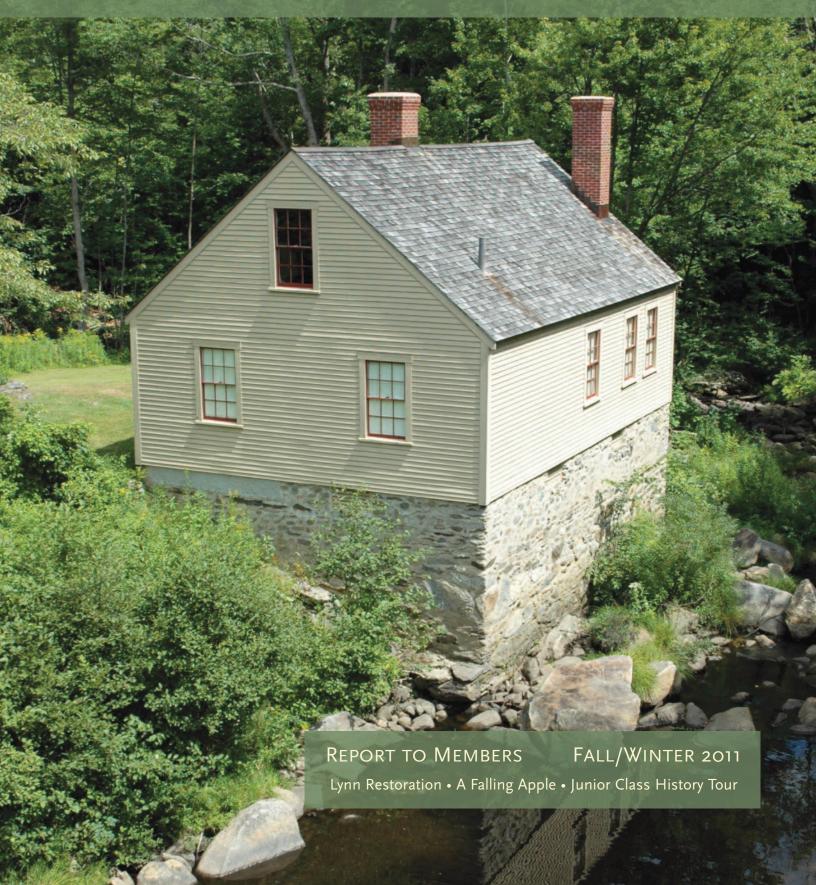


# LONGYEAR MUSEUM



## A Message from the Board of Trustees

Dear Friends,

In the Spring/Summer 2011 Report to Members, Anne McCauley announced her move from Executive Director to Director of Development. She has assumed her new assignment with the same talents, professionalism, and enthusiasm that have characterized her entire career at Longyear, from Trustee, to Executive Director, and now to her present position. For this work she'll be based at her new home in St. Louis. A warm thank-you to Sandra Houston, Longyear's Director of Museum Operations, who is serving as Interim Executive Director. And a special thanks to Melissa Abbott, who served as Trustee for ten years and has recently joined the staff as Financial Manager. The work at Longyear continues with purpose and without pause.

As this newsletter goes to press, thirty Longyear members and friends from across the United States are embarking on a journey of a lifetime — the lifetime of Mary Baker Eddy — during the annual Fall Historic House Tour. One of their stops will be in the remote New Hampshire town of North Groton at the former home of Mary and Daniel Patterson. The house, perched by a babbling brook of clear water, looks like an ideal, picturesque dollhouse today. However, in this issue's cover story, Stephen R. Howard, Director • Curator, pulls back that view and reveals Mary Patterson's profound search for mental causation while living at North Groton — a vital period in Mrs. Eddy's "gracious preparation" for her discovery of Christian Science.

Another historic house the group will visit on the tour has recently undergone extensive research and a major exterior restoration. The exterior of Mrs. Eddy's house on Broad Street in Lynn, Massachusetts, is now much as she saw it when she looked out her window from the boarding house across the street in 1875 and saw "home." The Lynn house was the first house she owned and it would become an important part of the history of Christian Science. Thanks to a generous donation from a family in Washington State, a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Facilities Fund, and support from many Museum members, not only was the exterior restored, but there is now an accessible visitors' entrance. We hope you'll enjoy the photos of the restoration on the facing page.

The Fall Tour, just as with every issue of the *Report to Members*, includes new information based on the staff's research and ever-growing understanding and appreciation of Mrs. Eddy's life journey.

We are grateful to all of you who so generously support our work through your memberships and donations.

Sincerely,

LONGYEAR MUSEUM TRUSTEES V. Ellen Williams, Chairman

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Longyear Trustees at the front door of the newly restored exterior, Mary Baker Eddy Historic House in Lynn, Massachusetts. Front row, left to right: Reid Wagstaff, June Austin, Gail Hewitt. Middle row: Ellen Williams, Alice Hummer. Back row: Richard Sampson, Robert Larsen, James Rosebush. Not shown: Mark Turrentine.

*Cover:* Mary Baker Eddy Historic House in the village of North Groton, New Hampshire, occupied by Daniel and Mary Patterson, 1855–1860.

# Lynn Exterior Completed



When Longyear Museum purchased Mary Baker Eddy's former home in Lynn, Massachusetts, in October 2006, it embarked on a process of research and architectural "detective work" to rediscover the home as Mrs. Eddy knew it. Armed with this research and reams of architectural drawings, the Museum began the first phase of the project in

August 2010: a complete exterior restoration, including a new visitor entrance toward the rear, with a lift for improved accessibility. Changes to the structure ranged from moving doors and windows back to their original locations, to rebuilding the side porch and applying a more authentic paint scheme to this attractive Italianate structure.

Photos of the recently restored exterior and accessible entry addition, Mary Baker Eddy Historic House in Lynn, Massachusetts. Clockwise from upper left: historically painted architectural details at the front entry; front and west side elevation; inside the new accessible entry addition; east side showing exterior of the new accessible entry.







Today, with Phase One completed, the house now more closely represents the structure Mrs. Eddy would have known when she lived here from 1875 to 1882. In the coming year, the staff will be planning and fundraising for the next phases of the restoration — historical interpretations of the house interior and landscape.

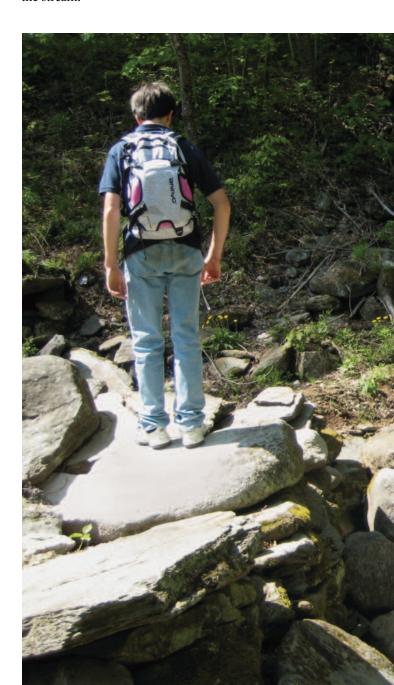
Phase One has been paid for by the generous support of Museum members and a \$395,000 grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Facilities Fund. A Lalling Apple

# Discovery at North Groton

By Stephen R. Howard

NORTH GROTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE: On a sunny spring day in 2011, a chartered bus carrying forty eleventh-graders wound its way over a twisting road in the foothills of the White Mountains. Climbing higher through dense woods, the bus crossed a bridge over the swiftly flowing Hall's Brook, full from spring melt, dashing against boulders and rocks, sending up sparkling drops and churning white foam. The driver pulled the bus to the side of the road, parked, and opened the door.

The students, each about the age of seventeen, stepped into the bright sunshine. Before them stretched a lawn dotted with wildflowers. The lawn followed the course of a former road, sloping down to a lone house fifty yards distant, beyond which the grass surrendered to wild growth and trees as the land continued down to where a bridge had once crossed the stream.



The well-cared-for house contrasted with the barely visible ruins of a sawmill opposite it, whose wooden structures had disappeared a century ago and whose stone and metal remains had recently been examined by an archæologist. Upon this sawmill the livelihood of Daniel and Mary Patterson had once largely depended. The noise of the mill, which operated seasonally with water diverted from the brook, must have jarred the peace of nearby residents. The din persisted after another seasonal annoyance: the black flies, biting pests that appear every spring and which the modern students, fresh from the air-conditioned bus, swatted and dodged without complaint. 1

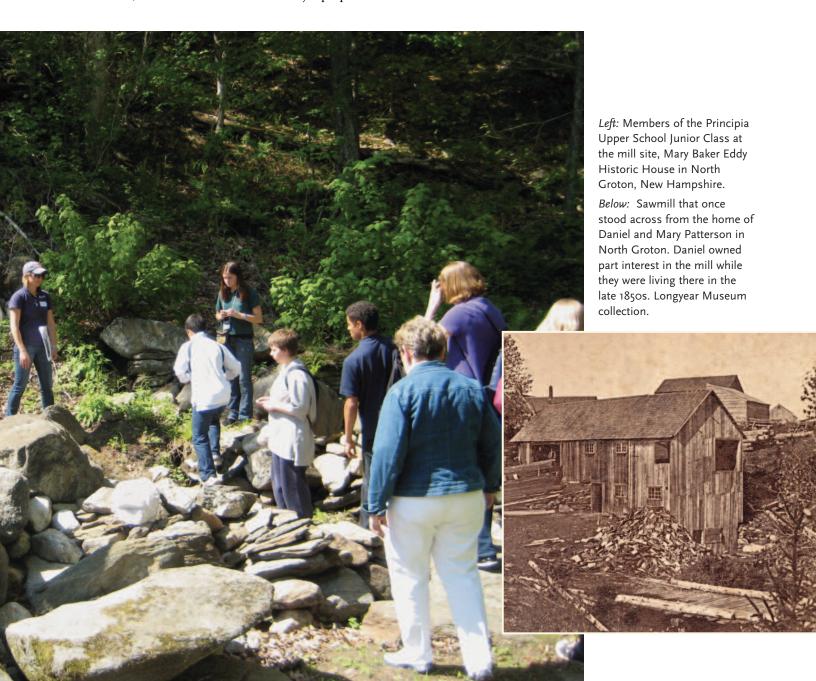
When the future Mary Baker Eddy moved into this house, the crucial healing that would lead to her discovery of Christian Science lay more than a decade ahead.<sup>2</sup> And now, forty high school students, who had traveled from their jet-propelled

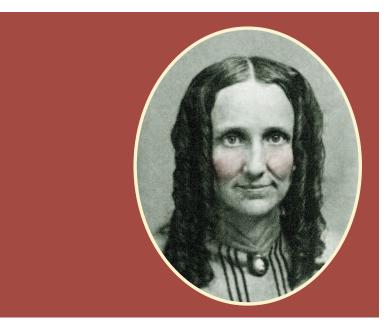
present 1300 miles to reach this house — this isolated witness to the past — must have wondered: What could possibly have happened HERE, in this remote place, that would be relevant to Mrs. Eddy's discovery of Christian Science?

A great deal, actually — events that altered the trajectory of Mary Baker Eddy's life: the tragic separation from her son, and an incident to which Mrs. Eddy referred in a court proceeding a half-century later as "my first discovery of the Science of Mind."<sup>3</sup>

This article is concerned with that first discovery.







Mary Baker Eddy (then Mary Patterson), circa 1853. Original tintype photograph, Longyear Museum collection.

## A Gracious Preparation<sup>4</sup>

When Mrs. Patterson moved to North Groton in April 1855, she was already a decade into a twenty-year search "to trace all physical effects to a mental cause." The origins of her search reached back to her childhood:

From my very childhood I was impelled, by a hunger and thirst after divine things, — a desire for something higher and better than matter, and apart from it, — to seek diligently for the knowledge of God as the one great and ever-present relief from human woe.<sup>6</sup>

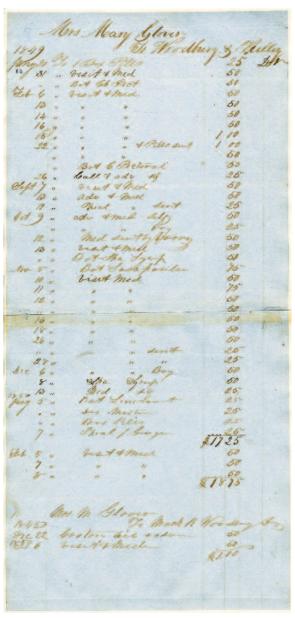
It would require years of gracious preparation for her to receive the answer to this search. The preparation included study and practice of homeopathy, which furnished her with evidence that causation did not reside in matter:

The author's medical researches and experiments had prepared her thought for the metaphysics of Christian Science. Every material dependence had failed her in her search for truth; and she can now understand why, and can see the means by which mortals are divinely driven to a spiritual source for health and happiness.<sup>7</sup>

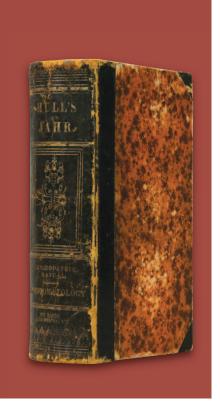
When she was in her mid-twenties, widowed, in poor health, and struggling to provide a home for herself and her young son, Mrs. Glover learned of homeopathy from a cousin by marriage, Dr. Alpheus Morrill.<sup>8</sup> A graduate of Dartmouth

Medical School, this six-foot-five-inch champion of homeopathy was noted for "his unbounded benevolence, deep sympathy with all in affliction, and kindness to the poor." A pioneer homeopathic physician in New Hampshire, Morrill opened a practice in Concord in 1848 — about the time that Mrs. Glover's twenty-year search for mental causation commenced. Morrill occasionally prescribed homeopathic remedies for her, and they discussed homeopathic theory and practice. <sup>10</sup>

Although homeopathy is popularly known for its extreme dilution of medicine, its fundamental proposition is



Accounting of homeopathic supplies and treatments received by Mrs. Mary Glover in 1849 and 1850. Original document, Longyear Museum collection.



Jahr's New Manual of Homoeopathic Practice, Symptomatology, similar to the copy that Mary Patterson would have studied while living in North Groton. Longyear Museum collection.

"Like cures like"—that is, if a drug produces certain symptoms in a healthy person, the same drug may relieve those symptoms in a sick person. 11 Symptoms were not confined to the physical but included emotional and mental symptoms, referred to in a standard work of the time as "moral symptoms."

To attenuate, or dilute, a liquid drug, 10 drops of the drug would be mixed with 90 drops of alcohol; if the drug was in powdered form, 10 grains of the drug would be mixed with 90 grains of sugar of milk. The liquid would then be well shaken or the powder "triturated" (that is, pulverized, from a Latin word for "thrash"). The

result would be the first attenuation of the liquid or the first trituration of the powdered drug. This process would be repeated to produce the second attenuation or trituration; repeated again to produce the third, and so on, theoretically without end. In her 1898 article, "To the Christian World," Mrs. Eddy mentions "the one thousandth attenuations and the same triturations of medicine."

Diluting the drug was not seen as weakening it but as liberating it to act more powerfully. The attenuated drug could be further diluted when administered, as Mrs. Eddy describes:

One drop of the thirtieth attenuation of *Natrum* muriaticum, in a tumbler-full of water, and one teaspoonful of the water mixed with the faith of ages, would cure patients not affected by a larger dose. <sup>14</sup>

Attenuation provided Mrs. Patterson with evidence from which she drew radical conclusions regarding the mental cause of phenomena. Where others looked for chemical or physiological explanations of the attenuated drug's effectiveness, Mrs. Patterson discerned that the process — "shaking the preparation thirty times at every attenuation" 15 — affected the thought of the person preparing the medication,

strengthening confidence in it. Reflecting on this process years later, Mrs. Eddy wrote:

To prepare the medicine requires time and thought; you cannot shake the poor drug without the involuntary thought, "I am making you more powerful," and the sequel proves it; the higher attenuations prove that the power was the thought, for when the drug disappears by your process the power remains, and homœopathists admit the higher attenuations are the most powerful.<sup>16</sup>

Mrs. Eddy perceived that faith in the drug was not the only factor at work. She discerned that while the drug *as matter* was no longer present, the drug *as a mental condition* persisted, "rarefied to its fatal essence, mortal mind":

The drug disappears in the higher attenuations of homœopathy, and matter is thereby rarefied to its fatal essence, mortal mind; but immortal Mind, the curative Principle, remains, and is found to be even more active.<sup>17</sup>

The diminishing of the drug does not disprove the efficiency of the homœopathic system. It enhances its efficiency, for it identifies this system with mind, not matter, and places it nearer the grooves of omnipotence.<sup>18</sup>

Her practice of homeopathy was providing Mrs. Patterson with evidence that "all physical effects" were indeed the result of "a mental cause." But this evidence raised further questions concerning the nature of the mental cause and how it operated, questions which could ultimately be answered only through divine revelation.

Another feature of homeopathy also engaged Mrs. Patterson's attention: its consideration of the patient's mental state. "Homœopathy takes mental symptoms largely into consideration in its diagnosis of disease." <sup>19</sup>

The homeopathic manual that Mrs. Patterson studied describes not only physical symptoms but also mental and emotional states that were thought to be caused by particular drugs and consequently potentially remedied by the same drugs. The following entries illustrate homeopathy's consideration of the patient's emotional and mental states (referred to as "moral symptoms" in contrast to physical symptoms; the word "want" is used in its meaning of "lack"):

CAPSICUM ANNUUM.... MORAL SYMPTOMS.— Taciturn, obstinate and peevish.... Want of disposition to work or think.... \*Great anguish.... Excessive relaxation of body and mind. Want of memory and attention....

OPIUM.... MORAL SYMPTOMS.—Sadness, generally preceded by ecstasy. Lowness of spirits.

Melancholy. Sullen mood.... Anxiety.... Great cheerfulness. Daring boldness....<sup>20</sup>

Through her study and practice of homeopathy, Mrs. Patterson was being prepared for what would be revealed in the Science of Christianity, as she later wrote:

Years of practical proof, through homœopathy, revealed to her the fact that Mind, instead of matter, is the Principle of pathology; and subsequently her recovery, through the supremacy of Mind over matter, from a severe casualty pronounced by the physicians incurable, sealed that proof with the signet of Christian Science.<sup>21</sup>

Several critical events would occur, however, before that proof was sealed.

## "A falling apple"

While living in North Groton, Mrs. Patterson was asked to assist a woman afflicted with severe dropsy. The homeopathic doctor who had been treating the case held no hope for the woman's recovery and had given up the case. Mrs. Patterson "prescribed the fourth attenuation of *Argentum nitratum* with occasional doses of a high attenuation of *Sulphuris*."<sup>22</sup>

The woman began to improve, but Mrs. Patterson grew concerned when she learned that the doctor had prescribed the identical treatment. Still "believing ... somewhat in the ordinary theories of medical practice," Mrs. Patterson felt that prolonged use of the medication would aggravate the symptoms.<sup>23</sup>

She informed the patient of her concern, but the patient refused to give up the medication. Mrs. Patterson faced a dilemma: how could an aggravation of symptoms be avoided when the patient was unwilling to give up the medication? It occurred to Mrs. Patterson "to give her unmedicated pellets and watch the result":

I did so, and she continued to gain. Finally she said that she would give up her medicine for one day, and risk the effects. After trying this, she informed me that she could get along two days without globules; but on the third day she again suffered, and was relieved by taking them. She went on in this way, taking the unmedicated pellets, — and receiving occasional visits from me, — but employing no other means, and she was cured.<sup>24</sup>

This incident has sometimes been depicted as though Mrs. Patterson were experimenting with placebos, but such an explanation may be misleading. Mrs. Patterson was not testing a theory by experimenting upon a seriously ill neighbor; rather, she was seeking to prevent an aggravation of symptoms, and her insight regarding faith in the drug came *after* the woman's recovery.

As she considered the evidence — there had been no medication in the sugar pellets to begin with and yet the woman was cured — Mrs. Patterson was forced to conclude that drugs, and consequently matter, had no intrinsic power. This was a watershed breakthrough in her search for mental causation. In a legal hearing a half-century later, in 1907, she identified this insight as her "first discovery of the Science of Mind":

That was my first discovery of the Science of Mind. That was a falling apple to me — it made plain to me that mind governed the whole question of her recovery.<sup>25</sup>

While this discovery brought clarification, it also raised questions: How was she to understand this evidence in the light of Christianity? What was the nature of mental healing? If the healing came through the "carnal mind," was it not, in St. Paul's words, "enmity against God" and therefore to be

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### METAPHYSICAL HEALING.

I LEFT my native hills and rock-ribbed State, New Hampshire, to breathe in the old Bay State the invigorating atmosphere of progress, and to plant the standard of a diviner freedom.

It was in Massachusetts, the year of 1866, that I discovered the science of metaphysical healing, and afterwards named it Christian Science. It came to pass after this manner. Twenty years prior to my discovery I had been tracing all physical effects to a mental cause, and in January of that year gained the certainty in science that all causation is Mind, and every effect a mental phenomenon.

Constant invalidism, the early loss of all I loved, hungering and thirsting after diviner things, something higher, purer, and apart from matter, caused me from childhood to seek diligently the knowable of God,—the one great, ever-present remedy for all human woe. The physical side of this research was aided by hints from homeopathy, sustaining my final conclusion that mortal belief instead of the drug governs the action of all material medicine. I wandered through the dim mazes of Materia Medica, weary of "scientific guessing," and, to restore my health, sought aid of the different schools—Allopathy, Homeopathy, Hydropathy, Electricity—and the various humbugs, but without permanent help.

I found in the two hundred and sixty-two remedies of the Jahr but one secret; namely, that the less matter and more

Historical Sketch of Metaphysical Healing, by Mary Baker Eddy, 1885 (first edition). Longyear Museum collection.

classified as sin?<sup>26</sup> But if this healing was from "the mind of Christ," it would be consistent with Christianity and would point to a restoration of primitive Christian healing.<sup>27</sup> As Mrs. Eddy explained to the court-appointed masters in 1907:

I was always praying to be kept from sin, and I waited and prayed for God to direct me.<sup>28</sup>

When I came to the point that it was mind that did the healing, then I wanted to know what mind it was. Was it the Mind which was in Christ Jesus, or was it the human mind and human will?<sup>29</sup>

It would be several years before she would have the answer.<sup>30</sup>

## "All Science is a revelation"<sup>31</sup>

The Pattersons left North Groton in 1860, living in various places before renting the second floor of a house in Swampscott, Massachusetts, in October 1865. During these years, their bittersweet marriage became increasingly strained, and they separated in August 1866.<sup>32</sup> Jarring experiences were also part of Mrs. Eddy's gracious preparation:

The trend of human life was too eventful to leave me undisturbed in the illusion that this so-called life could be a real and abiding rest. All things earthly must ultimately yield to the irony of fate, or else be merged into the one infinite Love.<sup>33</sup>

On February 1, 1866, Mrs. Patterson suffered a serious accident that threatened to be the final irony of fate. By Sunday, February 4, it appeared to her friends that she would not survive. That afternoon she requested them to leave her alone with her Bible. Reading an account of Christ Jesus' healing, she "suddenly felt a new comprehension" of his words, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." She found herself healed through spiritual means alone. The life-changing significance of this healing was not immediately clear to her. Only in retrospect did she come to see it as the watershed event leading to her discovery of Christian Science.

The healing itself was not the *understanding* of how the healing had taken place. A revision Mrs. Eddy made to her 1885 pamphlet, *Historical Sketch of Metaphysical Healing*, illustrates this. In 1885 she wrote:

Twenty years prior to my discovery I had been tracing all physical effects to a mental cause, and in January of that year [1866] gained the certainty in science that all causation is Mind, and every effect a mental phenomenon.<sup>36</sup>



Visitors at the Mary Baker Eddy Historic House in North Groton, New Hampshire.

In the summer of 1891 while expanding and revising the pamphlet for a new book, *Retrospection and Introspection*, she considered this sentence afresh. Significantly, she did not revise "January" to "February," the month in which her healing had occurred. Instead, she replaced "January" with "the latter part of 1866" — the better part of a year after her February healing:

During twenty years prior to my discovery I had been trying to trace all physical effects to a mental cause; and in the latter part of 1866 I gained the scientific certainty that all causation was Mind, and every effect a mental phenomenon."<sup>37</sup>

What had happened between her healing in February and the latter part of 1866 that had brought her "the scientific certainty," thus concluding her twenty-year search for mental causation? In the months following her healing, Mrs. Patterson became aware of a phenomenon: if, when she visited neighbors who were ill, she had the same spiritual uplift of thought that she had had when she was healed in February, her neighbors would be healed.<sup>38</sup> Here was mounting evidence of pure, spiritual healing rooted in the New Testament, and in the latter part of 1866, she reached certainty concerning the mental cause of physical phenomena, bringing to a close her twenty-year search.

There remained, however, the question of *how* the healing was accomplished, which at the time seemed to her a "mystery."<sup>39</sup> She was not content to let it remain a mysterious, miraculous intervention; it was the *Science* of healing that she sought:

I knew the Principle of all harmonious Mind-action to be God, and that cures were produced in primitive Christian healing by holy, uplifting faith; but I must know the Science of this healing, and I won my way to absolute conclusions through divine revelation, reason, and demonstration.<sup>40</sup>

She launched into what would prove to be a three-year search. And for this search, she turned to the source of her healing in February, the Bible:

The Bible was my textbook. It answered my questions as to how I was healed; but the Scriptures had to me a new meaning, a new tongue. Their spiritual signification appeared; and I apprehended for the first time, in their spiritual meaning, Jesus' teaching and demonstration, and the Principle and rule of spiritual Science and metaphysical healing, — in a word, Christian Science.<sup>41</sup>



A century and a half after the Pattersons left North Groton, visitors from all over the world come here to see where Mary Baker Eddy had once lived. As the seventeen-year-olds walked about this historic site on that spring day in 2011, it was Longyear's task to convey to them, as to all visitors,

something of the magnitude of what happened here. There is continuity between Mrs. Eddy's research and discovery here and her later work.

"My discovery of Science," she [Mrs. Eddy] told a household worker in 1902, "was the result of experience and growth. It was not a case of instantaneous conversion in which, I could say, 'Now the past is nothing, begin entirely anew.' "42"

The house, the ruins of the sawmill, the nearby school that her eleven-year-old son attended before their heartbreaking separation, the rugged beauty of the area, the rush of the brook, and even the irksome black flies — all these provide windows onto Mrs. Eddy's life in the late 1850s.

But what makes the modest house in North Groton of monumental importance in the history of Christian Science is that here Mary Baker Eddy made her "first discovery of the Science of Mind."

Stephen R. Howard has devoted more than a quarter century of his professional career to the study of the life of Mary Baker Eddy. He has been Director • Curator of Longyear Museum since 1997 and previously served for fourteen years in the Archives of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, where he was Senior Associate Archivist.

## Notes

- 1. The white-stockinged black fly (*Simulium venustum*) emerges in spring and remains a serious pest for several weeks.
- In this article Mary Baker Eddy is referred to as Mrs. Glover for the years 1843–1853 and 1866–1876, Mrs. Patterson for the years 1853–1866, and Mrs. Eddy from 1877 on, according to the historical context.
- 3. Michael Meehan, Mrs. Eddy and the Late Suit in Equity, (Concord, N.H., 1908), 161.
- 4. See Mary Baker Eddy, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, 107:3–6.
- 5. Mary Baker Eddy, Retrospection and Introspection, 24.
- 6. Ibid., 31.
- 7. S&H, 152.
- 8. In 1832 Alpheus Morrill (1808–1879) married Hannah Baker (1802–1838), daughter of Mark Baker's older brother, Joseph. Alpheus and Hannah had one child, a son, Ezekiel (1838–1908). Alpheus Morrill graduated from Dartmouth Medical School in 1832, and was probably acquainted with Mrs Eddy's brother Albert, who graduated from Dartmouth College in 1834. Alpheus and Hannah moved to Chester, Ohio, where he practiced medicine. After Hannah's untimely passing, he moved his practice to New Hampshire, remarried, and in 1840 returned to Ohio. Impressed by the high number of homeopathic cures during an 1843 outbreak of scarlet fever, he took up the study and practice of homeopathy. In 1845 he introduced homeopathy into Columbus, Ohio, and about two years later he permanently relocated to

- Concord, New Hampshire.
- Cleave's Biographical Cyclopædia of Homœopathic Physicians and Surgeons (Philadelphia: Galaxy Publishing Company, 1873), 74.
- 10. In an 1853 letter to Daniel Patterson several weeks before their marriage, Mrs. Glover mentions consulting Dr. Morrill during an illness: "My worst symptoms are greatly relieved.... I have not called a Physician but receive counsel of Dr. Morrill; the <u>practice</u> has been all my own...." Mary Baker Glover to Daniel Patterson, May 2, 1853, L08899, The Mary Baker Eddy Collection, The Mary Baker Eddy Library, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 11. Mrs. Eddy states this fundamental of homeopathy in *Science and Health*, 370:10–17.
- 12. Sugar of milk (lactose) is the residue left when milk is evaporated. Another method combined one drop of the drug with 99 drops of alcohol or one grain of the drug with 99 grains of sugar of milk.
- 13. Mary Baker Eddy, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Miscellany, 107.
- 14. *R&I*, 33; see also Mary Baker Eddy, *Christian Healing*, 13:10–15. *Natrum muriaticum* is Latin for sodium chloride common table salt.
- 15. Christian Healing, 13.
- 16. Ibid., 12.
- 17. R&I, 33.
- 18. Miscellany, 107.

- 19. S&H, 156. See also Mrs. Eddy's criticism of a medical case that failed to take into account the patient's mental state: S&H, 158:31–159:22.
- 20. A. Gerald Hull, M.D., editor, Jahr's New Manual of Homœopathic Practice (New York: William Radde, 1851), 276, 375, 741. Hull's Jahr also provides detailed descriptions of physical symptoms. Note Mrs. Eddy's reference to several homœopathic drugs in an 1888 article: "To quench the growing flames of falsehood, once in about seven years I have to repeat this, that I use no drugs whatever, not even coffea (coffee), thea (tea), capsicum (red pepper); though every day, and especially at dinner, I indulge in homœopathic doses of Natrum muriaticum (common salt)." Mary Baker Eddy, Miscellaneous Writings 1883–1896, 348. Each of the drugs she mentions in this passage is described in Hull's Jahr.
- 21. Mis., 35.
- 22. S&H, 156.
- 23. Hull's *Jahr* warns against aggravation of symptoms through the repetition of doses, stating that the aggravations "will be much more violent and much less easy to combat" (ix–x).
- 24. S&H, 156.
- 25. Meehan, Late Suit in Equity, 161. Note that Mrs. Eddy described it as "a falling apple"; she refers to her healing in 1866 as "the falling apple" (R&I, 24:14). For information on the legal proceeding, see Robert Peel, Mary Baker Eddy: The Years of Authority, chapter VIII, "The World at the Front Door."
- 26. Romans 8:7.
- 27. I Corinthians 2:16.
- 28. Meehan, Late Suit in Equity, 161.
- 29. Ibid., 165.

- 30. In addition to the healing of the woman with dropsy, other healings without medicine were significant to Mrs. Patterson, such as her healing of an infant with badly inflamed eyes about 1860 and her healing of Mary Ann Jarvis in 1864 (S&H, 184–185). It is noteworthy that Mrs. Eddy uses the phrase "the newly discovered world of Spirit" in reference to her scriptural study "as early as 1862" (S&H, viii).
- 31. R&I, 28.
- 32. In 1873, she sought and was granted a divorce on the grounds of Daniel Patterson's desertion and adultery.
- 33. R&I, 23.
- 34. Related by Mrs. Eddy to *Boston Traveller* journalist Lilian Whiting in an 1885 interview. *The Christian Science Journal*, vol. 3 (Mar 1885), 87; John 14:6.
- 35. The earliest mentions of 1866 in *Science and Health* are in the sixth edition, 1883, vol. I, pages 5 and 6.
- 36. Mary Baker Eddy, *Historical Sketch of Metaphysical Healing* (Boston: published by Mary Baker G. Eddy, 1885), 5.
- 37. R&I, 24.
- 38. Alfred Farlow, *Life of Mary Baker Eddy*, 62–63, Longyear Museum collection.
- 39. R&I, 28:24.
- 40. S&H, 109.
- 41. R&I, 25.
- 42. Stephen Gottschalk, *Rolling Away the Stone: Mary Baker Eddy's Challenge to Materialism* (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2006), 32.

## Longyear Hosts Principia Upper School Junior Class for Mary Baker Eddy History Tour

In late May, Longyear Museum hosted the Principia Upper School Junior Class. Approximately eighty students and their chaperones came to Boston to learn more about the life and work of Mary Baker Eddy. They visited the Museum, several of Longyear's historic houses, and sites in Massachusetts and New Hampshire that are of historic significance to the Christian Science movement. The students also visited The Mother Church, The Mary Baker Eddy Library, and The Christian Science Publishing Society. This trip was sponsored and coordinated by Longyear, and was fully funded by a Museum member in support of Longyear's commitment to sharing Mrs. Eddy's history with young students of Christian Science. Please visit www.longyear.org for more photos from this special program.

The Principia School is located in St. Louis, Missouri.





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