

November. 3rd Took my horses & baggage down to Charles Perry with
a design of spending the day there - went up to the reading room - papers
full of politics. Both parties claiming Pennsylvania. said Bennett's
Herald - a vile paper yet some truths in it, he says "both parties lie"
ascertained that we cannot have a meeting this evening - the "Tippacanoe
Club" have a previous appointment in the house & the judge is putting
them up to preside in their meeting to our exclusion - so we gave
way - & made arrangements to return here so soon as it is ascertained
that the meeting hour can be had. Took dinner with the Perry family
a family of Friends - they had several Friends from Charleston present on
a visit - a fine family very hospitable - took an leave & went
to Danvers - put up with Thomas Kinnic Jr - Called on Dr. - Fawndworth
& then spent the night with friend Kinnic. am invited to spend the morning
at the Drs to breakfast - a Mr Webb was in at Kinnic's - had a
discussion on non-resistance with bro Mr. He said in the present state of Society
we must do wrong if we would live - altho a professed Christian
was unwilling to take the principles of the gospel for his rule of conduct
it would not answer. in certain circumstances I must commit murder
and do all manner of evil - horrible doctrine! - yet the doctrine
of the people - the fundamental principles of our government are
antagonistical to the principles of the gospel. They are the principles
of Robert Dale Owen & Fanny Wright - for example - The marriage
institution is a divine institution and in no case can divorce
take place but for adultery - The government claims etc to
be a civil institution & a right to nullify the marriage relation
when it pleases - if a man or woman commits an offence
to separate them send one or the other to State prison &
allow the other to get a new husband or wife when they please.
and the ministers & professors of religion who charge women
with infidelity - sustain such a government - ie sustain
ownism. & Fanny Wrightism! ~ Nov. 4th Breakfasted with
Dr Fawndworth - who took great pains to go & get some fine
Pork Steak & Coffe for us & so we would not eat a drink
any such thing Mrs F. a fine woman - said we might
come when we pleased - they always had a plenty of bread & butter