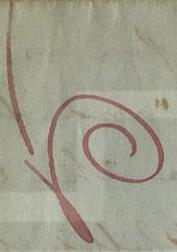


that my time was all occupied leaving none for pleasure. I cannot find out how long your thing of staying or any thing else relative to your present jaunt I will write however with the expectation of receiving a speedy answer if you do not return this week. I will go back unto the time you left and give 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 dear little Biddy is cross 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 in 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 Boston

Ally 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 Boston had a lady nurse & child (the husband Sunday's) 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 Bedell 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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