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Thursday June 12-¹³⁴

At home by 5 o'clock - I found
Clara & the baby both asleep -
so read my letters till they
wakened. quite surprised them
by my early return. I had
a visitor, a Miss Court of Siam,
on her way home from the Con-
ference. She went to the E. P. Mis-
sion in the forenoon & I went too
& having some business in Sava-
tow, & called on Mr. Mackenzie to
consult about some mission mat-
ters. A very heavy rain came
on but I was at the chapel
calling on Leing Heng who has
come back ill from fever.
The Elder is back & goes back
with me to Khe Khai -
I got off some mail to Dr.
Ashmore & home but she left
out a page of journal. #114.

At 2 30 'm went to have pictures taken but I fear not with much success. At 3. I met to class & heard the men for an hour or thereabouts & arranged for Sunday etc. Then two of the Hak-Kas a man & woman were waiting for me & it was 5 o'clock before I got home & then had to get ready for Procter meeting - which came in the evening. - fear I was not an inspiring teacher - After that Mr. Campbell was waiting for me to arrange some money & other matters, as he goes to the Country to Kia-Eng-Chin (see map) next week - Mrs. Scott's night - Blooming Crows bloomed - a fair sized blossoms - Mr. Campbell had sad news from Kia Ing., in a recent terrible thunder storm a bolt struck ^(the German missionaries) their house & killed their native helper a promising young

Man - who leaves a wife & child.¹³⁶⁻
The natives said they wished
"it had killed all the foreign
devils". If Mr. & Mrs. Kutler
had not recently moved their bed
out from the wall it would
have killed them probably.

Friday - June 13 -

On board again, Dr. Carlin &
& the Elder are en-route for Khek-
Khai. The steersman has patch-
ed the mast a little more, put an
iron band about below the new mor-
tice we found the sail of the
other boat (Miss Fielder's "Grace")
is just big enough for the short-
ened mast so we are pulling
along & sailing along with wind
abeam & although the tide is
running down & the wind in
puffs we are but about 5 miles
below Phin-Thai just now making
good headway.

stopped to call upon the
 sick deacon & found him
 sitting on his bed outside
 his door in a narrow alley-
 close & foul. He looks badly
 both legs swelled & his body
 also. He is growing short-
 breathed & seems near his end.
 "Poor fellow," he said. "If I die
 soon it will be better." "If I
 have to wait long I can't bear
 it." We cheered him the best
 we could & read from Rom VIII:
 26-29. We asked him to offer
 prayers -

Saturday June 14.

We left the Elder last night
 at Khetkhai & went on to Hiti-di.
 This morning we visited the
 chapel & called on the jeweler,
 heard a part of the examination
 of the School & I had a confer-
 ence with Sam & gave him

good advice which 35
I hope he will remember.

We come away at 2 P.M. &
reached Khek-Khoi at
4. Dr. Carlin & I talked over
Church discipline & kindred
matters quite a little -

At the Chapel we found
the Elder, the Bible-woman, &
Tung-Chai-Peh. After dis-
cussing the "case" some time,
we walked about a mile
to the home of the man
& his daughter. I found the
latter in a more reasonable
mood than before. She a-
greed to live with her husband
& we hope though not very
strongly that the family will
live in peace. A great
crowd of neighbors flocked a-
bout to see & hear & many

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along the way asked about
our success, evidently the
affair has been a common
theme of discussion all a-
round this region. All ex-
pressed great satisfaction
that they would "make up".

I met the young man &
gave him all the good ad-
vice I could muster. He pro-
posed to give a dollar to
the church if it would be
"correct".

It is very hot -

Sunday June 15 1890 -

And still hot, tho' a breeze makes
it endurable. We had along
service this morning. After
the early worship I went over
the church roll & had the
names of delinquents taken
down with a view to appointing

Committees to look them up. ¹⁴⁰

The husband & wife were at church & all seemed peaceful.

The people we met on the way to the Chapel spoke of their case & approved of its settlement.

We had a "few remarks" from one of the older members on the story of Cornelius & from the Deacon on Titus II - then the Elder preached fr. Rom VIII 1-7 & spoke with force & clarity, both his remarks & the Deacon's were well chosen.

In the afternoon we met at two o'clock & before communion the reunited couple made their confessions & spoke briefly of their having sinned & brought offence upon the church, they wished to be forgiven & asked the church to pray that they might

in the future live as they¹⁴¹
should. The girl was the
first to speak, seemed anxious
to get the task done. Fr. Car-
lin noticed the two did not
partake, so I asked the Elder
why he said they "dare not."
But the matter was explained
that if they really were repent-
ant & trusting the Saviour it
was all right for them to par-
take - so they did - After
Communion they discussed
some delinquent members &
appointed others to visit them.
They winced at such work but
the Elder says - "Mãi" Khung
Sĩ nãng" - "Don't be conceal-
ing (or carrying within) dead men."
He is to stay for a week
& look up these cases, doing
work also among the heathen about.

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We found it so hot we de-
cided to set sail at 5 o'clock
& "beat" down below Phan Thau.

Monday June 16/90.

Hot - We are in the middle
of the bay 7 miles from home
just wind enough to ripple the
water & keep us from floating
back. I cannot do much
have been quiet all the
morning talking & reading. Shall
try to work till we get home.

We reached home at 1 P.M.

Found air mail awaiting us -
good letters from home, also from
Scoville & from Mr. Patridge &
Mr. Coleman. I got my bearings
looked about the compound &
tried to settle down to work though
not quite effectually. We had
been invited to an "at home"

at the Sidfords in honor of
her parents golden wedding.
It was a jolly affair -

The house & lawn were gay
with bunting & preparations
made for a good time -

They had a log hung on piv-
ots on which people were to
walk & try to bite of a piece
of Candy hung on a frame
midway above said log. No
one got it though several

came very near it. The sack
race was capital also, the
three-legged race. Mr. Law-

dale & Mr. Bjornsen (son of the
writer) won the first & Mr.
Innocent the second. There was

an egg race - running with
an ^{egg} in a spoon - Mr. Strick

German vice-Counsel room.

The ladies had a plum race, holding a plum in a spoon in the mouth - Miss Stevenson first & Miss Gibson second - They had a picture taken of the family & then one for all. Mr. Allum was photographer.

Tuesday June 17-

Rainy - I was not feeling very well & thought of going to the Island but the rain prevented.

I had the class in the morning & they did excellently - I spent some time in writing to Dr. Muddack. After class

~~Wednesday June~~

I went to Swatow to meet a man from the Country who came to see me while I was away - did not meet him.

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but met Chhiang Sui, first
time I had seen him since
Chinese New Year. We had
a general conversation on the
subject of health of families,
especially his Mother-in-law
who, he says, is becoming
more bold in the faith.

Wednesday June 18-

Weather uncertain, I felt rather
dull though a little less uncom-
fortable as the air was clear.
We had a tremendous blow in
the night & great flaring sheets
of lightning that lighted up
the whole bay.

In the P.M. we went to the
Island in the house boat, had
a good bath & had an well-
ly prayer-meeting there.
Coming back we sailed five

ly till about a mile ¹⁴⁶
from home when a most
tremendous black cloud
came up & a terrific rain
storm with wind came on.
we anchored & lay there till
nearly 2 A.M. & then
came in all safe.

Mr. Campbell was with us
on his way to the country.
The babies, Mrs. Corvells
& "Anna" slept peacefully.

Thursday June 19-

Weather again rainy. I
had class as usual. and a
long talk with a man from
Phan Thoi who wants help to
get out of a money trouble.
Dr. A. had agreed to help
some what. I was obliged to
prepare for the Teachers meeting.

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Friday - June 20th

We are having some heavy rains, the water seems literally poured out. The weather is cool for so late in the season & I trust we may get thro' the Summer comfortably.

There has been no serious illness in the schools for which we are thankful.

As Saturday is the great thanksgiving feast day I tried to plan for some of the men to go away & be at country chapels nearby over Sat^y & Sunday.

Mia-Thai from Ji-Piⁿ came in to see if I would not help further on their new building. Like most church buildings it overruns the specifications.

I told him his middle man was not here and I could not pay him money, or have it put on the mortgage. We gave him two bamboo chairs.

The evening meeting was a very good one.

Saturday June 21-

I spent most of the time considering the work for Communion week - making out a plan for work etc. Have decided to read Calasiums and give them for 3 mos. study passages on Church order - called at Dr. Carlin's in the P.M. talked over various matters. He showed me a scheme he will make out for a Rhetoric

very full & closely analyzed.
He used to conduct Teachers
Institutes at home & this was
the result of the work he did
there.

Sunday June 22-

Dr. C. & I started out a little
after 7 o'clock for P. P. P.
via Po-Phou - had a shower
going over but the rain did
not reach us and the wind
did help us along - We were
favored in not being rained
on - Had a comfortable walk
(for June) of $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles or more.

The new building is neat, &
tho' very small is a good
place for worship & we
hope it may be an earnest of
better things to come.

Hak-Jū went with us ¹⁵⁰⁻
preached. at 2 P.M. we
had Communion Service.
The walk back was hotter
as the sun was out but we
got to the boat by 5 P.M. &
reached home a trifle after 6.30.

Monday June 23-

To-day I am getting my
mail off. & shall put the
rest of the time on work
for Communion - The weather
is beautiful - a fine breeze blow-
ing. I called on Dr. Carlin
& found him well - better for
his walk yesterday. He &
Mrs. C. are doing hard work
on the languages. I shall
try to make some calls late in
the afternoon.

9 P. M.

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Quite a busy day. I have arranged the next 3 mos. work for the printers that is written out in Chinese - also made calls on Mr. Lemon & Mr. Barnes two young men from Singapore who are here studying. They are rather pleasant fellows.

Tuesday June 24.

A warmer day. Mr. Campbell surprised us to-day by coming up at a little before 9 A.M. His boat could not get beyond the Hi-city on acct of high water. I have kept busy to-day. Have had a chapter on Colossians in "Tsin-li" classical style. & some minor other matters. He visited the P. M. Mission after 4.30 P.M. I have been reading "Theologia Ernest".

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Wednesday June 25th -

About the same as Tuesday -
read in Colossians, but had the
forenoon broken by a trip to Levant
so deputed the Elder to hear
the Class recite - Very hot -

Thursday June 26th -

read Colossians - I hope then
after to get more time for Clig-
ness I need it so much and
it is by no means uninter-
esting. This summer after
the schools are closed I hope
to put in some time at
this. When the schools are
closed we can use the teachers.
The monotony of the days was
broken by the arrival of one
of the Bible Women Guel-Eng.
& several by a from Tangleu.

to a "man of influence" ¹⁵⁴
in that village enclosing
my card & writing him
to see that the affair
was settled. He had prob-
ably been "retained" by
the other side & the Elder
thought this might be a
politic move - Hua Lin
took the letter.

Saturday June 28 -

In the forenoon I had to use
some time in planning for
the young men going out on
Sunday & in the P.M. we
went to the Island - Sea rough -
Clara & Dr. Carlin were both
sick - we had a pleasant time
& a good bath - came back
in the evening.

My dear Father,

Mr Ke's on
home mail to-day. Clara
got nice letter from you
& one from mother, both
now greatly enjoyed -

We are "living along" -
I am better & able to do
quite a day's work. Clara
seems pretty well. The baby
does not get well of course
but no hope it is now largely
from her prospective teeth.

We shall go to the Island
before very long. May be
able to visit again by this
time. With ever so much

Love
John

Sunday June 29¹⁵⁵

The day was so dubious I did not decide whether to go away or not until nearly 9 o'clock.

We had a good passage across to Tho-Phou-Chi.

At the chapel we had a small congregation, but quite a good service -

The people are inclined to help a little & I think we shall have the chapel put in better order -

Coming back we met a tremendous squall & heavy shower, so that we lay-to for some time - When we got back

we saw the house boat on the way to the Island, beating against a heavy wind & sea. Mr. Campbell had come

up for Dr. Scott to go down ¹⁵⁷
see their baby. I had picked
up a crew or rather his boy
had done so - a fine crew it
was. The street-sweeper, an
assistant cook, Mrs. Scott's
Cooey (who is a fair boatman
to be sure) & a man forsterman
who is not first-class. The
result was they only got to
the lower fishing stakes
when the tide turned & they
insisted they must go back -
ran against the fishing stakes,
lost the anchor & ^{over} two oars
& then a tremendous squall came
& they drifted up sideways, hap-
pily cleared all boats & stakes
so they got back safely -

Mr. C. tried to go back by
the midnight tide but it
began to rain & the men refused.

Monday June 30 - 1894.

Mr. Campbell got news in the morning that little Tom was much better & went down himself in the afternoon -

I was busy taking accounts all day - most all the native helpers got in before night -

They seem in quite good spirits & their reports are rather better than usual -

Clara always has a great deal to do at these times with the girls school, the women class & the Bible women to look after and the acct to take -

Tuesday July 1st.

Service at 7 a.m. sermon by Lupton - very good in spirit - I took the time from 9-10 for study & at 10 had the class both

men & women at the ¹⁵⁸
Chapel. Mr. Deagan Colossi-
ans, spent a little time on the
introduction - read the 1st chapter
& dwelt on the two points
of fruit-bearing & head-
ship. I had asked Mr.
Novell to draw a large
bunch of grapes so that the
names of the virtues could
be written on them.

This seemed to help them to
take in the idea that the fruit
of the Spirit is a complete ~~co-~~
cluster of graces.

After class I took A-Chuan's
ap & after dinner met them
again at 2 o'clock. We discuss-
ed several matters of general
interest & further spoke on the
question of headship illustrat-
ing by an analogy. After this
I had several talks with till
4 - the time for prayer-meeting

which I led - They gave me ¹⁵⁹
good attention & I trust under-
stood me - the subject was
the need of the Holy Spirit &
the fact that at the present
day there are "times of re-
freshing" - The evening I took
partly for study.

Wednesday July 2-

Sermon by A-Chuan at 7 o'clock
I till nine study - 10 till 11
Class - We took up Colos-
sians II - One of the preach-
ers gave a fine recitation of
Tuesdays lesson with the analy-
sis of Chap. I - The rest of the day
was filled full. The girls'
school was examined at 2
P.M. - I had a little to do in
hearing them read the Roman-
ized - At 7 P.M. meeting

The Elder spoke very 160
well. said that the preachers
the evening before had con-
fessed their sins one to another.
I had concluded that the short-
comings of the church were due
largely to their own imper-
fections. He seemed to be really
mild. I could not ^{but} be a little
amused at the earnestness with
which he added - "The Sisters
too, they are at fault just the
same as we are." It is however
very encouraging to find
the preachers looking at
their own deficiencies not
confining their attention to those
of other people -

Thursday July 3

The day began with an explo-
sion. After the 7 A.M. Service
the Elder stepped out & began

to explain a matter at ^{11:41-}
Am. Pm where had interfered
& put matters to rights. I did
not stop him because I knew
the br is then more not right, but
at the end I found he was
putting blame on one of the
Bible. Women, Sai-Kio, (against
whom he has long had a grudge)
He stopped & she jumped up said
a few sentences & he jumped
up & interrupted her. Then I
got up & stilled them both.
This it was no light under-
taking to stop her. She said
over & over again "Uai ai ta"
maing" ("I want to tell plainly")
but I told her she must
wait. After morning class
I kept the preachers and
demanded an explanation

It seems that Sai-Kio ¹⁶²
had helped him settle the
Case but afterward had list-
ened to the Vin. & after coming
here the night before she had
privately told the Vin's com-
plaints to Mia-tin - who when
the "Confessions" were going on
brought this up. & the Elder was
very angry. It came time
to test the case by Matt. xviii:
15 & sq. & after reading it they
concluded that both parties
had violated that Command.
& would do well to publicly say
so - which they did at the
4 P.M. prayer meeting.

The woman seemed to feel a
little guilty for Clara said
she was very meek & submissive.
Long Hung told me that all

the preachers had agreed 163
to tell each other any com-
plaints they heard against
each other not to talk of
one another behind their backs,
which is a good ministerial
rule.

The boys middle
school passed a fine ex-
amination in the afternoon.

~~I began a letter home~~

Friday July 4th

The "glorious" - my chief cele-
bration was part of a letter
home. No class because

reports came at 10 a.m.

all the helpers gave a
brief report of the 3 mos. work.

In some respects an improve-
ment over past reports more
evangelizing - more new hearers.

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The boys primary school -
did well in the P.M. - I ex-
amined them in arithmetic
& Romanized - I - had a
short meeting at 4 - All this
the week about the only time
I had to myself was part of
the evening - Friday evening
I was obliged to prepare for
the double wedding on Saty -

Saturday July 5th -

We barely thro't of the "Glorious
South" till it was past - &
could not celebrate - The morning
wedding was the most festive
occasion - I wrote home about
it - I let the Elder do the
"churading" & he over did it.
I asked the questions pronounced
them man & wife & asked
the Elder to pray.

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The chapel was prettily decorated. - We had a good business meeting in the afternoon. Examined 8 candidates.

Afterwards I was busy with the preachers & in the evening again went over the cases of the applicants. & made final arrangements with each one for the next 3 mos.

Saturday - July 6 -

7 A. M. meeting for voting on candidates. 6 rec'd. a young man came later but too late for examination. The baptism was performed by the Elder at 9 A. M. We had a good service at 10 o'clock - Hok-Jui preached an excellent sermon.

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from Judges. VI: 14 -

at 2. P.M. The Elders met
the candidates & with Mr. Camp-
bell & administered the Lords
Supper. I had a little rest
after this & after our had come
for books another came for money
& another for settling of a case
& Dr. Harg to read us a short
biography he wants printed &
several news about other things.
so that by supper time I was
about fagged. having been
suffering from dia rheasa for
two days or more.

After supper I met the
preachers again & Dr. Cardinal
so came in & spoke to them
through me very kindly well.
It was the best farewell service
I ever had with them.

Monday - July 7 -

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After the battle - all tired -
but I managed to get our man
started out as a colporter &
the rest at work reading tracts.
A variety of things came up so
the forenoon was occupied -
In the afternoon Mr. H. & I
went to Swatow & did several
errands also calling on the
C.P. Mission - The baby is
not well - has a cough -
The nurse is also unwell.
Dr. Lyall says there is a
great deal of illness in
Swatow - Clara is very
tired but keeps quite well -
We want to get to the Island
soon -

Tuesday July 8th - 167-

I was not good for very much
consequently did not do much
work. The students worked at read-
ing tracts & I did some writing -

We were getting quite out of tracts,
but fortunately Mr. Campbell
had bought a few hundred in
Shanghai that had been highly
recomm^mended to him. He does not
need them now so let me have
them & I shall order more togeth-
er. They are largely Griffith
John's tracts & are highly spoken of.

The society at Hankow is said
to send out an excellent list of
tracts - Wednesday July 9th -

I spent quite a part of the day
selecting out fits of books for
two of the men on to go to the
region of Kwei-Siu & on to the
Kau-Nam region (on map, Kho-
Lang -

In the afternoon came 16th -
our Union Prayer-meeting at
our house led by Mr. Morse
who spoke with a great deal of
earnestness on our need of deep-
er convictions of sin & greater re-
fraining in salvation: it was a
better meeting than we usually
have - more life & less formal.
After meeting I asked Mr. Gibson
to speak with two men who go
to Kan. Nam. regarding a possible
man formerly a candidate of theirs
they say & accused of bad doings,
& who got in here last Junn-
ary by false pretensions &
fear.

Thursday July 18th -
Hak-Je when I asked him
what Mr. Gibson said replied
The charge was not much argt.
I think his "heart" fears that

that some of their people ¹⁸⁹
at this main village
will come over to us, as there
are some who want to be bap-
tized. There may be something
in it - as quite a no. of their peo-
ple at Sin-ün used to be hear-
ers at our chapel -
Ma Ká teacher of the boys' small
school wanted to go home
but I needed him so he stayed
to preach Sunday. I decided
to use 1st + 2nd Peter for the Sun-
day School lessons while the school
children are away & then use the
rest of Acts when they return.

Hsin-Lün sent word that his
wife had a little boy, at which
he was greatly pleased - I
wrote him a reply of congratu-
lation -

Friday July 11 - '70

The 2 Epp. of Peter make 12 lessons of good length & there are excellent Golden texts in them. I wrote them out in Romanized & gave them to Mai-Kai to copy. I think we shall be able to keep up all our meetings although the attendance may be small. We had a prayer meeting in the evening which was fully occupied & indeed overran the hour. I led - using "May without ceasing" as a text, & urged the need of prayer at this time especially - & that we keep up our services for prayer. Satan do not relax his efforts.

Saturday July 12th

Hot. I found a variety of things to look after during the forenoon & in the P.M. went to the Island with the Carlin's, Campbell & Thayer. We had a

had a pleasant visit with the
Novells who had invited in
several members of the E.P. Mis-
sion to Afternoon tea - We talk-
ed & sang a few stirring hymns,
then went down & had a fine
bath - Coming down we had
a head wind & boomed about
badly. Mr. Carlin was sick &
Mrs. C. was obliged to keep her
head out of the window as a
precaution. Going back the
water was just ruffled by a
light breeze that bore us along
so smoothly we scarcely realized
we were not sitting at a table
at home. So we enjoyed our trip
very much. After getting
home I had time to review my
account for the month & was
rejoiced to find them balance

Sunday, July 13 -

I began the day by getting the

Dr. to go rent open a ¹⁴²
Corkhule on the calf of
a young man who is mitch-
ing the School house - He got
better & was at both morning
& P.M. Services - We had a

Congregation of 50 all told which
was better than I expected,
as all the schools are away.
The day was hot - We went
up to Dr. Carlin's a little while
after P.M. service

Monday July 14 -

I was called out before
breakfast to get a man
at work scrubbing our of the
houses - & then was kept busy
with our after another till
till on towards noon. It is
Surprising how many little

thing there are 750 173
money to talk over affairs
in the country & so many
things to pay - I have my
quarterly statement to get
off by post mail & letter to
Mr. Coleman -

Tuesday July 15.

Before breakfast went to see
the mason who is rebuilding
a small house back of Dr. Car-
lin's - for one of the servants
to occupy. I kept busy
on various matters during
the day. Mr Campbell
came over on Monday
an order for tracts to buy at
Hankow. He made a call
on the E.P. Mission in the afternoon.

Wednesday July 16th - 174.

Mail-day - good letters from
home. I read a little & then
wrote till the mail closed
on letters to Mr. Partridge &
Mr. Coleman. I also prepared
my letter to Hankow. After
3.30 I went to the Island
having rec'd a line from the
Noralls about their coming
up. Mr. Kattell wanted to
take a trip up to Kieh Yang to
try to sell Bibles - I promised
him our boat & Hai-ji but
he is not yet back and so
cannot go so soon. I had a
head wind & was over an hour
going & coming back the wind
died out. The steersman was
deathly sick & could not help

at all ~~was~~ only had 175
our cook & a poor boatman
beside. I steered the boat & we
got back about 8 o'clock.
I went to the last half of
prayer meeting. The baby
was restless so Clara did
not go. We sent some medi-
cine to the steersman.

Thursday July 17-

Some medicine was helpful
to-day in cutting him now so
he has improved. Dr. Scott

came in to see the baby & the

nurse. Both of whom seem

better - the latter will go home

for a month or two. The baby

has been better to-day than

for some time. but is not

yet wholly recovered from influenza.

This A.M. I dictated ¹¹⁷⁶
some Chinese letters and
then wrote a letter to Dr.
Ashmun & prepared a little
for home. This journal
got badly behind before Com-
mission & to tell the truth,
is but just upto-date. Hereafter
I hope it will be day by day
filled up. I had a talk with
Dr. Scott about the prospects
for the hospital & recent news
from the U.S. - It seems that
Mr. & Mrs. H. Ashmun Jr. are
not coming this year - neither
is Miss Ruffell - so Clarend
will have the brunt of the work
another two or three months. Well I
hope we shall have strength ac-
cording to our day.

Friday July 18th - 177-

9. P.M. Just back from
prayer-meeting led by the
young man who was led to
study the bible by losing his
wife - he has been in the
class 5 mos. & has done
excellently. To-night he
spoke well on Col. IV: 2 -
He shows considerable
knowledge of his own lan-
guage is fast getting a
knowledge of scripture &
as Dr. Carlin says he is
"Capable of house-meet" -
I thought of what I have
heard father say that a
religion will often give
a man power to express
himself & speak in public
as he never could before.
Dr. Carlin's teacher was

there. He came apt to 178
see me to-day & tell me
about the importance of
having a preacher at the
Hi-City & also of paying the
Chapel-keeper more. I told
him that we had planned
to have a man there on Sun-
days & that as we paid the
Chapel rent it was rather
hard if the bin they could
not do a little towards help-
ing their own chapel keeper,
a fellow-countryman. He
seems to be quite favorably
impressed with Christianity.
Comes to services & is al-
ways ready with a good word
for "the doctrine" - I hope
& pray that he may be
really converted for he would.

be a valuable man 179
I believe - We want to see
men of Energy & some Chi-
nese Education, accepting
the truth - it is just so much
transferred to our side that
can be helpful -

It has been very hot -
I have kept quite busy
about sundry matters -
Among other things, helped
Mrs. Scott to look ^{up} the bi-
longings of the hospital & to
plan for a room to be ad-
ded on - Saturday July 19 -
9 - P.M. just finished

Talking over a sermon with
Liet-Cheng who is to preach
to-morrow - Two of the teach-
ers whom I expected, did
not come back or feared

I must try to preach, 18^o
But going out the door
just after dinner I saw this
young man who is just
back from his honeymoon
& en route to his school, so
talked with him about
preaching the proposed
an outline on Rom. VIII:19-
22 - they always like
Romans, nothing simple
suits their tastes - I talk-
ed it over with him &
tried to raise him up on
the King "glorified" - hope
he may enthuse upon it
a little - We had
most copious rains to-day.
The water seemed to come in

a mass - I posted my 187
books to-date & Clara help-
ed me read over the postings.
The baby has had a good
day - slept well. & had no
serious troubles over when
she was urged to drink out
of a bottle which she did
not like. Her cough is bet-
ter. I called on Dr. Corlies
& talked over the language
& our prospects for the coming
year.

Sunday - July 20 -

Cooler than last 2 days. I
wake very early with a head-
ache & have not been well
all day. Slept an hour or two
at noon - feel now as if I might
get a fair nights rest. These
views to-day have been good

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& the numbers as large as I expected - An Sunday School begins its second year.

The nurse is very miserable & has refused to take the Dr's medicine. This evening A-Khine ("Speed" whose picture is in Pagoda Shadows) came up & talked her over with great skill. She is a clever woman. I hope may be spared yet many years to work her. Dr. Scott has helped her wonderfully. Last year she was so low they were discussing when to bury her. She also talked to the nurse about worshipping the true God & trusting the Saviour. But the poor old creature is so much befogged & so intent on getting back some borrowed money that she is

hard to move.

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I had a call from Dr. Ashmun's
old cook whose son & several
others of his family have had
a fight with our trapperman
& I expect it will make a
deal of trouble. ~~I expect.~~

The baby is much better
of her cough.

Monday July 21st -

Went at 5-30 - we had much
to do to prepare for the final
departure to the Island. I also
went to Kak-chick to see how
"Joseph" was getting on after
his beating & sent a note to
Dr. Laying who kindly went to see
him & wrote me a note that
he was now scared than hurt.

The nurse's son fortunately
came this morning much
to the relief of all - & will see
her home to-morrow -

They were both in at 184
morning worship - I hope
the woman may remember some
of the truth she has heard
here. If well enough she will
be back in Sept.

We had a delightful sail
to the Island. perfectly smooth
& wind astern - tide favourable -
We found Mr. Novell in "bed."
sick with a bad attack of liver
as the English say - I came
back with Mr. Hattwell
& Messrs Campbell & Egger
who must dunn with us. We
made slow progress and
it was after 4 P.M. when
the boat got off for Kich Yang.
I have been busy a part of
the time at my desk, and
hoping to see the Elder to-mor-
row & get back to the Island
in good season. I left the poor

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baby still growing because
she was put off with a mix-
ture in a bottle. she is get-
ting to drink quite nicely now.
Her cough does not seem to
yield easily - we hope the change
will do her good.

I took tea at Dr. Scotts to-
night - ^{supper} breakfast at Mr. Canfield's
I have an invitation to tiffin at
Dr. Collins if I stay till afternoon.

This is my birthday.
Thirty-three years old - older
than I expected to be some
years ago - I am certainly strong-
er than I was two years ago &
nearly as well as last year -
I have great great reason to be
thankful for all the past
year's mercies - the only sad
thing about it is that I
have accomplished so little.

Tuesday July 22 - 186.

9.30 P.M. - at the Island -

I kept very busy this forenoon
& got off for this place at
a little after 11 o'clock. - had
a good sail down & just
got ahead of a heavy squall
of wind & rain. - Found all as
well as usual. - This after-
noon I made a beginning on
my stack of letters that I mean
to answer while at the Island.
The water was cool so that
I stayed in a very short time.
This evening I called at the
E.P. Sanitarium & had a chat
with the gentlemen there.

Wednesday - July 23

Mail to-day - good letters
from Father Mother & from
Van Kirk - I have been writing

letters much of the time. 187
We were invited to tea at the
E.P. Mission & had a pleasant
time. Mr. Murdo Mackenzie
sang finely. among other things
two Gaelic songs. one of them
had a beautiful refrain.

Mr. Small is still in bed
& not much better.

The baby does not get over
her cough. She accomplished
the feat of putting her toe
in her mouth to-day.

Thursday. July 24.

9.30 - After prayer meeting. The E.P.
folks keep up their weekly meet-
ing down here & invited me to
lead - offering to come over here
if we preferred - as Mr. H. could
not go out & both the ladies
had small charges here me

Accepted the offer - & had a
 good meeting - I took the first
 part of Ex. XVII. & some parallel
 passages - regarding Moses' rod.
 Mr. McClogan & Mr. Mackenzie
 also spoke in the same line.
 & there were two prayers & several
 hymns - an unusually fine meet-
 ing for a Presbyterian meeting.

This morning I wrote steady-
 ly from 8-30 till 12-30 - & after
 dinner was very sleepy, slept
 two hours & read aloud to
 Mr. Small besides looking
 over the subject for evening
 meeting. It has been a
 cool day with scarcely any
 wind - a perfect day for the
 Island. The baby seems
 a little better.

Friday - July 25th -

I wrote letters all the forenoon

noon. After dinner went up
 to Kak-chick on the Compadron's
 boat. The Keeper of the Island
 Temple was absent & I had quite
 a talk with him; he has been at
 the Island ever since the foreigners
 first came. I was surprised to
 see our house-boat at the pier
 & still more when the boatman
 said that they came back be-
 cause the books were all sold
 out. Mr. Hartwell was very

successful. Sold 5-30 scripture
 portions in about 2 1/2 days.
 It was raining hard. I kept

busy about various Sunday
 things. Old Lan Khon led
 the prayer-meeting, he had
 not preached, or even led a meet-
 ing for over 10 years. After
 meeting I got into a talk about
 Close Communion with Mr. H. Mr
 was late in getting to bed.

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Saturday July 26th

In the forenoon we went to Swatow. Mr. Hartwell sold out all his Cantonese books among the Cantonese traders. I had several errands including getting money & several things connected with the Swatow church-members.

After a hasty tiffin we embarked in a pouring rain for the Island. Messrs Campbell, Carlson & Lagger went with us for a visit - I found the baby much better - I made arrangements with Capt Williams to go with him to Yang-ü Sunday.

Sunday July 27th -
I kept making up after & got up at about 3:40 A.M. Called Hartwell & the boy & got down to the boat just as Capt. Williams

Monday - we got to Yang On chapel ¹⁹
at 6 o'clock. An ex-member now
in Anam has given them a good
clock. I rec'd a letter Sat'y
complaining that an active mem-
ber had brought several men
to sleep in the chapel & was mad
because the teacher & others object-
ed. At the early worship this
bro. told a touching story of a poor
beggar out in a cold rain in Swa-
tow - a cruel shop-keeper would
not let him in. The applica-
tion was obvious. After inquir-
ing into the merits of the case I
called him upstairs & talked with
him over half an hour "show on"
till he yielded. Before Commu-
nion he got up & said he had
done very wrong - All seemed
peaceful when I left.
I spoke several times & had the
Communion Service -
we were only an hour & a quarter

from the chapel to the cottage 192

I feel quite encouraged
about Tang-di. God has cer-
tainly blessed them the past
year: the ex-preacher who came
back from the Catholics is doing
well - manifests a good spirit
& helps in the preaching every
Sunday & daily worship at evening.

Monday July 28th -

I wrote letters in the forenoon
& after dinner went to Kate Chieh
in the Compadore's boat - fortunately
he was carrying up for some one
a most luxuriously soft Spring
bed in sections piled in 2 others
made a delightful easy chair. I
slept a part of the 2nd making a
little of Satyi's loss - I was very
till bed time looking up Sunday
matters & consulting with the Chinese.

I took tea at Dr. Scott's - Passiby⁹³⁻
She'd. will come down for a little
while with us at the Islands.

I found a note from Hui-hin say-
ing that he missed me Sat'y. But
had gone to Swatow & preached Sun-
day. Says he has been to Kit Se^u to
see the new chapel & to help Shiang
Sui huntupa shop: the fat Jeweller
there will help him set up a shop
for selling books & writing. I rather
think now that Hui-hin will
not leave, but will stand by.

Next Sunday he will go Swa-
tow & establish a Sunday School.

Tuesday July 29th 1890.

On a long chair on the Vmudab-
this is the first real vacation-
like day I have passed - & this
only in part. Last evening just
as I was getting ready for bed, I
heard the mellow voice of a ngi

✓ found he was outside with¹⁹⁴
his father & another boatman,
they thought it better for me
to go down at midnight so the
Hivells could come up early, than
to go down in the forenoon because
then they would not be back till
late in the evening. I could go at
4 a.m. & "chase the tail of the
tide", as they say as it would not
turn till 5 o'clock. As there
was a bright moon I decided
to go at once. So we got together
the things & by 11-30 started
down. I slept most of the way, &
got to bed here by one a.m.

This morning the N.s left.
had a smooth sea & fair
breeze - Mr. N. was able to walk
to the boat - Mr. Hactwell
may come & stay with us a few
days - The baby is having
a fine time in her carriage.

with the new nurse, who is 195 -
rather stupid & has a rough voice.
But is the soul of good nature
& shouts at Anna like an a-
mirable griffin. Ji-nou has
made a false bottom or sort of
upper story for the carriage,
just a frame with cane-seat
filling & a rail wickerwork
sides extending about in front
of the carriage top - This gives
a cool flat place where she
can lie & be comfortable. When
she sleeps nicely. I oiled the wheels
to-day & found the axles badly rust-
ed - Baby's cough is not
troubling her much & she is
looking better. She is just
2 ft tall - Her gums are evi-
dently troubling her somewhat.

Wednesday July 30/90.

A magnificently bright moon-
light - after a quiet fine day.
We have kept in the house all
day - played a game of dominos.

for diversion - I selected '96
lessons & golden texts for
the S. School from Oct. to Dec.
& began a letter to Ling Heng,
besides taking a nap & a bath.

We went in & heard a little
music at the E.P. Cottage this
evening - The present inmates
go up on Friday & others come

back - The Chinese boys amu-
sed us by playing leap-frog
& jumping rope out in front of
the cottage - Thursday July 31 -

This am. Mr. Hartwell & I
went up on the launch - Mr.
Allum & family came down
yesterday - their boy is better
so he could be moved.

We did a few errands in
Swatow & went to Kak Chieh -
I found plenty to do in settling

monthly accounts. ✓ 197
arranging several matters
of building & business.

All reported an unusually
good prayer-meeting. The
best we had ever had. Several
said - Dr. Carlin led & they
had in turn Heb. 11th - Dr. C.'s
remarks were excellent & all
responded heartily.

Mr. & Mrs. Campbell & the child
& Mrs. Mrs. Howell. Mr. Egger
& Mr. Hartwell came down at
5 o'clock to get a bath.

Friday Aug 1st -

Not a memorable day. We
read a little & wrote a letter
and made a short farewell
call at the E.P. house. We in-
vited Drs. Conslaid & Mephum
to supper at their new home
which will be in full night

After tiffin Constance & I ¹⁹⁸⁻
tried a game of "Halma"
one of Milton Bradley's new
games sent us last winter.
I beat by just one move. It
is a rather good game. In the
evening I read Father Chimique.
The baby still coughs though
not so badly as some time ago.

Saturday Aug. 2nd

A dull day - Clara had a headache
& we all felt stupid. In the P.M.
we all took an extensive nap.
I made out a list of the names
of persons in group of foreigners
taken at Sidford's.

The barometer was low & a
strong East wind blowing so we
did not expect any our down
from Kak-chick. But they came
in good force. ^{The Campbells,}
Scotts & Dr. Carlin. ^{& E. Hartwell.} We had a good

Bath and a most enjoyable ¹⁹⁹⁻
supper at the house.

I prevailed upon Dr. Scott &
Ed. to stay over Sunday & let
me go up so as to be at
the Swatow Chapel - We had a
delightful sail up in the
moonlight. Mr. Hartnell had an
Accordion & entertained the way
with Sunday tunes.

I found Hsia Lin & Ma' Kai
at the school-house and
asked them about matters -
The Ke-Kai chapel has
fallen down entirely.

Sunday - Aug. 3rd -

I was invited to breakfast
at Dr. Carline's - had a pleasant
visit with them - an excellent break-
fast. Tek Sun our first cook is
with them. They kindly urged me
to ~~stay~~ ^{have breakfast} to dinner but I had no intention

from the Campbells - so ²⁰⁰
they extended the invitation
to supper. Dr. C. thought he
would go to S. with me but
after waiting till nearly 9 o'clock
I feared he was not coming
and started off. He did come
but was not at all disappoint-
ed at being left.

I took over a clock that Ed.
Scott had mended & made about
as good as new.

There were a great many hear-
thens in during the day. Hsia
Lun preached at 9-30 - & at
11-15 the large doors were
thrown open & a goodly no.
of listeners came in. I left
at that time. I went aboard
the "Paisang" & called briefly on Capt.
Jackson. who was in on his way
to Shanghai.

Arriving at Mr. Campbell's I
 was pleasantly surprised to
 find an mail per Rio de
 Janeiro: a letter from Mother
 & Shailer May's wedding
 cards, a bill & a card from
 Mrs. Gates offering support
 for a native preacher, were my
 receipts - At 2 o'clock we
 got started toward Swatow again -
 Mr. Campbell & J. H. H. H. H.
 went with me. The latter had
 rec'd a letter from his sister
 in Canton giving news that Dr.
 Grant & Mrs. Sanford expect
 to be married, which is a
 most sensible arrangement. &
 "they are as happy as they can
 be" - We tried the "Sunday
 school idea" at Swatow &
 hope something may come of it

For good. There is in 202
Cousagement already from
having the chapel opened
during the week. At Sun-
tow sat K. Chick ~~both~~ ^{each} there
was a man who said he had
been in several times to hear
the doctrine there.

Hua. Lin did well & deliv-
ed in a good frame - He had
two pictures one of bringing
a lamb for sacrifice & one of the
Crucifixion. Both which he
explained admirably - fully
25 heathen were present to
hear it - Some noise was
made near the door & Mr.
Campbell went back to look
after it. He found two
Hak-Kas there - one a shop-

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Keeper from Hui-city who
had been at our Chapel there,
also a relative of his land-
lord at Kia-Eng. A look
at the map - noting - Kieh-Yang,
Chan Chow, Fu-Ching-Hai
& Kia-Eng (Chiu) will show
how widely this Chapel reaches
for these were men covered
within a single day. It must
be pressed & every possible ad-
vantage seized - After returning
I called at Novell's, got a few
moments nap besides preparing
some things for Monday. Then went
to supper at Dr. Carlin's. We
sat on the veranda a few
moments & Mr. Campbell came
up after me. He goes away
Tuesday so I had to go to
the house & write him a check.

also direct some mail to
 Dr. Ashmore write a letter &
 make other preparations for
 an early start - including consulta-
 tions with several men in the
 valley."

Monday Aug. 27th -

Up at about 6 - Dressed & met
 two men who were waiting to
 settle an account & with one
 of them arranged for him &
 Ma-Ka to go & see what can
 be done about the fallen chapel.

He was about 45 minutes
 coming down here - I arranged
 with Mrs. Scott to have the
 S.S. lessons for the next 3 mos
 copied - also finished a letter
 to Ling-Hing & wrote notes to
 Ma-Ka & Dr. Ngan who is not
 well & Dr. S. thinks he is living in
 too damp a room.

It sometimes seems that I am not

Doing anything this Summer ²⁰⁵
but looking back over the past
36 hours I see there is quite
a variety of "affairs" that I am
continually obliged to keep in mind.
& plan for their execution -

Chapel at Koⁿ Kai - Sunday Service
at Swatow. also meets to be there during
the week. (Services at K. C. & at several
stations near by are put into the hands
of Hak-ju & the young men) -

Plan for men to go to Hui Lai

next Chinese month.

Men to help Mr. Hartwell sell books.

Preparation of S. S. leaflets for next
quarter.

Correspondence in Romanized with
brothers, others.

Paying salaries & expenses to three
or four native helpers. also
payments on Missy's salary &c.

Providing for the cleaning & repair
of Mission-boats.

Answering an inquiry from Dr.
 Peterson about dentistry needed here.
 Re-mailing Dr. Ashmore's letters.
 Papers -

Chairs for this house

Also S. School pictures & blackboard
 exercises for Swatow & Kak-Chieh.

Now I have a page of memorandum
 to send back Edw. Scott to attend
 for me about one or two clocks
 for chapel - also new settees &
 black-boards for Swatow.

All put together it does not
 amount to a fraction of
 what should be done. I must
 take a little time to rest &
 hope to stay here a full week.

In a fortnight or thereabouts and
 the preachers will be returning
 & there will be some days of con-
 ference necessary.

Tuesday Aug. 5.
 Warmer to-day - I am prepar-
 ing messages to send to Kak-Chieh.

8 P.M.

This has been a regular 207-
vacation day - a little reading
a nap - & a call at the E. P.
Mission, besides the both have
been the main events of the day.
Mr invited Capt. Williams in
to tea but he had a ship to
pilot in & out to-day and
asked to be excused as he was
tired. I am much interested
in the Sunday question as raised
in the Standard of July 3rd & am
making some notes preparatory
to an article upon it.

Wednesday. Aug 6th -

A high wind this P. M. The
forenoon was the warmest we
have had since here but the
wind is cooling, too much so
for the baby, but to-night she
is sleeping nicely so we hope
she has not caught cold.

she is more & more cunning²⁰⁸
Every day & is getting plump
& healthier than before. she
seems strong too. Sunday Aug 7.

At 4-30 P.M.

I was roused by the boys knocking
& saying that Hong-an Dr.
Scott's teacher had died.
A note from her explained
that the poor man had
sat down to eat as usual
the night before & suddenly
fell back & was not con-
scious again though they
did everything possible for
him to revive his helpless
body. I met up at a little
before 6 o'clock & by 7 was at
his house. the widow & chil-
dren were wailing about the
body which had already been

neatly dressed. A sad, 209
sight, he leaves 5 children,
a married daughter, a son of
17 or 18 yrs. - not over-promis-
ing & 6 boys under 15 yrs.

After breakfast I went with
them to find a place for
the grave & in the P.M. at
3 - the body was put into
the coffin after a hymn &
prayer - Then a brief service
was held - reading of part of
I Cor IX - a short exposition
of the last 2 vs. of I Peter II &
the last part of Matt. VI -
with hymn & prayer -

The mourners screamed &
trailed so incessantly until
the reading of I Cor. that all
were well-nigh deafened.

Then the widow had a ²¹⁰
sort of hysterical fainting
fit & was most vigorously
pulled, pinched & bitten
by the Chinese till she came
to & after the chillow was
calmed down quiet was restored.
& the service was finished decor-
ously. The last prayer by
Ma-Kai the young teacher of
the boys school was really
beautiful for real devotion,
tenderness & fitting words.
I wish I could remember it
all - I found plenty of mat-
ters to keep me busy in the
span bits of time & came
down here at 9 P.M. - getting
settled for the night by 11 O'Clock

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Friday - Aug. 8th

I was sleepy till about breakfast time & soon after breakfast lay down to read in a long chair & fell asleep - Again after dinner did the same thing - Thursday's long hours & trying work rather "dis'me up"

Saturday Aug. 9th -

In the forenoon I wrote some letters to send up to catch the "Hong Kong" steamer make sure of the "Rio-de-Janeiro". In the afternoon & evening I finished Father Chiniqui's book - "Fifty Years in the Church of Rome" - I was sorry to see that the Lewiston G.M. Co. had refused him a room in which to teach 12 young men. In some parts of the Country I am glad to note the

the strong aggressive work²¹²
that is being done. Evidently
the brunt of the battle is to
fall upon Baptists - or Baptists
are to be foremost in opposing
Catholic assumptions.

Sunday Aug. 10th -

A quiet day - In the forenoon
we had worship as usual &
spent some time expounding
the last two chapters of John's
Gospel. Later a nurse who is
a member of our church came
in & as the sermon at the E.
P. Mission was to be in Hak-Ka
we decided to gather again
have hymn & prayer & read in
the beginning of Acts. We
passed a pleasant & I trust
profitable hour over the first

10 use. of Acts I. & our 213-
worship. This nurse referred
to has been living in Formosa
but says she has attended ser-
vice there regularly & when at
leisure sought opportunities to tell
others of the truth.

At 5 P. M. we attended the
English service. Mr. Macdon
spoke from John VIII after
having read a brief passage from
Rev. XX & giving an interpre-
tation of the number of the beast.
& the Millennium acc. to a new
book by Milligan. His
talk was very good on Christ's
washing the disciples feet.
There was the largest attendance
I have seen in a long time.

Monday August - 11th

The Empress's birthday & the
baby's half-birthday to speak

as she is 6 mos. old. 214

I went up to Kak-Chieh on the
steam-launch. had a delight-
ful trip. This is a legal
holiday - no work at the Customs.
About all the Community were
here to-day. Mrs. Urquhart
& her second little girl, Mr. &
Mrs. Madden & Miss Carruthers
went up. Mr. Allen had
very kindly sent the launch up
an extra trip for any extra
passengers - he is a most
accommodating & kindly gentle
man. I gave up going when
I found it was a holiday but
heard the boat's whistle & went on.
Before I got to the house I met
A-Khing & Po-Heng who had
just come in from an evangel-
izing trip & were preparing to
go down to the Island to see
me when Ling Kean saw

me (or some one he thought might be me) come up from the launch. They were much delighted & thanked the Lord with genuine heartiness that we had thus met. They seemed in a most satisfactory & encouraging state of mind regarding their work. Having been preaching in a new district & met no little encouragement & no violent opposition. Several interesting cases they mentioned. One a vegetarian apparently a sincere man who liked the doctrine, another a rich man who seemed to accept the truth ^{but had not courage to make a profession} as true & a school teacher who was very anxious to find a "mien si kai t'ing" - "a need not-dis-place". They told him of such a place & explained John XIV to him.

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They will go out again in
the Kieh-Yang region. This last
trip was below Chau Chow Jui
above An-Poa & South of Phi
Lê. I was glad to find that
the Chinese raised over 5000
cash for Hong An's family last
Sunday. I took tiffin with The Nor-
vells. Mrs. Sanford & Miss Hart-
well were there. At 3 P. M.
They, the Corlins & Scotts all
came down with me. Had
afternoon tea & a bath.

This gave the baby a half-
birthday party & she behaved
most becomingly.

Tuesday Aug. 12th

The baby quite outdid herself
sleeping last night & did not
wake at all from 9 till 3-
we have been putting her in

A basket-cup on our bed 217
So as to be under the net. But
last night tried sleeping our
across the foot of the bed
which is a wide one & giving
the young sleeper a wide
range & she slept wonderfully.

Her teeth are not any of these
through yet & are making her
some trouble. but she is very
good & cunning.

To-day we had a call from
Ji-Nou who took up several
messages & letters for us. Poor
Ji-Nou, the "Cans of the world"
are rather too much for him
& "choke the word" but I hope
he may yet be brought to
a realization of his need.

I wrote a letter to Dr. Gurne
& a short explanation for the
Chinese letters I am sending away

which Eels Scott will manifold
for me with the Electric pen.

This P.M. a long nap & a session
with the baby have used up
a great part of the time, but the
Dr. says I need rest - I began
Dr. Henry's "The Cross & the
Dragon" to-day it is highly
spoken of - Wednesday Aug. 13th.

Last evening Mr & Mrs. Macdon
Dr. & Mrs. Lyall came in for
supper & the evening. Mr
played "Reversi" & dominos
& tried the dissected checker-
board. Mrs. L & Mrs. Macdon
put it together.

To-day I have written a
little, read a little to myself &
also aloud in "Theodora Er-
nest Vol II. Had a nap this
P.M. Mrs. Lyall came in &

Had a long interesting 219
letter from Miss Fildes. &
we played a few games of Re-
versi, which I regret to say I
lost. There has been a strong
wind to-day & the air has
seemed cool. The bathing
is perfect this week. Water
salt & just cool enough.

Thursday Aug. 14.

I have just taken a long nap.
Feel stupid - this is quite
a sleeping palace in the P.M.
the baby being the "beauty".

This forenoon we wrote a
little & Mrs. Lyall came
over & studied Chinese with
us from 10 till 11 - she has
a copy of Jonah in Roman-
ized. Mr. Fred had a verse &
then the others each translating
from our English Bibles com-
paring results.

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I found it profitable and hope
to resume to-morrow.

Friday - Aug. 15th

did not resume - Mrs. Lyall
was with Mrs. Hill making
out a list of "stores" to order
with us from San Francisco.

Clara went up to Kak-Chick
on the launch & took the
responsibility of the baby
for the day. She was
charming, scarcely cried
at all & the nurse carried
her very little, too.

Capt. Williams took tiffin
with me. Clara got back
by 3.30 P. M. - found baby
sleeping serenely. She brought
the mail per Gaelic - two
good letters from home, which
were especially welcome because
they brought news of Father's

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decision for the coming year &
relieved our minds in a sense,
though, had he resigned, we
should have made a strong
plea for a visit. I also had
a letter from Mr. Giles & one
or two business letters. The
home-papers I was especially
glad to get. Com't seems to
have gone off with a waving
of banners (B.B. permanent in-
cluded) & some trumpeting, which
latter we trust is a genuine
bugle-call to advance - glad
to see Ed. Lyford is a trustee
& to know his mother is so
well. Next mail per "China"
will bring news of the wedding.

We had a late call from
Mr & Mrs Gibson in the evening.
They go home next spring for
their furlough of a year & a half -
every 7 years this rite comes.

& they are sure of a good no. being left behind to carry on the work.

Má Ká came down with Clara & reported that the Khéi Kháin people had come up to my offer & would raise enough to secure building the Chapel. He said also the Mason & one of the students who has been at Kan. Kán. were at Kak-Chieh & I sent word for them to come down here - as the Doctor says I am getting no good of my stay by going up so often I must remain here.

Saturday Aug. 16th

They came early & I got thro' with them in about an hour. Some of the Country news is re-assuring. At Kit-Lí the situation is more peaceful.

Chiang-Sun is having diffi-
 culty in establishing himself
 in business. Just now the
 officials are making a military
 raid on thiers & blacklegs at
 that city. I have passed a
 quiet day. Had again Vicar
of Wakefield & am reading Rasse-
las. Miss Falconer comes
 down to-day & will be here a
 week or so - all the rooms of
 their house are full.

Sunday. Aug. 17-

A perfect day - cool & a fine
 southerly breeze since noon.
 This a.m. all went to the
 Chinese service leaving me
 to look after Anna. We got
 finally I read the Standard &
 kept her carriage on the

Verandah. till she went ¹² 24
sooner to sleep. Her cough
is nearly cured. This afternoon
she was carried to the beach in a
bush barge but did not cough.
& at supper had a most aston-
ishing appetite ate rice & sweet
curry. Besides drinking milk &
a cup of prepared food -

I read a no. of home
papers & part of Drummond's
"The Greatest Thing in the World".
Besides taking a nap & attend-
ing English Service - Mr. Gibben
preached an excellent sermon
from I Cor. I:21 & II:14 -

Monday - Aug 18th

Quite a social day - Mrs. Ly-
all was over to visit Chinese in
the A.M. & Mr. Macdonald also
came in & chatted for a time

I did some writing before dinner
 & took a good nap after that
 meal: we planned to do
 some reading aloud but Miss
 Stephenson called for me to
 bathe & this evening Mr & Mrs
 Maclean & Mrs. Lyall came
 over & Mrs. L. played a game
 of Halma with me which
 I won. It is quite a game
 I am not sure but Father
 would like it.

To-day I saw that a Harry
 Watkins from Marshfield is
 in Fossiers Class - I wonder if
 he is the son of the Watkins
 family who entertained me
 so hospitably when I was
 there if so I must find out.

They had a bright boy of that
 age - I have heard once or twice

from Mrs. Watkins, & Miss ²²⁶
Watkins S. S. Class sent me
some money for the school
work here. Mr. W. was
a gunner in the Navy.
They were once prisoners
of Bakersman's - at Chelsea -

Tuesday - Aug. 19 -

Warmer to-day - We have
been reading a little in an
excellent book "Jonathan Merle
by a Mrs. E. B. Bayly -

Two of the preachers, - or
rather a preacher & a student.
Came down to-day & I had
a talk with them & settled
their accounts, after which
decided they should go back
to the same region again.

I rec'd a letter from Dr. A. ²²⁷
to-day - just finished one to him
this a.m. - The baby is growing
at a great rate when she ought
to be going to sleep: she seems
well & growing plump but does
not sleep so much the past
few days. - Wednesday Aug. 20.

I have read aloud a little &
after a nap have made out our
list of goods to send John Stearns
The weather is a bit warmer.
The baby has slept better to-
day but does not seem quite well
evidently the teeth are coming
nearer the surface -
I plan to go up to-morrow.
A steamer is expected to go to
Hong Kong so I shall try to send
our mail by it -

Thursday Aug. 21st. ²²⁸

I went up on the launch in the morning had a fine sail - used the time in writing - had some Chinese paper & a colored pencil & sent a lot of short notes to people who I knew would not object to such - & it is vastly less tiresome than the pen - I had a busy day as usual - got off a lot of mail, paid out rec'd various sums of money, had a conference with Ling-Hung about Kit-si' affairs.

Mr. Novell is really ill of fever - has been in bed several days - Mr. Hartwell sold 500 copies of Scriptures portions in ~~Suatar~~ Shao-Yang & 200 in Suatar. As soon as Mr. N. is better H. will go out again.

He, his sister & Mrs. Sanford ²²⁹⁻
Came down with me in the evening.
They for a short visit & he to bathe
& go up in the evening.

Friday - Aug. 22nd
We heard that Mrs. Lyall sprain-
ed her foot while at Swatow
yesterday - this morning she sent
me to borrow a game of "Hal-
ma" & for two people to help
play it. The 2 Canton ladies
sent. Clara & wrote letters
& sent up by the Commodore
bmail. If the "Haitan" or
'Gaelic' goes down 12 or 15
of my letters will go, too.

Saturday - Aug 23rd -
The "Haitan" did not go, so all the
mail will wait till the "China"
sails - I went up early in the
launch & attended the wedding in
the chapel, but did not succeed.

well in my Chinese not having ²³⁰
had books so as to improve at the
Island & the launch was late so
I did not reach K.C. till nearly 10 a.m.

The day was a busy one as usual -
I had a lot of small affairs to look
after & some larger ones, as the
dispatching a man to Khê Khâm
with money to help rebuild the
Chapel - I found Mr. Norvell
quite badly off - having had a
bad night - Dr. S. is a little

afraid of an abscess on his
liver. Mr. Egger also was

about having ret'd from Amoy
per stirr: the Dr. forbade his
return overland as he has an
inflammation of the bronchial
tubes that may develop into
Consumption if he is not
careful - I took up five with
the Carlin & came down on the launch.

In the evening we read $\frac{231}{in}$ -
Jonathan Duerle. I am con-
vinced it was intended as an
Anti-R. E. sermon story. We enjoy
it.

Sunday. Aug 2nd

A warm quiet day. I did
nothing but read a little, sleep
& attend evening service, when
Mr. Macdonald preached to a good
roomful - Miss Falconer told us
about the Communion service
at small Country Churches in
Scotland held once or twice a
year. They would have one or
two ^{or three even} tables - & a sermon before
Each, several ministers assisting.
After the sermon the minister
came down from the pulpit &
"fenced the table", as they called
it. i. e., urged upon the people the
solemnity of the ordinance & the

Sin of eating unworthily.
 Previously they had each been
 given a sort of ticket of admission,
 & these were taken up by
 the Deacons to prevent any un-
 worthy persons from intruding
 rather "close-Communion".

Monday Aug 25th.

We were surprised by the arrival
 of our old nurse, who looks
 much better than when she
 went away. She seemed much
 delighted to see the baby a-
 gain & thought her much larger.
 A young man from

Phu-Si also came to see about
 renting another room there.

We are hoping for our mail
 to-day & anxious to hear from
 Mr. Knoll.

Later - no mail.

Dr. Lyall thinks ²³³ M.H.
pretty sick but does not
think there is any local
difficulty - merely the fever
that is going about.

Tuesday Aug. 26th

I slept this forenoon, not
feeling very well. The nap
did me good - This P.M.
I read to Clara from "Jana.
mele" - At 7 o'clock Mrs.
, Innocent called & then a
large party came down for
a bath. Bringing our
mail - It was a great
shock that the letters to
which I had looked as
being full of the wedding pro-

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tives should contain
such sad, sad news, so
sudden. Herb. has seemed
so well most of his life &
apparently of a strong constitu-
tion I certainly should have
thought of almost any one
sooner than of him. And
Hortense & the Children, what
a terrible blow to them -

Their home was so much
to them all it will be sad
indeed. The Children will
have the memory of a loving
father & a noble Christian ex-
ample, which I trust may be
a help & an incentive to
them. This has impres-
ed me very deeply with the
uncertain tenor of life & the

frailty of these objects
 to which our human affec-
 tions cling. It often seems
 very strange to me that I have
 been spared so long when
 many of my friends who seem-
 ed so much stronger & capa-
 ble of doing so much more
 have been taken away.

We will trust it is all right
 by order & the life spared
 may yet be of use.

Wednesday Aug. 27

We all sat about the table &
 wrote this morning. I shall
 have full 20 letters on the
 "China". In the P.M. Mr. W. was
 invited to "afternoon tea" over across
 the bay under the hill which
 the signal-staff stands with the

E.P. Mission Friends - We had a good time. tea in the shadow of a great rock on the shore, then all the party but Mrs. Lyall tramped up to the flag staff. 377 ft high ^{above the sea level}. It is the mast of the steamer "Albay" that was wrecked off the entrance of this harbor in '84. The view is grand from the peak.

There is a little Chinese house nestled at the foot of the mast down among the rocks, where the signal-man lives: he has been there over 20 years. His business is to watch for incoming steamers when our cones in sight from the So. to hoist a black signal at one end of the yard halfway up the mast, if from the So. out at the other end. Then when the

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ship gets near enough for him
to make out her flags he drops
the ball-signal & runs the flags
up to the peak. These can be
seen from Swatow & are copied
at the Customs. when a man is
on duty at their flag-staff.

You can see this from our
verandah & have a list of
Steamers giving their numbers
& also the flags that stand
for those numbers. Under
the number - flags is usually
a flag showing the port they hail
from. e.g. a white flag with
dark square in the center with a
flag of blue & white checks be-
low is ^{no. 1} the "Hokien" from
Hong Kong. if there was also
a dark flag with white sq. in cen-
ter ⁽⁸⁾ at top it would be ^{no. 817}.
Hong Kong. I do not remember
what ship that is. So you can
tell by the spy-glass what ship

is coming in the morn 238
at Kak-Chieh & the ship just
above the Cape of Good Hope, or
off the Island of Namoa - (see map)

Thursday Aug. 28-

More letters this a.m. We
finished Jona. Meale - It is a
great book. Our people
were down from K.C. & we
had a fine bath: they all left
early had good moonlight for
the trip home. M. Howell
seems a little better to-day.

Friday - Aug 29th
5.30 P.M. Just back from Kak-

Chieh - a hot journey - or rather
a hot day there, looking after
various Sunday affairs -
I was glad to hear that M. How-
ell is better. temperature 101.0 &
pulse 108 - He is very feeble
& seems to think he is dying
but is not responsible for this

words, part of the time is 239.
quite delirious. Mrs. N. & the
baby are keeping well also
their visitors. I had the bar-
ber over & indulged in a much
needed hair-cut. Dr. Scott in-
vited me to tiffin & I talked with
her a little about medical matters.
She thinks I am getting through
the summer well considering all
things. I rec'd a letter from Dr.
Ashmore that leads me to think
that he is to be married but
he does not say so. He also
writes as if Mr. A. Jr. is
coming out. There is to be
also another young lady with
Miss Scott, so we will have a
Compound full. but duration
of terms is so uncertain
her no one can tell how
long he or any one else will
be.

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Saturday Aug. 30 -

I wrote several letters & did a little reading. Our people came down for a bath. & I went up with them, as I learned there had been trouble with unruly boatmen who made a great noise and frightened Mr. Novell - they said they would be back Sunday a.m. It was quite a day for making up. Dr. & Mrs. Lyall & Mrs. Falconer must also. We learned that the Corlins decided to come down on Monday. Sunday - Aug 31 -

Warm. I enjoyed the service - Hak-jii preached from Mark IX 28 - a sermon on the Christian doctrine of God, man & devils. very good well-timed.

Mr. Campbell surprised ²⁴¹
us by coming in - he arrived
in Swatow at 2 a.m.; had the
same boatmen "number eleven"
that we had in '88 - I went
to dinner with them & we dis-
cussed mission matters quite
thoroughly - He feels confident
that he can safely take up his
family this winter for short
stays - At 2.30 we went to
Swatow & I had quite a good
time with a class of men and
a half a score of heathen who
hung over the back of the seats.
Their clock had been stolen
but Chue was given & the thief
so he missed he dropped it.
I brought it back for repairs -
Breakfast & supper I took
with the Carlin's & had most
enjoyable meals -

Monday Sept 1-²⁴²

We all, the Carlin's & I, breakfasted at Mr. Campbell's & started for the Island. There was no little rain, but we dodged the showers & did not get our nor did our goods. Clara had everything packed for us & we started back by 11-30 - had a fine sail - Mrs. Howell invited us to tiffin - Mr. H. is beginning to improve.

I was obliged to go to Swatara & see about some freight for J. Sturtwell & some teak for Dr. Carlin & others, which took about the whole time - I was very tired by evening & did some arranging of papers & planning for work. Tuesday Sept. 2 - I began at 6-30 to look

after affairs there been 243
busy all day. paying, counting,
planning for repairs & trotting
about to see what is doing &
to be done. Besides getting the
boys school house ready I have
two young men at work mending
roads, than oversight of repairs
at the house in Park. Chick & also
the hospital addition besides
usual work. At 2 P.M. I
had to have the last of my home
mail done, having finished several
letters this A.M. & after talking
I now go with Mr. C. to
look at needed repairs, then to
Swanton to pay duties, deposit money
&c. - Wednesday - Sept 2 -

This A.M. after looking
after the hospital extension
& Mr. Hartwell Colporters

I set out for the Island ²⁴⁹
with Dr. Corliss teacher
& two men who, on thought,
might find opportunities to
promote sell books while peo-
ple are coming & going. We
also took some things to the
Corliss. with whom I took
tiffin. I found our man
who had read some Christian
books & asked a great many
questions, bright ones. The
man had some "opportunities."
I came away at 2-15 &
got home at about 4-

Mr. Brewster of Foochow
formerly of Singapore, called &
I did not get much accomplish-
ed. Prayer-meeting at
our home led by Mr. Campbell.

Thursday Sept 4 ²⁴⁵

Back again after a day at the island. The Elder came in last night & I took him also to the feast, whence he will go to Pang. Oū for Sunday.

First we went to the "Kanoa" to see Mr. Brewster - then with favoring wind & tide went to the Island in an hour. Found the three young men had been at work & during the day we had a large no. of heans. Under the veranda of the house near the side steps (see photo) is a good place to Congregate. It was quite crowded much of the time. I talked a little & helped & suggested opportunities for others so there was scarcely any time when some one was not speaking. At about 3 P.M. Came

the feast for ponopoints 246
I described fully last August -
just the same, excepting the fight
at the end. There was a mili-
tary official with several of his
soldiers present & some men went
about with bamboos & kept
back the crowd. Friday - Sept. 5

To-day it seems as if I had
not done anything, but the
forenoon was pretty full, be-
cause I had a visitor who
wanted to be a hospital pa-
tient, but he had some very
bad blood trouble & I did
not dare leave him about.
I set some of the Chinese
to inquiring about him & soon
decided he had better go home.
Then I had to decide who
should go to five different
places for Sunday next.

I had several errands at 247
the P.O. & called on Mr. Urqu-
hart, who does our errands
in Hongkong.

This P.M. I was obliged to
take a nap & it refreshed
me wonderfully.

This evening we had a good
prayer-meeting & I have talked
with the Chinese some since.

A. Mi' the young man who
has been selling books for
J. Sturwell has been doing
well - sold 100 books since
yesterday morning. He shows
a good spirit & seems to be
in earnest about preaching
the doctrine as well as sell-
ing. does not seem over-elat-
ed by his success but mani-
fests a humble spirit.

Saturday Sept 6 - 248-

A windy evening but the barometer is too high for a typhoon. a visitation I hope we may be spared this year. The walls are partly built at the hospital & our large boat is not in summer quarters which would be dangerous if a typhoon should come.

To-day I have had various duties about the place then settled up Mr. Campbell's account for the current year & feel much relieved as his is by far the most difficult - also got out a stock of books & leaflets for him to take to the country next week. I called on Mr. Norvell. & find he shows the effects of his sickness more than I expected. I plan going to P. P. Chhi to-morrow.

Sunday - Sept. 7th - 249.

The sky was rather threatening
but I got off this morning
& reached Tho-Phon-Chi at
a little after 9 o'clock.

Tang-Sing the recently baptized
young teacher met with me &
I had a good opportunity to
talk with him - he seems
to have been led gradually
to see the truth & to be a
sincerely convicted man with
clear ideas of the gospel -
He has a good idea of
making use of opportunities to
preach. To-day a large no.
Came into the Chapel & I talked
to them a while then he took it
up & spoke very well. He
preached quite extensively from

I Peter IV: 7+8 - The Chapel there is wonderfully improved with new floor & clean walls. The few members seem to be in better spirits than before, & promise to make weekly contributions to finish the repairs. We will give them a couple of chairs soon.

There was a very strong East wind & we came flying along the other side of Swatow. Between Swatow & this place we saw some of the biggest waves I ever saw in the bay & we shipped some water. I was very tired & slept for nearly two hours. Clara has had a head-ache & went to bed early - the baby has been fretful today - a little stomach trouble probably. I have been writing to John Manning - It is cool & windy.

Monday Sept. 8th 251

A rather Mondayish day. a lot of Sunday matters to look after about building and repairs. & I did quite a little in posting my accounts. In the evening we were all invited to Mr. Campbell's had a pleasant evening.

Tuesday Sept. 9th

still cool. Mr. Campbell got away at a little after 3 P.M. with a favoring wind & tide. Ji-nan went with him to see about needed repairs at Mung-Kau-hia. Mr. Howell being unable to go.

He also took some commissions for me to Kit-deth. I have been to Swatow to-day - this is a great day. Feasts for poor spirits every where. The Elder has been much

ing at the Chapel, says a 252
great many combatted him &
the crowd was too large to
manage. There has been a
man from India who understands
several languages at the Chapel
of late. He is a well intention-
ed fellow well educated, of a
Christian family, ^{but} with the fatal
weakness so common where
Anglo-Saxons rule & grow dis-
til. & buy & sell. I hoped to see
him but missed him. A
poor old man went on in the
same boat, who has a deformed
hand & a growing blindness. He
seemed much interested to hear
that there was a place where
no one was blind. I urged him
to come to the Chapel.

Mr. Howell is up & dressed
every day but does not seem
very well yet, still has pain in his side.

The baby is growing & is 253
now more charming every day
Clara seems afraid I do not
write rapturously about her. She
sits at table two or three times
a day & is very good. She wears
a hair-ribbon now & is getting
quite a big girl - mail came
per "Belgie" - good letters from
home though nearly filled
with the sad details of Herbert's
death - How strange that he should
have suffered from the sun while
I have been nearly 3 years under
the tropic & not harmed seriously.
Surely we are wondrously pre-
served.

Wednesday - Sept. 10 -

A beautiful day - I have breakfast,
took a look over the plantation
in the morning - studied the
Scripture for next Communion

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I have done some work on my
books. We had Union meeting
this P.M. & from the other side
over the Sidford children with
Miss Stevenson. Mr. S. sent in a
written request for prayer - he
is a long time recovering from his
fever. as is Mr. Howell. I have
been reading with great interest Dr.
Gardner's account of his 20 yrs.
pastorate. Thursday Sept. 11th -

A beautiful day. I had a
number of small affairs but
went to in the morning. The
boats are no little cars, there
is so much repairing to be done,
but they are necessary. I shall
be obliged to dinner or at
least suspend our steersman
for his performance while

I was away in bringing a lot of boatmen up to Mr. Novell's & making a great racket to get a few hundred cash.

We had the baby's picture taken to-day. the negative looks promising - Friday Sept 12th -

An account of the steersman's performance while I was at the Island & the general stubbornness & bad temper he has shown. I called him up before the members of the mission & explained the case to him: he took it quietly, attempted to defend himself but what he said did not agree with his words at other times. I am sorry to lose so good a boatman, & possibly may let him have one of the other boats later. But he is too ugly for general steersman in the compound. He is decent to

The one who pays him. Oct 25⁶
all the rest have trouble with
him. I always did when Mr. P.
had him in charge - I did some
writing for the next mail. In the
afternoon Ji-nan returned from his
trip. ^{trip} Hung-Kan-nia brought me letters
from Ling-Heng enclosing 3 placards
such as are being posted & distribut-
ed at Kieh-Yang in large numbers.
They are most scurrilous & virulent
things - calling the people to beware of
the "demon doctrine & books" -
urging that all Christians should
be beaten & the doctrine crushed
out - all are warned to post copies
of these placards on their doors
lest they be beaten by mistake.
The spirit is like Diocletian
revived. We want to Swatow
in the afternoon to look at the
goods but by a representative

Of a Hongkong firm - 257

Clara got a most astonishing sum.
Donnet for the baby & the other lu-
dies mounted in various articles.
Clara got a dress too, I believe. I
resisted the charms of so large
a display of foreign goods -

X We met the Gibsons. G. was
quite stirred up at the sight
of the placards & was for going
at once to the Consul. We
went to their compound & found
one of their preachers had brought
down two of them. We had a
short conference on the subject.
Mr. G. proposes to see their Con-
sul in the morning.

We had a good prayer meeting
led by Ma-Ka sub. Heb.
v: 7-8. I spoke of the prayer-
Calendar, the schools of China
being the next day's subject; & told
of the Kit Si placards. Ma-Ka

had the most of a "gift" in prayer ²⁵⁸
of any Chinaman I have heard.
In his closing prayer he quoted most
aptly from Ps. II. "The Kings of the
Earth set themselves & the rulers
take counsel together etc." & the
words of our Lord - "In the world
ye shall have tribulation. But be
of good cheer I have overcome
the world." Hsin-Lin also
spoke well. on Christ's going
the old. which with his people had
perverted into soulless forms & meaning-
less ritual. & betook himself to
"prayer & supplications with strong
crying & tears." He had been
impressed with the analogy
here in seeing the empty forms
of idolatry as so ripe during these
first days & felt that there
was no help from the old
but that Christ in must pray
& suffer.

Saturday. Sept 13/90 - 259

On the Mission boat bound for
San Luis near the head of
the bay. We have the tide with
us & have had a fine East wind
tho' just now it is not so fresh.

Clara the baby nurse are with
me. Chin-Po. "Thomas" lives
here & there is a trouble among
the members here we want
to see put right.

We reached the landing at 11 o'clock.
took tiffin & walked up to
the chapel a mile or two. Found
Chin Po & Clara heard
from her the statement of the
case. Several came into the
chapel & we had some opportu-
nities for preaching. I left a P.O.
am talking to two well dressed

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Young mess. On the way down
I was wishing the Lord would
send some one of the older
preachers to help in this trouble,
& soon saw in the distance
A. Khing & his daughter who
was married to Chin Po's son.
(adopted - who by the way has
recently gone off to Singapore a-
gain.) - I left some di-
rections for him & we sailed
away at about 3 P.M. had
a strong wind dead ahead &
pitched about for over 6 hours.
I had a little headache
before we started & was very
uncomfortable before we got
back. Could not stay in the
cabin without my head out
of the window -

Sunday Sept 14²⁰¹ -

I lay awake quite a part of
the night with head aching
badly - Clara too had a bad
night ~~to-day~~ in hospital
rather delapidated. I intended
to go back to Nam Ling.
But did not think it wise.
So sent a letter to A. Khong
asking him to wait till Thurs-
day for me. I plan going
up ~~Friday~~ - G. Thong preached
to-day - did fairly well. I have
been 2 hours, I should think,
with him discussing matters
at Pan-aham. I spent quite
a little time preparing for
S. School - & we had a good
School - We had a letter
from Dr. A. Confrising that he

is to bring a wife back with her
him - he does not say who she
is but we presume Mrs. Brown.
He requests us to remain & let
them have his suite of rooms
as he had last year, which
means to have them as board-
ers I presume - rather formid-
able - but I trust will be
pleasant - He expects to do a
great deal of country work -
& I want to do the same.

Mr. Sidford, wife & baby go
to Japan in a few days.
His fever does not leave him.
Monday, Sept 15 -

I started for the Island at 7:30
A.M. with Mrs. Norvell Mrs.
Sandford - we had a head
wind & were nearly 3 hours
getting there. found the W. much
better - I now met with us

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I consulted with Mr. H. about
repairs at Ming Kheun Liang
also with Dr. C. about furniture.
We sailed back in 45 min-
utes. I was kept busy for
two hours more by conferring
with A. Toan & Chin P'o about
the Nam-Liang trouble & then
had some duties for the rest of the
day. Tuesday Sept. 16th.

Went to Swatow called on the
Council took Edw. Scott along
to help get a pkgs of books
through the Customs. He also
had prepared a fastening for
the Chapel clock so this was
annoyed it. I also called
at the E. J. Mission -
on returning on the English
Council. Started off at 12.4.
P.M.

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I was very warm & tired so
took a nap before tiffin -
I had but little time to pack
up & forgot this journal. The
first time I have done such a
thing. Clara was not feeling
well & could not help get ready
as she usually does - so I must
write up the days events separately
at 5 o'clock ^{on Monday} in
Chin-King. I sent for A-Khing
who came down & we walked
a mile or two - fully two - &
visited A-ü-pel - who is
the respondent in the case, had
a crowd of spectators. I preached to
them at a member's house -
A-ü came back with us
& we found a place to sit by
ourselves & discuss the case. did
not get home till after 10 o'clock.

Wednesday, Sept. 17 - 244

At 7 P.M. I set out for Hain
Ling. Looked over the church roll
& started off about members
1 1/3 miles away. had some good
opportunities for preaching. one
young man seemed really interested.
Returning to the chapel I further
inquired into the case & roused the
indignation of a sister who is
vehement in denouncing U-kei
but has for years been so quar-
relsome she could not get on
with her husband. & told
she was too Pharisical to
mist New Testament ideas.
her husband seemed to enjoy
the conversation. She would
be a most useful member
if subdued & once brought
to a right course. At noon
I went to the boat with a Khing
& sailed to Hain Thai.

Then we visited the seaman ²⁶⁵ whose
foot was so bad: he is now
at his shop & his foot, though
bad, looks as if it would be
better & perhaps entirely healed.

I also further looked up the
Nâm-lêng trouble & at midnight
set out for Kieh Yang - & was there
by sunrise - & sent for Lung Heng.
had him write a letter for Miao An
the last party in the Nâm-lêng
case - who is kept at home by
the advent of a son - At the chapel

I met Go Heng who has been
going about on evangelizing trips &
was waiting for A-Khing. plan-
ned work for the next 10 days.

also saw the jeweller & arranged
for some wedding presents.

Going back to the boat I sold a
no. of books & leaflets.

Though near the place where ²⁶⁶
the bad placards had been
put up they said nothing about it
In the afternoon I went into the city
again but did not have so good
success. met several who were
very insistent in preaching Confu-
cius - met Mia an on the street.
He rec'd my letter at noon & came
down at once about 10 miles -
We started down a little after

5 o'clock - Thursday Sept. 18th

Friday morning the 19th I woke up
as ^{we were} sailing down the bay with a
light northerly breeze & no sea.
got home at about 4 o'clock -
found all well. was greeted
by 3 brn from Jim Phing who
are in trouble. Last yr two br-
hers at a village - later some
20 in all claimed to have ac-
cepted the truth. when a son

of Sial who had been to foreign ²⁶⁷ parts, said that he knew all about the Catholic doctrine that the doctrine, priests call now bad & this must stop. He succeeded in rousing the head-men & all the people that they called a Council & put out a proclamation saying that if these people do not repent & worship the Lāi-Dā & the household gods, & give money for a big theater in the 9th month they will be brought out & beaten to death also their goods all stolen. They are in great distress & want me to help them. & go up there.

I had a great many affairs to look after & we also had a final conference with Chinese. I hope this case will stop.

At prayer-meeting on 268.
Specially remembered the bin
in distress & had a long con-
ference with them - possibly
may go up there. Clara had a
prayer-meeting also with the
women & girls. Saturday. Sept. 20.

We got our mail last evening.
I went to Swanton at 5 o'clock.
was surprised to find that Mrs. L.
all had rec'd a letter from Dr.
A. - Returning I heard that the
mail was here - I called on Mr.
Sieford a few moments.

We had a good mail - two letters
from Dr. A. & one from Mrs. A.
to Clara. They are very kind
in urging us to stay in the house.
& let them come right in & take
our side of it.

This a.m. I went to the Island
 wrote up this journal on the
 way - as I was going up, passed
 a no. of "fishermen mending
 their nets" one of whom hailed
 me & sat & talked to them
 for 15 or 20 minutes. Several
 listened very well. I called on
 Mr. Strick who read me Kundry
 & was disposed to write about
 this putting up of a notice
 threatening believers, to the
 officials but I could not
 give him the name of the
 village, or the characters -
 I found Mr. Novell looking
 much better. Since I came
 back there have been a
 lot of little matters to
 look after preparatory to
 going away to Jan Shing.

Sunday Sept. 21. ²⁷⁰ -

A beautiful day - good service
in the A.M., sermon by Hák-jin
on healing - I asked Hwa-
Lín & Póu. Siu-se, up to the
house to look over some tracts
& leaflets that came from Han-
Kow. Mr. Hartwell came up
from the Island took tiffin
with us. After tiffin Mr.
Murdo Mackenzie came
to see the Sunday School. The
house is in a frightful state
of disorder & smells of paint.
There was no place to take
him but the back veranda
where we sat a while. The
school was not brilliant, but
they seemed interested in the
blackboard exercises - we
had one with a lamp kusked.

ed at our side & idol²⁷¹ wor-
ship below to present the
light shining in a dark place -
& then day star & dawn at
the other side. Then to help
explain II Pet. II. had a man
looking at the heavens, &
two pigs looking on the
ground. I questioned them
a little on the propriety of
worshipping the host of heaven
if men had no written rev-
elation - God not seen - a
good illustration of this comes
from a Chinese character.

不見 means not perceive -
the two joined 覓 make the char-
acter for seek, used in Paul's
speech on Mars Hill. "that
they should seek the Lord
if haply &c" - Osee God

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Cannot be seen, the heather
object: Paul met that, & this
character ^{shows} just what should
be done - not seeing to seek -

I was obliged to give a good
deal of the evening to work
preparatory to going away.
Clara got my trunk packed
for me. Monday Sept 22 -
Afloat again - up the river
en route to Chung-hin (Tsung
Lin on map) Early this
morning the men got the boat
rudy full with things aboard
& came around back of the
city. I wrote letters, settled
accounts gave directions to
workmen, stood for my pict-
ure, both good by & came
off at about 11 a.m. with
J. Hartwell who goes to Kia Eng
via Kieh-Tang -

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It is a perfect day &
we are making fairly good
progress. Pon-Sin Sen is
with me & am going to study
with him. The last 10 days
when I planned to be studying
I have been obliged to travel
so must try to make up for the
loss. This morning I made
up the programme for Com-
munion week, & gave it to
Hua-Lin to put on the
boards in the preacher's house.
I had sent for Ling-Hung to
be here early to-morrow ex-
pecting to study with him,
but wrote a note telling him
to preach in Swatow this week.
In case I am delayed till next
Tues. I sent a note back to
Clara to tell them to meet &
discuss by themselves the two

questions I give them for 274
study. I am sorry to leave
Clara with so much to do
in getting the house to rights
especially as she is not
feeling quite well. But
hope she will get on all
right. She is usually equal
to the emergency.