

<p><i>N[orth] Am[erican] Review</i></p> <p><i>Review of Wheaton</i></p> <p>Visit to M[arble]h[ea]d</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">101</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday ev[enin]g 18 May - 1817.</p> <p>In the course of the week succeeding my last entry appeared the number of the <i>North American Review</i> for this month - for which I wrote a <i>Review of Wheaton's Reports</i>. - It is the first number published under the patronage of our little society. -</p> <p>On Saturday last I made my long intended visit to M[arble]h[ea]d - I had the pleasure of finding all my friends well - They were much rejoiced to see me - Sunday, I attended worship at the Rev[erend] M^r Bartlett's, & heard a M^r Frothingham, whose connexion with a parish in Saugus had just been dissolved. -</p> <p>My first visit in M[arble]h[ea]d was to my old friend Wilson, whom I found with his wife quite comfortably established, & enjoying a pleasant fireside - They both rec[eive]d me with their wonted cordiality - Wilson has had several severe attacks of fever & ague & his countenance is very pale & sickly. He is,</p>
	<p style="text-align: right;">102</p> <p>however, recovering. -</p> <p>On Monday last I went with my mother to Salem in a chaise, in the morning, she wishing to see her Uncle, Col[onel] Lee, who was very sick. We remained at Salem until evening. - I dined</p>

	<p>I returned to Boston on Tuesday morning. Nothing of any interest occurred in the remainder of the week. -</p> <p>This morning, I was much gratified at receiving</p>
<p>Dinner at D^r Bigelow's</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">104</p> <p>a billet from D^r Bigelow inviting me to dine. Nothing could have afforded more pleasure, as a mark of friendship from a man, whom I highly esteem, & giving me an opportunity to become acquainted with the interesting woman, whom he has lately made his wife. - My gratification was increased by finding E[dward] T. Channing of the party. There were no others. We had a delightful chat - Every thing wore such an air of comfort, sociability, & <u>homeness</u>, that I have seldom enjoyed myself so well. - M^{rs} B[igelow] very politely invited me to be a frequent visitor at their house. - I shall not, I hope, fail to impose the invitation.</p> <p>D^r Kirkland preached both forenoon & afternoon for M^r Channing, who is absent on a journey for health to the Southern cities. - In the morning, his sermon was on the danger of "<i>following a multitude to do evil</i>" - & the means of remedying or controlling</p>
	<p style="text-align: right;">105</p> <p>our propensity to this error. - It was an eloquent, pithy discourse. It awakened, & kept up, a strong interest.</p>

<p><i>Froissart</i></p>	<p>It was withal useful & instructive. -</p> <p>This afternoon his sermon was on the reasonableness, justice, & mildness of God's commands. It was an ingenious sermon, but not so well written as that in the morning - & much worse delivered.</p> <p>This morning I took up before breakfast a volume of <i>Froissart's Chronicles</i>, & turning to that part, in which he narrates the insurrections in England in the reign of Rich[ard] 2[nd] (1381). I found his account so very interesting, that I could not quit it - but read it quite through. - A volume of <i>Hume</i>, which one of my fellow-boarders was reading, lay on the table beside me. I had the curiosity to look & see, if it contained an account of the same period - Luckily it did - I compared the two, but</p>
	<p style="text-align: right;">106</p> <p>found <i>Hume's</i> by far less interesting than <i>Froissart's</i>.</p> <p>This evening I have spent principally in the Athenæum⁶, reading the <i>Review of Byron</i> - in the last number of the <i>Edinburgh Review</i>.</p> <p>I called however at Aunt Scott's - & staid twenty minutes.</p> <p>After meeting this forenoon, I called at Uncle Sewall's, because I thought it would not be in my power to call there this evening.</p>

I found Aunt S[ewall] better than I had expected, tho' her health still seems to be very miserable.

I ought not to forget, that yesterday I had a most delightful family dinner at M^r Prescott's. M^r Ernestus Plummer was the only gentleman guest besides myself. - Miss Preble & a Miss Prescott, who is, I suppose, a daughter of D^r Prescott of Newbury-port, were pres[en]t - Miss P[reble] I had not seen before since her father's death - She seemed to have regained her spirits.

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Tuesday ev[en]g 20 May - 1817.

Yesterday I spent the day in business - In the evening I prepared a report of a case for the *Cir[cuit] C[our]t Reports*, after reading for some time at the Athenæum⁶.

This day also has been almost entirely devoted to business. - D^r S. Hemmenway applied to M^r Prescott for advice, as to the reservation of the crown in regard to mines in Nova Scotia. - A captain of a coaster had furnished Hemmenway with a large lump of copper ore, composed of a large proportion of virgin copper almost in a pure state. It is malleable, even without any preparation. He picked it up on a spot on the shore of the Bay of Fundy, & reports that large quantities may be obtained there. - At M^r P[rescott]'s request, I made some examination into the History of Nova Scotia with a view to ascertain the terms of

Copper Mine in N[ova] Scotia

<p>Early History of N[ova] Scotia</p>	<p>the early grants. - I found that in 1621 James I made a grant to the Earl of Sterling, but I have not yet found the instrument - In 1625 Charles I</p>
<p>(image H_0114)</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">108</p> <p>granted all Nova Scotia to Sir W[illiam] Alexander (who in Dobson's Encyclo[pedia] is erroneously stated to be the grantee of James). Upon looking into <i>Hazard's Collection</i>, I turned so instantaneously, that I was almost persuaded there was a providence in it, to this very grant made 12 July 1625. It is in Latin & very long. It reserves a tenth of all gold & silver, & expressly gives all other minerals to the grantee. - But I thought little reliance was to be placed on this, because no possession appears to have been taken under the grant. The title was a subject of contest between the French & English, until it was quieted by the cession [<i>concession</i>] made at the treaty of Utrecht. - Probably the Crown was then considered as acquiring a new & original title, & new grants were made.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The French settled in Acadie, which makes a part of Nova Scotia in 1604, but they did not settle</p>
	<p style="text-align: right;">109</p> <p>to the East. They preferred Port Royal, as more convenient for the fur trade. -</p> <p style="text-align: center;">No effectual English settlement was made before 1743, when above 3000 families were induced by the bounties of land offered by Gov[ernment] to go out to N[ova] Scotia.</p>

<p>Sickness of M^{rs} Everett</p> <p>Circuit Court Dinner</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday evening - 25 May - 1817.</p> <p>On Thursday ^{Wednesday} evening last M^{rs} Alex[ander] H. Everett was seized with violent convulsions, & great apprehensions were entertained for her safety - On Thursday she was better, & the fears of her friends were in a great measure removed. But yesterday she again became worse, & this evening was considered at the very last extremity. - Should the termination be fatal, the loss will be deeply afflicting to her numerous friends & relatives.</p> <p>I dined yesterday at M^r Prescott's with a party representing the Circuit Court. - Hon[orable] Judges Story & Davis were present - M^r Webster - M^rGorham -</p>
<p><i>"He that hath ears to hear, let him hear"</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">110</p> <p>M^r R. G. Amory &c - Conversation turned upon a variety of topics - The principal speakers were Judge Story - M^r Webster & M^r Gorham. - I was much pleased with M^r Webster, next to whom I had the good fortune to be seated. - In such an assembly, I felt very little able or disposed to break silence.</p> <p>I have attended worship at M^r Channing's all day - M^r Colman of Hingham has preached, & delivered two good sermons - that in the morning was on the claims which the Christian Religion has to our consideration & reverence - that in the afternoon, upon the influence of the divine Spirit - The last</p>

For it is God that
worketh in us both
to will & to do, of
his own good
pleasure”

M^r C[olman] explained to be, that divine grace cooperated
with human efforts - -

This evening I spent at Uncle Sewall’s very
happily, excepting that I discovered in Aunt S[ewall] alarming
appearances of declining health. Oh! that she may

yet be spared to her affectionate friends.