Mr. Whitefield's Journal in the Cold: For, being examined by a truly experienced Friend, he found she was under very strong Convictions, and had followed me from Roxbury. She said, she wanted Nothing but Christ, and Christ she would have. Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after Righteousness, for they shall be filled. LORD, let this Promise be fulfilled in her Heart!

Cambridge and Boston.

Saturday, Octob. 11. Was but weak in Body, and perceived I had taken Cold: But Preaching I find a constant Remedy against all Flight Indispositions. Went to Cambridge, four Miles from Mystic. Preached at the Meeting-House Door, to a great Body of People, who stood very attentively tho' it rained, and were at the latter Part of the Sermon much affected. It being at the University, I discoursed on these Words, "Noah the Eighth Person, " a Preacher of Righteousness;" and endeavoured to shew the Qualifications proper for a true Evangelical Preacher of Christ's Righteousness. The LORD open'd my Mouth and I spoke very plainly to Tutors and Pupils. One Hundred Pounds were collected for the Orphans. After Sermon the President very kindly entertained me and my Friends. About Four
Four we reached Boston; I preached immediately at Dr. Sewall's Meeting-House, exhorted a great Company afterwards at my Lodging; and then was employed till near Midnight in settling my private Affairs, answering Letters, and speaking to Souls under Convictions. One little Girl came to me, about Eight Years old, under deep Convictions: She, as her Friends told me, had been wrestling for Christ, and, whilst she was wrestling, it came to her Mind, that Jesus being in an Agony, prayed yet so much the more earnestly, and that an Angel was sent from Heaven to strengthen him; this encouraged her to persevere, and her Soul soon received some Comfort. Another Minister's little Daughter has been quite restless after Christ, Night and Day. And a young Man, about Fourteen, came to me crying, saying, Sir I am convicted but not converted: Oh pray for me! ---- I thank thee holy Father, LORD of Heaven and Earth, that thou hast hid these Things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto Babes. Even so Father, for so it seemeth good in thy Sight.

Sunday, Octob. 12. Perceived I was much refreshed in Body and Soul when I rose in the Morning. Spoke to as many as I
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I could, that came for spiritual Advice. Preached with great Power and Affection at Dr. Sewal's Meeting-House, which was so exceedingly thronged, that I was obliged to get in at one of the Windows. Din'd with the Governor, who came to me after Dinner, when I was retired, and weeping, most earnestly desired my Prayers. The LORD be with and in him for Time and Eternity. Went and heard Dr. Sewal preach in the Afternoon; was sick at Meeting, and also after it was over. Went with the Governor in his Coach to the Common, where I preach'd my Farewel Sermon to near 30,000 People, a Sight I have not seen since I left Blackheath, and a Sight perhaps never before seen in all America: It being Duskish before I had done, the Sight was more solemn. Numbers, great Numbers melted into Tears, when I talked of leaving them. I was very particular in my Application, both to Rulers, Ministers and People, commending what was commendable, and blaming what was blame-worthy, and exhorted them steadfastly to imitate the Piety of their Fore-Fathers, that, whether I was present or whether I was absent, I might hear of their Affairs, that with one Heart and with one Mind they were striving together for the Faith of the Gospel. Af-
Sermon the Governor went with me to my Lodgings. I stood in the Passage and spoke to a great Company, both within and without the Doors; but they were so deeply affected, and cried out so loud, that I was obliged to leave off praying. The Governor was highly pleased to see the Power of GOD: He took his Leave in the most affectionate Manner, and said, He would come and take me in his Coach to Charlestown Ferry, the Morrow Morning. The Remainder of the Evening was almost entirely taken up in speaking to Souls deeply wounded by the Word. The poor Girl that followed me from Roxbury, I believe, had a saving Discovery of Jesus Christ this Morning: For when I had preached on these Words, "The LORD our Righteousness," she was enabled to say, The LORD my Righteousness. Her Soul received Comfort, and she knew her Sins were forgiven her, and was not afraid to die. Poor Creature! I found upon Enquiry she could not read; which shews the Sovereignty of God's Electing Love, and confirms what the Apostle says, that the LORD chuses the foolish Things of this World to confound the Wise. Many offered to go with me to Georgia, and Charity I believe will incline me to take her; for she is cast out, in E

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feet, already for Christ's Sake. Blessed be God for what he has done at Boston! I hope a glorious Work is now begun, and that the Lord will stir up some faithful Labourers to carry it on. Boston is a large populous Place; very wealthy; has the Form kept up very well; but has lost much of the Power of Religion. I have not heard of any remarkable Stir in it for these many Years. Ministers and People are obliged to confess, that the Love of many is waxed cold. Both, for the Generality, seem'd too much conform'd to the World. There's much of the Pride of Life to be seen in their Assemblies. Jewels, Patches and gay Apparel are commonly worn by the female Sex. Little Boys and Girls I observed commonly dressed up in the Pride of Life; and the little Infants that were brought to Baptism, were wrapped in such fine Things, and so much Pains taken to dress them, that one would think, they were brought thither to be initiated into rather than renounce the Pomp's and Vanities of this wicked World. There are Nine Meeting-Houses of the Congregational Persuasion; one Baptist; one French, and one belonging to the Scotch Irish. There are two monthly and one weekly Lecture, and that too but poorly attended.
at Boston. Several Ministers complain'd to me of it. I mentioned it in my Sermon, and I trust GOD will stir up the People, more frequently to tread the Courts of the LORD's House. One Thing Boston is remarkable for, The external Observation of the Sabbath. Men in Civil Offices have a Regard for Religion. The Governor encourages them; and the Ministers and Magistrates seem to be more united than in any other Place where I have been. Both were exceedingly civil to me during my Stay. I never saw so little Scoffing, never had so little Opposition: But one might easily foresee, much Opposition will hereafter arise, when I come to be more particular in my Application to particular Persons: For I fear many, many rest in a Head-Knowledge, are close Pharisees, having only a Name to live. It must needs be so, when the Power of Godliness is dwindled away, and the Form only of Religion is become fashionable amongst a People. However, no doubt there are a few Names left in Sardis, that have not defiled their Garments. Many Letters came to me, as far as I could judge, from truly pious People, in which they heavily complained of the sad Degeneracy of their Times; and hoped that GOD was now about to revive his Work in
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in the Midst of the Years. Even so LORD Jesus, Amen and Amen, say I with my whole Heart: For Boston People are dear to my Soul. They were greatly affected by the Word, followed Night and Day, and were very Liberal to my dear Orphans. I promised, GOD willing, to visit them again, and intend to fulfil my Promise, when it shall please GOD to bring me again from my Native Country. In the mean while, dear, dear Boston, Adieu. The LORD be with thy Ministers and People, and grant that the Remnant which is yet left, according to the Election of Grace, may be Root downwards and bear Fruit upwards, and fill the Land!

Boston and Concord.

Monday, Octob. 13. Took an affectionate Leave of many dear Friends, especially of mine Host and Hostesses, who have been exceedingly kind to me and mine, and wept over me at our Departure from them. The LORD reward them a Thousand-fold. Went with the Governor in his Coach to Charlestown Ferry. He took me to the Boat, kissed me, and, with Tears in his Eyes, bid me farewell. About Noon I reached Concord, a Town 13 Miles from Boston. Here I preached twice.
feelingly to others: I believe, many were filled as with New-Wine; it seemed as if a Time of Refreshing was come from the Presence of the LORD. Even so come LORD Jesus, come quickly. Amen and Amen.

Northampton.

Sunday, Octob. 19. Felt wonderful Satisfaction in being at the House of Mr. Edwards. He is a Son himself, and hath also a Daughter of Abraham for his Wife. A sweeter Couple I have not yet seen. Their Children were dressed not in Silks and Sattins, but plain, as becomes the Children of those who in all Things sought to be Examples of Christian Simplicity. She is a Woman adorn'd with a meek and quiet Spirit, and talk'd so feelingly and solidly of the Things of GOD, and seem'd to be such a Help-meet for her Husband, that she caused me to renew those Prayers which for some Months I have put up to GOD, that He would be pleased to send me a Daughter of Abraham to be my Wife. I find, upon many Accounts, it is my Duty to marry. LORD, I desire to have no Choice of my own: Thou knowest my Circumstances: Thou knowest I desire to marry only in and for thee: Thou didst chuse a Rebecca for Isaac; chuse one for me, to be a Help-
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Help-meet for me, in Managing that great Household committed to my Charge! LORD, hear me: LORD, let my cry come unto Thee. Preached this Morning, and perceived the Melting to begin sooner and rise higher than before. Dear Mr. Edwards wept almost during the whole Time of Exercise. The People were equally, if not more affected, and my own Soul was much lifted up towards GOD. In the Afternoon the Power encreased yet more and more. Our LORD seem'd to keep the good Wine till the last. I have not seen such a gracious Melting since my Arrival. My Soul was much knit to the dear People of GOD, and tho' I had not Time to converse with them about their Experiences, yet one might see they were for the most part a gracious and tender People; and tho' their former Fire might be greatly abated, yet it immediately appeared when stirred up. This day my Soul might be refreshed with the sweet News that Northampton People have recover'd their first Love, that the LORD has revived his Work in their Souls, and call'd them to return and do their first Work!

Westfield and Springfield.

Monday, Octob. 20. Left Northampton in the Evening. Rode very pleasantly 16 Miles
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tinguishing Love, and my own Unworthiness, that my Eyes gushed out with Tears; but they were all Tears of Love. Oh how did I want to sink before the high and lofty One that inhabiteth Eternity. I felt myself less than nothing, and yet knew that my Jesus was my ALL in ALL. The Divine Presence was strong upon me all the Evening. We stop'd at a Friend's House about four Miles from Springfield. Took proper Refreshment, and went to Rest, desiring not to be unmindful of the peculiar Favours conferred upon me the Night past. LORD, they are noted in thy Book. Oh let them be also written upon the Tables of my Heart!

Suffield and Windsor.

Tuesday, Octob. 21. Set out for Suffield about eight Miles from the Place where I lay: Reach'd there, and preached about eleven to several Thousands of People. Met with a Minister on the Way, who said it was not absolutely necessary for a Gospel Minister that he should be converted. I insisted much in my Discourse upon the Doctrine of the New-Birth, and also the Necessity of a Minister's being converted, before he could preach Christ aright. The Word came with great Power, and a great Impression was made upon
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upon the People in all Parts of the Assembly. Many Ministers were present. I did not spare them. Most of them thanked me for my plain Dealing; but one was offended, and so would more of his Stamp if I was to continue longer in New-England: For unconverted Ministers are the Bane of the Christian Church: And tho' I honour the Memory of that great and good Man Mr. Stoddard, yet I think he is much to be blamed for endeavouring to prove that unconverted Men might be admitted into the Ministry. How he has handled the Controversy I know not. I think, no solid Arguments can be brought to defend such a Cause: But the best of Men are permitted to err, that we may know they were but Men. A Sermon lately published by Mr. Gilbert Tennent, entitled, The Danger of an unconverted Ministry, I think unanswerable. As I was Riding to Windsor, after Dinner, an old Man came up to me, saying, He knew that what I had preached in the Morning was true; I have felt it, says he: I was under the Spirit of Bondage 20 Years, and have received the Spirit of Adoption 23 Years. Another came, giving me an Account of his Experiences; and the People of God seem'd much revived at Windsor: Where, I am informed, a true converted Man
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M'lis the Minister. I preach'd in the Afternoon, and with such Freedom, that a young Minister, who had heard me several Times, told me, I had kept the good Wine until now. As soon as Sermon was over, I rode about a Mile, crossed a broad Ferry, walked about a Mile and a half, and preached to a thronged Congregation, belonging to old Mr. Edwards, Father to Mr. Edwards of Northampton, and, I believe, a true Disciple of the LORD Jesus Christ. My Body being something weak, I did not speak with that Strength as last Night, neither was I so much assisted: But it is the LORD. He knows best when to dispense, and when to suspend his Aids. After Exercise I supped at the House of old Mr. Edwards: His Wife, I believe, was as aged as himself, and, if she was converted, and I know nothing to the contrary, I fancied I was sitting in the House of a Zachary and Elizabeth. Indeed I felt great Satisfaction in my own Soul; and parted from him and his Son (who came with me so far) with some inward Regret. But, blessed be GOD, we shall meet again in Eternity. LORD, grant I may always comfort myself with this Thought!

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