

sermon was the ^{only} invitation to accept the
proffered salvation Margaret I could write an argu-
ment subject of his moving but this
it seems that my ideas are
so extended and elevated
that language has no power
to express them and the
little that I can command
is as nothing to the thoughts
that can be indulged in
this magnificent subject.
There is a great deal in the
man or shall I say God seems
to speak more powerfully ~~than~~
through some of his agents
than by others when pre-
sented through seemingly humble
vehicles high high above the
flow - we feel as if our
Heaven had chosen this par-
ticular one as a planed -
among the other stars -
were you here Margaret
I could not give you
my sentiments as I wish
much to write them so
I will leave this subject
with God's blessing on us all
and forever more. Pa
is well and doing well he
and Charles are talking up
stairs so I send their love
this Emma for me and accept
your best wishes for yourself
I thought perhaps you
had your hand with
you but still my poor
at - after coming with
for the present
good bye
in memory Eliza
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busy I naturally enquired if you was going in the
country the following ^{day} receiving an affirmative answer
I "taking for granted" the country meant Whit Plains
reported accordingly. I spent Friday evening with
Sarah and being much fatigued thought a billet-
deux sent by Charles would be even more acceptable
than one by Mary. it was my intention to appear
very unconcerned relative to a note and make
call as usual the next day; you may possibly
imagine my surprise when Pa told ^{me} Saturday
afternoon that Thuntingson was your destination
I purposed writing the following Monday but was
too much engaged with household affairs and
indeed have been ever since. last week I preserved
Plums & green Gages, one day was devoted to cleaning
the cellar, kitchen, and girls bedrooms by the way
we are to have a girl but I will relate particulars
when you come back. Maggie you may know
with these extras beside my ordinary duties

that my time was all occupied leaving none for pleasure. I cannot find out how long your thing of staying or any thing else relative to your present jaunt. I will write however with the expectation of receiving a speedy answer if you do not return this week. I will go back unto the time you left and give you what little information I can of our family and friends Sarah is moved and has been without a girl ever since they have an increase in their family in the shape of a young man as little Biddy is crops I has commenced weaning her I hope she will succeed Margaret do you know I think I is in the way that Biddy ought to have been weaned before now, remember I am not sure, and would wish this thought considered confidential if this is the case you will allow me to say "poor Sarah" and not laugh much either, wont you? our relatives are all in good health (or were when I heard last) with the exception of Louise Michaels and she is doing well as can be hoped after the birth of a dead infant which occurred Saturday morning last it was much sooner than expected but the Physician pronounced it "eight months" and had been dead two weeks Maggie if you recollect these circumstances are the same precisely as took place last year within one week of the exact time this is a coincidence for you. Isabella is at White Plains and expect will remain some time yet Charles ~~went~~ ^{went} up on Saturday and returned Tuesday he talks of going again tomorrow they are to attend camp meeting in the afternoon Friday is appointed for a party to the flats and Saturday to Belle are going to Mr. Horton

Alf went up Sunday and came home Monday morning the friends at the Plains are all well. Margaret I think it was well that you did not go there as Mr. Horton had a lady nurse & child (the husband Sundays) there for some weeks they have left now. "it is always good to have something coming" and that visit is to come yet. Sunday Aug 18th Amanda went to church with me, we had Mr. Tyng, from Brooklyn preach for us, a good sermon but rather lengthy, his text was "and he went on his way rejoicing" you recollect it is where the Ethiopian eunuch was returning from Jerusalem and Phillip baptised him. in the afternoon I went with Mrs. Smith we were going to Grace Church when we got there it was closed and we directed our steps to the "Assension" and there we found admittance and I considered the evening extremely fortunate the church is apparently a rich one and there may be much pride in the people but I felt as if in a temple of the living God and indeed as in his presence listening to words direct from him through so humble an instrument as man, this messenger of peace chosen to fill a station so high is the son of the late Dr. Kedell of Philadelphia Margaret the service was the same as at St. Stephens with the addition of a prayer in the pulpit before the sermon and I thought that prayer was answered the text I do not know but the sermon may I never forget there ^{was} a depth ^{warmth} that spoke to the heart nor was I alone in feeling this for I saw more than one eye dampened with drops that would have been restrained if possible and hope that more than one heart was lastingly impressed. the subject of this

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My respects to Mrs
Tweed and family to
Mrs Brush & Rogers
My paper is entirely
to small. Adieu