

was kept in perfect peace, at this she would often express
her surprise, with a troubled spirit she would say as
she had always had: her decline was most rapid, but
it seemed as if the purifying process on the soul, and
the discoloring process on the body were ~~parallel~~ ^{parallel} with each
other; there was about her literally the simplicity of a
little child. There was no most affecting comparison be-
tween her death with that of my ~~precious~~ ^{precious} boy, if there
was one object more than another, to which our affections
fondly clung, it was to this child, and he waited upon
her more like her servant than an infant of 2 1/2 years
old; many times when he heard her cough, his legs
have been left and he has been at her side in a mo-
ment: "Don't you ^{my} cry empty?" was his constant enquiry
at such times her hands would be raised as if in
the act of benediction, her eyes at the same time cast
upward as if imploring the blessing of Heaven on his in-
fant head; before her remains were committed to the grave
he ~~triened~~ ^{triened}, and in less than 3 weeks he was laid at her
feet; she was ready to receive the ransomed spirit, and
entrain it to the regions of the redeemed. May we meet them
there. We were unprepared for this loss, he had never had
any ~~trious~~ ^{trious} illness from his birth until seized
for death, and in person he might have served as
a model of infantine health and beauty, in mind
and person he remained till a parent could desire
I love all my children, but I must say I was proud
of this. I had room to say "Thy will be done" but

had rarely felt the effects of this pruning —
March 26th Since I last wrote we have lost our youngest
little boy very small, he is an extremely delicate child
and we do not expect to see him; for some days we were
apprehensive of water on the brain, but our fears on this
subject are removed, I cannot however help thinking that
his lungs are affected; he has so much hectic fever toward
evening, ^{He died soon after.} I more felt so awfully as at the present by how
ever a threat we hold till our creature enjoyments, and
I more felt it so necessary to have a clear title to
more endearing inheritance. Many morbid symptoms
which have also manifested themselves in many cases
since, and we have placed her under the care of a
skilful physician, so that you see my dear cousin the
saviour is now practically putting the question to us,
"Lovest thou me more than these?" Having followed self to
occupy so much of my, that I must now refer to the in-
forming communications contained in your last, which
we have been called to mourn over the removal of our
youngest darling, you have been rejoicing over the recovery
both of your first born; may she remain faithful
the rest like you, we have had a great revival
both during the visit of Mr. Daughy, and indeed
it still continues, though with more moderation
but really the movement in York almost shook
both of the water I think all which is counsel

with the worship of God should be conducted with decency and order. I also felt disgusted with the mechanism which was at work, I should have rejoiced to have seen the altar surrounded by weeping penitents, had it been a spontaneous effect, but by secret meetings in the evening many were entrapped into it, in a way which I can not think quite right. I should not fear to leave such converts in your hands, you would I think discriminate between the workings of the Spirit, and mere animal excitement, but in our case it was very much in ^{the} hands of some warm-hearted leaders, who had more zeal than judgment and prudence. But now what must I say as to the prospect of your visit. I dare not allow myself even to hope for it, it seems to be to wish the one desire of my heart but I can hardly expect to realize it. I have already begun to wonder how you will look, and whether it will be possible to recognise you; the very prospect of once more seeing you, has convinced that I have not lost all ~~the~~ ^{the} glow of youth, for I never in the bright sunshine of childhood, calculated more upon any anticipated pleasure. I wrote to Susan after the arrival of your letter, and she has promised to accompany you to York and I shall expect to accompany you to Southboro, if about Southworth should be able to do so.

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