

April will be raised to a higher plane, the thoughts will reach to a higher realm, and what the heart conceives the lips will utter — and unnecessary small talk shall be no more.

In the evening observed the moon & moon-culminating stars successfully. Jupiter being of low declination & clouds in the horizon were invisible.

Saturday 22 Busy writing. In evening dined at Messrs. Seelys & Spaldings. His wife & sister in law who is with them pleasant I knew when they were girls. — Mr. Lytle & Mr. Wood were there also. J. G. is in charge of the H. B. Co store here, he is a crank — too slow & unsuited for a pushing business. He has faults to find with everybody & everything finding himself. — The sky was completely clouded & no observations possible.

Sunday 23 Quoy Studying etc. — The weather here is something like cloudy, some drops of rain. The Kentons people in regard to mining — always talking of doing something but nothing ever evolves. — Clouds are the greater part of the time hanging about the sky with faces ranging from pale to a Stephen's blue-black, but the tears shed can be readily counted in the dust etc on the sidewalks. Up the North pier (N. Thompson) rains on the hills are copious, & it is tantalizing to see it to rain there, while here dust holds full sway. — The night was cloudy but I managed to get a set of transits with the culmination of the sun.

Tuesday 24 Fine weather. Early this morning it rained, and more than I can see it rain in Kentons before, altho' that is not saying much for the rain. Its vivifying effect was most marked. The hills are now quite green and the trees (Propleas)