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They sang a sweet hymn about the
oneness of the Believers with Christ
and one verse between each baptism
as they were coming up out of from
their typical burial - a young lady of
the Presbyterian church was first -
oh! it was so solemn - and the prayer
so sweet that they might accept
the humiliation and incensement
of the external arrangements and simply
follow the revealed will of the Lord -
Was it not strange, Anna told me this
morning that a lady who had urged
her very much to be baptised this
summer - an Episcopalian lady she
met with at Tantucket - a lovely Christ,
came to Mr Campbell's for the first
time third day night - having never
heard of him or of that way of worship
before that day - some friends invited
her to go - and witness baptism there
& she found it was Anna Richards - she

had so urged to be baptised - I imagine
for surprise! -

Would I have been brave enough to
have obeyed - if all had not been done
so lovingly for me - It is not unwholesome
to accuse myself of imaginery dis-
obedience - The Lord did provide a way
and open a door and it seems all
His business - Miss Clemford at the
book store, asked me if I ever saw
a baptism - in the river? I said no!
at first, but it did not seem true so
I told, ~~yes~~, ^{her} I was, on one occasion present
at such a baptism - Mr C evident-
ly hates Friends - some how his manner is
not the least conciliating - I had on
my plain bonnet at the book store
the other day and I guess he detested
that - for he told Anna R - that I was
a cunning (I forget what other un-
pleasant thing). Anna says she wishes herself dead
and out of everybodys way - I often
say the same - but is it to shun across?
or be with Jesus? -
Does she know dear Hannah about poor
Ellen Thinn - oh I wrote thee, did I not? -
she is getting wiser all the time, and
her life is probably only a few weeks in duration
Her saintly sister nursing her - and ministering
in all manner of sweetness - and with the
pleasant fruits of her grace - from poor
James - Is not Gods way marvellous?
Can they wait till the time we shall
know as we are known? Love me dear
H - and if thou thinks I can be of any
use - pray that I may - A nice Bible class
met at Samuels every second day night, will