

25th. Attended the meeting of the Tem. Soc. Read the speeches of the Hottentots and made some remarks. I was followed by the head-men and some others present with animated speeches setting forth the evils of intemperance and encouraging the members of the Soc. to persevere both on account of the benefit which they had received and the good which it would do to others — Eleven afterwards came forward and subscribed, the constitution; but the Soc. was under the necessity of excluding four and received four others upon trial who had broken its rules. From the interest felt and the remarks made upon the subject it appeared evident, that the subject of tem. is taking deeper hold of their minds and that the cause is gaining ground still there are those who pursue their former course with accelerated speed.

28th. Went to Duck Creek about 20 miles distant to visit a band of Oneidas who had lately removed there and who formerly had lived near the Stockbridges. Some have already completed their houses and others are now building.

29th Sab. Before sun-rise the horn sounded for a prayer meeting. Soon a number collected and a short season was spent in singing and prayer. At eleven o'clock the meeting commenced, the congregation was not large but very attentive. Preached from John 1:29 and afterwards administered the sacrament to about a dozen communicants who belong to the church connected with the Methodist Missionary Station there.¹

In the eve. went about four miles and preached in the principal settlement of the Oneidas, the house very full and solemn. The spiritual prospects of this place appear dark in consequence of their having hitherto received little religious instruction and the desolating effects of intemperance,—still I am hoping that the Methodist Mission established near may be the means of doing good.

¹See Bishop Kemper's account of his visit to this mission, August 5, 1834, in *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, xiv, p. 439.—ED.