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We had a fine sail yesterday & at 1.30 a.m. I awoke raised the steersman & we started to come down arriving here at 6-30 - to find Dr. Ashmore - much to my relief - I am having a busy day preparing to go to the city with Mr. Carlin to-morrow morning early - I have been some time with the class & discussed matters with Dr. A. quite a little - am glad to find he agrees with what steps I have taken - which will make it much easier for me - To-night I have teachers meeting so shall not get much rest or leisure - cannot write a letter home & finish my mail in time for the steamer next week - Mr. A. quite well - Clara is growing - the baby fairly well -

Mission Boat. Friday. Mar. 21/90

We got a good start this morning but have no favorable wind so I fear we shall not make fast time. I have been talking with Mr. Carlin quite a little and looking over the maps. I shall probably be obliged to sleep somewhat to-day as I had a very busy day yesterday not a good full night's rest last night or night before. The baby cried some during the night and I did not get to bed till after 10 o'clock.

In the afternoon we had the East wind & going in a general Northerly direction made some 15 miles by bed time. We took a walk at noon & visited a sugar camp. Among other thing we measured the horn of a water buffalo & one foot from his head it was a foot in circumference.

We saw some odd scarecrows - made of a red sweet-potato with 5 long black feathers stuck in it - two on either side for wings & one for a tail -

In the evening the Elder who is with us came in & I took his report for the past 3 mos - am encouraged to find there are some new hearers there up at Jiau Pheng - I shall try to go there next month -

Saturday Mar. 22nd -

Morn - We started out after breakfast and walked a long way - passed through a section where they are having over 30 theatres and a great many are coming - which gives us some opportunity to sell leaflets. There are many fields of poppies up here which add variety & beauty to the landscape - but we bring sorrow to some people -

I get more compliments on my language up here than in other places.

We reached the city at a little after dinner. went to the chapel talked over matters with the Elder & Sis a little but with no very cheering results. We then walked to Dr. Cousland's hospital - waited for him and then went with him to the "Golden Hill" - several other place. Dr. C. came & took supper with us. but could not stop more than a few moments as the gate shuts early. We walked out with him. I had my slippers on and found it not easy walking. I stepped of the walk in the dark into one of the pontoons. but did not seriously hurt myself. Mr. Caslin had some German

liniment which proved efficacious & allayed the bad bruises made -

Sunday - Mar. 23 -

We talked quite a long time last evening - Mr. C. told me a lot of stories of Southern ministers - some very good. We had a good nights sleep - & to-day went to chapel at 10 - o' clock - a good number present - as several came with us - The Elder preached from Romans VIII: 30 - & did quite well - I spoke a little upon Acts I: 4 & 8 - using several other passages to help in developing the subject. did not do remarkably well - did not design to for I had not put time enough upon preparation & was feeling out of touch with people somewhat.

However they gave me as good attention as they did the Elder if not better. There were a number of "out side-men" who stood & listened. I went out & talked with them & soon the Elder came along so that there was conversation going on for some time with them. Po-Sam got much interested and showed no little life in his discourse. One or two seemed genuinely interested. At about two o'clock we again went to chapel & had a profitable hour. I talked on the first part of Acts VIII & urged the duty of each one being a preacher as he had opportunity. Mr. Carlin talked a little through me about work at home & the principles on which it

should be carried on.
They brought up some reminiscences of past work and how our bro. came at night see ("yes" said an old "uncle" - "He was like Nicodemus" -) and then his brotherless wife & his bro (who is now an deacon) and his mother & his father in law. were brought in by his efforts - An E. P. preacher & one of Dr. C's assistant came in near the close - I thought one might be a member of our church till the Elder made his closing prayer & then I knew by the references to hospital work that they strangers must be E. P. men.
We met up again at 7 o'clock to talk over the prospect regarding a chapel - They are afraid if we repair this house the owner will want it as the mortgage is nearly out

Since P.M. service our 8th
bro had learned of a better
house in a better locality
which had been vacated because
it "Chhut-Kié" = "produced
demons" - i.e. they had been un-
fortunate while living there and
decided that demons caused the
trouble - For this reason the
house is vacant & it may be possible
to rent. it is larger they think
than our present place -

We took an interesting walk
after the 2 o'clock service. went
over the bridge, passed many
shops and had quite a following -
I read a leaflet & preached from
it on the steps leading up toward
a temple - had some good
listeners - Monday March 24 -
We looked about town in
the forenoon, going past the
haunted house & calling at the
hospital. waiting in hopes of

a report on the house - The Lord of the house is an opium-smoker hence a late-riser. In the P.M I made another trip to the chapel returned to write letters. ~~then~~ while Dr. Carlin went to walk with Dr. Cousland. Still another visit to the chapel failed to get a report - So we returned. I took a nap till supper per ~~we~~ enjoyed a roast chicken & peas while the rain was falling dismally outside - As a fresh gingerbread was brought in for dessert I looked at my watch & saw it was twenty minutes to eight - and we had planned to visit the abode of demons after dark. So we set out ~~we~~ while looking for a torch we delighted to find two of the brethren outside on the bridge each with a torch to escort us to the city.

At the chapel the Elder joined us. It was a weird scene in these narrow dark dirty streets with the shops & houses all tightly closed on either side. as we walked along under our umbrellas following the light of a bamboo torch that was trailed along close to the slippery pavement. These torches are pieces of woven bamboo rope. about two inches in diameter originally used for binding rafts of pine logs & dried they are sold for torches.

The house was closed so we waited in a court near an Ancestral Hall till the Elder called out "He is here" & we went to meet the brother who first learned of the house. in a few moments the "middle-man" came

unbolted the door and we had time to look fairly at the place. It is unusually high for a Chinese house has 3 large rooms a front court & a narrow back court which will give a draft through and make it much cooler. The house is old & dirty but can be refurbished and made quite decent. I do not wonder they said it was a haunt of demons. We left quickly not for fear of demons but for fear we might be locked into the city. As it was the old gate-keeper had pushed the gate to & we had some little waiting before we got through.

Tuesday Mar. 25. We hope by noon to get final word about the house so we can start home. The present

landlord is willing to rent to us. But this is a piece of Ancestral property that is in the hands of one heir this year and another the next. So we wish to learn more fully the mind of all before taking it.

We started back at noon & tho' against a head-wind we made fair progress and were about at the shallows by night, which is but 10 or 11 miles from Kak Chieh. — Wednesday March 9/10

We started early & with a favorable wind reached home by about 10 o'clock. Several of the preachers were in & much of my day was taken up in receiving their reports & settling their accounts.

The baby was the first member of the family I met. The nurse

had her out on the lower
verandah. She is growing
fast & is very fair. She is
growing plump & seems much
stronger. Clara was busy
at the schools. She seems very
well & strong. We had a prayer-
meeting at Mrs. Campbell's in the
evening led by Dr. Ashmore.

Thursday Mar. 27th.

More reports & sundry matters
of general interest. There are some
cheering signs. More new heavens
at several stations. The men
who are left show signs of repudi-
ating the young men who have
left in a bad spirit.
I led Teachers meeting in
the evening. Friday Mar. 28th
Dr. A. is leading classes every
day & the men are doing well
on the work I assigned them

in Acts. It makes one Envious to hear Dr. A Talk Chinese – he has wonderful Command of the idioms & an Exhaustless vocabulary. The Classes are held in the Chapel so the Women also attend which relieves Clara.

I made out the list of those who are to preach & lead meetings during the week. Hsia-lien comes in the place of the man who resigned – Prayer-meeting in the evening –

Saturday Mar. 29th.

The day rather slipped away I had a headache & was too tired to do much – In the P.M. Dr. Carlin wanted me to go to Swatow with him to hunt up goods – I enclose his note. We had a little joking

on the subject of taste - as 15
Mrs. Carlin wanted a slop-jar
to fill out a set. We at last
found a large figured flower-
pot - that would hold 2 or 3 gal-
lons - We had the Mission
all here at supper & passed a
fairly pleasant evening - but
I was feeling stupid.

Sunday Mar. 30 -

Two good services - a fine
sermon from the Dr. on the
offices of Christ - Prophet Priest
& King. 118 at S. School. many
of the Bible-women & some others
from the country bring in.
There were besides nine "out-
side men" who came in for a
little time led by the Catholic
teacher who was with us two
weeks since. We had a fine
Bible class in the evening.

Kemoke Basket Meeting

The Women's Baptist Missionary Society will hold its Annual Mee

Who in the days of his flesh, when
he had offered up prayers & supplications
with strong crying & tears unto him that was able
to save him from death, & was heard in that he
feared. Though he was a Son yet learned
he obedience by the things which he
suffered

Dr. A. led & spoke of various topics - the one of the morning - & also those of the P. M. black-board exercise - on Oath. Vow & Covenant -

Monday Mar. 31st -

I went to the steamers to meet Mr Hand the College Y.M.C.A. man who was to be here but failed to come, the tide & wind moving strong & I lost about half the forenoon - did some posting of acts - paid part of the months salaries &c, so the time was quite fully taken up. We had a call from Mrs. Allum also from Mr. Lemon & Mr. Barnes two young Englishmen who are here from Singapore studying the dialect. I was at the Post Office to get ten dollars worth of stamps for Dr. A & myself - when Mr. Wilkinson said

"What a fine child that is of yours. She is really the most beautiful baby I ever saw — tho' I have had five of my own — &c &c. Her bright eyes, abundance of dark hair & "finished" look seem to arouse much admiration —

Tuesday Apl 12th —

The baby seems to be growing fast but has only reached 10 lbs yet. She cries quite a little but I think is less trouble by colic than a few weeks ago.

We are having a hard rain —

A great surprise in our mail per "China" — less than 4 weeks from home! I had two good long letters from Father. One from Mr. Spencer & from Ed. Lyford. Clara had also one from Mother —

The day's work has gone on regularly —

Wednesday Apl 2nd 18

This beginning the day with a service at 7 o'clock is not conducive to long morning naps. We have a prayer-meeting at this hour - at 10 - the class - Dr. Johnson's being here has been a great relief as he takes the teaching - I have had general charge of the services only but did not find much time to spare at that - Dr. Carlin's goods came & we must needs go with him to Swatow which occupied nearly all the forenoon - L Engstling preached a capital sermon - at least, did well with his subject - preaching the gospel - (εὐαγγελίζω) -

I spent part of the evening writing to Ed. Leyford -

Thursday. Apl 3rd -

No little time was taken up in looking after Thim-Ro an old Hak-Ka - preacher who took cold on his journey down & had a severe attack of inflammation in his stomach - He was afraid he would not recover & wanted to be sent home - Dr. Scott tried several remedies & succeeded in conquering the malady -

From day to day we had consultations with the preachers -

I used some of my time in hunting up the records of the boys school to see what net results had come from it -

Clara's time has been very fully taken up with the womens class & girls school - all the teaching

of Bible-women's reports
& the directing of them falls
upon her. The nurse is
very good & takes care of the
baby faithfully but the little
girl prefers her mama
as soon as night comes on -
The people still continue to say
nice things about her & think her
a pretty child -

Friday April 4th -

Busy days toward the last of
the week looking forward
toward the next 3 mos. Dr. A.
announces his intention to take
the field with a corps of "Evan-
gelists" whoever will go with
him - He is very much a-
roused over the need of men to
"go everywhere preaching the Word" -
We had the helpers give their
reports at 10 - a.m. -

The Kit-Lê" case (when two men have agreed to pay Sam's salary & he did not notify us of it but simply resigned saying he might 'go into business'), was thoroughly discussed - An unexpected ray of light was thrown upon the case by Gik the old Bible-woman, who said that Chhiang Sui had been up there just before the plan was laid. Another preacher, Chhai-Ngi, said that Sam had been at 3 other chapels. Gueh-Sia" Hua-Chheng, & Soa"-ôn - trying to persuade them to invite Chhiang Sui as their pastor - but they declined - At first he proposed a salary of $100 - then $50 - then to take what they might raise - Dr. Ashmore set the case forth with great clearness & emphasis stating the lack of manness on the part of the seceders.

Saturday April 5th 31

The reports not heard Friday
come before us in the morning -
I had a busy day - At 11
o'clock we met at the Preachers
house to hear the statements
of those who had been examin-
ed by the preachers for church-
membership - 17 had applied
but only 6 were advised to come be-
fore the church -
We had a long business meeting
of one of more than usual inter-
est - We appointed two committees
one for Schools & one to look
out for the condition of chapels -
A committee of 5 was also ap-
pointed to go to Kit-Le-Lock
into the matter of their independency.
After this we talked with the
preachers & asked for records
who wished to call themselves

"Evangelists" Dr. A & I each spoke of our own desire to do much work. The Elder Lung-Heng & A. Khong each rose to express their readiness & A. Chuan also signified his willingness — He also talked a long time after service about places for work.

Sunday Apl 6 —

Good services all day — I baptized 6 from the boys school. The service passed off well. A large no. were present at morning & afternoon services. Dr. A. spoke ~~spoke~~ forcibly at both —

I had not seen ch during the day — it was a relief to feel that all was over — The men seem in a good frame of mind.

Monday April 7 –

Many "affairs" to look after to get ready for Wednesday's departure on our marching tour.

Sunday evening the plan was laid that the bin should come on up & we at Kit Lê (Kieh Yang" on map) Thursday noon & we meet them at night – We decided to take two boats as Dr. A. wants to do much writing & also to have a room by himself – I also have books to balance &c. So two boats are better.

The steersman has been dallying a long time about cleaning & painting the boats

so that must needs be planned - there all the compound work needs to be planned ahead - I was tired by afternoon needed rest so took a nap. A new duty came on - viz - to see about filling a pool in the yard of the house the Campbells occupy - Little Paul fell into it the other day - & further now it is materials - I was asked to be a judge at the Flower show but declined the honor.

Tuesday - Apl 8 -

went down & measured the pool which was now slight task it being irregular in size varying as to depth but finally decided upon size &c. then contracted to have it filled

at 28¢ per 100 cub. ft.
Another duty pertained to the boys school - 2 boys from Hak-Kadoon started to run away & decided it was best to send them home - with the teachers via Kit-Se". It took quite a little time to get my mail ready & also had some accounts to take out for Mr. Carlin down for repairs - Clara & the boy did a large part of the preparing for my trunk & other things for the boat - We had the baby's picture taken after dinner - probably a print of it will have reached home before this -

Wednesday Apl 9th -

A busy forenoon but we got away between 11 & 12 - We are to try a new departure

in the school - a normal dep't - to have some of the smaller scholars put in another room & the boys from the middle school take turns in teaching them. -

I just missed the flower show - Clara sent down a lot of plants was preparing some wild flowers -

We had a warm still noon but after a little the breeze blew from the So. East we had a most delightful sail - got abm Phan Thai and visited the sick Dream before night-fall - Poor fellow he is in a bad way both feet & legs & body swollen -

I used all the time on the boat in posting my books & got the different accounts taken off before bed time -

Thursday Apl 10-

There was an error in my posting which took considerable time to find - I worked at it quite a little at odd times. Much of the day was given to field work - We visited the Pon ~~Chha~~ Kia" Chapel, had a talk with the brethren sisters, school children and others who came in - also talked over some matters of special importance - There is a family at this place who perhaps will take as a daughter-in-law the girl who was rescued last year -

We had several small-dances in the next village and preached in different places there -

In the afternoon we sailed on stopped at Khek Khoi and then passed on to Kit Li" -

We had a lively time in 2½
the evening. Six of the preach-
ers were there besides I am
and the two men who have
agreed to contribute for his
support. One of these had
been surcharged with the
arguments for their side &
poured forth a stream of
Chinese for 20 minutes with-
out a break. I suggested to
Dr. A. that with such orator
at hand a third preach-
er seemed superfluous. He
replied "That is just what I
was about to say to him" &
he did. As soon as there
was "liberty" ask him
why he did not preach and
become the Elder of the Church.
This was an unexpected turn
but he soon rallied and
there was a warm dis-
cussion for a time. Dr. A.
faced them boldly & demand-
ed a recognition on their part

that they were wrong in not sending any notification to the Mother Church of their new departure. Dunn was quite insolent. The preachers were not very bold but they did not come out on the side of the seceders. The "banns" matter was thrown at us in the opening harangue and Dr. A. took the opportunity of setting forth with great firmness and perspicuity that crowded performance. This caused a further discussion but I think the final outcome of it will be for good. The next morning we decided that Dunn must move out of the chapel and ~~that Bro. Heng~~ be stationed there. If these men want to secede they may go in peace. These men are not children & need a firm hand. They will soon ride over a man if he is too easy with them.

Friday 4/11

I succeeded in getting my Quarterly financial statement and a letter to Dr. Murdock ready to send by one of the boatmen to Hak Chieh - while we were waiting for the preachers and sailing to a village where a church member was to be buried - When the boats arrived we were met by some of the deceased's relatives in tears because the Head-man of the village had threatened to beat them if they invited us there & did not follow the heathen customs - but two or three preachers went up & labored with him till he assented - We sat up at in the village school-room for a time then went out to preach on the streets - Soon the procession started out & we met them in an open place

outside the village. Two or twelve women in sackcloth head gear were walking behind wailing & wailing. Dr. A talked with them telling them not to weep because the old brother had only gone to his reward. We sang a hymn similar to "There'll be no more sorrow there" the Elder offered prayer & Dr. A & one of the bretn preached. It was blazing hot. & we returned to the boat to wait till the sun abated his strength. When we went out we met a goodly no. of listeners in the next village. Dr. A. found an old woman 82 yrs old who was especially glad to hear. Soon met an old man of 90 who proved to be her husband. He invited the Dr. to sit down in front of the school-room while he took home some purchases he had been making. I found the Dr. waiting.

there. The poor thin old man soon came in leaning on his staff & the Dr. talked with him kindly & earnestly about going to heaven: he did not seem to grasp the truth but said the school-teacher would read to him, so we gave him some books & came away- Saturday - April 12 -

We set out in the preachers boat & dividing into two parties afterwards landed & visited in all some 8 villages - The Elder, A. Khing, & Ling Heng went with me. At the first village we had a crowd curious but not first rate listeners. Later we went into the house of an old white-headed man, the "head man" - who was very hospitable, friendly to our Ch. members - He was troubled because in times past he & his villagers had killed many men & the Lord his sin was too great

but when he was told that Christ's merits were sufficient he seemed satisfied —

Apr 13 - Tues. Eve.

N.B. John sent this Journal down asking that it be sent. It came this evening - I do not know if it will get to Hingkiang in time for the "China" sailing on Thursday. He writes they expect to be back Saty evening.

C.M.T.

to be forgiven. He said this to me first in a half-hesitating way stroking his beard. I did not quite catch what he said but Ling-ming overheard & told him he need have no such fear that Jesus could & would forgive any man's sin no matter how great. Poor old man may he find peace in believing.

The next village did not promise well at first but one woman among the hearers seemed to be really interested. also one or two of the others. Soon an old woman appeared who saluted us & seemed overjoyed to see us. An old Church-member we had a very pleasant talk with her. also used her comfort in believing & her readiness to witness for the Lord as a text from which to preach to the others. At the next village we were met by a little man like

Zaccheus in that he was little of stature & a "publican" but instead of climbing a tree he came down from a little shop or office & at once invited us to his school house. the best & most tastefully arranged I have seen in China - two rooms on opposite sides of a court - He made tea for us & we had a large crowd coming in to see us - The preacher spoke very well & I had a little talk with mine host at the end - We found he was a graduate a "Sin Chai" but he has none of the haughty arrogance of ~~and of~~ the Chinese scholar. We also had another hearing at the opposite gate and met a little village where 40 or 50 people live - there had some hearers.

In the afternoon we sailed up stream a mile or two and again set out - We four went to the large town of Siah-Tir (see map - also look for Tir-Lim - the place of the funeral on Friday). We were all off this busy each with a knot of hearers for an hour & a half - I got very tired but so many were willing to listen I did not feel like stopping until the Elder said it was half-past-four We must go to prepare for the Sunday - He & A-Chiam went to Hue-Chheng (see map) - Ling Heng & A-Khong to Guil-Sia" (further up the river) & A to Kit Lé" -

Sunday Apl 13/90

I set out for Pon-Chhaiu about 5 miles off the river no chair so they hired a young man to guide me & carry my

lunch & books to Poi Chhaw
also a roll of S.S. illustrations
such as I once got for Arth
Vasoalbro - It is a beautiful
walk & I had opportunities
to preach all along the way -
twice unrolled the pictures to
appreciative audiences - As we
neared the village we met
a great many people & saw
the hill in front covered with
people - it being market-day.
over a thousand men and
women come together to trade
vegetables are the most common
articles - & at this time there
was a great deal of the "ng"
rice plants ready for transplant
ing - We had fairly interesting
services at the chapels -
Gu-Thong spoke on the parable
of the Sower & followed illust-
rating it by the story of Amos

Sutton & of the Telegoo Mission.
They seemed interested, gave me better attention than they did G. T. I asked frequent questions & always got intelligent answers. At the afternoon service I explained the Sunday School idea & urged them to try it. Then we had the Communion. I walked back & talked nearly all the way with a young man - or rather with several of them - who are pig-killers & sell porkat the market places. One of them was inclined to make sport but another, who had heard quite a little at different times, began to ask questions - "What did Christ die for?" - "Why did God allow Satan such power and wicked men to succeed?"

These two kept me busy quite a time - He listened well apparently & repeated all I said after me - We dropped down stream & joined the other boat at dusk.
Dr. A. had a good day - got the trouble largely settled & seemed well pleased -

Monday April 14 -

A hard rain in the night found its way through the roof over my bed & in a few other places - I got some rope & suspended my rubber-coat over the mosquito curtain so that I need not be wet - dried a part of my clothing on the lamp-chimney & turned in again - I went into the city visited the jeweller & asked about a present for May & Shailer - was in again at

about 6 o'clock -
In the morning on my way
back I had quite an audience
by the way - one young man
followed me to the boat - washed
his feet came in and
sat an hour or two - seemed
interested in the doctrine -
Asked if he did not worship
the Lord - & he said "Used
to, but now worship Heavens
Lord -" He seemed to be telling
the truth & on being questioned as
to why he did thus & how
he knew there was such a
Being he said, "I saw the
Sun rise & set, the moon &
the stars & the rain & thought
there was a ruler of them; no
man taught me" - He was
strong on the idea of merit
& had little idea of sin but
listened well to the truth about

them - I told him to rely
on our merit was like taking
a piece of decayed wood &
using it as a part of my couch -
whereas the strip of teak now
there was strong & sound - Christ
was Christ's merit - & that could
free our up - also that our
sin not only made our works
of merit void but rendered us
unfit to enter heaven - He
washed his feet before coming
in - which was right - & it was
just as necessary that the
soul should be cleansed before
going into Gods dwelling place -
Jesus alone can do this.
He went away with a copy
of the gospel of Mark - I confess
I felt a little fear that he
might be looking for some-
thing else. but will trust he may
remember & accept the truth.
Dr. A. talked with him some time

A young man was here ~~this~~ P. M. with finger nails 5 inches long - a smiling pleasant mannered chap but not much in earnest -

Tuesday - April 15th -

I was not quite well last night, had pain in my stomach & derangement of my bowels - rested however most of the night - but to-day have been obliged to keep still lay on the couch most of the time reading & resting - read a little from Cook's "Religion & Chemistry" given me by Prof Elder - Dr. A has been reading it & is much impressed by it - I had a call from MacLagan - E.P. - on his way down the river - He has been up at Sin. He two Sundays - Dr. A. & the "preachers" crossed the stream & had fine afternoon

ties - Dr. A preached to several large groups of men & women & then was invited to a "first class funeral". An old woman of 93 son of a rich man was being buried. & 400 or 500 people were gathered in a large Ancestral Hall - They brought tea for him and asked him to speak, which he did - much after Paul's manner on Mars Hill I judge - & they listened well - Outside they had a great collection of paper Sedan chairs & images of all sorts to be burned. The procession which soon formed was over a quarter of a mile long - At first it seems odd that they should let a Christian preach at such a place but the Chinese Pantheon is inclusive and every added feature gives Eclat to a funeral - & that is the most necessary Element.

Wednesday Apl 16-41-

Yesterday P. M. the rain fell heavily but cleared at Sundown & the No. wind abated so that with the favoring tide we could start up stream. This A. M. we waked up near Lo. Soa- not far from Sin-Tu - where we heard a small boat that had been up to Soa-Oû. Now at 5 P. M. we Dr. A. & I, are coming down with a rapid current & two men at the oars -

It is a beautiful country green hills & cultivated fields. trees & shrubbery along the bank add much to the scene. Sian Thong is at the stern poaching at the steersman who is inclined to be dispu-tatious - We had a profita-ble visit at Soa-Oû & there has been trouble between some of the members for a long time, but now all is fairly peaceful

We got some valuable evidence on the inexhaustible "banner"-case. A-Kau, a young preacher came up here (his native village) & told them what had been done, & that now they wanted money with which to pay for the present. He blurted out that there was a "feud" between the foreigners and that Chiang-Sui & the other teachers at Kak-Chieh wanted to compliment Mrs. Partridge & insult Miss Fielde. But some of us had opposed giving the banner & Mrs. P. had agreed. These Sua-Oi people, some of them, said, "Why did you not consult us first - get the money & then make the present? We should have been consulted first. We might not have approved. Miss Fielde gets us this chapel why should we insult her?" A fine state of things -

There is need of special work here - 17 persons, mostly men are numerous regular attendants who have not been baptized & there is a good field for work in the villages about. A fine appearing young fellow wishes to come down and read. An excluded member, a poor emaciated fellow, is anxious to give up opium & is coming down next week to see what can be done towards curing him. I had a good opportunity to talk with some of the bretn - expounded Rom XII:1 & urged them to use it in exhorting some attendants at worship who use opium.

This has been a delightful day - cloudy & warm but no rain - I feel much refreshed by the trip - have had opportunity to consult some

Dr. A has offered me a ticket to Shanghai if I care to attend the Conference - it is a tempting offer & may go if affairs can be arranged at Kak-Chich -

9-15 P.M. -

I have been writing to Miss Osgood of Somerville who motors last year the day our names were on the Calendar. We found the preachers encouraged over their days work - goodly numbers to listen: some bought books & one old man of 65 came & sat a long time with them in the boat - Lui Hung overheard two old men saying - "This Doctrine is good - young folk do not like it much - not many will believe now - but if they keep on a great many will believe before long." This is just what we hope - We feel that there are many advantages in this line of work.

Thursday April 17th -

Rainy after a hot evening & cool in the morning - I have not felt very well to-day - a touch of malaria I think, so I have not accomplished as much as I hoped, but had some good opportunities to preach before the chapel at Gieh-Sia, which is close by the river & the cleanest nicest chapel I have seen in the country - Several of my hearers seemed genuinely interested -

To-day was market day & the people were coming & going by the chapel all the early part of the day - I have been in the boat all the afternoon & have done a little on my accts. We left the preachers in their boat to work about until next week - We are now rowing slowly down towards Siah-Tie - This P.M. the wind blew so violently we made little headway.

Friday. April. 18th. -

On the way home below Phan Thai Dr. and sitting at the table, he reading the "Lone Star" & the "Japan Weekly Mail" - This has been a varied day. We awoke just about Kit-Sin sent Sian Thong very early to the Chapel to call the school-teacher down who arrived just as we finished breakfast. After a few inquiries & injunctions we let him return & we set on rowing against a light wind but with favoring tide - reached Pang-Khan at about 10 o'cl. I went to call upon Mr. Clagan at the E.P. Chapel - invited him to tiffin & also walked out with him - found some good opportunities to preach to the people by the way. had some interesting hearers -

Several young men came along & talked with them about the resurrection till they seemed inclined to leave & then took out some leaflets - read Paul's speech on Mars Hill & one young man said "Who made that book? That is not Confucius." He seemed to be struck by the truth as different from anything he ever heard before - At another place a lot of people were gathered by a low wall about breast high & had a long talk with an old man who seemed totally grasp the truth & to accept it as true that there is a God in heaven who is to be worshipped & who will forgive man's sin - We returned and had tiffin together - in the boat.

We started again at a little befor 3 P.M. I called on the poor Deacon, whose foot is very bad - At Chair-Thai Dr. A. consulted with a former preacher about a difficulty between two members & they planned a solution we hope is possible to effect.

We are now about at the head of the bay & hope to be at home by 9 A.M. - to-morrow. I have been reading the Japan Mail (Melly) - Knapp is the subject of several papers pro & con. he is evidently stirring things up in Japan -

There is also a telegram of terrible disasters in the Ohio valley. L.D. Wishard has telegraphed from Hong Kong he will be here to-morrow A.M. He may know more of the details.

Saturday Apl 19th -
We started a daybreak with
favoring tide, no wind.
breakfasted together & got down
here early in the forenoon.
We found all well - the baby
has grown nicely & is very sweet
& cunning - I kept busy one
way & another - Mr. & Mrs.
Richard were here afternoon
& we dined with them at
the Norrell's & enjoyed meet-
ing them. In the evening
, too, they invited us all the
mission & we had a good
time, plenty of singing - Mr.
Richard has a fine deep
voice - Sunday - Apl 20th -
Hot - Good services -
Mr Richard spoke through
Str

Dr. A. as interpreter - Dr. A. himself spoke of our experiences in the country referred perspicuously to a plot that had been formed to have all the preachers & teachers stop & gave his views plainly on the subject of the church attempting to pass judgement upon their foreign teachers - Afterwards he told of some of our hearers in the country.

9 & at S. School -

In the evening we met at Mrs. Campbells and Mr. Mohard gave an interesting history of the Y. M. C. A movement among colleges for Fr. Missions - It seems to have been an outgrowth of the Haystack prayer meeting -

Monday. Apl 21 -

I had a variety of affairs

which kept me quite busy 50-
during the day. I felt somewhat
the effects of the trip - think we
contracted a little malaria as
we lay near the rice fields in
the country - Mr. & Mrs. Wish-
ard are excellent company
and their accounts of experiences
in other countries - They are
convinced that education is
being wrondone & that there
is a more for more direct
Evangelization in India -

They left for Amoy in the
afternoon - They insisting on
leaving some money for a present
- to the baby - We are going to
make up a little book of Swa-
tow pictures with ornamental
cover of teak. The weather
holds very warm -

Tuesday - April 22 -

At breakfast Dr. A. proposed to give us two tickets to Shanghai if Clara and Carl both go to the Conference - we may be able to go -

The day was culminated by a conflict with the unruly Hak-Ka bis who will not accept the money awarded two years ago by the official authorities on being squatted here. We had a sharp encounter but I think we are to conquer.

Dr. A. is not easily put down.

All moves on quite well in the work generally - "Confidence is being restored" -

He sent to the Consul's 52
in the afternoon handed him
back the money the foolish
Stak-Kas refused to accept-
Ou Cody who is one of them
was called in to witness
the proceeding & also to receive
a few words of wholesome
advice from the Consul-
He also introduced the mat
ter of the girl who was
returned by the Dutchman
& inquired if he had papers that
gave him a legal claim
so he could transfer her in-
dependently of her grandmother
Mr. S. promised to speak of it
tho' evidently rather out of
temper because nothing had
been done to reimburse his

At home - Mrs. Apl 23rd/90 -
We reached here Saty A.M. -
finding all - well - Baby is
growing finely is very cunning.
We had a good visit from
the Mikards - It is quite
probable that Clara the
baby & I will go to the
Conference leaving in about
a week -
I hope to send more by this
stmr: if not will mail
next letter from Shanghai
All is going well I hope
to see a large part of our
perplexing questions settled
before Dr. A - leaves -
We are getting on comfortably -
Lots of love to all -
John -

friend -

We also went to make inquiries about steamers to Shanghai -

Wednesday. April 23 -

Still hot - I took a large part of the day for finishing my mail home fearing lest I might not have later opportunities - I evidently contracted no little malaria in the country & feel the effects. Dr. S. advised me quinine which had a good effect -

We had prayer-meeting here in the evening led by Dr. A. Who "edified" us much dwelling chiefly upon "manifested in the flesh" - a descending scale of revelation in the O.T. & an ascending scale in the N.T. -

From the participant in Creation "the coming one" is revealed as an angel & finally by & through the prophets as a man & a suffering man. Then in the N.T. he is "manifested" as a babe, a man working divine miracles, but crucified - then as a risen man, ascending to heaven & finally revealed in heavenly glory assuming the prerogatives of the God head -

Thursday April 24 -

No special events - I prepared for & led Teachers meeting. The lesson being Acts XX:1-16 - The preachers who were with us came in and we consulted with them several times during the day - No

Good progress in the Kittle case: the preacher does not admit that he has done wrong so we must send another man.

Friday Apl 25th.

It is surprising what an amt of time is required for settling accts. I took Mr. Carlin & Cook's a/c for the last time probably as he can now understand well enough to do it himself & also settled with Jno Rowe who has made some beautiful furniture for the Carlins. I was not feeling well my throat being sore so did not go out to prayer-meeting.

Saturday Apl 26/90

During the day Dr. Carlin & I went to Lewiston to look at steamers &c. We also sent a

telegram to Kin-Keang inquiring for Mr. Campbell - who left there we learned the 22nd inst. I did some work on accts &c. preparatory for Shanghai.

Sunday Apl 27/90

A quiet day - good services morning & afternoon. Dr. A. told the people that we could not "fellowship" the Hak-Kas who are making so much trouble - In the evening we had a good talk from Dr. A. on the 17th of Acts - at Dr. Carlin's - I heard him give this at Newton once before - enjoyed a second time.

Monday Apl 28 -

Dr. A. left in the P.M. I went to S. with him - then we went to take a look

at the "Yuensang"-is ac- 57
commodations which are
Excellent - Dr. A left
on the "Toonan" a big
"China-Merchants" ship - he
being the only passenger -

Tuesday Apl. 29 -

A great many things to be done
before going away - Class in
the morning - letters to write -
plans for S. School & other
services & the carrying on of all
the other work besides all
the teachers & other helpers
to pay off - over 60 items in
my cash book. I dis-
charged the cooly for the
time we are to be absent
as he has been hiring a
fixed on his own account.

without saying anything
bars about it and seemed
not cheerful about his own
work. He is also one of the
Hak-Ka Malcontents. Mrs.
Campbell also discharged
their cooly who belongs to
the same company.

Wednesday Apl 20th

We had everything packed
ready to go but the steamer
did not sail. Fortunately for
us as we really needed know
time &. Besides, the wind
was so strong I do not
think we could have crossed
the bay. I was called
upon to lead the prayer-
meeting. took Exodus XXXII &
Acts II. Found some
suggestions for directness
in preaching. others took
it up & the meeting was a good one.

Thursday - May 1 -

Windy again. I began at 6.30 with an hours conference with some of the preachers (indeed began Wednesday the same way) was as busy as I could be till we left for the steamer. The bay was quite rough but we got over safely; the baby's first venture of that kind.

Fortunately for us our mail via City of Peking came just a little before we left.

We had a fine state-room next the bath-room - with a room adjoining where the nurse could sleep. We were all at supper but one by one several left. After we got out between

Samoa & the shore the ship rolled badly. I succumbed & the nurse & Clara were very sick. a hard time. Friday May 2nd.

Le Amoy by 7-30 after a sick night. We all went ashore & had a pleasant day on solid land - took tiffin with Mrs. Thompson of the E.P. Mission - called on several of the other missionaries, among them Mr Joseland who came up on the "Hattan" with me - He also has a wife & baby - a fine boy -

Saturday May 3rd.

A bad night heavy head wind. I did not go to breakfast, & did not keep down my tiffin on acct of a nasty smell of oil that was in my berth.

I read in the "Life of S. Wells Williams," survived it "in a measure". But did not dare walk about any. The baby proved a first rate sailor & was very cunning & sweet.

Sunday - May 6 -

Still blowing but not pitching so much - Clara got out & lay down in the dining-saloon after dinner. I finished the Life of Williams - sat on deck & talked with Mr. McIvor & Miss Ricketts - on the Bible question in China & the "Short-Cut Controversy". They do not believe in an "uneducated ministry" - but they rather modified their views on the subject of Evangelists.

The sea was smoother than the previous days -

The baby was quite the center of attraction in the saloon. Mr. Macdran held her some time & she was very good-

Monday. May 5-

In Shanghai harbor or rather river - The first view of the wharfs & buildings seemed quite like home - A great many steam ships are lying in the harbor. & there is a bustle & stir on shore like home ports.

Mr. Campbell came in before we had been to breakfast - He is looking well & it was a great pleasure to see him again. We had a comparing of notes - He led us to our abode at "Temperance Hall" - a sort of hotel. where we have a moderate-sized room on the corner up one flight-

The table is not extra good, but

will sustain life.

After we got unpacked & settled down to write Dr. Ashmore appeared & we had tiffin together. I went with him to see Mr. Fitch of the Mission Press, & we planned to visit the Kiangnan Arsenal & Clara & Mr. Campbell & I set out therefor in jin-rik-shas. nearly an hours ride. through the French Concession which is nearly filled with Chinese houses & through a long winding road built by the gov't to the Arsenal buildings which are scattered over a large space. We found Mr. Fryer's house & had a pleasant call with Mr. & Mrs. F. The latter is a friend of Miss Fields & a former resident of New York state. Mr. F. has charge of translating for the

Don't wd Correspond with him for Dra. Chuan in Swatow who sells their books -

They sent their house-boy to show us over the works, which are good. They were casting shells; finishing up cannon (rifled pieces) gun-carriages, all which work seemed well done. tho' we did not see a foreigner anywhere. A Mr. Cornish has charge but is seldom there

We took 4 o'clock tea with the Fis & they invited me to come & look about more thoroughly & take tiffin with them the next day -

We got home a little after 5 P.M. - just time to finish letters for Swatow and send off by 6 - In the evening we went to the "C.S.M." meeting. They have a fine large building

which is used as their head quarters. The Chapel is not much different from ours in size but near square.

J. Hudson Taylor himself led the meeting - what he said was very good indeed, simple but sensible & spiritual. There were a number of prayers. There are many fine looking young men among these pig-tailed missionaries. & they are a sensible earnest band of men. Mr. Campbell pointed out a no. to me whom he had met. Among them Beauchamp of the "Mizzy Band". After Mr. Taylor had finished & prayers had been offered he called upon a Miss Sied & upon Miss Geraldine Guinness whose book "The Far East" recently came out.

Miss S. spoke very well & the other spoke well but too long. She is a beautiful girl & evidently devoted - she has been asked to prepare a paper for the Students - Alliance at home -

We met Miss Block of Swatow 3 of whose sisters are in this Mission, also a brother were introduced to several.

Tuesday May 6 -

I met Mr. Inglis formerly of Swatow who kindly agreed to cash my Hong Kong checks for me at par so I need not pay Exchange on them -

Long Keng & I went again to the Arsenal & saw the rifle factory. I had a pleasant time at Mr. Ingers - am going to write an acct of the Arsenal for some paper -

Clara & I went to look for articles we are to purchase for friends & then went to the prayer-meeting at P. M. led by Dr. Hopper. They lead meetings by giving out hymns & calling people out to stand up in front & pray-

We stayed in for the evening, being tired-

Wednesday - May 7 -

The sermon by J. Hudson Taylor at 11 A.M. was good. Simple but full of good things- He took the feeding of the 4000 & drew from it the prominence of Jesus himself: the demand for entire consecration & method in work. On this last point he emphasized division of the field

& the need of speedy evangelization. He is certainly a Godly consecrated man.

In the P.M. Clara did not go but I went & sat through the election of officers &c. a long process. Dr. Nevius & Mr. Hill, who wears Chinese dress an Eng. Wesleyan fr. Hankow, were chosen. Dr. Ashmore was nominated but declined & named Dr. Nevius. Y. J. Allen presented his paper on "The Changed aspect of China" - a good resumé of the advance of half a century. "Compulsory, Semi-Compulsory, Spontaneous, Imperial"

He has much to say about "Christian Civilization" that "We are the teacher & China the pupil". He is a great educator. He did not touch

more than cursorily upon the work of saving souls.

In the evening Ven. Arch Deacon Moule's paper was read by Mr. Hodges of the Shanghai Cathedral. The paper urged closer relations with foreign residents. good but more applicable to Shanghai rather than to other ports than to smaller places. Prof Thwing of Brooklyn spoke on the "momentum of ideas that contain essential truth" & the "acceleration of movement in these latter times. Dr. Ashmore was called upon & spoke "at large" quite captured his audience by comparing himself to Ruth, without the advantage she had of a few handfuls dropped by

the gleaners. He made several good points on the foreign Community question - acknowledging our obligations to the merchants, diplomats &c. also stating that many had no sympathy with our work, just as they would not if they were at home. He then branched out & in the line of Prof Thwing's remarks gave the argument of his paper on "Missions & the Millennium". This closed the session. We had a social meeting with some of our fellow Missionaries at the door. Thursday May 8th. I was at the Ch. 2½ hours. The papers were good & the discussions animated. The general trend was in favor of a new Union version in Easy Classical. Jno. Archibald of the ~~Br & F. Bible Soc,~~ Nat'l

Bible Soc. of Scotland, made a vigorous speech warning the Conference against "a fiend who masquerades under the name of Union but whose real name was Uniformity." He said some good things closing with a story of a town where one after another representatives of diff. denom.s came & built churches - then came a good Plymouth Br. - who deprecated such divisions & built a "Union Chapel" together in all. "Which it need not be said, was the greatest failure of all." Dr. Wright (Br F. B. Soc) replied that the Scotch Society was ready to unite & that Union was possible. The papers on Colloquial were all in favor of Romanized. In the after

noon I did not go in till late.
But heard a no. of the discussions - Strong pleas were made for Comments on the ground that ~~without them~~ the Scriptures were not sufficiently intelligible without them. They overstated the case & called forth some vigorous protests that the Word of God could speak for itself - Dr. Wright especially deplored the overstatements said we gave the Pope all he claimed if we took such extreme ground.
In the evening we had a Baptist gathering at Mr. Herring's So. Bapt - had a profitable discussion of the need for a revision of the New Test. & it was finally decided to proceed with the revision and perhaps have plates made therefor - Dr. Graves has already part of the Epistles revised.

It was good to see so many Baptists together and there are fine men among them too. Mr. Gould is a more mature man than I expected to see. Friday May 9th -
Letters from the Novells - all quiet on Monday last. but previously the Hak-Kas had broken in and taken out their goods. No men at the services morning & afternoon but were too tired in the evening & stayed in. At noon Misses Susan Stewart & Corbin took tiffin with us. They seem to be earnest & practical missionaries. We enjoyed their visit much. They are urgent in asking us to visit Singfo. which we may do. Dr. Ashmore called a few moments just as we

Mr finishing letters to Secy-
tow. He had consulted with
Dr. Wright who proposed to
either furnish Bibles with
"washing-ceremony" in the text
& "Some say immerse" in the
margin, or to use their text
with our terms inserted for
God, Spirit & baptism - The
Society w'd furnish the O.T.
& such part of the N.T. as did
not contain these terms for bap-
tism & baptize. All such passages
w'd could pay for, as they w'd
not feel justified in using
funds given for general use
to make what they will call
a sectarian translation.

Saturday - May 10 -
Very good papers
12-40 P.M.
this morning - Clara is to
read Miss Fielder's paper this
afternoon - I must go & post
this letter & two papers.

5 P.M.

Just back from the meetings & an errand or two - Clara read the paper. We were invited to supper with Mr & Mrs. Davis of the S. D. Bapt. mission, friends of Prof. & Mrs. Rogers, very fine people; the Goddards are staying there. In the evening was a meeting for obituary notices, which was interesting. Mr. Lees King-man's father-in-law was among the speakers - I saw him a few moments after the service. K. is about going to the country so will not be here. I also met Dr. Blodget who is from Bucksport me.

Sunday May 11th -

We went to hear Arthur H. Smith, who took a text

"Why this waste?" & held
forth with wonderful rapidity.
Was little wit on the subject
of waste - apparent waste
being really repair as the prod-
igality of nature was the pro-
tection of life &c &c. He
quoted from Sinbad the Sailor,
Arabian Nights, &c &c. Extract
much from Scripture - A very bright
discourse but not satisfying to
me at least. We sat in the
seat with a Mrs. McCain who
used to be in Swatow. She in-
vited us to "afternoon tea" & to
drive Monday. In the P.M.
We started to visit the So.
Bapt. Mission but the
rikisha coolies did not un-
derstand us & lost the way so we
came back. In the evening
we attended The C.I.M.

"meeting for deepening the spiritual life" which was good. Cassels & Hoste of the "Missy Band" spoke & did well. showed command of Scripture & spiritual insight. Miss Ricketts also spoke and Mr. Stevenson who is Supt. of the work here.

Monday May 15th.

I caught cold sitting in a draft at the C. & M. rooms - increased it sitting in drafts at the Ch. The day was quite interesting tho no great discussion was evoked. Mr. Murray & his blind pupil were the most notable appearances: the latter plays the organ remarkably well. We had a good drive out by the Country Club & other fine places in the suburbs &

saw the "Bubbling Well" - 78
a spring with a square stone
well built about it - The
Chinese think it a great wonder
& have a large temple near
by with crowds of priests.
There are large tea-gardens
whither the Chinese resort in
great numbers. They delight
in pony carriages & fast driving
They have many gaily adorned
carriages with bicycle wheels
that roll along beautifully -
In the evening we had a Bapt.
gathering at Mr. Hennings.
which was enjoyable socially
& was also in part, a business
meeting. Action being taken on
a Mandarin Colloquial version
& on sending home an appeal
for more workers - Tuesday 5/13
I had a session with the

dentist who will be obliged to undo quite a part of what Dr. Doy did last Autumn.

The day was a lively one at the Church - a discussion on the Committees report upon "Bible distribution" referring mainly to annotated Bibles was a bone of contention: finally it was recommitted. Mr. Archibald of the Scot. Soc. & Dr. Wright of the B & F. B. Soc. had a lively set-to.

The papers were crowded into the afternoon: but some valuable discussions were heard: Mr Jones of the Eng. Bapt Miss. Shanting spoke well on self-support. Mr. Yen, the Chinaman spoke again but slopped over - No China-man can bear Elation.

We were at tea again with Mr. & Mrs. Davis - Enjoyed it much - Miss Swan, Miss Corbin & a Mr. Painter (So. Pres. of Hangchow) on the way. The evening session was a question-box exercise. Dr. Ashmore presided - Some practical questions were asked - on medical work, school work, native agency &c - Hudson Taylor was present. The times called for - Sunday question came up & he with some others were in favor of strict observance being required from the natives.

Clara did not go but stays with the baby after we return from Mr. S's - The baby is very good these days & does bring left with the nurse admirably - she is growing fast and

is plump & nice - a sweet little creature - literally so for she never smells sour as I have noticed babies to have. Her eyes are a beautifully clear blue.

Wednesday May 14th.

More discussions to-day - on the memorial to the throne & the relations of church & the govt. Much variance of opinion was expressed on these points.

I was at the dentists at 11 a.m. but he could not then attend to me, but at 4.30 he filled a cavity & broke off the top fr a dead tooth. Killed by Dr Gray I think.

Clara has been at a Woman's meeting at wh. she took part answering a question about Miss Fuller's work.

I caught a very bad cold Sunday night & am suffering from its effects.

Thursday - May 15.

I was in the dentist's chair from 9.30 till 11 - A.M. - had a big cavity filled & a cast taken for the crown of another tooth. He found it hard work & did not enjoy it much. He is a splendid workman & finishes his work beautifully.

I reached the church in time to hear a little discussion and the summings of Dr. Williamson's paper and Mr. Fryer's paper both good, but strong on Education. The whole trend here is that way - surprisingly so. In the P.M. I heard Dr. Edkins Dr. Faber & some others - Dr. E.

has a wide range of Chinese knowledge, a kindly little man with a benevolent simple manner. The ladies presented their report & was much applauded. I then went out & walked about with Br. Mason & had a talk with him about work in their mission. Their views are much the same as ours in Swatow. He is a fine man - is as strong an Anti-Ronomist as J.D. Fulton himself. I also talked with Bryan of the So. Bapt. Mission Chin Kiang & am quite sure that M Bapt cannot go in for School really work as they do. I did not go out in the evening, but Clara went to hear Miss Ackerman - who talked on Woman's work in Temperance &c. at home

she is an Eloquent speaker.

Friday - May 16 -

I was with the dentist a while & then went to the ch. But no papers were read.

After dinner we gathered to have our picture taken & mounted a high scaffold sitting in tiers. Soon the whole structure began to sway & over we went in one indiscriminate mass. Clara & I were well up - on next to the top seat. But escaped uninjured. But it was a terrible experience - going down in that way 300 & more altogether. Dr. Faber & Mr J. Dalziel of the Am. Bible Soc'y were just below us & both bleeding. Clara's dress was quite badly stained. At first we moved slowly then when about 7 or 8 ft. from the ground we

pitched forward - How we landed on the ground I do not remember exactly but know we were on our feet, helped up by those who did not get the full force of the fall - or who had not been up on the structure at all - Even after we were on our feet we feared some had been killed for so many were still under the collapsed structure.

In a few moments it was announced that no one was seriously hurt - The Doxology was sung by a dusty rdishevelled party all thankful to be alive & whole - There was a large assortment of battered hats & broken umbrellas to be claimed - It is a marvel that no eyes were put out a no. were bruised or bloody but no one's vision was im-

jured - Quite a no. were bruised or stunned & the adjoining house was transformed into a temporary hospital & medical missionaries were put to a new use - Drs Boone Lyall, Southwaite & Mrs. Dr. Swinney - and some others all were in attendance, & later Dr. Watson was called out of the church - It turned out that a no. were badly bruised - & several more seriously hurt. Our Ningpo Mission suffered - Mrs Jenkins had a rib broken & her collar bone also - they feared internal injuries - Miss Jenny was quite upset nervously & really insane for some hours - Mrs. Rt. Rev. Bishop Burdon.

had both ankles sprained & her back bruised. Some other ladies were carried away weak & nearly fainting. Mr. Dalziel was badly squeezed & his arm bruised. I felt a twinge or two in my ankle ~~that~~ was sprained yrs ago but here not been lame in it. Clara's dress was stained with blood but she was not hurt & all our belongings - hats overcoat & umbrella were safely restored to us. We have cause to be deeply thankful - It was an awful experience & one we can never forget - Nancy on the top seat. Dr. Williamson, Cassels & Beauchamp of "The Merry Band" & I think, Hudson Taylor

climbed over the back and dropped down behind – The more one thinks of it the more wonderful does the escape seem. We have great cause for thankfulness that it is so well.

At the P. M. service Dr. Williamson was appointed to request the newspapers not to publish sensational reports & stop telegrams home.

We were invited to tea at the new C. L. M. Home a fine place with large grounds, a large company gathered had tea, talked & then sang. Mr. Taylor was not present, as he was very tired & somewhat shaken by the accident. I met a Mr. Ferguson who was at the Newton Conference in '87 – He is at Mantin – Now we'd our home-mail & took further glimpses

at our letters as we took our tea - I got good letters from Father & Mother besides some business-notes. Clara had home letters with pictures of Mrs. Hunt's new home & the little "Foster".

We remained in for the evening - Saturday. May 17 -

We went to the Shin "Saikio Maru" - to see the Masons & Mrs. Goddard & her children who were en route for home - It was sad for Mr. Goddard to be left - the first separation of the kind I have witnessed - A no. of others were leaving for home & several returning to Japan. We got news from the sufferers that they were a trifle better. Clara & I did a little shopping at Japanese stores before going to Conference - The day was largely taken up with dis-

cussions & part of Fridays programme - In the P.M.
Clara was invited out to visit Mrs. Inglis who sent her carriage - She had a pleasant time; There was no Evening service again - except Committee meetings -

Sunday May 18 -

In the forenoon we went to the So. Bapt. chapel. Dr. Yates's former field - They have a Sunday School. but not so large a regular attendance as we do because they have not so many schools. They have however, now heathen in, living just outside the old Chinese city. We met Dea. Wong the man who built a chapel himself & preaches in it - We, Having preached - this dialect

sounds more like French 91-
than Chinese - We dined
with the Herrings - There are
a no. of young men in that
mission. Herring, Bryan, & Chap-
pell, Tatum, & Britton we met -
Mrs. Tatum is a Maine girl,
fr. So. Berwick - Bennett &
Bostick are also young men -
The former just lost his wife -
was summoned back from
the Conference by news that she
was very ill - There is a man
who came from the C. I. M. who
is also not more than 38 I think.
The Americans are all strong
Baptists - the Ex-C. I. M. Bro.
is rather loose in his views;
I am surprised to find the
Eng. Baptists as ~~loose~~ as they
are. Not on the Communion
question simply but they are
decidedly "down-grade" men -
with leanings toward New
Theology - loose views on Scripture

They do not affiliate with 92
us as much as they do with
Paedobaptists, but they have
a good to confer with us about
a common terms for Baptisms.
If our Baptist forces in China
were all of one mind we could
show a strong front. The S.D.
Baptists are with us in everything
but the 7th day. Mrs. Fryer
was of that mission.

Sunday P.M. we stayed in
our room. & in the evening
went to the C. I. M. again
had a good meeting. A son
of Capt. Williams of Dolland
came into the dining room
as we were at supper, he sat
with us & finally went to
the meeting: he seems quite a
decent fellow - is an assistant
engineer on one of Jardine's steamers

His younger bro. is at the C. I. M. School Chefoo.

Monday May 19th

I was obliged to be at the dentists at 2 P.M. a little time afterwards at the Church quite a part of the day. Read the synopsis of several papers notably those on ancestral worship which excited so much discussion they were referred to the writing. Gilbert Reid, a man from N. Y. State, who has made special efforts to reach the mandarins took strong ground in favor of toleration but had few, beside some from Eng. Bapt bretn, on his side. In the P.M. not much was done - side reading of reports & papers

& appointing a Committee on "Comity" & "Division of the field". We had a Baptist gathering at noon and decided to stand against any Centralizing movement, to ask for a representation on the Committee if it was not given by the regular appointment, & to leave the case with Drs Ashmun & Evans, Mr. Goddard & Mr. Davis. I do not know how it happened but Dr. A. & Mr. Goddard were both put on -

The Conference was all invited to "Jessfield" - the seat of St. Johns College, Am. Bat. Episcopal - a magnificent place - Clara & & the baby drove out & had tea there with some scores of others - saw their girls school & orphanage - all very fine &

we hope they are doing good work. but they must have used a great deal of money.

Our baby was the most noticed of any one in our party & received no little attention. Dr. & Mrs. Muirhead proposed to take her home with them. & Miss Ackerman seemed disposed to adopt her.

We got back in time for a late supper & went to evening service. The debate on Ancestral Worship was long & earnest. Mr. Yen the Chinaman (Am. Episcopal Educated at home & now paid a full missionary's salary) spoke first & convinced me. He did not think it possible to eliminate the idea of actual worship, divine honors to the dead.

No resolutions were passed. 96-

Tuesday May 20th.

A large part of our time was consumed in packing & getting ready to go to Wingo. I had a session with the dentist at 2 P.M. after taking tiffin with him. His wife is a daughter of Charles Barney. Mary Jordan gave me a letter of introduction to her. But that is at Sevator. They have a beautiful home. Mrs. Hall kindly invited me to come again. Clara was feeling tired & did not go with me. Mrs. H. says Blewett has left his school & is supt of her father's new store - a new paying business. Probably he may become a partner in time - I saw

Mr. Barney was an appreciative friend of Blewett when I met them in St Louis. In fact Mr. Barney took me to see Blewett at his school. I judge that his wife & Mrs. Hall are old friends.

We got off in the P. M. Learned to get to the Stair at 3.30 & then she did not go till 5 o'clock. Mr. Goddard was on the ship, which, by the way is built on the American plan & is airy & comfortable like our good river steamers.

Wednesday May 21 -

A still smooth passage - & raining morning at Vicksburg. We sailed 12 miles up the river before reaching the city -

All along the bank are thatched ice-houses. They flood the rice fields in winter gather the thin ice in nets after one nights freezing & then it solidifies. In the summer the fishermen start out with a load of ice & as the ice melt it makes room for the fish & they are able to make a good long trip & bring back their fish all sound. The China-man is no fool. The Capt. of our Stmr was a Boston man whose family are in Belfast Me.

We had a rest trip to the Mission house. The young la-dies had invited us to visit them, so we went to their house - Dr. Lord's family. The mission houses are scattered along the right bank of the river for about 4 miles.

I went after dinner with Mr. G.

to some temples Taoist & Buddhist & to the mission Chapel & schools- The Taoist idols have an eye in the forehead & on one I noticed eyes on the dress- We saw a huge bell at the Buddhist temple. There was formerly a larger one that was captured by the English. When this was cast. the faithful brought their cash & some silver & gold which they threw in & saw melted into this huge bell fully 6 ft high & over 12 ft in circumference & 3 inches thick The temples here are finer than in the South.

The Chapel is larger more like a home ch. than ours. They have street preaching daily. I met some of their native helpers, good men I judge. but not re-

markably energetic. They have a bell which Mr. G. says he helped his father put in place when he was a boy of 13 or 14 yrs.

They have a day school for boys & one for girls at this place. I also saw their boys boarding school. The hospital is not open. We called on several people including Mrs. Dr. Grant.

The baby was quite sick at night, colic from the effects of exposure on the steamer I think. She was relieved however & got to sleep.

Thursday May 22 -

Miss Larsen & Miss Falconer arrived by the morning boat. We heard good news from the victims of the accident - We went to look at the Mingpo carving & inlaid work

which is beautiful in design & finish - They had a writing desk made for Mr. Pettus the retiring Consul, a beautiful thing ($60.00). We visited also the Cemetery, where I saw the graves of Dr. Lord, Dr. Goddard & Dr. Knowlton among many others. It is a quiet spot with a little chapel built in it. After dinner I rested a little; Mr - Clara, Miss Sturtevant dined with Mr. Goddard. They wanted me to take a leading part at the union prayer-meeting - so I gathered thoughts together & gave a brief account of the work in & about Swatow - which they listened to well & appeared kindly. I met Mr. McKee & Mr. Rauch of the Presb. Mission.

Mr. G. took tea with us & we passed a quiet evening.

Friday May 23rd.

A full morning - we visited two large temples, a pagoda & a silk-store. At the latter the ladies were the chief devotees, tho' I got a fan at a store near by, & Ling Hung got silk for a jacket. The City Temple is the richest thing I have seen in China for its decorations. It was nearly burned but rebuilt at an Expense of hundreds of thousands of dollars. We went up to the private bedchamber where the God this wife are supposed to come once a year. It is not much larger than the room I used to have at home, on the No. side of the house with a sort of alcove for a dressi-

ful inlaid bedstead, with its bedding of black & gran all arranged in order.
We climbed the pagoda & got a fine view of this wide populous plain.. At the "Tod-chow" or "Tokiri" Temple are 4 wonderfully carved pillars - with huge dragons coiled ~~coiled~~ about them.
These Ningpo temples have fine stands for a theatre in the open square before the temple gate - then on either side are galleries where spectators sit & drink whisky or tea, chat & look on.
In the city temple this was a gorgeous affair beautifully gilded - at this Tokiri temple a theatre was in full blast - half a dozen fellows in finely embroidered gowns were

parading about reciting in high squeaking voices. This is the same goddess that is worshipped at Double Island - "A. Nii" - we call her, the special goddess of sailors. We went into the temple & saw the special place for worship by paying a few cash to the man in charge. These priests & chapel-keepers are apparently devout "for revenue only". We went home after this & passed the afternoon quietly. Miss Chalmer went back to Shanghai having an appointment with the dentist.

In the evening. Mr. Goddard, Mr. McKee (Rev.) - Mr. Pettus the retiring U.S. Consul & his daughter with a young business man Mr. M. Cassin & his sister, were invited to tea & to spend the evening. We enjoyed the time which was passed in looking at pictures & in

a few games of "Proverbs" & such like -

Saturday May 24 -

The baby developed a new line of action last night. She woke at about Mr & Coord & roared for an hour or two, did not cry but kept awake & vocal a long time -

I wrote most of the forenoon - Clara called on Mrs. Grant - & Dr. Grant with Mr. Gould called after dinner - We were obliged to leave by 3 o'clock & in a high wind & heavy rain, with tide against us came to the ship & are now in Hangchow Bay - The Kao-Shing is a fine ship & the Capt. very polite & careful for our comfort - The young ladies came down to see us off - They have been very cordial & kind in entertaining us - They seemed especially to enjoy the baby.

Sunday May 20. '06

We reached Shanghai very early in the morning after a delightfully smooth passage in a fine stmr. We had a hard rain at Ningpo in wh. to go from the house to the ship. But had good weather for the trip. I hunted about for a time at last decided to stop over until the next night at a Sailor's Home kept by a Mr. & Mrs. Jones Christian people, a place at which it was proposed we should stop when we first came. It is sad to see so much depravity among the men from Christ. endom & the walk I took in the morning was full of sights that make one heartsick.

There are a great many men of war in port & large contingents of men are daily on shore getting drunk - & riding about in "rik-shas". I saw one man & a little boy with him on a velocipede the man was covered with dust & was dancing along beside or in front of the boy occasionally falling down - apparently they were father & son.

We attended service at Masonic Hall heard a Mr. Hunter C.I.M. speak. In the afternoon Mr. Campbell, Miss Rights & Miss Young called & we went to see Mrs. Jenkins.

she is improving. but it will be 3 wks before she can be moved.

In the afternoon several Germans came in as we were going to supper. Clara spoke with them & had one really interested listener who seemed really to be awakened by the personal presentation of the gospel. He promised to read the Bible his mother had given him. Clara enjoyed the talk much, it seemed like getting back to herald work at home.

I attended the C. I. M. meeting in the evening, heard Hoste & Cassels speak & met Beauchamp & asked him about their work. He is now in Sz-Chuan at some 200 miles

from Upcraft & Warner. 109
He seems to find the work
opening slowly in a new field
& to think it best to go slow.
Mr. Campbell came part
way down from Glen King
with him.

Monday - May 26.

A busy day doing last things.
Clara was in the dentists
chair twice & suffered agonies.
We went to the Stmr after supper
got a splendid state-room.

Tuesday 5/27 - 9 P.M.

We started at 6.30 A.M. & are
going on beautifully very little
motion. I have quite enjoyed the day,
have read & studied part of the time.
Clara is obliged to keep her
room. But the baby is good
& has cried but little.

Wednesday May 28th -

still smooth, or so nearly smooth we scarcely notice the motion. a little rain but no fog & we go along finely - I read a little & discussed mission matters with Mr. Campbell. Ling Hang was sick so I could not study with him. but I went on by myself the 3rd & 4th chapters of Colossians which L. H. had romanized at Shanghai. We passed a bark under full sail. I was in our stateroom at the time, but saw her through a glass astern. She is the first ship under sail I remember seeing since we left San Francisco - We passed also 3 German men of war. & had a stern chase with the Kiwong Lee that left Shanghai 2 hours before us. We passed her at 7 o'clock

Rev J. B. Ost of the Church Miss'y Soc'y Hong Kong is aboard & quite sociable, tho' a little inclined to churchy pretensionness is much less so than the majority & judge is an earnest energetic worker. He found common ground with the first Officer who used to run on the East African coast & knew Bishop Hannington & many others of the C.M.S. & University with whom Mr. Ost was acquainted.

The Capt. is a sociable young man & pleasant tho' I fear he would be better off if he did not take any stimulants. Mr. Ost takes wine with all his meals - but I notice the Capt has not taken as much as at the first meal. Mr. C & I of course do not indulge.

The table is excellent & I am able to eat 3 meals regularly which is more comfortable than former trips at sea.

Thursday May 24/90 -

Last night we passed "Turnabout" near which the San Pablo was wrecked. Now as I am writing we are entering Amoy harbor. The feeling in the air shows we are getting back to the warmer latitudes & softer airs that border on the tropics. We shall anchor at about noon as there are but about 500 pikgs of pit to land I hope we shall get off to-night & reach Swatow to-morrow morning early. Clara & Miss Falconer were at breakfast & the baby was brought out & admired after the meal was finished. Mr. Ost helped her some time & carried her about a little: a Swatow man on board came up to the window to make her acquaintance. There are several Swatowese aboard,

Friday May 30th

We reached Swatow early Mrs at the pier by 7 o'clock - The landing was a difficult one to make as there were several stiff near to a strong tide running. & the ship being deep-loaded was difficult to manage. They fastened a wire cable to a post so as to work in but they brought it up that it snapped like a thread & then in getting close to the wharf the gangway was carried away. We got a boat for our baggage & just as we were getting into another to cross our own boat came up - & we came in comfortably - Mr. Campbell was met by his children long before he got to the gate. He left 4 months ago.

We found all well & were cordially rec'd. took breakfast with the Howells. & were invited to tiffin with Mr. Ost at the Sidfords. Mr. O. called once & saw something of the schools. We had good prayer meetings. ~~Sat~~ Saturday May 31 - Mr - Clara & Mrs. Scott went to Swatow to-day. I to make a deposit & to get some silver: they to visit "Speed" of whom Miss Tilde writes in "Pagoda Shadows" - who is not well - has heart trouble.

I have a great deal of work to do the next 3 wks. hope to get through the next Communion in July. safely & then go to the Island -

I got off quite a no. of letters.— 114
arranged for to-morrow service
with Ling-Heng, & did sundry
small items of business. This
evening Miss Hankins & Miss
Falconer took supper with us.
It seems warm tho' the mer-
cury is only 82½°.

Sunday June 1st

Cool & threatening. We had a
good no. at service & they
seemed interested in the
account of the growth of mis-
sion work in China & the
work of the Conference as Ling
Heng gave it. He also
in his conclusion gave his
own conclusions regarding
the value of the Gospel above
all western inventions & Earthly
prosperity such as he had
seen at Shanghai.

One hundred & one at S. School.
After school I talked with
Mr. Powell & Mr. Carlin about
the Conference & we arranged that
we all meet in the evening
at Mr. Carlin's for a further
discussion, which was done to
the apparent interest of those as-
sembled. Monday June 2 -
The baby has been entertaining
us some times lying in Clara's
lap & discoursing in dulcet
tones, though on what topic
we cannot tell. Since then
she has been protesting vigor-
ously because the nurse took her,
now is asleep in the nurse's
arms looking so serene you
would hardly believe she could
ever cry hard. I wish very much
her grandparents could see her
now. Her hair is very long.

She is getting quite covered with prickly-heat & I think is preparing for teeth she chews so diligently at her fingers.

My time has been well taken up to-day. From 6.45 till 9. excepting time needed for breakfast & prayers I studied on the morning's work in Joshua. The men did well - we got started on the subject of the ordinances & talked some time thereon - Then I had to talk with a man who wishes to join the class - then write to Dr. Ashmore & to Mr. Partridge also forward a lot of mail to the former - then write two business letters to Swatow & then confer with the Elder & L-Hang about matters in the country & their work the next few weeks: then I had a meeting of the "school committee" as some Hok-Ka boys had com-

plained that the others abused them so I suggested to Mr. Ar-
vell that they come before us
& state their grievance. They
did the former but concluded
they had no grievance - then
we discussed the mid-summer
examinations & who should go as
Examiners; then the young
man from the students class
came up with last months ac-
count to be settled - I went
out to get some Exercise but it
began to rain - We are pestered
with the white ants which come
out with gauzy wings that make
them fly to a light. We eat
supper with a large basin of
water under the lamps to receive the
unbidden guests & it was no easy
task to keep them out of our food.
Insect life swarms here.

Tuesday June 3rd 18

Not an eventful day - class as usual & some settling of accts with preachers - In the evening some girls met to Dr. Carlin's expecting a continuation of Sunday's conversation on the Conference - But the Campbells were not there so we talked a little about it informally. I had a private interview with Dr. Scott's cousin, who called me aside & informed me that I ought to be on my guard against our Hakka belligerents, that they had threatened to do me harm if I did not employ them or put their case through for them. I did not feel much alarmed however - We are having quite cool days now thanks be

ing the respite from death.

Wednesday June 4 -

This is great weather for sleeping. I find it hard to get up in the morning, but succeed in keeping awake & busy all day. I had a letter to write to Editing to a Baptist Church that supports the Elder - also to Mr. Cook of Singapore who inquired about two young men who are members of our church & now there. Lai-Kiu came to see me & talked with him some time, but declined to take him back & warned him to be very careful not to do anything violent -

We had prayer-meeting at Mr. Campbells in the evening.

Thursday June 5th 20

On the Mission boat again. We have had a wonderful day for June - a strong East wind. We have come on finely, our way beyond Kieh-Yang on the South-branch - Mr. Novell is with me on his way to Ning-Khew-Liang - I am going up by the stream that leads up to the North branch above Siah-Tiu - I shall meet Mr. N. at Kieh-Yang on Monday -

We saw an interesting sight to-day - ~~a boat with~~ 16 men paddling a small boat, with a man steering + a man standing up in the center acting as coxswain pounding on a gong to stir up the men

to put out strength - & they did paddle away as if their lives were at stake. They were practising for the Dragon boats that are paddled by 50 or more men on certain feast days - the blight of idolatry is on every thing -

Friday June 6/90

We reached Mr. Morrell's landing early & started back, came back to Kit Sia" & through the creek by the West gate instead of going to Sieh Sia". I have done a little figuring & some reading - It is hot & while I am feeling well, am not so active in mind as I could wish. The men are cooling themselves in the river. I am going to the Chapel soon,

At the chapel I found the school teacher, the preacher and the man Sam who has made us so much trouble - Consultation with the first showed that the dates fixed for examining the schools were too late and a letter must be sent at once to Mr. Norvells point to arrange again with the preacher who accompanied him - I also visited the jeweller but he had not done anything on the present I ordered for May Shailer last April - tho he explained that it was another man's fault. I arranged with the preacher A-Chuan to go to Gieh-Sia" to be with me over Sunday - also consulted with him about the affairs at Kit-ai" The Evening I used my Trus. acct - Saturday June 9 - Very Early I woke up looked out

& saw the moon only 4 days past the full shining out of the clouds. The boatmen were making ready to start & take advantage of the tide. So we were indebted to the moon for light & help on our way.

I spoke next at Gueh-sia: & after breakfast found a Chinaman who walked up early. The people are greatly agitated about the robbery of a clock some furniture & a scroll containing the 10 commandments (or & taste the lost!). We walked about ~~the~~ 3 1/2 miles to visit some church members & had a good time. Tung-Peh I was specially glad to see. an old man 78 yrs. old whose back is bent (5) like a sickle but seems an earnest faithful Christian. They agreed to come & consult about the matter of the theft. The old man said he had concluded the best

way was to pray the Lord 12x
to dispose the matter rightly-

Fortunately the day was cloudy
so our walk back was not
insufferably hot. In the afternoon
I slept quite a time & then did some
reading - went to the chapel - Two
men had come in & we consult-
ed some time, waiting for the others
but came to no definite con-
clusion, they wanted me to take up
the case - Later Eng-Ch & an-
other bro. arrived - In the evening
I went up & found them studying
Rev. I:6. the future Kingship
of believers seemed a great wonder-
ful thing to the poor old man
We looked up several similar
passages in I Peter & Romans -

The old man remembered part
of a passage about "under the
cloud" & "the sea" which I sug-
gested might be I Cor. 10:1 sq. that
was. which led to an exposition of

the ordinances - We had another discussion of the theft & positively refused to take the case to our Council simply because this is a chapel built with foreign money, but said I was ready to accompany them to see the "Head-Man" of the village: this they pondered. We had prayer before I left. Sunday - June 8 -

5-30 P.M. - Warmer to-day - Services have been encouraging to-day. In the morning A-Chuan preached from I Tim. IV:16 - Then a bro read Peter's release in Acts XII & I spoke on the power of prayer illustrating by the progress in China made by the Gospel, having brought a map - which map one of the brethren wanted to buy & was glad

bletting have it.
We had an evening service at which we read a part of John III. At 1.40 P.M. we had the Communion Service Rev. 20 & 30 partaking. Then they talked over the theft again & offered to wait till to-morrow afternoon & help them personally in any way possible but would not use any foreign official power in the case. Finally they all brethren agreed to go with the preacher me to-morrow morning. It had been hinted to me that the people here wanted to arrange for part of a preacher's salary & come here for 6 mos. so I broached the subject & they said they would pay 12 c. for the 6 mos. & moved to be seeking Chair the man spent half the

time at the two other stations near by - Hue-Chêng & Soan-Où - which arrangement is just what I have been wanting for a long time.

I also had a chance to talk with the man who was prominent in helping the men who wanted to make trouble a one time ago he seems now to show a good spirit.

Last night I have had an audience of 70 men & given away some leaflets, also lent a Testament to a young man who is sitting on the window sill reading it - may it be profitable to him! -

In the evening I was at the chapel for a little time & found them reading Rev. II - which they seemed to enjoy very. Talked about several passages therein.

Monday June 9th. '27 -

At about 8 P.M. I went to the chapel found several waiting & set out to visit the "Headmen" - all 4 of whom received us politely & the preacher said their words were "good-good" - the first man we found in a residence beside a stream - with a little walk in front of the house & a high wall before that. He was a well made man strong & vigorous with a face denoting energy & decision, though rather gross. I was sorry to see an opium tray on his bed - He made tea for us & himself introduced the subject of the loss at the chapel - as the conversation went on they all got excited & all talked together - gesticulating vigorously, our new friends this people might have thought

a fight imminent. but this is their way of holding "a bit of a discussion". The next man was an old grey-bearded "uncle" in his shop, who was arrayed in a thin pair of trousers & his one ~~[illegible]~~ coiled about his head. He was pleasant enough but claimed he did not have any power to help - that somebody else was the man we wanted to see. The next was a keen, deep-voiced old man who was also polite, took us into his back room behind his shop & talked some time. The fourth was a bro. of the man who gave land for the chapel, a former member & also an "elder" of one of the villages - this poor fellow was more wrecked by opium than any of the others - his hands trembled & he seemed

unable to control him-
self. acted like a man stupe-
fied. He was pleasant how-
ever & seemed to recover him-
self gradually. A little after
9 o'clock we started for Kit-
Ien & met Mr. Crowell there.
In consultation we decided to send
word home that we should be a
day or two later & that Hua-
Lin should come up if possible
to examine the schools - then
another visit Hua-Cheng &
Soa-Ai to see about their
helping support a preacher.
So we left in the afternoon & ~~that~~
come up to Siah-Tie. While wait-
ing at Kit-Ien I had a chance
to talk with some men who
took shelter in a temple during
a heavy shower - which seed we
hope may yet spring up.
After supper at 6-30 we started
for Hua Cheng. Said 6 or 7 mile
away - a generous mile it is. As
we the way A-chuan gave me

some valuable facts about the Kit-Di-ch. It is a beautiful country - fertile plain with encircling hills - I have never been here before when the vegetation was so luxuriant as now. The rice is well grown but not but its fresh green. It is a beautiful sight, stretching away for miles on every side - The cane is about four feet high & rich in color - We reached the chapel at 7.30 & in the course of an hour some 20 had gathered - They listened approvingly to the idea & I trust will fall into line. We walked back by the light of lanterns & reached the boat, stirred up the men & motor -

Tuesday June 18th -

En route to Soa-Ou - Mr. A. is reading 'Looking Backward' - We enjoy the native boat which allows the wind full entrance.

9.45 P.M.

We had a fine trip - beautiful scenery, everything fresh & rich in color - The hills are not so rugged as Klondyke they are all green with either grass or trees. We had numerous showers, one very heavy while we ate dinner - the boat was close against the shore & the rain poured in torrents - but we did not get wet. We did not get to the chapel till after 5 o'clock but found many waiting for us who soon came. We had a talk about the prospect - they seemed doubtful regarding their ability to raise the funds, but said they would do what they could - We got back from boat at 8-20 - & are now going down to Khek-Khi where there is a case of difficulty to look after. The weather is warm but we have not suffered. clouds have helped us.

Wednesday - June 11th -

Near the head of the Bay - 9 30 P.M.

We were at Khek-Khai by 5 o'clock & were at the chapel quite a part of the forenoon - The case is a bad one, trouble of some yrs standing between a husband, wife & son-in-law. Now the girl who for some yrs. has refused to live with the young man has apparently disgraced herself & there is a great deal of talk about her. She was at chapel last Sunday & made a spectacle of herself as well as said a great many things she should not. We had a plain & not altogether pleasant discussion of the subject, & decided to return & have the case settled Sunday on the

Dear Father,

We are at Ningpo & shall be until Saty when we return to Shanghai. As well as enjoying the privileges of seeing as many women & so much of this part of China, I will write more fully later. We start for Swatow Tuesday – Baby is quite well & making a great many friends.

With lots of love to Father & Mother from us all

John

ground. We had two adventures to-day. the boat ran away with both steersmen ashore & the boatman got frightened & would not obey me & let the sheet go & made a mess of it but we got back safely. Later the mast (35 ft high) broke off 3 ft. from the top - while we were "beating" in a choppy sea. The steersman produced a hatchet - knife & chisel & mortised a new block in the mast below the break & we came ~~xxx~~ hope to reach home safely early to-morrow. Mr. Norvell caught an eel while the mast was being mended. We made fair progress the rest of the day.