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Monday - February 13<sup>th</sup>, 1893 -

Another volume begun under circumstances that make me feel as if I would, if it were possible, "look ahead" & see what is to be written at its close - but that cannot be - & better that it cannot, "sufficient unto the day" - & as one day so has one strength been thus far - we should trust that it may be so hereafter -

To-day Clara has been careful of her self, has lain down much of the time, yet has done quite a bit of reading & sewing. Dr. Scott was in this A.M. & talked with her seriously about keeping quiet -

Anna has shown some signs of a little more fear. I was giving

a dose of quinine in tears - 2

I regret to say I was obliged to administer a corrective, equally bitter, but external, this evening - she showed a contrary streak at time of getting ready for bed. She does not bear prosperity well. She must about with the ladies, who are put back, for a little while before supper. They are very good to her & it seems to exalt her unduly. Jay pursues his climbing & I expect will be getting bad falls soon I fear.

I attended class this A.M. They are practicing on sermon outlines -

A-Mi' came in evidently much elated because a local magistrate had invited him to aid in reading a subscription to build a new bridge, because he showed a "persuasive manner" in his bookelling & preaching. We did not encourage him much in the project yet did not forbid it if they pay his wages.

A Doan is back, did not get  
the Hui-Lai house as the Man who  
was to mortgage his only, has con-  
trol of it till the next Chinese year -  
The owner is at another town - Said  
he may be able to get it. He reports  
many people more friendly than

before.  
Siam Thong came in with a bundle  
of candy (the Chinese wedding cake)  
Anent Ling Kiam's marriage on Thurs.  
of this week. The old man rehearsed  
his troubles & how he had just paid  
out \$600 more to the bride's parents -  
after much solicitation, & much self-  
reproach on his part he remarked  
"Siam Thong is our side happy, our  
side mad." - His patience has been  
quite exhausted in getting this  
sanguine consummated.

Tuesday - Febr 4<sup>th</sup> - 4

Clara has been doing up a lot of pages of her report to send away & writing post cards to go with them - I have done some writing & attended to sundry matters. Two men came in from (Pun Yang) Phou Ling to-day; they have rented the larger shop and are much pleased at the prospect, think the owner will not object to our having regular workshop there after we get settled - Frelon was there last Sunday - the old Squire was there again. Jong Sim is rejoiced at signs of new believers among his family & neighbors. His bro. Hak-See who used to be so hostile against him but who came to the class a year ago. Dr. Ashmore

Considers the most promising<sup>5</sup>  
man in the whole class from 20.  
He is a fiery zealous fellow  
& seems to have real spiritual  
apprehension. I listen to him  
with wonder at times thinking  
of the change wrought in so brief a  
time. That he may prove I do not  
know but his case has been  
one that showed more miracu-  
lously the Spirit's manifest work-  
ing than any other I have seen  
in China.

The weather continues raw &  
cold. The labors are quite  
well. Dr. Scott says Anna told  
them "Hun Hui went down to  
Kuk Chieh to marry" -  
Dr. S. has had rheumatism but is better.

Wednesday Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 6

Wrote nearly the whole day  
to sending off reports - Clara had  
so much of it on hand I help-  
ed her, sending with the B. N.  
report sundry other printed  
matter. I was interrupted by sever-  
al Chinese callers - Tang Seng  
came in, reports that our peda-  
gogue pupil of Kwei Siu was  
at worship Sunday in Kambam.

We had prayer meeting at Mr.  
Ashmun Jr.'s house, he led; en-  
couraging reports of work in the  
County were given.

Thursday - Feb 16<sup>th</sup>

Mailed for ourselves, 88 pieces  
printed matter or M. S. S., & 2 letters.  
Mailed 12 letters for the Hak-Ka Mission.  
Lung Kiam was married to-day. The  
bride is a boarder Hak-Ka.

Friday Feb 7<sup>th</sup>. - 7

Chinese New Years day - We  
have remained quietly in  
the house done a little work  
a little reading - Anna has  
not been well - overloaded her  
stomach & was obliged to unload,  
choosing a most inopportune time,  
just as we were eating tiffin -

Clara, the nurse & I were all engaged  
in assisting her & trying to minimize  
the disagreeable results. Jay was devoted.  
- the nurse had been feeding him - he  
viewed the scene from his high  
chair & after brief reflection remarked  
"Darty" - which though Cettie in  
pronunciation & by no means euphe-  
mistic, was eminently correct -

Saturday - Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> - 8

Jay is getting daily opportunities to exercise his small vocabulary - this morning about 6.30 we heard a heavy report of something falling & then a louder report of someone crying. I went to the nursery & found the boy howling & shrieking in the nurses arms - I took him in to his mother & as soon as he got his breath he remarked in a tone of pathetic energy - "Fall down". & more plainly than I ever heard him speak before: if he is always as apt & terse in "painting the scene", as Prof Curry says, he will make his mark in the world. We have been in the house all day. Clara has been too busy I fear. We were surprised to see a steamer from Hong Kong at dusk which brought us mail per "Gallie".

We are very glad to hear of the religious interest & that so many of Mother's class are coming out. Wish we might have a genuine revival here. Father's letter & mine were both enjoyed - the latter a pleasant surprise - This evening I have had P'ang-Sing at work reproducing the blackboard chart we had at K'ui-Su. He was here this P.M. & I had a chance to give him a few words of advice I have wanted to give for several months. Lang Heng was in during the forenoon. We discussed sundry church matters - I had a pleasant conference with Mr. Ashmun Jr. about mission work & also saw Dr. A. They have plans drawn for the proposed new house at Keel Gang.

Sunday Feb 19<sup>th</sup> - 10

A raw chilly day. Anna & I went to service for women's afternoon. She fell asleep in the P.M. & I carried her home. We had a rather good Sunday School. Lesson in Mark III: 13-30.

I called in at Dr. A.'s a few moments. He raised several important Missy questions. We talked of some time.

A meeting was planned for 7.30 but rain prevented.

Monday Feb 20<sup>th</sup> -

Clara felt well enough to have the women up in the Chinese reception room to write. She has eight in the class.

My time gets broken up &  
 I do not accomplish much  
 these days - am writing a few let-  
 ters & attending to sundry matters  
 that occur from day to day -  
 Tuesday Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> -

Clara did too much yesterday &  
 has been more quiet to-day - she  
 finds it very hard to do so little.  
 The babies take quite a bit of my  
 time I find. they need some care  
 or watching about so many things.  
 Anna is very quick & bright  
 but needs a vast deal of training  
 she is not always a model sister &  
 struck the little man to-day,  
 which caused wails from him &  
 frightened her. It made a  
 deep impression upon him

he has said many times with 2  
a very serious face - "Aye-nah  
phah - Aye-nah phah" - "phah"  
is the common word for strike or  
beat or whip. He is very fond of  
"Aye-nah" - & she <sup>fond</sup> is of him but she  
is fond of exercising authority &  
frequently hear - "No, you must not,  
Baby!" - "Baby, you cannot have  
that!" - sometimes she is right  
but usually she seems to be rather  
superfluous in her discipline.

They are both looking very well.

Dr. Scott says the woman who  
came down from near Chhuakpian  
with the very bad arm is able to  
do up her own hair now, a mar-  
vellous improvement.

A young man was in this form -

man whose brother is at the 13  
Swatow hospital. he has suffered  
from some stomach trouble a long  
time - They tried doctors & all  
kinds of idol worship but no suc-  
cess. Finally our medicine said -  
"You must worship the true God, the  
"Can Can" - Some time afterward  
the younger br. went to Khon-Khai  
and books & instruction - has been  
a regular learner for some time now.  
Wednesday Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>

Long Heng told me now about the  
above case - the younger br. over-  
heard his elder br. talking as if  
unconscious - saying "I plagued  
your father 8 years - then he died.  
I will spare your life awhile,  
but I am not afraid of these gods  
you worship - I bear Siang Ti only  
(The name of God)

"Ah!" - said the listener to him. <sup>14</sup>  
self. "that is the evil spirit  
that plagues him talking." So  
he is only afraid of eating the  
doctrine" (the Billingsgate for  
accepting Christianity." Accord-  
ingly he started for the chapel-

I wrote to Dr. Duncan - am  
writing my letter to the Rooms on  
the typewriter using transparen-  
per so as to get a copy.

We had prayer-meeting here  
I led - using Acts XXVI:11-18.

Thursday Feb 23 -

Wednesday, I did not mention my  
trip to Livator. I had some items  
of business to call at the E.P.  
Mission to make - but the most  
interesting part of the trip was

my stay at the Chapel - 15  
Ling Heng & I had a number  
of good listeners. no cavillers  
& some asked sensible questions -  
after I left too, they stayed on to  
hear, I finished my letter to Dr. Dine  
Can & attended to some minor matters,  
went to Dr. Layne's house for a  
Road Committee meeting - Dr. L.  
proposes to raise funds by a  
regular tax - which seems to  
be a good plan if it can  
be carried out.

Dr. & Mrs. Partridge were in the  
the evening - In the P.M. too, I  
had called, the three sons of  
Dea. Chuan of Swatow: they  
are all home from Hong Kong  
to pass the New Year. The two

Dear Father & Mother, Not very much  
to write afther 2 days - We are qui-  
etly at home - I am very thankful Clara  
is better than when I came back 3 wks  
ago. The babies keep quite well & I am  
"pretty considerably tolerable" - I hope to write  
personal letters by next mail - But there  
is 25 or more letters to answer yet. Please  
tell Fanny we enjoyed her letter  
much - & Annie the same - we will  
try to answer soon -

With ever so much love

John

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Younger ones can read English quite fluently - The eldest son told me about a chapel on an Island South of Hong Kong where there used to be a church of Swatow speaking people - now almost dead. Dr. Grass has been trying to sell the chapel; the young man is quite grieved at the prospect. I am going to write back Dr. G. if it would do any good to send a deputation of 2 or 3 good men from here to "hold a series of meetings" there & see if any prospect opens for a revival - There are over a 1000 men there from this Prefecture & most of them from Chao-Yang district which is in my part of the field -

Friday Feb - 25<sup>th</sup> 17

at home - sent off several letters -  
did some reading - had a call  
from Dr. Ashmore in the P. M.

Jay is not very well - do  
not know what is the reason -  
Anna wrote a letter to her  
"Waterhill Grampa" -

Saturday Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> -

A cold, raw East wind blowing -  
Jay is not well, has  
trouble with his stomach &  
bowels: Anna has attended  
a party at the Commissioner's  
this afternoon, greatly enjoyed the  
prospect of it for days & was  
happy as could be in her "party"

dress" on - she looks very 18  
pretty in it too. it is a beauti-  
ful thing - I was invited out  
to supper at the ladies - home  
with the Portridges & Ashmans -  
but only went up a little while  
in the evening - Clara is much  
better than last week.

Mrs. Urquhart came and told  
Clara that Anne was quite  
the "belle of the ball" - her dress  
was greatly admired by the society  
ladies of the Community -

Sunday Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>/<sub>11</sub>

Off for Yang Chi at 7.15 A.M.  
was obliged to land at Kuo-chin  
& walk across - I quite enjoyed the  
day with the native church.  
They did not have a cent of help

From us last year they closed '9  
the year with a bal. of \$16- in  
the treasury (= fully \$200- acc. to  
purchasing power of money at home)

They have sustained their own Sun-  
day services, met every week-day  
Evening to read the Scriptures - had  
schooling for their children at their  
own expense. They are by no  
means perfect but they are  
improving. They are taking hold  
of the S. S. Lessons in Mark well.  
We observed the Communion  
afterward.

In the evening, we had a  
good meeting at Dr. Ashmore's.  
He read an extract from G. L. Mason's  
letter referring to a statement  
by H. C. Kays of Canton, a very careful

man, to the effect that the 20  
Jesuits managed the Grant  
Bill, with a double purpose, to  
keep wages high & to make trouble  
for Protestant missionaries in Chi-  
na, a thing I believed from  
the first. He also read from the  
translation of a Catechism of the  
P. E. Ch. of America - which declares  
itself the "Holy Church of America"  
& dubs all others poor Eucharists -  
"sects" - a most conceited & bigoted  
production. Also selections from  
the report of the Bombay Missions  
Conference, which said much  
about the  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a million or more  
English speaking inhabitants of  
India. Dr. A. thinks they  
dwell too much on the great

influence for Christianity from 21  
them - the Gospel works from  
the lower strata to the higher -

The Bible subj. was the  
"Universal Fatherhood of God"  
so much exploited at home.  
No one was found ready to ac-  
cept it - the passages adduced  
were thought to show that from  
the beginning a distinction was  
made between the seed of the woman  
& the seed of the serpent, the Sons of  
God & the daughters of men -  
the generation of friepers & the Chil-  
dren of the Father - The son of  
God & the children of Satan - or rather  
the Father of Christ & Satan:  
The first words of Jesus after  
his resurrection circumscribes

the divine family circle -

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"my Father & your Father" (to Mary)  
& "my brethren" - This did not

include Pilate - Caiaphas nor Judas.

Dr. A. went back to Exodus IV:22.

as the first use of son - referring  
to Israel as Gods first born.

He said after examining a  
great many passages he  
failed to find any applica-  
tion of the term to all mankind  
nor of "Father" to God as the  
"Father" of all the race -

He also does not endorse the "Ethical  
idea of God" as put forth by Dr.  
Korthof - wh. seems to make  
Him under the necessity of doing  
all in His power to save the  
race - &c.

Monday - Feb 27 - 25

Clara seems much better than 10 days ago. She has the class of women up to recite every other day. They were up to-day.

Miss Falcener of the E.P. Hak-Ka Mission is here to take tiffin with us to-day.

All our Mission are quite well - saw most of them going out soon - Mr. A. J. up on an evangelizing trip - Miss Scott to Chung Lin - Miss Dunwiddie to Hui-Sun-thun - Dr. Scott to Kieh Yang & probably Dr. & Mrs. Partridge will go up to Kien-Su so I cannot get away & the class expect to re-assemble. Dr. Corbin is hunting for a site to build at Ang King.

Anna every evening after supper 24  
says - "Papa read outter de new  
Bibul" - I gave Clara a nice copy  
of one of Baqsters editions for a  
birthday present - A. usually adds  
"Read about Josuf" - Joseph is  
a favorite character with her.

She is displaying some power  
of reasoning - I am cleaning her teeth  
diligently every day - she prefers a pink  
Japanese powder but the white  
powdered chalk Dr. Scott prepares  
is better - I told her the white  
would make her teeth white -  
she said after brief meditation "White  
powder make Annas toofers  
white: the pink powder make  
Annas toofers pink."

This evening I have been at  
Dr. A's - all 4 of us were

then to discuss mission matters <sup>25</sup>  
and especially to lay out a definite  
plan of study for the Students  
Class - Several lines were marked  
out - The Life of Christ - as studied  
first in a single Gospel -

The "application of Redemption" in  
Acts - The founding Training  
superbuilding of the Church - Epistles

Church history including the  
growth of same noted in the New -  
Testament & the Book of Revelation  
as well as later history -

Some Old Testament work  
not yet wholly marked out.

We discussed sundry main  
points as to methods of division  
of the class & work, that are  
all profitable & open the  
way for further decisions

Feb 28/93 - Tuesday - 26

Chilly - sent for half a ton more coal - 2 tons this year for the fire in the nursery & the grate - an unprecedented amount - it costs from \$7. to \$9.00 for Japan coal was high as \$14 - for Australian - Good Japanese coal makes a good fire -

I had had a no. of Chinese sellers to-day - & discussed Sunday Mission & other matters - Ngüan. Then the lay-preacher from Yang Ou was in & I explained the diagram we used at Kwei Sui to him - he was much interested - I gave him a copy in red & black ink - This evening Dr. & Miss Scott & Miss Dunwiddie were in

and we played the "Flowers & Game" - a little. Clara has not  
been out for 5 weeks as she  
appreciates a little company.

Anna's latest speech reported  
was at Dr. Scott's. She saw this  
game up there & asked "When  
are you going to take that home?  
l'infant terrible indeed.

Wednesday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>.

Anna has reached the "Who's hatchet?"  
period - I overheard her saying  
"Jack fill it - Mamma, how they  
got a pail o' water?" - "Little  
Jack Horner" - "Mamma, is he  
Eating his Christmas pie now?" -  
her whys wheres whos are  
unnumbered. This has been a  
busy broken up Saturday -

First of the month & pay-day 28  
I have been taking an inventory  
of furniture belonging to the  
Students Class - Clara has not

been well to-day, did not get  
much sleep - It is very trying  
for her to lie still but she is  
bearing it bravely - only does not  
take sufficiently good care of herself -

We had a good prayer-meeting  
at Dr. Partridge's to-night led  
by himself - He showed me a  
picture of Cousin George Shepley  
when with him on Gen. Mitzels  
staff -

Thursday Mch 2<sup>nd</sup> -  
My teacher Pängberg is back  
& reports all serene in the Country

The room at Pu-ling is <sup>29</sup> neatly put in order, to the surprise of passers-by, who ask what it means & some say "A school is to be opened", others say "Worship-God-people are going to live there". No unfavorable comments are made yet. We are very careful it shall not be called a "Worship Hall", which is especially offensive to the Chinese. He also reports that our pedagogue scholar Jün Kün-Sün was at Chapel last Sunday & Sunday before - now day no preacher was present. He assented explaining the diagram we had at K. S. He is still in doubt regarding his teaching school this year so we may have him here in the class yet.

Chim-Po (Pracur) is still 30  
unwell so she cannot take  
charge of the Roman's class  
& Class decided to let the  
women go home for a few  
weeks till she can do more for  
them. Friday Mich. 3<sup>rd</sup>/<sub>11</sub>

Chim-Po went to Swatow to-day  
& Dr. Conland came down & consult-  
ed with Dr. Scott about her case.  
They think she has an internal  
tumor. That the prospect for her  
recovery is not very encourag-  
ing - it would be a great  
loss if she were taken away.

I was at the Chapel. Had  
"several tens" of persons some  
who listened quite well -  
one was from Chian an, Fo-  
Kien Province - & one from Homen

Our chapel is a grand 31-  
place for reaching people  
from all about this region.

I called at Dr. Lyall's a moment  
He was in bed, has some trouble  
with his ear & throat. Dr. Cous-  
land is to be married. The  
Bishop (M.E.) has given his  
consent to the lady's leaving  
Singapore & coming up here to  
be the wife of a Presbyterian.

We have had a mild day.  
Clara sat out in front of the  
house most of the afternoon.  
& enjoyed getting a little  
outing even though not extended.

Saturday - Feb 4/93

Inauguration day but bring all  
Republicans here I have heard of  
no celebration - hope all was  
peaceful at Washington -

No rain to day but overcast. 32  
Dr. & Mrs. Partridge met to Kuah-  
Chiu & Tat Hau Phou to day  
visited the church members  
& preached to the people had a  
good time they report - met  
the wife of our "boy" - who is my  
cook in the country - she would  
like to come & read in the class  
but her mother-in-law will not  
let her. Clara has had quite  
a comfortable day - has done a  
little work getting garments for An-  
na cut out: we have the little  
Chinese tailor at work now - he gets  
25¢ a day & does very neat work.

Sunday Mich 5<sup>th</sup>.

Chilly & raw - I took Anna to  
English service in Hok Chieh but  
was obliged to come out with her

before the sermon - Mr. Steele <sup>33</sup>  
the new E. P. Missy officiated -  
Had the English Service very well.  
He is quite young 23 or 24, seems  
a promising man.

We had evening meeting  
here. Dr. A. spoke on some topics  
related to home work - I gave  
resume of the blackboard  
exercise used at Kiri-Sū.  
They gave me fairly good at-  
tention - Monday Mich 6<sup>th</sup> -

We are a little worried about  
Jay - he has measles & also  
has some cold so that his  
breathing is not quite easy - We  
hope he will be all right in the  
morning; it will be necessary to  
keep him in closely for some  
days. Anna is quite well.

Clara is quite comfortable.<sup>34</sup>

I attended the annual meeting of the Road Committee - resigned in favor of Mr. Partridge who was the former member. They agreed to levy a tax upon residents hereafter in order to get a steady income.

Tuesday Mich 7<sup>th</sup> -

a beautiful day - 3 horse boats left - 2 for Chao Jung to await the P. S. & Miss D. beyond the city & Mr. A. Jr.'s boat has gone to Swatow - I went to Swatow this P. M. & among the legends were some who seem generally interested - Chin-Pöl (Princess) sent for me to come over to see her as she had a message for Clara. She came over from Swatow yesterday. Dr. S. think

she has Cancer of the stomach 35  
Dr. S. told her this morning  
she had a dream about some  
one coming to her for money she  
then saw had subscribed for the  
a hospital - this impressed her  
so much she talked with her  
son & they agreed to give \$30 - as a  
thank offering if she got well.  
A little while ago she expected  
to be about well by the 2nd month  
(March or April) but now she  
expects to be called away & was  
was to go soon - & as they had  
made this promise as a gift  
she has decided that they better  
pay it anyway, because if the  
Lord does not restore her health  
it is because he knows it is  
better for her to go home.

She sent the money to Clara 36  
asking that it be divided between  
our hospital & the E.P. hospital.  
Swaton. I was deeply affected  
by the talk with her - it is a  
great privilege to see such strong  
faith & wisdom to go in one who  
was once a rank heathen.

No one a little worried about  
Jay. his cough is bad to night.  
He is very badly broken out  
with the measles - but I hope  
he will be better to-morrow.  
Wednesday - March 8<sup>th</sup>/93

7:40 AM - Anna is saying her  
wishes to her mother - she knows  
many of them already -  
Jay is brighter to-day. has  
been running about quite a

deal. though he is far <sup>37</sup>  
from being himself -

We have a new Ancestral for a  
time - a niece of the first one.  
Anna takes to her wonderfully  
which is fortunate -

This morning we had a "small"  
Chinese wedding - Ma-Ka assistant  
teacher of the Boys School was mar-  
ried to a girl who was  
bought back by her brother  
from a family in Canton where  
her father had disposed of her, as  
a slave really. The chapel was  
decorated prettily & the wedding cere-  
mony conducted by Mr. Ahmump.  
Many of our friends  
were invited to the wedding feast.  
I eat of sumptuous Chinese dishes  
some of which were very good.  
but I do not like for Chinese

feasts as a regular diet. 38

Anna was interested in hearing that Ma-Ki was going to be married & asked - "Is he going to marry?" "Will he come back again?" - I did not answer at once & she continued - "Hun Thui went to Kak-Chih to marry & Hun Thui come back again. I saw him - matrimony is a state geographically to her mind."

Poor Chin-Po has again changed her mind & decided she wants to go to the E.P. Hospital for a time before going home. I have been there twice to-day & also talked with her son, but they are set on going & the Chinese mind once set is like adamant. We had Union prayer meets

ing at Dr. Scott - I lect. reading <sup>39</sup>  
the first half of Acts II - speaking  
of the Agency of the Holy Spirit &  
the need of such power to-day -  
Dr. Ashmun spoke at length &  
well -

Thursday March 9<sup>th</sup> -

a fine day - I have been here all  
the time - attended the class and  
read Chinese an hour. I am  
practising on the type-writer a  
little daily also writing some  
letters upon it - Can see marked  
improvement. Before very long I  
hope to be able to write as rapidly  
as with a pen - it tires me far  
less - I cannot yet compose  
well while writing but Dr. Partridge  
says that after due amount of  
practice one does not think of  
the machine -

Dr. Scott took supper + 40  
spent the evening with us.  
She is alone for a fortnight -  
was going away herself to-day  
but a lot of new patients came  
in - We are very glad she  
is here.

Jay is very fretful yet  
from his measles. but shows  
improvement from day to day.  
Anna we hope may not get  
them - she went to take a  
note of invitation Dr. Scott +  
asked her "to wear her red dress"  
one A. saw her here yesterday.  
A.S. "good" dress Jay's + a new  
wrapper of Clara's are all red.  
so she thinks that the proper  
thing for public occasions.

Friday - March 10<sup>th</sup> -

Jay had a very bad night - some  
cramping pains that made him

penam very more than any <sup>411</sup>  
night of his life before. We  
was up with him a long time.  
This P.M. he had similar at-  
tacks but quieted down after sup-  
per. I went to Swatow at 2 P.M.  
We had a good hearing. no dis-  
putations ours. Several stood &  
listened fully an hour. Between 1  
200 & 300 must have been in  
during the time.

I attended the last part of the  
trial of the young man Jackson  
who shot the Chinaman. The ver-  
dict was for manslaughter &  
the sentence was 6 mos. imprison-  
ment - He expects to pay \$250 -  
to the family of the deceased.  
I fear this will not satisfy the  
Chinese. The Tao-Thai & several  
high mandarins were present.

Saturday March 11<sup>th</sup> / 2

at home all day. Jay has  
been better but very fractious,  
has been "put-in order" as the  
Chinese say, several times.

We are still anxious about An-  
na lest she have measles also.  
These are trying days - it is  
hard not to be very anxious  
& difficult to keep at work.

Dr. Partridge notes that there  
are a few at Hui-Siu. Mrs. P.  
has a class of women too.  
Miss Dunwiddie also, note  
class from Hui-Siu-Tham,

Saturday - March 12/93.

Jay had a bad night & kept us  
awake from 2 till 4 a.m.

I was not feeling well myself

self - & kept quiet the  
 first half of the day -  
 This P. M. I have been at  
 home. Dr. S. thought it  
 best to fumigate the nursery  
 & all clothing &c that day  
 has touched, with sulphur as  
 a disinfectant - not to wait  
 so much that this afternoon,

I have been reading - among  
 other things "The Modern Jew", a  
 little book that predicts the  
 restoration to Palestine from a  
 purely political standpoint

Monday March 13/93

Home mail per China, and  
 that after 3 weeks waiting - Home  
 letters! I had also letters from  
 Scoville & from a member of the  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Church Chicago.

Clara had a letter & other 44  
things from Miss Fielde & a lot  
of other mail - she had a  
no. of photos. Fr. Buffals includ-  
ing one of her nephew Foster Hunt  
who is a fine little fellow. He  
& Foster Philbrook should exchange  
pictures. So F. is a D.U. - Mr.  
Partridge & W. Ashmun Jr. are of  
that society - I confess to a great  
lack of interest in Scent societies  
since seeing China & knowing a  
little of what life here has been  
has devolved in that line.

Dr. Scott came in at 9 o'clock  
quite breathless with the announce-  
ment that Mrs E. W. Clark of Boston  
& Mrs. Sunderland of Burma were on  
board the Fo Kien in the harbor.  
She was at her dispensary as I

went out for them: they are <sup>45</sup>  
very pleasant looking. Mrs. S.  
has two children one 7 & one 4.  
with her. I kept at a respectful  
distance from them on acct  
of measles "in the family".

I had mail to send to Kiang to-  
day: & went to the Swallow Chapel  
in the afternoon. Had a fair attend-

ance. One man asked "How can  
evil be <sup>(or corrected)</sup> 'unloved' in the heart after  
it has become hardened (fixed)?"

T'ang-sing had a sharp contest with  
a venerable objector who flouted  
him with the charge that we had  
no literary degrees & emoluments in  
the "doctrine" & was inferior to  
the world. Tuesday March 14<sup>th</sup>.

At home studying writing & helping  
look after the establishment.

Jay is getting his sweet self <sup>46</sup>  
again & Anna seems by now few  
friends - The new nurse is  
a quiet & efficient helper -

Wednesday March 15<sup>th</sup> -

I woke at 12-25 & looking at  
watch & clock in the dim light  
thought it 5 - but soon was un-  
deceived - At 2 - I went to take  
a note to Dr. Scott. Whose son  
came - At 4.30 our little  
girl was born - a mite of a  
creature, but having "the right  
number of arms & legs" & seemingly  
by a perfect little human be-  
ing: two or three children have  
been born in the Port who  
were unfortunate - one with no  
oesophagus - & one, since taken a-  
way - with an imperfectly developed

spine, so we are thankful 47  
that, notwithstanding the trying  
days Clara has passed  
through, the baby seems to have  
a fairly good start in life.

Clara had a great deal of  
pain during the day, but seemed  
to gain strength. I did not get time  
to do very much but help keep  
the household going. In the evening  
I went to prayer meeting at Dr. Scott's -  
Dr. A. led, reading Ps. 23<sup>d</sup> - He  
also gave some reminiscences of  
China & Hiam as he first found  
them & the marvelous progress since  
that day. He asked Mrs. Clark  
& Mrs. Sutherland to speak of their  
experiences: the former gave a very  
interesting account of work among

the Hill Tribes in Assam. 418  
it seems 725 were baptized  
among the Garos last year. a  
great showing: they are rapidly  
becoming able & willing to sustain  
their own schools & other work.

Mrs. S. spoke of their difficulties  
at Saging when it is all seed-  
sowing & waiting results - they follow-  
ed the Hascalls there.

After meeting Mrs Clark told  
at Dr. Scott's request of her meeting  
before she met out many years ago - a  
little girl, Grace Danforth, at her  
father's home in Indianapolis -  
Again in 1846 she met her as  
Mrs. Loving, wife of a promising  
young lawyer & a great favorite  
in Society because of her fine  
cultivated voice: this was  
also, a hindrance to her Christian life

Mrs. Clarke was going to 49  
a missionary meeting at Terra Haute  
& asked the young lady with whom  
she stayed to invite any of her  
friends to go, who would be willing  
to do so. Among them was  
this Mrs. Grace Levering.

The meeting was especially  
interesting - the Annual meeting  
of the Home Missions Society of the West.  
& Clara was there, so she was  
designated as a missionary of that  
Society. Mrs. Levering's reputa-  
tion as a singer was such that  
they urged her to sing. "My soul  
is not at rest" she began but  
was so affected she broke  
down & could not sing more  
than half the hymn.  
The effect was powerful

far more so than if she 50  
had been able to sing it all  
with her finest voice & most  
effective rendering.

She afterward told Mrs. Clarke  
that she was not finding the  
life of a Christian what it might be  
& felt she was dwarfed by her  
devotion to society & culture -

Later they moved to Denver & she  
died. Her husband last year  
went out as a missionary to  
the Tulegas - what connection there  
was between that meeting & his  
consecration as a missionary we  
cannot tell. but there may be some.

It was a striking illustration  
of the way lives cross in this  
world that her in China should  
meet so many who were associ-  
ated with that Terra Haute meeting

Mrs. Clark & Dr. Ashmun I  
was both there: Clara was then  
designated as a missionary - & she  
who was the helpmeet of the  
man who wrote the hymn Mrs.  
Loring could not control her voice  
being - all women together - Clara  
could not be present last evening  
but was represented; she had spoken  
in tone the day before about Mrs.  
Loring's being deeply affected  
while singing tho' she did not  
know the attendant circumstances.

Thursday - Mich 16<sup>th</sup>

Clara frightened now early  
this morning by getting chilled,  
but happily she had her feet  
& a hot water bag at her feet,  
lots of bed clothing & a hot drink  
soon made her warm again.

She has gained strength during 5-2  
the day is now better, though  
still having more pain than I  
wish she did: the baby has slept  
nearly all the time. Anna & Joy  
are both delighted: their eyes  
dance at the sight of her: Anna  
exhausts her vocabulary - "dear",  
"dear" & all the epithets she has at  
hand are freely used: the baby, enter  
is uppermost in her mind. This  
P.M. Miss Scott sent a note to  
Anna inviting her up there. Anna  
begun her answer "Little baby is -  
ter sleeps in bed with Mamma  
all the while. Thank you for  
inviting me to a tea party &c".

My teacher called to present  
his congratulations & 8 eggs,  
Eggs are a proper gift at such  
a time of rejoicing.

I have used the time when 53  
I came to-day to clear out a  
lot of papers &c. - in a day or two I  
hope all will be running smoothly  
& I can take up regular lines of  
work. These past few months I  
have been under such a strain of  
anxiety that it has <sup>been</sup> hard to  
hold myself down to work - I  
feel very thankful that all is  
as well thus far.

The matter of name is about  
decided - Clara's mother  
is called Fanny & Helen  
is a family name - so we  
think of calling the young lady  
Fanny Helen - taking our choice  
for every day use - Anna  
calls her - "Helen".

Friday Mar. 17<sup>th</sup> 54

A busy & broken up forenoon.  
In the P.M. went to lectures  
when we had a goodly no. of  
listeners, some decidedly dispu-  
tations ours. inclined to argue  
for Ancestral worship.

Dr. Ryall came to see Chin-Po  
to-day. He fears it is cancer.  
It is very doubtful if an opera-  
tion will be desirable. Poor  
woman she is wasting a-  
way rapidly. She will be a  
great loss to our work.

Saturday - Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>

All getting on well to-day.

Clara seems much more  
comfortable & stronger. The little  
girl is eating & sleeping diligently.  
Mrs. Clark & Mrs. Sutherland leave to-day.

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Heavy rain prevented my  
going to Dr. Cousland's reception.  
Clara is gaining steadily & the little  
girl shows improvement.

Sunday March 19<sup>th</sup>

Tang Sing was up here before  
breakfast to ask about the inter-  
pretation of I Cor. II:10 - he after-  
wards preached from it at the  
9 A.M. service & did fairly well.  
He made some wild statements  
confounding the Word with the  
Spirit in the figure of the two-edg-  
ed sword - & stating that angels  
have no souls because of the vs. he  
found "He <sup>maketh</sup> the winds his angels" -  
I corrected him after S. School &  
he took it well.  
I had a visit from Mr. Roberts

of the Out-door Customs Staff.  
He says the men believe that  
Jackson did aim at the  
Chinaman he shot; he is a  
wild reckless fellow & our  
two drinks of whiskey will  
set him off his balance.

They regard the sentence as  
ridiculously light - Another gun-  
boat is said to be coming here.

The Redpole was sent here  
last week on acct of this affair.

It is rumored that telegrams  
of dissatisfaction were sent toeking  
to the Inspector General of Customs,  
also a telegram rec'd here from  
Canton ordering that no money  
be rec'd from Jackson; they evi-  
dently mean to stop all the

trouble they can; who<sup>57</sup>  
a mob may not be raised -

I went down to English service  
I heard an excellent sermon from  
Mr. Gibson on Rom. III:24.

saw Dr. Couland's bride; she is  
a sensible looking girl with a  
pleasant face & brown eyes -  
not at all bride-like in her  
costume.

I called on Chin-Po after  
School: she is very peaceful  
& resigned. says she hardly expects  
any good can come of an ex-  
amination but has decided to try it.

Miss Durwin is back  
& the Partridges are expected  
in a day or two.  
Clara is very much better to-  
day -

Monday March 20<sup>th</sup> 58

A cold strong East Wind  
blowing - Equinoctial probably.  
I have been at work here at home  
writing & preparing for the  
Communion Exercises next  
week, when I am to conduct  
the class of native helpers for  
two of the sessions - had  
one book case cleared out & books  
burned - sorry to say the worms  
are at a few of them - hope to  
check them -

Mail from Ka-yin tonight.  
Mr. Campbell has been un-  
well again - expected to start  
down here soon -

All goes on serenely - Clara gaining  
rapidly - baby improving every  
day.

Tuesday March 21<sup>st</sup> 59

The day fairly fly by - I have done some work with my teacher written a letter to Father, attended to sundry odds & ends of work & been on to the Swatos Chapel. There was the largest audience I have yet seen there of a week day afternoon: T'ang Sing & Po-Dan spoke & I followed: only our or two were disputations & some listened in earnest. I had a long conversation with a few of them after the general speaking stopped - Dr. & Mrs P. are back to-day.

Dr. Scott is quite unwell. Clara seems gaining but does not sleep as I wish she could.

Wednesday Mich 22<sup>nd</sup> <sup>60</sup>

I am doing some preparatory work for Communion day by day.

Clara gains perceptibly & the baby is growing plump.

We had prog. meeting at Dr Ashmoor's. I led taking texts

II:32-43 & VII:47-60 - starting from the contrast between II:37 & VII:54 - I spoke of the divisive power of the gospel: we must not expect all to be pleased with it; we are to go straight on using the truth that "pierces" & "cuts" for this is the truth that has power; we have a right to expect great power will yet be manifested - not at Jerusalem, when the chosen people are restored.

Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup> '61

I told Anna yesterday while  
Joy was trotting about at breakfast  
time - "a babe in a house is a  
wellspring of happiness" - & had  
her repeat it. This evening I  
went out to walk with her and  
repeated it again. She said "That  
means about Sonny?" "Why?"  
I asked her - "Oh he's a pretty boy" -  
"Anything else about him?" "He's a  
good boy." She seems to be

taking things in - Went to-day per  
"Belgie" - good letter from Mother  
& note from Father. also I had a nice  
letter from a man in Chicago who  
with his wife & son join in supporting  
a native preacher.

Some kind friend has sent us the  
book specimens on the International  
Lesson - Our by Shailer & by Tuller of my class.

Thursday - March 24<sup>th</sup> 62

Just back from a good prayer-meeting - many requests for prayer: no time lost & a good spirit prevailing. Hak Sim had a message from his mother saying that she did not care anything about the ancestral tablet he had taken away - it was "dead matter" & no account: This pleased him much. There has been a little stir about one new shop at Peking - but we have no reason to fear any immediate trouble if cautious.

A-mi has been off helping a wealthy influential neighbor raise money for a bridge, but says it has given him access to a great many

rich influential houses, & in 63  
our village he found a man to  
whom he sold a book nearly  
3 yrs. ago. The man has put away  
his idols (he had another book  
before that time) & does not worship  
with the heathen.

A-Mi says his old father has  
started out to sell medicine &  
books at markets & has a great  
many to listen to him & sells a  
good no. of books too. He is the  
first man I ever baptized.

Bad news about Chin-Pó-

"Mason" - The doctors Layng & Hy-  
all made tentative operation but  
found a bad tumor with several  
adhesions, & apparently cancerous,  
so they did not think it well  
to try removing it: they do not  
think she can live long.

Aved letter day for us 64  
Clara was able to get up  
& sit in the long chair - I  
carried her out in the morn-  
ing & she stayed up till after  
tiffin - she walked a part of the  
way back. I had a call  
from two ladies of the C. I. M.  
on their way home: they are  
old friends of Mrs. Gibson who  
came with them.

Mr. Phoenix Jr. is back and  
reports a good trip.

Saturday. March 25/93

The baby was very wakeful last  
night & kept Clara from  
sleeping - to-day she has not been  
able to sleep but to-night I  
hope she can get a good night's rest.

She walked out to the long <sup>65-</sup>  
Chair to-day in the hall.

I have worked at my prepara-  
tion for next week & settled a/c  
with Colporters besides writing  
& sundry minor matters.

I have arranged a compact &  
convenient set of positions in part  
of a desk drawer to hold my orders  
from different members of the  
Mission on the Treasury - we get  
thin zinc boxes that come filled  
with parlor matches. & are excel-  
lent for use when one wants thin  
metal that will not rust. There  
is now more than a square yard of materi-  
al & only costs a few cents. The  
Chinese use these & Kerosene  
oil cans to make up into  
all sorts of cans & such articles.  
I had a letter from Mrs. Cummins to-day.  
& one to J. Dyce Ball - with a book for Anna.

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Sunday March 26<sup>th</sup> -

Just back from evening meeting where Dr. A. led a discussion regarding the restoration of the Jews, taking up some of the prophecies in Zechariah XII & Ezekiel XXXVII & Is. LXVI & others - Some facts were mentioned - more money is expended more men employed, compared with the number of the people, in mission work for the Jews than among any other people - There are 5000 Christian Jews in London to-day where there were scarcely any a decade ago.

Dr. A. also referred to the

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Home Mission map Mother  
sent, showed it showed up its  
specimens. They only put on  
the Provinces of China, while  
with her dependencies China  
has 3,000,000 sq. miles against  
3,000,000 for the U. S.

The Desert of Sahara, which  
he says, contains over 2,000,000  
sq. miles, would present an  
appalling destitution of mission-  
aries if this scheme were applied  
there. It is people not  
plots of ground, souls not  
square miles that determine  
the need & the importance of  
a mission field.

A chart of population should  
be made with China 400,000,000  
as a back ground.

As to crowded squares  
of population, our mind  
thinks our friend was after  
Missionary exhibits & curios-  
So is there a crowded square  
of Churches in New York & Brook-  
lyn compared with China,  
and we have more people in  
our our field about Swatow  
than in Brooklyn & New-  
York City together. & not  
3000 Church members among  
them & not a score of foreign  
preachers, & this is an old  
field for China - Squares with  
a population equal to all N. Y.  
City can easily be found without  
a single Christian minister - and  
not a single professing Chris-  
tian - many many such.

I attended the Chinese service  
 + read to Clara - also wrote a  
 letter for her on the typewriter.  
 She came out to tiffin + supper  
 with us -

Dr. Scott is much better -

Monday March 27<sup>th</sup> -

Busy with Chinese - preparing  
 for lessons on Wednesday.

All goes on as usual in  
 the house - Clara is able  
 to keep - about much of the

day. The prochers are coming  
 in + bring in fairly good reports -

We can get the house at Hsin  
 Lin for a term of 10 yrs - for  
 #65 - -

Tuesday. March 28<sup>th</sup> 70.

Mr. Campbell came this morning. is looking better than I expected to see him. reports good prospects at Ka-yin. Mrs. Urquhart's goods are to be sold at auction to-day. They are going home very soon. We shall be sorry to lose them as neighbors. Anna is not very well to-day.

The weather is warmer. I had a long conference with the brother from Peking city. The rulers having taken counsel together they seem bent on driving us from the place we rented there, but as yet have not succeeded.

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Wednesday March 29<sup>th</sup>

Mail per "Pion" in the afternoon.  
good letter from Father &  
Mother - We also had news from  
the Rooms that our request for  
more appropriations this year  
has been granted.

The services went on as usual -  
Dr. Schman had a good exer-  
cise with his class in exeg-  
sis of Ephesians - I gave an  
exposition of the diagram  
we had at Kwi-Su but did  
not have a very good time  
of it. Anna has measles  
in good earnest & has  
in bed with Clara.

Thursday Mch 30<sup>th</sup> - 72

All more as usual so that  
we have service at 7:30 instead of  
7 A.M. In the afternoon the  
two young teachers gave a lesson  
in Astronomy & explained the  
evening. did it very well.

The ladies have finally decided  
that Gil ("Gem") the Bible  
Woman supported by the Sedgwick  
Band shall take Chiu Po's place  
for the present.

Friday Mch 31<sup>st</sup>

A day of perplexities - several  
difficult cases coming up  
one of discipline one of a  
proposal to engage a preacher

We are not fully ready to ap- 93<sup>rd</sup>  
prove: one of my native assist-  
ants I am about decided  
to dismiss & there is a matter  
about an ordained preacher  
selling opium pills that has  
hung fire a long time and  
now we had it out with him.  
He promises to drop the business.

Clara has been on the lounge  
in my room a part of the day &  
seems stronger. Anna is fatter  
I think. Jay is bright & lively & the  
baby improving steadily.

Dr. Partidge's trouble culminated  
in a piece of hard coming out  
under his tongue - a root of a  
tooth broken off 20 yrs ago he  
thinks it is, that has worked  
its way front out in this way.

Saturday - April 1<sup>st</sup> - 74

A trying sort of day; various consultations with the Chinese & long business meeting this P.M.

Fifteen new applicants for baptism: the most interesting one was a dumb boy - who can only make a sort of cry, not form any intelligible sounds. When he was asked by signs, <sup>What</sup> he wanted he pointed upward - The elder succeeded in asking him if it was right to worship ancestors, to worship tombs, to use amulets, to gamble or to fight, to all of which he vigorously shook his head - His mother, father, brother are Christians. The household goes on as usual - Clara returns on both, better I have a little cold but hope to be better in a day or two.

Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 11. 75

A fine sermon by Dr. Johnson this morning from I Cor. IV: 18 & I Timothy III: 16. 8 men baptized - one was a girl badly hunch backed - & beside the dumb boy, another had lost the sight of one eye by cataract. It was a cheering thought that when the resurrection of which this is a type shall be consummated - all these defects shall be put away - the crooked shall be made straight - the tongues of the dumb shall praise the Saviour's praise & the blind shall behold the King in his beauty.

I have been very busy since Communion but have about everything now arranged for the coming weeks.

We are all getting on about the same - poor Clara finds it hard to be compelled to keep quiet.

Monday April 3<sup>rd</sup> - 76

A little work done on accounts  
and Sundries. Mr. Campbell  
has been here to supper & we  
have settled our account  
for the last months -

Tuesday - Apr 4<sup>th</sup> -

My cold is bad - affects me un-  
comfortably so I cannot do as much  
as I would like to do. Clara  
is able to ride out in a chair  
an hour a day now which she  
enjoys very much - Anna, too,  
is better - able to be about &  
really no little help to her mother.  
Dr. & Mrs. A. left for Kiel - Yang  
to-day - Mr. Campbell left for Ming-  
Khen Liang in the procher's boat.  
A very cool wind to-day.

Wed - Apr 5 - 77 -

So little happens from day to day out of the usual line. We spent the greater part of the day in the study, but my accounts, Clara in the long chair at her sewing + some letter writing + Anna + Jay playing about.

The Woman's Class was opened again today for this second quarter. Clara not being able to get out, Miss Dunwiddie will take charge of it for the next two weeks or longer.

We had a good prayer meeting at Mr. Ashman Jr's home led by Dr. Partridge - sub - from Prov. LXXI + LXXII - the "No more's" -

I spoke of the 3 candidates on Sunday at the baptism of whom I wrote at that time -  
We are all moving on about as usual.

Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup> - 78

A very cold day for the season  
& a strong East wind blowing,  
I finished my quarterly statement  
& letter to Mr. Coleman in the forenoon.  
I felt very uncomfortable from  
this cold so wrapped myself up  
in a blanket & lay still nearly all  
the afternoon. Friday April 7<sup>th</sup>.

Still cold & windy - Dr. & Mrs. A.  
went to Kieh Yang Tuesday - was  
only 6 hours going the 40 miles,  
but coming out they had to lay at  
anchor all day yesterday. Mrs. A.  
was very seasick - The Partridges  
started for Khek Khai to-day - Dr.  
& Miss Scott went yesterday.  
I wrote to Dr. Duncan this forenoon  
sending estimate of needed appropria-

ations for next year.

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The type-miter is a great convenience - I took 3 impressions, shall send again by next European steamer so as to be sure of reaching him before May 20<sup>th</sup>.

Marcell rather better to-day.

Saturday April 8<sup>th</sup> -

Clara went to Devaton to-day & visited Chin-Po' - who looks weak - Dr. & Mrs. Lyall got to Japan soon for a change.

Mr. Campbell got back this A.M. a phenomenally quick trip - he thinks the Fracker's boat a fine boat to travel in. We are enjoying our mail per "Oceanic" - letters from Sedgwick & New Britain besides good home letters & several on business from the Rooms.

The rains now are bringing vege-  
tation forward. Flowers too  
are in some places doing well.  
Mr. Strick our Consular Agent  
has a beautiful show of pinks  
& other varieties also. In our  
jar he has had 25 Callas  
open & the first very uncon-  
monly large. Our Callas &  
roses, too, are doing well.

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

I am still troubled more or less  
by Catarrh - have kept indoors  
most of the time today. was at  
S. Sch. & this evening at Mr. A. Jr.'s  
Dr. A. read from the Examiner &  
also spoke regarding "Christian No-  
menclature", pleading for a  
Biblical terminology in Christian  
discussion in preaching.

Monday - April 10<sup>th</sup> - 81

Went to Levatas in the P.M. -  
saw the Counsel got deed of  
Centralia lot stamped & did  
some errands.

Miss Sumwidair took  
supper with us.

Tuesday April 11<sup>th</sup> -

Foggy & warm after the Sun  
is out.

Clara proposed to  
celebrate to Jay by taking the  
baby with her when she  
takes her chair ride & letting  
Anna go out with Jay & the  
Nurse. She has not yet been  
out far from the house since  
the measles - Marshall better.

Wednesday - April 12<sup>th</sup> - 82-

We went to Union Prayer-meeting in the afternoon - Clara was able to go - We have had some correspondence with our Presbyterian br'n about their taking our members in to Communion; they seem inclined to invite them I judge from their reply; what will be the further outcome of the case. Yesterday all was pleasant.

Thursday April 13<sup>th</sup> -

Warm & overcast. This forenoon I had a part of my books put out to sun - Anna carried out several shelves full of them & set them up nicely along the boardwalk as she had seen the Chinese servant

do before: Jay helped too.

They are both happy if they can be busy helping.

Jay is talking a little more, gets his consonants wrong - says "lee" for see - & also in Chinese when the nurse is sweeping he comes & tells us - "A-mah tai-tai" for "A-mah Sain-Chin". He is given to coming expressions - Dingy is "la-la" - & when he wants to sit in my lap, & see me write on the type-writer he says - "Up-er-der - Papa loh-loh" - the latter seems to be his imitation of the sound made by the machine. "Up-ther" is his motto & he will come to grief from following it & fear for he is climbing everywhere.

Friday - April 14<sup>th</sup> - 84

Clara was able to get out today  
I made several calls.

I have done considerable writing  
found that Edward Scott is  
attending the 2<sup>nd</sup> Church in  
Chicago to whose Bible Class  
I am writing so he can post  
them thoroughly on Swatow.

I shall send his address also  
to the Mr. Moyle who  
is supporting another native helper  
so they can get the benefit  
of his pictures especially of his  
knowledge of us here.

Yangling came in and gave a  
very encouraging report of the result  
of the first day of medicine giving  
at P'hoi Ling.

We called at Dr. Scott's & they seemed quite well satisfied with their visit there. Dr. B. was invited to the house of our landlord's younger brother, his wife has some trouble with her eye, also went to the house of the landlord himself, who was not ungracious - there was no trouble at all from leather disturbances. Saturday - April 15<sup>th</sup> -

Warm to-day - We are quite well - Anna & Jay running about & Clara able to be around & attend to many things in the house - I expect to have my sermons start off next week in the "Hope". Lucy Henry's eyes are somewhat gratulated so he must stay here a while -

At half past three I 86-  
went to Swatos & Clara - Anna  
Jay, Edith & Frank Ashmore  
went in the boat & took a  
sail while I was doing my  
errands - Clara enjoyed the  
outing -

Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup>  
A good service at our chapel,  
Clara, Anna & I went to  
English Service - had care-  
fully thought out sermon from  
Mrs. Mollagan on the nature  
of sin - but not a very pop-  
ular one in style - The day  
has been a perfect one;  
"a new wind," Anna says - the  
South West monsoon is blowing  
a little now -

Monday - April 17<sup>th</sup> - 87

Cooler today. My morning was somewhat broken up by callers. Settling up with Paing Seng & the advent of Jiro's carpenter with the typewriter cabinet which is not yet finished though he has the most of the work done, it will be a nice little bit of furniture.

I went to Swatow this P.M. & we had a small but attentive audience at Chapel - Clara & the two children went over to meet me. Jay is delighted on the boat - calls out "Daha! Lee!" whenever anything new -

A steamer from Hong Kong is unloading 12,000 cases of Kerosene, two 5-gal. tins in each case, from Batoum - it is being put in the building formerly occupied as a machine shop at the foot of our hill.

Tuesday April 18<sup>th</sup> -

88<sup>th</sup>

Cool & rainy so that Clara could not get out. I have been at my desk all day. We have an additional opportunity to send mail per "Oceanic" - she being delayed to have part of the screw of her shaft renewed: they will be particularly careful about mending their "sleeves" & looking after their "collars". Patching their "knees" & all other needed parts after the "City of Kings" experience.

I have been greatly & deeply interested by reading in the Standard a report of Captain Blanche Cox's address at Dr. Henson's Church, regarding Salvation Army work in the cities - The spirit of sacrifice & love they show is a suggestive lesson to all Christian workers.

Wednesday April 19<sup>th</sup>. 89

We have enjoyed a good prayer-meeting here, only eight present but no time was lost. Dr. A.

read Isaiah XLIII & commented on the whole tenor of Isaiah's prophecy & on the restoration of the Jews.

We had a call to-day from "Speed" & an old brother who is in great trouble because his leather wife insists that the youngest daughter-in-law shall re-bind her feet: she is a nice girl who was here in the class for a time. The old man is weak as water, the old woman has ruled him so

long that he trembles at 90  
the thought of opposing her.  
'Sheed' labored with him faith-  
fully, cited numerous cases of  
men who had failed to beat  
their wives & suffered therefor.

Probably we shall send some  
women to visit them Saturday  
& I may go on Sunday. The  
woman whose feet are to be bound  
has a baby 4 months old next  
Monday & the Chinese say that  
at the 4<sup>th</sup> month her feet will  
be soft & yielding so that is the  
time to bind them. "full of the  
habitations of exultation" is yet true  
of China -

We had a call from Mr. McKim-  
son, Acting British Consul to-day;  
he says Mr. Frater was obliged to  
undergo a second operation for cancer  
on his tongue but he has telegraphed

to the Minister that he is 91  
"all right" so he probably ex-  
pects to return if possible.

It also said that the Penin-  
sular & Oriental S.S. "Canton" that  
came in to take Mr. Hill family  
home, carried 1273 Emigrants  
to Singapore breaking the record,

1230 being the highest number  
before: only the day before 800  
went to Siam & Singapore on the  
S.S. "Devawant" - 2073 in 2  
days! They have been going in  
large numbers before. This is  
an especially large emigration even  
for Siam - poor crops here &  
good demand for labor in  
the South combine to swell the  
numbers.

Thursday April 20<sup>th</sup> 92

Mail to-day per "Rio" - good letters from Father & Mother. very glad to hear of Ed. Luntie's new treasure, trust all has gone well since. Clara is feeling encouraged to-day thinks she is evidently gaining. The children are quite well, but need a great deal of attention to keep them in good behavior. Jay has learned our lesson well. & puts his little fists up to his eyes when he comes to table and remains perfectly quiet till after the blessing is asked. This evening he came into his high chair when we were half through supper. but he first bowed his head and looked inquiringly at me. He seems to have a real fondness for music & constantly calling upon us to "la-la".

Friday April 21<sup>st</sup> - 93

I am carefully going over Dr. Hovey's Church Polity & interleave-  
ing it pointing in the places re-  
ferred to. I am also writing  
to Ramsdell - I feel much en-  
couraged that Clara is gaining  
so fast. I had quite a long  
talk with Dr. Ashmore about  
mission work at home & abroad.

Saturday April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Went to Kueh-Chin this a.m.  
with 3 native Christian men &  
we had some opportunities to  
preach in an open square when  
we found a man lying with  
his wife sitting beside him,  
he crying & wailing & she tearfully  
reviling the man who had  
killed her husband.

We succeeded in getting him 94  
into his house at last. & Hak  
Sen went to see what was the  
matter, after preaching most  
earnestly to the people who gath-  
ered about. Afterward I talked  
with some of them especially an  
old man with a bent foot.

He objected that if he tried to  
worship without an offering of  
paper money or cake he could  
not pray. I did the best I could  
to tell of the true reliance we  
have. He said these things he  
offered were bought with cash that  
his son earned, they were "corruptible"  
things. I tried to explain the incor-  
ruptible offering was for us by  
the Son of God - & dwelt especially  
upon the resurrection hope that  
the body of our humiliation shall be

made like unto the body of 95-  
his glory:

We visited the family of the  
poor old man whose wife rules  
the house & wants to bind the daugh-  
ter-in-law's feet again: she is  
a termagant & declares will bind  
the girl's feet - she defies God, man  
and every power but her own.

Sunday April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Back from Pang-ai, which I  
visited to-day - had a quiet  
passage & enjoyed the day there.

Before afternoon service we  
talked with the Kuah-Chia  
brother about establishing a  
prayer meeting at their vil-  
lage & they seemed much pleas-  
ed with the idea - hope they  
may carry it out.

We found that the old  
woman did not bind

her daughter-in-law's . 96  
feet after all.

Monday April 24/93

Yesterday & day before were rather  
hard days: today I have felt  
tired, did some writing & sundry  
matters at home. Clara cut my  
hair - she does it very well -  
Mr. Mat & Levator - I had an  
errand at the Chapel to give old  
Pui Ah a commission to visit Ran-  
tam & oppose the building of a  
sink near the Chapel by owners  
of adjoining land. I had op-  
portunities to talk with several at  
our Chapel: met a young man  
whom I saw more than a year  
ago at Gen. Prig's gate in Phoi-  
Lung: he used to be a pupil in  
Dr. Hopper's school Canton. An  
Elderly man from An Pou  
was with him, both listened well;

The old man took a leaflet #97  
shook hands as he went away.  
He knew the names of missionaries  
who used to be in Hong Kong &  
had considerable of the truth, he  
brought in Abraham's name which  
gave me a text to start from.

The young man could not have  
learned much of Christianity at  
Dr. Hopper's school as he insisted  
that the foreigners did not "worship"  
at all: questioning finally elicited  
the fact that his idea of "worship"  
was getting down on the knees -  
So I showed him John IV: 20  
to 24. I hope they may remember  
some of what they heard.

Mr. Mrs. surprised to see three  
torpedo boats come shooting in  
this afternoon. all flying the Chinese  
flag.

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