

tive about things in Religion, and I had a great deal of discourse with him who gave an account likewise of an Apparition y^t the Jesuit at Nerridgewock saw who Lying alone in his wigwam, awaked in y^e night and saw a great Light as if his wigwam had been on fire, whereupon he got up, and went abroad, and after some time he returned to his wigwam, and went to sleep again; and after awhile he waked, and felt as it were a hand upon his Throat y^t almost choaked him, saw a great light again, and heard a voice saying it is in vain for you to take any pains with these Indians, your children, for I have got possession of them, and will keep possession of them. The Jesuit likewise said y^t there was a Letter brought to him which was written in y^e name of an Indian y^t was dead, wherein he declared y^t He was now burning in a most terrible fire. He showed this Letter to the Indians, but first tore off the name y^t was subscribed, and did not Let them know who he was. The Letter was written in y^e Indian Tongue. This Apparition he said was about forty days ago.

April y^e 26th, an Indian came to desire me to go to his squaw who was very sick, and Like to die, accordingly I went to her with Captⁿ Giles, and discoursed with her about y^e state of her soul, and directed her how to get prepared for death, and she seemed to be very well pleased with what was said to her.

April y^e 27th, I preached at Brunswick.

April y^e 28th, I came down to G— Town, and there I heard y^t Stratton who set sail for Boston the week before had like to have been castaway.

April 30th, I received a Letter from y^e Nerridgewock Jesuit. And the next day sent a letter to him.

May 2^d, Co^l: Tailor, Co^l: Winthrop, Co^l: Hutchinson, Doctor Noyes* and Co^l: Minot, arrived at George Town in y^e Pejepscoot sloop.

May 4th, I preached at George-Town.

May y^e 12th, I came from G— Town in y^e Pejepscoot sloop for Boston.

May y^e 14th, we arrived at Boston.

May 16th, I went from Boston to Medfield, and found my family in health, and under comfortable circumstances. Praised be y^e name of the Lord.

May 18th, I preached at Medfield.

On Friday, August 4th, 1721, we went on board y^e sloop Sea Flower of which Captⁿ Peet was commander, about Five of y^e clock in y^e afternoon, Capt. Westbrook setting out by land for Piscataqua. As we were coming out of y^e Harbour we met, &c. We had a fair wind till about nine, or Ten a clock at night, and then there came up a sudden, and violent squall which was something surprising, and while y^v were haling down the main sheet it took the master of the sloop and carried him overboard with the Tiller which broke off short in y^e Rudder, He being at y^e Helm and Steering, and there he perished in y^e water between Marblehead and Capan to the great sorrow and amazement of all y^t were on board. But we were all beside the Master carried along safely (through the great goodness of God) and the

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He published a poem on the death of Joseph Green, of Salem village, 1715.