

of his generous offers to me. During the first three weeks he seemed satisfied with my abilities, conduct and attention ; but on a sudden I perceived a gradual decline in his usual manner towards me, which led me to conceive that he felt dissatisfied in his mind, arising from some cause best known to himself: and on the second day of the second month in his service, he offered some childish reasons wherein he designed to dismiss me ; the reasons he urged, not appearing to me sufficient, I concluded he had some private reason respecting my being a preacher of the Methodist Society, and expressing my belief and opinion as specified. He denied having any objection to me on that ground ; however, I felt resigned to the will of Providence, expecting still the fulfilment of the promise, " that all things shall work together for good, to them that love God."

Having three whole months to continue with Mr. Wilson, according to our agreement, I found I had sufficient time to look after some other means of support, which led me to use every prudent exertion to that end. I received much friendship and brotherly kindness from the pious friends at Kingston, and enjoyed the privilege of preaching in conjunction with Mr. Kathrick, during which time, I obtained favour in the sight of the people, and generally had large congregations.

Drawing near the conclusion of my time in the academy, I received an account stating that a congregation of people called Lutherans, living up the bay, about twenty-five miles from Kingston, signified a desire to encourage me to preach for them occasionally, which, with the benefit of a public school, was thought might be sufficient to give a decent support to my family. Obtaining leave from Mr. Wilson, I went to the

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