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Mr Douglas you know has returned to his Derby work. His church has been refreshed & otherwise improved. At our first meeting, he told me in his enthusiastic manner of his meeting with a Christian brother at Philadelphia who knew me. He rejoiced that he had made your acquaintance. It was one of the happy events of his travels. He kindly offered to come to our little village & give a lecture on the Mission fields which he had visited - He came one tuesday evening & had in the church a crowded audience whose attention he held for upwards of 2 hours - Here a Presbyterian family not pleased with some remarks he made on modern prophetics - "The nature of man is fond of novelties". The religion of the Bible is become wearisome - The truth as it is in Jesus is regarded as old fashioned - humdrum - not suited to the age we live in - do say & think many of the ritualists, but to the Law & to the testimony - ask for the good old paths. &c

I hope you will not be influenced by my poor correspondence, but let me the charity have a letter - great or small as often as you can - I have read with deep interest your few words of Christian experience. Your feelings of self abasement are feelings of health & security. "To the man with a broken &c" we must hope & trust & not despond - as trees in this worldly soil, we can bear but scant & poor fruit