

He is in his usual mood - sometimes a little ill but
staying. - Son is well - busy - & occasionally obstinate.
has quite a notion of farming work. - he suffers for the
want of some steady employment. - Mary Ann
Cushman is here & well for her. - Tell us of Mr Cushman -
what is he like & do - we hear that he is in Utopia - is wish-
ing to live with his family - & carry on his old farm. - Re-
ports from Rumford say things unfavorable in respect to
his habits. - you can advise him. -

- The seasons of the last summer & winter with us
have been favorable. - & spring is opening with favorable pros-
pects. - I was very well satisfied with Maine as
since my return from the west. - & our civil & religious
privileges! These are above all price - we ought to be satisfied
to live in Maine - & even to esteem it a privilege to live
in Maine for the sake of them. -

- We are getting old - & probably have enjoyed our
best days. - yet as we are rising in affection to God - & en-
joying more of his love. - I feel as if I wish to increase
my diligence in working as the end is approaching. that
I may be found faithful. - True religious enjoyment
comes in the way of doing the will of God - do you not find
it so? - Thus in this way let us be making daily
prepar. - for soon the task of life will be over. & we
shall be denied the privilege of laboring & advancing the
good cause of our dear Redeemer. -

- Accept our affectionate regards to you & all yours - & has