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Saturday July 30th 1892-

Warm this evening - perspiration stand
on my hands as I write. This
however has not been a hot
summer. We are glad at the pro-

pect of a new Steamer the "Orin"
which will give us a mail every
10 days: she is a fine ship accord-
ing to description.

Sunday July 31/92

The day has been very warm and
close. I have attended services
& read in the papers & took a walk
out before supper. The thermom-
eter is not high - not over 87° in
the shade, but the heat is

Anna wanted "paper and pencil" &
this morning & soon returned the paper
saying she wanted to "see" it to Grampa
& later wanted to "see" to Gramma, Water
bill Gramma". She is evidently under-
standing much more civily; for a time
she wanted to run about during pray-
ers, but lately she gets her little chair,
the one in which she sat for a picture
last year. Sits & kneels with perfect
propriety. She must have two books
& always opens the hymn-book while
we sing & the other when we read.

She has always been good about
covering her eyes when I "pray" before
meals. A few days since she was
late & did not get ^{into her chair} up till that service
was over. but she did not want to
eat & said "I want pray, marna".
So her mother asked a blessing for her.

Monday August 1st - 3

Cooler with East Wind & showers -
I have been looking up some stray
items of accounts to have as much as
possible ready before the end of the
fiscal year Sept. 30th - have studied Chi-
nese a little both forenoon & afternoon.
Mo took supper with Miss Dunwick
& Miss Campbell at the new house -

Tuesday Aug. 2nd 1892

Mail to-day per "China".
Good letters from Father &
Mother with papers about Com-
mencement. Whitman seems
to have made a good beginning.
I am glad Father is still in the
Faculty - believe that so long as

Health permits him to occupy
the position he will be far hap-
pier than if he had no regular
duties. I think it is better for
the College that he stay.

I was especially glad to hear of
Charles Taylor know that he is
doing well - a young man who was
willing to start so late with such
disadvantages & with the promise
of being disheartened, surely will
be blessed in his work.

E. A. Mason wrote me a good
letter & H. R. Glover of Cambridge
also sent a friendly note.

I had copies of the Greenwood
Church paper - Brooklyn.

I had a call from Mr. Elizaga
our friendly lighthouse keeper

of "the Cape" - He has a little 5
girl born not long since - He tells
me that Swatow people & former resi-
dents lose heavily by the Oriental
Bank failure. Capt. Kruin had
\$6000.00 at least, there: Sunderlynd
of the Customs had \$4000 - ; Louis
Gramer a Eurasian formerly with
Butterfield Swire is said to have
had over \$30,000.00 & Zuelch
who had a store here is said to
have over \$30,000.00 - all these
in stock, which is probably
worthless. He had heard
a report that I had \$7000.00
in stock & very kindly expressed
his sympathy - & afterwards his
relief to hear that it was only
a few hundreds on deposit.

These ports in the Far East 6
are famous places for gossip.

The Campbells have news that
a Swedish lady Miss Olsen, I believe,
who is now at work among the
Hak-Kas on the Sandwich Islands
has been appointed to this field &
had a letter also from the young
lady who marries Mr. Whitman
& comes out to the Hak-Ka work.

Wednesday - Aug. 3rd

A typhoon was telegraphed as so.
East of Hong Kong last evening.
3 strains anchored in the bay in-
stead of going out. We made
some provisional preparations,
but the sky was clear and
the bar. steady so we did not
worry. Very heavy rain in the night.

Prayer-meeting at Dr. Scott's. I led.
read several passages of Scripture
showing where our Lord & the Apostles
put the "emphasis" in their preaching.
We were informed at Philadelphia
that "a change of emphasis" has taken
place - & if so, I believe it is a
harmful one. Dr. A. Shoke very

well on the Bible as a guide.

Mrs. Dr. Lyall & Mrs Mackenzie
came in, having crossed the bay by
moonlight to call.

Thursday Aug. 4th -

This usual programme to-day.

News from Mr. Campbell at Goko-
hama. the weather is fine.

Little John is creeping about everywhere
& enjoys it hugely. he needs closer watch-
ing every day.

He and Anna are beginning to 8-
enjoy playing together. He says
"A-nah" very plainly.

9.10 P.M. Friday Aug. 5-

Just back from Double Island
whether we went late in the
afternoon: all are quite well there.
The Ashmores will stay a week
longer, partly on Dr. Ross's account.
She is not very well yet. Mr.
Brodt is there yet - He & Miss
Campbell both are rivaling Dr.
Strong in dictionary work.
He looks very robust, but he
has had one or two turns
like vertigo or more serious, only
a slight attack, however,
We enjoyed the bath much.

Saturday - Aug. 6th - 9

We indulged in unusual dissipation went to the Island again this P.M. for a bath. it is only once a month that tide & moonlight are favorable - we had a fresh wind & the ladies grew nervous but all passed safely. I have done some mending & work on accounts to-day -

I feel that I have made a little progress in learning how to deal with the Chinese, tho' there is an ocean of wisdom in that direction yet.

Last Saturday Monday the washerman disputed about his bill, was impudent to Clara because she stood out against him. I told him not to talk that way if he came here to get our clothing.

He made change so as to ¹⁰⁻ settle up to date & went off saying we might get some one else to do the work. Now if you get any body else, or try to - he will say that he dare not take another man's customer - they have us all apportioned off - we have only our boy beside the cook & they could not do up starched clothes anyway. so what should be done? It soon flashed into my mind that this was a scheme between the "wash-jacket-man" & our cook-a-tin. He is doing the work of cook & most of the house-boys duties too, for which almost every body has at least two servants. The Saturday before he got

Memorandum #11

quite angry when shown #11
that he was doing his work
in a slipshod manner because
arriving it into the wrong day.
He sputtered some & later asked
meekly if he could go to his
house down in the village of
Kuk Chik - I thought this odd
for he generally goes without
asking if his work is done.

He lives in the house close by
A-Chu, the washerman & they
are very friendly. Clara & Miss
Campbell said afterward, that
the work before she (Miss C.) had
a wrangle with him about an
overcharge, the soon had a long
talk with A in down here, Mr.
sumably about that -
So I decided to proceed on the
ground that the cook was a

party - but not because of ^{it} ² -
Oh No - that would put the
onus probandi on me & elicit a
burst of virtuous indignation from
him & the other Chinese. Happily
the Chinese have a fashion of mak-
ing a person "reproachable" for any-
thing that should fall to him.
"It is your affair" means much.
I told him he should find a
man to wash those clothes; he
took this so neatly my suspicions
were confirmed. The next morning
he said, as I expected, that nobody
dared wash them - all right I
told him to look again. He de-
cided if he did not succeed
we would call a temporary

Cook & let him wash him-^{self} self, but about Wednesday he admitted that he could persuade the original incumbent to do them. I told him that was immaterial: if he came again, we should pay him every week. He came Waw - but I think "on the whole" we conquered.

A-Uin is noted for his tricks, but I do not see that our living costs any more with him as marketer than with any one else.

Sunday - Aug. 7th -
We went over to Dr. Scotts this evening & sang a little while out of "No. 5".

The services have been good to-day & 2 strangers at school young men from Swatow who listened well & stayed all through the service.

I wrote to B. L. Whitman after 14
the school.

We are sorry to hear that little
Ellen Carlin who was so danger-
ously ill last winter is again
very weak from diarrhea & dysentery, but
we hope it may be only a passing at-
tack.

Monday August 8th

Ellen is very much better: her
mother carried her out this after-
noon: she looks pale but not
much run down by the attack.

I have written two large pages
on the type-writer to Van Kirk,
besides addressing a lot of friend-
ships & doing some practicing
exercises besides, while my
teacher was not here, to-day

I finished reading the South 15
Gospel with him to-day. I hope
to review them all & as soon
as possible get the few hundred
characters I do not know.

Tuesday August 9th -

I have found my eyes a little
sore to-day so have not read much.
Have used the type-writer quite
a little & prepared a lot of slips
& maps to send away by the next
steamer. - Wednesday - August. 10th -

I sent off 45 pkgs of mail matter
to-day. I have read some Chinese -
Ling Hing is here: he will go to the
Island with us & write on his
Campbell's dictionary while I do not

want him - We plan starting on 16
Saturday rebranding with the Scots for a
fortnight. We did not have a Union
prayer-meeting to-day. Mr. Paton delayed
until this noon to send a letter he
should have sent yesterday & his boy
did not get back until nearly
4 P.M., which was too late for them
to make preparations.

Thursday. Aug. 11th

We decided to go to the Island to-mor-
row morning so to-day is a day of
odds & ends of work - mending, writing,
packing &c. I have finished a 6 1/2
page letter to Van Hook on the type writer
my first letter of any length on
that machine - I wish I had one
to practice on the rest of the summer.

Friday Aug 12 - 117

at the Island again. I have been
resting, reading Chinese & writing to
Cousin Mary Dodge since dinner -
not all time at once however -
Dr Scott, Miss S. & Miss Campbell
are here. On board with them -
The W. Ashmun Jr. family - Dr.
Ross & Mr. Brodt dined up this
morning.

Saturday Aug 12th -

Finished my letter to Cousin Mary.
Have begun practicing with a Chinese
pen a little more. Ling-Heng has
not been very well today but I hope
he will be all right soon. He has
done harder work in the country
this hot season than usual.

We go to Pang-liu to-morrow ^{11/8}
if the weather permits -

I heard to-day the reason why
the S.S. "Hu Peh" came in with flags
at half-mast two weeks ago to-mor-
row: the 3rd Engineer had shot him-
self. He had just rec'd a letter
from his father severely reproofing
him for his drinking & hard dissi-
pation & by the same mail one
from his mother announcing
his father's sudden death. Poor
fellow - there have been three such
cases this year: a young naval
officer, an officer of the German
S.S. Pai-Cheng & this man. The
saddest wrecks out here are
not ships but lives, and their
name is legion.

Sunday Aug. 14th.

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This morning the boat came down before 8 o'clock bringing some mail etc. & ready to take us to Panglín.

The sun was very hot but I did not mind it much: a breeze sprang up soon after we reached the chapel so I was very comfortable there. There was a good attendance at both services. In the forenoon Ngươn-Thán & Ling Hing preached fr. Matt. V: 189. & XI 28. 59.

Before the 2 P.M. meeting I showed them a copy of the Standard with a picture of Mr. Carey in it & told them of him & his work, which interested them much.

I also read & commented on ⁴²⁰
II Cor. IV - translating it from the
classical into vernacular.

We had a fine breeze & run only
40 minutes sailing up.

I was in time to hear Dr. Red-
del's sermon on 'God dwelling
with men' - an easy pleasant-
to-hear talk & Bible Reading.

We took Anna & she sat very
still: a black dog prowled about
much of the time until a blonde
young man put out with him.
I expected Anna would cry
out as she is afraid of dogs but
she sat close to us & behaved well.
Egna Simpson, the Commissioner's little
girl, made faces at her during
prayer & provoked to similar doings
in emulation but nothing serious.

Monday Aug 15th

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Studying Chinese & Reading all day. At Swatow we hear it has been the hottest day of the season.

Tuesday Aug 16/9-

Close & uncomfortable. I am getting on somewhat with my Chinese day by day. In the evening I took a bath after finishing some letters. The wares were rather high - several of the ladies were caught by the highest of them & spun around in a lively fashion -

In the evening, after supper. Mr & Mrs Mackenzie, Miss Lecky & Miss Bernet of the E.P. Mission came over & were indulged in the "Llanor Game" - something like Antons but better.

Wednesday Aug. 17th + 22

I went to Swatow on the morning launch - was much amused by a remark by Wakefield a Customs Clerk. They were talking about Dr. Layne's having come over to pull a tooth for Monro before breakfast.

Wakefield to be facetious, remarked - "Gave him just a good appetite for breakfast, I suppose. He came smiling all over with his biceps in his hand". I succeeded in restraining my amusement within due bounds. Mr. Duvolet sarcastically added "He means bicuspid probably."

I had a rather good talk with Monro about the advantages of the Old Testament narratives for teaching the heathen religious truths. He began by deploring

what he once heard from a ^{#23} missionary lady, that she was teaching her Bible Women the wanderings of the Children of Israel in the desert - "utterly unprofitable" he thought. I told him a little of our experience in teaching the vast benefit of having truth in concrete form. He admitted the point more fully than I expected.

I had a very busy day sending off mail matter & planning work for several men after getting their reports. The "Hoke" was in & the men must be given work the next mks. They report a very good tour in the Kai-Sü region.

The barometer was low & sky threatening so I had the boat ("Hopi") sent to the creek west of us. Mr. A. J.

also sent in the "Glad Tidings" 27
Both were wrecked last year.

I started at 4 P. M. to take the
4.30 launch promising to send
the boat back for Dr. Ross who
wanted to go over to Swatow. but
the launch did not appear, and
soon word was brought that she
was aground in the mud of the
Chao-Yang Canal. Mr. Simpson said
she would not go for at least half
an hour, that I would have time
to cross the bay & back so I
went & took Dr. Ross aboard;
just then all the gigs started
out, evidently not intending to wait
which meant no launch. So I
left her in Swatow, with Ling
Jung to get her a boat to return
in, while I sailed down here.

Anna was looking over the #25
Wenandah rail & hailed me with
delight - both she & John are well
now. I hope the boat got back

all safe - it seems a telegram
has been rec'd announcing a typhoon
near Foochow. Thursday Aug. 18-

A heavy blow last night & now
the wind is strong & cool. feels
cool as a Squirrel Island storm,
tho I am much more thickly
dressed than when there.

Friday. Aug. 19th

Leung Hing appeared in the forenoon but
bearing a note from Dr. Ashmore asking
if he could not go to Kieh Yang as
there is trouble about the land

which he helped bargain #26
For so it is better that he go up &
see what can be done to settle
it peacefully.

Mr. Mackenzie came in during
the forenoon & asked me to preach on
Sunday, which I thought was his
duty rather than mine. They always
wait till Friday or Saturday before
saying anything about it.

In the evening I went over there to
Carry Anna had a chat with Mr.
about books &c. He lent me a
copy of The Critical Review a com-
paratively new Magazine. I looked over
reviews of Drivers & Cherys new
books & was pleased to see a very
flattering notice of a book by Prof
Stearns of Bangor; the critic was

James Stalker. author of "Life ⁷²⁷
of Paul", "Life of Christ" & other books.
I presume.

I have finished a book by Edna
Lyall - "Mr Pro", that is worth
reading - is something like Rt Ebsmen
& something like Jana Merle - more
truly religious than the former & less
orthodox than the latter. I can ap-
preciate it much better since
coming in contact with members
of the Church of England & seeing
their social exclusiveness. While
I cannot sympathize with the
Universalism of the book I do feel
the justice of its appeal against
the nominal Christianity that min-
gles the things of Caesar the things of God

and the things of Mammou as #28
does a State Church.

Saturday - Aug. 20th -

Rainy again. We are watching
the steamers with great interest hoping
our mail may come. it is nearly
3 weeks since the China came.

5 P. M. no mail -

The two young ladies Dr. Ross &
Miss Dunwick's have come down
for a bath & report no home mail.

I did get one or two letters - one
from Capt. Williams youngest son
Garland who is at school in Che-
foo. He is anxious about
his brother John, who is here
in charge of the steam launches,

wants me to talk with #29
him. His letter is quite like a
breath from a home prayer-
meeting. It is eleven months
since his father died.

Dr. Scott has a letter from Edward;
he had a little fever but was
better when he wrote.

Little John is a man of action.
He was left asleep on the bed
with several chains & a small round
stand as a barricade to keep him
from rolling off. Anna was
asleep there too. She cried out &
Clara went in to find the boy
had pulled away some shawls
from the stand & crawled up on
it, so he was sitting on top of
the stand leaning forward smiling
at her most cheekily.

Sunday Aug. 21st - #30

A Cool day. We had worship
with the Chinese in the forenoon.
I spoke on the Triumphant Entry -
Mr. Mackenzie spoke thro' P. M.
on the healing of the blind man.

Monday Aug. 22nd -

Went to Swatow this morning had a
busy forenoon. Home mail per
Belgie, most welcome. I had letters
from Father & Mother & from Mr. Coleman.
I read the Annual Report coming
down in the boat. Most significant
fall is a letter from G. V. Thomassen
in the Journal Messenger of July 21st
of Kurnool protesting against the Anglo
College & a column more of editorial quo-
tation fr. Dr. Pinterast on the effect of
high Education upon the natives of
India, & of reference to this Anglo

matter. Dr. Lusher also intimates #31
that he has a stock of letters & material
from other sources which he may
print next week and later. I believe
this will do good & rouse people to
think of these questions. It will
rouse opposition from the personal
friends of Dr. Clough, but principles
are greater than any man's pretige.
Principles must supplant prejudices
before the Missionary Union or rather
before the Baptist Church does its best
work & wins its choicest & highest
blessings. The members must be less
influenced by the success of certain
men, though those men be Jackson,
Clough or Cony & more interested & more
deeply moved by the promised success
& present claims of Christ their
Lord,

Tuesday Aug. 23rd -

#32

I read 5 chapters of I Corinthians in an hour - only found about 15 characters I did not recognize & many of those I had met before. Paing Seng came down with me Monday. He is writing in Miss Campbell's dictionary & does the work very neatly.

Wednesday Aug 24th -

Little John's birthday - One year old today - He is celebrating it by being very good. Has been scampering about on all fours: he goes very fast; he likes to go after the bright spots on the veranda where the sun shines through the blinds - I hope he may be able to get to bright spots in life & keep out of danger at the same time.

Anna does not seem quite well and is fretful - though whenever she is punished she is very sweet for some time after it.

A-Long from chain lug near
 Jia-Ping has been cooly down here
 but he is in miserable condition
 I fear has gone back to opium & there
 does not seem much hope of his rallying.

Thursday Aug. 25th -

Mr. Mackenzie makes a pleasant
 call last evening; he is much interested
 in America & fairer in his judg-
 ment of things American.

Working at the Chinese Character
 is slow but I can see I have made
 quite a little advance the past six
 months in recognizing & understanding
 it. I have written to Pilley

to-day - Mrs. Mackenzie
 gave a children's party in honor
 of her elder little girl's birth-
 day. Anna & John were there & en-
 joyed themselves much.

Friday - August 7th

Another change - Dr. & Miss
Scott went up to Hak Chieh -
Dr. Ross & Miss Duncwiddie
coming in their stead -

I went upon the boat & at-
tended to sundry matters - re-
turning on the launch.

The waves are large to-night
there must be a heavy wind
some where: hope the "Pion"
will not be in it. she is
advertized to be in Hong Kong
soon.

Saturday Aug. 27th

Close & sultry much of the day,
I read some Chinese. wrote a little

I have done a little on a sermon
for to-morrow: Mr. Mackenzie ex-
pects me to take the evening service
to-morrow. I do not seem able

to get my thoughts into satisfactory
order yet. Eph IV:8 is my text-

I - Leading Captivity Captive - the

Evils of Captivity - slavery or im-
prisonment - ^{ex Prodigal Son} bondage to self - bond-
^{ex Bishop's Priest who turned off his nose} -
age to superstition - Freedom is

won at heavy cost & humanity

presents a strange spectacle of

Enslavement - The Bible doctrine

is that the great enslaver is the

Adversary of souls - who has led

away the whole race into fancied

freedom but actual bondage

Men do not know when they are

thus enslaved, but the bondage is

real. of habit of using profane
language.

The text promises more than
 has ever been attained in any
 human emancipation. Eternal
 vigilance is always the price of liber-
 ty - but He led "captivity captive" -
 A type of this is shown in Ex. XIV.
 Where the captivity of Israel was led
 captive & swallowed up in the sea. So
 Christ has conquered Satan & he will
 be swallowed up of Rev. XX+10 -
 Man is thus redeemed this captor
 destroyed. When Jesus rose triumphant
 having first "descended" - this redemp-
 tion & the victory were complete -

II "Gave gifts unto men" - the order is
 important. first liberation, then gifts;
 it is no use lavishing presents on a
 slave: it would be helping his master only.
 again gifts are needed by freedmen.
 They are ill adapted to care for
 themselves. so after Israel were
 freed they were fed with manna and

given water out of the rock. #37

For Christians there are spiritual gifts - There have been since Pentecost. They are the true source of individual joy & universal blessing. Our meagerness of soul is not because "there is not bread enough to share" in our Father's house but because we do not receive what He waits to give.

Christ presents himself to us with laden hands: his religion is not a system of rules & rites; besides offering pardon & liberty, it gives faith to the faithless, hope to the hopeless, divine love to the cold & unfeeling. life to the dead.

Monday - Aug 29th -

I did not have as much freedom as I sometimes do made bungling work of some parts but hope the message may do somebody good.

I finished an article for publi-#38-
cation & did some studying.

Tuesday Aug 30-

Mail per "Peru" was brought
down on our boat. I had the
delightfully regular home letters
& 3 from Mr. Coleman's assistants,
one enclosing money for the ladies
house raised in Ohio & Michigan.

There were some matters about
which I wished to consult Dr.
A. so went up on the boat after
tiffin & back on the launch,
Misses Campbell Ross & Babner
went also. No special news
seemingly. In the evening two
ladies from the other mission
came in.

Wednesday Aug. 31st #39

This a.m. early I woke to find the wind howling rain beating in. remembered that Dr. Layton told me last evening a typhoon had been signaled.

All the bathing suits hung on the verandah were blown off but were found not far away.

The day has been windy, rainy I have read over Galatians in the classical & done some writing.

Anna & John have felt the depressing weather. the former does not seem quite herself. J. has a little cold. but he is not prostrated by any means; he is a very strong, active little fellow & requires several people to look

after him. He wants to get ^{the} hold of every book he sees a person has. He has a splendid - a voracious appetite - if the nurse is a little late in getting his food ready this latter feature predominates.

Clara has a headache - fever, I think. Mr. Mackenzie is in bed with fever.

Work on the Dictionary progresses.

Miss C. Copies 20 or more pages a day of the Romanized Column besides translating with Clara from the German definitions - My teacher writes the Chinese on fr. 14 to

17 pages - Wednesday Sept. 1 -

Rainy & cool. I read Ephesians cut out clippings, wrote letters. read Harper's Monthly this evening - Dr. & Mrs. Lyall came down for a call.

Thursday - Sept. 1st 41

Read Philippians to-day. I am writing a letter to my classmate Scoville also wrote to Upcraft of Western China.

The day is cool. The Carlins are down to occupy the house Capt. Williams used to live in; Dr. Loring rented it for the year & offered it to them. He is their physician. They did not get down till late so we have not seen them. They declined this house for the share of 12 days.

Mr. Mackenzie has had fever some time but is much better now. I trust he will be able to take the Sunday Service.

Friday Sept 2nd -

More Chinese & writing. No special news development.

Saturday - Sept 3rd - 442

I read both epistles of Thessalonian with my teacher & wrote my classmate Fuller. The E. P. Missionaries came over & took tea at 4 P.M. I went with my teacher to Katchick on some errands.

Sunday. Sept. 4th -

We had a Chinese service at 9 a.m. all the E. P. Missionaries & Dr. Carlin's were in, also a woman who washes for Mrs. Linn. So we had a good congregation. We read in turn Matthew ~~XXIII~~ 17 to end. I read John IV 41 to end & spoke briefly on our Lord's power as shown there.

Mr. Mackenzie sent me the life of Mr. Cary by George Smith. I found it most interesting and

helpful. His career was truly 743
wonderful. I can appreciate some
of his experiences better having been
on the field myself. His study
of language gave him command
of English. One striking sentence I
noticed he says of his son who
was given official honors in Burma.
"Felix has shrivelled from a mission-
ary into an ambassador" which
would probably amuse the
foreign communities of the Far
East mightily. They think the
"poor missionary" a rather to-be-
pityed (if not despised) member of
society. We were greatly amused some
years ago by Mrs. Jackson the wife
of a German pilot, a busy self-int-
erested party of limited education;
she asked Mrs. Gibson of the E. P. Mission

to do some knitting or crocheting ~~for~~
for her. thinking she would be
wady to turn an honest penny.
The joke lay in the Libens being
a trifle "exclusive" - he being the son
of a Glasgow Professor, & rather the
leading man in that Mission. The
course of a rather aristocratic family
too, I judge -

The afternoon sermon was
a very well written acct of
Jonathan's life & character by
Mr. Mackenzie.

Dr. & Mrs. Carlin were at service
He is in better health now. thinks
that a diet of native Graham
Bread has done much for him.

Anna was at service - was not
less but made no loud disturbances
afterward she started out without a
hat & trotted off clear down to the
beach alone.

Monday Sept. 5th - #45

The boat came down early this morning & I am going back with it. After breakfast I read the two Epistles of Timothy excepting such parts as I had read before. We had a lot of things to send up on the boat & I had promised to be at W. Chish either Monday or Tuesday to arrange for the preachers & their work. We have decided to all go up on Thursday for good - (we hope it will not be otherwise). We are quite busy at the Island but there are many things to be done before October Communion that can only be done at home. The babies have improved at the Island & I wish they could stay longer. But hope they will continue to thrive -

8.15 - P. M. -

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I was very busy at Kak-Chieh; took tiffin at the new house - Dr. & Miss Scott have moved in & the house looks very neat & homelike.

I sent some mail off - had an hour's talk with Dr. & Mr. Ashmun about mission matters -

arranged for a trip of the boat & four men to go - paid sundry sums to several people - & issued

books to a colporteur of ours & one of Mr. Campbell's. I sailed

down in a fresh S. E. wind. Had Chinese all the way coming down & part of the way going

up so with my morning hours with the teacher I have been over considerable ground.

All my mill at the Compound.

Wednesday Sept. 7th 1848

Strong No. W. wind & rain this afternoon - . Nearly a score of boats filled with worshippers of the Goddess who presides over the temple below the hill have visited the Island to-day.

I have read part of Debuons & James also done a little writing & partly packed our belongings. We called at the E. P. Mission house. I had a very pleasant talk with Mr. Mackenzie.

After supper they came up & we celebrated our expected departure by some charades that were a success. Mrs. Dr. Piddle quite carried off the honors as a vendor of small wares.

Thursday Sept. 8th 1849

The wind was very strong last night - veered from No. West to East & from the latter point beat upon our side of the house with tremendous power. I was up at 2 o'clock & worked nearly an hour clearing the decks (verandahs) closing up doors &c. Happily the violence abated and we all slept comfortably - Our boats did not appear, so we have remained here to read Chinese & pass the day as we have passed others before it. I read the two Epistles of Peter, never realized before how long the first one is.

I am reading with much enjoyment Arthur H. Smith's Chinese Characteristics, a most instructive & amusing book. Took my farewell bath of the season & presume it is.

Friday Sept 9th - 9.20 P.M. #50

Home again. it is pleasant to be here. Anna has been pining for several days to "go Kak Chih" & yesterday she begged for pencil & paper to write Box. Sin letter. He is the steersman of the boat & she thought a letter to him would be sure to bring the boat at once.

This has been a busy day. We are about fully unpacked & settled. I have been to Chinese prayer meeting & have arranged to go down with several men early to-morrow morning as it will be the great day of the feast & probably a great number of visitors - Saturday - Sept 10th -

Went to the Island at 7 A.M. & stayed until 3 P.M. We had some good listeners under

the house verandah. but ^{#51}
at other places the people rise
disputations - got into a wrangle
with the preachers at one place -
a few bought books.

Sunday - Sept. 11th -

A warm trying day I wake up
with a headache & it made me
uncomfortable much of the day.

I attended the two services &
read some both in Cony's life &
a book of L. B. Meyers - which I
find helpful. Monday Sept. 12th -

Much better to day - no headache &
able to study & do some other work
so as to make a full day - went
to Swanton thought back \$600.00
fit in dollars - quite a load.

Tuesday Sept. 13th - #52

Cool this afternoon - Mail to-day
per Oceanic - Dad letters from Father
& Mother - I wish we knew the state
of things at home now -

Mr. Campbell came by this
steamer from Japan - I have not
seen him yet. They have heard
that Mrs. C. & the children reach-
ed home safely -

I have done considerable studying
of Chinese to-day - had a talk
with our astute cook which seem-
ed to do him some good.

This Chinese language is expressive
I asked Jimson about a carpen-
ter Tai-Chuan who was very ill
of fever if he had recovered yet
he replied "Ai-Ah! Tai-Chuan."

Chhūm Kāi phūe Kah Kūt 153
left piece skin & bones
tia; bñe ã nek. "Kan-Khōn-si"
only not-yet has flesh + distress
bitter - death!" - The last three
words are a common ejaculation
to express a bad state of affairs.

Wednesday Sept. 14th -

A Cool No. East wind - it has
been prophesied that the N.E. mon-
soon would set in early this year
giving us a cool autumn.

Mr. Campbell was here in the
forenoon & with his sister took
supper with us & he led the pray-
er-meeting which met here.

He is looking well & hardy. is
enthusiastic over the value of a

Summer in Japan. 454

He not daring, speaks highly
of him this wife.

Thursday - Sept 15th -

Still cool so that a woollen coat
was not uncomfortable -
I studied with my teacher & at-
tended to some out of door matters
too, as I have had very little ex-
ercise of late. In the evening we
took supper with Dr. Scott's home
hold - a housewarming & a most
enjoyable one. We talked, had
a few charades - Pruss. games
& sang. We had the babies

sit for pictures in the afternoon.
- Am rather doubtful about results.
Friday - Sept 16th -
Warmer but a beautiful day - I am
getting mail off. Teacher has four home.

It is almost the end of the fiscal 55
year so I must be getting my an-
nual report ready.

Saturday. Sept. 17th.

We sent more mail to the office but
no steamers went out as a typhoon
was telegraphed as being off So. For-
mosa & the barometer here was
low. 8 ships were anchored, all
but one in typhoon anchorage.
We put up our bars expecting
a heavy blow.

Sunday Sept. 18th.

Windy & "heavy mother" but no
gale. We had both services
tho the attendance was small.
Anna cried so hard to be taken
to church that I carried her in

my arms to the morning service. ⁷⁵⁶
She behaved quite well, sat with
me till the sermon was half over
then went to her mother.

The barometer was low & unstead-
y so we were barred up again at
night.

Monday. Sept. 19th.

Still safe & sound, no hard gale yet.
The sea must have been heavy for
the S.S. "Hailong," a steam ch vessel,
went out & came back in a few
hours. I am getting a good

start on my report & finishing
up the years acc'ts. duplicates
of all papers must be made
out, a set to send & a set to file.
So considerable writing is involved
besides the adjusting of individ-
ual & Mission accounts.

Clara is still helping on the Hak-Ka-German Dictionary - Mr. Brodt is anxious to finish up a part not yet copied by either of them so Clara is putting in an hour or two a day at it.

Tuesday - Sept 20th -

I have kept very busy to-day writing out reports of drafts made on the Home Treasurer repeating them parcelled out to the different ones - Miss Scott also came in to settle up her year's pay & I read two chapters in Daniel besides having a book prepared by Chinese teachers for printing - Clara & I put an hour or a little more on translating.

Clara called on Mrs. Ughart this A.M. & went with

Dr. Scott to call upon Mrs. ^{#58}
English at the Consuls (Mr. Fraters)
Mrs. D. Her children are returning
to Shanghai. after spending the summer
in Hongkong. Her husband is in England.
She would not go because she
suffers so from sea sickness.

Mr. Campbell his sister plan go-
ing to Kuyin Thursday.

He brought a no. of pretty odd
things from Japan also a lot of
boxes & Knick-Knacks of foreign pat-
tern made very cheap by the Japs.

He got a pretty thermometer in an
ornamental wooden box & packed
in a wooden box for six cents!

America needs protection from
Asia as much as from Europe.

Wednesday Sept. 21st - #59 -

Mail per "Rio" - home letters &
one from George Merriam.

I was of course prepared for the news
of Eddie's death, but it is con-
sidered a name added to the long list
of friends & acquaintances who have
passed away since I came from
home. I sympathize deeply with
Frank & the boys - shall try to
write as soon as the present
busy season is over.

It is indeed good of Father
to send me such a birthday
present - just the machine I wanted.
I was on the point of sending
to have a telegram sent from
the Pacific Coast, but concluded
it would be better to wait &

Trust the Lord to order the ^{#60}
matter aright.

We were surprised in the afternoon
by Mrs. Gates: Mr. Miss just taking
boat for the Union prayer meeting
in Swatow when she landed & went
up the other side of the Compound.

I went back to see if it was
she & met her trying to decide
which path to take. She wished
to go with us so accompanied
us to the E.P. mission, which
gave her opportunity of seeing
most of their people. The meeting
was at the Milnes house led by
Mrs. Milnes.

In the evening Mr. & Miss
Campbell came & settled up their
Annual accounts. I am getting
my Treasury work along quite fast.

Thursday - Sept. 22nd #61

To-day I settled with Dr. Scott
whose op is the most complicated
of any. A lot of Catechisms print-
ed in Shanghai were sent down with
Mrs. Gates by Mr. Paton of the
Southern Board. They have our
character wrong 教 Ki = Teach instead

of 救 - Kiu = Save. but as our side is
the same it can be changed with a
few strokes of the pen so as to be
easily distinguishable. Hak-jü corrected
200 of them in a few hours to-day.

They were printed by a Chinaman whose
work is over 20% cheaper than
the Presbyterian Mission Press charges.

By using odd hours the charge he
with course

Friday - Sept 23.

Mrs. Gates took tiffin & 4 o'clock
 tea with us to-day - We enjoyed her
 visit much. Mr. Miss Campbell
 had not left so marked the
 to tiffin - Miss Dunwiddie & Miss
 Scott were in at 4 P.M.
 I have been at accounts much of
 the day.

Saturday - Sept 24 -

Mrs. Mackenzie & her two
 children spent ~~the~~ the day here -
 a few others were in at 4 o'clock.
 We are doing an unusual amount
 of entertaining. I have been at
 my books much of the time. The
 large no. of missionaries & a lot
 of extra accounts for repairing

& the new house, with #63
some of the people living off in
the country, make the settlement
of the year an unusually difficult.
but I am getting on unusually well.
how a lot down that last year was
not touched till after Communion week.

There was a tea-party of the children
who looked very cunning sitting about
the table a little low one of Anna's
on the verandah - The two little
MacKenzie girls & Mrs. Inglis's
two little girls - (2^{yo} + 2) made
a bright little company. The
baby was present as a lively
spectator but does not sit at
table much. In the forenoon
Clara had the babies sit for
a picture again.

Sunday. Sept 25th #64

Swish no could have gotten a picture of Anna as she sat in her little chair rocking her dolls cradle with two boy-dolls in it: she had a bit of old mosquito netting over part of the cradle & seemed to think the dolls well protected: she sat & sang "Bye baby bye" to them quite a time.

She went to church this morning & was rather restless: the congregation stood while the Elder offered a short prayer after the collection, but Anna got down on her knees before her chair.

The services have been good to-day - Mrs. Gates spoke a few appropriate words at the early meeting.

Monday Sept. 26th #65

Busy at taking reports & analyzing accounts - Mrs Inglis & Mrs Foster called took 4 o'clock tea - We were at W. Ashmun's for the evening to meet Mrs. Gates.

Tuesday Sept. 27th -

Harmer. Good service at 7 a.m. At 10 o'clock Dr. A presided & heard reports from a part of the preachers & Bible Women - Rather encouraging on the whole.

Now - 12.30 P.M. - am hungry to get off mail - Clara is preparing a set of the babies pictures - they are not very good but serve as tempo-marks.

Mrs Gates starts off for Hongkong this P.M. - is anxious

to be at Rangoon by the middle of this
month. to a Conference to be held there.
Am very sorry, she cannot stay over these
next five days here. Today our Confer-
ence meetings began. We have enjoyed
her visit much, would like much to
have ^{had} her stay longer.

Clara & I went to the Steer with #66
Mrs. Gates. She hopes to visit
to Canton & then reach Rangoon in
time for a Conference in prospect
there.

Wednesday Sept. 28th.

We are startled to hear that Mrs.
Wilkinson who formerly lived here
has died in the birth. Very sad
indeed. Her husband is in poor
health & they had four little
children. two at home & two here.
The body is expected here to-morrow.
Their baby that died is buried here.

We are having the usual ser-
vices. I had a pleasant call
from some of the young men &
preachers this morning.

Dr. A. is giving interesting
lessons on David.

The first chapter brought out ~~the~~^{some} interesting experiences and exhortations from some of the brethren as to giving up interest in ancestral property so as to be clear frontaint of ancestral worship.

Dr Ross has drawn some capital figures representing the visions -

Sunday evening Dr. A. gave us a very interesting talk on the fulfilment of Daniel's visions:

He believes the image will be ground to powder and the Kingdom be given to the Saints

before very long; he is not a premillennarian, but he does think it possible in harmony with Scripture that Christ may manifest himself to Israel this feet "stand upon Olivet" before the millennium.

Thursday Sept 27th - #68

Rainy - services as usual - The
Dr.'s lessons on Daniel are
very interesting - the capture
of Babylon this P.M. Chapters
III & IV this forenoon.

Dr. Ross has drawn a picture for
the great terrible beast that is
a combination of dragon, lion &
griffin terrible indeed.

The Chinese look on her handi-
craft with great admiration.

Friday - Sep. 30th.

Mail per "Gaelic" - a day before due
in Hongkong - besides father's good
letter I had some business letters
from the P.M.S., a very pleasant
one from Dr. Duncan, & a circular

Announcing the proposed visit #69
of "Father Eulearn" Clark & one
from Mr. Goddard of Kingspo.

I took a little time to glance at
the papers - am surprised at Dr.
Clough's article on Methodists in In-
dia. Knowing what needs of the
situation in India & the way that
thing was worked up we cannot
but feel he has not taken the case
to say the least. He has opened the way
for publishing what will not be
of any help to his cause.

Our Classes continue very in-
teresting. Dr. A. has a most help-
ful arrangement of the visions
that shows their mutual relation
& historical significance.

Class & I attended the funeral of
Mrs. Wilkinson at the Cemetery at 5 P.M.

Saturday - Oct. 1st - #70.

Service at 7 A.M. - a very good sermon by one of the young men from Acts I:11 - probably Dr. A. gave him the substance to use but he had made it his own & spoke well.

The business meeting at 2 P.M. was two hours long - a lot of cases for discipline came up & there were several other matters that took up time. They voted money for a new hymn-book, which was selected from others in use - about 100 hymns in all. I have been busy between times with calls mostly on business. & at 5.20 P.M. had a meeting with my native helpers to plan for a boat tour beyond T'ir Lén (Chao Yang). The Carters are back from the Island to-day.

Seventeen applied for baptism. #71-
11 men & boys six sisters: as a rule
their replies were good. Four are
from Phu. Li, the first fruits - this
is the place Dr. Mabie mentions
to which Dr. Waterman & I went together.

Sunday Oct. 2nd -

Two more applied four was ac-
cepted: his answers were very good.
He is from Am. Dou. 15.9 men
6 women were received.

The morning service was long
but quite interesting. It was arrang-
ed in reference to the Centenary
of Missions. - Po. San preached from
Cory's text. too long as Mr. A. P.
was to follow him: he did speak
to him & suggest that he close.
Mr. A. P. gave a succinct account

of Mission history & Dr. A. gave #72
a brief pungent address based
on II Cor. IV:1. There was a larger
audience. I did the baptiz-
ing & the service passed off
pleasantly. the ages of the candidates
were from 12 to 72.

191 partook at the Communion
this P.M. Since then I have rest-
ed a bit taken a short walk, read
a little in the Ensign. written one
letter to Mr. Babbitt of Amesbury,
from whom I rec'd a most interesting
letter Sat'y. & rec'd a short call from
the br'n. The day has been per-
fect. bright & delightfully cool
with a fresh breeze. There is a good
delegation here from the Country
Churches.

Monday Oct. 3rd

#13

The brethren came at 6 o'clock this morning to get financial considerations for the coming month.

I was busy with them till 7, at which time we breakfast.

I spent some time helping the tailor oil the machine, & then it ungratefully refused to work & has backed all day; thus far no one

can find the trouble: it is an old Singer.

I have settled up annual

accounts with Dr. Carlin & Mr.

Ashmun Jr. to-day. & worked

a little on my own report.

The Simpsons gave a children's party to which Anna was invited.

Tuesday Oct 4th

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Our first cook, Dek-Sün, was married to-day. I was invited to perform the ceremony & did so "assisted by" the Rev. Pó-San who read Proverbs 18:22 & 31:10 & 9. and by the Rev. H. Ashmore D.D., who offered prayer. A Sim (Heart) the bride is a Tang-ün girl & looked prettier than any Chinese bride I have seen. She has a round & rather delicate face quite pale - she was nicely dressed & had gold bracelets & rings that many a girl at home would like to wear.

I went to Swatow on business & did not get back till after 1 P. M. I have read with pleasure & profit Dr. Thomas's letters on Biblical Criticism. The reaction is certainly setting in.

Wednesday. Oct. 11/92

#75

The class opened at 9 a.m. with
some 16 pupils - much surprised
to see Edward Scott come up
the hill at 10-30 a.m. He has
resigned at Peking - concluded
the prospect for a young man who
does not drink &c. is not at-
tractive - Even the Inspector General
Sir Robert Hart, rather taxed
him with "not smoking, dan-
cing nor playing billiards?" asked
what he could do? though when
he resigned Sir Robert rather
withdrew from that position
& told him the opinion of
men who thought ill of him
for not treating &c. was not

month having. Edward was '76
getting on finely. He & a young man
named Hoquer were really the best
highly favored of any in the Customs
being allowed to devote all their
time to Chinese & proficiency in
Chinese is largely a basis of pro-
motion. Ho & Hoquer had passed
the best examinations of any in a
long time & E.'s Chinese teacher
was sorry not to have him stay, told
him he would "surely grow up to
be a Commissioner" - but it
would be simply a life of torment
in this kind of society, in fact I
doubt if he could stand it, tho'
he is a Christian & has good prin-
ciples - Ho has foreseen the evil
& avoided it & is far more

safe & a more manly Christian #17
than if he had remained there
getting a good salary but in
great risk of being led into evil
ways: one young man left for
home shortly before because of his
getting into dissipated ways.
The lives of foreigners here in the
East who have no religious stay, are
unspeakable -

Capt. Andrews, a New Bedford
man, his Scotch wife, were
here for 4 o'clock tea - & Clara
took a walk with them after
wards: they are pleasant people;

We had Union prayer meeting
at 4.30 - led by Dr. Ashmun.
but the E.P. friends did not
appear.

Saturday Oct. 8th All well as usual save Anna

who has a head cold thro' in good spirits
just now. John has just elicited her admira-
tion by "writing" on her slate which with pencil
he met in his rapid journey on all fours. He is
plump strong - I send a page of mail matter - a
Bible Socy Report. a document from India - &
Ji-Bois front elevation of our house with plan of
improvements thought of long ago - with lots of
love from all - John.

Thursday. Oct. 6th 18

A note from Mr. MacLagan states they could get no boatmen as it was the great fast day when the moon is worshipped.

The students recited finely this a.m. gave all the books of the Old Testament - their names Summary of Contents - first students at home could do it as well - The question of Pentateuchal authorship came up - one man said the books were not all produced by Moses he "chip-bia" them ("caught-together") - i.e. "collated" - a sensible view - I am still getting my accounts into shape for sending home there is a lot of work to get them

all arranged as the work has ⁷⁹
been divided up & part that I
had paid assumed by Mr. A. J.
Dr. Carlin. It seems to be coming
out quite well. I want to send it
all home by next week's steamer.

Friday. Oct. 7th -

I am having some difficulty in
getting parts of my accounts to bal-
ance perfectly - do not get them
done as quickly as I hoped -

Edward Scott took supper with
us. & told us some things of his
Peking experience. He evidently did
not find congenial company.

Mr. Evans in Shanghai commended
his leaving, told him the Customs
service was "the worst Hell" -

I fear it paves the way. ²⁸⁰
another figure, for many a poor fel-
low who lands in the pit at last.

Saturday - Oct. 8th.

Warm - quite like summer weather
again. I was indoors most all
day. Clara helped me by reading
some work had ready to copy &
we got her account for the
Bible Home's Book into shape

In the evening I awoke late &
unravelled the snarl that had
bothered me - now there is not
much to do but copy the
reports again. I should like to
make an extra copy to send
Father so he can see what sort
of report I have to submit.

Sunday Oct. 9th - 781

Harm - again - Anna had a bad cold yesterday but Clara dressed her with "little pills" & she is much better. We let her have the other doll that came out in the box. very pretty it is with a light suit & bonnet. "Fanny" is the name given it. Anna was very good all the morning & entertained herself. We had an unusually good sermon from Hwa Lin on the spread of the gospel. The Sunday school was larger than for some time & quite interesting.

9-20 P.M. This evening they came here &

We had a pleasant meeting. ^{#82}

Dr. A. gave a clear exposition of Divine foreknowledge. I read from a letter Mr. Babbitt wrote me & several contributions Mrs. made to the meeting. All was unexpectedly & most deeply saddened by the news of John Cummings's terrible blow in the loss of his wife. I seemed to see as if it was yesterday the parting between Mrs. Cummings & her mother, just widowed, on the steamer: both now overcome & the former more so than I expected to see her.

It was their last meeting #83
on earth. All present tonight
wished me to send their messages
of sympathy to John.

The air truly is full of farewells
to the dying & partings with the dead -
but "Blessed are the dead which
die in the Lord."

Monday Oct 10th -

I wrote a number of letters this
forenoon after an early sitting with
Dr. A. regarding our Mission matters.

I wrote several letters for Edward
Scott - one to Saml. Philbrick
who I have heard is in Port-
land Ore. After tiffin I went to the
steamer with Edward. Very high wind
& sea - his ship will not go till to-morrow.

Tuesday Oct. 11th #84

We went to Swatow at 4 P. M.
passed the circus that is es-
tablished there - "Hoodys Circus"
The tires of seats look
quite natural. Dr. Lyall hears
that it is crowded during
performances. It is new to the
Chinese; posters have been out for
some time. Dr. A. was much
impressed by seeing them & made
some pertinent remarks about the
contact of Eastern & Western civili-
zations. Mrs. W. Ashmun Jr. met
Commissioner Simpson last evening
The questioned her so closely that
she gave him a very plain ac-

Count of Edward Scott's #85
Reasons for resigning from the
Imperial Maritime Customs.

I imagine it may make some-
thing of a mezzo. It is the first
case of a young man at Peking
throwing up such an appointment.

There is a list of 600 names of
young men applicants for position
in the Customs. They did not
want him to hand in a written
statement of his reasons for resign-
ing! Sir Robert said the talk
with him was sufficient & gave
him a certificate that he had
been a member of the staff &
honorably retired. But I fear it
is well nigh impossible for
these people to appreciate his
position.

Wednesday Oct. 12th. #86

Back from prayer meeting led
by myself - subj. Psalm XCVII -
Dr. a spoke well on the subject of
God's sovereignty.

I rec'd letters to-day from John
Deering who is exercised about the
prospect in Japan & from the Am.
dentist Dr. Peterson at Hongkong.

We have news from the Campbells
that they reached Kia Eng in safe-
ty and are not troubled much about
their house, &c

Thursday Oct. 13th -

Mr. Ashmun writes of baptizing
five at Soan'ü - one of them
a man who first heard this
year & is most enthusiastic
in his faith & carries a gos-
pel of Mark about in his

basket; he is in some sort of
of itinerating business, & is
earnest in declaring his new
found faith everywhere. Mr. A.
has advised his coming to the
class for a time.

We made another trip to Suatow.
I saw the Chinese dentist a
few moments & made an appoint-
ment for to-morrow. Miss
Picketts of the E.P. Mission is
back from Japan & brought
a lot of curios with her.

Friday Oct. 14th -

I went to see the dentist to-day
He proceeded to kill a nerve -
& did some other work, not
enjoyable. I also hunted about
to find an anchor chain but
have not yet succeeded.

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Saturday Oct. 15-

Visited the dentist again: got mail from "City of Peking". see that Father is also in the dentist's hands - I did not get much mail inside home letters & a note from Mr. Partridge. The steamer encountered a typhoon & lay to 15 hours at our time & 17 at another so was late getting to Hong Kong.

Sunday Oct 16th -

An excellent sermon to-day by Ma'-Kiu on the Temptation in the Wilderness. the relation of that to Adam & the duty of resisting Satan.

(I have been numbering these ⁸⁹
pages wrongly - added 100 prefix-
ing a 1 that did not belong there,
will now revert)

S. School as usual; a good talk
by Dr. A. on subjects relating to
Mission work in India. The Pres-
byterians had a school there
started over 40 yrs. ago. Now
have but 2 native teachers
trained in it!

He also talked some time
on the matter of Divine Foreknowl-
edge & purpose in Creation & the
Plan of Salvation.

Monday - Oct 17 - 90

We called this P.M. on Mrs. MacKaffie, daughter of Mr. Seymour Counsel at Canton. She is a blooming & rather agreeable lady - her husband is Scotch. They ^{have} a bright little girl of about Anna's age.

I had another session with the dentist - the last. Mr. A. Jr. is down to have his teeth attended to - Miss Scott also came up from Tangier & Miss Dunwiddie will be down in a day or two; very attractive follows these dentists.

There is a rumor that the P.O. ^{"Bokhan"} S.S. "English Mail" may have been lost in last week's typhoon - but not certain yet.

Tuesday Oct 18th - 91

Boat "Peace" - Opposite Hup-soa?

This morning early Mrs. Urquhart sent me a note mentioning the fact that the "Bokhara" was lost at the Pescadore Islands. The "Thales",

whose route to Amoy is in that region picked up the survivors, who were taken to Hongkong on a gunboat that called here yesterday. On our way to the boat we stopped to ask about it.

The wreck must have been an awful one if her information is correct - none saved but those who were swept ashore by the wave that dashed the hapless ship in pieces. Formosa has been the place for storms to culminate this year. "October all over" is the last

line of a rhyme about the 92
typhoon months, but is not true
this year. I cannot get over
the appalling nature of this catas-
trophe; a large no. of the passengers
were Hong Kong Cricket players &
their friends just back from the
Interport match & its attendant fe-
stivities. Knowing what lives young
men lead out here in the Far
East, the thought of these young
fellows being thus hurled in-
to Eternity is terrible. Would
that it might sober those
who remain. but their sins
"take away the heart" & they seem
calloused to the most solemn
warnings.

I wrote a letter on the boat
coming over to Chas Yang. to John

Williams second son of the 93-
late Capt. W. The youngest boy
Garland has written me from
Chefoo twice & is anxious about
him wants me to reason with
him. Garland seems to be an
earnest believer. I also wrote to John
Cummings whose letter I rec'd
yesterday: poor fellow he had
staggered under a heavy blow.
only faith in God could have
brought him through.

The day has been a delightful
one to travel in. favoring wind
& tide has brought us well up the
river & the temperature is ideal.

I have been working late for
several nights so made up my
sleep after a late tiffin. Then
studied the First Psalm - read the
Chinest also Spurgens Comments.

have read some likewise in 94-
the Missionary Review.

Wednesday Oct. 19th.

This morning woke at Kung-Sai
& called upon our bro. A-Thong
had a chat with a neighbor of his
who has a shop in Swatow, a fellow
I met there 2 yrs ago. He needed
information on the political & religi-
ous distinctions to be made regarding
foreigners. They think we are sent
by our governments & confess all
foreigners. The circus in Swatow
got into trouble: a Malay em-
ploy stabbed a fellow who was
stealing a look through the en-
closure of mats about the seats &
a "big affair" has resulted: the
troupe will probably move on.

The English Consul has the 95
Case in hand: & as Mission-
aries also need to act through
the Consul they think we are
all in league & look with
suspicion upon us all.

10-20 P.M. Boat at Kang Sai
again - Went up the hill & then came back
again - went to see her & after all the
Macao's boat is in beyond this
place - but I have done some study-
ing & quite a deal of writing - have just
finished a letter I am going to send to
Dr. Robins.

Thursday - Oct. 20th - 10-45 A.M.

A man went up to Si-Be-Phon early &
by 7 o'clock the "Hope" moored along-
side. The men are looking well, faces
brown, & in good spirits. Yesterday they
had a good hearing at the Market.
Tang Sing did not get back till after

Supper.

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We read Acts VIII: 1-25 at wor-
ship which contained many cheering
truths. We were moored near
Kang-Pang ("East of the Stream") &
Kang-Sai ("West of the Stream")
& the village school teacher with a
lot of young folk came down onto
the boat while we were at wor-
ship. At the village we had
a crowd of men talked in 3 or

4 different places at once -
I stayed on the porch of the Ance-
stral Hall, talked a little & at the
last had the attention of an old
woman over 70 who listened &
truly seemed to accept the
truth. said it was "good indeed"
& after listening awhile wanted
to hear again "what to repent" &

said she would certainly re- 97
member & pray as I had told her.

The most cheering thing about her
was that she was first anxious
that I have a seat. She was herself
a cripple, a lame thigh so she could
not stand long. Then wanted to
go home & boil some soup to
give me. a sweet soup with drop-
ped eggs is the correct thing to
prepare for a luncheon when guests
come in. She said I had told

her these "good words" & she would
be glad to get me something to eat
as I must be hungry after stand-
ing. when a heathen shows gratitude
for the truth taught you cannot help
hoping that the truth has taken
hold. She talked to the other wom-
en about also saying how good
& how reasonable this doctrine is.
Just as I was going away I told

her that, if she worshiped this 98
Heavenly Father, that in heaven she
would have a straight strong
body that would never know pain,
which she thought was "good to her".
I promised faithfully to remember & pray.

Another woman who stood by asked
about the manner of worship & asked if
it was necessary to "wash hands & face
first" - It seems that it is considered
essential that they first wash par-
ticularly the hands, before worshipping the
gods.

3:30 P.M. I took a
nap after the morning's work & wrote
a letter to Dr. Robins. The one finished
last night was an article that
I thought he might get read at
the Seminary. I doubt if any paper
would publish it. I am sending
a man to Kuk Chick with mail
& a letter to Clara about having a
Bible Woman come here to follow
up to-day's preaching.

Kak Chih.
Oct. 23-1892.

Dear Father:

Many hearty thanks for your kind thought in giving me a share in John's typewriter. He looks forward to it with so much pleasure, I am very glad that he is to have it, for it will be a change & rest from the steady use of his pen in the great deal of writing he has to do. I also think I will enjoy the practice, & shall try some day to send you a letter on it. I have had some little practice on the organ, which I have no doubt will make it somewhat easier for me to learn.

No later word from John than his journal gives. I hope to hear from him tomorrow again as the mail is expected in, & I think he will send a boatman down for it, & will doubtless send some word along. He enjoys this evangelistic work most thoroughly, & it is the most satisfactory work one can do on the mission field - the monotony

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of life in the Compound after gets to be very tiresome, doubtless the heat of the summer, when this is felt, has much to do with it, as we are in such a great measure shut off from the work we came to do.

On Monday

Oct 26, Wed. - As Anna + I had just begun to eat our tiffin (dinner) the "boy" came in announcing "Sin ee lai lió" (The teacher has come). It was a great + pleasant surprise, a few moments later he came + stayed here till yesterday Tues 4 P.M. when he again took the He Dé Steam launch + I trust reached his boat on the other side of the Canal before it got to be dark. He wanted to see the dentist again before he left for Hongkong as a tooth was feeling uncomfortable. The dentist said it was the new Dredan tooth coming in crowding its neighbor which caused the discomfort. John was teased a little on the two "ta pos" (male members) of the family being troubled with leathring at the same time. Jay has been quite out of sorts for the last week with his teeth

& a Cold he has taken. For the last four nights he has been unusually restless & fretful. He is such a genuinely good natured boy, has been very little trouble to us, so we notice this little disorder here than we otherwise should.

John asked me to tell you that he had written John Williams & sent him the various booklets & pamphlets, telling about the life at Colby - Curriculum of study & expense of living there etc. If he thought favorably of sending Garland there to continue his education, he would advise his sending these things up to Chefoo to him, & have him look them over with his teachers, & if the boy wanted to go or thought well of it, for him to write you. John further told him that as Capt Williams had always been so kind & helped us out at various times, & also that Garland seemed to show a true Christian Spirit, he would

be glad to do this favor of writing
 you about him + helping him to get
 there, if they thought well to send
 him. He would not take this risk
 with every boy brought up here in the
 East, + would not ask his father to as-
 sume any further burdens for him in
 his old age, if the circumstances were
 not as they are.

We have been much
 interested in the youth + would be glad
 to see him placed where he would have
 helpful influences about to help him on-
 ward + upward. We have felt rather dis-
 tressed about this John. He has a good
 position as far as money goes - for a boy of his
 age, but his social life is not such as to
 help make a good, true man of him. We
 have tried repeatedly to show him our in-
 terest in him, + try to get him to come over here
 but he seems to be rather shy of us. We have
 made him a subject of prayer for some time past.
 The boys had an earnest praying Christian Mother,
 we will trust, pray that her prayers for them may be
 heard.

Lovingly your daughter Clara

Dear Grandpapa: I have been
 teasing mama for a long time to
 "write grandpapa" so mama help
 my pencil + I tell you I want to go
 big steamer + go far far away
 to waterville + see grandpapa +
 grandmama. ^{Frankie come}
 + play with my. ^(Frankie Arkmore) Brother Jay
 take cold = He send you kiss + 200
 does

Anna E Foster.

Dear Father,
 How far
 with the Watchman
 about that article
 on spiritualism?
 I would like to send it
 elsewhere if they do not
 want it - with love
 love John -

Oct 27 - Thurs A.M. - This must go
to the Post Office now. Last night we
had an unusually good meeting at an
Wed. we prayed & sang. After Mr Poole
opened with reading II Cor. 13 + some remarks,
Dr A. followed, then each of the ladies
they making up the rest of the matter. gave
some little of their experience from their
Country trips of new believers each one
spoke, Miss Scott just in from Tangou
told of a blind boy 20 yrs old, who
came to her daily to be taught, + seemed
deeply in earnest. Dr Scott of a young
woman + old couple she visited, who
were new worshippers - + I spoke of what
one of John's Colporters had told me
in the morning, of a bright boy 9 yrs
old, parents both heathen, but he for
the last 10 days coming daily to their
evening worship + evincing a true +
^{intelligent} interest in learning to pray + worship -
No later news from John - all
well here - Lovingly - Clara -

Friday - Oct. 21st - 9th

Yesterday afternoon, a Poan & Kim-
Kek both came complaining of being
unwell. The former went to Kuei-Sün
to get medicine & try the chapel for
a day or two. He has not been able

to sleep on the boat. To-day I decided

to let the boat go to Kuei-Sün & have
more bunks put in as they complain

of bad air sleeping on the bottom
of the boat. I hope the two above

mentioned may be in good
trim soon. Jong-Sün was sick

with a bad cold & disordered
stomach. Po-Heng & Tsing

Sing went with me 3½ miles
to Hap-soa hill which we climbed
& where in spite of wind & sun
we got a good view & a fairly
good map of the immediate
surroundings.

A man came up to watch us ¹⁰⁰
& from him we got many names
& distances. The view is beautiful
ranges of hills on either side. We can
see ^{some} way beyond Kwei Sui to the
No. West. & to Chao-Yang on the East, ^{about 17 miles}

both North & South the hills bound the
view. The whole plain is a
rich green with the rice crop. Occa-
sional patches of cane now about
three feet higher than the rice.

The river is very crooked. I got
quite a good outline of the course
now than half-way to Kwei Sui.

To show how incomplete is the
map we have (such as I sent home)
in a circle with Suai as its
center & Hsia Phing close to the cir-
cumference, we counted over 50 towns

Some of them with over 10,000
population: the radius was 7 miles.
(cf a circle of that radius about Haverhill.)

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We were out in the Sun from
a little after 10 a.m. till 1.30 P.M.
after a light lunch I walked back
arranged with the preachers about
refitting the boat & they set off with
favoring wind & tide to Kwei-Sui.
I thought it best to accede to their
request at once for several reasons.

We want the boats to be comfortable
for them so they will be content, &
can have a place to rest in that
accord with their ideas. Again,
with half of them disabled we can-
not do effective work & any way
to-morrow they would be scattering
to the chapeles for Sunday & gathering
on Monday so that day will be lost
in. By Monday night the work
should be done. Po-Hung
will meet me Sunday at
Toa-Thin.

I found myself very tired after
a late tiffin & must have slept
two hours.

Saturday Oct. 22nd.

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At Si-De-Phox. the old familiar mooring-place by the little stone bridge. I remained in the boat all the forenoon, studied P.V. & finished a letter to Edw. Lyford. After Mr. came up here I went up to the market to call upon a church member whose house is near by but she was away. It is not market day but quite a number were about & I had audience in three places with good listeners.

Our man of 30 or thereabouts evidently a bad opium smoker, really acted as if he wanted to know about the truth. I said "I will make a comparison" - was interrupted by some one & my attention called to something else, this man said "but you said you were going to make a comparison", what was it?"

His tone was so interested I thought ¹²³
he was anxious to catch me up, but
he listened intently & I cannot but
believe that the truth was acceptable
to him. He asked particularly how we
worship if it is necessary "to set
up an icon": a young man, a leper,
I saw in the crowd in two differ-
ent places. I wholly repudiate the
ideas ^{set forth} at Philadelphia last May,
that there is a "change of emphasis"
in mission work, so far as that
means consulting about the good
in human religions & putting
the elevation from present degrada-
tion before the promise of eternal
glory. What is a chart good
for if it does not show the way
into port? Of what use is a com-
pass that does not point to the
pole? I find that it is
preaching the eternal verities that
holds attention: They may say,
as a young man did to-day, "Do

you give money? - Death is the last 104
ques. if we caught money that's good
enough" - but after I reiterated
the former statements he grew more
serious. I find ^{useful} Dr. Ashmore's
suggestion to make an abrupt
break in one's talk occasionally
& throw out some assertion such
as, "After death, man can live again"
repeat it or perhaps ask if it
is true. This always elicits a
response, sometimes a challenge:
to-day a young man said - "Oh! how
do you know that?" Which gave
me a chance to give a condensed
account of our Saviour's life
death & resurrection, the proof
that man can rise, the promise
that all will rise: the Lord's right
& power to declare eternal truths
because he experienced both
life & death. Here is sometimes

a chance to make a strong ¹⁰⁵
point & avoid direct clashing with
Confucius. He once said in answer
to a question about the future, "Not
knowing all of life, how can I know
death?" We can at once put our
doctrines on a wholly different
plane from those of their sages,
what Confucius could not know,
Christ does know by virtue of his
uncreated existence with the Father
& his being the one "who birth &
was dead" & is "alive forevermore".

I have been reading the particulars of the
"Boikhan's" loss. This morning at 2 o'clock
I woke up & soon heard the passage
boat from Chao Yang come alongside
My messenger came aboard. I got
his package. Lighted my lamp read
Clara's letter & the China Mail before
going to bed again. Those young
men being called to their account
as they were seems terrible.

Sunday Oct. 23rd

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To-day I went to Tân Phôi & met
both Pö-Hung & Hing-Hung. We had
good services. tho' the church is
very small only a few old women
left. A lot of people crowded
in at the door & Pö-Hung address-
ed them very well: he told me
that he first heard the gospel
from an old sister at Chhieh Hian.

Lo-Hung spoke from Acts XVII. on
prayer & the faithfulness of Mark's
mother - Pö-Hung spoke from
Acts XVII Paul on Mars Hill.
He spoke on the beginning of
European Missions - the conversion
of Lydia - & the after history of
the Philippian church - first
an opened heart - then an
opened house - then a living
church.

I went out at noon I had 107
a good hearing from a host
of men & boys - We observed
the Lord's Supper at 1.30 P.M.

I was very tired after returning
to the boat. Slept till supper.
This evening I read the Golden
Rule report of the N.Y. Convention.
An inspiring occasion it must
have been. Monday - Oct. 24th -

Steam Launch Pó-lang - 11.40 A.M.

We made the Hsin Phing Bridge for
for sunrise. by 4.30 & were at the
mouth of the Canal where I
was through breakfast. I waded
ashore & walked about half the
way to the steamer landing - rode
the rest of the way.

On the boat I have been talking ¹⁰⁸
nearly all the time. Had some
good auditors. Your man who was
inclined to argue, was afterward
obliged to admit the reasonableness
of "the doctrine". I am now & never
convinced that the strength of our
position is in assertions, not finely
but firmly, the facts of Scripture,
the more narratives the better, for
that seldom leads to argument.
Tell them our "Holy Books" record
these facts & proofs others is little
pertinency - At the landing I met

John Williams. His camp his brother Gam-
land cannot go home to college as the
elder brother & sister are not willing to allow
him money enough. The mill allows £100-^{per}yr
but at Edinburgh it would cost \$1000-
I told him if the boy wanted to go to
the U. S. I would give him a letter to Father
& that he could get his education easily @ \$100-^{per} yr.

5.50 P.M. Tuesday Oct 25th 1892¹⁰⁹

Steam Launch Li-Chi - en route to
Chao Yang. - I have just been talking
to John Williams about his brother.

This morning I wrote him fully a-
bout the advantages at Waterville
& that in remembrance of the kind-
ness his father repeatedly showed
me I would be glad to do any-
thing I could to give the boy intro-
ductions that would help him.
He seemed quite favorably im-
pressed to the plan & said he should
write his brother at once.

His eldest brother & the sister think
£100 a year a great plenty & that
he has been in school long
enough. so are not willing to let him
have more. John says he would
be willing to let him have
£200 a year out of his earnings

but that would not be enough, 110
if he went to Edinburgh.

At Colby his £100, would be all
he ought to have - the will provides
for that until he is 22. 6 yrs hence,
before the property can be divided,
which it seems to me was a
wise provision on the Captain's
part, because, I presume, the bulk
of the estate is in real estate here
& in event of a war or any such
catastrophe it might be greatly
reduced in value if not swallow-
ed up; so that, if the property
had been divided first, his share
might be insufficient to give
him the education his father
wished.

I have had a pleasant run home
found Anna & Clara quite well
but little John has a cold

He can stand quite a bit by 111
himself - seems strong - they were
all glad to see me back -
I kept very busy on my books
writing & settling the month's
acct for the students' class as
I expect to be away sometime
after the end of the month.

Mission Boat again - 10 P.M.
We took a small boat at the
steamer wharf intending to go to the
East Gate & walk the rest of the way,
but then it was so late & only
moonlight we drove a bargainer
for the man to take us the whole
way out to our boat: it must
have been nearly 7 miles in route
in the skiff - quite ghoulish
going between the high city wall
on one side & the rows of ships
on the other bank with lights

flashing & flickering from the ¹¹²
shore & from the bridges of which
there are nine (9) - some very low
& dark. At the boat the steers-
man took "hand" over to beyond
the other, two, having left for a
trip to their own homes.

Wednesday, Oct. 26th.

The steersman & one hand had no trouble
in sailing up to the bridges last night.
at 6 a.m. I told the steersman
we would go under the bridge but
he said the tide was too swift & with
the wind was against us - I insisted
& took an oar myself - we came
through easily - but after the East - or
No. East wind came up we set sail
it was a hard tussle up the
Crooked stream, some of the rocks
being such that we were in the face

of the wind. I "stood at the 113
wheel" a part of the way, so have not
done much studying - wrote a little.
We found the boat a few miles be-
low Kiu-Sü. The five men are quite
well & the boat is improved by the repairs.

We ran by a large village of 10 or
15 thousand in habitants called Chhin
Ching. A crowd gathered about
when we came up & the men had
an audience: one man came aboard &
I talked to him some time: he also
came to worship. We had a good
meeting after supper read Psalm II.

Thursday - Oct 27.

We have preached to small crowds
& larger crowds to-day - some listened
with interest more from curiosity -
but the gospel has been preached -
We believe the seed will yet spring
up. It is very tiring work.

Friday Oct. 28th - 114

Our last audience last evening was interrupted by a vociferous party whose younger brother had some sort of chronic gastralgia. He wanted to know if he prayed to our God if his brother would get well. Said the whole family would worship if he were healed.

The preacher told him that was a "test" our God was not to be tested in that way: it would be well for him to pray if he had faith, but God sometimes used these things to teach men their spiritual needs & the soul's disease was a far worse thing than bodily troubles. His only idea was, "If he gets well so as to work that is what I want. That is enough."

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This forenoon we went to a neighboring village that had audiences in three places. I spoke several times & the people seemed to understand me. An best chance was in a house: a friend of Po' Heng, who is an expert in detecting spurious coins is here teaching a no. of young men the art, a most necessary branch of knowledge here where dollars of all kinds are in circulation, with counterfeits, filled-dollars & all sorts of such coin among them. He is quite inclined toward the truth; he this young man listened well. Po' Heng went back on our way to the boat after books he had left & found them all reading. A large crowd passed on to listen while we were there. Po' Heng says he is quite impressed with the fact that so many of the coins have the date of the Christian Era upon them, it must be a fact of importance that Jesus was born.

This P.M. at Ai-Kang had ¹¹⁶
a son of Belial to scoff for a while
but he quieted down & we had some
good listeners. There is one Christian
family there. We had a pleasant
meeting for worship to-night studying
Ps. IV. I have talked with the men
of our plan to have a class at
Kui-Sü in January of men from
the stations in Chao-Yang & Pu-
bing Districts who can come for
a time to study. They are
going to the Chapel to-morrow &
will present this matter to the
Brethren. Our boats are now moved
for the night, or rather anchored, as
we push out from the shore. The
men are singing "Hamburg" & it
sounds very pleasant in this region,
after all the sights & sounds of
Lutheranism that greet us through the day.

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Saturday - Oct. 29th

A - Thus the colporteurs came in from Swatow & brought a very nice living note from Clara: she reports all well at the Compound. Anna insisted Wednesday morning that I was at home. said "Papa in Study. Go Kiss Papa good-morning - John's Cold was a little better. This morning

We have sailed down to Si Bi-Phou - stopped at Kang-Sai - find that it was not convenient for the Bible Woman to stop at A-Thong's house so she remained over two nights only & went back. She preaches scatter again for

Sunday - Pang-Sing to Kau-Kam, Kim-Kek to Kui-Su. A-Toan to Toa Phou - Long Sun to Hie-Sua-Shan: Pó-Heng to Chhiak Lián - I had a long talk with him on the style matter of preaching to the heathen.