You complain that since Lent you have declined, so that it is easier to keep Lent than Easter. But you must consider:

1. That all changes bring some disadvantage, especially such bad
2. That your mind is Lent had the impact of 40 days habit, in each week you had a new state to begin.
3. That the state of Lent is more natural than the state of Easter. It is easier to know to confess our sin, to use a renewed discipline of reading
6. That to complain of this is to complain of the whole creation of God which is under a law of slow, a measured growth.

7. That it is a blessing to have mourning still at heart. Even though we come into it by fault, yet that is safer than to shake off too readily.

8. That it may be, your present consciousness of imperfect do. volume, or Law's purposes may be part of the helping hand that brought you; so that you could not know it till now. Perhaps last Easter you were as low. As now or did not know it.
On the whole do not despair yourself a bit cast down.

But take Mary at the sepulcher,

clay as your daily meditation.

I did not know how much it'

is associated with you.

Certainly a whole life spent in that

bewailing, lamenting, weeping spirit

would be an inestimable gift.

As for Easter joys we shall

learn them without fault at

the morning of the Resurrection.

For as now it is enough to

enter into the Sepulchre, so

to dwell about it as sweet

for higher things.

May the Spirit Peace be

1st Sunday after Easter. 1845.