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My dear wife,

On my way from the post office on Thursday evening, wh. by the way I again found closed, wh. will account for my taping you again - with the postage, I met Edward Johnson, & went with him to his room in Broadway nearly opposite Dr Hainwright's Ch. He spends his evenings in reading & seems to be doing well. He expects to visit the West this fall & winter in the business of his employer, to go through Ohio & Kentucky perhaps as far as St Louis, & to be gone 3 or 4 months.

Yesterday in Convention the reports of the Committees on the Ohio business were received. The Convention of Ohio had requested the House of Bishops, who are by the Constitution of the Ohio Seminary made a board of Visitors, to take notice of the acts of that institution. The Committee of the Gen. Convention to whom this request of the Convention of Ohio was referred reported that as the Convention of Ohio had not specified any instances where the Trustees of Kenyon Col. had violated the Canons doctrine or discipline of the General Ch. it was not proper for the Gen. Convention to legislate upon the subject. The report however was recommended to the Committee & will be taken up at some future time. The Committee appointed on the resignation of Bp. Chase, consisting of Bishops White, Brownell & Meade (not Bowen as in my last letter)

Dr De Laney, Lyell & Crocker, Messrs Beach, Duer & Donaldson, reported that the Episcopate of Ohio was now vacant by the removal of Mr. Chase beyond the organized jurisdiction of the Epis. Ch. in the U. S. & that it was vacant previous to the election of Dr M. Doane. This was the report of the majority of the Committee. Who the dissenters are I do not know. The question is made the special business of Monday at 12 o'clock. There will be a great deal of warm discussion. Dr. Chase it is said is desirous of resuming the jurisdiction of Ohio, & a portion of the Convention will be disposed to require this to receive him back. This will of course be opposed by the delegation of that diocese, consisting of Rev. ^{Messrs} ~~the~~ Sharrow & Baerman, & from what I can learn, a majority of the Convention. I was mistaken in saying Mr Doane would not be consecrated with the other Bishops elect. His wife has consented to remove from Boston.

Last evening I heard John Johns preach at Mr Eastburn's Ch. James C. Richmond read prayers as he was ordained at Providence about a week since. The Greek fever is again upon him, & ^{he} is going to follow up his plan zealously. Miss Mullegan, Mrs Ellis's sister sails for Greece on Monday from this port, & this evening there is to be a Greek meeting at Mr Eastburn's Ch. Bp. Meade & others are to deliver addresses. I forgot to say that I dined yesterday with about 30 others at Bp. Onderdonk's. Among the guests were Chap of Gardiner, Burroughs of Portsmouth, Edson, Thos. Coit, Bronson of N. H., Ballard, De Laney, Beach of Chelsea, Crocker & Bristed who inquired particularly after you. After dinner with Ballard I called at Mrs Wells, but saw only one of my old scholars.

This morning the Convention principally with discussing the
revised Psalms. The minority of the Committee on the Resigna-
tion of Mr. C. Drs De Lancey & Lyell, & Mr Donaldson of Baltimore
reported that a pastoral letter from the House of Bishops be sent to
the diocese of Ohio, requesting them to receive Mr. Chase, & that
he be urged to return to his diocese, & that should ~~at~~ reconcilia-
tion not place before the 1st of May next, the diocese then be per-
mitted to elect a Mr. This whole will be taken next morning,
after the sermon of Mr. White in behalf of the Gen. Miss. Soc.
Resolutions were introduced to alter the Constitution so as to ar-
range the representation to the Gen. Con. according to the
number of clergy in each diocese. It is proposed that
every diocese be entitled to one clerical delegate, if the num-
ber of clergy in it be less than 8. In other dioceses, there
will be one clerical delegate for every eight clergymen.
& one lay for every 12 parishes. It is now about 2, & I am
to dine at Dr Milnor's. You will ask when I am to return.
Since I have come on to witness the consecration of the Bishops,
I ~~wish~~ ^{wish} to remain till that has taken place, but I feel with
you that I ought to be in Litchfield. I cannot now
name the day when I shall leave, but as I intend to
write to you every day, you will have due notice when
to expect me. My father says that if we all live to another
summer, & we do not visit him, he shall come to Litch-
field. The weather is warm & pleasant. There has not yet
been any frost in this city. The Lord be ever with you,
prays your affectionate husband.

Mrs Samuel Fuller Jun.

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Litchfield.

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