#### Sunday, January 1, 1899

Ther at zero this AM.

The year opens with me in Avondale, nursing sister Lizzie where she has been sick more than six months. She seems better just now and the Dr. gives her medicine. R is no better. Tendency to rheumatism again. Uncle Sam called this evening. Had a special delivery letter from Jas saying Carl had been quite sick but was better today.

#### Monday, January 2, 1899

Bright and cold, a beautiful winter day. Lizzie not so comfortable, Rich seems to get more stiff + rheumatic each day. I wrote a long letter to Mary + Maggie Peebles asking them to send and have him taken home where he could have more room for exercise, + L. could be relieved from her anxiety occasioned by seeing him suffer all the time. I went to call on Mrs. Miller at Mr. Voorheis.' Missed seeing her but had a pleasant call with Nellie and she gave me a fine picture of her mother. V. was not at home. Mr. + Mrs. Penny's thirty-seventh anniversary.

## Tuesday, January 3, 1899

A day of unusual dampness in atmosphere which finally was precipitated into a dismal rain.

Dr. was here. Little change in the patients.

Elizabeth returned from her vacation yesterday and came out to see us this afternoon bringing somethings which I needed. After she left I wrote to Margaret Ricker and took the letter to Avondale Post Office. John Peebles was here this evening.

## Wednesday, January 4, 1899

Stormy and rainy all day. A most dismal day. Routine about the same. Lizzie sat up twice for a few minutes. Richard only got up to eat and then went back to bed.

Wrote to Carl, and for Lizzie + her children and Mrs. McGugin who sent her a Christmas present, also wrote to Miss Davidson. Elizabeth did not come, weather too bad.

#### Thursday, January 5, 1899

Frozen dry. Clear with some indications of snow. John Peebles and Jno G. Jr. came today and took Richard to Portsmouth, to his father's which will be better for him + Lizzie. They have been ill in the same room for so long that both are worse for seeing one another. The doctors have been urging a change for some time. L does not seem so well. Has had too much company probably. Mrs. Findley was here awhile when the others were this morning. Wrote note to Jas. Had letters from him ad May.

#### Friday, January 6, 1899

Sewed all night with a prospect of continuing all day, which was realized. Elizabeth came out in the afternoon, late. Letters from Will, Jas and May. Wrote postals to Jas + Margaret Peebles, and letter to Richard. We moved upstairs to a front room, more light and cheerful.

Was almost sick myself tonight.

Mrs. Smith gave me some medicine. Nearly everyone here is sick with grippe in some form.

#### Saturday, January 7, 1899

Beautiful and bright. Snow deep and dry. Lizzie did not have a good night and has suffered more than usual all day. Elizabeth came out this morning and brought me some things I asked her to get for me. Ice-wool, ect. I began a fascinator for May, for evening wear. Wrote to Jas and Will. Had letter from former. Feel better this evening.

#### Sunday, January 8, 1899

Zero again, beautiful and clear. Was up much of the time last night with Lizzie who suffers greatly with her limbs. Dr. was here at noon and I called him again by telephone and he came at 9 PM and stayed nearly an hour. Uncle Sam called after supper, she can see him when too nervous to see other company. Elizabeth did not come out today. Sent brief note to Jas.

## Monday, January 9, 1899

Moderating and snowing again. Heavy snow clouds. Lizzie had a bad night. took twenty-one drops of medicine from 7 PM to 7 AM and slept about three hours, not well. More quietly today from effects of medicine. Received letters from Jas, Will, Mary Peebles, Margaret L. Peebles, Jennie Fuller and Mrs. Rigg, six letters.

# Tuesday, January 10, 1899

Cold and heavy snow but later it moderated some. Had a bad night very little sleep for either of us. Was up most of the night. Wrote to Maggie + Mary Peebles. Had letter from Will again which I answered.

Wrote also to Jas and began letter to Mary.

Time is divided between letters writing and nursing. Jennie Fuller called. She recently returned from a visit to Portsmouth.

## Wednesday, January 11, 1899

Moderating and thawing but snow still covers everything. Lizzie had a very good night and we both had considerable sleep. Was in all day. Wrote to Mary and Maggie Silcox, Jimmie, Carl and Mary. Elizabeth was out. Has been changed to another kindergarten. Goes to Gilbert Ave. to Miss Easton's school much to her delight.

#### Thursday, January 12, 1899

Wet and slippery indicators of more rain. Snow still on the ground. Not so good at night so had to send for Dr. again today as he was not coming unless sent for. Mr. Strong called to inquire about Lizzie and she saw him a few minutes.

Had letters from home and wrote to Will, Jas and Mrs. Johnson.

### Friday, January 13, 1899

Rained hard last night and the clouds hung low all day, almost reaching the earth, it seemed.

A dismal day.

Lizzie had a cramp and a stiff neck last night but seems better today. Dr. did not call. Had letters from Will, May and Mr. G. K. Bell of Hampton Ia. telling of the death of his wife to whom I wrote lately. We knew her in Knoxville. She died Oct  $2^{nd}$ -98. Lizzie Mother + I all knew her.

## Saturday, January 14, 1899

One of the stormiest nights I remember to have known. Thunder, lightning and high wind with a hard rain. Still cloudy but mild this morning. Elizabeth did not come out to see us today. Lizzie seems better. Had letters from Jas and Carl, and a share in one from Mary Peebles. Wrote to the home folks.

## Sunday, January 15, 1899

Bright and pleasant.

Lizzie had a better night but a bad day and did not feel like seeing company except Elizabeth who was with us about two hours.

Uncle Sam and Charlie Krotzenberger called late in the afternoon.

Miss Horstman called also and I saw her, as I had the others, downstairs in the parlor.

## Monday, January 16, 1899

Cloudy but no rain. Mild. Lizzie had a good night's rest and seems better this morning. I wrote to Will, Margaret, Mary Peebles+ Margaret L. Peebles. Lizzie wrote to Rickard and Mrs. Matthews. Went down town in the afternoon to do some errands.

Bought two dozen napkins some stationery, a comb for Mary Ricker, and three chain dish cloths. Finished reading Europe in the Nineteenth Century.

#### Tuesday, January 17, 1899

Mild and cloudy. No letter this morning. Lizzie had her Margaret's daily letter and from Maggie Peebles one to both of us. I wrote to Margaret Ricker. Went down town in the afternoon to take a part of my baggage to Glenn Home preparatory to going home. Was late getting back.

## Wednesday, January 18, 1899

Snow again, a light fall.

Letters from Carl, Jas + Mary. Lizzie seems much better, Dr. will not return until Saturday. Wrote to Jas and Lizzie wrote to Florence Crossly. Had a delightful call from Cousin Will Young and his daughter Georgia. Elizabeth came before they left so she met them and found they had a mutual friend in Miss Winifred Hopple.

#### Thursday, January 19, 1899

Bright, cold, clear. Lizzie had a good night + is better this morning. Mrs. Ross came from Portsmouth on 10 AM train to take my place as nurse for Lizzie. After lunch I went to Glenn Home to stay a day or two with Elizabeth before going home.

We went Martin's for supper then returned to Glenn Home. I crocheted awhile on May's ice-wool fascinator then we retired early.

## Friday, January 20, 1899

Bright and pleasant. E. went to K. G. and I did some errands then went to Avondale to see L. who was doing well under Mrs. Ross's care. Jno G. was there. I made my report for Mr. Peebles. Had lunch there then started down town. Called to see Mrs. Layman on the way.

Met Elizabeth at  $4^{th}$  + Walnut and went to Covington to see Dr. + Mrs. Blackburn. After doing some errands we returned to Glenn Home for the night. Bought gloves for Elizabeth hdkfs for Jas. + Margaret sent a postal home.

Letters from Will + Jas.

## Saturday, January 21, 1899

Pleasant. Elizabeth was unable to get up today. Had symptoms of gripped. I went to Avondale to say goodbye to Lizzie, also I called to inquire about Mrs. Waller, at Miss Julia Tappan's returning found Elizabeth still in bed so decided to remain with her until Monday. Gave her # 77 in water all day + used hot cloths on her ear which ached badly. Am glad I stayed, she has been so ill all day. Wrote home.

## Sunday, January 22, 1899

Beautiful day. Elizabeth did not get up until noon, was feeling better. I walked over suspension bridge to Cov. and went to Dr. Blackburn's S. S. and church. He did not preach. Y. M. C. A. anniversary was being celebrated in the city, the  $10^{th}$ . Decline Mrs. B's invitation to dine with them as I wanted to get back to Elizabeth. She and I spent the afternoon alone as Kathryn Underwood had gone to see the girls at Wesley Ave. and came back determined to moved. Did not go in the evening.

### Monday, January 23, 1899

Cincinnati, O.

Beautiful and peaceful.

Arose early and had baggage ready to take downstairs at breakfast time. E + I left Glenn Home together, the going to her K. G. + I to Wesley Ave. to see the new boarding place. I then went to Avondale. Saw Lizzie, then called to say good-bye to Mrs. A. B. Voorheis + the girls who sail for Italy Sat. next. Did a few errands, got lunch and took 12:01 train for home. Found all well. Went to see the home folks + then to Mr. Peebles'.

# Tuesday, January 24, 1899

Portsmouth, O.

Rained all day. Am glad I came home yesterday. Was over home awhile. Spent some time putting things away and sewing on the buttons on new underwear for Jas.

Was not out anywhere excepting over home. Wrote to Lizzie Peebles and Elizabeth Ricker. May cut out the new red silk waist which Mary got for Elizabeth.

### Wednesday, January 25, 1899

Weather quite cold.

Have been busy at home all day. Wrote to Will, the first chance I've had this week., also to Florence Crossley. Have been going through the drawers in my room putting them in order and incidentally looking for my lost ear-ring. Which I did not find. Mrs. Taylor called before Mrs. s. left.

Went to prayer-meeting. Paper states Glenn Home was burglarized last night.

#### Thursday, January 26, 1899

Cloudy. Very muddy and some snow before night. Was busy at home all forenoon. Went to W. C. T. U. meeting in the afternoon. After that called to see Richard at his father's and then to see Mrs. Wm Gates who recently came home from Dr. Hall's hospital in Cin. She is doing nicely. Stopped over home a few minutes and saw Bessie Titus there. Wrote to Nannie Lampton.

Florence Crossley was here.

#### Friday, January 27, 1899

Fair and cold but streets very muddy.

Was home all day until time to go to Chantanga meeting at Mr. Peebles' in the evening.

Sewed on Elizabeth's red silk waist, and made one sheet.

Carl had letter from Elizabeth saying she expects to move to Wesley Ave. soon. Note from Lizzie Peebles said she was better.

#### Saturday, January 28, 1899

Bright and pleasant.

Home all day sewing.

Made two sheets and three pairs of tucked pillow cases. Sewed a little on Elizabeth's silk waist which is all done except the button holes. Marked S. S. books and did a few other things.

Missed the balloon ascension for lack of time to watch for it.

Lucy Moore and her mother were here after tea. Alice + Kate Cornins were here, the latter helping Margaret with the Junior C. E. Banner.

#### Sunday, January 29, 1899

Cold and snowy.

Was glad of the privilege of going to Sunday School again this morning, but did not have my class as Miss Emma was sick and Dr. Tappan asked me to take her class. He is

acting as Supt of the S. S. now and Dr. Dennis is teaching a class of very small children just out of infant rooms.

#### Monday, January 30, 1899

Cold and snowy. We were busy all forenoon getting ready for the Y. P. S. C. E. Social which was held at our home this evening. The attendance was good notwithstanding the snowy evening and all seemed to have a good time. Jas and I attended the S. S. Teachers' meeting in the evening, a few present. Had letter from Lizzie Peebles enclosing one from Mrs. G. K. Beed regarding a picture of his wife which he promised to send me. I answered it and also wrote to Lizzie R.

#### Tuesday, January 31, 1899

Cold and growing colder. Blizzards in the west seem to be coming our way. Snow fell during the night and continued today. Was busy at home all forenoon then went to Women's Foreign Mis Soc. at the church in the afternoon. Present, Mrs. E. B. Moore Pres. Miss Conins Sec'y, myself Treas. and Mesdames Tappan, Evans, J. E. Miller, J. I. Marsh, Maggie + Mary Peebles, Dell Ramsey. Very pleasant meeting. After leaving there I called to see Mrs. Emma Bell who is sick and Mrs. Taylor, whose father-in-law was probably buried at Madison this afternoon. Mr. Taylor is there. While we were at supper Barton Greene came in having just come from Ashland.

Wrote to Will and sister Jennie.

Ralph Moore returned from Cornell having finished his course there.

#### Wednesday, February 1, 1899

Beautiful frost work over everything. Ther low.

Was home all day until time to go to prayer-meeting. Finished the button holes in Elizabeth's silk waist and sent it with a letter to her. Read up my C. L. S. C. work in Men + Manners of the  $18^{\rm th}$  Century in the afternoon.

Mrs. Kline's father died early this morning and Jas + I called there this evening. Letters from Lizzie P. say she is better. R. is better today. Barton Greene went home.

#### Thursday, February 2, 1899

Beautiful overhead but sloppy underfoot. Was at home all forenoon sewing. Went to W. C. T. U. in the afternoon, afterwards to call upon Mrs. March who was not at home.

Came home again and was busy the rest of the day. Had letter from Will which I answered. He has been to Elizabeth N. J. visiting friends from Sat until Monday. Carl had letter from Elizabeth + May one from Bartie who is seeing life in Ok. Territory, pretty rough. Groundhog could see his shadow all day.

#### Friday, February 3, 1899

Rain, thunder + lightning in the night with more today. Was busy at home until 4 PM when I went to Kindergarten Board meeting at Dr. Mary Cotton's. Wrote a paper for the S. S. meeting to be held Sunday at All Saints' church in compliance with Mr. Herron's request.

May + I have been practicing together some. She finished Sister's new silk waist. Barton Green is twenty-one today.

#### Saturday, February 4, 1899

Cloudy and foggy. Was at home all day. Did some mending then finished the waist Mary made for Margaret, putting the fastenings on.

Saw two balloon ascensions from my chair when I was sewing at Miss Mand Moore's, upon invitation.

Margaret Cragg Bell died today at her home in Louisville. I lost a dear friend in her.

#### Sunday, February 5, 1899

Another victory in the Philippines.

Snowy and cold. We all went to S. S. as usual. Were at morning service and then some of us attended the Bi-monthly S. S. meeting at All Saints' church. Mr. Herron has asked me to prepare a paper on Chil Religion, which I did + read it occupying about five minutes. Mrs. Hutchison then followed with a long paper on Primary teaching which was followed by a lesson taught by a large class of primary children from various schools. Went to church again in the evening.

## Monday, February 6, 1899

Stormy and cold. Snowy indeed. Was busy at home. Wrote to Elizabeth, and sister Lizzie, and to Helen. Sewed some, want to finish up the many things awaiting my attention in the closet. Took up a flannel skirt today. Went to hear Dr. Kline's lecture at our church this afternoon, then, after which I went to see about my tooth which needs attention. Then called at Mr. Peebles' to see Richard who does not improve much. Went to S. S. teachers' meeting. No one else there except Dr. + I so I came home.

### Tuesday, February 7, 1899

Snowed lightly, and yet was pretty cold. Was in the chair at Dr. Dennis' most of the morning, my teeth have been aching + giving trouble some time. Went to see Richard afterwards, the called to inquire about Prof Lowes and later to see Ella McNeil at W. K. Thompson's. Went to Home Mis. Society at Dr. Tappan's in the afternoon. Had letter from Will from Cleveland. He had gone to take the wounded foreman home. Wrote him yesterday + finished letter this morning. Margaret Peebles came in and Dr. Feters took off part of her toenail.

# Wednesday, February 8, 1899

Coldest day of the season so far. Ther only 10° at noon. Dep light snow good sleighing. Had an engagement to have my teeth finished up this morning. To my surprise Dr. Dennis called with a sleigh and took me to the office, then brought me home after the work was done. He was going to take Mrs. D. out and wanted to get through with my work. I was invited to dine with Mrs. Miller + Lena + baby Evelyn, and then Miss Bell on my way home. Did not go to prayer meeting.

### Thursday, February 9, 1899

Cold. -6° at 10 AM -10° at noon and still the same at night. Went with sister Mary to Dr. Dennis' this morning, afterwards we went to the Winter Fair a few minutes. Alex and Arthur Ricker were here to dinner. The letter is en route home to Denver Col. Had been East. Had letters from Will, Elizabeth and sister Lizzie.

Rec'd paper with funeral notice of Mrs. Maggie Bell. Wrote to her sister Ida Cragg Chatterson. Also to Elizabeth + Will. Barton went home. Said he took Fred to Gallipolis last week.

## Friday, February 10, 1899

Ther 18° this morning and at Henley the mercury was -35°. The coldest spell in sixty seven years. Saw seven or eight inches deep on a level. Was home all day, my teeth being so sensitive, I didn't dare go out in the cold.

Only two members of C. L. S. C. braved the snow storm and came this evening so we had no meeting but Nettie Jackson and Gertrude Oakes remained and spent a part of the evening talking about books and current events.

#### Saturday, February 11, 1899

Ther -3° this morning and snowing again, a fine dry snow. Obliged to go to the dentist again after dinner. Mrs. Miller + Mrs. Spry came early in the afternoon and were joined later by Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Dennis, Mrs. Tappan, Dell Ramsey and Mother, Mary served cake, sliced oranges, coconut, and cocoa for us.

Prof Lowes died this afternoon having been failing for a long time.

## Sunday, February 12, 1899

Still below zero, and snow getting quite deep.

We all went to Sunday School after which I went up to see Mrs. Lowes and then returned to church. Dr. Alderman preached for us and Dr. Tappan filled his pulpit in the morning. I was up to Mrs. Lowes' again in the afternoon. We all went to church in the excepting sister who had been out more than was good for her.

## Monday, February 13, 1899

Ther -12° this morning. . We have had more than a week of zero weather, or rather below zero. I spent the day with Mrs. Lowes, at her request. Mary Ellen and Lucy were there also, and others were coming and going. I had a good long letter from Elizabeth which I answered, also wrote to Will and had a short note from Lizzie Peebles.

#### Tuesday, February 14, 1899

Ther -6° this morning. Moderating all day. Piles of ice and snow, frozen and busted pipes and prospects of high water.

Attended Prof Lowes' funeral at out church this afternoon. Dr. Tappan, Dr. Alderman + Rev Herron of All Saints were in the pulpit and all took part in the exercises. Pallbearers were Dr. Tremper, Floyd Knowles, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Scudder, Jas and Mr. Miller. I went to the

Cemetery with Mary Y. Moore, Lucy + Edith. Burial was private excepting only the family + a very few friends. Casket was placed in the vault for the present.

Carl had letter from Elizabeth.

## Wednesday, February 15, 1899

Ther -6° this morning and then moderated all day, it being above  $4^{\circ}$  at 1:30 PM. Bright and pleasant. I sewed most of the day. Did some mending, and some finishing on the black silk shirt waist May is making for me.

This is Margaret L. Peebles' birthday, she being fourteen years old today. May was invited to dine with her and stayed all afternoon. We went to prayer-meeting in the evening. Miss Layman was here and went to prayer meeting when we did, though she went to the Baptist church.

#### Thursday, February 16, 1899

Still moderating, a little rain sleet + snow fell this morning. The streets are loaded with ice and slush and the walking very bad.

Had letter from Will which I answered.

Went to W. c. t. U. meeting and afterwards called to see Richard Peebles, Mrs. Dennis Mrs. Lowes and Miss Bell. Was over home after tea. President Faure of France died this evening.

#### Friday, February 17, 1899

Still moderating with the streets in very bad condition. Was at home all forenoon + abroad all afternoon. Uncle Sam and Aunt Mary called after dinner. When they left I went to Bessie Titus' with my work but she was not in so I went to Mrs. Duduit's, afterwards to Mrs. Johnson's where several ladies met on W. R. C. business. In the evening went to Christian church to Frances Willard's Memorial service. Maggie P. was sick and could not be present.

Large audience.

Louis Miller of Akron died today.

### Saturday, February 18, 1899

Cloudy, moderating and very sloppy. Went to the dentist and had some work done to my tooth. Called to see Richard + Maggie then stopped to inquire about Mrs. Larman who is very low. Went to see Father then came home and began on my own work, mended M's night dress and lengthened the sleeves in Will's shirt. Note from Lizzie P. Says she hopes to come home next week.

President Faure of France died this evening. Louis Miller Pres of C. L. S. C. died the next day.

#### Sunday, February 19, 1899

Fair day and large attendance at S. S. and church. We all went as usual. Dr. Biggor preached for us in the morning. Was over home in the afternoon. Began on the C. E. World's plan of systematic bible-reading, though this is the ninth week since the other readers began.

#### Monday, February 20, 1899

Beautiful day. Spring-like and mild. Was busy all day. Went to the dentist's a few minutes in the morning then came home and sewed. Went to W. R. C. meeting in the afternoon.

Had installation of officers and I am still Sec'y this being about the ninth year.

Spent all the evening writing up minutes and preparing the Treasurer's report for Foreign Mis Society.

Wrote to Will as usual, no it was Elizabeth to whom I wrote today. Carl took me driving.

## Tuesday, February 21, 1899

Unpleasant weather. Rained some. Had such a bad cold last night and today that I could not have my tooth finished. Went to the Foreign Mis. Society Eleven present, election of officers resulted in my being made Pres. Maggie Peebles, Vice President. Miss Conins Sec'ry and Mary Peebles, Treas.

Maggie told me that Lizzie came home to Henley last evening. She left home last July  $2^{nd}$  and is still unable to sit up long at a time.

Wrote to Will.

## Wednesday, February 22, 1899

The weather was fair, afternoon quite pleasant, but Margaret went to Henley to see Lizzie and said there was hail just as she was starting home in the evening. Carl spent his holiday resting and doing some E. E. errands. Sent him to Henley on his Holiday trip. The streets are muddy for driving so he could do nothing but read or walk about.

All went to prayer meeting in the evening as usual. Large attendance and good meeting.

### Thursday, February 23, 1899

Wet snow fell all day, beginning about breakfast time.

Went to Dr. Dennis' and had some work done, hope to finish tomorrow.

Had letter from sister Lizzie who is very happy to be in her own home again. Margaret had a letter from Will who is in Philadelphia.

Went to Kindergarten Association meeting at Dr. Cotton's. Called to see Mrs. Kline on my way home. Found time to do some sewing and ripping besides.

## Friday, February 24, 1899

Pleasant for the season.

Received a photograph of Mrs. Bond which her husband promised to send me. she was a lovely woman whom I met at Mrs. Ellis' in Knoxville and who died at her home in Hampton, Iowa the  $2^{nd}$  of Oct 1898. C. L. S. C. was to have visit here this evening but the slipper pavements, and the presence of Eugene Debs at the Opera House kept away so many that we had no regular meeting, only Miss Jackson and her mother, and Miss Kerr being present.

#### Saturday, February 25, 1899

Pleasant in the forenoon, rained in the afternoon and evening. Florence was in on her way to Ironton. Was at home sewing all day until after supper when I went down street with Miss Layman to order  $1 \frac{1}{2}$  dry chaises for the Kinder-garten to be started in the Second St. building. I finished off Margaret's wrapper which we have been making over.

#### Sunday, February 26, 1899

Rainy again. Rained hard in the night. All went to Sunday School as usual and remained to morning service, then went again in the evening.

Was over home in the afternoon as usual.

## Monday, February 27, 1899

A fair day with some wind. Wrote to Elizabeth and Will and had letter from the former. Carl had a long letter from Bartie Greene. He is still in Oklahoma and having a pretty hard experience. Miss Layman and I were out this afternoon getting tables for the new Kinder-garten to be started in the Second St. building. I then went to see Miss Emma but she was not at home. Young people went to C. E. Social at the Miss Knowles'.

## Tuesday, February 28, 1899

Bright and spring-like with a great deal of wind.

Was at home all morning. Wrote to sister Lizzie. Had letters from Elizabeth M. J. from Will who is there quite often now. Went to Foreign Mis Society in the afternoon, eleven present. Mrs. Cotton had charge of the topic, China.

After the meeting I went to see Mrs. Marsh, Mrs. Brown and then over home to see Mrs. Taylor. Should have gone up to make some calls on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street only it was too windy. Margaret and May went to Dr. May Cotton to be vaccinated.

## Wednesday, March 1, 1899

Cloudy in the forenoon, rainy in the afternoon + evening. Was at home sewing all forenoon and then went to do some errands and to help at the new Kinder-garten room in the Second St. building. Stopped at Miss Bell's, got machine needles at the machine rooms, went to the bank for Miss Emma, called at Mrs. Peebles' then spent the rest of the afternoon at the school house with Dr. Mary Cotton, Miss Annette + Miss Layman. Went to prayer meeting in the evening.

# Thursday, March 2, 1899

Fairer but not very pleasant. Was at home all forenoon not feeling well. At 1 PM went to Dr. Dennis and had the last filling put in my teeth. Went to W. C. T. U. meeting after which I called to see Margaret Johnson who was not at home. Called + saw Mrs. Young + Mrs. Reynolds, + Mrs. Vantine. Then home to see Father who is sick. Also called to see Uncle Enos who is not well. Lucy Moore here to supper. Wrote to Will as usual.

#### Friday, March 3, 1899

Rainy. River high. Was at home in forenoon sewing on underwear for Carl. Went to Second St. building in the afternoon to prepare for the kinder-garten. Wrote letter to send by Carl to Elizabeth if he goes in the morning.

Richard went to Henley to stay over Sunday. He is not improving much but wanted to go and see Lizzie who is not so well having taken cold.

Jas is busy alt the registration office. Was not home to dinner or supper. Special elections to be held on the new charter question soon.

## Saturday, March 4, 1899

A rainy day with some thunder and lightning.

Carl left on the C + O train for Henley to visit with Elizabeth until Monday or Tuesday. Sorry he has such dreary weather for his trip.

It has been four years today since Father Ricker died. Earth is poorer when such as he is taken away.

Was out doing errands most of the morning, and at home mending all afternoon. Went to see Mrs. Russell Tewksbury this morning. Only here for a few days.

#### **Sunday, March 5, 1899**

Fairer today but river still rising, it could hardly be called fair either though in the afternoon it cleared off a little.

Those of us who are at home went to S. S. and the usual church services. In the afternoon many went to look at the high water and get the latest news of the rise. I was not among the number.

Carl is having a rainy Saturday in Cin.

#### Monday, March 6, 1899

Weather very wet and snowy. Was at home all forenoon and then went to the Second St. Kindergarten after dinner in a blinding snowstorm to take some supplies. Jas. took out the carriage and moved some chairs from Miss Reilly's to the school, some she loaned the school. I began taking a bad cold, have been not so much in the rain + wind. River still rising. Bad weather prevented the new K-G from opening.

## Tuesday, March 7, 1899

Am about sick with cold. Did not go out anywhere today. Jas + Margaret went to the K-G entertainment at the church. May went to the Corn Club meeting at Seel's.

Carl returned from Cin on the s. 49 C + O this afternoon. Had bad weather all the time he was gone but he + Elizabeth enjoyed their visit together very much.

#### Wednesday, March 8, 1899

Weather unpleasant. I have such a cold that I did not venture out anywhere today, not even to prayer-meeting this morning. Had a letter from Will, or May, had which was the same. The vaccination is taking on both Margaret + May. Small Pox is spread around over the country in a good many places. Had a long letter from Nannie Simpson.

### Thursday, March 9, 1899

Mild indications of rain but none fell. Am better of my cold and went to the reception at Mrs. Scudder's this afternoon, with Margaret and May. It was a large and handsome affair. Mother and May went from 2 to 4 and we were on the later list.

Wrote to Will.

River falling very slowly. Still over the two paths.

#### Friday, March 10, 1899

Pleasant though somewhat windy. Was at home all forenoon sewing and then went out and made calls all afternoon. Called upon Mrs. Scudder, Mrs. Peebles, the Kindergarten, Mrs. McClure, Mame Gibbs Hudson, Mrs. Fulton, Mrs. Copeland, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Morgan. Mrs. Ben Dillon, Mrs. + Miss Sellards, Mrs. Mark Selby, twelve places in all. Attended the C. L. S. C. meeting in the evening at Mrs. Judge Dever's. Good meeting, nearly all our members present.

## Saturday, March 11, 1899

Beautiful spring like day. Maple trees in blossom.

Was busy at home sewing and doing other things all forenoon but went to a small afternoon company at Mrs. Dennis'. Just twelve present including the hosters. Others were Mesdames Alderson, Tappan, Tuttle, Gates, McCall, Barbeen. Hibbs, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Titus, Mother and myself being present. Enjoyed the afternoon. Wrote to Lizzie Peebles and an anniversary letter to sister Jennie this being the twenty-fourth for her.

Uncle Sam was here.

## Sunday, March 12, 1899

Fair and pleasant. All went to school as usual and remained to the regular services. I had six girls in my class. Nora + Dora Raypole, Lavina Lawson, Gertrude Thomas, Bessie Mill and Martha Doffenberger.

## Monday, March 13, 1899

Fine day busy all day doing a variety of things. Sewed most of the day. Mrs. Lou Spry called in the afternoon and Mr. Adams from Huntington was here to call and after going with Mother + use to call at Mr. Peebles', he returned here to tea. Mr. Martin called after tea and Mr. A. left for Ironton on the C + O train.

Mother + I called to see Mrs. Dennis, also Mrs. Vantine while we were out. Letter from Elizabeth. I wrote her and Will.

## Tuesday, March 14, 1899

Mild, a little cloudy and light sprinkling of rain. Mary and I sewed most of the day and made two shirt waists for Elizabeth. A red + white striped one. Mother went to Henley at noon. Special election was held and New Charter was defeated. No letters from anyone. Nettie Jackson was here after tea.

#### Wednesday, March 15, 1899

Rained this morning. May stayed all night with her Aunt Mary and then both went to Henley on the early train, Carl taking them out. Mary came back at noon but left May to stay a few days.

Jas went to Cin on C + O this afternoon. will spend the evening with Elizabeth and then go on to Otway tomorrow and Kirkwood later. We went Elizabeth a telescope full of things. Margaret's violets are beginning to bloom. Did not go to prayer meeting because of my cold.

## Thursday, March 16, 1899

Pleasant. Still have quite a cold and cough.

Had letter from Will and answered it.

Did not go anywhere except to see Father. The last of the Miles family left today after having been our neighbors for about thirteen years. Do not know where Katie has gone. She did not tell us when asked. Mrs. Silcox was here in the forenoon, Mrs. Overturf in the afternoon. I washed Elizabeth's garnet flannel dress.

## Friday, March 17, 1899

Fair and pleasant.

Letter from Elizabeth, also one from May at Henley. Sewed in forenoon. Mary came over, with her dinner and ate with us then invited us, Margaret Carl and me to take tea with her. She sent Mrs. Behrens to Henley for the afternoon, to see Lizzie. It was a surprise to her as well as the Henley family.

Took my work and went over home in the afternoon. The family is very small at both houses at present. Carl went to the McIntyre lecture, the last of the season.

Windsor Hotel in New York burned, great loss of life.

Mr. Creekbaum tuned the piano.

### Saturday, March 18, 1899

Rained hard morning and evening with heavy thunder and some hail in the morning. Card from j.w.w at Olney. Mother and May came in from Henley at noon. Have sewed a little and wrote two letters, one to J. W. the other to Louisville to Southern Lyceum Co.

Late in the afternoon called upon Mrs. Lottridge on C. P. S. C. business then to see Miss Layman about the Kinder-garten.

Dr. G. W. Hayes called this morning.

#### Sunday, March 19, 1899

All who were at home went to Sabbath School and church in the morning. In the evening I attended the special service by Mr. Margaret of Bigelow, prepared for by the C. L. S. C. Quite a number of the Circle were present besides several graduates.

#### Monday, March 20, 1899

A tolerably fair day. Was busy all the forenoon but went to spend the time with Mother who is sick with a cold. I wrote to Will and Elizabeth while sitting with her. After dinner attended the Corps meeting at which we had eighteen members, one new member was received, Mrs. Donaldson. Spent the evening on my books.

#### Tuesday, March 21, 1899

Windy and fair. The regular equinox seems to be on time.

Was up at Miss Emma's after dinner on W. R. C. work then went to see Richard Peebles who seems better, then to see Mrs. Lowes who was not in so I called to see Mrs. Win Nye who lives at the house. Had an evening's work on Relief Corps books. Carl + May attended the Clover Club reception at Margaret Sellards', Ralph Moore went with May + Carl took Mame DeBrunsin. It rained hard in the evening.

## Wednesday, March 22, 1899

Rained early and late today. This morning we had a thunderstorm with sharp lightning. Sixth St. M. E. Ch. was struck but little damage done. Bright in the middle of the day + heavy rain again when we were in prayer meeting.

Had good letter from Will. Was over to see Mrs. Taylor in the evening before church. Big fire in Omaha. News of the Windsor fire still in the papers.

## Thursday, March 23, 1899

Bright and clear, a thin coat of ice formed on water out of doors last night. Was at home all forenoon sewing on May's dress, or looking for material needed for it.

We had a bad frost last night, Jas came home after midnight and I thought he was a burglar in the house, had no idea he was coming before noon today. Wrote to Will this evening. Went to K-G meeting at Dr. Cotton's but notice had not been given + only four were present. Called upon Mrs. Berthold, Mrs. Walter Finney + Mrs. Eugene Anderson.

#### Friday, March 24, 1899

Pleasant but signs of rain. Sewed most of the day on May's dress.

Mrs. Copeland called in the afternoon. I went to see Dr. Mary on K-G + other business + found she + Miss Annette had just let unexpectedly for Mass. Went to see Miss Layman. Attended C. L. S. C. meeting at Miss Trenthart's in the evening while Margaret entertained a Junior Social of eighteen members. May had letter from Elizabeth.

## Saturday, March 25, 1899

Rain + light snow in the morning. Cleared off later. Was busy all forenoon at home working on May's dress. After dinner went to Miss Emma's + she was not at home. Went to see Maggie Peebles then to P. O. to mail letter + pamphlet to sister Lizzie. Returned and finished May's shirt. Dressed and called upon Mrs. Williamson + Mrs. Duduit on 6<sup>th</sup> St. Saw the home folks + then came to my own home. Margaret had a Junior Endeavor Society Social this afternoon with thirty four present. I wrote to Nannie Lampton. Jas had letter from Will.

#### **Sunday, March 26, 1899**

Tolerably fair day.

All went to S. S. and the usual church services. Read, studied my lesson and went to see Father and Mother as usual. Margaret went to Junior Endeavor meeting.

### Monday, March 27, 1899

A beautiful day and quite mild. Was busy all day. Went with Jessie Smith to the Kinder-garten, leaving her there to visit. The stopped to see Mrs. Cotton on Missionary business. Went to see Miss Maud Moore on K-G business and came home to sew. Maggie Peebles was here an hour or so in the afternoon. I wrote to Will and to Elizabeth as usual. May cut + made a shirt waist for Margaret and I made most of the button holes in it. I repaired and put in order one of my packing trunks.

#### Tuesday, March 28, 1899

Rain, with light snow and much wind. After we had all been asleep an hour or so, Barton Green came on a short business trip. Had breakfast with us, dinner over home, and left on the 4.42 train for home. Foreign Mis. Society met at church parlor this afternoon. Maggie Peebles having charge of the topic, Mexico, which she has had for many years. She + Mary brought their Mexican curios and she gave a very interesting program. Nineteen were present.

Had letter from Jennie + answered. C. E. Social at Winifred Smith's. Carl + the girls went.

## Wednesday, March 29, 1899

Rather a pleasant day. Went to prayer-meeting without umbrellas and were caught in the rain. I spent the afternoon making Home Dept. calls. Went first to see Mr. Hargett on S. S. work, then Miss Bell + Mary Peebles on W. R. C. work, called to say good-bye to Mr. + Mrs. Tuttle, then went to leave quarterlies for Mr. Shuler, Mrs. Stir, May Wright, Mrs. Lodwick + daughter, MR. + Mrs. Stock, also called to see Mrs. Ross about a girl for L. P. and then to see Mrs. Patterson, Titus, Lowery, Reed + home.

## Thursday, March 30, 1899

Beautiful day. We were busy all forenoon, sewing, Mary + I and Margaret with her pupil Ethel Sparks. After dinner Margaret, Mary, Mabel Russell + Janette Silcox drove out to Munn's Run after trailing Arbutus but the buds were not yet open. We were surprised by the arrival of Elizabeth on the C + O train, only her father + Carl knew she was coming. She will return Monday afternoon. Letter from Will which I answered.

#### Friday, March 31, 1899

Rained in the night but not during the day. We were busy at home until 9:30 AM then Elizabeth and I spent the rest of the forenoon at the Jefferson St. Kindergarten. In the afternoon the three girls went to do some shopping + make calls at Mrs. Halderman's and Bessie Titus'. Selected E's hat + jacket and a silk dress which Mary gave her. I sewed all afternoon on E's skirt. In the evening the entire family went to hear Gen'l Hurst's lecture on

Sherman's March to the Sea having been one of the army. Margaret's room was papered today with violet paper.

## Saturday, April 1, 1899

Much colder with light snow in the morning.

Have been at home all day helping the girls in one way or another. May is making a silk waist, Margaret finishing her room, and Elizabeth just doing little things. I finished her garnet flannel skirt which is made over.

May will have her striped silk waist to wear tomorrow. Mrs. Taylor was here.

#### Sunday, April 2, 1899

A raw cold day, very unlike Easter, though it did not rain a drop here. We had appropriate services and lessons. Special music in the evening.

Was over home to see Father and Mother, the latter is not well, hasn't been since her return from Henley, two weeks ago.

## Monday, April 3, 1899

Weather fair.

Margaret went out on the wheel and made some second Home Dept. calls for me. It seems difficult to get the reports in.

I wrote to Will and Elizabeth returned from Cin. School was resumed after a week's vacation. Election day resulted in a regular Waterloo for the Republican party. Very few Rep. being elected. Elizabeth went on the afternoon train, Mary going over the river with her.

## Tuesday, April 4, 1899

Pleasant. I sewed most of the day, having to make over my black waist for general wear.

Went up street on an errand late in the afternoon. Saw two box kites the first I ever saw, they looked very odd and were a success as kites.

Miss Layman was here after supper.

#### Wednesday, April 5, 1899

Weather pleasant but still cool enough for fires.

Sewed in the forenoon. Did some errands, also going to give report to Mr. Scudder + see Mary Peebles about Lizzie who does not seem to improve any.

Our annual congressional meeting was held in the evening and to our great surprise Carl was elected a trustee of the church upon the first ballot, to serve three years. Mr. Taylor was re-elected. It was a mark of coincidence, but Carl seems very young for the place.

## Thursday, April 6, 1899

Pleasant day. Mary + Ruth cleaned Mary's room today. I sewed on my waist in the forenoon and went to W. C. T. U. meeting in the afternoon. After that I went to Kindergarten Board meeting at Mrs. Prichard's. Paid 5.00 which I had collected. Had letter from will which I answered. He has been very busy, having been left with the entire charge of the great crane just finished just finished for Crap + Son at the shipyard.

Margaret attended the D. A. R. reception at the Elk parlors, the guest of Mrs. Cotton.

## Friday, April 7, 1899

Rainy, and chilly. Am glad the stoves are still in running order. Spent the forenoon with Mother and then went to see Miss Emma and May Peebles on W. R. C. business. Postponed the C. L. S. C. meeting on account of conflicts of weather which would interfere with the attendance. Finished the waist of my black dress and must now make over the skirt. Went to see Mary Peebles again after supper. Letter from Elizabeth. Mary + Ruth cleaned the parlor.

## Saturday, April 8, 1899

Light snow, with rain much of the day. Sunshine in the evening. Was over to see Mother who is still in bed. Father stayed in because of the weather. Had another letter from Will telling of the launching of the Mexico last Thursday from Cramp's Shipyard. It was his firth ship launch and he viewed it from the crane he had just finished and ran the first time a few days ago. Went to preparatory lecture and afterwards made a few S. S. calls. Met Hon Morris Sharp at Mr. Hargett's. Called to see Martha Porfenberger, Mrs. Pursell + daughters + Mrs. Kline.

## Sunday, April 9, 1899

Pleasant. All went to Sunday School as usual, and to morning and evening services. In the afternoon the regular Bi-Monthly S. S. meeting was held at our church, postponed one week because the regular time came on Easter Sunday. We were greatly disappointed because Mr. Morris Sharp who was to have made the address, was taken very suddenly ill and could not speak, his brain was affected in some way.

#### Monday, April 10, 1899

Beautiful day. We have been putting in order for the guests who are expected. I wrote to Elizabeth as usual, also to Will, though his letter was not mailed today. Mary had a letter from Elizabeth who is now in her K. G. down at Riverside.

#### Tuesday, April 11, 1899

Bright and pleasant. One of our delegates Rev. Mr. Taylor came before dinner and the other, Mr. Hayes, came at supper time. We went to the opening service of the Meeting of Presbytery at the  $2^{\rm nd}$  ch. Good congregation.

Mr. Moran preached the sermon.

#### Wednesday, April 12, 1899

Bright, warm and pleasant. No fires needed today. Our delegates Rev. Taylor + Mr. Hayes of Buckeye spent the day at Presbytery + I was at the Presbyterial meeting. Came home to dinner. Met Mrs. Pierson of New York, Sec'y of House Board who is a member of the same church as Aunt Betsey Ricker in Elizabeth. She was the only person from a distance outside of our own Presbytery and made the address in the evening, to a large audience. Is a fine speaker.

H. P. Smith came this afternoon.

## Thursday, April 13, 1899

Beautiful day. Went to Presbyterial meeting and remained all day taking dinner with the other delegates at the church. Have had delightful meetings. Mrs. Collings was elected Presbyterial president + Miss Grenshaw Sec'y. Mrs. Crissman re-elected Treas. Mrs. Collings came down to take tea with sister Mary. Young People's meeting in the evening was addressed by Messrs. Jones + Jackson, Jordan of Ironton, Hudson of West Union + King of Winchester, all young preachers.

### Friday, April 14, 1899

Weather cloudy but still no rain. Dusty, otherwise very pleasant. Was tired from the continuous meetings of the week but did my usual household duties. Took a nap in the afternoon and then went to C. L. S. C. meeting in the evening at the home of Alice + Kate Connins. Had a pleasant meeting but was late starting + late coming home. Carl took me for a little drive before leaving me there. Wrote to Will, Elizabeth and sister Lizzie. Thirty-fourth anniversary of the death of Lincoln + surrender of Richmond.

# Saturday, April 15, 1899

Beautiful weather, had a little fire in the morning. Florence went to Ironton on 10.55 train. Margaret, Mary, Mabel Russel, Grace Cotton and, I think, Isa Abbott went after Arbutus on the Ky hills in the afternoon.

I went to Henley in the afternoon and found sister Lizzie looking and feeling better. She sat up all afternoon + went to tea-table. It rained as I came in on the train. As cool enough for a good fire. The girls brought home beautiful arbutus from Kentucky.

## **Sunday, April 16, 1899**

No rain today. Beautiful day. All went to S. S. and the usual church services. I had five present in my class. Read and studied in the afternoon. Went to see Father + Mother, both of whom are sick.

## Monday, April 17, 1899

Beautiful but dusty + windy. Tank burst this morning + flooded kitchen. Had a new one put in before dinner. Also had radiator removed from room over kitchen. Wrote to Will, Elizabeth and Helen Moore. Had two letters from Elizabeth. Attended W. R. C. meeting at 2 PM. Afterwards went to call upon Mrs. Julia Johnson, who was out, also Mabel Poffenberger

who was out. Prof H. P. Smith went home this forenoon. Margaret + May went to Werman's Club reception the guests of Bessie Titus, who called here.

## Tuesday, April 18, 1899

Beautiful day. Mary and I began work on the closet in the sitting room and spent the entire day cleaning + nearly papering it. A good beginning for house cleaning this week.

Received some fine photographs of the large trailing crane Will has been helping put up in Cramp's shipyard in Philadelphia. It stands between the new Maine + the Russian battleship + is used in their construction.

#### Wednesday, April 19, 1899

Lovely weather. Mrs. Biggs came early and began on the house cleaning in the sitting room. We had a hard, busy day, and accomplished much. Had the carpet up, and sewed three long seams in it. Changing widths. Mrs. Silcox came and sat awhile with me while I sewed. Went to prayer meeting as usual. Our Committee began reporting this evening. Kate Connins + Chas Scudder being the other members. Had a good meeting.

## Thursday, April 20, 1899

Pleasant. We put in the day with hard work. Took Carl's room and had it all ready for him by supper time. I did not write my usual second letters to Will + Elizabeth but got others to write, so they will not lose by it. I had to stop at 4 o'clock and go to a K. Garten meeting but no one else was present excepting Dr. Mary Cotton, Dr. + Mrs. Alderson.

## **Friday, April 21, 1899**

Bright and pleasant. Just my kind of weather for house cleaning. Mary, Mrs. Biggs + I began on the dining room paper, afterwards J. W. and Ruth joined us and we finally succeeded in getting it all off + ready for the new paper next week.

I was glad I had no engagement for the evening.

Maggie Peebles called late in the afternoon. Julia Prichard came to tell us goodbye + left on the 10.28 for Newark.

## Saturday, April 22, 1899

Bright and warm, but very dusty. We put in another busy day, this being the fourth that Mrs. Biggs has been here to help. I mended carpet all day. Carl asked me to stop about 4 o'clock and take a drive with him, which I did.

The gardens are beginning to grow nicely. Fruit trees are in full bloom and if half the blossoms have fruit then must be an abundance.

Mrs. Davis spent the evening here.

#### Sunday, April 23, 1899

Beautiful day. All went to Sabbath School and the usual church services, morning and evening, only I came home before S. S. closed, on an errand. Moved Teachers' prayer meeting. Had five girls in my class.

Mr. Davis of Rarden was here to dinner, having sat with us in church.

### **Monday, April 24, 1899**

Cloudy with some showers. Wrote to Will, Elizabeth, Aunt Betsey Ricker + Miss E. H. Lyon. Mary + I worked in the bathroom all forenoon. I went to Miss Bell's after dinner to meet a Com. M. E. Peebles, Mrs. Pursell + Miss Emma. Was busy with W. R. C. work. Spent the evening writing. John came home from Pittsburg on the Queen City this evening. Elizabeth Peebles was in. Says her Mother is not so well.

Father's room is being newly painted, and re-papered in crimson and gold. May regilded Grandmother Moore's picture for him.

## Tuesday, April 25, 1899

Rained last night + part of today. Delightful after the rain. No dust. Foliage + flowers growing rapidly. May + I finished cleaning the bathroom before noon. Went to Foreign Mis. Society in the afternoon. Eleven present. Mrs. Moore had topic India. After meeting J. W. took Mrs. Miller + me out to see the Spanish cannon taken from the captured Oguendo, it being at C. P. + V. Depot, en route to Cin. Had a good long letter from Will.

## Wednesday, April 26, 1899

Fine weather and we are making the most of it. Have put in a busy day as usual, went to a Kindergarten meeting in the evening, as usual. Attendance 91, and 41 took part in the exercises.

## Thursday, April 27, 1899

Father Ricker's birthday.

Weather warm and pleasant. Rained in the night, I think. Have had another busy day. Ruth and Mary put the china closet in fine order and I was busy here and there. Richard Peebles + brother John spent the forenoon here and I sewed carpet during their visit. Mended the rug. Wrote to Will E. Had thought of going to the W. C. T. U. meeting but did not get through in time. Carl took me for a little drive, no not today. Elizabeth Peebles was in + stayed all night here. Julia Taylor called.

#### Friday, April 28, 1899

Bright and warm. Heavy black clouds north of us gave signs of hard rainstorm up the valley in the afternoon. Mr. Kirkland put the new paper on the dining room this afternoon. Will put a new ceiling in Carl's room in the morning and, furnish paper for both, whole cost \$6.44. Went to C. L. S. C. meeting at Miss Grimm's in the evening. Ten present and most interesting evening, principally lessons from Geology. Had a letter from Elizabeth R.

## Saturday, April 29, 1899

Beautiful day but warm and oppressive. Have been very busy at home finishing up though to be done in the various rooms, mending, hanging pictures, and so on. Went over to see Mother in the morning. Was to have taken her for a little drive but Mrs. Dr. Van Tine + Mrs. Prof. Van Tine called and so Margaret went with her. Accounts of great damage done

by the storm at Lucasville yesterday, am told today. Hail several inches deep, a house burned up, floods of water.

## **Sunday, April 30, 1899**

Beautiful day but getting warm. All went to S. S. and church as usual, both morning and evening. Have not felt very well. Went over home as usual in the afternoon.

#### Monday, May 1, 1899

Beautiful weather. Indications of rain which were not realized. Had a busy day as usual. May cut and almost made a skirt waist. I made the button holes, there are seventeen in each waist + collar to match. O wrote to Will + Elizabeth as usual. Was out for a little drive in the evening. Mrs. Taylor and Julia were here after supper. But the young folks were all at the C. E. business meeting at Winfred Smith's.

## **Tuesday, May 2, 1899**

Beautiful day, warm as summer. Sewed in the forenoon. Went to Home Missionary meeting at the church in the afternoon. Afterwards went to take Dr. Kline a promised outline program for prayer-meeting tomorrow. Then to take a promised recipe to Mrs. Raypole for Dora. To Mrs. Tappan's for the Magazine, and home. Took my button holes over home to finish. After tea went to Mrs. Branch on Kindergarten business. Margaret went with Dr. Mary to take her horse to pasture. Mary to Mrs. Taylor's to tea + after to the Clover club meeting.

## Wednesday, May 3, 1899

Weather pleasant. Have been sewing some today. Mother expected to go to Cin Friday AM but does not feel able to so and will after her trip.

We all went to prayer meeting as usual except May who went to the Alumni meeting at Miss Firmstone's and they were late getting through so she came home. Dr. Tappan was at Lane Seminary so Dr. Kline led the meeting.

#### **Thursday, May 4, 1899**

Thunderstorm and rain. Sewed all forenoon. After 2 o'clock I went to W. C. T. U. meeting, taking a waist to make the button holes.

After the meeting I went home with Mrs. Sue Reed and finished the button holes while visiting her and Mrs. Sallie.

Elizabeth Peebles came to stay all night with us + play at Miss Dellert's recital given at Knittel's parlors. I went with her. May was up at Mrs. Halderman's I went with her and remained to tea. Miss Kate Halderman died Wed. in Cleveland.

## Friday, May 5, 1899

Damp and cool.

Nine years today since Father + Mother Ricker's wedding was celebrated here. Richard Peebles was here this afternoon. Florence Crossley came before dinner to stay until tomorrow. Elizabeth Peebles went home on the early train. I finished May's night dress. Wrote to Will and Elizabeth Ricker. Saw Prof. Gentry's wonderful procession of ponies, dogs + monkeys. The girls Mgt + Florence went to Munn's Run. May to Mrs. Halderman's + Carl took me driving.

#### **Saturday, May 6, 1899**

Cold, cloudy and light rain. Have remained at home all day, sewing and trying to get rid of my cold. Altered the sleeves + mended Elizabeth's blue lawn, helped May with her dress but she did not sew much as she went with Florence to do errands, then to the Dog + Pont show and after supper Margaret Carl + May went to see F. off, she going to the C + O train, across the river. My new street suit which Margaret gave me came home today altered to fit me nicely. It was a surprise which I appreciated very much.

#### Sunday, May 7, 1899

Pleasant in the morning. began to rain just as I got home from church. All went to S. S. and the usual church services. Was over home in the afternoon. Mother decided to go to Cin in the morning and wants me to go with her.

#### Monday, May 8, 1899

Arose about 4:30 and finished making my few preparations for the trip to Cin. Went over home to breakfast and left with Mother on the C. P. + V. at 6:05 o'clock AM. An excursion for these days gave us special rates of 1.50 for the round trip. Had a delightful ride of the city, the recent rain made everything so fresh + clean + the foliage is so beautiful. Went to Glenn Home and surprised Elizabeth when she came to dinner. Went to see Dr. after dinner. Mrs. Cochran is rooming with Mother, + I with Elizabeth. Did some errands after Mother returned from the Drs with Mrs. C.

## Tuesday. May 9, 1899

Mother not able to be up. Weather cool but pleasant. Elizabeth had to leave for K-G early + remain all day as it was examination day in one branch. Mother + Mrs. C. being company for each other O did errands most of the day, for Mother + Mary/ Have been looking at carpets for them.

Was very tired at night. E's old roommate Miss Clara Rose was back to gather up her things, being too ill to work anymore this year.

#### Wednesday, May 10, 1899

Pleasant. Have had another very busy day and was thankful to get home on the evening train with Mother, who decided she was not able to stay any longer and was barely able to get home. We managed to see the Dr. again however and stopped at Otte's and decided upon the carpet which she had chosen from sample, a red velvet for 1.25 per yd. Found sister Lizzie and her Margaret at Mother's when we got home. It was raining al afternoon.

#### **Thursday, May 11, 1899**

Pleasant, though a little cool. Arose about 5 o'clock + went over home as soon as possible to see how Mother + Lizzie were. The latter was dressed in her wrapper all ready to be brought to our house where she will stay for the present. We put a bed in the parlor for her + Will put in a cot at night for Margaret. She is very poorly.

Wrote to Will + Elizabeth.

#### Friday, May 12, 1899

Pleasant in forenoon.

Very hard thunderstorm after supper. I did not go to C. L. S. C. meeting knowing few could get there in such a rain. Carl had a letter from Bartie today. Cheerful as usual but not full of encouragement for his business prospects. Lizzie had three doctors in professionally + one socially today, the latter being Arthur Moore. Dr. Dennis came to treat her aching teeth. Dr. Van Tine + Dr. Mary Cotton came at different times this afternoon.

#### Saturday, May 13, 1899

Beautiful day. Had Mrs. Biggs come to work in the back rooms + get ready for papering next week. Little Margaret + I devoted our time to her Mother, excepting occasionally when I went to help a little upstairs. Think I hurt my back lifting things, trying to get the rooms in better order.

#### Sunday, May 14, 1899

Weather fine. I did not go to S. S. or church today. Lizzie was too sick to be left in the morning and grew worse all day, besides I was unable to go anyway on account of my back which I hurt yesterday. In the afternoon we sent for Mrs. Ross to come and help take care of Lizzie Peebles, as she required a strong, able nurse. Mr. Peebles was in during the afternoon and said to help Mrs. Ross as long as she is needed.

## Monday, May 15, 1899

Weather fair + pleasant. a little cool for the season. Lizzie is still very sick and Dr. Mary Cotton is untiring in her efforts to relieve her but nothing does any good. she suffers from extreme nausea all the time and cannot even keep the smallest dose of medicine down. I did not go to Relief Corps meeting, of course, cannot leave her for anything. Wrote letters to Elizabeth + Will between times. Mary Peebles was here.

## Tuesday, May 16, 1899

Weather still fine.

Lizzie is no better and, of course, losing strength all the time.

I was up until one o'clock last night, + 2:30 the night before, though my back is so lame I can hardly get up or down. The Peebles family are very solicitous and attentive, but no one can help nurse Lizzie, as she now is, Mrs. Ross + I must do it all.

May came home from Ironton at noon, one of our Congregation delegates came to the house this evening and had to be taken elsewhere.

#### **Wednesday, May 17, 1899**

Lizzie was sick + weak this morning, that at her request for a change, I went to see Dr. Mary + told her, then telephones Dr. Van Tine, who came + gave the first dose at 8:30. After three or four hours there was quite a perceptible change for the better, by evening there was more improvement. I did not go to prayer-meeting, not being able if there had been no other reason. We have had to bar the porch to keep people from coming to the front door, + all callers come to the side door.

#### Thursday, May 18, 1899

Beautiful weather. We had a number of early callers. Rev. Mr. A. C. Thompson called early, before Convention opened, to express his thanks for our hospitable intentions, and regrets for the illness in the family. It was very kind of him, a perfect stranger, to come, after being barred out the other night, as he was. He is from Fern Bank and had written me twice in regard to his coming + thanked me in advance for the hospitality which he did not enjoy after all.

### Friday, May 19, 1899

Beautiful weather. Rain last night washed off and freshened things beautifully. Lizzie is still improving and it now seems that she will be better. I went to see Dr. Mary on K-G business, she is left with the whole responsibility + little help. Had three errands to do and was just worn out and ready to go to bed, which I did about 8 o'clock, to stay in bed all night.

There was no Circle meeting. Finished + sent Will's letter. Strawberries fine + plenty.

## **Saturday, May 20, 1899**

Beautiful day. Cool enough for fires in L's room + sitting room. She is much better today and has seen quite a number of people, too many I fear. Richard, W. Robert some at noon, then Mr. Peebles + Maggie came later, Nettie still later + final Maggie O'Connor besides our own family. Jimmie was in to see her the first time since last Saturday.

Mother was quite sick today + sent for me. Maggie + Janette Silcox were here. Carl took me a short drive.

#### Sunday, May 21, 1899

Beautiful day. We all went to Sunday School and the usual church services. Mrs. Ross being able to do for Lizzie all that was necessary and she seems better, or did until late in the day. Uncle Sam was here, also Mr. Peebles when they would not see her. Mother is not much better. Father intends leaving on the C + O midnight train for Low moor in Virginia, to be gone until Tuesday. Is frail to take such a trip.

## Monday, May 22, 1899

Bright, pleasant but cool. Was very busy all day. Lizzie seems better in some respects. Mary Peebles was here early. R. brought Robt + Richard in and left them to attend the lecture this evening, which Jas, Mag't + I attended also. "Our New Navy" with stereopticon views by Mr. Byron Williams. A fine entertainment given partly for the benefit

of the K. G. but very poorly patronized. I wrote to Will + Elizabeth, also notes Mr. Blackburn and Rev. A. B. Riggs in regard to the church anniversary. Had letter from will who has been to Elizabeth N. J. again. Hattie Scudder called.

#### **Tuesday, May 23, 1899**

Beautiful but still cool enough for fire in sitting rooms. Strawberries abundant, fine + cheap. Lizzie not feeling quite so well as yesterday. Mary + Mr. Peebles were here in the morning. Richard in at noon. Ida Williams called to inquire about her. Miss Bell was here. Mother not up yet.

Had drive with J. W. in the evening. Kate Connins was here to see me about p. m. committee work.

## Wednesday, May 24, 1899

Weather fine. This is the birthday of our church, now 82 years old, of Queen Victoria of England, Oella Newman, Bertie Spry White Law, + Marie Bauer. I called to see Oella + gave her a shirt waist (pink). We had an informal celebration of the church birthday at prayer-meeting. Had a number of visitors, among them Mr. S. R. Ross and Anna, the Silcox family and six members of L. P. N. Smith's family, also Anna Purdun. Mr. Peebles gave some reminiscences + Maggie P. brought a pair of candlesticks used in the first church when each family took candles.

## **Thursday, May 25, 1899**

Weather fine but the want of rain makes it dusty. Lizzie is improving. Mother was not so well and I have been there much of the time today.

Mary had a letter from Will. Sister Mary's new Axsuminste carpet is on the floor and is a beauty. She is more than pleased with it and Mother and I are delighted that she likes it so well. I could not write any letters today. Have many interruptions.

### Friday, May 26, 1899

Cloudy with indications of rain which were unfulfilled. Mother quite sick all day so I had to stay with her. Lizzie better. Wrote to Will and Elizabeth. Had a telegram from Will in New York saying address him at the Havemeyer building.

Could not go to C. L. S. C. meeting on account of the illness in my family.

Sent my lesson.

Richard was in as usual. Comes every noon.

Was very tired and went to be as soon as I could.

### **Saturday, May 27, 1899**

Bright and pleasant, but quite dusty. Both parents are improving today and did not require quite such close attention. Miss Layman called at noon today good-bye, having finished her work she will go home to Cin at 2 PM on the C. P. + V. R. R. Mary Peebles called in the AM + Maggie in the afternoon, to see how Lizzie was. Went over to Mrs. Taylor's after supper, then down to see Mrs. Tappan, both on business.

#### Sunday, May 28, 1899

Weather pleasant.

Lizzie seemed enough better for me to go to S. S. + church as usual. Then in the afternoon I went to Memorial services where there was a large audience, a fine program, elaborate decorations and an excellent sermon from Rev. Mr. Hargett, pastor at Bigelow. Lena Kline Reed recited a poem. "Unholy Peace and holy war."

Mother had both Mary and Mrs., Behrens with her so I felt I could be spared.

### Monday, May 29, 1899

Rained hard this afternoon which will settle the dust and make it more pleasant tomorrow if it does not rain again. Mother was feeling too badly to be left alone so while Mary was at the office I stayed with her. Wrote to Will and Elizabeth in the forenoon. Sewed in the afternoon, attending meanwhile to Mother's wants. Mary Peebles was here, as usual, she comes every day. Letter from Will written from new London + Conn.

## **Tuesday, May 30, 1899**

Delightful after the rain but late in the afternoon a very hard rainstorm came up and broke up the assembly in the Cemetery just before Dr. Tappan began his address, so he only dismissed the audience, telling them to go on with their decoration of graves, rather than wait for an address, in view of the coming storm. We had a fine procession to Tracy Park, several S. Schools joining in the parade and at the Park Rev. Mr. Miller addressed the schools. The crowd dispersed into the houses on the hill. We got home all right, after waiting awhile on the bus.

## Wednesday, May 31, 1899

Weather pleasant.

Mother felt so badly I had to leave Lizzie entirely to Mrs. Ross and stay over home all day + all night. Was back + forth a good many times. Wen to prayer-meeting in the evening as it was my last evening on the prayer-meeting committee. The attendance was not large, a rain threatened but did not come.

We are having a great abundance of fine strawberries but are not going to put up any, will just eat all we want while they are at their best.

## Thursday, June 1, 1899

Weather fine. Mother was somewhat better today and I stayed with her until 3 o'clock, then went with Sister to the reception given by the Relief Sisters to their sister-in-law, Mrs. Jno Reilly + her sister Miss Lobban of Alderson West Va. Everything was beautifully planned, an attractive feature being a tent in the yard where lemonade was served + seats provided making the guests most comfortable + happy.

Stayed all night with Mother again, after taking a drive with Carl after supper.

Dwight Green and Hattie Richards' wedding day. I wrote to Will + E also to Willard

#### **Friday, June 2, 1899**

Warm. Stayed all day with Mother who does not seem to get better very fast. Lizzie would be better if it were not for her rheumatism in her right side.

She is wonderfully patient and cheerful with it all. Do not know what we should do without Mrs. Ross.

William Peebles' birthday.

#### Saturday, June 3, 1899

Very warm. Stayed last night over home, but hope to spend the night here at home. Mother seems better and Lizzie is improving also. Sewed some today while sitting with Mother.

Was invited to a large reception at Mrs. W. B. Anderson's who will receive with Mrs. G. W. Anderson, her Mother-in-law + two guests. Mabel Russell will have a large reception this evening in which Margaret + May + Lucy Moore will assist. I could not go so sent regrets. The girls went.

## **Sunday, June 4, 1899**

Very warm. Late in the afternoon a storm threatened, but passed us by and was heard from later as having been quite severe.

We all went to S. S. and church as usual and in the afternoon I went to the Bimonthly meeting at the  $2^{nd}$  Pres. church. Few present owing to the weather. Went to church again in the evening.

## **Monday, June 5, 1899**

Hot and dry. The storm having passed but to the north. Was over home and stayed most of the forenoon with Mother. Wrote the usual letters to Will and Elizabeth.

We took Lizzie Peebles out for a drive this morning, the first time she has been out for many weeks, she cannot walk and has to be carried to + from the carriage.

# Tuesday, June 6, 1899

Very hot. We took Lizzie out in the carriage morning and evening, carrying her back + forth as she cannot walk a step on account of her rheumatism. She will get stronger, we hope, being out in the air each day. Spent a part of the day with Mother. In the afternoon I went to the Missionary Societies which came on the same day this month, the Foreign having been postponed on account of Memorial Day last week.

Had letter from will with a special note to myself.

#### Wednesday, June 7, 1899

Very, very warm. Ther was at 90° or above all day. We took Lizzie out for a drive in the morning and it was after 9 o'clock when we returned. I then took some button-holes to do and went over home to sit with Mother awhile. In the afternoon I attended Mrs. Dan McFarland's reception, afterwards going with Mrs. Peebles to make a call at Mrs. Dennis' where we learned that Mrs. Bentley was here from Chicago, but sick with headache. Letter from E. Lizzie got crutches today.

#### Thursday, June 8, 1899

Very warm. I was busy all day. Wrote to Will and Elizabeth as usual and was busy every minute of the time in one way or another. Did not get to W. C. T. U. meeting but late in the afternoon went to the Kindergarten meeting at Dr. Cotton's. Election of officers, + other business necessary to maintaining the organization was transacted with no one present but Dr. Mary + Ethel Cotton Miss Anna Ross, Mrs. Prichard + myself.

#### Friday, June 9, 1899

Damp. We have had much rain lately.

Have spent considerable time with Mother today as she was not feeling so well. Lizzie improves each day now.

In the evening I went to the C. L. S. C. meeting at Miss Trenchart's only three members being present. Miss Bertha T. Miss Kerr and myself. Jas called for me and we took Miss K. home in the carriage.

## Saturday, June 10, 1899

Damp and cloudy. This is Mr. + Mrs. Peebles' 64<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and Lizzie was able to join her family at the reunion. Mary was honored with an invitation which she gladly accepted + went on the hack with her Uncle + Aunt. Sister Virginia came this afternoon to make a visit, came alone and hopes to remain two weeks. Lizzie returned from Mr. Peebles', before dark and seemed none the worse for being there.

### **Sunday, June 11, 1899**

Cloudy but no rain until after night. Storms went by. All went to S. S. as usual. Children's Day exercises were held in the morning, upstairs. Lizzie's family were all here today at different times. Richard took dinner here with her. Virginia came over and went to church with us in the evening. Mrs. Ross went home + Margaret will remain with her mother.

## Monday, June 12, 1899

Rather warm but no dust, and pleasant. Miss O' Connor came this morning to sew two weeks. Virginia + I went to do some errands + call upon Mrs. McCabe + Mrs. Rogers at Mrs. Peebles'. In the afternoon Mrs. Dennis + Mrs. Bentley, her prospective daughter-in-law, the latter + Geo leave for Chicago this evening. Afterwards Mary Ellen called then Mrs. Taylor, + after tea Uncle Enos + Mr. E. came in. We have had a busy day. I wrote to Elizabeth and began a letter to Will. Lizzie took a nice ride + went into two stores, the first time she has done that for nearly a year.

#### **Tuesday, June 13, 1899**

Pleasant.

Fannie Geiger's birthday. She is expected here soon on a visit.

We have been sewing busily all day.

Papers tell of destructive cyclones in the west and south, many lives lost.

Frank H. Ricker's birthday.

#### Wednesday, June 14, 1899

Weather cool + pleasant. Lizzie improves nicely and she + Virginia are enjoying their visit very much. They ride out now each day doing errands and getting the fresh air.

Virginia went with May Lizzie + Margaret Peebles to do an errand before church, then V + M came to prayer- meeting afterwards.

#### **Thursday, June 15, 1899**

Fine weather, cool and pleasant. Carl's birthday was remembered by Jennie Ricker who sent him seven neck ties. Two Reilly books + a C. E. Charm completed his list of presents.

Wrote to Will as usual but did not get E's letter in. Finished up my C. L. S. C. reading to date. Fannie Geiger and three children, Mary, Russell + Alice came this evening.

# Friday, June 16, 1899

Weather pleasant.

Have been busy with the sewing all day. Did not write to Elizabeth as I usually do the latter part of the week. Fannie Geiger + three children, Mary Y. + Lucy were here to see Lizzie Peebles. C. L. S. C. met here this evening with seventeen present including a few guests. Had election of officers resulting as follows, Pres Mrs. Ricker, V. Pres. Mrs. Dever Sec'y + Treas Miss Jackson.

### **Saturday, June 17, 1899**

Pleasant. All up early as Lizzie and Margaret went home on the 6.05 train. Jas took them out in the carriage.

I took the extra things out of the parlor and restored it to something like order before beginning on my sewing.

Had a full day and then went on to Alumni excursion on the speedwell in the evening. Jas, Ma, + I Virginia, Fannie, Mary Ralph, Lucy Edith + Arthur Moore represented our family. Had a fine time.

#### **Sunday, June 18, 1899**

Quite warm again. We all went to S. S. and the usual Sabbath services. Mother went down into the yard this afternoon for a little walk.

This is sister Lizzie's birthday. I had a note from Dr. Van Tine who was out to see her yesterday afternoon. Elizabeth is still sick in bed. Went up to see the Dr. about the sick and he said to send Mrs. Ross out on the noon train which he did.

#### Monday, June 19, 1899

Much warmer, and clear. News from Elizabeth Peebles not very encouraging, she is threatened with Typhoid fever. Dr. Van Tine went out at noon to stay all night.

We have been sewing as hard as we could today. I wrote four letters early in the day. To Will, Elizabeth, Aunt Betsey Ricker and Florence Crossley. Went to Corps meeting in the afternoon but was home early. Was over home + saw Fannie Geiger + little Alice.

#### **Tuesday, June 20, 1899**

Pleasant in the forenoon rained hard at night. Carl left on the early train for a trip to St. Louis + Kirkwood to be gone only a few days. The sewing continues with Mary taking my usual place and doing splendid work. She is faithful + different. Margaret cannot sew on account of her eyes, but she finds many other things to do.

### Wednesday, June 21, 1899

Very warm. We were busy with the sewing and I took some work over home in the afternoon and was much surprised to see Elizabeth come over there when the afternoon arrived. She said Carl called to see her between trains and after seeing him she felt too homesick to remain for the closing exercises in which she had no part + from which she could be excused as well as not.

## **Thursday, June 22, 1899**

Pleasant. It is good to have all our girls at home again, but they will not be here long as Margaret and Mary will leave soon for a visit.

Elizabeth S. Peebles is doing well, but has a genuine case of Typhoid fever. Wrote to Will as usual and am glad I can talk to Elizabeth instead of writing.

#### Friday, June 23, 1899

Weather very hot. Jas had a message this forenoon asking him to go to the noon train and meet Lizzie. Was coming in to see Dr. Selzer about her eye which is in bad condition. She had to have Dr. Van Tine in the evening as she was too sick to devote much attention to her eye. Her throat is very painful and needs treatment. I could not attend the C. L. S. C. meeting. I think there was none anyway.

## Saturday, June 24, 1899

Warm. Lizzie has required all my time and attention so the girls had to do the best they could without my help in the sewing room. The little iron bedstead was taken away yesterday morning and had to be brought back at noon and the parlor made ready again for Lizzie. She had hoped to return to Henley today but will not be able to do so. Her eye demands constant attention. Carl came home from Kirkwood on the midnight train. Jennie Greene went home. Hard storm. Lightning struck Public Library.

## **Sunday, June 25, 1899**

Was at home all day until evening, missing S. S. and church as I could not leave sister Lizzie who is quite sick. The others went as usual and I went in the evening the girls staying with Lizzie.

Mother is feeling very miserable also and has changed doctors, having Dr. Kline for the present.

Carl did not get up in time for S. S. He was tired out and spelt all forenoon.

#### Monday, June 26, 1899

Fair and warm. Margaret was busy all day preparing for her start to Columbus this evening. Went on the 4. 42 train, hoping to have a fine trip and attend both of the State and National C. E. Conventions, the first in Columbus, the latter in Detroit next week. Mrs. O'Connor came again today beginning on a third week of sewing, as most of the time has been devoted to Margaret's and May's work.

Lizzie Peebles is suffering quite a good deal.

#### **Tuesday, June 27, 1899**

Weather pleasant but warm. May left on the 10.28 train to Columbus in company with Mrs. Taylor and the boys who was starting to Arizona for the summer. May expects to stay a day or two with Margaret + Mrs. Humphreys and then go to Zanesville. I did not get to the Foreign Miss Meeting this afternoon owing to the need for my presence at home. Maggie Peebles came up after the meeting. Mrs. Biggs came to nurse Lizzie as I am tired out, being up night + day.

## Wednesday, June 28, 1899

Hot and dry. A day to be remembered as full of all sorts of trouble. Lizzie being worse than usual, and while I was suffering with a splinter under my nail which I could not get out, Margaret came home to Columbus quite sick + May came to bring her. Fanny Geiger + her three children + Mary Moore came to dinner, having been invited. We had Dr. Van Tine three times for Lizzie, Dr. Sulzer + Dr. Ruggles once each once each for her + Dr. Mary Cotton three times for Margaret. I was three times at her office. May returned to Col. On the 4.42 train.

## Thursday, June 29, 1899

Very warm. Miss O'Connor did not come today, I asked her to give the day to someone else as we have our hands full without sewing. Margaret is some better but not able to sit up. Sister Lizzie does not get much better. I went to sit awhile with Mother as she seemed to be needing me. Wrote to Will.

Jas drove to Alex' today to dine with Addie Morton + family who are there. No one else could go.

## Friday, June 30, 1899

Warm. Margaret was up again today and hopes to return to Columbus + finish her visit. Miss Maggie not here. Lizzie Peebles continues to suffer with her throat + eye and in other ways. Her care is very discouraging. We held the closing meeting of the C. L. S. C. this evening at Miss Peebles.' Elizabeth and Mrs. Lottridge went with me. Four readers who had finished their year's work received the new annual certificate. Mrs. Dever, Miss Peebles, Miss Kerr + myself being the four. Elizabeth went to Mrs. P. E. Selby's reception being the only one of us who could go. Elizabeth + I made Home Sept. calls.

#### Saturday, July 1, 1899

Quite cool in the morning. We started a fire in Lizzie's room in the early morning. Lizzie about the same. Mary Peebles came in from Henley at noon + reported Elizabeth recovering nicely. Miss O'Connor sewed here and with E's help made good progress but did not get through with what we had planned.

Margaret left on the 10.28 train for Columbus again, + a card from Mary said she could go on to Zanesville this AM.

#### Sunday, July 2, 1899

Very warm. All went to S. S. and church as usual. Lizzie seeming a little better. Had telegram from Will saying he would be here on the 11.08 train tonight from Columbus. I took care of Lizzie and gave Mrs. Biggs the afternoon to herself. We miss Margaret + Mary very much.

Elizabeth had M's Primary class this morning and Winifred Smith took the juniors in the afternoon. Mrs. Lowes + Fanny Geiger came to inquire about Lizzie Peebles.

## Monday, July 3, 1899

Hot and close. It was very late when we retired last night, really was 12:30 AM when I went upstairs. Sister Lizzie did not feel well today and I sent for Dr. Van Tine again at noon. We have been enjoying Will's little visit today. It has been more than six months since he was here, Dec 21st + then he only remained three hours. Did not hear from sister Margaret + Mary today. Wrote to Margaret. Miss M. O'Connor sewed here today + Mary gave Elizabeth a new white dress + white waist.

## Tuesday, July 4, 1899

A fair, pleasant quiet day, different from most days of its kind. We went to no picnic. Will spent the day at home and left on the 4.42 for Cleveland. The Murfin boys Gordon + Van were here to see him in the morning. Carl took Richard to the P. P. + V. train then took Will for a drive and finally took him to the train after he had packed + had his lunch. Fannie Geiger was here to see him, returning the call he made her yesterday when she was not at home. Heard from Margaret.

Lizzie was not so well.

## Wednesday, July 5, 1899

Pleasant, but pretty hot in the middle of the day. Have had so much company that I could not sew to do any good. Mr. Peebles, Mary P. + Miss Emma Bell were here. Lizzie has been a little better, but not much. Mrs. Biggs got sick and went home, so I have to take charge of Lizzie again. Could not go to prayer meeting.

Had letters from Margaret Aunt Betsey, Mary + a note from Virginia.

### Thursday, July 6, 1899

Pleasant. Warm but a good breeze blowing. Lizzie Peebles not so well again. Richard in at noon. Mrs. Lancaster and her sister Mrs. Manning were here. The latter I met at Newark + have never seen since.

Mary Ellen called to ask after Lizzie. Dr. Sulzer was here about 4 o'clock. Dr. Van Tine at 6:30. Carl + Elizabeth went driving.

#### Friday, July 7, 1899

Very warm. Rained in the evening. Miss Maggie and Elizabeth sewed all day. Had letter from Margaret who went yesterday to Detroit, to attend the C + E International Convention. Wrote to her. Lizzie Peebles is improving in some respects, and not so well in others.

Mrs. Biggs came back this evening to care for her, a very necessary relief for me. Fannie Geiger and children were here to say goodbye, she left on evening boat for home.

#### Saturday, July 8, 1899

Much cooler. Rained early this morning + turned cooler. Lizzie has had a bad day with her eye and Dr. Sulzer final cupped her left temple to relieve the pain of congestion. She did not bear it well and I was glad Dr. Van Tine came before the other Dr. left. She will rest better tonight. Carl wanted to take me driving but I could not go + leave her. Maggie Peebles was here this morning. I went out to do an errand after dinner + stopped a few minutes at Mrs. Silcox's.

## **Sunday, July 9, 1899**

Beautiful day. Jas, Carl, Elizabeth + I went to S. S. and E took charge of M's primary class, then of the juniors in the afternoon. Sister Lizzie seemed better and Mother came over to see her this AM the first time she has been here for two or three months. I sent Mrs. Biggs home for a rest in the afternoon + stayed with L. myself. Went to church in the evening.

## Monday, July 10, 1899

Cool but pleasant. Had a little fire in Lizzie's room this morning.

Have had two letters from Margaret from Detroit. Wrote to her, Will and Mary this forenoon.

Had a busy day as usual. Mrs. Silcox + Janette were here also Mary Peebles. Did not sew much, but Elizabeth did something in the forenoon.

#### **Tuesday, July 11, 1899**

Warm. Nothing of special not aside from the care of the sick and seeing those who call to inquire after Lizzie.

Maggie Peebles was here. I began reading Medieval Europe, one of C. L. S. C. books which I did not read in the right time.

# Wednesday, July 12, 1899

Warm and dusty.

Lizzie improves very slowly. Elizabeth and I have sewed a little but not much. Had a letter from Will from New London. Went to prayer-meeting in the evening as Lizzie said she preferred having me to having Mrs. Biggs with her. A strange new pest has appeared in

this part of the country called the Kissing bug because it always stings lips which swell from the poison and are very painful. Notice is taken of them in the papers of various places.

## **Thursday, July 13, 1899**

A very close hot day with signs of rain which were not fulfilled.

Sewed a little but not much as Lizzie was not feeling well and I could not settle down to work. Mary Peebles was here. Jas went to sit up with Capt. Baldridge but he died about 8:30 and after helping the family all he could he came home. Wrote to Will at New London Conn. where he expects to be some weeks.

## Friday, July 14, 1899

Damp, few light sprinkles, cloudy all day.

Lizzie Peebles seems better. Had letter from Sister in Cleveland + May in Zanesville. Wrote to Sister.

Finished my blue dressing sacque. Was over to see Maggie + Mary Peebles, while doing an errand or two. Jas has made several trips up to Mr. Reigle's helping attend to arrangements for the funeral of Capt. Baldridge.

## **Saturday, July 15, 1899**

Very warm. Letter from Margaret in Cleveland where she is visiting with Clara, and Kate Spear. Was busy all forenoon at home. Mary Peebles and Mrs. Harkins, niece of Dell + Venetia Ramsey called this morning. In the afternoon we attended preparatory lecture then I came home and sewed until 8 PM on a white skirt I needed for tomorrow.

# Sunday, July 16, 1899

Rained. Heavy storm passed southeast of us. We went to S. S. and the usual church services. Communion service in the forenoon where Walter Micklethwait + George Tappan were received on profession of faith, and Mr. Elmer, Dover's and Arthur Johnson's letters were received from other churches, though Mr. Dover is not at present residing here.

Kate Phillippi was at S. S. being on a visit home from Buffalo.

#### Monday, July 17, 1899

Rained again this morning. Lizzie improving nicely. Wrote letters to Will + Mary. Had letter from Margaret but did not write her not knowing whether she will be in Cleveland tomorrow.

Went to W. R. C. meeting then came home and sewed, or rather did some ripping. Carl and Elizabeth are out together this one. Julia Prichard was here.

# **Tuesday, July 18, 1899**

Weather warm.

Had a busy day and in the evening J. W. + Elizabeth and I attended the Missionary Social at Dr. Tappan's. a large number were present and we had a very pleasant time. Enos came very unexpectedly today from Pittsburg and made us a little call. Lizzie had her letter

from Helen this noon. she is enjoying life very much in Allegheny, only regretting that we do not all have as good a time.

#### Wednesday, July 19, 1899

Pleasant for the season. Have been doing much the same as every day. Sew when I can get the time, see callers, write a few letters, sit with Lizzie in her darkened room, or Mother in her room, not so dark.

Went to prayer meeting in the evening, as usual. Called to see Miss La Croix after tea, with Elizabeth, going from Uncle Enos' to church. Margaret writes she is enjoying her visit with Clara + Kate in Cleveland.

#### **Thursday, July 20, 1899**

Warm. Have stayed at home and seed as much as I could. Was over home helping Mary most of the afternoon. Wrote to Will and Sister, sending both letters to New London Conn.

Dr. Sulzer was here but I did not see him. Said Lizzie's eye was better. Her improvement is very slow.

#### Friday, July 21, 1899

Weather very warm. Maggie + Mary Peebles came and took Lizzie out for a little ride. I had a letter from will saying Mr. Gregg + Russell Tewksbury want him to go into business with them in Honolulu, making him a good offer. Had a postal from Sister saying she would leave Niagara for New York on the way to New London, Conn. Dr. Mary Cotton has accepted an offer to go to New York City + resume practice in the office she left when she came home. We shall regret seeing her go.

## Saturday, July 22, 1899

Rather cloudy. Hot in the middle of the day. Lizzie Peebles seems better but her eyes still need attention. Letter to Will says he has accepted the offer to go to Honolulu with Mr. Gregg. I am sorry he leaves his present employers but suppose he knows what he is doing. Letter from Mary who is still in Zanesville. Letter from Mrs. Bond asking me to visit her next week, answered telling why I cannot go. Elizabeth spends the evening with Julia Prichard and her Ironton friends.

#### Sunday, July 23, 1899

Hot and dry. We all went to S. S. and the usual church services. Elizabeth has M's class and gets along nicely with it. Mrs. Biggs went home for the afternoon and Ruth went when the dinner work was done so we finished up the rest of the day ourselves.

#### Monday, July 24, 1899

Hot with indications of a rain storm.

Have been busy as usual. Carl had a fine long letter from Margaret telling of her day at Niagara Falls which she viewed alone.

Our Foreign Missionary Society met this afternoon on account of the picnic for the Old Ladies' Home which is set for tomorrow + some members of the society which to attend both.

Lizzie Peebles is better but Richard is very poorly out at Henley. went to see Dr. Mary Cotton but she was not in.

## Tuesday, July 25, 1899

Hard rain this afternoon after a hot forenoon.

Margaret Peebles came in at noon, she Elizabeth + Carl went to the Old Ladies Home. Letter from Mary who has gone to Cumberland with Elizabeth on a little visit. Wrote to Margaret.

### Wednesday, July 26, 1899

Damp and hot. Rained last night. Lizzie improving each day. Walked a little in the yard. Letter from Margaret telling of her present guarantee in New London which is a pleasant place but rainy since she has been there. Was home all day until supper time when I went over home. Mother came to see Lizzie Peebles. Jas, E, + I went to prayer meeting, after which J. w. + I walked home with Maggie Peebles and got some buttermilk for Lizzie. Mary Y. Moore + Miss La Croix called. Wrote to Margaret + Will.

Barton + Little Dwight came on the late train.

#### **Thursday, July 27, 1899**

Very hot. This is Richard's birthday but he was not able to come in and no one else was in today, excepting Florence Crossley who came in on her way home to Ironton, her school term being ended. She + I went to see Mary Peebles this evening but she was too sick to visit Maggie could not leave her. Later in the evening Barton took + Maggie Jas, Florence, Elizabeth, Dwight + myself to Knittel's for ice-cream.

## Friday, July 28, 1899

Very hot. Rained in the afternoon and evening.

Florence Crossley was here all day, leaving for home on the 6.37 PM train. Miss Gertrude La Croix was here to tea and after tea Julia Prichard and her friend Edith Clark were here.

Florence and I went up to see Mary Peebles this morning. Found her better but still quite ill. Wrote a birthday letter to sister Virginia, enclosing a hdkf, which Elizabeth made for her, tomorrow being her birthday.

Barton + little Dwight went home on the early train.

## **Saturday, July 29, 1899**

Warm and showery. Lizzie continues to improve steadily. Mrs. ross came in this afternoon and does not bring a good account of Richard, he is very poorly. I went to Mary Peebles who is a little better but cannot hold her head up. This is Elizabeth Ricker's  $21^{\rm st}$  birthday and she had a very happy day. Had \$10.00 in money given by Mary, Carl + Aunt L.

A hat from me retrimmed set of shirt waist pins from her father + fine white tie from her Aunt Virginia, letter + ribbon from Sister.

#### Sunday, July 30, 1899

Cooler and a delightful day. Attended the usual services beginning with S. S. Mary Peebles being sick I had her class with mine. This is the last day of services until Dr. Tappan's vacation.

#### Monday, July 31, 1899

Cooler, and pleasant, excepting in the sun. Wrote to Margaret + Will at New London and Mary at Zanesville. Went up to inquire about Mary Peebles but did not see her. Lizzie hoped to go home to Henley this morning but she was not able to go. Dr. Van Tine went out on the morning train and brought Richard in to his father's. I went up to see him in the afternoon and after tea Jas took Lizzie up in the buggy to see him. Elizabeth went with her father to Mr. Duis and brought Andy home from pasture.

Had a letter from Margaret.

### Tuesday, August 1, 1899

Weather very warm.

Have been up to see how Mary Peebles was, and been busy all day. Jennie Greene came on the 11.08 train from Columbus, and before going to bed she told me her errand was to get the Peebles children and take them home awhile, at least until it is decided what will be done about them for the winter. Letters from Margaret nearly every day. None from Will for several days. He has decided to go to Honolulu in September.

## Wednesday, August 2, 1899

Rained hard this evening and caught many at prayer-meeting without umbrellas. Mine was being mended. Dr. Tappan was absent from prayer-meeting being at Mr. Patterson's to conduct the wedding service for his daughter + Mr. Everhard. Dr. Kline led the meeting. There is much talk of Dr. Tappan's succeeding Dr. Thompson as President of Miami College or University. Margaret will lose two of her best social friends when Miss Annett + Dr. Mary go and if Julia leaves too, she will be very lonely.

#### Thursday, August 3, 1899

An extremely hot day which I have spent at home most of the time trying to sew. Just cannot get the waist to my linen lawn put together.

Lizzie has been going up to spent a part of the afternoon with Richard staying to tea after which we would go after her. She is very frail but Richard is even more so. Wrote to Margaret nearly every day this week.

#### Friday, August 4, 1899

An extremely hot day. Jennie + the Henley children came in at noon, and it was hastily decided that it was best for Lizzie to go out and see to closing the house effectually before Sunday on account of Sunday exercises, ect. L. did not have time to visit with the

children as she had expected for she + I left on the 2 o'clock train. The place looks very pretty and it seems very sad to look at it and think of the scattered and affected family, whose home it is, being left, in all probability for the last time.

## Saturday, August 5, 1899

Rained in the morning and again about midnight.

Had letter from Margaret saying she is going to Boston. Have had a busy day, after returning from Henley at noon, with Lizzie. Jennie, and Elizabeth, Margaret, Robert + Richard left on the 10.28 train so we did not see them. Lizzie saw to the closing up of the house at Henley, leaving it in care of Mr. O'Brien. John's guest left on the 6 AM train for Cin and Jno drove in leaving at 8 o'clock. We came at noon.

Carl drove to Haverhill taking Arthur Titus.

## Sunday, August 6, 1899

Cool after the rain. Jas E + I went to S. S. Carl being up at Haverhill, Dr. Tappan + Julia away and many others absent we had a very small school. No service so we with Julia Prichard who visited E's class went to  $6^{th}$  St. church + Julia came home with us to dinner. E went to Junior and Julia went over home, later she went to her own home. In the evening I went to C. E. meeting + intended going to  $6^{th}$  St. again but Dr. Mary + Miss Annett came to make a farewell call + leave the K. G. books, so I did not go.

This is Margaret's birthday.

## Monday, August 7, 1899

Much cooler, and the rain having settled in the dust makes it delightful. Carl returned from Haverhill about 7:30 AM bringing Arthur Titus.

Wrote to Will, Margaret + Mary. Had letter from Margaret in Boston where she is visiting Mrs. McDonald + Sara Coates. Elizabeth sewed all day + went out in the evening with Carl. I did errands and took Miss Firmstone and their guests, Mrs. Hull + daughter for a drive. Was at Mr. Peebles then Titus. Mary is still very sick. Went to say good-bye to Mary Cotton and Miss Annett who leave for New York in the morning.

#### Tuesday, August 8, 1899

Pleasant. Sent to invited Mrs. hull + daughter to drive this morning but they were out. I was glad to stay at home and sew a little instead of going out. Letter from Margaret who reports having a delightful visit.

#### Wednesday, August 9, 1899

Warm. The event of this day was the home coming of Mary on the 6.37 train from her six week's visit to Zanesville. We all went to prayer-meeting and left her to rest and be company for her Aunt Lizzie. It is wonderful to have her home again.

Virginia Greene + her Virginia are going to Cressen Springs Friday for three weeks.

#### Thursday, August 10, 1899

Very hot. Lizzie Peebles + I went to Cin at noon in a private car provided for her by the C. P. +. V. R. R. Reached Cin and went to the Palace Hotel for the night. Were given nice accommodations, I got her rubbed and settled for the night then went to bed and slept. Quite a thunderstorm in the night. Letter from Margaret before I left home at noon.

Uncle Drew Ricker's birthday.

## Friday, August 11, 1899

Hard rain last night both at home + in Cin when Lizzie + I were at the Palace Hotel. I arose early and put in a hard day going from one doctor's office to another and from store to store. L was much exhausted with the effort, she made, though she did not go far, a bath helped restore her and we came home very comfortably on the private car we had yesterday. She felt repaid for the trip. Father + Mother's 52 anniversary. Letter from Will written in Boston. Saw Sister again.

#### Saturday, August 12, 1899

Very warm again. These are hot days. We have gotten along without Mrs. B. today but I have not been able to do much myself. The girls took their Aunt up to see their Uncle Richard this evening. We hear from Margaret nearly every day and always good letters. Mrs. Tappan made a short call and Mrs. Young came and sat quite a while with Lizzie, a call she enjoyed very much.

#### **Sunday, August 13, 1899**

Pleasant for the season. Went to S. S. as usual then came home and stayed all day with sister Lizzie who is laid up again with some glandular trouble. Was out to breakfast and dinner but grew rapidly worse and we had to send again for Mrs. Biggs. Am better myself but Jas is sick with severe cold. The girls went to 6<sup>th</sup> St. church. Mother seems better. Mary Y. Moore's birthday.

### Monday, August 14, 1899

Cooler + more pleasant. Lizzie has been suffering all day with the old glandular trouble. Richard came to see her after dinner. He is very weak. Letters from Margaret to Carl + myself. I wrote her, Will, Elizabeth Peebles + Lucy S. Hamilton. Have had no time to sew. Did errands in the morning. Jas very little better but at noon he went to Henley to help John Moore get some of Enos' things. Will return tonight.

## Tuesday, August 15, 1899

Warm. Lizzie is still suffering with rheumatism + glandular trouble.

Have sewed today, most of the time. After supper Jas, the girls and I went for a little drive, after crossing the bridge we saw a fire in town and drove to it finding it in the East End at the end of Robinson Ave. Saw John Moore there, but no one else whom I knew. The house + four barns burned.

#### Wednesday, August 16, 1899

Weather fine. I sewed all day and accomplished quote a good deal. Edward Greene came last night to will Moore's having ridden down on his wheel. We went to prayer-meeting and Dr. Tappan was there to lead the meeting but I presume it was about his last appearance on such an occasion as he has been elected president of Miami University and the family will soon go to Oxford. His work must necessarily begin there soon. Letter from Sister written from Barton, she is probably in Bath N. H. now.

#### Thursday, August 17, 1899

Pleasant. Ruth was taken sick last night with a hemorrhage and we shall have to give her up for some time at least. I wrote for Lena Koenig who was at Henley when I was there last.

Letter from will stated that he was at Buffalo when writing, + could be home Thursday or Friday. No letter from Sister. Went after tea to see Mary P. and ask about Richard who has had a bad day.

Lizzie is a little better.

Jas went to the Lucasville picnic.

#### Friday, August 18, 1899

Hot and dry.

We look for Will tonight. Have spent the day much as usual.

Rose awhile and then read up some back work in C. L. S. C. history. Do not accomplish much these days.

## Saturday, August 19, 1899

Hot and dry. We were up until midnight waiting for Will who came from Cleveland on the U. W. at 11:06 PM. Have been trying to enjoy every minute of the day as he will only be here until Monday then leave for Honolulu for an indefinite time. We regret his going so far but hope it is for the best. Letter from Sister who is having a pleasant visit.

#### Sunday, August 20, 1899

Warm + dry. All went to S. S. as usual. Dr. Tappan returned and preached today, as he is going to leave permanently soon. We have enjoyed having Will with us today though the time is so very short we hardly know how to make the most of it.

Next Sunday he expects to be out on the Pacific Ocean. Julia Prichard went to church with Elizabeth. Several churches being closed we had visitors both morning + evening.

Brother Enos' birthday.

## Monday, August 21, 1899

Will left home for San Francisco this AM on his way to Honolulu.

Hot. We arose before 4 AM and I prepared breakfast for Will and his father + Carl went across the river with him on the ferry. He left via C + O for San Francisco expecting to sail on the China next Friday for Honolulu to go into business with W. C. Gregg. We will miss him but hope he will return often. I attended W. R. C. in the afternoon. Called to see

Oella Lawman who came today. Rose out in the evening with Jas in Carl's buggy. The girls took supper with the Prichards on their new lot.

#### Tuesday, August 22, 1899

Foggy, hot in the daytime. Will is twenty-six years old today and is speeding away towards San Francisco as fast as he can go. May God bless + keep him. Maggie Peebles was here to prepare a resolution for W. R. C. Convention protesting against Sabbath travel, and we then discussed plans for Richard + Lizzie going to Hot Springs, Ark.

I sewed most of the afternoon on May's blue skirt. Edward Greene was here to dinner + tea, + Will Moore to tea with him. Letter from Margaret in N. H.

#### Wednesday, August 23, 1899

Warm and dry.

She is now in Bath with Aunts Betsey + Sue and a host of other relatives.

Preparations are going forward for the trip to Hot Springs and the sick ones are anxious to get started.

We went to prayer-meeting as usual and Dr. Tappan was present, having come from Oxford to attend the funeral of Mr. Jno Neill yesterday. No allusion was made to the parting, excepting the notices of called meetings of congregation to Presbytery next week.

#### Thursday, August 24, 1899

Pleasant. Word came today that arrangements were made for starting in the morning for Hot Springs so things were packed and Lizzie got ready to start on the early train. I hope it may do her some good. Mother is not able to come to see her, nor is she able to go see Mother so they must content themselves with messages.

Letters from Margaret say she is in East Jaffrey today camping with Dr. Mary Cotton + Miss Annett.

### Friday, August 25, 1899

Will Ricker sailed from San Francisco to Honolulu.

Weather pleasant We were up at 3:30 AM. Mrs. Biggs had Lizzie's breakfast for her and she was all ready when the bus came for her. Rich, John + Miss O' Connor being in it. Mrs. B. stayed to put the room in order + wash the bed clothes then went home.

This is the day Will was to sail from San Francisco for Honolulu. I trust he may have a safe + pleasant trip.

Edward Greene went home at noon, Will Moore going with him. I sent a letter to will but he will have to wait for it.

### Saturday, August 26, 1899

Warm. Was very busy all day, spent the forenoon in the kitchen.

Carl went up in Ky. this evening to be gone until Monday, the guest of Miss Gibbs, others being there also.

Mr. Peebles came around this evening to bring a postal from Jno saying the party had reached St. Louis safely and were standing the trip well. I was very kind of him to bring it to us.

#### **Sunday, August 27, 1899**

A pleasant day.

All but Carl went to S. S. he is up in Ky today, at Mr. Gibbs'.

We had no service so went to Bigelow both morning and evening. Went to C. E. meeting at 6 PM. Julia Tappan was leader, her last time to lead us as she will only be here one more Sunday.

Mrs. D. D. Jones is 87 years old today.

#### Monday, August 28, 1899

Weather pleasant to me.

Arose early and was busy at home all forenoon. After dinner May was going out on Con. work for the reception so she took me up to Mrs. Fulton's and then walked up to ask about Kate Reilly, called upon Mrs. Fulton, Margaret Johnson, Mary Peebles and Mrs. Tappan. Paid my C. L. S. C. bill for books, ect. to Nellie Jackson, 5.00.

Have tried to start the Kindergarten work but too many are out of town to have a board meeting.

Wrote to Will + Margaret, he being out on the Pacific Ocean + she on the Atlantic coast.

#### Tuesday, August 29, 1899

Weather delightful, but rather dusty. Sewed, or rather cut over E's black Sicilian skirt in the forenoon. Raking it over to sew on while I sat with Mother. She has moved about a great deal today. Was over to Mrs. Taylor's over here twice + out riding yesterday she is no better. I wrote Margaret and Lizzie Peebles. Went to Fr. Mis. Society in the afternoon, our last meeting with Mrs. Tappan. Mrs. Young who had the topic today was not present. Sent her program. Anna Pursell was inspired in a missionary this morning.

#### Wednesday, August 30, 1899

Very warm. May has been busy all forenoon helping get ready for the reception tomorrow evening. We went to prayer meeting which was led by Dr. Tappan for the last time as our pastor. The congregational meeting was held afterwards when Dr. Tappan asked the people to unite with him in asking presbytery to release him from his charge here. We are glad for his fine opportunity but very sorry to lose him and his family.

# Thursday, August 31, 1899

Very warm. The extent of this day was the reception given for Dr. Tappan + family at the church, under the management of the C. E. Society. Presbytery met at 1 o'clock to dissolve the pastoral relation between Dr. T. + our church members of Pres. were invited to attend the reception so our guest Mr. Newport remained. Paul Tappan came to spend a day or two with Carl.

This is Richard + Lizzie's anniversary + Edward Greene's birthday.

### Friday, September 1, 1899

Hot. Have been home all day sewing most of the time on E's black dress. We are enjoying Paul's visit very much. Letter from Margaret from Pittsburg. Rev. Mr. Newport left on the 7 AM train for his home at Colton.

Mary was busy most of the forenoon at the church cleaning up after the reception. Was very tired at night and went driving awhile before bedtime.

## Saturday, September 2, 1899

Very hot and dry and we have been very busy. Anna Purdun died this morning and the  $2^{nd}$  Pres. ch. loses one of its best members and many of us lose a good friend.

Paul Tappan was with us until supper time, and we expect Oella + David this evening. After tea our family excepting Carl, spent the evening at Dr. Tremper's Dr. Tappan's family + a few others. Letter from Lizzie Peebles.

## Sunday, September 3, 1899

Very warm + dry. All went to S. S. and the usual church services it being Dr. Tappan's last Sunday with us. We had large congregations both morning and evening. Several children were baptized + one member Miss Stalder received in the morning. The last text was Col. 3:23 "Whatsoever ye do therefore, do it hastily as until the Lord and not sent to men." He did not preach a regular farewell sermon. Oella stayed with us last night, as did David and Julia + David stayed tonight. We feel quite broken up having them leave us.

## Monday, September 4, 1899

Hot and dry. I arose in time to give David his breakfast + Carl took him to the C. P. V. train where he me Frank + they went to Oxford. Julia went to Winifred's + will go with Oella + Paul in the morning. Paul will stay here tonight. I went early to say goodbye to Dr. + Mrs. T. at Mrs. Ramsey's though the Dr. will not go before tomorrow. Mrs. T., Helen, Lucy, Geo + Margaret left on the 10:28 train N + W for Wilmington.

## Tuesday, September 5, 1899

Hot as ever. Have had a busy day. Dr. Tappan called just at noon to pay a milk bill + give me his picture, a very fine one which I prize highly. He dines with Mr. Scudder + they go together this afternoon to Presbytery at Manchester. He will remain a member of this Presbytery until spring.

# Wednesday, September 6, 1899

Very hot. Have taken a record from the paper showing an unusual summer in point of the heat. A heavy rain came late in the day to relieve the intense heat + drouth.

Elizabeth left on the afternoon C = O train for Cin to resume her work in Kindergarten Training School. We had our first prayer meeting without a pastor + missed the large family from the meeting. Dr. Dennis was leader.

#### Thursday, September 7, 1899

Extremely hot. Heavy thunderstorm passed to the south of us but no rain came here up to 9 o'clock. Have been very busy all day. Went to W. C. T. U. meeting in the afternoon. It was election of officers and since Mrs. Hall, the President has gone to Chattanooga, we elected another young President, Carrie Headley with Miss Newton as Vice President. No letters from anyone today. Julia Prichard left today for Newark.

Postal from Elizabeth saying she reached Cin. safely + went to Y. M. C. A. House.

#### Friday, September 8, 1899

Very hot and oppressive.

After supper we took a short drive but had to hurry home because of the approach of a hard storm.

Mary went to Henley this afternoon to gather up the Peebles children's fall + winter clothing to be sent to them at Zanesville.

Carl + Ralph Moore with Carol Simmers + her guests drove to Wheelersburg and may get wet. I had a present from Margaret, four beautiful linen tray cloths. Letter from Helen. Have spent most of the day trying to take up Kindergarten work. M came home + had to walk in from the place where a N + W train was off the track.

## Saturday, September 9, 1899

Cooler after the hard rain of last night. We waited late for Mary last night, her train was detained by a N + W train being off their track + in the way of the C. P. V. train. It was nearly 11:30 when we finally got home. Had a good long letter from Elizabeth. Arthur + Bessie Titus and Grace Hall were here to tea. The second trial of Dreyfus is ended in France and the country is again disgraced by the verdict of guilty, an outrage upon justice.

## Sunday, September 10, 1899

Pleasant. All went to S. S. as usual and then all went to church but sister who has enough services to tire her out when she teaches the primary class, the Junior Endearverers, and attends C. E. at 6 PM being leader this evening. Jas + I went to Bigelow in the morning, Carl to the  $2^{nd}$  Pres. + May to All Saints. I went to C. E. in the evening and then came home.

### Monday, September 11, 1899

Began letter to Will to be finished later in the week, hoping to hear from him about the  $15^{th}$  +  $16^{th}$ . Had letter from Mrs. Tappan saying she was in her new home and like it very much. We miss them all so much.

There seems to be general indignation among the leading nations in regard to the Dreyfus Verdict, and a feeling that the powers should interfere in his behalf.

#### Tuesday, September 12, 1899

Weather begins to be like fall. The days are much shorter and we find little time for anything more than the house work. Only wrote a short note to Elizabeth + sent it in Carl's letter. Went to the first K-G meeting of the season at All Saints' chapel this afternoon. Mrs. Prichard, Mrs. Keer, Mrs. Sam Keer, Mrs. Donoghty, Miss Moore, Miss Ross, Mrs. Cotton present. Decided to go to open school Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>.

#### Wednesday, September 13, 1899

Weather cooler. Busy as usual. The K-G work must now be started and we must find a president to take the place of Dr. Mary Cotton, but I know of no one who can fill it as she did.

I wrote a birthday letter after prayer meeting and then wrote some K-G notices. We all went to prayer-meeting which was led by Dr. Cotton. Mrs. Cotton, May, and Walter Brown are in prayer-meeting Committee, the last one appointed by Dr. Tappan.

#### Thursday, September 14, 1899

Weather quite cool. Was busy at home all forenoon with homework and reports and notices, etc. Though out a few remarks for the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, as I was appointed to bear the greetings from the Mis. Societies of the 1st Pres. Ch. to the Convention this afternoon. Remained to the afternoon session and then went in the evening to the popular meeting. Mr. Inman recited Edwin Markham's Man with a Hoe, after which Rev. Dr. Oldham gave a talk on the condition of Women in India where he was born + brought up. It was interesting.

## Friday, September 15, 1899

Rather cool but we have no fire as yet. I did not sew much after all, there seemed to be too many other things to be done. Had out first letter from Will since he landed in Honolulu. Was well and enjoyed the trip. Wrote to Elizabeth + sister Virginia. This is Mother's + Mary's birthday. Grace Hall came while we were at breakfast, and later Miss Agnes Clyde called. May being out with Grace, I had the call.

## Saturday, September 16, 1899

Warmer and delightful. Letter from Elizabeth who is well pleased with her new assignment at the Elizabeth Gamble Kindergarten. Was busy sweeping + dusting most of the day. Went with Mrs. Behrens to engage Mrs. Briggs to take her place for a week or so, that she may rest. Took supper with Uncle Sam + Aunt Mary it being their thirty-sixth anniversary. Father, Uncle Enos + his wife, Rev. Mr. Dillon + wife + Arthur Moore were at the table, besides ourselves. Mrs. Silcox's family were here.

# Sunday, September 17, 1899

Warm and dusty.

All went to Sabbath School as usual. Had teachers' meeting and elected Mr. Scudder Sept but do not know whether he will serve. Rev. Edward Gibson of Gallipolis preached for us both morning + evening. He is a friend of Mr. Johnathan Dodge and not a candidate, only

came upon request. Carl took Father, Uncles Enos + Sam to the farm in the afternoon, Father having asked him to do so.

## Monday, September 18, 1899

Weather pleasant for me.

Was busy at home all forenoon, made undershirt before dinner.

Went to Relief Corps meeting in the afternoon, and after that to an Aid Society meeting at the church to consider the matter of cleaning the lights in the church. It is greatly needed. Had letter from Elizabeth and wrote to her.

#### Tuesday, September 19, 1899

Rained during the night, and again today, settling the dust and making it comfortable. Began a letter to will which cannot leave San Francisco before the twenty-ninth but will finish in the time for. Carl had a good letter from David Tappan.

Had a good meeting of the K-G Association this afternoon and prepared for the fall work. Had to elect some new officers. Fourteen present. Election resulted in myself as President, Mrs. Labold, Vice Pres. Mrs. ross retained as Sec'y and Mrs. Herron made Treas.

#### Wednesday, September 20, 1899

Pleasant. May's birthday of which she had some reminders. I gave her half a dozen hdkfs and her father gave her a set of safety pins, for fastening ribbons, etc.

All went to prayer meeting in the evening.

## Thursday, September 21, 1899

Weather pleasant. Jas + Mary drove out to Henley to get some things to send to the Peebles children at Zanesville. They are started in school there now, and seem well content. After the work was done I took a little sewing and saw awhile with Mother.

After supper Jas, Mary + I drove up street. Mary went to see Mrs. Halderman and I went to see Mrs. Fulton and her daughters.

It was quite cool while we were out. Had a letter from Miss Layman saying she would accept the Norwood position. I wrote her and Miss Lowes.

#### Friday, September 22, 1899

Uncle Edward Jordan died at his home in Elizabeth N. Jersey today.

Weather fine, had a little fire in the sitting room. Was very busy at home until time to go to the Kindergarten meeting at 3:30. There were few present, Mr. Herron + Dr. Vickers, Misses Moore + Ricker, Mesdames Miller, Ives, + Ricker + Miss Ruth Prichard. I had a letter from Elizabeth.

C. L. S. C. held a preliminary meeting this evening to plan for the first program meeting. Anna Ross was sick + I went to see her.

### Saturday, September 23, 1899

Pleasant. A very busy day but I cannot remember just how the time was spent. Thinks I swept and dusted some, and know Margaret did a good deal of it. There seems to be no time for sewing.

## Sunday, September 24, 1899

Pleasant. All went to Sunday School and church. Mr. Bell of Manchester preached for us both morning and evening. His wife came with him and both came to Sunday School. We enjoyed his sermons both morning and evening.

## Monday, September 25, 1899

Cloudy and mild. Was busy as usual all day and in the afternoon we had a letter from Helen Ricker and telegram from Geo Dimock saying Uncle Edward Jordan died last Friday and would be taken to Ironton for Burial, Geo + Lizzie being on the Norfolk + Western train this evening, asking us to go up, so we hastily got ready and went. Sister + Mary rode from one station to another on the train to see them, then we got on at the C. V. +. P. Junction + found Geo Hosford with them. We went to spend the night with Hattie and Florence Crossley.

#### Tuesday, September 26, 1899

A little cloudy but only a sprinkle of rain. Jas + I and Florence Crossley, went up to Aunt Add's after breakfast and Uncle Drew came in soon after, having arrived at midnight and gone to the hotel. At 10 o'clock the family + friends followed the remains of Uncle Jordan to the Cemetery where he was laid beside Aunt August A. J. At noon Geo + Lizzie Dimock, Geo Hosford, Uncle Drew, Alex + Mary, Jas + I sat down with Aunt Add + Helen. All left in the afternoon Uncle D. coming home with us.

## Wednesday, September 27, 1899

Fine day. We arose in time to give Uncle Drew a cup of coffee before the C + O hack came, then the driver said train was three hours late so we all went to bed and had breakfast again at the usual house. Uncle Drew left about 7:30 to meet Cousin Geo Hosford on the train. Was busy all day and went to prayer-meeting in the evening. Jas went to Jackson this afternoon to attend the re-union of his old reg't. the  $2^{nd}$  West Va. Cavalry.

## Thursday, September 28, 1899

Mild and pleasant. It began to sprinkle about 7 PM and light rain fell. At 10 o'clock a steady rain set in. Was out doing Home Dept. work most of the afternoon. Went with Carl to New Boston to the C. E. rally at 7:30. Sister + Mary went early as former was on the Social Committee.

## Friday, September 29, 1899

Damp and cool. Have been out most of the day. Mother + I were out awhile then I went alone to distribute church + S. s. notices. Mr. Prichard died last night and the funeral

was held late this afternoon as the family leave early in the morning for Granville where the family have a lot. I was all over town in the course of the day doing S. S. Home Dept. + Kindergarten work. Had a letter from Miss Kellogg saying she would come Monday. Jas returned from Jackson this evening.

### Saturday, September 30, 1899

Was out most of the day in the interest of Sunday School and K. G. work.
Walked and developed a cold which was probably started yesterday while driving in the wind.

#### Sunday, October 1, 1899

Fine weather but rather cool. We all went to S. S. as usual. Joseph Clark the new State Sec'y S. S. work was present and also preached for us in the morning. Subject "Trademarks" a fine sermon. Bi-monthly meeting at Sixth St. was ably addressed by him in the afternoon and then Jas + I went to hear him preach at Sixth St. in the evening when he preached another fine sermon on Paul's words, "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly visage."

### Monday, October 2, 1899

Pleasant. Jas met with the County + City Executive Coms this morning to arrange with Mr. Clark for a S. S. Convention, which is set for Nov  $21^{st}$  +  $22^{nd}$ .

Mr. Clark took tea with us as did Mrs. Florence Kellogg who arrived at noon to take charge of the Free Kindergarten. The coming of Mr. Clark will stir up the S. S. interests and I hope Mrs. Kellogg will succeed in the Kindergarten.

Ruth returned this AM.

### Tuesday, October 3, 1899

Fair and cool.

We arose early and I got a cup of Coffee for Jas who left on the early C + O train for Joplin, Mo to investigate the load business. I was busy all forenoon at home then went at 2 o'clock to Mis. Society meeting. The Second St. Kindergarten opened this morning with Miss Florence Kellogg as director. I was there a few minutes then stopped to see Mary Peebles.

## Friday, October 4, 1899

Pleasant. Have a bad cold but it is a little better. Was busy at home until late in the afternoon when Carl took me up to see Mrs. Patterson, calling for me later at Mrs. G. W. Anderson's and taking me to Dr. Tine's for medicine. Went to prayer meeting in the evening and there being no leader, + no one to appoint one Mrs. Cotton asked Carl to take charge which he did reluctantly, not being prepared.

#### Saturday, October 5, 1899

Fair and a little warm. Cold still troublesome. Was busy at home all forenoon. Went to W. C. T. U. and Kindergarten meetings in the afternoon. Work in the latter quite encouraging. Miss Kellogg + I went to see whether Mrs. Prichard + daughters had returned.

They had not. I spent the evening writing letters. Wrote to Will, Lizzie Peebles, Julia Prichard + Jas.

Mrs. Peebles told me that Mattie Dover has a daughter whom she will call Mary Elizabeth. Carl wants Mary to go to Cin next week to visit Elizabeth so I bought her a readymade dress skirt.

## Sunday, October 6, 1899

Mild, and pleasant if it were not so dusty.

Mary and I were busy all morning, I cut out a skirt which she made with a little help from me. No letter from Will, but one from Jas who is in Joplin, M. Took Miss Kellogg to lower K-G after some material then came home and made two calls in the neighborhood. Upon Mrs. Williamson and her sister Mrs. Hall and then Mrs. Stranger here. Sister + Carl went to spend the evening at Mrs. S. O. Titus'. Miss Schwartz + Wells Reader came to see May.

#### Monday, October 7, 1899

Still mild and ry. No letter from Will yet, have been busy mending and doing little things all day. Went over home in the afternoon with a table cloth to mend. Mrs. Dennis was there. Mother and I were out in the morning for a half an hour. The streets are so dug up in the trenches for new sewers and pipes that we cannot drive just where we please.

## Tuesday, October 8, 1899

Beautiful day.

Father is 84 years old today and able to be out every day.

We all attended S. S. and the usual services, those of us who are at home. A lawyer, Mr. Lilly made an Ani-Saloon address in the morning, and Dr. J. C. Jackson made another in the evening at our church. Had a very small school.

## Wednesday, October 9, 1899

Fine weather. Letter from Jas + I wrote him + began a letter to Will. Have to wait for steamers' sailing days.

Was out on K-G business this afternoon at Mrs. Scudder's assisting with the home social of the Aid Society. Took Mrs. Hall as my guest. Mother took Mrs. Eugene Anderson + Margaret took Miss Kellogg. A large number were present. Went to S. S. Com. meeting in the evening at Mr. Patterson's office.

## Thursday, October 10, 1899

Beautiful day. Mild and bright. Had two letters from will this morning from Molokai, the other Honolulu, being the first we have had since the one mailed on the day he reached Honolulu on Sept.  $1^{\rm st}$ . We are thankful to hear from him and that he is well.

Mary went to Cin today with the Knight Templar on a special. She will visit Elizabeth. Margaret, Carl + I spent the evening over home with Messrs. G. + E. Cotton, Ruggles + Edwards and Misses E. + G. Cotton, Kellogg, Moore, Mr. + Mrs. C B Taylor + Ralph Moore.

#### Wednesday, October 11, 1899

Mild + cloudy with light rain. Letters from Jas + May. Wrote Elizabeth + some on Will's letter. Sewed a little. After dinner went to see Mrs. Prichard and her daughters Ruth + Edith. Mrs. Dr. Alderson was not at home. Called upon Mrs. Rarden, Mrs. Drew, Mill Sellards, Miss Esselborn, Mary Pursell + Mrs. Ives all on Kindergarten also Lena Reed. Went to prayer meeting in the evening Dr. Kline led.

Considerable agitation over the coming election, an attempt is being made to defeat the nominee for representative from Scioto County and put a better man in the place.

## Thursday, October 12, 1899

Fine weather. Letter from Jas. Wrote more on Will's letter and also wrote to Mrs. Emma S. Nichols of Chillicothe on W. R. C. work. Have sewed today. Did not go out this afternoon until almost supper time when I went to see Mrs. Branch. Yes, I went to W. C. T. U. meeting but came home immediately after and resumed my sewing.

Mrs. Johnson was here at supper time.

## Friday, October 13, 1899

Beautiful mild weather. Foliage rapidly turning. Tried to sew but had interruptions and then machine got out of order and I had to go after someone to fix it. Finished a sofa cushion and pair of pillow cases. Mended a night dress. Took Mother to the dentist's and to make two calls. Mrs. Jones was lying down and we did not disturb her, and Mrs. Peebles was upstairs and Mother would not have her called. Letters from Elizabeth and May.

C. L. S. C. met here this evening. Misses Jackson, Oaks, Truthant + Kerr, Grimm + Worley + Mrs. T. present.

## Saturday, October 14, 1899

Pleasant. Helen came last night form Pittsburg. Had letter from Will who is well and getting along nicely in his new location. Says Mr. Gregg will return to the states for the winter and he will be left in charge. Jas came home this afternoon from Joplin MO. Had word from Mrs. Jones that she will be here next Wednesday.

### **Sunday, October 15, 1899**

Warm and pleasant, though dusty. Went to S. S. and church. Mr. Blackburn preached both morning and evening, conducting communion service.

Had good congregations both morning and evening.

Margaret went to stay all night with Grace Hall, as she leaves tomorrow.

## Monday, October 16, 1899

Warm, dry, dusty. Streets are blocked in many places by large new drains being put in, Court St. bet. Front + Second has been dug down 26 feet deep and relics of other streets + days are brought to light.

Wrote to Will, a few more pages. Sister Mary went to Cin. with Dr. + Mrs. Blackburn. Went to corps meeting. Mrs. Williamson + sister Mrs. Hall called. Laura Richardson + Rob

Calvert married. Grace Hall returned to New York. Yacht race made one run. Columbia successful.

#### Tuesday, October 17, 1899

Before breakfast it began to rain and the day was cloudy + damp, but no hard rain fell until late in the afternoon. I was trying to do a little house-cleaning but had several interruptions. Jas + I were over home to dinner Florence Crossley and Mrs. Sallie Thomas of Ironton came + I went over home with them to see my quilts.

#### Wednesday, October 18, 1899

Pleasant. Was very busy all the forenoon getting ready for Mrs. James and at 3 o'clock she came, being in the same bus with Mary who was returning from Cin but they did not know each other. After she had rested a little while I took her and Mrs. Kellogg driving. Went to prayer-meeting, which was led by Margaret to my surprise. Had K-G meeting at All Saints' Chapel afterwards and Mrs. Jones gave us all a fine address.

### Thursday, October 19, 1899

Beautiful day, mild and pleasant with a gorgeous sunset. Mrs. James, Mother, Helen and I went to visit the Kindergarten this forenoon, after which we took a little drive. After dinner Mrs. J. + I talked awhile then I went over the river with her to the C + O train + she returned to Cin.

I came home and did various things until tea time then Jas + I went to call on Mr. + Mrs. Silcox who were out so we just visited Janet. I wrote to Mary.

#### Friday, October 20, 1899

Much cooler, and cloudy, Sewed nearly all day. Carl had letter from Will written Oct 8th in which he says Wm Peebles has been in Honolulu and gone on to Manilla, on the Hospital Ship Relief, as assistant in commisionary department. I wrote to both Elizabeth + Mary and sister Lizzie.

Yacht Columbia still successful.

## Saturday, October 21, 1899

Fair, but cool. Saw letter from Will to Enos written about the time over was (sp). Was at home all forenoon, then Margaret and I made calls after dinner. Mrs. Kellogg came before I went out. We called upon Mrs. Caskey + Mrs. Moore, I upon Mrs. H. Keer + she, Mrs. Shaw, then together we called upon Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Marsh, Mrs. Mark Selby, Mrs. McCall, + Mrs. Calder, Mrs. Gilbert and Mrs. Kendall, Mrs. Fulton, + Mrs. Vorheis. Several were out. After supper Jas + I called upon Mrs. spry + Mrs. Miller and lastly at Aunt Mary Sam's, who was out also.

#### Sunday, October 22, 1899

Pleasant. All went to S. S. and church except Carl the "all" being Jas, Margaret + myself. Dr. A. A. E. Taylor, late Pres. of Wooster University preached for us morning and

evening. Two fine sermons. Morning text being "and they knew not it was the Lord." Evening text, And taking Peter, James + John went up into an high mountain."

#### Monday, October 23, 1899

Dry, and cool enough for a little fire.

Carl came back from Ironton this afternoon and brought Mame Crossley for a little visit. Wrote to the girls and began a letter to Will.

#### Tuesday, October 24, 1899

Weather pleasant.

Mother, Mame and I were out until time for Mame to go to Mr. Peebles for dinner. After school sister + I made a few calls, went to see Mrs. D. Jones on 6<sup>th</sup> St. Mrs. I. Miller + daughter, Mrs. Pursell, and after tea we went over to Mrs. Taylor's. Have been sewing a little at odd times, but cannot do much.

#### Wednesday, October 25, 1899

Pleasant though dusty. Streets still in bad condition and sewer unfinished. Was out during most of the morning, and part of the afternoon, with Mother and Mame Crossley. After school Sister + I made a few calls. Went to Clara Waller's and Mrs. Williamson's.

Went to prayer-meeting and was surprised to see Mr. H. P. Smith come in with Carl. Sent my letter to Will in one of Carl's.

#### Thursday, October 26, 1899

Warm dry and beautiful except dust.

Was out in the carriage with Mother + Mame Crossley most of the forenoon. Went to W. C. Y. U. at 2 o'clock and then to Mothers' meeting at the Kindergarten. Miss Kellogg is a fine worker in both departments. Mame Crossley went home on the evening train with Mrs. Martin who called after supper. I invited guests for my "afternoon" tomorrow.

## Friday, October 27, 1899

Warm and pleasant, though dusty. Had twelve guests at the table, Mrs. McClain, Mrs. E. b. Pratt, Mrs. Spry, Mrs. e. Miller, Mrs. Jno Miller, Mrs. Peebles, Mother, Mrs. Connins, Mrs. Stearnes, Mrs. Dennis, Miss Emma Bell, Mrs. F. Firmstone. Helen + Margaret helped wait on them and five did not come, Mrs. D. D. Jones, Mrs. Charlotte Smith, Mrs. Buskirt, Mrs. Gharky, Mrs. James. We all had a pleasant time and I was glad I thought of asking them. After tea Helen went with me to the C. L. S. C. at Mrs. Trenhart's where we had a good attendance and pleasant meeting.

## Saturday, October 28, 1899

Pleasant all forenoon but cloudy. Margaret had her room cleaned in the forenoon. After dinner she + I continued our calling, staring out in a sprinkle and continuing in a rain all afternoon. Called upon Mrs. P. E. Selby, Lena Reed, Mrs. Pursell and daughters, Mrs. Folsom, Mrs. Reeder, Mrs. Copeland, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Nye, Mrs. Hager + Mrs. Lowes. I also

called on Gertrude Thomas who was not in, + stopped to see Miss Stella Kerr. Mrs. H. P. Smith went home.

## Sunday, October 29, 1899

Pleasant. Cloudy but no rain. We all went to Sunday School this morning and had service conducted by Red. Mr. Kalb of New Boston in the morning. In the evening, we went to Bigelow and heard Mr. Hargett on "habit," a very good sermon.

## Monday, October 30, 1899

Beautiful weather.

Have been busy at home all day. Had a general house cleaning upstairs made necessary by the dusty weather. Mrs. Bannan and her mother Mrs. Smith called. In the evening I wrote four letters, one to Elizabeth, to sister Lizzie, to sister Jennie and one to Mrs. Tappan in reply to one I had form her this morning. May came home from Cin on the C. P. + V. train this evening.

## Tuesday, October 31, 1899

Cloudy with slight rain. Had busy morning. Will Crichton came to talk about H. S. Alumni matters, Mrs. Ross to see about Kinder-garten meeting, etc.

Attended Foreign Mis. Meeting at 2 o'clock and at 4 o'clock. Sister + I attended the reception at Mrs. Gharky's.

Was over to see Father who is some better. Wrote to Mrs. Harrison of Yazoo City and began a letter to will to be finished later. Mother, Helen + May went to the reception together.

## Wednesday, November 1, 1899

Most delightful weather. Was busy at home all forenoon. Mrs. Labold called on Kindergarten business. Mary + Helen went to 11 o'clock train and met Miss Humphreys + Enos, who came from Columbus, but were unacquainted with each other. J. w. went to Henley after dinner. Edith Fulton invited May + Miss Humphreys to spend the afternoon with each other. J. W. went to W. C. M. Club. Margaret went out after them. I had a drive with Carl. Went to prayer-meeting. Mrs. Caden, Mrs. Jenkins + baby, Mrs. Dennis + Miss Lane called.

# Thursday, November 2, 1899

Not very bright. Was busy at home all forenoon and after dinner I attended the W. C. T. U. meeting, at Mr. Ross's.

In the evening Enos + Helen came over and went with Jas. Miss Kellogg and me to the  $2^{nd}$  Pres. Church where we heard Rev. Dr. Paton the Missionary to the South Sea Islands, tell of his experiences in the work there. I was glad to have the privilege of seeing him and hearing him talk.

#### Friday, November 3, 1899

A rainy day, and a busy one for me. After dinner I went out in the rain to invite Margaret's guests for tomorrow afternoon.

May and I have to make all the preparations. While I was busy with that the girls + Carl were busy with something else and it became manifest at supper time that our Anniversary was being celebrated. Enos + Helen + Misses Bragdon + Streich were here to tea and the table was graced with a beautiful new set of dishes.

#### Saturday, November 4, 1899

Beautiful day. Margaret entertained a little company in the afternoon in honor of Miss Humphreys. A game of musical guesses conversation + refreshments occupied the time. Those here were Grace + Ethel Cotton, Mabel Russell, Blanche Selby, Mary Pursell, Lucy Hall, Bessie Titus, Mary Y. Moore, Nettie Rice, Nina Kline Reed + little Evelyn, Miss Kellogg, Miss Ross, Edith Moore, Edith Fulton, Miss Lane of Chicago, Miss Humphreys + Helen Moore. Mrs. Taylor called during the afternoon. Rev. Clarence G. Reynolds came to stay over Sunday with us.

### Sunday, November 5, 1899

Beautiful day. All went to Sunday School as usual, Mr. Reynolds, with the rest. He preached morning and evening for us very acceptably.

Miss Humphreys played the organ for the evening service and we enjoyed that very much. Was over home to see Father. He is better but not able to be out.

## Monday, November 6, 1899

Pleasant. Was busy at home in the forenoon. After dinner I went to Corps meting and Corps was inspected by Mrs. Ada B. Jones of Greenfield who came home to supper + stayed all night with us. Mrs. Wilson + little Grace were here also until bed time. Mr. + Mrs. Silcox + Janette called after tea. Mr. Reynolds left on the C. P. + V. train for Cin. We have enjoyed his visit greatly. Enos has been elected Sept of the Ports. Foundry + Machine Works + will return from Pittsburg + take charge of business. Barton + Jennie came.

## Tuesday, November 7, 1899

A bright pleasant day. Election passed off very quietly. Mrs. Jones left on the morning train for Jackson. I called to say goodbye to Mrs. Wilson + little Grace. Enos + Helen left for Pittsburg this evening. Jennie + little Paul were here today. Margaret, May Carl + Miss H. went to Mrs. Taylor's to tea. Jas has been busy at the polls. Mr. T. M. Martin called after supper + later Dr. Edwards called.

## Wednesday, November 8, 1899

Pleasant. Brother John's birthday.

Nothing of special note. Was busy all day. After dinner Miss Humphreys left for Florida.

Went to prayer meeting in the evening.

### Thursday, November 9, 1899

Weather mild.

Florence Crossley came this forenoon to be here two or three days.

I have been house-cleaning and trying to get ready to sew when the visitors are all gone.

Made calls, or rather drove for Mother + Virginia this afternoon instead of going after school with Margaret as I had planned.

#### Friday, November 10, 1899

Rather pleasant.

Virginia spent the afternoon with me. After dinner I went to C. L. S. C. meeting at Mrs. Lottridge's where a few of us reviewed the lesson.

Sent a letter to Will which I hope will catch one of the steamers leaving San Francisco next week. The time seems long between letters.

#### Saturday, November 11, 1899

Pleasant for the season. Willard Greene's birthday. Was busy all forenoon and after dinner had planned to make calls with Margaret but Mother wanted me to take her and Virginia to make some calls so I drove for them to Mrs. Alderson's, Mrs. Drew's, Mrs. Gates' and Mrs. Young's. Afterwards did an errand or two. Margaret and Mary made a few calls together. Florence went home and Mr. T. N. Martin came to stay over Sunday. Mrs. Merrill was buried today.

## Sunday, November 12, 1899

Pleasant. Attended the usual Sabbath services. Rev. Mr. Hudson of West Union preached for us both morning and evening. Was over home to see Father and spent the day about as usual.

#### Monday, November 13, 1899

Weather mild + pleasant but for dust and wind. Had a good long letter from Will this morning, another stay on the island Molokai has detained his letter.

After school Margaret + I went to make a few calls. Called upon the bride Mrs. Tracy b. Johnson, Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. Tremper and Mrs. J. G. Reed, who had just left town. Did not feel well enough to go to the Magazine Club meeting. Mrs. Dr. Sellards died this morning.

# Tuesday, November 14, 1899

Somewhat cloudy with a light sprinkle after dinner. Have not felt well today and did not accomplish much, though I tried. Mrs. Silcox and Janette were here before supper. The Clover Club met here in the evening with nineteen present, it being Mary's turn to entertain the club. J. W. went with Mary and Mrs. Halderman's guests Mrs. Bosworth and her sisterin-law Mrs. Bosworth over in the Ky hills. Virginia + Paul went with them.

### Wednesday, November 15, 1899

Cloudy but no rain. A meteoric shower was done last night but if there was one the clouds obscured it in this locality. sister Virginia + little Paul went home today taking two of Mary's birds to add to her family caves. Have sewed a very little. Carl + some friends went to Henley on a hunt this evening. Messrs. Bragdon + Powers were with him.

L. P. Halderman was buried in Cleveland today.

## Thursday, November 16, 1899

Weather fine.

Sewed on Elizabeth's skirt today. After W. C. T. U. meeting Maggie Peebles and I went to call on Emma Grace Dellert and Mrs. Geo. Cross + girls Mattie + Grace. She then took the car for up town and I went to see Lena Astholz, then Mrs. Kellogg and lastly, Mrs. Kline, who has been to Bloomingburg to attend the funeral of little Dorothy Shoop. We dined over home with Mrs. Ed. Bosworth. Mrs. Powers was here to breakfast.

#### Friday, November 17, 1899

Mild and pleasant with indications of rain.

Finished Elizabeth's short skirt and her red + black plaid waist.

Went to the Reading Rooms before tea to see the Ramsey sisters. Attended the annual meeting of the W. c. T. u. at our church in the evening.

#### Saturday, November 18, 1899

Very mild, dusty, and late in the day signs of rain. The papers say the meteoric shower is not due for a year. Margaret took Mary + the two Mesdames Bosworth the long Lucasville drive today. After dinner May + I with Wells Reader distributed wedding cards for Ethel Cotton, taking  $9^{th}$  Market, Court, Washington + Gay Streets.

Had a fine letter from Elizabeth.

Took Mother to call upon Dr. Geo. Dennis's wife, they have returned from Europe yesterday.

#### Sunday, November 19, 1899

Weather pleasant for the season. All went to S. S. as usual. Rev. Dr. Brown preached twice today. Had a large congregation in the evening to hear special music. The fire alarms in the evening spoiled the sermon as people were too nervous to pay much attention to it while the alarm kept ringing.

## Monday, November 20, 1899

Pleasant. Wrote five letters today, one to Will, Elizabeth, sister Lizzie, Mrs. Harrison of Yazoo City and Mrs. McGuire.

Have been putting the house in order today, swept, dusted and made ready for Convention guests. Went out to help Mrs. Reeder a little in securing entertainment for delegates.

#### Tuesday, November 21, 1899

Pleasant. Have been very busy trying to finish E's skirts to send her by Miss Anna Ross who goes to Cin tomorrow. Mrs. McGuire of Olive Furnace, with her daughter Millicent came this evening, having driven down from home, thirty miles today.

I wrote to Elizabeth again today telling her about the telegram Miss Anna will take to her. Had church. Mr. Bragdon, Lucy + Edith.

#### Wednesday, November 22, 1899

Rained hard, at the time Jas went to the station after Mrs. Boynton who came at 10:28 AM.

Mrs. McGuire was out all day on business her own and the rest of us went to the S. S. Convention, those who could.

Both Mr. Clark and Mrs. Crouse addressed the meeting in the evening which was well attended in spite of the rain. Mr. Clark talked about the "Boy's Pa." Mrs. Crouse in the afternoon gave her talk on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm with symbols.

## Thursday, November 23, 1899

Rained all day but stopped in the evening. Attended the Sunday School Convention all day, and again in the evening. Mr. Clark was here to dinner today and both the ladies were out to dinner and Mrs. Boynton went to spend the night at Bessie's.

The talks were excellent at the Convention. Mrs. Crouse organized a Primary Union this afternoon with Mrs. Duduit as Pres. and Margaret Ricker as Sec'y. Did not attend the York Reception.

## Friday, November 24, 1899

Fairer than yesterday + a little colder. Mrs. McGuire and Millicent left for home about 8:30 this morning. The piano from Henley was being brought in as they were leaving. We will take care of it until it is wanted.

Mrs. Boynton came this afternoon after her things and went home on the evening train.

I attended C. L. S. C. meeting at Mrs. Oakes' this evening. Mrs. A. B. Vorheis and Mrs. Scudder called this afternoon.

#### Saturday, November 25, 1899

Rather cloudy, colder.

Letter from Mrs. Bond asking me to visit her next week cannot go. Busy at home all forenoon. Answered her letter. Went with Mother + May to call at Mrs. York's in the afternoon. She was not at home. Stopped at Mrs. Peebles' on an errand. Saw Mattie Doerr + her baby. Called on Mrs. Dan McFarland. Mrs. Taylor was here to tea.

#### Sunday, November 26, 1899

Pleasant. All went to Sunday School as usual. Had service both morning and evening, conducted by Mr. Brown, late from Omaha Neb.

Special service in the evening drew a crowd.

#### Monday, November 27, 1899

Weather pleasant.

This will be a busy week with festivities of various sorts. Carl left this afternoon for a little vacation, will probably go to Lexington, Ky for Thanksgiving.

I wrote to Will and hurried the letter off in the hope it would reach San Francisco in time for the outgoing steamer Wrote to Barton, and Oella Lawman for Thanksgiving.

## Tuesday, November 28, 1899

Beautiful weather.

Missionary Society met this afternoon at the church. Mrs. Dr. Pratt was present the first time in years. The topic was South America in charge of Mary Peebles.

Went to see Miss Kellogg and she was not in, had come to see me + called a second time. We were all invited over home to supper with Mr. + Mrs. Scudder + Mr. + Mrs. Taylor. Stephen Smith was there also, unexpectedly.

## Wednesday, November 29, 1899

Pleasant. The event of this day was the home coming of Elizabeth for the Thanksgiving vacation. After dinner Mary + I took the carriage and went to Front Street to await the coming of the C & O train. J. W. went over the river to meet Elizabeth.

Dr. Tappan came on the same train to officiate at Ethel Cotton's wedding tomorrow. He conducted prayer-meeting this evening. Julia came earlier to play for the wedding and will visit Winifred Smith and others while here.

Letter from Julia Prichard. We were all over home to dinner today with Dr. Dennis, George and his wife, Mrs. Dennis was sick and unable to be present.

## Thursday, November 30, 1899

Beautiful weather. James, + I, with Margaret + Mary attended service at All Saints' Church, there being none at our own, two Union Services being held, one on Sixth St. where Mr. Dillon preached, the other at  $2^{nd}$  Pres. where Mr. Fellows of Manley chapel preached. Our dinner was a small affair both boys being away, Will in Honolulu + Carl in Lexington Ky today. The three girls + ourselves sat down to dinner alone, wishing the others were with us.

The evening was devoted to the Schwartz-Cotton wedding which took place at the First Pres. Church and was beautiful, there being eight attendants besides ushers + best man. Grace Cotton being maid of honor, Ethel Sparks flower girl, Virginia Jones, Misses Ives, Wilson, Gibbs, Julia Hall + Lou Warwick all dressed in pink taffeta silk, carrying immense white chrysanthemums. The bride was handsomely dressed in white satin. Ushers were Fred Tymes, Lon Nichols, Harry Miller, Paull Esselborn, Arthur Bannon, Ed Johnson, Chris Keer for best man.

### Friday, December 1, 1899

Windy and raw. Have not felt well and did not do much today but clean Elizabeth's black luster dress.

Julia Tappan came to stay all night with Margaret. After supper J. W. + I went to S. S. Teachers' meeting for election of officers but we did not elect, postpone meeting until next Monday. No letters.

#### Saturday, December 2, 1899

Clearer, cooler and breezy. Was home all forenoon, busy. Julia Tappan and Margaret dined at Mrs. Connins' with Dr. Tappan and a few others. M went to Primary Mission meeting at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Pres. Ch. later. The girls were going to see Mrs. Prichard + her two daughters Edith + Charlotte came here so Elizabeth + May took them home in the carriage. I went to do a few errands, + called to see Mrs. Pratt at Uncle Enos' but could not remain long. Carl came home this afternoon. Letter from Mrs. Boynton.

### Sunday, December 3, 1899

Mild in the morning, rained in the afternoon. all went to S. S. as usual. Dr. Tappan was present, + Julia played the piano. The Dr. preached both morning + evening, two excellent sermons.

In the afternoon J. W. and I attended the Bi-monthly S. S. meeting at the U. B. church.

#### Monday, December 4, 1899

Cold and raw, wind and light snow. Was busy doing little things for Elizabeth who left on the afternoon train for her work in Cin. Her train was two hours late. After she had gone I went over home to see Father + Mother. Carl gave me one of his new photos, which is fine. I wrote four letters this evening while all the rest of the family were out at meetings of post + C. E. Society. Wrote to sister Lizzie, to Elizabeth Peebles, Mrs. Julia Boynton + Mrs. McGurgin. Saw a letter from William Peebles written from Manilla.

## Tuesday, December 5, 1899

Clear and cold, ground frozen. Spent the forenoon at home cleaning the front of Elizabeth's dark red silk dress upon which something had spilled. Fels naptha soap finally did the work very well. In the afternoon I went to Home Mis. Society + remained to the Aid Society afterwards going home with Mrs. Cotton to see the wedding presents given Ethel + Mr. Schwartz. They are numerous + handsome. I also called upon Mrs. Cran. The Henley cow died this AM. Edith Prichard was here to dinner.

# Wednesday, December 6, 1899

Weather rather cold. Have been working on Elizabeth's dress most of the day. Sent her a box containing her new blue dress and some other articles she needed.

I had to almost make over her silk dress skirt it was so badly cut around the bottom. Had S. S. Teachers' meeting after prayer meeting and elected officers for the coming year. Dr. Dennis for Supt. Jas + Ass't Supt. Carl Sec'y, Sam Johnson Treas. Floyd Knowles assistant Librarian +Emma Dellert org.

### Thursday, December 7, 1899

Pleasant. Finished my letter to Will and sent it, we had several from him, his father + I each one, one to his grandfather and one to Barton Greene to be forwarded to him. I attended the W. C. T. U. meeting this afternoon and then came home to prepare for the S. S. class meeting after supper. Only Lucy + Edith Moore, Ida Wilhelm, Bertha Lodwick + Lavina + Alice Lawson came, two of them not my pupils.

#### Friday, December 8, 1899

Weather remarkably mild for the season and very favorable for the work being done on the streets, which are now in bad condition, dug up for sewers, gas pipes and even the paved streets are tore up for double tracks for the street cars.

Jas + I were entertained at dinner this evening by Mrs. C. B. Taylor with Dr. + Mrs. Dennis, Mother + Mary. Had a pleasant evening.

#### Saturday, December 9, 1899

Weather mild + pleasant. Mary and I worked on my cloak, making it over. We finished by bedtime and it is greatly improved. Ethel Sparks was here most of the afternoon and May entertained her while I sewed on the cloak. Margaret had an afternoon full of engagements with S. S. + Junior work.

### Sunday, December 10, 1899

Weather mild, + comfortable for me. All went to S. S. as usual and afterwards to the regular church services. Dr. Colliver of Louisville preached both morning and evening. Was over home as usual to see Father who is still in his room.

## Monday, December 11, 1899

Warm and cloudy, sprinkled in afternoon, rained in evening. Spent most of the day ripping Lizzie Peebles' winter dresses to be made over. Afterwards did several errands. Called at Mrs. cotton's, Miss Eisman's, Mrs. Kline, Mrs. Peebles, Mrs. Herron's, Miss Knowles' on several errands. Carl + the girls went to Local C. E. Union meeting at Ger. Pres. Ch.

Letter from Elizabeth, Carl + I wrote to Will + shall have to write to E. before bedtime.

Jas took Carl's + Mr. Bragdon's horses up to Mr. Duis' to winter.

### Tuesday, December 12, 1899

Very windy. Have been ripping on Lizzie's dresses all day and late in the afternoon went to see Mrs. Knowles, no- it was yesterday I went up there. Mrs. A. G. Crouse came this morning and I have been busy all day. Went to the Primary Union Meeting at  $2^{nd}$  Pres. Church in the evening.

#### Wednesday, December 13, 1899

Rather mild and very windy. Margaret has not been well today but went to school. After 4 o'clock I went to see Dr. Kline and got a prescription but had to send for him later as she seemed quite sick. Did not go to prayer-meeting as I was waiting to get some medicine for her and delays made it 8:30 before she began on the remedies.

Mrs. Crouse left on the 10:28 train this evening. I took her to the station.

#### Thursday, December 14, 1899

A continual rain all day. Have slept some to make up what I lost during the night as I game M. her medicine regularly all night. she is somewhat better this morning but I did not attend Mrs. Sam Reed's beautiful reception Mary assisted in the dining room. In the evening she went to the social at church.

#### Friday, December 15, 1899

Cleared off and colder.

Margaret was in bed all day, but is much better. After my morning work I went over home.

After dinner went to see Miss Kellogg + found her sick with cold, then to Mrs. Anna Ross who was also sick in bed.

Went to C. L. S. C. meeting at Mrs. Jackson's in the evening. A new member, Mr. Opey was present.

## Saturday, December 16, 1899

Clear and colder.

Margaret was up most of the day, Dr. Kline was in after breakfast, but will probably not come again. Was busy all forenoon at home and after dinner made calls. Went to see Mrs. Reeder, Mrs. Dover, Mrs. Jno Wood (bride) Mrs. Fulton, Mrs. McClure, Mrs. Will Reed, Mrs. Sam'l Reed + daughter + Mrs. Chas. Kinney Mrs. Turley , + after supper Mrs. Taylor. The moon was totally eclipsed this evening and we had fine views of to. Letter from Will this morning. Sister Mary had letter from Lizzie Peebles. Total eclipse of moon this evening, fine view of it

#### Sunday, December 17, 1899

Pleasant and mild for the season. All went to S. S. and the usual church services. Rev. Clarence G. Miller, of Centerville Iowa preached both morning and evening and was very much liked by many. Margaret did not go out today as she had to be careful not to take more cold.

Winifred Smith was here to tea and went with May to C. E. Mr. Scudder was here just before tea to see what was expected of him in installing the C. E. officers.

#### Monday, December 18, 1899

Cloudy all day, rain late in the afternoon. Wrote to sister Lizzie, Will and Elizabeth this AM and went to Woman's Relief Corps in the afternoon. Was re-appointed Sec'y after having already served ten years. Was up to see Miss Kellogg.

### Tuesday, December 19, 1899

Warm and wet, though it did not rain all day. I was out most of the day, went up to Mrs. Fulton's, + Mrs. Alderson's, Mrs. A. F. Titus, Mrs. Pratt's, Mrs. Donoghy's and lastly, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Fagin + I called upon Mrs. Fowler. After tea Jas + I went to Mrs. Silcox's but no one was at home. Have been trying to stir up the K-G interest.

#### Wednesday, December 20, 1899

A very white frost which clung to the trees, + remained on the shaded roof all day. Colder. Letter, pictures +pictured portals from Will. Letter from Elizabeth saying she will be home tomorrow, and Miss Todd will come Monday.

Miss O'Connor came to sew for Lizzie Peebles. I was up to see Maggie + Mary this morning. We both had letters from Hot Springs reporting great improvement in Lizzie but not so much in Richard. Went to prayer-meeting.

## Thursday, December 21, 1899

Cold. Have been busy all day as usual, was out awhile in the forenoon then went to the Kinder-garten in the afternoon.

Miss O' Connor has been sewing all day on sister Lizzie's red wrapper and I have been trying to find the necessary things for it.

### Friday, December 22, 1899

Clear and cold. May and I went up to the Free Kindergarten Christmas Tree this morning. The room was filled with happy children and happy mothers. Miss Kellogg went home in the afternoon.

Elizabeth missed the noon train and came on the evening accommodation C & O. All four went to the High School entertainment in the evening, Carl + Elizabeth following the others later. I spent the evening writing letters. Mrs. O. C. will not come to finish her work until after the holidays.

#### Saturday, December 23, 1899

Milder, rain began falling in the morning and freezing on the walk. Rained all day and continues this evening making it very unpleasant for shoppers and unprofitable for merchants.

Have not done much in the way of Christmas preparations aside from writing letters and helping the others.

Wrote letters to sister Virginia + Elizabeth, and Helen, her Mother Mrs. Robinson, Elizabeth + Margaret Peebles a double letter, Robert, Richard, Dwight, Willard Paul, and Mrs. McClure of this city. Carl and the girls sent a good many little girls and the four are out tonight in the rain finishing up their errands.

I went to see Mrs. Silcox a little while and was over to see Mother twice, she is not feeling at all well.

### Sunday, December 24, 1899

Cold and clear, no I think we took umbrellas but it did not rain while we were out. It rained all night last night and the streets are muddy. All went to Sunday School and the usual church services.

Rev. Mr. Kendall of Bloomingburg preached both morning and evening. It began to grow very cold in the evening and the ground was frozen dry when we came home from church.

#### Monday, December 25, 1899

Cold and clear, very good Christmas weather.

We were so busy all forenoon attending to our various duties that we could hardly find the time to open our packages. The time honored custom of a Tree was waived entirely + the piano was used instead. I was busy getting the house in order for the coming guest Miss Laura Todd of Middleton who arrived in time for our Christmas dinner. Jas and Margaret were busy at the Sunday School all forenoon and after dinner all the young folks went to the foot-ball game at the park. I went over home to see Father + Mother. In the evening we went to the S. S. entertainment and after the young people had callers.

We have had a very pleasant Christmas except that we missed Will so much. Had letter and packages from some absent friend.

#### Tuesday, December 26, 1899

Cool and clear. Was busy in the morning putting the house in order then went over and stayed with Mother as she was feeling worse than usual and both Dr. Kline + Dr. Halderman were there. A slight surgical operation relieved her.

In the afternoon I attended the W. F. Mis. Society held out, and had charge of the topic for the month.

Julia Prichard came before supper to stay all night, Paul Tappan came on the afternoon train to spend a few days. Elizabeth being a resident of the city, not a member of the Clover Club could not attend their meeting this evening with Lucy & Edith Moore but Mary could invite Mrs. Todd, her guest to she + Dr. Edwards, Miss Todd + Arthur Moore, Carl + Miss Sellards, and Julia visited with Elizabeth.

## Wednesday, December 27, 1899

Light snow began falling before breakfast and is now more than an inch deep at noon and still falling. Have been at home all forenoon. Julia Prichard went home about 10 o'clock and the other three girls and Paul went out for a walk, in the snowstorm.

They seem to be having a good time.

## Thursday, December 28, 1899

Cold with considerable snow on the ground.

We have stayed in the house pretty closely, except that I had to go up to Mrs. Johnson's and meeting Mrs. Miller then she and I called to see Mrs. Pentursey on our way home, and then I stopped to see Miss Emma Bell who today heard of the death of her sister

Mrs. White in New York, Miss Emma being now the last of ten brothers + sisters. I called to see Bertie Whitelaw and her three month old son John Leonard.

#### Friday, December 29, 1899

Cold. The young folks are having a good day and night.

This evening Bess + Kate Anderson, Edna Davis, Emma Drouillard, Mr. Streich, Mr. Powers, Dr. Edwards, and our own houseful of young people made a happy party.

We have had no letter from Will for some time, but I have had letters from Mrs. Bond, Mrs. Robinson and Helen.

#### Saturday, December 30, 1899

Very cold. Paul, Mr. Powers and three of the girls went skating this morning and found it pretty cold. Margaret decided not to risk it as she was obliged to be out in the afternoon to Primary Union Meeting.

Barton went home this afternoon and Enos went East.

The young folks had a little company, Lucy Moore, and three Pedan sisters, Cliff Anderson + Dr. Williamson begin here.

#### Sunday, December 31, 1899

Clear and cold. Thermometer -2° with snow on the ground except where worn off by vehicles.

All went to Sunday School, but having no service at our church we all went to Bigelow. Paul went to dinner at Mr. Scudder's after service but was back in time for supper. I went to bed at 7 o'clock being too tired, cold and sleepy to go to church when we had no service at our own church.

We hope it will not be long until we have a pastor.

Lucy Moore stayed all night here and went to Sunday School with us. Julia Prichard was here to dinner. She goes back to Newark tomorrow.