

have been prepared for such a dispensation ; and it probably would have been more to their spiritual interest, and of the cause of christianity among them.

The time and circumstances of his illness were so ordered, that he had just opportunity to finish his journal. A foundation was hereby laid for a concern in others for that cause, and proper care and measures to be taken for the maintaining it after his death. As it has actually proved to be of great benefit in this respect ; it having excited many in those parts, and also more distant parts of America, to exert themselves for the promoting so glorious a work, remarkably opening their hearts and hands : and not only in America, but in Great Britain, where that Journal has been an occasion of some large benefactions, made for the promoting the interest of christianity among the Indians.

He was not taken off from the work of the ministry among his people, till his brother was in a capacity and circumstances to *succeed* him in his care of them : who succeeds him in the like spirit, and under whose prudent and faithful care his congregation has flourished, and been very happy, since he left them ; and probably could not have been so well provided for otherwise. If Mr. Brainerd had been disabled sooner, his *brother* would by no means have been ready to stand up in his place ; having taken his first degrees at college but about that very time that he was seized with this very fatal consumption.

Though in that winter that he lay sick at Dr. Dickinson's in Elisabeth-Town, he continued for a long time in an extremely low state, so that his life was almost despaired of, and his state was sometimes such that it was hardly expected he would live a day to an end ; yet his life was spared a while longer ; he lived to see his brother arrived in New-Jersey, being come to succeed him in the care of his Indians ; and he himself had opportunity to assist in his examination and introduction into his business : and to commit the conduct of his dear people to one whom he well knew,
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