

Friday June 24th Evening. I expect my rifle in first rate - Dr Madley and Cloudman have each of them killed a squirrel with it, at first fire. I should like to have an opportunity to put a bear thro' a bear with it, which I think I could do at eighty yards distance.

Saturday Evening 25th Dr Madley & his mother returned from Portland & Wallis - no news - all the children here are having Measles, & Chicken Pox & Mumps - John Evans second boy died this afternoon, after having some of these diseases.

Tuesday evening 28th. We have plenty of rain. If you get any money from Concord, write me on the reception of it and state how much &c. We expect you will go down to Concord on Friday after Commencement & stay there until the next Monday or longer if they are very urgent. You may not have an opportunity to visit them again for years. You will take the box we left in the garage if you can, & get the books of Philbrick I left to be bound. Mr Sautter's folks will go on to Commencement with a carriage & two horses -

Wednesday morning 29. We had a powerful rain last night - we are to have a county Temperance Convention here on next Monday July 4th, but how much of an affair it will be is uncertain I think. Write in course of a week after you get this and let us know how you are - you had better keep out of the water - it is very unwholesome this season - keep cool & dont be in a hurry - do every thing deliberately and right, keep a good appetite but dont eat too much and avoid every appearance of evil - treat every body well & make friends & no enemies - I shall probably write you one more by mail & then again by those who go on to Commencement - have every thing done up in good season & be ready to be off as soon as may be - Pay all bills & take receipts - yours truly
John S. Barrows