

tion — and is it not a honor⁵
— a privilege to be One to mingle
in the affairs & be One to give weight
in its settlement? — why, any Young
Man of the least patriotism &
more of Christian hope, — and
a sense of his responsibility to
the age in which he lives & more
to Christ — would count it, as
I said, a privilege & honor to be
One in such a Mighty Phalanx.
— And I have no doubt but William
heart beats to take part in this
Mighty Conflict — But we have
trials to meet — difficulties to over-
come — deprivations to suffer — that
those who stay to the East never
can appreciate — But those who
come for the love of the Cause
— count them but "light afflictions"
in comparison with prize to be
won. — Altho' I have had my trials
& suffered — but I have never
for a moment been sorry I came —
— I have made up my mind to stay
and see Kansas Free — or if I have
to flee — I shall flee west
Julia came with me — and be-
came interested in this great question
more and more as long as she lived
and can I turn my back to the cause?
— her resting place is on the majestic