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**DESCRIPTION OF REPRODUCED ITEM:**

Elizabeth Whiting Phelps Huntington. ALS, Hadley, to Edward, 1826 Oct 22.  
In: Porter-Phelps-Huntington Family Papers (Box 12 Folder 3).



Hadley Oct. 22. 1826-

Dear Edward, I hope when Bethia is at Orwigs we shall hear from you more frequently - and a little more particularly, Elizabeth used to do pretty well, but she now has so many avocations, that there is rather a deficiency of minute occurrences, such as I always like in letters - It is sabbath afternoon, and while you are I hope engaged in the worship of God, I am at home - writing to you - you have never given your opinion of Mr. Bell - I hope he is a zealous liberal, devout minister of Christ - one who feels the worth of souls, and the solemn account he must give - But if ministers are accountable, are not the hearers also? - and must we not every one of us give account of our lives to God - not only of the manner in which we hear, but of the manner in which we spend every sabbath and perform every duty - and how seriously ought we to ask ourselves, whether we are prepared to give up this account - I hope and trust you daily approach the mercy seat and hold communion with God in secret - that you make the bible your study - and Jesus Christ the bright example which you strive to imitate, as well as the prevailing Advocate in whom you trust - I so I can only say, persevere ever to the end; never let the trifles of time allure you from a close walk with God - and be steady adherence to his service -

Bethia will tell you all the news - writing you much comfort in her visit and hoping to see you all at its close - I subscribe myself as ever your affectionate mother Elizabeth



Mr. Edward P. Huntington