miles by 7 oc[lock] breakfast at Crittendens, Eagle tavern. Started at 9 in railroad cars 15 miles to Schenectady at ½ past 10 Gen. Stevenson & Major Tuttle on car. 15 miles. Waited here some time & then started in a stage most heavily loaded with mail bags—with Major Kirby of Brownsville, Prof. Beauford of West Point & Mr [George W.] Lay & wife of Batavia, member of Congress

7 started at ½ past 4—this an uninteresting country—a poor breakfast at Genesee falls — miles—then — miles to Geneva on its beautiful lake. Canandaigua lake yet more beautiful. Cayuga & Geneva lakes 40 miles long Mr Lay's statements of slavery in the district—3 Talbooths, he implored to purchase a man & his family. A rich man 7 miles from Washington

sale of slaves—of own children—of dgs [daughters] for licentiousness—Plummers purchase Afternoon very hot. Mrs Davis from Liberia in stage—her story doubtful. Mr Snow & two ladies. Heard that Goold Hoyt & family at Avon. arrived at Le Roy near 8 oc[lock].

8 Started early from Le Roy Story of Mrs. Davis not very consistent—the landlord refused to take any money for her.

An inhabitant of Le Roy in the stage with us who affirmed that the Jackson, but not Jackson Van Buren party was increasing in his & the neighboring counties. He thinks the opposition to the Bank in this part of the State is likewise on the increase

10 Slept but little last night, owing I think to pain in the stomach from drinking too much water in consequence of the heat. Rose early & wrote to Lilly, Jane, & Ingrahim for whom I will leave 8 dollars to be laid out in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Dr. Kemper's three motherless children, Elizabeth (then aged 10), Samuel (aged 7), and Lewis (aged 5), were at Norwalk, Conn., in charge of their maternal grandmother, Mrs. Reif. Elizabeth is referred to in the diary by the pet names, "Lill" and "Lilly;" she now resides at Nashotah, the widow of Rev. Dr. William Adams, one of the founders of Nashotah House. Samuel Relf Kemper is now living in Milwaukee. Rev. Lewis Ashhurst