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Friday Aug 9th - 1895

I helped Bro. B. a little - & attended to some
 writing & sundry matters - In the P.M. the
 Women's Mission Socy met at Mrs. B.'s.
 Mr. Campbell & I did not attend - I called
 over to Judds & got some plums &
 mammoth blk berries - They have been
 eating fresh fruit from their own place
 since May 9th & will have it over a
 month to come -

Saty Aug 10th.

We hear that our Ex. pointer has alienated
 the affections of the wife of the Capt. of the
 Striv "Sophia" & she left home to join
 the vessel - Strange that such delusions
 have such power to blast lives of men &
 women - We had a call from the
 pastor at Oregon City Or. Mr. Rugg.

Sunday Aug 10th.

Bro. Beaman gave us a good sermon on the Quic-
 fixation - I have taken Mrs. B.'s Bible Class -
 enjoyed the lesson on the brazen serpent - had
 about 15 present - We had a sing at the cottage on
 the evening & a prayer meeting for China -

Monday Aug 2nd 1895

Mr. C. I went fishing but did not get anything - I am reading the life of Van Lennep with great interest - he was a wonderful man -

Tuesday Aug 13th -

We again tried our lucks in trolling for trout but got none - enjoyed a sail however - Mr. B. set out for Tacoma but missed the boat. We talked of taking him up in the small boat but it is very smoky so we cannot see across the harbor & there was hardly time to do any business - Louise Campbell went up expecting Mr. B. but got on alone all right & came back triumphant. She will be 12 in Sept. There are forest fires all about us - but no danger yet from them -

Wednesday - Aug 14

Did not go fishing - worked clearing up & cutting fuel - read & did some repairing - Prepared for a led sewing meeting. Bro. B. went to Olympia on a Council - Church troubles - Clara has rec'd a letter from Mrs. Bailey all serene in Swatow up to July 7th The Baileys are occupying our house -

Thursday. Aug 15th

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Did go fishing - Young Mr. Judd had intimated that he might go with us, but not being certain. Mr. C. & I hunted the further claim before breakfast & forenoon for our respective families & the Beavers. Then J. appeared over set out for trout - tried various baits, at last the white of a "bull-head" - (that looks like a seal skin) & caught 9 beauties - Mr. J. caught six - They were a beautiful fish - plump & glistening - very "game" too - We learned some valuable points on this art of trolling - It is a bit early in the season yet he thinks -

We had a fine clam chowder for dinner - This P.M. I rested for some time then have been preparing for Sunday as I promised to speak -

8-20 P.M.
a no. of letters to night - from Father, Dr. Carlin about oil stoves & one from the Stove Co itself - We go to Tacoma to-morrow -

Monday Aug - 26th - 67
Wash-day - did some work in moving or
preparing to move. not much of a Blue Monday -

Tuesday Aug - 27th -
Went fishing - Clara, Anna, Jay & Mrs. Baker
went. had fair wind & fine sailing. Caught a
few fish in morning. had excellent dinner
ashore. fished with better success after
dinner & rowed home -

Wednesday - Aug 28th
Decided to fit up sleeping rooms in
new house so moved over. bed, bedding,
furniture & stove, had supper here. all
tid - Thursday Aug 29th

Put down parlor carpet & finished
fixing up furniture - Mr. & Mrs. B. &
Dr. Hill called in evening -

Friday Aug. 30th -
I went to Galena with a long list of
orders. lunched with Dear Gaillet - wrote
in evening. Saturday Aug 31st -

More unpacking & settling. set a pane
of glass 26 x 30 & put up window shades.
My type setting had gone wrong & by examining
over in town Friday I was able to repair it.

Sunday Sept 1st -
Quite a good class & good sermon on Acts 13: 2
by Rev. B. He expected to be away in the a.m.
& asked me to conduct Communion
service for it but I gave Bible Reading

Self- Gold Coast - Europe

		Hotel	5.50	✓
Snack	3.	Baggage	4.5	✓
Book	.65	Berths	4.	✓
Coat	<u>15.15</u>	Food	1.68	✓
Stud	.15	Bag	.40	✓
Book	.50	Berths	8.	✓
Curtain roll 20	.28	Shower	4.	✓
Tel. Hi	1.05	Lunch	.75	✓
Med	.20	Break	1.50	✓
Tel. re	.45	Fog.	.50	✓
J.	.35	Car.	27.20	
Exch.	.25	Money	3.90	✓
Coat	15.50	Fare	7.10	✓
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Mr. Beaman helped me nearly all day, finished up a job of mending on roof of cottage bay window & helped me split & pile wood. I had 10 "ricks" (a rick is a third of a cord 8 ft x 4 ft by 16 in) of fir to be split. He nearly finished it, piled it up in a kiln, after his design & prepared to put a roof over it. I was very tired but went to prayer meeting, which was an excellent one.

Thursday - Oct 17 -

I finished the splitting, put on a roof out of lumber that was lying about & it is a very good shelter. I have several wheelbarrow loads of it in the shed - am going to get a lot more of the dry stuff lying about. I shall not try to put up a new shed for some time, unless other space is needed.

Friday Oct. 18th -

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Day uneventful save for my getting up a lot of old wood from outside the premises. Skating it up, a part of it so it could be easily handled.

Mrs. Boggs came in quite exercised about whether or not to go home. I advised her seeing a good physician first.

Saturday Oct. 19th.

In the morning Best Beaver & Paul Campbell came over & helped me cut & put in wood. At noon Clara & went to Tacoma & did a few errands. Miss Mason went up in the morning. Mrs. Boggs & child with us. The Dr. visited her & ordered her to the hospital: she suffers from ingrowing nails on both feet. I took boat at 4-30 for Seattle. Visited Rev. C. F. Bromley pastor of North S. Ch. also met Dr. Smith of Watcom & family.

Sunday Oct 20th -

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Forenoon at N. S. Ch. did not
have much "liberty". Congrega-
tion smaller than usual. The
pastor told me afterwards
that they would not take
up any coll. for Missions East
fr. because they were mat fi-
nancially receiving aid from
H. M. Socy & Convention.

I spoke fr. S. S. lesson con-
tract between Orpah & Ruth -
this has impressed itself
on me of late afresh. the
blessing in Jehovah & the re-
grets going back to Chemosh.
I had the young people's class
also. The lady I met in Vic-
toria who is an ex-Catholic be-
long here: others have followed
her. I gave her one of Mr. Coyne's
pamphlets.

I went to Swedish Ch. in 22
evening had a very pleasant
time, tho' they, through a mis-
understanding on my part were
not expecting me. The pastor
Bro. Swartz is a solid warm-
hearted wholesome evangelical
man. the people are of the good
stock that makes our Swedish
churches strong. They gave good
attention. Bro. S. had a collec-
tion taken ("44") & handed it
over to me.

Before evening service I called
on the Mrs. Coolidge, formerly
of Portland Me. whom we met
at Buxton. She has a Chinese
girl under her wing who was
"rescued" & betrothed to a young
man in town. Monday Oct. 21-

Took boat at 8. & reached Buxton
a little before noon. The "Sophia" was
late so I had no trouble in catching her.

all well at my house - I did some ²³
work about home & prepared for leaving
on a tour in Oregon. Much of the after-
noon was given to discussing with Mr. B.
how to reach Dr. Sunderland & Mrs. Judge
Greene to have a conference about the Home.
We decided to start for Seattle via Chata-
naqua.

Tuesday Oct. 22nd -

We took boat to Portage at 7:10
A.M. & walked to Chataqua. Just
as the "Skagit Chief" was coming up
to the pier Bert B. came up & said
Hattie was worse, also Mrs. Boggs, &
his mother was anxious for Mr. B. to
come back. H. had a bad turn
caused by heart trouble they think.
Mrs. B. had an attack of bowel trouble.
I came back on the pony Bert
rode up, he was sore from riding
bare back. I should have been
but walked most of the way -

I am glad to have had the time here²⁴
as it enabled me to move work &
finish up an uncompleted job. Jay is
improving as a worker, really can help
quite a little. Helen.

Wed. Oct. 23rd -

Set out for Oregon. at Tacoma met
Dr. Sunderland, he & Mr. Beaman thought
I better go back & consider the
questions regarding the Home its rela-
tions to the denomination. I kept
busy about home & we took sup-
per with the large family in the
new Home. This Dr. S. Mr. B. & I
adjourned to our parlor, where we con-
sidered the Home question. After prayer meet-
ing we continued it till about 11 o'clock.
Dr. S. drew up a paper setting forth
the facts & what is hoped for in a
union with the Societies of Oregon, Cal.
& Washington. Dr. S. is most
fully in sympathy with the
work of the Home.

Thursday Oct. 24 - 25

Started again & did not return
at night. I had a no. of errands
& discussed the Home with Br'n
Garlick & Griffin. At lunch
Moorell came in & sat at same
table. He reviewed at length his
affair at Colby which seems to
rankle yet in his breast. He is
very kind & cordial & often works
his store headquarters when in
town. We took train at 3-30 P.M.
for Portland. Friday Oct 25th -

We reached P. about an hour late
but the So. Pacific train waited
& we came right on. Slept on train
till about 2 A.M. at Eugene
we went to hotel & got a fair
balance of night rest. We
went to Prof. Bailey's for
breakfast - He is the father
of Dr. Edward Bailey of our

Hok-ka Mission, who is occu-
pying our house in Swatow. Mrs.
Bailey Sr. too, is a New Britain girl
used to live out on West Main St.
was converted there & baptised into
that Ch. Dr. Roland Grant is stopping
there. He had a very interesting talk
with a young man who is boarding
at the house & was awakened by Dr. G's
sermon the night before.
Several leaders from Portland are
at the house; they are acquainted with
Sam P. & family, whom I hope to
see later.

In the forenoon Dr. S. spoke on
J. M. & 15 minutes were given me.
The good people were very cordial
a no. of invitations have been given
to visit different churches.

I was asked to speak on the
Home at the Women's meeting
in the P. M. There is an in-
creasing sympathy with the
Home among the people generally.

The Convention adjourned to 27
visit the State University at 11 a.m.
We had addresses by Rev. Mr. Ellis
Pres of Convention, Dr. H.C. Woods
Home Mission Ligt. C.A. Woody
Ed. Pacific Baptist & Dr. Grant
were called on after an address by
a Major Jackson. Drs Woods &
Grant did admirably. There are
some 330 students in Coll. & prep.
school. In Portland they have law
& medical depts. in

In the evening we had a fine ad-
dress by Pres J. G. Brownson
of McMinnville College & a great
sermon by Dr. Grant on "Conceal-
ed Evidences" - starting with Jeremi-
ah's deeds put in an earthen
vessel hid in the ground till
wanted, he made a wide appli-
cation of the principle that God
conceals evidences in the earth in
the past till they are needed.
He "sailed into" Evolution savagely.

He dwelt somewhat at length ²⁸
on the effect of Egyptology on the
Higher Critics & expressed the belief
that when "Turkey is pulled of its
nest" there will be found wonderful
proofs of Biblical history. & that
in the bed of the Nile may be
found the golden candlestick from
the Temple at Jerusalem. It
was a wonderfully interesting discourse
& delivered in his own original
style. Saty. Oct. 26th.

Young Peoples day. I am at
the church writing. It looks
as if there would be work about
this region for several weeks.
Dr. S. thinks it may be well
to go to Southern California later
on but that is not certain.
The way to China does not
look open now - Here there
seems to be a door opened.

Dear Father: I was glad to get your letter,
hope you are all well. wish that instead of
"bracing up" to face the winter. You would
"brace up" to a trip across the country & pass
the winter here on the Pacific Coast.

Write as often as you can. I shall send
the journal hereafter to Clara first & then she
will forward to you. Ever with love
John

Sunday Oct 7th - 29

In the morning I had an interesting talk with Prof. Bailey - He gave some of his collated evidence regarding modern scientific theories & statements respecting the effect of Religion & the Bible on our national government & life.

At 11. A.M. I heard Dr. H. C. Woods. text "Sin. we would see Jesus."

He is an excellent preacher - after a hasty lunch I was called for to ride out to Springfield with Bro. Geo. Pison - enjoyed the ride but lost my Chinese sword, which was jolted out of the wagon.

We had a good large congregation, mainly young people who gave excellent attention. I spoke about an hour - took supper at Bro.

Pison's. He is deeply bereaved by the loss of his wife who died suddenly in June. He has two granddaughters & one very cunning

little bright-eyed girl about 30
days ago. They seemed to be
quite interested in the Home &
want to get a picture of it. They
took me back in time for
Church. I got a quiet seat in
the corner, when Dr. Sunderland
sent for me to come up & offer
prayer. So had to sit on the plat-
form. Monday Oct. 28th -

It is very pleasant at Prof.
Baileys: he is a man of wide
reading & alive on the topics of
the day. Two teachers in the Uni-
versity, both pupils of Prof
Curry, are boarding there.
I did some writing in the
P.M. walked out toward
Springfield to see if there
was any trace of the sword,
even I now shall advertise.

Tuesday Oct. 29th - 31st
I did some reading made
preparation for the evening.
We had a good congregation, more
than was expected. They gave
good attention. I spoke on the
Conquest of China - used Dr.
Bailey's letter in the Nov. Magazine.

Wednesday, Oct. 30th -
at Albany about 45 miles further
down the river toward Portland -
the former pastorate of G. W. Hill, who
is in the Central China Mission -
a pretty place. I have met several
of the people here who seem cordial
and stopping at the home of a Mr.
Fouchet, Canadian, one of the active
members of the Church, and to
speak to - tomorrow night. - am
expected Friday at Corvallis.

In the evening the Junior Bygones ³⁷
gave their leader a Miss Pennington, who
is in feeble health going away for
the winter to Eastern Oregon, a surprise party.
It was a surprise & a very nice chil-
dren's gathering. She spoke very well
to them. I talked to them a few
moments: they gave good attention.

Thursday Oct. 31st.

I used much of the morning in prepar-
ing for the evening & doing other writing.
at 3 P. M. several of the ladies most
actively interested in the branches of
Church work met at the house of
a Mrs. Hart, who is an old ac-
quaintance of the Campbells.
They show a most encouraging
interest in the Home. I took
supper with Pastor McKee, a
Shurtleff Coll. man, fellow student
of Campbells, a good man.

We had a rather small audience
but they gave good attention & pro-
fessed to be much pleased.

Friday - Nov. 1st -

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Information made on this for evening's
address & prepared to leave at noon.
Took dinner at the Bickfords -
Mrs. B. is leader of the Women's
Societies & active in mission
work. At 1-10 P.M. took train
for Corvallis 20 miles nearer
Coast. Was met by Pastor
Mark Soule, a dear good broth-
er, who is taking hold of a
dismantled church & trying with
promise of success to bring
them up. It was founded some
40 yrs ago. This is one of the old-
est towns in the region. The seat
of the State Agricultural College,
formerly the So. Presbyt. Coll.
There was an entertainment at
the Coll. & it rained heavily so
there was not a large audience,
but better than I anticipated.
They proved very appreciative.

Saturday Nov. 2nd -

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Clear & cool & frosty. This forenoon clear & beautiful. Really no need of an overcoat - I walked in to the business part of the town called at the bank where Mr. Wiles at whose house I am entertained is employed & at Pastor Cobble's - He was converted under Spurgeon & was quite intimate with the great preacher & a most genial kindly man & of no little energy withal.

He expresses himself as much pleased with the meeting last night "Sorry I was" obliged to stop" - but after an hour's talking the majority of the congregation are satisfied - One friend who has just taken my valises to the station told Mr. Wiles he missed a great deal - He was kept at work in the bank till late. So I took courage, had been feeling rather "blue" in the morning -

H.B. Had a telephone to
go to Salem as the pas-
tor is ill & unable to
preach - I thought it
"imperative" I should go
back here Monday (D.V.)

arrived at McMinnville 34

at 8.40 - Pastor Pace met
me & later a man came
down to call me to the Tele-
phone. The summons was
from Salem. Pastor was not
able to preach & they want-
ed me to come over. I suc-
ceeded in getting a horse &
two wheeled cart from City
Northwest of the College &
& drove 25 miles to Salem.

One of the school girls who is
living at Bro. Pace's wanted
to go & she was of some assist-
ance in finding the road from
a map. Prof. H. I found she
was not a Christian & did
some preaching on the way.
hope it may prove a means of
grace. I stopped with Bro.
Farmer at the parsonage.
He lost his wife a year ago & the whole

Star in the East

family are very deeply distressed
and do not seem to rally
from the shock.

Sunday Nov. 3rd -

Preached fr. Eph. IV: 8. had
some "liberty" - & many expressed
enjoyment of sermon -
I rather took the young
people's class, had some
good things in lesson but
do not like to take class
after a week as crowded
with other things as the
past one has been.

In evening I spoke on the
work in China. had a good
congregation, who gave good at-
tention, quite a no. stayed to ask
questions. I had slept an hour
in the afternoon but was very
ready to go to bed after evening
service. They have a beautiful
new church. cost \$10,500.00 & is
paid for.

Monday Nov. 4th -

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Left at a little before 9 a.m. reached
one m. in 4 hours. felt quite Monday-
ish, but did not sleep any excepting a
nap in chair for a very few minutes -
In the evening I called on Bro. Cashow
an active young man in the Church, who
kindly lent me his Mackintosh for
ride over to Salem -

Tuesday Nov. 5th -

This A.M. attended prayers at
the College. was asked by the
Pastor to take part in services -
Left at 10.15 for Amity where
an appointment had been made
for me to speak to-night. The
Christian Church have been holding
special meetings & there may be a
Union meeting will decide after din-
ner. I go to Carlton to-morrow. If possible
I will meet from which bears the two fall
trips. at McMinville Sunday the 1st Oct on City the 13th
Portland the 17th -

I went to Amity 7 miles away ³⁷
on the train at 10-15 a.m. &
had a pleasant visit with a
Bro. Jones who is running a
large ranch near the village. He
urged me to go out with him
in the afternoon to get some
sheep, which I did. The ride
was enjoyable but I was tired
& took a little cold, should have
rested & prepared for the evening
instead of going out. There
was a very small congregation
in the evening & the interest like-
wise. Wednesday Nov. 6th

I had a good forenoon for study by
myself (when the 5-yr old daughter
was not asking me questions) & did
considerable in preparing for the
evening & for Sunday. My train left
at about three & reached Canton at
four. Bro. Loder a good German
friend of foreign missions met me
at the depot & took me to the pastor's.

Bro. McCutcheon is a farmer ³⁸
who has cultivated the fields as
well as "the field" for a slow years.

He has a difficult position, is a quiet
retiring man, but has power with men
& sets many at work. The Church
is regarded the best organized in the
state & they give far more propor-
tionally for H. & F. missions than
any other, over \$1- per member
for each.

I was surprised to find the church
filled, a large number of young
men & women there, not Christians
who gave good attention. I spoke
on the contrast between Chinese life
& our own, did not dwell so much
on mission work, as it was ex-
pected to be a lecture. A number
came up afterward to see the
Chinese curios. I had a pleas-
ant visit at Bro McCutcheon
home.

Thursday - Nov. 7th

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In the morning I had a long talk with my host, who told me his troubles by reason of his opposition to hop raising & hop picking by members, both which are demoralizing in the extreme to Church life & spirituality. The multiplication of "Lodges" is making trouble also.

I came over to McMinville in the forenoon: during the day I was too sleepy to do much work. The prayer meeting in the evening was good. I am invited to the house of a good Bro. Evans, a Mahan & ex-miner. His wife is a Pennsylvania woman. They are kindness itself & are making me perfectly at home.

Friday Nov. 8th

I spent much of the day in preparing for Sunday. Prof. Northrop of the ~~Seminary~~ College took me over to Carlton to get a book I left there & I enjoyed the trip much.

He is a classmate of Mr. Campbell ⁴⁰ -
they were at Hamilton together. also
he was with C. & M. Brodt at
Morgan Park.

Saturday. Nov. 9th -

I did little beside resting, pre-
paring for Sunday, reading life
of Spencer H. Cone, visiting College
library & calling at house of a
Mrs. Spencer, sister of Dr. A. J.
Gordon - Sunday. Nov. 10th -

Preached fr. Acts XIII: 1-9 /
Hundreds texts on the divine
side of missions, illustrated by
our experiences in China - I
mentioned William Burns in con-
nection with our Swatow mission
& was greatly pleased to find
that a Mr. & Mrs. Shaw in the
Congregation were well acquainted
with him & all his family,
a quaint old sister Curtis, an Eng.

Pastor Pace took me to see several people. Judge Magers County Judge, had asked me to come in & see him at his office & at home. We met to former place had an interesting chat on various legal & educational matters, also had a conference with Mr. Coshow, one of the prominent B.Y.P.U. men, on the Wicky - lay. by system: took supper at Bro. Pace's, came back & wrote so as to send mail next day -

Tuesday Nov. 12th -

Mr. Evans was to drive me over to Newberg in the morning. Mr. Coshow offered his team - but the weather seemed too wet so I took train. was met by Pastor Grand at station & took dinner & supper with him, he is a Missouri man, graduate of Louisville, as is Pace also. There is a large Southern ele-

ment in this region. a large 43
proportion of the early settlers were
from Missouri & that region.

Landmarkism is a serious hin-
drance, makes a sharp cleavage
in the general State work & is
also a feature in many churches
not connected with their exclu-
sive associations. Campbellite

doctrines are being successfully
preached here & it seems

as if the seed of every sort of
Evil were growing luxuriantly.

a bright young woman a gradu-
ate of Mc Minnville is going
about establishing Secular Sunday
Schools & at Mc M. they have
a Secular Church(?) Saw the

mark! - The Spiritualists also af-
filiate with them somewhat

They bought a building formerly
used by evangelical bodies at
different times have torn it down
& are to put up a building.

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A lecturer on Morals. the New
man &c. with a leaning toward
Theosophy, has been about here
& I spoke on the history of Chinese
religions, failure of their moral
code & the "superior man" to
elevate the race. The gospel being
the power of God unto Salvation.

There was a larger audience
than I expected, the majority Quakers,
they told me - Children made
up quite a proportion -

I went for the night to the
house of a brother near by. tho I
found the relatives of Mrs. Evans
had been expecting me - The
people here are very hospitable.

Wednesday Nov. 13th -

Went down to catch 7-30 A.M.
boat & was delayed till 10-0'clock
waiting for boat to arrive - We
took on a lot of freight at various
places, wheat, oats, potatoes, hogs &c.
I just eat dinner on boat -

Three courses, numerous vegetables, 45
all nicely cooked & served all
for $\frac{1}{2}$ set - or "two bits" as they
say in this country, a "bit" is a
"York Shilling". I had quite a
chat with a Chinaman, gave
him one of Hsing Heng's letters
to read, on which he commented
"He talkee you good luck".
A Catholic priest was our spa-
four handed set at anchor
when I came on board.

The boat is late - I am expect-
ing to speak in Oregon City to-
night - We reached the city at about
3 o'clock. The locks at the falls of the
Willamette are well built & large e-
nough for river craft, tho' nothing
compared with those at Saint Ste. Marie.
I went to the house of Pastor Rugg &
found a number of letters awaiting me.
I discussed these before supper & tried to
put my thoughts into shape for evening.

Thursday - Nov. 14th 1895 -

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I had some talk with Bro. Pegg about Christian work + some phases of prevalent doctrine - The meeting Wednesday evening was very good. The vestry quite well filled - attention good. Several spoke of enjoying it. One brother said he could have sat 2 hours longer + appreciated it so I could not complain of the audience -

I took the boat for Portland which left at 2 P.M. met a brother from Minnesota, member of a Baptist Ch. who is looking about to see where he can settle to advantage -

After a pleasant call at the office of the Pacific Baptist I took car for Vancouver Washn. - crossed the ferry + tugged a heavy valise up about a half a mile to the passenger. We had a small but attentive audience - several soldiers among them. I was tired but the room was small + did not mind speaking.

I referred to William Burns again & 47
Pastor Carroll added that he knew his
work & had preached in a field in
Canada where Burns had labored,
told of his once getting a pastor out of
bed at midnight to send home the
flock, who had many of them per-
sonalized the public houses so generously
after Sunday service that they were not
fit to get home. He also referred to Burns
always relying on the Spirit - if he did
not feel the Spirit's power he would
sit down, sing out a hymn & perhaps
dismiss the congregation - on one oc-
casion at a place where Pro. Carroll
had been he once did this & after
the people had left he felt the
inspiration to take a certain text
& ran after the people, waving
his hat & calling them back. They
gathered & he preached a powerful sermon.
When his trunk was sent back from
China it was opened & contained nothing
but his Chinese form, his coat, & a few

trifles & his mid-morn Bible. His 48
little niece, who was looking on, exclaimed
"Ah! how poor Uncle was - "But Ah!
he had made many rich." was Pastor
Carroll's comment.

Friday Nov. 15th

A beautiful mild morning like early
September. I am riding on the Trolley
Car that runs out several miles to
the Vancouver ferry from Portland. The
boat comes across in only 40 minutes.

I came to Dr. Grant's, he has a charming
home. In the afternoon I
was asked to speak to the
Woman's Foreign Mission Society.
Few were present - but a few were
there of the women who were sewing
on a home mission box of things. They
all listened - quite a no. stopped to speak
after the meeting - Mrs. Baker,
who was at Barton some time
ago came in for a little while & told

me something of the Chinese work. ⁴⁹

Saturday. Nov. 16th

This forenoon I went to the study of the Church & worked on preparation for Sunday - After dinner I walked down & called on Mr. Enmons, whose wife I met on the train - last July after the loss of their little girl from the car window. He is a pleasant gentleman. After dinner I went to the study of Church & worked at preparation for Sunday again - in the evening read "Timothy's Heart" & wrote.

Sunday - Nov. 17 -

Preached in A. M. fr. John 14:6 - a number spoke tone after service of enjoying the sermon - I went to dinner with Sam. P. Rhoda pleasant visit there - Spoke to the Juniors at 4-30, the B. Y. U. at 6.15 & at the evening service - 7-30 - fairly good attention - sat up & read for a while afterward.

Monday - Nov. 18th -

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I felt a bit "Mondayish" & sat reading much of the day - after finishing letters to Clara & the journal. My reading was the completion of "Timothy's Quest" & Grace Trueman, both of which were begun the previous week. After doing a few errands I went out to Sam. P.'s home, took dinner & spent the evening there, talked over old times & China.

Tuesday Nov. 19th -

The reaction from the previous week & Sunday was still felt in some degree, so I kept quietly in the house, read & took a nap before lunch. Much of the afternoon was passed at the Pacific Baptist office, where I wrote two short articles.

I took lunch at a restaur. ⁵¹
and visited the Chinese School
which is improving under Mrs.
Baker's leadership. I talked
with several of the Chinese indi-
vidually & addressed them as a
body. using the 11th of Genesis &
the 7th of Revelation as illustrat-
ing the separation caused by
sin & the unity in Christ & the
Spirit. I enjoyed singing with
them, which I could do in
Chinese, tho' unable to talk with
them. Wednesday, Nov. 20th -

I called upon a Chinese pastor
who speaks excellent English &
in the evening took supper with
Bro. Sullivan who is connected with
the Baptist. He is a ¹⁸⁰⁴ Newton man
& we found many topics of mu-
tual interest. We went together to
the Calvary Church & attended
the local B. Y. P. U. Rally

Then I conferred with the 52
Committee on the weekly lay-
by system & made a short ad-
dress after Bro. Coshov's account
of the Baltimore meetings.

Pastor Burroughs & wife are sup-
porting A-Hi' one of my old
Co-laborers in China.

Thursday Nov. 21st.

Steady writing in preparation
for Sunday & necessary corre-
pondence filled up much of the
forenoon & made me rather tired.

After lunch I went to call
at the house of Mrs. Lee Hong Son.

Christian wife of a wealthy mer-
chant, whose son is at school
in Burton. She speaks English
perfectly, save for occasional
clumsy construction or unhappy
choice of an exceptionally long word.

In the evening I went to the 53
2nd Church prayer meeting.
They are worshipping in a hall
while a commodious new church
is building. I spoke briefly on our
building experiences in China.
They had a social half hour at
the close, which was very enjoyable.

Friday - Nov. 22nd.

I went over to town with Sam.
Saw his new device for working a
fog trumpet & after buying my
ticket for Tacoma went to Origo
City on the Electric Car, a beautiful
ride. I had a pleasant visit at Pad-
tor Rugg's, he was absent himself but
I had the use of his study & did some
work preparing for Sunday. After his
return he accompanied me to call
on Mrs. Latourrette State Secy of the
W. F. M. Socy who is deeply inter-
ested in the Home.

I came back in time to 54
dinner & spent the evening, the second
evening I had during the week at
Sam's.

Saturday - Nov. 23rd.

They gave me several things to take
home for the children, among them
the little toy I used to have, which
mother had given to Julia years ago.
I enjoyed meeting the children,
they are a very interesting family,
each has marked individuality
& likely to show unusual ability in
chosen lines of work. The home
relations seem quite ideal.

I took the 11 a.m. train for Che-
halis. I was met by Brother An-
derson, a Swedish Ex-Sailor who
has a pleasant home presided over
by an American wife. They treated
me most cordially - indeed I found
myself doing rather more in the
Constitutional line than was good for
me.

Sunday - Nov. 24th.

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The poor little Church at Chehalis is rent by factions & in sorry plight. I spoke from Acts XIII:1-12 of Missions the work of the Holy Spirit. My voice was husky & it seemed hard work, but they gave fair attention. Bro. McKillop, former pastor, was present & spoke kindly of his personal interest in the discourse. I was first at his house after coming to Centralia & he let me alone kindly so I slept most profitably on his study lounge.

Bro McKillop was a classmate & roommate with Ed. Long at Puchester. In the evening I had "Liberty" and enjoyed speaking much better than in the morning. A goodly no. stopped after service. I felt much sympathy for Mrs. Whitman's old friend & roommate Mrs. Prof. Cronyback, who had not heard of her death till I spoke of it.

Monday Nov. 25th

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I stayed overnight with the clerk of the Church, Mr. Crutcher. In the latter part of the forenoon I visited Grace Seminary with Bro. McK. Prof. Mrs. Proubuck an fine, teaches out it a pity they have so few pupils, only one boarder & barely a score in all.

The train reached Tacoma at 5 o'clock. I took supper with Morrill, called on Dea. Garlick in the evening.

Tuesday Nov. 26th

Home by 11 o'clock found all well & glad to see Papa. Helen is really learning to talk. Among the letters awaiting me was one from Mr. Sage, one from Mr. Pillsbury also from a Mr. Fletcher who went from Japan to China with me 8 yrs ago.

Wednesday - Nov. 27th

Besides sundry other matters I hauled several loads of bark over from the cottage to our house. Some pieces are 6 inches thick Lambert & Co. came in the evening.

Thursday Nov. 28th 57

There was no service here, only at the Vashon Church, so I cut bark & sawed wood, with help of the children, till we went to dinner at The Home. We sent our dinner over there & 20 of us sat down together to an excellent dinner - The new cutlery was used for the first time & looked very fine - The new lamps are ornamental in the day time & they say, are most satisfactory illuminations -

We adjourned to this house for games, a small candy pull & reading from "Beside the Bonny Brin Bush" which we all enjoyed.

Friday Nov. 29th -

The well has caved in for a bit near the bottom & we must have it cleaned, deepened & bricked up at least 6 feet. I have worked a part of the day cleaning up a small lot of brick in the yard & making a circle of board to use in lowering the first courses of brick - Tho' expected to rain I have not coughed.

Sat. Nov. 30th - 58-

I continued work on mill made
on carb-tough for on side of the
shed. About noon Bro. B. asked
me if I could preach for him
Sunday A.M. He had an ap-
pointment in Pocomo. I did
most of the work of preparation
on my feet. Saw an hour in the
evening. Sunday Dec. 1st

There was a fair congregation in
the morning & I had some freedom
in preaching, from Math. XXIII: 5-2
"Thou art new and old" - The Bible

Class was interesting - In the evening
Communion followed a good
B.F.U. meeting - Monday. Dec. 2 -

Mr. Campbell has been helping
me get brick-bats at the shore, where
there are great heaps of them. There was
once a large brick yard below us - He
also helped me make a wooden circle
to put in the place which it sup-
posed to occupy - to make an iron ball.

Tuesday, Dec. 3rd 59

Bro. Campbell & Bearin helped me clean the mill & lay a wall of brick - We tried to deepen it but the water comes in with such a rush we could not do so I worked hard & got wet, but suffered no ill effects.

Wednesday, Dec. 4th -

Now work on mill. Mr. Campbell did the work below ground & filled in a large hole in the side from which earth had caved into the mill making us much trouble. He laid the wall a ^{little distance} above this, but beyond this he thought the clay so solid there would be no need of a wall. I have been making a circle of wood to protect the top of this wall. The river favored with fine weather until the wall was completed - Since noon rain has been falling -

Thursday Dec. 5th -

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In the forenoon we put the circle on top of the wall & after dinner Mr. C. helped me begin a sloping platform of boards to carry off water in rain storms, which in time past has made the mill muddy -

Friday - Dec. 6th -

I kept on at the platform, finished the first course & got well along with the second. It is a great job on account of the corners so much mitring to get the slope on four sides.

Saturday - Dec 7th -

I finished the platform. & in the afternoon took the family out in the boat. It was like an Indian Summer day. Miss Royal was with us.

Sunday Dec 8th -

Miss R. spoke at morning & evening service, also mounted to the Vashon Church. She spoke well & interested us all.

I went up to speak to the College of
Y.M.C.A. about "liberty" - enjoy-
ed speaking & they claimed to
have enjoyed the address -

Monday - Dec. 9th -

It began raining at 4 P.M.
yesterday & has continued steady -
a vast amt of water has
fallen. Bro. B. J. new mill has
arrived in - so ours is ready just
in time. We are just going over
these for our weekly reading.

This is the first Monday since
we came that the clothes did
not dry. Tuesday Dec 10th -

a dull misty Day, with a
few attempts at sunshine -
I have been resting much of the
day. Just now after supper we
are having a sing en famille -
Jay & Helen enjoy it Helen calls for
"Happy Land fa' fa' way"

Wednesday - Dec. 11th - 62

Beautiful sunshine a part of the day. I am doing some wood sawing & other work about the place, putting other sundries in doors - Baby is making new advances in walking -

We had an excellent prayer-meeting. Thursday Dec. 12th -

I am doing something daily to get my letters written - Begon before breakfast & answered an inquiry from Dr. Garlick regarding a supply at the First Tacoma Bap. Ch. Sunday the 22nd -

Jay is trying his hand in sawing wood, succeeded in parting one or two sticks, much to his delight. Friday Dec 13th -

a new inmate for the Home, surname Benson, wt 10 lbs. a fine plump hearty boy. a heavy storm of wind & rain prevailing -

Saturday - Dec. 14th - 63

Still stormy. I was at home nearly all day, read a little & worked on my S. S. lesson & part of a sermon.

Sunday Dec. 15th -

Last evening I essayed to go down to the shore without a lantern & tripped over an unexpected stump. The force of the fall was on my left thumb. To-day I treated it to a "pack" went to S. Sch. kept the hand with its wrapping in my pocket. It is rather better, very stiff, but I think it will be better & not bother me in a day or two. Clara has had a very busy day. Went to Ch. S. S. was part of committee for Christmas. Had a conference with the rest of the com. afternoon. My had a good B. Y. P. M. meeting.

Monday, Dec. 16th. 63

We were up before 6 o'clock, had the children dressed & breakfast out of the way so as to catch the boat whose time is 7-30. Clara, Anna & I went to Racine & did a lot of shopping, chiefly groceries & Christmas things for the children, with a touch of hardware & millinery. Clara called on Mrs. Boggs & Miss Mason. I had an agreeable chat with Dr. Garlick at the Bank. It was very rough coming back.

Tuesday Dec. 17th -

I went to the college in the morning, conducted prayers & took a music lesson. In the afternoon I gave to cutting wood in the field below us. Joy enjoys helping very much.

Wednesday, Dec. 18th - 64.

Quite a little snow has fallen the past few days, so the ground is covered. I have been at work getting in the wood cut up yesterday & gathering some snow & some bark. It is a little wet from the rains, but will burn well in our heater, which is a most marvelous creature -

The children are growing fond of singing. Helen's parents are "Happy Landi fa' fa' way -

"Chris was born in Bethlehem,
& "Little cups o' water come down."

I hear Anna singing to the baby - "Sleep, Baby, Sleep" -

They get to bed as soon as the after-supper song is over. We have the lamps lighted at 4.30 - & it is dark in the morning till 7.30 or later, making up for last summer.

Dec. 19th - Thursday - 65

This A.M. I gave some time to studying the President's message, with the diplomatic correspondence, did some errands & got our boat hoisted on shore. It has been at the pier & somewhat damaged during recent heavy blows - We are having much South wind. The residents call it stormy, but it is not cold. None feel suffer from colds - This evening Clara has gone to an entertainment at the College, the last one of the term.

Friday Dec 20th

Wakened about midnight by what sounded like murmur of innumerable blue bottle flies, but later of distant horns & I awoke to the full consciousness of collegiate surroundings.

The boys were out & gave a serenade. I learned that they routed out the store keeper & stocked up with Candy &c.

which they used to celebrate the ⁶⁶
closing of school. Dr. & Mrs.
Pierce took supper with us we
enjoyed the evening much. They
were pupils of Prof. Ayer at Halifax
&c. she was at Kewton with Drs.
Partridge, Burroughs, Spencer et al.

Saturday Dec. 21st.

In the P. M. Clara & I took a ride
some 6 miles over on the Island,
got some "Hyandotte" eggs, some
Sausage meat at one place ^{at station}
apples at a cent & a half a pound -
we buy them by the pound -
4¢ for the best at retail! -

Our good friend Judd gave
us a quarter of venison, so we
had a buggy load. Mr. Bird
after dark fixed us a place in
the cottage shed for a hen I
bought which we hope will
set on the eggs above men-
tioned -

The Nyandotte is said to be 67
a good "all around" fowl.

Sunday Dec. 22nd -

I had a good class - Mr. Mc-
Clintock the store keeper came
in for the first time. He was
once teacher, is a Presbyterian,
was a Signal Officer in the War.
Had charge of the stations on Kearsars
Mt. He showed me the original
despatches which suggested the
Hymn "Hold the Fort!"

A heavy wind & rain came on
but we had a good evening
meeting. I called on a delinquent
attendant of the class.

Monday Dec. 23rd -

A ~~strong~~ wind and blow during
the night, house rocked, water
came in over windows. The rest
is generally good. The storm
cleared & we had a beautiful
day. I did some Carpenter
work & sawed up a section for

log some 3 ft in diameter - 28
Christmas is denhausing
much attention. Dr. Sunder-
land has written proposing a
tour through California.

Mrs. a mail pkg from
Buffalo. Sister Anne & her
husband sent us some very nice
things. I made a nice saw home
for Jay. We bought him a saw
in Tacoma. The lad is very
ambitious to saw wood.

The S. Sch. celebration at the Ch.
was good. Anna Jay & Helen
all participated in the song
"Christmas born in Bethlehem"
Helen sang "all the verses" with
matquots. She had a white
dress & remarked "I see dressed
up fine". Clara told her to
run out when she went into
the show room where the parents
were. But she barely held her

own & said confidently - "I'm no big
fraid one bit." The "program"
went off well. Every body seemed to
Enjoy it. I read the Scripture lesson
& made a few comments.

Wednesday Dec 25th -

"A merry Christmas" - We had a
tiny tree in the tower, some decora-
tions & a few presents: for the
baby we bought a little rocker,
a figure for home on either side -
only cost 90¢ - & a 10¢ cart for the ^{re.}

The mail came in in the forenoon
we had two packages from home -
the candles re. are just in time
for the tree at the Home to-night.
Some books I had ordered came
"How Christ came to Church" &
"The days of Auld Lang Syne" also
nice bundle from Mother & Ben
Sister Lydia & Fanny. We are finally
remembered. I met Eli Paterson at the
P.O. in conversation found he was
a classmate of Herberts at West Point.

8 - P. M.

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Just back from the tree at the Home - a delightful Christmas evening. Presenting plentiful - not many costly gifts but pleasant remembrances. The tree was in the parlor which is not yet furnished save the beautiful Miller lamp hanging in the center - this was all the better for removing the corn balls & candy - Mrs. Reese was up in a reclining chair & led the singing of one piece. We had two songs & prayers before distributing the gifts -

I wish Father & Mother could have been with us at dinner. We had a "Venison party" the finest meat pie I ever tasted - the mother since the middle of the forenoon has been simply magnificent. Clear, bright, mild yet bracing air. Begin to see how, with even a few days of this sort in a Winter Washingtonian can boast of the climate -