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Then we accepted the old man's invitation to visit him - first went to the barber shop of his friend, sat down while a crowd packed themselves in the front of the shop. They were so noisy & railed so much that P. could not do much. The old man was delighted to have some fellow-believers come & men in the crowd were saying "Lai-Pak is happy to-day." He had no easy time of it here. We went into his shop next door. His wife who is an invalid was sitting in the back of the shop which was not much more than a booth with the earth for a floor. The crowd followed us. The barber brought us two cups of tea & another man who was ordinarily in the other shop came in & sat down. P. tried to preach but the people were determined in their opposition. As quick as he answered one objection they another chimed in with insinuations about our mothers or reflections about Jesus being crucified. The man with the baby followed him & was chief spokesman for the crowd. He was evidently an Spaniard. We got back safely & left the

old man cheered & with some books &
a hymn book. It was interesting
to watch him when P. was preaching.
He would say "Chok" - long and again
which means "just so" - & is as near
Amen & this tongue furnishes. We
urged him to come to Communion
he promised to do so. He has one
or more sons tailors in Swatow.

While we waited for the Capt. to get
back more men came on board. One
spoke Swatow-ese & I talked over to
him a little. He showed interest enough
to ask for a book. - C. & P. had
visited ~~one~~ more villages where the
people had seen ~~foreigners~~ & were not in-
terested & on way (11-40) at another
village. - A bright young man of
19 just come on board & I have been
exhausting my vocabulary upon him.
He took some leaflets overboard.

4 P.M. He came back later & P. had a
chance to talk with him. We have been
floating & gently rowing down the river
since 1 P.M. It is a perfect day - just breeze
enough to keep us comfortably cool. We
both took a nap after dinner & after a
talk about future plans.

By night we reached the mouth ⁴
of the river we used two plover. Morn.
We had worship as usual the two men
attended. the little o. s. whose round face
leads us to call him the "cherub" got
his little lamp he uses for lighting
his pipe shield it to see the byway by.
P. made a trade with a boatman to take
us up the river for 900 casts 82¢
We got our goods together ready for an
early start & turned in by 8 o'clock.

May 18th Friday 7-20 A.M.

One man was alongside at 4-20 A.M.
We turned out - washed dressed &
got on board as quickly as we could.
taking chairs table & blankets besides our
eatables & dishes - The boat is about
38 ft long by 7 wide very clean &
neat with the usual arched roof.
It was manned by one young fellow, who
says he is 22 but looks to be 18. He
is not heavy but very muscular &
willing to work; he proposed to do
the work alone but we insisted on
his calling another man. He got
a boy of 15 or 17, smaller than himself
We set out. The river is about the
size of the Sebastienok but more

quiet - very little current. It is shall
low & the boys are pole-ing all the
way now. We rolled up in our
Blankets & tried to sleep at first but the
motion of the boat & the beautiful scenery
along the banks kept us awake. The shores
are lined with groves of bamboo -
nearly all the way. The hills are high
& of the freshest green. Much of the ^{distance} way
the shores slope down from the water
& then up to the hills - the valley being
covered with bamboo. We breakfasted
at 6:45 - on crackers - boiled eggs -
orange marmalade - strawberry jam
& cookies - The proacher kindly boiled
water for our tea & eggs & washed our
dishes. It is a cloudy day, just
cool enough to be comfortable. I am
dressed in the coat & trousers, made
from the flannel I brought from home
over thin summer underwear & a
silk handkerchief around my neck -
hardly a professional garb at home but
well suited to this place & climate.
We have been highly favored in not
suffering from heat since we started.
Another incident of yesterday morn-
ing was explained at night. Just before
we left Ho-Pi one of the fellows who
tried to stir up the crowd on shore

Came aboard & gave a paper to P.
It was a quotation from a Chinese
book written to show that "Siang-ti"
the name for God that a great many
use is the name of a great Chieftain
who is worshipped - hence this re-
ligion is no new thing. This was
given him by some literary man
on whom I promise. It is an argu-
ment against the use of that term
which most English & Europeans
believe in. The American missionaries
have generally adopted "Sivig". It al-
so enforces the criticism I have made
to C. of this man's preaching he
preaches Theism rather than the
gospel. or at least makes that
most prominent. The rain was
so violent we turned back without
visiting the city which has a fine
location in a fertile basin. At 3 P.M.
we started down river, stopped a little
time at Liu-tig & dropped down a few
miles before noon. The Clerk &
the Capt were present at worship - the former
has quite an idea of singing - the Capt.
evidently thinks as he is cutting the

foreigners vice, it is good to approve
 his religion so he echoes what the preacher
 says - is very orthodox. The little
 man seems to have some serious ideas.
 asked how he could keep the Sabbath,
 for then he would have no work & have
 no money. The poor little fellow stutters
 badly & it occasionally upsets the gravity
 of the assembly. Saturday May 19/88 -

Coal & cloudy. rain a great part of the
 night - We started at 5 A.M. had
 breakfast at 6-30 - & are drifting down
 with the rapid current - The country
 is much more beautiful than when we
 went up. All the hills are a rich deep
 green & the foliage has the new fresh
 look of spring. An incident last
 evening illustrated the importance
 the Chinese attach to the hour of eating
 & their stolidity about other things.

They were busily wielding the chopsticks
 when the boat drifted into an eddy
 large enough to swing her completely
 around but no one stirred till
 she began the second turn, when
 the Chinese ran Forward, took an

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our r-headed the boat out into the
stream she was within 30 ft of the rocks
a high bluff.

We stirred up the boatmen to such
an extent that we reached Su-Siaⁿ
(Chao Chow Foo) at 10 o'cl. We began
to feel it possible to reach Swatow
& offered the Capt. a bonus if he
would get there - also to give him
the dollar he was begging for to
buy the necessaries of life. He gave
consent apparently - took the dollar
out of - Come back, smelling of opium
& did not seem inclined to start. At
1:30 he pushed off & we had an exciting
passage under the bridge between
stone piers - but a few feet of space
to spare & the water running swift -
at it was the stern swinging around
struck the pier & unfurled a brace
on the outer frame above the mats.
After going 6 or 7 miles the ^{Capt.} inquired if we
did not wish to visit a pagoda ~~to~~
we were passing - but we were not
visiting pagodas. So on he put for the
Shan & moored. Said the Smith would
was coming up stream, we could not

reach Swatow & it was best to stop
there. It was next a village where
they could enjoy a Sunday "on shore"
& it was 35 miles from Swatow.
I urged C. to start them off if he had
to unman the boat & push out himself.
It was a dodge to gain a day. They knew
we would rest on Sunday & they would
contrive not to get us down Monday.
He did keep at them & each of us worked
at the bar for an hour or so & kept
them at it so we reached Am Po
nearly 24 miles below the place their
first choice. They celebrated by going
on to a neighboring boat to smoke op-
ium - Am Po. Chapel - Sunday May 20, 1914.

The night was passed comfortably though
the mosquitoes were in full force, one
was in my net. He died this morning at
5-30. A little rain fell early
in the morning & the sky was very
threatening. But I finally decided to go
to Chapel - Just there a Hak-Ka-
speaking man came on board who said
he had heard something about this doctrine
& would like to be taught. He & the
little boatman Fath came with us
to the Chapel. When we entered Bei-

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Chien was preaching with great earnest
ness. He was followed by Mia-an
who talked 25 minutes on Rom. I. 20.
He flourishes about a great deal, it is ex-
ceedingly tiresome for me to listen to him.
But he made one good hit - a slender
black dog came in & stood in the middle
of the floor & the speaker used him to
good advantage in setting forth the
folly of worshipping any created thing or
work of man's hands. After service
I had sundry conversations with the
preachers & strained my ears to their
full capacity in catching their words.
- I was just interrupted by Lung-hung
coming in to show me a lot of cen-
tral tablets - trophies of gospel tri-
umphs here. Some from a man who is
a church member & others from one who
expects to be baptized in July. They
are neatly made little tablets some
8 or 9 inches high, black with gilt
letters - the front can be slipped off
& underneath is written the date of
birth & death of the person who is
worshipped.

At the boat again - We had a "brief prayer service at 2 P.M. They wanted me to read & I risked too much got beyond my depth in reading the last 3 vs. of Matthew. I read them after reading Mark 1:35 & 6:7 - However we learn by experience. The little boatman was present & Mr. Campbell thinks from talking with him since he was impressed with the service. We walked back in the rain - the streets are indescribably filthy. The river has been slowly rising all day. No hope to go down quickly to-morrow. One other man who went to chapel with us disappeared before the P.M. service & met us again on the way back. It seems he has a friend up river who is a believer - We had worship, the little man attended - the preacher did not come back from the chapel - so the little boatman conducted it. Their singing was not perfect but the little boatman did remarkably well. J.S. read & expounded to him a few vs. of John 12 & talked to him about faith & the need of being ready for the Lord's coming.

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Monday May 21st - 8.25 AM.

In sight of Swatow. Mr. C. got up at 4.20 this morning & roused out the unwilling Capt. stirred up the crew to such an extent that we were off by 5 o'clock. The current was swift & brought us quickly the first half of our journey. Then the South wind began to blow & it has been hard pulling since then. We feel the change in the country - notice it especially as we see these rough jagged hills and compare them with the banks above where everything is green. It is really exhilarating to get back within sight of our own houses. - We could see Miss Tilder's house & Dr. A.'s some time ago. To see the signals of a steamer from the North. We realize that in a few hours we shall be reading our letters & papers from home. C. is impatient to get news from his wife & babies thus embarked in a small boat for Hak-Keich to bring our boat back & take luggage & all back ^{again} with him. I feel quite civilized this morning - having blocked my shoes.

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put on a bosom-shirt & a clean
white suit. 8-55. We come to
our moorings back of the city.
a line of spectators on a little wooden
bridge ask the Capt. who we are &
half-a-dozen coolies with poles &
ropes wait for the job of carrying
our goods. but one told "his-himself"
has that provided for - 9-30 P.M.
at my desk again. We got back safely
with all our baggage in time for
dinner & it was most refreshing to sit at a
well furnished table without the accompa-
niments of Chinese, smoke & unsavory
smells. We met with a cordial recep-
tion & I regaled myself with 4 letters from
home - one from Ed. Lyford, Scoville, Upton
& Caultkins besides several answers to the
"China's Mellins". To-morrow we expect
the Gaelic's mail. This evening Miss
Filde came over & we all sat & talked
for an hour or more. Mr. C. heard
that all are well at home except his
little boy who has been sick - he expects
their messenger to-morrow stops back
himself to-morrow night.

Tuesday - May 22nd 88 - 14

The day was comfortable + cloudy with
an East wind. After working at our
acc^{ts} a little I went to Swatow
with Mr. C. + the preacher. We called
at the Barons for him to sign his
application for a passport, then
went to the Chapel. found our boat-
men had been there before us - so
C. + I went to do some errands leaving
@ to watch. The little "Cherub" found
us at a store + followed us back
to the Chapel. I brought over a Kete-
ment to give him but he was disappoint-
ed not to have something more in the
shape of money. The English missionaries
I think do make a present to boatmen
according to the universal custom of
tipping - but it would have been
bad to ask him to the Chapel
& then give him money. It might
arouse a growth of spite among
Huk-Ka boatmen & equalled a by by
Jonah's gourd & a decline in the
same rapid as the withering of that
same gourd. The little man said
he was glad to have the boat + let
us hope it may be blessed to his

Commissions. In the afternoon I¹⁵
went off with a fine breeze must
have reached home in good season.
Our mail via Gaelic came up by
the Chirkoek King a Singapore steamer
which has survived its name for
many years judging from its weather
beaten look. I was cheered by a letter
from Father - a large bundle of papers
from Mother, a note from John Stearns
& one from Corrie Kallach both ac-
knowledging photographs. In the after-
noon we went over to the "other side"
& called upon the English missionaries.
In the evening I took a lesson in
Chinese by having the preacher read
me Mr. Sun's Expense a/c - of things
bought on our trip. It was good
practice for me. I wrote it out in
Romanized & many things I did not
know by their names, he explained to me.
Then he was interested in my historical
Chart & explained that to him.

Wednesday May 23 -
Very cool. I was obliged to put on
my last summer's suit & wear it.
The day has not seemed to be

a very profitable one for me Tho' '16
I have done a little work - attended
the Dr's class this A.M.: they had
I Sam. XVIII - XIX - The new water mill.
I did various odd jobs - worked at
Chunee a little & got out the synopsis
of a sermon, as I weakly consented
to preach Sunday - took Isaiah XLIII.
At prayer-meeting to-night Dr. A.
read from Jonah & commented. We had
a quiet but good meeting -

Thursday - May 24/88

Cool again after a heavy rain in
the night - I put on a full suit
of home clothes, the first time
for a month - went to Swatow at
9.30 with Elder Po - Sam - Our steam
man is away so we hired a native boat -
for 200 cash - It is disagreeable to
beat every body down but it is
the only way - find out what is a
fair price ask a man what he wants
tell him "keh-choi" "too much"
& as he gradually drops in his de-
mands - repeat your offer calmly
but firmly & he will yield. They
look on all foreigners as mines

minutes to be worked with all
possible skill & persistence.

We went to the Chapel. I had
brought a "Sabbath-Day Remem-
brance" (a printed sheet giving the
names of the days of the week &
also various passages of Scripture)
of a brother who "keeps store" at the
Chapel corner. As I returned this
a lot of men were looking on with
interest. One young man in particular
was curious. I told him to come
in & the teacher would explain it to
him, so he came & the Elder
talked to him fully 20 minutes.
Fifteen or twenty others came in &
listened - more than that probably -
He went away saying it was a
"ho' see" - "good matter" - "more peo-
ple come in." I suggested that he
read the 3rd of John which he did
with comments. & finally mounted the
platform & preached with more fire than
I ever saw him. Part of the time there
were more than enough present to fill
the seats: they came recent. But when

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not usually many lectures attentively. He stopped at 11 o'clock & sold a few books, also giving away some leaflets on the worship of the true God & one on the resurrection. I offered them to one man who did not want them I asked him whether if this doctrine was good or not he said "Not to worship the Law Jä - not very good". The Elder overhead came & talked with him & then as the crowd flocked around he again mounted the platform & talked a quarter of an hour longer. We were obliged to leave to get back to dinner. I wish you could have a glimpse at our audience. Cobblers with their bamboo poles - men in from the Country, fathers with their blue turbans & mothers with their wide bamboo rain-hats - which they respectfully doff as they come in. I hope to go every Tuesday & Thursday forenoon. It is a help to me in hearing the language getting new words & seeing how the machines approach their own people. This Chapel is a grand center for evangelizing - nothing special the West

of the day - a little work on ¹⁹
Chinese & some more on my sermon.

Friday May 25 1888

Another comfortable day - a triple
warmer - overcast - After breakfast
Mr. Partidge helped me touch
my organ that had been affected
by the damp weather. One bass
note stayed down. It is a triple
whizzer yet. This wet weather
affects everything; my mattress
grew so mouldy in my absence
they were obliged to take it up. I
do not know if it will be
good for any thing again. As the
sun goes down to day so I shall
wind off this copious journal
with a sketch of our route & two
pictures of the boat or one just
like it. We slept in the forward
part under the roof & eat under
the after part. The man in the
foreground is Dr. Coatsland & the
other, Dr. Lyall who married
Miss Woodward of this mission.
Both are medical missionaries &
good physicians.

After dinner I did not feel in my ²⁰ good
working trim but did a little and re-cast
my sermon - at about 5 P.M. I went
with Mr. Postridge to the Acting-Commissioner
of Customs - is to tennis - the first time
I have been to any house in the Commu-
nity for a long time. He is a young
fresh faced Scotchman - of more than
average ability I judge. He reminds
me of Will Furber. I must call upon
him I suppose. There is not much
pleasure in going down there, the atmos-
phere is so utterly different - they have no
sympathy with our work, nor we with
their pleasures. Last night they were

up till the "me sma' hours" at the
Consulate - a ball in honor of R.'s birth-
day - Mr. Matchitt called it "the Regina
debauch." After returning from Mr.
Brogiere I found Chiang-Sui &
told him about old Loi-Pak, sug-
gesting that the brethren write him
a letter. It was quite a struggle with
my little vocabulary but he seemed
to understand. We have supper at
7 o'clock now - after that came the
weekly prayer meeting. C. S. led.
taking I. Thes. V: 17 - "Kotai-mai' hiah"
"Pray - do not stop." Last night I talked
with the Dr. about my sermon

He said that to-night he would
like to hear me go over it in brief,
so I did. He gave me some good sug-
gestions. He also gave me an idea on
that passage when Paul speaks of women's
having her head covered because of the
Angels. He refers to Isaiah VI. when
the Cherubim with ~~their~~ six wings, veiled
their faces with two - They were ministering
spirits & their strength before God was
in their humility before him. So
Woman's power lies in her reverence
to God, & her gentle womanly spirit -
I wonder how Aunt Sus would take
that? But as the Sr. means it, there
is reason in it. Certainly such women have
the most influence with men - however
rough they may be. Saty - May 26/88 -
To-day I have done little but make
some preparations for to-morrow - do
not feel very well prepared now, but
hope to be able to get through.
The weather is preparing for a change -
Dr. Ashmun has been in telling me
about his experiences in getting land
for a chapel in Swatow.

Sunday May 27/88 -

It has been warm to-day - Fortunately for
me as I should not have had anything
to wear if a white suit had not been

in order - It was none too thin. 22

Dr. A. preached at 9 a.m. from Eph. 4:1 -
I could catch quite a large part of it
as also of Mr. P.'s sermon at 4 P.M.
I take in a notebook & write down
occasional phrases - At 11-15 M.P.
myself went down to the Chapel - There
were 22 present - 8 of them missionaries.
I had a rather slow time with
the first half of the sermon but
easier towards the close. Preached
from Is. XL:31 - 2 divisions -

- 1 - The renewing of strength -
 - 2 - Waiting upon the Lord -
- 1 - All things created need to be
renewed. The universe is held in
order by God's power - Nature is
constantly renewed - Animals need their
strength renewed by food & sleep -
Especially does man need this. Both
bodily & mental strength renewed by food
& rest. Also his spiritual energies
are wasted by the wear & tear of
life. They must be renewed by
rest & food - as matter by matter
or spirit by spirit.
- 2 Waiting upon the Lord the means

of that renewal.

Why wait? It shows our trust - It brings us in line with his great Providences - It is his test of Character.

Illustrated by Abraham - Israel at the Red Sea & Jericho. Hezekiah & by Jesus his commands to his disciples - also the story of Allen Gardiner at Sierra del Fuero.

This is not a popular doctrine but a safe one - God's help enables man to stem the current of temptation.

Illustrated by the boat I saw fighting against the current up the river.

But the Eagle is a better figure for the power is within

Another comforting suggestion - We must appear before the Lord as judges when his countenance is as the Sun

shineth in his strength. We cannot with physical eyes look on the material Sun -

but they who wait on the Lord shall be like the Eagle who can fly up into the strongest sunlight -

I shall then enter into a life of action & of perfect rest.

after service one or two from the other side spoke to me favorably Mr. McKenzie urged

that I preach again next month²⁴ -
but I do not expect to do so. at 5 P.M.
Mr. P. & I took a walk of an hour or
more. We looked about for some
tiger's tracks that Miss Fielde's boy
reported yesterday. I had not lost any
tiger but the tracks were ~~pointed~~ away
from us & there were none returning so
it was a safe hunt. We did not find
them. Dr. A. saw them yesterday. To-
day Miss Fielde found a small cobra
near her house & ~~day~~ her cook
killed it. Dr. A. is to offer a bounty
on snakes killed on the Compound.
Miss F. was at supper to-night & we
had a Bible lesson on Revelation.
The Dr. took up a general view, speak-
ing of the 7 churches as representing 7 ages
of the church the present being the Laodi-
cean. also the relation between
the 7 trumpets & the 7 vials, the
7 stages of Papacy's rise & fall with
1260 yrs between each. I wish I
could get hold of that Fleming's book.
Guinness's new books are said
to be very fine & to have valuable
computations of prophetic periods.

Dr. Gordon speaks highly of it. ²⁵
Dr. A. is not a pro-millennialist but
strongly believes that matters are rapidly
conspiring for a great conflict.

+ it does seem as if all the -isms
old ones were coming up in renewed
force.

He had me extracts from
a pamphlet on sheep-stealing written
the London Missions Society in the North
against the Church Missions Society - who
have been stealing their converts & dis-
tributing tracts of a most arrogant
nature. Their claims for the "American
Holy Catholic Church" are simply stri-
pendous.

Monday - May 28th 1888

Warmer - almost stifling heat, I
have not minded it seriously - Mrs. P.
said the Chinese declared it to be hot
when they did so it is safe to agree
with them. The trouble I have had is
from mosquitoes and "Lun-Kian's" a
miserable little sand fly that is too
small to be noticed till he has done his
work in biting you. My hands are
spotted with red (I just killed a mosquito)
my ankles are bitten awfully - but one
gets used to it. They always enjoy a
foreigner the first year

This A.M. the Drs class recited
 I Sam. XXII & XXIII - Some had been "away
 to preach" & like students at home on Monday
 did not have a good lesson. Two new
 men tried for the first time, one did well,
 the other needed much urging to stand up
 at all, but he struggled through. I was
 pleased to notice how one Elderly man has
 improved. He gave the narrative of the
 two chapters fully with a single suggestion
 of a word or two. & spoke with some
 animation, far more than he used to show
 also making a good number of gestures.
 I spent the rest of the forenoon in finishing
 my mail. G. J. Come & I worked with him
 from 2 till 4 - went to Mr. P.'s to get a
 little exercise. We tried the game of
 bean-bags - as it was raining. I
 made 850 out of a possible 1200 - beating
 him about 240 - When we first tried
 it I could do nothing at all. So con-
 clude I must be in better health
 and my nerves steadier. It is
 Mr. P.'s 57th birthday to-day. he is
 just 3 times as old as his son
 Baron. Mrs. P. celebrated by making
 some chocolate creams.

She has the students - class at the 2nd house training them to sing. I can hear them singing "Review us again" with great spirit. I did some writing & arranging of papers before supper, which comes now at 7 P. M. Since then read a few pages in "Memories of a quiet life." Shall retire early. A large flock of mosquitoes are singing about me. Soon the white ants begin to swarm & we cannot light up at night. May 29th 1884.

This a. m. I did a little desultory work before 10 o'clock & then went to Swatow with Dr. A. & Chong Chi one of the preachers. He preached very well much of the time & had a crowd of attentive hearers. The seats were filled & many standing. Counting all who came about 200 must have come in during the hour. Some were greatly interested. A heavy rain came on after we left the Chapel and I got very wet - had on a white suit. We got back to find the City of New York's mail awaiting us. I found well, 3 letters from

mother, one ca. from E. A. Mason ²⁸
Van Kirk, Sr. Murdoch B. F. Jacobs of
Chicago & Mrs Benjamin Spencer of San-
Francisco asking a letter for their
Honors Society. Sad news of Cassi-
dy's death - I worked with my
teacher this P. M. got some exercise
wrote Van Kirk - There is some
doubt of his coming out this year at
all. They insist on Burmah even
want him to go to Rangoon & preach
in English as well as take charge of
the Tamil Ch. The White ants
swarmed in Mrs P's dining room
to-night & it was a half hour before
supper'd be served. Wednesday May 30

Warm again but not excessively so.
I have been at Chinese most of the
time - my teacher is not well
or not in good humor but I
manage to get some help from
him. It was my turn to lead the
prayer-meeting & I read from I
Chronicles XIII; XIV + XX accounts
of Judah's victories & by trust &
promise as conditions of God's help.

We had a quiet but good meeting. Dr. Ashmun has been speaking often of late about the dangers in mission-work of depending too much on machinery & too little on the Holy Spirit. He feels very deeply that we must look for consecrated zealous men on the field among native Christians.

We hear to-day that the tiger has killed a man, or a child, & some pigs in a neighboring village. Mr. P. killed another little Cobra to-day about 18 in. long.

Thursday May 31

Went to Swatow at 10 a.m. after an hour with my teacher on Chinese. There was a large crowd this morning & more noise than before. Toward the close one man asked a no. of questions & finally the preacher had a regular set-to with him and one or two others; there must have been 75 or so of them all crowded around. I fear the heathen rather bullied him - but they heard some credible truth & the shots were aimed

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Gu Thong talked a little while too
but had an old & a young man to
pitch into him so did not make
much headway. but noticed one
man, who seemed to be pleased with
the discussion, stopped for some
reading-matter. It seemed as if
the Evil One himself was in the
crowd & only fear kept them from
an outbreak. When he is active
it is often a sign of opposition
to the Holy Spirit & we trust it is
so now. I worked with G. J. an
hour & a half - paid him for the
month & he said he could not touch
me any more to which I assented
promptly: poor boy - he has become
vain & anxious to get money. I am
glad to close with him he has
become insufferable - I am very
glad the watch did not come
in time to be given to him.

Friday - June 1st '88 -

The first day of Summer & hot - ther-
mometer in the eighties but close
& muggy as August. Very heavy shower

in the afternoon - I never saw ³¹
rain come down harder, thunder &
lightning in proportion. The Dr.'s class
this morning. Some of the men improve
greatly. They gave a lively acc't
of Saul's interview with the witch of
Endor. I spent some time in watch-
ing the progress of the new well -
7 ft of water ran in between
8 last evening & 7 this a.m. They
got it baled out took out a little
more earth & began putting the
rings down at about 10 o'clock
They make rings of gravel & lime
pounded in a mould. Some
3 ft. in diameter 4 or 5 in. thick &
9 in. deep. dry them & let them
down one upon another making
a "smooth-bore" well. I got a
new sentence & a little nonfa-
cility in listening by staying
there. Have not done much to-
day. a little reading & writing.
The prayer-meeting was good
to-night. no waiting & an unusually
devotional spirit.

Saturday June 2nd - Hot again -

a leisurely life to-day - read the Prophecy of Daniel & did some writing in the forenoon. In the afternoon I have been getting my letters filed & putting in order a lot of things that I want all in good shape as soon as my desk comes. I also finished my accounts up to date have it now arranged with three columns on each page so I can tell in a few moments what my own expenses for the year have been - what my acc with the Tras. is. what I have given for benevolence & what my cash bal. is - or should be.

Mrs. P. came in at 4 P.M. to see if I w'd like to go to Swanton with him self. Mrs. P. Miss Hess but I thought it best to finish up my work. Took a walk. went down to stir up Jinan. found he has my desk-top glued together. I had a good walk, found it a trifle warm. This a.m. my bath brought out an extensive "heat-rash" that did me good. I have felt more comfortable. My barber came & also informed my facilities for keeping cool. My tailor came. he is to make me some shirts of thin Chinese grass cloth. I cannot stand my ordinary cotton ones. I give each of the men a copy of mark to read - hope they will read it.

Sunday June 3rd 1888, Cool & rainy - 33
At about 3-30 this a.m. a tremendous
rain storm began with heavy wind,
doors & windows slammed & all was
lively. the lightning came in great
flames rather than flashes. I comforted
myself with what Mr. P. had told
me, that a typhoon never comes when
there is lightning, and went to sleep
again. This a.m. Ching Siu
preached from II Co. 9:9. After that
I went to Swatow with Chong Chi, & heard
two more Chinese sermons. He began
with the healing of the blind man in
Luke 18 - & Zacchaeus in the next chap-
ter. He talked about worshipping
the Law. Sa a great deal - spoke very
half an hour but held the crowd
very well. It was the largest & most
orderly crowd I have seen yet. Then
Chihuan - the Doctor, who has an
apothecary shop opposite the chapel,
spoke from Rom. ~~IV~~: 11 sq. on faith
& gave an excellent digest of the gospel.
He is quiet but holds his hearers
well. One man was very anxious to
buy a book & kept walking about the

platform. ~~stood~~ in front reading ³⁴
a hymn book for some time. I saw also
my friend of 10 days ago who like Mr.
Knapp believes in the "Amity of religions"
& thought this doctrine good only it
was "not very good" to give up worship-
ping the Lan. Id. We had an interrup-
tion by a procession that passed the
door beating gongs & bearing lanterns.
also banners & other things I could not dis-
tinguish clearly. Possibly it was to
drive away the cholera. All the con-
gregation except the believers ran to
the door but come back. They were
all quiet during the prayers & hymns,
more so than I expected. We had
a good sail boat. After dinner
I took a nap. The watch came at
dinner-time is in first class condi-
tion & a very pretty thing. G. J. has ra-
ther put himself out of its reach.
I heard to-day that his leaving was
an effort to get more pay. After
the 4 P.M. service (when Mr. Hi-one
of the elder preached ^{spoke} on John III 14.) Miss
Filde asked me to come up and
hear any article she has written
on Chinese Agriculture. It may be

published in the Pop. Science Monthly ³⁵
or Fort & Strawn. It is well-worth reading.
She told me that Chin-Po (Treasurer)
one of the Bible-Women had come up
to ask her to intercede with me in
G. J.'s behalf: he did not want to go
home but needed more pay, Miss S.
told her it was not her "affair" & if
I asked her advice she should say that
he was receiving quite enough.

This evening Mr. P. gave a synopsis of
Guinness's book as far as he has read
& the Dr. gave some stimulating thoughts
on the Revelations of Christ. A descending
scale from Genesis when he has a
part in creation to the last prophecy
where he is described as a man, weak,

subbing & dying: an ascending scale from
the Gospels to where his glory begins to
appear till Revelation when he is again
enthroned as God - Also he gave an ex-
position of Mat. xxiv - as a double
prophecy of the dest. of Jer. & the end of
the world - all exceedingly good.

We were glad to see this a.m. that
the Century Plant was not hurt. It is
fully 28 ft high. We hope to get a picture
to send home. Monday June 21st/88.
Cool again - a refreshing day - no events
of importance. I have been at work

upon an article - attended Dr's class 36
& talked with C.C. about the use of
tracts. he favors growing them away. Mr. P.
& the Dr. believe in selling. Dr. A. says
he formerly used slips with a few
sentences on some one thing (e.g. the Resur-
rection) to distribute. He will prepare
some. Mr. P. & I took a good walk.
The Consul Mr. Forster, his assist the
P.M. Mr. Milkman & their wives called
at Mr. P.'s & I stumbled in upon them.
Tuesday June 5th 88-

Cool & delightful again. A letter came
from Mr. Campbell this a.m. I worked on
correspondence until time to go to school.
We had a fine sail over back - A good
attendance to-day. I should think 175 to 200
different men must have been in. They were
quiet & attentive as a rule. I saw a Buddhist
priest among them. The duck-hatching
bro from Kit-wo was in. C.C. began
with Creation to explain the Sabbath and
went on to the flood & the rainbow & after
that I could not follow closely except
that he preached repentance & faith &
illustrated the atonement by some
local applications. They listened well.
I was pleased to see one young man
who was in Thursday back again. he
has an interesting face & listened intently.
This afternoon I did some more work
on my article for the examines. & practice

ed talking with some of the Yrs. 37
Wednesday June 7-

An uneventful day - did some writing
in the forenoon & also in the afternoon -
walked to Jiman's shop in the forenoon
found he had a man at work in my
desk & another on the book cases, to my
surprise as he has a lot of other
work contracted which I expected
to find him at. Saw some men making
pewterware in the street they melt
the tea-canister or whatever
they are making & have a little foot
power-lathe to turn it down into
shape & polish it. A Member Butan-
nia Co. on a small scale. Jiman has
made a beautiful patent rocker for
Miss Hilde, a gift from Mrs. Dr. Loyal
It is of a native wood that resembles
apple-~~tree~~-wood is carved & is really
a fine piece of work. We were at
Miss F.'s this evening at prayer-
meeting. Dr. A. led reading Phil.
III with comments. Very good meeting.

Thursday June 8th.

Terrible rain in the night and
much of the day. Mail to-day - 2 letters
from home - good news. I wrote a

letter to the Advocate & short note ^{home} ³⁸
Read a little Chinese - 9-40 P. M.
I took a nap between 5- & 6.30 that refresh-
ed me very much. the close muggy
weather has been uncomfortable.
I had used my eyes considerable &
did not feel like studying in the
evening so played a game of dominos.
Mr. & Mrs. P. both began, but she
was obliged to leave & attend to
two of the young men who are learn-
ing to read & write the Romanized; one
of them brought in some work that
was very nicely done on a slate,
neatly perfect & all uniform.
Mr. P. finished the game I had been
way behind but forged a head, lost
& gained several times, finally won, 515
to 485 - very close. Friday - May 8th

Rain again - everything feels soaked.
We had some mackerel for breakfast,
prepared by a foreigner somewhere up
the coast. it was very good, fully
as good as salt mackerel at home.

I attended the Dr.'s class & went to
lectures - not a large attendance at
Chapel but quiet & very good

attention excepting a few interruptions
 by questions which he quitted by telling
 the asker to "Keep still". The pier
 as I got on board our boat was full
 of coolies eating their rice they
 squat down sitting on their heels
 & shovel the rice into their mouths
 with surprising speed. The rice seems
 to be brought in large baskets and
 sold to them, unless the employer
 furnish the noon meal. They also
 had fish in bowls cooked in various
 ways like "Sairy Gamp" they can
 "pick a bit of fish" with great relish.

Saty June 9th 1888.

Yesterday it was so rainy Miss
 Fielde decided not to go to the
 other side to Mrs Lyalls com-
 pany - so the party did not start.
 It proved to be a pleasant night, no
 rain but dark. I went to my
 meeting - led by Hak. In Mrs P.'s
 teacher - He did well but spoke
 too long. To-day I have not done
 much but work on some writing.
 Next week I hope to get down to
 work very regularly. I went to
 Jouns shop found my work in
 better shape than I expected, but

next week his men start off 40
by Tues. or Wed. for several days, as
a feast comes off then. Jikan
walked back with me & had
quite a conversation with him about
whether the things we saw grow
in foreign lands or not, about rail
roads &c. He is very quick. He
came up to get some measurements
& I showed him some pictures that
interested him very much - I tried
preaching to him a little but he
has so "many" affairs he cannot
come to chapel. It was warm
to-day & some very heavy rain
fell - about 4 P.M. a cool
fresh breeze came up. I rec'd a very
nice letter from Cummings to-day
he is well & happy - has made
several jungle trips - at one place
5 new converts have come out -
he feels the need of more evangeliz-
ing -

Sunday June 10th

A little warmer & cloudy. Dr. A.
branched in the forenoon on "Come apart
from among them & be ye separate."
He went to Suatow & stayed here

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read a little & slept a little
in my steamed-chair out upon the
wide front verandah. The mosqui-
toes were not very bad but the "bums"
were thick. In the afternoon Chong
Chi preached on John XV:19. He did
not do very well. Mr. P. & I took
a walk before tea. It was very
cool a fresh breeze blowing.
Dr. A. said he was much interested
talking with C.C. coming over in
the boat about the changed senti-
ment regarding Christianity - 20 yrs
ago he used to preach & was very
wholly reviled - often stones thrown
at him. Now people listen with far
more respect. We had an interesting
Bible lesson in the evening on
Dispensation by the Doctor.

Monday June 11th 1888.

Warm enough for a white suit
for me but a delightful breeze
all day - rain at noon. I have
been talking things easily having
felt a little under the weather
for a day or two, tho' am in good
condition to-night. Car in good &

Exercise as needed & shall hold #2
night. I rec'd a good letter from
Mr. Simmons to-day, enclosing
letters for the old man at Oak-Hill
& to the church here about him.
He says Von Zualer is not well,
has been studying too closely - I fear
he will not stand it here.
I must write him again -
Dr. A. has just been in our hall
talked about the state of the
churches at home & the work here.
I hope letters will be sent to the
three men in Hakka-land of whom
I wrote to the Advocate.

Tuesday June 12/88

Rainy during the night & windy
all day. I went to Swatow at 10 am.
C.C. was sea sick - it was rough -
Many men came in but not so
large an audience was present at
any one time as usual - I went to
buy an eraser for Mr. Campbell &
came back to find the preacher talk-
ing with a hardy boatman a fe-

liver who has not yet joined #3
any church. Some of his villagers
are members of the Presbyt. ch.

Jek. Sun was also talking with
a man who has been in for
several days is quite interested.

We had a rough passage back -
Mr. Campbell's man was in Swatow
& came back with us. He reported
their little boys as quite sick -
they are coming down in about
a fortnight - C.C. wants me
to take him to Fung-hai, a city
9 miles from here, in the large
boat. It is a hard place. A man
was down recently from that vicinity
I wanted him to go direct. He said
he wanted to "Phah-Mo-Kui Kai
Kok" - "Strike back spirits
Kingdom" i.e. "Assault the Kingdom
of Satan" - I doubt if we can
go before autumn. In the after-
noon did a little work then
we went to the Presbyt. mission
late in the afternoon. It was very
rough quite a sea splashed about

wet the Dr. a little. Mr. P. had ⁴⁴
his rubber coat on so it ran
off. Miss Ricketts a middle-aged
lady from the other mission came
back with us - Miss Hess had
invited us to her house for the
evening. They tried the game of
quotations. Each brought or was asked
to bring half a dozen. Others we
were to try to note the name of the
authors. I got the most - 16 out
of 30 - as it happened one or two others
were by the same author as some of
mine. The Dr. made a great deal
of fun for the company - by his
report. "Beakers in the strife" (a
Psalm of life) he attributed to John
L. Sullivan. Goethe's.

"Who never ate his bread in sorrow
Who never passed the darksome hours
Keeping & watching for the morrow
He knows you not ye unseen powers".
The Dr. assigned to Dr. Turner the
foster. One swallow does not make
a summer he thought was by an
old toper. "The dog it was that
did" - by "a Chinese author."

Mr. Bates' "Who shall reconstruct 45-
the fabric of demolished governments?"
He decided came from the Rep.
Party. When we gave in the no. of
Correct answers - he said he thought
nearly all of his were right so it
was decided the prize belonged to
him. It was my duty as next in
order to present him with a crown of
some sort of vine - He made a very
appropriate speech. Said how he
forgave all his school-teachers
for the whippings they had given him
in making him study - this honor
was the result of it & more than that
compensated for the pain. The winning
passed very pleasantly.

Wednesday June 13/88.

Rainy all night & a high wind.
Born Von Seelandorf had a narrow
escape last night - Coming up from
Double Island his boat capsized.
They righted it but could not get
the water out. So 6 of them stayed
there 3 hours nearly up to their necks
in water. They drifted up to a
little steam-launch a few rods
away from the Sugar-house wharf

They woke a man who sleeps over ⁴⁶
the machine shop who called me. Recalled
the man in charge - who got them
dry clothes & our boatman took them
across in our boat. He said the Baron
was so happy he did not die that
he gave his men \$4.00 to divide among
themselves. how much he got for
carrying them over he did not state.
I hope the Baron will not be ill
he has not been well for some time.
I have been rough all day - too bad in
the forenoon to go across & C.C. was
sick. I went to the Div. class, after
dinner read two hours steadily with
Mrs. P.'s teacher - made good progress.
She has not been well to-day -
It is muggy trying weather.
I have been eating sparingly and
feel nicely. This was the afternoon
for Union monthly progress meeting.
but it was so rough no one came
over Miss Ricketts wanted to go back
& I went over with her. It was as
much sea as I care to run in
with our boat. but we got over
& back safely - in half an hour -

Jim has one of my look-cases⁴⁷
nearly done and the desk well under
weight. All his men go off for a
heathen feast of four days duration.
So work stops. He was in high spir-
its. Gen'l Hung has sent for him
to come see about making some
furniture after foreign models -
He is a "Tai-jin" - "great man" in
the army - the man who subdued
the clan feeds here some decades
since by decapitating some thousands
of the belligerents. - The Chinese are
taking precautions against Cholera, they
hang little red flags on high poles by
day replaced by lanterns at night, they
are worshipping the gods profusely throw-
ing offerings into the sea burning pa-
per money & taking other similar
hygienic measures. If a fraction of
the money was applied to cleaning the
city they might feel tolerably safe.

Thursday May 4.

High wind sea again - but a
beautiful day. I attended Mr. P's
class at 9 A.M. & in the afternoon

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read a little in Acts with C.C.
also read - to him in the Romanised and
wrote out some copies of our alpha-
bet for him. It was a great
day for the Chinese - 5th day of the
5th month - Dragon Feast - It is
really the time of the Summer Solstice
that decides this date I presume although
it is earlier than the solstice. They
row the dragon boats such as I saw
at Am-Pou last winter and described.
Two of them were seen in the bay though
it was quite rough for them - they kept
close to the shore. In the evening
I tried to remedy a defect in Dr. A.'s
organ - some of the keys stuck & it
was also dirty - It was a long job.
Not entirely satisfactory.

- Friday June 15th -

This a.m. Dr. March of Woburn Mass
& Rev. Mr. Porter of Lexington
came on the German Steamer China having
left Hongkong. Wednesday - the roughest
time they have had since leaving
America. They are "Congo's" and
have been making an extended
tour of mission fields. They are a

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Peculiar tho' Mr. P. is a trifle dis-
ionated. I left Dr. A. talking with
Dr. March about missionary prospects.
Dr. A. had said the darkest shadow
he saw over the future was the danger
of reproducing types of Modern Christianity
by here in the East - & bringing old
theological conflicts to life here. I
imagine they have been at it ever
since - (2 1/2 hours) I have read in
Mark with Mrs. P.'s teacher, got
on well - This a.m. after breakfast I
tackled the organ again - got the
troublesome keys into working order
but another one now sounds when
ever the pedals are moved - but not
nearly as bad a defect as before. I
think I know the reason for it & shall
try again. It has rained again
this a.m. - 10 P.M. We were all
at Mrs. P.'s to tea & had a pleasant
company. Mr. Porter speaks German
& seemed to greatly enjoy talking
with Miss Hill in that tongue.
She left early to attend a prayer meeting
of the women - & Mr. P. Mr. Porter
& I went to the men's meeting which
was an excellent one. Then we went

to the house & passed an hour in ⁵⁰
Conversation - I had a talk with Miss
Fielde about Double Island & we
listened to Mr. Porter's descriptions of India
that worship - sang "Blest be the tie that binds"
Mr. Porter read Eph. III & offered prayer.
I have just seen him to the house
on the hill which he sleeps in to
night. In the morning we propose to
take an early walk & then breakfast with
Miss F. Dr. A. & Dr. March were in
consultation most of the evening. Dr.
M. said that in all his travels he
had not seen anything that struck
him so forcibly as this method of
training preachers i.e. by reading
Chapters of the Bible.

Saturday - June 16th

Rainy with high wind early in the
morning. After breakfast I took Mr.
Porter around "the plateau". & took a
nap afterwards. In the P.M. I fin-
ished up my letter to the California
Women's Missy Society. No steamer
came up from Hongkong so our guests
did not go. Their visit has been

most refreshing & has drawn out⁵⁷
Dr. Ashmun so that, we have much
that is interesting & profitable to hear.
The Dr. told two good stories of Chinese
shrewdness; one, ^{many} like Solomon - was called
on to decide as to the ownership of a
child. Instead of calling for a sword
he took his seat by a pool of water
told his servant to go into the house
get the child put it in a sack
& throw it into the pool. He came
out soon with the sack that showed
signs of great squirming & kicking
within & threw it into the pool.
One of the women stood still the
other jumped into the water and
pulled out the sack - which contain-
ed a large fish the mandarin had
provided beforehand & was ready-
ness in a tub. He then ordered the
child given to the woman who
jumped into the water. Another
astute bit of Chinese brainwork was
the case of a man consulted by a man-
darin who had lost his State Seal &
was in ~~his~~ great trepidation for it
would cost him his place. The wise

man asked the Mandarin if he sus-⁵ 2
pected anyone? Yes - his private Secre-
tary who probably wished his place
& hoped to injure him thus. Mollie
the wise-man. You arrange to have
an alarm of fire in your home when
servants whom you trust are about
who can serve as witnesses - Accordingly
the scheme was carried out, when
the private Sec'y was at home. The Man-
darin rushed about & brought out from
the next room the box in which the
gov't seal was kept. Handing it to
the Sec'y he said, "Here is this seal
of inestimable value to me - lest
it be destroyed in the fire I give it
into your keeping. Take it to your
house keep it safely & bring it
back when the danger is past to-
morrow" - this in the presence
his servants. The next day box &
seal came back.

Sunday June 14/88.

Rainy again - The Dr. preached
a very fine sermon from the
first few verses of Eph. II. I think
I had never fit than any sermon

I have yet heard Dr. M. P. 5-3
Each spoke for a few moments &
the Dr. interpreted for them. They
seemed much impressed by the ser-
mon & the Dr.'s wonderful command
of the language. I never heard him
preach better than he did to-day.
I went to Swatow at 11 - it was raining
a little as we started & as we came
back but not to do any harm. I had
rubber coat & blanket. There was
a fair attendance. C.C. preached from
John XI: on the resurrection & the
Descon from Acts X:32 - on the terms
of the gospel - After dinner I listened
for a time to Dr. March, ^{who} was giving
remembrances of New England & took a
nap before 4 P.M. service when
Cheung Sui preached on Acts I:8 - a
good sermon on the Holy Spirit.
I was interested in what Dr. M. said
of hearing a Buddhist in Canton hang-
ing an assembly giving them an adapt-
ation of the Prodigal Son. That was
Mr. Knapp's stronghold & from it he ar-
gued there was no need of an atonement.

Monday June 18 ⁵⁴

Clear & pleasant. We went to Swatow
at 10 - stopped a few moments at the
Haitaw to leave our guests' luggage
Mr. P. took Dr. March to the other
mission. I took Mr. Porter & the
office of Jardine Matheson & got
his ticket & thence to the Chapel. C. &
had a few men to talk with &
as news came in he got up on
the platform & addressed them. We
then went to the Prot. mission.
I missed Mr. P. & was invited to
dinner by Mrs. Lyall. After dinner
I was obliged to rush off for a boat
& come back to get my mail
off in time. Just succeeded, but
got also heated & was not good
for much the rest of the day. In
the evening I had a long & profita-
ble talk with Dr. Ashmun on
mission matters.

Tuesday June 19th

Clear & windy. Dr. A. was going
to Swatow at 8.30. I went also

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got to the Chapel about 9 o'cl -
I did some writing out of Romanizing
till 10 o'clock when the chapel was
opened & a great many came in.
Dr. A. came in & preached also
gave a forcible argument against
worshipping idols. ^{Yetter was his}
the Carpenter who makes them.
Going back in the boat the steers-
man shot across the bow of a
boat to the Dr's great disgust &
indignation. It is a superstition
that it is an omen of good luck
of bad luck to have your bows
crossed. Dr. A. says the same pr-
cise in Seon. Once a year ex-
pectations was starting out in gun
boats when a boatman started
out to cross in front of them.
They called out but he did not
hear or did not wish to. So
they sent small boats after him
brought him back & shot him.
It would have doomed the whole
expedition to bad luck if his
exploit had succeeded.
In the afternoon I did some work
& took a nap. Some from the

Presbyt. side & played Tennis at 5⁰⁰
5 o'clock. They bro't a note from Mr.
McKenzie urging me to preach, to which
I assented & after deliberating some time,
It is the last service of the season -
next year I hope to be advanced in
the language so as to do work among
the Chinese. Wednesday June 20th.

clear & beautiful but warm - 86°
I worked steadily in the forenoon on
Chinese looking up a lot of words
whose meaning I did not know -
after dinner I staid on my sermon.
Tried my organ a few moments. Found
it in bad condition, was obliged to
open it & tighten one of the valves
which stuck - after drying the
red-box half an hour I put it
together & it worked finely. Mr. P
used it at a rehearsal with the
boys & said it was better than
ever before. I worked on my
sermon for Sunday - Daniel II: 38.
V: 20 In the evening we had the
weekly prayer meeting at Mr. P.'s
led by him. He read some of the
prophecies of Christ's coming in the

Old Fest - a good meeting.
Thursday June 21st.

Sad news this morning - one of the young men Kim Hai, whose excellent recitations I have noted before was taken suddenly ill yesterday & died before morning. He had been home for a short time & hear from Leng-Hung. Eat too much fruit - in-^a - the tree-straw berry in particular & was attacked as soon as he got here yesterday. They took him to the hospital, he rallied, but had a relapse. I went to Sevaton at 9.30 - For some time no one came in, then an old man with one eye destroyed by a cataract, came in. He had come from Hong Kong. C.C. could not get satisfactory answers to questions about him. But the old man produced some papers from a pouch & handed us to read. One was a

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Copy of a printed official leave of
absence. Another a blotter, a card
+ a check for \$100,000.00 made out
to the King of Siam - signed by some
Chinese name. On the back writ-
ten - "The old man fool" - He was
anxious to know if any of these were
worth money. His presence attracted
a number more in a few moments
a very good audience had gathered.
They listened well. The preacher seem-
ed well pleased - one man he said
was somewhat touched by the truth.
In the afternoon I read with Ling Heng.
Possibly I may have him for a few
months - I had a little propa-
gatory sermon went to supper +
afterwards called at Miss Fielder's
with Mr. Jones P. She told a curi-
ous story reported by a Bible woman -
At a village up the river: A priest
reported (probably in order to get more
membership at the temple as tiger tracks
have been seen of late) that he had

a dream of 3 girls coming to³⁹
the temple this making a room
ready for them. The next day they
came he having been so impressed
by the dream as to prepare a woman in
advance. He surreptitiously looked
into the room & they had changed
themselves into tigers. The next a.m.
they departed as girls leaving 3 books
behind them. He kept the books
some time & then burned them.

The girls came back & demanded
the books - said they were lists
of people - names of those who were
devout not to be harmed - now
they must go about & destroy
anyone they found.

Thermometer 84° in Mr. P.'s
study at 8 a.m. -

Friday June 22nd

Warm again - 85° in the a.m.

I attended the Dr.'s class and
did some work in my study after
wards. After dinner I had a long talk

with Dr. A. about the matter of 60
teachers & some general facts about
the conduct of missions &c. I always
get valuable hints from his experience
in such talks. Long Heng came & I
read from the hymn-book & from Muk-
Jin I cannot work long at a time
in this weather. After that I attended
the rehearsal of hymns. - Miss Field
has an idol - that has been worship-
ped for years by a family that got
the Bible Woman supported by the
~~Hancock~~ ~~Assin~~ Seelgewick Band -
has been working among. One of the
other Bible-Women reports visit-
ing a ~~man~~ Buddhist convent to read
with the nuns. A lot of men had
taken possession of one room and
were drinking there. They came
out & asked her what she was doing
she told them. One of them said
he had heard that Christians were
very strong in the chest & he proposed
to pound her with a bamboo pole
till if her chest would give in -
she told him her doctrine was a
good one & that he should be

hymn-book - He asked for the ^{ay}
book - took it in & they held a
consultation over it. he brought it
back & he found they had been through
& blotted out the name of Jesus when
ever it occurred - a very good illustra-
tion of the progressive efforts of some
people in Christendom.

Another man was sick to-day - brother
of the man who died, but he did not
have Cholera - another has an ill-
turn - but nothing serious we hope.

The prayer-meeting to-night was a
good one - Dr A. led reading the
116th Ps. Few or more prayed - 10 gave
special thanks for the Experiences of
the past 3 mos. 7 a no. gave special
requests for prayer. Sat. - June 23

I started to finish up my sermon
but after going down to interview
Jimau. found that he would have one
of my book. Cases done & proceeded
to have the books for it wiped
& aired - It was fortunate as we
discovered the white ants had made

researches in Maudslow's Church history, ⁶²
Smith's Com. on Revelations & Robinson's
Lexicon. The bookcase is a
neat durable one, in height & general
plan like Father's largest one, but
with a single drawer below - & only
3 ft in width. It cost but $2^{\frac{00}{100}}$ or $3^{\frac{00}{100}}$
more than two narrow ones more
than one wide one & the two can
be placed in almost any room to
advantage are more easily handled
The case of ants or worms getting in
they can be more easily managed.
Jinn's skill was also used to
mend my organ - one of the sup-
ports was made of separate parts
glued together & they naturally suc-
cumbered to the climate. But I
managed to get some time to
finish my sermon - did not do
much else - The day was pleasant.
I took a nap in the P.M.

Sunday June 2nd 18th.

Raining in torrents - but a little
hill as we went to breakfast -

The Dr. preached from John III:19 sq. ⁶³

I could understand nearly all of it, & it was an excellent sermon closing with an exhortation to preachers & Bible workers - "no matter what time, no matter what region, no matter what place, no matter what man, you must make brightness (i.e. let your light shine)."

It was raining so hard, & no boat came from the other mission, that I came near staying home from Chapel but was glad to go as several were there.

Mrs. Hill has just recovered from a dangerous illness after the birth of her little boy, & was there with her husband & brother, governess & children, also

Mrs. Wilkinson, who plays the organ & Miss Francis, governess at Mrs. Allison's. Mr. Anderson, Miss

Hess. I made the service short & read from Daniel III 31-45 & IV-

19-37. Preached from the last clause of II:38 - "Thou art this head of gold." & V:20. "When

his heart was lifted up ⁶⁴
and his mind hardened in pride
he was deposed from his Kingly
throne & they took his glory from
him:

Datus. N. s greatness - the text puts
him at the head of all the great
world empires - first & best - greater
than Alexander & the Caesars - History
and Archaeology & the
make him a great man great in
war & peace - "the greatest builder
of ancient or modern times" - etc.
He fell in pride -

Explanation
- As the figure of a man was used to
illustrate the history of Kings, so the
history of this King can illustrate
the history of man -

I

Man's Kingdom & Man's fall.

a man was created last object of
all the rulers of the earth

cf Gen. I: 28 & II: 15 & cf. with Dan. II: 37-38.

6 man fell through pride - cf Gen. III: 6
& was shut to till the ground from
which he came - ^{deposed from} his Kingly throne

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this glory taken from him," he
must die & fight for life.

* In spiritual things he was also
deposed - before he communed with
God directly - and a veil interposed)
Pride has cursed the earth - Cain's
pride was touched when he slew his
brother - & man has since then
written the history of the world
in his bro.'s blood. The Bible is
full of denunciations of pride
see - Is. XIV 12-19. (Babylon)

Ezek. XVI: 49-50 - (Sodom) XXVIII: 2 sq.
(Tyre). & so is history full of his
judgments on the proud as upon
Rome - & on Napoleon -

"Those that walk in pride he is
able to abuse."

* In spiritual things this fall is
slow in years groping in the dark
ignorant & yet proud.

II

Man wishes to ^{try} gain his throne.
I What is man's way to gain his

So Nineveh - of songs of triumphs in the Bible - raising of the lowly - putting down of the proud - Song of Miriam Deborah. Hannah & the Magnificent - This Song of Mary recalls the legend of "King Robert of Sicily" - In these are the words of Elihu to Job - (xxix. vs. 17-29-39) ^{you see the reasoning with lesson} God's dealing with us that ~~may~~ ^{some} harsh may be needed to hold us back from pride -

This throws great light upon the mystery of the incarnation esp. 3rd + John xix: 15 - Christ saw man fallen yet proud - to lift him up he deposed himself from his kingly throne & put his glory from him - to work out man's redemption. Show him that before honor is humility & provide the supreme test of human character willingness to submit & accept

A crown of life as a free gift ⁶⁸
of sovereign grace.

Conclusion - As this is the last service
of the season what better message
can be brought to us than - Is. LVIII:15

Rev. III:21 - Hymn: "When I survey
The wondrous cross" -

This commonality in heathen re-
ligions & false systems of a recent date
I believe is a line of study for "Com-
parative Religions" worth of time
& thought. I hope to be able to look into
it. I enjoyed working up this sub-
ject from Daniel one's good prompt.

In the evening we had a talk from
the Dr. on the ordinances that was one
of the best he has given us. He
sketched the Ecclesiastical history of
it. Then proposed to translate 2:13
"into" in every case - making the
ordinances typical of the believers
union with Christ & so with the Father
& the Spirit - He made a grand
exposition of the Israelites being

baptized into Moses. when they⁶⁹
truster their all in him & plunged
into "the cloud in the sea" & when
God dealt with Moses as with
them all. after this baptism they
rec'd the bread from heaven & the water
from the Rock. the true order of the
ordinances - Monday. June 25/88.

Rain again in torrents - from before
sunrise till after 9 a. m.
I read a little in Mark with King
Henry & attended the Dr's class. He was
working to get the ideas of entering heaven
by grace & by works clearly into
their minds so they would fully com-
prehend the difference. They gave all
sorts of explanations - some good.
At the close he questioned them
about the significance of all
this special heathen piety at
this time. Some said it was to
propitiate the Potlence Demons but
now regarded it as an appeal
to Thi' - Ti - Pe - Bo' - "Heaven -
Earth - Father Mother" - Olling

the Law Lai to be helpless they 70
look to a higher power.

I was very sleepy after the exercise
& took a long nap. Was a trifle drowsy -
we - have not been getting to bed early
enough of late & the heat along with
this made me feel the need of sleep.
Am feeling much better - have written
this journal for 3 days & shall do
some more writing -

Tuesday. June 26/88

Rain all night - the most soaking
night yet. Tho' I did not hear
much of it - slept too soundly.
This a.m. I did an hour work
with L. Hing on Mark & attended
Mr. P.'s class. He explained
the planetary system with an
orvery. The old man from Pak-
See - Hap-pak has come and
a young man with him who had
heard the gospel at Chong-lok -
The old man Lai-Pak & his two
brothers from Ko Pi promised to be

Here to-morrow - I have been
getting a few facts about the boy
J. Binn who was baptized last
Communion - A Mr. & Mrs. Heath
in Chicago wish to give \$25.00 per
year for supporting a boy in the
schools & sent word to me about it.

In the afternoon I did some
satisfactory work with Lung Heng
on reading Chinese & went to prayer
meeting at 4 P.M. led by Po-San
He took the Holy Spirit as the
subject & spoke well - a number
of others read similar passages & com-
mented on them well. The prayers
were all in that line. The men
show a good spirit.

Thursday June 27-

Prayer meeting at 7 A.M. led by
Bui Chien who read II Tim. II:7.
It was an excellent meeting & followed
the line of yesterday's the need to work
of the Holy Spirit. One of the older
men read the 14th of Luke vs 17-20
& spoke briefly as he referred to

our names being written in Heaven.⁷²
he made a gesture, pointing upwards
with his hand, that was very affecting.
I have not seen any little things that
impressed so deeply with the difference
between the hopes of the Christians
& the Chinese. It contrasted strongly
with the poles & flags across the bay.
I have been studying with L. H.
shall not attend the Dr.'s class -
It is a warm & rather steamy day.
This P. M. the boys school are examin-
ed. 9.20 P. M. As the Fokien
was going down I made sure of
getting my letters to Hong Kong in
time for the City of Peking, by fire
ishing my mail to-day - sent a
letter home & one to Chicago about
a boy in the school they wish to
support - also sent a card to Van Kirk
about the work in Rangoon - they
want him to take. Dr. March says
that the English Church there ought
to support its own preacher.
The prayer meeting to-night was
postponed one week as we are having
so many services.

I got a little ice at the machine shop & used it to cool myself to good effect & then got a most refreshing nap. I went down to the Hak-Ka mission-house in Kak-Chieh & found Juiaw has my other book-case done & the desk will be finished by Fri. or Sat'y. He has been making them in the lower rooms of this house. his shop being too cramped - To-morrow I expect the Campbells goods - Thursday June 28th

The Campbells goods all came this a.m. After making an hour with Lung Heng I went down to see if they were all right & if I could render any assistance. They had a safe journey - are looking a little worn by the heat - the children are not well - They have been over to see the Dr. to-day. I returned & went into the class, found the Dr. setting forth the matter of ordaining new Elders. The men have some peculiar ideas about the position

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duties of an ordained man.
A. had talked with them about
the matter & questioned two of them par-
ticularly. He was convinced they were
combining to thwart the movement.
Their objections & questions were very
plausible & some subtle but he
brought them up with a round turn.
They asked if a man of high character
& special qualifications was not needed
none of them seemed to dare undertake
the office. He asked if preaching the
gospel did not demand just as high
a character. If they were not fit for
one they were not fit for the other.
Why then had they been preaching all
these years? He gave them some
very plain talk which he said
might drive some of them away -
but he did not care if it did.
They must not be allowed to
combine contrary to the interests of
the church. They showed signs
not much later of a better state
of feeling. At 2 P.M. came the
baptist school examination. They had

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studied the gospel of John & could
begin anywhere in it & repeat it
verbatim et literatim. - Some of them
had also studied Exodus - One of them
got eloquent over the flight out
of Egypt. I doubt if a class of boys
at home would stand such an
examination. Each one came out
& stood behind a little table facing
the audience which half-filled
the chapel. Langkims was one
of them & did well. After that
I did a little work in arranging
my books in the case Jennan brought
this a.m. - read the rest of Mark 8th.
At 4 P.M. came the regular meeting.
One of the preachers led & spoke a few
moments - Then Dr. A. gave an expo-
sition of Dan. II - the image -
& followed the history down making
it vivid & graphic - he set forth
the Catholic Church with great
clearness. - Old Hap-Grak listened
with fixed attention - hope it did
him good.

Friday - June 29th 1888

Hot. Mr. Campbell was in and
said he understood that was
satisfied about the Catholics. He
would have nothing more to do
with them - hope it will prove
so. - At 10 - a.m. after an hour's
study on marks I went to the
Chapel to hear the preacher &
Bible women give their account
of the ~~work~~ ^{3 mos.} work - a most
vivid & varied narrative than
usual - they only got partway
through in an hour & a half -
Then I repaired to read my mail -
a most welcome tho' long de-
layed one - 4 letters from home
& 8 others - one from Aunt Annie
one from Mrs. Lincoln N.H. from
Mr. H. Brunel in Portland from
the Secy of the Young Men's class
in Springfield - from Ed. Goodwin
Van Kirk - (also his wedding cards)
from E.A. Mason - & a pkg of
seeds from Aunt Annie.

It was a great delight to get ⁷⁷
such good news from home
& the reports of places where I had
sent letters & pamphlets were fa-
vorable - Much more so than from
the Washington Expedition -
I am now than ever convinced
that if missions to the heathen
are pushed beyond the boundaries
of the Anglo-Saxon race it will
be because a cry comes up from
the wilderness - The people at
home are so busy saving our
beloved country that the same
spirit affects the A B Mill they
talk only of strengthening the stations
they already had. After dinner
Mr. Partridge performed some
experiments in Electricity for the
benefit of the people which delighted
them. I need Chinese another hour
& then was obliged to take a nap then
felt nicely since - An interesting
incident of Mr. P.'s experiments
was the Chinese application of the
telegraph he had two Morse Instru-

ments over at the end of 78
the room - they tried signalling
acc. to a code of raps used by
them in calling for servants or
otherwise communicating & made
a success of it. Saturday June 30/88
Quite warm again - This
a.m. I went down again to
Prod Joraw about the desk -
found it very warm - now I
am writing on a part of the
desk the men will soon be here
with the rest of it -

This forenoon I read Chinese a
little - am to have Lung Hung
one month - as all the preachers
are to be at their homes for
one month while heat and
cholera are bad. At 2 P.M.
came the business meeting -

Elder Do. San presided & a
sent by his elbow but said
very little. Several attended

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a better one. They voted on 4
cases of discipline - to ban a little
longer with one brother - to refer
the others to respective Committees.
They voted aid to a poor sister in
Swatow. There were nine candidates
present. To my surprise the young
man from Onk was one of
them. All had been before the Com-
mittee - but they question all very
closely on points of doctrine and
what they will do in case of per-
secution at home. Two were women.
one of whom has been disowned
by all her family. As the exami-
nation was over a young man
came in dressed in a sleeveless
blue jacket + short blue trou-
sers. He was the brownest
man I have seen yet - had an
unkept appearance. but his
experience was excellent & he
has a splendid physical basis

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after the candidates were questioned
Chiang Sui read the results of their
consultation on marriage contracts, service
& burial ceremonies. They voted to have
copies put up in the chapels - copies
of the burial service - Then they voted
\$5.00 for cholera-medicine to be taken
out by the preachers - The whole meet-
ing was but an hour and a half -

My book binder came to see a-
bout repairing the damage done
by white-ants - & my desk also came.

Sunday July 1st

Quite warm - Meeting at 7 a. m. to
vote on candidates - All were received
but some of the school-boys -
Baptism at 9. in the pool in the center
of the Compound - at 10 o'clock the
Dr. preached on the glory of Christ -
He had no earthly glory - this was
illustrated by referring to all the
Chinese ambitions & sources of repu-
tation. His glory was real - it
lay in his "self-change" his inward

disposition, that which manifests it-
self in outward life - this was made
effective by using a Chinese saying
"Jin - ngũ - li - ti - sin". "Benevolence,
righteousness - truth, wisdom, faith",
their classification of the cardinal vir-
tues - He showed that in all of these
Christ excelled all other models -

- 2. "Chò - sũ" - his deeds -
- 3. "Chian" "lâu Kâu Kok" - his future
Kingdom -

The most masterly stroke
of the whole to my mind was the last -
that if we obey & follow him, all
this glory will be ours - This was
developed by representing the figures
used in II Cor III: 18. of the mirror
+ our being changed into the same
image from glory to glory as by the
Lord the Spirit - I have not seen

the Dr. so stirred since he spoke to
us at Newton. Has had great dif-
ficulty in controlling his feelings -
The Chapel was full & the singing was
especially good - the last hymn was
'Around the throne of God in heaven' &
the Chorus. 'Glory, Glory &c' it was really

inspiring. I spent most of the time 82
before 2 P.M. preparing for the Commu-
nion. Mr. Campbell I went to lead.
He was not sure whether he would say
anything or not. but he read in Hak-
Kia - from I Cor. XI. 23-24. I repeated
the two or three following verses - got
somewhat flustered by a supposed
bad mistake - but the Dr. thought
I got on well. Mr. Campbell near having
a scene before the service. Two men
came one who was under discipline
& one who deserved it. The first is a
gumulous deaf old man - bald
with a cane fastened on with a black
band of cloth. He had been seen
gumbling & was labored with by
the brethren & finally promised not to
repeat the offence. The other man
was not so easily quieted - He is a
doctor - a stout persistent fellow
& insisted on getting in talking to the
whole audience - The Dr. finally
went & took hold of him & if he
did not shake him gripped him
firmly by the shoulder & made him
keep quiet while the audience was

brought in. He had been ac-⁸³
cused of complicity in some "Huang
Chiu" - spiritualistic - rites - Under-
stood that he did own up & make
promises for the future so that he was
restored - but his spirit was not as
subdued as it might be - Dr. A
gave the hand of fellowship to
the 6 candidates. It was a most inter-
esting sight. The two women came
first, then an elderly man a solid
heavily built man. next was
a boy - grandson of a staunch old
Church member. The Dr. took the
man's hand in both of his & then
holding his still with his right
left hand gave his right to the
boy joining the young and old.
He did the same with the two
young men one from a village
in this district & one from Pak-
kes. Then was a short prayer meet-
ing in the evening. The Campbells
came up in the evening and we
sang a few hymns. Mr. C. is
quite unwell - he took cold the
place here is so windy - his much
reduced in strength - but hope he

will be all right soon. Monday July 2 - 84

Mr. Campbell was in during the forenoon - he seems no worse, but has a cough. Mr. Postledge is not well. it is the anniversary of his last year's attack. He is much reduced in strength - hope he will rest & keep quiet - but he needs to go home, I don't doubt. I have done some work on Chinese morning & afternoon - took a nap after the later session - I enjoy studying with Leng Hing. He is well acquainted with the Scriptures and is quick to catch suggestions. He also is good in giving synonyms & Equivalent phrases. This P.M.

A note come from the Baron inviting us over to dinner July 4th. It has been very warm to-day in Swatow the hottest day of the season - but I have not suffered. The breeze to night is cool enough to be refreshing.

I had an encouraging word to-day about my preaching a week ago to the little handful of people at the English Chapel. Mrs. P. called on

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Mrs. Hill, who told her it
seemed to be a very small audience
but it would have been profitable
if only one was there. as the sermon
was helpful to her. Tuesday July 3rd

Warm again. but my grass cloth
shirt & coat help me to keep comfortable.
At 9.30 I went to Swatara.

with the Elder & L. H. A great crowd
was present at the chapel - One
Son of Belial was very noisy & talked
back in bad language. They
kept him in check much of the
time but another fellow chimed in
with him so that they had some
trouble in getting a hearing. Most
of the people listened well - No gave

away a no. of leaflets at the close.
It was hot but I did not mind
it much. After dinner the

Carpenter came to fit the book
case to my desk. and could not
do much studying till he was
'finished' as the pidgin English faith
I read with L. H. till a little.
after 4 P.M. - when I was obliged
(to take a nap.)

map for 25 minutes - The arrangements had been made for going to the other side at 5 P.M. Dr. A. & Miss Hildes & myself were to be invited to tea by Mrs. Lyall. We had a good sail over & a social pleasant time there - Dr. A. got some valuable information regarding Burmah as the "back-door to China". An acquaintance of Dr. Lyall's (or some one whom he heard of, a man who was on the survey of a projected R.R. from Bhamo to Sa-li-foo) says it is an impracticable scheme - The route must be over a wild mountainous region over passes 6000 ft above the level of the sea. It is infested by predatory tribes that levy black mail on travelers & traders. A R.R. 600 miles long difficult of construction would be needed to make a distance of 200 miles - from Bhamo to Sa-li-foo - The more practicable Entrance to Yunnan Province

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The other parts of So. China
is to connect with the road now
projected from Bangkok North
through Siam - Hence the impor-
tance of maintaining our Siamese
mission - There are plenty of front
doors to China, the American Bap-
tists fight shy of most of them -

Wednesday July 4th

Warm enough for the "Glorious"
day at home - but no shower. We
let off no fire-crackers - if we
had probably it would have been
regarded as a prevention of Cholera -
I studied in the A.M. After dinner
L.A. went to Ani Pou to conduct
the prayer meeting. I did some
writing & at 6.45 - went to the
Bazaar - had an elegantly - set
table - huge flower-piece in the
center, other smaller pieces, & lines
of green leaves following the shape
of the table about one foot from

the edge with an occasional turn
 about some dish of vase of flowers.
 The Am. flag hung at one end of the
 room. There must have been 5 or
 10 courses in all I think all nicely cooked
 soup, fish, chicken in several forms
 likewise half-mutton, ham. & asparagus
 ager - two kinds of pudding - The Bar
 on proposed the health of the Prince,
 which was drunk standing - very
 inconvenient for me, for besides
 having only cold water to drink it
 in the punchbowl hit my head
 at every swing - the same when
 we stood up for the ladies to leave
 before the cigars were brought. I sat
 between Mr. Campbell and Young
 Nilson of the Customs Service, with
 whom I had some profitable con-
 versation on that service and
 on the subject of studying lan-
 guage. Mr. Matchett sat the
 other side of Mrs. Campbell and
 entertained her with accounts of
 his wonderful increase in weight
 since coming to Swatow, his
 fondness for shooting, &c. &c.

(* 75 lbs in less than 3 yrs)

I endeavored to mediate somewhat sq-
in the conversation on that side.
After dinner they had a little singing
Miss Hess Mrs. Putridge & Miss Camp-
bell sang a few American songs -
Mr had "America" - we sang "S. S. 7.
S. S. hymn. the English sang "God
save the Queen" & the Barn sang
German or Austrian words.
He sang also "Watch on the Rhine"
& several other German pieces. he
has a strong rich voice.
We got home rather late.
Thursday July 5th

Miss Field took cold & had a
bad throat. I went to Swatow with
Mr. Campbell to sign new applications
for passports. The law has been
changed recently new blanks made
out & lost but not least the fee
reduced from \$5.00 to \$1.00 gold. So we
rec'd back each for \$5.32 in this
currency. Exchange is very high now -
has been as high as 1.37 within a
month. - We did not have time
to visit the chapel. The Elder
Thompson went there had a small
audience to talk with. In the first

part of the afternoon I read Chinese. To
then went to Double Island. We had a
good sail down - but had about load-
15 in all. The stersman had the af-
frontery to take along a "fun" of his - who
was in the way about managing the
boat. I used all the scolding words
in my vocabulary upon him after
we reached the island & told him I
should refer it to Mr. Partridge who
knew him & his paymaster. These Chi-
nese will override you in every
way possible if you do not look
out for them. If you do not happen
to be the one who pays them you are
not regarded as worthy of as much con-
sideration. We had a good time at
the Island which is a grand place &
will desert it at length some time.
I hope the day is coming when we
can have a Sanitarium there. The
water was fine for a bath. We got
home between 9. & 10 P.M. I felt
well but woke in the night
with a distressed feeling - took
dose of "pain-killer" - which is good
for stomach-troubles. Slept a
little & woke feeling sick again

noticed a tendency to bowel trouble & I
took a few Vinorum pellets - however
less at any rate. The third time I
felt worse pain began to mount to
my head my nerves to be shaky, hands
tremble &c. the only resort was a bottle
of cholera medicine & 15 drops of that
acted like a charm. I went to sleep.
I probably got a slight chill &
little indigestion combined.
Friday - July 6th.

Woke feeling very weak stayed in
bed till the middle of the afternoon
did not want to eat anything & did
not eat but a spoonful or two each of
milk & beef-tea & a square inch of
toast. My strength kept increasing
& by 3 or 4 P.M. I got up & dressed
read a little. Dr. Couland called
for me to go to sail with him
instead made a professional call
& gave directions as to diet.

Saturday July 7th
Slept 9 or 10 hours last night - have
been up all day done some read-
ing & got my mail off - also mit-

Satis - 11-20 A.M.

My dear Father, I send this fearing
we shall have no steamer down Sunday.
This has been a warm week, & we
have been about more than usual. Tues
Dr. A. Miss. F. & I were invited to tea at
Dr. Hyalls. Wed. Ev'ing - to dinner at
the Barons. When we had a small dinner
I do not remember how many courses -
I did not eat very much. Eight other
foreign residents were invited at the time pleas-
antly. Thursday P.M. I went to Double Island
Miss Fells had been planning a party for
some time, but she was ill with a bad
cough & could not go. The Campbells
went. took the children from bath. Miss
Hess has been visiting the Presbyterian
brinds at their Sanatorium & come up
the day before to attend the Barons
dinner party. We started at half past
three - went down in an hour - saw the
place & took a bath. The water was
delightful. I hope the time will come
when this mission can have a house
there. They keep us so "shorthanded"
here that it is necessary to have
some means of recruiting strength.
They would as our steamer to tea though

My brought lunch to take in the boat. At
8. o'cl. we started back, all except Miss
Hess who is to stay some 10 days longer.
I must have gotten a little chill coming
up or enter something that disagreed
with me for I had quite an ail-torn
during the night. Fortunately had some
medicine at hand that was effective,
& got to sleep. Yesterday I kept quiet
got 9 or 10 hours sleep last night &
feel all right to-day. Miss F. I
hear is better - & Mr. Campbell is
taking care of his cold. Mr. Partridge
is recovering his strength & prospects
are generally brighter - do not worry
at all about us. Possibly you will
see Dr. Ashmun in a few months.
With much love to yourself & most
of all the relatives & friends.

Affectionately your Son
John M. Foster

ten up - this journal that was a few ¹²
days behind - have eaten nice chicken
& a pudding like blanc-mange -

It has been warm - a magnificent red
sun-set - Dr. Coulson was over
again to see Mr. Campbell & Miss
Fulde. She is still in bed -
Mr. C. he thinks, will not be well
of his cold cough for some days -
he thinks my trouble due largely
to neglect of exercise, says he suffered
from dyspepsia the first time he
came.

Sunday - July 8th/88

Hot. Slept well last night & have
dozed during the day - read in
Stalker's Life of Paul & Memorials

of a quiet life - did not go to
the chapel - This evening called
on the Campbells - They are
better - Mr. C. feels much im-
proved. It is a warm night
the perspiration stands on my
hands as I write - Monday - July 9th
still hot - I slept very well and
feel in good spirits to-day.

Ja-nan is man come to finish⁹³
my desk's book-case - & the little
genius himself came up later - I got
his drawings of my desk & cases to send
home - They are about as made,
save 3 drawers instead of 4 at the
right & they 1/3 narrower - Instead of
a frame to drop, as a truck I have
a door so that the whole case is
inside - The wood is nearer chest
nut than blk walnut in color, but
no grain more like the latter.

The making of desk was \$9⁵⁰ - of two
book cases - 17⁰⁰ including glass, hinges
& pine for inside work - He is making
a tennis-racket with Chinese "beef-
tendon" (such as they use for snapping out
cotton to make wadding) for 50¢

I use what vocabulary & lessons I have
in stirring him up on his neglect
of the gospel & sometimes he seems
to be stirred. If anyone would like
an individual heathen to pray for he
is a good one. Needy would be an
earnest, active, useful Christian man.
This week he will give me a plan
for my standing desk. He also will
begin a new story for the boys schoolhouse.

9-15- I have done some work on
church besides getting my mail off
to-day - took a nap before supper and
feel better than for nearly a week.

The wind is fitful & the steersman
was up to see if the boats ought
not to be taken around to Sumner
quarters for fear of a typhoon. We have
no sheltered place here - but it is
clear starlight & the barometer had not
yet gone very low - Miss Hilder's

throat & head is very painful - she
has great difficulty in swallowing -
Some of the students are having difficulty
with their feet & limbs - It may be

barri - berri - a disease that
has given them great trouble & con-
vinced them to send the boys & girls
home from the schools in the
other mission - Probably the stu-
dents will go away to some of the
different stations for a time change
of place will often remedy the

trouble - Tuesday July - 10th 1888
Harm but a fine breeze blowing
church in town - + part of the after

noon - also write some cards 95
+ put up some papers to send by
to-day's steamer. I enjoy my
work with Lengsting - find my
interleaved copies of the gospels
a great ~~well~~ - help - Mr. Campbell
is calling on me - his cough is
bad.

Wednesday - July 11/88

Hot as yet - Chinese this fore-
noon - got on fairly well - In the
afternoon read a little took a few
minutes nap - did a little writing &
went to the prayer-meeting - Union
meeting - at Mr. Campbell's - Eight
were over from the other side.
Dr. A led reading from Matt. 12 -
His subject was the gradual loss
of human receptivity of faith -
demanding more evidence as time
goes on but becoming more and
more sceptical - a rather slow meet-
ing - but good. Besides the counsel-
lors on our side of the bay, Miss
Starkness is just recovering from
an illness. Dr. Cousland has a

firmly bail on the end of his 96
nose and Dr Lyall's hands are
all blisters with carbolic acid that
he got on by accident. But we look
hopefully for a better state of things.
I am preparing to interleave my
Lynx book quite enjoyed work-
ing at it a little to-day. I am plan-
ning to put in the partitions in my
desk-drawers myself -

Thursday - July 12/88

8-50 P.M. Just back from a call on
the Campbells - the walk after sup-
per is a good thing - He lent me the
Public Opinion containing Blaine's
final letter of withdrawal which I
have just read to Dr A. He is grow-
ing interested to see Harrison selected
as Cleveland seems to pander to the
Catholics. The wind is cooler
to-night & the clouds indicate a low.
The young moon holds the old moon
in her arms also - I was gazing at
three supra-mundane objects on my
way down the hill & looked down to
see a snake wriggling across my
path. He got away as I had not

lost no snake" I did not fear the 94-
Yushes and bamboos for him.
This has been a hot day - Thermometer
88° in Mr. P.'s study - but that is not
the same as 88° on our front piazza.
I do not suffer much of any from the
insolation of heat - but it is hot. As
I write my hands are damp with
perspiration - One cannot work steadily
as at home, though I am accomplishing
considerable - make good progress in read-
ing Mark & get considerable in conversa-
tion with L.H. - I amuse myself a
little with odd jobs - putting in the
portions of my desk etc. This is a
"red (read) letter" day - mail day -
papers - 2 letters from home giving
among other things accounts of the rag-
baby "91" - a letter from Mr. Lane of
Boston & one from Mill Gibbs. Very
glad to get them & to hear good news
from home. Our next mail is ex-
pected in H.K. Monday -
Friday - July 13

86° this a.m. in Mr. P.'s study.
The Dr. told us about some of his
conversations with Chinamen and

their indications of various 98
sorts. He says he suspects that
way down in the depths of a China
man's heart there is something that
may lead him at times to mislead
another or perhaps say what is not
exactly so - He said once Dr. Dean
was much provoked by the crafty
dodges & tricks of men with whom
he was dealing & the failures of the church
members. & Tui one of the preach-
ers at that time said - "Well, Teacher,
you must remember that a China-
man's heart is ch him-chai

(deep-vary) - Dr. A. says there
are several of them done up in one
bundle and you must take into
account which one is at the front,
this time. Mr. & Mrs. P. took a sail
to Double Island as the boat was going
down for Miss Hess, who came back
feeling much refreshed by the change.
She is now obliged to be with Miss
Fields all the time - Miss F. is worse
to-day. Her throat is badly swollen

and very painful - The Dr. was 99
was to-day & lanced the swelling a-
gain - It will, he says, form an ab-
cess & then break probably - She
is feeling weak & nervous - Cannot
talk. The operation to-day of lancing
Miss St. said, was very painful -
The question of exercise is getting to
be a serious one. If I play tennis
it gets me too heated for supper & if
I do not, it is hard to get up enthusi-
asm over clubs &c. Dr. Couland
recommends a canoe & is going to
loan me his for the present -

Saturday - 9-20 P.M.

I tried the canoe this afternoon and
had a first rate row - felt better
after it than for a long time -
Mr. Kerr has kindly let me have
the privilege of storing the boat
in the sugar-refinery & the carriage
in his machine shop so I am all
provided for apparently - This has
been an easy Saturday. At breakfast
Miss Hess reported Miss Field's

much better. The swelling in her ¹⁰⁰ throat broke and brought great relief. I called after breakfast - was surprised to find her showing the effects of the illness so much - I had chosen an hour with good results - have done a little more work on my desk & a little desultory reading - rec'd to-day the Nat-Mail of April 24 - March 2nd & 8th - they slipped out of the cover & languished in the H.K. P.O. We are "behind the bars" - to-night typhoon - bars - The great heat for some days has been a threatening sign - the air has been close & muggy - the barometer has dropped two tenths, the roaring of the sea has been audible - all sounds are distinctly heard at an unusual distance and to-day the tide has been very high all day - a strong back current from some quarter. Now the wind is howling & moaning by turns - strong & fitful gusts

come whirling in at any open
 door or window - We have strong
 wooden bars to put over blinds
 & windows - I called at Miss F.'s
 a moment after tea found they were
 getting ready for a typhoon - Miss F.
 is getting on slowly - she is much
 interested in a Sanitarium at the
 Island - & considering that a week
 ago yesterday 4 members of the mission
 were in bed - Mr. Partridge just get-
 ting on his feet - Miss Hess at the
 Presbyterian Sanitarium & Dr. Johnson
 planning his trip home as Secretary.
 there is some ground for argument.

Sunday July 15th

The wind surged and roared
 all night. I woke several
 times & it would have been
 easy to imagine myself a-
 gain in my cabin on the Belgie
 But only the edge of the typhoon
 has come to us - my room

was so dark I mislapt. ^{thought} ^{10 1/2}
it was about 6.30 or 7.1. in
when it was 8.30 - had 25
minutes to take a bath put
on clean clothes go to Mr. P.'s
"Eat something" & get to Chapel -
did it - The Dr. preached from
Rev. VII - 3 divisions in the
chap. 1 - what John saw & said
2 - what the Angel said
3 - what Jesus said -

He referred to vs. 2 interpret
it as connected with the 12
apostles and the doctors they
taught - which & which only
could heal the # troubles of
nations and individuals.

Confucius & his doctrines could
not, no other system could.

He dwelt on the blessedness
of hearing & made an ex-
cellent point against the Custom

olics - who make the people
 worship many of the apostles -
 & they also direct them to kneel
 to the priests. The last point
 was also good on the duty fall
 to call others & the purity of char-
 acter. Afterwards he read
 or rather translated an article in
 the Chinese Recorder an account
 of persecuted Christians testifying
 before a magistrate. which
 interested the people - A tremen-
 dous rain-squall came up &
 prevented our going home at once
 I read the article above mentioned
 & was pleased to see that my under-
 standing of the Dr's Chinese was in
 the main correct. Miss Hess
 reported Miss Fells as much-
 better - had a good night rest

is able to be up & dressed ¹⁰⁴ this
a.m. As soon as the sun had
set - I came home - had a good
talk with the Dr. about work
here. He advises me not to be
in a hurry to leave a part of
the field assigned to me before
I have been here two years. - to
help in every way I can but
to get a full knowledge of the
men & their peculiarities before
taking charge. He especially
believes in putting the churches
more & more on their own resources
make them look after themselves
& keep the preachers at evangel-
istic work. - 6-30 - P.M.

after dinner I called at Miss Field's
found her looking brighter - she told
me an incident that illustrates Chinese
shrewdness so aptly it is worth writing
down - Her "boy" Ah-Mu. (soon) has
been in her employ a long time.

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when she lived in the house now oc-
cupied by Miss Hens. He & his wife both
had rooms there. He came to her one
day to consult with her about the mar-
riage of his wife's mother - (Miss F. says
they seem to regard her as an oracle on
that subject & come to get her opinion.)
Said mother-in-law was a nurse in the
family of Dr. Gould of the Presbyt. Mission
was a member of that church and propos-
ed marrying an elderly member of that
church. Miss F. asked various questions
why he had any hesitancy about the
affair - if he was not a sober industrious
man of suitable age etc. Ah - Um said
yes - he was so far as they knew, but
it was not always considered respect-
able among the Chinese for a woman
with children settled in life to marry
again - But Miss F. said she saw
no reason why it was not a perfectly
right & reasonable arrangement.
"Well", Ah - Um said, "my prefer she should
not come to live with us, & perhaps it
will be a good affair." That after-
noon Miss F. went to call at Mrs.
Gould's & to her surprise saw this

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Some Ah-Uu this wife Each grasp-
ing a hand of said mother-in-law -
pulling at the poor old woman who was
weeping loudly. Ah-Uu was vociferating
that she should come and live with
her children - "Come live with your
children!" being the burden of his cry while
the affectionate daughter was likewise
demonstrative. About them in a ring
stood all the Chinese servants in the
compound & a no. of others attracted
in from the street. Miss F. did not
interfere but went home to summon the
young ^{man} into her presence - & a dialogue
like the following ensued -

Miss F. - I saw you ~~you~~ have been
in my service and of yr. how I
have tried to teach you manners -
hoped you had learned a little - I was
over at Saturday to-day & saw your
performance. Do you think that
was at all in accordance with man-
ners to go to another missionary's
grounds and raise such a disturbance
as that?

Ah-Uu (who said that he was cornered)
will - to tell you the truth Sin-Si

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Nic - (Teacheress) - If my mother-in-law had been married quietly with
word from her children - she would
not have had any éclat at all -
But now we have been there and
tried to urge her to live with us and
now she will have great éclat -
people will say, "she had children
to take care of her" but she thought
it better to marry this man.
If we had not gone they would have
said - "Oh - she had no children
to look after her and had to get
married to be supported" -
"Besides", he added, "she has saved
up money from what she has earned
as nurse and has a whole hundred
dollars - Now this we shall not get the
benefit of any of it. This man may
spend it, we do not know very much
about him. Possibly if he dies
she might come to us for sup-
ported - Now, you see, we can
say - "Did we not ask you to live
with us before you married that
man? You did not come, you
had money then - If you did not

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Come to us then when you had
money. Why should you come back
to us now when you have no money?
- And then it will be necessary
for her to be supported by his family.

Miss F. said she was too much
overwhelmed with the wisdom &
foresightedness of this confession to
say a word & dismissed the bland
& childlike celestial with no more
words. Truly Jui was right.

"A Chuanan's heart is Ch'ien ch'ui
I called on the Campbells a moment
partly to get the well. The tide
came over the wall into their yard
this morning so there was water
about up to their front door.

At the 4 P.M. service the Elder
reported attendance in Swatow as
small. Men intrude here some hours
on acc't of the cholera - They are
having another 4-days fast - some eat
or fish killed - also 4-days theatre -
Yesterday there was a long procession
when I went over - a long red
banner big as a home blanket

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with trimmings of silver
and gilt hanging from a pole
carried horizontally on the shoulders
of two men - these lanterns & gongs
in great abundance. Poor creatures,
it is pitiful to see them put their
trust in idols & devils - If Shailer
could watch things here for a
time I believe he would make
his dictum that "No religion is
from the Devil" -

We have had a little rain this P.M.
The pine trees are being stripped by
Caterpillars, which do not stay on
the pines at all times - they climb
every where. At Miss Ness's house
they covered the piazza & its pillars
& drop down most disagreeably. She
had one on her neck that left a
mark & a smart like a burn, there
is some poison in their feet - a creper.
I found one between my coat & shirt-
sleeve one day - The wind howls
again - Dr. U. says that North of the Equator
typhoons move from left to right - follow
the hands of a watch - South of the Equator the

direction is reversed.

Monday July 16th

A beautiful day - quite cool in the forenoon and not uncomfortable in the afternoon - I tried the experiment of studying "off & on" & found it a good plan. In the afternoon I went over to the other side when the boat went for Dr. Conland. Moved back in his canoe and stayed in it moving & sailing till nearly supper time it did me great good. I hope to get an outing of that kind very often - I must lead a lazy sort of life for a time now - The invalid corps is no larger - Miss F. is not quite so well Dr. A. tells me a trifle feverish - the Dr. says she must keep very quiet. Miss Hess was at the Campbells & said they both were now suffering from colds & the children have a terribly hard time with boils of the worst kind I ever saw the little boy has them on his hands across face that

are a sorry sight - Tuesday July 7 -

Went to the other side at 5 P.M. -
was invited to tea by Mrs. Ryall
Mr. P. also was there. Mrs. P. was
not feeling well so was not present.
Miss New & Dr. A. also went over but
did not stay. Dr. & Mrs. L. are to be
born Sat'y - so I shall have an
unexpected birthday-party -
It has been hot to-day but I have gotten
on nicely - read Chinese - wrote & did
a little work on my desk.

Mr. P. told me to-night of a man who
heard of near one of our stations
who had heard the gospel in Penang.
Came back & cleared all the ancestral
tablets out of his house - his neighbors
some of them thought him crazy. Luther
& students persuaded him to go & talk
with their teacher - he did but was not
satisfied. That was not the doctrine
he had heard. He had the names of
God & Jesus & some principles of the truth.
Mr. P. has sent a messenger to two
of the preachers Chhai Hsi & Po-Hung
who are to visit that region to see if they can

Wednesday July 17th 1888. 912

A beautiful day & a mail-day -
both going and coming - letters from
home & letters finished to send home.
In the P.M. Dr. Conslan called to
take me to sail & I enjoyed it
much. He had Mr. Gibsons
boat - about the size of the one
I went down to Sq. Isl. in once -
He brought Miss Harkness along,
who is as fond of boating & all
athletic sports as any man. I can-
not help being amused at hearing
them talk. He is Scotch & she from
the North of Ireland and the different
words tones & impletions are equal
to a brook of Scott's or McDonald's.
But we had a good sail. The
Dr. let me "hold the reins" &
I enjoyed it. In the evening
we had our weekly prayer meet-
ing at Miss Field's - she was
able to be up with a wept
muddled about her head -

Mr. & Mrs. C, also came up. both¹¹³
have colds - his is genuine Bronchitis
I fear. I led the meeting - read
from Gen. XI - account of Babel -
where men came together in pride
& their own imaginations to build
a temple that should reach heaven.
& God scattered them confounding
their speech. cf Gen. 6:5 & 14 -

Rom 4: 21 - II Cor. 12: 5 -

also read Acts II: 1-8 - Here again
men came together & their faith did
reach to heaven - God came down
& the work of Babel was reversed.
for they had conceived a different spir-
it - one of prayer & praise.

We desire the Holy Spirit's presence
and power - the native Christians pray
for it repeatedly. Is it possible

that in us is any of the spirit
of the men at Babel - any pride
or selfishness that hinders the
blessing? The meeting, as far as I
could judge, was a good one. The Dr.
spoke at length & to edification.

Thursday - July 19th 9.0. m.

It is a beautiful moonlight night - the children down in the valley are singing - I hear a "Father in the Promised Land" and it sounds beautifully - they have been singing all the evening. I went down to the Community this morning after breakfast & took some money to Mr. Campbell - found him a little the worse for his trip up here last night - I also visited Linan's shop - found great piles of window Casings outside a lot of new at work and the little fellow giving orders with great energy. He promised to come up to -morrow at 8 a.m. "May come" even though he said it. I did some Chinese and began sorting over a lot of papers &c. besides doing a little more on my desk-drawers. & working on a letter to the Cumberland Ass'n. I shall try to send a line to all the Ass'ns where I spoke last

I started to take a sail in "15"
"the wee boat" as they call Dr.
Crisland's Canoe. Had a long job
to get the mast & sail in place and
then the bulyard broke & after I
got out in the bay with a fresh
breeze & goodly waves the mast
toppled over. I had trouble in step-
ping it, but it seemed solid -
I had some difficulty in balanc-
ing the boat lowering the mast
& sail & stowing them so as to row
back, but got it done all safe.
The school boys saw me & all
down at the wharf to see the
return. Some of them took up
the sail & muddie & I re-mem-
bered I had half an hour now.
Mr. Gibson was here at dinner.

Friday - July 20/88 -

A fine day though warm - 87° in Mr.
P's study - My day has not been
marked by any special features -
3 hours of Chinese - some work in plan

ning & talking with Janaw - I read 116
the account of Father Case in the
the Con. Minutes & enjoyed very
much - handed it to Dr. A. who
was delighted with it. He has been
thinking, talking and writing of late
on the subject of the kind of preach-
ers needed in this day - I went
down to take a row at 5-30 P.M.
but found Janaw had not quite finish-
ed repairing the mishap of yesterday.
So watched him this man a half-
hour & then enjoyed a pull for three
quarters of an hour. Mr. & Mrs. P. took
a short sail in the Mission boat.
Prayer meeting to-night was led by
Lung King: he read Mark I: 35-39 -
spoke well but too long - The meet-
ing was a good one - It is a most
beautiful moonlight evening - The
sky & the hills were fine at sunset -
many beautiful shades of red & a pa-
phus haze was noticeable for some
time - I feel the good objects

of my daily rowing - do not
suffer from the feeling of heat
although it is waves enough
for my hand is wet with perspi-
ration as I write -

To-morrow another birth-day -
So to-day closes thirty-one years of
existence - it hardly seems possible
You full of opportunities & blessings
but how poorly appreciated -
Well - let us hope for better things
& greater usefulness - This is the
last page of this 3rd volume of my
journal - May the next have a
"better record" -

"Thus far the Lord hath led me on
Thus far his power prolonged my days -
and every living shall make known
Some part memorial of his grace.

"Much of my time has run to waste
and I perhaps am near my home
But he forgives my follies past and
Gives me grace for days to come."