

After Dec. 1st I was totally helpless, with the exception of being able to move my hands a little sometimes.

The consultation of doctors was held in Dec. 26th, 1879. On experimenting they found that the lower half of my body was paralyzed, and the remainder partially so, following or caused by acute spinal disease.

The pain in my head was most excruciating and constant, and the light acted very peculiarly on every fibre, nerve and muscle of my body. The reason why it tortured me so was that the pupils of the eyes were paralyzed, so that it was impossible for them to contract on the approach of the light, and thus its full glare entered and preyed upon the sensitive head, all agonized with pain.

The physicians agreed in saying that I could live but a very few weeks at the longest, and would probably die at any moment. To me the prospect of death was a most delightful one:—To be free from all pain!—to be at home with Jesus!—to see the lovely face of my Redeemer, and worship Him with purified heart and enlightened understanding! These thoughts were the crown of my bliss. Of course, I