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America & that I must be very  
 careful what I had to do with  
 the officials. this affair of  
 his was not on account of his  
 being a believer it was his  
 own family affair & he hoped  
 the fact that he was a Christian  
 would help him out. I miss  
 Lung Hong - should have brought him  
 if I had known what a snarl  
 there is here. After the old  
 man was disposed of an E.P.  
 brother came in & while I was  
 sitting talking with him the  
 fiery bro. who made a fuss  
 Wed. night came in. & said  
 & said he had done many task-  
 ed me to pray for him then sat  
 down & began a recital of his  
 grievances - soon the others join-  
 ed in & there was streams of  
 language by no means severe.  
 I could not stand it told them  
 it was not what I came for.

there were multitudes of <sup>Vol. VII 2</sup> <sup>unsaved</sup> souls all about & it became the Christians to pray for them & forget these little matters. asked A. Hi' to read John XVII

17 sq. - He did so, offered prayer & spoke on the subject of prayer-meetings - I also had him read Acts ~~XVI~~ <sup>XVII</sup>: 12-14. -

I spoke on the Lord's opening Lydia's heart - & on the importance of prayer - Also had him read Acts XX 31-32 -

I trust it was not too much a view of expediency - at any rate peace was gained the offended bro. left soon after & the old man came to ask me to pray for him - I did -

Only hope to see the troubles cease, if I was fully posted on the customs & courts & had the language it would be easier

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This preacher is a sincere believer & pleasant man. But timid & much affected by interference with E. P. preachers & is opposed to our refusal of consular aid & the placing preachers continually at chapel. But we will try not to "fail nor be discouraged". Anna has gone out with the Bible-woman. 9-P.M. - We only have a "tubular" lantern by which to write so do not do much if it evenings. Most of the time after tea is consumed by worship - 6 or 8 come together. This evening A-Hi read part of a tract by Dr. Dean & spoke on the subj. of weekly prayer-meetings. I also spoke of the Missionary Concert & A-Hi gave a very good account of Mr. Cary which I supplemented with some items from the "Islands of the Sea" &c. I hope that we may soon get the "Monthly Concert" established here.



Sunday. Feb. 24-4

A mild cloudy day - The people began assembling by 9 A.M. -

A larger no. of women who had never before been to service came in & one old man whom we met on the road Friday came -

A. H. preached to the women after morning worship & then Clara had talked with them;

At 11 - we had service, A. H. preached on faith - & sang other things - but with earnestness -

I spoke on Matt. XXVIII 16. seq. & John III 16 - The gospel for all the world - gave some il-

lustrations of the use of the latter verse - They gave me good attention - After dinner I took a

nap. I talked with A. H. about having Communion but he was not much in favor of it. I judged & it did not seem time to insist. He approached me again on the

subject of official help for 5-  
the church-members, quoting  
the E. P. Mission & hinting that  
the members might go over to  
them. I told them they might  
go that was not my affair.  
I fear he will not like me much  
but I will not be used as a  
mere convenience for them nor  
lead them to think that with-  
out danger of "much" tribulation  
we can "enter into the Kingdom  
of God". After dinner they were  
having a spirited discussion  
I presume they were counselling  
on this matter. But they have not  
approached me since! We had  
worshipped later I told them  
a little about Sunday Schools  
& some other facts - They want  
to call an agent to assist her  
if I would pay part of his  
salary - I agreed to do it after  
thinking of it for some time  
having refused other things

& this I hope will be a step  
towards having a pastor some  
day. We took a walk before tea.  
I wish I could write a book. Robert  
Elsmier set me re-thinking &  
thinking anew on the subject of  
Comparative Religions & the mystery  
of history. It seems to me to-day  
that a key is found in regarding  
human experience as a struggle  
for freedom. the nature of that  
freedom being determined by  
each mans ideal. Satan desires  
to bind men & beguiles them into  
bondage by helping them to form  
false ideals as well as by the  
cruelty of their fellow men. Mans  
only possibility of true freedom is in  
trusting a higher power than himself  
or Satan - in religion. Her man  
too, is deceived & the struggle of the ages  
is a test of faiths. The true  
test of a faith is "Can it make"

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Keep men free, <sup>2</sup> Faiths have been  
& are being tested. <sup>2</sup> Here in China  
were three Ancient Systems - The  
opium traffic was a means for  
slaving men & the terrible increase  
of the evil & the hopeless, helpless  
condition of the people against it prove  
~~that~~ these religious systems each  
were all incompetent - the only stand  
made against it is in Christian  
missions - "The truth shall make  
you free". & "what is truth" is being  
tested by human experience; when  
this record is all complete it  
will be shown that man has  
had opportunity to follow his  
own devices & seek freedom in  
every way only to prove that the  
perfect law of liberty is in God's  
law as his will is done in heaven.  
Perhaps this is an unusual "Excer-  
pt" for a journal but I thought  
it might do me good to put it



on paper. In noting Robert &  
Ebenezer it occurred to me that  
there was a striking resemblance  
between his fall & that in Eden  
& the language used is in some  
respects similar to Milton's descrip-  
tion. The stuff between Cain  
& Abel, between the 'lamb' & the  
'fruit of the ground' seems to be  
renewed on paper. Paul's question,  
'is the offence of the cross ceased?',  
seems to be answered decisively by  
such a book. - I am writing  
this to-day - Monday Feb 20

at Hine "Sun"-Tshan. When we ar-  
rived at 2.30 o'clock there has been  
a large influx of people & I  
have been making suggestions to  
L. H. together to preach to them,  
also talking with Chapel keeper  
& Bible woman. We left Kai-  
Hsin at 9.25 a.m. had a  
rather weary journey - but  
through a beautiful country.

8.30-P.M. 9

We have been having worship. I am  
seated at a red table which serves  
as pulpit on my left on the red  
benches along the wall sit Lung-hung  
& Iek-sun & the boatmen who  
carried our goods from Kan-Nam.  
~~Here~~ Opposite sit Clara, the  
Bible-woman & two other  
Chinese women. In the middle  
of the room are the benches used  
on Sundays now put close together.  
The walls are adorned with Chinese  
character. Back of me over a little  
table are 4 letters - "I will light  
come down to earth" - at our  
side 7 "ji" meaning "This earth's  
pleasures are limited" - on the  
other side - "Heaven's joys are  
without bound or limit".

Underneath are 4 more meaning  
"Do good to all men". There  
are various others on the walls.  
We sang a hymn - L H read

Jno. XIV: 1-6. spoke very well  
 J.S. offered prayer & we sang  
 the Doxology. A conversation  
 more or less profitable followed.  
 The men are now preparing to  
 sleep on the benches here. We  
 have two little rooms about  
 as large as the hall bedroom  
 at home one for sleeping one  
 for eating. I am feeling quite  
 well to-day - am greatly pleased  
 as I felt badly from indigestion  
 & lack of drinking water for  
 several days. We had a grand  
 walk to-day as we started  
 along the base of a high range of  
 hills & at last crossed them  
 some 500 stone steps of irregu-  
 lar make led up to the sum-  
 mit. Halfway up was a  
 rest house where we ate lunch.  
 At the top was a Peh-Sa  
 shrine - the steps going  
 down on the other side were  
 of granite blocks set in concrete.

Tuesday Feb 24/89 11

Rain during the night & drizzle  
in the morning - we could not go  
out to pastoral visitation as the  
people came to see us from neigh-  
boring villages - Clara read with  
the women & then we triada  
hymns they had never learned -  
'Come Holy Spirit Heavenly Dove'  
Clara & Lung King with my  
assistance got in very well &  
two of the people proved good  
pupils. I enjoyed the forenoon  
more than any I have had at  
the chapels among the native  
Christians. We hope next year  
to live here a large part  
of the winter. The Hudson-  
ship - the people left me  
Eata hearty dinner packed  
up & the boys started off  
at 10.30 with our goods.



One man carries a bundle of 12  
bedding balanced by a small  
trunk of clothing & books: another  
two large baskets with food &  
dishes & a third the oven & other  
cooking utensils. Tek Sun takes  
his little red trunk & bundle of  
bedding. I started out with  
L.H. expecting that the chain  
in which Clara was to follow  
would catch us & we could  
~~both~~ <sup>Each</sup> have the benefit of it for  
a time, but the men were  
late & she reached the boat  
some <sup>time</sup> after us. I was tired from  
my walk & took a nap.

The wind was strong so the  
chain. Tevoro had a hard  
time wanted to turn back  
but she would not listen to  
it & hurried them on. We gave  
them 40 Cask extra on account  
of the storm. I got in just

before the heavy rain - Our  
 foot never looked so mellow  
 white as after a week among  
 Chinese dwellings - They are  
 really white & clean.

Wednesday - Feb 27/89

I am sitting on the corner of a  
 bed in a room at Chhih Lian.  
 in the house whose main room  
 serves as a chapel. This room  
 serves as a sleeping & eating room  
 for the preacher & a brother who  
 practices medicine. At one end  
 is a sort of cabinet - minus  
 doors - that serves to store his  
 medicines. He has been oper-  
 ating on two men with bad  
 feet. I came in a chair  
 to-day did some preaching  
 to curious crowds & was  
 understood better than before.

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I had a chance to talk with  
the preacher about several  
matters, the improvement of the  
Chapel, the baptisms of several  
persons, & his movements for the  
next month. He stays one Sunday  
at Chhiak Liaw - one at Kien Siu -  
then goes to Hne Sua Thau.  
& Mar. 24. I hope to be at Kien-  
Siu to baptize several Candidates  
from the above places. He seems  
to be going about to neighboring  
villages & doing very well. On the  
way to the "Sua" Thau he can  
visit a no. never yet visited.  
I must call upon a sister  
whose husband is an opium-  
smoker. She has a boy in school  
at Kak Chieh. A great crowd  
followed us. There are 10000  
people here but the village  
covers a very small space is  
one of a large cluster within  
a valley 10 or 15 miles wide.

It was cold in the wind 15  
was not too warm in the chair  
with my water on & a light coat  
over <sup>my</sup> knees. Also having my heaviest  
flannels on. The day before I had  
light flannels & in walking took off  
my vest to be comfortable. The East  
Wind makes a world of difference.

I had a strong pair of chair  
bracers & made a quick trip.  
was about 2 hours each way.  
Found Clara away at Phil<sup>n</sup> China  
when I returned. She had some  
good opportunities for talking with  
the women. In the evening

I read in Genesis & got much inter-  
ested in Melchizedek who brought  
out "bread & wine" to Abraham &  
followed out the parallel between  
him & Christ. Shall write it up  
for the Christianian Journal.

Thursday Feb 28/89

At daylight we started down  
with a favoring tide. No wind  
& clear sky. at 9 - we had entered



ed a branch stream & moved by  
the village of Kang-Sai where  
A-Tong the man I baptized at  
Kui-Sü lives. It is a beautiful  
situation - a stream about as wide  
as the Mescalunkee above Marston's  
Bridge with green banks - the culti-  
ated fields coming almost to the shore  
bar where the village with its  
high black walls is built  
about 10 feet from the bank.

As we came out on deck a crowd  
began to gather. Ling Heng went  
first to see the brother & then we  
followed after they came down to  
lead the way. We entered a narrow  
opening in the wall & came out  
on a square  $\frac{1}{4}$  as large as  
Monument Park with an incense  
temple at our side - it seemed  
as if the whole place had turned  
out to greet us but they did not  
jostle us much. We went to a  
Tong's house saw his wife & children

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I would have stayed to talk & have  
worship there but ~~the~~ so large a  
crowd had gathered that it was  
impossible we went back to the  
public square. A-Tong brought  
a bench & a stool for us we sat  
in the friendly shade of a clump  
of bamboos while Lung-Hung  
mounted the stool & preached, giving  
first Paul's sermon on Mars Hill  
Expanded & suited to the people's  
circumstances & afterwards pro.  
III:16 - Mat V:1-7 - & such  
matter as seemed best put in com-  
pact form the fundamental truths  
of the gospel. They listened  
quite well. Men curiously staring  
at us - but some listened & one  
or two were favorably impressed.  
one our believer had gone  
to his house to get ready a  
meal for us, but L. H. Guntward  
threw out to do so that we did  
not care for it. Mrs. F. went  
to the home & after the door was

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locked had opportunity to read &  
quietly talk with the man's wife  
& 3 other women. The first "worship"  
with her husband, that is she  
does not worship idols & kneels with  
him when he prays. When  
we went back to the boat we  
were followed by a score or more  
who stood upon the bank to watch  
us & our young man who seemed  
more impressed with the doctrine  
than any one else came & helped  
push the boat off after the  
sail had been hoisted. A gentle  
breeze has sprung up & we sailed  
away receiving the salutations of  
A-tung & the young man who came  
with us to the shore. I feel very  
deeply interested in this man. He  
seems genuine & shows evidence  
that the Spirit has begun a work  
in his heart. He goes now  
7 miles or more to service every  
Sunday & I trust he will not  
flog. but he is all alone here

& cannot read. I hope he <sup>19</sup>  
may be earnest & seek after  
others. There are a great many vil-  
lages hereabouts & a great work  
may be accomplished here.

I should like to have this pre-  
sented at a missionary meeting  
at home as a subject of prayer.  
perhaps a few of these sheets could  
be read so as to give an idea  
of the place & the man. - There  
now at Si'-ts'pon - where the  
boat will remain ~~for a day or~~  
~~two~~. until we start down for  
Kak-Chieh - In the afternoon  
we remained in the boat & wrote after  
I had taken a heavy nap. In the eve-  
ning Lung-heng came in & I went  
over the sermon for Sunday on  
the duty of parents to instruct  
their children. rather formal  
perhaps for us but I want to  
see a school at Khoo-Khui  
& hope a Scriptural sermon  
may do good.



Friday. 3/1<sup>20</sup>

In the forenoon Clara went to  
Toa-pou 4 miles distant in a  
Chair. L.H. went to preach.  
She had a no. of the women  
gathered at the Chapel had pray-  
ed with them & L.H. had quite  
a large audience. I stayed in  
the boat and worked on a  
sermon on Obdience from  
I Samuel XV: 22-23 - for  
Sam to preach on Sunday.  
Also settled my a/c with  
the Cook who does all the buying  
& is paymaster for chairs &c.  
I do not want to bother with  
Cash. In the afternoon I took  
a nap again. did housework  
& Lai-Kui came with  
our mail. 3 letters from  
home good! - Mr deacons

the letters also notes from all <sup>21</sup>  
in the Compound except the new-  
comers. All are well except Mrs.  
N. who still suffers from the  
effect of the hard voyage.

They have been having warm  
trying weather at Kak-Chieh-  
Several in the community are  
suffering from fever & the Camp-  
bells had trouble from drinking  
impure water. - Saturday Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup>

Immediately after breakfast I  
read to Lung hung the Roman  
& letter I wrote for Sam. - He  
wanted me to write it to send  
instead of having it in character.  
I was quite pleased to find that  
it was nearly all intelligible  
& he said correct, as I had  
written it without any help.  
So I copied it out with ink  
3 pages of note paper in Roman

ized Colloquial"- I hope<sup>22</sup>  
that sometime all the preach-  
ers will learn this: it will  
be a great convenience in com-  
municating with them. At  
Kingspo such is the case.

I also finished a long letter to  
Rev. F. H. Rowley pastor at No.  
Adams Mass. in reply to a very  
kind letter written Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> + 3<sup>rd</sup> -  
+ telling him of our experience  
at Kang. Sai - requesting him  
to present the case before his  
Church for prayer. Before din-  
ner I went out for a short walk  
feeling tired of steady writing -  
TCK-Sun went to his native vil-  
lage so Clara with the stens-  
man's boy to help got a most  
excellent dinner - roast beef & pota-  
tors - turnips - tomatoes. "Cold-  
slaugh" (?), toast - dessert a pudding  
eaten with apple-sauce - oranges &  
bananas. Yesterday Lai-Kui brought

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a piece of beef & fresh vegetables  
yesterday. I enjoyed them much -  
had not tasted beef for about a  
week. Chickens & eggs are good  
but I tire of them & they do not  
agree with me very well -

After dinner I read from 'The  
Missionary Review of the World'  
it is a fine thing. I wish  
every one at home could read it.  
At 4 P.M. we went out to  
visit an old sister in the village  
near by. She was not at home  
but her granddaughter brought  
out a ~~stool~~<sup>bench</sup> for us to sit upon.  
A crowd gathered & as there  
was no one else I talked to  
them. They were very quiet &  
attentive & understood quite a  
little I knew by answers to ques-  
tions. One young man I talked  
to & he was a good listener.  
On the way back another crowd



gathered two in fact & we each<sup>24</sup>  
talked & read a little. A man  
came along & insisted on carrying  
our umbrellas back to the boat.  
He awaited us here & proved to be  
a son of our absent sister at  
the village. We had a long talk  
with him. He brought us two  
oranges as a gift & I loaned  
him a copy of Matthew.

There is a great crowd of chil-  
dren hereabouts who throng us  
& "call names" - I was writing to-  
day & a lot of them were on the  
bank laughing & talking, staring  
at me - one of 14 or 15 yrs. was look-  
ing in sitting on the boat his head  
almost in the window. I said:  
"Bô Kúi - Kúi" (not manners)  
He said "Tieh!" - ("That's so")  
I repeated it: "Bô Kúi - Bô Kúi"  
He said "Tieh. Kì Kì Chhiên!"  
"That's so" - laughing disrespectfully  
& rebuked the youth on the bank, &

shortly disappears. It is refreshing<sup>25</sup>  
to see how quickly they are shamed  
if accused of a breach of manners.

I must stop - Clara is putting  
up her mosquito net - think of it  
in March - I wish folks at home  
could see our quarters here. It is  
said that if people care a good sev-  
eral weeks living in the boat, they  
are well paid - Our life here  
has gone on most smoothly & the  
little boat seems large enough -  
Over half our married life thus far  
has been passed on the Mission  
boats - "Grace" & "Peace".

Sunday March. 3<sup>rd</sup> -

We left for Khon. Khoi in chains  
at 9 A.M. A crowd gathered  
about & I did what I could at  
preaching to them, was much inter-  
ested in one man of 50 or 60 - a  
very pleasant grandfather (he has  
a beard) Capt. of a boat on the  
stream below - We gave him a

printed leaflet & slip of paper 26  
with 'I am the way the truth & c'  
written in character upon it.

We reached the chapel in good  
time for morning service had a  
full congregation. I gave preached  
the sermon I sent him with  
some added Scripture references &  
expansion. L. H. preached on  
Eph. VI: 1-4. All listened very  
well. I fear however the school  
will not be started, as they have  
sent our or two children to other  
places. I had a very tiresome  
day - talking so much of the time.

We had the chapel full at  
Communion. I spoke to Sam  
about the monthly concert of prayer.  
also spoke to others about it &  
proposed they remember it es-  
pecially the "Macedonian Cries".

So after Communion we stayed  
long once or twice & 4 prayers  
were offered - I hope to get the

Chapels in my district all to  
remember the Monthly Concert of  
prayer & to have it brought up  
at the next General Meeting  
in April. It is discouraging  
sometimes to find a cold worldly  
spirit so prevalent but after all  
we ought to be very thankful  
to find so much of a foundation  
& so many who have left their  
idols and come together for quiet  
Christian worship. We got back  
to the boat at about 6 o'clock.

I found Sam has some thought  
of going to Hue-lai a larger  
un-~~in~~terred district to the South.

Monday - March 4<sup>th</sup> -

Inauguration Day - I presume  
that now 5-30 P.M. festivities  
are exceeding festive at the Capital  
We left at 3 or 4 o'clock this  
A.M. & reached our present



Mooring in the Pū<sup>n</sup> Lē<sup>n</sup> Canal<sup>28</sup>  
at about 4 P.M. I expect the  
small boat over to meet us to-mor-  
row morning early. We shall walk  
across & have some of our goods  
carried. Others can be left here  
till we take the next trip. Unless  
Mr. Partridge writes that the boat  
better come back - I have tak-

en an easy day - Had newspapers  
gotten notes of what I must con-  
sult with Mr. P. about. & written  
a few pages in this book. On the  
way down we took a walk & at-  
tracted a great crowd several times.  
At the end of the stone bridge - I  
spoke with one or two of the men  
& L.H. preached to them a little.  
The farmortman had several  
Chamras - rolls of colored paper  
that are obtained at the Lāvēlā<sup>n</sup>  
temples from the temple-keepers.  
L.H. pointed to these & asked him  
what they were good for. He looked

Foolish. Flushed I am can 29  
& nervously tucked them under his  
jacket saying he knew they were  
no good. L. H. says others in  
the crowd did the same.

A few minutes ago 3 young men  
two with hoes going back from  
the fields, looked in at the boat  
window & I proached to them &  
I saw them some leaflets I do  
not know how much they under-  
stood but we certainly got  
some truth for when I tried him  
on the argument from design  
using the boat as an illustration  
he admitted it & said "Min si  
gân-a -" "You are wise!"  
the common answer if they like  
what you say, we always answer  
it is not our wisdom but what  
God has given every one who  
has ears to hear should hear.  
We have a cloudy mid day - midday  
then - I find the salt air & brackish.

Tuesday - Mar. 5th / 89 -

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At my desk again - & it is excruciatingly pleasant to be back again in our attractive home. Lai-Kui came to us overland this morning reaching the boat at 9 A.M.

Clara had gone ahead in a chair & I was waiting for him to come to get word from Mr. P. & money to pay the boatmen. Both which he brought. We leave the boat & a part of our things there for the next fortnight - We hired a native boat for 500 Cash - 46¢ to bring us 10 miles - 6 people & as much luggage as 4 men could carry. Reached here at 1-15 P.M. after a comfortable trip - We had eat a lunch & took a nap for a few moments on the way.

We found all well at home. X. Mrs. Patchidge who had previously invited us to take our first meal

with them kindly sent in a 31  
nice dinner & also invited us to  
supper. Wednesday March 6/94.

We had a cosy comfortable tea & evening  
together at Mr. P.'s - Clara took some  
sewing. I talked my trip over with  
Mr. P. having previously made full  
notes on each place. He seemed to  
agree with me in most of my judg-  
ments - I sent to Swatow for Sak-han  
the young man who left Kan-han  
& has been living at the chapel.  
About all the forenoon was used  
up in adjusting accounts & getting  
settled. In the afternoon we rec'd  
a call from Dr. & Mrs. McClure of  
North China Canadian Presbyt. Mission.  
I met her as Miss Baird in  
Canton last year. We were invit-  
ed to Mr. Campbells for Thurs-  
day evening. We had a good  
prayer-meeting. Mr. P. led  
had parts of Solomon's prayer &  
compared it with Christs prayer



in John xvii. Miss Fieled 32  
spoke of the assurance & gain of  
our hope from this prayer. Mr.  
Novell spoke feelingly of the ef-  
ficacy of prayer dependant not  
on the holiness of the suppliant  
but 'the name' in which it was  
offered. I had been thinking of  
this prayer & planned to use it  
on our verse "Will God in very  
truth dwell with men upon the <sup>earth</sup>?"  
The next time I led, so spoke on  
that - God with us. referring to  
our Lords last promises. But  
we do not fully realize it. as we  
do realize it we shall be effective.  
Mrs. Novell spoke of success when  
depending prayer. Failure when  
neglecting prayer. Mr. Campbell  
spoke of their expected trip &  
hoped it might be fruitful.  
Several prayers were offered -  
the singing we enjoyed very much.  
Mr. N. has a good strong voice.

& they both sing well.

33.

Thursday March 7-

Jak. hân, came early & Mr. P. talked over the case with him. He claimed to be just leaving the chapel & as to the affair at home he told a straight story, but evidently was nervous & I feel did not feel quite as confident as he pretended to be that he is right.

After dinner we went to Swanton - having the bug bear of returning calls to attend to. We started early so as to see Dr. & Mrs. Riddell, who expected to be off a week before but were upset under the very bows of their steamer: they with all their boxes. Dr. & Mrs. Lyall - Mr. & Mrs. Gibson, their little girl, & Mr. MacLagan went into the water which was very deep & cold but were saved though it is a wonder that no one was.

lost. only 3 can swim. 34  
all the Riddels goods were wet  
& Mrs. R's dresses all lost.

Fortunately no one was seriously  
ill, though Mr. Gibson did have  
a return of his throat trouble.  
He goes soon to Formosa.

We got on comfortably with our  
calls, & did them all up on that  
side the Bay. Came back & had  
a quiet evening with the Campbells.  
I talked over my trip with Mr. C.

Friday March 8<sup>th</sup> -

Thursday noon the P.s. set sail &  
probably will not be back till the  
19<sup>th</sup>. Friday noon the C.s & his  
started for Hak-Ka-don in  
the "Grace" or Hak-Ka-boat.

They came near losing the latter  
after the bargain was made. Mr.  
C. says the Captain came in great  
trpidation to say that a Mandarin  
had come along, fancied his  
boat & said he would go to Hu-  
City with him, he protested that

a foreigner had engaged the 35  
boat for a long trip. the Mandarin  
pook-pooked that & told him  
to bring on his foreigner the would  
believe the story. Mr. C. Consulted  
Miss Fildes sent over his English  
& Chinese Cards to have the two mailed  
up in the boat. The C. & take

our child, the 2<sup>nd</sup>, Minnie, & Clara  
has agreed to take the other two.

In the P.M. we began calling here,  
went to the Consulate, found Mr.  
Leslie with Mrs. Frater, but he  
left we had a brief call, then  
tried Mrs. McKinnon's but she was  
out, then to Mrs. McQuharts.  
& the Kerrs. Poor Kerr has injured

himself must undergo an operation  
that may keep him for weeks or  
months in doors. In setting up  
his ice machine last year he  
strained himself & has aggravated it  
since. He has had a bad year  
in business & has his machines all  
down ready to go to Hong Kong -

We called in at Mr. Woodruff's



Jennie - I played a little & Clara<sup>36</sup>  
sat with the on-lookers. She  
did a very good thing for me.  
Mrs. Allum asked her about our  
trip. & Clara told her about some  
things, said we enjoyed it but got  
quite tired - "Of each other?"  
Mrs. A. asked. - Clara said.

"You do not know Mr. Foster,  
or you would not even suggest  
such a thing." - So, you see, I have  
a loyal champion who can hold  
her own against the sharp  
sayings of our neighbors.

We attended our respective pray-  
er meetings in the evening. I spoke  
of what we "met" at Kan-ham &  
also told them a little of Tong the  
Chinese preacher in San Francisco.  
His picture & the rosary were  
loaned me by Mrs. Morrell. Tong  
was once a Catholic. I wrote  
of him from Canton. After  
meeting we decided about the

work for Sunday. 2 men 37  
here, one for Swatow - one for  
T'u-lu, one for Tang-ou - one for  
Am-pou - two for To-pou chi  
v'ti-pi - & one to go up to Hün-  
ling or Phai-thai - & take Mr. P.'s  
mail on to him the day following  
with all our teachers & a few  
of the students we have quite a  
force to use. It is a delicate  
matter to arrange the list, too.  
I do as little <sup>of that</sup> as I can & yet  
have the work done.

Saturday March 9th/89 -

I gave the day chiefly to writing.

Late in the afternoon we went  
to finish our calls. Found only  
one, Mrs. Allum at home: at  
Mrs. Inglis's we did find Mr.  
Ferguson the Netherlands's Minister.  
But we only stayed a short time.  
He is writing a book on the  
Philosophy of Civilization - I loaned  
him a book treat on the subject  
of Missions, which he touches.

Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>/89. 38

Very warm. I put on my thin  
gray suit. We had very good ser-  
vices. Went to Swanton. Took Hark for  
to preach. & 4 of the school boys to  
help sing. A favorable sign at the  
morning service was the no. of re-  
quests for prayer for relatives.  
After dinner I had Ma. Kà-  
who was to preach at 4 P.M. Come  
up & talk over his sermon - on  
Phil. III: 13-14. After service  
Miss Fields came over & we  
talked of various matters. I got  
a short nap - had supper & after  
that read in weekly papers.

Monday, March 11/89

Cloudy & threatening. I have been  
writing. This journal was behind  
& I finished letters to Dr. Ashmun  
& to A. J. Stewart. Have been  
studying Acts XI: 23-24.  
This evening I hope to meet the men  
who were out yesterday & consult about  
the news of the several places.

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As I was finishing work with my  
teacher Mr. Ferguson came in &  
talked for some time about his  
book on the "Philosophy of Civiliza-  
tion". He is rather interesting for  
a time but I fear may become  
great bore. He left me a few pages  
of proof to read over.

Tuesday March 2/89.

I spent quite a part of the forenoon  
in preparing a leaflet using  
Acts XII: 24-31 & John III: 16 -  
most of the time in getting an  
expression for yeiros - did not suc-  
ceed - in our colloquial it is the  
same character (F) as for now.  
We had been invited to Mrs. Hy-  
alls to have tennis & tea - so  
left at 4 P.M. - had a pleasant  
time - I consulted Mr. Gibson  
about the yeiros & he gave me the  
expression he is using in the Ro-  
manized Acts - We played a game



of letters. Mrs. L. & Clara 40  
played against Miss Lecky &  
myself - we won. Miss Lecky is  
a Belfast young lady of the  
E. P. Mission in Singapore who is  
here to study the language. She  
is a bright self-possessed young  
lady. We had a fine sail com-  
ing home - mist & storm so we  
made the trip in about 15 minutes.

Wednesday - March 13 -

Cooler. A lot of sundries that took  
up quite a part of the morning.  
Miss Fields came in & brought  
a pot of some very nice tomato  
pickle - we planned a trip to  
T'ar'-li' Sunday - a different sort  
of "pickle" - there is a very serious  
trouble that threatens to estrange  
the best member there, the Carpenter  
of whom I have written. An old  
deaf man who is said to gamble  
is making trouble there.

Monday evening I had the men  
 who were out on Sunday meet to  
 report & confer. Some good I hope was  
 done but I was sorry that this  
 affair was brought forward. Hong-  
 An had been there & he gave a long  
 report of it, would have talked much  
 longer had we not checked him.  
 To-morrow - we take tea with Miss  
 Hilde & H.A. is invited to come  
 in & "tell us all about it" after tea.  
 then we plan to send him & Hong  
 here in Sat. Treasury, the best  
 Bible woman, has gone in to day  
 to be there till Sunday & get at  
 all she can from the chapel  
 keeper & any other women she  
 can. Miss F. says she is discreet  
 & trustworthy in such matters.  
 The tide is right so we can go in  
 Sunday. This P.M. we had

prayer meeting here, 9 over  
 from the other side. I led  
 took Acts XI 22 sq. The character

of Barnabas - its results - 42

"He was a good man and full of the Holy Ghost & of Faith" - He rejoiced at seeing the Grace of God. He exhorted the Church to cleave unto the Lord, and much people was added unto the Lord. He further was privileged to lead Paul to his life-work -

To see much people added unto the Lord & to lead into usefulness men who shall be Pauls to their country men is what we wish to do.

Mr. McKenzie. Mr. Thow from Formosa, & Mr. Gibson spoke. It was a good meeting. We walked to the boat with them & took a little tramp for exercise. We have quite a family there now. Louise & Paul Campbell 5 & 2 yrs. respectively with the Chinese nurse make no small addition to our little circle. They get on very well without their mother.

Thursday March 14<sup>th</sup> 43

Long heng tells me that if an ignorant man has chills & fever, medicine does him no good - he thinks there are two "Kui" - evil spirits within reach. one has a furnace & the other a fan - each takes his turn & the poor man is alternately chilled & fevered.

A man near Khor-Khoi said there was a large junk in a heavy storm with thunder & lightning - when an axe was seen in the possession of the Thunder God, who smote the boat, <sup>mast</sup> there was a crash & the ~~boat~~ was broken ~~off~~ - This axe was not iron nor brass, nor lead nor stone, but something. one of the sailors secured it. This Mung chansen claimed to have seen the axe & that it is good for driving away devils. I get these things occasionally



in Conversation.

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after finishing study in the P.M.  
Clara wanted to take a walk &  
wanted me to miss Mr. Ferguson.  
So I sent him a note & map  
I had bought for him in Swanton  
stating I should be out.

In the evening we went to Miss F's  
for tea & the evening. After tea.

Hong-an came in by appointment  
to tell us of the "Tie" troubles -  
a bad quarrel mostly caused by  
an old man who ought to be ex-  
cluded -

Friday - March 15/89 -

Chinese in the forenoon & meeting in  
the afternoon - prayer meeting in  
the evening - Sat. - March 16/89 -

In the forenoon I did some mit-  
ing & settled up for two weeks  
with the Cook & attended to  
sundries - In the afternoon went  
to Swanton - called on the Baron

I wanted to ask him about <sup>the</sup> attitude of the Chinese officials toward Christians & about such affairs as that in Kan-han. He said giving my card could not do harm & would not do good probably - as I thought: he thinks many of the officials are inclined to be just - as Chinese can be just.

I was to have the honor of being appointed to play tennis against the Baron at a coming "tournament" here but declined to enter - on the ground of being away for some days & being after I return - but if it were not for that I should not play. I go very seldom to the Community - not more than 4 or 5 times this season. At the other mission we had 4 good sets after I left the Baron & had done brands in

the city - Dr. & Mrs. Lyall & W<sup>m</sup>  
Miss Field & returned together  
& all took supper with us. a  
very pleasant evening - Mrs. Lyall  
seemed greatly impressed by the  
young housekeeper's success. It was  
a nice supper. We had oysters -  
Cold Corned-beef with vegetables -  
Biscuit - Cake - pudding. Sauce  
& fruit. After tea we discussed  
Mr. Ferguson's book. & played Re-  
verie

Sunday March 17-

On the way to H<sup>ill</sup> & L<sup>ake</sup> with Miss  
Field. Clara stayed at home  
partly to care for the Campbellites  
& " because I did not want  
her to have so tiresome a day.  
Before going to the Country -  
I have been writing up this journal  
since Thursday - on the way, it  
is cloudy & a fine breeze has  
brought us on swiftly - so we  
got to the landing in less than an  
hour & a half.

at home - 7.30 - P.M.

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This has been a perfect day as far as mother is concerned. "obedient" tide & mind going ~~in~~ in, "obedient" tide not very strong wind against us coming out - generally on such days the wind is high by night.

We got safely to the chapel & I stayed by the door some time to keep the crowd out, talked with some men & boys, who said they understood me. Miss Fuld clustered herself with "Treasure" & we had worship at 11-20. Hung An preached from Rom. XII: 1 - & Lung-hing from Int. XI: 28. &c.

He said the other day that some of the Christians told him that language was not figurative - but literal - "Come unto me &c" - it is very vivid in this dialect. Heavy laden is "ta" tāng-tā" = "Carry (a) heavy Carry" - a very



Common expression as all 47  
transportation by land is by  
carrying goods on poles.

The Christians said they did  
"Carry a heavy carry" in their  
hearts - it was a load they  
felt consciously to be there.

After service I took the two  
preachers aside & told them my  
plan. Miss Fieble had her  
list of Church members & was  
asking after each one. During  
this the old man who has made  
trouble came forward & began to  
talk to me. But I would not lis-  
ten & had him sit down where  
L. H. shouted in his ear that he  
was to wait. He soon got up  
& left. We had a Church meeting  
with the little room quite full.  
I was elected Chairman & A. H. as  
Secretary. H. A. gave his testimony  
after L. H. had read Eph. I-3-4.  
I-Cor. V 3-4 & 1154. - II Thes. III: 6.

They had both been to A. Hut. & 48  
shop the night before & found  
him gambling. Others testified  
to the same & Chin Po (Trazun) gave  
the substance of a conversation she  
had with him showing he had  
very little idea of true religion.  
The vote was in favor of withdrawal.  
There was another case of an  
opium-eater but no one was  
disposed to act in it. After this  
there was a long discussion on  
the matter of their being faithful to  
their Church not going to the other  
Chapel all the time - Miss Fisher  
gave them some very good advice.  
We did not get our lunch till  
2 P.M. but I had stayed myself  
by an occasional bite of cold meat  
before. Poor Miss H. was quite  
ill coming back, the bad odors  
gave her nausea. She however

got safely to the boat - 49

We reached K.C. at 5-40. Clara met us at the pier - she has attended to Chinese & our English service to-day -

Monday - Jan. 18/89

The Partridges were home before breakfast time so we went down to meet them & they breakfasted with us - I spent a part of the day conferring with him about his trip and our experience at T'ien Jen together with our plans for the next trip - They found some encouragement & some discouragement. Everywhere great need of work & proof that we need a larger force so as to work the field more fully visit the church members often - At our place they are planning to call a man to take charge of their Sunday services. our man agrees to pay one third & we will make it up to me half -

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I finished reading Matthew and  
did some other work. the first  
300 copies of the Acts leaflet  
Come but are very poorly done.  
I send a copy home -

Tuesday Mar. 19 -

More counseling with Mr. P. & Miss  
Friede about the work in my  
Section. L. h. brought me the  
lists of names - roll of membership  
for the different stations - Some  
names are unique - "Ngô" "stupid".  
"demulens" - & "Lũ" - "donkey" &c. &c.

L. h. says this is done to deceive the  
bad spirits who will perhaps take  
a fancy to the child & carry off  
his life, but if they call him by  
such a name they will perhaps  
mislead the demons. Sometimes  
they give a girls name, or put on  
two earrings for the same reason.  
One of our biggest Church members,



is named "Mice" - "younger  
sister" - Miss F. heard of a woman  
who had lost several young chil-  
dren & at last having a boy. Said  
it was a girl that a neighbor  
take the child at once dress him  
in girls' clothes take him to  
her home & treat him as her  
daughter so as to deceive  
the demons. poor creatures.

The day has been warm. Have  
done some writing have a  
letter finished to the students,  
one to Oranig, to Dr. Hawy.  
to Mr. S. B. Ford. & one to Mrs.  
Watkins at Wardfield. partly  
finished - There is a heavy  
wind blowing tonight & I fear a  
storm but cannot tell yet -  
If so we cannot start to-morrow  
Thursday. March 20 -

Cloudy. cool. We got started by  
8.20 - took one chair & two  
carriers of goods - had a

Comfortable trip I rode a little<sup>2</sup>  
of the way. Just now the young  
rice is sprouting up and is  
the richest most delicate green  
I have ever seen - In a few weeks  
it will be transplanted in little  
clumps - I stopped once or twice  
by the way to talk with people  
find a little improvement in my  
speech. We reached Khon-Khni  
a little after 10 o'clock. From the  
Chapel locked - the preacher I saw  
not back from his 1st trip.  
I hoped to find him here & look  
up some church affairs with  
him. I saw a man outside the  
Chapel, inquired his name and found  
he was A-Ti - one who has not  
been attending service for a long  
time - I button holed him &  
he said he did not dare to  
come that some of the Hain Hain  
family would beat him - I  
made further inquiries & found  
there was most disgraceful

quarrel here Sat'y & Sunday 53  
last in which this delinquent  
ruined the wife of Hsin-han's  
5th son. on acct of trouble between  
their children & A-chiang (= 5/4 note  
the ruiner. ruiner's older brother.  
chose A-chiang - whose older  
brother, Iah, set his sons & one  
or two more relatives to follow &  
rescue said A-chiang. Sam Kuei  
the chaser of A-chiang told me  
a long story about these young  
men's beating him, also about  
a son of Iah's striking his little  
boy &c, &c. During the time  
when I was not hearing about  
this affair, we went to a neigh-  
boring village to visit two families.  
Had a great crowd at each house,  
we were almost suffocated. We  
each did a little trading & talking.  
But the people are so absorbed  
in looking at us that they can-  
not hear anything. At our house  
is a bright promising boy who

was baptized at the age of 9.54  
I set him to reading & talking,  
which he did very well. He  
led us out of the village & we  
had a little talk with him.  
I hope one day he may be a  
useful worker here. In the  
evening a no. came in for wor-  
ship. I had the Lord's prayer &  
Matt xviii; 19 sq. read & a few words  
said about the necessity of  
forgiving if we expect to be  
forgiven - Dah stayed & talked  
quite a long time - he seemed  
to talk very well & to have a  
good knowledge of the scriptures.

Friday March 21<sup>st</sup>

Dah was in again in the morn-  
ing & I told him what I had  
heard of the trouble asking  
him if it was true, He  
admitted all of it except his  
part. saying I must not listen  
to the man Sam - Kuri for he



smokes opium - but by pressing  
him I got the admission that he  
did set the boys on to help his  
brother who was being chased.  
He was throwing lumps of earth  
at his chaser. also it came  
out that this man A. T. -  
was light-fingered. & should have  
been dismissed from church  
membership long ago. It is  
not always pleasant to stir up  
things but it must be done  
& I see no other way of having  
a clean church but to get  
to the bottom of these cases.  
These people are so linked by  
family &c. that they are loth to  
act in disciplining members.  
& it is Chinese to consider that  
if any bad matter is hushed up  
it is not very bad after all.  
publicity is the great disgrace.  
"Thou shalt not get found out"  
is the favorite commandment.  
We started off to Chin<sup>g</sup>-tang-kia.

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Pek. Sun's native heath, from which he & a number more were driven by angry neighbors some years since. We first visited the pottengat Chhambuekō saw our two brin Hōng & ōi. They showed us the "iē" the long way where the bowls on backed. it is a tunnel some 5-ft high & 4½ ft wide with arched roof of brick - it is built on an incline to give draft, I suppose; straw they are used to fire the war.

We met on the way nearly 100 men carrying loads of coarse hay - a bundle on either end of a pole - a carry weighs about 100 Kun. (133 lbs). It was market-day at Liangthi. to which many were going.

The scenery about Chiu Huang Nā is beautiful. the villages nestled among the hills. But it is within is veritably filthy - worse than

some other Chinese villages 57  
which is condemnation enough.  
& for more - a rabble followed  
us & made the passage of the  
streets exceedingly uncomfortable.  
We found a few believers who  
welcomed us to their houses &  
also some relatives of believers  
did so. We were very tired  
after an hour of this & it  
looked like rain so we left.  
Eat our lunch by the roadside.  
A number of passers by left the  
road and walked around by us.  
Some stood & looked at us. I  
told them it was not "Kui-Kui"  
("manners") among them to look at  
persons eating & they moved away.  
We got back before the rain &  
remained at the chapel - T. S. was  
away else we should have gone  
out to visit the people. One  
pleasant item of the day was the  
friendliness of a woman next door.  
with whom Clara had had

& talked at times. Clara had 58-  
in the morning washed a suit of  
my pyjamas (that were too late to  
be sent for at home) & wanted to leave  
them to dry: this woman immediately  
offered to put them out in front of her  
door & watch them, if it rained put  
them under cover. When we came  
back they were safely put under  
the Chapel porch. The woman  
had a little girl that looked about  
3 yrs old but the woman said she  
was 6 - was her sim-phi (daughter  
in law) whom she had procured  
3 yrs before for the sum of 2<sup>00</sup> (Mex)  
she was phi - cheap. Clara  
gave her a stalk of sugar-cane -  
which made the youngster happy -  
the sugar cane we come by on  
this wise - two young men who  
said they out to thet-tho (sulk  
for pleasure) looked into the  
Chapel. We invited them in &  
I talked with them quite a little -  
read the "Lord of Heaven & Earth"  
leaflet. showed them an old New  
Testament & a leaflet giving the 10 com-



mandments. giving them 1 of each 59-  
Kind of leaflet. They said they  
were from "Tie-Si". When they came  
in each had two long stalks of  
sugar-cane & set them against the  
chapel door. As they went out they  
insisted on our taking two of  
them. In the evening a goodly  
number came in. I talked with  
them on various subjects. Read  
a few vers. in Mt. ~~VI~~ VI: 23-29.  
& Joh. led in prayer. I was much  
pleased with his prayer. as it showed  
more humility & desire for forgiveness  
than I expected.

Saturday. March. 23/89

Threatening sky - I went out after break-  
fast & the packing of our goods to find  
A. Joan & settle with him about  
the printed matter I brought &c &c.  
He was in the field. but came  
in. I made contribution of  
about 15¢ towards &c whitening  
the chapel walls. which I hoped  
they would some time do.  
He then went about and

Called at the homes of the Christians 60  
in Khun-Khai - 3 families in one house -  
two in another - 3 more with our family in.  
Stopped at Sah's store a neat small  
building where he had a lot of cloth &  
Jarn. We bought 10 yards of cloth  
much like cracker good for kitchen  
towels - one roll for 45-¢. We then  
visited five or six more families -  
at one place was a poor little  
sick boy who was poisoned 5 or  
6 yrs. ago that been very ill, bed-ridden  
for yrs. his arms are very small  
but his legs swollen - one side  
of his face also puffed out &  
he has sores on his back. he  
suffers dreadfully. The people are  
very poor - afterward gave  
Joan who was our guide a  
little money for them.

We had a pleasant trip back to  
the boat - had our chairs. I walked  
at the beginning and of the route rode  
between times - there was cool breeze  
& no sun. The East wind blew  
heavily so we returned along to Tin-Su.

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I enjoyed the sail hugely. It was  
refreshing to look out as we sat at  
dinner & see the green banks with  
occasional clumps of bamboos which  
we now swiftly passing. A quick  
sail always exhilarates me & I am  
fond of the sound made by small  
waves lapping the bow of a sail-boat,  
of which I am likely to get my fill here.  
At Turi-Sũ I went to the chapel  
& found not only Leng-hung, Khing,  
the mason A. Khi, whom I expected  
but also A. Sia the Hue<sup>n</sup>. Sua<sup>n</sup>. than.  
Chapel-keeper & A. Hi<sup>n</sup> from Kan-  
Nâm. The former was waiting to  
see if I was coming to ship for  
a Sunday at H. S. Th. & the latter  
was on his way to Kuk-Chieh-  
So I took the latter aside & talked  
about Kan-Nâm affairs. He re-  
sponded with sprightly fervor-  
"Thank the Heavenly Father  
mercy, the Tho-ling-brothers  
Case is done up." It seems that  
the Mandarin came & with the  
head-man of the village in-  
prisoned all who would not  
pay their assessments. Our

melancholy friend who gave me 62  
the chicken, was shut up a day or  
so. his wife took him food &  
the people came over to our chapel  
on Sat. the 16<sup>th</sup> to get the preacher  
to help Long-keh out. He said  
the next day was worship-day but  
the day after they would come -  
so he & some of the brethren  
testified that the man was a  
"worship - Good-man" & had no part  
in the fracas that caused all this  
trouble - but the "Teacher" had  
advised him to assist his  
classmen & pay one half his as-  
sessment if they treated him  
fairly - so the Mandarin and  
the "Head-man" decided this  
was fair & if they would not say  
anything about it he might do  
thus & be let off -

I decided not to go to K. K. & to  
go to H. S. H. only for a day or  
two. He is arranging to to there &  
preach Sunday A.M. We had  
worship at 7-30 P.M.



Sunday - March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1883

Mild & overcast. We got to the Chapel before 10-A.M. The people were slow to gather. Clara got the women to reading & I read with a young man who had come for the first time from Phe' Chin. a little old sister there had urged him to come. We began service at 10.30. - as the candidates for baptism had not come. but before the sermon they arrived so we proceeded to examine them as the tide would be too low for baptizing in the P.M. 5 women came forward & all were accepted except one, who was the brightest of all but had years ago been a worshipper. then gone back to her idols again till within 4 mos. The Bible woman at Chluah Liak had suggested that it might be well to test her further. She felt badly about it but seemed hard to refuse her, after she had walked 7 or 8 miles. But I hope it may

more joyful discipline. The baptism 64  
was much easier than before. The place  
had been prepared the day before  
soft earth removed & sand put down  
& the water was deeper - Dr. had a  
similar programme. A. Khing  
read from I Cor. X - spoke briefly. L.  
h. offered prayer. After each candi-  
date a verse of "Happy Day" was  
sung. At 2.30 Dr. had ser-  
vice - brief sermon from A. Khing  
on repentance & faith from L. h. on  
the tongue. A. Hi' who had re-  
turned from Hre' - Sue Shan  
spoke on the duty of repenting, believ-  
ing, joining the church & walking as  
Children of God - did very well.  
I gave the Candidates the hand  
of Fellowship & our hand communion  
wine. I arranged with A. Ji - the  
Dr. at Chhiak Lian - to take  
some of the new leaflets & sell  
them if he had opportunity at  
1 Cash each - also saw A. Khing  
whom I baptized before about a

Bible-roman's going to his ail-65  
lager - He had spoken to h.  
about some one's coming to teach  
his wife - He seemed much pleased  
& said he would prepare a room.  
He seems a very good fellow.

I got back to the boat quite  
tired & lay down. When who should  
come in but Sam, the preacher  
whom I expected to find at Khon  
Khoi - He gave a detailed acc't  
of all his expenses - He got  
there just after we left & was  
quite distressed at the state of  
the case - But he labored with  
the belligerents & said they  
had made peace - also I am  
glad to find that there is a chance  
that Sam of Kh. Kh. may go  
with him on an evangelizing  
trip to Hui - Lái & the Kh. Kh.  
in paying his expenses & all -  
which will be a good bit of  
missionary work - This conference  
supper & evening worship ~~was~~  
used up about all the time left.

Monday. March. 25.

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cloudy & threatening. I went to the Chapel to confer with the 4 men. decided to have them go out 2 + 2 & interview the church members about wicker giving towards paying a man to preach every week. Kimi - Kek - a former preacher lives here wants to be employed as preacher. he is something of a doctor & gets a little income that way. We went to Hui - An - than to see about repairing the chapel & if possible wait the people. A heavy rain interfered with the latter. We called another chair & rode back in a driving rain. holding an umbrella in front of the chair. The roads were very slippery - we took a cross-cut by narrow paths on clayey soil but the men kept their footing. I got a little cold. In the evening went to the chapel & had a long discussion on the Kimi test question -



They had made their inspection 67-  
trips and met with some success -  
The two dyers - brothers at Nam<sup>da</sup>  
had agreed to pay 40¢ per month -  
which at home would be 20¢ to  
44¢ - which seems promising  
for a beginning - The men were  
tired on making me say how much  
I was willing to give but I would  
not do it & finally forced them  
to say what they thought would  
be right - This was too  
much for me & gave me a ver-  
y bad head-ache -

Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>

In the morning two of the men, Sam  
& Leng-heng were down to see about  
going in our boat down the river.  
I gave Sam a lesson on the  
on John 7:68 - & talked with him  
about going to Kang. Sai & Khan-  
Khan. L. h. began to note down  
the names of cities & villages  
along the river - They both got

Off near Kaing-Sai. will 68  
go to Khon Khoi until Monday -  
L-h. to Phochat Tien Khaw - on  
Sunday - I was very tired quite  
unwell. did nothing but rest &  
read a little all day & evening -  
Chara took such good care of me  
that I began to mend my headache  
was over by bed time.

Wednesday Mar. 27.

We were awakened at midnight by  
a tremendous crash. of glass, metal  
& crockery - now together. I at once  
thought it was a falling lamp  
& also that we had struck the  
bridge - the 6<sup>th</sup> time I have passed  
through & this the first trouble.

We for the first time used my  
large table lamp & it did fall off  
but the chimney did not break.  
A little glass dish in the pantry was  
broken, but can be mended.

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The Chinese have a wonderful way of mending glass & crockery with brass staples - they clamp the parts together drill a hole on either side then make & put in these little staples & rivet them - No harm was done to the boat & we proceeded safely to the Canal. Had a cool comfortable walk to the North side of the city got a boat & moved home. We took blankets & shawls etc. so as to make ourselves comfortable & sat in the bottom of the boat there being no seat - I had not been able to keep up this journal so wrote 10 pages somewhat to the detriment of my eyes. Clara was threatened with seasickness but by resting very quietly got safely to land. a strong head-wind with a light sea was against us. I am a better sailor than formerly.

am not troubled at all on the 70-  
day & it is often rough.

As we drew near the landing  
we saw the Campbell's boat  
& their coolie carrying the chil-  
dren's beds from Mr. P.'s, so knew  
the Han River party was back.  
at the top of the hill hailed Mr.  
& Mrs. Norvell - who said they got  
back in the morning well but  
very tired - We did little  
the rest of the day, but got straight-  
ened out, & rest - They decided  
it was my turn to lead the  
meeting. I could not give much  
time to preparing it being already  
5 P.M. & I must get a nap so  
took Mr. C.'s suggestion to  
tell something of our trip, &  
using the value of the Bible  
to us as the main subject.  
read a few short passages - II King.  
XXII:10 - Nehemiah VIII:9 -  
Jno. VI:68 - Acts XX:32 - & V:20.



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spoke of the Scripture as a means  
of communicating ~~to~~ with the  
people ideas we could not fully  
express. & gave the gist of the ser-  
mon I suggested to Sam - from  
John. VI-68 - "The words of Eternal  
life" - I - These words of God  
have themselves eternal life -  
They cannot die out or be crushed  
out as is shown by the history  
of the Bible B.C. & A.D.

II - Whoever receives these words  
will have eternal life. & be  
built up. Adding another  
thought - these words are inspired  
of the Holy Ghost & have merit  
in power in them. Rom. - VIII  
seems to teach that the resurrection  
of the body of the believer is the  
work of the Holy Spirit. Christ  
the Word made flesh was  
filled with the spirit & his  
body could not die - The Bible

the written word is inspired 72  
of the Holy Ghost & cannot be de-  
stroyed. Our duty & privilege  
is to give the people "the words  
of this life" - to deliver to them  
"a book" - then whether our work  
be long or short it will live after  
us - as ~~at~~ <sup>at</sup> pass after Henry Mar-  
tin's death a learned Prussian  
who confessed to having worshipped  
Christ for years said "I met a  
brandless youth enfeebled by disease  
who gave me a book."

Mr. Norvell spoke of his new  
Hak-Ka teacher who a year ago  
bought a copy of the Gospels  
& when they visited his town  
was glad to see them willing  
to become their teacher. Mr.  
Campbell also spoke of the in-  
couragement rec'd on their trip.  
no hostility was manifested and  
a chance seems open to Natala

house not far from Sam. 73  
Sto. in our unevangelized district.  
Mr. P. presented as a request for  
prayer the meeting of our students  
at Kit-Ser, at the same time as  
our own meeting, for consultation  
regarding their different schools.  
Miss Hilde said she had re-  
ceived word that Mrs. Dr. Gray  
of Oakland Cal. had offered  
\$500.00 per mo. to pay the salary  
of a lady who should take  
Miss H.'s work when she leaves  
or she expects to do in a year  
or two. Miss H. wished this  
to be made a subject of prayer  
that the right person might  
be found. Mr. & Mrs. N. expres-  
sed much pleasure that Mrs. Gray  
should do this, for she had always  
been all "Home" - not interested  
in foreign work. We were  
much encouraged by the meeting

new hope for our work 74  
seems to be arising on all sides.

Our Mail came in the morning  
so that the howells had final  
news from the Romans that they  
should work among the Hak-Kad  
in a letter to Mr. Campbell  
authorizing him to settle on  
Sane Ho as a permanent station.

I had two good letters from  
home - one from Father & one from  
Mother. very glad to get them.  
Sorry to hear Fossie was un-  
well. hope he is better. Fully  
well again. hope Father is  
all well & strong - Sorry  
my journal is any of it missing.  
let me know the date & no. of  
page so I can send duplicates.  
I am often hurried in sending  
the mail - so some sheets may  
slip out. I had a pleasant  
letter also from Mrs. Lottie  
Hatchback Andrews.



Thursday. Mar. 28 - 75

Still cloudy. We feel better for  
a nights rest. After worship with  
the servants - I went to Miss Field's  
I had a very pleasant conference with  
her about the work. She will be  
glad to have a woman at Kung-sai  
a part of the time. She favors  
my buying the lot of the island  
at Kiu-Sui where the chapel  
stands & says she can pay from  
her funds the Hie<sup>n</sup> Swa<sup>n</sup> Thau  
Chapel repairs if I need the  
money. The half of the lot  
(which is cut off from the roads  
by a stream at K. S.) & house  
cost over \$600. I can get  
the rest for between \$100. & 200.  
it belongs to an old couple who  
cannot last much longer. &  
I fear we may have trouble if  
their heirs get it. I wrote  
Mr. P. but he was at the class.  
read the two last Advocates with  
great interest. As I was reading

of the China S. S. Concert at 76  
the First Ch. Portland. where  
Mr. Foss gave an acct of "Po-hung  
& the Idols". P. L. came in  
I told him of it that it was  
at the city where I was born  
&c. He said Mr. Partridge  
the day before had shown him  
the little tract with cut of the  
idols & he wanted us to consult  
see if it could be printed in  
Chinese cut & all so he could  
distribute it among the Chinese.  
Mrs. P. says 9 girls at the  
School wish baptism -

In the evening Mr. & Mrs. Campbell  
came to supper & spent the even-  
ing - their first meal with us.  
We enjoyed it. Sat. evening  
we may have some of the other  
missioners over & that will fulfil  
our social duties & be a great  
relief - the three companies are pleasant.

Friday - March 29 - 1889. 77

Cloudy in the forenoon. heavy rain in the afternoon - Much time to-day spent in conferring with two of the preachers which resulted in some new facts general & personal.

There is new trouble at Tie-Lê<sup>h</sup> - in a temple there the arms & head of an image have been cut off & they declare the Christians have done it. A messenger whom we supposed to have \$20<sup>00</sup> in his possession was murdered & his body found some days afterward at the head of this bay. It is universally reported that the foreigners or Christians did it to get his heart & eyes for medicine. To-night a delegation comes down from Khan-Khoi bringing a letter from Sam saying that a brother who lives at Chha-bul-nâ - & has a carpenter shop at Lung-Hu - the great market - has had his shop looted & burned. The result of a few grains being stolen from another church member who works

in the shop. He got a writ 78  
from the magistrate - & that helped  
restoration said yes. But some  
20 men rallied by night &  
 wreaked vengeance on the shop.

I believe also struck this man's child.

The buttons are quite stirred up  
about it & will probably be  
pressing us to get them magister-  
ial aid. So offset all this

there is a new Prefect at the Hi-city  
who comes from the inner circles  
near the throne. His father's office  
is in the Council next the Emperor.  
He is very wealthy & he does not  
want any bribes. He has issued  
an edict that is posted up in  
Swatow to the effect that if any  
one has a case he may bring it  
directly to the Prefect without its  
going through the clerks - who  
always demand bribes. As in  
old times there was a box (or tub)  
outside the Yamen where each could  
deposit his complaints, & there  
will be now - He will himself  
open it. If this is really done  
it will revolutionize Chinese justice.



It is stated in the China Mail 79  
that the former Chinese Ambassador  
to England is to be Vice Roy of  
Kwang-Tung Province - which  
if true is good news indeed,  
as the last incumbent was a  
foreigner-hating Conservative and  
continually blocking the way of  
Christian progress -

Some letter writing done to-day.

Saturday March 30/89 -

Cool & cloudy - While at worship  
after breakfast the Khun-Khoi  
Brethren came in with Bu. Chiang  
& after a long talk decided that  
they wanted me to let them have  
some money to help him, which  
I did - probably, it was foolish.  
But I took them at their word  
& gave what I did on their repre-  
sentation that the Kh. Kh. Br. would  
also give more. I shall use every  
opportunity to point out the exact  
facts in this case & if they decided

me I shall use it as a test & so  
case - I also questioned the preach-  
er about the matter of contribu-  
tions to idol-processions & theatres.

I was tired after all this &  
took a nap. After dinner I  
called on Miss Filde & had a  
talk with her about these af-  
fairs - Miss Harkness &

Miss Lockett from "the other side"  
came over to supper. It was  
so rough that it would not  
be safe for them to go back  
after sundown & too rough at  
6 o'clock, so they stay over & go  
back after English Service to-mor-  
row - Sunday - March 31/89 -

Rainy so I did not go to Tien.  
Our guests managed to survive  
very well - seemed to enjoy their  
visit & went back after "Scotch  
Service". I attended that only

the second time this coal <sup>51</sup>  
season. Mr. Mackenzie preached  
a good sermon fr. Acts xxviii; 23.  
We had good Congregation to  
day - morning & afternoon -  
Hua-lin preached in the forenoon  
& illustrated his sermon by a  
Sunday-School - lesson-picture  
of the Judgement-day - that  
was hung up behind him -  
I took a nap after dinner -  
& we read after tea.

Mr & Mrs. P. are at Nam-Keig-

Monday - April 1<sup>st</sup> -

We have enjoyed a quiet evening  
together reading some newspapers -  
a large pile of which had accumu-  
lated upon my table. Clara is  
now cutting out some articles we  
marked - After supper we had  
a terrific thunder shower - great  
flashes of lightning with a perfect  
commode of thunder-peals.

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I had some talk with the  
preachers to-day. illustrated by  
references to Armitage's "Hist. of  
the Baptists" - Mr. Howell's -  
a few words about the former  
sufferings of Christians & the sight  
of pictures of martyrdom have  
a good effect in silencing too  
urgent arguments for interfer-  
ence in their behalf - The men  
from Tientsin report that the  
house-burning affair is all  
settled - the Mandarin took  
things in hand - the men  
sued for the privilege of refunding  
the loss & have agreed to pay  
\$700 for the grease & \$350<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> for  
the burned property. I hope  
it is true. There are several  
more disagreeable things that  
are coming up but we hope  
they will all be peacefully settled.



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Mr. Partridge is very much better.  
I am at work on a sermon for  
Sunday - fr. Mk. VIII: 23 - shall  
have Sam preach. & afterwards  
Lung-hung - give a few facts about  
missions - then perhaps have a  
short prayer-meeting.

Tuesday - April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Praching service at 7 A.M. -  
Class at 10 - a.m.  
Prayer-meeting at 4 P.M. -  
Between times I have done some  
work for Sunday. Consulted with  
Mr. Partridge, taken reports &  
acc'ts from Lung-hung & Sam.  
played two sets of tennis for exercise  
& gotten ready to attend a musicale  
at the Allums - We have been  
invited to a series of them  
& thought this as good a chance  
as we should have. Clara got a  
nap this P.M. & I got one after  
7 o'clock.

The men from Khon-Khoi  
 brought back a good report.  
 The family of the man who  
 burned Gek-lai's shop came  
 together & decided to arbitrate.  
 Learning that the mandarin  
 would take it up and it  
 would cost more. so they got  
 together & agreed to pay \$350.<sup>00</sup>  
 for the shop - 6% to mend the  
 heart of the young man who  
 was wounded & \$700 to the  
 man whose goods were stolen -  
 It is sometimes a good  
 thing that Chinamen are held  
 responsible for the misdoings  
 of their relatives -

Wednesday Ap<sup>l</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>.

We enjoyed the music last even-  
 ing - the party was not very  
 large - about 25 - including  
 5 or 6 from the H.M.S. Alacrity.

which is in part. One of them <sup>85</sup>  
a fine looking young family  
fellow, evidently highly bred -  
sang 3 serio-comic ballads -  
of the more refined sort. He  
had a wonderfully flexible voice  
under complete control & his com-  
mand of the piano was perfect.

Mr. Hill & the Baron sang two  
German duets. Mr. Allum &  
Miss Whittle then gave one.  
sang two old pieces nicely. Miss  
H. & Mrs. A. played two rousing  
duets - too loud for the room.

The most striking performance  
was Mr. Hill's imitation of a  
Chinese theatre. It was perfect -  
the tones, tunes & absurd inflect-  
tions he gets exactly as the  
Chinese actors give them. He  
is a famous mimic & Mr. P.  
says in the past they used to  
have many entertainments in

which he figured largely. 86  
We left at about 11-0'clock -

We were at early  
service - got in 5- or 10 minutes  
past 7. A.M. - I have attended  
the 10 A.M. class - met a little  
with L. H. attended a singing  
lesson & translated for Mr. Norvell -  
spent an hour with Sam over his  
sermon for Sunday - attended part  
of the 4 P.M. prayer-meeting -  
He thinks the Khmer-Khmer brethren  
are in a fairly peaceful state -  
the two belligerents were both  
at church Sunday - & they agree  
to pay the salary of the other Sam  
if I pay his travelling expenses to  
go to Hui-Lao = Thursday Apr. 4.

Mail from home - letter from  
Father & Class letter from  
Shailer - very glad to get them.



Clara heard also from 87  
both her sisters -

Usual services during the  
day & a Magic lantern ex-  
- in the evening

Friday - April - 5 - 89 -

We heard yesterday that  $12\frac{1}{3}\%$   
additional Exchange is allowed  
for 1887-8 so I get \$3.37 ad-  
ditional on my salary up to  
last Oct.

To-day we had  
the reports from preachers and  
Bible-women at 10-A.M. I  
presided - not any very especial  
interest - A-Hi gave a long rec-  
of the Kuo-ling case & began  
about the fiery brother at Kan-  
nân but I shut him off &  
asked if he had done any  
preaching - Ling-heng tells

me that \$100.00 of the money  
due Gek-ling - for his burned  
shop has been paid; that it

will cost his clan or village<sup>88-</sup>  
people between 500. + 600. in  
all including fees - They got  
a few soldiers + a posse of men  
hunted out + caught the "fire bug"  
+ at first it was proposed to  
bury him alive - but middle  
counsel prevailed + it is decid-  
ed to ship him off to Singapore  
or some other "foreign part" -

This P.M. was the girls-school  
examination - which was very  
good so far as I heard it  
I was obliged to leave + give  
up preparing to train A. Hi'  
on Sunday - He came at 3-40  
+ I wrestled with till after 5 o'clock.  
Came up. took a promenade + set-  
tled down to read when A-Không  
came to plead the case of the  
man in Chhiab-Liân who  
wants to borrow money for a  
place to put pigs, so they need

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not be in the Court before the  
room used as a chapel. He  
wants \$50.00 - which I said was too  
much. A Khing owned the soft im-  
peachment but said that he wished  
to make the porcine promises  
now palatial because his mother  
comes sleep there and watch  
the pigs - thus attaining two lands.  
He ends - viz. securing the house-  
room she would otherwise occu-  
py - and providing watch - cars  
for the valuable property by night -  
"What is home without a mother?"

Perhaps it will not be well  
to show this bit of information,  
it might not be appreciated - but  
here the pig is usually to be  
found in the front room or under  
the bed. so no ones feelings  
need be shocked -

We have had a quiet pleasant  
evening Clara writing & I reading  
the Hatchman & Standard -  
A heavy rain has been falling.

Saturday - April 6<sup>th</sup> 90

This A.M. I had another session a short one with A-Hi about his Mission talk. He also suggested that it would be an excellent thing if the Church here should vote \$10.00 of their money in the bank to help toward sending out the so new men, especially as the first one of the so was sent here. He took it kindly - Not long ago A-Khong was here to get his money & I spoke to him. He admitted that he would be pleased to vote thus but <sup>if he has been suggested by mia-an</sup> of the Brown America should receive so much they might think the Chinese had so much money to spare that there was no need of helping them further.



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I corrected this as fully & persuasively as I could. & afterwards had a talk with A. Hi' & Sam. A-Khong came again with the man who wants money for the pig-house. I was firm in refusing him. Sam gave me part of his experience. A Mr. Clark of Paris Me. I believe, wants to support a preacher. I am going to write him of this man.

Sunday. April-7/89.

A most beautiful day - clear & cool - A good prayer-meeting led by Lung-heng - at 7 A.M. Subi - "praying for mission"

The morning service was a good one. Sam's sermon was a trifle too long (30 minutes) but he used much Scripture & did not weary the people. A. Hi' fairly pitched himself - threw himself into the subject with

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wonderful abandon. His pointings  
on the map were sometimes a  
trifle eccentric. He located the  
C. I. M. in the Arctic Regions  
but in general did very well &  
told Corry's history with great  
vividness - giving the criticisms  
& objections in terse colloquy with  
a high falsetto voice that  
nearly upset me. But he  
really gave a good earnest talk  
on missions - At its close  
They voted to transfer  $100\%$  of  
the money contributed last year  
to the preachers fund to the Missions  
Union. It is not so much of a  
gift as I wish but is certainly  
a proof of a rising interest in  
the world's work. Afterwards  
two prayers were offered for the  
80 men needed. The Collection to-day

was "rising" 14<sup>00</sup>. We had 93  
a full chapel. At 2 P.M. Com-  
munion - I took charge - gave  
out the hymn - Called on Mr. P.  
for prayer - after I read Matt ~~XXVI~~  
26-29. I broke the bread - the  
Elder poured the wine - I suggest-  
ed that he might speak of the  
Contrast between the first Supper  
now - when in 276 languages  
it can be observed. He developed  
the thought well - said - first  
there was the one "bread" - Christ  
broke it signifying that all believers  
might have a share - his merits  
would be sufficient for all.

There was the one company of disci-  
ples - but Christ bade them eat  
ten. now there were many every-  
where - at first there was one  
language - at Pentecost now, now  
276-~~re~~. He brought out the Contrast  
well.

In the evening I went 94.  
with Mr. P. to confer with  
the preachers again. He gathered  
up the subjects presented du-  
ring the week. I spoke a few  
minutes on the advantage  
of having a blank book  
& writing down texts that  
impressed us when reading  
the Bible. Mr. P. gave  
me some encouragement  
on my progress in the  
language. Mrs. P. also  
spoke very kindly after the  
P. M. service.

As I came up from the even-  
ing service I met Sam-Sung  
Clara's former servant. who  
Cozly informed me, what I had  
previously heard, that it was  
proposed that he marry a girl  
now in the school who lives in  
Swatow, & asked if I approved.



which I of course did. He 95  
gave me a note for his former  
Employer, which read as follows.

"My Greeting to Foster-teachers.  
I want to speak, let you hear.  
Now there is our young female  
wants with me to marry:

she is a levator-person, has  
our mother, only no brothers.

Sam. Sung - you do not  
speak let any man know."

The last is "amvozing" & "larfable"  
as A. W. must say, as he has  
been consulting all his friends & the  
"our piece mother" has been asking  
the opinion of all the church.

Clara told him of our engagement  
before it was generally known among  
the Chinese & told him not to speak  
of it so that is, I presume, why  
he wrote this - Monday - Apr 8/89  
In the forenoon I had an interview

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with Hong-An. & agreed that  
he should be my teacher & should  
promise when I wish him to  
go where I wish &c. I shall use  
\$6.00 given by a P. S. class at home  
to pay his boy's tuition in the  
school & give him \$5.00 per mo.  
Lung-heng came & read a little  
with him: he asked about  
Hong-An & I thought, felt a  
little sore was not being my  
recognized teacher but he took  
it well & I arranged with him  
about going to Lie-Sê.

Monday afternoon Miss F. & Mrs. F.  
went to call at Mrs. Hill's. whose  
father & sister are here. I went  
down at 5 o'clock as it was  
their Tennis-day. saw some  
very fine playing by Miss Hill  
& a Miss Bostwick who is  
travelling with her sister & sister's

Husband: the latter, Mr. 97  
Grant, is a former resident of  
this port. Mr. Richardson-Mrs.  
Hill's father is also - perhaps Mrs.  
Sawtelle may remember him -

Tuesday - April 9<sup>th</sup> -

Studying Chinese again. In the  
(evening Mr. & Mrs. P. took sup-  
per with us. We had a very  
pleasant evening. During the  
evening the Chhin-huang-nia-  
kin come to see him. But were  
deferred till the next day. These  
people want to re-open their  
case for damages against their  
village people & are very angry  
that it is closed. The above  
name means - "Peak of the Summer  
Wind" - but their disposition is  
decidedly tempestuous.

Wednesday - April 10<sup>th</sup>

Very foggy here today. everything

is damp. I find Hong An 78  
not so good a teacher as Lung-  
hung as respects reading the Cal-  
loquial. But he is good at giving  
definitions & is a good writer.  
He is lazy - but I shall try to get  
some work out of him.

It was so damp we could not  
get any out. of - day - exercise  
& we had a game of "brain-bags"  
on the verandah. Mrs. Wilkinson  
called with her little boy.  
We had an excellent prayer-  
meeting after at Mr. Campbell's.  
led by him - At the close they  
sang from the - M. S. #5 - a  
very pretty thing - "God be with  
you till we meet again".

C. takes a Hak-Ka-boat. There  
is prospect of getting a house up  
Country. A young man who has



been at Canton but wishes to  
to return home is going up  
with C. he is a friend of Norrell's  
teacher we hope he may become  
a sincere hearer. C. asks special  
prayer for him.

Thursday Apr 12/89.

Thick fog - weather warmer &  
everything damp - Chinese at  
the forenoon. Writing in the  
afternoon. I got some facts of  
Yong-An's life & sent a letter  
containing them to the Marshfield  
S.S. Class. We were all invited  
to Mrs. P.'s to tea - a company  
of 8 - tea at 7 - 20 the evening  
was short. Mr. P. played Chess  
with Mr. Norrell. I played Reversi  
with Miss Hall & the rest  
played "Muggins".

Sunday 4/1/90

This A.M. I was present at  
an interview with the Ch. H. &  
Trin. they are very persistent & are  
got very angry. they are making  
a false grievance & told me  
who is living in a house of which  
I have charge that they (2 of them)  
must either keep quiet or leave,  
at which he blustered much. but  
I do not expect any serious  
trouble.

Mr. Mackenzie  
wrote to see if I would reach  
by Sunday. I have not answered  
definitely. He & MacLagan are the  
only men there & it is rather hard  
on them to do it all. We are  
going to Swatow this P.M. &  
I shall talk with him again.  
It is clearing off beautifully  
is warm - the Chinese are having  
fine weather to transplant the rice.

8.45 P.M. - by my 101  
watch. But I cannot trust it  
perfectly it is becoming very way-  
ward. Climate probably. Clous  
is likewise out of order & is much  
nicer one than mine too.

This has been a day to our rival  
New England weather: fog at sunrise  
from <sup>before</sup> middle of forenoon to middle  
of afternoon beautiful & growing  
warm - later cloudy - At 3-3.30  
a huge fog bank began dawning  
in I could see it dropping  
down & coming in over Miss  
Fieldes house like a huge grey  
blanket. Soon we could not see  
a thing on the bay & the wind was  
howling. 20 minutes later the  
fog began to lift we could see  
Swatow - soon was all clear & cool.  
We had planned to go over to S.  
had a heavy wind & some sea  
but got over comfortably & sailed  
back only shipping a few spoonfuls  
of water. I finally agreed to relieve

Mr. Mackenzie on Sunday.  
 shall take the text from which I  
 preached at home - Oct. 87 -

A very good prayer meeting.  
 a no. of the boys took part the  
 first time I have heard them  
 in the general meeting - They have  
 a meeting of their own -

Saturday - April 13/89 -

got a little cold going to Swatow or  
 rather coming back. & did not feel  
 well Saturday - planned to get  
 ready for Sunday - The first thing  
 after breakfast, a bro. from the  
 "Peak of the Autumn-wind" - (not  
 "Summer wind" as I wrote before)  
 came & as nearly as I can judge, bore  
 an olive-branch or a white flag -  
 had a peaceful talk with him.  
 I could not do much work but  
 made a sort of preparation for  
 preaching - Hong-An came in  
 late in the P.M. to go over his  
 sermon from Isa. III: 35-6.



Sunday - April - 14 -

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A mild, overcast, but beautiful day. An average attendance at Morning Chapel. Sermon by the Elder - Exposition of John XXI - Mr. P.'s Exhortations to preach upon the gospels are bearing some fruit. It is to get a nap before Eng. service but failed. We had a good congregation for this part - over 20 & they were attentive. First they sang - "Jesus shall reign" - I read the first part of Ps. 45 - & Ps. 72 - after a short prayer - then a hymn "O Christ who hast prepared a place - For us around thy throne of grace". I read Isa XII 112-16 - XVIII 33-37 - XIX 16-19 - Rev. VII 9-17 - XL 1-5 - XXI 5-7 & 22-27. The O. T. reading Christ's Kingship in prophecy - the N. T. the popular acclamation - the King in voluntary humiliation & the King in glory. I did not have much unction some how in

preaching - & part of it went '04.  
hard for me. But several have  
spoken very kindly to me of the  
sermon & said they enjoyed it.  
They sang the last hymn "Forever  
With the Lord" - Beautifully. Some  
of the people have fine & finely  
trained voices. I had a bad  
reaction in the afternoon could not  
bear to think of the morning  
service & yet could not keep it  
out of mind. Fortunately our mail  
had come - 3 nice letters from home,  
2 from Father - one from Mother  
to us both. All which we greatly  
enjoyed - also had a good brotherly  
letter from Davis with a picture  
of himself, wife & baby. He is  
getting on finely. If he shows  
signs of leaving sad quick the  
Convention will do well to get  
him. We had service  
at 4 - P. M. Strong - Am and  
very well - Clara & Mabel

out to the point & sat talking 105  
over the work here & prospect  
of starting a S. School. In the  
evening we read newspapers - or School  
& C. McChesney's life.

Monday. April 15-

We met to Sir-Je<sup>n</sup> to-day found  
it very hot in the middle of the  
day. & not much encouragement  
there. The Carpenter, whom I have  
always believed in, has taken a  
Cast off wife whose mind was  
unsettled by loss of children as his  
prospective wife - Cost him nothing.  
Her first husband as I understood  
disposed of her to another man. But  
he finding her mind unquiet  
did not want her & put her away.  
Her father is a chair-carry. Has  
no home, so the poor creature is  
in a sad plight. Her father was  
glad to get her placed. an instance  
to contravert Mr. Wang's name of the Chinese

I am feeling much better to-day, slept almost all the way back lying in the bottom of the boat.

Mr. Murel has had an illness. Bad bilious-colic. But is better to-night. I think this very cool matter & sudden changes has somewhat to do with it. Tell. Lim had a stomach-ache to-night.

Tuesday-

Mostly given to Chinese & dining. In the evening we did our duty by the rest of our E. P. friends who had Mr. Mackenzie, Mr. MacLagan, Miss Black & Miss Ricketts here at supper. Lung Kian surpassed all previous efforts at floral decorations & prepared a center-piece for the dining table which was some 2 ft high & of corresponding area. Mr. Mackenzie in the evening



told us some interesting facts <sup>of</sup>  
about Mr. Lechler who was the  
first Protestant to work in this  
section inland. He left in about  
53 - discouraged, thinking his  
work all a failure. But later  
a man whom he thought a  
renegade proved true led other  
missionaries - William Burns  
& Mr. Smith up there & now at  
San-Chan is a flourishing church  
& probably the nearest to a  
Christian community of any  
about here. Mr. Lechler was there  
30 yrs. after his first departure &  
they gave him a feast. Had a  
grand celebration in his honor.  
So we will take courage that  
seeming failure may be in the  
future great success -

Wednesday April 17.

I had planned to study in the  
forenoon but after breakfast  
was called upon by the brother