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Dr. Nephew.

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Cincinnati July 23 - 1823

Be not amazed if I tell you strange things. With me believe that God has ordered and will order all things for his glory whether it be by life or by death.

This day I have made up my determination, if God be willing & directing, to go to England myself. I relinquish or surrender, (to be decided on Monday next which) the office of President of Cin! College and as soon as the arrangements can be made I set off for N.Y.

We shall go in our Waggon. Mrs Chase Dudley Henry and Mary. Salmon will probably remain under care of Mr Jones of Hamilton and work with him and say his prayers till my return.

Mrs Phelps and Sarah had their choice either to go with us and visit friends in Vert or to go on a visit to her Brothers in Indiana. She chooses the latter.

Edward
Mr Sparrow and William will stay with some friend till the winter when they will visit their Sister below Natchez.

On Monday next at 6. p.m. There is to be

a meeting of the Trustees of the College and
many other Gentlemen Citizens.

Before the Meeting will be laid my rea-
sons for leaving them, which under their
present circumstances no doubt will prove
satisfactory. At least it is so said by all
who have been informed. Their taking leave
of me it is hoped will not do me discredit
abroad.

Now (say you) when will the Bishop
be in Yaneville in Steubenville &c?
I think ~~under Providence~~ ~~and~~ ~~grate~~ we
may be off from this in all three weeks from
this. perhaps sooner. But who can tell!!

I think of going from Steubenville to
Canfield & ~~at~~ ~~his~~ ~~tabula~~ of ordaining the
Rev Mr Hall. In this case you must go
with me to present the candidate.

~~If you~~ ~~may~~ venture to write to Mr Hall
and tell him that on the first or second of
Septem^r. God willing I propose to start from

The town of Steubenville with my face towards
Cincinnati Boardman &c. What exact time
it will take me thence to travel to Ash Taber
with my family & perhaps to preach in Wind-
sor let you and him judge. Perhaps you
had better make the appointments as far
as Boardman and leave all the rest to him
minding to make no unnecessary delay
nor to hurry on the Lumber too fast.

You see I have left space to be with you
and Philander. God grant that this time,
precious indeed, may be well spent.

Ten thousand things must be said. & all
most as many done

A general circular to the Diocess explaining
the story of this extraordinary proceeding & requesting
their prayers on the good work.

A note addressed to all the Episcopaleans
West of the Mountains requesting Societies to be
formed in every place to encourage & maintain
young men desirous of being ministers &c
I have just recovered from a violent run of the
fever: & Mary is a little better of the summer com-
plaint, & which ^{her} head very nearly died. P. Chase

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Rev. Mr. J. Morse
or the Rev. Mr. Chapman

~~Yamville~~
Stebenville Ohio.

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