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\*Note: for January 1-14, 1911, Louisiana has two entries for each day. She first wrote the entries in her previous diary, then wrote different entries for the dates in her new book as well.

## Sunday, January 1, 1911

The new year beings with cold weather. Margaret being in the country today, Bertha Wilhelm had her class. We had our first regular S. S. session in the new building but there was little time for lessons as the classes had to be arranged, and then the school closed early to allow people to go to the Great Tabernacle and hear Mr. W. A. Sunday preach his first sermon. Went again in the afternoon. Building was filled both times.

#### Sunday, January 1, 1911

Rained. Frist day in our new S. s. room.

No more services in our church, or any of the chs. Interested in the Sunday meetings until after the close of Rev. William Sunday's engagement of six weeks.

Went twice today to the tabernacle which is located at Eighth + Gallia. The girls, Eden Greene + Willard went in the evening in the rain. Large attendance.

#### Monday, January 2, 1911

Rained Saturday night and was cloud, raw and cold afterwards. Margaret + Miss Cramer came in again this evening. I went to dinner to see Miss Emma Bell + took her some milk. Edna, the girls + I went to see the church, as there will be no service there while Edna is here. Word came today from California that there is no hope of Mr. Robert Peebles' recovery + Coles left for Los Angeles. I went to see Mary.

### Monday, January 2, 1911

Damp and cold. Cannot get my new diary, too late ordering it so must wait. Took Edna to see the interior of the church. Met here and the girls there then went to see Miss Emma Bell who is sick, at her rooms in the Damarin Bldg. Coles Peebles left for Cal. In response to a telegram stating his father is worse.

## Tuesday, January 3, 1911

School opened again today, as did Kindergarten also. Edna decided to remain a few days longer, but Willard went on the early N + W train, 7:14. We have enjoyed his visit very much.

The first morning prayer-meeting in our district ( $7^{th}$ ) was held at Mrs. Gore's this morning at 9:30.

## Tuesday, January 3, 1911

Snowed all day.

Schools reopened, also Free Kindergartens, four in number.

Edna and the girls took tea with Mrs. Manning + spent the evening there.

Mary Moore + I went to the tabernacle Building. Seats over 6000 and is filled at every service. Hard to get seats.

Willard Greene returned to Wooster University this morning.

#### Wednesday, January 4, 1911

Guests all gone, but we shall now be busy getting ready for the coming of the Carter sisters who are to be here soon.

Went to the Tabernacle, morning prayer-meetings are to be held four mornings each week, three at homes, + one in a church, there being about ten of these union meetings.

## Wednesday, January 4, 1911

Snowy. Margaret P. and Mary busy with the dressmaking. Miss Brandel is to make Mary's white voile after she finishes Margaret's dresses.

Margaret is here every day.

Went to tabernacle.

Enos + Helen were here all evening.

Bad news came today from Robert Peebles in California.

#### Thursday, January 5, 1911

Cold. Word came today that Robert Peebles died at Los Angeles, California where he, his wife Martha Steele, and Charles Krotzenberger went recently. Has been failing for some time. I went at one to see Mary Peebles who is much affected by the news, she was at the Tabernacle when the message was brought and I went to see her, as did Mrs. Young and Mr. Dunning. I later, went to see Miss Bell + Clara Newton. Edna left for home.

### Thursday, January 5, 1911

Snow still on the ground. Cold. Was at the tabernacle this afternoon when the telephone message reached John Peebles + Mary, that Robert Peebles, their brother had died at Los Angeles, Cal. Mary was taken home in the Sunday carriage + I went at once to see her, + then to see Miss Bell who is sick. This is Mother Ricker's birthday, she was born at (blank space here).

## Friday, January 6, 1911

Pleasant, though cold.

While I was washing up the breakfast dishes, Will suddenly appeared, having come back to see the man whom he went to Pittsburg to see. He returned with the man, to Pittsburg in the afternoon. I went to Mrs. Manning's to supper and later to the Tabernacle. Elizabeth and Margaret Peebles came home with me.

### Friday, January 6, 1911

Still snowy. Will surprised us this morning, came on C+0 train at 7:14 and left at 3:20 N + W. I went with him to the train after which I went to the tabernacle. Margaret Peebles went with the girls to the tabernacle and afterwards came home with them to stay all night.

## Saturday, January 7, 1911

Cold and clear.

Busy at home in the forenoon.

In the afternoon Macy and I went to the Tabernacle, after which she went home and I went to see Mary Peebles. Elizabeth and Mary went to spend the afternoon with Margaret Peebles and later went to Mrs. Manning's to supper.

Elizabeth Greene's birthday. Margaret + Miss C. went to the farm.

## Saturday, January 7, 1911

Not very pleasant for country trips but Margaret and Miss Cramer drove out to little Bear Creek farm to look after things there.

Elizabeth and Mary began on the embroidering of the white voile which Mary is to wear at Margaret P's wedding. They took their supper. I bought a tabernacle hymn book.

## Sunday, January 8, 1911

All went to S. S. excepting Margaret who was in the country. It was a pleasant day and the attendance was good. We had regular lessons, after which we went up to the tabernacle and heard Mr. Sunday preach a powerful sermon.

Mrs. Dennis was here to dinner. We went again to the tabernacle in the evening. The crowds are great, but order good. Singing fine and preaching earnest and forcible.

Margaret + Miss C. came home.

## Sunday, January 8, 1911

All went to Sunday School and I brought Mrs. Dennis home to dinner as we shall have company soon and cannot ask her until afterwards. The girls and I went to the tabernacle.

## Monday, January 9, 1911

Windy and the mud is drying up.

The girls are busy embroidering the dress which Miss Brandel is making for Mary to wear at Margaret Peeble's wedding. A thin white silk voile with large white chrysanthemums embroidered in white silk. Word from Newtonville. Say they will be here Friday.

### Monday, January 9, 1911

Usual occupations for Monday. No Sunday meetings on Mondays. Girls sewed every minute they could get from regular work.

Margaret was here, as she is every chance she can get.

## Tuesday, January 10, 1911

Pleasant, prayer meeting at 9:30 at Mrs. Steahly's.

Was trying nearly all day to find help but was not successful.

Was at Gertrude Moore's. Mrs. Manning + the children were here.

Margaret did Elizabeth's work at the Nursery at Trinity this evening, helping to care for thirteen children while their mothers attended the meeting at the Tabernacle. Mary + I went to the meeting.

## Tuesday, January 10, 1911

Weather fair and cold.

Mrs. Manning and the two children were here.

Clover Club met at Martha Moulton's.

I went to the tabernacle. Lucille Graham and Arthur Willey were married at Delaware, O. today. Lucille was in the Kindergarten work last year.

## Wednesday, January 11, 1911

Fair and warmer.

Prayer meeting at Mrs. Cress' this morning. Busy the rest of the day. Went out to find help for the kitchen work but found none. Was at Gertrude Moore's yesterday. Went to Tabernacle in the evening.

Letters from Will + Willard. Went to the Tabernacle in the evening alone, Mary being at Mrs. Manning's to come home with me. Letters from Will.

### Wednesday, January 11, 1911

The morning prayer-meetings with tabernacle meetings in the afternoon and evening six days in the week take about all the time there is these days. Elizabeth has her regular kindergarten and class work, and Mary her usual duties but all the time the girls can save from other things is put on the dress Mary is making for Margaret's wedding.

## Thursday, January 12, 1911

Rainy day. Went to union prayer-meeting at our church at 9:30 afterwards to see Mary Peebles who left at noon for Ashland. The party return from Cal. Tonight and the funeral services will be held there tomorrow after which they come to Portsmouth for the burial in the family lot. Mary gave me a beautiful Florentine mosaic pin which she had intended to give me X'mas but it was overlooked.

Macy + I went up after dinner, + Margaret Peebles showed us all her beautiful new things. Letters from Carl + Clara Ricker.

#### Thursday, January 12, 1911

Mrs. Lang and all of us were busy getting the house in order for the coming of the guests, the carter girls of Newtonville, Mass who are expected tomorrow. Mary has visited them two or three times and they have planned once or twice before to come visit her.

#### Friday, January 13, 1911

Beautiful day but muddy underfoot. The house was all in order and Mary went to the N + W train and met the guests, Misses Stella and Cora Carter who were here in time for dinner. In the afternoon and evening it rained. The funeral of Robert Peebles, of Ashland occurred today and the remains were brought on a special train, with a large number of friends, but the hour was so uncertain that I could not find out when to go, so was not out, but went later to see Mary Peebles, and Margaret. In the evening Margaret Jackson and I went to the Tabernacle. Mrs. Sunday arrived today, with the little three year old boy. The meetings are fine.

Letter from Carl and I wrote him, also Mrs. Elder and sent her a jabot which I made before Christmas.

#### Friday, January 13, 1911

Beautiful day. The Misses Cora and Stella Carter arrived at noon today. Mary met them.

In the evening they, with Helen and Enos went to see Margaret.

## Saturday, January 14, 1911

Wet all day. Was home all forenoon and out all afternoon. Went to the Tabernacle to the children's meeting which was fine. He used flags and vases for an object lesson which the children will long remember. Made three Home Dept. calls. Mrs. Rowe, Mrs. Clark + Mrs. Lodwick. Had letters from Lizzie Peebles and Will.

## Saturday, January 14, 1911

Margaret was here this AM and all the girls went to the dress maker's. In the evening they all went to the meeting at the tabernacle.

#### Sunday, January 15, 1911

Sunday School was held earlier than usual to give people time to reach the tabernacle and get seats, which are hard to secure. We often stand half an hour waiting for the rope to be removed which marks reserved seats until a certain hour.

The girls went to see Margaret in the afternoon and Mrs. Manning in the evening.

#### Monday, January 16, 1911

No meeting at tabernacle today but I attended W. R. C. meeting at Security Hall. Very cold there and I took cold. Attendance small. Invitation to Margaret's Wedding rec'd today, for Jan  $26^{\rm th}$ .

#### Tuesday, January 17, 1911

Snowed nearly all day. Cora and Stella Carter went to spend two days with Margaret Peebles.

Elizabeth and Mary will put in the time as steadily as possible, on the embroidery. This is Mr. + Mrs. Brandel's  $50^{th}$  wedding anniversary.

The interest in the meetings continues to grow and tabernacle is always crowded,

#### Wednesday, January 18, 1911

The four girls went to Mary Peebles' to dinner today, or rather were invited to go to dinner with them.

The Sunday meetings are the chief topic in town and the surrounding country now.

## Thursday, January 19, 1911

Snowy. Mary finished the embroidery on her dress, which she + Elizabeth with some help from Margaret have done. My part of the job was to take the tissue paper out from under the embroidery after it was done, the pattern having been on the paper.

Miss Brandel will make the dress. The girls took a car ride.

#### Friday, January 20, 1911

Bright in the morning, cloudy and cold later on in the day.

Girls drove out in the surrey awhile in the afternoon. In the evening they, with Enos and Helen went to see Margaret.

The family, myself, excepted, gave her a dozen salad forks. I had embroidered a center piece and doilies for her.

Mrs. Dunning and her sister were here.

#### Saturday, January 21, 1911

A full day. Mary had to go to Miss Brandel's at 11AM for a final fitting. After dinner the girls had a small "duster" party for Margaret with about a dozen girls as guests. Mary and I are both about sick with colds. Mrs. Behrens had to be taken home sick, today with something like grippe.

## Sunday, January 22, 1911

I spent the entire day in bed with a severe cold. The girls went to S. S. but remained at home the rest of the day. The churches closed, the tabernacle crowded, and we were not missed.

# Monday, January 23, 1911

The girls took their guests to the Clover Club meeting at Louise small's in the evening.

Helen and Enos were here.

Mary's dress came home and is beautiful.

The embroidery in white silk and beads, in chrysanthemum pattern is very effective and Miss Brandel has made it up very well.

## Tuesday, January 24, 1911

Pretty day. Was home all day and saw the callers whom the guests missed. Marguerite Schirrman, Edna Martin and Bess Pixley were here.

The girls were all out this afternoon.

## Wednesday, January 25, 1911

Cold and clear.

Cora and Stella Carter went to Kindergarten in the morning and then to the ticket office to get their tickets for Boston. They went to see Margaret in the afternoon while Elizabeth had her class.

## Thursday, January 26, 1911

Margaret Peebles was here at noon, with Robert, making her farewell call. The Hunt family and Chas. Carter came at noon and H + C were here in the afternoon. We all went to the wedding in the evening, all excepting Mary Moore. Have newspaper account of the wedding of Harold Hunt and Margaret Louise Peebles. All left on the midnight train for Washington D. C.

#### Friday, January 27, 1911

Guests gone, all excepting John G. left at midnight and he went at 3 AM so today we have been getting the house in order and getting back into the regular routine. Wrote to Carl. Girls went to the meeting, I did not as I want to go to the rally tomorrow. Was sorry to miss the amusement sermon which is said to be a strong one.

## Saturday, January 28, 1911

Went to see Mary P. and Margaret's presents.

There was a great Sunday School rally and parade to the tabernacle this afternoon. We all marched and Mr. Sunday made an excellent address to the vast crowd. First news from M. P. H. art Washington came this afternoon.

Wrote to Carl, as usual.

## Sunday, January 29, 1911

Very heavy, continuous rain all day. I went to Sunday School then came home. Enos and Mary went to the tabernacle in a downpour of rain. Helen stayed at home and watched the dinner. Those who went reported the tabernacle crowded, as usual, in spite of the rain. Mr. Sunday's preaching is powerful. Mr. Rhodehaver addressed our S. S. this morning. He is a fine leader as well as singer.

#### Monday, January 31, 1911

Weather fair. Went to morning prayer-meeting.

The missionary meeting was charged to this afternoon because of the meetings, Monday being Mr. Sunday's rest day, we decided to have the W. M. S. today. Met at Mrs. Evans'. I had a short reading, Mary Peebles talked on China. I read letter from David Tappan. Took Mrs. Betts to the meeting at Mrs. Evans' Later I made a call on  $2^{nd}$  St. and in the evening went again to the service.

## Tuesday, January 31, 1911

Weather fair.

Went to morning prayer-meeting, and again in the evening.

Began orchestrating a green silk cover for Dorothy's ball, for her birthday which comes March  $17^{\rm th}$ .

### Wednesday, February 1, 1911

Bright and if signs are to be depended upon we will have more cold weather. The tabernacle, meetings and cottage prayer-meetings in the mornings are the chief occupations these days. The deal of time to go back and forth. Bought two of Fred Seibert's red books. Had letter from Carl.

#### Thursday, February 2, 1911

Bright, clear and cold. River 50 feet 6 inches. Group prayer-meeting held here at our home. Lead by Miss Annie Maclaren of the Sunday party. Good attendance. After it was over I went to Jefferson St. to the prayer-meeting conducted by Rev. Atkinson. I attended afternoon meeting, Bible class and evening meeting, five in one day too many.

Elizabeth took her k-g-n to visit the Gay St. school on account of the room being wanted for prayer-meeting.

## Friday, February 3, 1911

This is Robert Betts' Manning's birthday, four years old.

His mother had a family dinner which included me and the three girls, besides Mrs. Betts and Mrs. Cadot, all guests who are fond of Robert and whom he loves. He was quite hilarious. I was feeling so miserable with a bad cold that I came home and went to bed.

Letter from Margaret P. Hunt. ELM issued a card in the papers concerning the meetings.

# Saturday, February 4, 1911

Unable to be out. Regret missing the good meetings but cold are prevalent, and tenacious. The sawdust in the tabernacle probably causes much of the coughing. Had letter from Carl and wrote him, as usual.

## Sunday, February 5, 1911

Missed all services today owing to the bad cold which stays with me. Was in bed. Girls went to Women's meeting at Trinity in the afternoon, and to the tabernacle at night. They took supper ay Mrs. Manning's who went with them to the evening meeting.

#### Monday, February 6, 191

Weather pleasant.

Elizabeth and Mary went out to Mr. Sears' and bought two pairs of shoes, samples which sell at bargains when brought back from a trip. Am still at home with cold + cough. Mr. Sunday went to Cin. to deliver his sermon on "Booze." Thirteen coaches full of people went along. He is a fearless speaker on the subject and full of facts which he uses with telling effect.

## Tuesday, February 7, 1911

Had the trees trimmed a little, not mutilated as so many do. Am not going the meetings until tomorrow.

The girls went in the evening, taking Mrs. Betts. In the afternoon Mary went to Trinity M. E. ch. to hear address to women + girls. Elizabeth had class so could not go. Had letter from Carl.

## Wednesday, February 8, 1911

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## Thursday, February 9, 1911

I have been saving up my strength for the Temperance Rally at the tabernacle and this afternoon, all the W. C. T. U.'s four in number met at Trinity M. E. church and went in a body to the tabernacle. About one hundred + twenty-five occupied the reserved seats. I stayed all the rest of the day, having lunch with me.

It was a bright, pleasant day. Had letter from Mrs. Elder.

#### Friday, February 10, 1911

Went again to the tabernacle in the afternoon and stayed to the Bible Class taught by Miss Miller, remaining to the evening meeting as did scores of others who take lunches. Large as the building is it will not hold all who wish to attend.

There are great privileges and hundreds have begun the Christian life.

#### Saturday, February 11, 1911

A busy day at home, and at the tabernacle.

People go and wait hours in order to get seats.

We do the necessary work but the main business now is going to the meetings. Mrs. Dunning is sick and I had the use of her choir seat ticket.

Sent letter to Carl.

#### Sunday, February 12, 1911

Lincoln's birthday.

All went to Sunday School and then up to the tabernacle for the closing today. Attended both AM + PM meetings. The offerings for today are all to go to Mr. Sunday as it is

all he asks for his services. He is a wonderful man and has done a wonderful work here, as elsewhere.

I had a seat in the choir as Mrs. Dunning was not able to go.

#### Monday, February 13, 1911

Fair. The "Billy Sunday" party left this afternoon for a little rest before beginning at Lima next Sunday. Almost 3000 people were at the station to see Mr. Sunday + party off. I did not go.

We are, to have these extra services this week. Had long-attendance this evening. Letter from Carl.

## Tuesday, February 14, 1911

We each received valentine from Carl who remembers us on all special days in some special way.

I went to church in the evening. We are having a few extra meetings this week, before the approaching reception of members. The girls entertained the postponed meeting of the Clover Club.

Rec'd box of candy from Edna and send her photo of the house.

## Wednesday, February 15, 1911

Weather fair. Margaret P. Hunt's birthday. I sent her a photo of our home which she has always loved so well. Large attendance at evening service and many new members were rec'd by the session.

Finished Dorothy's green ball and made a red one for Robert.

## Thursday, February 16, 1911

Beautiful spring-like day.

Crocuses in bloom, trees budding. Went to W. C. T. C. in afternoon and took five new members with me. Prayer-meeting in the morning at Mrs. Culbertson's. Papers report a total of 5224 converts resulting from the Sunday meetings, with others who will doubtless come later.

The offerings for Mr. Sunday have amounted to \$10,513. 42 so far, there are some objectors but as a rule people are glad to give expression to their appreciation of his work.

# Friday, February 17, 1911

Weather threatening, rained later. Wrote to Carl.

Reception for new members in the new S. S. room.

Large crowd. Mary E. M. went with me. First social meeting held in the new room.

## Saturday, February 18, 1911

Cold and rainy. Home all day and busy as usual.

Girls went to Mrs. Manning's and stayed to supper.

Wrote to sister E. F. Peebles, Filled church envelopes for five weeks.

#### Sunday, February 19, 1911

Rainy and cold. 378 in S. S. Great day in all the churches receiving the new members who have united with the various churches after the "Sunday meetings." 187 new members rec'd into our church 50 of whom were men. Sixty-three were baptized, also a number of infants.

The Sunday meetings began in Lima today. Attended all the services today. Many could not go on account of the weather. Margaret suggested that we present a communion plate.

## Monday, February 20, 1911

Cold and slippery.
Home all forenoon, out all afternoon.
W. R. C. meeting, only five present. Girls went to Musicale.

## Tuesday, February 21, 1911

Cold and icy, scenery beautiful, sun shining in ice. Was out most of the day. Great interest over the result of the action in Columbus today where the Dean bill was defeated, leaving the local option law still in force. Went to see Maria Keer, M. E. P. and M. A. Silcox.

#### Wednesday, February 22, 1911

Cold and icy, walking bad, spent much time looking for lost check from S. C. Peebles which I did not find. Sorted over many papers. Girls went to Musicale. Ther 27° snow and ice. Went to Dr. Ruggles in afternoon with abscess in tooth.

Called to see Mrs. Dever, M. E. P., Mrs. Dennis about communion plate. Dunnings were here to supper. First prayer-meeting in our new room.

#### Thursday, February 23, 1911

Beautiful "ice storm," the trees, vines, shrubs, wires and everything encased in ice upon which the sun shone brilliantly. Two letters from Will. Out all forenoon. Court House, grocery, Mrs. Peebles + Miss Pursell's. Called on sick in afternoon. Dean bill defeated in Columbus so local option law still good. Helen + Coles in their new home. Clover Club met here. Prayer-meeting at Mrs. Ball's in morning. Tooth extracted in afternoon.

#### Friday, February 24, 1911

Damp but no rain. Snow melting. Wrote to Carl as usual. Had Mrs. Manning, the children and Mrs. Betts here to dinner. I had to leave the company and go to a K-G meeting at Mrs. Schwartz' at 3:30. Letter from Edna Greene. Jane Ricker's birthday.

# Saturday, February 25, 1911

Weather fair. Margaret and Miss C. went to the farm. Letter from Carl which I answered. Six members of the 1900 C. L. A. C. met here this PM and I read the Round Robin letters, thirty of them. We agreed to send a contribution to the tablet in the Hall at

Chautauqua. Elizabeth and Mary served chocolate and wafers for my guests. Cora Selby Dillon died this AM after an illness of about ten years. Mary Peebles' birthday.

#### Sunday, February 26, 1911

Cloudy and damp but no rain. Attendance at S. S. 392. Large audiences at church both morning and evening.

Went to see Edna Copenhaver whose father died last night.

Margaret + Miss Cramer came home.

Four new members rec'd today making a total of 729.

#### Monday, February 27, 1911

Beautiful spring like day. A little snow in shaded places. Called at Cora Dillon's where I saw a room filled with beautiful flowers and she lying in a costly white casket in her bridal dress. She has had a long, long illness but was able to go out, though she could not speak aloud, for more than a year.

Mr. Damon's death was very different, he dropped dead on the street not having been ill at all.

Elizabeth S. Peebles sailed for England today on the Lusitania.

## Tuesday, February 28, 1911

Wet and unpleasant.

Home in forenoon. Went to missionary Soc. meeting at Mrs. Thompson's at 2 PM. Elected all the old officers. Several new members were present.

Mrs. Dunning is sick in bed, over work and cold probably, the result of the Sunday meetings.

Cora Dillon's funeral at 2 PM and Mr. Damon's at Mr. Drew's residence at 4 PM. The houses being next to each other. The Drew family are away, excepting Rowena Marting.

### Wednesday, March 1, 1911

Thermometer 33°. March comes in like a lion with a dismal snowfall.

Elizabeth Peebles sailed for England on Lusitania taking her doctor with her. Went to Dr. Ruggles at 8 AM afterwards to see Uncle Sam + Mrs. P. E. Selby.

No quorum for Kindergarten meeting.

Mrs. Betts was here.

#### Thursday, March 2, 1911

Fair but a cold wind blowing. Home all forenoon.

Tooth ache where tooth was extracted.

Frances Willard memorial in afternoon postponed from Feb 17th.

Called to see Mary Peebles. Paid Mrs. Prescott \$25.00.

# Friday, March 3, 1911

Bright, clear and windy. Wrote letters all morning. A long one to Mrs. Bond + one to Bartie Greene.

After dinner went to see Uncle Sam, Margaret took me in the buggy, afterwards I called on Mrs. Raypole, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Roth, Mrs. G. D. Selby and walked more than forty squares.

#### Saturday, March 4, 1911

Rained all day early and sunshine later.

Home all day except for an errand to the Court House to see about my pension and to take a letter for Carl to the Post Office.

#### Sunday, March 5, 1911

Rained all day. Went to S. S. the attendance was 410, good considering the weather. Attended church twice + Mrs. Betts once, very hard rain at night. Pledges for a deficit were taken to pay for new roofs, sidewalks etc. at church,

Cherry has a new calf.

### Monday, March 6, 1911

Warm and cloudy, rained very hard last night. Letter from Carl.

Wrote to Will Moore, London England. Called to see Mary Peebles. She gave me three pairs of Margaret's wedding pictures, one for Mary Ricker, one for Mary Moore + one for Helen Moore. Mary made Elizabeth's blue linen coat.

Margaret went to take Uncle Sam some things and he came downstairs but was very, very weak. Ada was at school.

## Tuesday, March 7, 1911

Gas too weak to breakfast so we used the coal supply. Letter from Carl.

Was busy all forenoon. Rainy. Gas main broke up the riser and we had to hunt up the lamps + change the range so we could use coal. Had two letters from Lizzie P. and a telegram from will who came home on the midnight C + O. Wrote to L. P.

# Wednesday, March 8, 1911

Gas too weak to cook with this morning so we used the coal range.

Busy all forenoon mending and putting Will's things in order. He left on the C + O after dinner. Went to see Mary Peebles, who is still sick.

Prayer-meting in the evening. Has been a fine day.

#### Thursday, March 9, 1911

Beautiful spring day. In the forenoon, went to see Mrs. Dennis, Mary Peebles, Mrs. Micklethwait + Mrs. N. W. Evans. Also to Security Bank. After dinner went to Mrs. L. F. Johnson's to an adjourned meeting of the Missionary Society.

Blanche Selby called for me with her electric auto and we went to the Ports. Stove + Range Works and got 5.00 for the Kindergarten Asso'n.

#### **Friday, March 10, 1911**

Fine day. Home in the morning. Margaret and Miss Cramer went to the country. Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Betts + the children were here to supper. I wrote to Mrs. E. V. Ricker of Baltimore. Took some supper up to Uncle Sam hoping he could relish it.

Had a long letter from Barton Jr. who must have exerted himself greatly to wrote so much.

Sent an express package to Losell Peebles. Miss Ino Schwartz was here this morning.

#### Saturday, March 11, 1911

Fine day. Wrote all the forenoon. Had letter from Carl which I answered then wrote the anniversary letter to sister Virginia Greene which should have been written sooner this being the thirty-sixth anniversary of her marriage. Mary Moore + I sent her a pair of Margaret + Harold's wedding pictures. Went to see Mary Peebles who is better but not yet able to be out.

## **Sunday, March 12, 1911**

Midday. Ther 62°.

Attendance at Sunday School 451. Mr. Scudder still away, and Dr. Ruggles had charge of the school. Margaret and Miss C. returned from the farm this evening.

Was over home awhile in the afternoon and attended the usual services.

#### **Monday, March 13, 1911**

Fine day, for outdoor work and I used it. Sister had man working in the yard. Called to see Mrs. Losh and took papers for Mr. Losh.

Spring coming rapidly. Hyacinths, crocuses and other flowers in bloom.

## Tuesday, March 14, 1911

Cooler but I worked in the yard. Sister had a man working in the yard, preparing for the planting of castor beans and cannas. Had cistern filled.

Elizabeth had a busy day at kindergarten, it being Marie Middleton's birthday. Then class, and music lesson in the afternoon.

I put the finishing touches on the blue linen dress Mary has made for Dorothy Manning's birthday.

## Wednesday, March 15, 1911

High wind and cold with light snow. A sudden change in the night. Finally got this diary today after waiting many weeks. Letter from Will. Ada Moore called me to say that her father is much worse. I went up and stayed all the afternoon but could do nothing more than be company for her. Ralph will be there at night + Arthur is there often. Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

#### Thursday, March 16, 1911

Clear and cold. Light snow. No wind. Elizabeth confined to bed with an attack of rheumatism. I called Margaret Fulton and began vigorous treatment. Was home until late in the afternoon then went to see Uncle Sam. Met Mrs. Jno Schwartz on her way, also with a pot of beautiful Easter lilies for him. He smiled and greeted us pleasantly but had nothing to say, except to reply briefly to a direct question. I hurried home on account of Elizabeth.

#### Friday, March 17, 1911

Fair and not so cold as it was. Dorothy Manning had her birthday party at the Gay St. Kindergarten, her mother and grandmother being there to assist. Besides the party she had a number of presents. Mary made a beautiful blue linen dress for her and each of us gave her something. I had covered her ball with new green silkoteen. Wrote to Will and Carl. E. up today, not out. Went to see Uncle Sam. Got the P. O. petition.

## Saturday, March 18, 1911

Rained in the forenoon, was bright later in the day. Elizabeth was better this morning, came downstairs before dinner, but did not go out of the house today. Ruth Klingman + Edna Horn took the P. O. petition around one block for me this afternoon, and Mrs. Fowler had it in the morning. I put in all the time I could between their times.

Did not go to Uncle Sam's as he seemed better and I was so busy at home.

## **Sunday, March 19, 1911**

Fine day. Went to S. S. and remained to church. Mrs. Betts, Mrs. Manning and the children were at church and then came here to dinner. Ada telephoned me that Uncle Sam was much worse and she wanted me to go up, which I did as soon as dinner was over, and then remained until supper time. Arthur was there five times during the day and evening.

Elizabeth went to S. S. + church in the morning.

#### **Monday, March 20, 1911**

Pleasant day. Was home in the forenoon.

Went to W. R. C. meeting in the afternoon and from there up to see Uncle Sam. When he sees me he seems glad but cannot talk much better, and I wish I could do something for him. Arthur and Ada are doing all they can, and Ralph is there much of the time.

## Tuesday, March 21, 1911

Beautiful warm day.

Jonquils in bloom.

Margaret drove up to Uncle Sam's and I went with her. Later I went to Margaret Fulton's and paid her. Made quite a call as she is one of our new members. Called to say good-bye to Mrs. Clay Murfin but she was not at home, she leaves tomorrow for Phila.

#### Wednesday, March 22, 1911

Weather changeable, turned cooler. Letter from Will which I answered. St. Joe dividend \$33.90 came today. Uncle Sam seemed better. They have a nurse, Mrs. Sikes, who Arthur thinks is very good. I finished the post office petition and gave it to Mr. Dunning with 3-1 names on it, for the Sunday closing of the office.

Wrote to Carl. Sister lost her watch on the street today and advertised it. Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

## Thursday, March 23, 1911

Fine day. Thos. Royse brought Margaret's watch home, having picked it up on Chillicothe Street just after she dropped it.

Was out, saw Arthur who told me his father seemed much better. Did not go up. Home all afternoon sewing carpet rags. Paid the Blade bill. Lucy Carpenter came to spend the night with the girls. Would stay with Uncle Sam Moore if I could do him any good, but he is too drowsy to notice anyone.

## **Friday, March 24, 1911**

Ther 22° but day bright + pleasant. Went up to Uncle Sam's but did not see him as Arthur and the nurse were changing his clothing. He has not talked, nor taken notice of people today. Is much as father was for the last three days of his life. Last day of the school term and Margaret Jackson went home. Margaret + Miss C. will go in the morning if nothing prevents. Lucy Carpenter went to the dentist's this AM and then back to Gertdude's.

## Saturday, March 25, 1911

Fair. Arthur Moore called me up about six o'clock AM and said his father died a few minutes before + he wanted for me to go up and be there when the reporters called. I went I was there most of the day. Uncle Sam was greatly loved by the family + friends and we shall miss him keenly. Ada will be left alone, Sam being located at East Liverpool. Aunt Mary Bradford Moore died just nine years ago today, 1902.

#### **Sunday, March 26, 1911**

Rainy. Went to the usual S. S. + ch. services in the forenoon. Up at Uncle Sam's later and in the evening went to the tabernacle to a mass meeting protesting against the Fulton-Dean bill. No service in the churches. Excitement great over the contest between the "wet" + "dry" parties in Legislation. Mr. Kilpatrick, leader in the House, against the Dean bill made the principal address. A new bill known as the Fulton-Dean is now up for vote.

#### Monday, March 27, 1911

Bright but a very high wind all day. Went up to Ada Moore's in the AM. Fannie Geiger, Mary, E + I arranged the beautiful flowers. At 3:30 the funeral services were held at Bigelow M. E. ch. with Rev. Dillon in charge. Anna Marconett at the organ, Messers Weser + Schwartz, Mrs. Hutchins, + Blanche Selby, the quartette. Pall-bearers, Arthur, Ralph + Sam Moore, Enos, I. Moore, John W. Carpenter + Howard Smith. Large attendance. Uncle Sam was universally loved + mourned. M. T. + I went to Arthur's in the evening. Letter from Will.

#### Tuesday, March 28, 1911

Beautiful day. Margaret + Miss C. went to the farm. John + Lucy Carpenter, + Fannie Geiger were here to dinner. The Cook sisters called to see them. Did not attend the regular W. M. S. meeting, the first held in the new room.

Will tried to talk over the phone from Cleveland but service was bad so he telephone to ask about Uncle Sam, not having heard of his death.

I answered the telegram + wrote later.

## Wednesday, March 29, 1911

Wind and rain most of the day, a few gleams of sunshine. Was home until late when I took some sewing + went over to see Mary. Sam and Ada came in the afternoon. Mrs. Dunning + Marguerite came + we sent for Mr. D so kept them all for supper. Went to prayer-meeting. Mary went to spend the night with Mrs. Manning, children sick.

Mary gave me a good picture of her father, one copied from the good photo taken in Columbus. Fulton-Dean bill defeated in the House at Columbus, for which we are thankful. Sarah Connins Bratt died.

## Thursday, March 30, 1911

Wind, rain and flurried of snow all day. Began writing up this diary from notes taken since Jan 1st. Was kept waiting for the book nearly three months, got it from Kah Patterson Co. Mch 15th. Went out with home Dept. supplies in afternoon. Called to see Mrs. Losh, Mrs. Gartner, Mrs. Funk, Mrs. Stalder, Miss Noland, Miss Leichner, Mrs. Manning, also at Bank, at Mrs. Connins' where Mrs. Joseph Bratt lies in her casket. Went to see Ada M. who had gone to train with Sam. Called to see Mrs. Firmstone and Mrs. Scudder, and little Harriet Peebles who was operated upon yesterday for adenoids. Had snow storm while I was out.

## Friday, March 31, 1911

Ther  $20^{\circ}$ . Cloudy, snow in the air. Housetops white with snow this AM but the sun shone part of the day and it was cool + windy.

At noon Dr. Joseph Clark of Columbus came to meet with the County S. S. officers at the home of Mrs. Pearl Selby this evening. He slept all the afternoon. I being Mis. Supt of the County went with him and there were 10 of the sixteen members present. Dr. Clark left on the N + W for Gallipolis. Letter from Mattie Wood.

#### Saturday, April 1, 1911

Roofs white with snow again this morning, and windy.

Was home all forenoon. Wrote to Mattie Wood. Baked bread. Finished off Elizabeth's blue linen coat which Mary made.

After dinner went to see Mrs. Spry and Mary Peebles. Did a few errands and came home.

The old Lodwick residence, Cor Court and Fifth is now torn down to make room for a modern dwelling.

#### Sunday, April 2, 1911

Rainy all day. Wen to S. S. and the usual church services. Mrs. Dennis was here to dinner. Margaret came home this evening.

Mrs. Spry is eighty-one today, it is also Dr. Tappan's birthday. Dorothy + Robert Manning have measles, just developed today. Clara Cook was here just before supper with a letter from her aunt Caroline Greene.

## Monday, April 3, 1911

Rainy and cool.

Schools reopened, also kindergarten. Wrote to Mrs. Carlita Moore of Galena, Ill. also to Oella T. Lowman and Mattie Wood. Home all day. Finished off E's gingham, dress, button holes and buttons.

## Tuesday, April 4, 1911

A steady rain all day, or until late in the day when a wind blew up and drove the rain clouds away. Home all forenoon. Spent the afternoon at aid Society meeting at Mrs. Hancock's. Election of officers resulted in Mrs. Losh + Mrs. Schwartz changing places, as Pres. + Vice President.

Letters from Will and Carl. Girls went to Clover Club at Washington Hotel and the high wind was alarming.

#### Wednesday, April 5, 1911

Cloudy in the morning with warm wind which was quite strong all day. Stormy last night. I wrote to Will and Carl. Sewed some in the forenoon. Went to morning Bible Study class at Mrs. Milstead's then stopped at Mary's to sew until noon. After dinner went to the Bank, paid gas bill, went to the postponed annual meeting of the Kindergarten Association at our lecture room. Election of officers with some changes, but I am still President. Mrs. Weller here. Prayer + S. S. Teachers meeting in the evening.

## Thursday, April 6, 1911

Quite warm, no fire needed in the sitting room, but high wind and high water.

Was home all forenoon, busy as usual. Bake bread + made butter. E had class, Mary went with the Dunnings after Arbutus. Mary Moore + I went to W. c. T. U. meeting after which I called to see Miss Ross and Mary Peebles, both of whom have been sick.

Mary stayed to supper with the Manning family as the children are apparently over measles.

Mrs. Sands + Miss Gallup here after supper to talk over the S. S. work.

## Friday, April 7, 1911

Beautiful until evening when it rained again. Home all day. Mended, made blue sofa cover. Mrs. Lang swept. Sold brown cow for seventeen dollars.

Marguerite Mahoney here to tea. She, E + M went to the Rhodehaver concert at Trinity. Margaret + Miss C. went to the farm.

Mrs. Kurgrock + little Margaret were here calling. Sent postcards to Mrs. S. R. Ross whose birthday will be tomorrow.

## Saturday, April 8, 1911

A most dismal, cold rainy day. In the morning before the rain I went up to see Mrs. Conroy about Kindergarten work. Also to see Blanche Selby + Mrs. Grant Williams. Gertrude Moore planned for us to come up to supper as Fannie Geiger would be there, arriving from Malden. Before we started Ada Moore came, then Mrs. Dunning and Marguerite so it was late when we went, and raining hard. Had a nice visit, and a good supper. Did not rain as we came home.

William + Lorell Peebles have a daughter, born today in N. Y. City.

## Sunday, April 9, 1911

Fine day. Went to S. S. Fannie Geiger met us at the church then went to the Washington to dine with Arthur's family. Just before suppertime she came here to spend the night. We went to church, came home and talked a little then retired. Had communion service in the morning and several joined the church. Mr. + Mrs. Messer, Margaret came home in the evening.

## **Monday, April 10, 1911**

Beautiful spring day, bright and pleasant.

Fannie and the girls were late to breakfast. Afterwards she + I went to make a few calls on some of her old time friends, Mrs. Cotton, Miss Emma Bell, Mary Peebles and Mrs. Draper. After dinner she went to the dentist's and waited for Fannie's return. Letter from Carl.

## Tuesday, April 11, 1911

Fair in the morning, rained in afternoon + evening. Mr. Reiser began work on the concrete steps to the cellar.

Had telegram from Will at Cleveland. Wrote him + Carl.

Mrs. Lang began the house-cleaning. Fannie Geiger went back to Arthur Moore's.

## Wednesday, April 12, 1911

Rainy day, from morning until we went to sleep.

Mrs. Lang cleaned all day. In the evening the annual meeting of our church was held, after a supper served in the basement. Very large attendance. The girls went to supper, Mary Moore + I went later. Enos L. Moore, Harry Miller and John Ives were elected elders, John E. Sands, C. F. Losh, Frank L. Baggs were elected trustees and L. W. Baker was reelected, C. F. L. was re-elected also.

Chas. Thompson, Fred Debo + Henry Huddleson were chosen deacons. Mr. Dunning's salary was raised \$200.00

#### Thursday, April 13, 1911

Rained nearly all day and yet the men worked on the cellar steps, most of the day. Mrs. Lang cleaned M's room.

Fannie Geiger left for her home in Troy, this morning and I went up to Arthur's in the evening to take a book.

#### **Friday, April 14, 1911**

Rained in the forenoon. Was pleasant in afternoon.

I being "Good Friday," Mrs. Lang did not work at house cleaning. Was busy at home in morning and went to S. S. visiting after dinner. Took Home Dept. supplies to Lydia Clark who has been in bed more than a year, the result of being shot by a jealous boy. Later went to see Edna Copenhaver who was not at home.

## Saturday, April 15, 1911

Fine day. Margaret went to Franklin Furnace to see her colts, returned in the afternoon. Mrs. Lang cleaned the west bedroom which almost finished the upstairs.

The girls sent a lot of Easter cards. Rec'd letter from E. F. P. and sent letters to both Will and Carl.

## **Sunday, April 16, 1911**

Fine day, unusually beautiful and pleasant. All went to S. S> where Easter services took the place of regular lessons. Attendance over 500. All the Sunday Schools in the city had large attendance. Our church was filled both morning and evening.

Mr. + Mrs. Manning + the children were here to dinner, D + R are just over the measles and were at S. S. this AM.

#### **Monday, April 17, 1911**

Beautiful day. Cellar steps were finished and I paid albert Reiser \$ 16.00 for the job, being concrete. They should last a long time. Rec'd letters from Will + Carl and Easter cards from Bessie Titus and Miss Cramer. Wrote to Virginia. Went to W. R. C. meeting and then called on Mrs. Selby + Blanche Selby, neither of whom were in. Enos went to Wooster.

## Tuesday, April 18, 1911

Bright. Wind and rain prevail most of the time with occasional good days. We have been getting ready for Mrs. Lang by doing what we could of the cleaning before she comes on Thursday.

Mary is painting my room, the woodwork white, the floor, vak.

## Wednesday, April 19, 1911

Rained all forenoon. E was at Kindergarten in forenoon and Mothers' meeting in afternoon while Mary, and I worked in the library all day. Vacuum carpet cleaner was here in afternoon and cleaned library carpet, upper hall + Margaret's room.

Three years ago today James died after being confined to his bed twenty weeks + two days. Time flies swiftly and yet it seems a long while since he was with us.

We went to prayer-meeting, e + I. Mary was too tired + yet she worked all evening.

#### Thursday, April 20, 1911

Worked in library, or rather Mrs. Lang did to finish up what Mary and I had done. We cleaned the walls + pictures. Took all the book out of the cases and wiped them.

Mary finished the floor and windows in my room and it now looks well. Have been busy with the curtains and other jobs all day.

Letter from sister Virginia who is just recovering from an attack of appendicitis. Letter from Will.

## **Friday, April 21, 1911**

Rained in forenoon. Cleared off after dinner.

Margaret + Miss Cramer went to the country. Mrs. Lang cleaned the sitting room with our help. Everything in order again by supper time.

I went up to Mary Peebles' and Mrs. Boyer's late in afternoon. W. R. C. Auxiliary held a Ray rug sewing bee at Mrs. Boyer's. Mrs. Silcox called while I was out.

## Saturday, April 22, 1911

Bright, windy and cool. Rained last night. Mary and the rest of us worked on the dining room until Mrs. Lang came at noon to finish. Have done a good week's work. Mr. Schumm + his helper worked all day repairing things in the yard. I painted the new cellar door, baked bread and did many other things. Mrs. Dennis was here. Wrote to Carl.

## Sunday, April 23, 1911

Beautiful day. We went to S. S. and church as usual. Margaret was in the country and did not come home until evening.

Was over home in the afternoon.

Mary Peebles asked Mary Ricker to get three dozen carnations to put in the church in memory of her sister Margaret's birthday, and tomorrow to distribute the flowers among the sick. They were very beautiful.

## **Monday, April 24, 1911**

Beautiful day which I spent working in the yard, did some racking, sweeping and painting. There is still much to be done.

I wrote to sister Virginia Greene.

Had letter from Carl.

The carpenters finished the work on the fence, and other jobs today.

Mrs. Manning + the children, and Mrs. Dunning were here.

### Tuesday, April 25, 1911

An ideal spring day, bright clear, cool, not windy. Foliage coming out, everything beautiful. Took Maud for exercise, had the surrey and invited Jamie Stewart, Maggie Silcox + Mary Moore, all accepted and we spent the forenoon driving about the northeast end of the city. All enjoyed it greatly. In afternoon went to Mrs. White's to the Mis. Soc. meeting. Good attendance. Mary Peebles talked about India as she saw it. I went later to see Maggie Coles, Mrs. Scudder called.

## Wednesday, April 26, 1911

Busy as usual, doing all sorts of things. Went to prayer-meeting and remained to Teachers' meeting. Mr. dunning always makes excellent preparations for the regular service, and in addition prepared the lesson for Intermediate and Senior departments.

## Thursday, April 27, 1911

Fair and pleasant.

Roy washed the fence. I worked in the yard, and in the house.

Father Jacob H. Ricker was born in 1813, and would have been 98 years old today, had he lived, but he died Mch 4<sup>th</sup> 1895, sixteen years ago. One of the best men I ever knew.

## **Friday, April 28, 1911**

Rained, but not all day.

Have been working in the yard. Mrs. Chris Young came down to the Club meeting and then took supper with us.

The S. S. had a social at eh church this evening to which she and the girls went, I stayed at home.

Wrote to Carl.

## Saturday, April 29, 1911

Rained in the night was fine today. I worked in yard nearly all day.

Margaret got up early and drove out to the without Miss Cramer who remained in town because Abigail Bowman + the baby came.

Letter from Will. Went to do some errands before supper, stopped at Gertrude Moore's.

## **Sunday, April 30, 1911**

Rained hard early in the morning. Cleared later.

We went to Sunday School as usual, and Margaret came in just as we were finishing dinner. Spent most of the afternoon over home with Mary.

#### Monday, May 1, 1911

Rained hard in forenoon, clear and windy in afternoon. Was busy about the house all day.

Wrote to Will. Girls went to ball game.

Letter from Carl.

Enos began some draughting for Mrs. Levi D. York who is going to build a second flying machine, his first one will not fly. After supper I went to Mrs. Dennis' + she and I gave Mr. Dunning the text for the inscription on the silver communion plates we have ordered. Mrs. D. + I went down to see the Island Queen go out with the N. O. N. excursion. Girls went to C. E. meeting at May Wright's. New Daily Blade started.

#### **Tuesday, May 2, 1911**

Was cold last night but warmed up some today. Busy day with nothing unusual. Girls went to Clover Club in the evening.

My days are very full but the doings are so common place that I hardly remember from day to day what I have done. Attended the Aid Society at Mrs. Wilhelm's this afternoon + on return stopped at Miss Lloyd's + Mrs. Waits for K-G money.

## Wednesday, May 3, 1911

Fine day. Worked in the yard, and all over the house. Have another attack of hives, but otherwise feel well.

Went to Ethel Schwartz' to a Board meeting which proved a failure for want of a quorum.

Called to see Mrs. Flint Kline afterwards as she wants milk for little Peter James who is sick.

Prayer, and teachers' meetings, the latter was brief.

#### Thursday, May 4, 1911

Pleasant. Busy at home all forenoon.

At 1 PM Mary M + I went to the W. C. T. U. meeting, afterward which we went + paid the water rent, did an errand at Reilly's and then came home. Card from Edna Greene says Bartie is still living but failing every day.

#### Friday, May 5, 1911

Fine day. Circus in town and boat excursion made it quite stirring. I wrote to sister Virginia and Carl.

Margaret + Miss C. went to the country.

Twenty-one years ago today we celebrated the Golden Wedding Day of Father and Mother Ricker in our home and they had a happy time which we all enjoyed. Mary Moore spent the evening here as usual.

#### Saturday, May 6, 1911

Beautiful, and pleasant. Baked bread, and worked in the yard all forenoon. Sewed after dinner, went over home, and later went and bought shoes for myself. The girls made calls, among others called on Mrs. Kurovack and Mr. K brought them home in his new auto.

Letter from Carl.

Elisha Barton Green Jr. died at his home on the farm near Bazaar, Kansas today and cousin Mattie Sturtevant Sawyer died at her home in Dover W. H. today, also.

#### **Sunday, May 7, 1911**

Pleasant. Had about the same routine as usual. S. S. in the morning. Mrs. Scudder was not able to be out at any service today, is much run down and exhausted nervously. Dr. Ruggles had charge of the school.

Peter George the sexton has accomplished wonders with the grounds around the church and when the hedge and flowers get well started it will be beautiful.

#### Monday, May 8, 1911

Warm and dusty. Elizabeth's rheumatism has reappeared, but she went to kindergarten. Margaret drove to Folsom farm this afternoon + a wreck beyond there prevented her return this evening. I went to K-G Board meeting at Ethel Schwartz'. Mrs. Conroy assumed her duties as Treasurer.

Mary Moore had letter from Barton saying Bartie died Saturday, May  $6^{th}$ . Has been ill for more than four years. I wrote Virginia + Carl. Mr. Manning and the children here to supper.

## **Tuesday, May 9, 1911**

A little cloudy in the morning but cleared later.

Margaret returned from the Folsom farm on morning train and went directly to school.

Wrote to Frank Ricker, acknowledging receipt of check \$ 33.75 interest on note. Also wrote to Will in reply to his rec'd today. Mrs. Conroy + I went to wharf boat this afternoon to confer with Capt. Green about an excursion for the K-G. Elizabeth's hand was swollen with rheumatism last night, was treated and is a little better this morning. Mary had letter from Bessie Titus.

#### Wednesday, May 10, 1911

Bright and warm. Real summer. Elizabeth's rheumatism went to her left knee and she could not walk. Called Dr. Margaret Fulton again and began vigorous treatment. Was in bed all day.

Mary and I went to prayer-meeting, Another letter from Will.

#### **Thursday, May 11, 1911**

Bright and pleasant. E got up again today but did not go out.

Rec'd letter from Jane Ricker with a lot of Friendship calendar leaves to be filled out for her father, which I am to distribute and return to her when they are ready.

## Friday, May 12, 1911

Fine day. Worked all forenoon on screens and other jobs. After dinner Margaret and I went to the Folsom farm on the Greyhound and drove home by moonlight. Had a beautiful trip.

Wrote to Jane Ricker.

E + M went to the ball game and in the evening her arms swelled again so it had to be done up in cotton.

#### **Saturday, May 13, 1911**

Beautiful day, cooler than yesterday. Margaret went to the country before we were up this morning. I was up street in the forenoon doing errands, at the Bank, Mrs. Conroy's, then the Blade office. Painted the rest of the window screens and they are all in now.

Letter from Carl.

Elizabeth able to be out today. Mary took supper at Mrs. M's. Mr. + Mrs. D + Marguerite here also Mr. Crickman.

#### Sunday, May 14, 1911

Bright and warm. Went to Sunday School as usual. Elizabeth not able to go on account of her rheumatism in her arm. Mary Ruetinger took her class.

She has about decided to go to Martinsville for treatment as soon as Kindergarten closes.

Mr. Dunning preached two fine sermons today. Margaret + Miss Cramer returned this evening.

## Monday, May 15, 1911

Very warm and dry.

Have been out all day on various kinds of errands, + calls. Calendar leaves collected from Col. Bolles, Mr. S. R. Ross. The Cottons wrote to Russell T. + Julia J. sending leaves. Wrote also to Carl + sent him two leaves. Called on Mrs. P. Selby this AM. Went to W. R. C. meeting the afternoon, later went with Mary Peebles to see Maria Keer. Held K-G Board meeting in the evening at Mrs. Conroy's and decided to arrange for boat excursion.

Mannings here to supper.

## **Tuesday, May 16, 1911**

Very warm and dry. Signs of rain failed. Wrote to Carl and Alice Hosford McJunkin. Mrs. Josephine Ellison spent the day with us. She was eighty-five Feb 13<sup>th</sup>, a cousin of Father Ricker's. The final arrangements for the boat excursion for the benefit of the kindergarten were made today and tickets ordered. Elizabeth took supper with Mrs. Manning.

## Wednesday, May 17, 1911

Hot and dry. Was down street in the early morning, at Mrs. Legle's, Mrs. Schwartz' and the newspaper officers. Wrote to Virginia Greene, Margaret Hunt + Mrs. Towne sending calendar leaves. Later had letter from V. M. G. Letter from Will.

Prayer-meeting in evening, Mrs. Bowman, Bible Teacher gave an illustrated talk on the Tabernacle which was good. Virginia's letter told some of the particulars of Barton's death on May  $16^{\rm th}$ .

#### **Thursday, May 18, 1911**

Warm and dry.

Nothing unusual, was busy with work in, and out of doors and with the tickets for the excursion. Took Mary, Mrs. Guptill and little Nancy in the surrey while I distributed tickets to those who are to sell them for the boat trip.

#### Friday, May 19, 1911

Very hot, all signs of rain fail.

Too hot for much exertion but I have worked hard all day, put new wire on one screen and painted and mended the door. Girls went to the park. I wrote to Carl and rec'd from him the calendar leaves I sent him.

Margaret worked in the yard. Nearly all the bulbs and geraniums are out now. Jeff. St. K-g'n had a bubble party in the yard.

## **Saturday, May 20, 1911**

Very hot until late in the afternoon when a hard rain cooled the air a little.

Margaret + Miss C were late getting started to the farm though they had planned an early start.

I went up street and did some errands then came home and waited for Margaret Fulton who is trying to find out the cause and remedy for hives as I have them. Began on a diet, on trial. Letter from Carl.

#### Sunday, May 21, 1911

Very warm. E+M, Margaret J. and I went to S. S. and the usual services. This being the Sunday nearest the  $24^{th}$  Mr. Dunning made mention of the fact and had two pictures of the church + S. S. building on the Bulletins.

Was over home in the afternoon, Margaret + Miss C. did not come home until about 9 PM. Mr. + Mrs. Dunning + Marguerite here after church. Enos L. Moore, Harry W. Miller and John Ives were ordained elders today.

#### Monday, May 22, 1911

Hot. Busy at home all forenoon. Letter from Mrs. Towne, with calendar leaves, answered it. Wrote to Will.

## **Tuesday, May 23, 1911**

Warm as usual, and busy as usual. Worked in the yard and in the house. Have the hives badly and cannot find any remedy that will help me, have tried many things.

#### Wednesday, May 24, 1911

Still dry and dusty.

The  $94^{\rm th}$  birthday of our church, also the birthday of Queen Victoria, and Oella Tappan Lowman.

Mr. Dunning had an interesting lesson on the book of Proverbs.

#### **Thursday, May 25, 1911**

Warm. Have been busy with arrangements for the excursion. Our Aid Society had a full day of it. Served dinner to a large number of delegates at the Christian Convention at noon, and in the evening they ran a trolley ride which was very successful, and pleasant for all who went. Mary Moore and I went together.

#### Friday, May 26, 1911

Warm. Kindergartens closed today and Elizabeth had a part for them, Mary made small cakes and Margaret furnished ice-cream. Henrietta Stahl had s social in the evening and made over \$27.00.

Have been busy trying to make a success of the boat excursion tomorrow. Uncle Enos B. Moore died 8 years ago today (1903).

## **Saturday, May 27, 1911**

Very warm, and dry.

Little Peter J. Kline died this morning, and was buried this evening. Has been sick three months. Went on boat excursion in afternoon, too hot for comfort and was not profitable because of the heat which kept man from going.

Were home on time.

## Sunday, May 28, 1911

Warm and dry. Went to Sunday School as usual and remained to church.

At 2 PM went to Bigelow M. E. church and heard Mr. Eason give an excellent address to the G. A. R. As usual there was good music. A solo by a stranger was so enthusiastically received that he had to sing two more. "My own United States" was specially pleasing.

Church again in the evening. Margaret + Miss C. came home. Anti-saloon man talked in the morning.

#### Monday, May 29, 1911

Warm and dry. I was out on Kindergarten business, Elizabeth gave her class three examinations this forenoon.

Mary Peebles asked me to take dinner with her and afterwards to the Mis. Society at Mrs. May Wright's, Mrs. Dennis was to go with us but we had a time with the car conductor who took Mary + left me and Mrs. Dennis.

Small, but good meeting with an interesting talk from M. E. P.

## **Tuesday, May 30, 1911**

Very warm. Mary was busy helping Elizabeth get ready for her trip, and she was not feeling well but managed to keep up. After the parking was done M. went out and E. rested. I went to the room and helped with the flowers until time for the parade to start to the cemetery. Flowers were abundant, and the public schools turned out between three + four thousand strong. A fine sight. Address was made by Dr. C. S. Robertson, of 2<sup>nd</sup> Pres. In the evening W. B. Richardson and the Dunning family were here. Helen left with the Scudders for Boston.

#### Wednesday, May 31, 1911

Warm, cloudy but no rain here. Letter from Wil which I answered as he is just starting westward. Elizabeth left on the 7:14 C + 0 for Martinsville to take treatment for rheumatism. We shall miss her, but hope she will be benefitted. Went to prayer-meeting as usual. Mr. Dunning gave a very helpful talk on the Second Coming of Christ. Mr. Hopkins showed us the new plates which we, and Mrs. Dunning ordered for the Communion service, our in memory of James, and Mrs. Dennis' in memory of Dr. C. P. Dennis, both elders in the church who died in 1908, April 19<sup>th</sup> and July (blank space). It was Margaret's thought to get them in memory of our friends gone before, and also because they are needed. Rained at noon, quite hard. Was elected delegate to S. S. Convention at Dayton June 6-8.

#### Thursday, June 1, 1911

Beautiful day, rains have lowered the temperature all over the country. Papers report very heavy rain in Cincinnati. Have been home all day, sewing and finishing off things I shall need if I go to the S. S. Convention at Dayton next week.

Wrote postals to Will at Pittsburg, Fannie Geiger at Troy + Mrs. Curtiss at Col. Letter from Carl and he saw Elizabeth on the train for Indianapolis.

Ethel Schwartz + family went to KY for the summer.

## **Friday, June 2, 1911**

Pleasant. Went up street in the forenoon. Saw Mr. York and he promised to send check for the K-G work. Came home and did a little towards my preparations for going to Dayton. Wrote Will about it yesterday. Margaret was late coming home owing to examinations. She has had Kermit brought down from Folsom farm to be broke to town life.

Mr. + Mrs. Dunning + Marguerite were here this evening. Called to see Mrs. Anne Reed this morning.

## Saturday, June 3, 1911

Rained this forenoon. Margaret + Miss Cramer left for the farm, before we were up. Had phone message from Mrs. Conroy saying Mr. York had sent her a check for 50.00 for K-g'n. Had night letter from Will saying go on to Dayton + h would try to meet me in Cin, the rest of the week. Letter from Carl. Wrote him, also sent postal to Fannie G.

## **Sunday, June 4, 1911**

Warm and bright.

Sunday School as usual though Mr. Scudder was not present.

Mr. Dunning made the Baccalaureate address at our church this evening with a large audience present.

#### Monday, June 5, 1911

Clear and warm. Mary + I arose at 2:45 AM for Cin when Carl met me + went with me to the other station, and the visit I had hoped for ended as I had to go on.

Reached Dayton, registered and then went on to Troy which I reached before noon. Was delighted to see Fannie + her family in her beautiful new home, which they moved into in March last.

## Tuesday, June 6, 1911

Fine day. Bright and breezy. Fannie + Rose went to Dayton with me for the day and we spent it at the S. S. Convention. Found a large attendance and heard some fine speaks. At the close of the afternoon session Rose went home, Fannie + I remained until near the close of the evening session when we had to leave to get the trolley for Troy. Prof. Excel, and his pianist Alvin G. Roper lead the music and the program is full of interesting subjects by fine speakers, specialists. Missed my assignment place, which no one seems to know.

#### Wednesday, June 7, 1911

Warm and dry. Went down on the trolley and put in a full, long day at Convention. Was in Memorial Hall all forenoon, at First Baptist in afternoon to hear Elementary speakers, where Mrs. Curtiss presided. Then after a light supper at restaurant, I found a good place to view the Men's Bible Class parade which was fine. Later went to First Pres. where Mr. C. presided + Miss Kilpatrick spoke. Mrs. Brumbaugh took me home with her for the night, a kindness I appreciated.

## Thursday, June 8, 1911

Very warm and dry. I arose + had breakfast with my host + hostess Mr. + Mrs. Jesse Brumbaugh of 66 Victor Avenue Dayton (Riverdale). Had prayers at the table, then music on a pianola, then I went back to Memorial Hall and put in a full day at the Convention. Left at the close of the afternoon session + returned to Troy. Had telegram from Will saying he could not come to Cin, or Ports. Now. Also letter from Carl from B'gh'm. Margaret Geiger came home from Chicago tonight, K'gn Training School. Mary Geiger entertained a party of classmates with a luncheon today.

## **Friday, June 9, 1911**

Bright and pleasant. Had a good restful quiet visit with Fannie all day. Her young people, Margaret, Mary Rose + Russell are busy with the closing exercises + festivities of the schools.

Flower Mission Day for the W. C. T. U. but I being away from home have no duties to perform. Fannie + I took a long walk after supper and saw much of the pretty little town of Troy.

## Saturday, June 10, 1911

Hottest day in many years.

I arose early + Fannie went with me to the trolley station at 6:30. Waited in Dayton more than an hour. Waited again in Cin. until 5:40 PM reaching home at 10 o'clock very tired, warm and dusty. Margaret met me with the buggy and Maud. About Maud's last trip to the station, she will soon be retired from active service. Found all well at home, that is

Margaret + Mary, E is still at Martinsville. This is the wedding anniversary of Mr. + Mrs. Jno G. Peebles, and Mrs. Anne Reed's birthday.

## **Sunday, June 11, 1911**

Warm and bright.

We all including Margaret were at Sunday School and church as usual. Mr. Scudder still away and will be for a while. Dr. Ruggles and Mr. Coe will substitute for him. In the evening I went to the First Baptist church to hear Mrs. Trego, the Ohio State W. C. T. U. Evangelist give an address.

A hard rain came up and the thunder + rain almost drowned her voice. It poured when I came home.

## Monday, June 12, 1911

Warm does not express the degree of heat, it is hot, and dry.

Letter from Carl from Cin, saying he has returned from Alabama, and was sorry to have missed me in Cincinnati.

Wrote to Fannie Geiger and Carl, sent him \$10.00 as a birthday present.

Went to a stereopticon lecture at the Baptist Church given by Mrs. Trego.

## **Tuesday, June 13, 1911**

Still no rain and gardens are suffering.

This is Fannie Geiger's birthday, I wrote her the usual birthday letter enclosing a late one from Mary Y. Moore to Mary E. Moore.

The boy, Roy Bliss left this evening, having gone to work in the Shoe Factory.

## Wednesday, June 14, 1911

Very warm and dry, rain badly needed.

This is National Flag Day but no special celebration was had because of the great demonstration on Memorial Day when about 4,000 members of the Public Schools, teachers + pupils turned out with the G. A. R. and other patriotic orders. Went to prayer-meeting, and teachers' meeting as usual.

Letter from Will, from Boston says he cannot come to Portsmouth now.

Elizabeth came home from Martinsville at midnight. Hopes to be benefitted in due time.

## **Thursday, June 15, 1911**

Warm and very dry.

This is Carl's birthday, I sent him letters + money for a remembrance.

It is also Mrs. Behrens' birthday and we sent her postals and I gave her a jabot which I had made. Went to W. C. T. U. meeting at the Reading Rooms.

Mary Moore went with me and afterwards we went to Mary Peebles for a few minutes. I have been trying to find a new boy or man to do the stable work.

#### Friday, June 16, 1911

Rained. Had a busy day, both in and out of the house. Margaret + Miss Cramer came in from the country early.

Sister Virginia Greene came this evening from Wooster where she attended the commencement exercises and saw Willard receive his diploma from the university.

She has not been here for seven years.

Sent the calendar leaves to Jane Ricker, excepting those the Bannons will have. New boy, Curtiss Bellamy came.

## Saturday, June 17, 1911

Very hot and close, especially in the evening when the sky looked like the world was on fire. Heavy thunderstorm came up just as Margaret brought Mrs. Manning + the children + Miss Cramer + little William Bowman here. I had had Mary, Virginia and Enos out for a long drive, to show them the town. Mary went home with the Mannings in the rain and staved all night.

Letter from Will.

## **Sunday, June 18, 1911**

Rained. Children's Day exercises in the church at 10 AM.

Was over home in afternoon to visit with Mary, Virginia and Enos.

Sister Elizabeth Peebles' birthday. Wrote her last week.

Service in the evening. Said good-bye to Marguerite Mahoney who leaves in the early morning.

#### Monday, June 19, 1911

Cloudy, cool, comfortable. Ada Moore + Louis D. Corson were married this morning at 6 o'clock by Rev. Powell of the P. E. church at his home. Announcement cards came in morning mail. Relief Corps meeting, later went to Cemetery. Busy at forenoon with business at Court House + Bank. Marguerite Mahoney left on early train for her home at St. Charles, Mich. We shall miss her. Orchestra practice here tonight.

Lizzie Peebles + her friend Mrs. Barratt came over home this evening.

## **Tuesday, June 20, 1911**

Clear and warm.

Not much done excepting visiting back and forth between the two houses though Lizzie + Mrs. Barratt went up street in the forenoon. Margaret has been driving or walking with Kermit most of the day. Gentry Pony + Dog show in town. None of us went.

## Wednesday, June 21, 1911

Still very warm and dry. Lizzie Peebles was out all forenoon with Mrs. Barratt and was taken quite ill, so ill that I called Mrs. Keyes, osteopathic physician to give her treatment. The doctor came at bedtime and gave a second treatment.

We went to prayer-meeting + I gave my report of Dayton S. S. Convention.

Margaret + Miss Cramer went to the farm, driving Kermit out there for the first time.

### Thursday, June 22, 1911

Fine day. The Sunday School picnic was held at Millbrook Park but I did not go. E + E went after dinner.

Lizzie Peebles is feeling so badly we do not care to go to the picnic.

Miss Eleanor Wright was down to see her.

She has taken treatments from both Dr. Keyes and his wife and thinks she will soon be better.

Father died 9 years ago today.

King George Fifth and Queen Mary were crowned today with great ceremony and display in London, Eng.

#### Friday, June 23, 1911

Very warm. Virginia and I have been visiting together as much as possible all day. Lizzie P. is better but not up yet.

Mrs. Barratt is attending to her business. Girls went to ball game, in afternoon. Mary M Virginia + I went to the Park about 5:30 after she had packed her trunk. A postal from Fate Perish changed her plans for a longer visit so we helped her get ready to go in the morning. Mrs. Drew, Mrs. Draper and Ralph Moore were there after supper.

Wrote to Margaret Hunt and Carl.

## Saturday, June 24, 1911

Rained a little today, but more fell west of the city than here. Very warm and close. Virginia + I arose early and she left on the 4 AM Norfolk and Western for Cin, thence to Louisville, Paucan + Metropolis to see Virginia Parrish. We were greatly disappointed not to have had her with us longer. Margaret returned safely with Kermit and hoped he will soon become acquainted with his work.

Wrote to Fannie Geiger.

### Sunday, June 25, 1911

Very warm and close.

Went to Sunday School as usual. Aurora Lodge of the Masonic Order attended our morning service. Mr. Dunning preached upon "A Greater than Solomon."

Stereopticon sermon in the evening but the carbons did not work and the pictures were a failure, much to Enos' disappointment as he operated the machine.

## Monday, June 26, 1911

Very hot and close in the AM. Heavy clouds + rain later in the day. Robert + Mrs. Barratt went to Henley on the early train. Enos went to Pittsburg later, Margaret planned to drive to the Folsom farm today but the threatening clouds changed the plans.

Letter from Carl saying he missed Aunt Virginia because the special delivery letter did not reach him until her train for Louisville had left Cin. Mr. + Mrs. Dunning were here.

#### **Tuesday, June 27, 1911**

Rained about six o'clock. Was up early to help Margaret get ready to drive Kermit to the Folsom farm, to take Maud and leave her there. It has been less than a month since Kermit was first harnessed to a buggy. Rain storm came up after they started and they must have been in most of it. In afternoon I went to Mrs. Young's to Missionary meeting and later went to pay Marks, Little + Wilson the last of the bill for coal, \$ 155.04 which I owed. Also paid Mrs. Prescott \$25.00.

## Wednesday, June 28, 1911

This is the anniversary of the day when Enos + I sailed from New York for Europe, twenty-seven years ago. I wrote my annual letter to Mrs. O. S. Bond of Toledo who was them my room-mate on the Austral. We have corresponded ever since.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

## Thursday, June 29, 1911

Weather unchanged.

Did my visual work and put in some time on the yard. Made two little doilies for the silver communion plates, but they are not yet finished.

#### Friday, June 30, 1911

Hot in the day time, and all day in town. Girls made preparations for picnic supper at Millbrook, then went to the game in the afternoon. I joined them at supper time, Mr. + Mrs. Dunning, Mrs. Manning + the children, Mrs. Salmon, Harry + Margaret Miller were also in the party. So cool we needed wraps when the sun went down. Went to the church and saw Enos show his pictures on the screen, after I came in from the park.

## Saturday, July 1, 1911

Very warm and dry. Was up early and worked in the yard awhile.

Donald gave up his job which Curtiss will take in addition to his other work. Lizzie Peebles and Mrs. Barratt went to Henley on business, and will be gone a few days.

Mr. + Mrs. Dunning made a short call here this evening. She leaves Monday. Margaret + Miss C came in early.

## **Sunday, July 2, 1911**

Hot and dry. Went to S. S. as usual. Over home in afternoon.

Enos there still.

Mr. Dunning gave an illustrated talk on Immigrants. Took the two communion plates to church, with the notes of Mrs. Dennis + our family presenting them to the ch. session. No meeting held. Mr. Lorey took Kermit again for the fourth.

## **Monday, July 3, 1911**

Very hot, clear and dry.

Up early to attend to the milk and breakfast. Then went out to do some K-G collecting, go to the Bank, Post Office, Relief's and other places. All three of the girls went to the ball game. L. D. York gave 5.00 ck for Lizzie Peebles + Mrs. Barratt still out at Henley. Letters from both Will and Carl. Wrote to M. P. H., Mrs. Dunning left for her summer vacation at home, in Mich. Mattie Gaylord came to visit Mary Peebles, I went after supper to see her but there were so many callers I did not go in.

### Tuesday, July 4, 1911

Very hot and dry. I stayed at home all day. The three girls went to a ball game this afternoon and did not get home until after seven o'clock because of the crowds on street cars. Owing to a growing sentiment in favor of a "Safe + sane" Fourth there was not quite so much firing.

This morning at 10 o'clock in East Liverpool Sam Moore had his left hand so mangled by a giant cannon cracker that it will have to be amputated. The wires have been busy all day trying to get messages through to Arthur Moore. L + Mrs. B. came back.

## Wednesday, July 5, 1911

Extremely hot, the hottest weather all over the country that has been known for years. Arthur + Gertrude Moore's little daughter was born this morning very early and Arthur had to leave on the 3:40 train for East Liverpool to see Sam. Ada went with him. The accident was most distressing and the circumstances made it very hard for Arthur. Went to prayer-meeting and saw Mattie Gaylord. She has changed very little I called on her this morning.

## Thursday, July 6, 1911

Very, very hot. Was up early and helped Margaret get started to the country. Later went up street. In the afternoon went to W. C. T. U. meeting and down to Mrs. Jno Schwartz'. Letter from Will wish check for Mary and me \$35.00.

### **Friday, July 7, 1911**

Rained awhile for which we are grateful. It was clear and hot all forenoon while I was out on some work preparatory to the State W. C. T. U. Convention to be held here in October. Had long talk with Arthur about Sam's accident. Wrote letters most of the afternoon. Wrote to Will, Carl, Sam Moore, Helen Moore and the Anti-Saloon office in Cin. regarding subscription. Mrs. Manning + children here.

## Saturday, July 8, 1911

Rain, thunder + lightning during the night, and again in the afternoon. Was busy at home all forenoon and after dinner I, and a few other W. C. T. U. members attended a meeting at the U. B. church where the Anti-Saloon met to begin active campaign work. It was well attended, and earnest. Margaret and Miss Cramer came home late. Storm delayed them in starting.

#### **Sunday, July 9, 1911**

Rained hard after dinner. Hot after the sun came out again. Went to Sunday School and the usual church services. Communion in the morning when the new silver plates which Mrs. C. P. Dennis, and our family gave as memorials of the Dr. and James W. Ricker, were used for the first time. We invited Mrs. Dennis to come home to dinner with us.

Enos served as elder for the first time.

## Monday, July 10, 1911

Rained hard, thunderstorm imminent all day and so Margaret did not venture out until after supper when she drove me a while. Took nearly an hour to get the harness on Kermit but, together, we finally did it.

Mr. Dunning was here a few minutes.

Lizzie and Mrs. Barratt still under treatment from Dr. Keyes.

#### Tuesday, July 11, 1911

Up early again to help M harness Kermit and get an early start to the farm. Later Mary Moore + I went up street together, I paid the Grand Rent, \$21.04, and then we stopped to see Gertrude Moore and the baby. Went also, to see little Lois Smith, at the Kurgrock's where she is visiting, had her finger badly hurt in the automobile door. Long letter from Carl. Sewed in the afternoon.

## Wednesday, July 12, 1911

Rained hard last night and so I pulled weeds + grass again before breakfast.

Hot after the sun came up.

Home all forenoon.

Mr. Schirrman put new lock and dining room door + fixed fastenings on shutters. Went to prayer-meeting as usual, it being Mr. dunning's last Wed. evening service until after his vacation.

## Thursday, July 13, 1911

Forty-eight years ago today our family were under fire in our home in Yazoo City, Miss. when the U. S. gunboats shelled the revel battery located on the top of the hill above our house. We fled to the woods and spent the day with other refugees. Returned home after dark when firing ceased. Three days later we started north with the U. S. Army and came to Ohio stopped at Grandfather Moore's until Sept. 7th when we came to Portsmouth and have been here ever since.

# Friday, July 14, 1911

Warm and close.

Mary has been working on a thin dress for Margaret. I am busy all the time but much of my work is still done in the yard which is very tiresome these hot days.

## **Saturday, July 15, 1911**

Very hot again.

Margaret + Miss Cramer came about the middle of the afternoon, bringing a load of things.

This is James' birthday and had he lived he would be seventy years old. It does not seem possible that he has been gone more than three years.

Letter from Carl.

Mary Peebles, Mattie Gaylord and Maggie Mason called this afternoon.

## Sunday, July 16, 1911

Went to Sabbath School as usual and to all the church services, which close today until Sept. probably as Mr. Dunning leaves in the morning and the auditorium is to be renovated.

Enos is still here.

Robert Peebles is expected here again but no word came from him today.

## Monday, July 17, 1911

Beautiful day. Margaret did not go to the country but E + M went, after dinner to the farm in Ky to make Ethel Schwartz a little visit.

I went to W. R. C. meeting in the afternoon, and later went to Gertrude Moore's to see Carol Moore who is going back to Ironton this evening. Both Lizzie Peebles and Mrs. Barratt are ill and under the care of Dr. Keyes. Robert Peebles came today in response to a telegram from his mother, sent Sat. Letter from Jane Ricker. I wrote to Ira and Carl.

## **Tuesday, July 18, 1911**

Beautiful all day. After breakfast Margaret wanted to exercise Kermit and I went with her out the Chil. Pike. Had a little excitement when we met an auto with flying pennants.

Elizabeth and Mary came home from the Kentucky farm where Ethel Schwartz and family are spending the summer.

Robert Peebles was here in the morning and missed the girls. Mrs. Manning, the children + Mrs. Salmon were here. Sent Virginia Parrish a package + wrote her mother.

## Wednesday, July 19, 1911

Warm and dry.

Margaret + Miss Cramer went to the country this morning but was not here.

I went to prayer meeting as usual, as did Elizabeth and Mary. Small attendance. Dr. P. J. Kline led. Peter George, the Sexton has achieved wonders in the church yard, in grass, flowers and hedge. Mr. Scudder is home from his trip.

## Thursday, July 20, 1911

Clear and warm.

Was over home with sewing after breakfast. Finished off Margaret's new thin dress. Went to W. C. T. U. in afternoon. Then went + paid small bills at Amann's and Glockner's.

No letters either written or received. Girls out to Bess Pixley's this evening.

# Friday, July 21, 1911

Fair and warm.

Began on some sewing for Margaret. Wrote to Carl, took letter to office then went to see Misses Firmstone + Cadot. Later to see Maggie Mason and then called upon Mrs. Scudder but she could not see callers at that time. Came home and found Mrs. Manning and the children here. They stayed to tea and the girls + I walked part way home with them. Will came near being struck by lightning today.

#### Saturday, July 22, 1911

Bright and warm but a good breeze most of the day.

Letter from Carl.

Home all day excepting a little while that I spent over at Mary's with some sewing. Have been making ruffles for underwear for Margaret. She and Miss C. came in the afternoon. Kermit had strained a ligament + was limping. Girls at Mrs. Manning's for supper. Mary made Dorothy a dress of some of Elizabeth's blue + plaid goods.

### **Sunday, July 23, 1911**

Fine day.

Went to Sunday School. Had two visitors Helen Cramer + Virginia Brent. Did not go to church in the forenoon as there seemed to be a scarcity of open churches.

Went to Bigelow in the evening and heard Mr. Eason preach a good sermon to the combined congregations, his own + Trinity.

### Monday, July 24, 1911

Heavy rain today for a short time quite cool and windy. Letter from Will. Wrote to Ethel Schwartz. Mrs. Barratt left on the N + W for Columbus at 3:40 PM and sails for England Wednesday on the Campania, having been here five weeks.

This is Mr. Chris Young's  $71^{st}$  birthday.

I sewed on Margaret's white goods today. Was over home in forenoon.

Edwin W. Scofield died today in Columbus, of heart disease.

# **Tuesday, July 25, 1911**

Still warm and dry, but a pleasant breeze.

Elizabeth left this afternoon on C + O train to visit Grace Cotton Cone in Cin. Mrs. Manning, the children and Mary went over the river with her and then Mary went home with Mrs. M. to help her wash her dinner dishes which she had left in order to come down + say good-bye to E. She will be gone before E. returns.

## Wednesday, July 26, 1911

Very warm. Another letter from Will, also one from Carl saying he saw Elizabeth when she arrived in Cin.

Mr. Scudder led the prayer-meeting this evening and told me he expects to leave again Friday for two weeks. Mary went to the ball game and I sewed on the machine, on Margaret's work.

#### **Thursday, July 27, 1911**

Warm but somewhat breezy. Spent the day about as usual. Sewed awhile and then mailed a birthday letter and package to sister Virginia Greene to Metropolis where she is to be for a while with her Virginia. Sent her a little cream pitcher, in which M. E. M. put a collar + hdkf.

This was R. R. Peebles' birthday, he died in Wooster, O. Dec. 25, 1901. Brought E. F. Peebles a cream pitcher.

#### Friday, July 28, 1911

Bright and warm.

Always busy but cannot always remember the small matters that take up so much of my time. Have been sewing today. Mailed a birthday letter to Elizabeth with a dollar enclosed to get what she wants most. Mary sent her black silk stockings. Wrote to Carl as usual. Mrs. Manning + children went to Ronceverte, Mary got their dinner + I went up and helped wash the dishes + saw them off.

### Saturday, July 29, 1911

Hot, dry and dusty.

Mary and I were busy at home all forenoon, then she went to the ball game in the afternoon, with Mrs. Davis. E. V. R.'s + I. E. R.'s birthday. I sewed on white work. Mrs. Young came down after supper to talk over the cleaning and repairs at the church. She and I have been on the carpet committee for years past. Mary Peebles is going to give a new carpet to the church + the old one will be put in S. S. room.

### Sunday, July 30, 1911

Bright and warm. Very little breeze.

We went to Sabbath School, as usual, Margaret being home, also. Mr. Scudder gone again and Dr. Ruggles serving as Supt.

In the morning M. E. M. and I went to Bigelow and heard Mr. Eason. Did not go anywhere in the evening and I retired early.

Was over home awhile in the afternoon.

# Monday, July 31, 1911

Warm and showery with prospect of heavy rain, which came before noon, refreshing everything and everybody, but stopping work in the yellow brick residence which is being put up over on the S. E. corner of Fifth + Court Sts. Margaret and Miss Cramer did not go to the country today.

I wrote four or five letters today, among them Jane Ricker.

Went to see Dora Raypole Johnson and her young son Raymond, at Mrs. Baker's home. They Raypole family have moved to Covington Ky, but some of them were detained.

#### Tuesday, August 1, 1911

Rained a little today, but late in the afternoon. Margaret + Miss Cramer went to the country and when they go, I do not get much done until after they are gone. Kermit is behaving well as to being handled + harnessed after two months of training in such things.

# Wednesday, August 2, 1911

Showers followed by very warm temperature.

Sewed all afternoon.

Mary went to a morning party given for Ada Moore Coran and Minnie Smith Nodler, by Gertrude Davidson. Went to prayer-meeting as usual. Very small attendance. Mr. Coe led. Mary Peebles made an interesting short talk about the idols in the temple at Kyoto, Japan. She also said it would be her last appearance at prayer-meeting until next May as she leaves next Tuesday + wants Mrs. Young + me to go as far as Winova Lake with her.

## Thursday, August 3, 1911

Very warm and close.

Busy all morning at home. Washed my black dress skirt in the forenoon, pressed it after dinner. Mary made me a new light meadvas waist. I attended the W. C. T. Y. meeting. Made a call upon Mrs. Ball. Mary went to Gertrude Moore's and remained to supper. I had letters from Carl + Elizabeth and postal from Margaret.

Was over home after supper to sit awhile with sister E.

#### Friday, August 4, 1911

Very warm. Ther 97°.

Wrote to Virginia Greene. Washed braid and finished off the black skirt.

Am getting ready now for the trip to Winova with Mrs. Young and Mary Peebles next week.

Sewed all afternoon, Mary was out but after bed time she cut out the new waist she got for me and began it. I wrote to Ethel Schwartz and sent her + the children papers.

#### Saturday, August 5, 1911

Still very warm. Home all day. Sewed, finishing up several things. Wrote to Margaret Firmstone who is in the hospital. Letter from Will containing usual check. Wrote him, Margaret, + Carl. M sent note saying she is sorry to not be home for her birthday. Mrs. Cadot was here + said Mrs. M Firmstone is improving nicely. Lizzie Peebles was here to supper but cannot eat anything, scarcely. Sent Lucy M Carpenter a birthday card. Mabel Ruggles was here this AM.

### Sunday, August 6, 1911

Very warm again.

Went to S. S. as usual. There being no service in our end of town in the morning. I went to S. S. then came home and slept until 12:30.

The hives trouble me so from bed time until nine or ten o'clock every night that I lose a great deal of sleep. Have had them for months now without missing a single night.

Mary M + I went to Bigelow in the evening. Margaret is spending her birthday in the country.

#### Monday, August 7, 1911

Very hot again and no breeze stirring.

Have been busy all day getting ready for the early start in the morning on our little trip to Winova Lake Ind. Elizabeth came home from Cin. where she has spent two weeks with Grace Cotton Cone.

#### Tuesday, August 8, 1911

Cloudy early, hot later. We were up early and the bus came for me, with Mary Peebles and Mrs. Young already in it. Took C + O train 5:29 for Cin. changed there to Big Four. Saw Carl just a minute. Ride to Warsaw was hot + dusty. Trolley to Winova Lake. Went to Winova Hotel where Mary had three good rooms engaged, Mrs. Y's + mine on the lake front. Beautiful place. Had dinner then went to call on Mrs. Hackett, friend of Mary's. Met Mrs. Dickey, her sister, the wife of Dr. Solomon C. Dickey, founder of Winova Assembly Grounds.

Took walk to see grounds and being tired, we retired early. As guests of Mary Peebles we have nothing to do but enjoy what she provides and it is all that could be desired.

Sent postals home tonight, seven.

8 P. S. U. Katharine O. McCoy in Dr. Luke of the Labrador.

### Wednesday, August 9, 1911

Beautiful day but sun hot.

After breakfast we took a walk to see the grounds + cottages. Called at "Billy" Sunday's but he + Mrs. S. had gone to Iowa. Sat on the porch and visited with Mrs. Dickey who was there. Went to Auditorium and heard Miss Maddie O. Hamilton, Field Sec'y of C. L. S. C. talk on Sidney Lamer the poet. Enjoyed it greatly. Band concert.

Venetian Night on the Canal. A beautiful float display.

Wrote Uncle Drew's birthday letter + others home.

## Thursday, August 10, 1911

Beautiful day. Band concert. Calls upon Mrs. Sam'l Hadley + others. Literary hour with Miss Hamilton's talk on E. A. Pre. A new interpretation of his work presenting a view of the man. Music + Myths of old Japan by Dr. Albert Gale + his wife was most charming and novel. They are musicians + have made a study of the music + musical instruments of Japan. The House that Jack built, given in the evening was a beautiful presentation of Mother Goose + her rhymes + characters in costume with fine music. Mary did not go as she could not get a seat where she could see. House packed. Fine prayer-meeting in Rainkes' Hall.

#### Friday, August 11, 1911

Another fine day. Made farewell calls in the morning, upon Mary's friends. Missed Miss Hamilton's Riley talk as Mary had early dinner and we went with her to the Penn. Station and bade goodbye for nearly a year. She goes to visit Mattie Dover in Chicago then Margaret in Newtonville and then South America with Hattie Peebles. Afternoon with the Gales as Indian, in music and story. Interesting.

Ahasuerus in the evening.

Father's + Mother's anniversary + Ada Moore Corson's birthday. Found Miss Martha Stewart + two sisters, the former having been our guest in 1903. C. L. S. C. meeting at 6:30 PM.

#### Saturday, August 12, 1911

Fine day. Have met a good many people. Find the clerk is the son of Marion Lawrence + his daughter Lois is here also. Miss Hamilton talked on Whittier. Enjoy her greatly. Afternoon talk by an advocate of dress reform with some good suggestions, some not so good. Boat ride on the lake at 4 PM, delightful. 8 PM with an Irishman through the Jungles of Africa, Gabriel Maguire, the first white man up the Congo, after Stanley came down. Founded a mission. Took a severe cold and shall lose some good things.

Bethany meeting. Warsaw in AM.

### Sunday, August 13, 1911

Cold so severe that I spent all day in bed, excepting meal hours. Had an unusual experience with throat trouble all night. Missed all the good services but after tea walked up and looked at the Hillside gathering, then returned and spent the evening on the verandah with Mrs. Oliphant of Penn. Ind. Miss Martha + Miss Nell Stewart, Mrs. Besserer, + Miss Lawrence very kind.

### Monday, August 14, 1911

Rained in the night. Last day at Winova Lake + was enough better to go out again. D. W. Howells in forenoon. Col. Geo. W. Bain in afternoon. Post card from Mrs. Bond saying Mr. B's sister is here so I looked the party up, + found her daughter Mrs. John Wright, also Mrs. Smalley of Toledo. Lebrun Opera Co. in the evening was gorgeously put on the stage but I did not care for the performance. Made final calls + purchases preparatory to leaving tomorrow. Wrote to Mary Y. Moore for her birthday, yesterday.

#### Tuesday, August 15, 1911

Pleasant in morning, hot later on. Breakfast and then farewell to Winova Lake. Went to Warsaw train for Cin at 9:30. Very dusty trip. Changed at Greensburg, Ind. Carl met us at station in Cin. Went to his place for supper, a new one just opened a week ago, the Newell. Good meal. Took walk and made a few purchases at Dorr's. Second seats in Pullman on N + W train and had comfortable trip to Ports. Found girls, all three up to welcome me. The end of a delightful outing.

#### Wednesday, August 16, 1911

Rained here all day yesterday so Margaret did not return to farm until today. Mr. Scudder asked me to meet with S. Board Com. himself + Mr. Labold to confer with Supt. Appel in regard to putting Kindergartens in public schools. Went then at 2 PM. Went from there to see Mrs. Young. Prayer-meeting in the evening. Letters from Will, Carl, Jane Ricker, postcard from Mary Bannon written from Bath N. H. Wrote Helen Ricker to thank her for the large picture of father Ricker, made by Arthur Ricker.

#### Thursday, August 17, 1911

Pleasant. Helped Mary get ready to go to Ronceverte on the afternoon train. She has worked all summer and needs a change.

John and Robert Peebles came today, John from the East, Robert from Virginia. Went to W. C. T. C. meeting in afternoon. Was over home several times.

Called to see Anna Ross.

E and I are now alone in the house + will take things easy. Finished + mailed the letters to Will + Carl.

### Friday, August 18, 1911

Warm and dry.

Paid my church dues to Sept., and also settled several small accounts. Saw in paper this evening accounts of wonderful flight of airship across country, the roads are full of automobiles and the air will soon be full of balloons and airships.

## Saturday, August 19, 1911

Very warm.

A busy day as usual but nothing remarkable to be recorded.

Wrote to Carl.

Lizzie Peebles very miserable. John + Robert both here.

The remains of Mrs. John B. Gregory were brought to Mr. S. R. Ross' home this afternoon from her late home, Fontana Ky. I went to Miss Anna's and met Hiram + his family wife, two daughters + ones son John Belli Jr.

#### Sunday, August 20, 1911

Bright and warm.

Went to Sunday School as usual. Had only two girls. Anadora Marsh + Mary Wallace. Enos Moore's birthday.

Went to Bigelow in the morning and to bed at night.

Mr. Dunning has asked for another week of vacation and it was granted.

Mary + I went down to Miss Ross' and saw the Gregory family. Old time neighbors the parents were.

# Monday, August 21, 1911

Letter from Carl and supply of #10 Humphries specially for Hives.

Began on our week's work at the church, Mrs. Young and I. Mary Peebles has given a new carpet, which she selected by sample at Martings and we are to have the old one cut + made over for the S. S. room. We put in the whole day. Had Mr. Stevie, a practical man to plan and cut it, then I took time off to attend W. R. C. meeting in afternoon, + went to W. C. T. U. at Trinity in evening.

## Tuesday, August 22, 1911

Fine day, good breeze.

Will's birthday which he spent at Saratoga N. Y. and wrote me about it.

Mrs. Young and I went early to the church and when we had finished the sewing on the old carpet for the S. S. room I came home as Maggie Mason was to spend the day with me, what was left of it. Mrs. Young came to supper so we had two guests for our little supper which Elizabeth prepared.

# Wednesday, August 23, 1911

Pleasant. Mrs. Young and I spent the day at church. After the carpet was put down in the S. S. room we helped get the room ready for prayer-meeting. Mrs. Young came out with me to supper, having had her lunch at the church. Dr. Kline led the meeting which was small in attendance.

Mary did not go as Lizzie was not feeling well.

The H. specific seems to be helping me as I have fewer hives. Have had them more than 18 mos.

#### Thursday, August 24, 1911

Sprinkled. Spent the entire day at the church, going before 7:30 AM. Mrs. Young and I washed pews all day along with two colored women. Mrs. Losh and Mrs. Johnson were there awhile in the afternoon.

Board of Education at their meeting this evening voted to add the kindergarten department to the Public School System, Prof. Appel + Mr. Scudder to take charge of this matter.

Men began putting down the new carpet in the audience room.

## Friday, August 25, 1911

A long rainy day, rained all night, probably. Had a busy day at home. Washed five pairs sash curtains, ironed two pairs, fixed sleeves in M's white waist. Wrote to Will + rec'd letter from him, also letter from Mary R.

### Saturday, August 26, 1911

Rained in morning, cloudy most of the day but the ball games went on just the same and Elizabeth went with the crowd. Robert Peebles left on morning train for California. Mrs. Manning came on afternoon train to meet Mr. Manning and look at a house on the hill. I was out all morning doing errands. Mailed letters to M. E. P. + Carl + postcards to Maria Storck + Helen Moore. Letter from Helen Ricker.

#### **Sunday, August 27, 1911**

Pleasant. Went to S. S. and Lizzie Peebles went with me. Afterwards Mary and I went to Bigelow. Did not go out in evening. Mrs. Weller, Mr. + Mrs. Manning were here nearly all the afternoon. Was over home a little while.

The Sunday School room looks well since being carpeted, the old carpet is in good condition.

### Monday, August 28, 1911

Pleasant and fair in the forenoon. Signs of rain were fulfilled before night. Not knowing that Mrs. Young was going to the church to work, I did not go down until after dinner and then it was too late to come home, change my clothes and go back. Mrs. Y. and two colored women washed woodwork all day. The carpet in audience room was almost done this evening. I wrote to Will. Lizzie Peebles was here talking about the house proposition + Mar. Institute opened today. M + E will attend. Mrs. Manning + Mrs. Weller left for Ronceverte + Bluefield, respectably.

## Tuesday, August 29, 1911

A continual downpour all day. Three bricks falling down the chimney in sitting room gave me a job that lasted all forenoon.

Margaret helped until she had to go to Institute.

Went to Missionary meeting at Mrs. Evans' in the afternoon. Only a few present, Mrs. Iams, Young, Micklethwait, Johnson, Marsh, Miss Davis and myself.

First fire of the season in gas stove in dining room, too damp + chilly for Elizabeth.

### Wednesday, August 30, 1911

Rained all day, with brief intermissions.

Went to the church before 8 o'clock AM and stayed until 11 when I came home to get dinner. Both girls at Institute. Returned to church about 2PM and found that Mrs. Young and Mrs. Lena Thompson had just finished the work we were doing, yes + Mrs. Shields had come but too late.

Everything ready for the cushions. Mr. Coe led the prayer-meeting which was very small.

### Thursday, August 31, 1911

Cloudy, light sprinkle and just a gleam of sunshine. Home all day. Swept the dining room in the forenoon. Worked on Kindergarten lists in afternoon.

Girls went to Institute all day, after adjournment E. went to the ball game and Margaret drive Kermit. Lizzie Peebles was here. This is her wedding anniversary, married in 1876. Rec'd no letters and wrote none.

#### Friday, September 1, 1911

Pleasant. Institute closed this afternoon and Margaret prepared for an early start to the country in the morning. Began a letter to Carl.

Had one from Will from Chicago saying he was detained longer than he had expected, so will not be here this week.

Men came to rebuild the tops of the chimneys which was beginning to fall + make trouble. Mrs. Lang worked here all day sweeping + cleaning. Elizabeth attended Institute all week.

#### Saturday, September 2, 1911

Beautiful day. Brick layers finished work on the chimneys and I put in the day cleaning up inside + outside of the house. Mortar, dust + soot had permeated everywhere. Elizabeth went to the ball game in the afternoon. I went down street long enough to pay a bill at Mr. Lauter's for tin work done on the house some time ago. Finished letter to Carl and sent it.

Margaret + Miss C went to the cemetery this morning.

# Sunday, September 3, 1911

Fine day. Went to S. S. as usual and had four girls in my class, Marcia Storck having returned from Kentucky. Mr. Dunning was at S. S. and preached in the morning to a good congregation.

No service in the evening as there was a mass meeting at the tabernacle to open the campaign for temperance. Large attendance and much enthusiasm. Chairman of meeting was a "Sunday convert" who had worked with the "wet element" three years ago. Speakers, Wayne B. Wheeler + Florence Richards.

#### Monday, September 4, 1911

Fine day which I spent alone at home. Elizabeth having gone with Mrs. Davis + Margaret Miller to the park for the day.

Margaret Jackson came at noon to resume her studies and will be a junior this year.

Margaret Ricker and Miss C. came in about 6 PM bringing some fine potatoes, also apples and cabbage raised on the little farm.

I worked all day in the house and yard and have everything in good order. Lizzie Peebles went to Henley this morning. Two postcards from Helen Ellis.

## Tuesday, September 5, 1911

Cool, cloudy, and rain in the afternoon. Swept and dusted in the forenoon.

Went to Aid Society in the afternoon. Reported \$20.60 to the treasurer, Mrs. Hancock, for the new windows. Fair attendance. Mrs. Young + Mrs. Dunning, Mrs. Lena Thompson entertained with cake and cream. Ethel Schwartz was present, also Miss Emma Bell who is very feeble now.

E had letter from Mary.

Public Schools opened today.

### Wednesday, September 6, 1911

Very warm. Busy all day, housework in morning. At 3PM Mr. Scudder + Mr. Labold, Miss Ross, Mrs. P. E. Selby, Mrs. Schlifer + myself held the regular Board meeting of the Free Kindergarten Association and formally voted to turn the work over to the Public Schools, the School Board having taken action to the effect that the work would be made a part of the Public School System. It has been years since the Free K-G Association was organized here and has been successfully carried on ever since.

#### Thursday, September 7, 1911

Pleasant. Was busy all morning with house work.

Went to W. C. T. U. in afternoon and upon my return found Will had come home on the afternoon C + O train which was late, detained by wreck on the road.

Forty-eight years ago today our family moved to Portsmouth from the farm below town where we had come to Grandfather Moore's from Yazoo City Miss., after the fall of Vicksburg.

### Friday, September 8, 1911

Warm. My birthday was well remembered in various ways. Card from Oella Lawman, letters from Helen Moore + Mary Ricker who also sent me a pretty, new black crocheted bag. Will gave me \$10.00, Lizzie Peebles gave me a beautiful Irish lace color + jabot, Mary made me a gallon of peach ice-cream and Mrs. Behrens made me a fine cake. Wrote to Carl but did not get the letter off.

Washed + ironed for Will and he cut grass.

#### Saturday, September 9, 1911

Rained hard early in the morning. Margaret + Miss C left early for the country and had a hard trip.

I was busy all day putting Will's things in order. He was waiting for news from his firm and instructions as to his next move. We are having a good visit. Mary and Lizzie were here after supper.

# Sunday, September 10, 1911

Pleasant in morning. Rained later. Heavy rain in evening.

Went to S. S. and church as usual. Made preparation for dinner, in the morning so all went to church. Heavy rain delayed Margaret's return and she came just as E + I started to church. Will stayed with her.

Mr. Dunning omitted the regular evening sermon and gave a strong temperance talk.

### Monday, September 11, 1911

Heavy rain all night. Will left on 3:47 AM N + W train for Cin. Walked out as bud came too early. Telegram from him at noon saying he reached Cin. at 11:45 + Carl met him. Went with him to Dayton. Letter + best from Virginia. I work hard all day in, and out of the home to have everything looking well when Mary comes, then her note to E came saying

would not be home tomorrow as we thought she would. Mrs. Dunning came to spend the night. Mr. D. + Enos went to Felicity to attend Presbytery. E's first time.

### Tuesday, September 12, 1911

Beautiful day, clear, cool except in the sun at noon. Baked bread which was ready to take from the area when Mrs. Dunning and Elizabeth came downstairs for breakfast.

Went to W. C. T. U. County Convention in afternoon, good attendance. Large number of new members received into the Portsmouth Unions, ours now has 110 enrolled. Mrs. Dunning spent the day at home but came back to tea. Rec'd letter from Carl also one from Washington with final payment on old Treasurers' Nat'l Bank account .22 cts.

## Wednesday, September 13, 1911

Cool and pleasant.

Elizabeth + I had early lunch and I then walked down to make a call upon Ethel Schwartz in the summer home where she has been since early in May. It was quite cool and I couldn't find my jacket anywhere until I went to prayer-meeting in the evening when Peter George the janitor told me where to find it. The Schwartz family will come to town Friday.

### Thursday, September 14, 1911

Rained very hard. Was busy all forenoon about the house which is now in good order. Mary came home from Ronceverte West Va. on the afternoon train having been gone four weeks today. (Mistake in day).

Letter from Will written at Lima, O. on his way to N. Y.

Enos and Helen were married Sept 14-1887 at Newtonville Mass.

#### Friday, September 15, 1911

Rained, as it has nearly every day this week. This is Mary Moore's birthday, and Mother's also. I gave her stationery, and Elizabeth got a box of candy for her.

Lizzie and John Peebles remembered her also, they are still with her. Mary took me to Lyman House's Moving Pictures, but we could not get a seat in the house so we came home again.

She came home this afternoon instead of yesterday as written.

Wrote to Carl.

## Saturday, September 16, 1911

Rained all day, and much of the time it was a hard rain. Was home and busy all day. This is the anniversary of Uncle Sam + aunt Mary Moore's wedding in 1863.

Ralph + Carol Moore's son born today at Ironton, Ohio. Went to bank this AM to cash some checks, and did as few other errands in the rain.

Mrs. Ida Cole Anderson died suddenly this evening. Her grandson, Thomas Frederick was buried Friday, died of diphtheria in morning.

### Sunday, September 17, 1911

Rainy all night and very cloudy all day. Went to S. S. as usual, also to church in forenoon.

Mass meeting at the tabernacle in the evening. Large audience. Dr. Fess of Antioch College was the speaker for the temperance caus. Have heard him before at County Institute. Fine address upon Abraham Lincoln.

#### Monday, September 18, 1911

Fine day after a hard shower in the forenoon. Worked in the shed in the morning. Went to W. R. C. meeting in afternoon. Not many present. Sent steamer letter to M. E. P. who sails for South America this week.

Went to see Mrs. Taylor after supper and she gave me a complete set of C. L. S. C. books that were her mother's, for the years 1891-92. Mrs. Elizabeth was one of Mother's dearest friends.

#### Tuesday, September 19, 1911

Fine day. Worked in the shed in forenoon. Spent afternoon going over Kindergarten records to find facts regarding the work.

Letter from Miss Ensign about entertainment at the Peebles home during W. C. T. U. Convention Oct 10-13. Answered it.

Election in Maine still doubtful. Mrs. T. C. Anderson buried, E + M went to the funeral. Margaret drove Kermit.

Conn in bottoms under water.

#### Wednesday, September 20, 1911

Mary's birthday. I gave her money to buy what she wanted.

Went to prayer-meeting in the evening.

## Thursday, September 21, 1911

Warm. W. C. T. U. meeting in the afternoon followed by the committee meeting to arrange for the coming Convention.

Later when I got home, Mrs. Dunning was here to tea. I went to the Grimes to see Mrs. Burt of Columbus in regard to Temperance work.

### Friday, September 22, 1911

Home, in the forenoon.

Went early to the Baptist church to a mass meeting of women to organize for Sabbath work in helping the Local option comm. The Local option Auxiliary was organized with Mrs. Henry Heer as President, myself as Vice Pres. Miss Sowers Sec'y, Mrs. Anthony Ass't Sec. and Edith Fulton Treas. There will be a hard fight. Mrs. Burt of Columbus, and Mrs. Meredith are here to help the women.

### Saturday, September 23, 1911

Busy all day putting up tomatoes and plums in addition to the usual Saturday work. Margaret + Miss Cramer went to the country. Sent the usual letter to Carl.

### Sunday, September 24, 1911

Went to Sunday School and the usual services morning and evening. Margaret was home early this evening from the country and Margaret Jackson came on the evening train.

#### Monday, September 25, 1911

Pleasant. Went to Second Pres. church in the forenoon to help Mrs. Henry Heer, establish headquarters for the Woman's Auxiliary to the Local option League. Mrs. Anthony, Mrs. G. W. Williams, Miss Sowers + I were there, all afternoon getting chairmen for the one hundred prayer-meeting districts which all need to be canvassed for the Local option committee.

C. E. Business meeting and social meeting was held here.

## Tuesday, September 26, 1911

Beautiful day.

Busy with the Missionary Society met at my home.

Good attendance and good meeting. Mrs. Evans presiding. Lizzie Peebles was present. After supper I went out to Mrs. Henry Heer's and worked with committees. Did not get home until after ten o'clock.

#### Wednesday, September 27, 1911

Pleasant. Went to  $2^{\rm nd}$  ch. in morning. After dinner took my Home Dept. supplies and made calls upon members. Found Miss Amelia Noland desirous of uniting with the church, her first experience of that kind, and she is now near the close of a long life. Went to prayer-meeting and reported to Mr. Dunning who promised to call + see her tomorrow/ Busy with Local option work, also.

# Thursday, September 28, 1911

Cloudy but no rain. Cool in the evening. Spent nearly all day, and all evening at the  $2^{\rm nd}$  church working on the lists for the local option canvas. Went out to see Miss Noland in the morning and she wanted to be enrolled in my Home Dept. Class. After dinner went again to see Mrs. Frank and take Earl some papers. Mass meeting of women for prayer at  $2^{\rm nd}$  ch in evening. I was in the basement there with others.

### Friday, September 29, 1911

Warm and bright. Good breeze. Was up to the bank in the morning and did errands. After dinner went to Miss Lucy Noland's home where Mr. Dunning, Mr. Scudder + Mr. Coe met to receive Miss Amelia Noland into membership of the church. She was baptized. Is too ill to go out of the house but was anxious to become enrolled as a member. Spent the rest of the afternoon at  $2^{\rm nd}$  ch. on com. work. Lizzie Peebles returned from Cin.

### Saturday, September 30, 1911

Fine day. Spent forenoon at  $2^{nd}$  Pres ch. to answer telephone calls at Auxiliary Headquarters. Busy at the phone at home all afternoon. The canvas was begun by the women of the Aux. but not finished.

Mr. Scudder invited me to go with him to meet Mrs. Curtiss at 7 PM in his carriage so went + met her. We are glad to have her with us again. It is her first stop in Portsmouth over Sunday, though she has been here many times. Letters from Miss English, Will + Carl, answered all of them.

#### Sunday, October 1, 1911

Rained hard in afternoon, and evening. Rally day in S. S. and Mrs. Curtiss was present. Gave a fine talk, promotion of classes. 36 present. Mrs. C. spoke at C. E. meeting. Mr. Scudder took Mr. Dunning, Mrs. C + me to the tabernacle to hear Col. Bain. Brought us, and the girls home in the carriage. I spent the afternoon at Second ch. prayer-meeting. Margaret's Miss C came home.

### Monday, October 2, 1911

Rained + was cloudy all forenoon. Mrs. Curtiss left on 7:25 train. Mr. Scudder called with carriage + took us to the train. I then came home and have been at the telephone attending to the canvassers calls.

Kindergartens opened today as part of the Public School system. Elizabeth at Jefferson St. as she has been for several years.

## Tuesday, October 3, 1911

Cloudy + cool in morning, clear + warmer, later.

Went to  $2^{nd}$  ch. in forenoon, and to Aid Soc. at Mrs. Lynn's in afternoon. New windows for audience room are here on exhibition, a sample window, and the money is being raised by the Aid Soc. A dinner is planned for next Tuesday. Mr. Breece wants the Local Option County workers to meet and have dinner which our aid Soc. will serve.

### Wednesday, October 4, 1911

Warm. Went to Second church again and worked. Miss Heer brought me a lunch and I did not come home to dinner. The Local Option Campaign and State W. C. T. U. Convention coming at the same time makes busy times for some of us.

No prayer-meeting as a mass meeting was held at the tabernacle to hear Seaborn Wright of Georgia. Fine speaker, large attendance.

# Thursday, October 5, 1911

Pleasant. Went to Second Church again and was there most of the day, Mrs. Henry Heer, Mrs. Anthony and myself working on the cards and planning for other work. Had letters from Will who is on a flying trip to Chicago. He sent me check for 33.50, ten for Mary + 2.50 that he had borrowed, besides the usual 25.00. Went to hear Seaborn Wright in the evening.

### Friday, October 6, 1911

Beautiful day, warm in the sun and balmy as though it would rain. Was at Second church nearly all day. Mary M brought me a lunch so I did not come home. We are busy with the Local Option work. Went to hear Judge Blair in the evening at the tabernacle. He made a fine speech. Girls did not go. Margaret + Miss C. went to the cemetery.

I wrote to Will.

#### Saturday, October 7, 1911

Rainy all day, cooler in the evening. Went to Second ch in forenoon, doing several errands on the way home. After dinner I went down town and did more errands then finished the brown siege skirt Margaret had begun for Damie.

Wrote to Carl. Gathered + hulled walnuts and did many other things. Did not go to tabernacle to hear Mrs. Richards. Must rest a little.

## Sunday, October 8, 1911

Pleasant. Went to S. S. as usual and remained to church.

In afternoon went to Trinity to mass meeting for women. Addresses by Miss Ensign, Wm Miller, editor of the Blade and short talks by others. In evening we went to Tabernacle and heard Mrs. Viola D. Romans, and Mrs. Richards, officers of State W. C. T. U. This is father's birthday, born in 1815, a grand, good man whose mother and grandmother lived to be ninety-six.

#### Monday, October 9, 1911

Cloudy + warmer but no rain here. Went to Second church about 9 o'clock and did not come home until nearly five o'clock and worked on cards, and answered telephone until time to go to afternoon meeting at tabernacle when Mrs. Heer went. Thirty meetings in the county were addressed by women of the W. C. T. U. + others, yesterday.

Wrote to Carl, and had a letter from Will.

# Tuesday, October 10, 1911

Rained all day and was dismal for the beginning of Convention at Trinity State W. C. T. U. Time was divided between the two churches, busy as I could be preparing for the coming Convention, + election work. The date fixed for Wet + Dry election is Oct  $26^{th}$  and the women are organized and at work polling the city, making speeches at county school houses, the men taking them out in autos. I am doing office work, planning and (entry stops here).

#### Wednesday, October 11, 1911

Pleasant again after the rain. My time was divided between the two churches, the work of the Local option Com. and the W. C. T. U. State Con. I was not a del. And missed most of the meetings being busy about other matters. In the evening we went to hear Mrs. Lulu B. Shepard, the President of Utah State W. C. T. U. a charming woman, and fine speaker. Brought home six delegates. Mesdames Della Chard, Dr. Mary Crane, Jno Rees + Becket to Mary + LW Scott + Sarah Rice, all of col. to our house.

#### Thursday, October 12, 1911

Fine day. This morning I took our six guests down to Front St. to the bridge, then took car for Convention. Spent a little while at  $2^{nd}$  ch. then went to Trinity and at noon went again to  $2^{nd}$  ch. and met Mrs. Lulu B. Shepard Pres. of Utah State W. C. T. U. who made a short talk to High School pupils there. Came home late and Margaret took me back then took some ladies for a ride. In the evening I attended the Diamond Medal Contest at Trinity and then brought the ladies home. Have had a busy day. Had letter from Mrs. Evans at Denver.

### Friday, October 13, 1911

Beautiful day, rather cool. Went to Trinity this AM, via and ch taking Mesdames Chard + Beckett. Scott + Rice to see that church. Spent the day at Trinity helping in a general way. Had dinner there. Mrs. Beckett left in afternoon, but our two guests + two from Mary's decided to remain and attend the tabernacle meeting in the evening. The address by Mrs. Smith Davis on Temp. (scientific) Investigation was fine. Convention closed with every evidence of a great success.

### Saturday, October 14, 1911

Foggy and cool. Our two delegates and two from Mary's, Mrs. Chard, and Mrs. Rees left on the morning train for their homes in Columbus. Margaret is going to the farm and I will resign my duties on the Local Option Campaign Committee. Went to  $2^{\rm nd}$  Pres. ch. and remained until about 4PM. Came home and wrote.

Wrote to Carl.

### **Sunday, October 15, 1911**

Pleasant. S. S. and church in the forenoon. Communion Service, three members rec'd, Mr. Lucian Doty, Mr. + Mrs. Kinney. Did not attend the tabernacle in afternoon, but went in the evening when Judge Blair spoke to an immense audience. Great enthusiasm. The wet and dry fight is being waged with great illumination.

#### Monday, October 16, 1911

Mild and signs of rain which were fulfilled after bedtime. Was at home until about 9 o'clock when I went to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Pres. ch. and did not get home until after 1 PM. After a hasty lunch I went to W. R. C. meeting and then home to supper. After supper I went to the Dice Carriage factory and heard Mrs. Lulu B. Shepard make a strong appeal to voters to keep Scioto Co. dry. Wrote to Mrs. Puntenny, her sisters having died.

#### Tuesday, October 17, 1911

An all day rain. Went to Second ch. about 9 AM. Took lunch and remained until after 4PM. Committee meeting at 2 o'clock, and at 3L30 Prof. Shannon spoke to mothers and girls.

In the evening the Clover Club met at our house.

Had a postal from Sadie Chapman and letter from Carl.

The Clover club met here this evening, full attendance.

Went to bed early. No meeting at tabernacle.

## Wednesday, October 18, 1911

Fine day. Went down to Mrs. Schwartz' and Mrs. Legler's, then attended the prayer-meeting over at Mary's. We had a good meeting. Did not go to the church until after dinner, no, I took my lunch and remained until nearly supper time. Led the prayer-meeting at 3:30 and then came home. In the evening went with the girls to the Tabernacle and hear a fine address by Mr. Rutledge of Cleveland. An irish man who is a preacher but is now engaged in Anti-Saloon work. Wrote to Carl about coming home to vote.

### Thursday, October 19, 1911

Beautiful day. Went to the lower end of town early and returned in time for prayer-meeting over at Mary's after which I did some errands and after dinner went to the Second Pres. ch. and later went to the W. C. T. U. meeting at the Reading Rooms where the Ex. Committee settled up the business, bills amounting to about 75.00 and found about \$125.00. A few small items not yet in. Expect to go to hear Mr. Rutledge at Dice's factory. Wrote to Carl today, again.

#### Friday, October 20, 1911

Pleasant for the season.

I am not trying to do anything but work on the election business, the prayer-meetings and the tabernacle meetings. Did not go this evening, however as I thought I had better go early to bed.

### Saturday, October 21, 1911

Pleasant day. Margaret + Miss Cramer went early to the country and I spent the forenoon at home, and the afternoon at the Second Pres. church.

Mrs. Heer, Mrs. Anthony + I have almost lived there for several weeks, and Miss Carrie Sowers has been there a great deal, not so much as we have, Wrote to Will.

# Sunday, October 22, 1911

Rained a little and kept many away from Sunday School. We all went, excepting Margaret who was in the country. Mrs. Lillian Burt went to our church to hear Mr. Dunning and then came home with us to dinner. In the afternoon she attended a meeting for colored people and I remained at home to rest. We all went in the evening to the tabernacle excepting sister who came home before dark.

### Monday, October 23, 1911

Bright, warm and pleasant except for a breeze on the river. Was at the church in the forenoon and then we went to the river to see the C + O train bring "Billy Sunday" to town to speak at the tabernacle tonight to men only. In the evening we attended a mass meeting of the women at Trinity to hear Mrs. Lulu B. Shepard. The house was full and children sat

on the floor + in the aisles. She is charming and very simple + convincing. E + M stayed all night with Mrs. Dunning.

## Tuesday, October 24, 1911

Pleasant. The weather has been very favorable for our work. Today there were six or seven hundred letters written by the women to be mailed to doubtful voters. In the evening Lincoln McConnell was the speaker and made a fine address. Is a Southerner and an ardent temperance speaker. Have been at the Second Pres. church most of the day.

### Wednesday, October 25, 1911

Pleasant. Our last day's work before election was a very busy one I wrote fifty cards for the prayer-meeting leaders. Did not come home to dinner, Mrs. Heer + Mrs. Anthony went out + bought walnuts for our lunch. The prayer-meeting was largely attended and there were other committees at work at the same time. Went to the tabernacle in the PM and heard Judge Blair + John Rutledge. Judge was presented with a silver loving cup at the close, Mrs. Heer making the speech.

### Thursday, October 26, 1911

Beautiful day and mild in temperature. Had some beautiful roses from the yard. The bells in four churches,  $1^{\text{st}} + 2^{\text{nd}}$  Pres, Trinity + Manley began ringing at 5:30 AM for the all day prayer-meetings during the election hours. An unceasing chain of prayers went up to God all day but at the close the Wets had won by (space here) over the drus. Mrs. Heer had supper at the church for her husband and Scott, Mrs. Anthony, Miss Sowers, Mrs. Burt + myself and at the close we presented Mrs. Burt with a fine leather bag as a token of our regard for her + her work. Went to tabernacle and heard the returns which made us sick at hearts. Bade Mrs. B. goodbye.

### Friday, October 27, 1911

Cloudy and cold with wind. The defeat of yesterday has taken the spirit out of us in a measure, but while we are disappointed, we are not discouraged. Shall rally and go on without temperance work, hoping for better success next time. I worked in the yard most of the day taking up geraniums and doing other outdoor jobs. Had letter from Will just after I had mailed one to him, supper for Mrs. Cadot, her guest Frances Cochran and Margaret Miller.

## Saturday, October 28, 1911

Cool and rather cloudy. Busy in the yard all forenoon. Cut a few more rose slips. Measured one of the castor beans and found it sixteen feet high, perhaps a little more. Altered Margaret's white dress. Went to see Mrs. Bertha Wheeler, with Lizzie Peebles in afternoon. Had letter from Carl. M + Miss Cramer went to the farm + took some young trees + other things. Saloon men are busy already getting ready to open again.

### Sunday, October 29, 1911

Beautiful day. Went to S. S. as usual and attended the regular church services which are resumed today after the campaign, which resulted so disastrously. In the afternoon I went to the Second Pres. church to a woman's prayer-meeting which was large in attendance, and interesting.

#### Monday, October 30, 1911

Weather fair. Worked in the yard. Went up street in the afternoon and there were crowds and crowds around saloons which are open today though they cannot sell regularly before Wednesday. Conditions are dreadful today. Girls went to a social at the church this evening. Lizzie Peebles went to Washington to see Wm + then on to York Pa where Enos will meet her and she hopes to make a business arrangement with Will Smith.

### Tuesday, October 31, 1911

Cloudy but no rain after dinner. Busy at home in forenoon and went to Missionary meeting at Mrs. F. L. Johnson's in afternoon. Small attendance. Girls went to Clover Club at Ada Moore Corson's this evening.

Have been trying to get the Kindergarten affairs close up but the strenuous times have interfered with regular work. Rec'd a fine handbag from the ladies of the Local Option Aux as a souvenir of our month's work together.

### Wednesday, November 1, 1911

Clear and colder, beautiful day. Set out six more rose slips. Frost touched castor beans for the first time last night.

Went to W. C. T. U. meeting, large attendance. Reports of much drinking, disorder + many arrests this week.

Telegram from Virginia this PM saying she would be here at 11:40 on N + W from Cin.

Fire in sitting room for the first time this fall.

Mistake in dated. This was the day of the Dist. Pres. meeting at our church. It occupied me all day.

#### Thursday, November 2, 1911

Beautiful day but quite cold. Started fire in sitting room. Worked in yard, set out rose slips. Castor beans ripped but not killed. Went to W. C. T. U. meeting. Large attendance, much interest. Telegram from Virginia saying she would be here at 11:40 PM. Mary and I went out to the station to meet her and we all walked down. Fine night, bright moon light.

### Friday, November 3, 1911

Beautiful day. Letter from Will with check, 25.00 for me, 15.00 for Margaret + \$10 for Mary. Margaret gave me a black silk waist for my anniversary, this being the forty-first. Lizzie Peebles, William Lowell and baby Elizabeth came this morning from Washington D. C. and Wm expects to remain and look after the Henley property. Wrote to Will.

John Peebles is here also. Margaret + Miss C went to the country.

#### Saturday, November 4, 1911

Bright and pleasant. Virginia and I took down the castor beans. She began it and I would not let her work alone, then Wm Peebles joined us + we finished the job. Mrs. Manning and the children came home this afternoon and went to their new home on  $17^{\rm th}$  and Oakland.

Wrote to Carl, had letter from him, as usual.

#### Sunday, November 5, 1911

Pleasant, though there was rain in the evening when we came home from church. Went to S. S. and church as usual. Virginia went to  $2^{\rm nd}$  church and church as usual Virginia went to church but did not remain.

In afternoon I went to  $2^{nd}$  church, Mary M went with me. The last of the series of Women's prayer-meetings. Enos was at S. S. + church but will probably leave soon for York Pa.

## Monday, November 6, 1911

Cloudy, with some sunshine and some rain.

Mary and I swept and cleaned all forenoon. After dinner I went to Mrs. Couray's and took the last \$5.00 contribution to the Free K-G (Mrs. Selby's) will soon have the transfer to Public Schools completed. Attended Wm M. Pursell's funeral this afternoon. He was one of our attendants when we were married forty-one years ago. Mrs. Dennis, Mrs. Whitney + Mrs. Rowe were here.

## Tuesday, November 7, 1911

Some sunshine, and some rain. Cloudy in the morning. Mary has been sweeping and putting the house in order for company as Mrs. Curtiss will be here for the County S. S. Convention Thursday.

#### Wednesday, November 8, 1911

Fine weather.

Was home all forenoon and at the Second Pres. in the afternoon attending the Scioto Co. S. S. Convention which convened today.

Went to prayer-meeting in the evening and was too tired to go to the S. S. Con. afterwards.

This is John's birthday.

### Thursday, November 9, 1911

Pleasant. Mrs. Curtiss and I spent the day at the Second Pres. church in the County S. S. Convention. She gave three fine talks, one on the school, as regards the kind of offices needed.

In the afternoon she spoke on the Lad's Basket, and in the evening she gave a beautiful talk on "The child you used to be."

The teachers of the public schools went to Cin. to a large gathering of teachers. Mrs. Curtiss came from Ironton on the 7:25 train.

#### Friday, November 10, 1911

Was up early and got breakfast for Mrs. Curtiss who left on the 7 AM train for Columbus. Will return about the 25<sup>th</sup> to take part in the dedication of the new Second Pres. church. Virginia and I went out on the hill to call on Mrs. Dupre and do a little work in the cemetery. Stopped at Mrs. Mannings' on the way back, it being my first call upon her in her new home.

Wrote to Carl and Will.

#### Saturday, November 11, 1911

Rather mild but papers say a blizzard is on the way. I walked in the yard some and have done nearly all that I can do in that line. Margaret and Miss Cramer came home from Cincinnati on the late N +W train. Wrote to Helen and when I was ready to mail it, was told that she will be here next week, to pack up for the move to York Pa.

Rained tonight.

This is the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month of the 11<sup>th</sup> year of new century.

### Sunday, November 12, 1911

Began turning cold in the night. Wind blew and this morning it snowed and was wet and slushy. Icicles fringed the roofs and branches.

Went to Sunday School as usual, and to church twice. Lizzie Peebles was feeling so badly with her cold that she wanted a nurse so we got Mrs. Huddleson for her. She still has Dr. Keyes. Margaret Jackson returned.

## Monday, November 13, 1911

Cold and clear, icicles and snow in shaded places all day. Have been doing various things. Went over to see Lizzie twice. Had letter from Will advising me to take Lizzie's offer of \$1,000 in my share in the old place, with the brick stable included at \$300.00.

Mary and Virginia went to Mrs. Dupre's for supper.

Ther 13° this morning.

#### Tuesday, November 14, 1911

Still cold this morning but it moderated later in the day, papers report many deaths from freezing. Lizzie Peebles still in bed with severe case of bronchitis.

Girls went to Clover Club at Margaret Schirrman's this evening. Virginia and I had a quiet evening of visiting each other and Margaret who was busy with school work. Nou, one of our cats is missing.

### Wednesday, November 15, 1911

Cold still and breezy.

Virginia goes back + forth to see Lizzie who is still in bed and does not improve much. She will not have any treatment excepting the osteopathic, and what Mrs. Huddleston can do for her. We went to prayer-meeting as usual, all but Margaret and Virginia who has not been able to attend church services for some time. Mary, Virginia, + I

went to see the Second Pres. ch. + hear the grand organ. Helen Moore came from Boston tonight to pack up for the move to York, Pa.

#### Thursday, November 16, 1911

Pleasant day. We spent the forenoon at home, and in trips over home. In the afternoon we did some errands and went to call on Mrs. Prescott who was not at home. Mary then went home and Virginia + I went to get the ticket then called on Hattie Scudder whom we did not see, then to Mrs. Pratt's to call on Mrs. Lewis + Mrs. Halliday of Zanesville, all were out, but the latter two called here before supper. Wrote twice to Carl today in regard to V's trip tomorrow. Helen came over to spend the evening and as the girls were all home Mary was here we had a pleasant time.

#### Friday, November 17, 1911

Milder and cloudy, with hard rain in the evening just as the train for Cin moved into the station. Virginia finished her packing in the forenoon and I went down town to do some errands. Carl called upon long distance telephone to tell what he had learned about trains for Metropolis. Lizzie Peebles is no better today + Virginia regretted having to leave her. She went on the 3:40 N + W to Cin where Carl is to meet her and see her off for Metropolis. Helen has been busy seeing about her packing. LEP gave VMG the check for her share in the old home.

#### Saturday, November 18, 1911

Windy and turning cold again. Snow reported all over the west. Letter from Will. Lizzie Peebles no better, or so little that it is not noticeable. Finished making over my gray waist, and Mary made my new black silk waist, but did not finish it. Helen gave me a small chair that belonged to her Aunt about sixty years, she also left a doll's chair to be given to Dorothy Manning.

# Sunday, November 19, 1911

Fair. Went to Sunday School and church as usual.

Spent part of the afternoon with Lizzie Peebles who is still in bed and having a hard spell with bronchitis. Dr. Keyes says she will not be much better for three or four weeks.

I was asked to lead the C. E. meeting this evening, the missionary topic being South America.

Margaret and Miss Cramer returned from the farm.

# Monday, November 20, 1911

Cold with snow in the air. Heavy frost. Enos and Helen were busy all day with their packing, which was done by night, and they are ready for the move to York Pa.

I was at W. R. C. meeting in the afternoon. Enos + Helen were here to supper, after which Mrs. Dunning made them a farewell call. Helen went to spend the night with Mrs. Scudder who gave her a set of silver butter spreaders.

Letter from Carl.

### Tuesday, November 21, 1911

Raw, chilly + cloudy.

Was busy most of the day trying to help William get the feather bed + mattress + spring ready for little Elizabeth's bed. Elizabeth F. had a bad night and both doctor Gault + Dr. Keyes were here this morning. Mr. + Mrs. Dunning's 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Helen and Enos left on the 3:40 N + W for York Pa. via Pittsburg. It seems like another breaking up of the family and yet we are glad Enos has such a good business prospect. Lizzie Peebles gave me a check for \$1,200 as a cash payment for my interest in the old home. She is to deed me the brick stable + lot also.

# Wednesday, November 22, 1911

Beautiful day and not very cold. Will G. Moore spent the day in Portsmouth, arrived last night on his way to Pittsburg to be married Arthur + Gertrude Moore had a sort of reception in his honor, to which Ralph + Carrol, Paula McKearn + Clare Simmons of Ironton came. We were invited to attend the christening of Arthur and Gertrude's daughter Marian Irwin, + Ralph + Carol's father John Paul. The three girls went. M. E. M. + I went after prayer-meeting to call.

## Thursday, November 23, 1911

Pleasant for the time of year, though it rained a little in the afternoon. Mary + I went to see about a hat for me which was easily found at Anderson's. Mrs. Manning and the children came to stay all night as Mr. M. is away from home. I almost finished off the black silk waist which Margaret gave me and Mary made up for me.

Was over home to sit awhile with Lizzie Peebles who does not improve very fast.

## Friday, November 24, 1911

Light snow, clouds and general unpleasantness. Was home all forenoon washing sash + transom curtains. Mary went to Kindergarten and painted the circle for E. Mrs. Manning and the children went home after Mr. M. came and had breakfast with them. Had letter from Will at Montreal + Virginia G. at Metropolis. Wrote Carl. Made the ticking case for a mattress for little Elizabeth Peebles' bed. Lizzie P. still in bed.

#### Saturday, November 25, 1911

Fine day. I spent all the forenoon and a part of the afternoon making the mattress for baby Elizabeth's bed. Got it all done and now have completed the job of making a feather bed + mattress, for the baby, ticks and all.

Mrs. Phoebe Curtiss came on the seven PM train and Mary met her. Lucy Moore Carpenter was here to supper. Lorell and the baby were here also.

# Sunday, November 26, 1911

Beautiful day. Mrs. Curtis went to Second Pres. ch, for the S. S. service, they sent for her, then I went, after our S. S., to attend the first preaching service in the new auditorium. Rev. Dr. Watson of Cin. preached a fine sermon on how to study the Bible. In the afternoon Mrs. Curtiss went again to speak to the young people. Wm. Peebles, Lorell + baby, Mr. +

Mrs. Manning + children, Dr. Joseph Clark + Mr. Gates were here. I went to church in the evening + the girls went with Mrs. Curtiss to the Second Pres.

#### Monday, November 27, 1911

Fair and mild. Signs of rain. Was up early to get Mrs. Curtiss breakfast. Mary went with her to the 7:25 N + W train for Columbus. Have taken severe cold and am miserable as usual. Lucy Carpenter + little Arthur were here this afternoon, late. We went wedding presents for Will Moore + his bride by Lucy. Margaret + I got a cream ladle, and E + M a beautiful spoon. Was not over home at all owing to my bad cold.

#### Tuesday, November 28, 1911

Rained in the night was dark and stormy all day, much wind. My cold was better this morning but I had a bad night with hives and today consulted Dr. Gault in regard to a remedy. Missed the Missionary meeting at Mrs. Evans' also the housewarming reception given by the ladies of the Second Pres. church.

Wrote to Virginia + Willard Greene, Helen Moore + Uncle Drew Ricker. Helped Mary make mincemeat. Mary had card from Helen at York.

#### Wednesday, November 29, 1911

Growing colder with signs of snow, fitting weather for Thanksgiving. Decided to get medicine and began right away to try to get rid of the hives and cold. Went over to see Dr. G. and got the remedies. Jno G. was here enroute to Newark N. J. and William left unexpectedly for Texas to investigate property. Wrote to Carl in Cin. Mary had letter from Helen at York. Could not go to prayer-meeting. Paid Mr. Prescott \$190.67 the balance of my account. Will sent me \$200 of the 1200 I sent him. I wrote him at once.

### Thursday, November 30, 1911

Clear + cold. Beautiful day. Five years ago today was the last one James spent downstairs and was sick all day. Thanksgiving day will always bring to mind the circumstance. Today we had no one at table but myself, Margaret, Elizabeth, Mary, and Mrs. Dennis who also is lonely and needs someone to cheer her, having come to Portsmouth a bride, late in life, and lost her husband after a year + a half. Was married one, or about Thanksgiving. Had letter from Mrs. Curtiss + answered it. Special from Carl. Girls went to Mrs. M's after dinner.

## Friday, December 1, 1911

Cold and clear.

Have spent nearly all the day mending Margaret's underwear.

Wrote to Carl.

# Saturday, December 2, 1911

A beautiful day which I have spent at home, trying to get rid of a bad cold. Had to make a trip to the Bank + PO but was not gone long.

The girls are beginning on their Christmas fancy work. I have spent most of my time since Thanksgiving on some darning for Margaret. She and Miss Cramer are enjoying the last visit to the farm that they will have for some time.

### Sunday, December 3, 1911

Rained by the time morning service was over in the churches. I went to S. S. but none of us went out afterwards. The new Second Presbyterian church was formally dedicated this morning and we had no service in the First church, in the morning. Owing to my cold I did not go out of the house after returning from S. S. Margaret came home in the afternoon. In the morning Mary went to church with her Aunt Macy. E was not well enough to go out in the rain.

### Monday, December 4, 1911

Fine day, cold and clear.

My cold is better but the hives are as bad as ever.

Mary cut + made me a waist for morning wear. Letter from Will. Went to the Court House to get my paper signed up, then made a little visit over home with Lizzie Peebles. A great case which will doubtless affect politics, labor unions, and other questions in this country has ended in the confessions of the McNamara brothers who dynamited the building in Los Angeles + killed 21 people, it is the beginning of the history of 100 other cases.

## Tuesday, December 5, 1911

Beautiful day, not very cold.

Was over home on an errand in the morning but spent the rest of the day washing, ironing and pressing some laces and a dress skirt which I want to make over for Margaret Jackson. Letter from Carl.

Did not go to the Aid Society meeting at Mrs. Losh's. Girls went to Clover Club at Marguerite Schirmann's. Lorell + baby Elizabeth were here.

### Wednesday, December 6, 1911

Pleasant. Was busy all day as usual. Sewing and mending. Lizzie Peebles is finally enough better to sit up, and even go downstairs.

Went to prayer-meeting in the evening and Mr. Dunning gave an excellent talk on some of the doctrines of our church as set forth in the Westminster Catechism.

# Thursday, December 7, 1911

Pleasant. Not very cold.

Was busy at home in forenoon working on a black skirt. In afternoon went to the temperance meeting at the Reading Room. Large attendance, the room was filled and much interest manifested. After the meeting I called to see Mrs. Roy Lynn and her new daughter, Janet Marie then to Clara Pursell's where I saw Sue, Mae Bannon and her two children. My first call there since Will P. died. Henry R. Tracy is here but was not in when I was there. He is now 78 years old.

#### Friday, December 8, 1911

Fair. Early this morning Mrs. Folsom from the farm came to tell Margaret that Jamie would come after Kermit tomorrow.

Have been busy all day sewing on Margaret Jackson's skirt.

Wrote to Carl.

Girls are busy as usual with Christmas work, making pretty, and useful things.

### Saturday, December 9, 1911

Pleasant but a little cloudy and seems like rain.

Mrs. James Folsom came today and took Kermit to the farm for the rest of the winter. Margaret went as far as Wheelersburg with him and then returned on the train.

Letter from Jane Ricker with tax receipts.

Finished the black skirt I have made over for Margaret Jackson. Has taken me most of the week. Lizzie Peebles was here again. The nurse left today, has been there four weeks.

## Sunday, December 10, 1911

Mild and pleasant. Prospect of rain. Went to S. S. and the usual church services. Beautiful roses and large white chrysanthemums were used in the decorations in memory of Mrs. Catharine Miller who died a year ago today. Was a faithful member of the 1st Pres. ch. for many years. Her grandson, Geo. Miller sent 10.00 for the purpose + Mrs. Scudder attended to the matter for him. The Mannings were here to supper.

#### Monday, December 11, 1911

Mild and pleasant in forenoon. Began a rain late in afternoon. Went to bank + deposited pension check, did some errands and then made call upon Mrs. Voorheis + Mrs. Scuddder. Later went to inquire about Mrs. Pratt who is very ill and was taken to the hospital about 4 PM to be operated upon tomorrow. Saw Thornton + his father.

Mary went to Mrs. Manning's with Mrs. Cadot + stayed to supper.

Lizzie Peebles gave me the deed to the stables + lot, as part of payment for my share in the old home property.

# Tuesday, December 12, 1911

Rained nearly all night and is still raining at noon today. Weather very mild. Home all forenoon baking bread, washing + ironing white goods. Aid Soc. at Mrs. Thompson's in afternoon. Letter from Will. Mary had one from Carl which I answered at once + sent him letter from Bearier Falls which he had enclosed to me. Says he has the promise of a good position as salesman for the firm, in a certain territory in Ohio. Girls went to Clover Club at Martha Moulton's.

## Wednesday, December 13, 1911

Raining still. There has been only a few hours this week without rain, that was Monday afternoon + it began again about 4 PM.

We went to prayer-meeting as usual. Mr. Dunning was away making "dry" speeches in Belmont Co. Mr. Kinsey led the meeting in a very helpful way.

Mary went to stay all night with Mrs. Dunning.

## Thursday, December 14, 1911

Dark and rainy. Was busy sewing on a skirt which I have washed + am making over for Lorell.

Miss Emma Bell died this afternoon at the Damarin Bldg at 2 o'clock but I did not hear of it until evening. Lucy + Clara came this afternoon, Miss Emma Bell has been sick a long time and suffered greatly. A long + useful life has closed with a hope of a better one to come.

Wrote Jane Ricker + sent papers to her father. Girls stayed all night with Mrs. Manning.

### Friday, December 15, 1911

Rainy and miserable, most of the day, dark + gloomy.

Went down to Miss Emma's to see Lucy Rifenberick and Clara Newton and offer to do anything I could for them. They asked me to write the article for the papers regarding Miss Bell. I did it in the evening. Lizzie Peebles decided this morning to leave on the C + O train for Cambridge Eng. so we all had to hurry until she + William had started for the train. It was raining and she is hardly fit to travel, but anxious to go. Burglaries every night and everybody on the lookout for the robbers. Saloons have brought the usual lawlessness.

#### Saturday, December 16, 1911

Weather changing, cooler + windy. After the morning work, I went to the Security Bank with Mary Moore where she opened an account.

Did an errand Zoellner's and helped her select paper for the dining room. Then went to the Damarin Bldg and saw Lucy + Clara. They wanted me to go to the cemetery with them after the funeral at the church which was at 2 PM. Mr. Dunning's remarks were fine, he took three texts on faithfulness. There were only four of Miss Bell's relatives here, Lucy Rifenberick, Clara Newton, Lucy Collins + Isabel Curtis Ross. Letters from Carl + Mary Peebles, now in S. America or rather letter mailed there.

Wrote Carl.

# Sunday, December 17, 1911

Fine day. Attended the usual services from S. S. to evening service. Asked Lucy Collins to come, home from church to dinner, but she could not come as she could have so little time with Lucy and Clara as she leaves for Cleveland at 4 o'clock in the morning. Is staying at Mrs. Drew's.

# Monday, December 18, 1911

Pleasant. Not cold. Everybody busy with X'mas preparations. Letter from Carl. Mrs. Manning and the children we here to dinner and went shopping in the afternoon. Margaret took the baby out in her carriage. I spent the afternoon at the W. R. C. meeting + we planned X'mas things for the sick + needy. Sent a beautiful pot of cyclamen to Mrs. Pratt at the Hospital. Mary went home with Mrs. M. to stay all night.

### Tuesday, December 19, 1911

Colder, white frost. Clear all day. Busy at home in forenoon. Mary returned from Mrs. Manning + dressed doll for Joanne Pursell. She + E have many pretty things made. Have been sewing on a dress for Lorell. Wrote longer letter to Will in reply to one received. Went in afternoon + did a little shopping + paid the taxes for both houses. Rate is reduced this year.

#### Wednesday, December 20, 1911

Cloudy, raw and unpleasant. Mary had the dining room papered with yellow paper and it looks more light and cheerful.

Mrs. Drew brought me a hat pin and silk scarf, both pretty, which Lucy + Clara wanted me to have as mementos of Miss Emma Bell. They left for their homes this afternoon. Went to prayer-meeting.

### Thursday, December 21, 1911

Cloudy and damp.

Was very busy at home all forenoon and in the afternoon went to Second Pres. church to attend the Temperance meeting which was held there instead of the Reading Rooms.

Mrs. Gault had "Cherokee Roses." Girls busy as they can be. Elizabeth troubled greatly with rheumatism.

#### Friday, December 22, 1911

Rained hard and long.

I went to Jefferson Kindergarten to the Christmas celebration. The children had true and a fine time in which Mr. Scudder joined them and shaking hands with each one left a new shining nickel in each hand. Lorell is sick and we are helping with the baby.

I rec'd a letter from Uncle Drew Ricker, written with his own hand and enclosing a check for 10.00, a gift which I acknowledged at once.

#### Saturday, December 23, 1911

Weather mild, unusually so for the season. All busy all day preparing the house and the gifts for Christmas and the coming of our boys.

Elizabeth and Mary have made and sent off many beautiful things.

Margaret is busy with the baby most of the time.

# Sunday, December 24, 1911

Went to Sunday School. Had only one regular pupil + one visitor, the others all being away. Rained had and school not large. Had the program "White gifts for the King" which is a fine one is properly carried out. Mrs. Phebe Curtiss arranged it.

Attended service both morning and evening.

Will came at noon for a short visit.

Mrs. Giles Gilbert died suddenly this evening.

#### Monday, December 25, 1911

Weather damp and not much like Christmas, though it did not rain until in the night. Carl came before noon so we were all six here for dinner, a fact which I full appreciate. We had many small gifts and a few that were none costly, Mrs. Dennis gave Mary a beautiful silver vase, with flowers from Washington. Postcards, letters and small packages were coming in all day.

Lorell is sick in bed so their Christmas dinner was small.

### Tuesday, December 26, 1911

Rained all last night and all day today. Dark + dismal. Will and Carl left on the  $7:10\ C$  + 0 this morning in the rain, or between rains, Will on his way to St. Louis and Carl back to Cin. We had a good visit though short.

Margaret has been taking care of little Elizabeth Peebles all day, + washing + ironing her clothes. Lorell is not able to be up. The two girls went to spend the afternoon with Mrs. Dunning + stayed to supper.

### Wednesday, December 27, 1911

Another dismal day, rain from morning until night, and then some. I spent the day over home, crocheted an edge on an eidergam sacque for Lorell who was unable to be up or do anything, except to dress herself hurriedly when it was time to go to the train. Margaret + I worked hard + fast until William, Lorell + baby Elizabeth were started on this trip to California. It is a big undertaking with Lorell sick and William far from well.

We went to prayer-meeting as usual. Mary coming over to go with me.

### Thursday, December 28, 1911

Bright and cold. Ther  $20^\circ$ . I finished the half dozen Kgn balls for Mrs. Baker's little girls and then went to Mrs. Manning's for the night.

Father Louis Norman died this afternoon after a long illness. Has been our neighbor for many years, since 1871 I think. Had reached high honor in his church and will be greatly missed.

Had card from Wm Lorell + baby from Cin.

#### Friday, December 29, 1911

Fair but milder with signs of rain. The girls came home from Mrs. Manning's before dinner but spent the afternoon at Mrs. Cadot's with Grace Cotton Cone + others. Margaret spent the day over home making a wool comfort so I had a good chance to do many things which I did. Baked bread, washed, ironed, pressed, sewed + did other things. Margaret brought home to fine new cloak which Lizzie Peebles ordered for me. A velour or plush of some kind, very handsome.

#### Saturday, December 30, 1911

Began raining about breakfast time and continued all day. I have another cold + went to Dr. Gault for medicine at noon.

Wrote to Carl and sent off more calendars. Changed the buttons on my new coat. Margaret got me the umbrella Will asked her to buy. He left money for several gifts.

Worked all evening on M's red dress which is now ready for her again.

Mr. + Mrs. Dunning were here. Margaret spent the day over home and with Mary's help finished the wool comfort she has made for Miss Cramer.

### Sunday, December 31, 1911

A rainy dismal day until after dinner when the sun came out bright and clear and continued so the rest of the day.

Throngs of people have been passing since early in the morning to the Catholic church, on account of the death of the priest.

We went to Sabbath School as usual but I was unable to remain through the service so came home and went to bed.

Cold grew worse and I did not go out again.