

unsettled in our minds we thought we would ride eastward, to see if we could hear any thing concerning our children. As we were riding along between Ipswich and Rawly, we met with William Hubbard, who told us our son Joseph, and my sisters son, were come in to Major Waldren's: I asked him how he knew it? he said the Major himself told him so. So along we went till we came to Newbury; and their minister being absent, they desired my husband to preach the *Thanksgiving* for them; but he was not willing to stay there that night, but would go over to Salisbury, to hear farther, and come again in the morning, which he did, and preached there that day.

At night, when we had done, one came and told him that his daughter was come in at Providence: Here was mercy on both hands. Now hath God fulfilled that precious scripture, which was such a comfort to me in my distressed condition. When my heart was ready to sink into the earth, and my knees trembling under me, and I was *walking through the valley of the shadow of death*: Then the Lord brought, and has now fulfilled that reviving word unto me. *Thus saith the Lord, refrain thy voice from weeping, and thy eyes from tears, for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the Lord, and they shall come again from the land of the enemy.* Now we were between them, the one on the East, and the other on the West; our son being nearest, we went to him first,