

DIARY OF HENRY SHELDON**1867**

January: Time carries on rapidly. Hopes & fears anxieties & disappointments our common lot in this changing & Sinful world. Congress has Met, the country still exists not with Standing the would be President Secy Seward and their copartners US Judges Southern Rebels & worse still copperheads at the North. Movements are being made for the impeachment of Johnson time will determine. The favorable season for people to give their thoughts to the concerns of the soul is at hand & in Many places God is pouring out his Spirit & Souls are being plucked as brands from the burning.

Note: “not with Standing” – i.e., not withstanding. The reference to impeachment relates to the impeachment of President Andrew Johnson.

March 27: I have left this from the simple fact that My own life & the little I do is of little importance that it will not pay for paper to record it. In my own affairs thanks to Him whose I hope I am. My own & family & friends are in life with hope of that to Come or space of repentance. Pains & aches douts & fears anxieties & perplexities have continued to attend Me. My health having been poor the past year have been obliged to keep a clerk which leaves me from my business but a scanty living for My family of 5 children self & Wife with prices at their present high rates but God has cared for us and I bless his Holy Name. Have had a comfortable winter & have been able to get to the store Most every day. Meetings have been held since Jany most Evenings in the week with I hope good results to those who have attended. My health has been such that I have usually stayed at home evenings. Some changes since last fall but all things are changing and we ourselves are changing & passing away.