Washington City. Fourth day Eve. June 17.
Here we are after a highly agreeable sail in a steamer from the up the Potomac from the Creek near Fredericksburg. We arrived this evening under fine clear moonlight to wharf at this city, opposite Alexandria, Geo. Town & Washington. The capitol towering in view was remarkably grand. The fleet of water in this arm of Chesapeak bay being very large & fine. Second day a journey of 25 miles to Sarah Tyrrell's Carline. A good meeting at at Carline. Followed thither by desire. I trust not in vain. Yesterday to Fredericksburg large & satisfactory meeting in the Presbyterian House. "The death & resurrection of Jesus Christ." To day, it has been no small refreshment to be at the waters. In quietness & I aught to be abundantly thankful for the peace of mind which has been my portion. The flowing of it was very sweet after the meeting last night.

Sixth day.

Arrangements have been finally made for a meeting in the Representatives Hall for 1st day morning, the prospect of which has brought me into painful & deep exercise of mind. Some of the Senators, representatives &c with the Speaker & chaplains have been exceedingly liberal & kind about it. The Lord in his mercy tender mercy grant that his precious cause may not suffer present. But may even gain some accession of strength. Yesterday afternoon, we went to Alexandria & held a large public meeting there which was a satisfactory & relieving one. Some of the Hicksites were there, but I fear to no great purpose. It is a hard heresy! Last night a meeting is appointed for the Presbyterian House. May it be helped through. Never did I more feel the importance & responsibility of the work, or a more utter inadequacy for it. But I humbly trust that I am not, & shall not be forsaken. My soul is at times much weighed down, even in sorrow, but there is still much quietness at bottom respecting it.

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The meeting in the Presbyterian Chapel on sixth day Eve was very small, but I was enabled to enter into exercise & to obtain good relief. "The redemption of the soul is precious." Second was my lecture at the close of the meeting & the greeted by John Paul & Bartw Wistar from Philadelphia. They brought an almost overwhelming tide of letters which kept me sleepless most of the night. Dear Ds Gurney's renewed strong very affecting. The letter from my dear dear children, breathe a delightful Christian spirit, & my heartfelt rejoicing