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Sunday Feb 25th 1894-

This morning's service was quite unique in my Chinese experience; it was all arranged with a view to raising money for the new chapel.

Ling Heng read Matt: 18:19-20 & two led in prayer. After another hymn the weekly collection was taken & prayer offered by another brother. Then Gek-Lang expounded Matt 6:20-21. & Chin Dia spoke of Khenmah's work. After two verses of "I am so glad that one Father in Heaven tells of his love in the Book He has given" were sung, I spoke from Haggai II:8-9. There was a large attendance & good attention. Then they took up the Subscription & 47 in the main room & 19 in the women's room & 19 in the ^{sum} of 50. & the smallest five cents. The whole amounted to \$303.45 & 90 days labor - reckoned at 9.

They have \$150- on hand & a loan ²
who was not present can be relied
upon for 15 or 20 more - I advised
them to get enough more pledged in
labor to make up a round \$500-
as that would be a far more effective
sum to report if they are going to Kuk-
Chick to try raise more - They easily
obtained pledges for 220 more days -
which at a very low rate will make
it up to fully \$500- Between 10 &
20 dollars more pledged by those who
have commenced attending worship
within two months -

Before Communion they chose one
to keep the accounts, another to
handle the funds & a building
Committee of six including the
latter - The question of location
came up & developed a difference
of opinion, but was waived.

I went out to look at the
places & am convinced that the
one which seemed to please the ma-
jority is too far away and
not at all suitable.

Since then it has been found that
the price is so high that the
other can be bought & filled for
less than this would cost.

This evening another man appeared.
He had been coming to evening
worship it seems but was op-
posed by his wife; he said he
must finish up some of the
leather performances at the end
of the year & then he would begin
in earnest. Now he says he will
continue. — I am sorry to hear
that our captives last year has
not been doing as well of late.
I hear that an old sister at
Ton Pho is in distress; one of

her sons she let go into the family of a man in Peking - says she did not sell him, only let the man adopt him, because she could not get him a wife - The boy was beaten by one of the King family so that he died - His adopted mother realized over \$3000. from the King family by prosecuting them -

His own mother, who not only bore him but also reared him till he was 20 - thought this rather hard & applied for a share of the money - she was offered four dollars but was not satisfied; now she proposes to make a "case" of it & see what she can get at law -

Boat "Grace"

Monday - Feb 26th - 4.18.74

The above mentioned sister called to ask advice but I did not feel called upon to advise, only that she be careful & trust in the Lord for guidance -

5-05 P.M. We just met with the 5
proachers boat & I have been exchanging
notes with the bin on board.

This morning we had a good visit
at Dang Pôa Pi. Several audiences - &
a cordial reception from the family of
the man who contemplated suicide.
His wife showed us a room she can
secure if someone can go there to
teach them. After we reached the
house boat I had one of the best chances
to talk with individuals that I have
~~ever~~ met - Nâ Peh was present &
assisted not a little - The old man
seems quite settled in his convic-
tions now. I sincerely trust he may
grow spiritually - 9 P.M. at Hui Sui.

We had a good meeting at the Chapel -
sang - "Nothing but the blood of Jesus" - "Must
Jesus bear the cross alone?" & "When he
Cometh". I told them of the service

at Khon Khai yesterday morning they 6
were greatly cheered. A-Poan said that
he had decided to give \$20. (4 mos.
Salary) which brings it up to a little
above \$500.

The poor fellow who was so badly
off last month has been suffering
from mental derangement ever since
he came out & spoke very quietly, said he
recognized my voice, but after sitting
still a little while he began to mutter
& grow excited: a Phang told him to keep
quiet & he obeyed, shortly went back to his
bed. I hope he can go to Kak-Chieh
for a little time.

The man A-Hak-
Lain, who thought of committing suicide
last Friday, was present: I think
he will go to Kak-Chieh to break off
opium.

Two of the boatmen went up to Chapel
& they are all discussing the subject
of worship on the other side of the
partition at my right -
The truth is an just back say that
the four men will go to the hospital -

Tuesday. Feb. 27th - 7

To-day I went to Sister Suan-tham & Loh-tay found the brick visitors at home so we could consider the chapel question; after much waiting our family offered the use of a room in which to store the timbers tiles & other material that can be saved from the old chapel, whose walls are so poor we do not dare risk them another wet season. The same family also offer the use of their new house for Sunday worship; at a village near by, where a Hal, our quondam cook lives. he has a fine new house & is ready to have it used as a chapel on Sundays, which is cheering. They have money enough on hand to pay the estimated cost of dismantling the old house & think next year they can raise up & build.

Coming back here I found several waiting for me to ask help in keeping Dr. Kim KOK here - after much exhortation they doubled their small subscription & our promise to lay by a title so I agreed to help - 1st time

9:10 P.M. Wednesday Feb. 28th - 8

Below Hua Pheng Bridge - waiting
for the tide to turn & wind to lull.

The boatmen rowed from a little
before midnight till after daylight
& set out again after 10 A.M. I called

to see, an old bro. at "E-Kin (Hoon
Bridge)" whose name stand fifth
on our church record. He was bap-
tized years ago in Hong Kong - was
once a preacher. He is suffering

from a bad cough & apparently has
Asthma. I enjoyed my call & had
a fairly good opportunity to talk
with the people that came in.

They listened quite well a part of the
time but later more so satisfactory.

Still I feel sure some of the seed will
spring up - it is a large village of several thousand
S.S. inhabitants. I have worked on the
S.S. lessons in here for next morning
the paper to - dry road - had a very pleas-
ant day. The East wind is dead a head -
but we start soon hope to get through by daylight.

Thursday - Mich 7th -

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Home again. Clara seems much better. Jay has had a cold & Helen has suffered from vaccination & teething.

I had a quick trip home on the launch to-day. We reached Chaoyang early.

The deranged man & the man who hopes to break off opium came over on the same launch. I took them up to the hospital & left them with injunctions to look after the former, but they let him get out & do not know where he is.

I have given considerable time to considering the Khon-Khai case - They have raised their ideas & think they will need at least a thousand dollars - Dr. & Mr. A have subscribed \$200 - I agreed to be come responsible for \$140 - if they would make over the old chapel to us as mission property.

Friday Mch 24th -

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Numerous duties to-day & many small vexations - The deranged man is not back yet - was over in Suan Phou yesterday & tried to destroy some ancestral tablets - A Phang went after him & I hope may find him.

The patient who loathes give up opium is comfortable but worrying about "how it will be to-morrow."

I urged him to let the morrow come for the triumph of itself -

I asked the blind boy to recite a hymn while at the hospital visiting after supper & he gave "Come thou faint of every blessing" & "Come Holy Spirit" - It evidently produced an effect on the opium patient & the father of the deranged man, to see a blind man, who would ordinarily be a fortune teller, able to speak thus -

The Khoi Khai bin has secured over \$500 - in money & the promise of other gifts & loans that will make it possible to go ahead -

Saturday Mch 3rd - 11

The wandering man was found some
6 miles from here; he had wandered
about & had tried to destroy sundry
idols - A Phang brought him back
he has been quit since - Dr. Scott
thinks his case not very hopeful -
I went to Swatow this P.M. - it has
been warm enough for April to-day -
Mr. Simpson offered me a seat in his
gig coming across; he says that as
much as \$7,000,000 of silver comes back
to this region annually from emigrants
to the Straits, Siam & other places -

Sunday Mch 4th -

We all were at church in the fore-
noon, excepting Helen who is having
a hard time with teething -
The patients are getting on fairly
well -

Monday Mch 5th - '12

Rainy - Helen is better a little to-day - the new tooth is through now hope she will be all right in a few days - We have had numerous callers on business during the day - I hoped to get off a lot of mail but fear it will not reach the "China" as the steamer appears not to have left.

Tuesday Mch 6th

A little packing has been done Clara has overseen it & the servants done much of the work. I have been obliged to give not a little time to preparing to close up my books to the end of March. I am also working everyday on the S.S. paper for the next 3 mos.

Kelem is much better to-day. has
 eaten heartily - Jay & Anua keep well-
 & get on quite comfortably consid-
 ering that they are kept in the
 house by reason of rainy weather
 They play nicely together, excepting
 when both get too anxious for the
 same thing. They personate various
 people & play doctor, using generally
 names of people they know in the Port.
 "Mr. Simpson" is Anua's favorite name
 for Jay - S. is the Commissioner of Customs -
 When Jay goes to bed he gets "deere"
 & "Topsy", & the white monkey & "Jocks",
 the stuffed calico one, which amuse him
 for a time. We proposed giving the last
 named to Mack Bailey, told him
 he had the white Jocks, but he whimper-
 ed - "Want mon Jocks!" - It was an
 interesting sight as he stood them all up
 against the rail of his bamboo bed-
 stead & then sat down in the corner
 leaned back with his arm on the rail &
 contemplated them -

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I went to the hospital before supper & found
the deranged man better & the opium
patient getting on well - I had a talk
with the blind boy & with the father
of the deranged man. He has evidently
been a hard case, but he seems to be
really touched by the truth & feel not
a little hope he may be brought to a
knowledge of the truth -

9-30 P.M. Wednesday March 7th -

Back from prayer-meeting at Dr. A's
I led reading fr. Luke 4th our Lord's
word at Nazareth - lesson the
loss of unbelief; the gain of faith -

The unbelieving in the days of
Elijah & Elisha profited not by their
divine gifts, so the Samaritans by their
unbelief did not gain the blessing
Christ showed everywhere -
Dr. A. spoke of the wonderful con-
trasts presented in that meeting,

the rejection of Jesus by his 15
townspeople this repudiation of
them. Several spoke of encourag-
ing incidents in the Country -
Lung Hing ~~idea~~. Laps came in to-
night they had burnt Chao-
Yang trying to settle Gek Hing's
Case by arbitration. The land for
the Chapel is bought & they are
to buy building material at once.
The Deacon has said that when
the new chapel is built he will
give of his spare time in staying
there to talk with any who come
in as to spread the gospel.

Go-day Mr. Brod to the
Baileys set out for Ka Yin. I
packed our box & prepared another
for our trip in plan next month -
& prepared S. S. lesson notes for the
last Sundays in June.
Thursday March 8th
I was obliged to go down & at-
tend to the shipping of a lot of

Tight for Mr. Campbell - ¹⁶
rain came on after we began
to move them but by care they
were kept quite dry -

I spent considerable time in
packing a box - the most troublesome
of any we shall have -
I finished dictating matter for the
S.S. paper - in the P.M.

Friday - March 9th,

Now packing - box labor, writing
minutes to the reading of final
copy of paper -

The Partridge are back -
I have been indoors all
day so have not seen them.
I am glad they are here as I
am anxious to have it settled
who will succeed me as treasurer,
I have been doing my work -
They take them with us to morrow -

Saturday March 10th - 17

Rainy & chilly - I have remained in the house all day. We enjoyed having the Partridges here at noon. They seem quite well, but are not very enthusiastic about the state of the work in Ho-Shing. The Chinese character does not bear scrutiny & the life one leads among them shows up the weak points in their social Economy. I am thankful that I had experience with Irish iron-mongers at home before coming out here; this people are like them in many respects. I am more able to judge them far more correctly, understand their character & make due allowance for them far more justly than I could have done without such experience. Their possibilities are the best thing about the Chinese -

Sunday - March 11th - 18

I stayed in the house, saw an
Lion before noon when I walked
over to the hospital & out with
Clara & the children - The sun had
shined the first time since Wednes-
day, but it is still raw & chilly -

I have read a little & thought
somewhat upon a sermon for Eng-
lish Chapel next Sunday, where I
may preach -

The children are all quite well -
Helen much better - Clara is
better than last mo. but not her-
self - Our cook's wife is dan-
gerously ill - Monday Mich 12th

A child was born last night &
the woman is quiet - Dr. Scott
does not know what will be the re-
sult, but hopes she may recover -
It would be a terribly hard blow to

Tues. Mar 13.

Dear Father & Mother:

John is getting the last words written to some letter on his typewriter, & I will while waiting add a few lines to the journal.

I want to thank you for those articles sent by Dr. Swinney, they came all right about 2 wks ago. The pink outing flannel has made up prettily into a blouse suit for Jay. You probably will see him in it before many more months if all goes well.

I had my last class with the Woman's Class, for an hour this A.M. I have not been able to go down to them since my break down the last of Jan. I wanted much to have them again at least once here before leaving. So asked Miss Scott to give me the last morning hour. It had tired me, but I did enjoy teaching them again. There were 8 present, some new & very stupid women have come in since I had them.

² We have our hands very full
from day to day, trying to get ready
& we have to watch ourselves constantly
not to overdo.

The tailor is busy sewing for us, the
children's blue flannel traveling
suits are cut ready for him to
begin at tomorrow. The last week
he has been making up little
blouse suits for Jay.

Both chicks are here teasing
"dinner is ready, come" so we
must go.

With much love - Trusting
for a near "wiedersehen"

Lovingly, your daughter
Clara H. Foster,

the family of 6 or 7 little chil - 19
down if the mother should be taken.

This is their 11th child - several have
died -

The deranged man is quite
himself most of the time. Dr. S. feels
quite hopeful about him, also a-
bout the opium patient -

Tuesday - March 13 -

I was at the hospital this
A.M. - heard them singing
"There is a Happy Land" - Upon
I reached the building - the opium
patient, the blind boy, the father of
the deranged man seemed to be under
the tutelage of the hospital janitors -

They were highly pleased over the
visit of the father of the opium pa-
tient, who is one of the "solid men"
of his town & has been a most devout
isolate. but he seems greatly pleased
to have his son & grandson here & says
he wants to learn the truth himself -
It would be an influential addition

Wednesday - March 14th - 20

Very "seedy," as the English say
for "under the weather" - did a little
writing & looking after the prepara-
tions -

Thursday - Mich 15th -

In bed - Dr. Scott - Examined me with
stethoscope & found my bronchial
tubes badly stopped up - Took
5 or 6 kind of medicine & was
sandwiched between two thick
rice poultices & had also 2 hot
water bags a part of the time -

Friday Mich 16th -

Much the same as day before but
a little better -

Saturday - Mich 17th -

Able to sit up in bed & write on
typewriter - sat up & read in the
evening -

Sunday Mich 18th -

Worse again - unable to sit up or

talk without pain in left side.

In the P.M. Mr. Kemp called also Mr. Roberts of the Customs Staff. We had a long talk on the subject of personal religion starting from that of Spiritualism, which R. had examined into at San Francisco to settle the question of a spiritual existence. The conclusion he came to was that there are spirits who communicate with persons in this life, but they are of a low sensual type.

Monday Mch 19th -

Lay on lounge in study a part of the time - made out a check or two & had some calls on Mission business -

The lassitude that accompanies the Grip is terrible. ^{Edra. Sah called for Khon Khon to get some money on chapel.}

Tuesday Mch 20th

Much the same as Monday. Progress slow -

Wednesday Mch 21st

Able to do a little treasury work

Thursday Mch 22nd

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No especial occurrence recalled.

(Good) Friday Mch 23rd

Mr Roberts called & inquired for a Bible -
Able to attend to business a part of the
day - my native helpers began coming in -

Saturday - Mch 24th

More calls from native helpers - obliged to
be very careful not to do too much
talking - Sunday - Mch 25th

Indoors most all day - Mrs Roberts &
Mr. Milchling come in & had afternoon tea
with us, Mr. Broodt also.

Monday Mch 26th

There have been very hard days for
Clara, all the household & sewing &
preparations for going away, & at
the same time the children have been
coughing badly - the A-mah too
caught the distemper & the cook

quite useless. first by reason of the con-23
finement & severe illness of his wife &
then by his own severe attacks of the
Grip -

Tuesday Mich 27th -

Mr. Brodt bro't down the accounts
& receipts from the Hak. Ka-Mission &
I could go on with settling up the half-
year's business

I did not attend any meetings but
took reports from my men.

Wednesday - Mich 28th

My preacher an in a good frame of
mind & are seemingly hearty in
their wishes for our speedy return.

The main work attempted during
the week was a thorough overhauling
of the Church Roll.

Thursday Mich 29th -

Rec'd Dr. Carhies a very pleasant
letter appointing of services as Treasurer -

Friday March 30th - 24

Mr. & Mrs. John S. Paine & daughter
came in the morning - I saw him at
the P.M. meetings - had a talk about
the diaz work in Cuba -

We had a sad duty at the 4 P.M.
meeting in considering the case of
old Elder A-Khong who has been
indiscret - the bin was harsh in their
action & excluded the poor old man -

Then Dr. A. spoke of the need of more
Elders & proposed the name of one man.
I also spoke of the same & Ling Heng
proposed A-Poan - the latter was
well rec'd, but the former did
not seem to suit everybody so it
resulted in neither being chosen -

Saturday - March 31st

Business meeting in the P.M. - which
I attended - My native helpers
came for a final word & to

one embarrassment brought a ²⁵
collection of plates & cups, very pretty
ones, & some oranges as a parting
gift. I accepted the latter to
take to friends at home.

Sunday. April 1st.

I did not attend morning service
but took part in the Communion
Service. Spoke on the words
"Ye ^{do} show ~~show~~ ~~forth~~ the Lord's
death till he ^{is} come."

We had a meeting at Mr. Ash-
mun Jr.'s in the evening. Dr. A.
spoke at length. Mr. Paine spoke
of his satisfaction in seeing our work &
also mentioned his own meetings on
Sat's forenoon for children in Cam-
bridge. He wished to come with
us on the "Empress" but Miss P. has
our friends going per "Oceanic".

Monday April 2nd

Very busy closing up my books
finishing up reports. Still much to be
done.

Tuesday April 3rd -

A discouraging day at noon time. I had
a relapse caused by the heavy dampness.
Saty was flat on my back, feverish
& quite useless. There were two boxes
to pack & Ji-tou came in to say
that all his men would go home
the next day on account of the feast of
Cheng-Ming. Later his men
came up with our case made to
hold the Chinese models he had
made & we found space for a lot of
papers in the case. I got another
case from Dr. Conslaud: many
came in to help us - the young ladies to

help Clara pack - & Dr. Partridge marked
all the cases -

Wednesday April 4th -

Everybody gave us a helping hand -

Mrs. Ashmun jr. took Anna Jay
for the day - Mr. A. jr. packed a
large case, containing my typewriter
Cabinet & a variety of other articles.

Dr. P. also assisted in this & other
things - Miss Scott & Miss Durwiddie
helped in packing & in making lists
of articles we sent to their house -

We sent up enough to furnish our
room & some other articles - Miss
S. also helped me by making the
extra copy of my reports to be left
in the archives - Had it not been for
this kind help we could never have
been ready to leave Thursday - & the Dr.
thought we ought to get away as
soon as possible.

Thursday April 5th -

Wready & at work an hour before breakfast. Our good colleagues again came to the rescue & we got nearly ready by 7 o'clock - when we went to Dr. Scott's for our last meal in the Compound. I was interrupted by several letters regarding freight tickets, & insurance. but enjoyed my meal. Word came that we must be on board "not later than three o'clock" which hurried us very much at the last & led to forgetting several things - The ship did not start till after four -

There was quite a procession to follow us to the boat. Our good old A. Mah, who had the "Grip" so badly the last weeks could not go far so she kissed the children & hugged us

good bys going down the hill. She
cried, poor soul, & I think she was
really very sorry to give up the
children, of whom she seemed really
fond, as well as to lose a good
position.

There was considerable luggage
in the boat & several Chinese going
out so only Miss Duvillard
went to the steamer: she had al-
ways felt more like one of our
family having lived in our house
before theirs was finished.

It was a boon to us that Mrs.
Carline's A-mah came down from
Ng-ting nearly a week before we start-
ed & could get the children routed to
her before going on ship board.

When I came to Hong Kong the
first man I spoke with after landing
was Capt. Goddard then on the Samoa

I took the "Haitan" to Swatow, 30.
So it was appropriate that we take
the same ship, now Capt Goddard's,
to return - We went on deck & watch-
ed our home fade out of sight.

Clara did not come to dinner, but
eat quite heartily in her cabin.

Friday April 6th -

A very busy day in Hong Kong get-
ting freight & baggage transferred
to the "Empress of China", all but what
we needed for daily use. Clara & the
children stayed at the Victoria Hotel -
which is convenient to the pier, but not
a quiet or first class hotelery -
at 5-30 we took the S.S. "Fatshan".

for Canton, had a fine large cabin
The Aornah, who was with Mrs. Carlin
some years came with us from
Swatow & is excellent help - very willing
& the children got on well - they became
wonted to her before we started.

Saturday April 7th

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Mr. & Mrs. Simmons gave us a cordial welcome & we enjoyed our visit. I had opportunity to talk on Mission matters with Mr. S. The only unpleasant feature was the cold & damp weather which brought on a relapse of the "Grip" -

Sunday April 8th -

I stayed at home in the A.M. & then went into the city to service - I attended the S. School. met Prof. & Mrs. Green (formerly he had the chair of Latin in Wake Forest Coll.) is a fine man -

Monday April 9th -

We took tiffin at the Greens: they have a delightful home; five children with them & the older ones show that they were not reared in the East by their mothers to take hold of work in the house - I had full satisfactory talks with Bro. Simmons & Yarnes about the need of a building for our Bah-

tist work in Hong Kong - They are a 32
gned that it is the thing to be done &
say Dr. Gauss wants it too -

We had put all our luggage on the
"Pai-Du", a small steamer, but by a
misunderstanding they did not
expect us & sailed a trifle ahead of
time. So we paddled away for the
"Porwan" & happily secured a cabin -
All the rest was taken: a large
party of English travellers, some with
titles were on board -

Tuesday April 10th

at the Windsor Hotel a busy day -
Clara was able to make some calls -
I saw Dr. Ashmun who was thrown
from a ricksha Sunday night & ter-
ribly bruised - a very narrow escape -

Wednesday - April 12th -

Two delegations of Chinese - one of
women & one of boys, to make a fare-
well call - They were very pleasant.

I was surprised at this & the attitude of³³
many other of the Chinese. Because I
have always taken an independent course
with them & often gone against the grain,
not tried to be a favorite.

We were at the ship by noon &
found our cabin. We sat next the
Ammis at table.

Foggy in P.M. but we made very
good time. The ship is magnifi-
cent. Thursday April 12th.

Clearer, but some fog. They gave
a small stateroom a cabin further aft
an exultation for them. The
ship moved almost on an even
keel all day. The table is
excellent & we are able to enjoy 3
meals daily, a pleasant surprise
to Clara. The children eat an hour
earlier than the others & the Nurse
eats with them. I had a long &

unexpectedly interesting talk with ³⁴
a New York lady Mrs. Post, who came up
with her daughter Mrs. Brown wife
of the China Japan Ag't of the Canadian
Pacific Rwy Co. She asked questions a-
bout Mission work that gave opportunity
to speak quite fully of many things -
She is an Episcopalian, but a very
reasonable one. I asked her if she
could see any printed accounts of
our work she said she would be
pleased to do so & I gave her some
of Clowds, an Annual Report, In the
morning of Chin. P. O. & 2 on University
Extension.

Friday - Apr. 13th -

a fine run - no sea. little fog of a
time - we anchored off Noosung
by 9-30 P. M. - We found that
the coast pilot who sat near us
at table is a Maine man -

& the 5th officer Mr. Lecky a brother ³⁵
of Miss Helen Lecky of the E.P. Mission
who used to be at Swatow. He was for-
merly on the Travaddy Steam a
great many of our missionaries -
Saty April 14th -

At Shanghai - Clara went up in
the tender at 9 A.M. & stayed for the
day. Had a fine visit - Mr. & Mrs.
Hughes formerly of Swatow met her at
the pier & took her about to tiffin.
would have taken her out to the race
course to see a military parade
but she had agreed to meet Mr.
& Mrs. Tatum (Mrs. T. was Miss Flagg
a name girl) - I stayed onboard
with the children & had a good day.
They have all kept well & during
the trip elicited an unexpected amount
of praise for their good be-
havior. Helen seemed to take with very our

Sunday April 15th -

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Service in the Saloon at 10.30 A.M. led by the Capt. who read the English Service & did it very well - The doctor read the Scripture lessons in a somewhat pompous manner; the singing was quite good but the playing by a dissolute young Naval officer was not exactly inspiring - In the evening a Rev. Mr. Jackson (Am. Presbyt.), who is crossing by European steamer - preached; he is a fine fellow, but his sermon was rambling -

Monday April 16th -

I went ashore & enjoyed visiting at Nagasaki - Rev. Mr. Johnson's family - They came out on the "Belgic" with us - Clara & the children also went ashore in the P.M. I tried the experiment of Japanese Massage treatment at Mr. J's - & think it did me some good - Returning to the ship we called

at the "Rio", also lying in the harbor³⁷
to see Von Zualen, also a "Belgie" man,
who is going home.

Tuesday April 17th

Passing through the Inland Sea,
a beautiful sea it is with high,
abrupt volcanic islands. Mountain-
ous shores in the distance & many
other features of great interest.

Not a slight one was the placid
surface that the great ship passed
over without the least rolling or
pitching.

Wednesday April 18th

At Koto - Dr. & Mrs. Phees, Brin
McCullon & Stand of the Southern
Board came off to see us & we
had a pleasant chat. There has
been a discussion of Missionaries,
their ways of living &c in the Koto
Islands beginning with what Dr. S.

Mahie & Duncan said in N.Y. 38
Miss Brown Ashmore's daughter
her husband, Mr. & Mrs. Curtis, came
on board. C. is editor of a paper.

Thursday April 19th -

A little rolling going up the East
Coast to Yokohama but not much.

We reached the port ^{a little before} at noon - we
eat lunch on board & just as we
were starting to go ashore. John Dearing
came aboard: we went ashore
with him & spent some time in
sunning up the A-Mah's friend
& inquiring about her passage to
Hong Kong - We enjoyed a visit at
Dearing's & Mr. Bennett's - at the
latter place met Mrs. Hancock from
Burmah & Miss Bond from Adam.
The latter used to live at New Britain - her
father was 13 yrs. pastor there -
We got on board ship by about 1 P.M.

Friday Apr 20th 39

I left the ship with the Arnah
at about 7 A.M. & would have
seen her off on the German Mail

S.S. that left at 9 A.M. & paid
\$25 = Mex. for a 2nd Class passage,

but her friend was anxious for her
to stay & go on the "City of Sidney" - & I

paid her \$15. for Steerage - & \$2 - to
fee the cook - offered her a dollar
extra but she refused it & said

she grieved already that we were
obliged to go to so much expense
for her. I went to D.S. again &

visited Miss Conner's School. Saw
the interesting morning exercises &

made a few remarks to the scholars.

Mr. Mason of Ussau also spoke -

I had a pleasant chat with him.

I enjoyed a short visit with Hambley.

We left at about noon - ship called after
we left the harbor.

Saturday Apr 21st 40

A hard day - Clara stood the rolling very well till afternoon, but succumbed & had a hard time. Jay & Helen were bad with their bowel complaint & I had a lively time of it - By night the motion, sights, odors & strain of lifting the children so much was too much for me also. but I rallied & we got the children in bed all safely. Clara tried some times to keep about but it was better to give up.

Sunday - Apr 22nd -

Looking after the children &c. Kept me busy till after 9 o'clock. I dressed & was going up to the last part of service, when Dr. Perin, the Universalist Missionary from Jahan sent for me & called on him. They were worse off than we as he himself - wife & 4 mos. old baby, girl age of Jay & daughter of 15 (?) were all on their backs.

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By night things were settled so
I got up to evening service. Mr.
Swann Ch. of England, gave an ex-
cellent talk on Gen. XVII:1 - He is
a man of splendid physique &
fine spirit -

Monday April 23rd

Clara still unable to get about,
but I was able to attend to the
babies - She could sit up in bed &
toward the end of the day could be
up a little. It is cold - 38° on deck.
Happily we have a cabin (English for
state room) on the Port side, to the
South; the prevailing winds are N.W.
so we are much warmer than
on the other side -

Heleen was up on deck with her
mother & the other children, and
Mrs. Campbell, a kind fellow pas-
senger took her up for a while -
She seemed to catch cold & get
quite a chill.

Tuesday April 24th 1892

Helen cried till after midnight.
Clara finally succeeded in getting
her to sleep by using hot applications.
The ship rolled frightfully during
the night & gave several lurches that
sent things flying about - a lot
of books & a box of dominos
slid off a shelf above my head &
came down within a few inches of
my head. They were trying the
engines at full speed I hear -

Clara was able to get up to
the dining saloon again. The
Stewardess is very kind; we are
not obliged to call upon her very
often. Jay has been troubled with
diarrhea since we left Kobe, but is
improving. I do not go on deck
much as the air is very chill &
I find it very difficult to
keep from catching cold that
brings on the "Grip" symptoms - I
had fever in the P.M.

Wednesday April 25th -

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1743 miles from Yokohama
up to noon - $\begin{array}{r} 343 \quad 36 \\ 311 \quad 363 \\ \hline 360 \quad 363 \end{array}$ miles

Last night Jay coughed badly,
Kept throwing off his bed-
clothing - Clara had a hard
night looking after him -
He has been better to-day & the
baby has been the invalid still
we have gotten on comfortably &
have written up this journal to
date, it was a week behind.
After I went to bed last month
I did not write any till on this
trip on the "Empress of China".

I am now sitting in the Saloon
Rev. Mr. Campbell, a fine
man - Canadian Pres. located
in India - has been writing on my
"New York" - now he has stopped
to listen to a duet, Miss Swann,
sister of our Clergyman, is play-
ing the piano & Mr. Tilly, Acc +

Parker - who plays very prettily. ⁴⁴

The officers all dress in uniform
at dinner come out in low cut
vest gleaming shirt front - &
funny little bobtail - or no-tail
jackets - with brass buttons on
the blue - a Mrs. Smith of Sago

saki is singing a very sweet
cradle song - I had a talk
with Mr. Lucky after dinner.

Her says it is impossible to
live a Christian life on these
boats - I can readily understand

There are three men near me at ta-
ble, who talk, when they are not
making flings at missionaries
& religion. it is either roulette,
poker, food, drink or kindred
themes - their god is their

belly & their glory is in their
shame, most truly - nearly all
the passengers drink - & offi-
cers to be popular must
loll-noll with this class of men

& the hail fellow will meet - ²⁴⁵Lecky -
says he shall resign.

(We have had another duet & a
beautiful song by a young lady
who was at our Bible study this
A.M.) We have a little meeting

at 10-30 - We studied Gen. 11
sq. - vs. 1-11 - It was my
turn to lead to-day - beginning at
vs. 10 - We had a rather good

Conference - a young man ap-
parently German, evidently not
much given to religious think-
ing was in & gave us a little

brushing up on evidential lines -
Mr. & Mrs. Campbell, Miss Young,
Miss Dr. White, Miss Kimbham,
Mrs. McCarthy, Miss Brandon,
Mr. Jackson & Miss Allen (inter-
mediate passengers) & a Miss Phil-
lips are our regular attendants. Mr. Sewell

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This morning at breakfast I had a talk with Mr. Yokoi, pastor of a large Japanese church & editor of two periodical publications, a weekly paper & a monthly Ikkin, a sort of Andover Review. He asked many questions about the opium. I asked him a little about Mr. Knapp; he thinks K. did go to Japan to buy opium - tho' he may not have a shop in London. I shall ask more particularly about K's work later.

We have an easterly wind, train - not much sea & we are ploughing along grandly. There was a "selling - lottery" on the run, from yesterday noon till 12 m. to-day held in the smoking room last evening - "ladies admitted" -

Thursday Apr 26th 1877

M^r had a bad afternoon yesterday; she pitched heavily & we were sick again. To-day all is better - but the baby is very troublesome on account of her cold & bowel difficulty. Clara succumbed again this P.M.

At breakfast I asked Mr. Yokoi about Rev. Arthur May Knapp's work. He did not give a high estimate: he considers that the Japanese sized up that gentleman from the first & did not regard him as a great man with a great mission.

Mr. Y. remarked "Had Channing come at that time, he might have led a great movement." At present he thinks some disaffected Buddhist Priests, who have taken a friendly interest in the movement, are scheming to absorb it into a Reformed Buddhist cult. It

which they could be the lead-ers
ers. He compared Mr. K.'s im-
perturbable urbanity to a lump
of sugar, such as "you would not
want to eat all the time"
after my breakfast I called on
Dr. Pinn, the "Universalist", who is
not able to be up, nor are any of
his family. He talked about things
in Japan, said Mr. Knapp's influence
was nothing more than social - A
prominent Japanese nobleman who
was in Boston before K. Set out
& who encouraged them to expect
great things, has never had been
near their hall & has given them
no real help - Mr. Fukunawa,
the great educator, emphatically
denied the first rumor that he
was connecting himself with
them; & there were men it was
counting upon at first -

At their dedication, a Buddhist ⁴⁹⁸⁻
 & a Shintoist spoke, also this
 Mr. Yokoi, & Macaulay their own
 leader, who neither mentioned the
 name of God or of Christ -

Dr. P. says Mr. Yokoi is more
 radical than he, is taken up
 with Biblical Criticism & it is
 even said he is shaky on the doc-
 trine of immortality - I have not
 yet had a chance to sound him.

This P. M. we have had bad
 rolling. Clara has been very sick
 & the children give us much
 care. Fellow passengers have
 been very kind & we are quite com-
 fortably settled. Mr. Lecky thinks
 we shall have fine weather in a
 day or two -

Friday April 27th
 Last night the ship rolled
 tremendously & we found it

difficult to sleep. There was ⁵⁰
an immense amount of grum-
bling to-day about the discomforts
of the night - a large amount of
Crocker was smashed, I think,
a Frenchman, who sits opposite
me, said, "I was sorry there
was not an artist to get the
picturesque appearance of my
Cabin this morning. My
trunks were sliding about -
a fine scene of still life in
action -" Clara is better to-night.

I hope will have a good night
& be comfortable to-morrow -

I have gotten on quite well
not sea sick, but tired with
care of the children in all this
sliding about. but I am cer-
tainly very much stronger
than when we left China -

This evening I had a ⁵⁷
pleasant talk with Mr.
Swann & Mr. Campbell -

Saturday - April 28th -
Still rolling home - we have
been busy getting our baggage
finally overhauled before launching
at Victoria - I also had a

talk with Mr. V. A. Cassin-
Keaukua of the Hong Kong &
Shanghai Banking Corporation
Hong Kong (what's in a name?) -
about property in Hong Kong such
as would be suitable for our
purpose - He is emphatic
that now is the time to try.

Now at 9 P. M. we are in
the Saloon ready to enjoy a con-
cert. by local talent - Programme

announced by our neighbor, Lord
Ashburton, a tall sandy young man

not pompous, but rather ill at ease. ~~51~~

He rose & announced - "Ladies & gentlemen Mr Lundt will open the concert with a violin solo after Pannochamer."

1 - This was good.

2 - Solo "Passing by the Fountain" by Miss Simpson - ^{(the fountain}
^{flows toward}
^{the well-said)}

3 - Capt Archibald - Whale - Song with guitar accompaniment - encore & he sang a butterfly song both good

4 - Mrs J. C. Smith - Solo "Call me back" - (Sentimental) with violin obligato - by Mr. Lundt - who had hard work to keep from falling. ^{Two high rollers}

5 - Herschewangers' Courtship - Recitation by Miss Phillips - very good - encore "Mr Davis" (Violin-player)

6 - Song by Mrs. Callie Hawkins - "Elsa Minie" - (Graceful conclusion) Intermission with card trick by Mr Evelyn - some musical nothing
etc

7 - Guitar & Mandolin by Talley & Bourne good & encore.

8 - Song Margherita by Mrs. C. Hawkins

9- Mr. Peel. Song 'Three small crows' ⁶³
also very funny - Encored. Fishing Song

10- Mrs. Bois - Puro - Song rather
dismal in sentiment.

11- Mr. Alloway a "rustling" Ameri-
can sang 'Jingle Bells'; all in-
vited to join in chorus a few did.
Encor. "My Bonny" - more chorus -
Closing - "God save the Queen"

Sunday - April 29th -

Service & sermon by Mr. Swann.

I only heard the first part of the
former as the children were
"tired" - I took them down to the

room. I also missed an address
at 3 P.M. by Sir Chas. Warren
formerly in charge of Excavations
in Palestine - It is said to have

been interesting & giving many points
favorable to Conservative views of the
Bible. Mr. Campbell preached a

Strong evangelistic sermon in the evening.

on For me to live at Christ & 54
to die at gain"-

Monday April 20th -

Getting ready to leave to-morrow.
The sea is quite smooth &
the weather fine. The run up
to yesterday noon was 376 miles
to-day's 370 - It is sur-
prising what an amt of cleaning
cleaning & packing there was
to be done in one little
cabin. I have managed to
get a little writing done
expect to do more this evening.
A dance is billed for the
deck to-night - Mrs. Camp-
bell called said they had been up
in the Captains room. They
found they knew his family

well in Nova Scotia. Mrs. C. J. S.
had been a schoolmate of
some of his near relatives. They
consider the Capt. a sincere
Christian. I was im-
pressed by his reading of the Ser-
vice that he was genuinely
devout.

Anna & Jay are very well now.
They are inclined to prognosticate -
Anna says frequently, "When we
are grown up big, then & now
Baby will be ladies, & there will
be three ladies & two men -"
then she added recently, "We
must put Sonny in pants
then" -

Tuesday. May 1st - 9.50 A.M.
at breakfast - (Clara came first -)
A beautiful morning. We are coming
in a day ahead of time. - brought
safely down descend river - for which
we are devoutly thankful -
We hope to get a boat

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at the wharves were met by a
Rev. J. E. Gardner, in Chinese Mission
rock, who invited us to his house - there
we met a Mr. Coleman who used to
be in Canton & had met Clara at Hongkong.
We also met Mr. John Lang who is
living at Victoria. they are former Swa-
tara friends - Wednesday - May 3rd -

We took boat at 8.30 P. M. - &

Reached Tacoma in the early mor-
ning - met the Quartermaster very cor-
dially rec'd by the Beavers. It is
a beautiful place.

Thursday - Wednesday
May 3rd

Threatening - ~~Rainy~~ I did not get far from the
house. visited the store & post office -
it seemed like old times to hear men
telling their reminiscences -

Friday - May 4th -

Rainy - I agreed to speak on Sunday
at Mr. B's two parishes.

Saturday - May 5th - 57

I gave some time to preparing for Sunday - Repacked a little in our trunks & in the P.M. I went to Tacoma to look up particulars about first passage -

Sunday - May 6th -

Spoke at 11 A.M. fr. Paul's Commission Acts XXVI - I had some degree of liberty & the best of attention from an intelligent audience - After the noon meal we rode 40 or 50 miles to another church & had a room full of people who listened very well -

The trees there are giants, tall firs running up 150 or 175 ft - Alders, too, 8 inches through at the butt -

Monday May 7th -

Mr. B. & I came up to Tacoma. Looked up matters at the Customs office & went to Centralia - The school there has a fine location & the town seems

to have good R.R. connections 58
& to be the natural outlet for a region
well timbered & full of coal -
We took supper with a family named
Miller, who are very fond of Mr.
Beaman. We left at 8.35 P.M.

Tuesday May 8th
I went down with Mr. B. to
Quartermaster & brought down the
batteries back. Found that we
must wait till our freight

came - Wednesday May 9th
Called on Dr. Hill a Baptist bro.
fine man who nt's the call - also
called on Dr. Hallock -

Thursday, May 10th
Rested, & made preparations for
going as we hope to do to-mor-
row - a beautiful day with
shaded views of Mt. Rainier
12000 ft - high.

Friday. May 11th.

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Bought tickets. Checked baggage for our overland trip & set out for Seattle on a boat called The Flyer that makes the trip in an hour & a half. The boat is fitted with reclining chairs, like car seats, & is very comfortable. I called at the office of

Judge Greene, a Baptist, who gave the money to build the Grace (house boat) & for fitting up the S. I. Sanitarium. He sent his clerk (a young Mr. Clark from Lincoln Ne) with me to the Deputy Collector's office, where I was most generously treated. The inspector only looked into one box, & that one I wished to open to get out a model of the "Grace" which I brought for Judge Greene. He seemed much pleased with it. I had a very interesting talk with him on museum matters.

He is related to the Sherman of 60
Ohio & is a cousin or nephew of
H. M. Everts, he is one of the
ablest & most respected men in this
Coast, but he is a most humble
believer in Christ - & seems deeply
interested in all the Church's
work - he took me to the Chinese
Mission told me about the school,
Sattle University, the Baptists are in-
terested in - I returned to Tacoma
& we started by the evening train -
I found that Mrs. Friday had
been very kind to Clara & taken
her out with the children - She
called also during the day even-
ing - she is very pleasant - They
attend Dr. Hallock's Church, & he
& the Baptists did not give ~~me~~ will
the discernment to others that he never
had been a Baptist -
Our train was half an hour late -

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Saturday May 12th -

We had a fair night's rest on the Tourist Sleeping Cars considering that we did not get settled down till midnight. We eat our breakfast & dinner on the car. From provision we purchased in Tacoma. There is a range in the Car so we can have hot water tea etc. at 4 - P.M. we stopped at Spokane & were cordially rec'd. Mr. Robinson a man formerly in Dr. McVeath's class ^{Calvary} met us & took us to the pastors - he is a Bro. of the Wm. Beaman of Quartermaster -

Sunday May 13th

I spoke at 10 A.M. - used same text as at Vancouver - I also visited the Chinese Mission spoke - met Miss Royal who especially wished to be remembered to Mother. Clara went in the evening & liked Mr. B's sermon very much - I stayed at home with the babies & noted - must talk with

baptism - the 5th consecutive Sun⁶²
day's baptism - The Church is pull-
ing up after sorrowful times; They
had the Rev. Mrs. Jones as pastor
a series of years & they suffered a
series of disasters. Fortunately lost
over \$30,000 - of property & had
other troubles: one church was
formed of those who rebelled & 83
others ^{declined} to submit further when
she resigned. - Cairns the Scotch
Evangelist has been there - & late
with good success - Monday - May 14th -

We enjoyed a delightful drive
about Spokane, & the views are beau-
tiful. The falls of great interest & there
are many fine residences -

We left at 4:30 & got comfortably
settled, have a double section, ^{no one} ^{in the upper} ^{berths} ^{opposite} each other
& they cost us less than our berth
in a Pullman sleeper -
The rain has laid the dust &
the air is cool.

Tuesday May - 15th -

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We got a very good night's rest.
& in the morning unable to get
the children out in good time in the
~~morning~~ - The journey through
Montana is a most interest-
ing one - Wed. May 16th -

Still rainy - & cool. Both favora-
ble for us - a part of the track
had been under water so that
we lay still from a little after
midnight till after 6 o'clock.
The storm continued heavy &
by night when we reached Bill-
mark t.d. the wind was howling
furiously & rain falling heavily.

The children had some play-
mates in the children of a Swedish
peasant family returning from

a Baptist, ch. in ⁶⁴ ~~St. Louis~~ Ore.

Thurs. May 17th -

at St Paul by noon - 5 or 6 hours
late - waited in the room on the
2nd floor & started for Provia at

2:40 P.M. - our first ride
in a 1st class sleeper -

Friday May 18

Reached Champaign at 2:45 P.M.,
a pretty city - but rather cold
& rainy. The Campbells are well
situated in a cottage - Dr. Stone the

Pastor called in the evening & asked
me to speak Sunday.

Sat. May 20th

I wrote some letters, helped take
care of the children - Bro. Sweet
Mr. C's land on took me to
train. Mom & the baby went to visit
Mrs. Campbell Sr. at Hannan -

the sister city but a short distance ⁶⁵
away - Urbana is the seat of the
University of Ill. 700 or 800 stu-
dents - The "Big Four" R. R. also
have shops there -

Sunday May 30th -

I spoke in the forenoon from 8-
49:80 11-12 + 26 - first developed
the thought of visionary men
noted in the Scriptures being men
who were empowered to accomplish
a great life work & that the vision-
ary was the basis of the practi-
cal - of Abraham. Joseph -
Moses - Paul - Our Lord himself -
So we need to rest on the revela-
tion granted us from God in
our day - In foreign missions
we need this especially because
1 - of the density of population
2 density of heathen darkness -

3 The density of the opposing ranks. 66

These points were illustrated by maps & some leather implements.

Illustrations also were given to show that the Gospel blessings are sufficient for all the people: its light able to pierce the thickest darkness & its power enough to beat down all opposition. In closing reference was made to a remark of Longfellow that

the radius of the map was no longer than the walk to Emmaus (What would Christ say were he here to walk the distance with us? cf Acts 1:8. The radius of His horizon was "uttermost".)

Also I spoke of our old negro Methodist preacher I met on the train who told a man sitting next him that he lived at Springfield because "I believe Abraham Lincoln was the first man this country ever pro-

duce it. & I made up my mind ⁶⁷
that when I had a chance I'd get
as near him as I could - that is, as
near his monument? "No. You
did!" said the man with whom
he spoke. A lesson here for us
who have been freed from Sins death.
We should strive to live as near as
possible to Him who when he
descended upon high led captivity.
Captives gave gifts unto men -

They gave me excellent at-
tention and many spoke of being
especially interested. I had more
"liberty" &unction than any time
I have spoken since landing.

The Church is supporting a
Chinaman in San Francisco, who is
preparing for Mission work (?).
I went with Mr. C. to his
mother's house in Urbana to
dinner - They urged me to stay as

it was cold & rainy -

They have a beautiful house, Mrs. C. & her youngest daughter live together on the lower floor & have four rooms occupied by students on the ~~next~~ floor above - the University has dormitories -

Mrs. C. reminds me of Mrs. Lyford - she is a Vermont woman to school at Ludlow with Blanchard

(Moses?) - After long service as pastor's wife, giving up her only son & a daughter to China - Missions & recently buying another daughter. it seems right that she should have such a beautiful home & her situation so comfortable. Monday May 21st -

I was at M.C.'s by 7:20 a.m. & was got ready for starting at 9:30 - our trunks were packed a little so as to depart

of some of the hand luggage. 69
Mrs. Sweet took us to the depot.
We must only as far as Indianapolis
his so that I could get reduced
rates on ticket; we stayed there
over night at the Shuler House
Helen was sick so we did not get
very much sleep. ^{June 24th 1892} We started at
4 - a.m. I had a delight-
ful ride over the Lake Shore road
reached Buffalo at 7.25 P.M.

Mr. Hunt, his sister, Clara's
niece Miss Medhurst & her bro-
ther Ben, were there to meet us.
They thought Clara & the babies
in better health than they
expected to see her.
At Sister Lydia's beautiful
home they gave us a hearty
welcome. Little Foster did
not understand why the
children had no pig tails.

Wednesday May 23rd. 70

Busy unpacking & receiving callers
all the morning & in the P.M. we
visited Sister Anna, who was
quite ill with bad sick headache
She has two beautiful children -

We saw the old home & Mother's Home
also Bro. Rein's family - Clara could
not tell which was which of the
three girls - A no. of old friends also
called - we delighted to see Clara.

Rein's grown up son & daughter Frank
& Clara called in the eve -

Thursday - May 24 -

I made two trips down town on
business & helped Clara get settled.

Bro. Rein going to bed early, but
got to talking on Biblical interpre-
tation - (Bro. Rein's heart has
slipped into Unitarianism of late)
& did not get to bed till almost

11 o'clock - Friday May 21 - 71

Left early & just caught the
6 A.M. train - stopped at Clifton
Spring - Saw the Drs who were
very cordial - took an electric bath
that did me good - had an excellent
dinner. They do not charge Treu-
seminars for treatment at all - only
for board. Miss Righter of Tin-
who is there & called to see her she
has had a hard time & is very
nervous, but is to come home
back next fall, if they do not
send some one to Miss Young.
I stopped at Syracuse over an hour
& looked up Ed Goodwin but
found his address only: he is in
Washington City to Senator Hoar

Saturday - May 26 - 72

Rose at 5-30 - in Edison House
Schenectady - took breakfast & came to
Saratoga on 7-00 a.m. train - met
Dr. Bakeman who directed me to the
Church - I met a lot of old friends
& was introduced to new ones. Had
a long very interesting talk with
Miss Clarke of the "Morning
Star" Chinese Mission in N.Y.
who seems a most sensible
& consecrated worker - met
John Cummings & others - heard
a little at the meetings & in the
evening took supper with the Walk-
ers at the "American" met Dr.
Stidham - & Roland D. Grant of Port-
land who, I think will favor our
plans for a home at Washouak.
& also getting contributions from

the Chinese for a headquarters 73
in Hong Kong.

Sunday May 24th.

Went early to the Columbian,
A.B.M. headquarters to see
Dr. Makin, did not find him
but had a most delightful
meeting with Dr. Seymour, Post
Whitman & others whom I used
to know. Went with Mr. Merriam
to find Dr. Duncan, met Dr. Bur-
rage, Dr. Strong & others - I heard
Dr. Morehouse, Gen. Morgan & Mr.
France - after service had con-
ference with Drs. Duncan, Makin
& Gordon regarding the home & the
Hong Kong matter. They approve.
I heard a good sermon from W.
F. Chase & afterward walked out
to Judge Dilton's park with Puller

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We compared experiences and
discussed the plans for making
giving. I saw Ramsdell &
Tilton after supper - took a note
attended the Union meeting of
Bapt. & Presbyterians at 9-15 -
good speakers - Whitman was
highly applauded.

Met "she that was" Annie Per-
ry. & Dr & Mrs. Hovey & Miss Durfee

It is a great privilege & pleas-
ure to meet all these people -
but I am sorry to find that the
policy of retrenchment has been
decided on by the Home Mission
Society & probably the same will
be put in force by the For-
eign Board as well. God for-
give us if we retreat at this
junction.