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very well who kindly asked me to breakfast & as I was both wet & hungry I accepted their invitation with great pleasure but just as I had finished my breakfast a man came in out of breath exclaiming have you heard the news me answered what news he replied Mr — was drowned yesterday in the river pottawotame at the bottom of his garden I exclaimed dear me I have lost my cow & calf & now Mr — is drowned & he owes me 20 Dollars — I then proceeded to the other place & made my enquiry but all to no purpose for they had not seen any thing of them but supposed they had gone back to the States from whence he had fetched them & as he should be going down there again in a little time to purchase more cattle he thought it more than probable that he should find them & for a certain sum of Money would return them or a portion of the Money I then instantly returned passed by my cottage & struck out for the settlement of Opanotame where Mr — had resided previous to his being drowned soon after I arrived a great concourse of people assembled a congregational Minister was there who presided on the Occasion an hymn was sung a prayer was offered up & the corpse was taken 10 miles to the Nea baptist Mission burial ground as he was in his lifetime a member of the baptist Church so in death his body was buried in a baptist Grave yard