

Louisiana Moore Ricker Diaries: 1912

Monday, January 1, 1912

Fine day. The Catholics are coming from far + near to attend the funeral of Father Norman tomorrow. Mr. S. R. Ross made us a New Year's call and is as brisk as a bee, he will be (blank space here) in April.

The Mannings were here to tea. Am somewhat better but still very miserable with a cold. Have written some letters but not done much else.

I missed the annual New Year morning prayer-meeting. Margaret Jackson returned.

Tuesday, January 2, 1912

Bright + cold, a few snowflakes. The funeral of Father Norman occupied the attention of nearly the whole town until after noon. We saw the people + procession, the girls all went to see the church and the elaborate decorations.

Mrs. Lou Spry was here this morning. Girls went to prayer-meeting, I wrote to Lizzie Peebles and Bessie Titus.

Schools + Kindergartens opened.

Wednesday, January 3, 1912

Raw and cold with few flakes of snow. Went to Dr. Ruggles at 11 AM and found a dying nerve needed attention. Having some toothache, and still some cold did not go out again today. Misses good prayer-meeting. Mrs. Cotton called in afternoon. Girls went to Ammell Cadot's. While out this AM stopped to see Carol and baby John Paul Moore.

Letter from Will which I answered. Have given out the 100 scattered good calendars which I had.

E + M went to prayer-meeting after having had tea at Mrs. Dunning's.

Thursday, January 4, 1912

Bright + cold. Light snow. Good letter from Carl saying his new business with the Beaver Falls Co. promises well. Sent me the orange zephyr I asked for. Am trying to answer letters + cards and finish off some Christmas work.

E + M, and Macie went to prayer-meeting, then Macie came back here to meet Mrs. B.

Growing colder every minute.

Friday, January 5, 1912

Ther 5° with a high wind and light snow.

Am better of my cold but did not venture out today. Finished off the crocheted silk bag which I shall send to Elizabeth Greene for her birthday on the 7th.

Wrote to Carl.

Girls went to prayer-meeting which closed the series for this week.

Saturday, January 6, 1912

Very cold, and quite a little snow on the ground. Curtis did a little work about the roses which should have been done sooner. Hope the roses are not killed. Continued to grow colder all day and we had a little trouble with pipes which Mg't managed to make right. Wrote to Carl again for zephyr as M could not find what I want here. Both E + M went out to stay all night with Mrs. M and the children. We shall keep some fires going tonight.

Went over home for a little while in afternoon.

Sunday, January 7, 1912

Zero weather and snow. Have saved up _ been careful so ventured to S. S. + church well wrapped up in my fine new plush coat. Attended all three services and was thankful to be out.

Had only four in my class. Macie, Mrs. Manning and the children were here to dinner. The girls brought Robert to S. S. but Dorothy was not well enough to go, is quite hoarse.

Monday, January 8, 1912

About 10° warmer than yesterday and continued to moderate until a rain set in late in the afternoon. Mrs. Drew called for me in her electric run about and we went to Trinity M. E. Ch. to meet with other ladies of other churches and organize for the week of Mission study under Mrs. D. B. Wells of Chicago, the last week in Japan. She was chosen Pres. the other officers being distributed among the various churches. Wrote to Mary Peebles but have no address, so sent letter to S. C. P. to forward. Rain freezes as it falls. Wrote to Mattie Wood, Mary B. Ricker, Jane Ricker and Mary P. Ricker.

Tuesday, January 9, 1912

Much colder again, mercury about 5° or 6° and much wind. Had to go to Dr. Ruggles' so did several errands. Paid ground rent \$21.04 and reached home at noon. Went over home with sewing after dinner. Late went to have suit altered at Anderson's. Rec'd letter from Will with check also letters from Miss E. V. Ricker of Baltimore who had been abroad all summer. Girls went to Clover Club at Mrs. Simpson's on the hill.

Wrote to Will + Miss E. V. R.

Wednesday, January 10, 1912

Ther 10° at 6 AM, but later the weather moderated and streets became sloppy before night, then froze again.

Have been trying to write up the brief history of the Free K-G to turn over with the books, papers and other property. Letter from Oella Lawman + zephyr from Carl.

Was over home with my work, ripping up a skirt. Went to prayer-meeting as usual it was bitterly cold when we came home after the teachers' meeting.

Thursday, January 11, 1912

Cold and windy. Busy at home most of the day. Mr. and Mrs. Dunning and I were invited over home to supper and Macie had a fine one for us with chicken pre and fried oysters, and other good things.

Friday, January 12, 1912

Bitterly cold and snow nearly a foot deep and Margaret had the walks all cleared when I came downstairs. Was busy at home in the morning, then went to the Bank. Was out again in the afternoon doing errands and made two calls, upon strangers, Mrs. Moreland and Mrs. Townsend. After supper went to Security Hall where the officers of the G. A. R., W. R. C., Sons of Veterans, + their Auxiliaries were installed. Letter from Will still in Chicago.

Saturday, January 13, 1912

Ther below twelve degrees according to the official record. Snow deepest of the season and sleighs, sleds and bells in use. Was busy at home sweeping until noon. Afternoon spent at Mrs. Drew's with the Missionary Com. arranging for Mrs. D. b. Miller's study class to be held here soon.

Letter from Carl which I answered. Mrs. Manning + children here for tea and to stay all night.

Finished my quilted skirt which I have been making over. Letter from Aunt Helen Ricker.

Sunday, January 14, 1912

Very cold and icy and snowy. We all went to S. S. excepting Mrs. Manning so attendance from this house was good, eight in all.

Remained to church. Communion Service in morning. Two were rec'd as members, Mr. Bird Nelson and Mrs. Mame Ritter Conroy. Mrs. Aveland Cadot Le Baron was rec'd by letter from M. E. ch. of Wheelersburg. Went in evening as usual.

Monday, January 15, 1912

Bitterly cold, and snowy. Fortunately we have not had much trouble with frozen pipes. Was busy at home all forenoon. Mary returned from Mrs. M's. Went to W. R. C. meeting in afternoon, and in the evening E + M, Mary + I went to Aid Soc. meeting at Mrs. Taylor's. In spite of severe cold sixteen ladies were present besides Mrs. Taylor, and it was only a district meeting.

Tuesday, January 16, 1912

Ther 6° at our house but lower in some other places.

An unusually long cold spell. Was home all forenoon fixing up reports + writing letters. Wrote to Mabel Frank Myers, Mrs. Curtiss and Clara Ricker, to who I sent the set of K-G balls yesterday for baby Drew. After dinner I went to Anderson's to try my suit which Miss Bauer is altering, then called to see Miss Sarah Firmstone, Mrs. Kehoe + Miss McClain,

Mrs. Ball + Mrs. Wilson at Mrs. Smith's. Made button holes in Mrs. Manning's waist. Margaret got M Jackson a sweater.

Wednesday, January 17, 1912

Moderating, rain set in at noon. Spent forenoon at Dr. Ruggles' office having a back tooth worked on. May lose it.

Spent the afternoon writing to Lehman + Bolton, Helen Ellis, May Ricker, Venitia Ramsey, Oella Lawman, Laura DeMar. A letter to Macy from Lizzie came today saying she + Elizabeth would sail on the 16th for the States. E to settle in Phila. With Dr. Benion the lady whose osteopathic treatment has helped her so much. E intends to study the science.

Thursday, January 18, 1912

Mercury continued to rise until it reached 56°. Rain set in and the streets are dreadful.

Was home all forenoon. Went to W. C. T. U. meeting and from there to Ivan Henry's funeral at Christian Church. Called at Mrs. Young's + Mrs. Findley's and Mary Moore's then came home and wrote more letters. Elizabeth + Mary went out to Mrs. Manning's after supper to try on the dress Mary is making for Dorothy.

Rained hard all evening + was still raining when I went to bed.

Friday, January 19, 1912

Rain changed to snow before morning and everything is white again. Sun came out and helped it a little. Have been busy with letters and papers and clearing out my desk. Have written more letters and my list is nearly completed now having written thirty-five since Christmas, two to several persons. Went to Dr. Gault's and paid my bill. Got more medicine the hives being only cured, if it lasts.

Mary went to Miss Blake's to resume orchestra practice. E went with her.

Saturday, January 20, 1912

Colder again, bright and clear. Home all forenoon busy mending and doing homework. Wrote to Lizzie Peebles, sending letter to Philadelphia.

Wrote to Carl and had a good long letter from him as mine had been mailed. Mrs. Silcox was here and made a long call. Told me of Venitia + Carrie Ramsey Simon having gone to live in the Hollenbeck Home at Los Angeles, Cal.

Sunday, January 21, 1912

Fine day but walking still bad in many places owing to icy sidewalks.

We all went to S. S. as usual. Macy was here to dinner and for part of the afternoon then I went over there. Went to church again in evening. Large congregation to hear Mr. Dunning's sermon on Fraternalism as a human agency, and not a substitute for religion.

Monday, January 22, 1912

Bright and not so cold. Snow still left in shady spots. Spent the day mending. Wrote to Carl in the morning. Rec'd letter from Bessie Hall Titus.

Was not out anywhere.

Tuesday, January 23, 1912

Great change in weather. As mild as spring with bright sunshine.

Busy at home all forenoon. Mary went early to Mrs. Manning's to help her and the children get ready to go to Ronceverte to Mrs. M's brother's wedding.

I went to Mrs. Evans' to Missionary meeting, nine present. From there I called on Mrs. LeBaron, and Mrs. Helfenstein. Letters from Will, and a letter of thanks for the wedding present Margaret + I sent Jessie Atwell Moore. Clover Club at Lena Labold's in the evening.

Wednesday, January 24, 1912

Somewhat cooler but still pleasant. Have been busy with letters and papers and work in my closet most of the day.

Went to prayer-meeting and teachers' meeting in the evening.

Mr. dunning puts much study on the lesson and makes it very interesting.

Thursday, January 25, 1912

Beautiful day and not very cold. Spent the forenoon at home going over letters and papers and putting my closet in order.

After dinner Mary + I went to the Second Pres. ch. to the first of a series of Mission studies conducted by Mrs. D. B. Wells of Chicago. Her program is first a bible lesson, then a talk on mission work in the home field. Letter from Will.

Friday, January 26, 1912

Pleasant and fair.

Home all forenoon. Letter from Carl. No word yet from Lizzie Peebles and Mary had letter from Dr. Benion saying she had not heard though a previous letter said she + Elizabeth would sail on the 16th for the States. In afternoon we went to hear Mrs. Wells tell about the Buddhists of the far East, and the Immigrants in our own country. Having preceded it with a Bible talk.

Came home and did not go out again. Mrs. Dunning was here on an errand.

Saturday, January 27, 1912

Clear but chilly and indications of snow, or rain.

Was home, and busy until noon. Wrote to Carl.

After dinner Mary Moore + I went to 2nd ch. and heard Mrs. Wells talk on Christian growth in grace, Taoism and Chinese religions, then for a Home Topic the problem of the negro in America. Later I called to see Mrs. Jacob H. Smith, who with her husband + Elizabeth Bannon expect to leave Monday for Europe. Judge + Mrs. Bannon to go later. I also called on Mrs. Bannon but did not see her, then on Mrs. Wright.

Sunday, January 28, 1912

Cold with snow underfoot. All went to S. S. as usual and remained to church, Mary coming home with us and we all had dinner over home, one of Mrs. B's good dinners.

Went to church again in the evening.

Monday, January 29, 1912

Cold and unpleasant. Worked on my closet which has now been put in good order, excepting top shelf. Went to Mrs. Wells' lecture at 3 PM.

She is presenting the studied of two books, Robert Speer's Light of Asia, for foreign + one containing six chapters written by six different persons on the work in the Home fields.

Tuesday, January 30, 1912

Cold and clear in the afternoon, but snowed late in the day.

Busy at home all forenoon. In afternoon went to see Mrs. Nichols and Mrs. Spry, then to Ethel's + later to call on Mrs. Boyd's aunt.

After supper went to 2nd ch. to Mrs. Well's talk on Mormonism, Theosophy + Christian Science. Elizabeth + Mary had supper with Mr. + Mrs. Dunning and they all went to the lecture. Wrote to Will. Had letter from him. Letter from Mary P. Ricker.

Wednesday, January 31, 1912

Miserably cold, cloudy and snowy. Was busy at home all forenoon.

After dinner went to see Edna Copenhaver and found her at home, promised to be at S. S. next Sunday.

Afterwards went to Mrs. Drew's, saw Mrs. Wells + went with her + Hazel to the Second Ch. where Mrs. Wells finished her course on Mission Study talks. A good attendance of people who asked her to return next year.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual and remained to Teachers' meeting. Came home + went to bed.

Forgot that I spent part of the forenoon at Dr. Ruggles having work done on a bad tooth.

Letter from Mary P. Ricker. Wrote to Helen Moore. Mary had letters from L. F. P. who is now in Phila. with Elizabeth, to settle having left Cambridge England. Also heard from Virginia + Helen.

I called on Mrs. Draper.

Thursday, February 1, 1912

Cloudy with a melting snow falling which may turn to rain. Morning paper says the Edict of Abdication of the Mancher Dynasty was signed yesterday and that nation becomes a republic, with Dr. Suen Yun Sen as President. A Christian Chinese statesman attended W. C. T. U. meeting at Reading Rooms.

Friday, February 2, 1912

This being "ground-hog" day it would encourage us some if the little animal wouldn't come out as the sun shone brightly all day and so we may expect six weeks more of this frigid weather. I did some sewing but it is too cold to do much except try to keep warm. Letter from Mattie Wood, also one from Carl.

Saturday, February 3, 1912

Very, very cold, below zero. Elizabeth and Mary, Louise + Austin Sprague went to Lucasville on the morning train to spend the day with Mabel Moulton. Margaret + I had dinner over home with Mary. John Peebles was there instead of next Tuesday as I have written it. Beginning with the last date + writing backwards I sometimes get the wrong date.

Wrote to Carl.

Sunday, February 4, 1912

Bright, clear and cold. We all went to Sunday School + church as usual excepting Elizabeth who is suffering again with rheumatism and remained in the house all day.

Mary Moore was here to dinner with us.

Monday, February 5, 1912

Cold and snowy.

Was over home nearly all day helping to get the room ready for Mr. + Mrs. Thos. Lewis who have gone there today to occupy one room. This it will be well for Mary + Mrs. Behrens to have them in the house Mrs. Gartner put on another coat of paint in dining room and it is much improved, looks very light + cheerful with yellow paper and white paint.

Tuesday, February 6, 1912

Bitter cold. John Peebles came on early train, just back from London, came with his mother + E and they stopped in Phila. I went to Aid Soc. meeting at Mrs. Ethel Schwartz'. Large number present. After that went over to call upon Mrs. Lewis. Mrs. Scudder + Mrs. Taylor called at the same time. Spent the evening at home. Girls went to Gladys Evans' to Clover Club meeting.

Wednesday, February 7, 1912

Still very cold, snowy and icy. Made roller towels for the kitchen and did some ripping.

Wrote to Will and Clara Ricker + Virginia, had letters from Will + V. N. G. spent part of the afternoon over home with Mary.

We went to prayer-meeting and remained to the Teachers' class. Mr. Dunning gave us a good talk on the "world's unrest." Mrs. Manning + children came back from Ronceverte + came here to wait until Mr. M. had the house warm for them. He did not come to supper.

Thursday, February 8, 1912

Moderating somewhat. Ther 20° this morning and bright sunshine. Spent the morning sewing on kitchen towels and ripping M. J.'s white waist.

In afternoon went out on the hilltop and called on Mrs. Puntenny, then several strangers, Miss Collins + Mrs. Welchman, stopped to inquire about Mrs. Bagg's mother, Mrs. D. P. Pratt stopped at Ethel Schwartz who was not home. Letter from Mary B. Ricker.

Friday, February 9, 1912

Clear + cold, ther 20° and penetrating. Glad I made my calls yesterday.

Have sewed today on corset covers for myself, and also worked on M. J.'s waist.

Letter from Lizzie Peebles. The above statement might mislead in regard to weather, it was 20°.

Has been unusually cold all through Jan, + thus far in Feb.

Saturday, February 10, 1912

Still very cold, mercury about zero. Home all day sewing.

Letter from Carl which I answered. He has a position with the Asbestos Protected Metal Co. of Beaver Falls, Pa. with the management of sales in southern Ohio and adjacent territory in Ky.

Sunday, February 11, 1912

Below zero in the morning but moderated during the day. Went to S. S. and the usual church services. In the morning Mr. Dunning and Dr. Ruggles spoke on the financial affairs of the church services. In the morning Mr. Dunning and Dr. Ruggles spoke on the financial affairs of the church services, and in the evening Mr. Dunning made an address upon Lincoln, the secret of his greatness. The G. A. R. had requested the address and were there in a body. A large congregation was present.

Monday, February 12, 1912

Quite cold, still near zero. Busy at home in forenoon. Went to see Mrs. Lodwick + daughter in afternoon and it seemed bitterly cold for so long a walk.

E + M went out on the hill and stayed all night with Mrs. Manning + the children who seem never to get enough of each other's society. Dorothy is much more interested in Lincoln than in the display of valentines.

Tuesday, February 13, 1912

Cool and clear.

Went to Dr. Ruggles at 10:30 AM tooth still needs treating.

In afternoon went to the Dist. Aid meeting at Mrs. Hancock's. Mrs. Manning + children came down and stayed all night here. Did some errands, and a little sewing, besides looking after the plumbers over home.

Letter from Carl.

Wednesday, February 14, 1912

Moderating but still cold.

Mrs. Manning and the children left early to go to Dr. Ruggles' as she had to come down town again in afternoon to Mis. meeting. Mary went home with her to stay all night.

I sewed some. Mary M. Elizabeth + I went to prayer-meeting and + + I remained to teachers' meeting.

Letter from Mary Peebles. Sent Dorothy + Robert postcards of Lincoln + Washington for Valentines as Dorothy was specially intended to Lincoln. Went to Mary's to see after the work being done by the plumbers.

Thursday, February 15, 1912

Clear and moderating but streets are in bad condition. Was busy a good part of the day seeing after the water supply over at Mary's.

Poor work done by the city when the street was paved caused the freeze-up which was finally found across the street. Went to W. C. T. U. meeting where Frances Willard's birthday was remembered in a program. Letter from Carl. Rev. Dr. Herron married Miss Shousey.

Friday February 16, 1912

Beautiful and spring like in appearance, though streets are still snowy + icy in the shade. Busy at home all forenoon. Went to Dr. Gault's after dinner to get medicine for a cold which started yesterday on the cold sloppy streets. Girls went out to Mrs. M's to stay all night.

Wrote to Carl and Virginia.

Saturday, February 17, 1912

Cold but not stormy.

Girls came home after breakfast and Mary were all invited out there to a birthday dinner for Mr. Manning, in the evening, together with Mr. + Mrs. Dunning + Mrs. Cadot. Had a fine dinner, which Mary helped prepare. In the afternoon I was invited over to Mary's to a little luncheon with Miss Berry and Mrs. Lewis, which was pleasant, Mrs. Losh was the other guest. Letter from Carl which I answered.

Sunday, February 18, 1912

Very light sprinkle of rain which did not last all day. Went to S. S. and church as usual.

The new windows for the church were in the vestibule ready to be installed, so we hope to see them in place soon. Large congregation in evening, many more being present to hear what Mr. Dunning had to say about Socialism.

Monday, February 19, 1912

Moderating and sloppy. A good rain is needed to wash the streets. Was busy at home in forenoon.

Went to W. R. C. after dinner. Small attendance but long session, much to talk about in regard to patriotic work. Wrote notes to Mrs. Zull + Mrs. Ware expressing sympathy of Corps for them in their recent losses.

Tuesday, February 20, 1912

Rainy. A downpour all evening with much wind. Streets will be washed well. The Clover Club met at Alice Dover's and the girls both went though it was not a fit time for E to be out. They had a special program in which E had a part. Wrote M. E. P.

Rec'd little pearl clock face which Enos has put new figures upon for me, now I'll have it put together again. Wrote to Helen. Letter from Margaret P. Hunt.

Wednesday, February 21, 1912

Rain and high wind which increased as the day passed until night, when it was a gale, at church time and kept many home. Mary Ricker had gone out on the hill. Mary Moore + I went to prayer-meeting. I wrote to Will, and R. J. Burdette concerning an article he had in the S. S. Times, which interested me, "The Flag." Thunder this afternoon. Called to see Mrs. Kline who is sick. Took some articles to Florence Richardson for the sale of the church tomorrow.

Letter from E. S. Peebles.

Thursday, February 22, 1912

The wind blew most of the night. Light snow fell. Ther 24° this AM. Clear + windy in forenoon.

Mary returned from Mrs. M's before noon. Had to have two large panes of glass put into windows, one in our sitting room + one in library. Washington's birthday gives a holiday to the schools.

Letter from Will.

Friday, February 23, 1912

Mild and fair, but indications of a change. City officials brought notice of our new house number #537 which we must adopt, but do so with regret. # 107 is well fixed in the minds of all who have anything to do with our family.

Wrote to Will.

Girls all went to the church fair. I did not go. Mary went also to orchestra practice at Miss Blake's.

Letter from Carl.

Saturday, February 24, 1912

Fair and not very cold.

Busy at home all forenoon. After dinner met a union committee at Blanche Selby's to plan for union prayer-meetings in the homes preceding + during union ch, services, First Pres + Bigelow. Mrs. Dennis called. I was over home to supper with Mary and Mrs. Lewis, then spent the evening there. Wrote to Carl, answered his letter. The new house numbers 537 were put up this morning. Wrote to Jane Ricker.

Mrs. Sam Reed was buried.

Sunday, February 25, 1912

Mild with signs of rain which intensified while we were at evening service. Went to S. S. and both church services. One half of one of the new windows was in place in the church today and is much admired. Mrs. Dunning, and Mrs. Lewis took dinner with us today, Mrs. Dunning left early yesterday AM for a visit to her home + Mr. Lewis is away so Mrs. L. is lonely + I asked her over.

Congregation accepted report of com. and adopted the new appointment of church dress.

Monday, February 26, 1912

Rained all night, clear + windy this forenoon. Went to see the Water Works office about the bull for Court St. works. Called to see Ethel Schwartz, Mrs. Dennis, Mrs. Johnson, Miss Davis, Mrs. Conroy, Mrs. Moeller, Mrs. Boys + Mrs. Ball about the union prayer-meetings. Took little pearl clock to A. Zoellner. After dinner went to see Clara Pursell, called at Helen Peebles + Maggie Silcox but they were out.

Tuesday, February 27, 1912

Quite cold, and clear. Missionary meeting at Mrs. Evans'. Election of officers resulted in the re-election of Mrs. Evans as Pres. Mrs. Young, V. Pres. Mrs. Micklethwait as secretary, and myself, Treasurer in place of Mrs. Dennis who is away a great deal.

Went to see Helen Peebles again, and her new daughter, not yet named.

Wednesday, February 28, 1912

Cold and raw, though sunny. Was home all forenoon.

After dinner went up to see Mrs. Lodwick + Blanche. On the way stopped to see Dora Hard, and at Mrs. Johnson's to ask about Fannie O'Connor. Later called to see Mr. + Mrs. Harry Boyd's new son.

Went to prayer and teachers' meetings. Five of the new windows are in place in the new church. The old ones are so broken that they are only fit to break up + save the lead. A few of the small top pieces are being sold at .50 cts each.

Thursday, February 29, 1912

Bright and colder, few flakes of snow. Heavy snow in the west.

Elizabeth went to kindergarten and Mary came home from Mrs. Manning's.

I went to Mr. Lodwick's funeral at 10 AM. Mr. Dunning conducted the service. After dinner I mailed a Scientific American to Enos, which Mrs. Taylor loaned me, mailed him two postcards. Called to inquire about Miss Sarah Firmstone, who is failing rapidly.

Had postcard from Will, the second one he ever sent me so far as I can remember. Letter from Clara R. Armstrong.

Friday, March 1, 1912

Fair and pleasant except for a little wind.

Was busy at home until afternoon when I took some darning and went over home awhile.

Made a call upon Mrs. Lewis in her room. Sewed carpet rags in the evening, when Macie M. helped me. Have spent much time arranging for the prayer-meetings next week. Miss Sarah Firmstone died today after a long illness.

Saturday, March 2, 1912

Cold and bright. Fine winter day. Letter from Carl, just as I had finished one to him. Went over to Miss Firmstone's and got the magazines and distributed for her. Went with Mrs. Cadot in the forenoon to see about a hat for Miss Margaret F. Wrote to Carl.

Sunday, March 3, 1912

Very damp but did not really rain.

Went to S. S. and church as usual.

The new church windows are all in place in the audience room, though not yet in the vestibule. The new windows are beautiful and make the room much lighter besides improving the ventilation. The cost will be \$688.00, the S. S. windows were \$412.00 making \$1100 which and is nearly all in the hands of the Aid Soc. Treas.

Monday, March 4, 1912

Snowy and disagreeable. Busy at home in forenoon. Prayer-meeting over at Mary's in the afternoon, nine being present including ourselves. Mr. Dunning and Mr. Hughes having asked that home prayer meetings be held preparatory to the union evangelistic services next week. Elizabeth and Mary went out to stay all night with Mrs. Manning. Went to Miss Sarah Firmstone's funeral at All Saints ch. This afternoon.

Tuesday, March 5, 1912

Moderating consequently the streets are very muddy. Letter from Will containing a check for \$35 for Mary + me. Mary did not return from the hilltop until after dinner. I went to Aid Soc. At Mrs. Ives' Treas. Reported windows money nearly all raised, the fair having netted about \$250. From Mrs. Ives' I went to Mrs. Johnson's having heard that her daughter Fannie O'Connor had died after being operated upon. Girls went to Clover Club. Mrs. Manning + children were here to supper.

Wednesday, March 6, 1912

Cloudy, sloppy but no rain today. Was home all forenoon busy about the house. After dinner Macy + I went up to see Dora Hard and then on up to Mr. F. L. Johnson's but the family had not come from Cin as expected. Will be here tonight. Letter from Virginia G. + Dr. Clark.

Mrs. Dennis + Mrs. Glancy spent the latter part of the afternoon + took tea with us, then we all went to Bigelow to the union prayer-meeting. Wrote to Will.

Thursday, March 7, 1912

Cloudy but no rain. Home all forenoon, or rather over home ripping up a skirt for Mary.

Went to Fannie Johnson O'Connor's funeral in afternoon, then to prayer-meeting at Mrs. Legler's. Went to the Hoffman Piano Recital at our S. S. Room in the evening. Was much pleased with the performer. Lena K. Reed gave two readings.

Mrs. Manning + the children stayed here all night.

Friday, March 8, 1912

Rain again this morning and Mrs. M had to start early to take Dorothy to the car to go to school.

Letter from E. F. P. tells of the safe arrival of her lost trunk which left here Dec 15th after she had started. Began the S. S. canvases which Mr. Scudder wants made. Mr. Dunning was here to tea. WE had prayer-meeting at our church with Rev Mr. Hughes of Bigelow to make the principal talk which was good.

Saturday, March 9, 1912

Cloudy in morning, bright in afternoon. Was busy about the house until noon.

Finished my S. S. visiting and then sewed on M. J.'s corset cover, over home. Finished it. Wrote to Carl.

Girls went out to Mrs. M's before supper as Robert is sick again.

The "World in Cincinnati" a great Missionary Exhibit opened there today to continue for several weeks.

Sunday, March 10, 1912

Not a pleasant day though the sun shone awhile and snowed the new windows up well. The Aid Society assumed the cost of all the new windows and within less than two years have paid \$1,100 for windows. In the evening our church met at Bigelow and began the evangelistic meetings which are planned for the next three weeks. The four Edwards sisters are here to sing during the meetings.

Monday, March 11, 1912

Rained all day and is very slushy and bad underfoot. Was home in the forenoon and then went down to Mrs. Case's on Madison St. to a prayer-meeting. Eleven present in spite of weather conditions.

Mr. Dunning was called to Cin on legal business in response to the suit brought by Mr. Meeker, the congregational preacher who was here to speak for the Liquor League last fall. He got back in time for the evening sermon and had some supper at Mary's afterwards.

Tuesday, March 12, 1912

Rain and light snow. A very miserable day. Was home, busy sewing on M's waists. Had letter from Will from Montreal, Canada. Says snow is ten feet deep in places there.

Wednesday, March 13, 1912

Cloudy but no rain after all, though it is very damp. Was home all day sewing on waists for Margaret.

Mrs. Dennis + Mrs. Glancy called in the afternoon and brought me the books, + boxes of the Treasurer of the Woman's Mis. Society as I am to be her successor in office. Mary and I went to Bigelow. Mr. Hughes preached. Wrote to Will, and Mrs. M. S. Cotton.

Thursday, March 14, 1912

Frosty and cloudy. Was called into court this morning on a case involving the will of Dr. J. F. Davis which his grandson wants set aside, issuing for the money Dr. Davis left to the Christian Mis. Soc. Of Ohio. Wrote to Mrs. F. L. Johnson at Hartwell.

1st Dist prayer-meeting at Mrs. Wm H. Schwartz' in the afternoon.

Evangelistic service at Bigelow in the evening.

Friday, March 15, 1912

Pleasant overhead but very wet underfoot.

Busy all day as usual. The three girls and I were invited over home to take supper with Mr. Dunning and we had a fine supper, then went to church, preceded by a prayer-meeting at Bigelow.

Saturday, March 16, 1912

Pleasant day. Letter from Carl which I answered. Was busy with housework most of the day. Went out in the neighborhood after dinner but did not find the person I wished to see. Took some work and sat with Mary awhile.

Sunday, March 17, 1912

Fine spring-like day. Went to S. S. as usual. The regular services were held in two churches in the morning, but in the evening both went in our church and Mr. Dunning preached the sermons.

Mr. + Mrs. Manning and the children were here in the afternoon. The girls each gave Dorothy a birthday present, and she was very happy, but not more so than Robert with a new tablet + pencil.

Monday, March 18, 1912

Pleasant. Was busy all forenoon cleaning and doing other things about the house. Went to Dr. Ruggles' then to Relief Corps meeting until 2:45 when I came home to the prayer-meeting where the ladies were ready when I came. Mrs. Schwartz was leader and there were eleven present. Mrs. Ball stayed after the meeting and made a good visit.

Went to church in the evening, Macy + I. Did an errand or two.

First crocus blooms out today in our yard.

Tuesday, March 19, 1912

Delightful, sunshiny day which seemed like spring until late in the day when there was thunder, lightning + hail. I washed curtains, Sister took a little drive with Mrs. McCormick, Mary went over in Ky. after arbutus with Ethel Schwartz + Mr. Dunning and Elizabeth went to class as usual. Church in the evening. Mrs. Dunning returned from a visit to Michigan.

Wednesday, March 20, 1912

Did not rain until late in the afternoon when it began again and continued all night. Went to Mrs. Evans' in the afternoon, and with Mrs. Young + Mrs. Micklethwait made out the Missionary program for the coming year.

Went to prayer-meeting and church in the evening. Mr. Dunning preached the sermons.

Thursday, March 21, 1912

Rained all night and thus far (noon) all day. I went, in rain to W. C. T. C. then on down to Mrs. Kaylor's to prayer-meeting. Prayer-meeting at church at 7 PM and service at 7:30 so it was a full day. Did a little sewing between times.

Mary stayed all night with Mrs. Manning.

Friday, March 22, 1912

Beautiful day and cooler than it has been.

Mr. Schum "jacked up" the wall of the library which had settled where the large bookcase is built in + filled with heavy books. Ate dinner with Mary Moore and then hurried home to my errands, and work.

Went to Bank with check to deposit. Came home and sewed on carpet rags.

Mary came home before noon. In the evening Mary Moore + I went to prayer-meeting + service, the girls went to Trinity to hear Mr. + Mrs. Reis. Mrs. Dr. Williams died tonight. Schools closed for the spring vacation.

Saturday, March 23, 1912

Indications of rain were fulfilled by noon and Margaret is glad she had not planned to go to the farm today. Rained steadily up to bedtime and no indications of stopping. River high and rising. Letter from Helen Moore. Went with Mrs. Micklethwait to see about the Missionary calendars. Was over home awhile. Girls went out to Dr. Williams' after supper but did not see any of the family.

Wrote to Carl.

Sunday, March 24, 1912

Rainy Sunday again.

We all went to S. S. as usual and remained to morning service.

In the evening union services were held in our church with a good attendance in spite of bad weather. We have had almost continual bad weather since the meetings began, but I've not missed either prayer-meeting, or preaching so far.

High water is making many people uneasy.

Monday, March 25, 1912

Rainy and disagreeably raw and cold. M + Miss Cramer could not get to the country. Letter from Will which I answered.

Prayer-meetings at Mrs. Fowler's in afternoon to which I went. Church in evening. Mary and Elizabeth spend last night with Mrs. M, then all three went to Mrs. Dr. Williams' funeral at the Catholic church this AM. Mary went out on the hill again tonight, because Dorothy is sick.

Tuesday, March 26, 1912

A most beautiful day. M + Miss Cramer went to the farm. Left on morning train + will hire train to take them over. In the afternoon I went to Woman's Mis. Soc. At Mrs. Lena Thompson's. Large attendance + good meeting. Mrs. Lewis + Mary Moore went with me. Went out to Dr. Marshall's to take the white rose from the Union, which is all that is sent on such occasions. Mrs. Dennis was here to supper and went to church with us. I was chosen as one of the delegates to Presbyterian at Manchester.

Wednesday, March 27, 1912

Beautiful day. Mr. Schum put railing on end of porch by the steps to prevent persons from falling off, as some have done. Went to Trinity in the evening to the funeral of Mrs. Dr. Geo M. Marshall an excellent woman and great W. C. T. U. worker. Large number of members attended the service. Church in the evening, sermon by Mr. Hughes. Mrs. Cadot called. I altered my gray waist.

Thursday, March 28, 1912

A light sprinkle in the early morning. Was followed by an all day rain which continues at 9 o'clock PM. Have just returned from church at Bigelow. Home all forenoon. Out all afternoon, with Home Dpt. Supplies, and at the prayer-meeting at Mrs. Dalton's. Was out to see Mrs. Funk + Misses Nolan. Got my little pearl clock home. Mr. Dunning preached a good sermon at the "Water of Life." Bought the new Treasurer's book for the Woman's Mis. Society.

Friday, March 29, 1912

Rainy day, as dismal as it could well be. I went to Mrs. Puntteney's in the afternoon to a joint W. R. C. + Auxiliary meeting and on my way home stopped to see Hattie Gunn Wilson at Dr. Clara Cook's. Her mother Martha Ann Gunn McColm was hurried here this noon, having died at Berwyn near Chicago. Ill.

Saturday, March 30, 1912

Fine spring day. Busy at home all day.

In the afternoon Mrs. Cook, Miss Caroline Gunn and Hattie Gunn Wilson came to make a visit + have a cup of tea. Dorothy Manning was here also.

Margaret and Miss Cramer came in on the evening train from Bear Creek. Letter from Carl which I answered.

Sunday, March 31, 1912

Beautiful day. Went to S. S. as usual and we had service at our church in the morning then the closing union service with Bigelow in the evening.

Monday, April 1, 1912

Rained again.

Spent most of the morning at Dr. Ruggles' and he finished the tooth he has been filling.

Decided to go to Cin this week, and wrote Carl + Jennie Fuller of my plans. Did some errands.

The banner which Lizzie Peebles sent for the S. S. came today. I wrote her of it. Girls went to orchestra practice. Schools reopened again.

Tuesday, April 2, 1912

Rained incessantly and hard, most of the day. I was out all forenoon and got very wet. Mary made me a new silk waist this afternoon and I made my preparations to go to Cin. tomorrow to see Carl, the Fuller family and the "World in Cincinnati."

Girls went to Clover Club at Janette Silcox's.

Wednesday, April 3, 1912

Beautiful day but rather cool. The hard rain of yesterday kept the river rising but no harm was done to the track. Had a good trip to Cin. Was met by Carl and after lunch he went with me to Madisonville where I spent the night with Mrs. Fuller, Lillie and Jean who were greatly pleased to see me, + I to see them. Mrs. Fuller never tires of talking of mother whom she loved devotedly.

Thursday, April 4, 1912

Fine day. Warmer. Lillie, Jean and I went to Music Hall, with lunch and spent the day seeing the "World in Cincinnati" which is a wonderfully interesting exhibit of missionary lands, work + workers. We remained until supper time when Carl came, they went home and we went and had supper together at Bauer's. After walking and talking until bedtime I went to the Young Woman's Christian Association and had a pleasant room assigned me for the night.

Friday, April 5, 1912

A most delightful day, so warm that our heavy wraps were a burden. After a good breakfast at the Y. m. c. A. I telephoned Carl who came after me and my baggage + I spent the forenoon with him. We had lunch at the Woman's Exchange and then went to the train. Mr. + Mrs. Dunning came up also. River very high but the track was safe. Found all well at home and a letter from Will.

Saturday, April 6, 1912

Beautiful spring day.

Margaret went to Folsom farm and E + M went with Ethel Schwartz to Munn's run after arbutus.

I stayed home all day and finished up little jobs which had been begun. Letter from Mrs. Cotton.

Sunday, April 7, 1912

Easter Sunday. Rain in the night. Cleared later. All went to S. S. and usual services. Mary M + I also attended Knight Templar Services. Went to see Mrs. Dennis who is not well + was out in the morning.

Had a full day with no time to read.

Girls went out to see the Mannings in afternoon.

Monday, April 8, 1912

Beautiful day. Cooler. Spring is here. Went to Dr. Ruggles and he finished my work. Did some other errands. Made some preparations for going to Manchester tomorrow, to attend the Presbyterial meeting.

Attended annual meeting and had supper there. Business afterwards. Good financial report. New trustees elected were Geo. M. Appel, Lucien Doty, Chas. Thompson and Sherrod Johnson.

Elders Wm. H. Schwartz + H. M. F. Kimbey. Deacon, John W. Brickham.

Tuesday, April 9, 1912

Beautiful day. Arose early and went to Manchester on the C + O train with some delegates from our Pres. chs. To attend Presbyterial meeting. Had a good meeting, a fine dinner at the church and then came home on the evening train and surprised the girls who thought I might stay until tomorrow.

Wednesday, April 10, 1912

Beautiful warm day. Mrs. Ball called me this morning and invited me to take dinner with Dr. John Newton Wright, Mr. + Mrs. Dunning, at her home. I went and enjoyed both the visit and the dinner. Dr. Kline called to see his old school-mate while I was there. In the evening Dr. Wright made an interesting address at our prayer-meeting which was well attended.

Thursday, April 11, 1912

Beautiful day.

Mary and Elizabeth helped Mrs. Schwartz + the Aid Soc. With the Masonic banquet this evening, at the Temple. E could not go until after her class work was done.

Friday, April 12, 1912

Pleasant. With signs of rain.

Margaret and Miss Cramer went to the farm after school, going to Lucasville on the train. Mrs. Jose Ellison came to make me a call this afternoon. She was spending a few days with Hannah James.

After she left I went to Mrs. Young's and Mrs. Evans' on missionary business. Have spent most of the day trying to get an understanding of the reports which are not complete.

Saturday, April 13, 1912

Rained all day, part of the time very hard. Margaret + Miss C. will be obliged to rest since they can do nothing on the farm. Cherry has a new calf. We have had a busy day as usual here at home.

Lizzie Peebles is under treatment, far from well. I did not get my letter to Carl written until after supper and took it to the office in the rain. Lizzie + Elizabeth reached here this afternoon and Lizzie is quite still from cold in her shoulders + back.

Sunday, April 14, 1912

Beautiful day. We went to S. S. and the usual church services. Neither Lizzie, and Elizabeth P. were able to go out today, though they came over here a little while in the evening. This is the anniversary of the assassination of President Lincoln in 1865. Father, Mary + I were in Cincinnati attending the celebration of the fall of Richmond + close of the Civil War, when the whole world was shocked with the news of our great and good President.

M + Miss C. came home on the evening train.

Monday, April 15, 1912

Fine day and quite warm. Had Mr. Haley mend the hall ceiling which cracked badly. Went to W. R. C. in afternoon, three new members were initiated. Mrs. Coverson, Mrs. Berry + Mrs. Neary.

Ellen, who worked for me when Mary was a baby came today and did some cleaning.

Tuesday, April 16, 1912

Warm + bright in morning but cloudy all afternoon. The morning papers are filled with accounts of the sinking of the Titanic, the largest + newest of the White star vessels. She struck an iceberg and went down but no reliable news has yet been heard here. Had telegram from Will from Cin. after dinner saying he would be here tonight.

Letter from Carl which I answered. Will came at midnight from Cin on N + W train.

Wednesday, April 17, 1912

Fair. I did not go to bed until after Will came last night about midnight so we had breakfast at all hours, one or two at a time.

Lizzie and Elizabeth left for Phila. On the afternoon C + O train. Will went over the river with them, was caught in the rain and crossed the river twice as he had no umbrella. We went to prayer-meeting as usual. Little is talked of except the Titanic and the great loss of life.

Thursday, April 18, 1912

Quite chilly today and it grew worse so towards evening. Will left on the 3:35 N + W for Columbus and other points before returning to New York. I did not go to W. C. T. U. Mary and I went to station with Will and had a long wait in the cold, windy air for the train.

Friday, April 19, 1912

Fine day, the kind that tempts one to work out of doors. Ellen Coleman cleaned Margaret's room and I helped by washing and ironing the couch + pillow covers + cretorum (sp) curtains for book-case.

Margaret + Miss C. went to the farm to have the fruit trees sprayed. Another year has passed since James left us and it does not seem possible that we have been as long without him.

Saturday, April 20, 1912

Beautiful spring day. Have been in the yard most of the day. The news of the great disaster seems to grow worse and the latest report is that 1595 lives were known to be lost. The horrors of the situation are past description, but there were some instances of wonderful heroism. The ban went down to death playing Nearer my God to Thee in an effort to soothe the panic stricken men, women + children.

Sunday, April 21, 1912

A beautiful day with the buds and flowers coming out rapidly.

We went to S. S. and the usual church services. Pulpits all over the land are filled with echoes of the Titanic disaster.

Monday, April 22, 1912

Fine day. Worked in yard most of the day with two men at the grass + weeds, and two men on the house mending gutters and putting new ones on stable buildings. Chickweed has run out most of the grass and I have had a man trying to dig it out. Letter from Will.

Tuesday, April 23, 1912

April weather, sunshine and showers. Ellen Coleman came to clean house so we began in my room and finished it thoroughly by supper and both E + M went home with her to stay all night.

Have had some work done in the yard, trying to get the Chickweed out. Examination week.

Wednesday, April 24, 1912

Still showery. Still house-cleaning. Began in sitting room but did not finish because ceiling needed cleaning. All busy + tired. Went to prayer-meeting in evening as usual. Foliage and spring flowers out in all their beauty.

Mrs. Dennis has been called to Williamsburg by death of her niece Mrs. Duckwall, in Kansas.

Thursday, April 25, 1912

Showery, fine weather for growing things, and indoor work. I got Bessie Swearingen to clean ceilings in sitting room + dining room, while Ellen, Mary and I worked at the house-cleaning in Library and sitting room.

Friday, April 26, 1912

Rained very hard this afternoon, upon the first ball game of the season. Ellen and I kept on with our house-cleaning and finished the dining-room. It has been a busy week. Mary began on her room but could not finish. E went to Mrs. M's for the night. I attended "Camp-fire" at G. A. R. Hall in hard rain.

Saturday, April 27, 1912

Rained hard and most of the day. Had letter from M. E. P. also one from Carl which I answered.

The rain stopped awhile and the girls went to the game. I went with Mrs. M + the children to see Lyman Howe's pictures. Afterwards called upon Mrs. Cross, a stranger who came to our church, also upon Mrs. Anderson, at Mrs. Dunning's. Kermit was brought home tonight from the Folsom farm. Called upon Mrs. Helfenstein + Inez Spry, and Mrs. Knowles.

Sunday, April 28, 1912

Beautiful day. Everything growing rapidly. All went to S. S. and the usual services. Mrs. Dunning's friend Mrs. Anderson was with her. Two men were here from Harrisburg to see + hear Mr. D. Mary was here to dinner as usual.

Wm. H. Schwartz and H. M. F. Kinsey ordained as elders, and J. W. Bickham, as dean.

Monday, April 29, 1912

Showery but delightful. Letters from Will, and Fannie Geiger. Busy at home all morning. Went to Bank after dinner then called to see Mrs. Pratt + her friend and Margaret Klingman, who is sick.

News from Titanic still on nearly every page of papers.

Tuesday, April 30, 1912

Beautiful day. We did not do any house-cleaning today because of the Missionary meeting which met here. Had sixteen present, several guests. Mrs. McCroskey of Cleveland being one Mrs. Cross a newcomer who expects to attend our church. Mrs. Evans was not at the meeting.

Wednesday, May 1, 1912

Fine weather and we are all busy and tired.

Too tired to write much. Went to prayer-meeting + remained to Teachers' meeting. Mrs. Dunning and her friend Mrs. Anderson of Tecumseh called here this afternoon.

Thursday, May 2, 1912

Fine day. Housecleaning in full swing and all busy. A man painting + white washing, Ellen and ourselves cleaning. We were invited over to spend the evening with Mrs. Lewis but I was obliged to go to the Medal Contest at Trinity as Curtis was one of the speakers. The girls + Mrs. Lewis spent the evening together then Mary E. M. + I went in time for the ice-cream.

Letter from Will containing check for 50.00 ten of it for Mary. Sent extra for house clean.

Friday, May 3, 1912

Fair and warm. Have been very busy and got very tired today working in the yard, the cellar and in the house. Ellen washed paint, and Mrs. Richards painted the fence, after white washing several places. Had letter from Carl which I answered, but did not finish. Mrs. M + children here to tea. Saw Kermit as Mr. Lorey drove him by + stopped here. He is developing finely and seems safe, not being afraid of anything on the streets or the roads.

Saturday, May 4, 1912

Bright and warm all forenoon. Hard rain. With heavy thunder and sharp lightning in afternoon. Margaret J. was sick so Mary had a busy day. I worked in the yard, pulling weeds several hours. M. E. M. helped me. Wrote to Carl. After three I went to do some errands and while out called to see Mabel Ruggles and her new baby girl that she + Dr. R. went to New York after and brought home last Wed. evening, May 1st. she will be a fortunate child to find such a home. Will be two years old June 22 + her name is Eleanor. Man put second coat of paint on fence. Chas. + Katherine Scudder have a son.

Sunday, May 5, 1912

Rained at Sunday School time and again later in the day. Floods in the Mississippi Valley have drowned out thousands of people and here the farmers cannot get their spring work done.

We attended the usual services.

The trees are in full foliage and the wind is beautiful.

Monday, May 6, 1912

Rained again today, but did not continue all day, nor stop our weeding a together, nor the ball game, but the house cleaning halts for want of help.

Wrote a note to Edith McCloud.

Tuesday, May 7, 1912

Beautiful day. Showers as usual. Had some boys clean the ceiling in the bathroom in forenoon.

In the afternoon, went to the Aid Soc. At the church where the work for the next year was discussed. It was decided to paint the church, when the money has been secured.

Mrs. Schwartz invited the Soc. to meet with her in June at her summer home Breezy Knob Ky. Spent the evening over home.

Wednesday, May 8, 1912

Ideal day in point of weather. The town awoke early and began to dress for the event which comes rarely to our part of the country, President Wm. H. Taft came here on his speech tour and addressed the crowd in Tracy Park. Schools were marched to the Park and the streets were alive with people + vehicles. We, Mary + I, sat on Mrs. Prescott's porch and saw him but could not hear the speech. Went to prayer-meeting and Teachers' meeting.

Thursday, May 9, 1912

Another beautiful day as beautiful as it can be.

Busy at home in the yard in forenoon.

After Margaret came from school, she drove Kermit and I went with her. He does well for his age and experience.

Was at the church in the forenoon getting Mrs. Gray started with the cleaning in S. S. room. Mrs. Dennis is to have charge in the afternoon + Mrs. Smith tomorrow.

Mrs. Ben F. Wyman of Lancaster, Mass. died suddenly, this evening.

Friday, May 10, 1912

Beautiful day which I have spent out in the yard and going back + forth to the church seeing about the cleaning. Had letter from Carl which I answered. Margaret + Miss C. went to the country. Drove Kermit out there for the first time this spring.

This is Uncle Sam Moore's birthday. Would have been 79 today, but died Mch 25th 1911. Mary went to ball game. Elizabeth went to Dr. Sultzer about her eyes. Mrs. Manning and children here to tea + Mary went home to with her to stay all night.

Saturday, May 11, 1912

Rained in the night and again most of the day. I worked in the yard early, swept my room and then went to Baptist ch. To attend a S. S. meeting which was not held until 1 PM, so I went again, in the rain. Made a call at Mary Anderson's and saw the work done on a large elm tree which was split in Feb. The Davey Tree Experts have mended + treated it. Had postcard from Will from Atlanta, Ga. the second picture postcard he ever sent me. He, like his grandfather has never used postals much.

Father never did.

Sunday, May 12, 1912

Rained hard again today but not all day. We went to S. S. and the usual services. Margaret and Miss Cramer came in early, just as I was starting to evening service. It turned quite cool at night so we got out wraps that had been put away.

Mrs. Manning and the children were not here to dinner. Mary went out there to stay to tea.

Monday, May 13, 1912

Fine day after the rain but we need fire in the gas stoves for comfort. Had a busy day trying to get the work done at the church. Tom Potter put down the carpet on the plat farm + will finish tomorrow. In the evening Mary + I went to the C. E. meeting and heard Daniel Poling talk to the C. E.'s of the town on union organization. He's the Prohibition Candidate for Gove. Of Ohio.

Wrote to Venitia + M. E. P.

Tuesday, May 14, 1912

Fine day, much of which I spent out of doors. Went back and forth to the church two or three times looking after Ellen Coleman who cleaned the church cushions. The girls, with Mabel Moulton dined with Louise Sprague. Mabel was here to supper and stayed all night, after the Clover Club at Edna Marting's. Had a good letter from Will from Washington. A Mother's Day letter. In the evening M. E. M. + I went to the Central Pres. ch. To the installation service of Rev. Wm. H. Christian. Dr. Vance preached the sermon, Dr. Robertson charged the pastor and Mr. Dunning, the people.

Wednesday, May 15, 1912

Fine day, but somewhat cloudy. Still have a little fire in mornings. Worked in the yard most of the day. Down to the church twice looking after the Vacuum cleaning in audience rooms. Mabel Moulton left about 9:30, having made us a nice little visit.

Mrs. Fridley called in the afternoon.

Went to prayer-meeting, and remained to teachers' meeting.

Thursday, May 16, 1912

Rained and wind blew hard. Ethel Schwartz + family, including Mrs. Cotton went to their summer home in Ky and Mr. + Mrs. Dunning moved into the Cotton house to stay until they take their vacation. I was at the church looking after the cleaning, which has been done by Revare and Klingman with the vacuum cleaner.

Portsmouth is being visited by celebrities on campaign work. President Taft, Ex. Pres. Roosevelt and Gov. Harmon being here within a week, also the Prohibition Candidate for Gov.

Friday, May 17, 1912

Rained all forenoon but the crowd was out to see, and hear Ex President Theodore Roosevelt. Speak., asking voters to nominate him as ep. Candidate for the Presidency in 1913.

Cleared off in afternoon and Margaret + Miss Cramer drove out to the farm. M. E. M. and I weeded as we have been doing all spring.

Letter from Carl as usual. Elizabeth had one from Will.

Saturday, May 18, 1912

Fine day. Busy at home all forenoon and after dinner Mary Moore and I went to the cemetery where we worked until supper time. Came home and found Lizzie Peebles sitting by the window, having come from Milwaukee via Cin. I stayed to supper with Mary and her. Wrote to Carl and took the letter up late.

Sunday, May 19, 1912

Fine day. All of us excepting Margaret went to Sunday School and the usual church services.

Mr. Scudder is at General Assembly at Louisville. I took dinner with Mary and Lizzie Peebles, over home. L. told M. that John G. is married again but did not tell any of the particulars. The Manning family were here to supper.

Margaret + Miss C. came home about 7 o'clock PM.

Lizzie left at midnight for Phil.

Monday, May 20, 1912

Beautiful day and getting quite warm in the middle of the day. Spent the forenoon at home, and the afternoon at Relief Corps meeting. Mrs. Dennis told us she had decided to return to Williamsburg, O. to live and we shall miss her very much. After supper Macy and I went to make a little call upon Mrs. Dennis.

The girls went to stay all night with Mrs. Manning. Lizzie left on the midnight train for Phila., last night.

Tuesday, May 21, 1912

Warm and pleasant. Spent all forenoon in the yard, having Hezekiah use a lawn roller.

In the afternoon the Second District Aid Soc. met here with ten present including Mrs. Lewis as a guest. Margaret Miller was here to supper. Mrs. M. telephoned that Robert is sick so Mary went out to stay all night with her.

Wrote to Dr. Clark for Mrs. Hancock. Rep. Primary election to Convention at Chicago.

Wednesday, May 22, 1912

Beautiful day. Quite warm and summer like. I went to the Cemetery in the forenoon again to see about the care of the lots. Saw Ruth Johnson, with Mary Bannon, whom she is visiting.

Went to prayer-meeting + teachers' meeting as usual.

Thursday, May 23, 1912

Very warm and bright. Busy at home in forenoon. Went to W. C. T. U. meeting and it was the wrong day so I came home again. Have written Fannie Geiger concerning leveling the mound in the lots at the cemetery. Busy, and tired all the time, enjoy work in yard but it is tiresome.

Friday, May 24, 1912

Very warm and dry. I worked in the yard all forenoon. After dinner I mended Margaret's blue + white plaid silk waist. Macy, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Manning were here after supper.

Mary went to orchestra practice at Gertrude Schmidt's. Margaret + Miss Cramer went to the country.

Kindergartens closed today. I wrote to Will but did not finish letter.

Paul Churchill Greene's Commencement cards came today.

Saturday, May 25, 1912

Rained in forenoon, cleared by noon. M. J. went on morning train to visit her brother. I went to Bank + cashed small check.

Finished Will's letter + wrote Carl. Conventions met today in Court House to nominate candidates. Dem in morning Rep. at 1 PM. Leona Labold took Elizabeth and Mary an automobile ride this evening going nearly to Powelsville. We have not had much experience along that line, though the town is full of machines. Dr. Clark telephoned from Columbus that he would be down at midnight to stay until noon tomorrow on his way to Ironton.

Sunday, May 26, 1912

Pleasant, though pretty warm. We went to S. S. as usual. I came home as soon as lessons were over and said good-bye to Dr. Clark, then returned to church. Mary got dinner and Mrs. Dennis came home with me. Central Pres. Ch. to Memorial service for the G. A. R. Good attendance, good address by Rev. Wm. Christian pastor of that church. Went to evening service. Margaret + Miss C. came in early. Margaret J. came on the 9:30 PM train.

Monday, May 27, 1912

Warm, and dry. Heavy clouds in the west went south of us, but the temperature changed + it became cooler. Spent the day working about the house + yard. In the evening E. gave me three tickets to the concert at Mr. Geo. Appel's for the benefit of the Old Ladies Home. I invited Mr. + Mrs. Cross who were glad to go. It was very pleasant, and the attendance was large.

Helen Cramer sent me an invitation to her graduating exercises at Woodward High S. in Cin.

Tuesday, May 28, 1912

Hot all day. Rain late in afternoon. Mary + I were busy with housework all forenoon. After dinner the girls went to the game and I went to Mrs. Marsh's to the Woman's Mis. Soc. Small attendance but pleasant meeting.

Wednesday, May 29, 1912

Rained some today which was cause for rejoicing by the farmers, as it was greatly needed. I have watered the yard and plants, but rain is better. Busy all day until prayer-meeting time and then remained to teachers' meeting.

Thursday, May 30, 1912

An ideal day for Memorial services at the cemetery. Cloudy all day, but no rain. Went early to help arrange flowers for the veterans. Rode out in auto with W. R. C. + Auxiliary women to decorate graves in the Circle. Address by Rev. T. A. McAfee of Baptist church was excellent. Arrangements were better than usual. Capt. Creed Milstead Marshal of the Day wore Jas; sash which has been on duty on every such occasion, I think since Memorial Day was instituted. There are those who still remember, and speak of how well James looked mounted, and he is missed today.

Friday, May 31, 1912

Fine day, quite warm in the sun. Have been busy at home all day. Wrote a long letter to Bessie Hall Titus for her birthday on June 1st. Her father died on Decoration Day when she was four years old, and his funeral was on her birthday. I put flowers on his grave yesterday.

I wrote to Jane Ricker, also, today.

Margaret + Miss Cramer drove out to the farm this afternoon.

Mrs. Dennis came to get some help on her report as chaplain of the W. R. C.

Saturday, June 1, 1912

Fine day, which I have spent at home sewing on Margaret's skirts while Mary sewed on waists for her, getting her things in order for going away. Had letter from Carl, as usual which I answered + then wrote to Will, sending him a clipping from the Blade about A. C. C.'s later arrangement. Macy was here after supper as usual.

Sunday, June 2, 1912

Beautiful day here, but m said it rained very hard while they were driving in this afternoon. They came in time to attend the baccalaureate sermon at Manley M. E. ch. by Rev. Atkinson.

We went to S. S. and our own church services as usual.

Monday, June 3, 1912

Beautiful day and pleasant as to temperature.

Letter from Will with \$40.00 for Mary and me. Wrote him also Mrs. Plummer of West Union, sending her check for the Mis. Society. Mrs. Dennis was here with some little business matters for the W. R. C. Went to see Mr. Prescott after supper on business. Letter from M. E. P. which I took to read to Mrs. Spry before supper. Have sewed on Margaret's work today.

Tuesday, June 4, 1912

A most delightful day which the girls and I spent with the Aid Soc. at "Breezy Knob" in Ky. the summer home of Mr. + Mrs. Wm. H. Schwartz + family. Mary Moore went with us. Margaret could not go because of her school work. About two dozen people went and stayed from 10 AM to 5 PM having supper before coming home.

Wednesday, June 5, 1912

Pleasant, but cool.

Was busy sewing all day. Had a ticket to the H. S. class play for this evening after prayer-meeting but Mrs. Dennis came to spend her last night in Portsmouth with me so I did not go. We went together to prayer-meeting which was brief. The three girls went to the High School this being the first time it has been used.

Thursday, June 6, 1912

Delightful weather but cool for the season, a light frost was reported in the country. Worked all morning. After dinner I went to the train to say good-bye to Mrs. C. P. Dennis who is returning to her old home at Williamsburg to live near her relatives. Went to see the preachers and the dentists play base-ball.

In the evening the girls, all three, and I attended the first commencement in the new High School Bldg. which is not yet finished but was used. Prof. Appel gave diplomas to 38 pupils.

Friday, June 7, 1912

Beautiful day and so cool that one felt like keeping on the sunny side of the street. We spent the forenoon out watching for, and seeing the parade of the schools which was a beautiful sight. About 4000 pupils and teachers were in line. M. E. M. and I watched it from the portico of the new High School Building on the corner of Gallia + N. Waller. None of us attended the Alumni meeting tonight at the Washington Hotel.

Saturday, June 8, 1912

Fine day. Margaret arose very early and she + Miss C. drove to the farm, their last trip for some time as they expect to go away soon. I was busy all day sewing on white skirts which had to be altered. Had letter from Carl which I answered as usual.

Sunday, June 9, 1912

Beautiful day and so cool that I put on warmer clothing again.

We went to S. S. at 9:30 and the exercises were opened in the main auditorium as several children were to be baptized. After that the school and visitors returned to the school room and went through the children's Day program.

Service again in the evening.

Monday, June 10, 1912

Pleasant. Warmer than yesterday. Went to pay the taxes with the street assessments amounted to \$82.02, more than I have in bank so must go again. Sewed all afternoon altering Margaret's dress and a waist for myself.

Mr. + Mrs. Dunning were here to supper. After supper Mrs. M. and the children were here.

Tuesday, June 11, 1912

Weather pleasant but showery. Were working on the trees which seem to be in worse condition than appeared when examined.

Wednesday, June 12, 1912

Pleasant most of the day. Have worked out of doors, Margaret and Miss Cramer came in from the farm and will not go back until their summer school is over. Went to prayer-meeting and afterwards, the girls + Mrs. Taylor went to see the pictures with Miss Burris + Margaret Miller. I went to mail a letter to Fannie Geiger for her birthday, and brought home some ice-cream.

Thursday, June 13, 1912

Fine day. Mary Ricker was up and started at 4:30 AM with Margaret Miller to her farm, lead in Kermit. Mr. Folsom will get Kermit there and keep him while M is away. The girls were home again by noon and ready to go to the ball game in the afternoon.

Friday, June 14, 1912

A beautiful day for flag day, will only be observed by the members of the W. R. C. going to the cemetery as they always do on flag day. At noon Mary Peebles telephoned me she had just arrived home from her long trip and would meet the ladies at the cemetery, which she did, to place flowers on the graves of our deceased members.

Rained hard in afternoon. Elizabeth was taking examination. Mary went to Cin. on Greenland with Miss Blake's orchestra.

Saturday, June 15, 1912

Weather pleasant.

Margaret worked in the yard awhile this morning being anxious to get things in order, + well started before she leaves for Chicago. I was busy with her things, getting them ready to be packed.

I sent Carl a silk hdkf of his father's with his birthday letter.

Sunday, June 16, 1912

Weather showery.

Went to S. s. and the usual church services. Macie was here to dinner as usual, and nothing unusual happened, except that Mary Peebles was in S. S. and church again after her trip to South America and winter in California.

Monday, June 17, 1912

Pleasant and fair.

Busy at home in forenoon. Went to W. R. C. at 2 PM and then walked up to Dora Hard's with the magazines which will have to be passed while Miss C. + M. are away.

Was stopped several times on the way home, by persons who wanted to talk. Twice it sprinkled. Stopped to talk with Miss Newton about the church trees.

Margaret + Miss C. left for Chicago.

Tuesday, June 18, 1912

Pleasant weather.

Have spent most of the day helping Macie get her things ready and plan her trip to Phila. tomorrow. Went to see about her ticket, did an errand at Lauter's and called to take a look at the big elm tree in front of the church. Mrs. Garrett Cross made a call this morning and returned a book we had loaned her. Did not get my birthday letter to Lizzie mailed today, will send it by Macie, Macie + I took tea at Mrs. Dunnings, and Mrs. Manning + the children stayed here all night.

Wednesday, June 19, 1912

Beautiful day and cool enough for wraps when out of doors. Macie left this afternoon on the 3:44 C + O for Philadelphia to visit Lizzie + Elizabeth Peebles. Went alone as no one else was going her way. Came home after her train was gone and worked in the yard as usual. Missed Macie and Mrs. Dennis, two who were nearly always there. Sent E. S. R. a white purse and E. F. P. a teapot, some flowers + cheese.

Thursday, June 20, 1912

Fine day. I worked in the yard all forenoon. Went to W. C. T. U. meeting at 2 PM to the water works office but c'd not pay the rent until July. Called on Mary Peebles who was not at home. After tea went to see Mrs. Silcox and the girls met me there + made a call.

Had letter from Margaret who had reached Chicago and found board + lodgings at 5725 Drexel Ave.

Letter from Carl.

Friday, June 21, 1912

Fine day until heavy rain storm in afternoon made it very cool. The girls + Mrs. D. had planned a supper at the Fishing Club House at Millbrook so we all went to the afternoon game which was broken up by the storm. Mr. + Mrs. Dunning, Margaret Miller, ourselves, Mr. + Mrs. Cross + two of their friends Messrs. Wilson and Elsner were at supper, on the porch of the Club House, + shivered. The Pawnee Bill Show almost tied up the cars with the crowd. Letter from Will.

Saturday, June 22, 1912

Beautiful, and delightful day. Have been busy all day, at home. The Davey Tree men finished the work on the elm tree at the ch. Soon after noon today.

Girls went to ball game. I wrote letters nearly all afternoon. Rec'd wedding announcement of Edward Jordan Dimock and Constance Bullard of Boston, also letters from Macie and P. C. Margaret. Wrote to Macie, both boys, Margaret, Fannie Geiger. Mrs. Manning and the children were locked out of the house, Mr. M. being away they came down here to stay.

Sunday, June 23, 1912

Fine day. The two girls and I went to S. S. but Dorothy + Robert had no clean clothes so could not go. Mr. Manning did not return so they were here all day, and finally went to bed.

I led the C. E. meeting on the topic, "Reading that is worthwhile."

Monday, June 24, 1912

Cloudy this morning, signs of rain. Mr. Manning came home late last night + telephoned Mrs. M. who went home about 9 o'clock. After dinner I did some errands and called upon some strangers. Mrs. Johnson + Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Folsom and Mrs. Gates whose 60th anniversary was celebrated by M. + Mrs. Drew lately. I also called on Clara Hoss + her sister Minnie Miller Hillman, + Dora Hard. Had letters today from Macie, Lizzie, Margaret, Mrs. Dennis and wrote to Lizzie and Margaret. Medicine from Dr. Gault. Mr. Webster brought report of work done on church trees, which amounts to \$51.30 without materials used.

Tuesday, June 25, 1912

Pleasant, a little cloudy. Busy at home all morning. In afternoon went to W. M. S. at Mrs. Young's, ten present and good meeting. Began trying to get money for the great elm trees at the church. Mrs. Rowe promised \$1.00 + Mary Peebles gave \$10.00. After supper I went to visit with Mrs. Young awhile.

Had letters from Will, Margaret and Macie.

Democratic Nat'l Convention in Baltimore even more disgraceful than the Rep. in Chicago last week.

Wednesday, June 26, 1912

Very warm in forenoon, sharp thunder storm in afternoon. Have been home all day, and written several letters, one to Will, to Macie, + Mrs. Bond + Mrs. Dennis.

The lightning struck one of the square towers of the 2nd Pres. church, damaging it considerably.

We went to prayer-meeting, after which Margaret Miller, + Miss Burriss stopped here. Mr. Dunning came and got something to eat after the meetings as Mrs. D. stayed at Ethel's, in Ky because of rainstorm.

Thursday, June 27, 1912

Bright and warm, but about 10 AM it rained awhile. I was over to see Mrs. Thompson + Mrs. Hancock. In the afternoon I went out to Mrs. Manning's, and to the cemetery to see about the Moore lot.

The crowds are going to the race-track to see Glenn Curtiss make a flight in his aeroplane. Crowds in town gathered about the Post Office expecting to see him come down to town but he went the other way. Letter from M. E. M.

Friday, June 28, 1912

Quite warm and clear.

Almost finished the awning for the swing, which Mary began yesterday. In the afternoon Mrs. M. + the children came down + met the girls + me + we went to see "The coming of Columbus" in moving pictures. While we were shut up in the Lyric watching the historical scenes of the fifteenth century Glenn Curtiss flew down over the city in his 20th century wonder, the bi-plane and we missed seeing it. Sent postal + paper to M. Wrote to Macie.

Saturday, June 29, 1912

Very warm all day. About 4:30 Pm a gentle rain began falling and now at 8 PM it seems likely to continue. I had letters from Carl + Macie. Wrote both of them and M. T. R. (no wrote M. E. M. yesterday). Put the new awning on the swing this morning. Put in the day doing odd jobs. Went to Bank at noon, and to Anderson's + Mrs. Evans' late in afternoon.

Sunday, June 30, 1912

Fair and pleasant until late in the night when it began to rain. We went to S. S. and the usual church services. Mr. M. H. F. Kinsey made the principal address in the evening, upon the needs of the adolescent boy.

The service was patriotic.

Monday July 1, 1912

Warm + bright until about noon when a thunder shower began and continued softer and steadily for about two hours. Later it cleared + the girls went to the game. I went to take the magazines to Miss Hard and called to see Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Marsh + Mrs. Rowe + Mrs. Evans.

Had two letters from Macie + a post card from Margaret, also letter from Elizabeth + S. Peebles. Democratic Convention at Baltimore after thirty ballotings had not nominated anyone.

Tuesday, July 2, 1912

The event of this day was the coming of a telegram from Will saying he would be here tomorrow, or next day. It was a surprise as he had not expected to come to Cleveland at this time.

Wednesday, July 3, 1912

Pleasant though warm. Have all been making preparations for Will's homecoming this evening. Being uncertain as to whether he would arrive on the 7:30 this evening, or come tomorrow, I remained at home to admit him in case he came, and I was glad I was here. The two girls went to prayer-meeting.

Thursday, July 4, 1912

A warm day which we spent quietly at home, having a good dinner and supper, after which we four went out on the hill to see the Manning children enjoy their pinwheels and Roman candles, and fire-crackers. Mrs. M. served cake and lemonade.

It was an unusually quiet day, the "safe + sane" rules were productive of some good results.

Friday, July 5, 1912

Fine day. Will and I were up and across the river nearly an hour before the C + O train came. We had a peasant trip to Cin. but Carl had not rec'd his telegram so we did not see him until after we had gone to the zoo + returned to his office. In the afternoon Will attended to business while I sat in the office with Carl, then we had supper together and afterwards rode out on the street car to the end of the line on Price Hill. Came home in Pullman + was late, reaching home about 11 AM.

Saturday, July 6, 1912

Warm and steamy.

Have spent the day quietly and pleasantly.

Will enjoys these visits home when he can sleep late, take naps or walks, read and rest from the hurry which business requires of him in NY. I wrote Carl the usual letter. It was so late last night when we came home that I did not talk with the girls + so did not hear until today of the death of Lucy Secrist Gableman and the serious illness of Flint Kline.

Sunday, July 7, 1912

Fine day but warm. The girls + I went to S. S. and Will joined E. + me at church time but Mary came home to get dinner.

All went in the evening.

Monday, July 8, 1912

Very warm and close.

Will left on 7:30 AM train for Columbus, Cleveland + NY. I went to train with him. Have had a good visit with time, longer than usual. After supper Mary + Mrs. Dunning went to Lucy Secrist Gableman's at her late home on East 7th St. I went to Dora Hard's with the magazines, first, then on up to the funeral. Lucy was a great favorite and many friends and flowers testified to the fact. Mary went on out to spend the night with Mrs. Manning. Mrs. Dunning went home to Mich.

Tuesday, July 9, 1912

Warm and damp. Fine weather for growing gardens and fields. Rained in morning + threatened in evening but passed by.

Mary came home from Mrs. Manning's just after Elizabeth had gone with Leona Labold and some friends for an auto ride to Harrisonville.

Wednesday, July 10, 1912

Heavy rain and thunder this forenoon. I had worked in the yard before breakfast. Sewed on E's dress, finishing it off, and then altered the summer silk which Lizzie Peebles gave me, and wore it to prayer-meeting in the evening.

Mary Peebles gave the talk on missions in South America which Mr. Dunning had asked her to give.

Girls are sewing.

Maggie Firmstone made a call, when she brought the magazines.

I wrote to Margaret.

Thursday, July 11, 1912

Very warm. Rained some in the night. I was out all forenoon. Went to see Dr. Gault, who was out, then to see Mabel Ruggles, Sara Coates, Winifred Smith, Marting's store and lastly Miss Amelia Noland who is very ill and weak. Home in afternoon. Girls out. Letters from Margaret R. + Virginia Greene. Went again to Dr. G's and got medicine for hives, after supper. Indications of hard storm which passed by, but it rained later.

Friday, July 12, 1912

Rained very hard in the night. Grass too wet to be cut. Cleared later. Had white washing done in stable + worked in the yard myself most of the day. Was sent for to go see Miss Amelia Noland before dinner, went and did what could for her then went to ask Mary Peebles to go and see her. Worked at home in afternoon. Girls went to Ball Park. Mrs. M. and children came to supper. After supper I went to inquire about Flint who is no better. Called upon Mrs. Sands, Mrs. Gallup + Mrs. Ball.

Saturday, July 13, 1912

Very hot and sultry.

Cobwebs on the grass are a good indication of a hot, dry day. Everybody busy all forenoon with housework. After dinner girls went to game and I wrote letters. Had four today, answered Margaret's, Macie's + Carl's + wrote Will. Left Almira Carlson Jenkins until later. Reports from Flint Kline no better.

Sunday, July 14, 1912

An extremely hot day. We went to S. S. and when I came home to dinner after church, Mary said Mrs. M. had telephoned for us to all go out there for dinner, which we did, I left soon after to go to Miss Noland's but she was apparently sleeping so I did not remain.

Went to church again in the evening and then to bed as soon as I could, being very tired.

Monday, July 15, 1912

A very warm day.

About a dozen of us met in the Security Hall for the regular W. R. C. meeting. After which I went into the yard and cut all the flowers I could find and sent them out to Miss

Noland by Curtiss. I was there this morning, having heard that Miss Amelia died last evening, a few houses after I left there. Flint Kline is still very, very ill with little hope of recovery.

Tuesday, July 16, 1912

This warm morning. Elizabeth, Mary, Mrs. Manning and the children went to Ky to spend a few days with Mrs. Schwartz' family, at the summer home. As Macie is away I am the sole representative of the family in Portsmouth now. Have had a hard, hot busy day fighting the little red ants which have made their appearance in the refrigerator. Was busy with them nearly all day. Mary came back in the evening to stay all night with me. Edith Moore Lore's birthday. Went to Miss Noland's funeral.

Wednesday, July 17, 1912

Fine morning but it became very hot as soon as the sun got up. I arose early and went over the river to meet Macie who did not come. Mary went back to Ky after breakfast when I promised to sleep over home in case Macie did not come this afternoon. Went to prayer-meeting in the rain. A heavy storm seemed imminent and few went to prayer-meeting. Mr. Dunning will leave for his vacation tomorrow. Will proceed to Mich.

Thursday, July 18, 1912

Showery. Rained last night and this evening.

Macie came home from Phila. in time for breakfast. I had slept in her bed last night and after we had talked awhile I went out to do some errands. Saw Mrs. Hancock + paid over to her \$25.00 which I had collected for the work done on the elms in front of the church. Adda sent P. O. order for M. E. M's tree work.

Had letter from Margaret. Went to W. C. T. U. meeting.

Friday, July 19, 1912

A most delightful day, cool and clear. After a good night's rest over at Mary's I came home early and opened up the house. The girls + Mrs. M + children came home before dinner. I went out to see Miss Noland before supper, also made a call at Mrs. Taylor's and saw Campbell's wife and little son Richard. Had letter from Margaret, sent her postal + paper.

Saturday, July 20, 1912

Busy all forenoon.

Girls went out in afternoon and I was home alone. After supper Macie and I went up to Blanche Selby's to make a call.

Hurried home because heavy clouds and thunder + lightning indicated a rain which came and lasted most of the night.

Sunday, July 21, 1912

Warm.

Went to S. S. as usual and remained to church. Rev. Mr. Braderick, Assistant to Dr. Palmer of Broad St. Pres. in Columbus preached at Dr. P's church. We had no evening service and did not go anywhere.

Monday, July 22, 1912

Cloudy with a little rain. I had a busy day sweeping and cleaning in my room.

Mary went out to stay all night with Mrs. M. After supper Macie and I started up to Miss Hard's with the magazines but met Elsie Paynton so exchanged with her + took hers to Mrs. Silcox.

Tuesday, July 23, 1912

Warm again, and fair. Was home all day except for a few minutes after 4 o'clock when I went to ask about Flint Kline but did not see anyone. Letter from Will. Had letter from Margaret. Julia Prichard called up last night to say she was in town so Elizabeth went to see her and invited her to visit us a few days. Mary came home from Mrs. Manning's before noon. Both girls went out in the auto with Leona Labold after supper.

Wednesday, July 24, 1912

Extremely hot + sultry. It was hard to do anything but harder still to do nothing and give up to the heat. In the evening Macie + I went to prayer-meeting, Mrs. Manning + the children came home + she left the children here with Elizabeth + Julia Prichard who came today for a visit. Mrs. M. + Mary went to prayer-meeting, then later they all went up town + were caught in the storm so Mrs. M. + the children came back + stayed all night.

Thursday, July 25, 1912

Delightfully cool and clear and comfortable this morning. The storm of last night blew down trees, burned out telephones and made much trouble. The Manning family went home after a late breakfast and we spent the day visiting with Julia.

This is Mary Greene's birthday.

Friday, July 26, 1912

Quite warm, but not so hot as it has been.

Julia was expecting to go to Stanley's before dinner but we prevailed upon her to remain until nearly supper time. She and E. have been visiting all day. She is a fine girl and we are all very fond of her. She + E were friends when they were in school. I wrote the usual birthday letter to Virginia Greene.

Saturday, July 27, 1912

Paid Mr. Scott for painting the iron fence at cemetery.

Very warm and close but not storm came here. We have all been busy with the preparations for the trip and the girls have most of their packing done. Had hoped Sister might get home before the girls go out but she wrote she could not come until Monday, or Tuesday. I wrote to Carl and Mary + I took the letter up at bed-time. Saw Mrs. Jno Smith of McDermott as we were returning. Julia P's birthday.

Sunday, July 28, 1912

Fine day. Went to S. S. as usual, Rev. Fred Schmitt preached a good sermon on "joy" in the forenoon. We had no evening service so Macie + I went to Trinity and heard Mr. Hartinger. Stopped at Dr. Kline's on our way up, to inquire about Flint. Saw Dr. P. J. who said Flint is no better and has now been unconscious three weeks. The case is unusual and interests the whole community, especially the doctors.

Monday, July 29, 1912

Rained in the night and was fine all day.

We have been busy making the final preparations for the trip which E + M expect to take. Have had to change their plans + go straight to New York, instead of via Norfolk + boat to Boston. I gave Elizabeth a parasol for her birthday. Had letters from Margaret + Mr. Arnold. Wrote to Carl. Mrs. Davis + Margaret Miller called this afternoon.

Tuesday, July 30, 1912

Fine day. We were all busy all forenoon finishing up the preparations for the trip. After dinner Mrs. Manning + the children came, bringing the box of lunch which she had prepared. We all walked to the ferry and crossed to the station where the 2:44 train from Cin. brought Margaret home, and took Elizabeth and Mary on to New York, where they expect to see Will and then go on to Boston to visit Margaret Hunt.

Wednesday, July 31, 1912

Pleasant. Margaret had a letter from Mrs. Carrie Richards saying she, Mr. R., + Alfred were coming to Ports. on a business trip and would stay over one night with us, if convenient. We began at once to prepare for the guests and will welcome them gladly, when they come. Went to prayer-meeting as usual and found small congregation with no leader in hands. Mr. Kinsey took charge and we had a very good meeting. Margaret, Macie + I represented our family.

Thursday, August 1, 1912

Beautiful day, bright and breezy. Margaret + I were busy all forenoon but were ready for our guests, Mr. + Mrs. Richards and Alfred when they arrived about one o'clock. Visited all afternoon and then had Macie and Mrs. Behrens with us at suppertime, when the helped prepare the dinner which was a good one.

Friday, August 2, 1912

Fine breezy day, so cool that some wraps are seen on the streets. Arose early and had breakfast in time for an early start for the auto party to Columbus, Sister accepted the invitation to go with Mr. + Mrs. R. as I urged her to do so. I will sleep over at Macie's, and take my meals with her until M. returns. Went out to Mrs. Manning's, + the Cemetery in the afternoon. Had a letter from Mrs. Dennis. Letters from the girls saying they had reached New York and were met by Will.

Saturday, August 3, 1912

Cloudy and delightfully cool. Had breakfast with Macie then came home to attend to some work. Wrote to Will + Carl, having letters from each of them. Went up street to the Bank to deposit 25.00 which Will sent me. Wrote also to Mary Y. Moore, Mrs. F. S. Arnold + sent postcard to Lucy M. Carpenter.

Margaret did not return from Columbus. Macie + I walked out to Mrs. Manning's this afternoon, went to the cemetery and then walked home. I had supper + stayed over home all night. Letter from Mary.

Sunday, August 4, 1912

Fine day, quite cool.

Went to S. S. and church in the morning. Went over to Macie's for dinner. Spent the afternoon at home. Mrs. M. + children left this afternoon for Ronceverte to visit her mother.

In the evening Mrs. Lewis went with us to Trinity to hear Mr. Hartinger.

Monday, August 5, 1912

Warmer again.

Had letter from the girls telling of their good visit with Will in New York. They were to reach Margaret's Saturday afternoon last. Was busy at home all day, excepting at meal time.

Margaret returned from Columbus on the evening train so I stayed at home tonight.

Margaret's birthday was on my mind all day, but I did not select anything for her, as I wanted her opinion in regard to it.

Tuesday, August 6, 1912

Warmer. Margaret has been busy all day getting baskets ready for the Fair which is to be held next week + Miss Wallace asked her to send all she + Miss Cramer have for the exhibit.

Macie had a birthday dinner for her which was the extent of the celebration excepting Oella's usual birthday card and telegram from Will. I went to call on Helen Cramer, Mrs. Johnson on her sister Miss Carnahan called here after supper.

Wednesday, August 7, 1912

Cloudy with light rain late in the afternoon when we had put two large quilts on the line. M + I have been washing things all day. Margaret + I are having a fine visit together. We went to prayer-meeting this evening, Mr. Scudder being the leader, but Mr. W. W. Gates was present to talk up the County S. S. work. Wrote to Mary Y. Moore for her birthday. Letter from Elizabeth.

Thursday, August 8, 1912

Fine day, several light showers which interfered somewhat with our work as we washed two of the stuffed quilts, one being the one Macie gave me and the other one Mother + Aunt Maria McCall made when they were little girls seventy-three years ago. No-it was yesterday we washed them and could not dry them because it rained, so dried them

today. In the afternoon M + Miss Cramer went to the farm. Mary + I went to the train with her. Enos came to see what Mr. York wanted of him. Letter from Will.

Friday, August 9, 1912

Bright + warm part of the day, hard rain with thunder + lightning in the afternoon. Letters from Mrs. Dennis + Mrs. Manning. Card from Ira Ricker saying his father + mother are in Bath N. H. Have sewed on some of Margaret's work, altering a corset-cover.

Went to stay all night with Macie as usual.

Saturday, August 10, 1912

Warm again.

Busy at home all day except while at meals over home.

Enos had dinner with us but will sleep at the hotel. Uncle Drew's birthday which he is spending with his sister Sue at Bath. N. H. Wrote to Carl as usual.

Sunday, August 11, 1912

Fine day. Rained last night. Went to S. S. as usual. Fred Schmidt preached again this morning for us on the book of Hebrew. Did not go anywhere in the evening the churches being nearly all closed. Enos had dinner with us today at Macie's.

Mr. Scudder called in the evening to see Enos who was not there.

Father + Mother were married 65 years ago today at old Alexandria, across the river from Portsmouth, O.

Monday, August 12, 1912

Cloudy and showery. Did a little washing and was busy one way or another all day. Letters from Will, Carl and Elizabeth.

Went to see Clara Waller after supper and took the valuable old quilt which Mother and Aunt Maria Moore McCall made when they were school girls, to be exhibited at the Lucasville Fair.

Tuesday, August 13, 1912

Warm. Rained in the night. Pleasant breeze this morning. Came home early and did what little ironing there was to be done. Ironed six lace curtains and then altered some large pillows. Wrote to Margaret Ricker, Margaret Jackson and the girls at Newtonville. Sent two dollars to the Davey Expert Tree Cp. Kent O.

Had letter from Margaret + M. Jackson.

Mary Y. Moore's birthday.

Wednesday, August 14, 1912

Good summer weather, sun hot but often cloudier and a good breeze blowing. Am busy everyday getting things done that have been waiting, some of them a long time.

Macie + I went to prayer-meeting as usual.

Few present, so many are away.

Thursday, August 15, 1912

Warm, in fact hot in the sun. Busy at home all forenoon. Went to W. C. T. U. in the afternoon and Miss Kate Gordon of New Orleans addressed the meeting on Woman Suffrage. Which is to be voted upon Sept. 3rd as one of the forty-two (42) amendments proposed. The Scioto Co. Fair is underway and many are going but I did not expect to go. Letter from Margaret.

Friday, August 16, 1912

Warm and close. Busy all day, at home. Letter from Mary which I answered at once. They are enjoying their visit. Mrs. Holliday of Zanesville came at midnight to visit Mrs. Lewis and I have helped get the room ready for her. Visit awhile each evening before going to bed. Made up the silk sofa pillow which Sister Mary gave me two or three years ago.

Saturday, August 17, 1912

Warm, no rain during the day. I worked in the yard and in the house all day. Sweeping and cleaning.

Had some fine grapes off our vine on east side of yard. Had letters from Will, Carl, Margaret + Mrs. Richards. Wrote to Margaret + Carl. Looks like rain this evening. Miss Anna Quimby spoke at Tracy Park on Woman Suffrage + No License, but I did not go out. Miss Firmstone was here. Letter from Mrs. Richards.

Sunday, August 18, 1912

Fine day. Went to S. S. as usual and Mr. Scudder was there after an absence of several weeks.

Mr. Kinsey conducted the morning services very acceptably, and we had none in the evening. Mary and I remained at home, an unusual thing for us to do but so few churches are open and I was tired so went to bed early.

Monday, August 19, 1912

Quite warm today.

Was busy at home in the forenoon but after dinner I went to call on Jennie Ramsey at Mary Peebles' then she + I went to W. R. C. meeting. It rained very hard in the late afternoon and most of the night, making it pleasant to sleep.

Tuesday, August 20, 1912

Fine weather. Occasional thunder showers keep the air clear and pleasant. This is Enos' birthday. He is in town, or has been. I did not see him today. Mary and I are planning to entertain a little for Mrs. Lewis and her guest. This afternoon I asked several ladies in but only Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Kehoe came, in addition to the guests of honor. After supper Mrs. Scudder took three of us for a ride in their new machine.

Wednesday, August 21, 1912

Pleasant. Busy about the house and yard most of the day. In the afternoon I went to take the magazines to Miss Hard. Stopped at Mrs. Drew's and she showed me her beautiful old furniture, and her fine yard. Found Dora Hard cheerful but looking very badly. Went to prayer-meeting. Mrs. Lewis + Mrs. Holliday went with us. Mr. Scudder led the meeting. Wrote to Will for his birthday. Helen Cramer came to see me.

Thursday, August 22, 1912

Pleasant, though the sun is warm in the middle of the day. Have been busy putting the house in order, gathering and arranging flowers for this evening. Mary made peach ice-cream and she + I froze it. Had invited Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Holliday. Lollie Anderson + Miss Berry for the evening. Miss B's sister Mrs. Sellick came with her. Mrs. Scudder and Mrs. Kehoe called early in the evening.

Had letter from Will with 30.00 interest money from Guarantee Cin. Co.

Will is thirty-nine today.

Friday, August 23, 1912

Beautiful day. A little rain last night.

Came home early and have been busy about the house all day.

Wrote to Will and Elizabeth. Rec'd her letter this AM. The girls plan to come home the last of next week.

Saturday, August 24, 1912

Fine day, and busy for me as usual. Put the house in order, with plenty of flowers for decoration. In the evening. Mr. + Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Holliday and Mr. Bernard Sherlock spent the evening here and we had some fine music. Sister came in on the evening train to attend Institute next week.

Sunday, August 25, 1912

Beautiful day. Went to S. S. and our regular morning service was resumed, with Mr. Dunning in the pulpit, but no evening service. Macy and I went to Ger. Evangelical in the evening to hear Rev. Mr. Freund preach his farewell sermon after eight years and ten months service here.

Monday, August 26, 1912

Fine day, and a busy one for me. I scrubbed the kitchen walls, finishing what I began last week and did some other things. Had letter from Elizabeth who says they plan to come home the last of this week. Mr. + Mrs. Dunning called. Institute opened in the Auditorium of the new High School. Margaret will attend. I heard through Dr. Boyd that Mrs. Curtiss' mother died recently so wrote her this evening. Heavy thunder + lightning late in the afternoon.

Tuesday, August 27, 1912

Fine bright day with a hot sun, and cool breeze. Worked at home all forenoon. Margaret and I went over home to our meals and in the afternoon Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Holliday went with me to the Musical at Mrs. Evans'.

Small attendance, but pleasant afternoon including peach ice-cream + cake. Letter from Clara Ricker Armstrong telling me about her new daughter Ann Rogues, now four weeks old.

Wednesday, August 28, 1912

Bright, but hot and close all afternoon + evening. A hard storm came after midnight. Worked all day and went to prayer-meeting in the evening. Attendance small. Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Holliday were there with Mrs. Taylor.

Mr. Dunning's return is most welcome. He gave us a fine talk on the lost sheep, the lost coin and the lost son.

Thursday, August 29, 1912

The weather has become much warmer again but I am too busy to mind much. Want everything written and without to look well when the girls came home. Margaret is busy with the Institute which is rather hard work for such weather.

The storm last night was severe but the effect is pleasant this morning.
Helen Moore's birthday.

Friday, August 30, 1912

Another warm, busy day spent in finishing up the kitchen which is now in as good order as I can make it.

In the evening Mrs. Young, Mr. + Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Holliday, with Macie came and spent the evening when we had more good music and also some fine ice cream and cake.

Saturday, August 31, 1912

Was up early and began on my last day's preparations for the girls whom I expected in the afternoon. While I was sweeping the sidewalk they surprised me, coming up Fifth from the C + O train.

Was glad to see them though not quite ready. Margaret and Miss Cramer had just gone on the morning train to the farm, so missed them as she did when they were going away.

They brought me several pretty presents. A brass fern dish for the table, a lacquered crumb tray + brush, a little picture and a nut dish which she had decorated with squirrels in barn. Mrs. Holliday left on the early train for Cadiz having indeed been a pleasant guest.

Sunday, September 1, 1912

A bright hot day.

Elizabeth, Mary and I went to S. S. and both church services today. Enos and Mr. Manning took dinner with us, also Macie, as usual. Went to see Mrs. Spry before supper. She is still a cheerful sufferer, an example of patience.

Monday, September 2, 1912

A bright, hot Labor Day, but some breeze to temper the heat. We hurried out to see the parade which was unusually good. Mrs. Lewis, Macie + I went to 2nd St. The girls spent the day at Millbrook with a small party.

Mary Peebles called here late in the afternoon. Macie came over in the evening as usual.

Tuesday, September 3, 1912

Still very hot. Girls busy all forenoon sweeping + dusting. I had letters from Mrs. Dennis, and Jane Ricker, who is expecting to visit us next week. Robert Peebles was here today. I went to the Aid Soc. but there was not quorum, consequently no business. Weather too hot to get people interested in active work, especially church meetings.

Wednesday, September 4, 1912

Warm weather continues and it is reported to be a record breaker all over the country.

I wrote to Will today at Chicago, I think. Went to prayer-meeting and enjoyed the service though the attendance is small. Mr. Dunning always prepares something helpful.

Thursday, September 5, 1912

Essie's birthday.

Very warm.

Margaret and Miss Cramer came in from the farm this evening, to be on hand for the preliminary faculty meeting. Not having the horse to make the trip by train with a livery team from Lucasville.

Failing to get help, Mary + I have been preparing Margaret Jackson's room for her return this week.

Friday, September 6, 1912

Weather very hot and dry. A faculty meeting called by Mr. Appel for this forenoon compelled all the teachers to be at the High School this morning. Elizabeth went but was not required to be there. Several vacancies have occurred and the schools are not nearly ready for the opening.

Abigail Folsom Bowman's little son died this morning at their home in Pittsburg. Miss Cramer is much distressed over the complication of troubles in their family today.

Saturday, September 7, 1912

Delightful weather, quite hot in the sun but it is my season of the year and I enjoy it. Put the finishing touches on Margaret J's room so it is now all ready for her.

Forty-nine years ago I was just entering the High School here, a new arrival from the south land. My life has had its clouds, but on the whole has been a happy one ever since I came to Portsmouth.

Sunday, September 8, 1912

Beautiful fall day.

Went to S. S. and the usual services. Found birthday remembrances at the breakfast table, writing materials in abundance, and stamps from Margaret + sister Mary, a pair of button hole scissors from Elizabeth. The girls brought me presents when they came home.

Margaret Jackson came back for her last year in High School.

Monday, September 9, 1912

Fine day. Mrs. Dunning came to stay while Mrs. D. is away house-hunting. The public schools opened today, one week later than usual on account of the new H. S building being unfinished. The Kindergarten department will not open until Oct. We were invited out to Mrs. Manning's after supper and served with cake + ice-cream. Margaret Jackson entered upon her senior year.

Tuesday, September 10, 1912

Warm and bright.

Elizabeth and Mary went with Mrs. Dunning to spend the day at Miller farm. Mrs. Dunning is staying here while Mr. Dunning is attending Presbytery at Ripley. I was busy as usual doing some odd jobs which have been waiting for me. Macy was over home in the evening until the girls came home. Letter from Margaret Hunt saying she would be here Saturday, to visit her Aunt Mamie Peebles. Letters from Virginia + Elizabeth for birthday.

Wednesday, September 11, 1912

Very hot in the sun but breezy and pleasant in the shade. Mrs. Dunning went home after breakfast and I walked down to Breezy Knob Ky. to spend the day with Mrs. Ethel Schwartz + family. Had a delightful visit. Came home in time for prayer-meeting. Mr. Dunning gave us a fine talk upon the names given Christians, as mentioned in the New Testament. Christians, Believers, Disciples, Followers, + Saints. Letter from Will, M. L. P. Hunt, + Helen Moore.

Thursday, September 12, 1912

Delightful weather.

Went up street to do some errands in the forenoon. Wrote letters to Will, Mrs. Dennis, and Helen Moore for the 25th anniversary of her marriage. The girls and I sent her a small silver present for the occasion, like a small pie knife. We all sent letters, also to reach her on the 14th. Wrote to V. M. Greene.

So cool tonight that we needed blankets.

Friday, September 13, 1912

Quite cool in the morning but the sun was hot late in the day.

Was busy as usual. Hemmed the second new tablecloth which Margaret brought from Chicago. Mrs. Whitney was here in the afternoon to talk over W. R. C. matters. A rain came suddenly just about supper time but was over by bed time.

Saturday, September 14, 1912

Very warm again. Enos and Helen have been married twenty-five years today. We sent her a small silver gift. Was busy at home nearly all day then went to see Margaret Peebles Hunt at her Aunt Mary Peebles'. When she arrived at noon for a visit. I also called upon Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Savage. Had letter from Mr. Arnold regarding the lot in the cemetery + answered it. Letter from Carl. Wrote him and Will, also.

Sunday, September 15, 1912

Pleasant, though a little cloudy, light rain last night.

Went to S. S. and church, both services. Mary Moore's birthday. We gave her a fountain pen which she greatly appreciated.

Monday, September 16, 1912

Pleasant. Busy at home in the forenoon and spent all the afternoon at the Relief Corps. Spent the evening writing up the minutes and putting the papers in order.

Mr. + Mrs. Dunning have taken rooms at Mary's until they can find a house that suits them.

Tuesday, September 17, 1912

Pleasant, but quite warm. Put up tomatoes before dinner. Had the new gas iron attached but it is not in perfect working order yet. Wrote (blank space).

Elizabeth + Mary spent the afternoon with Martha Moulton. Margaret did not get home from school until about 5:30. She went up to Miss Cramer's after supper and I spent the evening alone.

Margaret Hunt was here this afternoon. I washed ten windows and one pair of sash curtains.

Wednesday, September 18, 1912

Rain in the night, with thunder + lightning and again in the forenoon. Cool.

Mary put up plums + made chili sauce. I sewed on mending.

In the afternoon I went to the cemetery and settled with Mr. Freytag for the repairs to the Arnold stones, and the case of the lots.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual. Mrs. Whitney was here this forenoon.

Wrote to Carl about a candy thermometer.

Thursday, September 19, 1912

Rain in the night. Fine days, but warm in the middle of the day.

Margaret Peebles Hunt is here to spend a few days with us. Mrs. Manning, her children + mother + Mrs. Dunning came for eh afternoon. I went to W. C. T. U. before they arrived. We had cake, ice-cream + coffee.

The girls were out in the evening.

Friday, September 20, 1912

Beautiful weather. Letter from Carl, in his birthday letter to Mary. She had several remembrances. My gift to her was a silver chain purse which she selected in Boston + I paid for it. Elizabeth embroidered a thin white waist, in blue for her. Macie made her a work bag. Margaret Hunt gave her a silver pencil. Margaret R's present has not yet arrived. We spent the evening at Mrs. Manning's on the hill. I had a letter from Mary Evans Ricker from Pasadena. I attended the Scioto Co. W. c. t. U. Convention at Free Bap. Ch. The girls spent the afternoon at Lena Labold's.

Saturday, September 21, 1912

Ideal fall day. Margaret Hunt remained until after dinner then went to a ballgame with the girls, after that she returned to her Aunt Mamie's. I dined over at Macie's with Mr. + Mrs. Thos. Lewis, who are to leave Monday. Letter from Jane Ricker. Answered it, also wrote to May E. Ricker. Went up to Mrs. Young's at supper time to take cottage cheese to Mrs. L. H. Young.

Sunday, September 22, 1912

Rainy Sunday and quite cool. Went to S. S. and the usual church services. Attended the funeral services of Mr. Grafton Johnson at the Free Reading Rooms at 4 PM. Called to see Mrs. Kelly at Mrs. Berthold's. Mrs. Kelly is sick in bed.

Monday, September 23, 1912

Rainy and fall like most of the day. Was busy about the house + yard all day.

Mr. + Mrs. Thos. W. Lewis left for Columbus on the early Tuesday AM train. Sitting up most of the night to do so. I went over in the evening to make a farewell call. We are very sorry to see them go. They have been at Mary's about seven months. Macie + I called on Mrs. Coe, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Grimes + mother on hilltop.

Tuesday, September 24, 1912

Fine day. Clear + comfortable. Home until noon when I dined at Macie's with Mr. + Mrs. Dunning. Elizabeth had her postponed dinner party for her birthday with Louise Sprague, Alice Dever, Mabel Moulton and Lena Labold as guests.

I went to W. M. Soc. at Mrs. Rowe's at 2 o'clock. Missed the Aid meeting which was not on the regular day.

Wednesday, September 25, 1912

Fine weather which I am enjoying. Feeling well and am busy all the time.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual and Mr. Dunning gave a good talk on Christian Homes.

Thursday, September 26, 1912

Cloudy with some rain.

Went to the dinner at Seel's given by the W. R. C. to Battery L. Came home and put up a bushel of peaches for which I paid 2.25. Macie helped me, and after Mary came home she helped as Elizabeth had done all afternoon. After supper I went to a Camp Fire at Kendall's hall. The 56th 33rd + Battery L. met. We had some good talks from Harry Bannon and Geo. James + A. T. Holcomb.

Friday, September 27, 1912

Beautiful day but quite cool. Went to Bell telephone office at 7:30 AM + called up Carl to tell him to meet Jane at Penn. Depot in Cincinnati. He did so and Jane brought the candy thermometer which Margaret wanted for Mary's birthday. A glass tube in copper frame. Mary went to meet her. Mrs. Young, Mary Peebles and Margaret, Mr. + Mrs. Dunning, Macie were all here. Wrote to Will + Carl + Helen Ricker. Put up new screen curtains in the sitting room.

Mrs. Cadot + Lena Labold called after supper.

Saturday, September 28, 1912

Fine day. Spent all at home. Busy in the forenoon and visiting all afternoon with Jane. Letter from Carl. Mrs. Betts, Mrs. Manning + children and Margaret Firmstone were here.

Sunday, September 29, 1912

Beautiful day, but we carried umbrellas to S. S. Quite cool. I started fire in the sitting room grate in the afternoon. Arthur + Gertrude Moore called with their machine and took E + M and Jane out for a while.

We all went to church in the evening, as usual.

Monday, September 30, 1912

Beautiful day. Cool enough for fire all day in the sitting room. After dinner Jane and I went out on the hill top, to the cemetery and to see the new buildings.

Mrs. Betts, Mrs. M. + the children were here after we returned. Margaret Peebles Hunt was here with her work.

After supper Mary went to orchestra practice, the rest of us remained at home and worked on our needle work. Mrs. Taylor called while we were out.

Tuesday, October 1, 1912

Slightly warmer. Bright and pleasant.

Spent the morning ripping up M's skirt. Went to the P. O. to take the postal to Helen Ricker and letter to J. A. Rockwell of Lucasville about the premiums. Mrs. Dunning was here.

Girls went to the first Clover Club meeting of the season at Louise Sprague's. Harold Hunt came on the noon train. He and Margaret were here late in the afternoon. No—they did

not get here as planned. Arthur + Gertrude took them for a long auto ride + they were late getting back.

Wednesday, October 2, 1912

Fine day. Jane and I made our arrangements to go on the noon train to Ironton. Before we left Mary Peebles, Harold + Mg't came to call. We had lunch and then went to Ironton, were met by Helen + went to Addie's. Went with Helen to a Musicale. Spent the evening visiting. Winifred + Charles were home. Helen has sold the old home and lives with Addie. Was sorry to miss prayer-meeting.

Carl and Essie Crouse were married at the Scott St. M. E. church, Covington, Ky. this evening and went at once to their new home #3736 Elsum Ave. So. Norwood Cin, O.

Thursday, October 3, 1912

Beautiful day. Helen + Addie hired an auto + took Jane, Mrs. Ellison + me for a long ride in the country before dinner. The longest auto ride I had ever taken.

We came home in the afternoon, train was late. Spent the evening at home, Macie being here as usual.

Friday, October 4, 1912

Fine day. Busy all morning. Spent the afternoon over home the guest of Mrs. Dunning who entertained a few friends. Mrs. Manning + family, Mrs. Cadot, Mrs. Sprague + Austin, Margaret Miller and ourselves. Margaret and Harold were here in forenoon to say good-bye, they left for Rochester, and home in the afternoon.

Saturday, October 5, 1912

Beautiful day. Warm and pleasant. Gathered walnuts and hulled about half a bushel. Elizabeth and Mary went for a long auto ride and had supper.

Jane and I went to return calls in the afternoon. Called upon Mary Peebles, Ethel Schwartz, Mrs. Young, Gertrude Moore, Mrs. Draper, Mrs. Cadot, Mrs. Scudder + Mrs. Hattie Taylor, Mrs. C. B. Taylor. Wrote to Will and Carl, had letter from him.

Sunday, October 6, 1912

Cloudy with light rain for a little while.

Went to S. S. and church as usual. Jane only went to church. In the afternoon I went to hear Mrs. Wells, at Bigelow, talk on China and the Mormons. The girls went with Arthur and Gertrude to ride in the auto.

In the evening we all went to church.

Monday, October 7, 1912

Fine warm day. Jane began her packing this forenoon, we had company in the afternoon, Mrs. Betts, Mrs. Manning + the children. Miss Cramer + little Billie Bowman being here. Jane and I accepted an invitation to take tea with Mary Peebles who showed us a great many things she had collected on her trips. When we came home Mrs. Dunning + Margaret Miller were here. I wrote to Carl.

Tuesday, October 8, 1912

Another delightful day. Spent the forenoon visiting with Jane while she finished her packing in the forenoon. After dinner the girls went over the river with her to the C + O train. I went to Bigelow to hear Mrs. Wells talk on the Mormons which she did in a most interesting way.

Mrs. Dunning was here to supper, Mr. D. having gone to Synod.

Wednesday, October 9, 1912

Warm and bright. Delightful weather. Was busy at home all forenoon. Gathered a few more walnuts, washed some hdkfs, and did various things. After dinner went to the 1st Nt'l Bank with a deposit for the Mis Soc. then attended Mrs. Wells lecture at Bigelow, on The Mormons, and China. Wrote to Mrs. Plummer and Mrs. Lewis.

Went to prayer-meeting which was conducted by members of the men's class in S. S. Mr. Dunning being at Synod at Bellefontaine.

Thursday, October 10, 1912

Beautiful weather.

Letter from Carl this AM telling of his marriage to Miss Essie Crouse, on Oct. 2nd, of Cin. O. or rather her home was in Covington Ky. and also that they went directly to house keeping in Norwood in a small flat. He has had a long, hard struggle and I hope he will now begin to live again.

Friday, October 11, 1912

Busy all morning as usual and helping get things ready for M + Miss C. to go to the farm this afternoon. Went to hear Mrs. Wells' last talk on China, and Mormonism, she left for Chicago on the afternoon train.

Weather conditions beautiful.

Saturday, October 12, 1912

Fine day, bright and pleasant. Margaret + Miss Cramer busy at the farm gathering and packing apples + potatoes, a fine crop of each.

I finished gathering and hulling a good crop of walnuts in our yard. Went to Mrs. Evans' but did not see her. Called later at Mrs. Drew's, Mrs. Johnson's, and Mrs. Cramer's to see Abigail but did not see her.

The day celebrated as Columbus Day.

Sunday, October 13, 1912

Fair and pleasant.

All but Margaret went to S. S., she did not return from the country until late in the evening. Communion services in the morning and the reception of eight new members, all connected in some way with the Heer Engine Co. Quite an excitement over the elopement + marriage of Dorothy Robertson to Harry Kannure last night.

Monday, October 14, 1912

Beautiful fall weather.

No kindergartens opened yet. Diphtheria is very prevalent but the schools are not closed here, though they are in Lucasville.

I went to Mrs. Henry Heer's reception in the afternoon and afterwards made several calls. Went to see Mrs. Puntenny and Mrs. Scott on Grandview Ave. After supper Mary went to a Y. W. C. A. meeting and later to Trinity to play in the orchestra.

Tuesday, October 15, 1912

Beautiful weather. Was out in the forenoon, and after dinner went to Mrs. Thompson's to the Aid Soc. meeting, first meeting this fall.

Margaret Miller here to tea in which Mrs. Dunning joined later. Macie was here also as usual. Letters from E. F. P. and Will. Had just written him. In the evening the girls went to the Clover Club + Margaret went to take Mrs. Manning a birthday present of apples + potatoes. A wagon load of them was brought in from the little Bear Creek farm this morning.

Wednesday, October 16, 1912

Fine day but cool enough for fires. Was out in forenoon on business. Wrote several letters. To Mattie Woos, Mrs. Dennis, Sadie De Mar, Mrs. Georgie Granford, Merrick Mullett (a bride), sisters Virginia + Elizabeth, + Jane Ricker.

Thursday, October 17, 1912

Mild and pleasant.

Decided to go to Cincinnati tomorrow and wrote to Carl of my plans. Am very anxious to go and see how he is situated + become acquainted with Essie whom I know but slightly.

Expect to return Saturday evening.

Friday, October 18, 1912

Rained most of the night and was still raining when I was ready to start to Cin. on the N + W but it slacked up until I reached the train and we had dinner at the Woman's Exchange after which I attended to some errands, in the rain, Carl + I went out to South Norwood about 4 PM and were met at the door by Essie. Found the new little home very complete and attractive. Was to have gone to Madina for the night but Carl would not hear to such an arrangement. Fell on 5th St. and hurt my knee, this AM.

Saturday, October 19, 1912

Fine day. After breakfast we finished the morning work. Then Essie + I went to spend the day with Mrs. Fuller + Jean at Madisonville. It is her 64th wedding anniversary and we had a most delightful visit. E. went home + I stayed all night. After supper Jean took her mother + me down town in the buggy with little old "baby" about 2 years old to do some errands. Went to bed soon after seven o'clock.

Sunday, October 20, 1912

An ideal October day. The weather is pleasant, and the autumn foliage gorgeous. Had breakfast with Mrs. Fuller and Jean, then Jean took me to the Norwood station where I took the trolley + met Carl + E. We went to Madisonville and were met by Sadie De Mar, Laura, Sadie Blaine + we then went to church, heard Rev. McWilliam, went home, had dinner, spent the afternoon together then we returned to Norwood, had supper and later went to the Meth. Church and heard a very good sermon.

Monday, October 21, 1912

A most delightful day. Arose early, had a nice breakfast after which Carl and Essie went with me to the train, at the little station of Idlewild. Had a pleasant trip home + surprised the family who thought I would come at night. Spent the afternoon at the Relief Corps meeting for which I came home specially.

Tuesday, October 22, 1912

Mild and cloudy with light rain.

Have been home all day and busy in various ways.

Wrote to Carl and Will.

After supper I went to Miss Firmstone's to the Magazine Club annual meeting. Margaret could not go on account of her work. The girls started out to Mrs. Manning's as I left for Miss F's. A hard rain began and kept some from the meeting and the girls stayed all night on the hill.

We had a very good attendance after all. Made only one change in the list of magazines.

Wednesday, October 23, 1912

Beautiful day, as most of the days have been. I have been writing a number of letters to the members of the family telling of my good visit in Cin. Went to prayer-meeting in the evening as usual.

Thursday, October 24, 1912

Fine day as so many have been this fall.

The girls were busy in the forenoon putting the home in order for the expected guests to the South Eastern Ohio Teachers' Association which meets in our new high School tomorrow. No one came here after all.

I have been busy looking over Carl's belongings preparation to sending him a box.

Friday, October 25, 1912

Another grand fall day.

I was busy gathering up things to send to Carl + E and got the box started this evening.

After supper I went with Margaret to the entertainment + reception at the High School. The building is certainly fine and very complete.

Heard a good address from Dean Williken of Hamilton and some good singing by Mrs. Bixby and Mrs. Begg. of Ironton.

Saturday, October 26, 1912

Lovely day and pleasantly warm though we need fire in the house.

Margaret was attending the closing session of the Teachers' Convention. The other girls went to the Miller farm with a nutting party, Margaret Miller, Mrs. Davis, Lena Labold, E + M went in the Labold auto. Mary was struck on the nose by a boy who threw at the machine.

I had a telegram from Will saying he would said for Havana at noon today. Letter from Carl.

Sunday, October 27, 1912

Beautiful day, one to make us rejoice and feel happy. We all went to S. S. and the usual church services. Macie was here to dinner as she is every Sunday. After dinner I went to see Edna Copenhaver who was reported to have a sprained ankle. She was not at home. Called to see Miss Noland and took papers to her. Called to ask about Mr. Gartner and he was out but Ethel is down with typhoid fever.

Monday, October 28, 1912

Fine fall day, sunny and pleasant. Two letters from Will, he left Sat. for Havana. Letter from Essie.

Mrs. Weller was here this AM. Had two letters from Will telling of his proposed trip and sending a check for \$50.00 to be divided up between Margaret, Mary and myself.

Girls went out before supper and after supper Mary went to the Y. M. C. A. Cong. meeting + later to the Orchestra practice. Mrs. Cross + Margaret Miller were here.

Tuesday, October 29, 1912

Another fine day with gorgeous foliage and fine sunset. Was busy at home all forenoon. The two girls went to Mrs. Manning's for dinner, Margaret R. and Margaret J. remained at school at noon so I dined alone. Went to Mrs. F. L. Johnson's to W. M. S. meeting. It is her 44th wedding anniversary. Had good meeting. Letter from Carl. Clover Club.

Wednesday, October 30, 1912

Fine day, bright and warm,

Cut and sewed carpet rags for rugs. Margaret got a washstand from Second hand store that is a match for the one we bought when we first married in 1870, a piece of J. B. Nichols furniture.

Went to prayer-meeting in the evening and to bed early. Send letter to Will at Havana, Cuba.

Thursday, October 31, 1912

Another beautiful day and very mild in temperature. Went up street in forenoon to do several errands + called upon Abigail Folsom Bowman. Went to the carpet weavers.

In afternoon had Mr. Nash take the swing in and store it for winter, also gathered up everything that was loose so the boys could not do any mischief tonight. Wrote to Mrs. Cotton, Mrs. DeMar and Jean Fuller.

The morning papers tell of the death of Pres. Jas. S. Sherman, also a candidate for re-election.

Friday, November 1, 1912

Cloudy all day, rain early in the morning + again in the evening. I had dinner with Mary + Mrs. Dunning, and Mrs. Dunning invited me to dine with them in the evening when Mr. D. would have his "duck dinner," having been hunting yesterday. Decided to go to Jackson tomorrow to attend the Presbyterial meeting. Went to see Mrs. Young this afternoon. Margaret + Miss Cramer went to the country. E + M went to Mrs. Manning's for supper.

Wrote to Carl as usual.

Saturday, November 2, 1912

Colder, clear but a few flakes of snow fell. I went to Jackson on the morning train to attend the Fall meeting of Pres. Society. Mrs. Young + I represented our church. Eight from 2nd Ch. + two from Ironton made up the visitors. Had a pleasant meeting. Met several who were friends of the Ricker family when they lived in Jackson. Came home on time in the evening, found all well.

Sunday, November 3, 1912

Pleasant. Went to S. S. and the usual church services. It was the Rally Day for the School, following department rallies for a month past. My anniversary was remembered in a quiet way. Macie was here to dinner as usual. I have been pretty stiff in my right knee for some time, and it does not improve.

Monday, November 4, 1912

Pleasant. Went to Sr. Margaret Fulton today for remedies for my knee, rode up but walked back so I had two or three stops to make.

Paid the water rent going up and the gas bill as I came back.

Tuesday, November 5, 1912

Fine day. Was busy all day gathering up things to fill a barrel for Carl and Essie. First put in potatoes then apples and afterwards clothing, bedding and other things. I got things together and Margaret packed the barrel, then together we pulled down the vines and cleared the yard a little, to be finished later.

Wednesday, November 6, 1912

Another beautiful day. Mr. Prescott sent to the barrel and shipped it for me, to Norwood to Carl. Worked a little more in the yard. Have been out most of the day.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual in the evening. Spent the afternoon at Mrs. Ball's with Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Betts + the children, Macie + our girls. It rained before we came home. Mrs. Betts came home with us + went to prayer-meeting.

Thursday, November 7, 1912

Our fine caster beans were taken down + out today, the frost having killed them. I miss them, but have enjoyed them all summer so cannot complain. Have been expecting each day to hear from Mrs. Dennis as to when she will come but no word has come yet.

Friday, November 8, 1912

Have made a mistake in my dates, this was the day of the Lucasville S. S. Convention and Saturday the 9th all four of us, Macie + Mrs. Dunning spent the afternoon at Mrs. Manning's with a roomful of their friends and had a pleasant time.

Letter from Will from Havana.

Saturday, November 9, 1912

A most beautiful Fall day. Mild and pleasant, though a little breezy. I accepted Mrs. Moulton's invitation and went to Lucasville to attend the Co. S. S. Convention at which Mr. Schinn made his first appearance here as State Sec'y, in place of Dr. Joseph Clark, now Supt of New York State work.

I was the only delegate from 1st Pres. ch. Mrs. Moulton was in N. Orleans but Mabel + Jenny Rickey were here + entertained Mrs. Thomas + me. Mr. + Mrs. Geo. Johnson brought me home in their auto after the evening meeting.

Sunday, November 10, 1912

Fine day. All went to S. S. and church as usual. Macie was here to dinner. The girls went out in the afternoon and brought Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Betts and the children down for supper and they then all went to church in the evening.

Monday, November 11, 1912

Fair day. Was busy at home and in having W. R. C. books inspected at Mrs. Rowe's in the morning. Met Mrs. Dennis at noon train and brought her home. In the afternoon we were inspected by Sadie Chapman of Ironton and were late getting home. After supper Com. brought Mrs. Lowry of Athens to the house for entertainment so she + Mrs. Dennis will be together.

Paid 2.25 for the five rugs which Mr. Schillinger wore for me. The Kindergartens were finally opened this morning and E. began her work again in the Jefferson St. room.

Tuesday, November 12, 1912

Beautiful day which was spent at the W. R. C. District Convention, held at Security Hall. Mrs. Lowry, Mrs. Dennis + I went early. Had dinner at the Little Lunch Room on Chil. They went there for supper also but I came home + returned at 4:30 PM. We had with us Dept. President Dora L. Brush, Dept. J. V. P. Sadie Chapman, Dept. I. + I. officer Eugene Marshall + District Delegate Mrs. Matthews who reported the California Convention to us. Dist. Pres. Anna Neff of Chil. Presided.

Clover Club met here.

Wednesday, November 13, 1912

Pretty fair day, though it rained both morning + evening. I went to the street car with Mrs. Lowry on her way to Ironton with Miss Chapman, to return to Ports. later + visit Mrs. Doty.

Mrs. Dennis + I were home all the afternoon with callers. Mrs. Micklethwait came first, then Mrs. Prescott, later Mrs. Dunning. Margaret Miller was here to supper and went to prayer-meeting with us, as did Macie Moore. I was very tired and stiff so Mrs. Dennis + I went to bed as soon as possible after church. Prayer-meeting was held in the auditorium.

Letter from Will from Florida.

Thursday, November 14, 1912

Growing colder. Cloudy, more like snow than rain.

Mrs. Dennis went to Dr. Ruggles' for dinner.

Bazar opened in the S. S. room. Mary + Elizabeth being in the Art Department.

I am pretty stiff. Hemmed the ends of the rugs I had woven. I did not go out, was not feeling well and went to bed early.

Friday, November 15, 1912

Fine day. Mary busy with the fair. Elizabeth in K. G. in the forenoon, then both at the church the rest of the day. Had letter from Carl and wrote him as usual. Mrs. Dennis spent most of the day with Sue + Sallie Reed, went to Bigelow Missionary Convention. Came back and started out again going to spend the night with Mrs. Musser. I went to bed early with a bad cold, which affected my throat and made me miserable.

Saturday, November 16, 1912

White frost, clear and beautiful after the fog was dispelled.

Did not get up until after seven o'clock. Felt somewhat better during the day but cold grew worse in the evening.

Mrs. Dennis remained away all day.

Had letter from Essie, + M had one from Carl. I wrote to Mary Y. Moore. Charles Morton came at noon, for a foot-ball game.

Sunday, November 17, 1912

Fine day so far as weather goes but I am so very miserable with bad cold and lame knee that I could not go out today, at all. Margaret Miller and Mrs. Dennis here to dinner. Macie did not come because Mr. Dunning had some rabbits he brought home yesterday and Macie had them cooked for him.

Monday, November 18, 1912

Another ideal day which I have spent in the house. Missed the W. R. C. meeting, for the first time in years. Had letter from Will who is returning from Cuba. Wrote him also Fannie Moore Geiger sending her Mary Y's letter.

Altered a new black skirt Margaret gave me, mended her waist.

Mrs. Dennis was out to dinner with the Misses See + Sallie Reed. Came back here for the night.

Tuesday, November 19, 1912

Beautiful weather and pleasant. Was in the house all day though with the cold which is still bad enough. Mrs. Dennis went to Mrs. Whitney's for dinner, then to the Missionary meeting at the church after which she went with Mrs. Puntenny for the night.

Mrs. Betts was here to dinner + Mrs. Thompson called + went with her to dinner + Mrs. Thompson called + went with her to the meeting. Afterwards Mrs. Micklethwait + Miss Davis came + brought her baby to see me, with her husband, also. Was sorry to miss the meeting. Wrote to Essie.

Wednesday, November 20, 1912

Another most beautiful day. Mary went with Margaret Miller to the farm this morning.

Mrs. Dennis had dinner with Mrs. Thomas on 11th St. + then returned. My cold is better but I've not yet been out.

Missed prayer-meeting tonight on account of my cold.

Thursday, November 21, 1912

Fine weather, bright sunny and warm. I had not been out of the home for several days but went over to Macie's to dinner with Mr. + Mrs. Dunning, Mrs. Ball and Mrs. Dennis. Had a fine turkey dinner and later went to Mrs. Young's to supper, Mrs. Dennis and I. Later went to the church to the Musicale given by the C + E Soc. with Prof. Frederick J. Hoffman as pianist and Prof. Gerns as the vocalist. Enjoyed the music very much. Letter from Will.

Friday, November 22, 1912

Beautiful day and quite mild in temperature. Mrs. Dennis was away most of the day but came back in time to go with me to Ethel Schwartz' to supper. After dinner, and a visit with Mrs. Cotton, Mrs. D. went to stay all night with Mrs. Musser and I came home and went to bed, feeling miserable. Mrs. Bets went home to Ronceverte W. Va. Mary went over the river with the family.

Saturday, November 23, 1912

Another fine day, but it became quite windy late in the afternoon.

Mrs. Dennis was at the train to go home at 2:10 but her suitcase had been taken to the wrong station and could not be found in time for her to go so she will be with us over Sunday, making her visit just two weeks. I had letter from Carl, and wrote both him and Will.

Went to the station and also so see Margaret Fulton.

Cold still bad and knee lame.

Sunday, November 24, 1912

Fair in the morning but it snowed most of the afternoon and was a typical winter day. I did not go to S. S. but Mrs. Dennis + I went to morning service and I did not go out again on account of my cold + lameness.

Macie was here to dinner as usual.

Monday, November 25, 1912

Snow all gone but clouds look as though more might come. Mrs. Dennis went home on the morning train, to Williamsburg. Mrs. Lou Spry, a dear friend, did this morning, and a troubled life is ended here to rejoice in a better home, I hope. She has suffered with cancer for years.

I wrote postcards to Venitia Ramsey, Edna Greene, Mattie Wood, Mrs. Lewis at Zanesville + little Drew Ricker Armstrong. Had letters from Will, Mrs. Boardman, and Essie. Mary will stay all night with the Manning children so Mr. + Mrs. Can have an evening out.

Tuesday, November 26, 1912

Beautiful morning, bright + clear. Mary came home from Mrs. M's about 10 AM.

I decided to call in Dr. Keyes and have him examine + treat my knee which does not get any better. He said it was a sprain and would be slow in getting well. I went to Mrs. Spry's but did not go to see her as I prefer remembering her sweet smile + bright eye, now closed. Wrote letters to Uncle Drew, Jennie Greene, sent postcards to Mrs. Lewis, + others yesterday. Mary P. came + told me about her trip which she will take this winter.

Wednesday, November 27, 1912

Cloudy all day but not very cold. Wrote to Carl + Essie. Sent postcard to Helen Moore + rec'd a letter from her, also one from Carl.

Mrs. Spry's funeral was held at the church this morning but I did not venture to go out. My knee is pretty stiff.

Margaret Jackson went home for Thanksgiving.

Missed prayer-meeting.

Had long letter from Helen Moore.

Thursday, November 28, 1912

Beautiful bright day.

Margaret was the only one of the family who attended the Thanksgiving service at our church where Dr. Robertson of the 2nd Pres. preached the sermon. We had Mr. + Mrs. Dunning, Mary Moore, Mr. Manning + Dorothy to dinner with us. Robert was sick in bed so Mrs. Manning could not come until Mr. M. had gone home to be with Robert.

The post office force had a full holiday and no mail was sent out. Margaret + Miss C. went to the farm.

Will + Jessie Moore have a son born today at her old home in Semilly, Pa.

Friday, November 29, 1912

Another beautiful day, bright but a little windy.

Had letter from Will and answered it, also wrote Carl. Have been at home all day and expect Dr. Keyes to give my knee another treatment. Am somewhat better but not well.

Have been working on carpet rags again.

Had the treatment.

Wrote to Will + Carl in reply to their letters.

Saturday, November 30, 1912

Six years today since the Titus family moved to Dover N. H.

Another beautiful day but I did not go out.

Had letter from Elizabeth Peebles, her mother was called to California by a message from William. The girls, Mrs. Dunning + Margaret Miller went to see the new Water Works reservoir which is being built on Basham's Hill. Margaret came to supper with the girls.

Mary transported the little asparagus fern, and put grape fruit seeds in the brass fern dish for the table.

Sunday, December 1, 1912

Fine day, looks like rain. Went to S. S. and morning service but had to leave just after Mr. D. began his sermon, on account of coughing. Mrs. Young was here to dinner + for most of the afternoon. Margaret R. + Margaret J. came home on the 7:35 PM train from the country.

Monday, December 2, 1912

Rained during the night + still cloudy this morning. Made my report for third quarter of the W. M. Society and will send check to Mrs. Plummer of West Union.

Wrote birthday letter to E. S. P. Girls went to the Y. W. C. A. entertainment given at the 2nd Pres. Ch. Mary being on the regular Y. W. C. A. committee with Mrs. Grant Williams and others. Letter from Mrs. C. P. Dennis.

Tuesday, December 3, 1912

Fair again today and very mild. I was unable to go to the Aid Soc. meeting at Mrs. Grady's but went to Dr. Keyes for a treatment to my knee, then came home. Went later to the drug store + got antiphlogistine for a plaster which I put on at night. Am having much trouble with my knee, and a severe cold.

Mr. McCorkle brought a load of sheaf oats from the little Bear Creek farm, for feed for the cow.

Wednesday, December 4, 1912

Cloudy with some rain. Still mild in temperature.

Spent the day ripping up my gray silk waist and washing it preparatory to making over. Was over home a little while. Did not go to prayer-meeting. Mary came home from Mrs. Manning's about 10:30 AM. I was pretty busy in the kitchen until she came. We are still living on turkey the remnants of the Thanksgiving feast.

Thursday, December 5, 1912

Beautiful spring-like morning. Ther 65°. Feel better and am enjoying the mild weather. Good letter from Wil which I will answer at once. It contained check for Mary + me. \$35.00. I went up to the Bank after dinner and was caught in the rain coming home. Found Mrs. Manning and Robert here, Dorothy came from school in a hard rain and was we through and through. They all stayed all night.

Mrs. Geo. Shepard died today.

Friday, December 6, 1912

Another beautiful day so mild we had windows open and allowed the fire to die out. Had letter from Mrs. Plummin which I answered, also wrote to Carl.

Went to Bank with my pension check, the first time I drew it under the new law, direct from the bank.

Saturday, December 7, 1912

Fair and turning colder. Busy all day, as usual. Doing a little crocheting and more mending. Was out a little while.

Sunday, December 8, 1912

Went to Sunday School again and remained to church but did not go in the evening, as it was too cold for me.

Mrs. Geo. R. Wendling began a series of six lectures here this afternoon under the auspices of the Ministerial Association. Will be given in Trinity M. E. He gave the Man of Galilee this afternoon but I did not go, on account of the wind and my cough. Mrs. M. + the children here to supper.

Monday, December 9, 1912

Cold. Quite a drop in the thermometer. Am somewhat better but still far from well. Have been making over my gray silk waist but progress slowly. In the evening Margaret + I went to Trinity and heard Mr. Wendling's lecture on "Moses the Lawgiver." Though it fine.

Tuesday, December 10, 1912

Quite cold but temperature higher than yesterday. Mabel Moulton came before noon to spend the night with the girls and go to the Clover club.

In the evening I ventured out and went with Macie to Trinity Ch. and heard Mr. Geo R. Wendling give his lecture on "Unseen Realities" one of the finest I ever heard. Had letters from both Carl and Essie.

Wednesday, December 11, 1912

Milder. Ther 38° this morning. Mabel Moulton left about 9 AM then Mary and I began on the mince meat and worked until nearly 2 PM when she went out. Mr. Seeley + helper were here working on the pipes. Big fire in Cincinnati last night. Gibson House burned, it was being rebuilt and is now in ruins. Am thankful Carl was not still there.

Went to prayer-meeting after which Macie + I went to Trinity and heard Mr. Wendling's lecture on Saul of Tarsus.

Thursday, December 12, 1912

Quite cold and windy. Was home all day sewing.

Elizabeth + Mary went to the lecture and heard Mr. Wendling speak about the Imperial Book.

Friday, December 13, 1912

Quite cold.

Was busy at home most of the day. Swept my room and sewed on my gray silk waist. In the evening Margaret + Margaret Jackson went to hear Mr. Wendling's last lecture "Is Death the End?" The other two girls spent the afternoon at Alice Dever's with her sewing club. And in the evening they took dinner with Margaret Miller + Mrs. Cadot.

Saturday, December 14, 1912

Pleasant and mild for the season.

Went to Bank in the morning, cashed two checks and paid Dr. Keyes 5.00 for 3 treatments, paid Mr. Schillinger 1.00 for two rugs, went to see Mrs. Young and took the silk bag Mary made for her on an order.

Sunday, December 15, 1912

Fine day. Went to S. S. and attended both church services.

Macie was here to dinner as usual.

Monday, December 16, 1912

Had the cistern cleaned.

Fine day, milder in temperature than yesterday. Home in forenoon. Went to W. R. C. in afternoon, it being the annual election of officers. Mrs. Beek was elected President.

Did a few errands after the meeting and then went to see Mary Peebles. Mary went to orchestra practice. Elizabeth was home + Leona Labold spent the evening here, at the telephone most of the time.

Tuesday, December 17, 1912

Rained early in the morning and was cloudy all day.

Was home all day, helped Mary with the nets for hermits. Did a little sewing and other things. Packed the box of fruit and sent it by express to Carl. Mrs. Schwartz contributed seven jars of pickles, sauces etc. and the rest was made up of things Margaret + Mary put up. Everybody busy with Christmas work.

Wrote to Carl.

Wednesday, December 18, 1912

Windy and cold. Still cough, and have hives but my knee is much better. Could not get to prayer-meeting. Margaret Miller came to go with the girls, and Macie went with them also.

Thursday, December 19, 1912

Rained in the afternoon + I was at the W. c. T. U. Union meeting at Bigelow M. E. Ch. and had no umbrella. Got wet coming home.

The High School Alumni had a meeting at the H. S. Mary played with the orchestra. I could not return out in the evening so spent the time crocheting jabots. Wrote to Will in reply to his usual letters.

Did a few errands before going to Bigelow.

Friday, December 20, 1912

Fine day again but quite sharp and windy.

The dedicating exercises of the new High School, corner of Gallia + N. Waller occurred today. Pres. W. O. Thompson of the U. S. U. made the address in the evening. The two Margarets attended the exercises, and the girls + I spent the evening working in X'mas presents. Mrs. Long spent the afternoon sweeping + dusting the library halls and my room. Macie made Miss C's bathrobe and finished it this evening.

Saturday, December 21, 1912

Bright, rather cold + windy. Have had a busy day doing all sorts of odd jobs, but not much fancy work. The girls were finishing off, and tying up + mailing things. Mary swept and dusted and now at bed time they are making candy. I wrote to Carl + enclosed check for 4.00 towards his expense for coming home. Had letters from both Carl and Essie. Went to see M. E. P. Macie was here all the evening making up the envelopes for my Scattenger Calendars. Margaret J. went home.

Sunday, December 22, 1912

Pleasant weather. We all went to S. S. and the usual church services.

The Christmas program was given today as Mr. Dunning will be away, goes in the morning to join Mrs. D. in Mich. We all had a turkey dinner over at Macie's, Mrs. Schwartz having given her a Christmas turkey. She will be with us on Christmas Day.

Monday, December 23, 1912

Bright and pleasant.

All busy putting the house in order for our expected guests, the absent members of the family. This year finds Macie alone in her home, excepting Mrs. Behrens, and all my family will be here, but the sisters + brothers are scattered. I sent a small box to John and remembrances to each of the others, Virginia in Bazaar Kan, Lizzie in Phila. Enos + Helen in York. John in Athens.

Tuesday, December 24, 1912

Fine day. Carl and Essie came on the morning N + W train from Norwood and we spent a busy day finishing and tying up and mailing Christmas packages. The girls put up a small tree on the library table, and have a small folding tree which has decorated the dinner table for several years. Sashed bells and pine branches give the house a gay appearance and the girls are sending off many packages, + also receive money.

Wednesday, December 25, 1912

Bright and cheery for X'mas though the snow has all melted, except in spots.

Will came this forenoon from Washington and now we are all together and ready to enjoy the holidays.

Mr. + Mrs. Prescott came to take dinner with us and spent most of the afternoon here. In the evening the girls went to the S. S. entertainment, but the boys, Macie + I stayed home. The display of gifts is fine, the girls have made, and received, many.

Thursday, December 26, 1912

Bright and pleasant. The boys stay about the house all the time, nearly, and seem to enjoy it very much. The Christmas gifts spread all around, and the candy making give the house a holiday air.

The evening was spent by the younger members in playing Flinch, a game which Carl, and the girls used to play with their father nearly every evening, years ago.

The Mannings, including Mrs. M's mother were here.

Friday, December 27, 1912

Pleasant. The girls made candy and put up boxes to send away. I sent one to John. We worked and visited all day, and I helped Essie finish up the embroidered pincushion which she was making for Margaret. We have had a most delightful visit together and I have felt truly thankful to have all my children together for several days.

Saturday, December 28, 1912

Pleasant. Were up early to see Carl and Essie off to the N + W train for Norwood. We had a fine visit with them. It became cloudy + rained late in the day. Margaret is all worn out + has a severe cold. Went to see Margaret Fulton, got medication + went to bed. Will and the other two girls went out to Mrs. Manning's in the afternoon, and after tea they went to call upon Miss Ball. Rev. W. H. Fischer came to Mary's to stay over Sunday + preach for Mr. D. Wrote to E. H. P.

Sunday, December 29, 1912

Cloudy with rain which began late in the day and continued all evening.

All went to S. S. as usual excepting Margaret who was unable to get up. Was in bed all day + Dr. Margaret Fulton came in afternoon to see her. Will joined us at church time. Mr. W. H. Fischer preached morning and evening. Had dinner with us, and was here again in the evening. S. S. workers had meeting at Trinity but I did not go, Mr. Scudder called + took Mr. Fischer to it.

Monday, December 30, 1912

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Tuesday, December 31, 1912

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