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Monday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> 1900 - P. 1

Here I am beginning again in exactly the spot when I began my journal nearly 13 yrs ago in the corner of the best room of the Partridge house, which I am to have as a bedroom.

The doctor thought it would be much better for me to sleep in a room that had the sunlight direct upon it.

We shall use the large dining room as before. The day is memorable for getting the bundle from home, which delights me. Mr. Campbell came over this evening and we had our letters to each other.

Tuesday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>

The house has been in frightful chaos the past few days & is just settling. These rooms have been lime-washed and the moving has made every thing topsy-turvy. Now that is complete and the matting partly down. My day has been a busy one with

me: many calls from the Chinese - and  
looking after the workmen have left me  
little time for study and writing -  
The class met this morning. there is  
a goodly number of them and they  
promise well -

Wednesday, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>

A good prayer meeting at one, now the  
Grisbeck's, house - They have the house  
looking so fresh and cheerful - we sat  
in the hall. I led reading a portion of

II Chronicles XX - Subject Promises -  
nearly every body took part and shared  
personal experience -

A very full day that has been: a  
number of errands before breakfast,  
Prayer out 8:30 - call from Dr. Haynes  
Class - long sitting with Elders and  
Chihim Sui to decide about Kit yang  
Conference, Country work + consolidation  
of schools - a very hard pull. The  
consummation of weeks of planning -

more Chinese visitors - a little <sup>3</sup>  
Study Class at 2-30 - more  
visitors & correspondence - Funeral  
for American in the Custom -  
a Mr. Jarvis who died Sunday -  
fell from a ship at Butterfield  
Swinn's wharf - his body was found  
last night near O-Thau - Mr. Kemp  
conducted the service -

Thursday - Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> -

Another beautiful day and a busy  
one for me - To-day Mr. Kigan  
having our meals down here - en-  
joyed it too - Huan Lin went  
to the Country to-day. The boys in  
the school a half dozen of them objected  
to going over to the other schoolhouse  
and there has been a rather rebellious  
spirit among them, but I think it  
can be settled. A Mr. Watt, a  
newspaper man made us quite  
a call this evening -

Friday Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>

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The troublesome question of the schools is apparently settled in a victory for discipline and the authority of missionary and teachers. The Elder and teachers stood up manfully and the boys gave in. But these conflicts for the right are often trying and takes ones strength. To-night we had a very good prayer meeting.

Saturday - Oct 20<sup>th</sup> -

Warmer to-day - I have used what time I could get for work on my Treasurer's books. Two large Holland men of war are in port and the air has reverberated with the noise of salutes. They are fine looking ships - by far the most imposing of any that have come in here -

Sunday Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> -

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This morning I preached from Luke 18:18 and led the Sunday School in the afternoon the lesson being in Luke II: 21-34. The services were very well attended and the attention was good - a man from the Dutch man of war "Holland" came in - later several young officers came up trying to find their way to the Club -

This evening we met here and had a sing. which all seemed to enjoy though rather tired - Mr. Grosbeck took 3 preachers to Somton today and had a good hearing - One man stood and listened to four sermons in succession - the people were coming & going from 50 to a hundred present constantly. - Monday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>

Mr. Skeicher is here came at noon. He baptized 16 yesterday, included two restored one & chose a committee to consider

the case of another.

This is mail day home letters  
from Clara & the children and from  
Boston directing me to go to Bangkok  
unless occupied here. I should like  
to go in January. I sent letter  
to several different persons - did not  
sign my letter to Clara as I remem-  
ber, expected to add to it and did not  
get to it.

Quite an excitement at the top Rang  
"Lorr" to-day, a man who with two  
others was taking \$300 - up to the Baile  
Mission station for Mr. Ebert was  
robbed, but the money was found  
and restored.

Tuesday Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>

Glorious weather we are having -  
I have had a full day with two  
classes & study between times -  
We began First Communion today  
Mr. Spieker went back to Kitjung  
I spoke with the ladies about the  
Girls School and they think I had  
to start a day school. Mrs. Kemp will take  
the oversight of it.

Wednesday, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>

Five more men for the class,  
four from the Mykney field and  
one from Mr. Speicher's, one or  
two boys for the school and two  
women for the class from the Kit-  
Yang field. The days are busy  
ones now.

Mr. Gorsbeck led  
our prayer meeting at Mr. Kemp's -  
The Roberts always attend & when  
he speaks it is always to edifi-  
cation.

Thursday Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>  
A letter from Mr. Kemp states  
that the Pao tai called on him  
Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock in  
great style, all the pomp and  
circumstance of Chinese official-  
dom, runners, criers, guns, crackers,  
kettles galore. The poor man is  
much alarmed at the reports of  
fighting at Hui Chien, fears we

will get it here - These rebel  
horrors are not threatening  
foreigners so we are not worrying.

I get tremendously tired but am  
enjoying the work. sleep very  
well and have a good appetite -

Mr. Thompson came up to-day &  
found what was the reason my  
typo-writer did not work and  
regulated the feed so it runs easily,  
for which I am very thankful -

This evening I planned to do  
a goodly amount of work this evening  
but Chinese callers and consultation  
with Mr. Gysbeck about the  
mens class have consumed most  
of the time - Friday Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>

The "Election" in the Life of Paul  
made a very fair start to-day. All  
but those who go to do pastoral work  
on Saturday came in and promise  
to do well - With their work in  
Corinthians, Matthew, with some

work in Homiletics and 9  
this Life of Paul they should  
be kept out of mischief.  
Mr. Waters had the boys out  
for Exercise in athletics to-day.  
he will give them two lessons  
hockey & the men two if they  
wish.

I have enjoyed an evening to my-  
self - rested a part of the time and  
then worked on preparation for  
Sundays.

The people down on the place  
in Kak-Chick - Bo. Sin's family  
and Poa-A's family have had a  
new quarrel and the women came  
up here making a tremendous row in  
the forenoon. I went down and  
decided that they must both go.  
I shall probably make a trade  
with Ji Sin to manage the  
whole establishment - He has old  
Siu Thong as a sort of major domo

to keep watch against throwing 10  
and flourish about in the little  
man's absence: he is in his ele-  
ment "dressed in a little bit of  
authority".

Saturday - Oct 29<sup>th</sup>

This morning as Mr. Mrs. starting  
to work on the Treasury books.

John appeared I was obliged  
to give an hour or two to the  
pump - decided to put it away  
& re-instate the windlass: it is  
too much trouble and risk of  
life to be frequently lifting that  
30 odd feet of pipe out of the  
well; every now and then it fails.

Very dry yet no rain: the rice  
crop will be a failure I fear.

The two Holland warships went  
out today - The English "Lizard"  
I think it is has come.

Mr. Kemp came back from the city  
His shoes were stolen on the boat he came <sup>straw</sup> shipped

Sunday - Oct 24

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A beautiful day & good services, Mr. [The first] + Mr. [numerous] had a delightful sing too at our little home when the Graduates, but the day is saddened by news of more trouble in the country - a poor persecuted brother has died - returned here & Bro. King is said to have committed suicide - I preached to day from I John III: 2 - read a number of passages in the course of the sermon, am trying that plan of expository preaching, hope to bring them down to the Scriptures more definitely - We had 5 classes of women and 3 of men, which would have been better divided into five, in Sunday School. Tuesday we plan arranging for definite classes & teachers with a view to enlargement - Mr. Griebel, Mr. Kemp & native helpers had a large crowd in front.

Monday - Oct 29<sup>th</sup> 12

This evening there are six of  
the Luther here. Mr. Grosbeck  
& Mrs. Grosbeck have also been  
here so that there has not been  
time to do anything but hear and  
consider their reports. A letter from  
Mr. Speicher tells of a mob  
coming to drive him out last  
Saturday; he fired his revolver twice  
in the opposite direction which  
brought them to their senses -  
He prepared to prosecute the ring-  
leaders, but the father of one, a  
prominent man begged so hard  
he agreed to let him off if  
he would confess his fault, which  
he did publicly; one of the City Elders  
gave him a tremendous scolding and  
his father beat him over the head  
tho Mr. Speicher objected strenuously  
to this.

Tuesday Oct 30<sup>th</sup>

warmer to-day - The work goes  
on as usual -

Wednesday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>

The last day of October - only two months more in the year 1900! This is difficult to realize. Truly we have countless mercies for which to be thankful. The troubles in the North are yet unsettled, the rebels are fighting in the next Prefecture (Hui Chiu or Hui Chou) and there is unrest everywhere. Business is very bad in Swatow. Godard Williams told me yesterday there have been bad failures and the New Year will probably be a bad time of reckoning for many; he thinks it will be ten years before Swatow will recover from the effects of this summer. The tin trade in Suga being broken up has caused great loss. The present rice crop will be a failure in many places - yet

We are going on with our 14  
work, more men and women  
studying here than ever before  
in the Compound at one time.  
and good opportunities for  
preaching in Sraton. To-  
night all come here for the  
weekly prayer meeting -

Friday Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>

Just back from Sraton. Mr.  
Grisbeck is sick in bed with  
fever so Mr. Waters went to Sraton  
with the 'men' to-day I went  
which made the day a very full  
one. I had a worship to lead read  
the prayer for China printed  
on the front page of the Standard  
of Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Thursday Morning  
I translated a letter with resolutions  
of sympathy from the Baptist  
Convention that met at Pangson

Oct 13-15: I was interested to<sup>15</sup>  
note that W. F. Thomas was  
Pres of the Convention; his father  
and mine were classmates at  
Newton.

Saturday Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>

For two nights I had a touch  
of fever so sent for the doctor;  
he does not think it will be  
a serious matter; there is much  
fever about just now, so I have  
been about as usual, had a  
number of calls from the Chinese  
and did some much needed  
tracing work.

This evening Mr. Waters and  
I were invited out to dinner  
and forgot to tell the cook -  
so our bell was rung at  
the usual time.

Mr. Gossbeck is still in  
bed -

Sunday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> -

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Dressed in thin white clothing yet -  
This morning I put on a pair  
of white cloth trousers, wore a white  
vest & an alpaca coat but was  
altogether too warm in Snator -  
Whither I went with 5 of the  
Wing Kung preached - We had a

great many transient listeners  
& the seats were filled most of the  
time or a goodly number of them  
besides the people standing. How  
hard it is to realize that these  
indifferent, pagan listeners may  
really become warm hearted Christ-  
ians filled with the Spirit, the  
life of God! We need to realize  
this when preaching and to  
expect conversions among  
them - now - We had a better  
Sunday school than usual to-day  
have divided the classes more satisfactorily

I had the reading of a letter to '7  
Miss Scott written 10 days later  
than my last from Clara - hope  
mine will be here to-morrow  
morning.

Monday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>

The letters did come - from Burton,  
and Mrs. Giesebeck had one also from  
Mama - I was so glad to get  
the news - I had also a good let-  
ter from Dr. Carlin who is at  
Newton Center.

This afternoon I enjoyed my  
class in the life of Paul - I  
was myself more than ever im-  
pressed with the marvellous  
significance of the conversion of  
Paul as a manifestation of God's  
wisdom, power and grace: it  
transcended all human power  
of thought or hope; man took  
no initiative at all in the matter  
it was conceived, planned and exe-  
cuted by God - himself, using, but

one reluctant human agent, 18

Tuesday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>

The pivotal day in the history  
of one blond nation land.  
What will be the result? We  
cannot know for several days.  
As I now write, the polls  
are beginning to open.

This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of  
the Grosbeck's arriving here and  
they celebrated by inviting all the  
rest of us to supper. We had a very  
pleasant time. The house looks  
so fresh and nice.

To-day I did not go down in  
the afternoon to the class. Stayed here  
to work on accounts. Made a little  
headway. Chien Hui gave them  
a lesson in Evidences of Christianity  
or Homiletics. From at least went  
to Smaton to preach.

Monday, Nov 7<sup>th</sup>

Prayer meeting to-night at Hadin's  
House. Mr. Spieker was present

He came down this forenoon<sup>19</sup>  
with one of the Kit-yung City El-  
ders to see if money can be sent  
to men who were fugitives from Pe-  
King and are in great straits, no  
money and in danger of their lives.

This morning at chapel I spoke  
of the home election and presented  
the matter of the coming administation-  
tion as a subject for prayer.

Elder Po-San offered a very appro-  
priate petition -

About 11 P.M. Thursday, Nov 1<sup>st</sup>

We have been hard at work on  
books to-day. Mr. Waters has  
been analyzing the mission ex-  
penditures for schools and other  
departments and I have been  
getting out the individual ac-  
counts in the Treasurers books -  
My son to have had Trachs meeting  
this evening but the night was  
very stormy. Hô Lan Su from

Kit Yang called to-day & 20  
was in our class for a little  
while.

Saturday-Eveing Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>

We are thinking of having a literary  
Evening, inviting the rest of the Miss-  
ion to be our guests a week from

Tuesday. We may take Homer and  
his poems. For our topic.

We are enjoying Mr. Campbell's  
company at supper now. He came  
yesterday and takes his other  
meals by himself coming here for

supper. Yesterday I had a long  
session with my class over the

Sunday School lesson Luke ~~xi~~: 33-54.

I am realizing what a wilderness  
the Chinese text is to the partially  
taught and how necessary it is

to go over a passage, verse by verse  
and clause by clause, word by  
word by word even. They are

showing interest in the life of Paul

which we have <sup>Monday</sup> Friday afternoons.  
We are working at the closing of  
the Annual accounts and begin to  
see light ahead.

Sunday Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>

In Boston we had a long ser-  
vice opened at 10 o'clock and  
up to 12-30 when I left it  
had not closed. & I have not learned  
how long the preaching was  
continued. Three of the Wang King  
men & one other went across with  
me. Three other men storm bound  
were waiting there so we had a good  
large force. A part of the time the  
people were exceptionally atten-  
tive. This constant seed sowing  
will certainly tell in time.

I was very glad to find that the  
service was good. ~~Here~~ & that  
Elder Po San had preached in  
a much mellower tone than  
usual. Yesterday I gave about half

yesterday forenoon to considering<sup>22</sup>  
the need of feeding as well as  
giving directions admonitions and  
rebukes to the flock - The people  
must have the richness of the Gospel  
and the rewards and attainments  
of the Christian life laid before  
them or they will not grow in  
strength or brisidity led -

The day has been notable by reason  
of the "Coptic" mail coming up:  
the "Formosa" left Hong Kong on  
Thursday and just arrived - the weather  
has been very stormy. I have enjoyed  
so much my letters & pictures from  
home. Monday Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>

Mr. Yonick went to Satom  
with his preachers to-day and  
had an exceptionally good time,  
sold out all the books he had, some  
to a man from up in Fokien Province  
some to a Hak-ka - the people listened  
& wanted to talk or listen after the  
preaching was over. I think he has been

The class did well in the life <sup>23</sup>  
of Paul. I was pleased to have  
two of the best men A-him  
& Le Pak defer a visit home  
so as not to lose time from  
their studies - A-him's brother  
and Paul's brother, husband  
of the former medium, are back  
from Siam - Wednesday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>

To-day all time outside of  
two classes and preparing them  
for and various calls from the  
Chinese, I put on the Museum's  
Report and made most satisfactory  
progress. filed out the Quarterly Report  
and have 5 large pages done  
for one side of the Annual Report.  
Yesterday evening Mr & Mrs invited  
to Mrs. Kemp's for supper had a  
very pleasant time -

Mrs. Grisbeck was out, but she  
is not well again to-day.

Thursday Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>

Just back from teachers meeting  
at Dr. Scotts, quite a good lesson.  
It has been rather hard pulling  
to-day - Mr. Grisbeck is ill  
again. A letter from Mrs. Bafford  
from Hongkong says she and Mrs.  
Harris were going directly to Peking  
would not stop, had promised  
friends at home they would not  
stop in China.

Friday - Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>

This afternoon I went to ma-  
tor & ordered some printed mat-  
ter and did a little shopping,  
also I went to the chapel for a  
little while: there were not very  
many attendants. I have been a  
little tired the past few days,  
did not have my class in the afternoon,  
was with them two hours in the  
forenoon - It is Mr. Waters's birthday.

Saturday Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> 25

Yesterday crossing the Bay I wrote a letter to send home with cards and asked the printer, while giving him other orders, if he could get it quickly. He promised the proof this morning & the letters before noon. So this forenoon I sent the steersman over & he was back with a very good proof by 10 & by 1 P.M. the letters were here. Last evening I had addressed envelopes & today my teacher wrote more cards and put them in also stamped the envelopes & at noon the Cook folded the circulars & put them in, so I have been able to go on with my work, send the monthly statement to Mr. Coleman, get my Annual Report all ready for a final copy and also get about 50 missives off for the next mail, for which

I am very thankful - have 26  
followed Spurgeon's plan of taking  
a text Saty night, hope it may  
be a profitable one to all -

John XI:52 - "that also he should  
gather in one the Children of God  
that were scattered abroad" -

Mrs. Waters is at the organ and  
I will go in for a good night  
Lynon. Monday Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>

Yesterday we had a very good con-  
gregation in the forenoon and 113 at  
Sunday School. The men had good

quiet audiences in Braton - I  
preached here from John XI:52 -

To-day we sent off the rest of my  
letter circulars & I sent my Præsum  
report - This evening Mr. Ebert tried  
a few pictures with his magic lan-  
tern at the Chapel - Yesterday we had a  
little mail but no Braton letter -

Mr. Waters had a letter advising<sup>27</sup>  
him that the Committee had  
voted that he go to the Philippines  
supposing he could do nothing here.  
But he does not feel any call to go  
there & is getting on fairly here.

Tuesday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> -

Mr. Ebert showed us a very fine  
set of views with Mr. Kutter's  
lantern this evening; most of the  
slides are Biblical scenes - some  
Chinese and some Swiss - They  
came out very clearly. This has  
been a day with more failures &  
disappointments than usual, but I  
hope something has been learned.

Wednesday, Nov 21<sup>st</sup>

My eyes have troubled me somewhat  
and I am taking matters more easily  
for a little. This evening we had our  
prayer meeting at Mrs. Kemp's - I led  
speaking on Prov. 11:24 & I Cor III: 6-9 -  
I had a long sitting with the Chinese over a new of disciples.

Thursday - Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> 28

Back from Teachers meeting.  
quite the best I ever have  
enjoyed. We had a little  
scare over some rats dying  
down in the Noman's house.  
We hope it may not be serious.  
This morning I had a long  
session with the class. We are  
studying the ordinances in the  
10<sup>th</sup> Chapter of First Corinthians.

Friday - Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>

My day has been much broken up  
by the Chinese coming & going,  
many trying affairs just now.  
Satan seems to be showing  
his power to make trouble within  
and without the Church - but we must  
bravely face them & do the best  
we can. We had a very good morning  
service, a hearty response & many requests.

Saturday - Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> - 29

Mrs. Gimbeck is rather better - she is able to get out a little, came down to photograph a most odd looking buffalo that of this own. Her horns are curved and hang down like a hound's ears. The day has been much broken up but rather restful.

Sunday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>.

This forenoon we had a fine large congregation - I preached from 4<sup>th</sup> Peter 1:4 - had some liberty. Yesterday I spent several hours with Ni-pi who clothed my thoughts with words in a most helpful manner.

Mr. Waters took the Sunday school and got on well I judge. We took a walk later. I was called to go over to Mr. Gimbeck's to get a shine for a family and met Mr. W. there again - Mrs. G. is having a very hard time, pain in her throat, no appetite and sleeplessness. This very anxious

Monday Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>

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A call from a Mandarin Deputy of the Acting Viceroy who proposes to settle the claims - An Counsel at Canton has been making "vigorous representations" to the Viceroy's Yamen.

Tuesday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>

Home mail to-day - good letters from Burton - Mr. Spencer and Mr. Campbell both came at noon and we enjoy them both very much. I have been with my class a long time both forenoon and afternoon - We are going very thoroughly over the subject of the Ordinances in I Cor. ~~X~~<sup>XI</sup> & ~~XI~~<sup>XII</sup>. To-day we had the subject of infant salvation. I took the ground that the work of Christ over-matches that of Adam so far as it affects the race as a unit, and a child has a birthright in the Second as well as in the first Adam. The child does not merit and if dying in infancy receives the renewing of the

Holy Spirit - When the child 29  
grows up to follow the course of  
the <sup>fallen</sup> Adam and indorse his  
disobedience then he must repent  
and accept Christ by faith and  
walk in Him.

"As in Adam all die so in Christ  
shall all be made alive" -

Thursday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>

A goodly company at dinner  
in our hillside home, guests of  
the Goosbecks who had a splendid  
turkey, one which the Kit-Yang Man-  
darin gave Mr. Speicher & has been  
fattened here of late. We shall miss  
his familiar "gobble-gobble".  
We had a service in the forenoon.  
A lot of troublesome mission mat-  
ters have taken up most of the day.

Yesterday I was at the class both  
morning and afternoon. as the teacher  
was still disabled on account of his  
sore throat - Mr. Speicher & I called on the Consul.

Friday Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>

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Mr. Speicher went home to-day.  
Mr. Campbell is still with us. I had a  
caller at my class to-day a Customs  
man who was looking for some light-  
house oil. that was salvaged and  
brought up to our home, by a friend of  
a Thio's - I had heard nothing of it  
but finally inquired & learned where it  
was. <sup>from a cargo boat in the bay</sup> 350 cases Mr. Wert  
worth

99 - silver a case & about 100 cases  
Mr. Missel - being picked up by the

Chinese - Saturday - Dec 1<sup>st</sup> -

"The dark dream" but we were  
breakfasting this morning with the  
door wide open and the sunlight  
streaming in - This day has been broken  
up by almost a steady stream of  
Chinese, sometimes three at a time.  
The new British Consul, Geo. Scott Esq.  
on whom Mr. Speicher & I called last  
Wednesday came up this afternoon and  
brought back the papers we had.

prepared for the acting Vicary's<sup>31</sup>  
Deputy. He asked to see them  
to show Dr. Gibson how they  
should be made out. He is very  
pleasant, the most modest Counsel  
I have met. Mr. Waterst

settled up for 6 weeks to-day  
and find our board and lights  
cost about an average of 5. mex.  
per week each, servants all about  
\$3<sup>50</sup>/<sub>11</sub> U.S. We get about 2 bottles of  
milk per diem so the little cow  
has done very well by us.

Sunday. Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Tang Sing preached an excellent ser-  
mon this morning from Hebrews  
X:32 sq. He used several apt Chi-  
nese quotations to show how fleeting  
is earthly glory & used all that I  
gave him yesterday & a great deal  
of Scripture: the way the citations

followed one another. The con.<sup>32</sup>  
gregation was the largest we have  
had on other than Communion  
Sunday. The Sunday School was  
larger by 10 than last Sunday.  
This evening the others, all but  
the Gombicks came here to sing.  
Mrs. G. is in for more toncilitis.

Thursday Dec<sup>th</sup> -

We have been so crowded with  
various events, my eyes twinkling  
a little, I have neglected this  
daily record. Monday we had a  
pleasant surprise in a visit from  
Mrs. Major Gilbert & son from  
Cebu. Major Gilbert is pay in-  
specter there. They are from the  
Second Church Rochester and  
came to visit. Mr. Waters, who  
supplied the church one Sum-  
mer. The young man had

tubercle plague in the Philippines<sup>33</sup>  
This good Mother took him up  
as far as Kagasaki. They took  
tiffin with us Dr. & Miss Scott  
came down to help entertain and  
brought the chicken they were to have  
had.

Tuesday We had all the Mission  
nine of us at one table and read  
Dr. Strong's<sup>1st</sup> lecture on Homer: all  
enjoyed it - During the day my  
time was taken up by a most  
troublesome affair of church disci-  
pline.

Wednesday much of the time was  
also given to the troublesome case.  
We had prayer meeting at the Gros-  
beck's - the last one for Mr. Camp-  
bell to attend with us before  
going home.

Thursday has been a busy day  
for me: We voted at Morning  
Chapel to accept the invitation  
of the Kit Young Church to meet  
in Co-operation & a committee

appointed to draft and send 34  
letters to the churches in the  
Country - Before breakfast I had  
"him" here for a little while  
to question him and impress upon  
him, if possible, the heinousness of  
falsifying - got a valuable point  
from him - The Chinese evidently  
make a great distinction between  
~~telling~~ telling as a fact  
what is not a fact and deceiving  
what is actually a fact - The latter  
they seemed to think is a small  
matter - but that is the very foun-  
tain head of lying - "Thou shalt not  
surely die" - Mr. Campbell has  
been preparing to go to-day, I have  
settled up mission accounts  
with him -

Monday, Dec 10th -

Friday was much like other Fridays,  
myself, Mr. W. I was getting ready for  
going to the Country & Mr. Campbell to go

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I worked at my accounts quite steadily - Saturday forenoon Mr. C. was here again - I had the satisfaction of mailing Mr. Coleman another packet of accounts which represent not a little work - after settling up with Mr. Jui - dismissing him, on account of his wrong speech and conduct here - I set sail for Chao. yang, the first time in a house boat this year. I had made the trip but was greatly blessed in my own spiritual experience and the work was not so difficult as I feared. Things are in a pitiable state here but the revealing of the difficulties may, we trust will be the way to better things. I had a very good time preaching from I John III: 1-3 - Monday morning we had a north wind against us so did not get here till past 8 o'clock, in time for morning prayers. I'll tell who

was with me we set off in a <sup>36</sup> small boat near Swatow to catch the morning launch go up to Kwan-Pou and Lau-King.

Tuesday morning I told the people at Chapel that Ma-Hiang had acted so badly that Chas Young and here that our foreign pastors had decided we could no longer recognize him as a teacher of Christian truth. They were not a little impressed.

Wednesday his brother Ma-Kiu came up to talk over the case and cried like a child over his brother's delinquencies. I felt sorry for him. He was also here in the evening & we considered the question of the school for the coming month.

We are having plenty to think about now in preparing for the meetings at Kityang, getting ready the Sunday school lessons for next

year and planning our work <sup>37</sup>  
so as to attend to all the many  
details and for progress -

The Union meeting was here. I led  
Reading several passages taking as the  
Keynote the expression in Hebrews -

"The power of an endless life",  
which had been much in my  
mind. We had an uncommonly  
good meeting it seemed to me.

Thursday Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> - Just back from  
the teachers meeting, which I quite  
enjoy - now <sup>mid</sup>winter is here  
with some "tale of frost".

Saturday Dec 15<sup>th</sup>

The weather continues fine - Mrs.  
Grossbeck is here with her husband  
arranging for our expected conference  
at Jai Hwa Hui - We shall make the  
church the topic what the church  
is & what officers - the duties of officers  
of the church with reference to Christians  
and with reference to the world -

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Mr. Grossbeck is going to motor  
everyday now and the people are  
becoming more and more interested.

To-day I had a pleasant surprise. Two  
men come in with a letter I informed  
it meant trouble of some sort, but  
it was only to say that a difficulty  
I had refused to help in was all  
settled! They were from a new place  
Kho Khai in Kit Yang District where  
they wish to build a new chapel.  
The Council writes that there is pros-  
pect of a speedy settlement of the  
Jio Phing troubles. The Acting Vicary  
wrote in praise of the just & careful  
estimates sent in.

I have been teaching the school boys  
the rudiments of Base Ball. They  
take hold of it with avidity. Finally  
I showed them how to throw &  
strike & catch, last night to run  
to 1<sup>st</sup> base & back & right to  
run bases and take the regular  
places in the field. They have a

light bamboo bat & we had a 39  
few Gunnis balls that had hardened  
lost their elasticity in large measure  
but do well for this. The boys did  
wonderfully well batting to - right  
but do not get all the fielding points  
yet. One little chap surprised me  
by taking a swift ball, a "liner"  
in the shortstop's position & making a  
fine catch. One of them conceived the  
notion of a home run and asked if  
one could "run the square after hitting  
the ball a long way." They seem  
to enjoy it as much as American boys.  
I drew a diagram for them and  
translated the names of the positions  
for them: they are more appreciative  
than of anything I have seen them  
receive yet.

Sunday - Dec 16<sup>th</sup>

Last night I preached a sermon on Hab.  
2:5 and had a good degree of liberty in speak-  
ing to-day, took the first step toward organizing  
a local body to-day. The Kuk Chick Church

elected delegates to the Convention.

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Monday Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>

Mr. Waters is back greatly pleased  
over his trip. I went to Smaton this  
P.M. We had a good number of lis-  
teners. I was weighed at Customs  
shed according to Mr. Pollocks figuring  
I weighed 150  $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs but I think that  
must be out of the way.

Tuesday, Dec 18<sup>th</sup>

Such a day of experience. Before we  
finished breakfast a Yamen Sec-  
tary appeared with invitation to  
call on the Governor's Deputy - which  
we agreed to do Wednesday at 10 A.M.  
Some of the class did not have the  
lesson I had assigned for the second  
time so I left them to improve.  
The man who had neglected the  
duty showed a fine spirit &  
had the work well prepared in  
the afternoon - Kang-Chia, one  
of the youngest of the Ung-Kung  
helpers, so that ended well -

as we finished tiffin two men from  
 Nam-Ling came in and I was obliged  
 to put them off till 3 o'clock then,  
 as I came up from class the Fui-Li  
 people were waiting & kept me busy  
 till 4 - when Ma-Hiang came &  
 I postponed him till 8 o'clock, then  
 was hoping to get a little out of  
 door exercise when a reply came  
 from the English Consul asking me  
 to come down at once & he would  
 tell me of his interview with the of-  
 ficials - He is very cordial and  
 told me that he meant to stand  
 for \$30,000.00, the claim is for  
 over \$4,000.00 - after that I  
 called on the Thompsons, found  
 I weighed 148 1/2 lbs by their scales.  
 After supper I saw Ma-Hiang a  
 few moments, had a short in-  
 terview with the Nam-Ling people  
 telling them they must stop their  
 wrong doing in running a market.

Contrary to an agreement made by <sup>112</sup>  
the Headmen of the villages with their  
officials. I was otherwise busy  
all the evening with Mr. Grosbeck  
and the two preachers Chi-ke and  
Tang-seung over the accounts in the  
Jio Shing case.

Wednesday Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>

A good prayer meeting to-night  
led by Mr. Waters. he has come  
back from the country much en-  
thusiased over evangelizing.

We had a long sitting with the  
officials this forenoon indeed did  
not get away until one o'clock.

They are very pleasant but an-  
nuy to crowd us down on the  
figures for settlement. The whole  
amount is \$24,000 - + We came  
down to \$22,000. they offered 13,000,  
would raise that amount. We are to  
see them again to-morrow -

Friday - Dec 21<sup>st</sup> -

My wife all yesterday afternoon with the officials and finally accepted 20,000. if they will attend to all the little cases of persecution that are pending. They have been very pleasant taking all in all - but it is a weariness of the flesh. Last evening I had the

S.S. Teachers meeting & it was a hard drag after the day.

To-day I have been busy with regular work & the aftermath of the cases - Mr. Scott the Consul wrote congratulating us on our success. he did not understand about the difference in the weight of the dollars, but has sent a second note accepting my position saying he will "follow my lead" & insist on full weight dollars. He will also hold to the more important point of bringing guilty men to justice.

Saturday Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> -

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I had a very busy forenoon and started a headache that lasted me all day & prevented my accomplishing much in the latter half of the day. Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

We had a very good service in the forenoon. Po-San preached a good sermon on the Madonna that is from above applying it to the present situation and the duties of the people from Jio-Pheing. The Christians residing here met afterwards & conferred about what we should do to help the work here. I preached

at Kuk-Chieh at 11-30 from I John III: 1-3, only two people from the Community and 3 children. We had a good Sunday school -

Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> we went to Canton again and signed a contract with the officials for a

settlement of the Joo-Pheing cases <sup>45</sup>  
\$20,000 - to be paid in two in-  
stalments - June 10<sup>th</sup> & Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> re-  
spectively and the culprits suita-  
bly dealt with after official procla-  
mations have been issued declaring  
the case settled and that Christians  
are to be protected.

Tuesday - Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>

a beautiful Christmas day - We  
had a service at 9 o'clock and  
then I was obliged to go and see  
the Consul - Friday Dec 28<sup>th</sup> -

after the above mentioned trip to the  
Consul I went to Swatow with  
Mr. Grogguck where we signed the  
final <sup>to be</sup> contract for settlement of the  
Joo-Pheing troubles - \$20,000 to be paid  
in two instalments - they are to punish  
offenders & issue proclamations an-  
nouncing the terms of settlement &  
warning against further troubles.  
In the afternoon the officials came

and called upon us - four 46  
men of high rank all up here and  
sitting down here with us. We  
kidd them at the dining room  
table seated according to their  
rank. Fung Sing the Lai-phu  
preacher is a very good master of  
ceremonies -

In the evening the Mission took  
supper at Dr. Scotts - we had a  
very pleasant time - they had a  
fish pond with little parcels in  
it + it was great fun getting them  
out. Mr. Waters made a little poem  
"Fisherman's Luck".

I was called out by men from  
Lau Kung who said there is  
danger of a renewal of fighting  
there + begged me to inform the  
Magistrate as no one there  
could do so without being severely  
punished - I told them I would  
send a line to the Foreign Deputy

A Foreign Affairs who has been <sup>47</sup>  
most friendly & said he would  
be glad to have me consult  
with him on any question of im-  
portance - I did not mention the Examination  
then next day Wednesday - Ngim Hing,  
now my teacher, wrote a letter  
and the Deputy sent back word  
he would inform the Chao-Yang  
Mandarin & asked me to send a  
letter also - To-day I have <sup>letters</sup> replies  
from both, very polite and rather  
flattering. My teacher got a man  
to go in and listen to the Chao-  
Yang's Magistrate's conversation  
and he was highly pleased to get  
the information - I hope this  
may lead to a friendly state  
of affairs with the Yamen there  
so we can get little matters  
easily settled - Yesterday we  
had Boys School Examination  
and the Women's class had a private

Examination. To-day they had 48  
another ✓ in the forenoon the 'New  
Class passed a very good examination.

These are very busy days: the winter  
helps are coming in and there  
are many things to consult about.  
We have a number of difficult  
complications in the church.

Saturday - Dec 29<sup>th</sup>

A very very busy day and  
many troubles affairs on hand.  
in the midst of the flood of Chinese  
language comes the Dome's mail  
with good news from home up to  
the 24<sup>th</sup> of Nov. also the letter  
of Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> that was sent by mistake  
to Chicago - I also have a letter  
from Mr. Joy of Grand Forks  
Dakota. We are having beauti-  
ful mild weather now, hope  
I have a good week at it yet.  
Sorry I cannot write more  
letter to Mr. Campbell enclosed

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Hingyang Monday Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 1900 11-35 P.M.

We have held the first service of our Convention, some 200 present and a very good service it was - The new chapel is very fine, three large lamps light it very well -

Afterwards we foreigners, the Gornbrakes, Miss Scott, Mr. Speicher Mr. Waters and myself met for a time at the new lady's house and had prayer and a hymn together - Now we are at Mr. Speicher's - Mr. Waters has just read "Ring out wild bells to the wild sky" -

The last 52 hours seem like a long time - Saturday evening we had a most impressive service, a business meeting where five were excluded most difficult cases to manage - Mei-Hiang, Achheng, In-tung, his wife and a Hwai - The Chinese

appeared to better advantage than<sup>2</sup>  
in any such meeting I ever attended.  
Sunday we had a large congrega-  
tion, all the seats in chapel taken.  
The baptism was a good service also  
Communion. Mr. Waters spoke  
very well indeed on "Make Jesus  
King." We had a prayer and  
praise service in the evening.

Good byr old year - Welcome  
the Twentieth Century -

Tuesday - Jan'y 1<sup>st</sup> 1900 -

A grand day, truly an auspicious  
opening of the century for our Church.  
The Chapel was well filled and  
the people greatly interested. I spoke  
in the forenoon on the New Testament  
Church and Mr. Groesbeck on the  
Officers of the Church, with a great  
emphasis on the need of better dea-  
cons, which called forth a lively and

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profitable discussion -

This evening I told them of the Catacombs using the painting Mrs. Judd prepared. They were greatly interested - Wednesday, Jan'y 2<sup>nd</sup>

A beautiful mild, clear, sunny day and a good meeting, the chapel well filled, and all greatly interested. Mr. Speicher spoke on the church as a Holy Church and the need of the Body - bring every part alive and strong and nourished - The discussion ran over time half an hour and then needed to be shut off -

Mr. Grosbeck told them the ordinances belonged to the local Church not to the General assembly - gave it to them with tremendous emphasis, so they will be likely to remember it. So many take part who are not usually heard from - I can seem to feel the blood circulating in the quickened body.

The afternoon service led by Mr. Kemp brought up a great many subjects connected with the Church and the discussion showed the Chinese were interested in the subject -

Thursday - Jan'y 31<sup>st</sup>

To-day the whole responsibility of the meetings was thrown upon the Chinese and they had reports from the different churches - 57 were represented - To-night we met with them and had a committee appointed for "Place time & preacher" - They had voted on the subject themselves decided that the Convention be Annual & the 8<sup>th</sup> month would be the best time for it.

Mr. Gorsback gave them a rousing invitation to Ung King next year. Ling Heng said they wanted to invite the Convention to Hingia" but Mr. Gorsback had given them such a strong invitation they could <sup>not</sup> beat him, so would waive the question. The invitation was accepted by a standing vote.

Friday - Jan'y 4<sup>th</sup> 1901 5

Mr. Speicher and Mr. Kemp led  
in the forenoon. Mr. Kemp spoke  
on "How can the Deed of the heathen  
worshippers be transferred to the  
service of Christ?" They give so  
much money and time to their  
false gods; when they know the  
truth they do little and judge  
even half a day on Sunday.

Mr. S. considers the problem of  
preaching the freeness of salvation  
without giving the impression  
that Christianity is a cheap religion.

The discussion was full of life,  
several needed to be called down  
they had so much to say.

In the afternoon I was to speak on  
the Conquering power of the church,  
was not feeling very well and had  
a rather hard time, but succeeded  
in impressing upon them a few  
scripture truths - Mr. Waters  
led a memorial service for the  
martyrs in the north. He did

very finely indeed - Hak fu, &  
the Elder, unveiled a memorial  
tablet green and gold -

"The Northern Provinces (those  
who embracing the Truth suffered  
death (a) memorial of them"

A-ngin seriously objected to it  
because only the Chinese year  
was upon it, not the "Jesus-  
year" as well. that will be added  
A-Hong gave the story of further com-  
paring the escape of the Christians  
here in China to the deliverance  
of the Jews at that time.

He closed with "Blest be the tie  
that binds our hearts in Christian  
love" - but the Convention by  
no means ends there. Its influence  
will <sup>not</sup> end. The fellowship was  
refreshing - and likewise the enthusi-  
asm of the people - They are  
looking forward to May King -

Saturday - July 5<sup>th</sup> 17

We came in a little boat last evening around to the stream beyond the bridge outside the West gate & boarded the houseboat "Grace". This morning we went the "Three Corners ferry" and walked 2 miles to the hamlet of "Sua Chai" of Kho Khoi where we have been making calls, looking at chapel sites and preaching. The people are very cordial but I do not know how far they are really aware of what Christianity is.

Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup>

On Houseboat Grace - This forenoon had the little school room packed full of men young and old and most decreed and of the sort that are the backbone of the Chinese

nation - I spoke to them on  
the importance of unity in Christ  
as the very foundation of Church  
life then from the last part  
of the 17th of Hebrews "in dew and  
dew of the earth," using the Cata-  
combs as an illustration. They  
seemed much interested. I hope  
the problem of the new place  
of worship will settle itself  
aright.

We came over to  
Lau-tung for an afternoon  
where I again used the chart  
and emphasized the imperative  
necessity of cutting off from  
all connection with customs  
of the heathen. Two old members  
had been mixed up a little in  
some posthumous Communism  
and we got a confession and  
promise of better conduct in the

future. One poor old man I  
was now obliged to cut off. Yester-  
day I met him going to worship  
his "Sa-Kui" Chou" - "Ancestor of  
Three Districts" - He was bound  
to go and would not listen to any  
dissuasion -

Monday June 7<sup>th</sup>

At Phai Thai - We have had a  
quiet day here calling on the  
people and attending to some  
unsettled difficulties -

Monday - June 8<sup>th</sup>

The past week I have been so much  
on the wing that the journal has  
been neglected. Sunday at Pon Kia,  
Monday - call at Khek-Khai, Son-  
min & Va-Ka, Thursday with Mr.  
Grassbeck at Hui-Sai. Done there  
that night after an interview with the  
Poa-thai, with bills for \$10,000.00 in  
our pockets. Friday Sat. a.m. here -  
Sat. P.M. Sunday to Kwan Pon for  
the Sunday Service - Back here today.

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Saturday Jan'y 19<sup>th</sup> to Monday the 21<sup>st</sup>

After a busy morning Mr. Waters and I took the "Grace" and had a splendid sail to Phau Thai stopping a few moments at Kwan Bon. In the afternoon I made a few calls among the shops and in the evening we had a good prayer meeting, Mr. Waters played the organ for us. He was not feeling well.

Sunday morning we did not go up till afternoon. I spoke to them at the early service of the need of prayer before choosing church officers.

We had the Catechism's Chart and an exposition of a part of Paul's Second letter to Timothy "who hath brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel" at the 10-o'clock meeting.

The Communion service in the afternoon I enjoyed more than any for a long time. They elected a Treasurer from Chhe-khai a colleague to keep accounts from Thien.

two dragons. Pui-Chihim from Houle<sup>14</sup>  
and U-Peh, who used to be at  
Kok-Chieh & attended at Sam Leng  
until Chin-Po' insisted that he  
leave. They wish to call Pui-Sin-ki.

Last night we anchored at the head  
of the bay and are having a little  
North breeze to take us back as  
well as the tide -

Tuesday - the 22<sup>nd</sup> to Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup>

Monday afternoon I was rejoiced by  
the coming of my bundles from  
home, everything so nice and acceptable,  
and so much the more true coming  
as the gifts of love and loving ones  
at home. The candy was very  
nice & fresh. I have been sharing  
it with the others who appreciate  
it highly, a little taste of the kind  
from home is a great treat to them.

I have been very busy ever since <sup>15</sup> coming back, have paid over \$500<sup>00</sup> in claims to the fishing people had 5 recitations with class - Hui Lin is now native teacher. I led the prayer meeting

to-night. took Intercession as the subject and used a part of the story in "Calvary's Cross" "The man that died for me" to illustrate the same. I am very glad for the book. Thursday Jan'y 24<sup>th</sup> -

Mail per Empress of India, such good letters from home with descriptions of the rooms in "Cosy Corner" Cottage: also a letter from Dr. Partridge and one from John Cummings - I rejoice at the good news from Buxton Church am praying that the work may go on -

Friday - Saturday July 25-26 '16

One thing after another comes tumbling  
in upon me. My teacher took a nibble  
at h'ai-sing & left. Several more have  
come to the class. there are a lot of com-  
plications to be straightened out among  
the people living here, & a lot of diffi-  
culties in the country. Mr. Waters is  
off for a fortnight & quite a little  
time & thought was necessary to ar-  
range his trip. Mr. Coleman needs some  
more itemized statements. Incentive  
Report has taken nearly all the day to-  
day together with making out the  
Exchange schedule &c. A letter  
is here from the Tao-tai about an old  
affair the Phou Ling magistrate is  
taking up, but I expect to be able  
to use it against him. have sent  
off for papers & can use this to get  
my teacher back - one Council has sent  
some helpful documents -

Sunday Jan'y 27<sup>th</sup> 17

I have been cheering myself to-night  
by writing home and by singing -  
this afternoon we had a rather good  
Sunday School - & at 7 o'clock a goodly  
number of people came to service.

I urged on the people that they call  
a procher. They hear more than a third  
the amt needed and one young  
man Cheng-Hong younger brother of  
a Siam So's former husband subscribed  
\$4- on the spot. He is on the Tam-Sui  
and was in front to-day. I hope  
the matter can be settled and a Kou  
called.

Monday - Jan'y 28<sup>th</sup>.

Home mail to-day good letters  
from home & the pictures which I  
was so very glad to get.

Tuesday Jan'y - 29<sup>th</sup> -

To-day I have enjoyed my class  
both forenoon and afternoon. have  
not done much else than meet them

and do some work of preparation. 18  
Last night I was up till one o'clock  
over a miserable trouble of the medical  
students & did not get to bed till an hour  
later still - At Chapel this morning

I told them a little of Victoria the good,  
they see the flag at half mast and  
know it is in respect to her memory.  
I dwelt on her excellencies as daughter  
wife, mother & friend - They listened

with evident interest - I wrote a few  
words to the Consul Mr. Scott in a letter  
on <sup>the descendants,</sup> mission business referring the reason  
of my Warwickshire ancestors - he thanked  
me very warmly & wrote - "We all feel

that our guide and guardian has been  
lost to us. Her tact and discretion  
often solved many international diffi-  
culties; and her wisdom and dis-  
cretion steered the nation clear of many  
a crisis in troublous times, and then  
she had the nation's faith and  
confidence" - Mr. Scott is an  
excellent Consul and very friendly  
to us, ready to help in anything -

Wednesday, June 30<sup>th</sup> 19

Cooler to-day - I have been having  
a day out was invited to the Grounds  
to take tiffin also afternoon  
tea - & to Dr. Scott's for supper - first  
time I have been out for a meal  
since we were at Kit-yang -  
Huk Jen is here, has been having  
some hemorrhages, but I hope he  
will rally. He is a useful man,  
Mr. Waters sends in rather cheerful  
reports. Thursday June 31<sup>st</sup>

Last day of the month and quite a constant  
stream of Chinese visitors from before break-  
fast till 10-30, some when I have been  
absent. I went to motor in the afternoon  
to see about some matters at the chapel.  
The students seemed to be doing well -  
I sold a few books & talked to men  
by the door for a little time - Having  
the chapel open every day is making  
an impression and if the plan were  
on foot to locate a pastor there does  
not fail me here reason to look for  
an upturning there - I plan going to the other

Friday Feb 1<sup>st</sup> Saty Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> <sup>20</sup>

It is now Saty evening I am at  
the little table in the visitor's  
room of the Kho-Khai chapel.  
Yesterday after a very busy forenoon  
I came to Tiê-Liê - there was quite  
an exodus - 15 chapels will be sup-  
plied to-morrow by men from Rak-  
Chieh, principally members of the Class.  
We had a very impressive prayer-  
service as we departed after study-  
ing the S.S. lesson and arranging  
the Sunday's work - there were  
fully 30 of us in the upper  
room where I trust we shall  
yet have more deep and moving  
Experiences of Gods Spirit in  
power to rouse and fit for  
service. I often think as I  
look on the six full benches and  
others at the side, what a mighty  
force if each man were filled with  
God's Spirit & enraptured by the Cross.

At Pie-Lo<sup>2</sup> I looked at several<sup>21</sup>  
places the brethren have in view  
as possible sites for a chapel.  
One on the outside by the walk  
we take outside the city wall to  
go to the Lung-chi<sup>2</sup> side would  
be very good.

We had a rather good trip up the river  
in the Chinese boat. Ngwan Shan, three  
men from the class of had no hymn book  
but sang all the hymns we could re-  
member. I was surprised to find  
that A. E. remembered some of the  
verses that no one else could recall.

Sunday Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>

We had a very good congregation  
considering the cold. North wind -  
Ngwan Shan gave them a good ser.  
from the 1<sup>st</sup> of Ephesians. I  
spoke on the 5<sup>th</sup> of Isaiah but  
got greatly aroused over the per-  
sistence ingratitude of this people  
and gave them a stern arraignment.

the most of an overhauling they even  
revised I think. The Chinese will  
stand rough handling if they deserve  
it. They have listened to me since, select-  
ed a good man as Dr. Chiu, Chiu-Lai.  
& have practically agreed to my terms as  
to teacher and preacher - They had  
a scheme for economy to call Chiu-  
Sing as teacher, but he rather deserves to  
be disciplined & to do their own  
preaching, but the best men know they  
must have a preacher at least a part  
of the time. If they will pay for his  
time & travel my expenses Ngan-  
will come alternate months -  
The day has been a very full one -  
Monday - Feb 4<sup>th</sup> -

The coldest North wind I have ex-  
perienced in the country since the  
blizzard of '93. Ngan-Thai I have  
been at work all day trying to get  
church quarrels settled -

Tuesday - Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> 23

Ice!! The second time I have seen ice formed in this climate - A E brought in a fat like thin glass laid it on the table - But the wind has not been so fierce and the sun has been brighter to-day. I had a cold ride in the wind and on the bay lost my hat on board - for I have caught a little cold - Mr. Waters is not back but Mr. Yushet is -

Wednesday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>

Still cold - I have not had fire in my room as I am so much of the time in chapel or recitation room - but this evening I am sitting in Mr. Waters' room when there is a coal fire in the grate - We had the prayer-meeting here Mr. Waters leading a very informal & cheering meeting, largely made up of remarks as to different phases of our work - Hak-Lein is better expects to go to Kitjung to-morrow - the air here is so rigorous.

Thursday Feb 7<sup>th</sup> - 24

still chilly. Such a lot of different affairs to-day have kept me engaged quite steadily. I have enjoyed my work with the class in Matthew and Galatians. Friday Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

Home mail to-day via Seattle or Tacoma rather, very glad to get it. I decided to dismiss the class for a fortnight. Many wish to go home for the New Year & the others will go to needy fields and help - two to Nam Lung (Phou Lung) two to Sang Dien & several will be near here to help in Son-ton - I did not get to "Le Li" to start for Khon Khai to-day. There is a hitch in paying the second half of the indemnity, they brought along only 3000. with a letter purporting to state that our Consul had deflected \$4000 - in Canton. We declined to receive it & telegraphed the Consul.

Saturday - Feb 25<sup>th</sup> - 25

This day has been queerly broken up  
by Chinese visitors new problems  
uncertainties - This Jio Pheng  
Indemnity has bothered us much -  
We telegraphed Consul McEwade  
yesterday & have his reply to-day tell-  
ing us to demand in full all the  
contract calls for - I prepared my  
home mail settled some accounts  
and made ready for setting out on  
the journey to Khai-Pang-Kia and  
Kho-Khui - At the Native Bank we  
learned that the Pao-thai's deputy of  
yesterday is the leading Catholic of  
the Hie-City - We determined to ignore  
him send a telegram or letter at  
once to the Pao-thai - Mr. Scott the  
English Consul kindly had his secretary  
prepare us a letter - A Li came  
back from the Hie with a very  
letter from Mr. Kemp telling of his  
victory of the opposition for pair of French  
Catholics who were made members  
of a so called Board of Foreign Affairs -

Sunday Feb 10<sup>th</sup> - 26

Yesterday I expected to preach on the 53<sup>rd</sup> of Isaiah or a portion of it. but this morning decided to take the 34<sup>th</sup> verse of John XIX. one which I thought upon a few days ago - and impressed me deeply. Main cruelty and Gods mercy meeting when the spear met the waiting side and by that limitless thrust was fulfilled Gods purpose declared by Zechariah to open a fountain for sin and for uncleanness.

Mia-Ka' Mod Is. 52:13 - to end of 53 - We had quite a good and attentive congregation. In the early service I read Eph 6:4 & spoke of my thankfulness that Jay was baptized and Helen had trusted in Jesus - Mr. Waters and I attended Kakchich service & I taught a class and spoke at the close of the Sunday School. I had a good letter from Mr. Spicker; there are some good openings up in that region and some that are not so good.

Monday - Feb - 11<sup>th</sup> 27-

This afternoon Mr. Waters and I made calls this afternoon at Mr. Monro's and the Consuls - At the former place Mr & Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Commissioner Taylor, the guest Miss Robinson were calling Mrs. Andrews played a rather pretty instrumental piece on the piano & Mrs. Monro sang, another caller came, stranger to me, now left. At the Consuls they were playing Croquet new English style with long distances and narrow arches. They have a visitor a Miss Shadgate. Swatow seems to be a favorite winter resort.

I had a great many interruptions from the Chinese chiefly over the Jiohing affair - and had a long pull with them in the evening -

Tuesday. Feb 12<sup>th</sup> 28

This evening a telegram came from Consul McWade - "negotiations just completed with Kung: accept payment thru letter with check follows." So this apparently settles the problem - We shall go on & pay up the individual claims with the \$30000 here - when the other comes put it in the Bank for paying Jitou & Mr. Griesbeck's claim.

I had a good talk with Mr. Waters' teacher this noon: he seems to be getting quite an insight into the truth.

to Wednesday. Feb 13<sup>th</sup>

Sunday Feb 17<sup>th</sup>

We brought 1033 silver dollars + 967 in Chinese Bank notes and 1000 in certificates of deposit from the Hui An Bank in Serrator.

(written by lantern light on China boat)

The silver was put into the three  
suits like Bologna sausage cases.

100 in each. Mr. G. & I each took  
one & a Ngī carried the 800 in  
a market basket on his shoulder.

It was half past eleven when we  
reached the house - it was a  
busy half hour to get Nedy to  
go away & sit down at table by  
noon. As it was so nearly midnight

the launch she had started we  
climbed aboard & put on our  
baggage being towed along at  
full speed: then the painter  
could not be cast off, knot had  
been pulled tight & the boat was  
nearly dragged under water  
before the rope could be cut.

The launch was packed full  
even the upper deck - Over 100  
got off at Kwan Pau -

I had a busy evening at Kiyang

considered a lot of matters with 30  
Mr. Speicher, dictated a letter to  
the Kit Yung Magistrate and rec'd  
a call from a, Sir-Chai (A.B.)  
who wants to come to Kulkich  
to study. The visit was made  
enjoyable by some new pieces  
on the Phonograph. Mr. S. has a  
number of fine records bought  
in Hong Kong. It was midnight  
before I got to bed & before Mr.  
Speicher was up I transferred my  
quarters to a native boat where  
I rested & slept all I could till  
after noon - By 2-30 Mr. S. was near  
the Orabai Pagoda. Poi S. S. & I  
walked in to Phou Lung & called  
on several people who are now  
friendly. a dealer in Chinese  
dried "delicacies" & wines, a

"Lah-Seng" is the firm name <sup>31</sup>  
a dealer in I have some foreign goods,  
"Chio Seng" - also on my old ac-  
quaintance the theatrical proposition  
Ngũn Sian Lâ or Hia Lâ - of the  
Png family. Here we discussed  
the proposition of the people at  
Poa Pa Market to build a chapel  
el. He agreed with me that  
for them to build a chapel be-  
fore they knew what they were  
doing or had "repented", would be  
unwise - I hope we may be  
able to get an opening there  
but do not know yet just  
what we can do. If they insist  
on building a chapel and set-  
ting up at once we shall let  
them alone. If they will pre-  
pare a room and pay for  
books and a teacher to tell

them what Christianity is and <sup>32</sup>  
preach the Gospel to them. We  
will be glad to cooperate with  
them. Thursday evening 3 young  
men came over to An Chuan  
visited with us; they had a  
chance to hear the Gospel. We  
hope the way will open up long  
at Phoi-Ling city. A very sad  
accident had happened at An-  
Chuan, an old woman over 80  
was terribly burned as she  
died while we were there; her  
grandson is in our class,  
Friday morning I had a lot  
of callers very persistent ones -  
We got away & walked some  
9 miles to Nan Ling where  
they have built a chapel & also  
started a market at the same  
time, which latter I shut down  
upon as it was contrary to the

Maudem's orders. They are slow<sup>33</sup>  
ing away good spirit and I know  
we shall yet see good  
spiritual work there - A Lin  
came over to see me about  
the Poo Pa prospect & his own  
work for next year - We had a  
very good meeting in the evening -  
Saturday we set out  
for Kho-Khoi - I had a chair  
but walked some 4 or 5 miles,  
& after dinner on a nap walked to  
Liangyong market to see the  
brothers there -

Today a Lin<sup>2</sup> came in and  
talked for half an hour before  
was supplied. He is a dear  
good brother & minister & a  
good faithful preacher -  
We had a service at 9 o'clock  
of some prayers, very good -

At the 10 a.m. service on 34  
had a short sermon from I John  
I:7 after a him read the chapter,  
then they voted to call Ngũ Khái  
as school teacher + Nguyen Thán  
as preacher alternate months  
with Trí Sĩ City. Then they made  
their subscriptions for the <sup>congregation</sup> year -

The attendance was small, they  
knew there was a balance in  
the treasury so only subscribed  
about 68 dollars, but that will  
pay their school expenses -  
Then we observed the Lord's  
Supper -

I ate a little lunch. Gripe  
nuts & evaporated cream & set  
out for Rhos' Jung Kien, walk-  
ed the 7 miles without halting  
& after tiffin held P.M. service,  
preached a short sermon & got  
them up to the point of day.

missing an unworthy man <sup>35</sup>  
whom they really deceived me  
into receiving a year ago. We  
also observed the Lord's Supper.  
I arranged for one of the Class  
to be with them here for a week  
& to work them up to subscribe  
for preaching next year. My  
hope was to meet with them  
this evening but tonight the tide  
must needs start before sun-  
down - There will only be  
boats from T'ie Li' to-morrow  
morning so I must get down  
in good season - after that  
there will be no launches till  
the end of the week.

A-i is already rolled up in his  
quilt asleep he has walked over  
35 miles since we set out from  
Kai-yang Thursday with never  
a word of complaint -

Monday Feb 18<sup>th</sup> -

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The last day of the Chinese year.  
We had a quick passage last  
night, tho it was cold and there  
were some showers. At a quarter  
before six I dressed and got out  
to find we were a quarter of a mile  
from the pier, a long stretch of  
ground flats between - after much  
haggling we hired an old man  
with a small fishing boat to  
push us in. A-E' and I were obliged  
to help him with a pole and with  
an oar. I fortunately had a little  
lunch before starting - a brother  
who has had some trouble at  
H'ai-sing met us with his  
tale of woe at the landing - at  
the chapel I learned that we  
may be able to buy a part  
of the property that covered  
my lot obtained intact some  
years ago: this would solve

some problems of the work<sup>37</sup>  
at this most important Center.  
There was a strong East wind  
blowing so the 4 mile walk  
across was a cool one.  
I went to get some warm rice  
at the Chinese eating house, but  
the launch started before then  
purser said they would so  
I got but one or two spec-  
imens & have contented myself  
with cold chicken & prunes  
Eaten up on the bridge - now I  
am writing in the cabin -  
The launch that started an  
hour or more ahead has stuck  
in the mud so we shall get  
to Sontom nearly as soon as  
if we had set out before  
daylight - Tuesday - Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>

Chinese New Year - We had a very good  
service this forenoon and will  
meet for prayer every day at 9 a.m. (D.V.)

I have been working at my annual<sup>38</sup>  
report to-day - hope to get it all  
copied & a lot more work done to-  
morrow - This evening I went out  
for a short walk & met the Thompsons.  
walked back & visited at their house  
for a little while - They have some  
very pretty new furniture in their  
parlor. She is very much interested  
to hear of the family especially of the  
"Missis". This evening I have read  
in the book on Prayer Mama sent  
me, shall use some parts of  
it this week. I hope.

Yesterday I was very busy after getting  
back - had a lot of Chinese visitors -  
& was obliged to go to Canton and  
attend to money matters brought  
nearly 500 dollars in silver over with  
me or rather Bon-Sin did. We are fortun-  
ate in having faithful servants and  
a peaceable community - A letter  
came from my. McClade with  
a check for \$1000.00 the balance

due on the indemnity. He calls 39  
the performance of the Chinese in  
trying to evade the payment as  
high handed, brazen misrepresentation  
and several other such names - but  
by "urgent, energetic and persistent"  
methods he succeeded in getting  
the funds - We had a good home  
mail - Dr. Barbour still asks me  
to go to Bangkok but I do not see  
how I can possibly leave now &  
the matter there is at its worst -  
I have heard from them and shall  
report to Dr. Barbour as fully as I  
can then plan to go in the fall -  
I was so glad to get the Burton let-  
ter with Jays account of his bap-  
tism & Helen's wish to be baptized  
I do so earnestly hope the three who  
profess the Lord's name will steadily  
grow in grace and be used to  
lead their little brothers and sis-  
ter to the Lord Jesus too - I had a  
line from Mr. Campbell written  
from San Francisco.

Wednesday - Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> 40

Rainy - I have not been out all day  
save to the morning service at  
nine which was well attended -  
and the spent good. I spoke  
on one of the points in Torrey's  
book on frogs - Hundreds and  
have been preparing more on the same  
to-night - I have done considerable  
writing to-day.

Thursday Feb 21<sup>st</sup>

To-day has been all passed in-  
doors save a walk before break-  
fast at a few moments after  
breakdown. This afternoon I read  
the last four chapters on Gulestina  
with Pou Sin Sen. There showed  
to a Vancouver mail and one  
from San Francisco on Hong Kong  
but we cannot expect them before  
Monday.

Friday Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>

This forenoon I went to Anator  
& attended to some business at  
Bradley & Co's - Most of the day

has been given to Treasury work<sup>41</sup>  
A San Francisco mail came but no  
letter from Boston, pictures did  
come I gave one to Dr. Scott -

Saturday - Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>

Mr. Waters is back - very  
glad to see him - I have  
kept my busy in doors to-  
day and accomplished not a  
little on my work along  
several lines. The "Empress"  
mail came with a nice letter  
from Mamma also one from  
her & the children that came  
by the "Morn" & was put off  
at Shanghai.

Sunday - Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>

Warmer to-day, my cold is  
much better. Preaching this fore-  
noon seemed to do me good.  
Bro. Sam & I spoke Chia-Lin read  
the names of the resident Christians

and we had a Church meeting 42  
afterwards - Po-san was made  
Chairman Hua Lin Secretary as  
usual - They decided to bring in  
ballots next Sunday for two  
deacons & two men to manage  
the finances - Chuan Lin Si'nie,  
Chiang Lin nie & Chuan Lin's  
wife were chosen as Committee  
of visitation - We had a rather

good Sunday School: an old  
graduate from Thoi Lung former  
teacher of Po's S.S. was in: he  
& Hin Lin crossed swords on  
Confucianism & sparks from the  
classics scintillated not a few.  
The poor old man admitted  
he knew of no remedy for a  
desecrated soul - afterwards  
met the Sinton pastor A-Koi  
coming back with Meng Tik &  
they reported a full house and good  
opportunities there -

Monday - Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>

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To-day the Pao-thai called also the Senator Foreign Deputy - the former is on his way to Canton - I have done a little writing to-day much conforming with the brethren who are beginning to come back. I took a walk this

Evening "the long round" over the Plateau" with A-Kio who with A-Ju will go at work road repairing to-morrow.

Tuesday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>

Mr. & Mrs. Munn called this evening. He had a telegram from Amy to-day telling of the loss of the "Rio" - what a terrible ending of a journey. Poor Wildman & his whole family are said to have gone down. It was a great shock to us - How great reason we who have safely crossed and crossed the ocean to be thankful - This has been a busy day a good class -

9-50 P.M. Wednesday Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> 44

Three different sets of letters since prayer meeting, one from Hui-Lai, one from Khan-E and a Koiv from Sontorn. He is taking hold well there. I hope he will continue. He says one of the regular hearers, whose brother became a Christian in Lima <sup>some</sup> to be a genuine believer and that men are asking if he is at the Chapel evenings: they will come if he is there. He is anxious to move on but the plague is quite bad yet in that vicinity. This has

been a very busy day. After 4:30 P.M. I went calling on Kook Chih with Po-San. led the meeting to night only four present.

Home mail to-day, good home letter, one from Mr. Williams with Dr. At. one from Van Kirk & E. F. Morrison.

I was glad to get letter and 45  
picture from King Song

Thursday, Feb 28<sup>th</sup> -  
a chilly blustering wind to-day &  
some rain. I had a newspaper  
several copies of the "Great Round  
World" & a Rochester Paper with  
account of Dr. Henry Foster's  
funeral which occurred on his  
80<sup>th</sup> birthday. He was a remark-  
able man & did a wonderful work -  
I sent several letters off by the  
mail to day. Friday March 1<sup>st</sup>

The Siu-chai no met at Kit Yang  
came down last evening & to-day  
so pleased Mr. Waters that he  
decided to engage him for his  
teacher the coming year - He  
seems to be an able man, has  
been a teacher of Chinese scholars  
so has some idea of teaching and  
is a fine Chinese scholar himself -  
I have been quite busy all day.

We had a good lesson, the 46  
1<sup>st</sup> half of the 19<sup>th</sup> of Luke -  
This afternoon late I had  
two callers, one a Siu Chai  
from Khai-Kie 4 or 5 miles  
from Kau-Sam - of the Khu  
family. He is a splendid speci-  
men of Chinese manhood, his  
son has been attending ser-  
vices at Kho-Leng -

Saturday - Mich 21/04

The Graduate came again to-day,  
brought some fowls and oranges.  
I presented him with some books &  
he bought 18 hymn books and  
a Testament. It is a beautiful day  
I am now on the steam launch  
going to Sat-Thau-Pou - have been  
over in Swatow doing some pur-  
chasing of lamps for the Chapel,  
and rooms in which the preacher  
will live -

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Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup>

At Patthampon - We have had very good services two evening meetings, morning service and Sunday school. This afternoon we made calls on the brethren - There is some progress here - Te<sup>n</sup> Sin Sen is upset just at this season of New Year's feasts now with demands for money to pay his share as a shopkeeper. He is holding out against many threats.

Monday March 4<sup>th</sup> 1901

This morning I went at 4-30 and called the cook who got me some breakfast as I caught the 6 o'clock boat - Ahim-Suinnat to the boat with me - He is very pleasant now-a-days - He especially asked to send his salutations to Moma - I was pleasantly

surprised to get letters from 48  
mama & Mrs. Campbell to-day.  
but I am very sorry indeed to  
hear of Mrs. A. B. Campbell hav-  
ing a stroke of paralysis -  
they have suffered so much -  
I have kept busy studying and  
writing all day, but was obliged  
to lie and doze and rest a  
little in the afternoon.

Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>

The Graduate has been up this  
morning and helped me quite  
a little. He seems somewhat  
interested in the truth - This  
has been a beautiful day. I  
enjoyed my classes in Galatians  
and Matthew, got a new view of  
the Lord's Prayer as a test of the  
proper attitude of heart in which a  
suppliant should come to God -

putting God His glory before 49  
self-submission to His will, placing  
His Kingdom to be the chiefest good,  
Relying on & acknowledging Him as the  
giver of all good as well as the for-  
giver of sin to those who are trusting,  
the one who is able to keep from  
temptation and the adversary those  
who desire to flee all error.

Wednesday & Thursday, March 6 & 7 -

We are having beautiful weather,  
the rain is badly needed.  
Mrs. Foster & her daughter were  
up here on the lawn last even-  
ing - Mrs. F. especially wished  
me to remember her to Mrs.  
Foster - she has been visiting  
the Dawsons - Mrs. Loring was  
also on the hill and made some  
inquiries about the Antioch  
Bible Society. Mrs. Little is  
again corresponding about it.  
Mr. Water's new teacher is doing well.