



Beyond Penn's Treaty

Some Account of Rachel Coope (Journal B)

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SUMMARY:	Journal "A" probably preceded journal "B"; it is less polished. The handwriting seems more rushed and the paper size varies, while in journal "B", the handwriting is neater, and the paper used is consistent. It is possible that these copies could have been handwritten by Coope.

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and frd. being present, we took leave of
them in the feeling embraces of endearing
love, Father Coape & Brother Eyna bearing
us company to M. Embrees, there we
took an affectionate farewell of dear
James and his Wife, and ^{we} parted with
Father, a close trial, tears flowed in an
abundance under a feeling sympathy for
him, & ardent desires were raised in my
heart, that he might be enriched with
that Peace, now in his lonesome and
advanced stage of life, which is the
precious enjoyment of all the sincere
hearted. Brother continuing with us
to Wm Jonesman's 11 miles, my husband
and Brother lodged in the Loggon, Cousin
and myself were more comfortably ac-
commodated with a good Bed, I soon
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band & myself informed ^{frs.} of Bradford
Holy Meeting, of a concern that had for some
time attended our Minds, of offering
ourselves to go and reside some time
among the Indian nations near the
Allegheny River, to endeavour to instruct
them in Agriculture, Spinning, Dairying
&c, and having obtained the Unity and
Sympathy of our frs at home, and also
the concurrence of the Yearly Meetings
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from Seegerden Holy Meeting, and
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tinuance of thy love.

21st 3rd day A fine morning, after a smart
shower, taking breakfast, we parted
with our Brother, and set off at 6, we
went to the Rising Star Tavern then were
we fed our horses, and took some re-
freshment ourselves in the Wagon, then
pursuing our journey to Wm Brinton's
son, but neither he nor his wife being at
home we proposed going on, but the
Grand Mother, who was there on a visit, &
daughters insisted on our going in, an
excellent dish of coffee was soon pre-
pared which was very grateful, we
then proceeded on & got to our Bro-
ther Griffith Johnson about 4 o'clock
where we lodged, Wm ^{Embree} met us here
agreeably to appointment and went
with us through the journey, he put
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at Lancaster we fed our horses and got
some necessaries for our journey, then
set off, Brother going a piece to put us
in the right Road, 3 miles from Lancaster
we crossed little Lanestock, we proceeded
along being entire strangers, the Roads
exceedingly bad and cut in holes with
heavy loaded Waggon, and very muddy,
tho the Country was beautiful, fine grain
and clover, crossed big Chickisalango
a large stream 9 miles from Lancaster, got
some refreshment for ourselves and horses
at Shellers Tavern, then proceeded on our
Journey to Elisabeth Town 9 miles, where
we arrived a while before sunset, the
Roads still bad, the land good, the more
hilly than near Lancaster, My atten-
tion has been so taken up with viewing
the Roads and Country that I have had
but little serious reflection, yet have
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much Rude Company here, and they
were drinking and Fighting most of
the night so that we were very much
disturbed, indeed their conduct I did
so impress my Mind with sorrow, that
I could not refrain from weeping.

31 miles

26th and 1st of the Week, set out at 4,
traveled several miles on the bank
of the River, good road, cool Morn-
ing, considerable white frost.
Stopped at David Shannons 8 miles, where
we got a very good Breakfast and
grain for our Horses. As soon as we
got into the House I discovered
something was the matter with our
Landlord, he made such heavy moans,
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ready for Building his House, and
that I saw no sufficient cause for him to
be discouraged, he said he had been
a hard working man, and helped
through many difficulties by the
hand of Providence, but all was
as nothing to him now, we told him
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-ther to helped him, would continue
to help if he did but rely upon, and
put his trust in it, he said he had
strove with all his might but he
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23rd. 5th day A fine Morning, rose early,
set out about 4, crossed Conowago moun-
tain and creek, the Hills exceedingly Rocky, the
Roads rather better near Middletown, some of
the land good, we forded Sweetcraw Creek
a large wide water and so deep as to run
into the Wagon Bed, we got to Middletown
in Dauphin County to Breakfast 8 miles
here I sent a few lines home by a friend from
Philadelphia. 9 O'clock proceeded on our
Journey, through a beautiful Valley and
very fertile Country for several miles,
about 11 we got in sight of the River, the
Country on the right was soon after ob-
structed by a large Ridge of Limestone
Hills, the Rocks in places were 30 or 40 feet
high, the Ridge continued till we came ^{near} ~~off~~
the bank of the River. got in sight of Harrisburg
about 11 O'clock, 9 miles, we stopped under the
shade of a Tree, bought grass for the Horses,
and took some refreshment, in the Wagon.
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Stone Bridge, then passed through Harris-
burgh a considerable ^{Town} and beautifully
situated, having a fine prospect of the
River, we ^{then} travelled 7 miles close on the
Bank of D. River, with considerable ^{distance} of a
fine cultivated Country on the Right, the
River flowing close on the left, and a great
many Locusts Trees in full bloom on each
hand made the prospect truly delightful,
but after a calm sometimes comes a storm,
we now crossed Fishing Creek a large
stream, and then for three miles it was a
astonishing to behold the romantic appear-
ance, one rough stony Cartway near
the River and great Rocks from 400
to 600 feet high hanging, as it were,
over our heads, we then crossed Stony
Creek and put up at Elders Tavern 10 mi
we are now at the foot of the blue Moun-
tain having gone round it by the side
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with some spots of cultivated ^{land} for about
2 miles, then crossed Clarks Creek and
prepared to ascend Peters Mountain,
the road pretty good, we were 1 1/4 hour go-
ing over it, called two miles, it was
remarkable to see several lively Springs
near its summit. Shortly after we left
this Mountain we crossed Pouells Creek
a large stream, and had an excellent
Road to Halifax a small Town, ^{10 miles}
here we got Breakfast, ^{and are in sight of the River} some parts of the
last stage cultivated, the grain chiefly Rye,
some fields of a changeable Red with some
Clover. the Soil gravelly and of a Red-
dish colour. Started at 9, crossed Armstrong
Creek, passed along a very rough road,
with some rain, close on the River, at the
foot of Bryers Mountain, then crossed Win-
pinibky Creek ^{a stream} as large as Brandywine,
we now began to get among the Pines,
a few places, here and there cultivated,
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over, we then crossed Mahantango Creek
over a high Frame Bridge, this is a large
stream, we were then a little surprised
with the Road turning so much easterly,
but we found it was to lead us through
a gap in a Mountain, we have ^{had} a num.
ber of such gaps to go through between
great Mountains, indeed for many miles
back there is very little but Mountains.
we got to a Dutch house a while before
night, 10 miles, but every thing looked
so dirty, that with their leave, we prepar-
ed out of the Wagon, our own supper,
and went to bed, but there was our
greatest mortification, we had not
been ^{long} in bed, before the Landlady, sent
two Men who were travelers into
our Room to lodge in another Bed,
My Husband and I am sleeping in the
Wagon as usual, we lay very quiet
and rose before day. 30 miles

25th day had a very rough Road 4 miles to
Hoonstons Tavern, where we wished
to have gotten last evening, we then
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through the Woods, except a small Cultivated spot where, for a rarity, we saw some wheat growing, came on the bank of Mahony Creek, went up the side of it a considerable distance between wonderful Mountains, it is a very large Creek, after crossing it we came to Mahony Mountain it took us near an hour to go over, the north side of it was amazingly steep, Stopped 11 miles fed our Horses, and made some Chocolate for Breakfast, Started 2 part of had a very rough Road, crossed Monohin Creek, then passed through Sunbury, the Capital of Northumberland County, we then crossed the East branch of Susquehanna, $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour Ferrying over, 1 mile across. Fed in Northumberland Town 8 miles, thence through rather a barren soil, tho considerably cultivated, crossed Chilisquaque Creek, a considerable stream, got on the West branch of Susquehanna, the land good, as was also the road, reached Milton a small Town about 6. 12 miles put up at Brady's Tavern, but I being very unwell, soaked my feet, took a little medicine

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by an Almighty Power, then I had
heretofore known. $\frac{1}{2}$ past 8 pro-
ceeded, passed through a small Village,
crossed Munsy Creek a large stream,
and got to William Ellis's $\frac{1}{2}$ past 12,
10 miles. They were gone to meeting
and it seemed pleasant to be among
pro again, having scarcely had the
sight of one since we left Lancaster,
this Afternoon I wrote home, and
in the evening the family were col-
lected, and William Ellis Jun^r read
several chapters in the Testament,
wherein a comfortable time of silence
was witnessed to prevail. 18 miles
27th 2nd day, this morning washed some clothes
3 o'clock P. M. set out on our journey, had
a good Road the mostly through the Woods,
crossed Loyalsock a large Water, got
to William's ^{port} the Capital of Lycoming County
put up at James Winters, where we were
comfortably accommodated, we had the
company of William Ellis, who was there
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little after 14, in about 1 mile we stopped
at a house^{to} by buy some grain for
the Horses, being informed that it
was so scarce an Article further a
head that we should not be able to
procure any as we went along, Cou-
sin and I stopped into a little house by
the side^{of the road}, while the Men were getting
the grain, where we met with a Fa-
mily from Chester County, Bailey is by name
who invited us to eat Breakfast, which
kindness we accepted of, and proceed-
ing we crossed Lycoming Creek a large
Water, then passed through a small
Village called Newberry, and ascen-
ded the Hill, then went through a
Wilderness Country very Mountainous
5 miles to one Brook's, the Men took
their Breakfast of a Cup of Milk and
Rye bread while the Horses were feeding
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the foot of the Allegany 6 miles, where
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Table, some of our Wagon Stone, with

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ytf 28 th 3rd day, ytf Started this Morning a little after 4, in about 1 mile we stoped at aytf house to by buy some Grain for the Horses, being informed that it was soytf scarce an Article further ahead that we should not be able to procureytf any as we went along, Cousin and I steped into a little house by theytf Side of the land; while the Men were geting the grain, where we met with aytf Family from Chester County, Bailys by name who invited us to eatytf Breakfast, which kindness we accepted of, and proceeding we crossedytf Lycoming Creek a large Water, thenytf passed through a small Village called Newberry , and ascended the Hill, then went throughytf a Wilderness Country very Moutainous 5 miles to one Brook's, the Menytf took their Breakfast of a Cup of Milk and Rye bread while the Horsesytf were feeding ½ past 9 started, a very rough Road to the foot of theytf Allegany 6 miles, where we fed theytf Horses, had a Rock for our Table, some of our Waggon store, with

excellent Water that issued from to-
ward the Top of the Mountain, serv-
ed to refresh the weary Travelers,
but no peace for them, nor the Horses,
by reason of such swarms of little
Insects. & past one we moved forward,
the Road excessive stony, computed
to be 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ Miles over, which we were
3 $\frac{3}{4}$ hours going, we put up at
Hookers just at the other side, were
were some of the tallest Pines. Hem-
locks &c that I ever saw 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles

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over a hill, had a very rough
swampy road along a Valley between
great Mountains, through such an a-
marzing thicket of Pines &c, and the
weather being a little cloudy, that it
looked almost dark, Cousin and I
I having prepared ourselves with
staves, while we were traveling
along before the Wagon, we heard
a noise, and looking back to ^{see} what was
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was going down a steep, and exceedingly
muddy place, a Bed that we had tied
up in a Blanket, but was not suffi-
ciently secured, slipped out of the
fore end of the Wagon down into
the Mud, and a bottle of Milk that
we had purchased for Breakfast
which was stuffed within the Blanket
slipped out, yet it received no da-
mage, we took the blanket off the
bed and tied it up in the Sheet, and
proceeded on, Washing the Blan-
ket at the first Creek we came to,
and sufficiently securing it on the
Top of the Wagon Cover to dry. we
presently came on a lively Stream
of Water, which followed the Road for
several Miles crossing it a great many
times, the last of which times the
bridge being gone, I observed a sap-
ling across the stream about 2 yards
from the Water, and on attempting
to go over on it, when I got a-
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Yet as I had got my feet wet, we
concluded to make a fire and get
our Breakfast, and feed the horses. continuing
through the Wilderness we came to
Pine Creek, in five or 6 miles crossed
it thirteen times, got to Morris Mills
about 12 O'clock 12¹/₂ Miles from where
we lodged. When at William Collies we
met with Francis Kings daughter, and
she told us we could not get the Wag-
gon through the Wilderness to her Fa-
thers, and at this Mill we recieved
the like information, which account
was very discouraging. after feeding
our Horses & getting some dinner we
set off, half past two, Cousin & I set
off on foot, having a Mountain ^{to} as-
cend we got a great distance before
the Waggon, ~~and~~ and stopping at one
Jacksons, until the Waggon came up,
they appeared glad to see us, tho. no ac-
quaintance, the ^{woman} said she was pleased
to see us so chearfull, but her hus-
band said it would take us 6 weeks
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some where about Middletown in
Delaware County, we lodged here ^{18th m}

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proposing to get our Breakfast
at Moses Wilsons, which was 5^{miles}
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we would come to, but when
we arrived at it, the house was
empty, and no body left to en-
quire of, for here we were to get
further information, but being
a ~~little~~ cold, and a great way before
the Wagon, we made bold to open
the door and go in, where we found
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near, and they busy planting corn &
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Waggon Cover, which Cover served us
for a Tent the two nights we lodged in
the Woods, we sewed up a sheet ~~and~~
and filled it and a Bag with Cloath
ing &c and after other arrangements
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to stay all night, we got supper,
put some Bread to rise, and went
to Bed.

31st 6th day a clear cold Morning, very
white frost, some clothes I washed
last night were frozen stiff, baked
Bread, got Breakfast, and after load
ing our Horses, about 9 o'clock set out
on our journey ^{cheerful} pretty, tho we stoutly
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and two large Trunks, hoping to get
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cannot talk any English, we got
some Milk of them to eat with our
Bread, then proceeded, and by
5 O'clock got to Tunegapah, where
my dear Benjamin was burning
brush, and William at work with
the Planes, they were all glad to see
us, as we were to get home and see
them, 40 miles

7th of the 6th day we got to wash-
ing some of our dirty clothes, a great
many of the natives came to see us
through the course of this day, and
among our Visitters, was Corn-
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on through the Wilderness, up the Pine
Creek until about one, when we turn-
ed our Horses out to pasture while
we prepared our Dinner, there being
plenty of fine grass on the bottoms
near the Creek, about 2 O'clock we started
and journeyed ^{on} until 2 past 6, then
pitched camp, and prepared for
a Nights Lodging in the Woods, we
put forks in the ground, and with
our Wagon Cover, made a pretty
good Tent, then after taking some
Chocolate went to Bed, tho our lodg-
ing was pretty comfortable yet I
got but little sleep, by the marks
on the trees we came 15 miles

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ing, at 5 O'clock we set out again,
travelled till 8 then stopped and got
Breakfast, it is almost impossible
to tell how often we have crossed
Pine Creek since we first came on
its waters, but now being up the third
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:ters of the Allegeny, and towards
evening at the foot of a Mountain
where we had plenty of Water, we
pitched our camp, and prepared
for Lodging, had a good nights rest
after a fatiguing days Journey of
26 miles, Cousin walking all the
way, & the greater part, She did it
of choice,

2nd 1 day of the Week a Cloudy Morning
set out at 5 O'clock, ~~travelling~~ until
traveling until 8, on crossing
Spruce Creek, a Branch of the Allegeny,
it began to Rain, we pitched camp &
got Breakfast, started at 9 and
arrived at John Belts at 12 in Kings
Settlement his Wife seeing us coming
ran out to meet us with Tears run-
ning down, we were glad to see her,
the joy was mutual, the sight of a
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two days and nights in the Wilderness. Since we left the last house. altho the journey has been trying, yet I felt something so animating, and ~~reviving~~ encouraging to revive, that my heart was filled with a precious Sweetness which was a full consolation for our most trying seasons, Oh may I abide in the patience with my Eye single to him who knoweth what is best for us. — After dinner, Benjamin and William went 3 miles to Francis Kings to see after a Canoe to take us down to Turnersapah, where they staid all night, and we continued with Mary Bell, her Husband not at home.

112 miles

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which is their situation, ^{here,} none for
us, nor no canoe to take us down,
we having some with us, got ~~our~~
own supper and went to Bed 15m

4th 3^d day Cloudy and like for Rain, my
Husband, and W^m Embree with 2 things
set of on Horseback for Tunecapah, pro-
: posing to get Joel Swain with some
other help to bring up a canoe to
^{take} us and our baggage down

5th 4th day of the week, this day has
been spent with anxious desires
to see a canoe, we feel very dull
and lonesome, two days waiting.

6th 5th day Rose early, got break-
fast and set of with a man that
was going down the River, and in
about 11 miles we met Joel Swain &
an Indian with a canoe coming
for us, which sight was very agree-
able, and we pretty soon got into
their canoe, with our baggage and
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that my heart was filled with gratitude,
and in the secret effusions of my spirit
was ready to utter this language, "great
and marvelous are thy works, Lord God
Almighty

10th 2nd day Jacob Taylor went to
inform the Indians of our being come,
and the young men here having sent
an address to them, they told him they
would confer together and let us know.

11th 3rd day We received word from
the Indians; that they had concluded
to meet in council in three days, at
a place called Cold Spring $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles
from this place,

14th 6th day Agreeable to the conclusion
of the Indians we went this day to the
Council, Jacob Taylor having been
very unwell for several days, tho
so much better this morning, that we
encouraged his going with us, and
about 9 O'clock we all set off together
taking a little provision with us, which
we partook of under a shed in the Town
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of the Indians we went this day to^{ytf} the
Council, Jacob Taylor having been
^{ytf} very unwell for several days, tho
so much better this Morning, that we
^{ytf} encouraged his going with us, and
about 9 O'Clock we all set off together
^{ytf} taking a little provision with us, which
we partook of under a shed in their^{ytf} Town
while the Indians were collecting, about

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der to make it more easy for your
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Join together and open this Road, we
have concluded to give you 7000
feet of Boards, this will enable you
to finish your Houses, to have them
warm against next Winter.

Brothers, you know we began to
grind for you about the time you
were making sugar last Spring, we
will continue to grind for you untill
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out taking toll which will make
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boards we will ~~sell~~ sell them to you
for four shillings ^{per} ~~£~~ but we dont
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Brothers we dont want to tire your
Ears with ^{many} words, but it affords us much Satisfaction to see your Industry this Spring, in enclosing so many fields to plant Corn &c in, and that you continue your good resolution against the use of Spirituous Liquors, we repeat it again, be strong in your Minds against this great Enemy, and never let him rise up again, we have all united our Minds together in this Speech, and shall deliver you a copy of it, in order that your memories may be kept bright.

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