

to me). What He did tell me at such times was in substance, that I was doing His work on my bed, and that this was His will concerning me for a "little while ;" He had more to teach me there, and wished my life and lips to praise Him every moment. I was perfectly willing to await His time for further revelation. His will had become mine, and it was with a heart full of gratitude and steady, *springing* joy, that I waited, trusting gladly His love and wisdom in all His wonderful dealings with me.

Dear friend : I think it entirely superfluous to give any further details of my illness ; by this I mean the different symptoms and peculiar and painful sensations, which constantly preyed upon my body, the high tension of nerve and muscle and stiffening of every part of my body, and the terrible quivering caused by the glare, glimmer or flicker of any light near to where I lay. Please let it suffice when I say, that for exactly *three* years I was in this helpless and suffering condition—years fraught with deep true pleasure and profit to me ; years, in each day of which I held sweet communion and fellowship with the Father and Son through the Holy Spirit.