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SUMMARY: Joshua Sharpless (1746-1826) was the son of Benjamin and Martha (Mendenhall) Sharpless. Sharpless married Edith Yarnall at Middletown Me in 1768. Sharpless later removed to New Garden, Pennsylvania, where he worked towards the abolition of slave holding among Friends. In 1784, the family bought a farm in East Bradford and Westtown townships. In 17897 he was appointed to a Committee to visit Friends in Upper Canada.

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ther did the town look thriving or  
lively, from thence to Penrose Wiley's  
~~gap~~, ~~over~~ near Maiden Creek where we  
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the Meetinghouse, having met last  
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this Morning with James Lang  
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an amazing prospect, a very  
great Valley in front extending  
from east to west as far as <sup>the</sup> Eye  
could reach, about 2 or three miles  
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lofty towering Mountain, or one  
Mountain upon the <sup>tops</sup> top of a  
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the Land from the River to fishing  
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Catwisse side, it is pretty clear of  
stones, and mostly such as will do  
to settle on, and in some places,  
particularly toward Fishing Creek  
is considerably improved, Pine  
at Jesse Hains 15 miles, the tim-  
ber for 7 or 8 miles after we crossed  
the River, is mostly Pine, thinly scat-  
tered with very little under timber,  
about fishing Creek very heavy  
timber, from Jesse Hains on  
towards Munsey generally White:  
Oak, for 6 or 7 miles the Land level  
and pretty good with a number  
of good improvements, from thence  
to Munsey <sup>Creek</sup> ~~Creek~~ mountainous, and  
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before and so the fall

three Miles over Muncy Creek 33  
Miles this day. this days travel pretty  
good Roads and clear of Stones  
18 a fine morning, and pleasant day  
for traveling, stopped, and took an early  
Dinner at the Widow Harmeres, at  
Loyalsock 9 miles, thence up the Banks  
of Susquehanna to Lycomen 6 miles,  
then we turned a North Course <sup>up the</sup> D.  
Lycomen 10 miles to Hyles, among the  
Mountains, where we Lodged, the Road  
from William Ellips to Lycomen, is straight  
Level, clear of Stones, and very good, the  
timber a Mixture of White Oak, Pitchpine  
&c. and the Land in general ~~very~~ good.  
up the Lycomen the road to this place  
crossed the Creek 7 times, the bottom we  
went up Deep and fertile, with ~~some~~ a  
few ~~shrub~~ saplings, a little improved in places  
the valley was narrow with high moun-  
tains on each side, this bottom was  
very heavy timbered abundance of  
Loblolly White pine, butternut, button  
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crossed upwards 20 times, I have  
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tions <sup>of nature</sup>, the remarkable lofty towering  
pines, the Hemlock, Spruce, Sugar  
Maple, and a variety of other lofty  
timber, no man to receive and carry  
them ~~of~~ <sup>so that they fall into their Mother</sup>  
lap, <sup>the earth</sup>, and the multitudes of trunks of  
Trees that lie across one another is  
truly admiral, many of the White  
Birch trunks appears to have lain  
in that situation for more than half  
a century, grown over with Moss, the  
seeds of the trees <sup>growing</sup> ~~of~~ the Moss  
have taken Root, grew to be trees 5 or 6  
Inches over, while the Log under them  
remained, the Valley through which we  
passed is narrow with very high moun-  
tains on each they all appear ~~very much~~

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been acquainted with such an appearance  
would scarcely be able to form a just Idea.  
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very high. we first passed through a Chief  
nut Ridge about 2m then entered a  
vast Forrest of Hemlock, Spruce &  
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~~came into~~ a very great Quantity  
of Sugar Maple, many of them from  
2 to 3 or 3½ feet over 40, 50, and 60  
feet fit for Sawing, also a vast Quantity  
of beech and Birch, fed at the  
Blackhouse 9 miles on a Branch  
of Pine Creek, from thence to  
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Pines it was very dark, so that we  
were truly thankful when we saw  
the glimmers of Light at our dis-  
tired part, <sup>made their appearance</sup> then we found it a very  
Poor Tavern, having <sup>nothing</sup> but ~~little~~ <sup>nothing</sup> but  
and Milk the Mush made of meal ~~for~~  
Pounded in a Mortar, and the fare of  
our Horses not much better yet we were  
thankful we fared so well in the Wilderness  
having this day in the course of 43 miles  
passed by but three cottages and them  
mean,

6<sup>th</sup> day we met with a trial this morning  
two of our Horses having broke <sup>out</sup> of our  
poor stable, but in three miles rid-  
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fertile Vally with a few Cabins and  
some little improvements for the first  
twelve Miles, the River we ~~crossed~~  
frequently crossed as the Road suit-  
ed, the guides along in a most  
beautiful manner, not impeded  
by Rocks, or Cataracts, we finally  
crossed about ~~one~~ <sup>two</sup> miles above the  
Widow Lindfly's, and in less than  
one mile we crossed ~~nearly~~ another  
Branch as beautiful and nearly as  
large <sup>called the Plawfishy</sup> as the former, we then Stopped  
fed our ~~forces~~ <sup>and got our Breakfast</sup> and horses, at the Wi-  
dow's, ~~and~~ were much pleased with  
our repast, having had nothing  
since we left the Widow Harries  
besides what our bags afforded except  
two indifferent suppers, here we  
got Excellent Green Tea, and Loaf  
Sugar, with some choice Venison  
Steaks, taken out of a ~~famine~~ <sup>fat</sup>  
Buck which had ~~not~~ <sup>been just killed</sup> got cold.

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ytf



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we still went down the River, over  
very fine fat bottoms, in about 8  
miles crossed Connoct<sup>us</sup> a very beau-  
tiful ~~stream~~ stream, then in 4 miles  
more we crossed Conhocton as beau-  
tiful a stream as ~~another~~ any of  
the former, the smallest of those streams  
are nearly as large <sup>than</sup> Brandywine  
Stopped to feed at the painted Post<sup>mill</sup>,  
but but had nothing suitable, thence  
to Mud Creek to John Dolson's where  
we lodged 12 miles the Road has been  
in the main pretty good, to the paint-  
ed post very good.

7 21 Stopped and took breakfast at  
William Herseys 5 miles, he had nei-  
ther Hay, Corn, or <sup>for our horses</sup> Oates, lives in  
a small log house in the Woods by  
a Curious Lake, of about 50 acres it  
is surrounded by a hard gravelly <sup>bank</sup>, it  
has no stream that runs either into,  
or out, continues nearly the same  
fulness at all seasons, and abound  
with various kinds of fish, went to  
Bathonia there fed our horses, and

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a Curious Lake, ofytf about 50 acres it  
is surrounded by a hard gravelly bank,  
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road there, was so dirty ~~that~~ we had  
better go by Gemima Wilkinsons  
Settlement, which was so far round  
~~that~~ our minds became closely  
exercised to know what was best  
to do, but upon closely attending  
to the Subject, and taking ~~the~~  
that part of our appointment of  
Visiting ~~those of~~ <sup>our</sup> Society about Can-  
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felt most easy to turn our <sup>simples</sup> course  
towards what is called ~~the friends~~  
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it was a solitary road, there being  
but a few settlements, and <sup>those</sup> two or three  
excepted, were within four Miles of  
Bath the rest of the way an entire  
Wilderness, the land for a few Miles  
from Bath was a high dry soil, <sup>and thin</sup> the  
Timber chiefly Pitch Pine, ~~the soil~~  
~~thin~~, thence through a low fat Bottom  
very swampy, thence over the North end of  
a Mountain, beautifully Timbered, not very

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15 miles, where we got Hay, and very indif-  
ferent Cates in the Sheaf, thence along the  
East Side of the Crooked Lake over a level  
Country, and for the most part good  
Land, for miles together, a deep Rich  
Soil abounding with Sugar Maple,  
Shelbark Hickory, Ash, Elm, White Oak  
&c: mostly a White Oak Timber the last  
20 Miles, a few White Pine in places,  
to Thomas Lees a kind friendly Family  
16 miles, this has been a hard days tra-  
vel for our Horses, and there fare very  
poor, there was no place to Quarter, short  
of where we arrived, that we were ~~not~~  
Obliged to travel hard, this has been  
a dark Cloudy day the not much rain  
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drizzly day, in conference this Morning  
it was thought best, not to travel  
till afternoon, and as there was no  
friends meeting in these parts, we felt  
an Opening to set down with the  
family in which <sup>we</sup> were, with ~~and~~ such

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come, there being but a few within  
reach, the Opportunity was sensibly  
owned, the Lords Heavenly Power  
Overshadowing to our comfort &  
the Contrition and humbling of  
most that were present ~~we parted~~  
<sup>with them</sup> in much nearness, went to one  
~~Potter~~ Judge Potters who kindly  
took us in, he lives in a very  
Elegant <sup>Building</sup> ~~House~~, which after riding  
5 or 6 Miles <sup>without</sup> seeing scarcely a house:  
~~to see~~ such a superb one rising  
in the Woods begot admiration.  
2<sup>nd</sup> day 23 a pleasant Morning, set off  
for Canadaraque, the road mostly <sup>thru</sup> ~~thru~~  
the Woods, and in places deep, staked and  
fenced at Gilberts 8 miles, in 5 miles further  
we came on the bank of Canadaraque  
Lake, which was enlivening, and look-  
ed beautiful thence up the side of the lake  
to the place <sup>of its outlet</sup> ~~where it ran out~~ which stream  
was as large as a pretty ~~brook~~ clever brook

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ed beautiful thence ytf up the side of the Lake  
to the place where it ran out of its ytf outlet which stream  
was as Large as a pretty Creek Clever Creek  
ytf

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thence up a beautiful ascending street  
about  $\frac{1}{2}$  a mile ~~thence~~ <sup>to</sup> Canadargue ~~thence~~  
~~as it contains~~ a chamber of well built <sup>perhaps</sup> houses, some  
~~of them~~ elegant, and superb, here we fed 1 a mile  
upon conferring together we thought  
best of going to see some of our mem-  
bers hereaway ~~upon~~ <sup>and</sup> enquiring of our  
Landlord he informed us of one ~~one~~ <sup>or</sup> more  
<sup>who</sup> lived at Mud Creek about 10 or 12 m  
off, we then turned our faces that way  
and in about 9 m ~~there~~ traveling  
we stoped at a certain Job Howlings  
to enquire the way, he told us it was  
to far to reach that evening, <sup>and</sup> kind-  
ly invited to stay all night, which we  
accepted of, found his wife <sup>and very kind</sup> a chamber,  
we had a sitting with them that even-  
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rich strong Land in other places thin,  
much of the way is Low flat <sup>Country</sup> ~~Land~~  
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20 m past the mostly heavy timbered.  
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of Timber, <sup>chiefly</sup> Elm, Beech, Sugar Maple  
27 miles

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ed with greatest clearness to appoint a Meeting  
to be held next day at Nathan Herringdon's a  
friendly Man about 12 miles from thence, we  
then went to Nathan Comstock's 5 miles, I sat with  
his family, his Wife a Member; thence to Abraham  
Lapham's 2 miles had a refreshing Opportunity  
with his family. Lodged there, 7 miles

4 day 25 attended the Meeting at Herringdon's  
9 miles tho it was not a time of reigning, yet an  
instructive Opportunity, Dined with the family  
where the meeting was held, Lodged at Jeremiah  
Smith's over Mud Creek, his Wife a Member  
he was one of the first settlers in these parts,  
his Cabin remains covered with Bark, the  
Logs of his House are Chunked but not plastered  
& we had pretty good Beds, otherwise I thought  
the Openness of the House was a preparation  
to our lying in the roads, which we  
expect shortly to <sup>be</sup> ~~be~~ <sup>encountered</sup> and in these parts  
mostly flat, a deep rich soil, so that the roads  
are ~~with~~ wet and heavy, the chief body of  
the Timber, is Poplar, some of them the  
finest I ever saw, Ash, Beech, Sugar Maple  
9 miles

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to be held next day at Nathanytf Herringdan's a  
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5<sup>th</sup> Day the 26 attended an appointed Meeting  
at Nathan Comstock's, 2 miles, it was a well  
favoured Opportunity, at the close of which  
we desired that those in religious pro:  
fession ~~with~~ and those who had their  
minds turned towards friends would  
keep their seats, to whom counsel and  
instruction was administered, the num:  
ber who staid was ~~not~~ perhaps 40, one  
half of whom were not in membership  
but divers of them appeared atten:  
der seeking people, went in the  
Evening to Jacob Smith's on Mud Creek  
6 miles here we had a religious Op:  
portunity with his and his Brother  
Joseph Smith's family, this closed our  
religious services in these parts  
6<sup>th</sup> Day 27. set off for Niagara, fed at Thayer's  
16 miles got to the River 8 miles here we  
expected to have been supplied with Oats  
to take to carry us to Buffalo ~~at 12 miles~~  
but could neither get Corn or Oats, we  
then went back about one mile and  
with difficulty got some corn, we had

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to take carry us to Buffaloe ytf 80 miles but could neither get Corn or Oates, we  
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with difficulty got one corn, we had  
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ten feet Head and Fall, it is truly an  
awful sight to view the River from the  
Mill door, now leaving this Wonderful  
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ride up the River, and got to Alla ~~Seton~~  
Schoolies where we lodged 21 miles -  
we have now visited all the families,  
or nearly so, of friends or such as one  
had a right, had four Meetings amongst  
them, feel easy to set our Faces homeward  
but how we shall get along must be left  
as it has been but threatening all day  
for snow, and this evening it is fall-  
ing very fast

we found residing at Black Creek pretty  
compact, the two families were about 4 or 5  
miles from the rest, 7 families, who were in  
cheerfulness with friends, and appeared  
pretty orderly, with a number of hopeful  
children divers nearly or fully grown up  
making in the whole 33 persons, and  
five families who profess with friends

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at the River, but finding there was a house  
8 miles on our way, ~~and~~ <sup>so</sup> that it was at least  
80 miles to Buffalo Creek, we thought best  
to try to get there, but the prospect was very  
discouraging, as it was like to be a dark  
Rainy Evening and the sun not above an  
hour high, when we got over the river,  
~~got we got off~~ and their proving several  
Roads in the course of ~~the~~ 2 miles we took  
a wrong one and after 2 miles traveling  
<sup>upon enquiry</sup> found we were wrong, ~~then~~ <sup>there</sup> had 7 miles  
~~to go~~ to our intended ~~quarters~~ <sup>port</sup>, a good house  
was a little to the left but upon trying  
could not get Quarters <sup>there</sup>, it was now near  
dusk, a dark Rainy evening and 7 miles  
of a small path in an unknown Road  
to traverse, we had a little Moon in our  
favour yet in about 5 miles it grew so  
dark that we frequently missed our path  
and we had but little prospect of getting  
to our port, the thoughts of having to  
set by the side of a tree and hold our  
horses in the rain without fire until  
daybreak was trying, yet through mer-  
cy we got safe <sup>in</sup> ~~our Quarters~~, but there was  
neither hay, nor fodder for our

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8 ytf miles on our way & at that it was at least  
80 miles to ytf buffalo Creek, we thought best  
to ytf try to get there, but the Prospect was very  
discouraging, as it was like to ytf be a dark  
Rainy Evening and the sun not above an  
hour high when we got ytf over the river,  
yet we set off ytf and their proving several  
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have sent acknowledgments by us to the  
Meeting that disowned them, they have a  
number of tender Innocent Children, the  
whole number of both Parents and Child-  
ren are thirtysix many of them if  
they keep their places will add strength  
to the little handful of friends in that place,  
we found at the Short Hills and in that  
neighbourhood five families of Friends  
who live at present pretty wide per-  
<sup>the some of them have it in prospect to move</sup>  
<sup>neary together for the Benefit of Society</sup>hap 12 or more miles, making in the whole  
twenty seven persons, and eight fami-  
lies of such who have mostly been dis-  
owned, several of whom are desirous  
to condemn their outgoings, ~~and~~ have  
sent acknowledgments along with us,  
and I hope will make useful members,  
the Parents and Children of this Class  
make 53 persons <sup>who</sup> ~~and~~ live pretty  
compact, the way the road now goes  
makes it near 40 miles from the Short  
Hills to the settlements of friends at  
Black Creek, but there is reason



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have sent acknowledgments by us to the  
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number of tender Inocent Children, the  
whole number of ytf both Parents and Child-  
-ren are thirty eight many of them if  
they keep ytf their places will add strength  
to the little handful of friends in that ytf place,  
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neighbourhood five families of Friends  
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Black Creek , but there is reason  
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<sup>homes</sup> ~~we~~ let them out to pick a little <sup>while</sup> ~~go~~  
then tyed them up till morning, the house  
afforded no provision for ourselves,  
The land from Job Howlings around through  
the ~~the~~ settlement of friends is a deep, rich,  
black soil, mostly pretty level, inclinable  
to be wet, the surface of the ground very  
uneven, by trees being blown up from  
time immemorial, the timber pretty  
large and very thick, chiefly Poplar, Ash,  
Sugar Maple Elm, Shalbarh Hickory and  
some White Oak, from Jacob Smiths to the  
River about 2 or 3 miles in our first setting  
off excepted, mostly mostly an open country  
very little timber either great or small,  
the land for the most part a sandy loam, and  
the country pretty thick settled

7<sup>th</sup> day 28<sup>th</sup> got up very early and set off as soon  
as we could see the path, in hopes of a pretty  
pleasant day, the sun made its appearance  
about 9 or 10 yet it presently hid its <sup>face</sup> and the  
clouds grew thick, <sup>so that</sup> ~~and~~ the close woods <sup>looked</sup> ~~presently~~  
were in <sup>now</sup> ~~was~~ like evening, ~~the snow~~  
it began to ~~fall~~ <sup>now</sup> and in a few hours the  
limbs, and young timber became ~~soaked~~

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then tyed them up tillytf Morning, the hay  
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pleasant day, the sun made its appearance  
about 9 or 10 yetytf it presently hid its face and the  
Clouds grew thick so that and ytf the Close wood we  
were in was looked like evening, & ytf presently the snow  
>it began to snow fall, and in aytf few hours the  
Limbs, and young timber became so Loaded  
ytf

7th day 28thytf checkPlace ytf to up very early and s



then sat at Daniel Pounds, <sup>he</sup> ~~him~~ and  
his Wife are exemplary friends and have  
<sup>seven</sup> ~~there~~ pretty Innocent Children who are  
all small, <sup>he</sup> ~~him~~ and his Wife were dis-  
owned by Plainfield Monthly Meeting  
they appear to be in a tender thought-  
ful condition and are desirous to  
<sup>and have rec<sup>d</sup> acknowledgments by us</sup>  
make up with friends, none of their Child-  
ren have a right

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we then sat at Joel Morrises, he  
has never had a right among friends  
but we think he is hopeful and in a  
thoughtful tender state, his wife was  
disowned by ~~the~~ <sup>Rahway</sup> ~~Monthly Meeting~~  
<sup>they have 4 small children</sup>  
is in a tender thoughtful <sup>woman</sup> state, here we  
met with Abraham Lane a single man  
and a Member, <sup>who</sup> ~~and~~ may do well, he  
is a Member of Shrewsbury Monthly Meeting

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Sat at Asa Schuyler, <sup>he</sup> ~~him~~ and his Wife  
are exemplary friends, and Members  
of Shingwood Monthly Meeting, they have  
several hopeful Children but none of them  
have a right of membership, Lodged here

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his Wife are exemplary friendsytf and have  
nine seven pretty Inocent Children who are  
allytf small, him he and his Wife were dis  
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-ful condition and are desirousytf to  
make up with friends, and have sent acknowledgments by us none of theirytf Child  
-ren have a right  
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has never had a right among friend  
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thoughtful tender state, his wife wasytf  
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they have 4 small children  
is in a tender thoughtfullytf   State, woman here we  
met with Abrahamytf   Lane a Single Man  
and a Member, and who may do ytf Well, he  
is a Member of Shrewsbury Monthly Meeting ytf  
Sat at Asa Schuyliesytf him he and his Wife  
are exemplary friends, and, Members  
ofytf   KingWood Monthly Meeting , they have  
several hopefultytf Children but none of them  
have a right of membership, Lodged here ytf                      ytf ytf



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exemplary friends, <sup>from Sadbury Monthly Meeting</sup> they have at  
home seven Innocent affectionate  
Children. —

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a member of Buckingham Monthly Meeting  
and his Wife of Sadbury Monthly Meet-  
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usefull friends, they have four <sup>small</sup> Children

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we lodged ~~he~~ and his Wife are  
members of Buckingham Monthly  
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beautiful, both for Quantity and Quality  
~~that~~ I have seen since I left home.

1<sup>st</sup> day the 5<sup>th</sup> a Wet Stormy Morning and  
increased with the day, snowed in the  
afternoon, attended an appointed meeting  
<sup>at John Hills</sup>  
with the few friends in this Neighbourhood  
it was a solid instructive Opportunity,  
Heavenly goodness was near, and the  
meeting closed, to general Satisfaction, we  
had a tendering time in the afternoon  
in conference ~~with them~~ concerning  
their Situation in <sup>which</sup> I hope they gained  
some strength, they have not as yet  
been in the practice of hold any mee-  
ings for worship, ~~the~~ being but few  
in number and very scattered, ~~but~~  
we felt our minds strengthened &  
encouraged them to press throu-  
difficulties and meet together to  
wait upon and worship the Lord  
Almighty, believing it would  
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to their strength and would if  
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1st day the 5thytf checkPlace ytf a wet stormy Morning

Hillsytf



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the Woods continuing remarkably thick  
of <sup>and abundance of Windfall Timber</sup> under stuff, that it was a trying day  
to ride, for near 20 miles of our road was  
through a Beech and Sugar Maple Land, which  
is mostly a deep rich soil, and wet, much  
of the way was very swampy, so that be-  
tween the snow and the mud, we were  
in a wet dirty condition, and the pros-  
pect of sitting down when Night came, upon  
the snow without shelter looked very try-  
ing, yet we went on pretty cheerful, tak-  
ing a bit of Victuals in our hands wet  
and cold as we were, while our horses  
eat their corn out of pieces of Bark  
that lay in places by our path, when  
Evening came we espied a large Rock,  
near the Road, which projected 6 or 7  
feet over at one side, and the Back part  
sufficiently secured from the storm, here  
upon viewing it we concluded to take  
up our quarters, some of us went to gather  
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to our great disappointment, after we  
had got our fire so forward as to blaze  
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friends at the Short Hills, stoped and sat  
at John Darlin's 6 miles, his Wife was  
disowned by the falls Monthly meeting  
and her Husband never had a right,  
they were kind, but not much profuse  
of their aiding strength to friends,  
they have 6 children 5 miles

then sat at Joshua Gillman, he was  
Disowned by Middletown Monthly meet-  
ing for marrying, <sup>of Adamsbury Monthly Meeting</sup> his Wife a Member,  
they have three small Children, Joshua  
is thoughtful about his situation and  
desirous to be united to friends which  
we encouraged, we also met <sup>here</sup> with  
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and the bank, or hill down to the Table  
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was so <sup>that was produced</sup> sheeted over with ice <sup>which</sup> ~~that~~ ~~for several~~  
from the dam of the falls that it appear-  
ed unsafe to go down, we had a pretty  
fair prospect where we stood, being per-  
haps 80 feet <sup>above the water</sup> higher ~~than where the great~~  
~~pitch of the falls descended~~, it is hard  
to describe the appearance and motion  
of the Water, it came down with great  
rapidity to where it projected off, ~~the~~  
~~we were~~ <sup>informed that the sheet</sup>  
~~was not the same thickness but appeared~~  
~~in places to be 16 or more feet~~ <sup>in places was 16 feet thick</sup>, I could  
not see the ~~place~~ bottom of the sheet by reason  
<sup>or mist that arose from the great fall of water</sup>  
of the fog, ~~the~~ we were informed that  
one part of the pitch <sup>is</sup> ~~was~~ <sup>4 or 5</sup> ~~was~~ <sup>perches</sup>  
~~feet~~ farther up the stream than it was  
nine years ago and appears to be  
gradually wearing, stopped at the Widow  
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chant and Saw Mill on the rapids about  
30 perches above the great falls, the  
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80 pearches above the great falls, the  
race is 80 pearches long taken out of the  
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punk we were not able to renew it.  
here we were in the midst of a deso-  
late Wilderness, wet and cold, without  
Fire, without Shelter or Bedding, more  
than what a Rock afforded, yet we com-  
forted our selves in <sup>being</sup> so happy as to find  
so good a Shelter, we felt as much for our  
Horses, as for ourselves, the Woods afford-  
ed but little provision, and that was cover-  
ed with Snow, so that after giving them  
some Corn, we tyed them up till Morning  
and changing some of our Wet Clothes, we  
endeavoured to take some rest, and  
tho it was cold, we lodged more com-  
fortable than could be expected, slept  
pretty well, took little or no cold, and  
set off our journey cheerfully next Morn-  
ing 36 miles

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Sugar Maple, the next 20 or more miles  
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either great or small, the Country is ve-  
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excepted about some <sup>waters</sup> ~~places~~, there  
being 4 or 5 Creeks in this last 80 m  
nearly as large as Brandywine, the  
fording place of some of them was  
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level as an house floor, so that the Water  
did not vary in depth more than 2 or 3 Inches  
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went 100 or more Paces down the Buf-  
falo, a beautiful stream, to its confluence  
with the lake which <sup>lake</sup> ~~afforded~~ <sup>had</sup> a Majestick  
appearance, the breakers rolling on the  
shore like ~~that~~ <sup>those</sup> of the Atlantick.  
we rode down the Beach 3 or 4 miles  
to the narrows of the Niagara, there  
<sup>was</sup> ~~were~~ neither Boat or House on the  
side we were, but by waiting an hour  
or more, the Boat came, which took  
three of us, and by ten we all got safe  
over, it is a bold rapid stream half  
<sup>about 16 feet deep and appeared dangerous</sup>  
a Mile over were we crossed, and we  
were informed that a few hours of  
high Westerly Winds would blow the  
the Water of the Lake so to the end  
where the River issued, that it  
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to be an Innocent & exemplary friend, has  
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grown up and are hopeful, and three  
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real friend in Principle, Joseph was disown  
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ing, he is desirous to condemn his out  
goings and we hope from a right concern  
the have seven pretty Innocent Children  
the Oldest not ten

we sat at Abraham Webster's who with his  
Wife are Members of Ringwood Monthly  
Meeting, they have <sup>seven</sup> ~~eight~~ Children who are  
in membership, ~~they~~ <sup>who</sup> ~~appear~~ <sup>they</sup> Innocent  
and hopeful

then sat at Adam Burrell's, neither <sup>he</sup> ~~his~~  
nor his Wife ever had a right among ~~friend~~  
friends, they attend Meetings, ~~and~~ are look  
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Stamp of Innocency on their Countenances,  
were very much tendered, and parted  
with near affection, — Our horses  
being tired, and the Roads in these parts  
flat and Swampy, we went on foot Yesterday  
and today, traveled about 20  
Miles, and lodged at Aso Schuylies, who  
bore us company to the families we  
have Visited, ~~Left at 4 o'clock~~

5th day 2nd of the month Attended a Meeting that  
we appointed to be held at Aso Schuylies  
the friends & friendly People generally attending,  
it was pretty large, it was an open  
time, and Gospel Truths were delivered  
from good Authority, ~~and~~ Some time was  
spent in endeavouring to strengthen and  
assist them in bringing things into  
order, and in the holding of their Meetings  
to the reputation of our profession  
many of them parted with us in near  
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went in the Afternoon up the Northwest  
Side of Lake Erie to Obediah Denniss  
who lay very low, ~~him~~<sup>he</sup> and his Wife are  
Members of Kingswood Monthly Meeting  
with their five Children who are under  
15, we had a beautiful ride about four  
Miles on the Beech up the Side of Lake, the  
Sand near the Water is very hard and  
<sup>and is an excellent road</sup> smooth, and what to me appeared very  
curious was the elevations that were  
frequent along the Side of the Lake, some  
of them 40 or 50 feet high 10 or more acres  
as broad covered with Timber, and yet  
we were informed they were perfect sand  
hills blown out of the Lake, which upon  
inspection appeared to be really the case.  
Lodged at Daniel Pounds 10 miles

6<sup>th</sup> day third a warm smoky Morning  
and so thick an Air for several days  
past that the sun scarcely made its ap-  
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such who profess with us in these parts we  
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in a Northward direction from hence  
in about 8 miles we came to the great  
River Niagara, thence went down it  
close on its Banks about 16 miles, the  
Ride was delightful, having the beau-  
tiful stream on our right, which glid-  
ed smoothly along, a good Road un-  
der our feet, and mostly improved  
and checkquered on our Left with  
pretty good <sup>dwellings</sup> ~~improvements~~, in about  
12 miles we crossed a Large stream called  
Chippaway a number of good improv-  
ements are planted near its mouth, a  
little below the mouth of this Water the  
River begins to hasten its pace, and  
in about 1 mile it became considerably  
Rapid, the road kept nearly on a level  
but the bed of the River gradually  
descended until it became very Roman-  
tick so that I have not words to ex-  
press its grand, and Majestick appear-  
ance, its boldness, its rapidity, its  
dashing, and flying appearance, so that

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in a Northward direction from henceytf  
in about 8 miles we came to the great  
Riverytf Niagara, thence went down it  
close on its Banks about 16ytf miles, the  
Ride was delightful, having the beau-  
tiful stream on ourytf right, which glid-  
ed Smoothly along, a good Road un-  
der our feet, andytf mostly improved  
and checkquered on our Left with  
pretty goodytf improvements dwellings, in about  
12 miles we crossed a Largeytf Stream called  
Chippaway a number of goodytf improv-  
ments are planted near its mouth, a  
little below the mouth ofytf this Water the  
River begins to hasten itsytf pace, and  
in about 1 mile it became considerably  
Rapid, the road keptytf nearly on a level  
but the bed of the Riverytf gradually  
decended until it became very Roman-  
tick so that I have noytf words to ex-  
press its grand, and Majestick appear-  
ance, its boldness,ytf its rapidity, its  
dashing, and flying appearance, so that  
ytf



it ~~was~~ <sup>was</sup> ~~that it appeared~~ <sup>looked</sup> all in a  
foam flying in places twenty or more  
feet high, ~~looking as white as a sheet~~  
and all this, and ten times as much  
more before we came to the grand  
~~and perpendicular falls~~ <sup>atarack</sup>, the day be-  
ing very smoky, and a little rainy we  
had ~~not~~ so full a view of the great falls  
as we desired, ~~but~~ <sup>proposing</sup> if the day suited to  
spend a little more time when we re-  
turned, as near as I could compute,  
this very wild, romantick, and  
forming condition of the river, <sup>it</sup> began  
about  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile above <sup>the</sup> great precipi-  
tice, we left the River, <sup>and in</sup> about two  
miles ~~and~~ got to William Lundy's,  
who was once a member of King's monthly  
Meeting but for <sup>many</sup> years past, disowned, his  
wife and children never had a right, we  
were kindly entertained, but there is but  
little ~~or~~ prospect in Dr. family of any  
strength to the Society arising therefrom  
<sup>2 1/2 miles</sup>

At the week a rainy morning, we got  
to Jeremiah Moore's  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles, who  
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25 Miles ytf ytf ytf

7th of the week checkPl



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no right, his Wife was disowned by  
Buckingham Monthly Meeting, they are  
exemplary, and I hope thoughtfull, and  
have eight Children mostly small

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owned by the Falls Monthly Meeting  
his Wife and two hopefull Children  
are Members of Sadbury Monthly  
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concerned friend

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mostly flat and mired till within one  
mile of John Darlin's, then commences  
the Short Hills which produces remark-  
ably steep pitches we then passed over  
2 or more Miles of the most beautiful  
Chestnut Timber I remember to have  
ever seen, the Woods had been lately  
burnt to clear the beaves out of the way  
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Woods ~~for~~ this season for fear of the  
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veral <sup>miles</sup> passed the effects through the  
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heavy Timbered Land about  $\frac{3}{4}$   
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Pines, not having seen many for  
the last 30 miles

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who lives just by. but neither ~~he~~ <sup>he</sup> nor  
his wife were at home, he also mar:  
ried his first Cousin and ~~they~~ stands dis:  
owned, they have three small children

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to any made in Chester County Pa.  
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~~the river~~  
It was not more than 20 paces <sup>the depth unknown</sup>  
wide both above and below the pool,  
and <sup>it</sup> runs in a romantic and rap-  
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cieties lodged at William Lundy's & on  
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Creek, Hoped to view the great falls, the Wind  
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more snow fell last night than about  
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homewards, tho' had not the season been  
so far advanced we would have been  
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able, ~~and~~ we were truly thankful  
when we got safe on our <sup>own</sup> shore ~~lodge~~  
at Buffalo 15 miles

1<sup>st</sup> day of the Week 12<sup>th</sup>, we lay last Evening  
next the Roof, and their falling much  
rain, it was so plainly heard, that the  
difficulty of passing through the Genesee  
where there are a number of large  
Creeks, without bridges, and no house to  
stop at provided we could not cross,  
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-agement to the ~~few friends there~~  
however resignation was our best expe-  
-dient, and when Morning came, the  
rain still continuing very heavy, we  
~~we~~ thought it most safe, and felt most  
easy to remain in our Quarters, about  
noon the rain abated, tho wet a little till  
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information we could get, were in hopes  
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fordable, but in about four Miles travel-  
-ing we were disappointed, for we came  
upon a very rapid Stream, which upon  
examining, we believed not safe to cross,  
and tho 18 hours since the rain abated  
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the most safe expedient to return to our  
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Our Landlords house stands on a pleasant  
elevated spot having a rich, fertile Meadow  
in front, enlivened by the Buffoloe to its con-  
fluence with Lake Erie, the Stream is ~~perhaps~~  
~~as large as~~ <sup>then</sup> Brandywine, and the Lake its  
self opens, as far as the Eye can reach, when  
the Wind is high in the West, it so raises  
the Water in this end of the Lake, that it  
flows up the Buffoloe like a flood tide  
our accomodation here has been pretty  
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narrow frame scarcely room for two to  
lay on their Back, with Boards instead of  
Sacking bottom <sup>and</sup> a very thin strawed  
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Morning, all in health, and with an early  
start ~~set~~ off cheerfully homeward, came  
to the water that turned us back yesterday,  
the very rapid crossed pretty readily, here  
lay a poor family in distress, they came  
from Bucklouty and were going into  
Canada, Rain, and high waters had  
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ous, and their money spent, and what  
was more trying their provision was  
run out, and no place to supply it un-  
till they got through, they were encamped  
by the side of the rapid stream that we  
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nearly through, where there was provi-  
sion to be had, and <sup>for</sup> an immediate  
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to make a Bridge or pass by falling  
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more eligible than the common  
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and horses to the Genesee River, and to  
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ever, thought best to stay till towards  
evening to see if there would be any  
change in the water, and in about  
3 or 4 hours there came up a company  
of men who had been out surveying  
they had a number of axes with them  
and we went down the stream about  
half a mile, where it was divided into  
four ~~branches~~ <sup>streams</sup> having small islands  
between, and here, tho' the <sup>water</sup> ran surpris-  
ingly swift, and the bottom unknown  
yet we thought best to try to get over  
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which would reach <sup>from island to</sup> ~~the~~ islands,  
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of the stream at the opposite side, we  
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and explored the banks and Depth  
of the Streams ytf at the Opposite side, we  
attempted and through mercy got all  
safeytf over, for which favour we felt  
humblingly thankful, we then tra  
veled ytf on, making no less a band than  
ytf



19 in number and in 10 miles pitched  
ed our Camps on the ~~West~~<sup>East</sup> Side of a  
lively brook, where we could regale  
ourselves with Waters, and our bags  
supplied us with Provisions, we  
~~fortunate~~ fortunately in this spot  
found a pretty comfortably Indian  
Wigwam, ~~being~~ covered with bark  
on the top and three sides, the front  
being open, here we erected a very  
hospitable Fire, and with thankful  
Hearts for so good a retreat, enjoyed  
a comfortable Nights repose, and  
tho in the Wilderness yet we had  
our Neighbours, there being no  
less than four Fires within 40 ~~feet~~  
pearches distance ~~to~~<sup>two</sup> of which were  
surrounded by Indians who were  
on their way to Fort Erie, the  
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a Comfortable Nights repose, and  
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dry & leather till we got into the settlement 22 miles

4th day the 15 a cold frosty morning and a little cloudy, set off very early and in 5 or 6 miles we had a smart snow shower, and shortly after another the wind at North and very cold, the snow wanting we were informed by an Indian, was by far too deep to be rid we then thought best to go to the Indian Village which stood on the ~~East~~<sup>West</sup> side of said stream, and was perhaps 4 miles ~~more~~<sup>further</sup>, we were informed there ~~was~~<sup>were</sup> about 150 Indians in said Village, they have but a few houses for that number, there were two new red log houses pretty neat and tight & perhaps <sup>40 or</sup> 50 feet long, and they were stowed full, with several other small huts near by, after some small refreshment at a dirty Frenchmans house on the bank of the said <sup>river</sup>, we proceeded to cross, he having a small canoe

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took us over one by one with <sup>our</sup> ~~big~~ <sup>gag</sup> baggage, and cold as it was we swan our horses through, and in about 16 miles traveling we came to an Indian Wigwam, not so good as we met with last night, yet, tho we had an hour of son, ~~we~~ thought it best ~~to~~ <sup>to</sup> take up our Quarters, ~~we~~ <sup>here</sup> having had a ~~very~~ frozen day to ride and likely to be a very cold ~~now~~ snowy night, time was necessary to provide with wood &c. which we got completed and ready to set down ~~before~~ <sup>to</sup> a comfortable refreshing fire, before dark, here we passed a very cold night, as cheerfull and pleasant, as could be expected, feeling more for our horses, than our selves, the Woods afforded little but snow and leaves, we therefore bath last night, and this, after giving them some Oats tied them up

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-selves, the Woods afforded little  
but Snow ytf and Leaves, we therefore  
both last night, and this, after giv-  
-ing ytf them some Oates tyed them up  
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till Morning

5<sup>th</sup> day the 16, a Cloudy Frozen Morning  
tho but little snow fell last night  
we found the Frost added to the dif-  
ficulty <sup>of traveling</sup> about 25 or more miles of  
the road between Buffalo and the  
Genesee is through a succession of  
deep swamps, and this morning  
on our first sitting <sup>down</sup> we had <sup>several</sup> ~~one~~ <sup>of</sup>  
those difficulties to encounter ~~the~~ <sup>being</sup>  
ing in places between belly and  
knee deep, and ~~being~~ Froze over  
almost hard enough to bear, it was  
exceeding ~~even~~ difficult and trying  
to the Horses, fed at Willbords 14 miles,  
thence to the Genesee 12 miles, Lodged  
at Foxes near by, here we got good  
~~entertainment~~ accommodations for  
man and horse which was very gra-  
ful after so trying a journey,  
the Country from Buffalo to Genesee  
I describe as follows, from Buffalo  
to tumbling Creek 4 miles mostly wet  
heavy timbered, to Stony Creek 8 miles

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stream at the east end of the large  
plains 10 miles, thence to The Indian  
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 $\frac{1}{2}$  way plains the remainder heavy  
timbered land and some of it a  
marvellously rich, there are Black  
Walnuts about the Tonerwaty  
four feet over, 50 or more feet  
high holding their thickness, clear  
of limbs, thence 8 miles to the plains  
again through ~~are~~ heavy timbered  
land in places swampy, some of it  
pretty high and very good, thence over  
4 or 5 miles White Oak plains, thence  
to the side of Tonerwaty, a heavy tim-  
bered, deep, and ~~in~~ frequently swampy  
land, 6 miles, thence 14 miles through  
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thence 10 miles to the Ganejee mostly  
a barren plains

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pretty high and very ytf good,  
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a barren ytf plains ytf ytf ytf



6 day the 17 a cold frozen night, and  
a Snowy day, this Morning was trying  
and discouraging, led of by the way of  
Williamsburgh 14 miles through beautiful  
wheat Country, not much under timber,  
here we got Coffee for Breakfast for  
the first time since we left Munfy  
thence to Danville 17 miles over a very  
Beautiful rich Country we thought  
much of it superior to any we passed  
over and very pleasantly situated hav-  
ing an high steady ridge or mountain  
on our left, and the Conestoga a  
Branch of the Genesee on our <sup>right</sup> ~~left~~ <sup>side</sup> and  
a Beautiful Vale, the ~~high~~ <sup>for richness</sup> hill and  
Vale was like a dienghill, abounding  
with very large Walnut, Shellbark  
Plickory with a mixture of White Oak  
Ash &c the whole of the 7 miles abounds  
with lively streams rushing with  
~~great~~ rapidity down from the  
mountain that every <sup>and taken of the land with pleasure</sup> Plantation may  
be sufficiently supplied with water,  
lodged at Samuel Faulkners, where  
we met with very good accommodation

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we met with very good accommodations ytf                ytf ytf



7<sup>th</sup> day the 18 a cold frozen Morning  
but we were cheered with a clear  
Sun, the most of the day, which we  
esteemed a favour, having but few  
such days for near three Weeks, there  
are two Roads from this place to  
Bath, one flat, much of the <sup>way</sup> down the  
Waters of the Cohocton ~~the~~ and is very  
deep and Mirey, and scarcely at this  
time passable, the other called the  
Mountain Road, and was rightly  
denominated, we thought it would  
be better to encounter the Mountain,  
than the Mud, but truly such a Road  
I never rid, it was about 15 miles  
we had to encounter this Wild and  
romantick ~~scene~~ scene which with all  
the Industry we could use cost us six  
hours hard Traveling, the whole  
way was ~~one~~ continued Mountains  
<sup>one</sup> after another, perhaps half or more  
of a mile up, and almost immedi-  
ately as far down, generally so steep

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at noon day, tho. a bright sun and  
the ground covered with snow, it  
looked like twilight to look up the  
North side of them, and in many  
places there were such a number  
of trees blown across the path  
that it was with the greatest diffi-  
culty we got round or over some  
of them, and in ~~some~~ <sup>other</sup> places the high  
up on the Mountains, we were  
nearly to the horses bellies <sup>and we</sup> in the  
and for 18 miles in this Wild roman-  
tick scene, not so much as one cabin  
was to be found, <sup>nor I suppose ever will</sup> tho it abounded with  
Deer, Bear, and Wolf Tracks, <sup>with other Wild Beasts</sup> we got  
to Bath with great industry in the

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that it was with the greatest ytf difficulty our horses kept their feet and I found myself frequently ytf under the necessity of taking hold of my horses tail to help me up, ytf many of these Mountains where so loaded with spruce and hemlock ytf that at noon day, tho a bright sun and the ground covered with snow, ytf it looked like twilight to look up the North side of them, and in many ytf places there were such a number of tress blown across the path ytf that it was with the greatest difficulty we got round or over some ytf of them, and in some other places tho high up on theytf mountains, we were nearly to the horses bellies in Mud and Ice and for ytf 18 miles in this Wild romantic scene not so much as one Cabin was ytf to be found, nor I suppose ever will tho it abounded with Deer, Bear, and ytf Wolf Tracks, with other Wild Beasts we got to Bath with great industry in the ytf



dusk of the Evening, weary,  
cold, and hungry, but lighting at  
the foremost Tavern, could get  
no hay for our Horses, which upon  
enquiry was the situation of the  
in ~~the Town~~ <sup>the Capital of Dubuque County</sup> ~~the Capital of Dubuque County~~  
other Public Houses, we therefore  
were under the necessity of riding  
Six Miles further to Mud Creek 3<sup>rd</sup> on  
1<sup>st</sup> day the 19<sup>th</sup> still continued cold and  
snowed betimes all day, went to  
the Post <sup>12<sup>mi</sup></sup> where we got our Break:  
fast thence up the waters of the Des.  
:quenne to the Widow Lindseys  
where we intended to have taken up  
our Quarters, but they had no Oats,  
very little Corn, and but poor hay,  
we therefore proceeded 5 miles  
further up the Tyoga to Salfbury  
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they were very kind, in this days  
travel we have seen 4 deer near  
by and a multitude of their Tracks

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where we intended to have taken up  
our Quarters, but they had no ytf Oates,  
very little corn, and but poor hay,  
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further up the Tyoga to Salsbury's ytf  
tho but poor accommodations, yet  
they were very kind, in this days ytf travel  
we have seen 4 deer near  
by and a Multitude of their tracks  
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we have crossed four large streams  
of the Susquehanna, <sup>in 14 miles</sup> each of them  
we judged as large again as Brandywine they were all of them more  
than Belly deep, and we felt truly  
thankful considering the great  
fall of Rain that we are safely  
over them 29 miles —

here we met with two travelers  
<sup>who</sup> that had just come from the Block-  
house, they informed us the Road  
there was so bad that it cost them two  
days <sup>hard</sup> traveling, ~~which~~ and that we  
could not reach <sup>it</sup> there in one day tho  
but 35 miles, this information was ve-  
ry discouraging, for there was no stage  
or house short of 23 miles <sup>of Blockhouse</sup>, yet upon  
considering the circumstances we  
concluded to make a trial of going  
through in one day, and if we failed  
to lie in the Woods, Cold and Snowy as  
it was

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it was ytf ytf ytf ytf



2<sup>d</sup> Day the 20 Started just as day ap-  
peared, a Cold frozen Morning.

~~We wanted a Loaf of Bread to make~~  
~~use of for our selves~~ <sup>not knowing but</sup> ~~we~~ <sup>we</sup> ~~should have~~  
<sup>were desirous to be provided with some bread</sup>  
to lie ~~in~~ <sup>on</sup> the Woods, we tryed our

Landlord, and nearly every house  
we came by for ten Miles, but  
they unanimously informed us  
they had no Bread baked, by them,

we stoped at Lamb<sup>10 miles</sup>, the last house

but one, <sup>in that settlement</sup> fed our horses and got ~~our~~  
Breakfast, and then with Industry

reached the Blockhouse by sunset  
our living of late has <sup>been</sup> poor, both

for ourselves and horses, this is the  
second night out of four that they  
have <sup>had</sup> to do without Hay, and we have

had no wheat or Indian Bread for two  
days, and ~~when~~ often to drink our

Tea without sugar, we could get no  
milk this Evening, not so much  
as to put a little in our Coffee, nei-

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ytf                    ytf 2nd day the 20ytf checkPlace ytf Started Just as day ap-  
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use of provided not knowing but we should ytf  
have to lie on the Woods, were desirous to be provided with some bread we ytf tried our  
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for ourselves and ytf horses, this is the  
second night out of four that they  
have had to do ytf without hay, and we have  
had no wheat or Indian Bread for tw[o]  
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Tea Without Sugar, we could get ytf no  
milk this Evening, not so much  
as to put a Little in our Coffee, ytf nei-  
ytf



ther had we butter to eat with our  
Buckwheat cake, <sup>and our venison was fried without fat.</sup> and last Evening  
there was nothing on the Table but  
Mush and Milk, this has been a trying  
day to our horses, as I mentioned the  
Morning was Cold and Frozen, and  
our Road led up by the side of Ty-  
coga River, <sup>which</sup> and we had ~~it to~~ <sup>to</sup> cross  
eleven times to day and once yes-  
terday, <sup>in 25 miles</sup> frequently Belly deep and  
sometimes <sup>deeper</sup> ~~in~~ <sup>in</sup> 25 miles, and where  
we ~~left~~ <sup>crossed</sup> it last, it was nearly as large as  
Bandywine, I had like to have forgot to note  
that after we had fed the second time  
which was at Peterfons <sup>from the last stage</sup> Camp 15 miles,  
where there is no house, <sup>having to</sup> cleaning the snow  
of the grasp to give our horses their Oats  
which was trying to us, <sup>thus to wait:</sup> in <sup>our</sup> cold a con-  
dition ~~we were in~~, to, <sup>thus</sup> in the snow  
and peritake of our little Morfall, I say  
a few miles after this, where we were enter-  
ing on our discouraging road, we  
met a poor distressed family, being  
a Man and his Wife, and five small  
Children, two of whom rode with the Mother

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of the Grass to giveytf our horses their Oates  
which was trying to us thus to wait in asytf our Cold a Con-  
-dition asytf we were in, toytf beytf thus in the Snowytf  
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-ring on our discouraging road, we  
met a poor distressedytf family, being  
a Man and his Wife, and five small  
Children, two of whomytf rode with the Mother  
ytf



one with the Father on a large pack  
of something, and two by themselves,  
Some of them <sup>were</sup> without stockings Cold as  
it was, to see that those in their distressed,  
much helpless, and Lumbered condition,  
had surmounted all the difficulties  
as to badness of Road <sup>that</sup> ~~that~~ <sup>before</sup> ~~before~~  
us, we felt our spirits <sup>to pursue our journey</sup> animated, and  
thought we had no cause in our well  
provided <sup>condition</sup> state, to entertain the least  
discouragement, the family above noted  
had lain in the Woods last night without  
any camp, the ground five Inches deep  
with snow, and the weather so Cold that  
abundance of Ice was floating on the  
Waters we had <sup>late</sup> crossed, and they would  
have to encounter the same trials this  
night as they could reach no House,

3<sup>rd</sup> day they set off as soon this Morning  
as was safe, in hopes we should be able  
to reach a friends House this Evening,  
which was very desirable, the Morning  
was cloudy and very Cold, and we had a  
rough high Country for 10 miles to travel



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abundance of Ice was floating on the  
Waters weytf had lately Crossed, and they would  
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to reach a friends House thisytf Evening,  
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on which  
over, there were ~~three~~ two remarkable  
eminences the first was so thickly enclosed  
with Hemlock, that it afforded <sup>around it</sup> very little  
Prospect, <sup>the tops of the mountains appeared</sup> the other was just as ~~you~~ we be-  
gan to descend from off the Laurel Hill.  
this Prospect was truly grand, we appeared  
to be above the tops of the Alleghenies which  
rose up in a very romantick and wild  
appearance, the View was very extensive  
and these elevations, <sup>being quite with snow</sup> appeared to be almost  
without Timber, so that with the help of fan-  
cy they looked like improved Farms, hav-  
ing many places the appearance of square  
Fields, with hedge rows, and divisions, but  
I have no expectation that these inhospitable  
regions will ever be <sup>the</sup> habitation <sup>of man</sup> for any  
thing but the Wild Beasts of the Forest, and the  
Fowls of the Air, <sup>at the foot of the Laurel</sup>  
hill <sup>9 miles</sup> in the snow, there being no house, here our  
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crossed it <sup>in</sup> eight miles, where it united  
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28 times, and the Lycoming itself we crossed



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eminences the first was so thickly enclosed  
with ytf Hemlock that it afforded very little

Prospect, beneath our feet, thoytf through some openings the top of the mountains around appeared the other wa  
-gan to defend from off the Laurel Hill.

This Prospect was truly grand, weytf appeared  
to be above the tops of the Allegenies, which  
rose up in a very romantick and wild ytf  
appearance, the View was very extensive  
and these elevations being ytf white with snow appeared to be almost  
without Timber, so that with the help ytf of fan-  
-cy they looked like improved Farms, hav-  
-ing many places theytf appearance of square  
Fields, with hedge rows, and divisions, but  
I ytf have no expectation that these inhospital  
regions will ever be aytf the habitation of man for any  
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An account of what expenses we were at  
from Canada homeward

4 Bushel of Dates at Asa Schooly's	1: 4: 0
gave his son for care of our horses	0: 4: 0
the Daughters for Daffing	0: 6: 0
at the river & a Bushel of Dates	0: 3: 0
5 ferridges across the River	1: 0: 0
at Buffoloe b Suppers at 2/6	0: 15: 0
b Breakfasts at 2/6	0: 15: 0
b Dinners at 2/6	0: 15: 0
b lodgings 2 nights at 6	0: 6: 0
b horses at hay at 6	0: 3: 0
2 a Bushel of Corn	0: 4: 0
1 1/2 Bushels of Corn at 8/-	0: 12: 0
at lanes b horses at hay 24 hours	0: 12: 0
at lanes do:	0: 12: 0
still at Buffoloe b Breakfasts at 2/6	0: 15: 0
b Suppers at 2/6	0: 15: 0
b lodgings at 6	0: 3: 0
3 pecks of Corn at 2/-	0: 10: 0
to a poor family in distress	0: 16: 0
at Donewany b ferridges at 6	0: 3: 0
5 pints of milk at 6	0: 2: 6
from 3 things	0: 9: 0
1 do:	0: 3: 0
at Willbore for Corn and Hatters	0: 8: 0

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a brake through what is called the Alleghenies,  
and the vale in many places, particularly be-  
fore we come to the main stream, is not more  
than 8 or 10 perches wide and the Mountains  
rise on each hand remarkably high & steep  
so that our traveling was almost literally,  
<sup>breaking</sup> under the Hills and Mountains, for at  
Hyles 10 miles here we got our Dinner, hav-  
ing Bear Meat and Venison fried up to  
gether, Tea without Sugar, with good Wheat  
Bread & Butter, in nine Miles from hence  
we finally left the Lycoming a beautiful  
stream, we thought about as large as two  
of Brandywine, and in six Miles we  
crossed the Lyalock a lovely stream, per-  
haps nearly as large as two of Lycoming,  
and got to Samuel Wallace's, weary, where  
we were kindly, and <sup>belly</sup> hospitably enter-  
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cept Oliver Paxton, who felt his mind  
bound to get home to their Quarterly  
Meeting, and James Langstaff, was free  
to go with him for company, we parted  
with great nearness & heart felt affecti-  
on, having traveled in much Brotherly  
love, united in the same cause, Brethren  
in jeopardy, and Perils, both in the  
Wilderness and among great Waters, &  
now having got thus far safely through  
and among our friends, our hearts  
were enabled to bless the Lord for his  
manifest favours, and under a sense  
thereof to bid each other farewell.

~~5th day the 23 a rainy wet day~~

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this Morning 3 miles

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bearing us company, lodged at Jacob  
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clear, Went to Fishing Creek Meeting  
2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Miles, which was a comforting  
refreshing Opportunity, and my soul  
was enabled to worship in secret,  
dined at John Crees near the Meeting  
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Sulquehannah to Cross ~~15~~ miles, lod-  
ged at John <sup>Loyds</sup> where we were kindly  
entertained, his <sup>companion</sup> wife being a neat  
housewife, both <sup>our</sup> supper and  
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ing that takes in so large a scope of  
Country as this, and the members  
are still spreading wider, we  
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of one hundred and Eighty families  
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to the <sup>promotion of</sup> cause of Truth and righte  
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ly Meeting to take place before long, also  
for a preparative <sup>meeting</sup> to be established at  
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and lodged at Charles Chapmans  
2 miles

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Wind, we had the opportunity of  
seeing three Wild Deer, out of the  
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saw another large Buck coming up the  
road toward us, as we were riding to  
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fitable dined at Nathan Leep near the  
Meeting house, and Lodged Bezelle  
Hayherst 4 miles he lives on the edge of  
what is called the little Mountain, his  
House is the last we come to in Roring  
Creek Settlement

2<sup>nd</sup> day the 27 a clear cold Morning, soon after  
we set off we ascended what is called the  
little Mountain, of which to the Westward  
there is a grand, and very extensive  
prospect, we overlook all Roring  
Creek Valley, the Susquehanna down  
as low as Northumberland, and over  
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in the least Froze on the Trees until  
we began to ascend this eminence  
where the trees became more or less  
cloathed with Ice, and when we got  
to its highest <sup>Summit</sup> ~~eminence~~ the young  
Pines were so loaded that many  
of their Tops were bent to the ~~ground~~  
ground, and when we descended into  
the Valley the Ice on the Limbs was  
not to be seen, but when we got  
on the Top of this Mountain, which  
was two days after, and bath clear,  
yet the twigs of the Trees were still  
much covered with Sleet, and the  
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Ice, went to Mordico Lees to Break-  
fast 15 miles were we were kindly  
hospitably entertained Lodged here  
15 miles

4<sup>th</sup> day the 29 attended the Monthly of  
Maiden Creek which was a time of refresh-  
ment to my Mind, Lodged at Penrose N.Y.  
1½ miles

5<sup>th</sup> day the 30 set off early this Morning  
homewards, a clear Cold day, Stopped to  
see Francis Barrin who was very unwell  
when we came to Schulkill it looked very  
trying to ride it, by reason <sup>its depth, and</sup> of the great  
Quantity of floating Ice <sup>by high</sup> that covered the  
surface of the stream and the depth of  
the water, we waited near half an hour  
for the Boat, but the Ferryman after  
considerable exertion failed getting  
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Evening where we were received  
with Open hearts 18 miles

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to experience Ancient goodness  
and to acknowledge that we had  
been helped through many difficul-  
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back, had been made near and  
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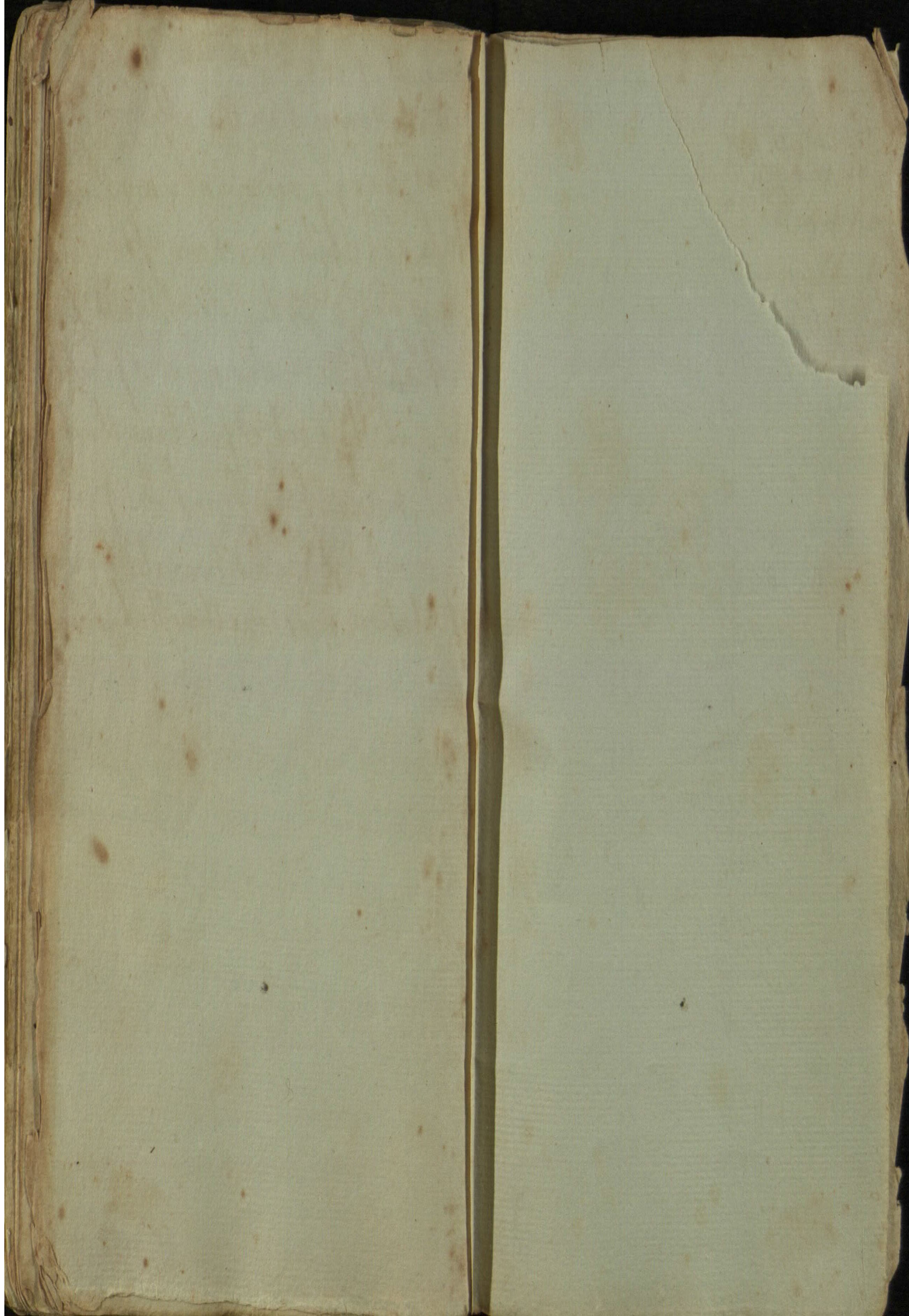


and set of to our several habitation  
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was lovingly received by my Dear  
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enjoying a good state of health, for  
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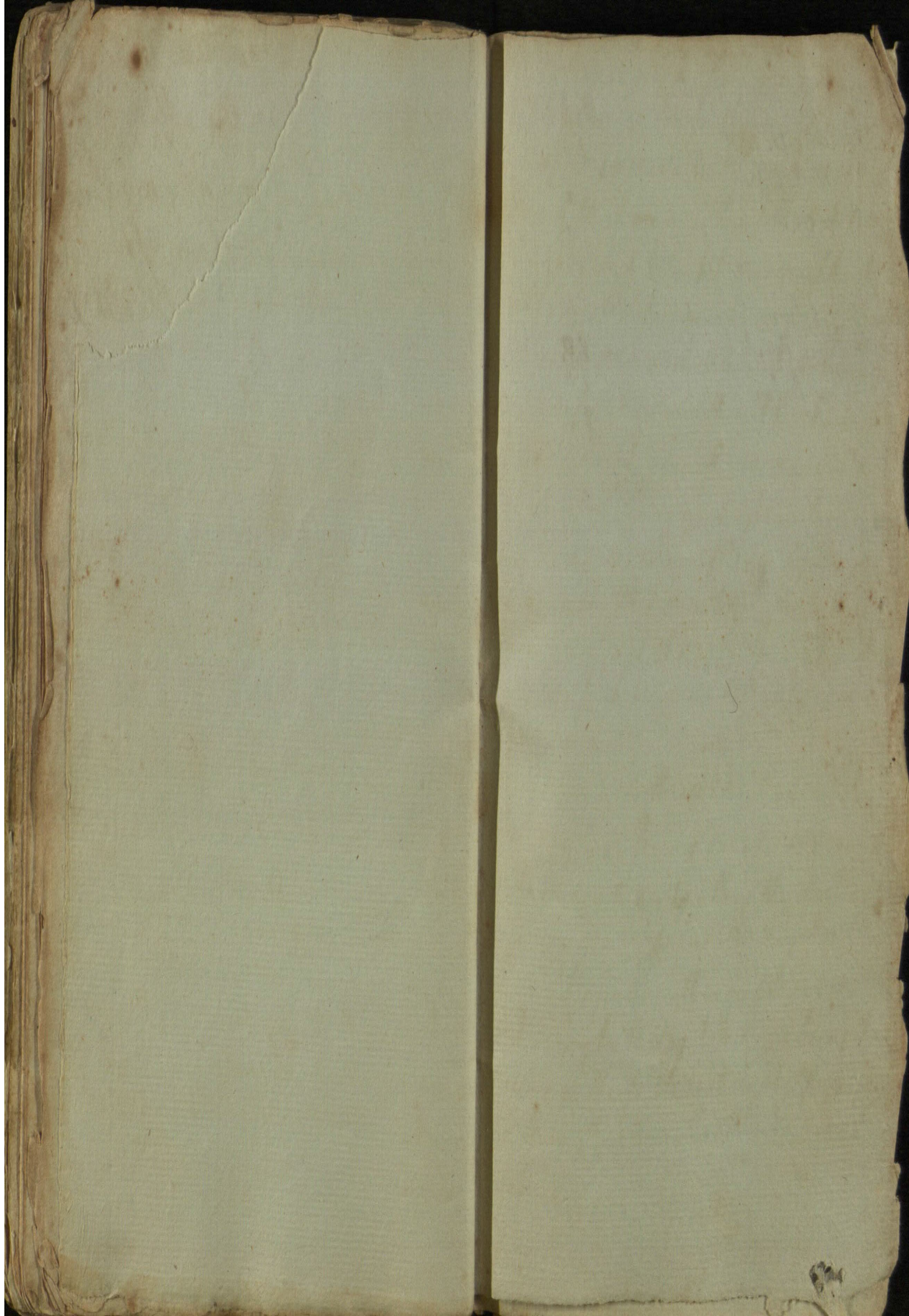




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At Foxes 5 Suppers at 2/6	0.12.6
horses 2/6	0.12.6
1 Bushel of Corn 6/8	0.6.8
5 Lodgings - ... at 6	0.2.6
at Williamsburgh 2 Bushel of Dates	0.5.0
5 Breakfasts at 2/6	0.10.0
at Samuel Faulkner's at Danville	
5 horses all night - at 2/6	0.12.6
32 Quarts of Corn and Dates at 4	0.10.8
5 Suppers 2/ each	0.10.0
5 Breakfasts 2/ each	0.10.0
2 Beds	0.2.0
at M. Whorters 16 Quarts of Dates at 2	0.5.0
at Med Creek at Dalton	
5 horses at hay at 2/ each	0.10.0
32 Quarts of Corn at 4	0.10.8
5 Suppers at 2/ each	0.10.0
Lodging	0.2.0
at the Post one Bushel of Dates	0.8.0
5 Breakfast 2/ each	0.10.0
at Salisbury 5 horses at Hay	0.8.4
5 Suppers at 9 Bedding 3 each	0.5.0
1 Bushel of Corn	0.6.0
29 Quarts at 4	0.9.8
at damb's 5 Breakfasts	0.10.0

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at the Blockhouse  
 5 Suppers at 2/6 - 5 - 0 12 0  
 36 Quarts of Oates at 5<sup>d</sup> - - - 0 15 0  
 7 Sheaves of Straw - - - 1 9  
 Lodging - - - - - 2 6  
 at Thyles 5 dinners at 1/10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> each - 0 9 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>  
 16 Quarts of Oates at 3 - - - 0 4 0

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3 firridges over Iufquehannah 0 3 0  
 9 Quarts of Oates at Leadenburgh 2 3  
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 Royal at Geo: Hauers - - - 0 0 9  
 at Michal Mosyers 1 Bushel of Oats 3 9  
 3 horses at Hay - - - 0 3 0  
 3 Suppers 3/9 Lodging 6<sup>d</sup> - - - 0 4 3  
 one Quart of Cyder - - - 0 0 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

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0. 12 ytf ytf ytf

36 Quarts of Oates at 5d ytf



Big Spring - - - - -	8
Buttermilk fall - - - - -	6
White Oak Plains - - - - -	20
through the do. - - - - -	5
to Tonawanty - - - - -	8
to the plains - - - - -	6
to Honey Creek - - - - -	28
to Buffalo - - - - -	12
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ple and make their own sugar, tho in many  
places were out, that our Tea was <sup>frequently</sup> drunk  
without, which was our situation in many  
places since

4<sup>th</sup> day the 22 a Northeast Wind and a cold  
wet Morning, feeling our Minds drawn  
to do, we concluded to attend the Meetings  
belonging to Catewipsee Monthly Meeting  
and our horses as well as ourselves wanting  
rest we lay by to day, tomorrow being their  
meeting <sup>at Muryss</sup> in ~~large~~ the, next day <sup>to be</sup> at Fishing Creek  
and y<sup>e</sup> to attend their Monthly Meeting at  
Catewipsee

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ytf on Boards instead of Socking Bottom  
except when we lay in the Woods on bark,ytf  
the mostly appeared dirty, uniformly with  
out any Sheet onytf over us, but in its place  
a rough Coarse Blanket, our meal has beenytf  
steadily fried Veneson, sometimes pretty good  
nor Bread for 100 orytf more Miles with some small  
exception has been indifferent Buckwheatytf  
cakes, our drink almost ever since we left  
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Dr Samuel Lee . . . . .	1 2
do James Langstaff . . . . .	4 6
do James Wilson . . . . .	1 10 0
do Oliver Paxton . . . . .	0 6 8
	1 17 6

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Jacob Lindley at Patten	
York Money . . . . .	1 2 6
do for 2 1/2 Bushels of Corn . . . . .	0 13 0
do 5 ferridges over Cheney . . . . .	0 6 0
do 18 Quarts of Corn and Buck	
wheat . . . . .	0 9 0
horses at some picking . . . . .	0 2 6
Lodging . . . . .	0 1 0
at Buffalo 5 Suppers and Lodging	
horses at hay one night and 8 Quarts	
of Corn . . . . .	0 19 6
Crossing Niagara River 4/each . . . . .	1 0 0
for Rates at the River . . . . .	0 3 0

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4 6 6

Jacob Lindley . . . . .	4 10 5 1/2
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Settled all the above accounts

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ytf            ytf ytf    Exytf        Samuel Leeytf    4 . 6ytf ytf ytf    doytf        James Langstaffytf    1: 10 . 0ytf  
wheatytf    0. 9 : 0ytf ytf ytf    horses at some pickingytf    0 .2. 6ytf ytf ytf    Lodgingytf    0: 1 :0ytf ytf ytf  
horses at hay one night and 8 Quarts  
ofytf        Cornytf    0 : 19: 6ytf ytf ytf    Crossing Niagara Riverytf        4/eachytf    1 : 0 : 0ytf ytf ytf    For C



Michal Mofyers	1	2	3
Geo. Harver 16 Quarts of Oats	4	0	
1 pint of Cyder Royal	1		
at James Hyles all night	1	16	4
<del>James Langstaff paid £1.10</del>			
16 <sup>lb</sup> of Oats at the Blackhouse	0	6	8
at Samuel Bartlett	1	15	7
	5	5	10
at Lindley York Money	0	14	0
at the Painted Post for 4 sheaves of Oats	0	2	0
at Mud Creek	1	13	4
at Bath 19 Quarts of Oats at 6	9	6	
at Ephraim Sanfords hay and Oats	5	0	
at Thomas Lees	0	8	0
at Judge Potters all night	1	2	6
at Gilberts for 2 Bushels of Corn	0	2	0
at Canadawque 2 do: of Oats	0	3	0
at Thayer's 1/4 of Corn	0	1	6
at the River for 2 1/2 Bushels of Corn	0	13	
20 Quarts of Oats at 4	0	6	8
at Hatched	0	3	0
at Ferridges over Chenery River	0	6	0
at the river for Oats	1	3	0

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At Buffalo all night.	0:19:0
Crossing the Niagara River	1:0:0
Settled all the above accounts	8:11:0

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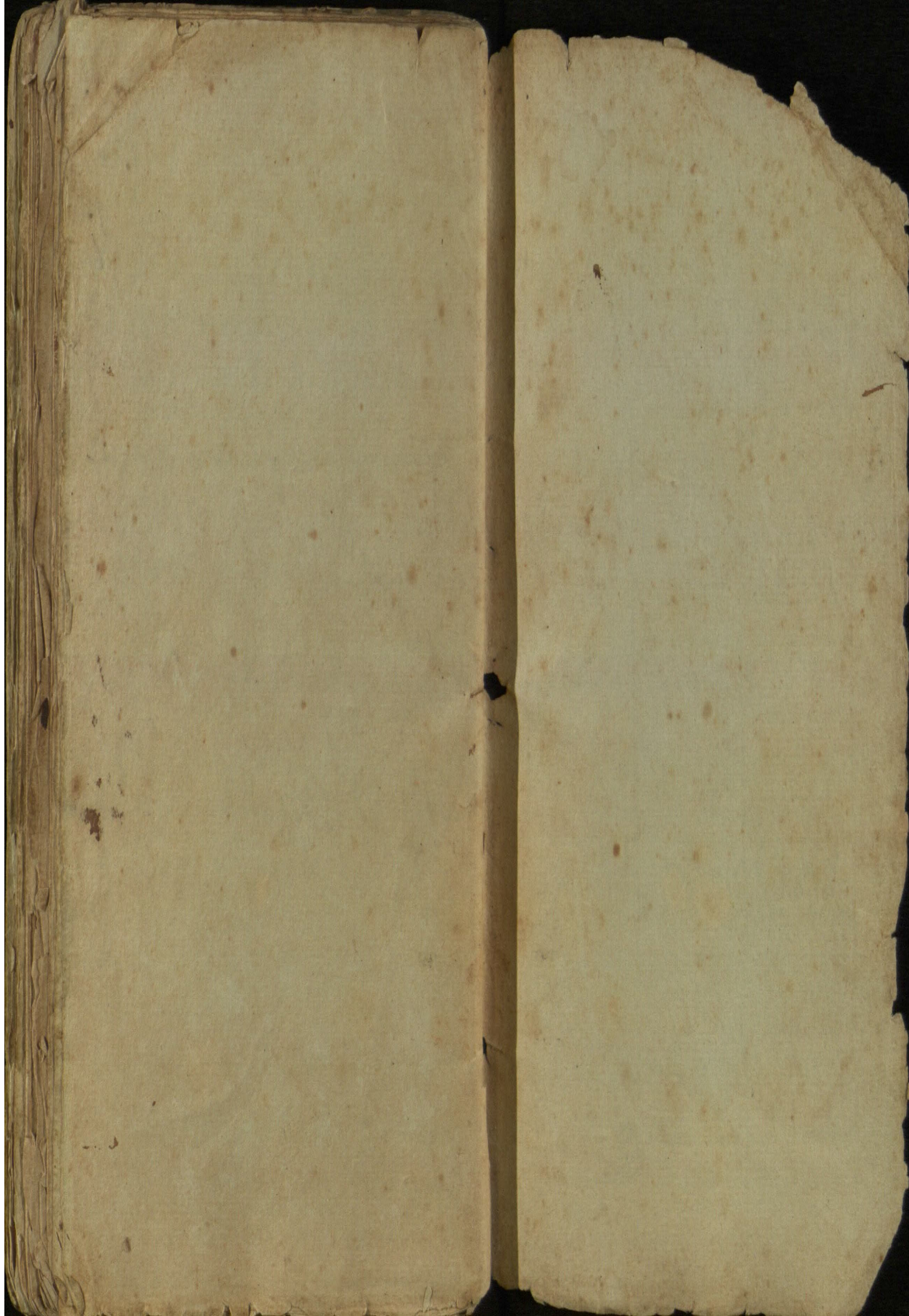
an account of what money I have received since we set our faces homeward

11 <sup>mo</sup> 10 of Oliver Paxton six dollars 2:8	
of Jacob Lindley at the river	1:0:0
of James Wilson for $1\frac{1}{2}$ of Corn	0:12
of Jacob Lindley at Tonawanda	0:14
of Joseph Hill	1:7:7
of Jacob Lindley at Foxes	1:14:0
of do. at Williamburgh	0:15:0
of James Langstaff 5 dollars	2:0:0
of Jacob Lindley at Mud Creek	1:12:0
of Do at the Port	0:18:0
of James Wilson	0:7:6
of Jacob Lindley	0:10:0
of James Langstaff	1:10:9
of Oliver Paxton	0:15:0

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received since we set our facesytf home-  
wardsytf ytf ytf 11mo 10ytf of Oliver Paseton sixytf dollarsytf 2:30ytf ytf ytf ytf of J





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Bridge at the Mill  
Two Miles, rather the right at turn  
Hardly after the left

Shall

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ytf ytf