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Vol. III - Friday June 18th 1847

While dressing this morning
a letter came from Mr. Struch
saying he had just rec'd a dis-
patch from Peking directing
him to refer us to Canton in

all cases where Christians or
adherents are involved - This
upsets the plan of a joint
note to the Tao-t'ai, but the

Lord reigns for all that we
do not give up hope that
the way will open to help
put things straight yet.

A man is in from Khe Khai
all things are peaceful
then to date -

Reports all peaceful there. ²

A-Hông is writing me out the
Contract for Be-Chian was
forced to sign. - Heavy rain
during part of the day.

Saturday June 19th

I went to Inator & took supper
with the Lyalls - passed a pleasant
evening. They may go to the Island
next month. if so they invite me
to stop with them, as their house
will not be filled -

I came up to Phan Thai & was
pleased to be met by Po-Heng
who reports continued depredations
by the Siacs & now fighting -
He arranged to send a chair
to the Kia' Kung Pagoda for me

to-morrow. So I came by ³
at Lan-King & still have a chance
of getting back to Swatow
Monday morning: he promised
to go down by boat & be there
at daylight. All this looks
far more favorable than I had
hoped. It seems as if his
coming here was timed just
right, as so many things have
been in these past weeks
wherewith the Lords gracious
hand has led us.

Sunday a.m. June 20th

This a.m. Poo-Heng was at the
boat early with news that his
adopted mother died last night,
also that 2 brethren from Lan-King

mine) at his house: they ⁴
report further battles at
their village. I am ready to go
down to Snator & help ar-
range for peace: they are now
(half past nine) on the boat with
me - we are nearly at Phai. This
again - Bon. Sin says this tide
will take us to Kwan Pon in
time for service - then it will be
easy to get down on a single
tide. ^{9-15 P.M.} I spoke briefly to the people
at Kwan Pon & was besieged to
go & try to release a member who
had been captured & hung up by
his pigtail, on false accusa-
tion - I took a chair and
went to the place: a tremendous

showers came up, the clay road
became so slippery that one man
went down. Let the chair
down with an unpleasant sud-
denness. No serious harm to me,
his foot was lamed. I walked
the rest of the way. The men in
charge of the place were uncivil
and refused to release the man,
so I left telling them I would
write to Phou Liny to inquire what
of the Ong family, who has the
say regarding the fields in question.
One brother was accused of
wrongfully ploughing some of the
reclaimed land near the dikes -
I visited two of the 4 prayer-
meeting places connected with
the Kyran Pau Chapel - reached
the boat at a little before 7 o'clock.

Monday, June 21st 6

I was very thankful to receive
my letters back again to-night.
Soon after I left, the fellows
concluded from the abruptness
& positiveness of my leaving them
& declaring my purpose to refer
it to their superior, that they
had made a mistake and at
once sought the "Venerables" of
the prisoners' village & delivered
the man. So the good hand
of the Lord was with us again.
We had a visit from Ong
Meing-Hong Capt of the "braves"
at Hai-Kuy & arbiter of the
famous gorse case at

Kho-Khoi, has been here 7
and conferred regarding Lan
Kug. - He talked an hour at
with the Chinese then came up
with them here I was talked
some time over it. He is to
see the Catholics about it this
evening. - He is a powerfully
built man & moves as quick
lightly as boy tho' he must
be 60 yrs old. He told us of
some of his experiences in the
Tai Ping rebellion.

This morning there was a
large contingent of Chinese of-
ficials visiting the Commis-
sioner of Customs, or the Consul
or both.

We noticed the flags at 8
half past 12 heard of the death
of Mr Serdit, the late in-
cumbent of the Chao Yang
diocese. Tuesday June 22nd

The great day of the Record
Reign festival. Cool & cloudy
with a fair breeze from the
East it was a good day, cooler
than for some time -

The boat race was interesting.
I counted 15 gigs & they looked
very pretty with their white sails.
It was a fine sight when they
came up from the Sugar
house pier to the Consul's jetties.

quite a flock of white 9-
winged birds. We watched
them occasionally & the last
view I had, it looked as if
Hueslook's gig was coming
in ahead. with Frowin just be-
hind. but Mr. A. told me he
saw the finish & Frowin gained
by making a very close turn
almost grazing the red buoy
down below Consul Stricks
near the Plea. hat side
& then he put out another
sail & came up Wing-arring
before the wind - The other
boat was just upon him
He turned in toward the

judge boat & the other 10
gig fouled him carrying
away the mast, but they
were handicapped so that the
prize, a huge silver cup,
was given to a small
boat belonging to the J. M.
Customs, sailed by their Port
Master a Mr. Heinsicks.

So Germany won after all.
The dinner at the Club was
a pleasant affair. There
were about 100 guests, sev-
eral Chinamen. I was
placed between two of
them & had a pleasant
time conversing with our

in Chinese tone in 11
English. The former was
a clerk at Butterfield &
Sovier's, the latter in the
Customs - Glen was not
much speech making - Mr.

Ford Eng. Consul spoke briefly
& poorly from an oratorical
stand point. Mr. Strick respond-
ed for the toast to the guests
of the evening - The first toast
was, of course, to His

"Ladies & Gentlemen, Her
Majesty the Queen"

Mr. Strick proposed the
British Community, on

hosts. Russell, the new¹²
Commissioner of Customs
proposed the rest of the For-
eign Community "with musi-
cal honors" - they sang as
usual. "For he's a jolly
good fellow - which nobody
Candery.

After the dinner there
were fireworks to be seen
on the bank before the Club-
house. I went out with
the Scotts & Ashmans & wit-
nessed the remarkable re-
sults of Jimmie's skill in
set pieces: there was also
a lot of rockets & fireworks.

I frequently wished my¹³
Banton folks could be there
to enjoy it. Some of the
Chinese fireworks were good.
Ji-hin had two elaborate-
designs, one with a head of
Victoria in the center & God
save the Queen in large letters
around her - Another was
1837 + 1897 on the upper
corners - a crown in the
center & Mail Empress, one
word above the other below
the crown.

Then there was another with
Good night & God save the Queen
upon it. There were three

"Fires" that for most 14

astonishing fruits dragons
lances, a long centipede & all
sorts of combinations of
fire crackers pin-wheels & rockets
all shooting spinning & blazing
at once. Then there was

a big bonfire on the hill back
of the Consulate to close the
festivities - all seemed to
enjoy it & I did not see but
one who showed the effects fit
in his walk. I had a few

words with Garland Williams
after the people began to disperse;
I am afraid he is not living
up to the promise of his youth,
he looks as if he had fallen into

the ways of lax living out 15
here. I met very few whom
I knew among the Community -
Wednesday June 23

Two officials Capt. Ping Meng Hong
& Col. Ping Kok-Cheng, called on
us: after a two hours conference
with the native brethren they talked
with us from 12-30 till 3-10 P.M.
going over every phase of the Lan-
Kug dispute, but I could not
see that we got anywhere.

The Capt. is said to have been
paid several hundred dollars
by the Catholic side.

I went to Stratton & saw A. Khim
about the matter but did not
accomplish more than to dis-
abuse his mind of some false
impressions.

Thursday - June 24th 16

I had one of the Lai-Kug
Brethren Ngim-hiang to help
me in writing. I think he will
make a good teacher. He &
Po-heng went in at noon.
My time was spent largely in
writing & conferring about Mission
matters. Friday June 25th -

I wrote to Mr. Durbly & Mr. Jerni-
gan to-day also finished some
other Epistles - Liu Siu Chai
has been here, written a letter for
me to the Chao Yang Magistrate
& opened a new line for Hai-Kug
a proposition from the Young Es-
quire to get men of the Sixes out
if we will get some of the Fours
out & have a conference on neutral
ground. I am going in to-morrow
see what can be done about it.

Saturday June 2 6th 17

At a little after 8 o'clock I met
the Sin Chai at the pier and
he reported the young Exp. as high-
ly pleased at my message to
him & urging the secrecy necessary

He held up his thumb and said
"Sin-ai gan, via sai-hok" -
which compliment let us hope is
duly appreciated. On that morn

I had a long conference with
a young man with a Peking
man regarding their famous
case with the 8 villagers, urging
my former view that the
Gunn dispute & the lost 'face'
of the victim who was seized
be both settled at once.

I was quite surprised at ¹⁸
the complimentary remarks on
this decision & the Chavers
from Chinese, did not pay
much attention to them, but
they have meant some of it. as
Miss St John who was in
the pilot house told me
after I went up to the upper deck
a little before we reached Kwan
Pou. that they were talking in
the same strain up there.

There is some encouragement
to find our efforts occasion-
ally meeting with favor amid
all the opposition of this land.

At Kwan Pou Elder Posa
told me that a big force of
soldiers was going to Liu King

the mandarin was going 19
up speedily. The rain began
to fall heavily & there was diffi-
culty in getting a chair, but at
last one appeared with 3 men
& I took it - much like riding
a hard trotting horse. 3 men
do not get the springing step
which is easy with two men.
The road was frightful - mud
3 or 4 inches deep in many
places & the men picked their
way with difficulty - slipping
occasionally so there was
prospect of my landing
in the rice field.

As we heard Lan King we
could not only hear firing
but see the smoke as a shot

Was fired from some village ²⁰
against the men who were cutting
the rice. One of these was a pie-
tistic sight, with his carry of
empty baskets & a banner rolled
about its long staff laid across
one of the baskets - I repeated-
ly asked the boys if they knew
what village belonged to the
Sixes & what to the Grooms, told
them to keep clear of the latter.
I had little faith in their
professions of knowledge & surely
enough they stumbled on a place
where the people hailed me as
Si^a-hu, the name given to priests,
but we got out of that, after
skirting the base of the hill for
some distance, the men grow-
ing at every step I asking for
more pay. Because of this round-
about journey, we reached a

rickety little bridge, too narrow &
shaky for them to risk carrying
me over, so I walked across & was
met by a man who welcomed with
"Siin-se" "shing-an" & led me to the
chapel. The brethren said there
would be no trouble in having
a delegation go down to dis-
cuss terms of settlement, but
they objected to my going away.
So I agreed to stay & they sent
a man to bring a Hak with
food & bedding, he had taken
with him to Kit Yang - but
he did not appear. So they roast-
ed me a chicken & prepared quoy
for rice & I had a good supper.
They also folded up a pillow &
mattress on one of their lacquered
chinese bedsteads so I did
not suffer at all.

I had some interesting con-²²
versation with members of the
Congregation: one man, evidently
a man of property & leisure, as his
finger nails were over six inches
long on his left hand, asked me
what "Kiir-chii" meant (Lord +
Savior lit. "Saving-Lord"). He evidently
had not grasped much of the
truth. Sunday June 27th

The first object that met
my eyes as I looked out through
the heavy mosquito netting +
the little grated window
was the orange hued jacket
of a Saldie peering in at the
outer door. At evening we
saw the boats down stream
at "3 cornered Ferry" full

of soldiers who had struck ²³
several banners along the
bank giving a little intima-
tion of the military investment
threatened. The Franks began
flocking in seeking shelter.
The Fours objected to having
all the military on their
side so barred the entrance to
one part of the village. The
noble defenders of their country's
honor guardians of her peace
broke down the door & took
forcible possession. They said
they did not dare go over to
the territory of the Sixes
for the bad people over
there were shooting guns
& the "gun-seed" might

hit them. There was ^{2x}
quite a stir over this at the
time of our early worship. Capt.
Bro Meng Hong came in later
on smilingly assured us that
men should go to the Sixes, but
we are more than ever con-
vinced that he is in Catholic's
pay. Po-Heng was called a-
way several times: his son was
present he had conducted the
service. I spoke from the 91st
Psalm. When P.H. came back
Leeks gave a good address
based upon vs. 3.

After S. School, when we read the
latter portion of Luke VII, Mr.
set out for Kit-yang. A-Huh
had come over in the morning
& left a part of the baggage

to come up on the regular 25
boat from Kit Yang to Lau Ky
which Mr. Lapping for us met
& for the first time since I got
off the launch at Kora. Pou
the expedition was all together -

One boatman would not be heard
to take us on to Phiⁿ Ky; another
man was found but wanted too
high a price while hunting upon
other he drank himself so drunk
that he could not go. Mr. Mc
Kibben arrived & we tried to get
his men but they must be at
home to Kiah-tin (Cut rice)
and further expeditions were
made: at last a steersman
Speicher's steersman found a
boat & agreed to go himself.
Bon. Sin had offered to go. so
we tried that combination
but Bon Sin did not see how

he could manage about that ²⁶
boat. finally he prevailed upon
one of his men, a nephew, to go
with us. He would make the
run to Snaton with two hands.
It is very difficult to get men
for any work. Dr. Birby and
Miss St. John were both at
Kit-Yang waiting to go up to
Sai-Jong, but had no prospect
of chain & baggage carriers
before Thursday.

Monday - June 28th noon
We are not yet at Phi-Kug as
the tide has been running against
us & we make about a mile an
hour. These two poor fellows
have been toiling since a little
before midnight when I bade
Mr. McKibben good bye

on board the boat "Grace" after
we had conferred regarding the
proposed conference of ~~the~~ the
Lai-King Sixes & Fours. He a-
greed to send his boy off on
the morning launch to visit
Chao Yang & get Lim Siu Chai
out to meet him at night.
If anything can be done by way
of arbitration before the officials
let the soldiers loose on the town
he will send in word at once.

I agreed to see the Pao thai if
possible - it looks now as if I
could not get to the city before
4:30 - but that is not my fault.
there is no need of worrying about
it. I have been able to read &
write just to good advantage
on the trip - am much interested
in a little book Jesus is Coming

by W. E. B. published by Zt
Rivell.

Between one + two we reached
Ailing, where the steersman
found a chair. I started as ex-
pedited as possible taking a
lunch in a tin box, blanket, a
sheet, mosquito netting clean white
suit, dressing case + a few small
books wrapped in a rubber blanket,
a blanket folded up to sit upon
+ coat to throw over me in
the chair. I had some op-
portunities to talk with peo-
ple and sell books by the way.
We entered the city by the South
Gate + walked along the straight
street leading from the gate
till we came to a place where
the road was blocked by a

Cannot watching a theatre, 24
which compelled us to turn to
a parallel street - & there we
met Heng Heng, the man I
wanted to see. After a brief
call at the Kan-tang (Monkey
Den), Mr. Kemp, L. S. & I set out
for the Yamen when we saw
the Great Man & conversed with
him through a most unsatisfac-
tory interpreter for 2 hours -
He is a Manchurian, a member
of the Han Lin academy

Evidently he is taking the
French side & insists that the
Hans must produce this
man or be severely punished
He is undertaking this
on the strength of what Mr.
Strick & Mr. Ford advised

and acting so as to please ³⁰
the French. It was not a
very satisfactory interview
but I learned the situation
& also talked up the Nam-
Lung case without giving
him ~~too~~ much information.
He annoyed me by saying
that Mr. McKibben had
taught them ill doing
(Ka-hai) & I asserted the con-
trary stoutly. & made some
statements regarding what we
do & do not. It is most
unsatisfactory having anything
to do with these officials -
Lung Hui was of much
assistance in the interview.

Tuesday - June 29th 31

A-E, my former Country
Cook seemed quite glad to
see me. I enjoyed seeing
him again. After considering
Mission affairs with Mr.
Kemp, I visited the Coulands,
who have a fine hospital &
dwelling just a little way
beyond the South Gate on
the river. They are well &
I was very glad to see them
and their children. They have
a very pleasant home. The
Amah is looking better
than when we left & was
much interested to know

about Clara & the children³².
I took a boat at 4.25
reached Snator at 9.20.

Wednesday June 30th

At daylight I took a boat
& came to Kak Chieh. Mr.
McKibben had learned that
the Chao-yang Magistrate
had declared his intention of
dealing severely with both
sides. Should open on them with
cannon by Friday if they
did not comply with his
demands.

The day was a busy one

We sent a young man ³³
off at once to tell the
Lai-King people of the Magis-
trate's decision.

We had a service at 8 - +
one at 10 a.m., examination
of small school at 3 P.m.,
Special prayer-meeting for
Lai-King at 5 P.m.

The brethren ~~wrote us~~ showed
an excellent spirit in regard
to the matter and decided
to write a letter to the people
there urging that a man
be brought out as the
Mandarin demanded.

Thursday July 1st 34

Mr. McKibben told me
Wednesday that I was to
take part in the service
the following morning with
a Toan & Chai-Ngi to help
me. A Toan was up before
8 but did not know of
it. The result was I was
obliged to fill the time
myself - took the same
subject as at East Com-
munion. Matt XI & XXVIII

"All things are delivered unto
me" - "Come unto me"
"All power is given unto me"

to you therefore?

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They gave me very good attention. Right after that

I had a difficult case in laboring with J. to Che

a Bible Woman from Nam-Khoi, who is making trouble

about the church school matter there. She finally

admitted she did not know all about the case, did not desire

believe both sides & I urged

her to keep quiet for that reason.

The reports from

the country at 10 o'clock

I met Tang Sing & 36
Hak Sang who have been
at Lu Phi Loan & Ho Phung
I was much interested in
their reports, tho' I can with
difficulty restrain a smile
at Tang Sing's appearance: he
has grown so fat that his
face is circular, sometimes
looks broader than it is
long. They report good interests.
My old acquaintance Bu-
Song, the tally of Hain An,
is very friendly now.
I attended a part of the

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Middle school examinations
they are broadening the course
& get quite a bit of Western
learning. At 4 P. M.

Came the funeral of poor
~~young~~ not so poor after all,
Thing-I, who died at the
hospital. There was a long
procession around to the burial
plot on the side of the hill
back of the Junior English
Consulate, a series of four
terraces about 12 ft wide &
80 feet long purchased
not long ago.
The Sin-bun Hün came

in the evening.

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Friday - July 2nd -

A man came down last night with such an urgent message that I decided at last to go in to Kit-yang.

The Magistrate & his soldiers are acting outrageously at Lai Kng, treating the Christians they have captured more severely than the others.

I breakfasted at 6-30 & went over to talk with Mr. McKibbin who admitted the reasonableness of my position. Unwittingly we have let these people expect help from us & we really should do what we can to keep them

from utter destruction.

It was close work. At 7-30

I was at Mr. McKibbin's. Must
needs go to the hilltop house,
tell the Cook to get ready, pack
my box with clothes & bedding,
send down to have the boat
ready & get over the the summer
at 8-30 - It was 8-10 when
we started but with a wind
that a little more than offset
the ebb tide & four men put-
ting out strength at the oars we
caught the boat had plenty
of time to get our boxes & baskets
on board. I am using now
a great deal the tin box that
Mrs. Drinkwater gave me 10
years ago. it is very convenient
for these short trips - My trunk
my trunk only just came

Came back from Kho -
Khair having seen them ⁴⁰
since Apr 7th -

On the steamer I had excep-
tionally good opportunities to
talk with the passengers. One
was a Krang Sai Young
man who is at the Phan Thau
military station, the other who
most interested me, was a mid-
dle aged man an opium smoker
whose conscience & better judgment
dissatisfied the habit. He had given
up the worship of idols long since
from conviction that they are of
no use. His argument was
not elegant but was forcible.
"If a man has itch or ringworm
he can apply medicine, but

if white ants come and 41
eat an idol he can't make
a move to drive them away."

In a country where skin diseases
are as common as they are
here, this is a point to be appreciated.

Here at Kit Yang I found a
Company of Laiting refugees.
& nearly all my time was
taken up with them. Sió Thing
was soon on the ground from
there & he is as oracular as
ever in his statements.

In the evening a man from
the Mi-tu E. P. Church was
in & professed to have access
to the Yamen, was going to Laiting

Saturday. July 3rd 42

Long before daylight the boatman was shouting out for the Foreign Teacher to go with him then, but I did not get started till about 6 o'clock. Sió Thóng, the Mi-Ou magnate & 3 men who have a case with the Catholics at Chai Phoi went with me. The Mi-Ou ^{Henry Sim Sen} entertained me with his personal history & doings was as lavish as was Hezekiah in displaying his treasure.

I gave him my card & asked him to take a message from me to the Magistrate.

He came back with 43
a vague message that the
Mandarin would let me behold
his face, but he thought it
was not advisable for me to do
so. Soon the Interpreter came
to inquire about my purpose.

He told me that Heng had
tried to use my card to get
the paper regarding his friend's case
in without paying any fee,
but the Magistrate would
not let him in.

Finally after the Interpreter
came back a second time
with an invitation I decided
to go in at 2 o'clock

I dreaded the interview ⁴⁴
because my position was
a precarious one, there against
the Tostai's express command
and in danger of seeming to
dispute the Magistrate's au-
thority if I expressed my opin-
ions. But no doubt the Lord
heard our prayers & made
the way plainer than we
feared it would be.

At first the wheels of the
conversation drove heavily,
as I waited for him to
give a lead & he waited for
me: at last he grew impatient

and wanted to get my ⁴⁵
object, there was nothing
to obtain there otherwise
nothing to eat, read or buy.

I was put on my dignity &
and also compelled to head
off. So I referred to the Tao tai's
Conversation, his promise &
the impracticability of carrying
that out because the ^{magnitude} had
began capturing men & the
headmen had fled. I re-
ferred also to a list of
the men already captured.

Talking with him is like
surf bathing he pours out
such a volume & intensity of

speech that is obliged ⁴⁶
to let it break over him &
prepare to meet the next.

However I understand him
better than I did at first,
not his language, but his
manner & can better judge
the animus of his speeches.

The interpreter did very well
indeed. We always make
him a little present, not as
a bribe, but to secure his
good will. everything may de-
pend upon him & it is harder
for him to interpret for a
foreigner.

I have the case better 47
in London now & could check
any unfair statements by
a word or two showing that
I knew the facts.

His policy has been to
inflict a double punishment
upon the Fours, once for the
murder of the first moon,
& once for the fighting: upon
the Sixes once only, because
they brought on the last battle
by cutting the unripe grain
a month ago. This last was
favorable for it showed he
had not gone over wholly.

to the Catholics. In regard ⁴⁸
to his ultimatum that
if the criminals demanded
more not forthcoming in
three days he would burn
houses & generally inflict se-
vere punishment, he said
that he would hold to his
previous offer & punish
lightly a man who would
surrender himself & make
the general terms more
lenient. The men who
have been captured are on account
of the village battles.

I repeated emphatically
to the danger arising from

the report that is expected
dition is against the Church.

He promised to issue a procla-
mation correcting that.

How much he really means
I do not know, but he was
very cordial toward the last,
said that he was much pleased
at my coming would not have
received anyone else &c. He also
escorted me to the outer door.
I am to report to him by
Monday.

It was a serious strain, so
much was at stake and
so difficult a course to sail.
I tried to catch some clue

got some trainings from 50
the faces of the three men
who came with me and
stood near by - there is no privacy
with an official. Every word
you say will be reported to
the other side, but they looked
as if in solemn suspense.
As we came out Siō Thong
spread my umbrella for me
he said in his most sententious
style, "Phêng-an Phêng-an
Sîn Kêi Lêng Keng lî chò pî.
Sî Chhin Chhū" Thien Tân
Sêng-tap. I mîng, lî tap.
Kam-tā Siang-ti: ã lât
ôi lî chhū" chhài sî."

We had a long pull in 57-
the boat coming back here
from before 4 till about
9 P.M. It is as cool as
April nearly - it seems like
the end of a typhoon approach-
ing us.

I made my report to the
Lau Kung people who are
here: they are not enthusiastic
over the situation.

Sunday July 4th

A quiet day here. the chapel
full at the morning service
a smaller number in the
afternoon. The Lau Kung

people are not consulting
with me very much, but
they are bestirring themselves
more busily than ever before.
Pou Heng tells me to get a
man.

In the evening Pou Heng was
in & was feeling quite dis-
couraged. As time he dozed
while talking.

Monday July 5th

Immense heavy rains
during the night and in
the morning. The
Oracle has been in to
tell me that the Chiaⁿ

naing, u chi Kai long ⁵³

Chong tai bua to chi ko

The head men, of wealth
are all drawn together here,
and have discussed matters
now they ask what I have
to offer. I asked Siu Thong
to tell them I would talk
with them if they gave me
satisfactory answers to
three questions.

- 1- How they eaten bitterness
enough & are they ready to settle?
- 2- Will they try to give a man?
- 3- If money is demanded to
release him will they pay?

They are still discussing 54
these propositions. I hear
them laugh occasionally, so
they may be growing more
wary to confer.

But they do not get up
to a point where they
will obey the *Chi-Mandarin*.
I labored with them
repeatedly but they are
foolishly obstinate & so
fearful for their own
safety that no one dares
brave the slightest
danger. Mr. McKibben
came up on the noon boat
They are trying to get the

Nam Ling case settled, 55

The poor Mandarin
is in a tight place, but
private Merle wrote him
a letter acknowledging
that he had been deceived
by his Chinese assistant
Van-King.

Tuesday, July 6th

Still raining. no further de-
cision. I sent a letter last
night saying that on ac-
count of the men being sent
to the court and the matter un-
favorable the decision
could only be reached
on Monday & that, notwith-

standing there willing. 56
ness to render up a man
they could not get one
at once. If the Magistrate
in overmuch mercy would
grant a few more days they
would seek a man. But I
did not ask it personally
of him.

These poor foolish creatures
will not accept their only
hope of mercy & peace.
The Khek-Khai school teacher
was present. Talked with me
about it & suggested the
very man I have all along
had in mind. Liked

man of high standing 57

will to do + a church member,
as man over 76 y old.

The teacher labored with
them - half an hour or more
but returned with the reply
"I m. Khing" - "not willing -"

I am glad that he took a
part in this effort as he
can testify to my efforts +
the futility of the people -

Even when we left they
kept urging us to find
them some good way out
of their troubles, but blindly
refusing to do anything them-
selves.

On the steamer Mr. Wren 58
followed by Postung who had
just arrived & West dome to
Phan-Thai with us. He also
proposed Luk. Sai going in.
I started back on the return-
ing steamer to see if that
could yet be arranged.

I occupied myself on the
journey reading a lengthy
correspondence between
Dr. Cahin & the E.P. Mission.

Wednesday July 7th

A quiet day Rev. Hak Sai
& Tang King were in quite early
and discussed the situation
in Gio-Phing. This terrible
Lan-King experience looked

me to warn H. I against ⁵⁹
getting caught in a village
which has been fighting &
wants to use a Kong-so
(a public room) for a meeting
place. Only one side of the
village is represented & no one
can tell what use they might
make of its being there; we
may be quite sure the Catholics
would be in the other side
very soon.

Thursday. July 8th.

I caught cold last week
travelling in Chinese boats in the
very cool weather we had

incident to the approach 60
of a typhoon that passed
near us, the Center going
inland North of us & destroy-
ing telegraphic communi-
cation. Yesterday the house

was so full of draughts
I added to it, so stayed in
bed to-day & feel much better.

W read Dr. Gordon's Ecce Unus

Mr. McK. & Mr. A. were in

& called toward evening
I sent for the former again

just a little while ago to meet
Pai Hung, Chien Sui & Ma-Kai
P.H. bring down a welcome

tion issued by the Man-61
davis not only avowing that
he was there to punish of-
fenders not Christians, but
also stating that if any had
been imprisoned wrongfully of
the Christians they could be
released on assurance that were
peaceable & had not fought.

We decided, however, that
we did not care to move in
this matter till the Fours
themselves bestir themselves
& get a man for the other
indictment. They have bound
one Louse & have only made
another sharing the same fate.

Friday - July 9th 62

After further consideration
we decided to send in a
letter mentioning the names
of the peaceable men from
our church & congregation
who had been captured.

I have a very difficult
complication at Hâm-Khoi
between preacher and teacher
there: the latter Leng-Chu
was in for a little while
this forenoon.

My cold seems better. I have
done a little studying and
some general reading.

Saturday July 10th 63

Fleets at half mast again
to-day. Jardine & Matheson's
Manager Mr. Sleiman was
drowned last night.

It seems mysterious. Mr.
Courtney who was with him
in the water & last spoke
with him, said that Reddy -
appeared instantly - may have
possibly given a weak cry,
but nothing more - they did
not find his body till 9.30.

But Mr. Ross the clerk went
down in a gig last evening
& Mr. Thorne, one of the Customs
men said of them "We have
two of the liveliest fellows

about in the "princely 64
firm" now -" (that is the
old time name for J.M. Co)

I was strongly reminded of my
impressions when last shak-
ing hands with Bates &
Chilen last Thanksgiving Day.

This case mystifies them:
they regard it as either heart-
disease or a sudden attack of
cramps.

The funeral
was at 5-30, but I did
not get the notice till about
that time & was not ready to go.

Mr. Gibson, Dr. Grant, Dr.
Davis & Mr. Gmahr, the
Committee of translators,

Wrote over to Maude a brief call. 65
& Dr. Davis says his son is at
the Pantops school. When Mrs.
Sampson & her husband reside.
She & her brother in Dr. Novels
now at Miss Balcomb's in
'95. He speaks in highest
terms of the school.

This has been a broken day.
Much of the time given to
considering mission problems
& preparing a note in reply
to the E.P. Mission request in
the Carlin correspondence.

I settled Ling Chui's case
temporarily & hope A. W. M.
can get on the mt of the Quarter.

Mr. had a pitiful letter 66
from the poor fellows who
are in prison bound & hungry.
Wish they could all be released.
I began with Chin Si" whom
I expect to have as teacher this
Summer.

Sunday July 11th -

My second Sunday in the Com-
pound since the beginning of
April, fourth since my return to
China: a very quiet day. I have
attended the two services &
read. Called in at the Ashmun's
before supper. Mrs. A. is quite
an invalid. Has no trouble ex-
cept nervous exhaustion ac-
companied by intermittent action.

of the heart. Mr. A. is not 67
seeming, as well as a few months
since, but has suffered no re-
turn of headache since
using the Actina. They
go to the Island to-morrow
& stay with the Scotts.

Monday July 12th

In the forenoon I studied Chi-
nese with Chin Sien, whose
head so narrowly escaped
the executioner's knife; was
going over the revised Colloqui-
al matters at Mr. A.'s request.
At noon Mr. McKibben came
in: as we were discussing
Lai Kuy & its lessons for us.

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Potting was announced.
He got news that five de-
scendants of one of the old
men prosecuted have been
captured, two of them children,
released but a son & two
grandsons still held. The
aged man is ready now
to give himself up to the
Mandarin according to
his offer & plead for mercy.

He was there waiting for
us at the Phan Thai chapel.
There was no time to be
lost so Mr. Mek. helped
me get my things together

I hurried the boy up by
with his dinner & prepara-
tions for the country - Po Heng
must to call a boat - by
putting on all steam possible
we caught the steamer an
hour & a half after Po Heng
came into the study.

At Phai Thai we found our
man. The soldiers had been
there in our absence requiring
for men from Lün King.

Bü Chün finally gets
a boat & we set out at 6 P.M.
Lün King Tuesday July 13th 2 A.M.
We had splendid moonlight.
When within 2 miles of

This place Pottery came to
one ahead called up the Roman
Pon Magistrate to inquire
if any of the men indicted
have been caught; finding
all peaceful he met us
at 3 Corner-Ferry ~~over~~ milled
in about a mile - Now as
I have written a letter to Mr.
Gibson explaining why I do
not expect to dine with him
to-night I shall go to bed
9-30 A.M.

The time is set for 10 o'clock
& the old man is to put
himself into the Mandamin's
hands. May the Lord bless
his act to the peace of his

people -

He had a conference with the Mandarin who promised to abide by his previous promises to attend to the release of men as soon as he should complete punishing the Sixes.

He urged me to see the Pao-thai and advise him of the man's delivering himself up.

at Hui City ^{Wednesday} Thursday July 14th

He left Lin-King a little afternoon yesterday came via Kit Yang + Phi-King to this place & took morning

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to Tao-thai - who says that
no more capturing of the
Four's need be done & that
the releasing of the men
will be attended to when
the Chao-fang Magistrate
reports to him.

Thursday July 15th

Last night I came down
with Mr. Kemp from Su City
got home at 3 a.m. & after
reading my home letters got
a nap, since there have been
busy writing & conferring with
Mr. Makibben. I breakfasted
with the Kemps, my first meal at
our old table -

I wrote a note to Mr. Strick on pages of my note book by moon light sent by Ling Heng who was going down with the Commodore. I told him the Tao-tai quoted him as reporting two obnoxious Chinese teachers at Kain-king, Lo-Sung - the latter is Po Heng's adopted name - it put him in an awkward position. Mr. Strick has not replied to me, but at once came up telegraphed to the Tao-tai that he could not have given him that name because he

did not know till 74
then that there was any
one of that name in that place.

I trust he added some
other pertinent remarks to his
telegram.

Friday - July 16th

Dr. Carlin made me a call
this morning & we had a very
pleasant talk over mission af-
fairs & affairs in general.

I am feeling rather tired
after the hard joints & harder-
to-been anxieties of the last 3
weeks, have not done much
studying to-day. am going over
to take dinner with Mr.
Gibson.

Saturday July, 7th -

I had a very pleasant visit at Mr. Gibsons.

The day was quite filled with smiting, Chinese Confessions & study of the Revised Cal. loquial, which I enjoy much.

Dr. R. H. Graves came on to stay till Sunday P. M.

He is a most interesting man. combines strength ^{of mind} & gentleness to a remarkable degree. I enjoyed his visit greatly.

He is at work with Dr. Davis in of 500 chor. Mr. Guake & Mr. Gibson on the Revision of the New Testament.

Sunday July 19th 76

Dr. G. & I were invited to
dinner with the McKibbens
had a very pleasant visit
with them. Dr. G. was to
preach in English at 5 P.M.
So Mr. McK. & I went over
to the service. had a good
suggestive consideration
of Ps. I:1-2.

Coming back, we had only
two boatmen, a strong tide
head wind which carried us
clear down to the Stone quarry,
so Mr. McK. & I took an
oar & got some capital
exercise. The day closed with
a Conference over Hai Kuy.

Monday July 19th 1917.

No more sessions with
the teacher looking over
Mr. McKibben's notes on
the Revised Matthew. Chin
Niaⁿ is a good teacher &
feel thankful every time
I am with him that
his life has been re-
served thus far - yet we
do not dare let him go
home now.

Mr. Mackel gave the
evening to preparing a
letter for Col. Denton.
at 10 P. M. I was obliged
have Tak-Sun & Chin Niaⁿ

up to consider the 78.
quarrel at Chhin Huang
nia. which is in a bad
way again.

Mr. A. Jr. came up from
the Island.

Tuesday July 20th

Up before six to pack &
get ready for the Island.
at 8-30 He teaches Chinese
we finished the Mother
notes. We had a quick
run to the Island 45 min.

I have the room at the
E.P. Sanitarium - next
the Mat room - have my

Cat bed down here. find 79
it the most comfortable
Couch available.

It is very cool & pleasant
here. I slept nicely all
the afternoon, dreamed of
Lain King but rested -

The bath was good,
my first sea bath since
leaving China - I am trying
the bathing trunks instead
of a suit, & find it much
easier - After the bath

I walked up with Mr.
Strick and talked with him
about some evidences on hand

That one of his Chinese⁸⁰ assistants had been taking bribes; he was very much interested to get the facts.

In the evening we were invited to our Sanitarium. The Scotts & Mrs. Ashmun are there but Mrs. A. is not at all well - not able to remain up for the evening.

We indulged in a game of Letters, but I was exceedingly stupid & was beaten -

I began making in Hanser's book during the day.

Wednesday July 21st 1847

July 21st 1857

It is a fact -

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But I cannot realize ^{it} that I am forty years old & have five children. In some respects I feel younger than for ~~some~~ years. It may be the

Lord is giving me back a new lease of life. I certainly have not tried to "save" my life these past months. It is barely

four months since I landed in Hong Kong but it seems in some respects the chirpest period of my missionary life. It certainly has been the most intense.

Aug. 2nd 1897

I had an early call from Po-Heng who had some private word from the Kwan Pon Magistrate suggesting what we better ask from the Chao Yang Mandarin - who was to call upon Mr. Gibson, so I sent a letter by him to Mr. G.

I had two good sessions with the teacher studying Luke XVII: - XVIII.

It was cool & raining so I did not have bath started out to make my

calls on the Community. -
began at Mr. Strick's -
Then a tremendous rain
came on they invited me
to stay to dinner, which
was very pleasant - sat
talking at table till
9.30 - Mr. S. is quite en-
tertaining when he relates
his experiences travelling
in China - Mrs. S. speaks
English quite well - she
has two young girls from
Hong-Kong visiting her by
the name of Hairman, I
understood - never knew
that was a German name.
Dr. McPhun came down
to the Island.

Tuesday Aug 3rd 3

This morning it was
A-Mi who came down
to see me - I gave most
of the forenoon to consid-
ering the problems at
Kâm-Khoi.

There must be a typhoon
somewhere not far away.
There was very heavy wind
rain this morning -

This afternoon Po-Heng
appeared again with a
letter from the poor fel-
lows in prison news
that the E.O. man is not heard.

Wednesday Aug. 4th 4

A busy day with the teacher,
read the last five chapters
of Luke - called in the P. M.
at Morris & the Commissioner's
- He is a Mr. Russell,
son of a Sir - Russell a
New Correspondent of the
London Times -

I went up on the launch
in the evening & attended
our Mission Prayer
meeting.

Thursday Aug 5th
Much of the day was given
to discussing Lan Kuy, I
writing to Consul Alf.

Friday Aug 6th - 5

I did not state the most
welcome event of the 2
previous days - the arrival
of mail via Tacoma
& Vancouver - 3 letters
from Burton + two from
Haterville, quite unex-
pected - + another from

S. F. I came down to the
Island in the forenoon -
shall probably stay
a week - have a room
with Dr. McPherson - Mr.
& Mrs. Ede Archer, Miss
Black, Harkness + Blundon.

Mr. Steele may be down to
7 o'clock. He is just back
from Army. probably -
He is just engaged to a
lady there -

A-Hah has gone home
to look up the boy & see
if there is any trace of
lost money. I suggested
to him that Dr. Ashmun
might say he was re-
sponsible for the boy &
he was anxious to make
sure of finding what he
could at his village.

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Sunday morning two
Lai-King men came
down with a report that
the Tao-thai has ordered
the Chao-Yang Magistrate
to release the old man
A-Kiam & catch a younger
man whom they can be-
head with propriety -

It is a relief to know
that the poor old man
will probably be released,
but the other is a
direct breach of faith -

We had a Chinese voice

in the forenoon + English
at 5 P.M. at the first
I spoke on Acts XIII and
in the latter preached from
Hab. II: 4 - a sermon ^{twice}
used before - I dreaded
the service, was feeling
rather jaded + anxious,
but enjoyed preaching.

Dr. Carlin, Ruth Ellen + their
"baby" were down. Mrs.
Monro played. Miss
Black + Hubness went
to Ararat over Sunday.
I walked with Dr. C. After
service + was up on our
veranda after supper -

Monday Aug 9th 10

Barometer very low
air is hot & close - a
typhoon is not far off.

Dr. Carlin tells me that

Mr. Roberts who used to be
here is now in the Indian
staff of the Customs and has
a high position in Chung
King -

Tuesday Aug 10th

The barometer is still very
low but has not fallen
to-day so my hope the news
of typhoon going East of
Formosa is true -

Lanking prospects, too, are

improved - Mr. Alf has ^{!!}
written a very kind letter
showing that he understands
the case. He stirred up
the Vicary to send a dis-
patch directing the Magistrate
to keep his promise about
the old man & discrimi-
nate between good & bad
in punishing culprits.

Po-Heng was down early
this morning & seemed
much less disconsolate
Chin Sin. to her & we have
read several chapters in book.

The Cooks invited me to
tiffin & I had a very pleas-
ant time. Their children are
keeping very well -

Wednesday Aug 11th - ⁶²

A quiet day. My teacher
has been here about 3
hours both forenoon and
afternoon and have gone
over four chapters of Luke
with no little care. - I enjoy
working with Chin Hian very
much. - It will be no small
advantage to the Colloquial
having two Chinese teachers
go over it besides the prin-
cipal translator: they got
their Education as Chinese
not in Mission Schools.

The Lian Kung troubles have
already done this much -
giving Mr. McKibben this
teacher for the present -
Miss St John expects to employ
him later on -

Thursday Aug. 12th. 13

A Chinese feast - the 11th of
the 7th moon - Tomorrow
my Chin-Siaⁿ of wisdom
& talked with the people
near the temple. had some
quite good listeners -

I spent quite a part of the
day writing Chinese -

Friday - Aug. 13th -

Came up on the launch &
kept busy with teacher &
considering church affairs
A delegation from Khe Khe
appeared in the evening to
report that a fight had
begun between two factions

at the great Liang-Hu¹⁴
Market & they are urged to
join - They came to tell us
& see what instructions they
had to give - I told them
it was not an affair for
me to decide; they must de-
cide for themselves what
they believed was right &
lawful for them as Chinese
subjects & as Christians.

If I should give a decision
they would follow it
& then, when the people
may take wrong on them
for refusing help, it would

to "my affair", & they ¹⁵
would fall back on me to
help them out. They showed
a very good Spirit & lively
Conscience in deciding what
is the only right course for
them under the circumstances.

This fight is as plainly the
work of him who a liar & the
father of it & a murderer from
the beginning as can be.
The quarrel began over a
feast to the unworshipped
dead, then was settled by
arbiters - Unhappily they
made an appeal to the god
& the medium said they
must fight - 2 men killed each other.

at the Sit-Kon festival
 they have an image or some
 thing to represent a demon
 & when it is set upon a
 pole they attack it with
 spears poles & knives - they
 chase about & start if for
 other villages too - This
 was the trouble at being there
 They ran to the village of
 Sin-Hui to play at this, but
 the villagers were not pleased
 & a quarrel resulted - a shop
 stall was pushed over - then
 the medium was called in.
 He brandished a gun and
 cried out - "We must take our
 arms first to beat them."

Saturday Aug. 14th '91

Home mail, two good letters
from mother, with news
that makes me feel Father's
strength is rather gaining -
Clara's letter & card make
me feel a little anxious
about Helen, but otherwise
the household seems to be
getting on famously, especially
by the dairy products -

I had news that "Mr. Smith
of the "Tacoma" had sent my
parcel by the "Thales,"

also a good letter from
Van Kirk. In the evening
the Mission was visited
by Dr. Scott's -

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I studied notes on the
Revision of Mark with my
teacher, wrote a letter to
W. Alf at Canton & made
some preparation for going
to Tangai -

Sunday - Aug 15th
Very heavy down-pour
of rain, so I cannot go to Tang-
ai today - Have rec'd a
letter from Ed. Goodwin
saying that the letter about
appointing non-Catholics
to Peking, Shanghai & Canton
had been sent to the President
by Senator Hoar, & laid before
the Secy of State. Rockhill
had already been appointed to Greece.

Monday, Aug. 16th.

We set out for Tang Au, crossed over to Snator & left Dr. Gross who had been visiting the Ashmans & Miss Blindon who had been visiting the Scotts. She goes this week to Hong Kong & Dr. G. in about a fortnight to Canton.

At the Island we stopped to get my goods at the Island, reached Tang Au about noon.

This church is in a sad condition. In the evening we began reading Scripture again.

I studied Luke with my teacher & wrote the first draft of a letter for Col. Derby to send to Messrs. Mack & A. Jr.

Tuesday Aug. 17th.

We went to the Island & preached for about two hours under the tree near A-Ma's temple. Some
(over)

listened well. We found sale for
all our books + a store of leaflets.

Mr. Steele called on his way
from Tio-An - He heard there a
tradition that formerly there
was a city off the Coast called
Tang-Kin (Eastern Capital - as
Hankow, Peking are So. + No. Capitals)
but the Cataclysm that overthrew
it was simultaneous with the
island of Sumatra rising from
the sea. Shells on the summit
of that island are regarded as
proof of this: also there is a vest
Louse near the shore, who has an
especial honor, but was formerly
a half way resting place for tra-
velers to the Eastern Capital -
I am putting more time on the
Chinese character - am refreshing
my memory by reviewing Jack Grimmon.

Wednesday Aug. 17th 21

A quiet busy day. made a program last evening & carried it out - have done considerable with the teacher, written & read - went down & took a bath. the water was fine, but the back is not very good.

Thursday Aug. 18th

Found a much better place to - night & over -

This P.M. I sent a man to K.C. with home letters, & note to Mr. McKibben -

In the afternoon I had a conversation with a Hāi, the man who has married off an unsatisfactory daughter in-law to a heathen family: it will be necessary to take
(over)

22 His name from the Church roll
I fear - I advised him to bring
the matter up himself not wait
for the Church to act.

Friday Aug 20th -

This morning I made pastoral
calls with the School teacher,
Khai-Jian. Chiu Sia - took
his place - we had some op-
portunity to preach & to con-
sole - the condition here is dis-
tressing - After tiffin I had a
session with that smiling
smooth old party Nguan
Chông, who now has appro-
priated a large part of the
premises. He promised to
valueate -

The messenger returned at

noon, bringing letters & another ²³
portion of Luke's gospel - I had
sent several chapters we had
examined - we began in this
in the P.M. but did not have
much time as Po-San came
& I must needs give him con-
siderable time in conferring
over affairs.

Lau-tung news is a triple more
favorable. The E.P. prisoner is
released & a message comes that
our men will be set free if some
of their people will come & bail
them out. The "Catholic"
singlender Nio-Khiang has
been severely beaten - we
hear that Messrs. the Bishop
& the French Consul at Canton
have been crowding the Vicary

²⁴ for six months to punish
the Goums for murder.

Saturday. Aug 21st

We finished the last of Luke
to-day. We had the second half
to begin with. I have finished the
first half - we worked a long
time over the 41st verse of the
11th Chapter - Rotherham's trans-
lation of Tà-ÉvóvTa - "as to the
things within". I cannot see
any sequence of meaning if
it is rendered give alms of
that which is within - for they
were full of robbing & tricked-
ness within.

To-day we told a Ká'sim,
the blind boy's mother she must

must find another house: they²⁵
spread themselves all over the
chapel. We are also planning
to clip Nguan Chong's wings
& hem him in with a
wall. It is very distressing
to be shutting them off in
this way, but it is the only
way to have peace: they
"abhor a vacuum" if there
is an empty room or foot
of ground they are not happy
till something is stored or
planted there. 10-30 - For an
hour & a half they have been
up here discussing the diffi-
cult question of giving or en-
croaching neighbor a road to
the street. hope it is settled &
most of the money provided.
(over)

Sunday - Aug 22nd

A full day - Ngiam Ching
 tried to put Po-San to shame by
 accusing him of violent language
 & brandishing a settee at him!
 Doubtless he was a trifle too force-
 ble, but we have born so much
 from these fellows that I took
 "Rebuke not an Elder" as a text &
 gave him a severe reproof after
 which he quieted down -
 Chin-Sia preached on Achan &
 his deeds - Po-San on "my house
 shall be called a house of prayer"
 I took up the first & followed it
 with Is. 65:10 & Hosea II:15 - "The
 valley of Achor a door of hope"
 A-Hai resigned his Treasuryship
 & made a faint at Confession -
 He was excluded - Two others
 confessed to gambling & one to
 opium smoking for his "after
 infirmities" - Another man confessed
 to gambling this afternoon -

Just as we were finishing the 2nd
discussion between Po-San and
Ngüan-Chông, we walked Chou-
Heng the ex-deacon who was
expelled 8 yrs ago that had not been
at worship since! The Congrega-
tion seemed to hold their breath
for a moment - They have all
regarded him as a mortal
enemy. He came again in the
afternoon & I had a talk with
him. He shows a fairly good
spirit. The church voted
#11 - toward making a wall to
give Ng. Chông an exit. I offered
to help them get some new hymn
books. they voted money further
share - Old Tai^h Peh asked for
a couple more, for which he would
pay. There is a weekly prayer
meeting at his village now. The
attendance has been quite good
to-day. We do hope they will
take a new start.

Toiⁿ Peh was meditating the
 advantage of putting away his
 youngest son's wife: she does not
 seem wholly pleasing to the fami-
 ly - our reason given is that she
 went to Snator to learn drawn
 'work' & "oh li-kang" - Could not
 learn it! But Doubtless
 the Sakata Courts could furnish
 arguments of similar weight
 that have been sufficient to
 break family ties. How every
 Father can divorce his daugh-
 ter-in-law without even the
 formalities required in the more
 civilized land of the free.

I hope A-Hai's discipline will
 be a check on such proceedings
 among the Chinese -

Monday, August 23rd

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It was a long rainy trip up from Yang-ai. Old Gurb-Euy was on the boat & she worked most faithfully to the capt. & passengers. She is a good old soul. She also gave me some valuable information about Lai-King matters. It looks as if Po-Heng had taken money from them to help them in their case & they expect to revenge themselves for its not going to their mind by telling this, "when the time comes". We shall try to settle it privately.

I saw Mr. McKibben ³⁰
a few moments & came over
to find 2 letters from Clara
with one from Anna & Clara's
photographs - also the bundle
she had sent by "Mr. Smith
of the "Paloma", with books,
& a number of things for which
I had asked, also a jar of
delicious jelly & one of home
butter - all of which delighted
me. I had sundry con-
ferences over Law - Ray - Mr.
Ashmun & gave most of the
evening to going over a paper
prepared by the Chinese to give

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A succinct account of
the Lan-King case.

Tuesday, Aug 24th
From 10 till 11-30 I went
over their revision of this
document & Mr. A. gave
another hour to it. It is
well nigh impossible for
the Chinese to make out a
plain narrative of facts.

Chin-Siaⁿ & I have finished
the Colloquial Luke &
are beginning the Classical
New Testament; he says
that Goddard's translation

is such good Chinese that
 one can do as well by using
 that for a text book as by
 taking a Chinese book
 in the original, a very high
 compliment to Dr. Goddard's
 work, which is being appreci-
 ated more & more. Dr. Davis
 of the present Revision Com-
 mittee, even Dr. Chalmers,
 say it is "the best thing
 we have up to date".

I sent the boat for my property
 at Yangli + at the Island.
 I hear that the old sister
 A. Chuan-mi says she will

Knock her head against the 33
wall & beat her brains out, if
we carry out the plan of
shutting off the way to Ngan-
Chong house then.

Wednesday Aug 25th

A Hat says also the old
lady says the opening of a
door in the wall would
hurt the Huang-chin of her
relatives - The reports
from the Liang-Hu fend
are not reassuring - four or
five have been killed on either
side. They are going to law
about it now.

2. It fell to me to lead ³⁴
the prayer meeting - which
was at Dr. Scott's. I took
Hebrews IV & spoke of the
Christian's rest from his
trusting in his own works
& from uncertainty regarding
the future. We had a very
good meeting, used the Best
Hymns that came in my
bundle from Burton -

Thursday - Aug. 26th

The whole day was given to
Lau King business, prepar-
ing letters for Canton and
eking. We also decided

to telegraph Mr. Dentby ³⁵
that the Magistrate's promise
had been broken and
another prisoner taken, also
to send a letter to the
Chao Yang Magistrate that
Mr. Lead says so.

I only got a little time
for study with my
teacher.

Friday - Aug 27th

The Magistrate wrote a
very decent reply promising
to release the man if he
was captured also he says
he is in great difficulties
on account of the red

man A. Niam not 36
Confessing to any thing
so he cannot punish
him -

To-day I have had a
good season with my
teacher forenoon and after-
noon, enjoyed it.

The others of the Mission
came in flock afternoon
tea with me, highly ap-
proved the butter & jelly
Clara sent -

I went down to prayer
meeting, found that some
of the Lau Keng men, Suk-

posed to have left long³⁷
ago, are still here - Mr. A.
I called up Po Heng &
Ngũn Liang & lectured
them on the subject -
They ~~promised~~ used to get the
men off -

Saturday. Aug 20th

The epidemic is said to have
begun, one man bought
small bamboo hat such
& poor men wear set
out. others are going later &
poor fellows. they are getting
a taste of the fruits of law-
lessness. May it help make
them better citizens & better men.

Another letter came from the C. Y. Magistrate asking for a reply & for some one to come in and "po'-nia" the prisoner captured last -

A prisoner must be received by some one who will vouch for the man thereafter. It is almost like giving bail, yet comes to be largely a matter of form. The Madurins need to protect themselves, lest a man be spirited away & go into hiding & the charge be brought that he died in prison.

I come down to Yang On at about 3 o'clock - reached. The show so as to have a sea bath before going to the Chapel.

Sunday, Aug 29th - 39

Not a very large attendance
but we had quite good services.

I spoke on the Sabbath: two of
the native brethren also expounded
Scripture one on "Spiritual gifts" Rom. I: 11
& another on Separation from the World

II Cor VI: 17 - The S.S. lesson

was Matthew XVI: 1-20 - evening

Scripture I Timothy II.

There are as yet no visible
results of our labor of last
Sunday - but the wall was not
to be built till noon is slack
in the ninth month (Oct.)

I had a good hearing with
some of the villagers outside the
wall at evening - one man was
a patient of Dr. Scotts.

Monday Aug 30th 40

The boat came for me & was here before noon - Mr. A. had sent me word that Col. Dunby telegraphed -

"Report more fully; Yansen appealed to." - He replied - "Last man arrested released yesterday: how written" -

I wrote out a draft of a further letter to Mr. Alf which Mr. A. copied on type writer, then I sent a copy of this and a short letter to Peking, all before 2 P.M., besides - eating dinner and seeing a Chinese teacher - about Lian King affairs.

After nearly two hours with
 my teacher A-Hoing came
 with various reports from
 Tho-Khai. The feud there
 has involved many people
 and they are afraid of the
 Magistrate now. About 100
 have been killed; that great
 Liang-Hu market is wholly
 deserted. The Christians
 have kept clear of the fighting
 and got more praise than
 blame; the Catholics went out
 one day several nights
 & quit, to the disgust of the
 allied forces. The priest
 disapproved their fighting!

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A-Mi' appeared in the evening; his wife is sick and he brought her to the hospital. Tām Khai is not prospering as it ought be but there are some hopeful signs.

Tuesday, Aug. 31st

Hot to-day. I had two sessions with the teacher, who seems pleased with my progress. The sermon on the Mount tests one's powers of translation to get good clear terse impressions that give the full exact force of the original in phrases that are forcible and will stick in the memory. Among the most difficult

to render our Relations of 43
all kinds - the Chinese is limit-
ed in this respect - FF - "that
which" is about the only one.

I took supper at the Ashmun's,
was in there to get a letter
brought over from Senator that
Dr. Dulzard had bro't down
from Mr. McKibben: they
had an extra plate laid ex-
pecting Mrs. Graves: but she did
not come as Dr. G. was quite
sick - we hope it will only
be a temporary attack -
Dr. & Mrs. Lyall are both well.

After we had finished supper
& were discussing Mr. McKib-
ben's rather disquieting let-
ter about prospects for the Kit,
Yang field, in Canton Hsin Huh

who used to be steersman on 44.

Mr. A's preacher-boat with news that the Kerosene oil store house next one Kit Yang house was burning & probably house & chapel would go, too.

The fire broke out just after the boat left. They steamed back & anchored across the river waiting till three o'clock - after they reached Khak Khai they could see the ^{sneak} flame half way to heaven & the flames up to the top of the Cottonwood trees. Mr. considered the matter carefully & decided some one should go up, as Mr. Speichen could not be down for a day or two from Than Yang.

Mr. A. was willing to go #5
but preferred to keep on with
his translation, so I was sent
on here to enable him to do
that work I prepared to go -

Wednesday - Sept 1st

Mr. Whitman came with
me - I enjoyed his company.
Also I had the best opportuni-
ty to sell books & talk with
passengers I ever had.

The steamer men reported
but little damage to our prop-
erty, but we did not believe
them fully - Our eyes told
us a different story when we
came to the pier - The whole
of the both masts was buried
away & all the roof gone

on that side of the house, all ^{the}
the doors & windows were out -
a sorry sight - the cheap and
uninjured.

We found that the Speeches
furniture & all their goods had
been saved - Happily for them
Dr. Bixby & Miss St. John
had delayed on their way from
Phai-jong, as a shipment of
drugs had arrived unexpectedly
early - They took command
& all the Chinese worked nobly
to get all the things from
the house, while others formed
a line & poured water on
the roof - They had to
work fast as the fire came
in through a ventilator at the

end of the gable.

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It is a marvel that all the
good were saved & almost
uninjured. There was scarcely
anything stolen - Sing Jang, Po-
San's son stood at the door with
a bamboo pole and kept
off the people till the Man-
darin appeared. The dirt magis-
trate & three others with a large
retinue: they set up their
standard & took possession.
Kept order perfectly. Several
of the gentry took hold of
the water carrying crew &
helped them effectually.
Sing Jang also organized a

Water brigade & did admir⁴⁸
able service -

One thing follows another.

Before breakfast Mr. Ashmun
came in & said that after
he was in his night clothes
the night before a delegation
came in from Hain Ling
to say that the mother of the
Catholic with whom our peo-
ple had trouble, having her-
self & her body had been
dragged to the house of an
man. They begged that
I would go to the Yamen
at Kit Yang & endorse their
report of the case.
No news came from Hain Ling

Nothing had been done⁴⁹
by the Catholic party at the
Yamen. I stayed at the
Hospital - helped get the furni-
ture packed away compactly
in one ward - It was scattered
about in a number of rooms.

Thursday, Sept 2nd

Another hot day - I managed
to study, forenoon with
A-Hong & afternoon with
my old assistant Lung Hing.

Mr. Speicher came in at
night - 35 miles by chair
since 7:00 A.M. The mes-
sengers reached there in one

day. Came in without ⁵⁰
giving theSpeichers Dr. Bisby's
letter exclaimed "Chham-si-
Loi par-ting long si-tian!"

"Misery-to-death-Chapel all
burned" - He continued in
this strain till Mrs. Speicher
was quite overcome -
finally when they asked for a
letter he produced it & they
were much relieved.

Friday - Sept 3rd

Still very hot & no sure re-
ports of the Nam Lung case
till noon when men on both
sides came up from that
town negotiations began

I got reports during the 5th
day & by night it was fairly
summed down to a demand
of \$100 - & vol. pros. for the old
suit. which means giving up
a claim of \$40 - or \$50 - beside.
Miss Durradler's old
teacher Mi-Dzue came in
& helped. a relative of his
was Kong-Chin for the
Catholics.

I rec'd a letter from
Hak-Lang: he has been
going beyond his province
& prepared the way for
trouble by giving some
unwarranted recognition

To new believers who were⁵²
just over a case of village
war. Now a man is
coming to settle among
these old troubles and
they are beginning to trou-
ble. Sat'y - Sept 4th

At last the two sides came
to an agreement - The Catholics
came down from \$100 - to
\$70 - & our side offered \$60 -
then came up to \$68 -

I was able to get away
on the noon launch - on
the way down I had
again some very good
opportunities to reach all books.

I also read a little in the ⁵³
French of La Picciola - which
I have been reading at odd
times: read another Chapter in
Matthew - bun-li.

Nothing new at the Compound.

Sunday Sept 5th -

A quiet day at Kak-Chih -
Hot - thermometer about 90° -
but that means much more
than 90° at home.

I was much relieved to
hear that the Chiu-Hung-Nia
Case is settled, Tek-Sun our
first cook, pays \$12 - & gets
a goodly portion of fields for
his father to work. The first
time Lai-Sa ever came to tell
me of something being settled,

and trouble past. Count 54
less times has he been after
me when in trouble.

Monday, Sept 6th

Still hot - Mail per Chinan
Mother's letters of July 27 &
28 - No marked changes in
situation wish I could be
there. No letter from Clara,
probably the steamer left too
soon after the Tacoma time.

The forenoon was all broken up
with mission matters. But
after dinner I had a session
with the teacher - To night letters
came from Mr. Deaby & Dr.
Ashmore - The latter says my
holding the cook responsible

for the money taken 55
insisting on his making
a fair refund it. This
is what I have waited
for, as the servants were
the Dr. 55 5/100 staff.

Tuesday Sept 7th

More Chinese study & also
letters written to Dr. Ashmun
& Mr. Alf. I made a
call at the Fockens
found Mrs. F. away with
her daughter Mrs. Dawson
who has another little
daughter. The third -
I believe.

Wednesday Sept. 8th - 56

This forenoon at 9 o'clock
I went down to Kerk Chieh
& performed a marriage
ceremony - Hong - An's
second son, Hui Thun's
brother Chi - Pōn married

A Wang's daughter, a
nice looking girl - He
has been in Singapore
4 yrs.

We did not see any boat coming
over & concluded the E.P.
folks were not to be here
as Lim Siu Chai was here
with the latest report

from the Chao-Yang 57
Mandarin, we stayed. M. A.
I talked with him & the
L. K. representatives. Then I
left for the meeting hear-
ing that the Kump & E. P.
leaders were at the Scotts.
When the meeting was half
through, Dr. Dulzid & Mr. Steib
this intended was turn-
ful weather -

This evening another Lan-
kung Conference - Lin K.
ported the Mandarin in
despair of getting a culprit
to account is ready to have
peace patched up.

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Thursday, Sept. 9th -

More Chinese I am reading
Matthew in the morning
Romans in the afternoon.
The style is so different
there is a marked change
in the Chinese as well as
the original -

At evening I trimmed some
more of our plants, that
have been sadly neglected.
There are enough left to make
a beginning & I hope also to
get the terraces in good order.

Friday Sept. 10th. 59

Home mail per "Belgie" -
Clara's card made me feel
badly to find she had so
confidently expected me.

News from Waterville as
usual made me wish to
be there.

My teacher went to Sinton
in the forenoon so I gave the
time to writing to men in the
country, finishing my home
mail & overseeing the prepara-
tion of a letter to the Char-Yung
Magistrate asking him to
come & call here. He has
sent out a somewhat in-

definite request that I go in ⁶⁰
there with the Headmen of the
Flour & have arrangements made
for releasing those men and
promises of future peace.
I am not sponsor for that
party & do not care to go
in as such.

Old Siân-thông was in just
after tiffin & offered to take
my letter to the Mandarin,
as he was taking one for
Mr. Speicher, but I did not
want the two to go in togeth-
er.

I read some with my teacher
but was tired - the heat &
steady head work without

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my usual noon nap
was rather wearing.

I entertained myself with
a few chapters of La Pic-
ciola in French. I must

try to get the plant from
the Gornetts at Dixon Cal.
who have it, growing through
the wall of their house.

I talked with Dr. Scott about
Father's case. She thinks the
hallucinations & nervousness
are due to the hypodermics.
thinks it possible he may
be granted some months more
of life. My going home would be of

doubtful advantage tak-
ing all things into the ac-
count.

Saturday Sept. 11th

The great Moon festival.

Very hot days

My teacher came in the
forenoon & I did some

writing in the P.M. There

was a regatta, the gigs

looked a pretty sight with

their white hulls & sails.

Harbor Master Dawson was

Pilot Jorvin second.

I went over to the E.P.

Mission & took supper -

Dr. Birch was also invited -

I took over Clara's photo. &

she found me much pleased

with it. Miss Hartness 63
with her characteristic frank-
ness remarked that it "looked
awfully solemn" & she had
"awfully nice kid gloves."

Sunday Sept 12th

A quiet day at the Compound.
The Nam-Ling people are
"up in arms" & down in
force rebelling against the
settlement of their case.
They think it should be
reopened & now glory quined.
It was a hard settlement
but I was not willing to
oppose the Chinese teachers
and take the burden of the
two men's lives on my shoulders.

Monday - Sept. 13th

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The evening has been nearly all taken up by men from the Country - Hanking & Han Khai. To-morrow Pottling goes in to see the Chao Yang Magistrate.

I have put a good deal of time on Chinese reading & writing to-day. Can see quite an advance in power of rendering the Classical.

Mr Kemp made me quite a call this noon.

To-morrow evening I trimmed more of the roses. The Kemps sent around bits of their wedding cake - it is their Anniversary to-day.

Tuesday Sept. 14th 65

A trifle cooler - I succeeded
in curing a bad head-
ache last night with
my "Actina" - it returned
to bother me somewhat, but
not very badly - have
been able to study & confer
on Chinese affairs much
as usual, was invited to
Mr. Ashmore's to supper -
News from the Mandarin
is to the effect that he will
release two men -

9:30 P.M. Wednesday Sept 15th
The people have just left
after prayer meeting - a
good meeting led by
Mr. Kemp. sub. 25.

After meeting Miss Scott 66
told of a woman, an ex-
nun (Buddhist) up at Six-
Ties, who recited the Bible
women & their guide. When
they remonstrated with her
she declared she would turn
Catholic - she went to the
place once & later as she
was sitting in the house looking
at a furnace on which she
had laid kindling & coal - it
all at once blazed up with-
out being touched - this ter-
rified her so she did not
dare go to the Catholics again.
Last night I did not get
much sleep: there was a

high wind & everything of
rattling & banging at a great
rate. There are many things
about they have been un-
pleasantly successful.

We have several watchmen
on the Compound now.

To-day I have not done
much studying - have
directed the Chinese in pre-
paring an account of the
Lai Kug case for the
Chinese Monthly Magazine
published in Shanghai - in-
tending to send it in to the
Mandarin to look over be-
fore forwarding it - He may
take it kindly & take care of the form.

Thursday Sept 16th 68

Mom Lân King to-day. 80

Lân has been out again
& reports the Mandarin wants
to release two men, but

will not release the old

man A-Mian's son. &

he should be let go -

The only terms the Magistrate
gives are to keep our church
members & for us to con-
sent to offering a reward
for Ngan-Lân's arrest. I feel

sure now that we were
right in believing that they
meant to punish the other
A-Ngôn they caught. &

feel sure that the only way
safety for Mr. Ngõn is
to get his head out of
Tie Chin. if he wishes to
wear it. There is little
doubt in my mind that the
Catholics have been promised
his head if available; the
Jao-thai wants him too -
Proffing will go in to see
what can be done to get
him out of the country -
Then if the Mandarin will
issue a reward all right.
This man has been an appli-
cant for Church membership
& has a son in the Church,
so the Catholics would ap-
preciate him.
The matter is now ready -

Friday. Sept. 17th 70

Very strong wind & cool weather.
mail to-day from "Olympia"
Two letters from mother &
a short one from Clara -
Poor girl, she was just getting
ready to be disappointed
at my not arriving on
the Empires of Japan. Some-
times I am regretting it
myself that I did not go,
but there has been so
much on my shoulders
I do not see how I could
have gone without neglecting
it. Now the news from
the Yamen is more favor-
able & we may see a
settlement of the Lau King
case. Quite a rain to-day.

I called at the Laikin²¹
house & was invited to supper.
Dr. S. told me some days
since I was hurting my-
self less too much, and
would get melancholy - an
sorry to say I talked about
Lau-King fully half the
time - Dr. S. is much in-
terested to know of Feather's
case & read parts of
mother's letter. They are
hoping Clara will come
out this fall -

Saturday - Sept. 18th
I went to town in the forenoon
& visited A-Khim, who offered
to take in & show the manuscript
the paper we prepared for
the Shanghai Magazine. He

also talked quite freely 72
about the Mandarin ideas
throw some light on the
case.

I am getting ready for Com-
munion, preparing topics
with Bible references.

Sunday Sept 19th

Harmer again - I preached
at the C.P. mission this P.M.
subject the Transfiguration. There
were six present outside the
mission, a Mr. Kay from
the S.S. Hae-Ping of which
he is Chief Engineer. Mr. &
Mrs. Luorst - Mr. & Mrs.
Moore, who have a school
for teaching English - & Mrs.

As regards: she is quite a 73
regular attendant I hear. She
seemed interested to-day. She
told me an intensely sad
story from Chefoo. Mrs.
Cartman wrote that an elderly
lady went out to get flowers
for a month to take to the
funeral of a neighbor's child.
She tried to get over a wall to
pick a few snow flowers,
fell & was found sitting up-
right, with the flowers in
her hand, but had been
dead some time. Her neck
was broken.
I stayed to supper with the
Liyalls -

Monday - Sept. 20 74

Sent a few more pages home
by the "Belgie". This fore-

noon I was in a great state of
uncertainty, waiting for news
from the Mandarin, got
word at noon that he will
release 3 men at once &
wishes to talk the case
over for final settlement,
which is ordered by the
Tao-thai. The man on
down from Lau Kuy
is to go in and go security
for the prisoners. They
are hunting about for some
old weapons to take in.

Tuesday Sept. 27th 75

at the Chau Yang Yumen
in a little close room
with a number of others -
They are preparing a lunch.

I have been in & held the
great man's jaw. He has
orders to settle up the af-

fair, especially to get a
Criminal and Payment
for houses - He talked

all about the bush. make
a naive proposition to re-
lease a Niàn if another
Criminal were brought
in. - 1-50- The paper

regarding the 3 men has come
back - they are to be re-
leased!

Wednesday Morning Sept 22 76

The men are on their way
home: they came to see
me before I was dismissed this
morning, it is a great com-
fort to see them and realize
that after all this anxiety,
labor & travail of soul, here
are men set free - - They looked
rather forlorn, clothes not clean
& faces blanched by long
confinement: they were quite
subdued in manner, it
seemed as if they could
hardly take it in fully
that they were free again.
They did not get here till
after midnight though we -

was about 7 o'clock they^{??}
were liberated.

I did not get home till
in the evening having been
invited to Dr. Ryalls to take
supper. We had a new
game in the evening prepared
by Mr. Steele, something like
Authors, only Five in sets.
The Five Colors, Five Ele-
ments, Five Virtues &c.
It is very good.

I am at work preparing for
Communion, have several
of the services all arranged
I am getting together ma-
terial for the classes
we hope to have at 10 A.M.

Thursday Sept 23rd 78
a delightful breeze this
Evening - it was very hot
& still this morning.

The Dr. Gibbens are down
& are looking well - I wish
I could have gone up there
for a fortnight - but those
men were too heavy a
burden to be laid aside.

Friday - Sept 24th

Home mail - Mother's two
letters & the telegram - which
has made the day a hard
one in many ways - to
know that "Father's rats"
after all these months of

agony is comforting as 79
I think of him - but the world
seems very different without
his loving heart - it would
have been an impossible
comfort to help care for
him yet he knew I loved him
and would have been with
him had it not been for
the work here - I feel very
thankful that he could
have all done for him
that care & skill & love
could render - & that he
to the last was in the
home so dear to him.
& only left it for the

Home eternal -

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It does seem lonely here
to-night I am wondering
what to do - Clara's letter
must have missed the steamer
I heard that she wrote
Miss Campbell she would
go with her if she could
get ready - I had thought
of a short trip home by
the next steamer, but
shall wait for news -

Saturday - Sept. 25th

Cooler, a delightful breeze -
I went to Lorton this
morning, made inquiries
about telegraphing to you.

hama to find out a-81
bout Cloris' being on the
"Empress of China". I also
had a chat with my ac-
quaintance a Kim Sue,
ceded in giving him
some news about Chiah
Lien for the Chao Yang
Mandarin.

Sunday Sept. 26th -

A great deal of throwing has
been done of late & last
night the watchman found
a man coming away from
the rear verandah of Mr.
Ashmun's house.

He had 2 or 3 accomplices. The Watchman chased them down through the gap toward Kat-Chick village. We have been unable to locate them at all tho' we have suspicions of a party of young fellows who are living down near our boats.

It makes us rather nervous. They cut a pane of glass out of a door at the hospital & during chapel service they broke a blind at Dr. Scott's house. which shows they are not frightened away by last night's adventure.

Monday - Sept 27th 83-

I gave the day to preparing further for the week's work. I have charge of the Wednesday services & Mr. Kemp of Sunday.

Tuesday Sept 28th

At 8-00 A.M. I spoke from Ex. III - Moses at the Burning Bush - emphasized the difference between Moses attacking the Egyptian in the his own self-reliant strength and Moses taught, sent & Empowered of God. We need

to avoid his mistake & to 84
seek "the good will of him
that dwelt in the Bush" in
our efforts to lead this people
out of the bondage of corruption
into the glorious liberty of
the children of God.

At 10 a.m. we had a lesson
on the importance of right speech,
starting with a topic given at
the recent Examination for
the second literary degree in
Canton. "Few words many; few
deeds to be repented of: therein
is a primary virtue."

We took up our Lord's words
& what he said about speech
& other passages bearing thereon.

It was a serious subject &
struck home. there is great
need of emphasizing clean
& peaceful speech.

In the P.M. at 3-Came the
theses of two Medical Students, one
a son of Po-Sun took the lower
Sok-he. Speed's son-in-law,
the brain.

Wednesday Sept 29-
Chun Ngi led the early
service - A-Ngün read #Chun,
~~IX~~ 1-30 - Serrol led no song.

at 10 - a.m. I called upon
Serrol to give the substance
of Tuesday's lesson & got
down to my plain talk

about the danger of the 86
Church members & adherents
failing to be gentle and forbearing
in speech and manner.

At 3 P.M. we began taking re-
ports of the Country Stations -
There are in some places great
numbers coming in from
wildly motored, so that greatest
care is needed.

Thursday Sept 30th -

Levy preached us a very
good sermon this morning
on Acts XIV:1 - "So Spake".
preaching to arouse & secure
repentance & faith.

At 10 - Came a business ⁸⁷
meeting. at 2 further re-
ports. at 4 - the "News meet-
ing" - Mrs. Campbell surprised
us by coming down from
Ka Fen - Margaret has had
fever needs a change - Their
baby is a fine little fellow.

Friday Oct 20th

Chin Sia" gave us a very
good sermon on Acts 20:32

At 10 a.m. we heard reports
from the Country & went into
some questions of church
management quite fully.
In the afternoon Mr. McIlhenny

led a meeting devoted to 88
the subject of self-support
on which there is an increasing
interest.

Saturday Oct 2nd -

A Hong preached unusually
well at the morning service.
I gave him the substance
of the sermon I last preached
on the ~~resurrection~~ Transfigura-
tion: he used all I gave him
and improved upon it -
added a number of Scrip-
ture passages, & illustrations.
The development & language
were excellent. he is about
the best preacher we have.

I am bothered by some of 89
the Chinese who are in difficulty.
A-Sam of Kho-Khoi has not
got his daughter-in-law back
yet from Hui-Lai & is
bored I shall write a letter to
the Magistrate, which I do not
know to do. Ai-Chhia,
the leper, cannot get any-
thing from his father's
in distress. I would help him
if there were opportunity, as the
Catholic magistrate was partly
to blame for his troubles.
I had a call from Huk-
sang & some men from
Jio-Pheng. They want to build

a new chapel there. 90

At 2 P. M. the chapel
was packed full & there
was a long meeting I did
not go in til nearly 3 - I just
rec'd my home mail -
the first letters written
since Fathers death.

There were 49 applicants
for baptism - from every part
of the field -

There were sundry items of
business - We are having
frequent troubles over daughters -
in-law running away or
being put away & then new ones
being taken, wholly contrary to

Scriptures.

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I had the Chinese up here
confering about the work
till late in the evening.

Sunday Oct. 3rd -

A great day - 16 men and
18 women were rec'd by vote
at the morning service &
baptized by Mr. Kemp at
noon - Mr. McKibben

preached a very plain ser-
mon from Micah 6:7-8.
a very plain & practical
setting forth of that important
truth. The Chinese never
received much plainer
talk than during this Communion.

Mr. Kemp & Po-San admin. 92
returned the Lord's Supper - 284
partook - Chapel, & Mandak's room
packed with people.

A young man from Jio Pheng, who
has an interesting history, an orphan
once adopted by the Buddhist
priests whom Hak-Sang led
into the truth, was examined
but his name not noted on.

He did not understand the
customs & standing by the bap-
tistry & apparently asking the
question, "Here is water, what
doth hinder me to be baptized?"
Went down & was baptized.
They decided, as he was
well recommended to accept
him - & vote was passed

just before the hand 93
of fellowship was given.
Tho he was not well up in
doctrine he gives good evi-
dence of sincerity.

I had another session
with those two pleaders
from Kho-Khoi till nearly
supper time. & with others till bed time.

Monday - Oct - 4th

Yi-K-Lang was here just at
breakfast time to buy and
sell for Kho-Khoi - &
A-mi to get his money &
Confer a little about affairs.
The day has been taken up with
Sunday matters & resting -

Tuesday Oct. 5th 94

Cool & windy - I finished my financial report letter for Mr. Coleman & did some other writing. This afternoon I had the Lau-tyng teacher who is now teaching Miss St. John with the understanding that he can be called on occasionally if needed for other work -

We went over verses 3 & 4 chapters of John's gospel. Mr. A. sent the first installment of Matthew to the printer to day. The Kemps left for the Hill City to-day, so our house is vacant again.

Wednesday Oct 6th 95

The most prominent feature of the day for me was watching for mail. Three steamers came in from Hong Kong, but we got no mail, nothing later than Sat. morning's paper.

I wrote, & studied Chinese with teacher for a time.

Prayer meeting at Mr. Mc-Kibben's led by him.

Thursday Oct 7th

A beautiful day - Man having the house cleaned - A Sing fell nearly broke his wrist yesterday so he is watching our house - A Hak has a green hand to work him.

Friday Oct. 8th - 96

Last night at 10 o'clock I
heard a whistle & looked out
to see the cause - was certain
the ship was the "Formosa".
It was a magnificent moon-
light night - This morning

they lay the very ship, at last,
'n' got the mail per "Columbian"
& "Empress of China". letter from

Mother, one from Clara
written in Aug. & out to the
E. of Japan - but now by
this steamer - so I am wholly
in the dark about plans -
have not been able to settle
down to work to-day, did
get some names copied out
from the Church Register -

Dr. Laying was here. I 97
have had a bronchial asthma
ie attack & he finds I have
not been expanding my
chest in breathing -

I am sorry to hear that
Hess. Tramoa is lost -
Capt. Hall is a good man,
I am sorry for him: he
never had an accident ever
before, except a slight one last year.
Saturday Oct. 9th -

A beautiful day. I have done
now in making up my Church
Record - a little study -

Still no mail - 2 steamers
are in to-night by moon-
light, but we shall not
get the mail till Monday.

Sunday Oct 10th 98

Too strong a wind to go
to Yang-Ou I went to Swa-
ton with Mr. McKibben.
We had good opportunities
now more than ever impress-
ed with the fine oppor-
tunities there & the need of
a man being constantly
stationed there.

I met our Stork tiffin
at Dr. Lyall's met. Capt.
Hodgins of the "Hartong"
& Mr. Campbell of the Ferrous
mission. Heard some par-
ticulars of the loss of the
S.S. Nanon just beyond
the Haitan Straits. 16 men
are missing -

After coffee I went to 99
the Chapel again. Coming
over here I found letters
from Clara, which gave me
the news Susan was waiting
for & some Susan not
expecting as to the dreadful
seizure the children are having
with whooping cough.
It makes me much alarmed.

Dr. & Mrs. Ashmun got
here on the "Choyang"
from Shanghai just after
dark. Dr. A. is looking
very well indeed.

Monday Oct. 1. 11th

The day has largely passed
in writing study. I went
down to see Dr. Layne, who
seemed to think it safest

best for me to wait till 100
Spring & be at home for
the summer, if I would
not worry over business
and other matters. I wrote
several letters to this effect -
one to Mother approving her
appointment as administra-
trix. Tuesday Oct 12th

I made a trip to Anaton, found
the man I wanted to see was
in Kat-Chieh - the tailor, & the
shoemaker also away. Saw
a Khim & consulted him a
bout the case of the poor
leper who cannot get the
money due from his adopted
father.

Bro. Henry was here - he has
word from the officials that

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looks as if they were taking
a fair view of the Lan-King
case & its relation to it.

Wednesday Oct. 13th

I moved my belongings to our
house. Lavo Sam-King as cook
& "boy" now. I let Mrs. Dr. A.
keep A Lin for the present,
as she has no one else who
speaks English - I do not think
as well as a Christian to go
to the country with me.

We hurried up to get off a letter
to the Foo-chai expressing our dis-
approval of Lotteris - indeed of all
kinds of gambling - we wished
to show it back him, while the
Chaoyang mandarin is up there,
as he is going to confer about
Lan King & Lotteris.

Thursday Oct, 11th - 102

Off for Tong-Ou at 8 o'clock.
The wind was so strong we only
went to Kuah-Chin & across by
land. I had two of the boatmen
act as chain carriers & made the
trip quickly over land. My
errand was regarding the clearing
up about the chapel promised
before last August - nothing
successful - as the old sister
who lives next door stopped the
arrangement we had made -
by refusing to allow her neighbors
to pass through her yard - The
old sister who lives in front
of the chapel & clutters up
everything promises to
move "not later than
the 11th month" - These

are disagreeable duties 103
but the station must be
set to rights - Congregations
have improved a little of
late. Old Fair Oak has taken
back the daughter-in-law
he was going to put away -
which shows the need of our
taking decisive action in a
Ho's case.

after we left Kuala Chin
it was but 35 minutes
till we reached our landing,
the wind was very high -
Mr. & Mrs. Whitman came
in the S.S. Hairman did
not reach Boston till
after dark. I greatly
enjoyed getting news
direct from Boston

Friday night Oct 18th 04

On native boat again going
up near Hua Pheng bridge

Every now & again as I write
the impression is upon me that
I am writing for Father to
read & the thought comes, will
he follow this on the map -
then it all comes over me
again that he is gone and
will never be looking for my
letters more - nor writing me
again - I cannot regret that
he is absent but it is so
hard to get used to the world
without him - something
has gone out of it that nothing
earthly can replace - but
the world is yet our
work house & we must take
up the burdens upon -

I hope to assist Kho-Khoi 105
the new station. Khoi-Tang.
Kia, possibly baptize at
latter place & get back after
Sunday so as to meet
Mr. McKeever at Kit Yang
Wednesday noon.

I have been taking meals at
Dr. Admon's since they got
settled. Mrs. A. Jr. has
been quite ill with fever,
also somewhat broken down
personally - Dr. Scott also
is not well at all, has been
working too hard.
Margaret Campbell is
seemingly better.
I had a call from Po-lan
& left him to try his hand
in the Tang Ou case.

Saturday Oct. 16th 1906

We were late arriving at
our post - immediately a
Father went to get a chair
for Kho-Khwi, that was so
late I had tiffin before
starting - Reached the place
at 2 P.M. found a Hong
Confessing with two diyui-
tarses from the Hap-Sua
Yamen. I went to call
upon the leper at Ai-
Khe according to my promise.
He & his friend did not think
it best for me to see his
father so I was relieved of
that part of my agreement.
Ai-Chhian has a fine house.

acc. to Chinese local standards¹⁰⁷
but everything shows that he has
been a prodigal. & we hope
that through his misfortunes
the gospel may find entrance
to all the many he saved.

One of my chair bears an
elderly man gave out & insisted
on our waiting till morning.
but having no bedding, I did
not care to do this - a man
was found & after they were
all well fitted with beds we
set out with the aid of two
Chinese lanterns we reached
here safely before 8 o'clock.
A. T. was had come from Chih
Lis & A. Jain was here with his
plea for help in getting his daughter
- in-law back from Hsi' Lin.

On the way, as we stopped near 108
Sai Sin market a young man
came out & complimented me
after passing a few remarks, by
saying "You're a native arint you?"
He proceeded to unfold a story
of injustice done to the protectors
of their Country's revenue (in fact
they do protect it - so effectually
that but a small portion escaped
to the National Treasury) by some
of our Kho-Khai people who
were killing buffaloes & not
paying full taxes therefor -
referring the officials to their
foreign teachers at Kak-Chieh -
this explained the presence
of the Hup Soak men at the
Chapel & a Hong's reticence
as to their errand.

A-Iah is mixed up in 109
the affair. A-Ivan says they
have paid taxes & it is settled, or
was to be to-day, but they have
not done as they should and I
feel very much displeased
that they should, after all they
have been through & all that
has been done for them, be
so careless, to say the very best,
of the Church's reputation. The
leaders are men from Chir' Ni-a
place from which several came,
but none very promising -

7-15 P.M. Sunday Oct. 7th
A beautiful day. We had the
room here full of worshippers
or heans. The Court yard
full of neighbors -
After the "Early worship," at

which a Toan read the S. S. Lesson ¹¹⁰
over & commented briefly. Dea. Yek-
Lang & 6 other brethren from the
Kho Khai Church came in to
be present at the examination
of Candidates. The Dea. conducted
the service & the four applicants
were rigidly questioned, especially
the youngest a boy of 13, son of
Ou-Thuan who was baptized at
Communion. He bore it very
well & seemed sincere - as bright &
promising a boy as I have seen; he
has been at school six years &
knows quite a little Chinese - I
tried him on John III:16 & he
knew the names of the characters
in the Classical. With very little
help he learned to give its equiv.
alant in Colloquial. They say his

mother is a blessing & would have !!!
come if she had been well - That
will give us a Christian family at
Sin Suan²-Kia². a number are com-
ing to worship from there - also
from Kaiq-Sai, Tang-pak-ai -
Chun-Chung Lung-Kaiy there are
new learners & a son of A'S it hear
from E-Kia comes, he is an E.P.
member.

At the morning service Yik-hung
preached searchingly on sincerity
from Matt. 19: 16-22. I spoke
on our Lord's baptism. We
had my good attention.

The baptism passed off quietly -
A-Toan talked to the people
after singing a verse & prayer I told
the people that they had customs
& reliquities; this was our custom
& it had a deep meaning. We
should expect them to be quiet

and Moll-mammad. they did 112
Moll: there was quite a crowd
close by & the bank was lined
with people as far as the vil-
lage entrance - It was with
deep satisfaction & gratitude that
I baptized these first fruits of
a new work & for the first
time baptized in this stream
over which I have sailed so
often wondering when the time
would come that we could begin
using it as a baptistry & the
villages that line its banks
begin to awaken to serve
the Lord who died to save
them. I enjoyed the Commu-
nion service & receiving these
new members -

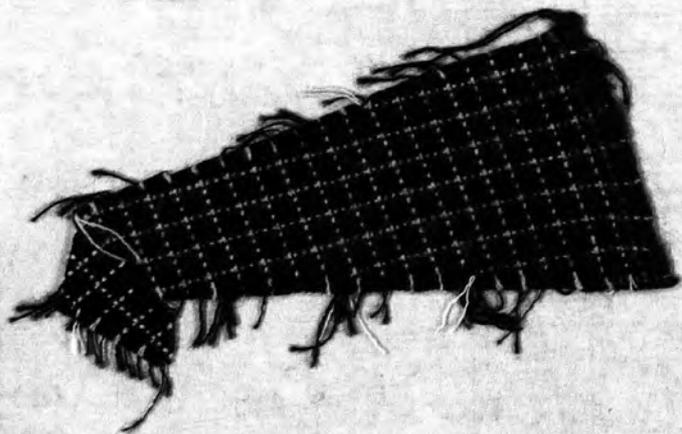
The brethren talked with me 1/3
about a lot of affairs till I was
so sleepy I could not keep awake
& they mercifully suggested that
I get some rest. which was much
needed after the lasty journey
of the past two days & the
labors of to-day.

I am going back by boat
to-night so as to have a little
time at K.C. before going in-
to Shan-Yang. It is a quiet
favourable night.

Monday - Oct. 18th

at the study table again: we
had a good passage & was in
Santon before 9 o'clock - shall
finish up mail for "Columbia".
Package from Banta just here &
have samples the candy it is fine -
(over)

I will write a letter to the
Children from their Yorg -
Hen with lots of love & thanks
for their gifts - I enclose sample
of my suit - ~~my~~ my men - have
seen hat & cap covered with same
for \$1/- more. about 4-90s.
I think it is just what I want
for Country wear - Sami Singh
has been admiring it. Everything
in the pkg is Capital. The
Shoes a splendid fit just right
just in time the old ones have
gone all to pieces - j.



The shoes are a splendid fit. 114
the necktie is a very pretty one.
the soap is a most welcome lux-
ury - everything was more than wel-
come because it came from home -

Tuesday - Oct. 19th -

The fruit came down well.
sorted it out. several cans not
wrong. Sam sang boiled the
contents; much of it will be
good. I am following Clara's
request about giving some to
the people here. am very glad
to have an opportunity to turn
something I have been so
kindly tested & invited to meals
so often. busy day & closed up
with a delegation from the Yain-
Khai Congregation. The Pu-ning
Mandarin is on the warpath
after lottery gamblers & Christians.

One of our most promising ^{1/15}
people has been captured
& mulcted to the amount of
\$700 - or \$800 - unjustly & they
are making farther threats.

Wednesday. Oct 20th

We are having beautiful weather.

Yesterday I omitted to state that
the Chao Yang Magistrate sent
out a letter asking Mr. McKibbin
me to meet him ^{in Snator} Thursday.
I had quite an interesting visit
with the Interpreter who brought
the message.

I sent a messenger to call Mr. McK-
ibbin but he was here at noon
himself having come down with
a touch of fever.

To-day has been full of discussing
mission affairs, meeting & a little
study - a good program meeting
to-night - led by Dr. A. at the
Laird's house -

Thursday, Oct. 21st 1866

In the forenoon Mr. McKibben
I went to see the Chad Yang
Mandarin. He was very pleas-
ant in manner & moderate in
his requests. He is anxious
for peace at present time &
wishes to have us (white)
statement that we do not
countenance violent measures
& will not own the people
if they get into fights again.
He only asks this if the
Catholics do the same.
Past Merd visited him
in the afternoon & the In-
terpreter said it was very
bad. Made his soul see
up within him. Merd did

nothing but demand a ~~son~~ 117
life to meet the Sixes demand.
The Interpreter said however
must be a "parricide", he
was so fierce for blood.
It is rumored the head men
of the Sixes are needing & are
ready to accept arbitration.
The Magistrate told Minkyo
today that he did not invite
him to talk about taking life
but making peace.

Friday - Oct 2nd 1847

Kept here by Mission business -
This P.M. I went to Hamilton

find the Hailong is coming in
early to morrow so decided to
not get up to morrow noon - have

mother sent a birthday
men brace - some dragoon work.

Water brigade & did admir⁴⁸
able service -

One thing follows another.

Before breakfast Mr. Ashmun
came in & said that after
he was in his night clothes
the night before a delegation
came in from Sam-hing
to say that the mother of the
Catholic with whom our peo-
ple had trouble, being her-
self & her body had been
dragged to the house of an
man - They begged that
I would go to the Yamen
at Kit Yang & endorse their
report of the case.
No news came from Sam-hing