

great number of people. They seemed much alarmed by the gospel, and some so awakened, that I trust they will never rest, until they have found Christ. O that they might once be brought to an union with Christ, without which there is no safety or happiness.

24th. I RODE with Col. Emerson, who accompanied me up the river, intending to go to the ferry at Sheep's Gut that night. But when I came to see so many inhabitants on Amesscotty, I told him that my mind was not easy, to go by them : I therefore stopped and preached on both sides of the river, and trust it was not in vain ; for some christians were greatly revived, and some sinners much awakened. O that they might never rest until they find the true rest. Lord Jesus, have mercy on their poor burdened souls, that are wandering in a wilderness and know thee not.

29th. I RODE over to the other river, and the next day I preached there, and, blessed be God, I trust, it was not in vain : and seeing the people so engaged, made me stay longer and preach again ; when I still saw some more movings amongst the people ; though many were very much hardened. I endured vast pains and anguish of body almost every day, and was many times scarcely able to preach ; but I endured it without much complaining, for I enjoyed health of soul, and was very happy at times in the Lord Jesus Christ. But as I had just got into that part of the vineyard, and saw the fields as it were white unto the harvest, I had intended (if Providence permitted) to blow the gospel trumpet through that vast country, and I could not bear the thoughts of leaving the world ; although I was happy and had not the least doubt of my salvation : for I longed more than tongue can express, to be the means of bringing some of those poor souls to the Lord Jesus Christ.

OCTOBER 5th. I preached at Sheep's Gut, and saw much moving of the Spirit of God. Indeed some were in such distress, they could hardly contain themselves. O that God might bring them to himself !

MONDAY morning the Selectmen of the town sent me a request for to stay longer ; but I could not find it my duty, being under pressing obligations to visit other parts, that stood in as great a need, and yet it was hard to leave the poor awakened sinners.

MONDAY I went to an island called Squam, where there had been a work of God, and I found some lately