaps

when ye know not the cause; I say will ye promise me, that at such times, ye will not seek to satisfy your souls, by indulging your appetites in eating and drinking, to the gluttoning and stuffing of your bodies, but feed and fast, O yea, eat and drink, of the food of Angels, the blessing of Heaven, and of your Mother; which you well know, is everlasting support to the soul, and strength to the body.

16. And now, O answer me, and say which of these ye will do, that my spirit may be in a measure at rest. (Ans. We will feed and fast on the precious blessings of our Mother.)

17. Father then turned to the Lead and said, This is my word, yea, just my word, and the burden of my spirit, O most dearly beloved. It is short, but it is plain, for I have long, long, desired to do that which I knew my Mother, and your Mother, desired to have done, that the will of your God might be known.

18. O then ye holy anointed, and ye Elders in the house of Israel, What think ye of my word? Indeed, if you can, now bless the word of your Father.

19. After they had done this, promising and calling on all present, to keep the word of their Father through time, he said, "So do, so do, O dear children, But now hear my last words at this time in regard to these things: Yea remember while I say. From this time and this day, let the word ye have heard, yea, my word unto you, be forever the Law

of the Lord your God in your hearts. (And know ye all, that God your Heavenly Father, never provided such things, for the strength of his people, which serve only to indulge a depraved appetite.

## Chapter II.

Father Williams word to the Elders, Friday Morning,  
May 14<sup>th</sup> 1941.

Beloved, I learn from the Holy Angels, that have entered your dwellings, that ye desire my word. Even that which I gave you on the 9<sup>th</sup> inst. in regard to Drinking. Indeed I can say nothing but that, for I am sure it is nothing better.

2. But, beloved Elders, that was only a short word to relieve the grief and heavy burden of my spirit; but if ye desire my word, ye shall have it. For surely the will of your Mother I know, the will of your God I have learned, and the desire of the Holy Anointed, I have long known, in regard to this one thing.

## Chapter III

Father Williams word to the Writer, Saturday Evening, May 15<sup>th</sup> 1941. 1. Mother Anns word to Father William. 2. The promises of God to Mother Ann. 5

(To the Writer.) Arise on the morrow, and write my word, even the desired word, and I will help you to that, and then I will read unto you a word that will prove unto you, and to all such as hear it, the truth of my word. For when I returned to my blessed Mother Ann, and related unto her the words I had spoken, she bowed and said,

2. My spirit rejoices that ye have made mention of that one great burden, of my most dearly beloved, and the anointed Head of my children on earth.

3 Know ye, my beloved companion, the promises of our Holy God, faileth not; nay, not in the least degree, although they will all be fulfilled by him, just in his own time, at his command, by means of his own choosing, and by plans of his own devising.

4 And I your <sup>ever kind</sup> Mother will assure you, and all my children on earth, that had it not been for the promises, which I did receive from God, my just and righteous Father, in relation to this one thing, (and some others yet unnoticed) I could by no means have returned unto him, or into his Holy Mansion with pleasure, or in any wise spoken peace to my children on earth.

5 The promise I received was this, (yea even as I bowed before my God, these words did he speak unto me.)

“O Thou Daughter of Zion, lay aside, and put far from

thee; the burden of the remaining iniquities of thy children on earth; even those that I have called thee to leave. Speak peace unto them, and for a short season will I suffer them to rest in thy peace.

6. But Lo, I will look upon them in pity again and again, and then in my mercy will I send unto them the word of my warning. And often will I give them a short sound from my trumpet of judgment: and I will according to my many promises, send forth the word of my righteous will, and Holy Law, for all such as call upon my true name, as being my chosen and peculiar people.

7. Even this will I do, with my own hand, and by my own power, but in my own time. So put off thy mourning attire, for that small number of thy children, for a season: for I, the Holy God, have purposed to shortly begin, and to continue my words unto them, untill every heart shall in reality understand my holy Law, and desire to learn my righteous will in all things."

8. This was the word of my God unto me, even at the first sound of my call to return unto him. And now, O beloved, speak or write of these my words, unto the Elders of my little band, which I have left; for perhaps they may be words of some comfort unto them; for surely, there are many matters that yet look like mountains of tribulation before them, and not afar off.

## Chapter III.

Father Williams word to the writer, Sabbath morning  
May 16<sup>th</sup> 1941.

"Be in haste I pray thee, write the word which I spoke on the 9<sup>th</sup>, and correctly write the word of my blessed Mother, as I repeat it unto you: and then, to obey the word of my Holy God, I must read unto you the word of this short Roll, which I now hold in my hand.

But fear and tremble, O thou mortal, while ye write. For what am I, to receive from the hand of my God, my Holy, Heavenly Father, this word of his own: and what is a mortal, to behold and write it.

For lo! by the mouth of the Almighty, was this word spoken; and by the finger of his own hand, was it written: and from his hand, with fear, yea exceeding great fear, did I receive it, as I kneeled before his Eternal Throne.

And now by his, yea by the word of a Holy God, do I read this short extract, from his holy book of the righteous Laws of Zion, that the Elders of the people may have it, at their command, according to the word and desire of their blessed Mother, and the promises of their Holy Father in Heaven.

But let all that shall ever hear this word,



know that it is not my word, but the word of my God, my Holy, my just, and my righteous God.

In<sup>st</sup> Adajilah Potter.

## Chapter V.

Father William opened the Roll, and read, as follows.  
An extract taken from the Holy Book of the word of God,  
or from the book containing the Holy Laws of Zion.

Thus saith Jehovah, "Come nigh, O ye inhabitants of my Zion, and listen attentively unto this short word of my Will, and everlasting Law, written here, as it is written in my Holy book, of my Eternal word.

Again saith God, the just, the righteous Law-giver.  
"Hearken ye rulers in Zion, and bow down ye people, give ear unto my word, even unto the word of the Lord your God yet again). For lo, even now, and at this time, I have written a short word of my righteous Law, for my people. For the present, for the rising, and for generations to come.

Yea, with the finger of my own hand, have I done this, that mortal man might not have wherewith to judge the word of my Holy Law.

Marvel not at my doings, O ye mortals of my creation, and murmur not at my words, and make no comments upon this my word, although it may

confound the great wisdom, and the mighty understanding of this present generation.

Say not within yourselves, if this is the Law of the Lord, and the will of our God, why has it been hid and concealed, even to this day, from us his chosen people.

Fear, O my people, fear to make mention of the Law of your God, as judging the word, the power, the times or the seasons of it, nor the means by which ye received it, saith the Lord: even of that which ye have received, that which is now before you, and that which may hereafter be sent unto you. For know ye, all my people, I will indeed be judge of my own work.

Then hear ye, for my word ye cannot escape, saith the Eternal voice of truth; for surely I am still, that I am, the one only just, holy, righteous and eternal God of Heaven and earth, who knoweth and seeth all things, and judgeth aright at all times. Whose word is unalterable, and whose purposes are unchangeable, whose power is above all others, and whose will is now and forever the same.

I am indeed, that All-wise, All-powerful, and All-merciful God, that did in ages and ages long past, make choice and take to myself a people peculiar to me, and unto them did I give my holy Law, my righteous commands, and my everlasting will, did I make known unto them.

And now shall I, the great and mighty God, stoop from my Throne on high, and call upon the wanderer of the desert, or the traveling Jew, to teach my chosen people my righteous Will, in this great and enlightened age of my creation, because of their cool desires to know for themselves, and even are not ready when my time is come and my word prepared and ready to be sent forth.

Hearken again, my people, saith the Almighty, and know I am not a jealous God, I am not a God of flattery, I am not a God of vanity, and I will no longer tifle with vain man, upon the word of my Holy Law. Nor will I any longer wait for the hearts of my people to be reconciled unto the will of their God; and for them to be ready at my time.

For even now, is my vengeance awakened at the murmuring whispers of my people, because of the restraint that is brought upon them, by reason of the many words which have been received and handed forth at my command; and at the same time, with a loud voice, proclaiming their desires to learn and know the will of the Lord their God, and indeed, marveling at the length of his time.

Finally, I say unto all, (that profess to own my holy name, and do in truth desire to know my

righteous Law, and will of choice obey my commands.) I am that God that will be loved, served, worshiped, honored, glorified and obeyed above, and before all others, and even alone.

For in my right hand is swayed the only scepter of everlasting truth, and in my left hand, is wielded the only sword of true justice. And with these, shall every soul of my people, that truly love and fear my holy name, and do keep my just laws, be forever guarded and protected through time, saith the God of Heaven.

O then ye people of my now extended mercy, hearken, listen to my word, and learn my Will, receive my holy Law, and obey it. For now, even now, has my time come, and so let it be your time, O my people; lest by the holy Angels, which I have sent forth, even from the east, west, north and south, ye hear sounded aloud in your ears, my many, mighty, and repeated judgments, which I have already pronounced; ~~and~~ <sup>yea those I have</sup> purposed to send and pour upon the present and rising generation, if my word be not listened to, and my will be not done, in regard to the excessive indulgence, of the natural appetite of man, that has, untill a very short term of years, and a very late season, I might boldly say, even been served, if not worshiped, like unto the great God, and Godess of earth, by the inhabitants thereof.

But the past sins of my own chosen people, I will, in

pity, and mercy now leave: and say prepare to hear and understand, all you that dwell in the Israel of my delight, the word of my Holy Law, in regard to excess of drinking, or of indulging the appetites with that which is altogether unprofitable for the good of the soul of man, and indeed ruinous to both soul and body, many, and very many times; and is, and ever was, contrary to my Holy Law and righteous will, for my chosen people on earth, to supply themselves with, or use as they have ever done.

And now, know <sup>ye</sup> that my Holy and just Law does forbid, that my chosen people make any common use, of any kind of wine, even from the highest to the lowest, from the strongest to the weakest that can be named, or a beverage of any kind: Use it not, save in case of weakness and infirmity of bodies is my command. And then let it be dealt out by those that are placed in the lot and order of Physicians, or nursing members among my people, that they alone may be accountable for that which is entrusted in their charge.

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

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

And even again hearken, while I say, Let none of my people prepare or provide a draught of this kind, for the general strength of the body; and by no means carry it into your fields of labor, your shops of trade, and finally, take not to yourselves, and hand not forth to each other, a vessel filled with a preparation of this liquor, or adulterated with the same in any degree, even from the purest Alcohol, to the lowest distilled liquor: for, from this time, know ye and understand O ye my people, that the inventions of this most <sup>ono</sup>poisoned draught, was entirely of man, and not of your God above, whom ye profess to serve & honor, above all others.

Therefore be careful, and be wise. Spurn not at my word, while I again repeat it and say, My Holy Law forbids, that my people on earth, those whom I have called and chosen to worship me, and me alone, ~~to~~ make use of any ardent spirits, or spirituous liquors of any kind, that can be described or mentioned, merely to allay thirst, or satisfy even for a moment, the natural appetite or inclinations. And Presume not to hand it forth unto the children of men, that dwell without the borders of my Lion, and have never

known the true God. Except it be in case that a stranger should fall sick among you, and need your assistance, or by any misfortune should call upon you, for an application of this kind; in such, and such like cases, and circumstances let your charity be felt, and at all times, prove unto all men, that ye are in reality, the true followers of your holy Saviour.

But for no other cause, reason or purpose, presume ye to deal it out unto them, or receive it from their hand, when ye journey among them. This is the Word, the Will and the righteous Law of your God, the one only just and holy Law-giver of Heaven and earth.

But hear my word still longer, all ye that are called and appointed to deal out, and hand forth unto my people, the necessary applications and portions of medicine, that the very many difficulties and infirmities of the natural body constantly require, ~~saith your God.~~

~~Unto you, saith your God,~~ Supply yourselves with, and prepare for yourselves, all things necessary and profitable for the comfort and support of my people, so far as the line of your duty and calling, <sup>requires</sup> (and indeed a very accountable and responsible calling, <sup>it is.</sup>) ~~requires~~, yea in every case, from the most dangerous and extreme, to that which would need the least of your concern.

Spare no pains to provide, as far as <sup>lies</sup> ~~lays~~ in your power, that which your best judgment and knowledge teaches you

would be for the good or relief of the patient or patients that are relying on your charity and care, for relief from their sufferings. Withhold nothing from the sufferer and the afflicted, that in any wise would render relief, even if it were only for the present. If it be a preparation of the above mentioned liquida or liquors, and even at times an application of the same, measure it out, and hand it forth freely, as doing your duty in the fear of my holy name, ever remembering this, the word of your Father in Heaven.

But further than this, know ye that my Holy Law and my just commands forbid, that ye raise your hands, to measure unto my people the least portion of this cursed Sen-ven-dom, that has been the death of thousands of my mortal creation, and caused mighty abominations to stain even mine own sanctuary on earth, almost untill the present day, and untill I, the God of all power, have been tempted, and even ready, to smite the hand that raised the abominable draught to the lips, that did sup without remorse, and the next moment, would presume to call upon my holy name, and supplicate my <sup>and protection</sup> mercy, declaring unto me, that I alone, should be loved, served and worshiped.

So bow down, all such as desire (to still) continue to pollute my holy house, with such, and such like abominations, and receive this, my word, as the true love and indeed extended mercy of an All-merciful God, of unbound<sup>ed</sup>



charity and endless forbearance, saith the Almighty, least I speedily empty upon you, and your little ones, the cup of my indignation which has long been filled, to pour forth upon my people, if they refused to obey this word of my Holy Law, when I should see fit, and my time should come, to send it forth unto them.

And indeed, unnumbered have been the mild means I have taken, to tempt my people to turn wholly unto me; and even at the time that I sent forth my Holy Laws, or the many parts of my sacred word, from my Holy Book, I was indeed justly provoked, and entirely ready to have added this my word, which is only an extract, and a short one too, from the same book. But for reasons known only in my Kingdom above, I did delay my time untill now. And by this means I have, and shall more fully prove the true love, and perfect or willing obedience, of my people unto me, their Holy God, and unto my righteous Law, saith Eternal Truth.

Again hear the word of the Lord your God, O ye burden bearers and providers in temporal concerns, among my people. If in any, or many trades of business, a greater or less quantity of that liquor, (which I disdain even to call by a name known,) is useful and necessary, carefully provide it, and deal it out as it is needed, and by no means, neglect to ascertain at all times, the quantity you purchase, for the use of my people in this manner, and suffer it not

to be stored in the apartments of said trades, save the immediate portion necessary. This is my word, saith the Lord.

Still hearken again, for my word is not yet finished, and my will is not fully known; for my Holy Law, commands a whole sacrifice of every kind of intoxicating indulgences. And be ye assured, O my people of the present and rising generation, that I shall in my own time, and by means of my own choosing, send forth and sound aloud, or cause to be sounded in the ears of the inhabitants of my Zion, my whole Law, in regard to every movement of man, whom I have created and privileged to dwell on my earth for a season, that is contrary to my will, and displeasing in my sight, and has the least tendency to tempt me, the mighty God, to withhold my blessings, and send forth my judgments, saith the Almighty Creator, and Father of all.

So hear my word, and receive my just Law, in regard to <sup>the use of</sup> the pressed juice of the Apple, or Cider, as ye my people call it. Use it no longer, for a substitute for stronger liquor or drink. Set it no more upon your dining tables in your own dwellings, and call not for it when out among strangers. Set it not before the children of the unrighteous mammon, and hand it not unto them, lest ye tempt them to commit sin in my sight, and from this time, the iniquities of such sins rest upon you.

Obeſy this word of my Holy Law, concerning the children of men, ſave in caſe that ye, my people are ſtill dependant upon them for help in your occupations of hand labor. Indeed, I ſay, if ye ſtill plead the neceſſity of hirelings, my Holy Law does not forbid, that ye deal and meaſure out carefully and wiſely unto ſuch, according to the labor you require them to perform. But this muſt be done by thoſe that are placed to deal with hirelings; but ſet it not upon the table of ſuch," ſaith <sup>your</sup> God.

For ſurely I am Maſter of my whole houſe, and Lord of my whole vineyard and Kingdom above and below. And why fear ye, O my people, to keep my righteous word, and obey my Holy Law, in the preſence of the vain children of men, by boldly teſtifying that ye commit no ſin, in the ſight of your God, in this thing, and will, by no means, tempt man to ſin.

My Holy Law forbids that ye my people, permit a drunkard, or a perſon daily given to intoxication to remain with you as a hireling, over twenty four hours, after you are ſenſible of it. And allow not, for my ſake, ſaith your God, a perſon to lodge in your dwellings, when immediately under the debauched influence of liquor.

Again ſaith that God in whoſe power it is to pull down, and build up, to give and to take away, O my people, liſten, hear and obey: Hand not unto

one another

and indeed provide not for yourselves this kind of drink, to quench your thirst, to satisfy your appetites, and desires for it, to strengthen your bodies, or revive your spirits.

For I the Lord your God, do declare, even at this moment, unto every soul of man, that there is no lasting support, strength or satisfaction in it: And that I, the God of Heaven and earth have long, yea, and too long, suffered my people, my chosen and peculiar people, to indulge in this, and other things; but my peace is at an end, and the peace of my people I will disturb, if this my word be not listened to, and the use of these corrupting liquids and liquors, which has from the beginning, caused all manner of sin and abomination that can be named among mankind, from the earliest ages to the present time, be not from this time, abolished as treats or beverages of any kind, <sup>to be here forth</sup> and used only as medicine, or as necessity requires according to the judgment and wisdom of those set in order to deal in such things, in perfect obedience to the holy order of protection before them, which is ever the Holy chosen, and anointed Lead of my people on earth, saith the Almighty.

Therefore let the youth now be joyful, let the young man be strong, let the weary in spirit receive rest; let the ancients of, and among my people listen to my word, and give thanks unto me their <sup>just</sup> God, for the same; rejoicing in their few remaining days that the present and rising

generation have heard the word, and received the just and righteous Law and commands of an Ever-holy and Eternally-wise Creator, and Almighty Father.

Another word of my Holy and just Law, I am ready to sound unto you. But in my mighty mercy, I will wait upon the faint hearts of my people yet a little longer; Then know ye, by the Holy Angels of my glory in my own time, shall ye again hear, and continue to hear, until my word ye believe, my will ye know, and my Holy Law ye desire to obey.

Father William now ceased reading and said to the writer, The word which you <sup>was</sup> were to write at this time is now finished; for the Holy Angel from the East hath entered, and bid me seal again the Roll. But the remaining and last words of this Roll of the Law of God, is his word, his will and his Law, concerning the use of animal food, and especially the flesh of swine: and this his word, he will cause to be written, in his own time.

The Holy Angel sounded aloud the following words, and desired them to be written.

O ze las te, se kal li seen, pre sen da. Let the people of the Lord, yea every soul of man, that is numbered in Israel, prepare to receive, to keep sacred and obey without delay

to a jot and tittle, the Holy Laws of the Lion of God, even that which ye have already received, and that which your God has purposed and prepared to send unto you in his own time.

Hearken to the word of your God with trembling, and obey with fear; lest when it be too late, ye find to your sore affliction, that his hand of mercy is withheld, and ye witness, by day and by night, the rolling fury of his vengeance, which has long been awakened, against those of his own people, that call loudly upon his Holy name, and adore him as God of all, yet spurned at his Holy Law, and chose yet a little longer to be satisfied with the vain Gods, and Goddesses of their own pleasure. *Salva vine, pro va na.*

The ends.

Part III Int<sup>l</sup> Adahilah Potter

Chapter I.

New Lebanon, Tuesday morning, Doctch, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1841.

O ye Holy Anointed of God upon earth, says Father William. I have come with a short Roll, from the Lord God of Heaven and earth. Wherein is contained his finishing and decisive word, in respect to the use of strong drink of any kind amongst his people. Also, <sup>in part respecting</sup> the use of Swines flesh and the fat thereof, and the use of Tobacco.

Thus saith the Lord God, who over-ruleth all things, and hath.

in these last days condescended to notice his chosen few on earth, with his own word, with his own Laws, and with his own orders. And they that receive them thankfully, into a willing and obedient heart, and murmur not, but rejoice in their own souls, that I have counted them worthy to deny themselves, that they may draw near to me, shall never lack for my protection and blessing through time, when my judgments are rolling through the land, and in eternity, it shall be well with them.

But those who hang back, murmur and complain because of my word, and judge the work of my hand, and the word of my mouth, and the means by which I have sent it unto them, saith the God of Heaven, their carcasses shall surely fall, and perish in the wilderness of doubts and unbelief; and their souls shall never enter the promised land, where my chosen, true and faithful <sup>people</sup> dwell. For the mouth of the Lord, <sup>your God</sup> hath spoken it, and if ye believe there is a God, believe there is a God in Heaven, believe ye this, my word.

### I Am, The Holy one.

And this my Commandment do I send forth from my Holy Throne; which is, and shall forever be, my Law, and Statute, from this time hence forth,

throughout all generations, for every one that is now under the age of sixty years. And mark ye the day of this date, saith the Lord God, that I send forth my decree, by my faithful servant William.

Although the Roll which I have given him is short, yet will it weigh like mountains of Lead, in the hearts of many, who are amongst my people, O how lovely anointed. But heavy as this may be, it is my will, saith the Holy One, that with your approval and sanction, this, my decree, remains unalterable. For I have purposed from the beginning of this late manifestation of mine, through your blessed Mother Ann, and those with her to their children on earth, that before my work, the immediate work of my Almighty hand should close, I would finish my word to the people, <sup>which</sup> to whom I did begin to speak, in the Holy Laws, to the Lion of my likeness upon earth: and for which in its fullness, I had not then prepared my people to receive. But now my own time has come, where in they must receive, or wither and die, as the consequences of a refusal, or of a murmuring and grumbling spirit.

Thus saith the <sup>Lord</sup> God of Heaven; — From all intoxicating drinks, I do command my people to refrain. Touch not — taste not, <sup>madele not</sup> smell ye not after it. No class nor age under sixty years, will the Lord your God excuse.



But let pure and wholesome water, and that which is as simple, be your constant drink.

No longer suffer any one, saith the Lord God, that is under the age above mentioned, let their place and calling be what it may, to use any kind of substitutes for stimulating their spirits, in the line of spirituous liquors: and whatever they need as medicine, that has spirits in it, must be given by the Physicians; and in so doing my blessing and protection shall be found, in this respect.

Such of my people as may be called to travel upon the road, and do business amongst the wicked, in such parts of the Country as where good water cannot be obtained, may drink, if they have a desire, one quart of Cider; or in lieu of Cider, if they choose, one quart of Beer, or four common glasses in a day. And this they must never exceed, on pain of forfeiting my protection and blessing saith the Lord: but they may come as much short of this, as they may desire, and my blessing shall be increased upon them. And if they should ever have occasion to use a little wine, in consequence of not being able to get other drink, which is allowed by me, saith the Lord, they must set down the number of times they have drank it, and show their account to their Elders on their return. And those who travel journeys, should take regularly, and at proper times and seasons, two meals a day. This Wisdom requires, for

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

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

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Let no strong drink of any kind <sup>be</sup> taken on Saturday nor on the Sabbath; save that which may be necessary for the Physicians to administer in case of sickness.

For on these days, I forbid that any of my people should use it, saith the Lord. And when those who are now sixty years of age, are all gathered into eternity, I will no longer suffer this to be used as common drink, in the Zion of my likenesse upon earth.

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

## Chapter II.

My decree and statute, saith the Holy one, as respects the use of swines flesh, and the fat thereof, amongst my people on earth.

It is the decree of your God in Heaven, as he has mentioned in his Laws, that his people shall in no way use swines fat or flesh, for food, amongst themselves, more than one half of what they have formerly been accustomed to use. And they that will not come to this, from this time henceforth, cannot inherit my blessing and protection. For strict obedience to my commands, in all things, do I require; for they are right, reasonable and just; and are given to bring about, and effect that work, which I do intend, shall be effected in my Zion; or I will surely visit the inhabitants thereof, with my judgments and sore displeasure, saith the Almighty power of Heaven and earth.

And unto all ye who are called, to oversee and provide in a temporal sense, for my peculiar people on the earth, see that ye do it according to my commands, and not pass them over lightly: for all such as do, will surely with my judgments be passed over heavily, and no hand, save the hand of their God, can help them. And I again repeat, to the inhabitants of my Zion, there is no time for souls to slumber and sleep in this day. And I give no time for souls to plead for indulgence to a carnal appetite, either in eating or drinking.

But listen, give ear, O ye people of Zion! and understand my word, saith the living God. Let none in Zion ever open their mouths, to plead for their own ways, or their own appetites, in respect to these things; for cursed shall he be in my sight, who runneth in his own way, and adheareth to his own plans. Crying out, I have no faith in this or that, these things never came from God, they are the inventions of man and of woman. For I say unto you, all power in Heaven and earth is mine; and my judgments shall begin at the thresholds of my Zion, in my chosen sanctuary, and they who disregard my word, and plead for indulgence to their own propensities, shall be the awful subjects of them.

Again do I, your Lord and God, repeat my statute unto you. All ye who are under sixty years of age, throughout my Zion on the earth, learn yourselves to subsist mostly upon my vegetable kingdom, and teach those who come after you, to do the same. Eat no swines flesh, oftener than once in twenty-four hours. nor flesh of any kind, oftener than twice a day.

But to the ancients of my Daughters children, I have respect, saith the Lord your God. I do only require them to be temperate in all things. And you that are young I do require that you should labor to make them comfortable, so far as my commandment goes

And unto all such as dwell amongst my people, whose duty it is to slaughter flesh for food, I say unto you, Take the life of every creature with the least possible pain: far better would it be for you, never to taste of flesh, than to exercise wanton cruelty, in taking the life of any creature, let them be never so small. For every such act of wanton cruelty, upon that which has animal life, has every soul yet to feel four fold, in the days of eternity, saith the Holy and just One.

Down ye high and lofty ones, that still stands in my Zion on the earth, and all ye that join hand in hand to administer weakness instead of strength, with blasphemy, deceit and lies, watch ye your days, as they come in, and as they go out; for darkness and judgment is in your skirts. And the blood of the in fan di re ha ren cryeth unto me, and I will avenge it in justice and in judgment upon the offender, saith the God of Heaven. And my days of forbearance shall not be prolonged; but my judgments and desolation shall be hastened. For I am wearied with a deceitful heart, and a lying tongue: and none shall appease mine anger. But the righteous, true and just shall save their own souls; and the rest, will I destroy with sore destruction and misery.

O ye that have, with De es te vac lar ca lon, been de fu-

le, *fi lac, and se cra vas*, Their awful roaring for a long time, hath reached my Throne, saith the God of Heaven; and my judgments shall go forth upon them. I will not slack my hand, neither will I pass them lightly by.

### Chapter III.

My decree and statute saith the God of Heaven, (May 23. in respect to the use of Tobacco, amongst my people, from this date, henceforth, for all who are under sixty years of age.

My commandment, <sup>Saith the Lord,</sup> is, that all the inhabitants of my Zion, under sixty years of age, from this time, henceforth, cease from the practice and habit of using tobacco, and teach those that come after them to do the same.

But if there is any individual case, that the Physicians really think, a little tobacco, used as a medicine would be profitable, it may be freely done.

And let none say, The Lord hath not done this. For I am the Lord your God, who watcheth

all your out-goings and in-comings, even to the lifting of your shoe latches. And all your hours of pain and pleasure do I behold, and closely view every cross you take up, to obey my word.

Have not your Parents taught you from the beginning, that I was a God of truth, and justice, and would plainly mark the way, wherein my people should walk, and set the bounds, that they might not pass over to their own hurt? Yea, saith the Lord, this I have promised, from the beginning; and this I will fulfill unto the end. And they that believe and keep my commandment, the same shall be accepted of me, and share daily of my protection and blessing.

And to all such as are over the age of sixty years, my commandment is, that those who desire to use Tobacco, may use it freely, but in a temperate manner. Those who desire to use it only in smoking, must not exceed six pipes full per day. And those of this class, who may choose both, to smoke and chew, must not smoke over three pipes full, nor chew over  $\frac{1}{2}$ <sup>an</sup> ounces per day. And those who choose to chew, and smoke not, must not exceed  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an ounce per day.

Thus saith the Lord God; I have now given you my commandment, respecting the three points herein mentioned, that my work might not close, and my commandments not be known, in respect to these things.

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The time has never come, since the second appearing of Christ, in your blessed Mother, untill now, for these things to be fully made known, and for my decree and statute to go forth, respecting them.

But these I have now sent forth, saith the Lord, by the hand of my servant William, to establish in union with my anointed on earth, for a perpetual statute and Law, for the inhabitants of my Zion, from this time henceforth, even forever; Unless repealed by the same Power, of my Almighty Hand, saith God.

End of the Roll.

### Chapter III.

O ye holy anointed of God, says Father William. This short, but weighty roll, I did receive from the Hands of God my Heavenly Father, saying, Take this Roll, my son William, and go to earth, and take unto thee an Instrument, and cause this my word, my decree and commandment, to be correctly written, that my holy anointed may behold and view it, and by their Wisdoms cause it to be established throughout my Zion, for a perpetual statute and a decree that altereth not, but by the same Almighty powerful hand which gave it. And let this be recorded



among their most sacred Laws, and statutes, which I have given them, and there sacredly kept from generation to generation, as a memorial of my divine Wisdom, in establishing this my commandment amongst my people.

Tell my holy anointed, that it is my Will, with their union, and approbation, that this be read, twice in each year, untill the year 1849; and then as often as it may be found necessary, that all who flock to Lion may understand this, which my mouth hath decreed.

Beloved Ministry and Elders, says Father William, God your Heavenly Father, does now call for a band of volunteers; free volunteers, such as will lay hold of the gospel plough with both hands, and enter the field of labor, without complaining or grumbling. Such as are willing and thankful to bid an everlasting farewell, and final adieu, according to the letter and spirit, of what is herein contained. Such as will do this, without saying, Our first-Parents allowed the use of these things, and I dont see why we must be deprived of them now, any more than they were.

Truly we did, says Father William, allow of them, for God did allow of them, <sup>and has allowed of them,</sup> untill the present day. But did we not tell you dear children, when we were upon earth, that God's work would increase in order and beauty,

from one degree to another, untill Zion should travel to the height of her glory upon earth? This many of you now living, can remember, says Father. God does his work in his own proper times and seasons. And I most solemnly warn every soul, says Father, to beware how they murmur and complain, because this, his commandment, has not been given before, or because he hath now seen fit to establish it unalterably. But remember the soul that is wise, will always be ready to receive and obey, whenever God shall see fit to give his commandment and establish his Law.

And to every free hearted and voluntary soul, that is under sixty years of age, who can come forward with a pleasant countenance, and a cheerful heart, and sign this covenant, of an Everlasting Farewell, according to the statement in the fore-going pages, I have the love of God, and of their blessed Mother Ctun for them.

And when they shall sign their names, freely and voluntarily to keep sacredly and teach those who may come after them to keep sacredly, all that is contained in the foregoing pages, I will place this love upon their heads, says Father William, never more to depart, while they remain true to their pledge.

And now into your hands, O beloved Ministry! do I submit this short, but weighty Roll with my everlasting love and blessing.

Father says that every one who signs this book, must do it of their own free will & choice; and let none ever be heard to say, that they did it because the rest did; for that will be mockery in the sight of God,

But Beloved, says Father, if there are any of our children <sup>who</sup> feel at heart, as tho' they could not come to what your Heavenly Father does here require, I say, mark that souls prosperity, from this time henceforth and ye will be able to see clearly, who they are that come up to the help of the Lord, in spirit & in truth; & who they are that report unfavourably to his cause, & administer weakness to their fellow travellers. For the one shall flourish & grow, & the other shall dwindle & die

No age nor class in the Zion of God, are prohibited from signing this book, if they really, at heart do count it a privilege. But the everlasting renunciation respecting strong drink, falls upon that class who are under sixty years of age, at the day of this date, never more in time to take it up, nor to seek after substitutes.

If there are any who cannot quench their thirst, with pure & wholesome water, or sweetened water, their appetites are depraved, & their thirst, is that which God, & their Heavenly Parents, can never again from this time henceforth, own, says Father William.

Your Heavenly Parents, beloved Ministry, bow low

in thanks to God, their Heavenly Father, that he, in his own wisdom, does now see fit, wholly to release the inhabitants of his Zion, from under that yoke of bondage and servitude under which they have for so many years been groaning.

Let all remember, says Father, that God requires his people, to understand, that the toleration herein given, respecting cider, or strong drink, only includes that number who are now, from the date of this Book, over sixty years of age. And just so, respecting the other restrictions. There is no allowance made for any, only those who are now of the age specified in the foregoing pages. This toleration will not be granted to others, after they arrive at the age of sixty years.

I wish, says Father Willicum all to understand, that this permission which God has given, in respect to the use of swines flesh, with the fat thereof, and the fat of other fed beasts, is only a permission, untill his Almighty power, thro' the order of his holy Anointed on earth, shall see fit to establish a further restriction. And his blessing of health to your bodies, and protection to your souls, will be in proportion to your exact obedience, says Father Willicum.

And I call upon all of you, my dear children to prepare yourselves in readiness to receive, (whenever the holy Anointed on earth shall see fit, <sup>in their wisdom</sup> to hand it forth) the word &

will of God, your Heavenly Father, respecting the use of animal food in the Lion of his likeness upon earth.

There may always be as many swine kept, as is necessary for the purpose of prudently saving the slops from your kitchens; and if we do not want their meat, it can be sold to the children of this world.

Let all of Zion's children understand, says Father, that it is the will of God, and his command unto all who are now under the age of sixty, that they should

cease from <sup>buying</sup> such things for their own consumption, which may as well be raised upon their own plantations; Such as tea, & coffe. But let all who have a desire to use drinks of this kind, with their victuals, & are under the age above specified, habituate themselves to use such things as they can raise upon their own soil,

This will be much more agreeable to the order of their protection & blessing in all things. Those who are now over the above <sup>mentioned</sup> age, may make a moderate use of bot tea & coffe, if they should have a strong desire so to do.

Beloved Ministry and Elders, says Father William, we now submit all these things, for you to try, upon that altar of wisdom, that God hath given you, before ye read it in the ears of the people, for wisdom is yours, to exercise in the fear of God.

In <sup>st</sup> Philemon Stewart.

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Olive Brown.

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Extract from a Word brought by Father William to the Ministry concerning judging the word of God, & the flesh of Swine Dec 26<sup>th</sup> 1841.

The following communication was given in a time when the Church was in great tribulation, and Father William made Intercession in their behalf at the Throne of God.

The Lord said unto me, William my servant, hear my word, be not too tender hearted and too merciful towards the Temple of Zion, for if I should now even now, speak one word unto them that they could not fully understand, they would not believe it was of God. And to prove them I will show thee

If I speak unto them saying, I will surely be your friend, and show you great mercy & loving kindness, if ye will hearken yet again to my word, and cleanse your hands & purify your hearts by coming to judgment, and wash away your sins by repentance, and then banish from your Temple from your tables, from your hands and from your hearts, that accursed thing which ye know is an abomination in my sight even the Flesh of Swine, for it has been cursed in my sight ever since the fall of man from his rectitude unto this day.



Now I say William, if I should send this word to the Temple they would stare & gape at each other & say, What meaneth it, I understand it not, It never came from God, it is not of God, It is the invention of some vain mortal, I believe it not, because I understand it not.

Many, yea, many are the things, O William my servant, that I send forth to earth, that are treated thus, & many times a great deal worse. The people do not once stop to consider that they know not the purposes of an Almighty God, and that all things sent forth from Heaven, are in the hands of ~~the~~ the Seel, to direct according to their best wisdom.

If they would always consider this, and would say O holy God, I judge not thy word nor work but submit myself in willing & cheerful obedience to my visible Seel to do the will of God made known thro' them, and patiently wait Gods time for the accomplishment of his work & the fulfilment of his word.

I say William, if the people had always felt in this wise, and professed a spirit of subjection to their visible Seel they would not have judged my work as many of them have; for I have not placed power to judge my work in the hands of any save the anointed Leaders in Israel.

Just as ever  
Dadson.

Extract from a Word written by the  
Guardian Angels of the Earth. Nov 26<sup>th</sup> 1871.

Firstly says the Angel, I will tell you a  
great work will be wrought in Zion before the gospel  
can spread abroad in the world. Those who dwell  
in Zion must first become pure & holy without  
and within. Nothing that defileth either without or  
within must be handled or touched in the inner  
court of Gods holy Temple.

Swines Flesh shall not be eaten in that day,  
for it is filthy & abominable in the sight of Heaven  
And God never intended his chosen people should  
glut themselves with the flesh of Swine.

It was never created for any purpose under  
Heaven but for food for the filthy Builders of Babel  
and as a lurking place & resort for the evil spirits  
of Hell to dwell in, and to be the abode of the  
fleshly lusts and gratification of sin, into which  
Adam by disobedience did fall, or of that fallen &  
corrupt nature to which all mankind are surely prone.

And the Holy Angel said O Holy God suffer  
me to make known on earth the word thou  
didst speak concerning swine, when thou didst  
behold the sin committed by Adam & Eve in  
the garden of Eden, and the Lord said  
write on whatsoever thou dost desire.

When the Lord did walk upon the earth, and beheld Adam & Eve in the gratification of sin, he looked upon all the beasts of his Creation & said, O Holy Wisdom on which of all these beasts shall I place the sin of filthiness & lust, which the image of my likeness hath committed on earth?

And Wisdom said, place the abomination on the Swine & they shall be as the sink of filthiness, unto thy chosen people, to all generations. They shall not offer them as offerings unto thee, neither shall they eat their flesh, for they shall be abominable in the sight of the Lord God forever.

And the Lord did look upon the swine and said, ye shall henceforth be as a cursed brute in my sight, & unclean in my eyes. I will feed you to the Demons of Hell, and make you a lurking place for unclean spirits to enter into, & nothing save the serpent shall be more cursed than you. You shall wallow in the mire & eat that which man doth loath and which is filthy in my sight, & ye shall be as an unclean beast before me.

Thus did the Lord speak unto the swine of his creation many ages ago. And this shall be for a sign unto you, before the gospel shall spread upon the earth, or even the Law & order of nature be received by man, Swines flesh shall be as

abominable in the eyes of the people of God, as the actual performance of gratification of lust!

But even as Lions children do have to travel day by day & step by step, the path & road of self-denial from the fathers corrupt propensities of sin, even so shall they travel from the earnest desire to handle & feed upon the flesh of swine.

But the time will come when it will be an abomination in the house of God, as really as the works of the flesh were an abomination in the eyes ears & hands of Gods people.

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A Word by the Holy Angel Corin ven juh  
to the Ministry and Trustees December 1<sup>st</sup> 1845.

It may be proper to remark that the following was written at a particular time of purging and purification in the Church, and a time of much fasting & prayer, preparatory to Holy Mother Wisdoms coming to visit us. At this peculiar time, the season for slaughtering the swine had arrived, and as those beasts seemed to be under the curse, as was signified in some inspired communications, a doubt arose as to slaying them. The Angel was therefore sent with a word concerning the matter.

Dec<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> at the hour of eleven in the forenoon  
 the holy Angel Gabriel was sent entered the room &  
 said to the writer, "I have come with a word from  
 your Almighty Father, in answer to the request of the  
 Spirited on earth. It is my desire to meet with  
 them in the P.M. and speak unto them the  
 word I have received."

At the hour of 3 The Ministers, Jonathan Wood  
 & Samantha Fairbanks, met agreeable to the request of  
 the Angel, after some speaking plainly showing that  
 Livid was defiled with sin, and in her present state  
 accursed of God; the Angel made known the will  
 of our Heavenly Father in regard to slaying the  
 swine and disposing of their meat as follows.

"Slay those beasts, but sell not the flesh thereof  
 as throwing away the blessing of God. Sell it not  
 except in small quantities according to your best  
 judgment. Do it not because of the heavy curse  
 the Lord hath pronounced upon you."

This is my word to you now even for the  
 present, that if possible I might lighten the burden  
 that rests upon you. Again I say resist not  
 the labour of your hands, prepare all the fat  
 according to your best wisdom in a manner  
 that it will be saved. Salt what is suitable  
 and the rest try for lard, that ye regret not

the work of your hands in the day of the blessing of your God, But that which cannot be cured and must be immediately used, freely give it unto those who know not the Lord as ye do, neither his blessing nor his cursing, and are not so near to God as ye are.

The message in which the foregoing is contained is lengthy & is recorded in Vol VIII page 167.

## Proclamation of Peace from the Throne of the Almighty Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> 1841.

O ye Holy Anointed in Zion ye Elders in Israel, ye stewards in my holy house, and ye little ones who have sorely sought to do my will, listen to my words. I see the body of the Church ready to lay down their lives and do any thing that I require to do my will. And since they are so willing to obey my word as far as wisdom will admit, I will speak and proclaim Peace, Quietness & an entire Rest for the present, from the confusion you have been in for several years past in regard to the use of some of your temporal blessings.

I say for several years past, for surely it is a long time since the contention & party spirit arose in Zion concerning Tea, Cider,

Tobacco &c. And a few years ago you greatly increased the confused scene, by hearkening to & running after the children of this world.

Say not all this confusion the Lord hath brought upon us, not so, you began it, & brought it upon yourselves. And altho I have indeed made known unto ~~my~~ the Lord & to the people my will & my word concerning animal food & many other things, yet I have never said my time had come that they should not be used among you.

I am not a God of haste, neither is my work unjust, & surely it would be grievous to me, to see my people throw away their hard earnings surely this thing I shall never command you to do.

Now I will give you ten years to run out the general use of swine among beavers, for I say my work in this thing is not hasty, & does not require trouble & distress in Lion, All that I have spoken concerning animal food tea, cider, tobacco &c will in my own time surely be accomplished without bringing trouble & distress on Lion.

I say again, put away all superstitious divisions, & be united and eat alike. Surely ye will not make much use of swines flesh more than four years longer in the Temple, and during that time, do be united. Reduce all your animal

food to that, that you can be prudent & saving  
of the blessings of God in all things as much as  
possible, And remember the word of your God  
you had much better eat the meat than to waite it  
Let all eat alike as far as your bodily health will  
admit, When you have a fast let all keep it,  
when you have meat let all eat it, and when you  
have not let all go without it.

God with my Holy blessing I seal this my  
word to the Holy anointed

For the full communication look to Vol 5<sup>th</sup> page 194.

A Short Word from Holy Mother to the Holy Anointed,  
Given at Wisdoms Valley, Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> 1826. Written, <sup>Holy Mount</sup> Feb 22. 1827.

O beloved and holy Anointed of Heaven, will ye listen  
once, this once more to the words of your Eternal wise Parent,  
says Mother Ann. For at an early hour, this morn, did she  
call me before her throne, & placing her cepter of love and  
mercy in my right hand, she said, O Ann, Thou Daugh-  
ter of my love, Why wilt thou not cease thy sorrow for Zion,  
& the Holy temple thereof, & cease to mourn for that  
which cannot be reclaimed? I answered & said, O Holy  
and Eternal wise Mother, thou knowest all things, thy  
ways are beauty & all thy paths are peace; but my paths  
are paved with sorrow, my cup is filled to the brim with  
grief & affliction, for my soul is rent day & night, from



the rising of the sun to the setting thereof, & from its setting, even until it riseth again, with the lamentations, the cries and supplications of my first-born, the Holy Anointed, and the faithful never tiring Elders of Zion. Why O Holy Mother, why must they as well as me, be bereft of the objects of their love, their care & affection, & why is Satan suffered, without trouble or fear, thus to disgrace me, & the holy work of my God, & the sacred order, which by thy wisdom has been established. — O holy holy Mother, my meat & my drink is gall and affliction, for I mourn with my children, I weep with my children, & the hearts of my faithful children, are even as my soul is. O what grief can be like the grief of a Mother! After I had ceased my lamentation, & in sorrow wept aloud, before my Holy wise Parent, she took me by the hand, & said, Go, O my lovely Daughter, to the vale of my love, where my Anointed are, take with thee this folded sheet & cause them to receive it from me, their Holy Mother, for I do consider their declining years, & the sorrows that weigh night & day upon their troubled spirits.

Words of Holy Mother to the Holy Anointed.

Arise and be comforted, O ye lovely ones of my choice, & let your spirits once more be cheered, for there are yet many little ones in whom I take delight, because they are true to you, & they take pleasure in the work of their Mother, & their souls will shine forth in my kingdom. Now what I wish you to receive, my beloved, is a solemn scene of the Prophet Isaiah

which he declared before the Almighty, of the 12 most holy Angels of Heaven, the first time the families assembled on the Holy Mount of his glory.

O righteous God of Heaven, I feel thy power descend, Thy holy spirit fills my soul, Thy hidden mysteries to declare. O Lord, could mortals hear my word, O see thy sacred truth unfold, They'd know indeed, they'd understand, the hidden truths that's treasures there. Thy people on thy holy ground have now assembled, there to bring, Their sacred offerings, pure and undefiled before thee. Behold, O God, the seed by Satan sown, among the good of precious wheat; I fear & tremble for I see in truth, some future days to come, now before me. I see grief, sorrow, pain, affliction, woe untold! Fast, fast preparing for the faithful souls in Zion. I see preditors' snare, the vile offender, seek his vengeance on thee, O righteous God, & promise with his chosen imps of darkness, To defile, pollute and mar, the chosen spot of thy appointing. He views again the sacred mark, by Holy Wisdom stamped upon her faithful children, & promises himself vast prey of these. And to this end he counsel takes, with all his imps of darkness, Bound in Hell, what measures to pursue, to best effect his purpose's. One on this wise, another one on that, declares, advises what is now to do. At length, Belzebub, wisest fiend of all, advises with much craft. He says, "Send forth a legion of thy vilest imps to watch o'er Zion, and where ever they find the smallest crevice in the sacred wall, of God's own building, there throw their darts, well dipped into the cup of vile abominations, which the Harlot Parent of creation, maketh all her children well to drink; This mixture well you know, 'Tis lust, pride, envy, malice, hatred strife, and what is worst of all, for Zion's children, disobedience & rebellion form the liquid which dissolves the mixture, and forms the mags of Zion's children's sorrows. If this they do, their arrows sure must strike, at many a harmless child, who now means nought but

God's pure will to do; And every one who chances to be hit, full well you know, unless the wound is quickly healed, by honestly confessing, word deed & thought, will soon become an easy prey, to thee, O Sovereign Prince of darknesses."

To this vile speech a free agent was given, by all the powers of darkness. Regions of vile imps were then sent forth, with orders not to spare a single soul in whom they could defuse the smallest seed of lust & vile rebellion."

And now O righteous God, for Zion's sake I mourn, but must this must this be, ye holy Angels who God's throne surround, I ask you is there not a remedy? I will, saith God stretch forth My hand of love in kind protection over Zion. But narrow, strait & certain is the path, that leads unto my kingdom. And few there be, e'en from the days of my blest Son who find this path, & make my way their own. But I'll send forth a bright & holy band, to guard my heritage, And all who will be may be saved from Satan's hand. For long I've promised a trying day, when all my children every one, should know grief woe and sorrow. I have fed them from my hand, with heavenly food. The treasures of my kingdom too I've given. I've sent my prophets to declare to them The days of darkness that would surely come upon them. And now I've sent my well beloved Son, to take up his abode, In Zion here to dwell, & be their guide, deliverer, Prince & friend. And woe unto the Judas that shall turn, and once more crucify my Holy Son. A never-ending woe, eternal Hell, shall be the boon that I'll bestow on such a one. I'll call the wandering spirits who have long in darkness slept, I'll send them to my Zion, there to learn my way, And thus to teach my little ones, a lesson of simplicity. I'll watch my Zion for her perfect good, And nought will I withhold to make her path delightful, & my way a pleasant way. So hear again, ye Angels that surround my throne, Again I do declare, that all who will be, may be saved from sin, & come into my kingdom, ever more to dwell.

Now says Holy Mother, I say again to the Holy Anointed, I send you this short word to be a comfort to your troubled spirits, that you may know, that tho' Satan has been at work with your little ones, God has also worked; & mark the word of your God, "All who will be may be saved, and you, nor the faithful Elders in Zion are not to blame for any one's giving themselves to the Devil.

And I wish you, O holy Anointed, to take the grief, the mourning and sorrow, from the Elders in Zion, & tell them to grieve <sup>no</sup> more for those who have sold their birth-right, and given themselves a free will offering to the Prince of darkness, but turn from their sorrow, to watch closely over the fold, and take delight in the little ones who are truly joined unto them. Clothe the Elders of the first Order of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Family with the peace love & blessing of their Holy Mother. And in my peace, my love & my blessing, fare ye well, says Holy Holy Mother.

Copy of a Short word of Love and warning, brought by Father William's meassage bearing Dove, to the Elders of the Church, Holy Mount, September 21<sup>st</sup> 1845.

O holy Anointed in Israel, & dearly beloved of my Father's house, will ye once more stop for a moment, & listen to the words of a kind and loving Parent; for my spirit is surely borne down with sorrow, & grief has overshadowed me. Time has been when I called the lambs,

and they heard & knew my voice; when I said come, and they quickly followed me.

But alas! I pass to & fro thro' out Zion's habitations, I call, but few hear, I entreat, but few come. Therefore it is, O dearly beloved, that I say, stop once more & hear my word. Why O why are so many found halting by the way? cav-  
eling, doubting, unbelieving, & finally in their very hearts, cursing the manifestation of God which was intended for an increase to the children of Zion!

Have the promises of God failed? has the humble obedient soul been cast out, or the righteous soul been given a prey to the adversary? I ask, have Zion's inhabitants suffered in one cause wherein they have been united as the heart of one man, and gone forth in willing reconciliation, to do the will of God, trusting in his holy power, & fully believing his righteous word? Search your records from beginning to end, & if you find one command of your God, that has been cheerfully & willingly obeyed, without costing strife, contention & party feelings among the rulers in Zion, that a blessing of prosperity has not attended, then I am not your Father.

But has a blessing ever been promised in any other line, save reconciliation one to another? O ye Rulers, ye Stewards in the house of God, when will ye learn to submit yourselves to the word of God, & the will of his Anointed? And finally I say, why will ye longer contend for the

swines flesh upon your tables, since the word of your God you have, and the will of the Anointed ye know?

And again I ask, (and be not offended with me,) Why do ye marvel at the darkness, doubting & unbelief of those who have as yet gained no mortification nor travel in the work of God? They see the very rulers in the house of Israel contend & cavel, & finally, because of a party spirit, delay to make any effort to fulfill the word of their God.

O that ye could know, as I know, the cause of the trouble in Zion! that ye could see as I see, the sorrow that awaits her. But dear Elders, do not grieve & sorrow too much. But I will grieve & sorrow for Zion, because she feareth, in any wise, to obey the word of her God.

A Communication against Tea, Tobacco, & other Stimulants  
Word of the Instrument

One day as I was about my work, I felt a spirit striving with me to this amount. "Will you take up your crop against your hot drinks of every description - against essences of every stimulating drink. - Tobacco in all its forms: for this is what stimulates the world, and it belongs to them. But my people must be stimulated by my spirit, which, if they are faithful, they will have in lieu of this. Deny thyself for once, for I do require this crop of thee, that thou mayest be filled with the true spirit."

I was faithful to my conviction, & to the requirement

of the good spirit, for one year or more; but feeling the cravings of my ungodly appetite, & but very few to strengthen me, I yielded back, and disobeyed my conviction. At length the same spirit began to arouse me again, and spoke to me as follows, "Look out that you are not numbered with that number who are indulging themselves in hot drinks, & in food to please the palate, for lust is stimulated thereby. You may observe for yourself, & see if it does not turn out so; that those who indulge themselves in this way, will be the most lustful class among Believers: for they foster their lust in this way, and in this way take their fleshly ease, and it will show itself in some way or other. Time will prove it."

You must be up and doing, be alive and awake; stir yourself & be getting away from this hateful ban. It clogs & hinders the soul's progress in the work of its redemption. So war this spirit out of your soul, & never give the conflict over, till this enemy is slain."

One day, on going into a place where I could indulge myself in these things, had it not been for my convictions; I had a sense of the holy Savior; & he said to me. "When I was upon earth, my meat & drink was to do the will of my heavenly Father, who was in heaven; and it is your privilege to labor for the same. So do not indulge your appetite, but be laboring to do up your work, and overcome your lost & fallen nature, now in the time

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allotted for you to do it." At another time, Mother spoke to me & said, "Let others walk in devious ways, in relation to their appetites, do you take up your cross, & do up your work for one.— It does not make it right, because it is practised by so many, after all that has been said about Believers concerning their appetites & passions, so as to be able to stand & set the world an example in this respect, & not be stumbling blocks in their way. For unless Believers can set an example in every good work, their preaching will have little effect. The world watch for an example, & if they do not find it, they are disappointed."

Mrs. Swan Hendal. Harvard.



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Time has been when I called the Lambs and  
they knew & heard my voice, when I said come and  
they quickly followed me. But alas! I pass to & fro  
throughout Zions habitation, I call but few hear,  
I entreat but few come. Therefore it is & dearly  
beloved, that I stop <sup>once</sup> once more and hear my word

Why & why are so many found halting by the way  
caviling, doubting, unbelieving, & finally in their very  
hearts cursing the manifestation of God which was  
intended for an increase to the children of Zion

Have the promises of God failed, has the hum-  
ble obedient soul failed, or the righteous soul been  
given a prey to the adversary? I ask, have Zions  
inhabitants suffered in one case wherein they  
have been united as the heart of one man and  
gone forth in true reconciliation to do the will of  
God, trusting in his holy power, & fully believing  
his word. Search your records from beginning

to end, and if you find one command of your God, that has been willingly and cheerfully obeyed, without costing strife, contention and party feelings among the rulers in Zion, that a blessing and prosperity has not attended them I am not your Father.

But has a blessing ever been promised in any other kind, save reconciliation one to another, O ye Rulers, ye Stewards in the house of God, when will ye learn to submit yourselves to the word of God, and the will of his anointed, and finally I say, why will ye longer contend for the Swines flesh upon your tables, since the word of your God ye have, & the will of his anointed ye know.

And again I ask, (and be not offended with me) Why do ye marvel at the darkness, doubting and unbelief of those who have as yet gained no mortification nor travail in the work of God, when they see the very rulers in the house of Israel contend & cavil, and finally because of a party spirit delay to make any effort to fulfill the word of their God.

What ye could know as I know the cause of the trouble in Zion that ye could see as I see the trouble that awaits her. But dare

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Elders do not grieve and sorrow to much, but I  
will grieve and sorrow for Zion, because she  
searcheth in any wise to obey the word of her God

Lest Anna Dodgson.

Part III  
Chapter I.

New Lebanon, May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1841. Sabbath evening.  
Father James's word to the Elders: by Father Williams request.

Dearlly beloved, says Father James, know ye not or believe ye not, that the present and rising generation have received sufficient, of the mercy, of the charity, and of the goodness of their Heavenly Father, to be able, now to receive the whole law of their God and obey it?

Surely, if they have not, Why is it? Has not God your Heavenly Father, extended his charity again and again, and lengthened his time, to send forth his word, or his whole Law, for a long time, and many times? And what can children ask for, or desire, more than Mothers children of the present and rising generation, have had, or received, to prepare them to keep and obey, the whole Law of the Lord their God.

Father's word was short, but he solemnly declared unto all present, that the time had really come, for God's chosen people, to receive the Law of their God, and that it was the full desire of all their Heavenly Parents, and had ever been the desire of their blessed Mother Ann, that this time should come.

And said Father, By the Holy Angel of God, shall the remaining word of the roll, of the Law of your God, be read, that it may be written; and I am to bear witness of the same. — O then give me of your love and blessing, that I may do the will of my God.

Father then kneeled and fervently prayed, and bowed many times very low saying, Surely I can, and indeed I will, pray for my Mother's dear children on earth. For the time of the Lord has come, and their God is truly ready, and O! may the hearts of his people, and my Mother's children, be prepared and ready.

## Chapter II.

Words of the Holy Trumpet-sounding Angel.

The Holy Angel now sounded his trumpet eight times, saying, O si lon, cash ten, je was ta, pre da ren, cam a se na, pri ren, est ta va. O hearken, hearken ye people yet again. For lo! I am one of the Trumpet-sounding Angels of God; I have come from the Heavens, with the holy word of the God of Truth, and this I am ready to sound, sound, and this I will continue to sound, and the ever righteous will of a just God, I will con-  
san re hen ta, unto the Holy anointed on earth, and unto the rulers and the watchmen in the house of Israel, and on the walls of Zion, untill the everlasting will, of the Great, and All wise God of Heaven, and earth, is fully known, and his Holy Law established throughout his Zion on earth.

This hath He, even the Holy One of the Eternal Throne, commanded me to do. So hear ye, for I am now ready, to

read aloud the word of the Almighty, and his Will, I am ready to make known, ~~and~~ his name, I am ready to publish, and in truth, his Holy Law, He himself, is ready to establish.

Now let the Holy chosen, even the anointed in Zion, rejoice and give thanks unto their Father in Heaven, for his ever-enduring love, and never-ending mercy, his divine charity, and forever watchful protection, for, and towards that peculiar part of his own Creation, which he has, from the beginning, purposed to claim as his chosen; and surely he has ever <sup>been</sup> determined that they should in full reality, serve Him, and Him alone.

Let the Ancients among the inhabitants of Zion, or those that are well stricken in years and with old age, yea even the generation that is swiftly passing by, be satisfied with the unbounded goodness of their Almighty Creator, and Heavenly Father unto them, and cast no reflections in any degree or manner whatever, that this blessed day, and time of their God, did not come ere this day, or before their lives were far spent, and their mental faculties or natural powers were so far exhausted, that the day of their strength to stand mighty against their enemies is past, and the evening of time had already come upon them. Let them lay down their lives in peace, with their God, as respects his word, which I am about to sound forth.



For lo! This time has never come untill now, and let no age marvel nor murmur, at this, but hastily prepare for it now. Let the strong man in his own way, now be strong in the way of his God. Let those that have <sup>ever</sup> been wise in their own eyes, now be wise in the sight of their God.

Finally, let the attentive eye behold, let the listening ear hear, let the wise understand, and let every heart readily receive, and freely obey, the Word & the Law, of the Lord their God.

## Chapter III

The Angel now opened the Roll, and read as follows.

O ye inhabitants of my earth, ye people of my name, ye indwellers of the house of Israel, and ye whom I have called and chosen, to be a people of my delight, my honor and my glory, in whom I could, and have placed my name forever, and unto whom I have given, and upon whom I have bestowed in heaped measures, in various manners, and indeed, in unnumbered portions, my unbounded blessings; and in due times and seasons, when in my own wisdom, I did consider the hearts of my people sufficiently prepared, I have sent forth my Holy Law, and made known my righteous Will. Yea even with my own hand, have I written the word, and with my own voice have I established my commands, and set my ordinances, that I might, without reserve, have the

have the honor of my own power, and the glory of my own work, and that my people might learn my holy way, and truly keep therein: that they might know my righteous Law, and safely walk thereby, daily doing my will with pleasure.

O then again hearken; Draw nigh and come near unto me your God, O my people; for surely I have come near, and still will continue to be near, and to come nigh unto you. For have I not ever, and repeatedly promised, to be your God, and that ye should be my people, yea even my chosen and peculiar people, over which my hand of plenty, and my arm of protection should ever be stayed, if, with your whole hearts, souls, might, mind and strength, ye would serve me, and would keep my just Laws, and obey my commandments, and would in no wise turn from me, to serve other Gods.

In truth, this promise I have made; and now hear my Word, but judge it not, O ye members of the house of Israel; for judgment belongeth to whom judgment is given. And know ye, O my people, that with my holy anointing, even that of my own preparing, have I anointed my chosen Lead, in my Zion on earth: and of my true knowledge and wisdom, have I given unto, and bestowed upon them, sufficient to enable them to judge my word and work for my people, after I, in my own wisdom, have sent it forth unto them.

So beware, O beware, how ye speak of the word, which ye are now called to listen to, to hear to receive, and to obey.

O my people, be ye no more hardened, by reason of my long extended forbearance; say not within yourselves, Surely we must have received the whole Law of Zion before this time; therefore our God must be at peace with us, for a season. But I say not so; the beginning of my Holy Law ye have received, and my Will ye know in many things. But the whole word of my just commands, for my chosen people on earth, concerning Animal food, and particularly the flesh of swine, that unclean beast, ye have never yet received saith the Lord.

Although in my infinite love, and tender concern for my own people, I did carefully mention and make known, my real desires in this matter, when I sent forth the many parts of my Holy Law, unto the inhabitants of my Zion on earth. And shall I, the God of all mercy, repeat again and again my desires, while my people are at the same time wanton and cruel, and still choose to remain so.

Indeed not so.

But now I, the Lord your God, do call upon you, my people, to consider well the word, which I sent unto you, by my proclaiming Angels, and that which my holy messengers, even your blessed and heavenly Parents, have handed forth unto you, and then hearken; for now

for now is my time come for a further and another Word of my Holy Law, even as it is written in my Eternal Book, which is now, and forever the same, saith the Eternal voice of everlasting justice, and the God of his own wise purposes.

But again I say hearken, all ye of every class and age, under the common age of man, which is stated at three score and ten or at least under the age of three score years, attentively hearken to the first word of my Holy Law which is this.

Let this season, among the rolling seasons of time, be the last that ye presume in any wise, to increase the servile trade at the slaughter house, for the sake of procuring the flesh of animals, to supply the tables, or satisfy the appetites of my people.

My Holy Law forbids, that from this present season, the burden bearers of, and in temporal matters, the dealers of outward things, or those that reside in the outward courts of my Zion, should in any manner, or by any means, spend or cause to be spent, their own hard earnings, or that of the people, to purchase animal food, for the sustenance and support of the inhabitants of my Zion, saith the Lord.

And again, saith that God, whose words are just, Make no trade, to increase your stock of cattle, for the purpose of supplying yourselves with the flesh.

of any animal, or animals whatever; and as far as lays in your power, avoid all dealings with the children of men, that will cause you to receive any animal food, <sup>whatever,</sup> from their hands. For how oft have I listened to the marvellous words, of the selfwise children of time, that know not, neither fear my holy name, both in serious earnestness, & in contempt & ridicule, concerning the constant, and excessive use of animal food, among my people, or among the great professors of my name.

Again, saith the Lord, my holy Law forbids, that the inhabitants of my Zion, set before each other the least morsel of this kind of food at the supper table. And I, the Lord your God, do solemnly declare unto all my people, that from this day forever, I utterly forbid, that my people of any class or age, should taste of the food which I have now forbidden, even animal food of any kind, upon the holy Sabbath: for that is a sacred day of my choice, and I have long been determined, that this day should be kept more according to my sacred will, in many respects, or I must inevitably pour forth my wrath, <sup>upon</sup> upon my own chosen people.

For indeed, again, and again, have I been tempted to send upon the inhabitants of my Zion, my chastening scourge, because of the sin, that has long been

increasing in the house of Israel, in respect to keeping sacred my holy Sabbath. So now, all my people, hear & understand, & presume not to defile my holy day, by partaking of, and feasting upon the flesh of brutes, saith the God of perfect purity.

But upon the six days of labour, my Holy Law and my just command, does not entirely forbid, the use of the flesh of the feeding herd, of the horned kine, nor of the shepherds flock at one, of either the breakfast or dinner table, while the ancients of my people, that have indeed now passed the age of seventy years remain in time.

Yea, unto the generation that is swiftly passing away with the scenes of time, I extend not my word at this time in regard to the above mentioned food: but when they are no more to be numbered in my Zion upon earth, then the word of my holy Law, my just & my righteous Law, will be equally the same, throughout my Zion below, saith God.

But again hear ye, for indeed, calmly have I spoken my word, and made known my will in regard to that part of animal food, which I can, in some degree, permit to be set upon the table of my people, once a day, if consistent with that which the real necessary stock you are required to keep, supplies you with.

But be it remembered, that there is to be no ~~more~~ provision made for more of

this kind of indulgence of the natural appetites of man, by purchase, trade or exchange in any manner.

This indeed, is the Word of your God.

And now what think ye, O my people, will be my word in regard to the flesh of swine, that filthy unclean & nasty beast; Were I only to say, that with my own voice, I had, from the beginning utterly pronounced it to be unclean in my sight, and never, even in the darkest and most polluted ages of my people, could I accept of an offering of this kind for an atonement, even for the most filthy abomination that ever defiled the Camps of Israel; and that my holy and perfect Law, has, from my first command, forbid my chosen people, to pollute themselves with it, (by even) tasting; and that it was cursed and abominable before me; and that from my eternal power, no soul of my chosen people has ever known me, the same holy God, to condescend to accept an offering from that day to this, of this kind; and never in any wise, have I changed with my people, my word concerning it.

Even if this word, and this alone, were all that I should speak at this time, it would be sufficient for the wise among my people, and indeed, in what age of my creation was there ever a class great or small, of my selected and peculiar chosen, that have not known the will and the Law of their God, in this one thing.

Therefore my calm words, and mild means, are fast becoming disturbed; and of a truth I can only say, O my people, my people, provide not this kind of food to supply your tables; for surely I, the Lord your God, never bid it to be sanctified or prepared for the use of my people, and never, never shall do it. My Holy Law forbids it, and the justice of my power will never permit me to allow my holy Temple on earth, in this great day of my unbounded mercy and goodness, love and kindness, to all classes of my people, to be any longer defiled, with this unclean and accursed part of animal food, saith the Almighty.

Again consider ye a moment, and reflect upon the repeated assurance, and boldness with which the haughty and rebellious, the vile and gainsaying Jews, pronounced even to this day, the justice of their reasons, for abstaining from the flesh of swine. Saying, "Our God forbid it, his Holy Law forbid it, our forefathers forbid it, and our fathers before us, dare not presume this thing. And why should we?"

Then O ye that dare proclaim my Holy Name, and eternal power, and sound aloud in the ears of man, the truth of my word, and the righteous justice of my judgments sent abroad upon the face of the earth, unto you I say, Beware how you deal with this my word; beware how you treat the power that hath sent



it forth unto you; tempt not me the Lord your God, to smite thee, nor thy beasts of this kind, with a grievous curse, because of willful disobedience, or, of a rebellious spirit of any kind, from or among the present or rising generation. For surely from this time, shall I withhold to my pleasure, and your sorrow, for a season, my protecting blessing, if ye still continue to plead for this indulgence of nature: for in my holy Book there is no permission for it to be sanctified unto me, or unto my chosen people. And how can I still longer hold my peace, while the vain children and idle worshippers of vain Gods, are witnessing to the truth of my word, and justice of my Holy Law, saith the God of all.

Hearken still longer, while I speak another word, of my righteous commands, for the good of the whole household of faith. For why should I, the Mighty God whose power is above all others, and whose true love unto his own people is never ending. And yea, why should I, an ever-protecting and All-merciful God and Father, again and again, and still again suffer those whom I have called and taken near to myself, to be my delight, my joy and my pleasure upon earth, to persist and daily indulge in that which is, in every sense of the word, displeasing and disgusting to me, <sup>yea</sup> and does in no wise add any

real strength of spirit, of soul, or of body to the inhabitants of my Zion, and the indwellers of my holy house upon earth, but can be termed and styled in no better form, than an absurd practice, and an intoxicating indulgence;

Even now is my word ready, concerning the use of Tobacco, among the rising generation. Truly saith the Lord your God, I would, that my people would learn to be wise, and indulge not in this way until I must pronounce by the justice of my righteous Law, my word in the full, or until I am tempted, to blast with a curse, the poisonous weed.

Surely, have I not already said that I would ~~not~~ by no means hold my peace, or cease to send forth <sup>the word of</sup> my Holy Law, unto the rulers of my people, so long as there was one remaining indulgence still persisted in, that was displeasing unto me, or did in any wise, hinder my free blessings from descending upon my people, of all classes and ages, according to their day and privilege, and their true faithfulness in my holy work on earth, saith the eternal God,

Of a truth, I did, and now do I say, My Holy Law forbids, that this intoxicating plant, be purchased by the chosen dealers of my people, for the use of smoking, chewing or snuffing, by or among the rising generation, throughout my Zion.

Again saith the Lord, Why should the blooming youth, or the strong man, in the house of the Lord, be willing or reconciled to become sottish benumbed or corrupted, and left to be defiled, and to defile, the Lion of the likeness of the Almighty, or why should I suffer this to be, by still allowing, entirely contrary to my own will, these corrupting indulgences of man: for I, the All-wise, and All-seeing God and Creator, can indeed, view them in no other form than this.

### Chapter III.

The Word and Law of the Lord, again repeated.

And now lest some of my people should say that they do not as yet, understand my Holy Law, or the word which I their merciful God in the truest of love, have now condescended to send unto them, I will again repeat it in short, but plain words.

Yea, thus, and thus have I written, as it is written in my Eternal word of the Holy Laws of my Lion. My Holy Law forbids, that my people purchase any kind of animal food, to supply their tables, or that ye increase your stock of cattle, or feeding flock for that purpose.

My Holy Law forbids, that ye set upon your supper table, any part, or sort, of this kind of food.

Also that ye taste not of it upon my holy Sabbath.

But for, and by reasons wisely listened to, my Holy Law does not forbid that while those of my people, that have now passed three score and ten years, remain in my Zion below, that if it is desired, the above mentioned can be prepared, for either the breakfast or dinner table, but not at both. And know ye, that when those of that age of my people, is past and gone, my whole Law is established, in and throughout my Zion below, which is, that the inhabitants thereof, make no use of Animal food.

But now, even at this time does my Holy Law forever forbid, the use of the flesh of swine, as supplying the table of my chosen people.

My Holy Law also forbids, that my people purchase the Tobacco plant, for the use of smoking, chewing or snuffing, by the rising generation.

This is the Word, and these are the Laws, written in my Holy Book saith Jehovah. And now O my people, I have dealt unto you, another part of my Sacred and Eternal word, my righteous and just commands, and my ever-lasting will and Law; which is mine, and mine alone. In and by my own Wisdom I have sent it forth, and I alone, have caused it to be written,

by mortal hand, that the inhabitants of my Zion on earth, might more fully learn, and desire to know the Will of their God above, and then delight to obey it.

Yea, even My Will, and my Law, will I cause in my own time, to be known and obeyed, by my peculiar people, saith the Great I AM, the everlasting Father of all.

The holy Angel now says, The word of this Roll is finished. Now hastily give it into the hands of the holy anointed, that it may reach the ears of the people, according to their Will, and as soon as they in their Wisdom see fit and proper.

## Chapter V.

A short word from Father James, respecting the foregoing Word, or the Word of the Law of God.

O Holy anointed on earth, O most dearly beloved Ministry and Elders, once more and again, has God our Heavenly Father, listened in mercy to our prayers, and in love, fully answered our desires, by sending forth unto you, still another word of his Holy Law, and everlasting Will; for surely your Heavenly Parents have, (as ye know by the word ye have received from them) long felt very anxious that their children on earth, might learn the Will of their God, in regard to all these indulgences

of nature, that long, and always, in a measure, have stained the house of Israel, and caused the inhabitants, or many of them, to be cast afar off, from their God.

And now, O beloved, receive with pleasure, and with true thankfulness, the word which is sent unto you, although it may add to your burden of tribulation a still greater degree, yet rejoice with us your parents above, and with us supplicate your Father in Heaven, to continue his Mercy and love, unto his people on earth.

So now in holy love, (unto every child of my Mother, that will freely receive the word of this Roll, and cheerfully obey it, in union with their Visible Head) I say farewell.

This Word is now entirely submitted unto you, O beloved; and to be handed unto the people according to your Wisdom.

In <sup>the</sup> Ada<sup>h</sup> Zilah Potter.

A Short Communication from Mother Lucy  
to the Ministry. New Lebanon, June 19<sup>th</sup> 1841.

Saturday Morning.

O Beloved Ministry; O ye holy anointed of your

God, you anointed of your Heavenly Father, to go before, to watch over, to protect, to lead, to guard and to guide, by, and through that Holy and true Wisdom which ye have received (even from the eternal Fountain,) His chosen people in his holy way according to his divine Will, so far as he has made it known, through your blessed Mother Ann, through, or by the holy Angels, or any of your heavenly Parents; yea or even in any other way of his choice unto you.

Once more, in pure love unto you, have I, your true friend, come to comfort you with a short word from your ever blessed Mother Ann; I say comfort you, for truly I <sup>expect</sup> ~~expect~~ the least or the shortest word that can be handed unto you from such a parent, at all times serves to comfort and strengthen you, in the heavy tribulation that is upon you, and daily awaits you.

It is not only the word of your precious Mother Ann, that I have brought at this time, but she has sent unto you a short word, or the word of a Roll, which she herself has received from God, the righteous Judge, and Father of all. O my beloved, it is in answer to your often repeated prayers that your blessed Mother has sent this word unto you, and she says it was in answer to her many and incessant supplications that she did receive it.

Mother Lucy now gave the Roll to the Ministry, and leaving her love and blessing <sup>with them</sup>, she departed: but about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, she was again seen with five Holy Angels, passing around and sounding very softly these words. Cla ren, de sem a va, von set vi no, O le, Lin de van, vas ka, ju vaki na. Prepare O holy anointed, for the word which your blessed Mother hath sent unto you: for lo! she saith the prayers of my well beloved I have heard, and surely they shall be answered.

One of the five angels then took the Roll, and waving it over the heads of the Ministry, and placing it upon the latch of the door at their workshop, said to the other four, — "This latch has of late been raised, and hastily too, for the word of a justly provoked God to be handed forth, unto his holy Chosen and Anointed Lead upon earth, at a moment when his vengeance was awakened, and his anger kindled towards or against his own peculiar and chosen people, yea even the inhabitants of his Lion below, because of their excessive extravagance, intemperance, yea, and repeated indulgences, in many things that have long tempted Him to visit even His own people, in judgment instead of mercy. And now, even before the going down of the sun, will



I assuredly read aloud, that these, the chosen vessels of the God of Heaven, may hear the word of this Roll, for in very truth, it is the word of that same Holy and All-wise God; and indeed, in mercy towards his beloved, has he sent forth still again his word, at the desire of their ever blessed and worthy Parents.

The Angel then gave the Roll to Mother Lucy, saying, "Seek for thyself means whereby the word on the wrapper of this Roll can be read, for that is the word of Mother Ann unto the Beloved Ministry of which you made mention in the morning unto them."

Mother then provided a way for the wrapper to be taken off, and copied by an Instrument of her own choice saying to the same, "I have in my hand, a short, but hasty word, from blessed Mother Ann, to the first chosen Lead upon earth, and you must immediately comply with my request, and obey my word, which is to copy the word of this wrapper firstly, and then will the Angel Visen us, read for you the Roll, which is the word of your God, the Holy and Eternal One.

Mother Ann's word to the Ministry, written upon the wrapper of the Roll of the word of mercy, which she did receive from God, her Heavenly Father, and has now sent it unto the beloved Ministry.

June 19<sup>th</sup> 1741. Friday Evening.

The word of a still

kind and true Parent in the mansions above, unto her most dearly beloved on earth.

O ye anointed of my God, ye chosen of my Father, hearken once more to my word unto you, for lo! my spirit is troubled, my soul is weighed down with grief, because of the vain murmurings, and unwise judgings of my dearly beloved children, (with whom I have daily walked in tribulation, for a lengthy season,) concerning the word, and the doings of the God of Heaven, my Holy Father of justice. O ye, beloved, truly, your Mother speaketh and writeth unto you, for very reason of sorrow this time; and O why is it, or what can be the cause, ye will say: but listen a moment and ye shall know in part.

Surely, surely it is because of the bitter and grievous tidings which have for a few days past been echoing through the sounding trumpets of my mansion, or at least, since the communication of Father William and others, together with the Roll of the word or holy Law of my God was sounded in the ears of some of my children: but of that solemn warning and word of truth, I shall say but little now, but my grief is great concerning it: for assuredly I learn, that some of my children fear to believe (or to obey) and presume to say, they know not, in reality, whether it be the

Word and Will of their God or not. To such I have only to say, beware O my children, beware how ye even harbor these things in your hearts; O take heed to your words and your ways, while yet the merciful hand of the Almighty is still extended towards you, while the days of mercy, (altho they are few,) are still to be numbered on earth, and before the days, (which will be many,) of severe judgement come upon you; when you will indeed be compelled to believe, and forced to obey.

But unto you, O my beloved ones, I say now, Know ye not, that repeated, and unnumbered are the times, that I, your Mother, and all your heavenly Parents in union with me, have, through almost or quite every Instrument of mortal clay, that we have caused to speak or write our word, plainly said, <sup>at all times</sup> and desired the same to be remembered and obeyed in all circumstances; that whatever was sent or handed forth from the mansions above, was to be wholly submitted unto you, and that it was to be sounded in the hearing of my children far or near, or both, just as, how, and when you see and thought proper; and not, may not until you, the anointed of Heaven, <sup>on</sup> and earth, had so sufficiently perused it, as to gain a full understanding, and did really, in your best judgement and true Wisdom, consider it a reasonable word, for the people to receive, or to have knowledge of, believing they were suitably prepared and ready?

This I ask for your consideration, and I think you will very readily say, Yea Mother, that has ever been the request unto us, from all our heavenly Parents, from the spirits sent forth at their word, and from the Holy Angels above. O then, my most dearly beloved, marvel not at the grief of your Mother; O nay, marvel not, when ye hear that your Parents above, wade deep in sorrow, for are not your own sorrows increasing daily, and is not your tribulation heavy? Indeed, I know it is, and ye may ever know that your sorrow is your Mother's sorrow, your grief is your Mother's grief, your tribulation is <sup>also</sup> your Mother's, and your joy, your comfort, and your peace is your Mother's at all times.

O dear children, remember ye this, while I again request of you, (just to relieve the grief of my spirit,) to carefully receive, and hold as your own, all that shall be sent unto you, from the heavens above, either for yourselves, or any part, or number of the house of Israel. Judge of all that ye receive, with that true and well-tried judgement which you have received from the eternal source of truth, (and not with the judgement of the natural man.) And with that Holy Wisdom which has been given you from above, deal it out, — sound it forth, and proclaim it to the

people. Hear ye this, and understand. O yea in like manner do ye with my word, and with every word of your God, and suffer it not again to reach the ears of any part of the inhabitants of Zion, until true Wisdom speaks its time, and that Zion is ready.

But let mortals know, that Gods time is not their time, and let all my children on earth know, that their time is not always the time of their Heavenly Father. And O! surely I would to my God that all would take warning at the sound of judgement, and come at the call of mercy.

I must now close this short word, with my everlasting love and blessing; and within this wrapper, I will seal a very small Roll, that I did receive from the Throne of my God, in answer to my fervent prayers. And know ye, O my beloved, that as I have often told you, that of all which is given me, by my Heavenly Father, ye shall share; and of that which I receive will I impart unto you freely, and what more will ye ask, or what more can I do.

O beloved Ones, when I listened to that word of God, your Holy Father, (which has of late been presented unto you,) while it was read by the Holy Angel unto me, I truly did bow my whole spirit in submission to the Will of my God, humbly acknowledging the solemn truth of His

word, the justice of his power, and the All-wise means by which he had proposed to make known His righteous Will, and proclaim His holy Law to the people, my soul was filled with unspeakable thankfulness for his everlasting love and unbounded mercy unto my dear children on earth. I greatly rejoiced that my Well-beloved could receive the sacred word and Holy Law of their God, for His people, while they were fully able to judge aright of it, and to wisely hand it forth.

But alas! how was my joy turned to mourning, and my cheered spirit become sad with grief, when I learned that the people were the immediate judges and as it were, each one according to their <sup>own</sup> desires, and that it did not root with you. Or a greater cause of my sorrow, was, that after all the repeated blessings of a merciful God, His people were not ready. But now I have only this much to say; that all my children may readily rely on the truth of the word of their God, for surely each soul will find it verified in full, and will yet be obliged to acknowledge His mercy, even while his just judgements are swiftly rolling. Then, and I fear not until then, all will be ready to say as I now say; that I know not the works of my Father, before me, neither am I judge of it.

In one of my hours of grief, and supplication, an Angel handed me the word which I now send unto you; saying, O le sil va van, thou hast prayed to thy God, and here is thine answer. Now when the prayers of the anointed of earth reach thy spirit, send the same unto them: So beloved, this I have now done. \_\_\_\_\_

The word of a very short Roll, which was brought by an Angel to Mother Ann, from God, the Holy and Eternal One; June 17<sup>th</sup> 1844. On the 18<sup>th</sup> it was sent from Mother Ann to the Ministry, by Mother Lucy; and copied at her word, on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

One of the five Angels now opened the Roll, and read as follows.

O thou chosen of my name, thou Mother of the living, and of the New Creation, prepare thy spirit, to receive yet again the word of thy God, thy just God: for lo! in mine anger have I spoken my word, and in my fury have I sent it forth unto my chosen anointed on earth, that my people might once more be warned, of the day of my bitter vengeance, and the hour of my wrath, and that the inhabitants of my Zion might have sufficient trial of their true love, and perfect subordination unto the will of their God; surely that I might thoroughly prove them, have I made known my will in full, and sent unto them my Holy Law. But indeed, to my great displeasure,

even the mighty and valiant among my chosen people, (and thy dear children in my Zion below, who have of late so readily received my many messengers with heaped and unnumbered measures of blessing and good things from my Kingdom above,) at the moment when my solemn word, of my righteous Will, was sounded forth unto them, fled from before me, and shrunk at the sound of my name. Yea, truly, those that have daily called upon me in times of my tender care and protection, now seemingly fear to own my name, or listen to the sound of my voice, or come at my bidding.

Therefore, have I, the God of Eternal justice, determined to withdraw my ready hand filled with mercy, for a season, from my chosen people. I will indeed measure unto them equally with many of the inhabitants of my earth, that know not my Holy Name, therefore, neither fear nor scorn it; Yea even with those that know not my mercy, and indeed have never provoked me to anger, as many of my own people have. In my justice I will now deal equal. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and upon whom I will, shall my mighty indignation be poured forth, even without reserve to land or people, rich or poor, bond or free, master or servant, will I stretch



forth my rod of No la, ten trench quen, of pre ven da, and none shall escape, but all shall know, and own, that I am God of my own Throze, and master of my own work, that of <sup>truth</sup> I do my own will, and not the will of my creatures.

Then shall it be, that even my own people shall weep and not be soothed, shall mourn and not be cheered, shall bow low as the dust and not be noticed; shall many times ask before they are answered; even so shall it be for a season, and at times among thy chosen ones, and thy children on earth, saith your God. Yea indeed so shall it be suffered to be, in various measures, until thy children, and thy children's children, do in full reality, prepare to learn, and desire to obey my will, and will in no wise, presume to deny me, or to turn their hearts against me; for assuredly, even before this generation passeth away, I will cause (either in mercy or judgement,) every soul of my people to own and obey the word of my righteous Law. Yea they shall delight to do my will, and keep my commandments with pleasure, praising my Holy Name.

O then, thou Mother of tribulation, and Parent of sorrow, mourn no more for thy children, but be comforted; sorrow no more, and be troubled no more; for truly I, the Lord your God, will without fail, turn the hearts of

my people to truly seek me, and willingly obey and serve me and me alone. They shall no more murmur because of fear of oppression, for I will humble the proud, and bring low the haughty among them, and they that trust in their own knowledge, the same shall be confounded and put to shame.

I will by no means alter my purposes nor change my word, neither will I cease to send it forth unto you my people; but as I have promised, surely I will fulfill, and as I have not withheld my measure of blessing and mercy, and words of my peace, in the days of my peace, so I will not withhold my chastening words, in the days of mine anger; and indeed I am not a God of such injustice, neither am I a God of mere trifles.

The days of my promising are fast passing by, and the time of my fulfilling is near at hand. I will continue to make known my will unto mine anointed, on earth, until my whole Law is written before them; and as I have caused mine Angels to write, unto you, and as I have with my own hand previously written, unto them, so again I write; that from my chosen ones, ye even from the word of their mouths, shall my people receive my Holy Law, and learn my righteous will. Unto them will I continue to send my word, and they alone, are to judge it; with them

have I placed it, and they alone are to handle it; and in their time, and by their desire, and through their Wisdom, shall the people have knowledge of the same.

Let this my word unto thee, O Daughter of Zion, ever be remembered and obeyed, both in the Mansions of my Kingdom above, and in my Zion below; that the inhabitants thereof, are not to be judges and dealers of the sacred word which has, <sup>been</sup> or shall hereafter be sent unto them.

But unto such as have set aside, that which has already reached their ears, and put afar off the day of their willing submission, and have not listened to my word of mercy, my powerful hand of justice; in judgement will cause them (to hastily) obey; yea even the righteous among my people shall fear and tremble because of my terrible doings, among the nations far and near, and Zion will in no wise, escape a portion of my wrath, saith the Eternal God.

Now have I hastily written unto thee, thou chosen one, and now hearken unto the word of thy God, and shortly send this short Roll unto the anointed of earth, that they may indeed know, that in truth they have received a very small portion of the Word, Will, and sacred Law of their God, and that it has been sent unto them just according to the times and

seasons of the Heavens, and the Eternal power of the Almighty Creator; and according to the same divine Wisdom through the holy anointed on earth, will it yet be received and obeyed through out Zion; and in no other line than this, will I, the God of Heaven and earth, suffer it to be received.

The end of the Roll.

The Angel then sealed again the Roll, and handed unto the writer a short note which was Mother Ann's word again to the Ministry. —————

Most Dearly Beloved Ministry,

I am still your Mother, your loving Mother. With you I have felt sore tribulation for some days past, in regard to the word which ye have received of late; not that ye have received it, I rejoice at that; but as a kind Parent, I would advise you to leave it, and let it rest untill you have returned to Lebanon, from your lengthy journey: for I think your heavy burden at present, quite sufficient for you to bear.

And O remember from me, that when the time should come for the people to take a further step into the Holy Law of their God, let it be, by and through your immediate judgement and

wisdom: but remember again, my last words now, are these.

The will of my God, is my will: and the Law of my God, is my Law: the word of my God is Truth, and Wisdom; His requirements are just, and His power I cannot judge.

From your Mother, in everlasting Love.

Just Ad<sup>is</sup>zilah Potter

Recorded March 7<sup>th</sup> 1842.

Words of <sup>the</sup> Heavenly Father, and Holy Mother Wisdom, to the Beloved Ministry. Written by Father William, September 19<sup>th</sup> 1841.

O how beloved holy anointed Land upon earth; Land O land, and vester land, a listening ear, and hear the words of your Heavenly Father and Holy Mother: for we are your Father and Mother, and ye are our lovely children; therefore like a Parent will I speak unto you. Know ye little ones, I have seen your tribulation, your sorrow and grief, and I have mourned and wept with you, and with you I have rejoiced. Yea, your sorrow is my sorrow, and your joy is my joy. Therefore be ye assured, your Heavenly Father knoweth all things.

Ye beloved, I know the burden you have to bear is great and weighty, and the paths ye daily walk in are straight and narrow, paved with tribulation.

Yea says Father and Mother we know that this late mani-

festation, has caused you many hours of deep tribulation; for the work has been great and wonderful. Yea many extraordinary events have taken place that man or woman, little thought of. But there will yet as wonderful things come to pass as has been; for this is my work, the work of God.

Dearlly beloved, many things I have caused to be made known unto you, that you in your Wisdom might judge and direct: many ye have understood, and some ye have not.

Many times I have seen your spirits bowed very low, in supplication to me, your God, for strength knowledge and wisdom to know my will and do it: for ye have had trying scenes to meet with, that would wear and bear upon the body; and at times ye could neither rest night or day but were in prayer to me. Then, O then beloved, I have stretched forth my arm of protection, wisdom, strength and knowledge, to lead and direct you in the right way.

And I gave you strength and power to know what to do: therefore know ye beloved, ye have done my will. The will of God has been done thus far, in relation to my work: but my work is not near done; it is a progressive work, and will go on.

O dearlly beloved, I have caused my word to be written to you at this time, because I know your troubles. Truly I have caused my word and will to be sounded forth upon earth, unto you, time and times, precept upon precept,

line upon line: And my will is your will, and your will is mine. Therefore beloved, I say, be not cast down, but be ye comforted. I am a God of charity, forbearance and long sufferings. Neither did I say that my word and my works would be fulfilled that I have given you, in relation to eating and drinking, in one, two, three or more years. I did not state any time; but time time time and times will prove my works.

But beloved, know ye the time has not come for this work to be wholly accomplished, but the time will come. But there is yet a great work to be done, and many foaming billows will round you roll. Yea I shall sound my trumpet and call from hence, many that are now among you.

Dearly beloved, I will tell you the cause of my sounding my Trumpet upon earth, as I did, and when I did. It was, so that the young and rising generation that are in my Zion, may hear, hearken and obey: for it will not be long, before all Mother's faithful first born children will be called home: and it is not my will, nor has not been from the beginning, that those that have spent their lives in upbuilding this Zion, and gave up all for the gospel's sake, and whose days upon earth are but few, should be deprived of any earthly thing, that will be any comfort to them.

But my word is true and sure; and the young that have heard and do not obey them will displease me, their Heavenly Father.

For my word is to stand through ages and ages; and many there are, that have not yet heard the sound of my gospel, who will flock to Zion, from the East, West, North and South, to hear and learn the will of God. Therefore, beloved, it is my desire that the young would have it implanted in their hearts; Yea, my will and my word, that they may have it to learn to others.

O beloved ones, I have not spoken my word because I was not satisfied, or because I thought you did not know my Will: but it was because I felt very sorry for you, for I knew your burdens were greater than you felt able to bear. I know of many things that bear you down; therefore my word I have brought, on purpose to comfort you. Know ye, you have done well; you have done my will, ye faithful servants of the Lord.

Prep on, prep on, for ye will surely have your rewards.

O ye faithful lovely few, I<sup>(1)</sup> now have come to comfort you;  
And unto you I now have brought, a de le van, a viney too.  
It is a robe pure lilly white, brighter far, far brighter than the sun,  
That you have earned my chosen ones, by that which I your God does know.

(2)

And I will not delay the time, but unto you my word will speak  
For I have many words to say, that I believe you'll love to hear.  
And O beloved know ye this, your Father's and your Mother's word is this,  
I've chosen you to be the dead, and my anointed holy ones.

(3)

And unto you, My Law, my word, my will I give,



And pour my blessing, strength and knowledge too.

That ye may know my will to do, And Ha ra zan will help you thro.

And unto you my love I give, My lovely, lovely, lovely few.

(4.)

O ye are mine, my faithful, holy chosen ones.

That's borne the cross the self-denying cross of Christ

And washed your garments white in low humiliation

And truly too, you all do know the way of tribulation

(5)

And unto me your knees have bent and prayed,

O Lord my God do hear my supplication

Know ye I've heard your prayers and lamentations too

While on your bending knees I've wiped the tears from you.

(6)

And many times have by you stood and stretch'd my arm o'er you,

And ye have kept the judgements too, from off my children here.

And true it is I have begun my judgements here below,

That when your work on earth is done I do la ten for near.

(7)

Be ye prepared my holy ones, my trumpet ye may hear,

For I shall call and call aloud, till one I've call'd from you

And then I shall not cease to sound my trumpet through the land.

But loudly loudly it will sound till many I have called home.

(8)

But O beloved, mark my word, some of you will live to see,

The day wherein the Church will stand  
In perfect order, and completed it will be.  
Yea after that, there will be a great increase.  
And many there will be, their spirits will separate and flee.  
But that beloved, none of you will live to see.

But those that are left upon earth, tribulation like foaming billows around them will roll, and they will not have wherewith to receive continually from the world of spirits, as my Zion upon earth now does: Therefore it is my desire, that all that has been received might be treasured up, and laid up against time of need.

O my beloved, this is my own word to you; Yea I have written unto you, to comfort you. Therefore be ye comforted, and go ye on your way rejoicing; remembering there is a long eternity; and it will not be long, before I shall call you all to dwell with me. Yea all the heavenly host will rejoice to make you welcome; and I shall say to you, come in welcome, ye faithful servants of mine. Your work on earth is done, faithfully done; enter ye into the joy of your Lord, and take your rest.

O ye beloved leaders in Zion, receive ye my everlasting thanks for your faithful labors, and for the many hours ye have spent, in hearing my word and will, and for doing it, for ye have been a great comfort to me.

Now receive ye my love, love, and give of the same, to

the beloved Elders, for they have a great deal to feel, and many crosses to take up. They are children of my love, and I want them to receive my love. — I have nothing more to speak; my word is ended at this time. So fare ye well, O holy, holy, Lead.

Holy Mother Wisdom has words to speak.

O my dear little children, ye four lovely ones of mine: through tribulation ye have passed, for me your Mother's. Ye beloved ones, ye have seen to my work, and it has gone on, according to my mind. I feel perfectly satisfied, and to you I return my hearty and sincere thanks, for I know it has brought a very heavy burden upon you.

Now beloved, I give to you my everlasting, holy and pure love. Freely receive it, and keep it to comfort you, in the hours of tribulation; and if you feel so to do, freely give of the same to the beloved Elders, for I know they will be pleased with it. So in my love, I bid you farewell.

Words of Father William to the Ministry.

According to the will of my Heavenly Father, and Holy Mother, I have attended in the solemn fear of God, to the writing of their word, and according to their desire it has been done. And when my Heavenly Father made known to me his will, I then fell upon my knees, and said, "O Heavenly Father, thy will, not mine be done: but there is one thing that I desire; that is, may I send the Anthem, entitled Permanent Pillar of Zion, to Elder Ebenezer?"

I was answered, "Freely and willingly, thou mayest do it."

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### Permanent Pillar of Zion.

O thou permanent pillar of Zion, ye faithful child of your Mother, with pleasure I behold thee, and with joy will I meet thee, and truly will I make thee welcome to come and dwell with me, when thy work on earth is closed, for thou hast borne a heavy burden indeed. And look, behold and see, what a beautiful crown thou hast truly won, my faithful, lovely, pretty child. Yea I have prepared a beautiful mansion, for a child of my love love love, en-a-va-my, O to heaven now, on thy holy wings ye will soar away, into the heavenly realms above, where with holy Angels your soul can unite, and sing heavenly praises to God and your King. Yea you can rejoice with your Mother in love, O love se na wa na, my Mother I love, O love se na wa na, my Mother loves me.

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This is all I was bid to do. I have done the work of my Heavenly Father; so in my love, I bid you farewell.

