

### **Friday Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

A rainy dismal day, which we spend at home. The hard rain did not set in until evening and did much towards spoiling the attendance at the Kindergarten entertainment at All Saints Chapel when Miss Frayser gave a fine talk which was much enjoyed but those who were present.

At the beginning of this new year the family consists of five members father, mother, and three daughters. Carl and Agnes are living on Washington St. and Will is to move to Hamilton, O. the first of next week and take a new position, Supt of the Niles Tool Works.

Mary went to dine with the Peebles family, while Elizabeth + the Frayser sisters to Agnes' to dinner.

### **Saturday Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Very cold and a very busy day with us. Mrs. Graff came about 5 o'clock and helped with supper, promised to come tomorrow and get dinner for us. We had the Peebles children + Edith Thackwell to supper, the Carl, Agnes, Mrs. Clyde + Mrs. Goddard and Flint Kline came + spend the evening. Had a pleasant time and it was late when we retired.

### **Sunday Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Bitterly cold. We went to S.S. as usual, excepting the guests. Miss Nannie Lee Frayser went but Jean was sick with a cold and Edith Frayser did not feel like going out. Nannie Lee went from our S.S. at All Saints and from there to Bigelow where she told the Christmas story.

The Misses Frayser left on the evening train for Louisville and we went to church again. This is the anniversary of a very sad day on our family. Agnes is not well and was not out today.

### **Monday Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very, very cold, snowy and slippery. We got up at 4 A.M. to get Jean Alexander's breakfast for her in time for the early train to Columbus. The Hackman telephoned that the train was late so we took another nap and then had breakfast for her. Margaret + Robert Peebles, and Edith Thackwell left the Peebles home at the same time and all returned to Wooster to school after a pleasant vacation.

We spent our time in restoring the household to order and getting ready for regular work again. The Kindergartens opened again this morning, or should have done so but Mrs. Legler did not have a fire in the Jeff. St. room.

I wrote to Will at Hamilton where he expects to be tomorrow to enter upon his new duties as Supt of the Niles Tool Works. Carl went South again today.

## **Tuesday Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still very cold but towards evening it moderated a little. Was home all forenoon and out all afternoon. Went to Home Mis. Soc. at 2 P.M. then to Miss Ross' to K-G meeting, where only a few were present. Mr. Scudder, Mrs. Ires, Mr. Kersen, came late. Called to see Mrs. Sparks but she was out. Was over home a few minutes then after supper I went to church.

## **Wednesday Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still cold but moderating a little. Was over home to see mother who is sick with a cold. Mary swept the sitting room then sewed on the waist. After dinner I went to take a Home Dept. Quarterly to Miss Noldend and intended going to Mothers but went instead to see a girl whom I had partially engaged but did not want. The trip took me to 1422 N. Waller. After supper the two younger girls and I went to prayer-meeting.

## **Thursday Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Not so cold, thawing in the sun.

Home, except for a while in the afternoon when I took May's waist and say with mother while I finished off the seams. Did not go to W.C.T.U.

## **Friday Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Moderating and muddy. Was at home all forenoon and in afternoon went to see Mrs. Wilhelm, Mrs. Helen Arnold and Mrs. Hardy.

Came home and found sister Elizabeth here. Sent a letter to Mr. Shope of Wooster and in the mail rec's one from him with the bank book + statement.

Wrote letters to Dr. Nye Gilliford, Helen Moore + Mary R. Martin. Agnes and Mrs. Goddard were here.

## **Saturday Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright and much milder. Thawing.

At home all day and very busy; doing all kinds of house-work.

Rather expected Will all day but he did not come.

The new wash-stand was paid for. Bess Pixley was here to supper and the girls went up to Agnes'.

## **Sunday Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very slippery and icy.

Went to Sunday School and church as usual. Communion in the afternoon and quite a number united with the church, Mrs. Lius being one, Coles Peebles and his wife and several whom I did not know.

Enos was at home but left this afternoon.

### **Monday Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Slippery and cloudy. At home all and busy. Letter from Will, the first since he went to Hamilton. Hope he will get home more frequently now. Sister Elizabeth was here in the afternoon C.E. business meeting here in the evening.

### **Tuesday Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cloudy and moderating a little.

Was busy at home until late in the afternoon when I went to see Mrs. C.P. Dennis who leaves Thursday for Florida on account of her health.

It began raining as I left the house and was now raining hard when I reached Mrs. Dennis'.

The girls went to Clover Club at Louise Dever's taking Hester Goddard with them.

### **Wednesday Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cold and very icy + slippery. I am taking such a bad cold that I did not venture out this evening which was a disappointment to me. Lizzie Peebles was here.

### **Thursday Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very cold and disagreeable. Have a very bad cold and did not get up for breakfast. Elizabeth Peebles was here and I sent word that I would not be able to go to the Temperance meeting which is now being held at the Peebles home. Lizzie Peebles went to Cin. this morning to spend a few days. I wrote to Will again. Mrs. Silcox was here.

### **Friday Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Was very slippery and unpleasant, with a little rain. My cold is not much better but I have been obliged to be busy all day, as we had company to tea. Mrs. Stortz ironed, Mary prepared the supper and Mrs. Gray came to serve, and wash dishes. We had Agnes, + Hester, Elizabeth Peebles, Grace Cotton and Miss Coleman as guests and had a very pleasant evening. Carl went to Louisville + Olive Hill. Mary Peebles was here. Mrs. Helferentine was here also Anna R.

**Saturday Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Much milder and thawing. Sold is much better and I resumed my regular duties and was very busy all day. Late in the afternoon I took some work and went over home, it being the first time since the first of the week.

Have not been out on account of my cold. Mrs. Allen was here.

**Sunday Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very fair day but still quite icy and cold. Went to Sabbath School as usual and remained to church. Went again in the evening. Carl came home from Louisville today and he, Agnes and Mrs. Goddard were here in afternoon and remained to supper.

**Monday Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair but very icy on the shady sides of the streets. Was busy at home all forenoon and went to Relief Corps meeting in the afternoon when the new officers were installed and I was urged so strongly that I yielded and consented to serve another year as Secretary which will be the fourteenth consecutive year in that position. Mrs. Beck is the new Pres.

**Tuesday Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright and moderation. Was over home in the afternoon. Not feeling at all well.

It is Lizzie Peebles last day at home and it had been a busy one. I marked one dozen hdks for her. She has done or had done, quite a good deal of sewing.

**Wednesday Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Much milder, and damp. Have been sick with cold all day. Miss O'Connor came to sew a while.

Lizzie Peebles, Margaret and Richard left on the morning train for Cin, to go on to Florida tomorrow. She went from the Peebles home. I wrote to Will and sent him the new laundry bag I made for him.

Miss Perin came to visit Agnes this afternoon. Shall not be able to go to prayer-meeting this evening.

Paid Mrs. Musser 5.00 on the Calvary Chapel subscription.

**Thursday Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Rained. I have so much cold, I could not return out today, so stayed at home and sewed. Finished off Margaret's night dresses and after Miss O'Connor had cut out two for me, she began on a broom shirt waist for Margaret. This is the birthday of my youngest sister, Anna Lora who died in 1865.

### **Friday Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Rained in the morning but grew colder and stopped before night. Dr. Hall's lecture for the Kindergarten was given this evening at All Saint's Chapel to a small audience. We all went. Miss Loper recited and Kate Anderson sang.

### **Saturday Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Not so cold, but colder weather predicted very soon. Will came home this afternoon, his first visit since moving to Hamilton. Agnes, her sister and Miss Perin were here this afternoon. Carl was here. Expected to leave for Birmingham Ala. but owing to Ed's absence from the office, he could not go. Ed is still in bed at the Herman's where he was taken last night after fainting at a dance.

### **Sunday Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright and pleasant. All went to Sunday School but I was very late as Will came down to his breakfast just as I was ready to start. He is here so seldom that I did not want him to get his own breakfast and eat it alone.

Ed came home this afternoon about 4 o'clock having been gone since Friday evening. Carl + Mrs. Glidden were here to see him but he had not returned. Will + Carl left for Cin this morning.

River solid full of ice.

### **Monday Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very pleasant winter day. Bright sunshine. Finished the second laundry bag for Will and washed and pressed six white ties for him and mailed them to him.

Have had a busy day as usual. Elizabeth went to stay all night with Laura at Agnes'.

Wrote to Will.

I was at the funeral of Mrs. Jamison who died at Mrs. Rice's Sat. Later I went to see Miss Ross + Mrs. Cotton + Grace.

Maggie + Mary Peebles called here.

### **Tuesday Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Windy with light snow and turning colder. Bitterly cold in the afternoon, + icy on the streets. Home all forenoon. Mabel Moulton came on the noon train to stay until tomorrow and attend the Clover Club at Dora Carsey Miller's this evening. I went to the Foreign Mis. Soc. this afternoon. Only five came Mrs. Young, Mary Peebles, Mrs. White, Mrs. Legler + myself. Too slippery for Maggie P. Wrote to Mrs. A.M. Townsend of 218 Tremont St. Boston. Laura Perin was here in the forenoon. Mrs. D.B. Cotton and Grace left for N.Y. to sail for Europe Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Wednesday Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still real winter with light snow and plenty of ice. Still much ice in the river and navigation suspended. Maggie O'Connor began on the second week here today but none of us can help her much because the kitchen work, and company take so much of our time.

Went to prayer-meeting in the evening as usual though I have missed twice in succession since I had this cold.

### **Thursday Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1905**

#### Note:

This error in dating causes mistakes in several of the pages following in the year 1905.

### **Thursday Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still cold and icy.

Helped Maggie O'Connor a little with the sewing. Was just ready to go to Maggie Peebles' to a W.C.T.U. meeting when Ed came down stairs all ready to go home on advice of the doctor but after some deliberative he decided not to go now but stay here and rest up a few days. Thinks the family would be alarmed if he went home + told them of his recent attack.

### **Friday Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Moderating somewhat but still too cold for me.

Wrote to Mrs. Cotton and Grace in care of the Steamer Augusta Victoria, Hoboken. Have sewed some today but did not get much done. Ed has been home all day, is improving but not well enough to work.

The girls spend the afternoon at Agnes' with about twenty invited guests. In the evening they went to a social at the home of Mary Williams. Florence Crossley was in turn on her way to California.

Harvey Will died this evening.

### **Saturday Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather moderating streets muddy but Elizabeth went skating this forenoon with miss Perin, Bess Pixley, Mr. Powers + Mahan boys. Miss Perin went home in the afternoon. Sewed a little but not much. Went to call upon Mrs. E.S. Steavsee's as it was her 89<sup>th</sup> birthday. A number of her friends went there to celebrate each recurring birthday. Ed is better today and thinks he will be able to go to work Monday.

Mr. Labold talked with me this afternoon in regard to the K-G work. Lizzie Peebles is at Sea Breeze Florida.

### **Sunday Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant in the morning. Rain and snow in the evening. Went to S.S. and church as usual.

In the afternoon J.W. + I went to the Second Pres. church to attend the funeral of Harvey Will who died Friday night. Dr. Alderson conducted the funeral services.

### **Monday Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Light snow again this morning which did not last long.

Was busy all forenoon in the house, with the usual work. Was over home a little while.

Carl came home last night and was here this forenoon. Very cold again in the afternoon. Ethel Schwartz and I was out doing some K-G collecting. Wrote to sister E. + Enos.

### **Tuesday Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Very high wind all day and rain in the evening. Sewed some on Margaret's blue suit.

Went to Home Mission Soc. in the afternoon and afterwards to see Mrs. Jno. Schwartz + Mrs. J.E. Miller. Mrs. C.G. Young is still Pres. Mrs. Kline Vice Pres. Mrs. Micklethwait Sec'y and Miss Lizzie McClain Sec'y of the Home Soc.

### **Wednesday Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Fair and cold.

Miss Ewalt came from Columbus on the 10.52 train to meet the Primary workers and after dinner Mrs. Allen called for her and brought her home after the meeting. Went to prayer-meeting and saw Maggie Mason there with Maggie Peebles. Have had a busy day as usual.

### **Thursday Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather fair. Busy at home in the forenoon. Went early to W.C.T.U. meeting at Miss Peebles' to see Maggie Mason who is visiting there. She was not in. After the meeting I went to the Mother's meeting at the Jefferson St. K-G and then came home to supper.

Miss Ewalt left on the 10.52 train for Ironton after a very pleasant little visit.

### **Friday Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rather fair. Was out all day. In the morning did house work and at 1 o'clock went to Dr. Ruggles and spent two hours in the chair having my teeth put in order. Paid him seven dollars. After that I went to see Sarah Coates who came home last night just after her mother died. After supper Miss Coleman called. Jas + I went to S.S. room to see Mr. Arnold's picture's. We then went up to Sarah Coates' after Margaret who had gone to see Sarah.

### **Saturday Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather mild, indicating rain.

Miss O'Connor finished her work here this evening and I have helped her all I could. She has been here fifteen days. Letters from Florida say that the weather there is raw and cold.

I was out part of the afternoon doing errands. Mrs. Ethel Schwartz and I did a little Kindergarten collecting. She is as deeply interested in the work as I am.

### **Sunday Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

A hard rain storm early this morning with heavy thunder and vivid lighting. It cleared up before time for Sunday School but affected the attendance, so the school was not large. Mrs. Maggie Mason was present with Margaret + Mary Peebles being their guest at this time. The girls took dinner with Agnes. Margaret was on home so Ed was all the company we had at home. Went to Manley Chapel + Miss Maud Rockwell was elected Sec'y of the City S.S. Association in my class.

### **Monday Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair and colder than it was yesterday. Quite windy. Had a busy day at home with the usual work. Wrote to Will, and Miss E.V. Ricker of Baltimore. That city is having one of the most destructive fires ever known in this city, it raged for 28 hours and the loss is estimated at \$150,000,000. Mr. Simon Labold sent me a check for \$500.00 for the Free Kindergarten with the promise of the same sum annually as long as the work was maintained by private subscription. It seemed too good to be true. Wrote to Dr. Brannon of Boston.

### **Tuesday Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Ther. 22° and the day prove fair throughout.

Was busy at home all forenoon and then went to the Foreign Mis. Soc. at 2 P.M. The attendance was better than usual. The election of officers to be a re-election of all and I am still the President, Mrs. Marsh V.P. Mrs. White Sec'y and Mary Peebles Treas. Mr. Scofield here to supper + spend the night. Went to Ethel Schwartz' to confer with Mr. Labold in regard to his gift to the Kindergarten. Wrote Leona Labold. Went to see Mrs. Warner about my new waist.

Letter from Will.

### **Wednesday Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cold. Did quite a good deal of telephone this morning about the K.G.

Went to Miss Ross' to the Board Meeting, or rather regular K-G meeting when there was a better attendance than usual and after regular business was finished I handed



the Sec'y Mr. Labold's letter with the check for 500.00 for the K=G with the promise of a like sum annually as long as the work carried on as it now is, by private subscription.

#### **Thursday Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Ther. 14°. Clear. Busy at home in the forenoon. At 2 o'clock Mrs. John Schwartz called for me + we went to the 6<sup>th</sup> St. K-G to a Mother's meeting when Mrs. Ethel Schwartz joined us later. Had a very good meeting.

Papers are full of the Baltimore fire and the war between Russia + Japan. We hope our missionaries will not suffer from the disturbance. Went to Mrs. Warner's and to see Mrs. Felix Haas.

#### **Friday Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Ther. 16° but it was sunny and very light snow for melted in the sunshine. Was home in the forenoon and at 3 P.M. Ethel Schwartz went to the Valentine Social given by the Mothers of the Jefferson St. K-G then stopped at Mr. Hughes office and got 2.00 for the K-G. I then went to see the Choir Concert at the church. Senator Hanna very ill. Russian-Japanese war began and the latter is gaining victories by land and sea.

Mrs. Mason + Mrs. Goddard went to Cin.

#### **Saturday Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cold. Ther. 18°. Wind has dried up the mud and it is dusty. Carl returned from Birmingham, Ala. at noon + he and Agnes left for Cin on the 4.40 P.M. Sallie left also on a visit to Massillon.

Rumor that Senator Mark Hannah was dead proved false but he is very low with typhoid fever. Letter from Miss Ewalt + E.F.P. Answered letter.

#### **Sunday Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cold.

Went to S.S. and church as usual. Mr. Arnold preached an unusually good sermon in the evening.

#### **Monday Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very cold.

Home all forenoon. Went to W.R.C. in the afternoon and afterwards Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Fagin + I went to see Mrs. Bryer who was not at home. Our entire family were invited to a D.A.R. reception at the Washington this evening. All went except Margaret. It was a fine affair.

Senator Mark A. Hanna died this evening at 6.40 in Washington, another of Ohio's great men gone.

## **Tuesday Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very cold. Ther. anywhere from 2° to 5° according to location. Carl came home from Birmingham and as Agnes is away we have home to meals and in the evenings.

O.S. Powers here this evening. Elizabeth was not feeling well and went early to bed.

Mr. Powers stayed all night with Carl.

## **Wednesday Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather cold.

Carl had been here to his meals and to prayer-meeting after which he came home and spend the rest of the evening.

Mr. Powers was here to breakfast with Carl. In the afternoon Mrs. Miller + I went to W.C.T.U. meeting at Miss Peebles' after which we went to the 2<sup>nd</sup> St. school house and I was there when the K-G furniture was moved in.

## **Thursday Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Another cold day and a busy one as usual. Did some sewing on my night dresses which were cut out by Maggie O'Connor when she first came to sew for Margaret.

Was hoping to get a house girl today but was disappointed. Dangerously slippery.

## **Friday Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very cold again this morning with ice on everything, and the pavements a glare of ice. Have been at home all day sewing and working until late in the afternoon when I went on home.

Senator Marcus A. Hanna was buried in Cleveland this afternoon. every honor has been accorded his memory. Business was suspended in many places and for five minutes even the street cars did not move, at 1 P.M.

## **Saturday Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still icy and slippery. Ther. 9° moderating in the afternoon.

Home all day sweeping and doing other housework. Just before supper I took some sewing to finish and went over the see Mother and Mary.

Two of my S.S. pupils, Mariam Philippi and Hattie Harper came this evening as the promised, but only they so we did not organize as we had planned, but may do so later.

## **Sunday Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Weather cold.

Went to S.S. and the usual services.

The streets are very slippery + icy, and the attendance was affected by the weather.

### **Monday Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Bright, cold day.

Mary has been busy all day helping the Clover Club committee prepare for the reception given by the Club to the other federated clubs at the Commercial Club rooms. The event in the afternoon was quite a success. Elizabeth as president of the Clover Club was at the head of the receiving line.

### **Tuesday Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Cold and icy.

Busy at home in the forenoon. At one o'clock went to a called meeting of the Home Mis. Soc. and remained to the regular meeting of the Foreign Mis. Society.

### **Wednesday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather cold and disagreeable.

Went up to Miss Knurles this morning to see about my waist. Went to ask about Julia Murphy Doty, who is still very sick.

Went to prayer-meeting.

### **Thursday Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Turning cold again. Buys at home all day, did not go to W.C.T.U. meeting because I had some work to finish. In the evening, Jas + I went to the Bigelow lecture and heard Dr. Kirtley talk about the Barefort Kingdom, ie boys.

Carl left again this afternoon for Birmingham, Ala.

### **Friday Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Snow on the ground + roofs when we got up this morning, but it soon melted.

I was busy at home all forenoon and then went to Miss Knurles' to try on my waist. On my way home I called on Sarah + Lillian Coates, and Uncle Sam + Gertrude Moore.

### **Saturday Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather moderate and streets very muddy. Have had a busy day at home doing all kinds of work.

My new black silk waist was finished by Miss Knurles and brought home by Margaret. Mr. Scofield came from Ironton to stay all night with Ed and they will go to Columbus in the morning to see Stanley who is sick. They will return the same evening, Mr. S. going on to Va. Called on Mrs. Funk and Mrs. Loves who is here today.

### **Sunday Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Mild and damp. Went to S.S. + usual services. Mr. Arnold's last Sunday at home before starting the World's S.S. Convention at Jerusalem. Judge Henry Collings died at his home in Manchester this evening.

### **Monday Feb. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm as spring. Cloudy + sprinkling. Home all day until evening when I went to Mrs. Spry's + over home. Heard of the death of Judge Collings. Mrs. Mary Pratt buried here today noon.

### **Tuesday March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Clear and pleasant. Busy at home in the forenoon.

Went to Home Mission and Aid Society meeting in the afternoon, then came home and sewed again.

Jas + I went to the Bigelow lecture and heard Mr. Kirtley talk about the Barefort Kingdom. Wrote to Mrs. Colling, and expressed my sympathy.

Rec'd letters from Mrs. Cotton from Gibraltar.

### **Wednesday March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Rather mild.

Home until 2 o'clock when I went to Ethel Schwartz and together we did a little K-G collection before the meeting which was at 3 o'clock when a very good meeting was held at Ethel's. Elizabeth got her full salary today 120.00. Mr. Labold was present as a member of the board for the first time. Wrote to Will + E.F.P. Went to prayer-meeting. It was Mr. Arnold's last appearance as leader until he returns from his rip.

Judge Collings buried today.

### **Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Foggy and warm.

Ther. 66° this evening. Busy at home all day until about 4 o'clock when I went over to see the sick, John and Mrs. Behrens both being sick in bed.

Went to the social at the church which was given as a kind of farewell to Mr. Arnold before his trip. Winifred Smith went with Jas + myself. No one else went from our house. Mr. Arnold called here today.

### **Friday March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cold again. Ther. 22° this morning. Busy day at home, just doing house work. Copied "Palestine" for Mr. Arnold. He leaves at midnight via C+O for New York to sail on the Grosser Kurfurst with the S.S. Convention party for Jerusalem. Wrote a steamer letter to Mrs. Bryner Mrs. Lahm came to sweep + dust. Carl is still with is for meals.

### **Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright part of the day. Was very busy all day and was very tired at night.

Will came home on the C+O about 7 P.M., having missed the earlier train from Cincinnati. Carl was here to spend the evening with him and they went to Carl's to sleep.

### **Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rained when we came home from church. We went to S.S. as usual. Rev. Dr. Jones filled the pulpit for Mr. Arnold this morning + evening it being Mr. A's first Sunday away on his trip.

Will stayed with Carl last night and they did not come to breakfast until we had gone to S.S. Were here to dinner + then Will left on the 2 o'clock train for Hamilton much to my regret. Sallie came home from Massillon.

### **Monday March 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cloudy with light rain and the street very muddy. Was busy at home forenoon out most of the afternoon. Still have no girl + it keeps Mary + me quite busy. Went to see Mrs. Arnold who was feeling badly and in bed. Mr. A's mother was asleep. Stopped at Mrs. Poffenbergen's on K-G business. Came home and found Mrs. W.H. Schwartz + Miss Legler + Mrs. Auer came with me to meet Miss L. + talk over the recital.

### **Tuesday March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair and not very cold. Have been home all day except for a call at Mother's just before supper.

Carl was here to dinner and supper and to spend the evening. Mrs. Legler, + Misses Sallie + Lillian Coates were here. This is the day the Grosser Kurkfurst sails from Hoboken with the S.S. Convention en route to Jerusalem with quite a number of friends on board.

### **Wednesday March 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather fair and mild. Heard of the death of Mrs. Charlotte Smith early this A.M. at the home of Mrs. Bannon her daughter. Jas + I went out there after dinner to see the family. On my home, I called to see Mr. Arnold's mother and Mrs. Morgan who is sick.

Agnes came home this afternoon bringing Miss Edith Scott of Cin. Went to prayer-meeting. Mr. Scudder led. Was not over home. Miss Mary O'Connell + Mr. Ben Wood are dead, Roy Drew very sick.

#### **Thursday March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather damp but mild. Went over home early. John was preparing to start to Florida to visit sister Elizabeth and left on the C+O train at 2 o'clock. Was very busy all day as the Christian Endeavor Social was to meet at our house in the evening and I wanted to have the house in good order. Social was well attended + pleasant. Mrs. Behrens still sick and Margaret staying over home night for company.

#### **Friday March 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Mild and spring-like until night when a high wind arose, -no this was for yesterday- Today has been raw and cold, the change that followed last night's wind. Home in the morning, Except for a little visit to Mother.

In the afternoon Jas + I went to Mrs. Charlotte Smith's funeral at the home of her daughter Mrs. J.W. Bannon. She was an unusual old lady in many ways. Was 89 the 9<sup>th</sup> of last Sept. and kept her faculties until the last. The K-G lecture postponed on acc't of Roy Drew's very serious illness.

#### **Saturday March 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Colder with some wind. Busy all day and very tired at night.

Wrote to Virginia Greene last night as it was her wedding anniversary.

Went to see Mrs. Behrens, Miss Labold, Mrs. Coles Peebles and her mother-in-law Mrs. Hattie P. The baby was asleep + I did not see her.

After supper went to sit with Ethel Schwartz awhile in response to an invitation. While there heard that Roy Drew died at 7 o'clock. Am very sorry for his parents.

#### **Sunday March 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Colder with some wind and a little rain. Went to S.S. as usual. Had no service so Jas + I went twice to Bigelow. Elizabeth went to the funeral of Fannie Barber, one of her S.S. pupils. Carl is in Birmingham Ala. again today.

Was over home with Mother and Mary.

#### **Monday March 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very blustery with a little snow in the air. Am not feeling well on account of backache, but still have been very busy. Jimmie + I went up to Mr. + Mrs. Drew's this afternoon but did not see either of them. Saw Mabel and Hazel. The wind was very raw and cold.

## **Snow and cold wind<sup>1</sup>**

### **Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather very bad. Have been busy all day at home. The girls asked Agnes and Miss Scott to tea this evening. Carl is at Birmingham but will be home soon.

After supper I went to see Ethel Schwartz at her request, to talk over the K-G affairs. Jas called for me.

Attended Roy Drew's funeral this afternoon. House crowded. Walked down with Mary Peebles who has gone out in all kinds of weather this winter.

### **Wednesday March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Quite fair and pleasant. Miss Scott went home this afternoon and wants Mary to go tomorrow to visit her.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual but Jas + I represented our family. The girls were not feeling able to go out and were late with work anyway. I was down to Ethel Schwartz to a K-G Board Meeting in the afternoon. We are trying to get the announcement circulars ready for publication.

### **Thursday March 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright, but damp underfoot. Mary was busy getting ready to go to Cin for a short visit with Edith Scott and left on the C+O train after dinner.

Mother was taken sick today and I shall have to stay with her because Mrs. Behrens is still at home sick and Mary is alone and not able to care for mother when sick. I had intended going to the K-G social, or Mother's Club at Edith Moore's but could not leave Mother.

### **Friday March 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cloudy in the morning, fair later in the day.

Have been with Mother all day and was up all night with her. She seems quite sick. The last of the K-G lecture was given this evening by Dr. Ruggles but I missed it. Sallie came down and got dinner for our family and Carl and Agnes dined with us. Mrs. Wingo came this morning to help take care of Mother and was with her when I went home to dinner.

### **Saturday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Mild with signs of rain. Have been with Mother all day except when I went home to take a sleep while Mrs. Wingo stayed with Mother. In the afternoon I mended a table cloth for Agnes and did some reading and knitting, and letter writing. Have written to Julia and

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<sup>1</sup> This it to be included with the entry that follows it. Louisiana wrote it above the date in her diary.

Edith Prichard, Aunt Helen Ricker, Will Carol Simmons while sitting with Mother. Dr. Ruggles' lecture last evening was excellent but I missed it after all.

### **Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather damp and rainy. Mild. Mrs. Campbell sat with Mother until midnight, then I got up and stayed with her until 9.30 P.M. when I went over home for a few minutes. Carl + Agnes asked us to take dinner with them, which we did, all but Margaret who ate with Macy. I missed all the services today but read sixteen sermons in Dr. Shepardson's book, also Mr. Arnold's little book on Prayer. Mother is better but very weak and cannot be left alone. Two years ago tonight Ed came to our house.

### **Monday March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Rained hard last evening + was cloudy this morning but cleared up at noon.

I slept most of the night, a part of the time was in a chair. Cannot leave Mother alone and have none to take my place today. Mrs. Wingo could only stay from bedtime last night until breakfast this A.M. Elizabeth is the house keeper at home, out of K-G hours. Had letters from Mary + wrote her and E.V. Greene.

Ed began work at the P.F + M.W.s two years ago today. Heard from E.F.P. that John Moore has typhoid fever at the boarding place in Kendall, Florida. Miss W.R.C. C.E. Corse sent Mother flowers.

### **Tuesday March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Bright in forenoon. Hard rain with thunder, lighting + hail in the afternoon. Was with Mother all day, only going home a few minutes about supper time. Mrs. Taylor sat awhile with Mother last night then Mrs. Campbell stayed with her until about 11 o'clk then I sat up the rest of the night. Letter from Virginia. Worked on a pair of baskets for Mother, button holing the ends with red zephyr. Mrs. E.S. Steames died, aged 89 in January last, the 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Wednesday March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Real spring weather. Mild with alternate showers and sunshine. Mother is getting better slowly but need's consistent care.

I looked over her clothing in her closet this afternoon and did some mending for her.

Wrote to Lizzie Dirnock at Will's suggestion, he having hear that Mochie was coming from Wyoming to visit, I ask her to visit us. Did not go to prayer-meeting, of course. Dr. P.J. Kline still confined at home.

### **Thursday March 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright all day and the street are rapidly drying. Was with Mother all last night, though I slept most of the time, in bed. Mrs. Wingo came about 9.30 A.M. and I went home and was there most of the day. The family went to dinner at Agnes' and I stayed at home



alone. Alex Ricker was in and went with the others. I finished off an unfinished garment for mother which I came across in sorting over her clothes. Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Will were in to see Mother.

### **Friday March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

A very pleasant day. Mother improving. I slept most of the night. It was very warm this morning and there has been one shower, with prayer of more. Mrs. Wingo came and stayed with mother + Mrs. Campbell stayed down stairs while Mary + I went to Mrs. E.S. Steamers' funeral at our church. Dr. Tappan conducted the services, in the absence of Mr. Arnold. Dr. Tappan excels on such an occasion and, in fact has a rare ability for all special services. Mary came home from Miss Scott's on the 3 o'clk train. Mrs. Behrens sat with M. this afternoon.

### **Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rained very hard again last night. Mother did not rest well and does not feel so well this morning.

Mrs. Behrens came again this morning to sit with Mother, and I went home to do a few necessary things. Mrs. Campbell has been very kind to come and help me.

I am so glad Mary is home again to help Elizabeth.

### **Sunday March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rather cool again.

Mrs. Behrens came and stayed with Mother while I went to S.S. but I did not go to church. We had no service. In the evening a County Temperance Institute was opened after church with an address by Miss Frances Esign. I was not out after Sunday School. Stayed all night with Mother again. J.W. and the three girls took dinner with Carl + Agnes + C+A came to take supper with the home folks.

### **Monday March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Much colder with some snow in the air. Fire in the stoves started again. I am still with Mother but Mrs. B. stayed with her in the forenoon while I did some work at home.

Margaret + Miss Cramer went to Cin to see Dr. Satler about their eyes.

I helped the girls some on Elizabeth's blue alpaca skirt and then turn the hems on eight napkins. Ernest Seton Thompson lectures this afternoon + evening but I'll not be out.

John Belzer came back yesterday and is at work today.

### **Tuesday March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Heavy white frost and a beautiful clear and beautiful day. Mother not feeling quite so well.

Congressional Convention and W.C.T.U. County Institute in session in this city. I went to Foreign Mis. Society meeting and remained to the W.C.T.U. meeting conducted by Miss Esign.

### **Wednesday March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rainy all day and evening. I was over home with Mother most of the time. Went to prayer-meeting which was one of the smallest I ever attended at our church, this being only about one dozen present. I stayed at home tonight the first time for two weeks. Margaret came home from Cin on the N+W train about 11 P.M. She + Miss Cramer went to Dr. Satler to have their eyes fitted to new glasses.

### **Thursday March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Rained last night and part of today.

Mrs. Lahm came and cleared one room, Ed's which is only the beginning. I was with Mother most of the day though I had to be at home part of the afternoon. Mrs. McQuillein (?) ironed. Agnes was here to dinner and supper. Miss Coleman called after supper. The girls went to the Bigelow entertainment and heard Roney's Boys. A pleasing concert. I went to Miss Peebles' to see Dell + Venitia Ramsey.

### **Friday April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Fair and windy. Rained head in the night. Slept at home last night and have a bad cold today, not as a newer but have been taking cold for several days.

Had letter and paper from Anna Hamilton, and letter from Lizzie Dirnock. Wrote to Aunt Betsy Ricker. Spent most of the day with Mother. Came home and went to bed early. Carl and Agnes were here in the evening. Carl came home from Lorain today noon. Mother has slight facial paralysis.

### **Saturday April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day but rather chilly. Margaret worked in the yard some which is good both for her + the yard. No letters. Was over home most of the day. Mother better. I did not get up until late and was better of my cold but it is bad enough yet. Ethel Schwartz came to see me. Adele + Venitia Ramsey left this afternoon for their new home in California. Adele is very poorly unfit for the trip.

### **Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Not one gleam of sunshine for this Easter day here. We went to S.S. and the usual other services. Rec. Mr. Jones had facial paralysis on left side of face and spoke with difficulty in the evening. Did not preach in the evening as we had a musical program and it was not necessary for him to make the effort. We all went to Carl's for dinner and I went later to see Miss Emma Ball and then Elizabeth, Carl, Agnes + I went to the children's Evening service at All Saint's P.E. Chapel.

### **Monday April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day. Cool enough for fires. White frost and thin ice. Home part of the day, busy as usual, and sat with mother in the forenoon. She has had some beautiful flowers sent her.

Mrs. Full was here on W.R.C. business, and Maggie Peebles made a sort of farewell call as she + Mary leave Friday for Washington D.C. and will not return to Portsmouth before fall. We shall miss them + the Ramsey sisters very much in church work of every kind.

### **Tuesday April 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

A very fair day. Was busy at home, and with Mother in forenoon.

In the afternoon I went to the Home Mis. Society and Aid Society afterwards. Mrs. Young came home with me to borrow a book. "William the Baptist."

### **Wednesday April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

A rainy day. Was with Mother a good part of the day. In the evening we went to prayer meeting all the family being present excepting Margaret. As Carl + Agnes went and then came here later to play flinch.

Maggie Peebles led the meeting, at Dr. Kline's request.

Attended Kindergarten Board meeting at Ethel Schwartz.

### **Thursday April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair and pleasant.

Was with mother in the forenoon. Went to W.C.T.U. meeting at Maggie Peebles' in the afternoon it being the last meeting they will attend until September. From there I went up to see Mrs. Arnold who is almost worn out with anxiety + the care of Mr. Arnold's mother. Miss Newton will stay with her tonight. I talked over matters with her in reference to the funeral which seems near at hand.

**(Maggie + Mary Peebles left on C+O for Washington to be home all summer)**

### **Friday April 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day, but it rained a little in the morning. I spent the entire day with Mrs. Arnold, Miss Newton + I having charge of arrangements for the funeral, Miss N. helped Lucy the girl, + I saw people who came helping Mrs. Arnold in bed most of the day. She had postal from Mr. A. mailed at Malta, today. Jimmie will see to all the outside arrangements for "Grandma" Arnold's funeral. She died at 11 P.M. last evening, a blessed release of her and will be a relief to Mrs. A. who is very weak. Letter from Mrs. Alex Smith.

### **Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cooler, cloudy, windy unpleasant. I went early to Mrs. Arnold's and did not come home until almost supper time. Mrs. Arnold was so weak and nervous that she was unable to see people or go downstairs at the time of the funeral services. Dr. Alderson conducted the service and after people was dismissed Mrs. Arnold, the children, Mary Moore + Miss Newton, in one carriage. Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Mark Selby + I in the other went to the cemetery where Mr. Arnold's mother was laid to rest beside her husband in our family lot. Agnes went to St. Louis this A.M.

### **Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather variable.

Went to Sunday School. We had no service at our church today so Jas + I went out to the Second Pres church in the morning. In the evening I did not go anywhere, was really unable to do so.

### **Monday April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cloudy with sprinkling of rain. Busy at home in the morning and after dinner went to see Dr. Margaret Fulton and consulted her in regard to my present trouble, occasioned by being on my feet too much.

Went from there to see Sarah Comins and then to Mrs. Arnold's. Dr. Fulton called there with her buggy + brought me home, and I went to bed immediately after supper.

### **Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant. I was still in bed this morning when Lizzie + Elizabeth Peebles with Richard suddenly appeared and Mary gave her consent for me to go to Jackson to attend the Presbyterial meeting. I was physically unfit to go but I got up and got ready. Went on B+O at 2 o'clock with a party of twenty. Mrs. Evans + I were entertained by Mrs. Robbins at the new hotel which was very pleasant for me.

Dr. Ewalt preached the sermon.

### **Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Showery with a snow storm at night. Spent the day in the Presbyterial meeting. Heard Dr. Thackwell of India talk in the evening.

The hotel, the Cambrian is very excellent and then quite a good many of the delegates to Presbyterial meetings entertained here which makes it very pleasant.

### **Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Awoke to find the houses and grounds covered with snow which melted off before night. Mr. Robbins came with the carriage to take Mrs. Evans + me to the train + around the town a little. On our return from Jackson there was quite a party of us. Dr. + Mrs.

Alderson and Daughter, Lucy Moore, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Helfenstein, Mrs. Clough and probably a dozen others.

#### **Friday April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright, and cool.

Spent the entire day in bed in the girl's room while Mrs. Lahm cleaned my bed room.

Ed was taken sick at the office and went into Mrs. Schwartz' to lie down and had to stay there.

#### **Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright and pleasant. Was in bed all day, and hope by being caught to be able to get up soon. Lizzie Peebles is trying to persuade Mother + Mary and Mrs. Arnold to go to Florida with her.

#### **Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright and pleasant. I spent the entire day in bed so missed S.S. and the communion service Dr. Ewalt conducted all the meeting today, very satisfactory.

Was sorry to miss the meeting.

#### **Monday April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

White frost. Cool + clear. Was in bed until about 4 o'clk P.M. but sewed most of the day while in bed. Carl here to meals.

Anna Ross here this afternoon.

#### **Tuesday April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Quite cool and clear. Need good fires. Got up and resumed by usual duties this morning after a week. Letter from Miss E.V. Ricker of Baltimore which I answered. Wrote also to Anna Hamilton. Carl here to dinner + supper and spent the evening with us. Elizabeth + May went to Clover Club meeting. Haved sewed most of the day. Over home. Mother's better.

Winifred Smith was here on business. She leaves for Lafayette to help care for her mother, Wednesday.

#### **Wednesday April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

White frost. Still having fires and wearing winter clothes and wraps.

Maggie Peebles was operated upon in the Johns Hopkins Hospital today for tumor by Dr. Howard Kelly. Mary is in Washington D.C. with Mattie Dover. I had a letter from her this morning telling me the first I knew of it. Also letter from Mattie Dover. I was at Dr. Ruggles' when I read the letter. I wrote to Maggie and Mattie.

### **Thursday April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant. Ice + frost. Lizzie and John G. left Mother's early this A.M. and went to Cin. on their way to Florida. Elizabeth and Richard left on the afternoon train to join the others in Cin. I was home all day and helped Mary with Elizabeth's blue dress. Did not go to W.C.T.U. which was to have been at the Reading Rooms again after the rooms being closed for three months.

### **Friday April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant, but dusty. Home all day except with Mother with some sewing. Mrs. Silcox was in to ask about Maggie Peebles who is in very serious condition. Letter from Helen Moore which I answered in the evening. Carl here to meals and spend the evening.

### **Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Shower this forenoon. Pleasant all day. Letter from Will. Busy all forenoon at housework all after afternoon with needle. Finished the two flannel skirts for Agnes to give to Mrs. Belcher's twins. Sat with Mother awhile. Was out to Mrs. Cole Peebles to call upon Mrs. Rob't Peebles and Mrs. Jas Boal. the news from Maggie Peebles is not very encouraging, she is just holding her own.

Carl is still with us.

Ed came home this evening having been gone a week, sick at Mrs. Schwartz'.

### **Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

A rainy day with some intervals of rains but no sunshine.

We all went to S.S. as usual but having no service came home. Will came to Carl's last night but we did not see him until dinner time. Sallie got dinner with us. The three girls went to the Episcopal Ch. to hear Bishop Vincent. The Christ Church was re-opened in the evening after being closed five years. Jas + I went to Bigelow in the morning.

### **Monday April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rainy. Will and Carl left on the early train this morning. Will to return to Hamilton, + Carl to go to Cin.

I was home all day and busy as usual. Ed returned to his regular work this morning after his week's illness. The news from Maggie Peebles is favorable and we are thankful.

### **Tuesday April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rainy and disagreeable. Began on the closet this morning and then was called by telephone to go to the R.R. Station to see Anna Hempstead and family who had come to bury Dr. Sam'l Halliday Hempstead her son. Spent the time between trains with them as Jas + I have done on several other similar occasions.

Foreign Mrs. Society meeting in the afternoon. Eight present. Agnes came home this afternoon from St. L. Carl came last night from Cin.

### **Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rained most of the day. Spent the day working in the sitting room closet, sorting over and putting things away. Was over home a few minutes in the afternoon.

Wrote to Aunt Helen Ricker in regard to the great St. Louis Exposition.

Went to prayer-meeting in the evening.

### **Thursday April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Another rainy day and very cool.

Took my goods to Mrs. Shoenberger for making my long black skirt.

Mrs. John Schwartz was here in the afternoon and I gave her a load of things for distribution where needed. Mrs. Ethel Schwartz' S.S. class met here in the evening. I went early to bed not feeling well. Letter from Frank R. which I answered.

### **Friday April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still rainy and cool. Fire necessary to comfort.

Not feeling well.

Had a good letter from Mary Peebles saying Maggie still improves nicely and they are encouraged to hope that her recovery will be perfect. Went to see Mrs. Shoenberger about my skirt and afterwards went over home and visited with Mother and Mary.

### **Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright and beautiful all day. Busy with the housework in the forenoon and sewed all afternoon except when Margaret + I went to Mrs. Simmons' with Margaret to see about my hat.

Carl went to Cincinnati this afternoon, and Agnes came down to tea.

### **Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day. We went to S.S. as usual and had service both morning and evening but that was not as usual, because the anti-Saloon representatives were in the pulpit, it being the day when they are in most of the churches in town. Have Clark of the Clark Local Option spoke for us in the morning and Rev. Mr. Williamson in the evening.

### **Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

A beautiful sunny day with a warm wind blowing. Have been very busy all day and did some very hard work which resulted in my being sick with cold. Washed, dried and ironed my heavy gray wool dress.

## **Tuesday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Fair. Was sick all day as a result of my work yesterday having cold which affected me all over. Was in bed part of the day.

Mr. Berthold was buried in the forenoon.

Alex Ricker here to dinner, letter from Will tells of cousin George Hosford's having an attack of apathy. Was unable to attend the Home Mis meeting, being in bed at the time.

## **Wednesday May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant. Jas arose early and went to Cin to attend a meeting of the Loyal Legion which was particularly pleasant for him as Will had just been made a member and was present also. I have been better today but not well enough to do much.

Went to prayer-meeting in the evening. Mr. Scudder being the leader.

## **Thursday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair and warm.

First one up this morning, at five o'clock and got all the breakfasts. Have felt all right today. Had many things to do. Went to have my skirt fitted. Came home and sewed.

Went to Kindergarten meeting at Ethel C. Schwartz' in the evening. Messrs. Herron, Scudder + Labold present, besides Miss Ross, Mrs. S. + myself. Elizabeth re-elected. Carl + Agnes here to supper. Went to W.C.T.U. meeting and then had my hair washed.

## **Friday May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day and quite warm and summer like.

Have been very busy all day sewing and going. Had errands about my dress which Mrs. Shoenberger finished by evening but not until late. I took time to meet Mr. Selby at his office and talk Kindergarten business a little while with Mr. + Mrs. Selby. Called to see Mrs. Drew while out. Wrote to Virginia G. Alice Hosford. Postals from Mr. Arnold + Mrs. Bryner mailed at Jerusalem.

## **Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather pleasant and getting warm.

Margaret wanted to go to the Agro farm with Miss Cramer to spend a day or two but did not get off.

Since we have about decided to go to St. Louis next week I am busy getting ready for the trip.

Aunt Helen Ricker wants us to be there before Mary Martin and her children, Drew and Elizabeth leave so we may have a little visit with them.



### **Sunday May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Went to S.S. and church as usual.

Rev. Johns of Oak Hill was here to preach for us but only fulfilled his promise because he had promised for he had suffered a slight strike of paralysis in one side of his face and had difficulty in speaking, which with his Welsh accent made it hard to understand him.

### **Monday May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

The usual Monday morning work kept me busy until noon.

Later I did some shopping to get a few little things for my trip.

Mother's condition is so uncertain that we cannot count much upon what we will do.

Wrote to Aunt Helen that we would probably be there Friday morning, leaving here Thursday to attend the May Festival in Cin on the way.

### **Tuesday May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine weather. There has been enough rain to make pastures and vegetation generally flourish.

This is Uncle Sam Moore's birthday.

Have been busy with our preparations for the trip to St. Louis.

Decided to go Thursday and gratify my desire to attend a May Festival Concert in Cincinnati. Have never had the opportunity. Mrs. Cricher was here to sweep and dust. Mr. Scofield was here to spend the night.

### **Wednesday May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather pleasant.

Packed our trunk and sent it over the river tonight for the C+O train in the morning.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

Have had a number of errands to do. My hat did not come from Mrs. Simmons' until about time for the transfer to call for the trunk.

### **Thursday May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant. Arose early Jas + I walked over to Ferry + took C+O train for Cin. Anna Evans + Emma Johnson were going to go to May Festival and I went to Church's for a ticket. To Woman's Exchange + to Arts + Handicraft Exhibition in Mercantile Library Bldg. Will came there to find me. We went to Glen Carine to dinner. Then I went to May Festival while Will and his father went to a ballgame. Had dinner at Gibson House with Will then Jas + I left on 8.30 train for St. Louis + Will returned to Hamilton.

### **Friday May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rainy. Train two hours late reaching St. Louis so we missed morning train to Kirkwood. Reached there at 11 A.M. and were met by Clara. Saw Uncle Drew + Aunt Helen, Mary Ricker Martin and two children Drew + Elizabeth.

After dinner went to Missionary meeting with Aunt Helen. Ira came home in the evening and after the evening dinner Mary, John + Bess came to see us.

### **Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day. Wrote home. Mary Ricker brought her baby Helen to see us. She is fine.

Mary Ricker + I went to the Post Office for a little walk, taking Drew.

Jas went to the city + to take a look at the Fair Grounds which are about six miles out from the business part of the city.

### **Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. Lost my truck key temporarily and Jas could not dress for church. I went to S.S. with Clara and remained to church. Heard Mr. Jenners preach. Jake, Mary + Bess came to dinner with us and we went to take supper with them and afterwards went to church.

The old church looks very familiar but most of the faces are strange.

### **Monday May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rainy and cool. Had letter from Elizabeth S. Peebles from Florida, Gordall P.O. and one from Elizabeth Ricker at home. Answered both and wrote to Anna Hamilton at Frankfort Ky. Jas went to the city, this is Mary Martin's birthday. Mary and Clara went to the city and I played dominos with Uncle D. in Clara's place, as it is her regular occupation after lunch every day. Letter from Mary Moore. Wrote to Mother.

### **Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still cloudy and cold, with some rain.

Letter from Margaret. J.W. + I went before lunch to see May Evans Ricker and her children. After lunch we went again with Mary, Clara + little Drew. It began raining before we got back.

Wrote to Agnes.

Charlie, Sallie, Jake + Mary were here in the evening.

### **Wednesday May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright in the morning. Rained after lunch while we were at the Fair.

We had gone in with Mary M. on the trolley, and met Clara who had gone earlier.

Took our first look at the great Louisiana Purchase Exposition. Visited several of the States Buildings first, registering in the Ohio Bldg. The Conn. was in most complete readiness and very interesting. Met Dr. Alderson + daughters. Found letters from Will + Mary on return. Went to prayer-meeting.

#### **Thursday May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. J.W. and I went alone to the Fair. Walked from entrance to Horticultural + Agricultural Bldgs and spent half a day in them. Had lunch in the latter place. Walked all afternoon in the other buildings and were much interested and very tired. Were delayed on our trip homeward. Frank was on the trolley going out. Rec'd no letters.

#### **Friday May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair day. Decided about 9 A.M. that Jas + I would go again to the Fair so we went in and saw all we could in a busy day of sightseeing.

Visited the Fisheries, Gov't Transportation, varied Industrial Machinery + Fine Arts Hall. Came home very tired.

Dressed and went to Frank Ricker's to dinner. Met Almira Coleman, Francis' sister. Had pleasant time. Went to bed stiff and sore. No letters. Wrote to Mary but did not get it mailed until evening.

#### **Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day. Spent forenoon writing letters to Will, Elizabeth and Ethel Schwartz. Letter from Agnes + sent her a World's Fair postal card. Had early supper and then we went with Mary, Uncle Drew, Aunt Helen + little Drew to see the illumination and ride on the lagoon, in an electric launch. It was a wonderful beautiful sight. All the buildings, cascades and grounds were illuminated by thousands of electric lights. Home about ten o'clock.

#### **Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day after a rain in the morning. We went to S.S. and remained to church. Dr. Parsons of Toronto preached in the morning and Mr. Jenners, the pastor, in the evening.

We took dinner with Jake and Mary, and supper at Uncle Drew's. Charlie, Sallie, Jake, Mary, Frank, May + the children were here. This is the day for Mr. Arnold to be at home after his trip to Jerusalem and I am sorry to miss his first Sunday + the welcome home.

#### **Monday May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Has thunderstorm in the night. We are both about laid up with too much walking, and damp weather. Had letter from Elizabeth which I answered + sent a letter to Mother. Helped Mary a little with a short skirt for her baby. I went with Jake, Mary + Bess to the Monday Club at Choral Hall. The closing meeting of the year. Jas has been in the room

nearly all day + did not go out in the evening as he wanted to sore up and go to the Fair tomorrow, it being Ohio Day.

### **Tuesday May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very warm but Uncle Drew still has fire in the hall stove. Jas. unable to get up this morning. Rheumatoid. Applied anti-phlogiston. Letter from Mary + answered it. Clara + Kate went to the Fair. I went to call upon Mrs. Evans, Mary Ricker and Noble Edwards. In the afternoon Bessie R. Ricker came, also May + Gordon, Helen + Laura, + Otie King. Jas came downstairs before supper. Is no better. Olla Tappan Lawman's birthday.

### **Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine breezy day. Still fire in the hall stove + then in the eighties. Jas had letters from Carl and Agnes which I answered. Bess Ricker here to dinner. Jake, Mary, Bess Barr came after dinner and I made a second trip to drug store. Spent part of the afternoon with Mary Barr.

Wrote to Agnes.

### **Thursday May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Hall fire out at last. Hard thunderstorm in the night. Cloudy and cooler. Jas unable to get up. Mary Martin and her children left for their home Canonsburg, PA. Clara went to the city with them.

Rec'd papers, no letters. Wrote to Carl and Margaret. Finished May's embroidery for skirt.

Wrote to Mary Peebles + Mr. Scudder.

Moved into the room vacated by Mary and the children.

### **Friday May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather delightful. Jas notable to be up. Wrote to Will at Hamilton and sister Mary at home.

### **Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant. Could not leave Jas to go to city to meet Elizabeth and Mary as I had hoped. Ira or Jake will meet them, as they are coming to visit Jake + Mary. Clara went in and came out on the trolley with them. I went to Mary Barr's to see them but they had not arrived. They came to Uncle Drew's later. in the evening Charlie + Sallie, Jake, Mary + Bess, Mira Coleman + Mr. Morton and our girls were here. I had gone after the doctor who came + prescribed + I then went after the medicine.

### **Sunday May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Jas no better. Sick all night. Rainy all day and I could not leave Jas to go anywhere.

Elizabeth + Mary came to Uncle Drew's to dinner. Jake came later and took them home in the rain. Dr. did not come and I went after supper to see him but he was not in.

Noble Edward's little daughter, May Elizabeth arrived about 4 P.M.

### **Monday May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very cloudy + damp. Rained until after lunch.

Aunt Helen went to the city and alter to the Fair with Bess Barr.

Elizabeth, May + Almira Coleman went together. Rec'd no letters. Wrote to sister Mary + Helen Moore and sent some Fair postals. Frank, May and Charli here after supper. Dr. Pitman came stayed sometime.

Jas still quite sick until one o'clk A.M. when I lay down + spelt some.

### **Tuesday May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Still damp, cloudy and cool enough for fire in the sitting room.

Jas a little better but unable to sit up or eat. Girls came to see him and stayed to lunch going with Clara to the Missionary meeting at Mrs. Knig's afterward. Letter from Miss E.V. Ricker and answered it. Also wrote to Margaret and Miss Alice Smith.

Cleared off at noon.

Went in search of some apples for Jas.

Rev. Perry V. Jenners called to see him

### **Wednesday June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day.

The girls went early, with Mary Barr to the Fair and the city. E + M came to Uncle Drew's to dinner in the evening. Jas a little better but not able to sit up. Dr. Pitman here. I only left him to go to drugstore and do errands.

May and her children here in the afternoon.

Charlie + Sallie came in the evening. Letters from Ethel Schwartz, Carl + Mary Peebles. Wrote Margaret + Mrs. Campbell. Sent Bessie Titus Fair postal.

### **Thursday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Hard thunderstorm in the night. Cool + rainy this A.M. Jas still sick and I had to go after the doctor again and the drugstore coming back alone in the dark which I did not like. Clara went to dinner at Mary Barr's.

Wrote to Carl and Macy.

### **Friday June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful forenoon. Hard thunderstorm + heavy rain all afternoon, until just before supper time.

Clara and the girls went to the Fair and got home all right.

I had to go after Dr. Pitman again this morning and he came at 11 o'clk then again at 7.30. Jas very sick all day and still so at bedtime. Letters from Agnes, Will and Margaret. Wrote to Agnes and Mary Peebles. Mrs. Albert Edwards has a new daughter.

### **Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Hard rain last night + today. Elizabeth came early to see us. Dr. Pitman brought Dr. Forsythe with him this morning. Jas very little better. Letter from Margaret in the afternoon. Wrote to Carl. Dr sees no prospect for our going home soon. Moved a lounge with the room so I could sleep on it when I have a chance.

### **Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful morning. Dr. Pitman came about 10.30 and said Jas was a little better. Called again in the evening. I was not out today.

Mary came to see us but Elizabeth did not feel like taking the walk. Charlie, Frank and his family, and Mr. Wild called to see us. Dr. brought Dr. Hinton Armstrong in.

### **Monday June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful weather. Jas apparently no better. Dr. did not come and I went after him.

Letter from Carl which I answered also wrote Will + Margaret, and wrote again to Carl at night. Jas. has been very sick all day. Dr did not come and I went after him a second time. Clara and Hinton Armstrong went to see him for me at bedtime.

Am very much discouraged about home.

Elizabeth here.

### **Tuesday June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful morning. Jas slept most of the night + I slept some.

Sent letters to Carl or Margaret by special delivery. Sent postal to Dr. Weyer. Mary Barr invited a few friends to meet the girls this afternoon.

In the evening Jake, Mary, Bess, Charlie Sullin, Frank + May were here as were also Ira, Clara and Hinton.

Dr. Pitman here three times and brought Dr. Armstrong the third time he came.

### **Wednesday June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful and delightful. Jas better this morning and Dr. said to give no medicine today, only nourishment. Letters from Will + Margaret. Sent letters to Will, Macy, Virginia + Mrs. Manning and a postal to Ed. Scofield. Invited to Bess Ricker's but cannot go, neither can I go to prayer-meeting. Telegram from Carl saying he would start for Kirkwood tomorrow + meet Will at Indianapolis. Girls went to Fair with Bess Barr. Liberty Bell Day.

### **Thursday June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. Jas better.

Dr. Pitman sent Dr. Armstrong in the morning and came himself in the evening. Letters from Margaret Agnes, Macy, Mr. C.B. Taylor + Lizzie Peebles.

Wrote to Margaret. Dr. Weyer and wife made us along call in the afternoon. Mrs. Evans called. Girls went to the Fair after supper with Ira it being their last visit. Frank came at bed time to say Carl had talked by phone to him from city, he + Will being there together.

### **Friday June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. Jas better. Dr. A. called early. Dr. P. being out of town. Will and Carl came about 11 A.M. Girls and Mary R. here to lunch. Letters from Margaret + Helen Moore. Sister Virginia in St. Louis en route to Wooster. Did not see her. Wrote to Margaret + Helen. Went to train to see girls off. Jake went in with them there and went home. Will stayed with Jake all night + Jas sat up a few minutes. Charlie, Sallie, Frank + May here.

### **Saturday June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. Will came early to call then went to the city.

Jas better all day. Sat up awhile.

Neither doctor came today. Notes from Ethel Schwartz and Mrs. Manning. Wrote to Lizzie Peebles. Will did not come out this evening. He went to the Fair with a friend.

### **Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day. Jas sat up a little while.

I went to church in the morning but not in the evening. Dr. Armstrong here early and Dr. Pitman came while I was at church. Will did not come until about 4 o'clock. Frank had been here + gone. Jake was here but Ira + Clara were both away at tea time and he did not meet them. Stayed all night but went to see Bess Barr and stayed here late.

### **Monday June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair. Jas better, sat up awhile.

Will left at 9 o'clk for St. Louis, Indianapolis and Hamilton. Gave me a check for \$25.00 when he told me goodbye. Wrote to Margaret + Lizzie Peebles. Had Letters from Carl + Lizzie Peebles.

### **Tuesday June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather fine.

Jas improving so we can begin to plan for our return home. Went to Missionary meeting at Otie King's this afternoon with Clara and saw Mrs. Philips and Mabel who used to live across the street from Grandpa's. They now live in Phoenix, Arizona.

**The General Slocum burned at New York and about 12 lives were lost. A.S.S. excursion.**

### **Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day, but Clara + I were caught in a pouring rain just as we were returning from the Fair in the evening, or rather from a shopping tour I should have said. We had gone to several stores and had our hands full + I had no umbrella so got very wet going from the trolley car to the house. Intended going to prayer meeting but could not get dry in time. Carl's birthday.

### **Thursday June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm. Jas better. Got up this afternoon and was dawn stair but very weak. I went in to the city alone this afternoon to call upon Mrs. Meyer and then went to the stores + did a little shopping. After dinner in the evening, I went with Uncle Drew + Aunt Helen to the High School Commencement at the Methodist Church. Charlie and Salle called while we were away.

### **Friday June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant, but rather warm. Jas was up today and I went to the Fair with Aunt Helen, Bess, her three cousins from Mattoon and a friend Miss Miller. Saw the Jubilee presents sent to Queen Victoria, the Chime Building, Hagenbecks train + animals. Went to preparatory lecture at the church when I returned. Aunt Helen + Uncle Drew went also. Jas walked out in the yard, fell + sprained his hand.

### **Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rained. I went over to see Noble Edwards and her little daughter May Elizabeth, then called to see Bess Bown Ricker. Have been getting some things done preparatory to going home. Paid the druggist and went after Dr. Pitman's bill, which was \$35.00. Ira came home from his fishing trip up the river.

This is Lizzie Peebles' birthday and I wrote to her and to Mrs. Weyer. Jas was downstairs most of the day.



### **Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rained in the night and threatened in the day time but we got to church twice without using umbrellas. Jas was up when I got home from church at noon and stayed downstairs until I returned from evening service. Frank and May with the baby, Jack, and Mr. Wild called also.

### **Monday June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rained early and was pleasant all day. We left Kirkwood at 9.10 on the trolley and were detained by the washouts. Left early + would have missed the 11 A.M. train at St. Louis had Clara not been with us. Got on the train after it began moving. Car for Cin. went through Washington, so we did not have to change anywhere. Reached South Portsmouth after 11 P.M. and surprised the family. had no time to telegraph. Jas stood the trip very well and we found all well at home, except Mother.

### **Tuesday June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Warm and showery. Trunk came today and I unpacked and distributed the little remembrances I had for the family + friends. We have had a most cordoned welcome home from every body.

### **Wednesday June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Busy all day, most of the time our home. Virginia, Elizabeth + I went to prayer- meeting. Elected three new trustees, Messers Storck, White + Baker, making nine with the old board.

### **Thursday June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Warm. Very busy all day. Callers coming in to see Jas and I over to see Mother and Virginia. Margaret getting ready to go away.

Mrs. Clyde left on the afternoon C+O for Cin. on her way to Honolulu with Dr. Jno Goddard and Hester, his wife.

Mr. + Mrs. Taylor called after supper.

Two years since Father left us.

P.F.+M. Works whistle blew for the last time this evening unless new arrangements are made.

### **\*Friday June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Hot. Rained about noon. Agnes went to Cin this afternoon. Carl came here to supper and then after a trip to the office he came back and spent the evening. Miss Bell was here at supper time and after supper Mr. + Mrs. Silcox came to call.

Have been over home twice today. Mother seems to somewhat better.

She gave Jas Father's cane which was given him May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1961 by the Satartia Rifles a Confederate Company. I prize it as a relic.

\*Record correct but in the wrong place.

### **Saturday June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful but very warm. Ther. 87° at 4 P.M. in shade. Will came to Carl's last night and they were both here to dinner today. Agnes returns from Cin when she went to see Hester before she leaves for Honolulu. Virginia Green here this this afternoon. Mrs. Young called to see us. I wrote to Mrs. Weyer.

### **Saturday June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

A very warm day. After dinner May went over the river to meet Agnes as Carl could not get off to go. He and Will have business on hand which occupies them very much.

John brought home both cows with young calves this evening, Mother's is less than a day and over less than two days old. This rest of the day's record is on the previous page [entry].

### **Sunday June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day but very hot. A cloud burst on Pine Creek cooled the air for us in the evening. We went to S.S. as usual and Has was most warmly welcomed by his many friends.

Will was at church with me twice. Jas did not go in the evening.

Our entire family were at Carl's to dinner and in the evening Will, Carl and Agnes were here. Miss Coleman and her little sister Nancy were here.

### **Monday June 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Delightful day, so cool and pleasant after the rain of last night.

Have had a busy day. Had letter from Alice Hosford. Virginia, Will, Carl + Agnes were here to dinner so we were all together again as Margaret stayed at home. Did my Home Dept. work. Was over to see Mother.

### **Tuesday June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm. Cloudy with a hard shower late in the day. Was busy at home until time to go to the Foreign Missionary Society at 2 P.M. Only four present. Mrs. Young, Miss Davis, Miss Stearnes and myself.

Twenty years ago today Enos and I sailed from New York for Europe.

### **Wednesday June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant. Cool for the season. Was over home part of the day. Mother is very weak but gets about the house some. Virginia was here Will is still here engaged upon a very knotty business problem. It has been a hard day for us but late this evening the boys felt encouraged.

Went to prayer-meeting.

### **Thursday June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant, though warm in the sun. Edith Frayser came today and the girls have been at Agnes' most of the time until Edith came to stay all night. Will left this morning for Hamilton, having stayed longer than he expected when he came. Has been sleeping at Carl's. The business he and Carl have been trying to arrange is in better shape.

I went to W.C.T.U. meeting and also to Mrs. Allen's to make W.R.C. reports.

### **Friday July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Fine weather for comfort but bad for the corn crops. Have been sewing most of the day, on some of Margaret's things. The girls and Edith Frayser are busy visiting. E. was here last night and went to stay with Agnes tonight so both E + M went also. Mrs. Lahm swept and dusted here all day.

### **Saturday July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Rather cool but beautiful and pleasant. Girls busy getting ready for the picnic Monday and Margaret packing to start for Ithaca on Tuesday. She has worked in the yard most of the day and it looks well. I have been sewing for her and for Will. Agnes and Edith Frayser were here to dinner. Will, Carl and Nannie Lee Frayser are to come tonight. Mother walked over to Mrs. Taylor's and I took her for a short drive. She is very weak + nervous. Ed went home for the 4<sup>th</sup> at 3 o'clock P.M.

### **Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. All went to Sunday School as usual. Nannie Lee Frayser + Edith were staying with Agnes but N.L. went to S.S. and taught Elizabeth's class. We were all up then to dinner at Agnes' earnest request as our entire were here. Will, Carl + Nannie Lee having come last night. in the evening we had a union meeting at Bigelow in the interest of the Brannock bill, a local option measures.

### **Monday July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day but it rained very hard as we were on the way home from Turkey Creek before supper. Our picnic party today embraced our entire family for the first time as Will had never been here before for it. Besides ourselves there were Bess Pixley, O.S. + Charis Powers and Miss Grace Flinchpaugh of Cin, Nannie Lee + Edith Frayser and Mr.

Brayden came down after dinner. All the young folk except Nannie Lee went to the circus in the evening.

### **Tuesday July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

We all felt like taking a rest this morning but Ed having returned last night had to have his breakfast at the usual time. Will left on the C+O for Hamilton. Virginia Greene left on the earlier train for Topeka Kan. Nannie Lee Frayser left on the afternoon train for Louisville so our picnic party is all scattered. O.S. Powers was here cleaning his gun so we asked him to dinner. Margaret left for Ithaca this afternoon with Miss Cramer.

### **Wednesday July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm and cloudy. Agnes had a small lunch party for Edith F. today noon and the girls were there. Ed did not come home to dinner so Jas + I were alone.

Went to prayer-meeting in the evening.

Had postal from Sister.

### **Thursday July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very warm. Busy at home in the morning. Was over home with Mother in the afternoon. Postal from Margaret. Edith Frayser went home this afternoon. It poured rain just as the girls and she started over the river to the train.

France Coleman stayed all night with Agnes. Carl went to Birmingham.

### **Friday July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm and close.

Streets all torn up and very rough, preparatory to pouring. Jas + I drove up as far as Front St with Mother + then after some errands I went to see Mrs. Drew + Blanche Selby + her baby. Miss Emma was here just at supper time. She left just as it began to rain. Went to preparatory lecture in the evening.

Postal from Sister.

### **Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm. Very warm. It rained in the night and was cloudy this morning. Spent most of the day putting away winter clothing and sorting over things.

Had a fine letter from Margaret who has began her work in Mathematics at Sage College Ithaca N.Y. I went down to talk over some K-G work with Ethel Schwartz, + later to Anna Ross'. Was out to Mrs. Silcox's after supper.

### **Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm but pleasant. Rained while we were in church this evening.

We all went to S.S. as usual and remained to church. Communion service and four united with the church. Mrs. John Word, Miss Sara Coates, Mr. + Mrs. Mitchell of [she did not finish this sentence].

Carl and Agnes were here in the evening. We were up to their house for dinner. Carl came home from Cin.

### **Monday July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Hot in the middle of the day. Cool this evening after a little shower.

Letter from Margaret. Wrote her. Carl went to Cin + Agnes was here to dinner and supper. Was over home all afternoon, ripping up Margaret's black dress.

Ice plant burned on Front Street early this morning. Elizabeth + Mary went to Eda Eisman's this afternoon and to Agnes' for the night. Letter from E.F.P.

### **Tuesday July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rained this morning and I worked among the boxes and trunks.

Letter from Sister. Have heard from her every day this far and is pleasant with Cornell, but had hard work before her.

### **Wednesday July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm. Spent part of the day going through packing boxes + trunks, then went over to sit awhile with Mother. Had letter from Will. Wrote to him, Margaret and Maggie Peebles.

Mrs. Schwartz was here this morning and I gave her a lot of things to give away. Went to prayer-meeting as usual. Mr. Arnold told us something Jericho and the wonderful correspondence of manners + customs of today with those of Christ's time on earth.

Eisman's store burned this A.M.

Mary + I drove out.

### **Thursday July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Ther. 58° at six A.M. Hot in the middle of the day. Was over to see Mother both before + after dinner. She is able to walk about the house. Had a busy day with the work and putting away woolens. Elizabeth + Macy each had letters from Margaret. Was fown to the drug store + Reilly's before supper. Had peaches.

The flowers are doing finely.

### **Friday July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather very warm. Even the nights are uncomfortable. I went over home rather early and when I came back Jas was gone so his little remembrance had to wait until noon.

Had letter from Margaret as usual and wrote her.

Her letters are always good and is out part of the summer trip, which we always enjoy.

### **Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very warm. This is Edith Moore's birthday and the girls made her a white silk kimono. We had a busy day as usual.

I spent some time pulling up plantain and Mary cut the sweet peas which are blooming beautifully and it takes much time to keep blossoms but. mother surprised us by coming over for a little while this morning. She has not been here for months, Mrs. Rice + Mrs. Gharky called. After supper I went up to Mrs. Baird's to call on Mrs. Pond, then called upon Mabel Ruggles and Ethel Schwartz.

### **Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright and very hot. Went to Sabbath School but Mother wanted me to stay at home so I was not out to church either morning or evening. We had no service there being an arrangement among the minister to hold special meeting in interest of the Brannock local option bill. Mr. Arnold was at the United Brethren's Church. Jas, the two girls + I took dinner with Agnes and Carl, and they came here for supper.

### **Monday July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Hot and close. Was over home after the morning work was done. Had letter from M'gt and wrote her.

Went to Relief Corps meeting in the afternoon. After supper Mrs. Allen and I called to see Mrs. Pratt and then Mrs. Appel.

Have sewed a little and worked in the yard awhile.

The nights are very hot and it is hard to sleep much, or well.

### **Tuesday July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very hot. Letters from Mrs. O.S. Bond and Margaret, E also had one. Was very busy all day. In the kitchen most of the forenoon. Sat awhile with mother who seems better today. After dinner both the girls, Agnes + I assisted Ethel Schwartz in entertaining a number of girls who we wish to interest in K-G work. Edith Moore gave a little talk also upon the music of the K-G. Ethel Musser, Ethel Morris, Eltalen Grie, Addie Meriell, Kathryn + Julia Michel, Winona Staten, Mabel Pick, Elnora Wilhelm, Bessie Row, Abigail Folsom. Adele Ramsey died at Long Beach Cal. this morning.

### **Wednesday July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant, and I am busy all the time. Sewing a little, mending, doing house work and numberless things. Went to prayer-meeting as usual. Attendance small. Mrs. Young was there but we shall miss her next week as she leaves in the morning for Chautauqua.

### **Thursday July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Warm. Have been busy as usual, in the house, the yard, over home and then went to the W.C.T.U. meeting in the afternoon. The test will be made next week of an election under the Brannock Bill which proved local option in residence districts of the city, we miss the Ramsey + Peebles sisters very much at the Reading Rooms.

### **Friday July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Weather pleas at,

This is Helen Titus' birthday and Elizabeth and Mary assisted Bessie in giving Helen a little party. Almost seventeen children were there. After supper, the girls + I took a pleasant drive out to see Bessie Row. Had letter from Sister and wrote her as usual. Heard that Adele Ramsey died, and was buried last Tuesday. I wrote to Venitia this evening. Charlie Peebles was here.

### **Saturday July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Fine weather. I have been spending much time in the yard pulling the plantain out of the grass whenever I can work in the shade.

Had letters from Margaret and Will. Wrote to the former. She is enjoying cool weather and having a very pleasant time with her work. The girls took me out to see Bessie Row about K-G work yesterday. This evening we all drove out to see the Selby Addition.

### **Sunday July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Quite cool. Ther. about 57°. Went to Sunday School and church in the morning. The evening services were arranged for the Brannock Bill Campaign. A men's meeting at Bigelow and a women's meeting at 6<sup>th</sup> M.E. Church. Dr. Alderson, Dr. Wilburn and Dr. Moore of Cin were at Sixth St. Head the Mr. Lawman died last week but had no particulars. Olla is at her father's in Circleville.

Took dinner at Carl's.

### **Monday July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Ther. about 58° this morning. Good night for sleeping. Had the usual routine of work and was home all day except when with who seems more comfortable. Letters from Lizzie Peebles say she will be here the last of this week. I wrote to her, Virginia, Olla Lawman and Margaret. Had letters from L.P., Margaret + M.J. Peebles. Have worked on the plantain and am getting along well with the job.

Girls are out driving.

### **Tuesday July 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Ther. 57° this morning.

Mother came over for a short call and I went home with her. It is too much for her strength and requires some time for her to get over it. Went to Foreign Mis. Society this afternoon. Seven present. Maggie + Mary Peebles sent \$100.00 for Dr. Mary P. Eddy, to go through our Society to her. Called at Mary Ellen's to see Edith and the rest of the family. Had letter from Margaret and wrote her.

### **Wednesday July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant. Fine rain in the evening after the polls closed. The election under the Brannock law was held in our district today and went the wrong way for us by a small majority. A few more voters who should have been out would have made it all right. Letter from Margaret which I answered. Attended the informal reception at Mrs. Baird's given for Mrs. Pond, now eighty-six years old.

### **Thursday July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very warm. The third election took place today and resulted one time defect for the temperance element of the city. The liquor men have had money and used it effectively. We took a little drive around the boulevard this evening.

Heard from Sister, and wrote to her as I do nearly every day.

### **Friday July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather warm.

This is E's birthday and I gave her a pair of gold cuff pins, Sister sent her a book.

John Moore came home from Florida yesterday Carl left for Birmingham again today.

Letter from Sister as usual but I did not find time to write today.

Had letter from Will with two dollars for the family wedding present for Edith Moore. Capt. Isaac Miller died today.

### **Saturday July 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm. Was busy with the Sat work but went over home awhile with some dewing and Lizzie Peebles helped me with a part of it. She, Robert, Richard and Lillian came last night to Mother's. We took a little drive after supper, the girls, Agnes and I going to Market and then Driving a little while.

Wrote to Sister.

### **Sunday July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Very, very warm. We all went to S.S. as usual and remained to church then went to dinner with Agnes + she came here to tea. Carl is in Birmingham. Lizzie Peebles took Margaret's class in S.S.



Mary Ellen and her entire family with Mr. Love and Mrs. Loves were at church both morning and evening.

It will probably be a long time before they are here again, as Edith will be married and started for Honolulu before another Sunday.

Capt. Isaac Miller was buried this afternoon. J.W. was one of the pall-bearers. I only went to the house.

### **Monday Aug 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Quite warm again with a little shower in the afternoon. Elizabeth and May went to Bess Pixley's this morning to a little party given for Edith Moore. Edith and Mr. Love were here to tea, as was, as Agnes also, and after tea the young people all went to Miss Mame Reed's who was entertaining with a musicale for Edith + Mr. L. We gave Edith half a dozen teaspoons, the Lily pattern lid matches ½ doz butter spreads Carl + Agnes gave her. Lizzie Peebles + Macy were here to see Edith + L.P. gave her a beautiful little opal stick pin. Postal from Sister + I wrote her one, + a letter to Will.

### **Tuesday Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Warm and dry. Had two fine letters from Margaret. The girls were at Mae Pursell's in the afternoon and Agnes' to tea + spent the evening with the wedding party there. I was over home as much as I could be Mother is not feeling as well as usual, and had the doctor twice today.

### **Wednesday Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

A little cooler morning and evening but hot in the middle of the day. Went over to see Fannie Geiger + four of her children who are here to Edith's wedding. Spent the afternoon with Mother who is very weak today. Agnes was here to dinner + supper and the girls went after flowers, taking Lucy, and the Geiger children. Elizabeth had a postal from Edith Pritchard in Alaska. No letters today from anyone. Went to prayer meeting which was better attended than usual.

### **Thursday Aug 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day. E. not feeling well. Mary spent the day helping at the wedding. Edith Moore + William Love were married this evening at 8.30 at home with perhaps nearly one hundred present. Shall save a paper account of the wedding as it is very correct.

Edith + Mr. Love left on midnight train for White Sulphur Springs and will sail Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> for Honolulu, his home. We all went excepting Margaret, Will + Carl who are out of town.

### **Friday Aug 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. We have been busy, having invited all the cousins for four hours to spend the evening here. Arthur, Gertrude, Ada, Lucy, Will Moore, Fanny + Margaret Geiger, George + Jim Young, + Mae Pursell who had been asked to dinner at Agnes' was

included as were the guests from Forsett St. Miss Lakey + Walter Lover. Lizzie, Lillian, Rob't + Richard Peebles were here also and we had a pleasant evening. Had a display of old photos, music and refreshments of cake + lemon ice.

### **Saturday Aug 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. I wrote Margret and enclosed her a note I rec'd from Aunt Helen which I answered. Macy Barr R. was operated on in St. Luke's Hospital last Saturday for tumor. Is doing well. Margaret's birthday. Hope she has had a pleasant day. The girls went over on the Ky hills, taking their supper. Arthur + Gertrude Moore, Jim + Georgie Young, Agnes, Lucy, Ralph + Will, Fannie + Mary + the four children, Miss Lakey, Walter Love and Ada Moore were in the party.

### **Sunday Aug 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. Went to S.S. and morning service as usual. Spent the afternoon with Mother. We had dinner with Agnes, Carl did not get home until afternoon. He + Agnes were here at supper. In the evening, Sister E, Richard + I went to Sixth St. to a Union Temperance meeting. Layman spoke. They insisted to organize for an earnest campaign against the saloon.

### **Monday Aug 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cool morning and evening. Pleasant all day.

Fannie Geiger and four of her children were here to dinner and spend the afternoon.

Margaret, Mary Russell, and Rose. Fannie and I spent the afternoon looking over father's old letters from them for her and Mary. We enjoyed intensely. Mary Y. Moore was here to dinner but had to go to her work at the J.F. Davis Drug Co. office as soon as she left the table. Mrs. Small was here. Letter from Margaret. Wrote to Mrs. Curtis. John broke the lawn mower.

### **Tuesday Aug 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rained nearly all last night and all day today, a most refreshing, and much needed rain.

The lawn mower which John broke, beyond repair, yesterday is the one which Will bought when he was a boy to cut our grass and earn a little money cutting grass for other people. It certainly has done good service.

### **Wednesday Aug 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very pleasant for the season. Occupied much as usual. Heard from Margaret + wrote her. Mabel Moulton of Lucasville telephoned this afternoon to Elizabeth asking her to go and spend a few days with her. E. accepted and went on the evening train which detained her father from prayer-meeting as he took her to the train and did not get back in time for service. Lizzie + Richard went with me.

### **Thursday Aug 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm. Was over home much of the time as usual. Lizzie went to W.C.T.U. meeting and I stayed with Mother. Later I went to see Willie Ward who is recovering from Typhoid Fever.

Heard from Margaret as usual and Mary wrote her instead of myself, as I usually do.

Jas bought a new lawn mower to take the place of the old one. Wrote to Winifred Smith at Indianapolis.

### **Friday Aug 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant but rather warm. Spent much of the day over with Mother, she is very poorly/ Helped May a little with her white mohair skirt.

Had letter from Margaret and answered it.

After supper Jas, sister E + Richard + Lillian walked to Front Street to see Fannie Geiger, her four children, Mary Y + Lucy start for Cin on the boat. J + I missed seeing the boat but saw the friends and told them good-bye. Dr. Kline sick and not able to see Mother.

Jas went to stay at Mr. Prescott's during his absence.

### **Saturday Aug 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day but quite warm in the afternoon. Was busy at home most of the morning and then took work and went to sit with Mother after dinner. The doctor was sick + Could not go to see Mother. Elizabeth came home from Lucasville after dinner + went with Carl, Agnes + May to the Driving Park. Will came while I was over home and found the house closed. Was here at supper time. Had letter from Margaret and wrote her at once.

Hallie McGugin stayed here last night + had breakfast with us.

### **Sunday Aug 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. We were all at S.S. this morning, excepting Will, and at the church twice.

Took dinner with Carl + Agnes and I spent the afternoon with Mother. Will went with me to see her a few minutes, she can not have anyone stay long with her.

### **Monday Aug 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair but indications of a storm. In the evening I sprinkled the yard and in the night it began raining. Wrote to Margaret and heard from her, this morning. Spent much of the day with Mother who is very weak and miserable. Will returned to Hamilton this morning before we were up. Had a nice visit with him. He brought home a cat Sat. night and went to the stable, milked on of the cows and got a good supper for the cat, or kitten.

Washed a pair of curtains.

## **Tuesday Aug 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rained in the night and again today, a little. Had letter from Margaret saying she will leave Ithaca Thursday, for Niagara, Columbus and home.

Was with Mother much of the time today.

After supper went to see Willie Ward who is just recovering from Typhoid Fever, inquired for Mrs. Schwartz and called to see Miss Ross.

## **Wednesday Aug 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant, Robert left on the early train for Wooster and later will go to Northfield Mass. to school. Had letters from Margaret, sent her a postal last night.

Washed library curtains. Sat with Mother before and after dinner.

William A. Connolley died today of Typhoid Fever, at the home of Ford Halderman. Went to prayer-meeting as usual. Lizzie, Lillian + Richard were there also.

## **Thursday Aug 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant. Home until the necessary morning work was done then Mary Moore + I went to see Gussie and Mrs. L.P. Halderman, after which I went to see Mrs. Dennis and Margaret Tewksbury Johnson who was not at home. Stopped to see Ethel Schwartz who is sick. Spent the afternoon with Mother, stayed to supper and a while afterwards.

Heard from Margaret + expect her home soon.

## **Friday Aug 19<sup>th</sup>, 1903 [1904]**

A rainy day and I had Mrs. Long sweep and dust the upstairs and two rooms downstairs. Was over home most of the time. Did not go to W.A. Connolley's funeral because it rained and there would be a crowd of Masons and members of organizations. Began a letter to Will but did not send it today. Had a letter from Margaret, the last one from Ithaca. Enos came from Chicago this afternoon.

## **Saturday Aug 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rainy, with a little sunshine at time during the day. The yard looks very beautiful. Was busy at home most of the forenoon and then spent the afternoon with Mother who loses, rather than gains each day. She has the pleasure of having Enos in the house but cannot have him in the room for many minutes at a time. This is his birthday. Had a long letter from Will and wrote him twice today, sent him one of Grandpa Ricker's fine silk hdks for his birthday Monday.

## **Sunday Aug 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Very warm. Went to S.S. and church as usual. Small school, so many are out of town. Mr. + Mrs. Scudder and Charles are in St. Louis and there were only three officers

present. Went to Carl's to dinner and then spent the afternoon with Mother. Went to church in the evening but was too sleepy to hear much. Mr. Mahan called here just before supper was ready.

### **Monday Aug 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Fine day, bright and breezy. After getting the laundry ready to go out, I went over home and have been there most of the day. Mother is very weak and needs attention constantly.

This is Will's birthday and I wrote him again today. Heard from Margaret as usual and wrote her.

### **Tuesday Aug 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Warm. Was over home the most of the day. Mother does not seem to gain any and thins each day worse than the one before. Got Mr. Musser to stay all night with her as we can not get along without some help at night.

### **Wednesday Aug 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather warm., Mother no better and I am not trying to do much but help with her, doing what I can between times at home. Went over right after breakfast and did not come home to stay until bedtime. Did not go to church. Heard from Margaret who is about through her work at Cornell Summer School.

Little Chas Boggs was ran over by a beer wagon and badly hurt.

Mrs. Musser stayed with Mother.

### **Thursday Aug 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very hot and sultry until just before dark when a heavy thunderstorm passed north of us and we got part of it. Mary was at Mill Brook Park with Lucy Moore + her S.S. class and I was quite uneasy about her. She got home all right about 8.30 I spent most of the forenoon + part of the afternoon looking for a nurse and finally found Mrs. Carter who came to sit with Mother as Mrs. Behrens is about worn out with her double duty + the rest of us stay with her during the day. Wrote to Edith Moore Love at noon and to Mrs. Plummer + Mrs. Nixon.

### **Friday Aug 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Unusually fine day, clear, cool, comfortable. Was with Mother in the forenoon except when I came home on an errand and found Miss Cramer here to tell us about Margaret who remained in Columbus to visit Mrs. Richards a few days.

In the afternoon I took Macy for a drive around the Boulevard. After supper the girls went to Carl's and Lillian came to sit a while with us. Letter from Margaret the last one of an interesting lot of summer letters. Enos left today on C+O.

### **Saturday Aug 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day. I was over home a part of the morning and most of the afternoon. Margaret came home from Columbus on the 11.53 train and Mr. Richards came on business about the Carnegie Library but declined our invitation to dinner. Margaret is much pleased with the looks of the yard.

Lizzie Peebles came over this afternoon and talked over the subject of schools for her children. She does not know just what to do with them.

### **Sunday Aug 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cool in the morning. Lizzie stayed with mother in the forenoon and I, in the afternoon. We all went to S.S. including Carl + Agnes, and I attended both church services but was too sleepy to get much good from the evening service, which was a lecture on the Temple in Jerusalem. The morning sermon was excellent the subject being strive to enter in.

### **Monday Aug 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Heavy fog. Hot in the middle of the day. Mother no better. I have been with her all day. Lizzie decided this morning to go to Northfield Mass. and see if she could enter Robert + Margaret there. She left on the afternoon C+O train for the place, taking Richard with her. Lillian is to remain here until her work at Mrs. Warner's is done. Mrs. Carter will stay with Mother tonight.

### **Tuesday Aug 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm, really hot until late. Was with Mother all day excepting the time I took for the Foreign Mis Soc. in the afternoon when Mrs. Behrens stayed with Mother. Mrs. Campbell was with her awhile in the morning but I was there at the same time.

Had a letter from Olla Tappan Lawman wanting Margaret to stop and see them on her way home.

### **Wednesday Aug 31<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Very hot and sultry.

Was over home all day except when I came to my meals.

Mother remains about the same. Very weak and nervous. Unable to sit up or help herself but very little.

Had a letter from Mrs. Alice Smith which I answered, and wrote also to Will, and to Venitia Ramsey in reply to a letter rec'd.

She is at Long Cal. and Mrs. Smith at Long Island, one on the Pacific Coast, the other on the Atlantic Coast.

Went to prayer-meeting in the evening. Very few present.

#### **Thursday Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Rained last night and this evening. Warm and sticky.

Was over home all day except at meal time.

Mother seems about the same. Agnes still with us. We are having good melons and fine peaches, both of which are abundant. Had a ride this evening. Agnes + Elizabeth going with us around the Boulevard. Wrote to Will, to Mrs. Alice Smith and Venitia Ramsey. John Moore went to work for the Murphy Shoe Co.

#### **Friday Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Raining when we arose this morning. the day was spent as usual. I was with Mother nearly all day. Agnes still with us. I had two letters from Will and wrote him two. He sent me a check for 15.00 with a promise of more.

Rec'd a photo of Jim Young which I acknowledged. Looks very like the rest of the family, the first people I ever knew besides my father + mother. Mrs. Emma Jennings died of cancer this evening. I was down to see Miss Ross.

#### **Saturday Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Damp but no hard rain. Have been with Mother most of the day. She is no better. Margaret went to the Argo form this evening.

Jas had a letter from Helen Moore which disturbed him a great deal.

Mrs. Elliott and her daughter were here to see about the K-G class.

W.H. Smith was killed this evening by being thrown from his wagon.

Carl + Will are expected at midnight so Agnes went home to wait Carl.

#### **Sunday Sept 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather pleasant. Boys came and we were all up to Carl's to dinner which Mrs. Graf prepared as Sallie is still away. Mrs. Jennings was buried this afternoon. I did not go to the funeral. The report about Mr. Smith was untrue and was started by a telephone conversation which was misunderstood and repeated.

Mr. Arnold and Helen were here to supper, Mrs. A. + Ethel being in Cleveland. Carl, Agnes + Will were here to supper also.

#### **Monday Sept 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine weather, but warm in the middle of the day. I was out looking for a nurse for Mother both morning and afternoon. Will took me in the buggy before dinner, then took Mae Pursell for a drive. He left for Hamilton after dinner. The was Labor Day but a very quiet

day here. After supper Carl + Agnes, Jas + I went again to look for a nurse got a trace of Mrs. Wyans who may come tomorrow.

### **Tuesday Sept 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant. Bright + breezy. Letter from Aunt Helen Ricker written from Mary Marin's home near Canonsburg, PA. Mother has been very drowsy. I was with her most of the day. A new nurse came this evening, Mrs. Wyans who will stay at the house both day and night. Mrs. Carter was good but could not stay all the time. I could not attend the Home Mis. meeting today. Carl and Agnes left for Cin this afternoon. He will go to Cleveland, she to meet her Mother who returns from Honolulu tomorrow.

### **41 years today since our family came from Yazoo City Miss. to Portsmouth**

### **Wednesday Sept 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. Foggy in the morning, cool in the evening. Have been with mother nearly all day. She slept well last night but has been very restless and uneasy all day.

I had a letter from Miss Mabel Curtis of Painesville saying her mother was sick and could not come to the Co. S.S. Convention as expected. I wrote her at once.

Mary Moore had letter saying Lizzie Peebles has rented a house in Northfield Mass. Went to see Ethel Schwartz' boy and to prayer-meeting.

### **Thursday Sept 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine weather. Mother no better. Have been with her all day, except while doing an errand in the forenoon. Went to see Miss Sue Reed about the W.C.T.U. business meeting. My birthday was quietly celebrated. Had letter from Will. Elizabeth gave me a pretty pair of small gold pins.

### **Friday Sept 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. The nurse, Mrs. Wyans was telephoned for this morning so I had to start out again in search of another. Finally got Mrs. Carter to come again just for the night as the doctor says Mrs. Behrens had better not go away now so she + I can do the day nursing. Margaret came home from Argo farm this forenoon and will be ready for school.

Carl came home last night and is with us for meals.

### **Saturday Sept 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. With Mother all day. She steadily loses every day and is scarcely conscious anytime. Mrs. Campbell comes every day to sit with her as best as she can. She has been lovely to Mother ever since she came to live with her daughter, Mrs. Taylor.



Elizabeth and Mary have been the entire care of our home as I cannot do anything there. Tried to telephone John D. Overholt in regard to Lizzie Peebles's goods at Wooster but had to wait [unclear of what Louisiana was attempting to write here]. Agnes came home and brought me some napkins for my birthday.

### **Sunday Sept 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day. Very foggy in the morning and hot later. Was with Mother all day except while over home to wash + dress. Did not go to S.S. or church.

Dr. Kline was here several times. There is little change from day to day only that she steadily loses. I stayed at Mother's to dinner, the others went to Carl's.

Allen Spry is home again.

### **Monday Sept 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

No fog, pleasant, indications of rain. Mother still sleeping, only sub-conscious. Mrs. Campbell came and sat with her while I attended to some necessary duties.

Letter from Virginia. Wrote to Will and Maggie Peebles. May R. attended to packing Lizzie P's belongings to be sent to Northfield Mass. Mrs. Carter came about four o'clock. After supper J.W. + I drove to the drug store + I went to see Mrs. Staten a few minutes. Mr. Hernan called to talk over K=G business.

Dr. Joseph Clark + Miss Ewalt came to S.S. Convention + are at our home. Public schools opened today.

### **Tuesday Sept 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine weather but very foggy in the early morning. Mrs. Carter came back after going home this morning and had to go to Vanceburg so we had to get another nurse. Mrs. Messer came this evening.

Wrote to Will, ~~Maggie Peebles~~, Helen Moore and Virginia Greene.

### **Wednesday Sept 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day, rained a little, cooler than it has been but no fire necessary as yet. With Mother all day. Had Mr. Will help crate + pack the cedar chest to be shipped to Lizzie Peebles. Mary packed her trunk. She seems to have made up her mind to stay in Northfield. Carl went to Cin with a Mr. Bewon to see Will, and Agnes came to stay with the girls.

Dr. Clark and Miss Ewalt left on the early train, he for Columbus, + she for Winchester to attend the wedding of her cousin Alice Ewalt today.

### **Thursday Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Foggy morning. Hot at noon. Mother about the same. A little more like herself in the afternoon. Have been here at Mothers most of the day. Wrote postal to Will, long letter to Lizzie Peebles. Her goods were shipped to her today to Northfield Mass.

Elizabeth + Mary put up peached today. Margaret + I have Mary M. 5.00 and L.P. sent her 20.00. Letter from Winifred. Mrs. Campbell came over every day to sit a while with Mother.

### **Friday Sept 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Heavy fog and cool morning. Warmer later in the day. Have been with Mother all day.

The girls have been putting up yellow freestone peaches today.

Agnes is still with us for meals, and Elizabeth stays with her at night. I ripped Mary's mode cloth skirt so she could shorten it.

The C.E. Whatsoever Com sent Mother flowers intended for her birthday, but a day late.

### **Saturday Sept 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful weather. Cold in the morning but warm late in the day. Mrs. Messer stayed a while after breakfast and let me go home and help the girls with some white Heath peaches. I managed to do several jobs between times while sitting with Mother.

The elastic stocking Dr. Kline ordered for me came today.

### **Sunday Sept 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. Did not go to S.S. or church in the morning. Will came home with Carl last night and came to Mother's to see me before going to church.

Mother about the same. Very weak and nervous. We were all, excepting Margaret, up to Carl's to dinner, and all at home in the evening for supper, including Carl + Agnes, and went to church in the evening.

### **Monday Sept 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day. With Mother all day, as usual.

Keep some work on hand to do at odd moments. Mrs. Ives and Miss Ross called to report on the 11<sup>th</sup> St Public School room which has been granted to the K-G this year. Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Zull came to report on W.R.C. work and bring me the sec'y's book. Was over home to supper. Carl and Agnes were there after supper.

### **Tuesday Sept 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cloudy all day, or until after dinner when the sun came out. Mrs. Lang was washing bed-clothes + was glad to see the sun. This is Mary's birthday. I have her 5.00,

Margaret, a 25.00 suit, and Agnes a handsome silver comb + brush to match the mirror she gave Elizabeth on her birthday. E + I were out to the Colored School House to mark a K-G circle on the floor, after having taken Macy for a long drive. Carl went to Birmingham.

### **Wednesday Sept 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Fine fall weather. Bright and warm in the middle of the day. Still staying with Mother all day, and sleeping here nights.

Letter from Maggie Peebles saying she + Mary are now in New York at the Martha Washington Hotel.

I did some ripping for E. while sitting with Mother. Did not go to prayer-meeting. Agnes is taking meals with us as Carl is away, being in Birmingham.

The Automatic Sewing Machine is a success.

### **Thursday Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Fine weather but quite cool morning and evening. Had a fire started in Mother's room. Letter from Lizzie P. wrote to Will, and also to Maggie Peebles who is now in New York.

Mrs. Campbell came and sat with Mother and me this afternoon.

Elizabeth went to Cin to confer with the K-G Principal and directors in regard to the work here. Agnes took her meals and stayed all night with Mary. Eda Eisman made a long call and supper was late.

### **Maud was home from Mr. Drew's**

### **Friday Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Weather fine. Warmer than yesterday. I went home in time to get breakfast then returned to stay with Mother who seems about the same, and the doctor does not commit himself in regard to her case. She seems not to have any real disease aside from nervousness and weakness. Letter from Will.

Mary Y. and Lucy Moore called at our house after supper while I was there. Mary Moore + Agnes + I took Mrs. Arnold home in the Surry. Carl's Maud came home.

### **Saturday Sept 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warmer and more pleasant for me. Went over home and got breakfast, then returned to Mother. She had a bad night and has shown the effects of it all day.

I had a letter from Elizabeth at noon. Have been making covers for the K-G balls while sitting with Mother. Made eleven since last evening.

I wrote to Elizabeth but did not finish or sent the letter.

### **Sunday Sept 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

A beautiful day. Mother was quiet all night and this morning. I gave her the last breakfast, as I did father more than two years ago. It has been my sad privilege to watch both of them as they were slipping out of this life into the one beyond. At about the same hour, 4.30 on Sabbath afternoon they left us. Mrs. Jno Schwartz and I sat with mother until the last. I had been with her all day, but she had not spoken or noticed anyone for hours. She has suffered a long time but fell asleep very gently.

### **Monday Sept 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day. Mrs. C.G. Young came and helped me alter Mother's dress and arrange for her final rest.

It is hard to realize that she is gone from us and that I shall never again hear her calling me as she has done so frequently during the past six weeks + since she has been in bed. John has been deeply affected and I had a long talk with him today. Enos will not be here but Helen will come tomorrow. Will came today and Elizabeth returned from Cin.

### **Tuesday Sept 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day, warm but dusty. Miss Anna Ross has been at the house most of the day, with Mrs. Taylor to assist. The funeral service was conducted by Mr. Arnold at 3.30 PM taking part of John 14<sup>th</sup> as a text. The hymn "there is a land of pure delight" I know that my Redeemer lives and Asleep in Jesus were some by Messrs Schwartz + Henry, and Mesdowns Hart +Henry, Miss Evans playing. Sister Mary did not stay at home, but with Mrs. Arnold went to my home, so John + I alone of the family were present.

I slept at home, the first night in 3 weeks.

### **Wednesday Sept 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather warm and dry. Have been giving back and forth all day, trying to help Mary arrange her affairs. She has had urgent invitations from Barton + Virginia, and Elizabeth Peebles to make her home with them but she prefers staying in her own home if possible and making a home for John. she will try it this winter anyway. I went to prayer-meeting this evening, having been absent several weeks.

### **Thursday Sept 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather very dry and warm. We all go up very early as Elizabeth + Mary went to Con on the early train and their father went over the river with them. I got very tired as I put up tomatoes besides doing the other work. Helen helped me pan a while. Carl took me out for a little drive after supper and Agnes stayed here and read. I began a letter to Virginia but did not finish it.

### **Friday Sept 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very windy and dusty. It is impossible to keep the dust out of the house. Elizabeth + Mary returned from Cin this afternoon. Miss Ruth Kelley and Miss Mary Threlkeld came with them and soon after Jas + I took them when we went to do errands and showed them the kindergarten rooms. They were here to supper and then went to stay all night with Sister Mary.

Miss Ross came to call on them.

Mrs. Dr. Davis died today. Letter from Aunt Helen Ricker.

### **Saturday Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

A little cooler but no rain here. Very dusty. Wrote to Lizzie Peebles and finished letter to Virginia. Had letter from Will containing a check for 20.00. 15.00 for myself and 5.00 for his church envelopes.

The three girls were seeing about their kindergarten rooms and works today. Misses Kelley + Threlkeld will remain at Mary's for the present, and perhaps all winter. Jas and I went to see Dr. Davis this afternoon.

### **Sunday Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Bright. Cool enough for jacket, and dire in the sitting room.

Rally day at S.S. and the attendance was good. General exercises and no lessons.

A.M.E. Conference being in session several pulpits now filled by colored ministers. We had on in the morning. In the evening Mr. Arnold gave us an excellent sermon "Whiter guest than" being his text. We went to Carl's to dinner Grace Cotton were there also.

**Three free Kindergartens opened today. Elizabeth Ricker at Jefferson St. Mary Threlkeld at 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Ruth Kelly at 11<sup>th</sup> St.**

### **Monday Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Fair and cool, except in the sun. Busy at home in the forenoon and then went to the funeral of Mrs. Dr. Davis at her late home. Jas was one of the pall-bearers. Did not go to the cemetery as there was no one to take with me by the time I got out of the house. Went to the Eleventh St. school home but Miss Kelley had gone + not furniture had arrived as yet. Took Mary Moore for a drive as I tried to find out something about the chairs promised us. Agnes + Carl left. Agnes starting to the World Fair.

## **Tuesday Oct 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair and cool, dry and dusty. Busy at home all forenoon. Went to meeting of both missionary societies, the Foreign having been postponed one week. Mrs. Young and I arranged for a double meeting. There were twenty-five present including visitors. Mrs. Cotton talked to the societies upon some topics suggested by her trip, she having returned only last Tuesday.

I had a letter from Mary Ricker Martin.

First Clover Club meeting of the season.

Wrote to Miss Ricker of Baltimore.

## **Wednesday Oct 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair and pleasant except for the dust which is very heavy. Rain much needed. Busy at home in forenoon. At 3.30 PM, I went to Mrs. W.H. Schwartz to the regular Kindergarten meeting which was well attended and some business transacted, though Mr. Labold was the only man present. The new directors, Misses Kelley + Threlkeld came late to meet the members of the board. Went to prayer-meeting in the evening as usual.

## **Thursday Oct 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still dry and dusty. Cool enough for fire. Home all forenoon and attended the W.C.T.U. meeting in afternoon. Later went to call upon Mrs. Hale who was not at home so I went to Mrs. Gatis'. Carl was here to dinner and supper. After we had finished Carl suggested that as he was going to NY on business, Mary go with him and then on to Boston for a visit and he would give her a ticket. We all decided that she might go so the girls helped her pack her trunk at 10 PM, she and Carl left on the C+O going East.

## **Friday Oct 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Warm but no rain yet. Busy at home all forenoon. After dinner went to Mrs. Schwartz' to work on the K.G. lists for collections. Preparatory lecture in the evening which was not very largely attended. Margaret had to go to a Faculty meeting so Elizabeth, her father and I represented the family. Since Mary is gone I shall have more to do. I miss the daily visits to Mother but go of course to see Mary, after.

## **Saturday Oct 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

As I write this day, I think of father who has now been gone from us more than two years.

This has been a bright warm dusty day. Was busy at home in the forenoon and in the afternoon, Jas and I took a Long drive in the country. Went out to Rose Movuit and brought home a variety of autumn leaves and berries for the Kindergarteners.

### **Sunday Oct 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day but very dusty. Went to Sunday School. There was an attendance of over two hundred and the reds won in the contest. We were all on the side of the reds excepting Elizabeth. Had dinner at home. Sallie went to Dayton and both Carl and Agnes are away. It was Communion day and two persons united with the church, one letter, the other upon confession. It seems strange not to go to see Mother as I have always done.

### **Monday Oct 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Windy and very dusty. A shower this afternoon passed near us but only sprinkles feel here. Busy at home in the morning. In the afternoon Jas + I took Misses Kelley and Threkeld to do Kindergarten errands and were nearly all over town.

Carl came home from NY and was here to dinner and supper. I wrote to Will, sisters Elizabeth + Virginia and Uncle Jack Smith.

### **Tuesday Oct 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

A little rain last night but only enough to make the dust heavy. Rain in the vicinity made it a little cooler but is still pleasant.

Home all day and busy with the regular work.

J.W. had a good letter from Agnes. No word from Mary yet. Carl is still with us at meal time. Miss McClain called to see me this afternoon.

### **Wednesday Oct 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

A slight sprinkle but no rain here to do any good. There have been good rains all around us but none here. Busy at home all day. Went to prayer-meeting in the evening and afterwards Carl and E. went and got some candy then he came and spent the evening here playing flinch with Elizabeth and their father while I wrote.

### **Thursday Oct 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather does not change. Cloudy, occasionally and then indications of rain but all signs fail. Helen is visiting Mrs. Arnold and Margaret is sleeping over home until Mrs. Behren's comes back from her visit.

### **Friday Oct 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

No rain yet and very dusty. Temperature comfortable for me.

Kindergartens have been open two weeks and we still have no chairs or tables for Miss Kelley at Eleventh St. School.

### **Saturday Oct 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still dry and dusty. Seems useless to try to clean up the house when the dust is over everything.

This afternoon Margaret and Miss Cramer drove Maud and Jas took Elizabeth and the two girls from over home for a long drive in the country. I was at home alone all afternoon.

It is one month today since Mother's birthday. Mrs. Behrens' brother-in-law, John died last night. Will came after supper, a wrecked freight train having detained him four hours.

### **Sunday Oct 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant except for the dust. We all went to S.S. as usual and to the usual services. Will being with us in the morning, but he left on the 7+O train for Cin. as he has to be in the office in the morning.

### **Monday Oct 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant except for the dust. Busy at home in the forenoon and at the Relief Corps meeting most of the afternoon. Mrs. Geo Appel was received as a new member.

Jas went to the Post meeting.

Will is home again and Carl is in Birmingham. Agnes in Cin and Mary in Boston so we are few at home. John Behrens was buried today. Jas, Mary + Helen Moore went to the funeral.

### **Tuesday Oct 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

No rain yet. Had a telephone message from Mrs. Richards saying she was coming down with Mr. Richards if convenient for me. They with little Alfred came at 7.50 PM. Elizabeth went to Clover Club meeting at Lucy Moore's. Mr. Arnold talked to them about Naples this evening. I tried to write Mattie Dover but hadn't time, it is her birthday.

Maggie and Mary Peebles came home today and I was there with Mrs. Graf, and the girls when they came from the train.

### **Wednesday Oct 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Windy and dusty. I went out to tell Tom Porter not to come to clean the carpet as our company will not leave before tomorrow. The bids for the new Mason building will be opened today I believe and Mr. Richard being the architect having the plans cannot leave for a day or two. Jas. and I went to prayer-meeting as usual. Mr. Arnold sick with cold and not present. Maggie + Mary Peebles in their usual seats after a long abroad.

Wrote to Mattie Peebles Dover.

### **Thursday Oct 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**



Mild, dry and dusty, was home all day and busy with the cooking. Margaret came home about two o'clock and harnessed Maud, then she and Mrs. Richards and Alfred went driving.

I wrote to Will. Went up to see Maggie Peebles a few minutes on business, but was not gone long.

Letter from May came to Carl but he being away from home, it was not opened. Elizabeth went to Gertrude Selby's wedding. Janet Silcox + Lottie Maffett were here.

### **Friday Oct 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

No rain until late in the afternoon when then was a heavy shower, followed later by a thunderstorm with hail. Mr. + Mrs. Richards and Alfred left on the 7:55 AM saying they had enjoyed their visit. Telegram from Carl saying he would not be home tomorrow. Was over to see May and the girls. The K-G furniture was in place this morning at 11<sup>th</sup> St. school. The children have been sitting on the floor until now.

Was down to Ethel's a while working of the K-G lists.

Papa had a letter from Mary.

### **Saturday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Much cooler. Some of the hail which fell last night was still on the ground under the dead leaves. Margaret took up some of her plants last night and spent this morning in the yard getting ready for winter. Mrs. John Schwartz came up this afternoon and changed the vinegar on the pickles for me, these she made for me while I was with Mother.

### **Sunday Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Weather rather cool. Went to S.S. and church as usual. Carl and Agnes came home last night and asked us up to dinner so we went. Carl has something wrong with his face and night and it is all puffed up. The doctors seem at a loss to account for it, or what will relieve the trouble.

### **Monday Oct 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair and pleasant though rather windy.

Tom Porter came and took up the carpets in the sitting room and hall, (the tacks being already out) cleaned and relaid them. John + I were busy with the furniture and by supper time the rooms were in order again. A good day's work. Mr. Will planned the cracks in the floor which were warped and wore on the carpet.

### **Tuesday Oct 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant. Slight frost last night but mothering killed in our yard.

Hall stove was put up this afternoon just as I was going to the Foreign Mis. Soc. I went afterwards to see M + M Peebles who were no at the meeting, Mary was out. I then went to see Miss Raypole and from there to see Carl who is still in the house, no better. Wrote to Will, Mary, and Jean Alexander.

### **Wednesday Oct 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather about the same. Carl is beginning to get better but still unable to be out. We went to prayer-meeting, and then up to see how he was.

Found Mr. Powers there one evening, think it was when we returned from prayer-meeting. E. had gone home and could not get in so she came up there also.

### **Thursday Oct 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Quite cool. White frost and the vines all killed. Busy at home. Had fully intended going to W.C.T.U. but could not get away in time. Mrs. Lang was here and we cleaned house in the back rooms all day. I had the meals to get and was very busy and very tired.

### **Friday Oct 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine, except for the dust. I washed napkins and did all kinds of house work this forenoon and had began to iron when Agnes came and insisted upon finished it for me. J.W. took me for a drive soon after dinner and it was a little too cool for me. Agnes insisted upon my going home with her to supper and afterwards she + Carl came home with me and spent the evening.

### **Saturday Oct 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day but too dusty for any use. Margaret worked in the kitchen a part of the forenoon. Baked bread and small cakes.

She has a cold and I have been taking one all day. Have been washing and ironing napkins and doing such things.

### **Sunday Oct 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair. Went to S.S. and church as usual in the forenoon but had such a bad cold by night that I went to bed soon after supper.

We had dinner at Carl's and they came down here in the evening. I was over to see Macy and the girls.

### **Monday Oct 31<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Mild and pleasant. John has cleaned up the yard, taking out all the old vines and getting the yard ready for winter. Busy at home all forenoon, and out an hour or two in the afternoon with Ethel Schwartz collecting for the K.G.

I went out to see May Pursell and found her much better and up in an invalid chair.

**Carl and Agnes went to Cin. Ed sick at home.**

**Tuesday Nov 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant though dusty and somewhat chilly late in the day. Had a letter from Virginia and wrote to her in the evening.

My cold is better but not all gone.

Went to the Home Mis. Soc. and remained to the Aid Soc. Mrs. Jno. E. Miller was present after being gone all summer. Maggie and Mary Peebles both there. Ethel Schwartz and I did a little collecting this afternoon. Mabel Moulton came before dinner to stay all night + go to Clover Club.

**Wednesday Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Weather mild and pleasant but there was a white frost this morning.

Busy all day at home. Washed and ironed + put up the long curtains in the sitting room. Mabel Moulton went home after dinner and at 3 o'clock the kindergarten meeting was held here with Messrs Herron + Scudder, and Mesdames Haas, Schwartz, Ires, Misses Kelley + Threlkeld present. Elizabeth had her class in the library. Had a fine letter from Will containing check for 25.00 an anniversary remembrance.

**Thursday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Fair weather and quite mild. Busy at home all day. The girls had arranged for a little anniversary supper and had Mrs. Graf come to get the supper and serve it. At the supper table were ourselves, the two girls, Agnes, Helen + John, Misses Kelley + Threlkeld, Mr. + Mrs. Arnold + the two children. Mr. + Mrs. Taylor + Mrs. Campbell called later. Carl + Agnes gave us a library table.

**Friday Nov 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant. Was out a while in the morning with Ethel, Mrs. Cotton + Miss Peebles. Had to come home in time to get dinner.

About 4 o'clock I went down to see Ethel a few minutes.

Carl is still away from home and Ed still on the sick list, about to be up but not able to do anything. Elizabeth staying with Agnes at night.

**Saturday Nov 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Indications of rain but none fell. Home all day and very busy. Agnes here to dinner + supper. Was over to Mary's several times. Miss O'Connor was sewing for Helen. Mr. Stercus came to occupy the room which he had rented off Mary, the back parlor. Telegram from Dr. Clark saying he would be here this evening.

Ed was in the house all day, or nearly so.

Letter from May.

Dr. Clark came at 7.48 P.M.

### **Sunday Nov 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright and pleasant after the fog was dispelled.

Dr. Clark went on to Manchester early this morning.

We all went to S.S. as usual and the regular church services.

Mr. Banorgt a Y.M.C.A. Sec'y from Columbus spoke in the morning. All the pulpits were filled by Y.M.C.A. men today. Mr. Arnold preached in the evening as the man who was to have been at our church failed to come.

**Margaret began taking her meals at home as Mary has plenty of other company now.**

### **Monday Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather still dry and mild. Mrs. Stevens came to Mary's on the early train and will occupy what was father's room this winter. She seems very agreeable. Her son will occupy the back of the parlor and these two with the two young ladies will enable Macy to manage very well for the winter. Mrs. Stevens brought a parrot which is a strange inmate for the old house. Called at M+M Peebles', Mrs. Silcox, Mrs. Pursell's + Anna Ross' all away from home. Found Mrs. McClain and Miss Lizzie McClain at home.

### **Tuesday Nov 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine weather for election day, but very dusty. Was busy at home all forenoon, except for a short call over home. After dinner Jas, Agnes, Mrs. Stevens + I took a drive, dusty as it was. Helen was here to dinner and Agnes was here both to dinner and supper. Maggie Peebles came and made me a nice visit. Wrote to May.

### **Wednesday Nov 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair and pleasant. Busy as usual but cannot remember what kept me so busy. Went to prayer-meeting and when we came home Miss Ewalt came from Columbus to attend the County S.S. Convention tomorrow. We do not hear from Carl and fear he is sick.

### **Thursday Nov 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Cloudy with a little rain at times during the day. Sallie came and got dinner for us so I went with Miss Ewalt to the County S.S. Convention both before and after dinner.

In the evening Mrs. Stevens joined us and we all went out to the Second Pres. Church to the closing session of the S.S. Convention.

### **Friday Nov 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant.

Busy all day, or rather until after dinner and then I went to get my hat which Mrs. Simmons had made over for 2.00. From there Elizabeth and I went to call upon Frances Grimes and later I called upon Miss Gillilan + Mrs. Jno. E. Miller, Miss Ewalt left this Am for Oak Hill but before she left Dr. Clark came in unexpectedly from Ironton + then went on to Oak Hill. Wrote to May.

### **Saturday Nov 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Somewhat cloudy but no rain. Was home and very busy all day with housework. Several letters from Carl today told of his serious illness for a week past when he has been in a hospital in Birmingham with an attack of some thing like mumps or a result of the illness he had before going to Chicago.

I wrote to him this afternoon. Ed thought he would go home this evening.

### **Sunday Nov 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day but there was quite a flurry of snow and a cold wind.

We went to S.S. and the usual church services. Went to Agnes' to dinner Sallie fell downstairs last evening and sprained her ankle and thumb but she insisted upon helping Agnes get the dinner which she had nearly prepared beforehand. Letters from Carl say he is better. Mrs. Glidden was here today, in town.

### **Monday Nov 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day but there was a heavy white frost this morning, and dark clouds in the evening.

Home all day and busy as usual. Fixed a feather bed. Wrote to Carl this morning, and had a letter from him.

Jas, Elizabeth + Agnes went to the Bigelow Lecture course concert.

Elizabeth will stay all night with Agnes.

### **Tuesday Nov 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day, and the mild weather continues. Have been home and very busy all day.

After dinner Mrs. John Schwartz came up and we went over a lot of things and I have her a large bundle of articles which she said she could use for the poor and the sick. She is a splendid woman and a blessing to a community.

### **Wednesday Nov 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine weather, white frost but sunshine afterwards. Very busy all forenoon. Had letters from Will, Carl and Mary. Wrote to Will and sister Lizzie Peebles. Went to Pursell + Bragden's and from there to call on Mrs. Phil Streich and talk over Kindergarten work. Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

### **Thursday Nov 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day but dusty and smoky. White frost this morning. Busy in the kitchen all morning, except for a short call over home. Alex + May were here to dinner. Mrs. Stevens and I went to W.C.T.U. meeting and then to Jefferson St. Mothers' Meeting. Elizabeth then came home, dressed and went to the Hotel Washington to Mrs. Laura Lloyd's reception. Jas. had a nice letter from Carl.

### **Friday Nov 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine weather but very dusty. Occupied as usual all day. In the evening my S.S. class met here all but Clay Graham + Eda Wilhelm. I also asked two visitors Missed Thomas and Crockett. My girls were Hattie Harper, Maude + Rhea Linning, Lola Johnson, Mabel Funk, Marie Phillippi and Grace Miller.

Agnes and Elizabeth were here also then E. went home with A.

Letters from Will, Carl + May.

### **Saturday Nov 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather fine, but for the dust which is very bad. Busy in the kitchen all forenoon then Jas + I took a long drive in the afternoon. Margaret took Miss C, Misses Threlkeld + Kelley around by Lucasville, with a lunch. We met them + returned in time for tea. Agnes was disappointed that Carl did not come but she had some nice presents, and had Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Bett, Mrs. Weller and Elizabeth to lunch. We had a busy day.

### **Sunday Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day. All went to S.S. as usual. Attendance good. 251 present. Seven in my class. Mr. Arnold preached two excellent sermons.

We went to dinner at Agnes' after which I came down to Mary's for a little call and then home.

### **Monday Nov 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

No frost this morning and the day was bright + mild. Letter from Macy saying she would not be home until Tuesday morning, as Maude Clark is so anxious she should stay. Busy at home all forenoon. After supper the Ports Magazine Club met with Mrs. Cotton. Jas, Margaret + I went. Elizabeth stayed with Agnes.

### **Tuesday Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Bright, mild, dusty. Macy came home from Northfield and Columbus today noon. We were happy to have her with us again. Helen Moore left this afternoon for Newton, Mass. to visit her mother. I had a letter from Will saying he + Carl would be home Wed. night. He wrote from Birmingham. Had a meeting of the Kindergarten Board at Miss Ross' this afternoon. Pail the bills.

### **Wednesday Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Mild and bright but in the morning there was a heavy fog which dripped from the trees about 9 o'clock. Elizabeth + Mary went to the Jefferson St K.G. when Miss Threlkeld + her school joined them. Jas, Mrs. Stevens, Anna Ross + I went to the 11<sup>th</sup> St. School. Messrs Labold + Scudder were at both, spent the forenoon witnessing the Thanksgiving treats and enjoyed them very much. I went to visit Ethel in the afternoon and to church at night. Misses Kelley + Threlkeld left for their short vacation.

### **Thursday Nov 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Beautiful day and very mild. Will came about 1 o'clock this morning from Hamilton and Carl from Birmingham. Will came home. Mrs. Clyde and Miss Hunter came to visit Agnes. We were all to take dinner at Carl's but soon after breakfast Jas was taken quite sick and was unable to sit up the rest of the day. Dr. Kline was called and prescribed. Only Margaret, Carl + Agnes get to church. Will having gone with Mary to deliver some baskets for the C.E. Soc.

#### **Con't from the back of the book:**

Will has resigned his position at Hamilton to accept a better one with the same people in New York City. He goes into the General Office of the Mile, Bement + Pond Co in the sales department and left this afternoon at 4.20 for New York.

Has been in Hamilton since Jan. 1904.

Mr., + Mrs. Arnold and the children took dinner with John + Mary and called here to see Jas. after church. Carl seems much better but is very thin.

We should all have been together, had Jas. not been taken sick.

### **Friday Nov 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fine day but dusty. I was busy at home all day. Agnes + Mrs. Clyde were here in the forenoon. Dr. K. came to see Jas but he had gone out on an errand. After supper he + I went to Carl's awhile. Mary had gone to S.S. class meeting at Bertha Wilhelm's. Elizabeth stayed at home. Enos came this morning from Pittsburg + was here this afternoon. Reception cards from Mr. Mrs. Dirnock + daughter for Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Saturday Nov 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rather colder, with a great deal of wind, and dust. Miss O'Connor came to begin a few days' sewing for Margaret. Lucy Rifenberick and her son Robert, and Miss Emma Bell took dinner with us. Lucy + Rob were here to pack up and move father's cabinet of specimens at the Public Library. I was busy most of the day. We unpacked Will's trunk and box of old clothes and belongings brought from Hamilton. He goes to New York to take a new positive with the Miles Bement + Pond Co next week.

### **Sunday Nov 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair but somewhat windy. Went to S.S. and church as usual. Had a good class.

It was the World's Temperance day and we had the lesson in S.S. and Mr. Arnold preached two good strong sermons. We had dinner at home Carl, Agnes, Mrs. Clyde and Miss Hunter being here. Ed was away all day.

### **Monday Nov 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still dry, and colder late in the day. Quite a good deal of wind. Miss Maggie O'Connor was here sewing for Margaret. Agnes here to supper as Carl left in the afternoon for Birmingham.

I took my ripping and spent part of the afternoon with Ethel Schwartz. Mr. Scofield came after supper and stayed all night. Miss Kelley was back and in K-G again. Miss Threlkeld has mumps at home. Ada Moore came to talk about taking K-G work.

### **Tuesday Nov 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very cloudy, windy and much warmer. Indications of rain but none came.

Wrote to Will and Carl.

Mr. Scofield was here until after dinner. Agnes did not come at all today and Miss Kate O'Connor was there. I was busy at home in the forenoon and went to the Foreign Mis. Soc. in the afternoon. Miss Sarah Comin was elected Treasurer in place of Mary Peebles who resigned because she is to be away all winter.



E+M went to the Clover Club and will stay all night with Agnes. Mary Y. Moore went to Florida with Mrs. Trace.

### **Wednesday Nov 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still dry and forest fire make much smoke. All signs of rain seem to fail. Am helping Miss O'Connor all I can with the sewing. Relief Corps was inspected by Mrs. Henry of Ironton this afternoon, fifteen present, Maggie + Mary Peebles being among the number.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

### **Thursday Dec 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Rather a pleasant day though still very dry. There is great scarcity of water and much suffering in some places.

I was busy at home all the forenoon and then out nearly all afternoon. Went to say good-bye to Miss Thomas at Mrs. Smythe's. Paid the bal. on the laundry bill, 13.50, went to Mrs. Simmers and then to the W.C.T.U. meeting. Came home and ripped on M's skirt until supper.

Helen Grandfather Barnes died today.

### **Friday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Cloudy with light rain in the evening. Spent most of the day ripping on M's black skirt which I finally finished and began turning. My S.S. class was to have met here in the evening but the rain probably kept most of them at home. Mabel Funk and Lola Johnson came and after a little talk over the lesson the girls came into the sitting room and played flinch with Elizabeth, May + Agnes. Letter from Will with 15.00 in it for me.

### **Saturday Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

A rainy day, the first we have had in many weeks. Wrote to Will this evening. Worked nearly all day on M's black skirt which will soon be done. Agnes here all day. She and the girls are busy with Christmas presents. Was over home to see Miss Kelley late in the afternoon.

Helen's Grandfather Barnes was buried in Boston today. Wrote to Will in New York.

### **Sunday Dec 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rain over and the day rather cloudy and raw. Went to S.S. and church as usual in the forenoon. All went to dinner at Agnes' and from there I went to Manley Chapel to the Bi-monthly S.S. meeting.

Went to church in the evening. Margaret went out to Bessie Titus' when I went to Manley Chapel. Bess Pixley was here to supper, having gone with the girls to the Elk Memorial service in the afternoon.

### **Monday Dec 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Fair again.

Miss O'Connor returned this morning and I have devoted my time to her and the sewing.

The girls are trying to do Christmas work, and they are making some very pretty things.

### **Tuesday Dec 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Pleasant for the season. Busy at home all morning. Went to Home Mis. Society in the afternoon and then came directly home to work again.

Have had a great deal of ripping to do in making over skirts for Margaret and myself.

### **Wednesday Dec 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather rather mild and pleasant.

Was home sewing, and getting work ready for Miss O'Connor until late in the afternoon when I went up to call upon Maggie Coles at Maggie Peebles'. Saw Mrs. Bucking home from Zanesville there. Went to prayer-meeting as usual. Elizabeth had her Kindergarten class here this afternoon, four girls.

### **Thursday Dec 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rather cloudy but no rain. Sewed and worked all day. Did not go to W.C.T.U. Have been ripping and washing and pressing and was very tired at night. Elizabeth and Mary went to spend the evening at Mrs. Hatton's. Alex Ricker was here to dinner and Jas gave him some very good clothes out of Will's trunk full he left here when he moved from Hamilton.

### **Friday Dec 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Bright and pleasant for the season. Margaret took a drive this afternoon to exercise Maud. It grew colder towards night. we put in a busy day sewing. The two younger girls went to Agnes' to spend the afternoon with their X' mas work. Elizabeth came home before supper with a bad headache, and Mary has a bad cold.

### **Saturday Dec 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Snow about six inches deep this morning and more fell during the day. Was home all day and very busy. Sewed very little but finished off M' skirt.

Mary came home from Agnes' and got dinner went back for supper and to stay the night. Margaret had little Hannah Brown brought to the house and then after a bath, dressed her in good warm clothes, such as she had never had before.

### **Sunday Dec 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Thermometer 6° and snow about a foot deep.

We went to S.S. and remained to church as usual in the forenoon. Went to take dinner with Agnes, Grace Cotton was there also.

Agnes was here to tea and Elizabeth stayed all night with her. Messrs Bragdon and Sheets were here after church. Mr. B. is singing in our choir.

### **Monday Dec 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Thawed a very little, not quite so cold. Moss O'C. came again this morning. Jas had a long letter from Will this morning. Agnes had letters from Carl.

Just before supper I went up to see Maggie Peebles who is sick in bed. Both Elizabeth and Mary went to stay all night with Agnes.

### **Tuesday Dec 13<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Ther. 3° on our porch, Dr. Harry Schirrmann who has Dr. Cotton's records and now furnishes the Government reports said his thermometer recorded 2.5°. Letter from Will in the morning and Carl in the evening. Will is in Buffalo and Carl in Birmingham. Busy at home all day.

### **Wednesday Dec 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Ther. 12° and snow is still deep on fences, as well as ground and houses.

Miss O'Connor finished Elizabeth's blue silk waist and will not be doing anything else now, having been here fifteen days. I wrote to Carl this evening, in reply to the letter from him Tuesday.

Went to see Maggie Peebles before supper, and to prayer-meeting after supper. Mr. Sheets spent the evening here. Elizabeth went to stay with Agnes. Miss Moody + May Pursell here in the AM. Elizabeth had the class in afternoon.

### **Thursday Dec 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still cold, slippery and uncomfortable, for me. Spent considerable time straightening up the machine drawers and other places after the sewing.

Maggie Silcox came and made me a little visit then we went together to see Maggie Peebles.

She is still in bed.

### **Friday Dec 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Thawed very little today. The roads are hard and smooth and a good fall of snow would make fine sleighing.

A terrible explosion at the toy pistol factory this morning, next door to the Jefferson St. Kindergarten killed one girl and badly injured three others.

Elizabeth went down but there was not school so she returned.

### **Saturday Dec 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Ther. about 30° with a cool of drizzling rain and most disagreeable. I went over home but nowhere else. Was busy with the housework and a little sewing. There is a great deal of Christmas stir about the house, all the girls are busy making plans and pretty things. I had a letter from Lizzie Peebles. Wrote- Intended to write but did not have a chance.

### **Sunday Dec 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very icy. I started to S.S. after all but Mary had gone and only got between 5<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> went I slipped and had a hard fall. Two young men brought me home and Mary called Dr. Kline. Jas came home, as did Margaret and Mary went down to help in their places. Dr. Kline took one stitch in the wound and I spent the rest of the day on the lounge. Mr. + Mrs. Will Schuat and Mr. Scudder called to see me, also Mr. + Mrs. Arnold and Mrs. Stevens.

### **Monday Dec 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Quite cold. I did not get up until about eight o'clock and then came downstairs. Am very bruised and sore all over. Dr. Kline came early and took the bandage off my head to change the linen cloth. Wound doing well.

Wrote to both Will and Carl that they might know I was able to do so. Agnes came to see me. Mary Peebles came to say goodbye as they expect to leave Tuesday. Carrie Stearnes died. Uncle Sam and Miss Stevens here to call.

### **Tuesday Dec 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still cold. A rose a little earlier and spent the day downstairs but not able to do much being to my muscles being so sore.

Mrs. Silcox and Janet were here to see me. Agnes was struck by a snowball last week and the injury proved very serious. Elizabeth is staying with her nights.

### **Wednesday Dec 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Very icy and slippery. The doctor came today and changed the bandage on my head. The wound is doing well but I cannot go out lest I should take a cold.

Agnes is quite sick and I want to go to her but cannot. Dr. Berndt called in Miss McGee to nurse her and sent for Carl. Winifred Smith came to call on her way to prayer-meeting + went with J.W. No one else could go. Winifred just returned lately.

Mary Peebles came to say good bye. They leave this afternoon for Fla. Carrie Stearnes was buried this forenoon from Mrs. Prescott's home.

### **Thursday Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904**

Icy and get no so cold as it has been.

The Dr. came and looked at my head, said I might go to see Agnes this evening. This afternoon Doctors Kline, Moore + Berudt (?) did some surgical work which required an hour but has been in anticipation for two years and we now hope Agnes will be much better when she recovers. I went up this evening and will remain until Carl comes home. Mrs. Weller + Elizabeth were at Agnes' but not with her.

### **Friday Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904**

Weather milder and ice almost all gone.

I remained at Carl's until after supper when he walked down home with his father and me. Agnes is doing very well considering what she has gone through and Miss McGee, her nurse, seems very competent. Carl reached home on the N.W. just before noon and his presence will help Agnes.

### **Saturday Dec 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Weather mild for the season. Will was expected at noon and we had dinner for him, the supper but he was delayed, missing connections and did not get here until about 9 o'clk on C+O Accom. We were hurrying to get X'mas things done and the girls had other work besides. Marg had to help at S.S. to fire the candy bricks. After Will had his supper he went to make a call. Agnes is doing very well. Mrs. Clyde came today. Ed went home.

### **Sunday Dec 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

A fair day and very unlike Christmas. The snow is all gone and mud is deep. All went to S.S. but myself as the doctor said I must not go out. Mary returned to help Sallie get dinner. She also had a colored girl to help her. We would have had out whole family, had Agnes been able to come. As it was our family were all at the table with Mary Moore and Mrs. Clyde besides. Ed went home yesterday.

### **Con't from back of the book:**

Among the presents I received today were a beautiful set of brown marten furs, a new zillilene cloak, a long table cloth from May Moore, five gingham aprons, Mother's small scissors, a photo from Helen Moore, a book from Mrs. Bond, The Simple Life by Rev. Wagner, and a number of small things, some from Kansas and some from Northfield. Mrs. Clyde bought mw a white waist and Lizzie Peebles sent me a vesting waist.

#### **Monday Dec 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rained and was almost as mild as spring.

Was home all day. Made a set of cuffs + collar for Mrs. Taylor and set with the collar for Mrs. Campbell. Will and Mae Pursell went driving in the rain this forenoon. He was late to dinner and then he + Carl going to Birmingham and Will to Cleveland. Our Christmas presents are not yet all in and we have had a great deal S.S. Celebration this evening. I did not go. Ed returned today.

#### **Tuesday Dec 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Rained most of the day and is blowing hard this evening. Was home all forenoon busy with housework. In the afternoon I went to the Foreign Mis. Society and quite a number were present to hear Mr. Arnold tell about the Syrian Missions but he failed to appear, for some reason so we had a short program. I called at Mrs. Cotton; before the meeting and at Agnes' afterwards. Wrote to Mrs. Bond, Helen Moore, Virginia Greene, Lizzie P, Clara Ricker + Carl.

#### **Wednesday Dec 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Very stormy all night with some snow and a great drop in the temperature. Ther. about 20°. Have been home all day and though I had expected to go to prayer-meeting in the evening, the family objected so I stayed at home. There was to be an election of S.S. officers this evening.

Election was not held.

Miss Anna Ross was here.

#### **Thursday Dec 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Still cold but not quite so cold as yesterday, because not so windy. The Ther. is lower, or was earlier this A.M. about 14°.

Have been at home all day. The two girls, Elizabeth + Mary went to the reception given for Mattie Dover at her father's. I sent regrets. Had letter from Helen Moore.

#### **Friday Dec 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904**

Quite cold. Was busy at home in the forenoon. In the afternoon I went to see Agnes + her mother, then took my cloak to Anderson's to have a little change made in the fit of it.

Made a long call upon Mrs. Dennis, then returned to Agnes' + got my Home Dept. books and went to distribute them. Stopped to see sister Mary on my way home.

**Saturday Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, 1904**

Not so cold as it had been. Have been very busy all day, about the house.

Margaret and her father drove Will this forenoon and in the afternoon Sister + Miss Cramer drove Maud.

I made the last of nice collars to take to my S.S. class in the morning, having been absent two Sundays and missed the usual S.S. celebration.