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Wednesday - Jan 1st 1846 9.40 A.M.

Just back from an excellent prayer meeting. It is a frosty clear beautiful night. We have been busy with house duties today. Miss had the children in at a little tea part after she returned from school.

Old Charley the horse was put out of the way to-day. He has had several bad turns of late & a very bad one last night. So there was little hope of his recovery. She was from his quarters today.

Thursday - Jan 2nd 1846

A cold day. Fine - sun shining all day. yet the mercury at about 30°. I have been working on the hen house, flowering & glazing. I get up sometimes very morning to the S. Schledz on past more-traveling. The babies are just resting from a long block.
Friday - Jan 3rd, 1876 -
a clear day - good for outdoor employment but pretty. Jay has a cold.  Saty Jan 4th, 1876
Math Tacoma had another trial of the stomach tisphon, quite different results. Very little acidity.
I met a young man at hospital who took the Davis Scholarship in Chinese under Dr. Legge at Oxford in '87. He is a famous linguist and writes the Chinese beautifully.

Sunday Jan 5th
I did not get out to preaching service, had a good sized S.S. class. Work at the Y.M.C.A. meeting at the College at 6:30 P.M.

Monday Jan 6th
Still very ill. Made them all day about the place - Mr. Mr. Campbell was here and made out arrangements for $2,500 by January
Tuesday Jan'y 9th.

Clay was not at all well. I was in hopes after the twin story about other work much of the day. Jay still finds delight in his dam & horse. He has it in a room space between two painting cases. He has told me he could not estimate himself. I heard his bird pull the hair out unseathed. Mr. all of us have taken his cold when it was great with great cold.

Wednesday Jan'y 10th.

To-day don't for the third trial of the purifier. It was more satisfying still, almost clean.

Thursday Jan'y 11th.

This A.M. went in the new horse in the afternoon took Clay to deal with a strong tone. We sat down in the harness going down a rough steep hill - no special harm done - for which I am very thankful.
Friday, Jan 10th. 178

Busy about the place. There seems to be plenty to do preparing to go away. Weather clearer to be out of doors a pleasure.

Saturday, Jan 11th.

After a busy forenoon I went to Tacoma with Jay. A strong north wind was blowing. Poor boy was sick both going and coming. He enjoyed the going about though.

Sunday, Jan 12th.

Ago, thirteen by Dr. Benzoni. He had a pleasant hour at S. School. Miss Cox, teacher of Art at the College, came in for dinner. She went with us and discussed the relations of Christianity, Paganism, the discussion much taken up with natural religions, particular theology Christianity. She seemed unaffected. She went good.
Monday, June 13th, 1879

Cool & clear. I took advantage of the sunshine in the afternoon to wash the apple & pear trees with compound of mephan, lime, salt & the aphids. I had a pleasant surprise finding at the post office. The youth's committee addressed to Anna paid $1 in '77—a generous remembrance from some one.

Tuesday, June 14th

Whitaker has sent me a cordial invitation to visit him in Oakland. Refuse gratefully to the hospitality enjoyed at 28 College Ave when he came up with Pasteur in '86.

This evening Dr. Price called to stayed to tea. We had a very pleasant conversation on general subjects. He had not some complications at the college.

The girls made a neat year party getting church supplies among other things.
We rowed back the first half of the way. Then a delightful breeze sprang up. We had a fine sail the latter half of the journey.

Saturday, June 13th.

A busy day alternating study and garden. It is light enough to work out of doors till half past eight or nine o'clock. News from Helen was very favorable.

Sunday, June 14th.

A beautiful day. Idea made a call in the morning; she was visiting Mother Beecher for a day. She was glad to see my glasses now. She had been to a doctor's to definite vision. She is also very happy having accepted the offer of a young man to take her forbetter for worse.
was willing to be back. He is a brother of the Maggins who was with the Steins in the search of the coming to us. He is in Chicago.

I had a large I. D. class, but was not in much of a teaching mood.

At 3-30 I attended the College exercises, the sermon by Rev. Robert R. Shaw of 2nd Pres. Ch. Tacoma. Next Jones called me up to pronounce the an-
diction. I came to town in a car with them afterwards, expecting to go to Woodstock in the morning for the opening day of the Association there.

Monday June 15th - 4-30 P.M.

I have just had quite a chat with Helen. She has hardly noticed any
body except to call for what she wants or object to what was pro-
posed to her, but this time she showed quite a conversation.
Saty night the fever came back - she had one of the hardest kinds of the whole illness. Clara said she was passing away yesterday. The Dr. said she'd not have another such attack. It did not seem best for me to go away under the circumstances so I stayed here a little on a Draining chair in the hall last night. Clara was about 700n out. This P.M. she got a nap & had now gone to get a few moments at the Elliott meeting. Anna is here to-day - Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Gammill's daughter, brought her in - she was coming in to-day & I convinced her to come & take her back to-night.

By crossing the Park & going down from the top of the bluff on 323.
steps—afraid long play with
Stew's. Welcom. I found them
this morning. don't get direct to
the boat— the Dr. doesn't know
when Sweden Fever will break, but
he now expects her worst. Well—
It may be a slow recovery.
Yot. The baby is growing this
he makes a great deal about it.
Ripha Mrs. Garrison on them
all the time, which they kept.
Dogs come tonight to dinner—
just to be in town again the
next for a while. Don't mind this to
night— must leave this
minute.
to wilt with lime water.

Tuesday—June 16th

I spent the morning in the garden most of the day. Was obliged to give some time to notary work and reading law late at the College. Am. the annual program by the Kalethen lit. Soc.

Very good. In the evening attended that of the Columbians. W. too, rather better show finished.

New from Stellen more favorable.

Wednesday, June 17

Wiped 4 boxes of Strawberries in the morning also. A few green peas which with lettuce and eggs gave us a good dinner. Most all from the place.

This is a very poor year for the mid—way one is complaining.
we have to be extremely careful in nursing any of small eyes. Many rotten ones of the coal and spring.
I finished reading my turns and did some other judicious work.

Sir for the Chinese boy in college called upon me after supper. He goes home to Portland Friday, May 21st. return in the fall.

The college command my boat gets there late. Last night the boys, Knud, walked up to the hospital and word that Helene was not getting well. Again in the after his they met a dog word that Mr. Sagan, Helens farm is from the other.

...considering her out of danger. a

Very charming message - I went to the渐变人 exercise which were good the rather crude in some respects -

Milk and whiskey is what she is still living on. Her head turning...
Thursday June 7

To-day I have Clyde fruit helping me in the garden, when the mud has flowered since I have been obliged to be away so much. I do not expect to get to the Class Day Exercises this P.M. there is a game of base ball tonight an alumni banquet program to which we are invited. It seems quite like being at home to have Corn to attend. If this college keeps on for a few yrs it still have a firm footing & may have a bright useful future. There are clouds in the horizon but they always have been. They may be removed Dr. Pina knows another way.
Friday June 19th.

Last night I attended the Alumni Banquet after a literary program. I was called on to thank you here at 11 a.m.

Today I am busy in the garden just read Classic Letters of yesterday, not so encouraging. Poor little Helen has some fever again. Varic is the helperman. The doctor seems baffled in this case mistaken. I trust I may be but a temporary attack. I shall try to go in town again soon. I am very thankful that the children keep so well.
Saturday - June 20th.

Hear that Helen is continuing better.

Clara planned to come down for the time between boats at noon, but the morning boat was too late; it would have left then. Search any time.

I met with an article for the Pacific Baptist, a conclusion of what I intended to say at Wimlock. Also copied some rules to exercises from a Roberts book lent me by Mrs. Collins, an alumna of the College, who has been wonderfully helped by the system.

In the evening I was greatly pleased to meet Dorothy Hamilton of the "Amerindian", the big 2-masted schooner that was here last year. She has been down to East London to Africa.
The vessel is now just off the dock again here. Hamilton is a Hanne Carter Christian. Edwards the cook who was with him left for home as he was needed there immediately. H. has been 2 x Mrs. on this vessel and wishes to return, says he is coming home to take a vacation.

Sunday, June 21st.

The stormiest day thus far. Hot, almost up to 85° in shade. "It's dull-thinking" as Jay says. "Last night me & Anna thought the'm the moon to-day, the clouds were so real." Mr. Campbell, Mathison in my boat to-day thought his son who has a little time in Tacoma. I heard a good sermon from Prov. 13 on Christ after my own fashion! Enjoyed my Bible Class in Resurrection Lesson.
Anna, Jay & Franklin have gone to the beach with Mary. They displayed considerable interest in the story of the Shinarondie’s little son after dinner.

In the evening I attended the Young People’s meeting.

Monday, June 22nd

2 a.m. - Up. Went to Mrs. Campbell for breakfast - 3:40 set out for Pemaquid with young Campbell against a lead wind. - 7:00 reached boathouse. - 7:30 walked to hospital. - 8:30 started for Boston with Clara. - Reached here at noon. Sailed much of the way. - Met Uncle at dinner. Had green peas, new potatoes, eggs, trash, berries from the place.

3:30 P.M. Started for Pemaquid. - 7:00 P.M. Reached. Cleaned Clara's bed. - Went to hospital. Dined in little room. - Walked up the 36 steps again.
Y went to the Hospital. Helen was very sick all day. I gave her some liver to eat, but she didn't seem to like it. Esther was still coughing.

Tuesday, June 23rd.

Woke up at about 6:30 o'clock and came home in about 3 hours. The sky was cloudy. I walked to Axbridge for 1 hour and a half. I wrote in my notebook. The weather was very nice. In the afternoon I went on a walk in the garden in the afternoon.

Wednesday, June 24th.

In the garden breakfast time the tomatoes are flowering. I love the work in the garden. I wish I had more time to cultivate. Mrs. Hamilton was asked to meet with the nurses.

Thursday, June 25th.

Woke up at 8:30 o'clock. Good news from Helen today. She is getting better.
I am working hard every day on the garden; the corn and beans are coming on well, tho' I do not know how well they will stand the heat later. This is the worst country for weed I ever saw. They seem to come up by force in a fortnight - but darn getting a little over each day. It seemed to agree with me very well.

Friday: June 26th -

Hot in the sun, but the air is not oppressive. Sunset - I spent a part of the morning picking strawberries and green peas. Both very fresh in a very good dinner - there is my garden plot, with several patches planted -
There with cabbages 79
potatoes too I plan to put in
yet will be good for the cows.

News from town is favorable to
their coming back Monday.

Saturday June 20th

A further fight with mild fever
experienced anything like the rest
of this Country - The late rain seems
to have given them a start over anything.
else other improved it. About another week I hope to get the
garden ready to grow again. Mr. B.
After he went said them as good.
Mr. McClintock got a message from
Clara by telephone that Helen
improves. They expect to be back
Monday. This means I must go
A Town Sunday night to Monday 80 at daylight. I left the boat dark (8-40) mending an oar that was broken there. Song. Mr. Bann. Covered the boat with the top of a reef sail. The mast, made by another party that broke one of the original pains. Affixed on a half like the Chinese style of making ours. Boatman Hamilton came in just in time to give me help in "seizing" it with me. Putting on another "sail" of cord also an amount of nautical language that would be of material benefit if I must follow in the water. William Clark Russell as an author of sea stories.
Sunday June 26th

Mr. B. preached an excellent sermon from I Corinthians. I had a good time with my Class and prepared the Review more carefully than usual and remembered all the lessons in turn. I had an analysis to put on the board. Miss Robinson at church from Tacoma was at home rules some Tacoma people are camping in a shanty near the showroom in addition to the Class Miss J. proposes having a class for Bible Study this Summer.

Monday June 27th

Went 3 o'clock fifty 11:30 to town with Mr. Hamilton, hoping to bring the folks back in even earlier.
By reason of head winds we did not reach the pier till 9.30. The Sophia's time for leaving at 9.15. It was close work but we made it before the last. Helen brought it down and we left the house safely. Hence to dinner time.

Tuesday, June 30th.

Mr. Hamilton is very anxious to see my boat properly equipped and proposed to try some "Calico" I made one. Arrived at boat back Monday P.M. with a bundle of purchases from town with the confession that all a lady behind a counter had to do was to ask him if he wanted anything. He would buy it - a common failing with sailors. I saw daily fighting the S.S. Melville coming down river.

Helen is glad to get home & drink milk, fish, &c. My manager took an 10 o'clock to milk with him.
Wednesday, July 21st.

The weather is warm. Our garden pleased an especially good harvest. A plentiful supply, also a good quantity of lettuce & new potatoes. The children are all doing well now.

I have at last my Church letter from New Britain. The Mr. had an excellent prayer meeting.

Thursday, July 22nd.

Helen walked alone a little distance, quite a decided gain for her. I am absorbing some nautical language. Information day by day. I promised to Mr. H. to make an exchange with him. He needs a new Bible & will pay for ours as the Standard offers a free copy to those making me with a new one.
The new sail is made and hauled to the new mast with new boom and gaff. Shrouds and stays are cut to size. The advantages are described by the maker to a fellow shipmate.

"When one man is in her stern she's her head is up the wind takes her home than a big jib & knocks her to leeward: how we are going to put some canvas aft so as to let her on the tack & get her up into the wind a bit more. " I tried the sail in the morning and the boat would move with hardly a breath of wind."

I gave a good show of the day to the captain for Sunday evening. I had a call from Mr. & Mrs. J. J. H. of Oakland, parents of Miss Geo. Still former of Western China now at Cho Foo.
Saturday, July 5th

I was up at 5 o'clock and did some garden work before breakfast. My study was interrupted by the arrival of some ice intended for making ice cream - which did not turn successful - having no sugar. We had a picnic in the afternoon to sell all of which was good, but that Frank cleared both cribs on the home voyage.

Sunday, July 6th

Another warm day - Cleaned Mrs. M.E.'s into the Church at Communion service, Bx. 13. Gave us a good sermon from the Dying Thief - I had an unusually large head in the afternoon. Dined and did a little town. My sermon for the evening - Mrs. & Mrs. Shank of Seattle called just before tea time. Mrs. S. is
Mrs. Burns's half sister, they are spending the Fourth here. He is a lawyer in Seattle, Del., of First Church. I had a fair degree of freedom in speaking at the evening service. Congregation very small. My text was from I John V. 4.

Monday, July 4th.

I hope this week to go mid-week for noon to indoor work to be able to begin with some writing on Monday. In the A.M. I made further inroads on work. I had some excitement at evening getting the chickens shut up in the yard. They are too large to be safely left in the garden now. In working to close up my fence clean out the yard a bit. In found two stolen nests, one with 16 good eggs, another a way down under the roof of an old stump. With some chickens beginning to peck under a black bass I missed for long time past, so I am likely to
Can now turn to Chicks tomm. 8.7

Sunday, July 7th,

This a.m. 4 of the chicks had broken out. Helen is grumbling - she dressed herself this a.m.

Mr. had an applicant for the cottage today. Morrill thought of coming but could not atten.

Boatim right away go.

Smaile letters.
Monday July 27th, 10 P.M.

I did up quite a bit of correspondence this forenoon. After dinner was detained by a caller. Bro. Horace Wm. who is going out conversing wants me to indorse his application. As it involved going early for all his purchases I declined, as I may be in China, may be in the middle of the country while he is selling. If anything happens to him the result would be bad. This P.M. I devoted some time to making a churn dasher & fitting a top to a fan, then churned 15 minutes till butter came. Many egg-shaped went up right about to break the churn was released afterwards.
Tuesday July 2nd

Mr. Beem is going to Decoma and vicinity for a little rest and relaxation. I expect to land Wednesday evenings meeting & preach on Sunday. This with all the meeting I have on hand will keep me busy so I had Mrs. Carminelli you come to do some work that is preaching.

Wednesday July 3rd

I spent most of the day at my desk writing & working on my D.I. lesson; lesson
prayer meeting talk. At noon I caught the horse Charley after no little trouble as he was with a band of other horses & ponies, I sent Bert 73. over to show the cart mended so we can use it. I can
I can now the use of a Gemmill, power any time I want it but the cart had one wheel shaky.
I kept very busy all the PM and led the prayer meeting, quite a good meeting the attendance was small.

Thursday July 20th
I kept on with preparations for Sunday and correspondence. In the afternoon I caught Chas. again to meet up to Mr. Orchard in company with Mr. Thompson to look at pumps. I did not think the pump in question a desirable one. I also visited Mr. O's appliances for pumping water from a well. He has two hydraulic pumps that futile them.
Friday July 31st

I passed almost all the day in my study till noon & then we went to Taconic. Clara has some dentistry in prospect & we had some exercise to do.

Anna went with us. She thinks

Miss left in Mary's care.

Helen plays about with the other

"Elps trotting all day. She seems

strange but does not gain as

fast as I wished. I should like to

have her.

Saturday Aug 1st

A good shower in the night. The

rain quite a part of the day.

an unseasonable blessing will

do us a great deal of good.
I sat in most of the time writing. I prepared a sermon preached before, but cannot write it out most fully than any sermon in 10 yrs. text Eph. IV:8.

Frankie is feeling ourselves & throws up his mother. the first ill turn he has had. he has a cold & dreadfully bitten by mosquitos. his cutting back teeth. Sunday. Aug 2nd

A cool, beautiful day. There was a larger congregation who gave good attention to a large Bible Class. I got on fairly well in both.
A Mrs. Durren, their daughter, Mrs. Ray, visitors from Royalluf took dinner with us. Mr. S. is a pioneer in Home Missions, now retired.

The children have been very trying to manage to stay on account of Francis being out of sorts, but they are all safely in bed now.

Monday, Aug. 31st

I finished a lot of correspondence in the forenoon, and did some baking in the garden and making waffles for a sermon. Hebrews 2:15.

I got out the children's kindergarten garden table in the PM. I put it together. Dr. Purcell called to see about Cottage School.
who how Children to educate
Anna had been kept at home
from a picnic to help her moth-
er. I had promised her day a
ride, got the pony rear to
meet her at Thompson's to
take pump with her.
Worn took Dr. Miss Pope
her get in ride with
their bundles. They were going
to Chatauqua where they are
living this summer.
I was intending to take
Clara out for an airing after
dinner but there was a little
rain. Miss Cox, art teacher
at the College came in.
Took her up to the evening
She is a Baptist Who one thought of going as a missionary but after giving that up began “sheering” sermons in Boston gradually dribbled off. A quasi Unitarian, Martin, in Boston put her further off the tract to the Parliament of Religions quite put her a drift. She has talked with us before, I hope she may yet get back to solid readings. I had a talk with Mr. Stone and found that his people are Baptists. He calls himself Non-Unitarian, I fear he is none Christian.

Tuesday, Aug. 14/96
A beautiful day after the recent showers. Have a new study in the front room.
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She may "dry up" at any time. She has been a good investment for the summer; it has cost less than 40¢ to keep her. She has given us over 520 lbs of rich milk — which we needed to make hammer cost us 50¢ per qt. I can buy from Wm. Smith fresh milk at $1.00 per cow. We get a cow 2 yrs younger that gives more than twice as much milk. Thus the reputation of increasing on better feed which "Clover" has not — as she is not of being "fresh" in the Spring. Mr. Durfield, our neighbor, is moving to town. He wishes to sell for cash. The other half cow B. O. bought together has paid her keep the past cost at the above rate of $100 per cow.
During the winter she will probably pay her Keepings. I do not like to sell "Cows" for beef. The Gammells may take her. I rode on J. C. Caynese's pony over to the Center, back this P.M., the longest ride I ever took. I had a good New German Saddle.

Tuesday Sept 15th.

I am decided to take the Cordova. I did some little work during the day but did not feel quite well. Wednesday Sept 16th.

Drove to Tacoma on the "Peters" and got a box of irons and moving some miscellaneous lot of goods on the launch.
I remained over night stopping at Dr. Garlick's. In the evening I called at Dr. Halket's. Mrs. H.'s duty for the State of the N. Y. 7th Soc'y of the State. Week written us to take 100 minutes at the Convention to be held in Tacoma. She was a school person. Oct 13th. Dr. Ed. Bailey was a state of Mrs. Harington. Condensed form of Mrs. Harington. I had a very pleasant visit with the lovely lady who went out with Miss Foster who followed them. I have a very pleasant visit from Miss Foster. I hope she will come down and see us. She said Mrs. H.'s the most but in Miss H.'s the north but in Miss H.'s the North. She has rather flourished on account of the Morgan Park Home.
Thursday, Sept. 17th, 56

Home by the Sophin at 10.30 - have kept busy all day about the house. The two children are enjoying school. They visited that he "little Paul" (Beau) made a big boat on the pond & they learned about the rest. Helen told me. "I was a little kitten when you was away." Frankie was in the room. Papa: "Frankie was the old cat - he was my mean - I said mean - mean - mean - I said mean - mean - mean." After she had been quiet for a time in the parlor the other day. Clara asked what she had the day. Clara asked what she had the other day. She said: "O, I was going, she said - I was going, I was awful sick." I got to the hospital ship on the order of the ship, 8:30. The dock is fine, the wind is excellent. For Tay before the Winter is over.
Friday Sept. 18th - 57
I gave much of my time to household duties, putting down the harbor casket and trees of the store, which latter needed a little thinning on its cover.

Saturday Sept. 19th.
The roof of the new shed must be painted. I devoted my energies to that most of the day, but I did not feel at all well in the forenoon - felt better later in the day. Clara is suffering from a cold.
The new cow came at night. J. G. took "Clover" away. Mrs. Hatch wants to get 2 qts. of milk per day, as the calf defies
Sunday Sept. 27th.

I had a very good congrega- tion to day & a collection by Brs. B. R. on Motherhood. I had a good class. Several who have not been in for a long time were present. This P.M. I taught the story of Joseph again with Anna who likes it very much.

Our Y.P. meeting was rather small this evening.

Monday Sept. 28th.

I gave a talk about the whole day to work on the sheds.

We had a very pleasant evening at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Embank.
Tuesday—Sept. 21—59

I kept up till the near of the day. In the evening we were invited to supper at the Home. It was Mamie K.'s birthday. Louise Campbell had an a few days before so they had a little company. We passed a very pleasant evening.

Wednesday, Sept 22

I put down a cushion chair in a lot moved from the yard to the new shed. There are two ride doors opposite me without so a horse trail can be driven through. We had an excellent prayer meeting.
Closed from Tacoma Oct. 6th
attended the Woman's Mission meeting - Mrs. Walker had written me my conv'sation at their house the members for a part of the programme.

One never knows when what part of an amphitheater he is

Thursday Sept. 24th

Great house cleaning day - I beat 4 carpets. Worked all day and spent down two - This finished the most of this annual "feast".

Friday Sept. 25th

In the afternoon I had a talk with O - the friend of his with whom he had "charged" next.
They had cut a lot of red timber the afternoon previous & this was hauled in - some 2 cords of it for the new theater. Ely helped also on the new shed. He is an ardent Silvano Champion. I rather bright young man. I met the County Candidate for Orr. Atty. a Mr. Steele. He asked me to go over and speak at the meeting at the theater giving the status of the question in China. But I did not see my way clear to doing.
Saty - Sept 26th

I picketed the new cow with a long rope tied to her halter which is always tied around her horns for a few minutes while I went in to breakfast - she seemed anxious to eat in the yard.

Things were strangely quiet so I ran out to see how she was faring before breakfast was over - a hobby circumstance, as she had in some way stood on her head to throw herself in an arc facing Small Circle - she was still the same quite cold.
But I got the axe cut the 63
the pulted at it & fired
her up as best I could - She
gonna start Struggled & came
over on her side with neck
straight Knocking a morn
so I had to scramble to get
out of the way of her feet
Her eyes shone little but
white & I had scarcely a hope
of her then - She shouldered
twice, righted up into the hori
tion in which they usually lie
stopped rolling her eyes & began
to look more cheerful -

Dermal of the neighboring had
arrived by this time. With a
little coaxing "Litty" got up.
and began to feed much to our gratification—there is a fine corn now which will be safe round some years yet.
After a busy day Clara and I went over to the Dry Dock & called on some of the people who come over to Church St. School.

Sunday Sept. 27th—

A good sermon from Prov. 13.

On Missions, it was stone Miss.

Sunday— I enjoyed the Revised Lesson. I used to dread Rev. Sunday but found that a due amount of study makes it most profitable. Mr. Collins a V. C. C. alumnus this in.

Lunch Miss Hankey took dinner with me.
Monday - Sept 28th -

I did a lot of work that had been hanging for a long while including some soldering. Dr. Hicks was down to talk to Father Jones and I called to see him. Mary's hand is getting to be very bad.

Tuesday - Sept 29th -

Mary left for town to have her hand cast for at the hospital. I worked at harrowing out dreary for my new strawing hatch. In the forenoon I called on neighbor Hatch who is threatened with paralysis the result of a wound in the Army. He is quite interested in the Palestine System.
Wednesday, Sept. 30th.

Rain. the most moisture in some months; the brown of summer is gradually growing green. Many's absence makes it necessary for me to do quite a bit of work in the house, but I find some time for the study & for finishing up the shed. He had a good Covenant Meeting voted to hold Communion Service 1st. oc. Thereafter. Sunday is to circulate. Scolded by the time of School at the College also their evening service. T.M. B.'s absence in the P.M. that I cannot find a suitable hour for Communion on Sunday.
Thursday Oct. 1st. 69

A fine sunny day. I devoted some time to weeding in the forenoon. Afternoon was favorable to agriculture so I worked for a time on the strawberry bed planted last spring which has faced hale this dry croaky season v with Reis help ploughed the rest of the proposed bed a bit of the vegetable garden. I shall plough as much as the weather permits of the land this fall, as it is discouraged - Medis is better for the tree - Our cow has done fairly well considering the blood of Spring South of summer in getting. She is daily appreciating the stalks -
My dear Father: We enjoy your good letters that come with refreshing regularity & wish you could be with us, that Mother's foot was so that you could take the much talked of journey to this Coas and spend a Winter in the milder climate of this part of our country. Dr. Duncan has written that he prefers that I wait till November at any rate before leaving for China so I replied I would do so. The delay is a help to us here as we are getting constantly into better condition for Winter.

The repairs and addition to the house are really a great advantage. There is much that should be done to the grounds before winter and a good part of this can be finished if I remain and the weather is favorable. At present I must be here while Mary is hors de combat. She is a very important part of the domestic machinery and we hope her hand will prove to be suffering from nothing that cannot soon be cured.

The Convention occurs week after next. Clara & I are both put on the programme. Whether we both speak or not is yet undecided. It is difficult at best for her to get away from home with the baby and leave the rest of the flock at home. Now it is much more a problem. I was asked to go to Whatcom this month & may go a week from to-morrow. I presume Carry at least will be at Tacoma as she is on the programme for a B.Y.P.U. address. The College Society asked me to prepare an essay for Sat'y evening the 10th. I shall prepare something on the Chinese expression for eloquence, "Mouth-Wealth". It will give opportunity to say some things I wish to say to the students and could do easier in this way than in any other.

This short scrap of a letter and the journal must answer till I can perhaps send more the next time.

With very much love to Mother & yourself from us one and all.

Your son, John.
Friday Oct 2nd - 68

I did not commence the churning on Wednesday. I made a goodly pot of butter, rather enjoy the milk occasionally. Lily's milk is rich but not so highly colored as that of the other cows.

I am making a thorough job of the strawberry bed. Hope for a fair crop next year.

Anna is very helpful now and obliged to keep her from school occasionally. She is so good with the baby whom she is so fond of. The baby is much amused at the actors. My Mrs. much amused when the tenderness of Jay's tone when he proposed to stay at home putting asked for a reason said "To take care of little Precious" the novel boxes Jays bete noire.
Helen is seeming better. The 69 & Frank’s help get in mood often to my good effect. Frank is the busiest of them all needs constant watching. We hope they will re-main as well as they are now.
Clarance is fat & flourishing the center of the family adoration.

Saturday Oct 3rd -
Another fine day. I put some time on my C. S. lessons & writing. I often driven more on the bean patch & after dinner now on the barn patch.
expected to plough but the horse was not to be found.

Sunday Oct 4th -
Clara attended preaching service in the A.M. I went down to J. School at noon. Helen & I went with their mother & Anna.
stayed to help take care of Frank to
Clarence. He had quite a
good S.S. but I did not
enjoy it as much as sometimes.
I attended the B.Y.P.R.C. at 4 P.M.
Charley Chilkas the young Swede
who was on the "Americana" came
in search of me. He met with
the vessel to Vancouver B.C. stay-
ed with her while loading. Capt. Smith
was anxious to have him go as sec-
ond mate but he did not come to
and mate - but he did not come to
ond mate - but he did not come to
us.
He is a good fellow is steady seems
to be a Christian. He thinks of attending
School here. Monday Oct 1st
I tried ploughing this myself and
get on well - We were treated
with a fine Salmon Saturday.
by Mr. Stone. It serves two 2/2 dinners + breakfasts. He was a large price to the Toméans. We had one of our chickens Monday for dinner. The lens are mounting now so we are getting four eggs. butter again; it was fine butter too.

Tuesday, Oct. 6th

Now ploughing. I did not state that Monday evening Mr. B. sisters came over we enjoyed reading together. I have articles on San from McLain's. the articles on L. Hsung Chang.

Wednesday, Oct. 7th

More ploughing and other garden work, with some writing study. The had Communain in the evening. Having pleasant service it was. After Communain I attended Orthodont meeting. There was a fire
silver speech. He puts it all 72

on the Rothschilds. "The Jew" is

even the cause in matters monetary.

Thursday, Oct. 8th.

My news no positive news from May. I

hope her hand will let her come soon.

I am doing more tomorrow

than I have before in ten years.

But no matter in some way about

worry about the future any more than

you were obliged to.

In the afternoon I had the horse

and harrowed the plot for a new

strawberry bed & did a little more

work of a kindred nature. Then was

a political meeting at night but

I was too tired to attend -

Friday, Oct. 9th.

News from Mary that they have

a substitute for her till she can
Come. Working about home, some writing & study filled the day. We went to see Father Jones after supper. The plan was to hold another prayer meeting there. But he was so feeble we only stayed a short time. He is very weak yet clinging to life tenaciously.

Saturday Oct 10th-

Up at 4-30 - Washing on the lines at 11 - Clara has had a very hard day with all the other house work finishing up after the wash. I quite enjoyed running the machines & attending to the other parts of the performance. I had a letter from Buffalo saying that Mother feels a great grandmother
Frank left. Bro. Bend oldest boy, 74. Sister of Clara, who visited us at Clayton. Has a smallerFrank

Sunday, Oct 17th - 4.30 P.M.

I am at home. Baby is on the floor lying on the rug with his head on a pillow. Helen is asleep upstairs. The other children are with their mother at the Hanseat Home festival. This is a delightful Indian summer day.

My class was small today and only got through a part of the lesson but one of them said he should like to have stayed another hour longer so I hope it was not a wasted half hour.

This will be a busy week. I expect to be busy here at home next all day Monday as Mr. Thompson will probably come to help me about some plumbing and re-aligning.
Convention comes Tuesday at 7. I must leave here at 7:30 a.m. to hear the opening sermon. I have not yet my address for Tuesday evening fully prepared. I must be all ready for the home during the meeting.

The boys expect an essay from me daily evening, but I must get through comfortably.

Monday, Oct. 12th.

I had a busy day. I must needs churn and keep Mr. Thompson going. He found the trouble with the pump. We succeeded in mending it. The taste of the milk was clogged at the turn. It was difficult to get on pool. We have solved the trouble of the leak in the cottage with mirth.

Tuesday, Oct. 13th.

On board S.S. Sophia going to Convention.

I have been up early since 5:30. The house is whole.65 budget expands so it may come back to night.
Mr. was most hospitably entertained at Dr. Garlicks.

Thursday, Oct. 29th,

He came down to take the "Sophia" at 9.15 but he did not leave till after ten, waited for 60 bags of cement from Seattle. Then took it to the Dry Dock so I did not get home till noon. Allen fell ill, the new girl doing excellently. I wrote my weekly letters in the P.m. Huggins came over to visit in the evening after Bert, Halter, and Lend caught the herring relished their strings.
Friday - Oct. 30th

A very hard rain - the first of the season. I got very wet in going up to get the Corn. My keek "Percy" protected me in Mr. Heath's field - where she is literally in clover.

Saturday - Oct. 31st

Still rainy. I have plenty of work to do indoors, nothing study for a part of the day & shuffling wood & finishing the shed for the rest.

Satur. P.M. is a busy time for Clare as all the birds must be closed in all the barns must till after threshed. Jay & Anna want till after supper. Helen & Frank before Helen is minded to be prayers. We call her Francis under such circumstances. Our day, when asked if "Francis" had gone away yet she said "Francis" gone away out in
the ocean." She inherits by tendency to impersonate and frequently announces herself as "Missis Smith." Mrs. Smith who lived in the cottage seemed to have impressed her deeply. Frankie occasionally is presented as "Mister Smith." Poor Frank is so much nervous that he is in danger of becoming a steno.

... He found some marks on the wall suspiciously near Helen's room, but she insisted "Frank did it." She was in the room! When asked if Francis wasn't there too, she protested "No, it's only Helen—and Mrs. Smith." Sunday, Nov. 12th...

We had a good congregation and an excellent sermon. lot of a series on foreig...
In the evening some of the neighbors, including the inmates of the Home, came in for a song service. The children had their papers for the Junior B.Y.P.U.Good them also.

Monday - Nov. 2nd

I wrote letters in the forenoon. Worked on my strawberry bed in the afternoon. The plants are hardy. I hope they get a good start. They should do well next spring.

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State of the C.C.C. courses had begun at the Home Passenger. This is transferred from Sunday. It was excellent.

Tuesday Nov. 3rd

Voted. The first ballot of the precinct. A "split ticket" - all Republican as far as National State,executives Judge. Others Prohibition as far as I could.
I wrote to Bro. Harriman some 96 thoughts regarding to Mormon's Council. This P. M. I drank hard at the strawberries. I am trying the effect of warm water on the corn; she likes it and shows apparently some effects of it.

Wednesday, Nov. 14th.

Went strawberry picking and went in the setting out of new plants in the forenoon. I went to Tacoma on the P. M. boat. Mrs. Beavens also went. I talked with Mr. Allen of the sawmill there. He told me that axe handles are polished on a cloth belt covered with ground glass.

Sometimes we can sympathize with the axe handles. The Council was to our feelings not unlike the above description.
S.D. Proctor and several like-minded parties were there determined to block any action. They had strangely misunderstood the call for a bet on believing that this was a plan to frighten an enterprise upon this Convention which they must repudiate. There were some sharp passages between Prof. Proctor, Dr. Stone, Missy myself and Prof. Harriman, who was rather sharp also. I was much displeased at the proceedings, but very glad that President mentioned his resolution that whole project by asking if we missionaries were not to have hand to help people in our children's schools and to work to support them. This is one Mission Churches.
Mr. Bevan has long had good reason to believe that he had worked against the Home, and now he has shown fullest evidence of his attitude. He tried hard to run everything at this Council so as to block all efforts to make the Home a denominational matter—but it was at first started off and then stopped. Mrs. Bevan spoke excellently of the difficulty she had experienced in giving up the privacy of her Home life to turn it into a public institution. Everyone had enjoyed the privilege of talking to all more softened in spirit than that Mrs. Herrmann's request that we all kneel and have a season of prayer for the Home was made. We had a blessed season of prayer together all kneeling. So the close was a hopeful one.

It was a great blessing to have such
man as Br. Harriman here. He went to the Hotel Chilcote. Mr. Chilcote was there and invited me to supper with him. He has decided to leave Banff.

Joseph Max and came to Seattle first Ch. a brave undertaking. It has stranded many a minister, but he is young, has succeeded as cold and judicious both. We trust it. We had a will be for the best. Good visit together talking over things past of present. He promised to come over next Wednesday visit us. He is evidently in heartfelt sympathy with the Stone.

I accepted Br. Harriman's invitation to get his home. We played a game of croquet (?) for a time then visited the Carrolls & considered the day.
With the Beavers who gave very nice presents this time. Each has been given $25 for the Home and from those who most opposed the purchase.

Thursday Nov. 5th

After doing a few rounds I took the morning boat to Burton, enjoyed the visit at the Tacoma parsonage very much. They gave me a cloak for Clara and their toy. Gordon had noon, but I had just had one given him. It will be an addition to the family wardrobe.

I took myself to the strawberry patch in the afternoon. In the evening the Beavers came over and released the Council for the benefit of Clara and the Ladies Beavers.

Friday Nov. 6th

Another beautiful day. I worked on the strawberry before dinner and ploughed the rest of the garden with Stowe's horse 'Charley'.
He had not been worked for some days & was in fine fettle, too fine for the man at the helm; in a half hour he quieted down and did well. He will plough nearly twelve as much in the same time as old Jerry.

This evening Clara & the new girl, Tilly, who is excellent help, coming to a musicale at the college.

Saturday Nov. 7th

Too rainy for further "Earina" so I buried myself otherwise. Some work indoors and letter writing, besides further preparation of Sunday School lesson.

Sunday Nov. 8th

A fitful day — bright and beautiful at times, again rainy with strong South wind. We had a good congregation at church & about the best sermon Bro. B. had given — text "Lived so as by fire" — the
first half was exegetical. The latter was illustrative, a vivid portrayal of Lot's career as an exemplification of the text. It was grim with no little dramatic power and the points well elaborated. It was admirably adapted to the congregation. Bp. Embankt said, he was "hit on the head." M. B. must have changed his sermon after he got to church and saw him there. I had a good class and enjoyed the lesson quite well. I spent some time in following the services of dedication day.

This evening I have been going over some of the Parables with Anna. She seems to be awakening to deeper spiritual appreciations. I think to some personal interest.
Monday—Nov. 9th—

For all the rain and storms there is almost always a "drying day." On Monday—November, having heavy south winds with rain—\(I\) finished my ploughing just in time, now have a lot of indoor work to do.

We had an excellent Bible meeting Monday evening, Prof. Enbark among them.

I was glad to hear two of the children who have been converted the last year, Miriam, Campbell and Walter Rhoads, take part.

Tuesday—Nov. 10th

"The last day of school." Anna failed in reading. She did very well in Arithmetic. Tilley said—Mrs. Moss, the teacher, says, Jay learns very well, far better than any of the other beginners. I tried him counting while we were away together. He did excellently.
Wednesday Dec. 11th 1874

This morning I grubbed out the bushes that had grown up in the broughundy. Mr. B. had a man ploughing. He ploughed what much as he could. It is very rough & the stumps have not yet all been cleared out. This will give the hounds more room. They are just beginning to play now. We have put 4 or 6 of the old hens left.

Thursday Nov. 12th 1874

I split up near half a cord of wood in less than 9 hours. Some I bought of neighbor Campbell. The children came out to watch me. Helen Gay & Frank sat down a little while and took things behind them. Making some of the things of gospel hymns.
Know, it was quite a little chore. A part of the time they were munching bits of raw camp - Anna remarked, "Irish me had a picture of this -

Prof. and Mrs. Embankt called in the evening, took supper and had a pleasant visit with them - Friday - Nov. 13th.

Off for Tacoma at 7:30 -

I did some errands, had a tooth filled and went to Seattle to call upon Judge Greene. Called upon Rev. C. A. Bale, pastor who took me to a church social - Saty - Nov. 14th. I took the 9:15 train for Mount Vernon. My pursed Ernest all safe but soon came to place where the truck was overloaded & badly marked out
The whole section gang was on board and they worked so effectively that by the train crossed within 2 hours, tho it was a risky undertaking. Half a mile for the ms stop then again and after waiting backing I running ahead for an hour or more we took handcars and men transferred over about 3 miles to Stamford station where we met the down train. It was a famous ride in the handcar over track that was under water fully a third the way. Every now and again we must stop to push sticks and logs away; once we struck a log so that it gave us a severe jolt. It was raining at times heavily. Then some five firs besides the 2 section hands & at one point the track was so sunk
that we were obliged to make two trips across — a most fatiguing and uncomfortable journey. As we were about to descend into the car, my horse stumbled and the animal went down till the water was nearly level with the platform. The wheels kept to the track. We climbed slowly up out of the deep water. Took on the men who waited for us. I reached Mr. Vernon just before dark. Found the stage gone. Found the store of a church member. Found M. McDowell that I had met before at an Farmer's picnic at Chatanqua last summer. Pastor Lerner was away but came in later. He took me to the house of Mr. Williams, a former member of the club.
Boston

Sunday Nov. 15th

The river was even with the dikes by sunrise and when I went down to service a large force of men and steamers was at work raising the dikes. Across the river the dikes had broken and the country was flooded. There were no services in the churches. I met some of the members and with Mr. Van Lines took hold and helped the men who were filling sacks with earth.

It was an anxious day at evening the fire bell rang to call out more men. They worked all night. We had an evening service.
and better audience than I expected; I had excellent opportunities to talk with members on the general subject of missions and the Home. People here had surmised that the Hearne was working a real estate scheme and had an elephant on their hands they wished to get rid of. Monday Nov. 15th.

No boat, no trains, no stage, no roads — one of the good people when I visited with Pastor Lamont remarked "I suppose you will remain here until you are able to get away." That is the situation.
I called upon several people & came back to the Williams mansion on the hill in the evening. There I found the son of this family who had been flooded out, lost 77 head of cattle & all the winter provisions. Their house was nearly all underwater. They came down the swollen stream 20 miles in a small canoe. 3 of them and a woman & baby. They were not fond of the town, where they came in. Tuesday Nov 17th.

The river has fallen several feet. If the levee comes in I may cross them to-day or to-morrow.
The mail came but not the stage. The man fell into a sleugh nearly downed on his way back Monday night—hence I did not feel like undertaking the trip. I gave the forenoon to writing & set out making calls again with Bro. Lamont after dinner. The last call was at the home of the Davis boys who are students at Vashon College.

Wednesday, Nov. 18th.

The first opportunity of leaving the town and I took it, leaving on the stein "City of Champaign", the one which left us in Seattle last year, the consumed 6 hours going the first 18 miles. So many long stops were made to take on oats and hay, the chief products of this Skagit Valley. It was a tedious trip, but Bro. Lamont came down with me so we did not feel it as morisome as it might have been.
He did not reach Seattle till 8 P.M.,
the last boat had left for Tacoma
& no trains are running on account
of the floods. We called upon
Judge Greene & conferred again regarding
the Home. Lomax has not been
favorable to it but is gradually
mollifying. We stayed together at
the hotel.

Thursday, Nov. 19th,

We took the "Flyer" at 7:45 &
I at once transferred to the Sophina,
at Tacoma, which brought me home
at about 11 o'clock. Grandma
Jones was very pleased the day.
The Ladies Aid Society had been
in the O.M. Dr. Judell came
over with his knife & stated
expressing the fruit trees. Dr. Judell,
Prince called me the people were
going and wanted them to
stay to supper with the field - We had a lively company, Dr. Rice entertained us with reminiscences of early days on the coast and the pioneers with whom he had been associated. Friday, Nov. 20th.

I have nearly finished the pressing and tried to do a little in preparing for Sunday. This evening I am at home with the children Clara has gone to the college to hear the literary society's programme. Pauline Monck the new girl is with her. Tilly Simon could not be spared from home longer and Mary's hand is not well enough for her to come back. Pauline is jolly and inexperienced and it good with the children. She is on the island.
Saturday, Nov. 21st.
The forenoon was filled by Sunday labors in cutting wood & similar duties at home. I took the boat at noon for Tacoma, mean to settle in the morning. I read much in the biography of John Newton on the way.

Sunday, Nov. 22nd.
I enjoy visiting Mr. & Mrs. Balf very much; they are an excellent couple & I believe, will be very useful. Possibly in China. I heard Mr. Borromean speak in the forenoon, he asks me to speak
for him next Sunday. Mr. Bailey has the Bible Class & gives them the benefit of his researches in the afternoon, & spend some time in talking on China. The evening Service was not largely attended but attention was good. A visiting young man was baptized.

Monday, Nov. 23rd

I attended the Ministers' meeting in the forenoon and made a visit at Bro. Shimizu's afterwards. He is a through Mission worker and is leading the New Tabernacle Church into wide paths of usefulness. They have a Junior and a Chinese mission in the city, are supporting a native preacher and two school girls in Japan.
they have already given some $200 to the Miss'y Union. Besides home mission contributions, building their house of worship, a plain structure, furnishing a house for their pastor. Now they are trying to raise $500 as a Thanksgiving offering to buy their lots, which now are leased. He talked with me about the individual work of Churches in F. Missions.

I came to Tacoma at 6:15. Visited the Harriman's.

Tuesday Nov. 2nd.
They have a delightful home life. He is a man whom it is helpful to meet; ability, training, and experience have fitted him for leadership.
His views are much like 9 Dr. Gordon's. We spent an hour or more considering the home and its needs after lunch. I went to the dentist and some errands in the afternoon. Home by 7. A Sophia at night. All well. Very late.

Wednesday. Nov. 28th.

A cold day. Chilling north wind. The children are keeping well though not getting out of doors a great deal. Clara made calls at the College this afternoon. We had a good prayer meeting. I have worked on an address forattle since ten to receive persons. We celebrated with the children to-day, and lemon pie and roast pork and grapes. Tomorrow, we are invited out.
Thursday Nov. 26th. Thanksgiving Evening.
We had a good sermon at Union Service by Bro. Brokans, the Methodist Pastor, who seems to be an excellent man.
We were invited with Mr. Ing. B. Proctor, Mrs. Proctor, and Mr. Collin. To take dinner at Dr. Judah's. Young Bro. J. took us over in their large boat, against a chilling north wind. This is real New England weather. Snow & most bleached, fair sleighing. frozen so it did not melt to day. We had a real Thanksgiving company and a dinner that taxed our capacities. Nearly every article of which was produced on their ranch. The finest sort of roast chicken, potatoes, squash, turnips,
White & brown bread. Fresh butter. Marmalade, jelly, apple & pumpkin pie, cookies, cheese, ice cream, and cake. Apples. Mr. Struggled with it; as the old Scotch lady said, she won't when she appropriated all the cheese.  I did ample justice to all but cookies and apples with the latter they filled our pockets for the children when we left. They are very nice people - good staunch friends. Mrs. J. is a woman of ability & knows very well; she has taught school not a little in years past. We had a jolly time after dinner and before fire started back. Clara & I walked to Dr. Prince & Bros.' Beach; had done previously.
The Methodists had a dinner at "the School-house to raise money for their new Church that is to be dedicated Dec. 6th. I went in and contributed the price of 2 meals of which I ate what we could safely dispose of. They have made some "rolls," during the day.

Mr. Jones said the children all happy.

Pauline said they had all been good children. She gets on well with them. She is the eldest of 11 - had had consequently some experience this but 18 yds old herself.

Mr. Jones very glad to receive mother's letters today.

Tomorrow I expect to go to Seattle to be at the Home Committee meeting - possibly remain over Sunday.
Calm, bright frosty. I must needs take the boat for Tacoma, where Mr. B. did Sunday errands. Took boat for Seattle. After the meeting of the Ex. Conn. of the Convention Board, I attended a meeting of the Home Conn. It was finally agreed to leave the preparing of a circular to blend out soon, to Judge Irvin.

Bro. Bonsman. I came back with Bro. Harriman on the train that this close at the Church. He gave an excellent exposition of Gen. III. Some most helpful and stimulating lines of thought. He pointed to the question: "Where are thou?" as the first note in the system of grace—God seeking the sinner. He spoke fully of his accepting the whole Bible as God's Word. Mr. Brown came
in and we accepted Mr. N.D. 's urgent invitation to go to his house.

Saturday - Nov. 28th.

Very cold - I spent a good part of the time after reaching home in thawing out the pump and in boxing it up.

Sunday - Nov. 29th.

The pump froze again. Took a large share of the time between breakfast, church to get it thawed. This is such weather as comes but once in a decade.

We had a good congregation and an interesting sermon from Christ the rock. Had a good fast and we got something out of the lesson. Afterwards I
I had a talk with Mr. 15 Heath, who has been a mystery to me, but he stated to say that he was "an atheist"—being pressed he defined his belief as Pantheism, no belief in a Transcendent God or a devil. I told him of the situation in heather land, & gave him some instance of diabolical working which seemed to impress him with the reality of supernatural existences. I hope praying he may be delivered from unbelief. The convicted Arna has taken an interest in Hayland's life of Spong as I've been reading. I have been gaining her
an outliner of his early life. She has been poring over the book by herself.

Monday, Nov. 30th -

The day began as usual with the weekly count of washing and I tried to do some studying. At noon Mrs. Beamer came in to see me about receiving the Boy's Meeting. Mr. B. had something started for Tacoma - a note from Miss Annie Tompkins, older sister of the young lady. Mr. Cushman knew at Old Orchard, writing, what was also in the Tacoma Ledger, that nothing had been heard from Paul Bates, a college student. I Charley Childress, the young trade who was a sailor on the Americana. They left her Thanksgiving evening in his
boat for Tacoma. Headed 17 for our boat, but she was on the No. side. Had some ice in her. Bates was getting her to the last, but Charley said his boat was near and less trouble - he was not afraid to go in her - and they started late in the evening.

We had a good prayer meeting. This sad fear, almost certainty, was uppermost in the mind of one.

Tuesday Dec. 14th

Mr. B. Prof. Jones & a cousin of Paul Bates have been out in a steam launch all day, but found no trace of the boat or anything to tell the fate of our two friends - I fear they capsized after they got out of the harbor into the Main Channel which is some 6 miles wide & catches the wind
very fresh as it comes from Seattle. I have been over
the course so many times that
it is as familiar as the walk
from our house to the College.
With my boat I have been obliged
to use great caution, but Charley's
boat was hardly fit to cross the
Harbor in and after paid over and
over in the freezing water they
were soon gone — Mr. Thayer
Beaver just came the told us of
their fruitless search all day.
To add to the hopelessness of
the case the boatmen say that
the channel was full of ice so
that a boat would have a poor
chance to get through — also the
storm, if any, would freeze the
Wednesday, Dec. 24th

Rain & sunshine by turns to-day.

This first time this week that the clothes could be hung out.

Yesterday afternoon this forenoon Mr. Bentley, our tenant in the cottage has been helping me finish up the work on the nobels bed. This after noon I must work more on preparation for Sunday.

We had a good Connent Meeting.

Tried the first fruits of the Home Walter Rhodes. Miriam fell in as candidates for baptism - the service was a sad one too as the two trips left with us last week and in the hearts of all. The"
Song they sing Thanksgiving Day 25.
Before they sailed it was striking that one of them had selected:
"Throw out the life line," the other "Jesus Saviour pilot me."

Thursday Dec. 3rd.

No further news came that a ship was picked up at the bank opposite us. There is to be a memorial service Sunday afternoon.

No special change with us. I work about half the day daylight in the shed or out of doors and put the rest of the time on writing and study. I am preparing a sermon for Sunday on Hab. 2:4.

Rom. 1:17. The children are not in school now and we do not yet much time for regular instruction, but they are picking up a little
Knowledge, Anna is an uncommon money good sleeper. It is a question whether or not to send her to the College till public school term ends. Friday Dec. 14th - a stormy day. We had a little company at supper. Mr. B.'s two sisters and Hattie, also Mr. Roy Campbell, son of my neighbor - he is at home now.

Sat. Dec. 15th -

The baby had a very bad night with Croup. Over the course of the night with him I stayed up some time also. I left at noon for Town.
went to Seattle. Was entertained at Dr. Comptons - a very nice family. Sunday Dec 6th.

I preached in the morning, officiated at Communion, taught the Bible Class, all which services I enjoyed.

In the P.M. I visited Judge Greene's home but did not see him, he has purchased a new lot for the Home.

Attended worship at the First Ch. Heavy rain made the attendance small but the interest was good.

Thursday Dec 7

I am getting home. The R.L. Lock Home first next Tuesday.
Friday—Dec. 22nd—'96.

Early in the day was at about half-past four to-day and it has been a sunny day at that, but we have been favored with delightful weather for the past 3 or 5 days—cloudy and clear. To-day I have worked out and worked on the Shed and Stable and put the grape frames back of the stable.

This evening Dr. Prince came in and we have been considering church history in the West. He is full of it. He has had a most interesting life and has taken us Christmas greetings take us most of the time now.

We hear nothing definite of news that came through any light on the fate of our friends. We hear that a woman saw a black boat floating.
The first passage first of the Island, but there was no man about when she saw it, through a glass, and it was impossible to learn anything more definite. A letter came to Charles Childress from his sister in Sweden written Dec. 26th, the day or last saw him. She wrote that she had been reading of the terrible storms in the country that at that time fell a strong one in the storm. A foreboding, all too well founded, a foreboding all too well founded.

Rev. C. H. Gurney, Mehlhans, effect. It came test about the beginning of the year: he is leaving his two children now in San Francisco, but I should not be surprised if they are favorably impressed.
The room was filled wit gaiety and merriment. The room was filled with laughter and mirth.

A fire in a bark room was blazing, and a fire in a Madrono bark was burning. A fire in a Madrono bark was blazing, and a fire in a Madrono bark was burning.

There was a program, recitations, singing, and other distributions of gifts under the direction of Santa Claus.

A group of union men on the platform announced that they would not attend the celebration.

The audience was amused with the announcement of the union men.

Pauline returned after the celebration. She had not gone home late after midnight. She was safely back home and in bed. They had had a fine meal and it had been a silent and peaceful evening.
Saturday Dec. 26th 48

After the celebration, all of us rather tired. Helen upset by too much candy. Did not record Christmas morning the arrival of the pajamas from Mother with its pretty bibs. Which are marshalsfierated the picture which hung in the tower room upstairs.

I kept at the front out of doors most of the day. Spent some time upon preparation for Sunday School. The new Rod mild, beautiful Mother. During Christmas week.

Sunday Dec. 27th

Br. B. gave me an excellent sermon on Malachi 3:13.
My class was small, but 49
times had a good review of the
quarter. Clara made a
package to send to Pauline's
home; there are several young
children. Her father had a bad
fall last summer that laid
him up for some weeks. He
is not fully recovered yet.

Monday Dec 28th:

Still rainy. After shaving most
of the day in work about the
establishment. Making an
earth closet in the N. W. Corner
of the new shed. I did a little
reading — the Baptist meet-
ing was at the home of Mrs
unexpectedly called on Sland
it, did not feel much
like it, but had some to
prepare in baking and just
at Pinsett.
A beautiful Christmas kite
from Brs. Ben Hess's family.

 Came by mail - a nice doll
for Helen, dress pattern for
Frank, socks for Clara, tie
for Jay - Anna had a book
from her Aunt Anna.

There is one announced from
Mrs. Hertz & Mrs. Mehretz.

Tuesday Dec 29th
A good letter from father &
Christmas cards from Mrs. Sage.

Our friend remembers us
most refreshingly - thank you
for the home looks bringing
in substantial and already
over 300 has come direct from
Dear Mr. Edwards

I have sent 25 with a very nice letter. The home is certainly getting a hold on the hearts of the people along the coast. I trust they will be more to take it as a permanent possession.

Wednesday Dec. 30th,

There was a plan to go to Tacoma with the flock, let the photographer try his skill when they go as to have a picture for Grandma's birthday, but rain at 11 o'clock prevented getting ready; it rained so by boat time but too late for us to get into marching order. We got the boat out and I took Clara, Frank, and my day across to Mr. Burrows' please them where we made a call.

A Scandinavian sailor helped
We got the boat down to the tide fell rapidly. The beach is very flat. He had some tinned fruit bought from the cargo of the Ste. “Jumilla.” Which went ashore some months since. It cost us about 7% per cent by re-boiling we could use about all of it. We did not purchase much fruit this year as last. Apples are a luxury here from 3 to 40 per ton. People have set out far more plum. Plum peeling tries them apple—they are less affected by pests, hence easier to care for. The aphid is back on the coast. We have about 20 apple trees on the place which will give us something for a while when they get grown.
Removed callers while away. Mrs. Greene from Seattle called with Miss Rounds. Met them at the evening service. I especially enjoyed the committal meeting & communion. Dr. Judson was absent & was asked to pass the emblems. I was glad to do so as it was the first time that Marian & Paul Campbell partook. I shall be interested to write them of it. The Church was to hold meetings during the week of prayer, also to license young Bro. Judell to exercise his gifts. He has decided to give himself to the work of the ministry, he is a man of promise.
He is given to occasionally "getting into the depths" had a turn of that sort last night but he is a man who comes out into the light in due season.

Thursday Dec 30th

Rain again prevented going to town to-day. No fresh letters from Scranton. Dr. A. wrote me & Miss Scott wrote Clare. Both report good condition in the country. New hearts, new candidates for Baltimore, new Chalkley building. They are looking for my return. Dr. A. is turning them what the folks about it. They both wrote on boats in the country.