least of his mercies. It was I believe in a measure of the obedience of faith that I left my all to come into this country — & perhaps, since I left home, this faith has never been put to a closer test, than during this illness — but there is that which is in us, which we have of God & which that does at times arise into a degree of blessed predominance over all our fears, apprehensions & temptations. May I be gathered to this blessed power & influence, more & more — that eternal wisdom may be my Guide — my Guard, omnipotence.

Third day morng.

Yesterday a very fair day after a night without morphine — I was obliged to resort to the anodyne last night, & after plenty of sound sleep & a long drive & little walk in the garden, am favoured with much feeling of health — together with a good measure of quietness of mind. A letter from my dear friend Thos. Evans informs me of the quiet, peaceful close of his father, Jonathan Evans. The dear old man was not without his partial bitterness, but is, I have no doubt, gathered in an accepted hour, to glory.

That this may be the case with us all at the end of our race was my earnest prayer after a solemn family reading yesterday morning. I am truly grateful for the feeling of returning health & strength. But I must be quiet & deliberate in my movements.

Fifth day morning — I have been attending our little weekday meeting this morning — a very favoured time — wherein a concern was expressed that we might be gathered to the Lords own washing, & feeding, & teaching. It ended with solemn prayer, & I believe I am thus nearer unbent by this effort. In the mean time ~~the old enemy, that, at a moment, so little has been proclaiming triumph!~~

Sixth day, I at length succeeded in obtaining a night of sleep without anodyne which I look upon as another step onward. Kindly permitted. But O! my soul, what need that patience should have her perfect work! This morning I am in grateful expectation of satisfactory letters from my darling children &c up to Tues. In the family circle after breakfast united a most solemn time of prayer, Robert Member & Jane Brown being with me. On the bended knee had I to recount the mercies of the Lord so remarkably bestowed on me &