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Since finishing the last page of the last book we have lowered the mast & safely passed under the stone bridge without rubbing on either side. Dr. A's boat is behind & cannot pass until to-morrow morning.

We had a pleasant trip, taking it all in all, over to Khion Khoi.

The whole country is putting on its freshest & brightest green again - & the fields are fast being covered with the rice plants - Mrs. Johnson went & enjoyed it very much -

At the chapel a goodly no. came to see us considering the busy sea son.

We had a long talk with some of the brethren about the "Kit-li" defection & enlightened them upon some points - We also had some small church matters on which we conferred.

10 o'clock.

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Dr. Ashmun's boat has also passed the bridge now and both moved a quarter of a mile below - I have my luggage in readiness so that we can start early to-morrow.

Wednesday morning. April 22nd

In the mouth of the canal a little way from Lung Che "waiting for the tide to rise so we can enter - we have made excellent time & ought to home not far from noon - A fine mist is falling but the clouds are not heavy - We shall call chains & ride across to take the steamer - I am going to write letters while waiting - Dr. A. is writing in his boat. Probably the next entry in this will be made in Kukulbich -

Back home before 2 P.M.

We rode across in chairs & just missed the 11 o'clock train. It is a great nuisance to travel to steam across the bay that by taking about 3 or 4 hours in an uncomfortable Chinese boat. We took cabin passage (80 cash a little less than 8¢ for 10 miles)

The cabin is close, so we had chairs from there put on the deck at the bow & enjoyed the scenery & got the air first of any on the boat which is an important consideration - I read several newspapers coming over.

Boats come along so we had our table as across - Found all quite well at home & it is delightful to get back. Several of the others were in during the evening afternoon & in the evening the prayer meeting was led by Dr. A.

at our house, a good meeting. 4-

Thursday - April 23rd.

Warm & close. I had a lot of different matters to look after, letters to write &c. - put some time on my accounts. The boats did not get through the canal in the night.

The Campbells & Howells were invited to supper but Mr. H. could not come & Clara invited the two young ladies. The Carlins & Mrs. Scott came in later for a ring sociability - had a pleasant time.

Friday - April 24 -

On board the "Grace" near Au-Ting-Pue, a few miles above Swatow. I am going to the Hi City - chiefly to see a house that we can rent. If it is suitable we shall probably take it - The two boats only came

through the canal back to 5
Kak-chiel this morning. Dr. Scott left
at about 10 o'clock in the other boat
for Kitai - I had a call from
Mrs. Lyall who introduced us to
Rev. s. Glan & Morris the English depu-
tation that have been visiting Eastern
missions: they came over in the
China with the young ladies. I was
intended to see them. I took them
down to look at some of our school
buildings - they were to leave on the
afternoon's steamer on which they
came from Amoy.

The wind blew up considerably
from the East just after dinner
- I have made but little progress
- fear it will be slow getting to the
city. The examination of our
cut-wood reveals the appalling

fact that no forks or spoons 6
were brought - Later: A-ün has
made some forks out of the new-
growing bamboo. I bought some
Chinese spoons so there is not
fear of starving or eating with my
fingers.

Sat. evening. Apr 25th -
at "the City" - moved by the
bridge. have just been up to
the chapel. found A-Keel that
Cheng there from "Pihü Lî" whom
I am glad to meet; they report
good opportunities for preaching
tho' the people have not much
courage to believe & come out.

We have had a fine day -
Cool but wind this morning.
I now wear rather overcoat.

To keep warm - A light &
southerly breeze come up & brought
us up also. I have done some
work on my books & studied Chi-
nese, besides taking a nap & think-
ing over the service for to-morrow.

Pon Tang-Sing is with me - He only
stayed in Siam a fortnight. Was so
unwell he concluded it best to
return: he seems to have profited
by his journey spiritually & to be
in a less self-confident frame -
I think of making an arrangement
with him to help me when I
can give time to Chinese & let
him study or evangelize the
rest of the time - Sunday April 26/91.

Warm. thermometer at 80° in the
city - You have had a rather
good day - Several spoke in

the morning & I spoke a few 8-
moments on the meaning of the
name Jesus. The congregation
was quite fair for the place & a
goodly no. of heather was present.
I talked to them some time & one
man really seemed to listen as if
it was good news to him.

We had Communion at 2 P.M.
after a short Conference meeting.
After service I looked at
two houses that can be rent-
ed but am not very much pleas-
ed with either. Thence I went
to the C.P. hospital. I had a very
pleasant visit with Dr. & Mrs.
Lay & Mr. Paton - the latter
is here over Sunday -
I had quite a talk with
Dr. L. about Biblical Criti-
cism. I sent him a copy the other

New Post. Student -

I went to the chapel & discussed
the new houses for half an hour
then come down here.

Monday April 27th

Home again. The boatmen started
at half past one this morning
& I was in the house by noon.

There was no wind & having the
current with us we made ex-
cellent time & when the East wind
blew up we were blown or near
Pine-Khai so we sailed the last
few miles. All are quite well
the baby is looking better than
when I went away & very sweet.

This afternoon we went to Swa-
tow & found some black cloth
that I think will be just what
I want for a thin suit for the
country - a coat & trousers will only
cost \$5⁵⁰ -

Tuesday - Apr 28. 10

Could be delightful. I have been
in almost all day - have made an
arrangement with Tang Sing to be
a very disposal when I need a teach-
er & I shall try to do a little every day
in Chinese - am reading the Communi-
on news - Sai Ngün - Po. Sai &
Lung Sing came in to-day - in ex-
cellent spirits - had good opportu-
nities & are encouraged. Lung Sing
is ready to go down to Hui-Lai
Tuan with go & probably two
others - They are far more ready
to undertake hard faunts than
formerly. This field work makes
new men of them -

Wednesday April 29th/11.

Back from prayer-meeting at
Mrs. Campbell - which I led -

It was a good meeting I 11-
think - the last at which the
Howells will be with us probably.
They plan to sail Friday here
for California as soon as they can
get passage. They hoped to get a
room on the "Oceanic" May 4th from
Hong Kong but find that all rooms are
engaged up to May 30th when the
"Gallic" sails - They may get passage
on the Vancouver boat - or perhaps go as
far as Japan & wait. I feel very
sorry for them - He is very poorly.

This has been a day full of little
interruptions & things that consume
time. We called on the new Com-
missionary but no one was at home.
Young Mr. Richardson called to bid us good
bye. Hugo via America took a note to
Muelr for me.

Thursday Apl 30/91 - ¹²

Another day & another month gone -
How fast they fly! - To-day has
been consumed almost wholly in
small things - some letter writing, settling
accounts & deciding when & where men
are to go & various such duties.

I hope 4 men will go Hui-tai -
while we go up to Kit-Li^{na} -

I had a touch of sick headache last
night, the first in a long time - but
have worked it off - I am just finish-
ing up mail & all office-work as well
as other matters so as to be ready
to leave to-morrow - Clara has de-

ecided to take several Bible-Women
along too, so we shall have five boats.
Lung-Hung puts the no. of auditors
during our last trip at over 2500 -

For a few days now opportunities are especially
good - many strangers, two men are working there.

Friday - May 13th - 13-

On board again. What Kieh-Yang-
whole family on the boat. Dr & Mrs.
Ashman's boat is moored a little way
off & beyond is the "Peace" which
the two young ladies have taken.
The Mackie's boat too is near by.

This morning we had our pictures
taken all the boats together - quite
a fleet. After the picture
was taken we went to say good
bye to the Howells, found only
Mrs. H. in as he was in Swatow

arranging for passage to Hong-
Kong. They thought they might go
by the "Smith" a new steamer under
the Chinese flag that is running op-
position to the Douglas line - Chinese
fare is reduced to 75¢. The steamer
is said to be lighted by electricity

to be a much better than
the "Fokim" that goes down to-day.
I hope they will have a comfort-
able trip & a good trip across the
Pacific as well - I cannot realize
that they are going - This is third
departures for home by reason of bad
health I have seen in the Mission -
I always think when is my turn
coming? I certainly ought to be
very thankful that I am as well as
I am -

This morning was a very busy time
getting off, finishing my mail & at-
tending to sundry treasury matters -

We had a delightful sail up.
Favouring wind & tide - We towed the mach-
ers boat so did not make as quick time
as otherwise. To-morrow early we
start for Lo Soa" & Sunday a.m. hope
to go up to Soa" Ou.

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at Gu-Lon-Thân - where we have
lain since a little after noon.

At daylight we left our morning
at Kieh-Yang & as we finished break-
fast were at Gieh-Sia. Then moved
up a mile or two - whence I walked
with Po-San 2 or 3 miles over to
Teh-Kie to call upon Sam-Chu
who has opened his house for a
"place of prayer". He has a good
house, one of the neatest I have
seen any church-member have
& is evidently doing a good busi-
ness. He buys the "tū" that
is made into grass cloth & gives
it out in small quantities to women
who spin it & bring it back
wound in neat rolls. He sells
this to those who weave it.
He entertained us hospitably
with tea & candy. A-Khoing

talked to the people who ¹⁶⁻
had crowded around to see
us, about 50 mostly children,
we sang a hymn two prayed &
we came away - A-Khong is
there having service this evening
& again to-morrow morning, but
for chapel service.

A-Khong is going to Hui-Lai,
the old man is a faithful
witness. A-mi the colporteur,
Mia An & A-Chuan came up
this afternoon - We had a fairly
good audience outside the village
gate - To-morrow we plan starting
for Soar Oi at 4 A.M.

Sunday - May 3rd -
7.40 A.M. We did not get off
till 5.30 & then were obliged

to start off with our own boat: 17
men - 9-40- We took an
Early breakfast and employed the time
reading & talking until we reached Soa-
li. The country is beautiful now.
the fields are all planted & the rich
Spring ^(colors not edibles meant) greens are beginning to ap-
pear - We found a chapel - full of
people awaiting us, which is ^{the} more
encouraging as they did not know
certainly that we were coming - The
Chapel looks neat & fresh - with
the whitewash & paint put on
last year - We had good services -
Several spoke in the forenoon from
Eph I: 1-3 & 13 - & in the afternoon we
had communion - Came down in
the evening - reaching our boat at 9-15 -

Monday May 5th - 18

I woke, in the middle of the night not like the Turk midst "flame & smoke" but to find the rain pouring in at the open window at the side of my couch - my quilt & blanket were quite wet but I managed to find a dry place, shut the window, pulled the blanket over me & slept soundly till after 6 o'clock - The boats were at Gieh-Siaⁿ by breakfast time. I am glad to hear that there were several new hears at service yesterday.

We sent mail to Kit-Siⁿ & moved into the canal that goes past Tck-Kiⁿ - this afternoon we visited church members at Ki-Thaiⁿ & had the audience from a puppet show come over to hear us.

The Christians were glad to see us & we had an audience at every house. People who listened well - We went also to a mi's village. His father, Han Peh, the first man I ever baptized was the first believer at this village.

Tuesday May 5th -

Anchored below E-Lin - a large group of villages some 7 miles above Kieh Yang on the So. Branch. Near by the place where we lay last night. This morning we called upon two "uncles" who live close by Tang-Pai. They were glad to see us & we had good opportunities for preaching to neighbors. We also went to another village making three for the forenoon -

In the afternoon late it was 20-
Cool - vis now - the East wind strong
again - In route to E. Lin &
had a crowd - Clara, the young ladies
& two Bible women, 4 preachers &
young men & myself made up the
train - Many listened well - par-
ticularly among the old men - We
had two or three disputers toward
the last who were disagreeably per-
sistent & Po-Heng rather got worried by
them - He is so prone to display
his Chinese learning & ready to in-
terrupt in a superior way that
I am not particularly sorry as far
as he is concerned. If he takes
that sword he must not be
surprized if he perishes by it.
Clara says she had several
hearses among the women who

seemed truly interested. 21

The young ladies took tiffin with us to-day - This evening the messengers came up on the stnir to Kich Yang & a. ngi brought the things up here tons. The howells met

Friday P.M. came near missing the stnir.

Wednesday May 6th.

To-day we have been out twice - from 8-30 to 11.30 A.M. & from 4-15 to 6.15 P.M. It has been

hot & trying. I have talked a great deal & got tired between the two expeditions did little but sleep. The heat & talking Chinese together are exhausting.

Dr. A. has not been out to-day except of his eyes. they were strained Sunday. Clara & the

Young ladies met out with the 22-
two Bible-Women & had crowds of peo-
ple about them. She was tired in
the afternoon & remained in the boat -

Two more Bible-Women & two more
preachers came to-day so our work-
ing force is a goodly one -

This E-Lim is a beautiful
for situation as was Elin
& Israel but its people have
a bad record. Years ago they
used to be a predatory folk & delight-
ed in abducting men & holding
them for ransom. Gai' Pang
cut off a hundred heads & set
fire to their village several times.
after which the people became
"clever" ("lan sit") - Chastening
is good for the Chinese.

There have certainly been encouraging²³
signs here. Some young men have
followed us from one place to another
& listened. Those who wrangled so much
last evening appeared again but had
nothing to say. One young man asked
particularly when to go on Sundays.
A great many, as usual, say "the doctrine
is good". But it does require faith
& patience to do this work. I talked
fully twenty minutes to our old man
who said cheerfully - "You are out
for pleasure" - to which I replied
with renewed emphasis "No! If
we were after pleasure we should go
home when it is cool - this is
an important business".

Thursday, May 7th.

The hottest day & the best
day since we came out.

Mia An says an acquaintance²⁴
told him at E-Lim that the
fellows who disturbed us night be-
fore last were rebuked by their
own people for trying to disturb
us preachers who came to tell of
a good matter; that accounts
for their subdued manner last
evening.

Last evening we, the whole fleet,
of five boats moved ^{up} ~~across~~ the river
towards E. Bue & anchored in the
stream: early this morning we made
fast to the bank & after breakfast
all sallied out - Clara & the two
young ladies had worship with the
women: Dr. A. & with the men. We
read Acts XIII. 1-12 - the first
Experiences of the first preachers

To the Gentiles.

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We discovered traces to-day of a similar experience here; 8 or 10 days years ago half a score of men from this village went to worship at chapels near by, when a false brother living at Etim when we were yesterday came here & got money under false pretences from the people here, telling them he would get them into this new guild & get help for them through the foreigners & their Consul. He was dismissed from the church & would have been prosecuted, had any one been willing to appear as a witness. The people here, though, all stopped their attendance at chapel.

One of them met the broach 26
ers to-day & some of them seemed
to think it possible that they
might be gathered together & a
place of prayer established
where they could meet & a preacher
call on them occasionally to help
them. but that is uncertain -

I was out nearly 3 hours this
morning & two hours (or more or
half) late in the afternoon,
talked the larger part of the
time. Now here have we had
better listeners. People have
asked us in to sit down & drink
tea & sometimes it is well to do so
for a little to talk quietly with
the proprietor & such others as come in.
To show how opportunities open
I walked between two villages & saw

an elderly man standing alone²⁷.
Addressing him I found him dis-
posed to listen soon a no. more
came about: shortly Po-Sau & then
Tui-Peh appeared. I let the former
take my audience & the latter
soon went off with a man who
urged that we go to his shop.
After talking some time we
followed & found them in a dye-
shop the proprietor an excellent
listener - Po-Sau & I met in and
Tui-Peh met elsewhere. 20 or 30
more came in. We sat 10 or 15
minutes. This afternoon we
all stopped under a large
banyan outside the next village
& one of the men we met in
the dye-shop came with three

benches for us remarking 281
that this "worshipping the Heavenly
Father is a good matter".

Fully 100 people were gathered
The ladies sat on the benches, the
native preachers talked to the crowd
& I went out to one side & preached
at a good looking gray haired
man who would not only take the
words out of my mouth but
even go ahead in expounding the
worship of our true God. Then
I began on the plan of redemption
& succeeded in giving an outline
of our Saviors life work, while
a goodly no. listened.

We remained there some time
& then went inside the village.
The ladies scattered & went on with
a Bible-woman to different houses.

where they were well received, 29
After supper I went to the preacher's
boat & had evening worship with
them speaking a few words on Matt.
IX: 29. Since that time our boats
have moved in mid stream when
the mosquitoes are not quite so bad.
We got a little breeze - We plan
dropping down on the early morning
tide to a village below here where
lives an old man baptized last
January.

Friday, May 8th -

4 P.M. Just moving downstream -
a little way. It has been very
hot in the boat: a breeze since
2 P.M. has relieved the oppressiv-
ness much, but it is not chilly
yet. Clara did not go out

this morning. as Anna was ³⁰
sick all night. vomiting & also her
bowels out of order, by all means
the worst night she ever had.

She has cut one tooth & some
three more about ready to come
through which has made her
fretful. Yesterday we had a tin
of soup (sheep-soup or a call
it) at dinner it was not very good.
must have outlived its usefulness.
& I am quite sure that was the
source of trouble.

Poor little girl she is having
a rather hard time. She is develop-
ing rapidly picking up words English
& Chinese & getting many cunning
ways. She still loves her first
doll & every evening, when she goes to
"Bye" as she says. she calls for "Adah-

& clasped her fondly with both ³¹
arms before going to sleep.

This morning Mrs. Ashmun came
in & Clara reports the baby as showing
off all her accomplishments. Said
"Pretty little baby" quite distinctly.
Met through various calisthenic
Exercises she has seen at the girls
school &c &c.

8-15-P.M. Anchored a little
way from Kieh Yang So Branch -

This forenoon we met in the mach-
ess & woman's boats to "Tang-Poi"
Had a most cordial welcome from
old Liu-Peh who had his house
clean & neat for us. He had tea
& some excellent rice candy for us.
We had groups of listeners at
different points. The ladies say
they have not found such good themes

at any other place - I hope the 32
old man's nephew a bright young
fellow may come down & be treated
for the opium habit.

This afternoon we dropped down to
An-Li. I believe the place is & had
the best hearing yet according
to the preachers. I spoke only once
but they listened well & said the doc-
trine is good - I have never seen
the natives helpers in so good a
frame & so genuinely in earnest to
preach to their countrymen -

Saturday - May 9th.

I did not note yesterday that our
old brother used to have a school in
his house but this year not wor-
shipping Confucius no scholars brought
their benches to be his tenants, while

they themselves become disciples ³³

of Confucius. The old man thus suffers for the truth's sake. He is not in want however as he has a little of his own & acts as a rice broker or collector or accountant at times.

At half past-eight this evening we are moved just off from the city of Kich Yang South side. This has been a hot day I have been up to the chapel several times went to the steamer to meet Mrs. Scott at noon succeeded in getting a chair for her through the kindness of a former patient of hers I met at the landing - was sorry I did not send for a chair myself as it was very hot.

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We unwittingly became part
of an idolatrous procession,
but soon switched off into a side
St. This is a great day.

Many strangers in the city &
the streets decorated gaily with
lanterns & cloth awning stretch-
ed over the middle of the streets
where the procession passes.

They had some gaudy things
made of a light framework
covered with blue dyed paper,
temples apparently & two or pass-
ed were seemingly thrown when-
on were seated young girls gaily
dressed powdered & painted.

At the chapel Dr. S. had about 20
applicants between 2:45 & 5:30 P.M.

The Bible-Women had very good audiences & the men had some good opportunities to preach.

I met several from other chapels to which I wished to send letters or papers - I had a letter from Mr.

Eaton stating that he went home with his children on the "Oceanic", which same ship the Norvells took as far as "Yokohama".

Sunday May 10th -

A hot night - no moon away

from the shore so were not very comfortable - The boatmen on the "Peace" after the three ladies had retired, pushed back to the shore & went to "see the sights" - They were troubled of course by the heat &

mosquitoes. Finally they roused up their boy & our remaining "hand" who pushed off. They report however they did not sleep till after 5 a.m. They left for Swatow on the afternoon steamer.

At the Chapel we had a crowd - a lot of people came to see the doctor & others from curiosity: it being a gala day many strange folk were wandering about.

The forenoon service was turned into a series of addresses to the heathen. A hymn was read & sung. Prayers offered & five men spoke on the fundamental gospel truths besides our who read a chapter in Colossians. Dr. A. closed with a powerful indictment against their idols & plea for believing the gospel. I talked with several young men afterwards, one of whom I met

on the stir pie Saty. & 37.
He came again in the afternoon,
when we observed Communion.
Members were present from several
Chapels. & all seemed to be in a
good frame - We had a
Conference with the preachers
& planned work for a fortnight.
I am to meet them on the 16th
at Kieh Yang against.

We set sail at about 5 P.M.

Monday May 11/91 -

I stayed out on deck till about
half past eleven as it was
dark & we had several rows
of fishing stakes to pass. I feel
saber to be out & that the stews-
man will be more cautious.

Clara & the baby were both ³⁸
suffering so much from the
heat I felt we ought to get
back as soon as possible.

We had a light Westerly breeze
at sunrise & moved down from Chi-
king-roaching here by about 9 A.M.
It is delightful to get back here
after a country trip. The baby
was especially happy. She trotted
about the house from our room to
another till the nurse put her to
sleep. We found all well in run-
ning order - Dr. Miss. A. got here
late in the afternoon.

I had the boat "Peace" stripped
Went into Summer Quarters. The
steersman had been guilty of 20

Grogan an offence in backing
 the boat & running of to the theo-
 two Saty night I would not keep
 him out here any longer. I gave him
 a rating - He admitted he was
 wrong & said his boy, A. Ngia,
 had scolded him - He is a
 clever old fellow & usually reliable
 but every once in a while does some
 foolish thing - He will have the
 summer to consider his folly -
 Tuesday May 12th -

Anna has the measles - Poor
 little thing she is badly broken out
 & the Dr. says it is no doubt measles
 she is however no more uncomfortable
 than she was in the boat -
 Dr. Scott is my boy she was up

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All night with the wife of
her cook who had a bad case
of Cholera morbus - She had
five or six women patients at the
hospital & a no. of men who are
living in the compound.

I crossed to Swatow with Dr. Ash-
more in the forenoon -

Wednesday May 1st -

We are having beautiful weather -
quite warm but with breeze enough
to keep us comfortable -

Baby is rather better, the rash
is coming out a little more on her
arms & legs. She is talking more
& chatters away much in an unintel-
ligible dialect of her own. Clara
bought her a couple of little chick-
ens about 3 days old, which rather

puzzle her -

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We had prayer-meeting at Dr. Scotts this P.M. The E.P. folks had a meeting of their Ps-lytery so did not appear. We had a good meeting, though, led by Dr. A.

He is beginning with Romans teaching the Student class. I go in to get the benefit of the Chinese & the interpretations -

Thursday - May 14th -

Rainy to-day. This evening we have been to call on the Campbells - Mr. C. is back from the Country looking well.

I hear that 2 or 3 men from E. Bue the village we visited last Thursday were at the Kit Se' Chapel the first part of the week

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They inquired about the necessary steps towards having a place of worship. Said the doctrine is very good - very good. They may have some ulterior motives but we are glad to find some sign that the words spoken were ^{not} all forgotten - I tried to stir up the older boys in the school to read with more voice & expression. They are reading Hebrews. The first Chapter is a magnificent passage for them to read thus -

Friday - May 15 - 11.30 A.M.

A heavy rain with thunder & lightning. We rec'd the mail per Rio this morning. good letters from Father & Mother.

It is good to get news. 43-
to hear that all are as well
as usual. Only a day or two ago
we were speaking at table about
the situation at home & the dis-
position to crowd the Foreign
work workers. No doubt the
people who believe in the
supreme importance of evangel-
izing the unevangelized in the
New Testament sense must stand
up step forward & take the
flaws that are sure to come.
In the West a crisis is at
hand in the Woman's Society.
I had an excellent letter from
Dr. Gordon in which he says he regards
Foreign Missions the first & most im-
portant work of the Church. His church
gives \$10,000 - this year. His sermon cop-
ies of Ecce Venit & The First Thing in the World.

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Saturday - May 16th -

The most notable event of the day was a trip to Swatow with Mr. Campbell in the "Sampai". The weather looked threatening & after we got out into the bay the wind began to blow heavily & with that peculiar tremulous fashion which means mischief in this region. We got over all safe by shortening sail & finished our business before the ^{rain} fell heavily. We ordered the boat to be raved up to the Customs pier but they could not get up against wind & tide. There were three men & Mr. Campbell & I got in too but would

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not get up above the lost pin-
Sân-Thing came also on all marks
another attempt but now carried
back. Then seemed a little
hull in the wind so we decided to
drift back of the steamers & try to
cross even if no more carried away
beyond Go-Chhân. It was a lively

boat-ride - The tide ran strong
& the wind blew the heavy rain-
drops so they felt like hail -
filling eyes & ears a part of the
time - I stood up on the bow &
helped the man there row & Mr.

Campbell helped a midship.

We made shore a long way below
Go-Chhân: when in shoal water two
men jumped out took the painter
& walked along up to their arm-pits

dragging the boat. This was ⁴⁶
so slow the steersman jumped
out & pushed astern - Mr. C.
& I got out at first opportunity &
walked home about a mile - with-
out our hats, they being left in the
boat. I had my rubber coat
so was wet only up to my knees -
Mr. C. was drenched -

I had an appointment at 5.30 with
Dr. Layton on the road Committee -
but did not get there - Much damage
has been done about here - Friday
6 inches of rain fell between 11-30
am. & 3 P.M. -

Sunday May 17 -

Cool - obliged to put on flannels
again. This evening it is rain-
ing again - this much of the day
has been such we could get out

comfortably. The day services⁴⁷
passed off well. only the second
Sunday except Communion that I have
been here since Chinese New Year, to
attend services. We went also to
English service. Mr. McLaughan
preached a short sermon on the
2nd of Peter, after a long Mat.
Sunday service.

Monday May 18th, this
evening we walked down to the
Campbells' house after supper
found them about returning.
heard signs of merriment from
the Scott house - found the Co
there so remained for a very pleas-
ant social hour.

We are feeling very much

relied by the magnanimous ⁴⁸
conduct of the young ladies. not
that ^{we} believed them not to be mag-
nanimous, but we feared they
would feel badly about giving
up their house. The Executive

Committee voted that house was
lost winter but we did not get word
of it till after they were settled.

They had been talking over the
probable situation when the
Ashmun's are all back to-day
come over & discussed the situation
with Dr. & Mrs. A. This evening they
spoke to Clara about it very
pleasantly. It may be we shall
not need to go there but I presume
we shall. —

Tuesday May 19th - 49-

Another great down-pour of rain to-day. We were surprised with our mail per "Galle" this noon - a German S. S. came in late & we rec'd it 6 days from Yokohama. No home letters sorry to say - but one from E. F. Merriam & one from D. S. Jenks of Newton telling much about matters at the Seminary. I have not read much about in the papers yet, but know about the debt. 6000 baptisms in India & 61,000 dollars debt - a trifling 10 a-piece - We shall await with great interest reports from Cincinnati.

I am attending the Students class & going down to the Boy School for a little time daily. am begin-ning the programme for next Communion on - want it finished before Dr. A. Leard.

Wednesday May 20/11. 50

Back from prayer-meeting at
Dr. Carline led by Mr. Campbell -
They two are going to Jiau-P'ing
Friday, will take one or two preachers
along.

Ling-Hung & A-Khong
are back from Hui-Lai - had
good audiences & evidently stirred the
people up - At the Dist. City a
big crowd gathered & some said
"Kill these fellows that would
bring foreigners here" - other said
"No - do not kill; drive them out."
A hundred or more made quite
an Ephesian uproar - but they
met a man whose son is a
graduate & talked with him
about the teachings of Confucius

that are similar in sentiment 51
to teachings of our Lord & he said
"This doctrine is good, let these
men alone". Day by day the dis-
turbances quieted down & they remain-
ed there some time. at E-ou-
a village near by, to which Lung
Hing had been invited some time
ago. they had willing hearers:
men came at night to invite
them to go & tell them about
this "good teaching". They would
have stayed longer but could
not get a good place to stay.
The loft they slept in was
"deathly dirty" - "cobwebs 2 ft 6 in
long" - "below pigs & chicken & a
no fire" - "smoke from two ovens

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Cooking furnaces come up
early state when the men cooked -
"Flesh & blood gets thick" - Lung Hing
said his body was all red - from
being bitten. They say the people
everywhere admit the duty of worship
of our Supreme Being to be right & right.
Great many asked how to worship & how
to pray - but about sin & Jesus
the savior they quibble - I always
held that Unitarianism was a
heathen system. Now I find how
it is what meets with favor
among the unregenerate, & in Japan
it has gone "to its own place"
like Judas - hob-nobbing with Bud-
dhism. Thursday May 21st -
Raining hard when I woke up &
no clearing till late in the afternoon.

I have done a little work & this ⁵³⁻
morning after class conferred with
Dr. A. some time about the policy
of work here. I am doing a little
day by day also on the work for
next Communion. We took supper
with the Campbells - The Scotts came
in during the evening, but we all
seemed to feel very dull ~~on~~ account
of the muggy weather -

Friday May 22/91 -

The sultriest day we have experim-
ed this season - We are just
back from prayer-meetings -

We had a large meeting &
very good one led by Ling Hing
subj. Acts IV:12. There were several
requests for prayer, & short remarks

besides those who offered prayer⁵².
Dr. A. spoke forcibly.

Sai Ngou is down from the
Kieh-Yang region. he is not well,
but reports a good hearing in the
villages visited since we left them,
even better than when we were
there.

Saturday May 23rd -

We crossed the bay this evening,
as the rain kept us in all day.
but the tide was so far out we did
not go to the E. P. Mission. rowed
up to the steamer landing & seeing the
sparks from a furnace we went
to see them cast iron pans - large
bowl shaped vessels the Chinese use
for cooking & heating water,

They melt the iron (charcoal scrap iron it is) in a furnace about the size of a large barrel the draft being obtained by a cylindrical bellows some 9 ft long by 13 inches in diameter worked by one man who simply pushes in & pulls out a long bamboo that serves as a piston rod. Their molds are in two parts made of clay & brushed over with some sort of wash. Before each casting is made: they work very deftly & produce a beautifully smooth well finished casting that is ready for market without any finishing by hand. Sunday May 2 11th -

Haomea. I was not well last night & to-day tried the plan of lying

in bed until evening, eating 56
scarcely anything, letting the machine
rest. After Dr. A. goes I cannot
well try such Experiments - Am
feeling quite well to-night.

A very sad occurrence to-day -
Old Lân-Khôn, a former preacher
once dismissed from the church for
selling his daughter (A-Phek spoken
of in Clara's last report) has
not been well for some time
& has been deranged, has attempted
to take the life of one or two in
his family - To-day he was
at morning service, a little
later he was found in the reservoir
(of which I believe a picture has
been sent home)

His hat, shoes & umbrella 57
were found on the bank. it is
altogether probable the act was
deliberate. Miss Scott & Miss
Dunwiddie were the first foreigners
to see him & the former against
the protests of the Chinese put his
pulse & heart. But he was dead.

His sons came & wanted to put
the body in the hospital but A-Khine
to £5 or 5, that every heathen woman
on patient would leave never come
back. They did bring him to the
proctor's house but every body
protested & Dr. A. was obliged to
go & settle the case. Every body
in the Compound was opposed
There is a deep-seated prejudice

against a suicide body. 58.
thing about even the Christians
objected tho' I imagine they could
have been quiet. At present there
are quite a no. here not professed
Believers - In KakChik every
body was aroused against the
body's being brought past
their doors, even, so they could
not take the body home.

It was put in an unoccupied
building formerly a slaughter-
house - near where our boats lie.

The funeral occurs to-morrow morn-
ing. His sons dig his grave some
time since.

I have been reading the life of John G. Paton.

a wonderful record of holy ⁵⁹⁻
zeal & divine protection: also a
true & terrible indictment of the
unclean men, inhuman bracts they
seem, who infest the East - "Big
Hays" he mentions was here once
& induced the Consul, Mr. Wingate,
to give him two reclining chairs
"for some missionaries in the South
Sea Islands; they would enjoy them so."
The U.S. Gov't finally sent a man of
war after him, & Dr. A. thinks he
was shot, cheating the gallows of its due.
The Ashmores think of going to

tomorrow - Monday May 25th -

They are gone, left on the "Kamoa"
this afternoon - We went to Lāi-
Khoi's funeral at 2 o'clock then

Clara & I took a native boat to ⁶⁰
the striv. Good Dr. Mass A. good
bye and crossed to Swatow when
we called at the Chinese Deacons
& at the E.P. Mission - when we
had 4 o'clock tea with the Ryalls
& came back with them, as they
were coming over with Mr. Macleag-
ants call on the Consul in honor
of the Luwins birthday.

This evening we went to Dr. Scott's
& talked over the subject of our addi-
tion to our new house - We think
we can add two rooms on the
front for a bedroom & nursery
which will enable us to get along
comfortably & leave Miss Dunwid-
er undisturbed in the two rooms
she now has. This at present
seems practicable & relieves us

From an awkward situation - 61

A-Too came in to-night with good news of a new family at Khon. Khon having come to worship. The man had been interested for a long time but had interest in a great deal of ancestral property & was not ready till recently to give it up. Now he is ready to do so. Our son by a former wife is opposed but he has bravely & come out boldly - "testified openly" & the whole church was greatly cheered yesterday - Too's face fairly shone. He was much encouraged, too, over their Hui-Lai trip - said they had expected opposition at the District City & the first morning only out of them led in prayer before going out.

After they had a crowd of 62
noisy opposing heathens. After that
they all prayed in the morning
every day & the work grew more
& more encouraging.

He also said he one day met a
woman carrying some peanuts
kernels. He asked her what she
was going to do with them. She said
"To offer them at the temple." He ex-
plained to her about the one true
God & that such folly is useless.
"Well" she said, "that is good doctrine
& I will give these to my mother-in-
law" - Tuesday - May 26th -

To-day I have been up to Kieh
Yang in the steamer. Tide was
against us so we did not arrive till

12.30 & it was raining hard
 so my opportunities were not long nor
 many then. Happily the packer's boat
 was close by so I managed to eat my
 lunch, discuss the past fortnight's
 work & plan the next month's tour
 before 2 P.M. besides paying some
 of them. The boat is a great conveni-
 ence. There has been much

encouragement the past days & they
 want to have two men go &
 live for a time at Lu-Peh's the
 old man's house we all visited
 it is a central location about
 7 miles from three different chap-
 els & they say he is glad to have
 it used as a "place of prayer".
 I had some good chances to talk
 with men on the steamer.

Wednesday - May 27 - 64

The warmest night we have had yet this season - This has been a busy day - class in the

morning at 9. & a short time at the Boys School after dinner.

Besides studying Chinese writing & talking with the builder about the proposed addition to the house

I enjoyed the class very much we had Romans V: 1-5 - which we illustrated with a diagram -

We hear that the Ashmons wait for the Empress of Japan until next Tues-

day - A Chuan came in towards evening - reports of new seekers from a village called Lai Pai?

Thursday - May 28th 65

Before breakfast a bro. was in
to get advice regarding a trip
to Toa-Phon & immediately
after breakfast I went down
to decide the case definitely.
then Chiat Sing's man came to
look over the ground & measure
for the house, then came in here
with the class - then consulta-
tion over the plan for enlarging
the house & then two men
from Mesopotamia, dark
& long haired dressed in
heavy winter clothing & bearing
a subscription book arrived.
They are raising money.

I got my home letter & one to Dr. ⁶⁶
 Munday & to Mr. Coleman off
 by the mail - This P.M. I read
 quite a little Chinese & had calls from
 several Chinese. A-Hong the "Pou-Kia"
 teacher was in & reports new hearers
 at Kham-E. There is a deformed
 girl whom her parents do not
 value who comes to worship & they
 want to put her into the girls
 school - a worthy object but we
 have to look out that the school
 is not made an asylum -
 - I was called out before the last
 sentence was finished to see a
 "gu-Kang" & found Siāu Shing
 had a string tied around a
 centipede over 6 inches long &
 as large as my thumb. He saw

the creature in time to drop a 67
bamboo pole upon it & disable
it. Whereupon he put it into
leading strings & decanted upon the
creature's deadly sting. This morning
they killed a little cobra & last
evening we killed a small snake ap-
parently a cobra that lay curled
up on the verandah rail just outside
my study window -

This afternoon the brother who
was restored to membership at Kai-
sin comes with his younger sister
who is threatened with extortion by
some man who wants to get money she
has & threatens to beat his brother
to death in her house if she does
not pay it & then charge her
death upon her. I declined to
interfere in his case -

Friday May 29/91 68

A busy day - rainy so I have been indoors most of the time - Chief Seng's man came over with his estimate for the house enlargement. But his figures are altogether too high. I sent a copy to Dr. Ashmore. He may be induced to drop the lower part - but it may be necessary to get some one else - I am getting everything ready so as to go to Kit Siu to-morrow -

Saturday - May 30/91

A heavy rain prevented the Kich Jung trip & I kept busy reading Chinese reading my mail per "China" a part of the afternoon & in

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balancing my books to-date - happy to
find them right.

Sunday May 31/91 -

at service in the morning & after
dinner went to Swatow with
Clara Mrs. Scott household & Miss
Campbell. A lot of heathen came
in & ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~line~~ ^{line} expounded the
lesson very well. I added a few
remarks & at the close talked to
the "outside men" a little -
People do listen well -

Returning we went to Dr. Scott's
to hear a letter from Mrs. Bacon
regarding a Miss Alice Ross M.S.
who can be sent out this
year if there is room for her.

She is a talented, accomplished &
young lady recently baptized from
the Episcopalians in Detroit.

Dr. S. needs a colleague here.
work is opening on every side
& the Country dispensary work is
most profitable - with a lady
to stay here she could be free much
of the time.

Monday June 1 -

After a busy forenoon at class
trading Chinese we went to the
Island with the Champbells -
opened the house & called upon
Capt Hockess to ask about
building a breakwater on his mudflat -
but he is not able to give a lease

as he will sell at first chance - 71-
Mrs. Pirindof was at her home & took
tea with us & came up in our boat.
The house is rented for the summer
mos. she still wants \$2000⁰⁰ - which
is too much. I wish the house might
come to us. but fear it will not
at once.

I found a Chuan here back from
Toa Pou. He saw the delect bro.
who had rec'd things into the
little place of worship & frightened
him so he promised to report
& the 25th of the Chinese month to
return the \$10 - he had rec'd for
the mortgage. The furniture &
books a Chuan took to a
sister's house - He also visited
a man who with his widowed

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Sister in law / an old grand
mother of 87 yrs old, worship in
their own house - having heard
the doctrine from Khau-Khai
Brethren. He has talked of pre-

paring a room for worship & this
may be an "opening grace-way"
as the Chinese say, that will settle
the long standing difficulty of
a suitable place at Tra-Phon.

Tuesday June 2nd -

Most unreasonable thermometer,
hot & uncomfortable but only
86 by the therm. I enjoyed the
lesson on Romans 8th chapter very
much - & find I am gaining in
use of the character very per-
ceptibly - I enjoy it & find it

most helpful in teaching.

Diagrams are much more easily arranged with the character than with our letters -

Wednesday - June 3rd

We have had two good lessons on

Rom. VIII - Each day brings its quota of "affairs" to be settled but I am thankful that all is going quite smoothly & with ^{the} ~~the~~ better things.

I am trying to carry out the plan of Dr. Ashmore to buy a plot of ground at Kich Yang where a house can be built suitable for a meeting place, a temporary residence & a dispensary. It was necessary to take some one of the native helpers into my confidence so I spoke to Ling

Hung.

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Thursday June 4th -

Started for Kieh Yang by the
steam-launch with Lung Hung
I had a fairly comfortable
day - tho it was warm & the
boat crowded. I had arranged
with Sam. Mui the Dracem, who
is to buy the ground for us, to
be standing on the corner of the
lot as he saw the stir ab-
proaching & walk around it
so I could get an idea of its
position & size. The plan worked
well - I went out on the
main deck outside the cabin
& had a good talk with some
of the passengers. & while stand-

ing there could watch the 75
Deacon as he walked about the
desired plot. If any China-
man should see me looking at
this or any piece of ground or a
house the prospect of getting it
would be well nigh hopeless.
It is necessary also to keep
it away from the native Christ-
ians for some one would surely
make trouble. I went to the

Chapel, eat lunch & talked over
matters & took a chair to the
stair. On board I tried to study
but so many Chinese wanted to
talk & ask questions I could
not make much headway.
Hope some of the conversations
may be fruitful if good.

Friday June 5th - 76

A day of varied experiences - a brother from Pon-Chhâm came to ask me to officiate at a wedding. I was at the time arranging with A-Khing about a trip these coming weeks, so passed my invitation over to him. Gu-Thong his son is teaching there. Dr. Carlin was in to get a draft some money which made me late for the class -

A-Sam from Khou-Khvi was here in distress about his boy who has run away to Deli, Sumatra. If he had come two days ago we could have stopped him. I wrote a line to Mr. Innocent but as I expected

No trace could be found -

Monday a.m. - all well -

Beautiful weather to-day - I plan going
to Tangou to-morrow - will try to

write another letter by this mail
you - John -

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Ji-hon was here in the evening quite overjoyed that Dr. Scott is going over to see his sick wife in the morning. I shall let him estimate also upon the addition to the house.

Saturday A. M. June 6-

The baby just came in screaming, her face & dress bloody & the nurse highly excited. Anna trotted off by herself full & bumped her nose which caused the trouble. Poor little thing, she has had trials. A few weeks ago she was playing by the bath-tub & fell in. She gets many bumps & has some contests as to her natural rights that evoke tears. She is suffering from the heat now & wish she could be at the Island. She is very quick to

learn - is getting quite 78
a vocabulary - She under-
stands too, much more than
she can express in words. At
table the nurse says "Papaai"
"Khi-tai" - which means "will-pray".
She puts up her hands over
over each eye & generally keeps
still till I say Amen - Now
she often gets her hands up
before we are both in our chairs.

Today is cool with a blustering
East wind - I am going to write
to some studying - We are thinking
of arranging a school exercise
starting with I Cor. I: 30 - to be given
Friday afternoon of Communion Week.

Rainy all day - I am not 29-
going to Tang ou - have been trying
to solve Romans 9th & 10th chapters.
Sunday June - 7th

Warmer this evening - much rain
during the day - Mr. Campbell
came at about noon & took tiffin
with us we talked about various
mission matters until S. School -
Our lesson was in Matt IX & I
got out the talith to show them
the hem of the garment.

After school was over all at
Dr. Scotts & discussed church
& mission matters. Mr. Campbell
met a man in Chin Kiang last
Year who is well educated in English

who possibly might like to
to come here & teach English.
A man could do well in Swatow
I am confident. There is an old
unoccupied building originally
an office built by Capt. Freris
& another infidel who was in busi-
ness here but did not succeed.
I hope we may be able to get
hold of it & have a reading room
& room for worship on the
main floor with a school for
English on the upper floor, not
using mission funds for it
but using it as a means for
reaching young men & a channel
for our young men to work
through.

Monday June 8th -

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A beautiful day - & a busy day quite for me. A good class in the forenoon & in the afternoon a pleasant hour at the boys school.

One or two new men visiting patient, one from Soan. One who I am glad to learn has left off opium.

Tuesday June 9th -

Much of the forenoon spent in writing. I met & talked with Dr. Scott after dinner about hours. Ji-hôn brought in his estimate. He wants \$11000⁰⁰ aside from filling in.

fireplaces & hardware. 82

Certainly \$1200⁰⁰ would be de-
manded if Dr. S. will move
soon about a new house for
lady-workers. We will give
up our idea of adding to the
house as we have devised a
plan by which we can get a
bedroom, nursery, study & dining-
room with the hall as a
reception-room, without any addit-
ion even of a bath-room. Simply
cutting a door or two & putting
in a fireplace - This relieves
of a great burden. I did not want
to have the care of such a job this

during the summer. nor did 83
I want to take the responsibility of
Expending so much money. - tho' we
have \$400 - possibly 500 - in hand
I think I could raise the bal. at
home - Further I do not like to put
\$1200⁰⁰ on a house that cost 2800⁰⁰
in the first place other not have a
satisfactory place after all.

Wednesday June 9th -

A good class - lesson on Romans XI -
I gave a no. of facts about the Jews.
Wrote Dr. Murdock of our change
in plan - J. H. thinks a
new house could be built on the
hill where the ladies plan to put
their house for not much over 2000⁰⁰
No filling, no expensive foundations &

earth for walls right at hand. 84
then the house is not to be usually
finished as the one we have.

In the P.M. we went to the E.O.
Mission & had union prayer-meeting.
It was Dr. Carlin's turn to lead but
he did not go - his face is troubling
him I presume.

Thursday June 10/91 -

Cloudy, cool & strong East wind
I have been trying ever since Sun-
day to go to Tang Ai but
have not yet been able to do so
on account of the weather.

To-day has been the usual round,
class at 9 - writing till dinner,
half-hour nap - studying Chinese
an hour - about an hour at the

Boys school & morning - 85
We had some out of door exercise &
saw the plan of the new ladies-
house - accommodations for four
ladies -

I am interrupted by a bat that
is after mosquitoes I presume, &
is circling about to Clara's dis-

comfort - Friday - June 12/91 -

A beautiful day with a fresh East
wind. I set out for the Island at
7:30 - Clara & the baby went down to
bid me good-bye at the boat -
Miss Scott & Miss Dunwiddie went
down for a visit. After seeing
them at the house & delivering
laundry messages I proceeded to

Tang-li with Po-San. When St-
we wished to consult with the broth-
ren. It was fully as rough water
as I like for the sampan. Capt
Williams was down there in his
gig and sent the sampan at once
back to wait for me at the Island
as he would take me up with him.
If the wind blows fresh it will
"kick up a sea" in a few hours.

The visit at Tang-li was not a
cheering one. They have gotten back
again to putting their traps of
all kinds in the house & the yard
was used as a place to dry onions.
The Chapel, too, is cobwebbed again.
There is, too, some feeling betwixt
certain of the members. We labor-
ed with them sometimes & Po-San

stays over night.

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I fear we shall be obliged to
tear down that house. it is
a great temptation & cause of discord.
I had a fine sail coming back -
stopped at the Island, took Padon-
latch that was broken & replaced it,
drank tea & come home - am tired
enough, after having attended prayer-
meeting, to sleep soundly. I believe.

Sat'y. June 13.

Still cool - The barber was
over & we had him cut the
babys hair - poor little thing
she cried bitterly before it was
over but has been lively as a
cricket all day & I think
she is much cooler. it

makes a great change in her
looks - but she has a fine
shapely head & is very cunning.

I have done quite a little writing
& studied the 13^{th} of Romans -

Sunday - June 15th / 91

Still wet. We were kept in antici-
pation half the day by the mail.

A steamer came in from the South
, I thought, but proved not to bring
us anything - then about noon the

"Si-Shan" "Western Mountain" steamer

came in, & with the glass I could
see the gig-man carry a heavy
bag on his shoulder up along the
pier. We got the mail just be-
fore Sunday school - I was delighted
to get home letters as two steamers

failed to bring any & I began to
to be worried. Mr. Partridge &
Dr. Murdoch also wrote me -

There seems a possibility of
Mr. P.'s going to Bangkok.

Our services during the day
were quite good tho' the sermon
was dull -

Monday - June 15 -

Ling Hing is back from Kit-Li^{an}
finds the old man's house at
Tang P'ai^{an} is family property
& the old man is a little
afraid to have it used as a
meeting place - The land tax
is so burdened with complica-
tions that we cannot safely get

it. The former owner 90
had two wives, two sons by the
first & one by the second. He
did not make a definite distrib-
ution of his property, gave some
to each. The second wife mortgaged
these fields for "240⁰⁰" - then
one of the older sons, who has
the deed in his possession,
sold it for \$54 - the buyer to
assume the mortgage. The
buyer is a soldier who is in
the service of a military mandarin
& has "influence" enough to do what
ever he likes in the line of keep-
ing, gambling houses, & such enter-
prises. He at once suspected
we wanted it for a chapel and

wants \$100 bonus & to 91-
reserve the waterfront with
privilege of filling in - this is
a sample of the crooks & swindlers
in every path our routes here.

Tuesday - June 16th -

After I was dressed ready for
bed I heard a rapping at the door
& recognized Mi-Ka's voice -
He had an important matter to
consult with me - I hastily
dipped on a coat & went out - he
had a lantern & looked rather
pale. His story was substantially
"Joseph, his younger sister
here at school, they want to
buy both houses - At first I promised it

it could not be - on account⁹²
of the question of cash & silver but
my father is pleased with this
affair my elder brother has
come down here with the money.
Joseph goes to Singapore tomorrow
& wants to have it settled, says
his heart would be more at rest
if it were settled. Therefore
comes up to ask the Teacher's
about the girl's disposition, be-
cause she will know better
about that: if her disposition
is bad I do not want -"

Clara had already retired & was
asleep when the knocking roused
her - I went in & made in -

quires about the girl who 93
is a Ohek, who was a slave
in Canton till redeemed by her
brother. "Joseph" is the son of
Lai-Khoin (who was drowned
a few Sundays ago) the most
promising member of the family
I judge. He is a helper in
the E. P. Mission in Singapore.

I am quite pleased with the
match - Mai-Kai is a good boy.
If no harm comes to him ought
some day to be an able preacher
as well as faithful teacher.

To-day I have done a little
wrote a little - More day by
day doing something to prepare

for our change of house - 94-
Ji Nan's man is now making
a table & cupboard for the baby
& he will also refit a book-
case I bought of Mr. Howell so
we can use it as a sort of side-
board - or dish linen closet - this
he is doing with the lumber
from old boxes which will
prevent the white ants from destroy-
ing them.

Miss Scott & Miss Sunwiddie
Came up from the Island to-day - the
latter has been ill there - Dr. S.
is not at all well - hardyable
to be about to-day.

67 BLUFF
YOKOHAMA
JAPAN

I had this stamp cut in
Swatow for 55 Cash - less than 5¢
in U.S. Currency - It was much trouble in making
Dr. A's numerous papers

Wednesday - June 7 - 95

We tried to go to the Island after dinner but found there was too much sea for Clara & the baby to mather so we turned back. I went to Swatow looked about for stoves - not that we expect to need a heater for the next few months, but we expect to use one after we move - I found a second-hand article but fear it cannot be repaired so as to be satisfactory.

Dr. Scott continues quite ill has not been out for two days. Miss Dunviddie is better but not able to go out. - Now Dr. Carlin is not well - not able to come out to a prayer-meeting - so we

have no meeting.

96-

I read accounts in the Hongkong papers of the troubles in the North & am anxious to hear more. All is quiet in the Country here. So far as we learn.

Thursday June 18th -

We made another start for the Island to-day & reached the place. Had a pleasant stay of 3 hours there. The C.'s are well & Anna enjoyed playing with the children hugely. I read in Dr. Cordair's "Eccle Vinit" & some home papers much of the time. The invalids are all better to-day.

Friday June 19th -

Warmer. We are just back from

prayer meeting - had a 97
good attendance & a fairly
good meeting. The day has
passed much as usual - finished
Romans in the morning.

Dr. Scott is somewhat better
Dr. Corlin had a bad night but
finally took some medicine & is
a little better to-day. I am
not feeling first-rate but have
no such symptoms as the others are
having.

A Toan came in to-day - his
baby has been sick - He Wpat
that the man who was interested
at Toa Phin has died - He urged
his family to worship God & not
to have heathen rites at his funeral
but they could not stand the opposition

of their relatives & disre-⁹⁸⁻
garded his wishes. However
they seem interested & do not
themselves seem to be idolaters
I understand. At Khunthoi
there are several families who
are interested but a Catholic
relative has been lately confus-
ing them so they are in doubt
what to do.

Saturday. June 20 -

Rain again - after a close day -
I have been in all day. Have gotten
my Ins. accts all posted &
tested to date so it will be a
small matter to finish up at the
end of the month and make out my
statement I trust - We are beginning
to prepare for moving - A - in has
been packing up a lot of trunks

in the empty drawers of a 99
desk. - To-day I had some
changes made - had all the pictures
taken down in the study & bedroom
& the picture moulding removed - after
oiling it will be put up in the other
house. Curtains are also down

for washing - The carpenter has
put a little shelf under the ledge
of my standing desk where I can
put my cash memorandum books,
pads of note paper & "chit-book".
(the book in which notes or letters are
enclosed with a memorandum to
be signed by the member) -

Dr. Carlin had a very bad night but
is better to-day - do with Dr. Scott -

Ps. Sam has been up this evening
to look over his sermon for the
morning - on John I - Christ the
Door & the Shepherd -

Sunday - June 21st 100.

Still raining - I hope there will be no floods. Our invalids are all better. Miss Scott & Miss Dunwiddie came over & called on us after Sunday school. We sat on the verandah for a time talking & watching the baby who is always busy about something & had her family of dolls out.

Miss Scott was organist at the English Chapel to-day as Mrs. Hill went to Anroy. Our services have been quite good the Po-Sais sermon was rambling.

Monday June 22nd - Rain fell all night. & the day is cloudy. Clara & I have both been at the schools this morning.

9.30 P.M. 101

We have been down to the Island probably the last trip we can make till after Communion.

The moon was up as we started back & we had a light wind in our favor. When we were within two miles of home a rain-cloud came up from the south & we had, what I never saw before, a fine lunar rainbow. At first a little band of the prismatic colours was visible. But soon it became more sharply defined & increased in clearness till there was a magnificent bar completely spanning the bay.

Tuesday June 23rd - 102

Rain again. part of the time very heavy. The invalids are better. Dr. Scott is much better was over to call before supper.

At the class we finished the first two chapters of Romans in Review. I have been working over the subject of Prophecy, one that is to be presented at Communion & expect to have Hak-Jin up to-morrow for a conference thereon. The weather is still cool happily for us.

Wednesday June 24 -

Last night there was a tremendous down pour of rain. & to-day again

there have been several ¹⁰³ mighty
showers. I fear we shall be hav-
ing floods soon.

We had prayer-meeting
to night at Dr. Scotts. I led
speaking on a part of the 9th of
Habruis - Dr. Scott Clara & Miss
Summerville led in prayer - Dr.
Carlin was not feeling well e-
nough to be present.

The work goes on as usual
reviewing Romans & preparing
for next week - I am much
interested in the subject of "Prophet
Moses & King" - The class began
with a rather "pleasant little
episode" - A - Tom who usually

recites perfectly - said he ¹⁰⁷
wasn't prepared" yesterday -
So to-day he got up before
I called on any-one & said "I
wish to say a few words about
my not being prepared yesterday -
not to be prepared is an offence
against the teacher & an offence
against the class - & the teacher
would be right in blaming me.
I wish both the teacher to pardon
my offence & the class to
pardon my offence - I was
at home last week & was away
over Sunday & back late Monday
So yesterday morning I wasn't
fully ready (lit. not yet ripe)."
Then he recites yesterday's or today's

lessons Luke XIV & XV almost ¹⁰⁵
verbatim. Such things are pleas-
ant & serve to relieve the strain.

Thursday June 25th.

I went to Swatow this morning
called at the C.P. Mission & at once on
two offices. The papers seem
to regard the political situation as
complicated. the "Ko-Lao Hui" secret
society is a powerful disturbing
element & there is strong rival-
ry between the Huians & Ngan Hui
people. The former under the
lead & patronage of Tseng Kwo Han
& the Marquis Tseng have become
powerful & make up a large
part of the military - both private
& official. Ngan Hui is Li-
Hung Chang's Province the de-

velopes that region & pushed ¹⁰⁶
its men forward. The Vice-Roy of
this Province is his brother -

He is in charge of the Chinese war-
vessels or a large part of them,
& it is said that is the reason
no war vessels were sent to
quell threatening troubles up the
Yangtze - the Vice Roy then being
a Human man. Recently trouble

arose in Formosa when the Gov.
is a Ngan Hui man. He sent
naval assistance at once.

I was told that a man was
executed at Chao-Chow Shu a few
days ago for disseminating this
rebellion - He came down from
the North recently & made friends
with a Yamen man. but in a

more or less drunken since 107
he let out the object of his
visit. This was told the Mandarin
who sent soldiers in disguise to be
with him at a house full-fame
& he again betrayed himself -
They tried to capture him but being
a powerful man he got away &
would have escaped over a wall
had not the wall broken under
him - He requested (after the
Mandarin had telegraphed to Canton
received instructions to behead him)
that he might have a roast-pig
which was granted him & with
plenty of dumplings & whiskey
he gorged himself & then put
his head upon the block, a
mixture of the Stoic & Epicurean -
Mr Charles Lamb alive he might
write a new "dissertation".

Friday - June 26th 1908

Another warm day - & a busy one for me. I was up at 6 - & down to see about getting the preacher's boat on shore. After breakfast A-Khong was waiting for me & had a lot of things to attend to before class - & after that time A-Kai came up to settle his account. After tiffin Huk-jü was in for a short conference & then Po-San came & I was busy with him till after 2-30 - At 2.45 I had arranged to do some translating & that kept me busy till - a quarter to six - This evening we had letters from

Dr. & Mrs. Ashmore. He is ¹⁰⁹
much better. we hope for
further replies in a few days.

I got my programme for
next week all copied out for
Hia Lani to put on the bulletin
board - so much done -

Mrs. Urquhart has a
little girl born this P. M.

2-30 -

Saturday June 27th -

Happily the S.S. "Thales" was in this
morning so Mr. Urquhart had a
chance to see his new little daugh-
ter & his family a chance to see
him - He was off again this after-
noon - a sailors life is not all
delightful -

The day has been a busy 110
one & rather pleasant -

Chhài Agi came in the morning
with him a nice-looking
Elderly man from Phau Thài,
who was an attendant at the
Chapel years ago, then hoping
to get help in a suit by attach-
ing himself to the foriques -

Of late he has been chasten-
ed by trouble in his family
& sought comfort in the truth -
has been a regular attendant
for some time -

He tells
his father new attendants there
also at Khek-Khoi & altogether
his was as encouraging &
hopeful a report as I have
ever taken - He seems himself

hopeful-

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Writing letters attending to repairs in sundry buildings - & to getting the boat "Grace" ready for going into summer quarters, finishing next week's programme & discussing the subjects for some of the days - have filled most of the time.

Mr. Simpson the new Commissioner This wife called.

He says the last reports are not favorable - Canton foreign resident are beginning to look out for themselves.

Sunday - June 28th -

A rather warm day but not unpleasant - Most of the preachers are in - We have had full congregations & quite good service.

This afternoon a Mr. Roberts¹¹²
of the Out-door Customs Staff
was in at Sunday School &
came to the house for 4 o'clock
tea - He is a native of Mis-
souri - who lived in California
5 years, a rather pleasant
quiet sort of fellow. He
says that more arms &
ammunition are being
smuggled in here now -
Poor Miss Scott was badly
brightened last night by dream-
ing of rioters & then waking to
hear a lot of fishermen
making a great racket down
on the shore below their house.
Dr. Scott is very much better.

Monday June 29th 113

Mail per City of Peking before

breakfast this morning. - a good
large mail for us - I had two
good home letters. I must

try to send Ed. my congratulations.

& perhaps to Geo. K. Boutelle - of whose
decision I am glad to hear -

Very sad about Marsh Percival -
& sadder for his family. He
met the way of the Portland Cashier.

I should say Mr. Hallock
would do well to avail him-

self of the hearers of Coburn
Institute to his new parsonage &
learn some Greek of its Princi-

pal. Dr. Chalmers is a missionary
of the London M. Socy & one of the

ablest scholars in China. ¹¹⁴

He is on our Committee for
revision & translation into Classi-
cal - or "High Mu-li" & was
proposed also for one of the
translators into "Easy Mu-li"

~~Also~~ I had a letter from Dr. Mur-
dock saying they had voted me
\$400 (Mexicans) to repair or
make changes in the house - but
we shall not need it. I shall
use it toward the ladies house
or an addition to Dr. Scott's present
house that will accommodate
them. We are tantalized by
getting reports of the meetings
all excepting what we most want -
who are the Secretaries?

The day has been a busy 115
one. I have taken reports of six men
& done some work helping them
in preparation for the coming ex-
ercises. All goes smoothly thus
far.

Tuesday June 30 -

An unexpected turn in the pro-
ceeding - I caught a little cold
last evening in some way woke
up feeling uncomfortable, have had
some bowel trouble during the
day, tho no severe pains. I felt
alarmed lest this might be a re-
petition of Dr. Scott's & Dr. Carlin's trouble
& decided to keep perfectly still
as Dr. S. said she ought to have done
at first. I have been lying down
& taking the prescribed doses for
this complaint - hope to be

about to -morrow- Still the 116
machine can move on all the
weeks work be finished if I am
not able to be at the chihelagain,
as the programme is made out +
subjects assigned upto Sunday-

I was sorry not to hear my
class examined this P.M. but
Hia. Lim says they did well-
"Kit" which means smooth,
slippery is used to describe
easy, glib reading or reciting -
pronounced like put -

Wednesday July 1st -

The year is half gone but I
cannot realize it. tho' the heat
is quite sufficient proof -

I very thankful to be quite well again & have attended all but the early morning service & been busy the rest of the time - My stopping & keeping perfectly quiet yesterday, the Dr. says, was what saved her from a siege. Everything has gone quite well to-day - Had him did fairly well in his teaching exercise & I helped him out in parts he omitted - At the prayer-meeting several prayed that the machinations of evil men might be checked - the first reference I have heard to the trouble in the North -

Thursday July 2nd

Warmer this evening tho' the day has been cooler owing to heavy rain last night & showers during the day.

Nothing especial in the days
 work: All has gone smoothly
 & I hope profitably. The Elder
 (Polsen) did quite well in pre-
 senting the subject of Christ's
 Kingship - I took rather more of
 a part in the lesson & this P.M.
 had the prayer-meeting using
 the account of Paul & Silas in prison.
 The meeting was a good one -

I am getting the work pretty well
 planned now & hope all will
 go smoothly. I am going to talk
 a little Sunday on Spiritual blessings
 & Spiritual gifts - I must get something
 prepared for a Mission talk on Saty
 'morning' - Friday - July 3rd -
 A most sad & sad piece of

news - a circular stating that 119-
"the funeral of the late Mr. H. Matchitt
will leave the Cornhill jetty at 8 o'-
clock to-morrow morning" - He was
a young man. But a high liver
& a fast liver too I judge - I had
grown very poorly the last few
years. Poor fellow he must have
had an apoplectic shock or some-
thing of the sort I judge - it is sad
indeed for his wife & dreadful to
think of his being thus rushed into
eternity - as thoroughly a child of the
present age as could be found -
ashamed driving business matters
but unscrupulous. So I understand.

This has been a very busy day -
besides the regular services a great
many different people to talk with
affairs to discuss & decide.

Sat. July 4th -

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A most tremendous rain last night & it has not wholly ceased yet - nor does it promise to stop - I am celebrating by sending off my Quarterly Report earlier than I ever did before - am much delighted to do so.

We will have a busy afternoon of sewing - during which I must complete preparations for a 15 minutes talk to-morrow - Am feeling very well indeed - it is cool - only 80° in my room - 18 have applied for baptism: 17 will probably be received -

9.55 P.M. - 121

Just back from the Machers
house where I have planned
with them the work of the next
6 weeks & paid them some in
advance as usual -

Sunday July 5/91 -

9 P.M. Just back again from a
last interview with the people &
a later talk with Mia An about
a case in the country where he was
wanted as an advocate in making
peace between belligerent parties.

The services have passed off
fairly well to-day - I spoke in the
forenoon & also at Communion.

but after such a crowded week ¹²³
we are relieved to see them go -
I have felt rather Mondayish to-day,
not accomplished much - Mr.

Campbell came up in the forenoon
& we talked a long time about mis-
sion matters - I have a headache, &
slight cold, we have not been able
to get any brisk out-door exercise
for a long time on account of the
rain - Some of the houses are showing
the effects of the rent. Dr. Scott wrote
in a note, sent with a book she was
returning, that she had heard her
teacher "Speed" say that my Chinese
yesterday morning was very "meng-poh"
lit. "clear-white". i.e. easily under-
stood, & like a Chinaman's style
of talking. which I am glad to
hear - Tuesday - July 7 -
I had some writing to do and

a great many matters to 124
look after in the Compound: there
is a lot of repairing to be done
& changes to be made - I also
had a conference with the Elder
Po-San on some matters that
demanded attention.

Late in the afternoon Hsia-
Lin came to ask me about
the Kieh-Yang defection, what
customs they must observe in
order to be recognized by the
Mother Church. We talked a
long time & went over the
whole case not sparing his
friend Chhiang-Sui. He barely
raised a question & at the end
said if the majority of the
brethren had known the affair

of the banner was intended¹²⁵
to be so offensive they would
not have been parties to
it & that they thought of
writing a letter to that effect.
which is a full vindication
of our course in rigidly opposing
that iniquitous scheme.

Clara was very busy all
day in getting ready for the Is-
and. Wednesday - July 8th -

Off at 9-30 a.m. & had a
fine sail to Double Island,
ruined by the breaking of the tiller.
The steersman promptly ordered the
sail dropped & the anchor cast so we
swung around all night & a little trim-
ming made a new tuxon & off we sailed.

Dragon & Flowery Mountain
(name for the locality of this Society).

<p>The five lakes and four seas bow prostrate before the Head & Prince</p>	<p>Our Society is like the Fir & Cypress whose branches & leaves cease not to flourish</p>	<p>Kung Tang Lodge of Justice</p>	<p>Seal of the Sun Brother in charge of affairs having the mark of National</p>	<p>at the Lodge of Justice the name of the member is spread abroad</p>	<p>Before the Dragon & Flowery Mountain the members burn one stick of incense</p>
		<p>Water of the Five Lakes</p>	<p>because of the Fir & Cypress</p>		

The watchword for the inner & that for the outer organization are given to the members with this

We are like the Sun & moon which give light forever

We are like Heaven & earth which remain eternally firm

I have copied the members' ^[2]
ticket of the "Ko-Lao Hui" Society
that is making so much trouble
in the North. Perhaps the Mail
would like to have a copy.

This is printed on a bit of
calico with a red seal across
its face. I saw that a man
refused to give up the secrets
of the Society to gain his life.
He said that if he was beheaded
his family would be cared for
by the Society. But if he turned
State's evidence, they would hunt
him & never rest till they had
taken vengeance on him.

It is supposed that the Society

has but few members in 128
this region.

Thursday July 9th -

I went up to Kak Chieh in the
steam-launch - was surprised
to hear that "Png-Fai-jin" - Admiral
Fong is dead - & we are very
sorry indeed to hear it - He has
been a terror to evil-doers here
these past years & his influence
had an almost incredible effect
on outlaws of every sort.

I had a very busy day looking
after repairs, preparing a transla-
tion of the Communion News, and
a lot of other matters that
filled the time completely.

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Friday July 10 -

A quiet day. I wanted to do some writing but my head seemed to be unequal to any such exertion so I lay down in the long bamboo chair & read "A Border Shepherdess" until Mrs. MacIvar came for a call.

After dinner & a nap I did succeed in doing a little with the pencil. but there was a reaction from the strain felt the past weeks. -

We passed a pleasant evening at the E.P. Sanitarium. Dr. Thus. Lyall an "keeping house" there, Miss Block, Miss Galever, Miss Palmer & the MacIvars an there.

Saturday July 11th 130

Off for Kak. Chick again for a busy day. I was able to get a list of articles ready to send down by Dr. Scott & Miss Dunwiddie who came down in the house boat. It was a pleasure to get the home mail per "Oceanic".

Nothing definite as yet about the new house projects -

I had two good home letters, my class letter, a ponderous document, from Van Kirk - & delightful reading - the boys are doing well - I took tiffin with the Campbells & had a pleasant time there. Mr. C. came over to Swatow with me & after visiting the Comproadors & the printer I set out again for the Island.

Sunday July 12¹³¹

We had a service in Chinese at the suggestion of Mr. Maclean, who asked that, as he is a Hak-Ka, I would conduct the exercises - Eight Chinese come from their house. We have 3 here. I preached from Hebrews 6:19 - had some "liberty" - I have promised also to preach in English next Sunday -

The P.M. service was not largely attended. Mr. Maclean preached from Hebrews III-9 - The address is not an inspiring one - but we trust these services do good -

We are much interested in the home papers now & very anxious to know who is Secretary -

Monday. July 13th 132

Mind still Eusterly. I finished
"A Border Shepheress" - it is
well worth reading - is by Amelia
C. Barr. In the afternoon
the Carlins, Miss Scott & Edward.
& the Campbells all but Mr. C. &
Miriam came down - We had
a houseful & a social pleasant
afternoon - The brakers were high
& the bathing fine. - The visitors
went off at 7 o'clock & Mr. Frost
got home all safe. at about
8 o'clock the most sudden & vis-
lent squall of wind & rain I
have yet seen here came up with
no warning at all & blew like a
typhoon. Four locusts from the
E. P. Mission came in & as they

Came up the steps on the West⁴³³
side all was clear & quiet but
by the time they had crossed the
verandah into the dining room,
two lights were blown out, the wind
sweeping through & the rain beating
clear into the room. The men ob-
liged to shut everything close on
the West side - In twenty min-
utes ~~at~~ on a half hour all was
quiet & the stars shining -

Tuesday, July 14 -

The East wind is howling & some-
times the house shakes - but we
are cool. I have been looking
over the proof of the copy I gave

Kwui Hong Saturday of a transla-
tion & notes on mission work to send
home with the Communion News -

Before the last page was ¹³⁴ fairly written a shower was upon us all day. our cloud after another poured a liberal shower of its contents upon us.

Wednesday July 15-

Another day full of heavy showers. I stayed in all day & wrote a long letter to Dr. Murdock. Mr. Dubbs called in the afternoon. he has been examining the two cadets Mr. Lemon & Mr. Barnes who go back to Singapore soon. He thinks they have not made alarming progress tho' they have picked up considerable. He thinks few missionaries after so long a time know as little.

Thursday July 16.

I went to Kak-Chik this a.m.
 I was very busy directing the
 mason & carpenter, taking accounts
 &c. After tiffin at 2 o'clock
 I came down in the "Sampan"
 with Messrs Campbell & Scott &
 their respective sisters - Miss
 Scott remains here. Mr. Paul
 & the launch coming up I
 feared there might be some one
 sick - as it proved Mr. Capt.
 As soon as I & Mr. Matchitt suc-
 cessor are very ill with Chol-
 era - Young Carruthers too,
 is very low with fever - temper-
 ture 105° yesterday. Though cool,
 the season is not a healthy one.

Friday. July 17 -

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The sad news came down this morning that Capt. Asverson died at 8 o'clock last night - poor man I suppose he was a blank unbeliever. Dr. & Mrs. Lyall were both with them at the time. He was overseeing the construction of a new pier for the China Merchants S.S. Co. & may have unduly exposed himself.

The other man, Mr. Dowler is reported better. Carruthers is still very ill - temp. 104° yesterday. The day is much hotter. Dr. Scott grew anxious about Edward, she sent

Went for him to come - 137

Later. He came down with the Campbells but all went back after a bath - Thru out of as the weather looked bad - the barometer fell "two tenths" during the day & the sky looked threatening.

Saty. July 4th 18th -

9 P.M. in Capt. Williams's dining-room - Clara, Anna & the nurse are in the bed-room - Dr. Scott - Miss S. & Miss Dunwiddie are in the parlor - one lying on an improved couch & two on reclining chairs.

Capt Williams is just ¹³⁸⁻
back from a fruitless trip
after several gentlemen who
came down almost to the
Island in the "Si-Shan"
but could not get to the
shore the tide was so strong.
Another steamer the "Pai-
Lee" is anchored a short
distance above us & the
Si-Shan must back a mile
or two further. When
the gig was last seen it
was making for the "Si-Shan"
again. So we hope they are
safe aboard - I presume Mr.

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Hill, Mr. Simpson & Dr.
Lyall were onboard besides
Mr. Abington the Customs
offices. The wives of three
are here & must be passing
an anxious night.

A telegram from Suva an-
nounces a typhoon in that
quarter & another from Hong-
Kong tells of our coming up
from Manila; now, however,
the barometer is rising and
probably the centers have
passed us. We may have
it bad during the night but
we hope not. This house

is so sheltered we do not feel much vibration from the wind. Capt. Williams has been very kind in inviting us down & throwing open his houses.

Sunday - July 19th -

All safe - roofs all on - we are thankful to find - the water must have passed down some way beyond us. There were some heavy squalls & rain during the night but nothing serious. We all slept more or less. Clara & Anna undressed went to bed, the rest only took occasional naps with clothes on.

At 3 o'clock the barometer fell back to 29.9 and the wind "backed up" to the N.E. a little which made us a little uneasy. But in an hour it was back again & the rain began coming from the South.

The gig with men from Swatow came off from the "Si Shan" at about 7.30 - this a.m. They had a narrow escape. Last evening as they started to pull in from the ship the bow-oarsman broke his oar which crippled them so they could not make headway against wind & tide - they then "let her drive" & made for the ship again which they just reached before

the heaviest wind came on. 142

They shouted to call attention, but the Chinese aboard were too slow in getting out. But the Captain heard them, rushed out & threw a line just in time to reach them. They were all

soaking wet & were obliged to put

on the Captain's clothes. ^{Mr. Arlington says the boat was shipwrecked & he thinks could not have reached Svatov.}

Dr. Lyall, the Commissioner of Customs, Mr. Simpson, Messrs. Hill & Son - now of Bradley & Co., Wakefield & Arlington Customs men were all on board. One would think such an experience would give them serious thoughts, but my faith in their redemption is not so strong as I wish it was.

9-45 - Just ready to go up to our cottage when a heavy rain squall imprisons us -

Safely home again -

Edward Scott came down this ¹⁴³P.M.
So our house is quite full now.

I preached this P.M. from Hebrews
VI:18-20. Intro Two immutable things
(i.e. God's promise & His oath)

I Strong Consolation

- 1 needed by all at some time.
- 2 By unbelievers sought in
Stoicism or fatalism - law.
- 3 The true found in a "better
hope"

II - "An anchor to the soul" (Exposition of "within the veil")

- 1 Our Anchor = our hope which
is Jesus Christ -
- 2 Our anchorage = "Heaven itself"
- 3 Our Anchor-chain = Faith

In conclusion I referred to the 144
fact that when a ship anchors
we can hear it at a distance,
we see the cable as the vessel swings
to the soul that is truly anchored
by faith in Christ must let others
know it. "Every one that hath this hope"
know it.

They gave me excellent attention
Several spoke to me of being
helped by it.

Monday July 20th

The day was mostly given to
resting, with a letter written
to John Cummings & a little
other work - Several of the E. P.
Mission came in & we tried a
game of 'Muggins' with 9 per-
ple & two sets of dominoes -
a tremendously long game -
slow.

(surrounds us & crowns our lives
with such various & continued
blessings. —)

Sunday July 26th -

Just back from Tangier.
a hot day - but I am glad
I went -

We are all quite well, but
I got tired last week; was
up at Kak-Chieh - 3 days
& was very busy. - The house
will be ready to occupy very
soon - all send love - I hurry
to send this so it can be
mailed to-morrow -

Affectionately as ever

John -

Tuesday July 21st -

So I begin a new book on a new birthday - & a pleasant day it has been - I went up to Kuk-Chick on the launch & was busy getting goods moved & doing a little writing - had tiffin with the Campbells - & came down in our boat with Dr. & Mrs. Carlin, Mrs. & Miss Campbell - who came down for a bath - Miss C stayed over & goes with us to "the Cape" to-morrow -

These birthdays out here in this land of uncertainty, give rise to many reflections and many thoughts of thankfulness for all the care that