

Wednesday, January 1, 1908

Portsmouth, O.

A beautiful bright opening for the new year. We were all at home, except Will who is in Cleveland on his way to New York where he is in business with the Guarantee Construction Co. with two partners. Carl is living on Washington St. but is helping me take care of his father, who has been in bed more than a month and if he gains, it is so slowly we can hardly see it. I wrote to Jean Alexander and Lizzie Peebles. Mrs. Young was here.

Thursday, January 2, 1908

Pleasant, not very cold. The winter so far has been very mild. I did not get up until noon, as I was sick from midnight until morning though I managed to do what was necessary for James. After dinner I dressed and resumed my regular duties Mrs. John Schwartz was in to make a call.

I wrote to Will, Mrs. Bond and sister Virginia.

Margaret filled boxes and sent the Christmas candy which she + Mary made. Alice S. Hosford and James Bredin McJenkin were married at Cleveland today. Carl stayed all night.

Friday, January 3, 1908

Bright, clear and colder.

I came on duty again and Carl went home, said his father did not have a good night. Dr. Kline called late in the afternoon and said he would not be in again for several days. The barber came and cut Jas' hair + shaved him. Mr. Prescott was in to see him. Rec'd Alice Hosford's announcement cards. Wrote to Clara Ricker. Mr. Wyman and Mrs. Curtiss. The girls went to Mrs. Batterson's Kensington.

Saturday, January 4, 1908

Weather still quite cold.

This is Clara Ricker Armstrong's birthday.

I have spent most of my spare time today writing Christmas notes and letters. Wrote to Miss Kittie Sherwood, Mrs. C. B. Taylor, Mrs. Campbell, Mattie Wood, Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Elder, Mrs. Weller, Dr. Tremper, Agnes, and Will Ricker.

These were mostly notes of thanks for flowers and other kind remembrances which deserved special notes.

Sunday, January 5, 1908

A pleasant day, but cold. Got through the night pretty well, and had a fairly good day. Dr. Kline did not call today. Carl stayed with his father in the evening while I went to church. Jas went last Sunday morning to the service when the 2nd church presented the baptismal font for our church but he was not able to go today.

Monday, January 6, 1908

Bright, clear, cold Ther 22° AM. Jas not had a good day. Sat up about an hour in the afternoon but felt badly and was very sick when he went to bed again. I called Dr. Kline again, but he was just coming, anyway.

I did not get far from the sick room today. Mary asked Mrs. Betts and little Dorothy Manning to tea and they came. I only saw them at the supper table. Carl offered to stay all night but I thought I could manage by myself. Wrote letters to Fisher + Co., + Will, + Mrs. Alice Smith, also a note to Miss E. Wright. Mrs. Allen was here. Week of prayer. Girls went.

Tuesday, January 7, 1908

Bright and unpleasant.

Not much change to record. Have been attending very closely to my patient. He slept some up seemed sick all the time. Was a little more comfortable than yesterday. Sam Johnson was here on a little business, or rather to talk over a little matter in reference to a deed for some Fargo property. The Clover Club met here in the evening and Mary was elected president for next year. I wrote some and sewed a little.

Wednesday, January 8, 1908

Has been snowing a little all day but it does not stay on the ground. Had a letter from Will this morning containing P. O. order for \$30.00. Answered it and wrote M. J. Peebles. Have been in the room all day except for meals and errands. Mrs. Dennis was here + I signed some W. R. C. papers, my last reports as president. Answered the letter I had from Nan Lampton Symsom at Christmas.

Thursday, January 9, 1908

Beautiful day and quite cold in the morning. There is a little change from day to day, but Jas is too weak to sit up, the last attempt making him so sick that I shall not insist upon his doing it again.

Friday, January 10, 1908

Milder and seems like rain, which held off, however, Jas does not improve in any way and it is hard to make him comfortable. Mr. Firman Smith, Uncle Sam, Mr. Will, Mr. Prescott, Jno W. Overturf and others were in. The Dr. was here also in the afternoon.

The days seem very much alike. I am seldom out of the room for any length of time. Mrs. Ball was here before supper + I saw her.

Carl here as usual during the day and after supper. Mrs. Elder was here, also Mrs. Young. Virginia + E. B. G. Jr. started to New Mexico.

Saturday, January 11, 1908

Rainy day and a very uncomfortable one for Jas. We were awake quite a good last night and slept later this morning. No one in today outside of the family except Mr. Will who comes nearly every day. Agnes here in the afternoon. Margaret brought Dorothy Manning to dinner + the rain kept her all the afternoon. We enjoy her very much. Letter from M. E. P. William Peebles was here this afternoon on his way to Cal. Carl came to stay all night in order that I might have a whole night's rest.

Sunday, January 12, 1908

A most dismal day. Wet + Snowy. The past night was much the same as usual. Mr. Bragdon again sent flower to MR. Ricker, being the third time since this illness began. During the day Dr. Kline, Mr. Prescott, Mr. Bragdon, Mr. Scudder, Mr. Will, Mr. Pratt + Mr. Morgan called.

Monday, January 13, 1908

Another wet, snowy, dismal day. Mary had letter from E. F. P. asking that some of her goods be sent to her. I wrote her in regard to the matter. Jas about the same. Sick again this morning. Elizabeth went to Mrs. Weller's yesterday and has not returned this afternoon, as yet.

Letter from Venitia Ramsey.

Dr. Kline and Mr. Prescott were here, and Mr. Will came to the door with buttermilk but Jas never could drink it though no doubt it would be good for him. Wrote to G. S. Trumbell of S. S. Times, also to Will.

Tuesday, January 14, 1908

Bright again today, not very cold. Dr. Elder was in this morning, and Mr. Burns at noon. Have had little change of any kind. Finished the napkins I have been doing for Mrs. Patterson. Wrote to Mrs. Boyle, Miss E. V. Ricker and Trans-Continental Freight Co. Mary Moore rec'd letter from L. yesterday in regard to her goods. Letter from Will to his father. Mrs. Betts, Mrs. Manning and the children were here.

Elizabeth says Mr. Weller has had a promotion on the N + W so will move to Bluefield, Va. E + M went to the meeting.

Wrote.

Wednesday, January 15, 1908

The weather is still mild not at all like winter. The days are all very much alike so far as the patient it concerned. This evening Mr. + Mrs. Weller came to say good-bye as they leave on the midnight train for Bluefield, W. Va. where he has a new position.

Thursday, January 16, 1908

A rainy dismal day. Not much change in any respect to Jas' condition.

Am closely confined to the room. Carl is here at least twice a day.

Do a little sewing, and write a good many letters. There are meetings each evening which the girls are attending.

Friday, January 17, 1908

Pleasant again.

Not much change in any respect, in the patient. When one symptom improves another seems aggravated. John Peebles and Mr. Prescott were here before dinner. I wrote again to Lizzie about her goods.

Mr. Firman Smith was here.

Mary Greene was operated upon in the Hospital at Topeka for the second time.

Saturday, January 18, 1908

Beautiful day and not very cold. Carl stayed with his father last night and said they got along about as usual, though it was worse than usual. The doctor was in this afternoon and changed his medicine. He has tried beef juice again and cannot take it. Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Betts, Dorothy, Bess Pixley were here, Agnes also. Wrote to L. P. Bessie and the Emergency Laboratory in N. Y.

Sunday, January 19, 1908

Beautiful day, bright + clear and pleasant. The girls all went to S. S. and the usual church services. Carl stayed with his father again last night so I had a full night's sleep and rest.

Mr. Scudder and Mr. Prescott, Uncle Sam + the Dr. were all the callers for today.

Monday, January 20, 1908

Beautiful day. No change in Jas' condition.

Miss O'Connor came to do some sewing for Margaret. We had letters from Barton telling all he knew about Barton Jr. + his mother who have been gone ten days on their trip to New Mexico. Mary had a letter from Virginia giving her account of it.

Kindergarten opened again today.

The W. R. C. met today and elected + installed Mrs. Johnson as president. I was not present to be installed as Jr. Vice P.

Mrs. Weller + Dorothy Manning here to supper. Wrote to Will. Margaret had several letters from the Kirkwood family + one from Mattie Wood.

Tuesday, January 21, 1908

Beautiful day and very mild.

Not much change in the patient.

The birthday of my youngest sister Anna, who died in March 1865.

Have been busy upstairs and could not help much with the sewing.

Answered Barton's letter for Jas.

The doctor was in but did not suggest much change in the treatment.

Wednesday, January 22, 1908

Beautiful day. Mild as spring. Have had a very busy day nursing, and washing + cleaning.

Busy day downstairs as well as up. Mr. Prescott here before noon. It is the 40th anniversary of their marriage, one of the happiest I ever knew.

Mrs. Pratt, Mr. Scudder here also before dinner. Mr. Will fixed the windows. I wrote to Jennie Greene. Girls went to church. Carl will stay with his father tonight.

Thursday, January 23, 1908

Cloudy and filled with light snow. Carl reported some sleep and night about the same as usual. Had letter from Will saying he expects to serve as usher at Marion Tallman's

wedding next Saturday noon at Wilmington, Del. Last Friday he did the same for his friend Devins in New York.

Got a sample of Poslem from N. J. for Margaret to try on her skin trouble. No one in today but the doctor. Elizabeth at Mrs. Weller's for supper + to stay all night. Mary went to church.

Friday, January 24, 1908

Fair and cold. Had a little better night last night. Dr. not in today. Another letter from Will. Wrote him this morning.

Carl left on the evening train for Pittsburg and Detroit. Elizabeth at Mrs. Weller's for supper with Agnes. Mary went to church, it being the last of the special services. Mrs. Johnson + Mrs. Silcox called today.

Mary's cow was taken away having been sold this week.

Saturday, January 25, 1908

Slightly warmer and very fair. Have had a busy day cleaning up. Jas has seemed more comfortable. Dr. Kline in early.

Wrote to Carl, Mrs. Boardman, Mrs. Ewing and began a letter to Will. Mary went to Mrs. Manning's to supper. She + E went to Shakespeare Club.

Sunday, January 26, 1908

A dismal day, rainy and cold. The girls went to S. S. and the usual services. It was communion day and 42 were received into the church, nearly all on profession of their faith. Up to the present date Dr. Elder has received 73 since he came + we have one more communion in the year. Jas has been more comfortable today, and slept more. Mr. Scudder was his only caller, outside of the family. I mailed letters to Will + Carl that I wrote last night.

Monday, January 27, 1908

Cold and clearer, but seems like snow. Jas about the same. Miss O'Connor returned and I did some hand work during the day. Wrote to Carl in Detroit.

Letter came from Lizzie to Mary M. telling what she wants, so we will have that to see to now. Mr. Will, Dr. Elder + Mr. Felix Haas called during the day, + Mr. C. B. Taylor in the evening.

Agnes here to dinner + supper.

Tuesday, January 28, 1908

A dark, gloomy day.

Jas is about the same, did not sit up, this evening as he usually does, did not feel able.

Wednesday, January 29, 1908

Quite cold, a little snow in the air which melted as it fell. Rec'd papers from Will telling of Miss Tallman's wedding at which he was an usher in Wilmington., Del. Dr. Kline, Mr. Kaps + Mr. Precott were here. Uncle Sam + Will came to the door.

The days are all very much alike to me. Jas sat up a little while this evening.

Thursday, January 30, 1908

Beautiful day, colder. Ther 13°. Not much change in any way as regards the patient. He seems very weak, and can scarcely turn because of the soreness in his hips. I have only gone downstairs for meals, and errands. Letter from Robert Peebles in regard to their goods.

Two months today since Jas has been confined to his bed, and I to the room.

Friday, January 31, 1908

Rainy and late in the day it began to rain very hard, and blew almost a gale. The Soldiers' Relief Commission of which Jas is Sec'y met here, Messrs. Kaps + Hard being the other two, and transacted the business of the month. I finished up the report and took it to the Court House. Mrs. Weller was here to supper. She will go to Cin in the AM then return + spend Sunday with Agnes. She has left her davenport + some other things with us temporarily.

Letter from Carl from Detroit.

Saturday, February 1, 1908

Very stormy all night and it continues to freeze + blow and snow today. Jas about the same. Dr. Kline + Capt. Skelton were in before dinner.

Elizabeth, May + Agnes went to May Bannon's this afternoon. Letters from Will + Lizzie Peebles. Postal from Carl.

Margaret had letter from Jane R. saying Clara Ricker Armstrong's little Jane Gordon born last Tuesday did not live.

I wrote Clara.

Capt. Cole Gillilan died today. Mrs. Simmons fell and broke her thigh bone at the hip.

Sunday, February 2, 1908

Beautifully clear, cold winter day. Ther ranging from 6° to 8° to 10° according to location. One pipe froze so Margaret had a job of thawing out before breakfast. The girls went to S. S. and church as usual. Dr. Elder almost sick and services short. Jas had a bad night, last night, but was more comfortable today. Mr. Prescott stayed with him this afternoon while I slept. Messers. Scudder, Will, Hoss, Morgan Richardson, Thomas and Bragdon were in to call. The ground-hog sign calls for more winter.

Monday, February 3, 1908

Clear and not nearly so cold.

Had a better night with more sleep.

Uncle Sam was in.

Letters from Will and Carl, two from the latter, and \$25 in Will's letter.

Miss O'Connor here again this week.

Capt. Cole Gillilan's funeral occurred today and Bertha sent some of his flowers to Jas but we have not yet told him of the death of the capt.

Tuesday, February 4, 1908

Moderating, but still clear. Did not have so good a night and lost much rest. The doctor was in this morning and made no change in treatment. Wrote letter of thanks to Bertha Gillilan. Agnes here to dinner as usual and both she and Mrs. Weller were here to supper after which Mrs. Weller went to Kenova and the girls to Clover Club at Mrs. Draper's. Mrs. Clough came to see Jas. Mrs. Edwards was with her.

Wednesday, February 5, 1908

Had a restful night and for an hour at a time during the night we were busy. Between two and three o'clock AM it began to sleet and rain and continue all day.

Carl came home from Detroit + Toledo at midnight and was here today. Uncle Sam came and brought the little oil painting which Lizzie Peebles had brought me from Europe and he had attended to the framing of it. Elizabeth had it done for me and it is beautiful. It stormed this evening that none of the family went to prayer-meeting.

Thursday, February 6, 1908

The warm rain of last night washed away all the snow and slush from the streets. Dr. Kline was in as usual and Mr. Prescott.

Rec'd rubber cushion which Will sent for his father. Have helped with the sewing a little by over casting the needle and bird then for Mary, that is a part of them.

Friday, February 7, 1908

Fine day for winter. Had a fairly good night but Jas is very weak and did not sit up any today. Had letters from E. R. + to Mary today, and had one from Mrs. Ewing of Wheeling.

Dr. Elder called this morning. Mrs. Young was here in the afternoon.

Carl and Agnes in as usual. Mrs. Manning and children were here to supper.

Wrote to Will this morning. Mr. Gustin called but did not see Jas, he was asleep.

Saturday, February 8, 1908

Beautiful day and not cold. Cleaned up the room this morning, for Sunday.

Had letters from Will, Maggie Peebles, and Mrs. Boardman this morning. Jas slept a little better last night and quite a good deal this AM. Carl came to stay all night with his father so I could have a whole night's sleep. The girls went to Shakespeare Club at Grace Cotton's.

Dr. Elder and little Paul called and brought beautiful carnations.

Sunday, February 9, 1908

Beautiful day. Arose about 7 and Carl went home.

The girls went to S. S. and the usual church services then dines with Carl + Agnes. Messers. Prescott, Will + John Smith, Will + Mr. Scudder were here. Mr. Rob't Ewing called about 4 o'clock and accepted my invitation to remain to ten and go to church with some of our family.

Mr. Bragdon sent beautiful roses in the morning and called before church time in the evening.

Monday, February 10, 1908

Variable, but more clouds than sunshine + a little rain. Jas has been very quiet, sleeping lightly most of the time.

Wrote to Maggie Peebles and Will.

Helen was here in the evening, the girls had gone to a concert at Bigelow to church Carol had tickets + could not go so gave them to Agnes, and she gave them to the girls.

Miss Herms sent beautiful roses again today.

Tuesday, February 11, 1908

Beautiful spring-like day. Jas did not have a good night and today has not been much better.

Made my report of the Contingent fund, or rather Emergency Fund which Maggie + Mary send to me to distribute for them. Have had a very busy day in the room.

Wednesday, February 12, 1908

Warm and bright most of the day. Have had hall window open both day and night. Jas seems more drowsy but not more comfortable. Dr. K. Dr. Elder, Uncle Sam, Mr. Prescott, Mr. Pratt + Capt. Evans called today and of course Carl + Agnes and the home people, also Mr. Scudder. The new Bible Study class was started this evening, but I was not there. Elizabeth got a book. Miss Anna Ross was here.

Thursday, February 13, 1908

Rained in the night and today. We had a hard night with very little rest or sleep, and I have had a great deal to do today.

Friday, February 14, 1908

Rains and high water in all parts of the country. There was little in the way of news today.

Jas about the same and I not doing much but attending to him.

Saturday, February 15, 1908

A very stormy night last night and a wild sort of a day, wind and rain. Alex Ricker was in today noon but did not stay to dinner.

Had a quiet day with no callers except Uncle Sam and the doctor. Carl will stay with father tonight.

Dr. Elder was here also, I had forgotten him.

Sunday, February 16, 1908

Everything white with snow and it is clear and cold. Will probably stop rising waters and the threatened flood. The girls went to S. S. and the usual services. Dr. Ruggles will have charge of the S. S. School during Mr. Scudder's absence and they reported a fine school today. Uncle Sam, Dr. Kline, Mr. Prescott, Messers. Will, Wait and Rardin were here today. Jas took a raw egg for the first time in about two months.

Monday, February 17, 1908

Bright, clear, cold. Snow thawed in sunny spots.

Jas slept in addition to his usual supply of milk. Letters from Will, Aunt Helen Ricker and Julia Langsdorf.

Wrote to Will and Mary Ricker.

Mr. Vincent was buried today. Mrs. Johnson, + Mrs. Boyer were here. Also Dr. Dennis + Dr. Elder. It is one year since he preached his first sermon as pastor here.

Paid Mr. Will \$12.75 today.

Letters from Will + Julia Langsdorf.

Tuesday, February 18, 1908

Cloudy and not so cold. The danger of a flood seems over here, though some places have suffered. Had a hard night so Jas seemed to suffer much pain and I spent two hours trying to make him comfortable before he went to sleep.

Letters to Will + Mrs. Jno Dugan of Morgantown.

Wednesday, February 19, 1908

Jas about the same. It was much colder this AM which was a much desired change as it stopped the rising of the rivers. The river here reached a stage of soft 10 inches. This is Carl's and Agnes' seventh Anniversary. The girls went to church. Mrs. Manning and the children did not come down as they girls had hoped.

Thursday, February 20, 1908

Bright and pleasant. Jas about the same. Mrs. Schwartz, Geo Hendricks, Mr. Prescott, Capt. Finney, Mr. Will, Alex and Mary Ricker, Mr. Jno E. Miller were here today. Carl comes usually twice a day but he has a new man, Mr. Clark at the plant and is trying to get something done. Mrs. Ball + her father, Mrs. Manning and children were here.

Friday, February 21, 1908

Milder, and cloudy in the evening. Had a better night and Jas seems better today the doctor says.

Have written a paper for the missionary meeting next week. Barber came and shaved Jas today.

Mrs. Young, Mrs. Elder and Mrs. Silcox called this afternoon.

Saturday, February 22, 1908

Clear and cold and fair.

Have had a busy day sweeping and cleaning the room, bathing and changing Jas and putting things in order. Mr. Emanuel Moore, Mr. O'Brien, Joe Bell, Mr. Taylor, Uncle Sam were here. Had a letter from Helen Ricker, which I answered.

Mrs. W. V. Simmons died this AM from the effects of the fall she had three weeks ago today. It is twelve weeks today that Jas has been in bed.

Sunday, February 23, 1908

Fine day. Carl stayed with his father last night and I had a while night's rest. No callers in today excepting Mr. Will who came when Jas was asleep, and Mr. Bragdon, after supper. The girls all went to S. S. and the usual services. There was an attendance of 300 this morning at S. S. I went up to Mr. Simmons' to see Carol just before supper. Mrs. Simmons has been both aunt and mother to her for eleven years.

Monday, February 24, 1908

Beautiful morning. All about as usual this AM. Letters from Mrs. Dugan of Morgantown, + two from E. T. P. Mr. Will began crafting the things which go from our house to Cal.

Jas has had a quiet day, few being in. Mr. Prescott made quite a call. The girls went to Mrs. Simmons's funeral this afternoon.

Tuesday, February 25, 1908

Rainy and mild. No sunshine today.

Had a quiet night and day. Jas complains of being so very sore and tired, but otherwise seems better.

Helen took my paper on Chin. To the Mis Soc. at Mrs. Evans' + Mrs. Young had some letters to be read for me. Had letter from Will which took me to the Court House on an errand. I answered + sent the letter at once. Dr. Elder was here. The pictures Uncle Sam had framed were brought home. Jas Knox's Home, Shakespeare's Home + Scene in Vienna.

Wednesday, February 26, 1908

Cloudy, with intervals of sunshine, though there were flurries of snow.

Jas about the same. The doctor was in this afternoon. Mrs. Cotton + Mr. Kaps were the only callers in the afternoon. Jno W. Carpenter here in the AM. Made up the Soldiers' Relief Com. report to be ready for the meeting Friday.

Thursday, February 27, 1908

Light snow again this morning and snow clouds that darkened the air but did not leave needs snow. Have been kept very close in the room today for various reasons. Finished up four little collars that were commenced last year, gave one to Mary, one to E., one to M. and made one especially for Mrs. Campbell.

Friday, February 28, 1908

Damp and not very cold. The rivers are rising again but we are in no danger of a flood this time.

Mr. W. J. Henry came and made quite a call just after dinner. Mr. Carpenter called this AM.

Saturday, February 29, 1908

Fine day and busy for all of us, cleaned the room, and after bathing Jas got him on to the small bed where he slept several hours.

Wrote a long letter to Mary Peebles which I will mail Monday.

The girls had a caller, a Mr. Smith (H. P.) of Cleveland whom Miss Halliday introduced to them by letter Mr. Carpenter + Lucy were here after supper.

Sunday, March 1, 1908

Hard rain all night and most of the day.

The girls went to S. S. and the usual services.

Mr. Smith of Cleveland was here to church and went to church with the girls.

Mr. Prescott came and sat with Jimmie while I took a sleep.

Monday, March 2, 1908

Beautiful day. Jas about the same. Twenty people called here today, some of them twice. Dr. Elder did not see Jas, but Mr. Folson of Franklin F'ce saw him as he was anxious to hear about the colt. Mary went to Wheelersburg with Mr. Smith, by street car + buggy. Helen Ricker came on the afternoon train + returned after supper. Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Titus, Mrs. Manning + others were here. Mailed letters to Will and Mary Peebles. Had one from Lizzie Peebles.

Tuesday, March 3, 1908

Frost. Cloudy, but no rain. Did not sleep much last night. Have had a quiet day with no noticeable change. Have made up the Soldiers' Relief Report in the large book. After the Mis. Soc. meeting at the church Mrs. Young and Miss McClain called here to tell me about what was done.

Mr. + Mrs. Ewing, little Bertie and his grandmother Mrs. Sweeney were here. They came last night and are looking for rooms. Letter from Will with \$25.00.

Wednesday, March 4, 1908

Beautiful spring-like day but the rains along the river have brought the water up again until it is over the river road.

Helen and Agnes went to Mrs. John Peebles' to a luncheon given for some guests. They were here later and told us all about it. Wrote to Will and began a letter for Barton + Virginia, for their anniversary. John Peebles is sixty years old today.

Dr. Elder was here this morning, also Sam Johnson. Awful fire in Collingwood, Cleveland where nearly 200 children were burned to death.

Thursday, March 5, 1908

Rained again in the night, and has been cloudy all day. Lizzie Peebles' goods are here from Morgantown and the lot is being shipped to her at Los Angeles, via Trans-Continental Transfer Co. of Chicago. Mr. O'Brien of Henley was in + bought butter + eggs.

Have had a quiet day, but busy as usual.

Papers are filled with the accounts of a horrible fire in Collingwood Schoolhouse where more than 160 children perished.

Friday, March 6, 1908

Cloudy most of the day and very windy in the afternoon and evening. Mr. Prescott was in here in the forenoon and Mr. Dupre in the afternoon.

Gov. Harris signed the Ross County Local Option bill which has been passed by both houses and it is now a State Law to go into effect Sept. 1st a strong temperance measure, which was bitterly fought by liquor men.

Saturday, March 7, 1908

Beautiful, mild day. Letter from Will enclosing a check for me to endorse.

Answered it at once. Letters from Lizzie Peebles saying we need not ship her goods unless they already started. One from Virginia saying her Virginia is to be married next summer. Mrs. F. C. Herms came and brought some beautiful spring flowers to Jas, and later Miss Cramer sent beautiful scarlet carnations with asparagus fern. The girls went to Shakespeare Club at Edna Marting's.

Sunday, March 8, 1908

Another rainy day without one gleam of sunshine. The girls went to S. S. as usual and reported an attendance of 289 which was excellent for such weather. The river is still rising and it has passed danger line in many river towns.

Mr. Will, + Mr. Prescott were here the latter stayed all afternoon + I rested but did not sleep. Carl has not come home. Mr. Bragdon called before supper.

Monday, March 9, 1908

Rained last night with a light snow. Cloudy in the morning, fair later. River still rising. Jas about the same. Dr. her and made no change. Letter from Clara Armstrong.

Tuesday, March 10, 1908

Fine day. Jas did not have a good night and has not felt so well today. Wrote to Will. Carl came home from Detroit at noon. Was away more than two weeks. During the day Mrs. Losh, Mr. + Mrs. Manning + children, Messers' Altzman + Withrow were here besides Mary, Helen and Agnes.

Mr. Willis is making a new wire fence along the alley from the walnut tree to the barn. Elizabeth + Mary went over on the hills with Grace Cotton + Gertrude Moore.

Wednesday, March 11, 1908

Fine day. Jas is much the same each day only perhaps weaker. Dr. was not in. Roy McCall was here in the afternoon. It seemed like rain and a little fell in the evening. Elizabeth went to church, Mary did not. Mrs. Sweeney, Mrs. Ewing + baby were here. Began a letter to L. P. but did not finish it.

This is Barton + Virginia Greene's 33rd anniversary.

Thursday, March 12, 1908

Beautiful spring day, mild and pleasant.

Will Moore was here making a farewell call as he leaves in the morning + will sail for London in a few days.

Carl stayed with his father last night and I had a full night's sleep.

Mrs. Augusta Halderman was here this afternoon also Bess Pixley.

Friday, March 13, 1908

Pleasant weather.

Not much change in any respect in the patient. Days and nights are very alike.

Saturday, March 14, 1908

Fair. Water is off the tow path again today so Mr. Firman Smith was here. Had a telegram saying Aunt Betsey Hard Ricker died this morning at the home of George + Lizzie Dement at Elizabeth, N. J. Had she lived until the 19th she would have been 88 yrs old. She will be buried in Ironton Wednesday afternoon.

Sunday, March 15, 1908

Pleasant day. Carly stayed all night so I had a good sleep. The girls went to S. S. and church as usual, then to Carl's to dinner, and Agnes sent my dinner down. Mr. Prescott came to sit with Jas in the afternoon and let me rest. I went over to see Mary a little while, the first time in any weeks. Uncle Sam and Will Pursell were here. Mr. Bragdon sent flowers again last night.

Monday, March 16, 1908

Variable with light rain. Jas said he had a very bad night but he slept this morning. Have had letters + telegrams today relative to Aunt Betsey's funeral and we expect four of the family from Kirkwood to be here, before Wed. + some of our family will go to Ironton Wed.

I wrote to Helen Ricker.

Have had a busy day.

Tom Dugan came after supper to see Jas.

Carl was here twice as usual.

Tuesday, March 17, 1908

Fine day. I have tried to do a little extra cleaning upstairs while Mary + Mrs. Criche worked downstairs in preparation for the coming of Uncle Drew, Aunt Helen, Jane + Ira who came at noon on the N + W. Ira will stay with Carl, the others, here. Cousins Geo + Lizzie passed through with Aunt Betsey's remains on the evening N + W.

Dorothy Manning is three today + Macy made her a blue gingham apron just like my children used to wear. She, Robert + their mother were here.

Wednesday, March 18, 1908

Fine day though it rained in the night. At 10:35 Uncle D. Aunt Helen, Ira Margaret, Carl and Mary went to Ironton to Aunt Betsey's funeral which was held at 1:30 PM. Elizabeth + I were the only ones left at home + she was at Kindergarten all forenoon. Agnes lost her watch as she went to the train to see the others off. Bessie Smith was here this afternoon.

Thursday, March 19, 1908

Weather mild + pleasant. Callers began coming early this morning. Mr. Wm Duis of Wheelersburg was here soon after 8 o'clock Am then Mr. Firman Smith of the West Side cam five minutes later. Uncle Sam, Carl, Ira Ricker who came from Ironton cam later + Sam Johnson. Margaret returned from Ironton on the 7: 30 AM train but did not come home until after school. Mary came when Uncle Drew + the others passed down on the C + O for Cin. Agnes found her watch. Evan Harris picked it up + saw the ad. Carol left for Co. + Europe.

Bertha Wilhelm, Mary Reetinger + Robert Hopkins were here.

Friday, March 20, 1908

Pleasant day. Jas about the same, when one trouble is relieved another appears, and he gets very little rest. Winifred Smith's mother died today at Pearl Selby's.

Dr. Ruggles was here this afternoon. Mrs. Weller came from Columbus today noon for a short visit. Wrote a steamer letter to send to Carol when she sails next week. Mrs. Criche was here to iron and sweep a little.

Wrote to Helen Ricker at Ironton. Man began painting the new fence. Mrs. Manning and children were here.

Saturday, March 21, 1908

No rain here today but rains above put the river over the tow path again, being the third time within a month, while the river road has been under several times.

Mrs. Weller left for Kenova this AM. The Shakespeare Club met here this evening.

Miss Mary J. Davis came to inquire about Jas. She had been to Jas. Richardson's funeral at 4 PM Dr. Elder at both. Letter from Aunt Helen Ricker. Mr. Taylor was here.

Sunday, March 22, 1908

Fine day and very mild. No fire needed in sick room. Had rather a hard night but Mr. Prescott came and stayed all the afternoon so I slept until 6 PM. Carl, Agnes + Ira were here to supper. Mrs. Jno Schwartz called on her way home from church at noon.

Dorothy Manning went to S. S. for the first time this morning, Helen Hosf. and Mary McGregor calling for her, + Helen, taking her home.

Attendance at S. S> just 300 counting Dorothy.

Monday, March 23, 1908

Rained in the night and all day. River still rising and quite high. Ira went home on the afternoon C + O train. Mary went to a committee meeting at Martha Dever's + Elizabeth went to see Mrs. Manning. She had letters from Barton Greene + Mary Y. Moore gave her the diamond ring which Elizabeth Peebles had worn for two years + returned to her Aunt Mary Moore.

Tuesday, March 24, 1908

Beautiful day, real spring like. Jas has not felt so well and his eyes still pain him so I must keep the room darkened. The doctor was in + said to give him a sleeping powder as he hasn't slept much for several nights. Mr. Prescott was here and during the day Uncle Sam, Carl, Jno E. Miller + Fred Warneke saw him, + J. N. Rainn came to inquire but could not get upstairs. Capt. Finney was here also. I wrote to Aunt Helen Ricker, Mrs. Scudder + Lizzie Dimock. Mary, Helen + Agnes were here also. Mrs. Manning and the children.

Wednesday, March 25, 1908

Warm and pleasant. We need no fire in the sick room and Jas' eyes pain him so we have to shut out all the lights we can, so that I must sit in the hall with just a streak of light under the shade when I sew, read or write. I manage to get a good many stitches at odd minutes.

Thursday, March 26, 1908

Bright and pleasant but windy. Jas about the same and the Dr. said to continue the same treatment.

Have had a quiet day. In the afternoon Elizabeth sat with him while I rested and changed my clothes. Elizabeth went and stayed all night with Agnes as Carl is to stay with his father.

Friday, March 27, 1908

Ther 80°

Beautiful day. Budding trees and shrubs, spring flowers, bright sunshine, and the robins are here. Carl stayed with his father last night and I had a whole night's sleep.

De. Elder and Mr. Firman Smith were here but could not see Jas. Uncle Sam saw him a few minutes as did Bessie Smith. Bessie brought him beautiful jongits (sp). Miss Cramer was here and Jas talked with her about her little farm which he is much interested.

Saturday, March 28, 1908

Rained last night and has been cooler and damp all day. Neither James nor I slept much last night, in fact it was after six o'clock this morning when he really went to sleep.

Margaret has been gathering up things to send out to the farm Monday. She + Miss C. had expected to spend their vacation there but will hardly dare leave. Had letter from Maggie Peebles, and one from Aunt Helen R. Enos and Uncle Sam were here.

Sunday, March 29, 1908

A rainy day but not cold. The girls went to S. S. and the usual church services. Carl stayed with his father and I slept all night. Mr. Prescott came to sit with him in the afternoon. This is the day annually observed as a memorial of Dr. Pratt and the usual vase of lilies

Monday, March 30, 1908

Rained in the night, cloudy all day, rained, again all night and the river which had dropped (here she leaves a space but never filled it in) in. Will be up again.

Three pavers failed to give us much rest last night, we had a hard night.

Uncle Sam came early this morning to report about his interview in regard to the lettering on the door of the family vault. He will now superintend the altering of it with Mr. Plummer to see that it is done. Mrs. Taylor was here Saturday.

Letters from Cousin Lizzie Dimock and Will. Vernon Halliday was here to supper + went with Agnes for the night. Carl not well.

Tuesday, March 31, 1908

Another cloudy day with hard rain in the evening and the river rising very rapidly again.

Had a little better night without the sleeping powder and Jas is better in a way than when he is under the influence of a powder.

Elizabeth + May went to the Clover Club at Miss Staten's and it rained so hard that Margaret went on the car + took umbrellas to them. It was an unusually hard rain.

Wednesday, April 1, 1908

Poured rain all night and the river is coming up again. Cleared up in the afternoon. Jas is about the same and wants Margaret to go see the little farm so she will go in the morning.

The girls attended the annual congregational meeting this evening. Of course I could not go. They reported Messers. Ben Hopkins, Maurice Coe + Dr. Ruggles elected as elders, Mr. L. W. Baker re-elected as trustee, Mr. Losh and Mr. Poffenberger as new trustees.

Thursday, April 2, 1908

Fine day. Margaret went out to the Bear Creek Farm to stay until Saturday.

Jas is about the same, Gets very little rest or sleep but still keeps up his interest in everything and has the papers read daily. His eyes hurt so that the room must be kept dark

so it is hard to read or sew. Only a very little light is let in. Carl came this afternoon and let me stay downstairs for two hours.

River 54 ft + stopped.

Friday, April 3, 1908

Beautiful day but cool and windy. Have had a lousy day as usual. The doctors say there is little change except that Jas grows thinner, which seems impossible. Had letters from Will and Mr. Wyman, answered them both. Blanche Selby came + took me out in the auto for a little airing + just as we returned to my home a tire burst so she could not ride home in the machine. Elizabeth stayed with her father. Mrs. Young was here. Dorothy went to Ronceverte.

Saturday, April 4, 1908

Beautiful day and warmer than yesterday. Jas did not sleep much last night, neither did I. Has been very miserable all day and I have had an unusually hard night and day but the doctor changed his medicine + we hope for more sleep tonight. Margaret returned at noon. Mrs. Silcox + Janet were here, also Bessie Smith + Mrs. Ewing, Mr. Taylor + Mr. Prescott, Mrs. Halliday, Carl + Agnes, Helen + perhaps others. Rained hard tonight. Margaret returned from the country at noon.

Sunday, April 5, 1908

Rained hard last night and was wet + cloudy all day. We had a hard night again. Carl came this morning and stayed with his father so I slept a little while. Miss Vernon Halliday was here to supper. She has been at Agnes' for several nights.

Dr. tried another remedy for sleep tonight.

Monday, April 6, 1908

Real spring weather with the spring flowers blooming. The sleep remedy failed as have all others and today I am almost worn out. Have changed Jas' clothes, and the bed and hope for sleep tonight.

Letter from Mary Peebles. Drs. Kline + Elder, Uncle Sam, Carl, and Mr. Peter Brown were in. Dr. Kline came at 8 PM and gave Jas a hypodermic to make him sleep, so I went bed leaving Carl with him.

Tuesday, April 7, 1908

Beautiful spring morning. The hypodermic did little good and Carl had to call me at midnight. He was unable to do anything with his father. Later he had a little sleep.

Have written short letters to Helen Ricker, Aunt Helen R. + Lizzie Dimock enclosing clippings about Aunt Betsey.

Mr. B. F. Wyman came this afternoon on his service annual visit of a day or two. Letter from Will containing check for \$25.00.

Wednesday, April 8, 1908

Rained again, dark + cloudy most of the day, and yet it is necessary to shut out all the daylight from the sick room on account of Jas' eyes. He is very weak + it is impossible to make him comfortable, he has been in bed so long. Mr. Wyman left on the afternoon train for Columbus.

Thursday, April 9, 1908

Fair and pleasant but signs of rain soon.

Mr. O'Brien came in today and brought butter + eggs. The new cow he bought for us, Cherry, was brought in from Henley.

Friday, April 10, 1908

Rainy again and the river rising in consequence as the rain is general.

The day was about as usual for Jas. complained of great discomfort. The doctor came and suggested a change in giving the medicine tonight. Mr. Prescott, Bessie Smith and Winifred Smith called to see him this afternoon.

Letter from Will. Uncle Sam here. Began sending milk to Miss McClain, sent to Mrs. Silcox last night. The new cow gives good promise.

Saturday, April 11, 1908

Beautiful after the rain of yesterday + last night. Windy. Everything growing rapidly. Jas did not sleep well during the night but is sleeping this morning. It is impossible to make him comfortable when he is awake.

Uncle Sam, Dr. Elder + Dr. Kline were here at the same time + more of the saw Jas as he was sleeping, and he continued to do so nearly all day. Wrote to Will.

Sunday, April 12, 1908

Beautiful day and much the same as other Sundays. It being Palm Sunday the Catholics have passed in crowds carrying shreds of palm leaves. Mr. Prescott came in the afternoon and let me take a nap and rest awhile.

Monday, April 13, 1908

Fine day.

The doctor is trying to secure some sleep for Jas and rest for the nurses but it is very hard to accomplish. Has tried several things without success.

Wil came this evening while the girls were at church + just as I was going to bed. Was in buffalo so came on home for a day.

There will be services at the church every day this week but I shall not be there.

Tuesday, April 14, 1908

Beautiful day until late in the afternoon when it became cloudy and windy. Ther 80° in the afternoon. Will went in to see his father after breakfast but he was feeling too badly to talk much. Have not had a very good day, and the night will not be much better,

Will left for Washington DC on the 2:38 PM C + O train. Dr. Elder was in this morning and went to Presbytery at Georgetown in the afternoon.

Wednesday, April 15, 1908

Hard rain in the night and this morning but it cleared off beautifully after 9 o'clock AM. Some cleared off beautifully after 9 o'clock AM. Some buildings burned at the B + O yards about 2 AM and both fire department were out. We had some sleep, and some troubles in the night. The doses of sleeping medicine have to be given every two hours to produce sleep and then it is not satisfactory. He gets some sleep but is so half conscious that it is hard to manage him. John Overturf of Columbus was here and, Jas saw him but did not rouse up to talk to him. Mr. Prescott did not see him.

Thursday, April 16, 1908

Beautiful day and much the same as other days with Jas does not rouse from the effort of sleeping medicine enough to realize what is being done for him and continually talks of his troubles. I had some rest this afternoon while Elizabeth tried to wait on him.

I wrote to Will and Sister Virginia. Bess Pixley was here but I did not see her.

Friday, April 17, 1908

Beautiful day.

Had a very good night after several does of medicine but the day after it has been one of the hardest. The doctor insists upon giving the medicine but it is a question whether it is any advantage.

Mrs. Spry was here a few minutes, also Mrs. Ewing whom I did not see. Sister went to the country for a day + a night.

Saturday, April 18, 1908

Rained and was bad for the girls in the country.

The medicine which we give to induce sleep, has a bad effect all the next day and Jimmie has not been himself nor realized what he was saying or doing all day. I dread giving it again but Carl will stay with him tonight. I am almost worn out with watching and working.

Sunday, April 19, 1908

Beautiful Easter morning. Carl said his father slept very heavily, but was restless all night. All day I watched him and tried to make him as comfortable as possible.

The doctor did not come in until about 3 o'clock, after I had called him. Mr. Prescott came to sit with him as usual to give me a rest but I did not feel like leaving him, so Mr. Prescott went home again. Carl came after dinner and was here when Dr. Kline came. The doctor told us he might continue as he was for a week, or more as his pulse was regular. At my suggestion the doctor gave him a cup of milk which he did not drink well.

See Appendix

Easter Sunday

The doctor told me to give him another cup of milk in half an hour, at 4 o'clock and after some conversation with Carl relative to a business trip Carl wanted to make to New Castle Penn. The doctor left saying he would return at bed time to see how he was starting in for the night. When Carl left a few minutes later saying he would go to the P. O. I began arranging the bed and trying to make Jimmie more comfortable when I noticed that he had ceased breathing, even while I was handling him and so quietly that there was no sound or motion to indicate that the end had come. I had Margaret call the doctor who came at once, not having been gone more than half an hour. He said at once that the long weariness was over and he was at rest. I looked at the clock which was 4:15 but he probably fell asleep at 4 o'clock the same hour when father left us Sunday afternoon on June 22 and Mother on Sun, Sept. 25 + Uncle Alex Ricker on Sunday Jan.

After the long, long weeks of suffering, twenty weeks in bed Friday night, the end came suddenly at last. We cannot say we would have him live on as he was knowing he could never again be well, as he was, knowing he could never again be well, as he was suffering with an incurable disease, shrinking of the liver which had been affected for years, even before his illness in Kirkwood nearly four years ago, in May 1904. Then too we know it is well with him now.

The friends who have been so kind all winter, did not forget us today and many came with their sympathy and help.

Carl sent telegrams, and called Roy Lynn who came with his assistant and took charge of affairs.

Dr. Elder came within a few minutes, and again after church in the evening, so did many others.

Certainly this experience has shown us how greatly loved and respected our dear one was and how kind and sympathetic our friends are.

Monday, April 20, 1908

Beautiful day. We had no reply from Will, up to noon so Carl telegraphed to Washington. We had word that he would leave Washington at 4PM and reach here Tuesday AM. Heard from several who will be here. All day long friends have been coming with their help and sympathy, or sending flower. Uncle Sam + Carl selected the casket and Roy Lynn + his assistant prepared the body for it. We cannot mourn that the great suffering is ended + our dear one is at rest.

Carl will stay with us tonight.

See Appendix

Carl sent two telegrams to Will, one to his residence at the Engineers' Club, and the other to his office in case the first one was not delivered.

Receiving no answer by noon we sent one to Washington and before he had rec'd that, his partner telephoned the message from New York so he wired us that he would leave Washington at 4 PM and be here in the AM. Jane + Ira Ricker will be here at noon tomorrow, Helen Ricker from Ironton, at 7:30 Tuesday AM. Jane + Ira Ricker will be here at noon tomorrow, Jennie Adams, Frances Adams and Rob Adams' wife, Mamie on the afternoon C + O Tuesday. Dr. Joseph Clark will be here Tuesday noon from Columbus. The Loyal Legion at Cincinnati sent today the usual beautiful American Flag tied with black satin ribbon on which is stamped the name of the order. This was draped over the casket.

The Session of the church sent a beautiful piece of Calla lilies + carnations tied with broad white satin ribbon in which was stamped in gold the word Session in large letters.

Mrs. Losh brought a large bunch of pink peonies, other flowers were sent by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bell and Mr. Crustin pink carnations.

Mr. + Mrs. Wm Schwartz Roses and hyacinths.

Clara + Anna Hosford, a very large + beautiful design in white carnations and English violets. Little Margaret Lires Tulips.

Mr. + Mrs. Will, Roses.

Mr. + Mrs. Patterson, Pink roses

Misses O'Connor Callas + hyacinths.

Mrs. Cotton + Grace Calla lilies.

Uncle Drew + family Large design in roses, palms and hyacinths.

Clara Ricker, Hyacinths, lilies of the valley and narcissus.

Mrs. Jennie Adams, Roses + a beautiful white cake.

The C. E. Society sent roses + hyacinths.

The Orchestra to which Mary belongs Miss Edwards, leader sent beautiful Calla lilies.

The High School Faculty sent a beautiful large wreath of Smilax and red carnations + lilies of the valley.

Women's Relief Corps sent Calla lilies + hyacinths. Mrs. Prescott sent us nine loaves of bread and Mrs. Taylor baked us two cakes.

Helen undertook to keep a list of the friends who called but had to give it up, there were so many, letters and telegrams came and the kindness of our friends was a proof of sympathy of the human heart, and of the estimation in which our loved one was held.

Mrs. M. E. Young came and spent the afternoon making a collar and belt for me, and Miss Raypole came this morning and attended to our hats. We will not wear conventional mourning, none of the family approving of the custom and father and son objecting to it particularly.

Tuesday, April 21, 1908

Beautiful day for which we are glad. Will arrived early + at 7:35 Helen Ricker came. Ira + Jane came home from St. Louis at noon. Jennie Adams, Frances + Maime at 1:55. Dr. Elder + Dr. Clark conducted the funeral service which was held at the church at 3:30 PM. Will, Carl, Ira, Enos, Alex + Mr. Prescott were the bearers. See appendix.

The text was 2nd Tim 4:7. I have fought a good fight etc. Hymns How firm a foundation, -Jesus loves my soul- My Jesus as thou wilt. I have no words to describe the kindness of our friends, it has been wonderful. Ironton + Huntington friends went home this evening.

This was another beautiful day + one we will never forget.

Helen R and Addie Morton came on the early morning train and was with us all day. We saw many friends but could not see all who came. At Dr. Elder's suggestion we consented to have the casket taken to the church an hour before time for the services in order that Grand Army men and all others who desired might look once more upon the face of their friend. At 3:30 the service began with the hymn How firm a foundation, sung by the quartette, Mrs. Lymn, Mrs. Storck, W. H. Schwartz and Dr. Ralph Knowles, Lollie Anderson

being the organist. Dr. Elder read the Scripture lesson and Dr. Joseph Clark made a most earnest, and comforting prayer. Jesus lover of my soul was then sung and Dr. Elder followed with some beautiful + comforting thoughts closing with the hymns, "My Jesus as thou wilt."

Wednesday, April 22, 1908

Another beautiful day, and quite warm.

Friends were in all forenoon, Will, Carl, Agnes, John, Enos + Helen Moore, Ira + Jane left on the 1:55 C + O train + John on the 2:48. All of us excepting Elizabeth + Agnes were over the river, including Margaret + Mary, to see the friends off, then Carl, Helen + Enos went up on the Ky hills. Mrs. Cotton + Ethel were here when I came home. Later Mrs. Will sent her surrey + driver to take Elizabeth, M + M + me to the cemetery. Margaret returned to school.

Thursday, April 23, 1908

Beautiful day.

We began again to take up our daily duties, excepting myself. I am too tired to do much and there are friends in to see me nearly all the time. Elizabeth returned to Kindergarten. Will went to the bank and brought up the box in which we keep our papers + a few valuables. Before dinner he cleared out the desk + destroyed all worthless papers + sorted out those we want to keep. After Margaret came from school he opened the box and found his father's will made several years ago leaving all his possessions to me, with Will + Carl being executors. Will left for Washington.

Friday, April 24, 1908

Beautiful day, summer is coming on fast.

Have been trying to put things in order a little and rest up some.

Letter from Mary Ricker Martin. Wrote sixteen letters and notes in acknowledgement + flowers and other favors. Messers. Kaps + Hurd called to see me about the S. Relief Com. Mrs. Kehoe + Mrs. Graham were here. Was very tired and went to bed soon after seven o'clock.

Saturday, April 25, 1908

Sunshine, and rain, a beautiful day however. The usual routine was followed today only that I tried to rest as much as possible. Letters from sister Elizabeth and Mrs. Betts, in the morning. Margaret has been trying to see about settling up the bill. Lizzie Dimock sent me Aunt B's shawl, which I shall not need but will make some use of letter from Mrs. Boardman. Mary took my last summer's bonnet to Miss Raypole who will freshen it up a little. None of us will wear regular mourning, but use the dark clothes we have. The boys and their father objected to the custom as do the rest of us. Mr. Scudder called this evening.

Sunday, April 26, 1908

A beautiful day again.

Went to Sabbath School this evening, the girls have not missed a Sunday, and I have not been there since Nov. 24, 1907. Jas was there as long as he was able to walk, but went to church once afterward on the occasion of the dedication of the Baptismal Front Nov. 17th.

We missed him today, his vacant chair was draped in black. I did not go downstairs to the closing exercises as Mr. Scudder was to express my thanks to the school for the flowers sent, and make some remarks which I felt would be too much for me at the time. Mrs. Scudder came to see us.

Monday, April 27, 1908

Weather has been turning cooler and there have been hard storms over the country but we have escaped them.

Mr. Kaps came today to see me again in reference to the Soldiers' Relief Commission work.

I took the application for a Soldier's widow's pension which Mr. Whitney had prepared, to the Court House this morning. This is Father Ricker's birthday. I had letters from Carl, Virginia, Maggie + Mary Peebles, Jane Ricker and wrote to Will + Carl. Letter from Dr. J. I. Blackburn.

Tuesday, April 28, 1908

Quite cool. Frosts have killed fruit in some parts of the country. Have spent the morning putting the Soldiers' Relief book + papers in order for the new Sec'y, Dr. M. S. Pixley.

Did not go to the Missionary meeting at Miss McClain's as I had other things to occupy my attention. After supper Mary and I walked up to Mrs. Manning's, stopping at Dr. Kline's and Mrs. Firmstone's on the way. Letters + cards from Eleanor Wright, Bertha Gillian, Helen Ricker, H. P. Smith, Clara R. Armstrong + Ruth Holmes.

Wednesday, April 29, 1908

Rained in the afternoon and evening.

Have written a good deal today. Had letters from W. R. C., Mrs. Allen, the sec'y, cousin Maggie Meredith, Jennie Adams, Mrs. Clyde, and Mrs. Bond. Wrote to Maggie Meredith, Lizzie Peebles, Virginia + Barton Green, Major Thrall, Recorder of Loyal Legion of Cin, and Mrs. Helfenstein. Went to prayer-meeting and remained to Bible Study Class. Letter from Dr. Jane Mary Gilliford.

Thursday, April 30, 1908

Hard rain last night with snow and sleet, and rain today. Busy all forenoon with various duties. Had the report all ready for the meeting of the Scioto Co. Soldiers' Commission which was held here, Messers. Kaps + Herm and Dr. M. S. Pixley, who succeeds James as Secretary. I finished up the work for this month and instructed the new sec'y who will give me the pay for this month, \$6.00.

Dr. Dennis came, at my request to talk about taxes, etc.

Friday, May 1, 1908

Bright this morning, but rained again in the afternoon. Cool enough for fires.

Letters from Dr. Tappan, Mrs. Schneidemantel, and Will Ricker. Home all day + did a little sewing and mending.

Mrs. Royse was here to borrow something for the Relic Exhibit at the closing meeting of the Women's Club. Wrote to Will, and Carl at Pittsburg. Letter from Clara L. Ewalt.

Saturday, May 2, 1908

Rainy again in showers. Everything is late in getting started, so much rain prevents planting. Had letters from Emily Folger and Mattie Wood, one on the Atlantic coast the other on the Pacific.

Jack Glidden, son of Chas. C. + Nell Glidden died at his home in Birmingham, Ala, of consumption. We were always fond of that family of children. Jack was twenty years + three days old and a fine boy.

Sunday, May 3, 1908

Showery and damp so the attendance was not so good at Sunday School. I only had one member in my class Mabel Funk. Attended both church services.

Carl was here to supper with Agnes and then went to church. We were there to dinner, the first time I have been there when he was at home since last November. He was out of town last Sabbath.

Monday, May 4, 1908

Weather changeable, but not much sunshine.

I spent most of the day trying to answer letters and wrote first to Mr. + Mrs. Chas. Glidden, in sympathy for the death of their son Jack who died of consumption Sat. Then wrote to Mary B. Ricker, Mrs. Scudder, Mrs. Curtis, Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Lowman, + Alice McJunkin. Rec'd letters from them soon after James left.

Tuesday, May 5, 1908

Still cool and showery, but we are having good berries. I was home all day looking over things. Letters from May Ricker and Mattie Wood, both from Cal. And John Peebles from Nevada. Wrote to Will and Uncle Drew. Enos made the copy for the lettering of the marker to be put at James' grave, a gray granite block bearing his name, rank + reg't in army, and dates of birth + death. Enos + Helen, Carl + Agnes were here all evening.

Wednesday, May 6, 1908

Rainy, hard rain in the morning and sent \$35.00 to Mr. O'Brien for the new cow, Cherry. Went to the first Kindergarten Board meeting I have attended since Oct. Met in Gay St. room. Messers. Scudder, Labold + Grimes present, also Miss Ross, Mrs. Schwartz + Mrs. Wilhelm. Went to see Mrs. Sweeney + Mrs. Ewing afterwards. Wrote to Mary Martin, Mrs. Betts, Hamlin Adams, J. F. Blackburn + Mrs. Boardman. Went to prayer-meeting + remained

to Bible Study class. Letters from Will and Elizabeth Newman, Lucy Carpenter and Fannie Geiger.

Thursday, May 7, 1908

Rainy all day, with heavy rain last night and river rising rapidly. Snowed a little in the afternoon.

Home all day, doing little things and writing. Wrote to Mary + Maggie Peebles, Clara Ricker Armstrong and Bertha Gillilan. The girls wet up to Mrs. Mannings for dinner. Mrs. Will Pursell and her daughters + daughters-in-law gave a beautiful reception to which we were all invited but of course did not go.

Friday, May 8, 1908

Rained again today and was cold. I spent the whole day sorting over old letters and papers, burning the worthless ones. Found some that were interesting. Some of the letters written during the war and some of the children's letters.

Wrote to Dr. Jane Nye Gilliford and Ruth Holmes.

Clara Pursell made me a good long call today + told me all about her party.

Saturday, May 9, 1908

Rather cloudy but no rain. Windy. Cool enough for fire. Was busy all day, swept, dusted, and did a little sorting of letters and papers. The G. A. R. sent us their resolutions adopted regarding James' death, those adopted by the Session and Sabbath S. were published in the paper today.

Had a letter from Will. After supper went up to Mr. Plummer's on an errand and stopped at Mrs. Young's, but she was not at home.

Sunday, May 10, 1908

Beautiful summer day.

We all went to Sunday School and the usual church services. In the evening Rev. Mr. Atkinson of Manley Chapel preached for us. The pastors belonging to the Ministerial Ass'n have agreed to exchange pulpits for several Sunday evenings to present their wives on the local option question which is to be voted upon in the fall.

This is Uncle Sam's birthday. The three girls + I took dinner with Agnes, Mrs. Manning + the children. Carl away. Sallie leaves Mon.

Monday, May 11, 1908

Another beautiful day but rather windy. Busy at home all forenoon. Looking over things and putting them away.

After 3 o'clock Mabel Funk took me out to see Lillie Raypole who is sick with Typhoid fever and to find Mrs. Lodwick who has moved to E. 7th St.

Wrote letters to Jane Ricker, Mrs. Bond, Mrs. Clyde, Miss Ewalt + H. P. Smith. Had one from Miss Kittie Sherwood.

Tuesday, May 12, 1908

Rained again.

I wrote letters again today, replying to those of Dr. Tappan, Emily Folger and Mrs. Schneidemantel, though I did not get them all mailed, not having suitable envelopes. I miss Jimmie every hour in the day, and every time I waken in the night.

Wednesday, May 13, 1908

Rainy again, but pleasant for one. I wrote letters most of the time today. Wrote to Carl + Will, John G. Peebles, Mary Ricker, Venitia Ramsey, Mattie Wood and Lucy Carpenter. Have written over fifty notes and letters since April 23rd. Went to prayer-meeting and remained to Bible Study class though I have not taken this course with the class. Had a letter from Alice D. Smith from New York. Mrs. Manning and the children were here to supper.

Thursday, May 14, 1908

Rained again part of the day. Mary and I have been busy with the usual housework and a little sewing. Began a letter to Fannie Geiger but did not finish. Miss Lizzie McClain made me a visit this forenoon. Went to see Mrs. Schneidemantel a little while.

Little Robert Manning managed to get the door open, while in his baby walker, and fell from the porch to the ground breaking his collar bone, this forenoon.

Friday, May 15, 1908

Beautiful day, a little warm. We have been busy all day, Elizabeth's Kindergarten closed today with a party.

I spent some more time looking over old papers.

Mrs. Josephine Ellison came in the afternoon and spent the hours visiting with me.

After super I mailed some letters I had written to Emily Folger, Fannie Geiger, and May Ricker at Kirkwood, then went to sit awhile with Mrs. Schneidemantel + Agnes.

Miss Hunter is expected tonight. Alex + Mary were here.

Saturday, May 16, 1908

Beautiful day, a little thunder but no rain.

I went out in the morning to do some Kindergarten collecting and got 1.00 each from Mesdames Baird, Ruggles, Reed, Gilbert, Kendall, Reilly + Miss Mary Reed. Made calls upon Mrs. O. Newman, + Mrs. Lowes, and stopped at several other places where they were not prepared to give today, but will do so later.

Had a good letter from Will from Washington. Mrs. Schneidemantel went home, she Agnes + Miss Hunter were here.

Sunday, May 17, 1908

Carl came home from Columbus at noon, was here to supper and we all went to church. Rev. Meacham of Christian ch. was to fill our pulpit + came one hour late.

It was a pleasant day so far as weather was concerned but I felt depressed.

It is just four weeks today since Jimmie left us. Mrs. Manning and the children were here, Robert having his left arm in a sling on account of his broken collar bone. Finished up my pile of letters have written 71 since April 23rd that I have recorded + probably some, not.

Monday, May 18, 1908

Rained early and late but was clear in the middle of the day. I went down street early in the day + paid Mr. Prescott 7.00 for sugar and soap. Went to the Blade office to see Mr. Simmons but he was not in. Got some gloves and did an errand at White's. Had a good letter from Will from Phila. It was Relief Corps day but I did not go owing to other business. Sewed in the afternoon while waiting for a com. that did not come.

Carl + Agnes here in the evening.

Tuesday, May 19, 1908

Rained last night and is cloudy this morning. Have been busy at home all forenoon looking over accounts, and other things. Mabel Ruggles was here. It has been one month today since Jimmie left u, it seems longer and yet the time has gone fast.

I have been sewing today, on Elizabeth's black skirt which I finished and tomorrow will press it. Carl and Agnes came down and spent the evening.

Wednesday, May 20, 1908

Cloudy again.

I wrote to Alice Hosford McJunkin and sent her the piece of embroidery I made for her. Mrs. Young was here with her sewing and stayed to supper, after supper we went to church and remained to Bible Study class.

Had letters from Will and Cousin Eliza Boyle.

Thursday, May 21, 1908

Beautiful day. Have worked in the yard quite a good deal today. Went out to Miss Noland's before dinner.

Had another letter from Will and wrote him.

Mrs. Manning and the children we down. Miss Firmstone called after dinner.

Finished up the little center piece for Alice Hosford. M + J and sent it, wrote to her and Mary Peebles.

Friday, May 22, 1908

Cloudy with some rain. Worked in the yard awhile. Went up on East Second St. after K-G money again this forenoon. Got some but found several people out as usual. Mary + I went to Mrs. Ball's after supper but did not remain as she had company to tea with her son just home from the Philippines Islands. Stopped to see Lake Lewis then went to the congregational meeting at the church where they decided again to build the new S. S. room when they get ready.

Saturday, May 23, 1908

Beautiful day after all but it looked like rain in the forenoon.

Have been sick all day, was in bed all forenoon though I got up and attended to the milk, then went to bed again. Dressed four times before I could keep my clothes on. Carl + Agnes were both here during the day. Mr. O'Brien was here after dinner.

Wrote to Oella Tappan Lawman for her birthday.

Sunday, May 24, 1908

Weather fine. A very full day beginning with S. S. in the morning. The new Men's Bible class was organized this morning with Dr. Elder as the teacher, his class of boys is to be provided by Mr. Scudder. In the morning Dr. Elder held a special service for Mothers in accordance with a recommendation by Gen'l Assembly. The G. A. R. address in the afternoon was at our church + Dr. Elder was the speaker. The occasion was impressive. I went though it required an effort so soon after James' death. He was missed by many. Carl + I were the only members of the family there.

Monday, May 25, 1908

Very hot with a threatened storm after supper.

Have been at home all day. (Tuesday May 26th). Carl went to Cin. This afternoon to be gone a few days. Agnes spent the day packing her trunk and putting away things as she expects to go to Point Pleasant to visit Miss Capehart and probably to Cin later. She will stay all night here. Dr. Clark of Columbus came on the evening train to stay all night + will go to West Union in the morning.

Tuesday, May 26, 1908

Very warm. The house-cleaning was begun in my room today. I made a mistake and wrote on the other page what should have been on this date. Carl going to Cin today, instead of yesterday. Agnes preparing for her visit and coming here this evening, Dr. Clark came on the evening train.

Helen + Enos spent the evening here + Mr. Scudder came in for a few minutes having come over with Agnes who had been at his home.

Wednesday, May 27, 1908

Warm and pleasant.

Dr. Clark left on the morning train, Agnes went on the noon train to Point Pleasant.

The girls + I cleaned the side wall paper in the spare bed room. While Mrs. Long did the wood work.

In the evening we went to prayer-meeting and stayed to Bible Study Class.

Thursday, May 28, 1908

Very warm. The house cleaning has been going on again today and I have been on my feet too much and as a consequence will be laid up tomorrow.

Work until nearly bed-time watering the yard after supper.

Capt. Evans and Dr. Dennis came as a Committee to see me about the death of James. Capt. Alger is the other member of the Committee.

Friday, May 29, 1908

Extremely hot and close, a storm seems near, it did rain a little. I was laid up all day, unable to do anything so could not meet with the ladies this afternoon to make bouquets for the veterans, something I've never missed in the past years, except when I was absent, or disabled in some way. Letter from M. J. Peebles. Mrs. Long and the girls cleaned the library today, cleaned the wallpaper so it looks like new. I had letter from Will, and Jane Ricker, wrote to Clara instead of Jane as Clara goes home from the Hospital today.

Saturday, May 30, 1908

Hard rain in the morning, just about time to start to the Cemetery, but it cleared off and was pleasant. The Decoration Day exercises were held in the morning for the second time and it seems a good plan. Margaret took me and my flowers out in the surrey. I came back in the automobile with the Relief Corps. The girls had made a beautiful long wreath of laurel and roses for their father's grave. The gray granite marker was in place and, Mrs. Manning had brought a large bunch of fine white carnation. Mrs. Clough sent flowers and Mrs. Marcia Keer sent special flowers also for his grave. He will be missed in the work there when these days come around.

Sunday, May 31, 1908

Weather fine. All went to S. S. as usual and remained to church, excepting Mary who came home and got dinner. Carl and Agnes are still away. The morning service was in the hands of the Anti-Saloon League, Mr. Lilley of Columbus making the address at our church. The temperance people are making an action campaign preparatory to the local option election to be held in the fall.

Monday, June 1, 1908

Somewhat cooler than it has been. All have been busy today.
I went to the Court House and paid the taxes for myself, and Mary.
\$29.90 on my house + lot and 4.20 on the stable lot. In the afternoon was out a little while.
Wrote to Bessie Titus, this being her birthday.

Tuesday, June 2, 1908

Fine day. Was out both morning and afternoon with Ethel Schwartz in the carriage collecting for the Kindergarten and after supper we had a Board meeting at Ethel's with Miss Herron, Scudder + Labold, Miss Ross, Mrs. Hard Ethel + myself present. Elected directors for the next year and appointed a committee to see the City Board of Public Service about the Gay St. room. Have not finished our collecting but hope to do so soon.

Wednesday, June 3, 1908

Pleasant. The girls and I put in the day on the house cleaning, did the paper, sides + ceiling in the sitting room + got the pictures all ready to hang again.

Mrs. Long will come in the morning to clean paint. Went to prayer-meeting and Bible Study Class in the evening.

Thursday, June 4, 1908

A little warmer.

Mrs. Long cleaned the sitting room today, the girls cleaned the wallpaper in the dining room and it looks like new. I cleaned the pictures and the nickel plating of the hall stove and did various other things.

Wrote to Will and Carl.

Friday, June 5, 1908

Weather delightful, but considerably warmer than it has been for a few days. After school Margaret + Vivian Cramer drove out to the farm on Bear Creek to stay until tomorrow evening.

The girls went to Mrs. Manning's after supper and I watered the flowers. Had a letter from Will and one from Lizzie Peebles + one from Maggie Peebles, also one from Cousin Elizabeth Bayless. Paid the gas + telephone bills today. Mrs. Long cleaned the dining room today.

Saturday, June 6, 1908

Fine day. Was up early to attend to the milk, which Margaret usually does when she is here. After breakfast intended sewing but Mrs. Lowes called, and Mr. Firman Smith came and I paid him 20.00 for corn, part of the bill. After dinner Elizabeth + Mary took a lunch and went to Mrs. Manning's to go with her and the children to the Park. I finished the three waists that were nearly done, then went to the Cemetery + from there went to join the others at the park. Two letters from Will + one from Carl today. Will sent me 30.00.

Sunday, June 7, 1908

Fine day. We went to Sunday School as usual and afterwards to church. In the evening Mrs. Manning and the children were here stayed to supper and then Elizabeth + Mary took the children home + put them to bed, allowing Mrs. Manning to go with me to the Baccalaureate sermon at our church, preached by Dr. Elder to the High School graduating class of twenty-six or seven.

Monday, June 8, 1908

Very warm, heavy clouds + some wind but no rain. Busy all day. Went to the Bank and got Will's check cashed then paid Amann's bill + 10.00 on Mr. Prescott's. Wrote to Will enclosing Alice Hosford's letter + Carl's. The C. E. business meeting came here this evening in search of a guorum + + then held their election of officers. Bertha Wilhelm being chosen as President.

Tuesday, June 9, 1908

Very warm, a rain passed around us, only a light shower falling here.

Was at home until late in the afternoon. Embroidered four letters on white satin ribbon today, Mrs. John Schwartz having asked me to do it for some of her friends.

Had a postal from Agnes, and wrote her a letter.

Wednesday, June 10, 1908

Cool enough to wear a wrap, which I did when I went to prayer-meeting in the evening.

This is the anniversary of Mr. + Mrs. Peebles' wedding and also Mrs. Reed's birthday, Mrs. J. G. Reed.

Thursday, June 11, 1908

Quite warm and pleasant. I was home most of the day, worked in the yard quite a good deal. Margaret wants to leave it all in good order when she goes to the country.

None of us but her went to the Commencement and none of us will go to the Alumni meeting, tomorrow evening. I've no heart for any of those things.

Friday, June 12, 1908

Beautiful day. Busy all the forenoon about the house. In the afternoon Elizabeth and Mary went to see the ball game between the ministers and the doctors. I was home all afternoon. This being the last day of school was observed as Flag Day by the Public Schools, instead of the 14th. I was out to see the parade about 10:30 AM then came home again. There were about 300 pupils + teachers in the parade. Letter from Will.

Saturday, June 13, 1908

Warm, followed by some kind of storm in this vicinity which made a change in the temperature and it was very cool. In the afternoon I went to the cemetery and did some work, planted some English Ivy on James' grave.

This is the day celebrated by the W. R. C. as their Memorial as the regular day falls on Sunday this year. A few of the ladies were there.

Had a long letter from Will and wrote him at once at Cleveland.

Mr. Scudder was here on business this AM.

Sunday, June 14, 1908

Beautiful day but rather cool. It being children's day S. S. did not open until 10 AM and took the place of preaching service.

Attendance was large, 331 being reported in the classes. Dr. Elder preached in the evening.

Will called me up from Cleveland at 7 PM and I had a short talk with him. Had a special delivery letter from Carl at almost 7 AM. Said he would be home Tuesday.

Monday, June 15, 1908

Quite cool, so cool in fact that I lighted the gas in the dining room. Wrote to Carl again for his birthday. Went up to the 1st Nat'l Bank this morning to see about my account there for the Misses Peebles. Margaret is busy getting ready to go to the country for the summer.

Tuesday, June 16, 1908

Pleasant, still rather cool, for the season.

Had letter from Carl and sent a special delivery letter to Agnes to finish her visit in Ironton before coming home. Have been occupied all day with letters, messages and thoughts about the boys. Will in Chicago, and Carl in Cin have been writing, + Will telephoned.

Wednesday, June 17, 1908

Warm. Margaret and Miss Cramer had their household goods moved to the farm today, and drove out after an early dinner. Two wagon loads of goods that they had collected for house keeping. Agnes returned from Pt. Pleasant + Ironton this morning. Had telegram from Will, saying he would go to Chicago then come home next Monday.

Went to prayer-meeting in the absence of Dr. Elder, Mr. Col. Conducted the Bible class. The girls spent the afternoon with Mrs. Cadott.

Thursday, June 18, 1908

Very warm. This is sister Elizabeth's birthday and I wrote her the letter which she should have had today with birthday greetings.

This afternoon the girls and Agnes spent with the Misses Firmstone and then went with them on a trolley ride to Sciotoville, with other guests. I spent the evening alone, was in the yard until it was too late to see then sat on the porch until the girls came home. Letter and message from Will who is in Chicago today. Wm H. Taft nominated by Rep. Convention for President.

Friday, June 19, 1908

Extremely hot, thermometer 94° and no breeze, but it looked like rain, none came here. Two months today since James left us. I worked in the yard, transplanting and weeding + watering. Elizabeth and Mary went with Mr. + Mrs. Scudder and Mrs. Weller to Wheelersburg to supper.

Mrs. Keichbach from Wheelersburg was here. About bed time there was a fire on 3rd near Court and we went to it. Two or three homes burned, partly.

Saturday, June 20, 1908

The intense heat was broken today by a thunder shower. Soon after breakfast I went to the cemetery and took ivy to plant, again. Got home between showers which were repeated during the day. Had no letters today but wrote to Mrs. Phebe Curtiss, mailing it to the Steamer Woodam of the Holland-Am. Line to sail June 24th for Europe. Agnes here as

Carl has not yet returned. She had a telegram saying he would be in Indianapolis until Monday + home Tuesday.

Sunday, June 21, 1908

Rained again most of the night and a hard thunderstorm occurred after daylight. We went to S. S. as usual but the attendance was small. Dr. Elder is at the International S. S. Convention at Louisville so we had our pulpit filled by German preachers who came here in attendance upon the conference of the Ger. Evangelical church. In the afternoon Helen, May and I went to the 2nd Pres. Ch. to the Bi-monthly S. S. meeting. Agnes' Uncle John came today.

Monday, June 22, 1908

It is six years today since father died at the age of 87. I was out to the cemetery this morning and saw that the lettering on the marble door is partly done.

Had two telegrams from Will today from Cin, Expect him tonight. Sent letter to M. J. P. Received St.-Joe dividend + paid T. M. Lynn \$25.00.

Will came on the late train and said Carl said he would come tomorrow.

Tuesday, June 23, 1908

Rained very early in the morning but proved to be clear and very hot for the S. S. picnic at Millbrook. Margaret + Miss Cramer went back to the cemetery and the two girls went out to the picnic for supper. Agnes was here part of the time, and Carl did not come.

Wednesday, June 24, 1908

Weather fine + pleasant. Have been visiting with Will feels he ought to get back to N. Y. but does not want to go until Carl comes. We are feeling unsettled. Went to prayer-meeting as usual, Will went with us.

Thursday, June 25, 1908

Fine weather. Carl has not yet come home and Will is still waiting for him. Elizabeth and Mary went to Arion with Mr. + Mrs. Scudder, Helen and others for supper. Will went to see Dr. Kline after supper.

Mrs. Clyde came on the train on which the girls returned from Arion. Dr. Elder called this morning.

Friday, June 26, 1908

Weather delightful.

A day of anxiety, Will as out all forenoon and then decided to go to Cin this afternoon, being undecided what he would do later.

Mrs. Weller left on the evening train for Kenova to return tomorrow. Helen and I went up to see Mrs. Clyde and Agnes after supper. Miss Ross + Mrs. Ruggles were here after supper.

Saturday, June 27, 1908

Beautiful day. Telegram from Will about noon asking me to have his baggage over at the C + O train that afternoon. Went over and saw him a few minutes as he was on his way to New York. Carl did not come. Agnes will not stay here at night since her mother came. Margaret came home about 9 o'clock. Mrs. Weller will be here tonight, also.

Sunday, June 28, 1908

Warm and pleasant. Went to S. S. and the usual church services. Mrs. Clyde and Agnes were at church in the morning and Agnes was at S. S. In the evening they came to supper with us and then went home to write letters. I went to church as usual. Mr. + Mrs. Weller were here a few minutes before I went.

Monday, June 29, 1908

Hard wind and rain storm. Just as Joe Bell brought a dry load of furniture from Carl's house, the storm broke and everybody got wet, getting it in. Agnes has been getting ready to pack up for some time, so today she + her mother began to have furniture + china packed for moving. I wrote to Will + Carl.

Tuesday, June 30, 1908

Rained early + was cloudy but Margaret + Miss Cramer went back to the country early. I spent most of the day in the yard, transplanted the young geraniums again to a better place.

Went to the W. M. Soc. at 2 PM over home, where Helen was the hostess. Eight ladies present. Letters from F. H. + W. W. Ricker. Wrote both of them + sent Margaret a postal.

Mr. + Mrs. Prescott were here in the evening, also Mrs. Weller.

Wednesday, July 1, 1908

Clear and hot. Mrs. Clyde and Agnes were down to their meals today, spent the rest of the time packing. Carl not here. I went to the bank and transacted the business for Maggie + Mary Peebles, then to Mrs. Young's for a few minutes, then to Miss Lizzie McClain's to take their money for Dr. M. P. Eddy, \$120.00 after which I wrote to Mary Peebles. Mrs. Weller bade us good-bye and goes back to Bluefield this evening.

Thursday, July 2, 1908

Rained again, after I had done the sprinkling after supper.

Have worked in the yard quite a good deal and written letters to Will, two today, I think and one to Carl. Elizabeth went to McDermott with Helen + her class, and Mary took her to Millbrook so I was alone all evening.

Friday, July 3, 1908

Hot and clear, a part of the day. Some clouds + rain in the morning. The move is occupying all of us more or less. Margaret + Miss Cramer came in at supper time, bringing some farm products.

Mrs. Clyde and Agnes will sleep her tonight. Had a letter from Carl said he was going to Chicago. Letter from Will saying he might be home next week.

Saturday, July 4, 1908

Hot. Rain storm in the afternoon. Agnes + her Mother have been very busy all day trying to finish up the packing. Helen has been helping. We have been busy with the housework. In the afternoon I took out Home Dept. quarterlies to Mrs. Lodwick, Mrs. Jackson + daughter, and Mrs. Bower. It has been a very different sort of day from those of former years.

Sunday, July 5, 1908

A beautiful day but very warm. We went to S. S. and the usual church services, Agnes + Mrs. Clyde being with us.

Eleven weeks today since James died.

Enos left tonight for Columbus where he has employment in some large manufacturing plant.

Monday, July 6, 1908

Was up soon after three o'clock this morning and got breakfast for Mrs. C. who went on the early C + O train to Cin.

Had letters from David S. Tappan + Hester Goddard from China, also letters from Uncle Drew and Aunt Helen Ricker + Mary had one from a school friend, Jean Alexander all in reference to our loss. I answered Hester's at once.

Agnes will be here until tomorrow.

Margaret went back to the country in the rain. The last of the moving was done today + the house is empty.

Tuesday, July 7, 1908

Beautiful day but some hard showers. Everything growing rapidly.

At home nearly all day.

Agnes went to Ironton on the morning train so now the two girls and I are alone. Mrs. Lowes called.

Letter from Will I wrote to Mrs. Clyde, and Carl, who is in Chicago.

Put up a few berries.

Wednesday, July 8, 1908

Fine morning, cooler than yesterday.

Saw in the paper that Agnes had had a fall soon after she arrived at Mr. Richey's in Ironton and hurt her ankle, I wrote her yesterday + E wrote her today. I had a nice letter from Mrs. Clyde.

Went to prayer-meeting a usual, and came home afterwards but the girls went to an auction of millinery goods and bought some things.

Thursday, July 9, 1908

Fine day. After the morning work was done I went to the Sixth St. M. E. church to the County W. C. T. U. Institute. Mrs. Carrie Flatter of Xenia a State worker is here to start the women in the county option campaign to assist in the work in any way they can. The business men have been organized and working in the city + country for some months past and we hope the time has come for victory. Rev. Hartinger, J. T. Breece + Judge Blair made talks.

Friday, July 10, 1908

Very warm.

Mrs. Behrens went to Newport on a visit today so Mary and Helen will have their house keeping to do without her help.

Held the last K-G meeting of the season at Mrs. Schwartz' this afternoon, only Messers Herron + Scudder were present and with prospects of closing the year. Brother John came home from Charleston W. Va. and will remain until he gets another position.

Saturday, July 11, 1908

Hot, and oppressive.

Attended to the usual duties and made preparation for tomorrow. Got some good peaches, which promise to be plentiful this year, after at least three years of failure in crops.

The girls went to the ball game in the afternoon and I was at home alone but always find enough to keep me busy and well entertained.

Sunday, July 12, 1908

Warm, as might be expected at this season. Went to Sunday School and the usual church services. The evening service was short and consisted principally of old hymns, with short accounts of their authorship and origin.

Monday, July 13, 1908

Very warm and close. Busy all day as usual. Wrote to Will and Carl. Have had no letter from the latter for some time. Had one from Will today. Went to see Mrs. Dennis who is sick, then the girls. Helen and I went to the Nickelodeon to see the arrival of the "fleet" at San Francisco Harbor. Later I went over home and sat on the steps with John + Mary awhile.

Tuesday, July 14, 1908

Very hot and close. A hard thunderstorm + heavy rain in the afternoon improved conditions some.

I have been working some in the temperance campaign got a dozen women to put on the white ribbon, and one of them got 140 others in the afternoon. Went up street after dinner and did some errands, then stopped at Mrs. Hudson's on account of the rain + talked with her. Was down to see Mrs. Baucus after supper + out to Mrs. Silcox's in the morning.

Wednesday, July 15, 1908

Beautiful day after the rain of yesterday, cooler + clear. Was out this morning on work for the county option, seeing Bertha Wilhelm, Mrs. Legler, and Mrs. Pratt. Mrs. Jno Schwartz was not at home.

James' birthday brings memories of the past forty years, as our acquaintance began in 1867. Went to prayer-meeting as usual. There will be sessions tomorrow + Friday evenings for our communion season next Sunday. Letter from Will from Washington. Wrote him.

Thursday, July 16, 1908

Rain again but it soon clears off and keeps things fresh and green.

Margaret and Miss Cramer came in this evening and she was here with the girls when I came home from church. E + M went to spend the day with Alex and Mary Ricker in the country and did not get some in time for church.

Friday, July 17, 1908

Hard rains again today. Margaret and I were busy all forenoon getting things together for her return to the farm and after dinner she started but was caught in a hard rain before leaving town, they went on after it was over. We had service again tonight which the girls and I attended.

Had a letter from Carl in Chicago.

Wrote Agnes.

Saturday, July 18, 1908

Rained again last night. Busy all day as usual and in the evening the girls went to market. I went to the cemetery to take some flowers and hurried home as it looked like rain. The clouds passed by, however, and when nearly home Mr. + Mrs. Pear Selby invited me to go with them in their large auto for a ride, so I had the longest ride of the kinds I've had. Mrs. McClain died early this morning. I called there this afternoon.

Sunday, July 19, 1908

Rained last night, very hard but has been fine today. We went to S. S. as usual and the church services. In the morning the communion service was held and Mr. + Mrs. Bickham from Mich. were rec'd by letter, also a lady who was sick and could not be present.

Monday, July 20, 1908

Rained again. We have had a great deal of rain and thunder this summer. Was home in the forenoon and at Relief Corps in the afternoon. Mrs. McClain's funeral was at 4:30 PM too late for me to leave home on account of the milk + evening work.

After supper Helen, Elizabeth and I went to the church to take the examination with the Normal class. There were only nine of us I think as Mr. + Mrs. Coe were out of town and others would not attempt it.

Tuesday, July 21, 1908

Weather considerably cooler than it has been.

We did some sewing and I worked some in the yard. Had a postal from Miss Ella Ricker. Have not heard from her in months past. The girls were out in the afternoon and I was home. Elizabeth stayed with Mrs. Manning.

I wrote to Margaret Peebles + sent her one of Margaret's letters about the farm.

Wednesday, July 22, 1908

Fine day, not uncomfortably hot. I worked in the yard awhile, then did some sewing for Elizabeth on some thin dresses she is making. Mary went to stay all night with Mrs. Manning. Elizabeth and I went to prayer-meeting and afterwards received our examination papers + works. We each got 100% on the previous one while I got 98 ½%.

The Dr. was very plain and emphatic in his teaching + drilled the class until those who tried could not fail.

Letter from Will.

Thursday, July 23, 1908

Hot and clear today.

I have spent much of the day answering letters that have accumulated. Wrote to Aunt Helen Ricker. Helen Ellis, David Tappan, Willie Fuller, Mattie Wood and Cousin Eliza Boyd finishing up all my unanswered letters.

Rather expected Margaret but she did not come.
Rained tonight.

Friday, July 24, 1908

Rained in the forenoon, was pleasant, though quite warm in the afternoon.

I went to Mrs. Knowland's and made pocket pin cushions for the Sandusky S. S. Home, with a number of W. R. C. ladies. The girls went to the ball game.

Margaret + Miss C. came in late in the evening and brought fine grapes, beans, beets + onions. They say their garden is fine and the orchard full of good apples.

Saturday, July 25, 1908

Rained in the morning then cleared off and was pleasant for Margaret + Miss C to drive out to the farm in the afternoon. They took out jars, glasses and sugar for more fruit.

Wrote to Will, Carl + Virginia. Letter from Will.

Busy all day, as usual. After supper went to mail letters + call on Miss McClain but she was out.

Sunday, July 26, 1908

Rained quite hard in the afternoon. Went to S. S. and the usual services.

In the evening Dr. Elder made a strong plea for Bible Study and at the close gave diplomas to a class that has completed the second course of Bible Study. Dr. + Mrs. Dennis, Mr. Scudder, Mr. Coe, Miss Florence Richardson, Misses Sarah + Kate Conins, Helen, Elizabeth, Mrs. Elder eleven in all.

Monday, July 27, 1908

Very warm, cloudy but no rain, at least after daylight.

I was busy at home all day doing odd jobs, mending and putting things in order.

After supper I went to the cemetery and did a little work. Also went to see the lettering on the marble door of the family vault which has finally been completed by Mr. C. C. Bode in a satisfactory way. Called to see Mr. + Mrs. Prescott on the way home.

Letter from Will.

Tuesday, July 28, 1908

Very warm today and no rain. After breakfast I made some alterations in a pair of drawers I had made for Will some time ago. After dinner I went to the Missionary meeting at Mrs. Johnson's, Mesdames Dennis, Young, Prescott, Morgan, Puntteney, Lynn, Mickelthwaite, Miss Davis and myself being present. Had a long letter from Agnes when I came home, which I answered, wrote also to Will, Carl and Mrs. Clyde. Mrs. Manning and the children were here to supper.

Wednesday, July 29, 1908

Very warm.

Had letter from Frank Ricker this afternoon with check for money he owed us, a payment on a debt so now I can settle some bills when I can cash the check.

Went to prayer-meeting. Mr. Coe was leader and we had a good meeting.

Thursday, July 30, 1908

Warm, in fact hot.

This afternoon I went to Sixth St. ch. looking for a temperance meeting which was not there, I had the wrong day. Paid the ground rent to F. L. Smith and did some other errands.

Had a letter from Will.

Friday, July 31, 1908

Very hot. Was out this forenoon to take a check to the Security Bank and deposit \$498.85 then went to pay several bills.

Paid T. M. Lynn in full, \$ 94.00, Mr. Prescott \$100.00. The Blade \$7.50, S. M. Johnson Insurance 3.50, these things were done yesterday and today I went out + paid Little Wilson \$55.04, and the ground rent 25.85.

Had a telephone message from Mr. Irwin this morning saying Maud was at Rose Mount Dairy Farm, the man brought her in this evening and I sent Margaret a postal card telling her of it.

Mrs. Rowe + Mrs. Puntteney were here this afternoon on W. R. C. business.

The Messers Gilliland came to see about the gas range that I want to sell.

Had letter from Will and wrote him.

I made button holes + sewed the buttons on E's white serge coat.

Saturday, August 1, 1908

Cooler, and very pleasant. Busy all forenoon until Mr. Prescott + Mrs. P. called with the surrey to take me to the station to meet the Johnsons + Tewksburys to go to the cemetery with the remains of Mr. Theo N. Johnson who died in Cleveland. Was home all afternoon. Had telegram from Carl saying he could not get home until Sun. night. Letter from Margaret who did not know when she wrote that Maud had been found. Letter from Ella V. Ricker. Letter from Will which I answered or rather began to answer.

Sunday, August 2, 1908

Very warm and clear. Went to S. S. but we had not service, Dr. Elder being gone for the month of August. In the evening I went to Bigelow alone.

The girls went to C. E. + I remained downstairs until Carl came on the midnight C + O train from Cin. We did not sit up to talk, both were too tired.

Monday, August 3, 1908

Hot, dry and clear.

(Mabel Ruggles came about 7 AM for cream and said) — No this is wrong — today was occupied in getting Elizabeth ready + started on her trip to Bluefield to visit Mrs. Weller. Mr. Will came early + mended her trunk, after which Helen packed it and after an early lunch Mary walked with her to the N + W train. Carl was not here to lunch but came to supper.

Tuesday, August 4, 1908

Still warm. Mabel Ruggles came early and told me she would want cream. (Said Dr. Dennis, who was at his work yesterday, was taken suddenly ill in the night and was dying this morning. I went down as soon as I could and was there most of the day. He died about 2 PM and it was a shock to the community but to Mrs. Dennis it was overwhelming, leaving her alone as it does.) Sister came in today.

Wednesday, August 5, 1908

It was today instead of yesterday that Dr. Dennis died.

Rained last night and again tonight. Hot during the day. Margaret went back to the farm after dinner + we had ice-cream in the new White Mountain Freezer. We called it Sister's birthday dinner, we had expected her tomorrow. After dinner she left, Carl went to Cin, and I went to Mrs. Dennis' where I have been most of the day. Went to prayer-meeting in the evening.

Thursday, August 6, 1908

Hot. Rained last night. Had letters from Will and Helen Ellis. Wrote to Will. Have been with Mrs. Dennis most of the day. Her friends all being strangers here. Geo came last night + Mrs. Geo at noon today. Mrs. Manning + children were here to supper again tonight.

I bought new shoes today + paid gas + telephone + laundry bills.

Friday, August 7, 1908

Warm. Was at Mrs. Dennis' again all forenoon and with Mrs. Barr's help got things arranged in the lower hall of the building so the casket could be placed there, it was too large to me taken upstairs and the body had to be carried down + placed in the casket. The funeral was at the church at 4 o'clock and Dr. Elder came home from Winova to officiate. The service was very beautiful and the attendance large.

Saturday, August 8, 1908

Cooler than it has been and very pleasant.

Mary and I were busy as usual with the housework, swept and dusted most of the house. Mary went up street late in the afternoon. I stayed at home.

Had letter from Will. Rained this evening. I went down to see Mrs. Dennis after supper when Mary went to Market.

Sunday, August 9, 1908

A most delightful day in point of weather. Went to Sunday School as usual, then Mrs. Young, Mrs. Morrow, Dr. Dennis' sister, Helen, Mary + I went to the Ger. Pres. church and heard Rev. Fred Schmitt preach, I went again in the evening. At Mary's suggestion I asked Mrs. Young take dinner with us today, which she did.

Monday, August 10, 1908

Cloudy with some rain + some sunshine. I have been busy mending things all day. Mary finished Mrs. Manning's skirt + took it to her. I had letters from Will, + Agnes and wrote both of them, also wrote to Elizabeth, Mrs. Crafts of Knoxville and Ruby McCall.

In the evening Mary went with Helen, Mrs. Young and some others on a boat ride, an excursion given by the Auxiliary Soc. of the church. I spent the evening alone at home. Uncle Drew is at Shippensburg, Pa + I hope rec'd my letter.

Tuesday, August 11, 1908

Very warm. Nothing special today excepting a letter from Carl, from Cin. Busy all day at home. Sister Mary and I went to see Mrs. Dennis a little while after supper. Her friends are still with her.

The City Council has passed the "curfew law" which goes into effect this week and I hope it will be enforced, strictly.

Wednesday, August 12, 1908

Very warm.

I went out in the morning and paid the school tax still due, \$ 25.88, and 50.00 to Mr. Prescott in the afternoon. Went to see the auditor about the street assessment which cannot now be paid until December. Mary made ice cream which was excellent. We also have good sugar- and water melons.

Margaret came in this evening and brought nice vegetables. Mary + I went to prayer-meeting. Rev. Fred Schmitt preached, or rather led the meeting.

Thursday, August 13, 1908

Fair in the forenoon, rained before night. Busy all the forenoon getting Margaret's things ready to their return trip in the afternoon. This is Mary G's birthday and I wrote her in answer to the letter I had recently. After supper I went up to see about Basil who comes too late with the cows.

Had a letter from Will. He writes two or three times each week.

Friday, August 14, 1908

Warm, looked like rain but did not rain here. Have been at home all day and busy as usual.

Made plum jelly in the forenoon, put braid on Mary's dress in the afternoon, her white serge. She and some girls went to the ball game.

Had a postal from Mrs. Curtiss from Wiesbaden Germany. She and Mabel are having a fine trip. Mary went up to see Mrs. Manning after supper. Postal from Mrs. Crafts on W. C. T. U. work.

Saturday, August 15, 1908

Fair and hot.

Busy with the usual Saturday work.

Sunday, August 16, 1908

Warm and fair.

Went to Sunday School then Mrs. Graham and I walked up to the Ger. Pres. where Fred Schmitt was preaching. We were late and I thought he was speaking German so we went on up to the Second Pres. and heard Dr. Alexander Jackson. In the evening I stayed at home.

Monday, August 17, 1908

Pleasant.

Had a message from Mr. Weller this evening saying Elizabeth would remain with them another week so Mary wrote her it would be all right. She and I are busy all the time.

Mrs. Marting telephoned tonight that she was going home tomorrow so Mary will go in the morning to help her pack + get started.

Tuesday, August 18, 1908

Fine weather.

Mary and I had a very busy day. Had a message from Mr. Weller saying Elizabeth was on her way home and would be late on account of a freight wreck so Mary + I went out to meet her, Wen to make Mrs. Dennis a call early in the evening then came home. Went to the station at 10:30 with magazines to read and waited until after 1 AM before the train came, it was after 2 O'clock when we got home + upstairs, Letter from Mrs. Ewing.

Mrs. Manning went to W. - Va.

Wednesday, August 19, 1908

Quite warm.

Mary had invited Lucy, Margaret Cole Simpson and Bess Pixley here for noon dinner and we were glad Elizabeth was home in time for it. She made ice-cream and had a fine dinner. The girls stayed most of the afternoon.

We went to prayer-meeting in the evening and Mr. F. L. Johnson led.

Thursday, August 20, 1908

Warm. This is Enos' birthday and Helen went with Mr. + Mrs. Scudder and Mrs. Young to Wheelersburg to supper, Mrs. Scudder having planned it to celebrate Helen's birthday, having confused the two dates.

I went to the W. C. T. U. meeting this afternoon and then came straight home again.

Letter from Mrs. Clyde, also one from Will also a nice note from Geo. Dennis.

Friday, August 21, 1908

Very warm. Have been occupied as usual all day until late in the afternoon when we got ready and went to Mrs. Ball's to supper, to meet Mrs. Nelson and see the pretty things Lieut. Ball has given them. The linens are the most beautiful I ever saw. A very hard thunderstorm came up while we were at the table but was over when we came home.

Saturday, August 22, 1908

Delightful after the rain of last night.

This is Will's birthday + he came home at noon from Buffalo, having missed his mail for several days he felt so uneasy that he came home to spend Sunday. He certainly is a comfort. Mary made ice-cream in honor of his birthday. Telegrams from both Will and Carl this AM.

Sunday, August 23, 1908

Warm and clear.

We went to Sunday School as usual then came home and stayed, there being no service at our church, or the German Pres. so I had a day with Will.

Shall be glad when our own church is open again.

Margaret + Miss Cramer came in late this afternoon.

Monday, August 24, 1908

Warm and clear.

Margaret has to spend this week at the County Institute held in the Christian Church and has to go early.

Will did not come down to breakfast until we had finished.

He left on the 4:17 N. W. for Cleveland, Margaret and I went with him to the train, then she went back to the Institute but came home early. I am glad to have her as Elizabeth and Mary went to Malden today with Lucy Carpenter.

Tuesday, August 25, 1908

Pleasant though very warm in the sun.

Miss O'Connor came to do a little sewing for Margaret to make a skirt and waist which she needs, black mohair skirt + silk waist. I went to the Missionary Society at Mrs. Young's in the afternoon. Small meeting, only half a dozen besides Mrs. Y. She served cake + ice-cream after the meeting.

Letter from Miss E. V. Ricker from Chautauqua.

Wednesday, August 26, 1908

Weather fine but rather warm. Letter from Mary today. Had a full day and did not sew much there being no time for it. Went to prayer-meeting in the evening. Mr. Scudder led the meeting.

The first wedding in the new Catholic church was celebrated this morning + Miss Maggie went to it so was late coming.

Gertrude McMahan, was the bride + Mr. Sauter the groom. Letter of thanks from Roby McCall for clothing I sent him also one from Carl.

Thursday, August 27, 1908

Very warm and we have been very busy. Margaret in Institute, Miss O. C. sewing and I doing the work.

Mr. O'Brien sent me half a bushel of fine peaches today from Henley, they came late in the day and tomorrow I shall put up a part of them.

Court St. is being dug up to lay sewer pipes before paving.

Friday, August 28, 1908

Fair and warm, with indications of rain which did not come.

Margaret was in Institute until about 2:30 and then she and Miss Cramer got ready and returned to the farm.

For once no one was left at home but myself so Helen came to stay all night with me. We were going to see Mrs. Dennis after supper but Mrs. Hattie Peebles came to return our call, May's + mine, so we just walked home with her + saw the new baby, Ina Boal Peebles, Charlies + his wife's.

Saturday, August 29, 1908

A very warm day.

Helen had a birthday present from Mr. Scudder at breakfast this morning then she + I with Miss O'Connor had dinner at Mary's and then more birthday presents at the dinner table, a telegram from Elizabeth, stationery from Margaret and a bag from me, with flowers. Elizabeth came home on the 1:55 from Malden. Miss O'Connor finished the work she was doing for M.

Sunday, August 30, 1908

Fine day. Elizabeth + I went to Sabbath School and then to Sixth St. M. E. church and heard Rev. Mr. Hartinger. I went again in the evening with Mary + Helen. Mrs. Hartinger said September would close the meetings in the old church as they hope to begin using new Trinity Church the first Sunday on October.

Monday, August 31, 1908

Pleasant, though rather dry. Nights comfortable. Elizabeth and I were busy most of the day. I had a letter from Will which I answered, also wrote Carl, and Mrs. Curtiss who will be in Europe, with her daughter Mabel.

Miss Wright called after supper, and the Misses Reed were home before supper.

I went to mail my letters + called to see Mrs. Draper + Miss Wright but they were out.

Elizabeth had a letter from Mary at Malden.

E. went to a C. E. business meeting at Bessie Smith's this evening.

Went to call at Mrs. Draper's but no one was at home. Called at Mrs. Taylor's to see Mrs. Guest + Mrs. Campbell, Misses Sue + Sallie Reed were here + Mrs. Wright called after supper.

Wrote to Will, Carl and Mrs. Curtiss who is due in Columbus about noon.

Tuesday, September 1, 1908

Very warm. A very black cloud this evening passed over but very little rain fell. Have been very busy all day, cleaning cans + doing other work. Went to Miss Bratt's funeral + stopped to see Mrs. Dennis who is very lonely, and almost broken-hearted.

Wednesday, September 2, 1908

Warm and dry.

Have been busy in the kitchen most of the day.

Went to prayer-meeting in the evening.

Helen came afterwards and told us of the new Acoustician which Mr. + Mrs. Scudder has had placed in the new church for the benefit of Mrs. S. Mr. Johnson + Mrs. Kerr.

Thursday, September 3, 1908

Cool in the morning. Dry and warm later.

I was busy cleaning can lids most of the morning. Went to W. C. T. U. in the afternoon. Had letter from Mrs. Robinson thanking me for a silk bag I sent her. Also a letter from Mary Ricker at Malden.

Work is progressing on Court St. preparatory to paving.

Friday, September 4, 1908

Cool in the morning, hot later. Went up to Mr. Whitney with my pension certificate and then to the Court House to have it signed up + mailed to Columbus. It has been long on the way. Had letters from Carl, Agnes, Will + the Pension Office. Elizabeth went out to the

ball game. Hele is going to entertain her class this evening with a shower for Minnie Atkin who is soon to be married.

Saturday, September 5, 1908

Pleasant weather but indications of rain were not fulfilled, and it is getting quite dry. Heard of the death of Mr. T. M. Lynn with deep regret. Has been sick about two weeks. Went to the cemetery in the afternoon. Elizabeth went to the ball game with Bess Pixley. Had letter from Lizzie Peebles, Carl.

Sunday, September 6, 1908

Fine day. Went to S. S. as usual. Only Elizabeth + I at home. We were at both church services and were glad to have Dr. Elder home again. In the afternoon Mary Moore and I went to the Local Option meeting held in a big tent on Gallia + Raynor streets. Great crowd of people, good addresses and much enthusiasm.

Monday, September 7, 1908

Fine weather, but rather cool in the mornings.

Wrote to Will in answer to his letter sending me 25.00. Also wrote to Uncle Drew Ricker about his lot in the cemetery.

Margaret + Miss Cramer came home this evening to resume their work in the High School. Attended the funeral of Mr. T. M. Lynn at our church this afternoon. We have lost another good man from our church. I went to see Mrs. Lynn this morning, also Mrs. Dennis + Mrs. Alice Smith this afternoon.

Tuesday, September 8, 1908

Cool morning + evening, + hot in the middle of the day, dry. School opened this morning + the two session plan was again adopted, instead of one as has been done for several years.

My birthday was uneventful, but I had some little remembrances. Bought myself new lenses for my glasses, paying 8.00 to Abbot Zoellner for them.

Margaret gave me (here is a space that was never filled in).

Went with Ethel Schwartz + Blanche Selby to meet a committee of men + confer about the Gay St. K. G. room improvements. Margaret is in good health + spirits for her school work.

Wednesday, September 9, 1908

Fine weather though pretty dry and the gardens are suffering for rain.

Mrs. Brown called this afternoon, more particularly to see the girls, just as she was leaving Mrs. Conins and her daughters, Sarah and Lizzie came and made a pleasant call. Went to prayer-meeting and to the Post Office afterwards.

Thursday, September 10, 1908

Busy at home in the forenoon. Went out to see Miss Baner in the afternoon, and she promised to make over my suit. Came home and had a call from the Misses Sarah + Margaret Firmstone. Mrs. Emma Lodwick came to collect for the Times-Star while they were here.

Have written a number of letters this week but do not remember all of the,

Friday, September 11, 1908

Still dry and dusty.

Alex and Mary Ricker were here to dinner. After they left I went to see Messers John E. Williams, F. L. Marting + Ph. Streich of the School Board about the lot east of us. After that I went to the Temperance prayer-meeting at Sixth St. church. Attendance small. Bought a bushel + a half of tomatoes, the first I have had to put up.

September 12, 1908

Still dry and warm.

Elizabeth and I were busy about the house nearly all day. I put up a bushel and a half of tomatoes, sister M. having peeled about a bushel of them.

Elizabeth went to Market.

Sunday, September 13, 1908

A little cloudy but no rain. Warm and dusty.

We went to Sunday School as usual and remained to the church service. Dr. Elder gave us two strong sermons today. In the afternoon, Mary, Helen and I went to the big tent and heard Dr. Moore, and Dr. Young talk on Local Option. Had a great crowd present and much enthusiasm. Margaret and Miss Cramer came in from the farm this evening.

Had a letter from Will + E had one from Mary at Ronceverte.

Monday, September 14, 1908

Warm and dry. Had birthday letter from sister Elizabeth written on my birthday. E had one from Mrs. Weller.

Have been busy at home all day ripping up the jacket to my suit which I am going to have made over. Bess Pixley was here. News came today of the death of Will Reed in Cin having fallen from a window of the ninth story of Havilland Hotel and Grace Spry who committed suicide in Newport Saturday by taking Morphine was also buried here today.

Tuesday, September 15, 1908

Pleasant though still dry and dusty.

We remembered Macy's birthday with little things she most needed, Elizabeth gave her a lot of stamps, Margaret material for sewing and I gave her 5.00 in money. I took my suit to Miss Bauer, Mr. McElmurray brought old Betty home after dark and I had to get Mrs. Behrens to milk her as Mr. Redman was gone.

Wednesday, September 16, 1908

Clear, and cool at night but warm in the day time. Dr. Elder away at Presbytery so Dr. Ruggles let the prayer-meeting.

Uncle Sam's wedding anniversary.

The Local Option agitation is the main interest of the day.

Thursday, September 17, 1908

Warm and ry.

Elizabeth went to Market. Letter from Will.

Busy all the time but in the kitchen or doing other house work so one day is much like the others.

Friday, September 18, 1908

Still fair, dry + warm.

Put up plums this afternoon went to the temperance prayer-meeting at our church where there were only a few present. I did not know I was to be the leader until noon.

The telephone work is the absorbing theme of the day but the prayer-meetings are not well attended. In the evening Elizabeth + I went to hear Col. Bain at the big Ten, cor Gallia + Raynor sts.

Saturday, September 19, 1908

Warm and pleasant, though dusty. Had a busy day. Made jelly and put up a few tomatoes. Mary did not come home today.

John Peebles made me a short call, left on the afternoon train.

Wrote to Mary Peebles after going to the hospital to see Mrs. Emma Graf who is recovering nicely from an operation for appendicitis. Went to the Big Tent in the evening and heard Hon. Seaborne Wright talk a little while, following Rev. Meacham. He is a fine Temperance speaker.

Sunday, September 20, 1908

Weather pleasant, only very dry. Elizabeth + I went to S. S. and remained to church. Had no service in the evening as there was a meeting for women at Bigelow. The house was filled with a fine audience to hear Col. Bain of Lexington who gave a fine address. The audience made a most beautiful sight. Mary Moore + I went after Mrs. Dennis who asked me to call for her. Letter from Will, and my first pension.

Monday, September 21, 1908

Still dry and clear and dusty. We have plenty of water but the river is lower than for many years and in many places there is great suffering from drought.

In the afternoon I went to W. R. C. meeting, then to a K-G meeting at Mrs. Schwartz' and afterward she + I went over the Home Dept. lists and revised them. After supper Mrs. Dennis + I went to the Big Tent + heard Mr. Bronwell of Washington C. H. and a short talk from Mr. Wright. Helen + Elizabeth walked up there.

Tuesday, September 22, 1908

Fine but still dry and dusty. Busy at home all forenoon. Had new faucet put in bathroom. Washed lace curtains.

Mary came home from Ronceverte on the afternoon C + O train. Has been gone four weeks. Had letter from Mary + I went to a Local Option meeting in the old boiler shop and heard Louis Beauchamp make a fine address, followed by a short talk by Hon. Seaborne Wright. Mr. Scudder is chairman of the work in the West End.

Wednesday, September 23, 1908

Fair and pleasant.

Wrote to Will, and Carl.

Received St. Joe Lead Stock dividend \$33.90.

Was out all afternoon. Went to see Mrs. A. A. Fuller about her treatment for throat trouble.

Did some errands then called at Mrs. Elder's, went to the cemetery to see about the work on Uncle Drew's lot then to Miss Bauer's about my suit. After supper went to prayer-meeting, then Mrs. Dennis + I went to the old boiler shop + heard Louis Beauchamp on Local Option.

Thursday, September 24, 1908

Weather conditions the same. It is fine for the temperance out of door meetings which are attended by thousands of people. This evening we heard three speakers at the old boiler shop, first Father Ward, a Catholic priest from Wisconsin, then Louis Beauchamp talked until Geo. K. Stuart came from the Big tent. The temperance wave is rolling high.

Friday, September 25, 1908

Fine warm weather but very dusty. Very good for the tent meetings and street meetings being held every night.

Elizabeth and Mary drove to Lucasville, then Margaret + Miss C. drove the rest of the way to the farm. Went to prayer-meeting at 2:30, being the leader, then some of us went to 6th St. to a mass meeting of women. Mrs. Dennis came home with me to supper and went to the boiler shop meeting + heard Geo. R. Stuart.

Saturday, September 26, 1908

Dry and dusty. Busy at home part of the day, then went to Bigelow church to a ward meeting of the women in reference to the election on Tuesday.

Went later to see Sue + Sallie Reed. In the evening Mary went to practice and I went with Elizabeth to the meeting at the old boiler shop and heard Mr. Beauchamp again. Meetings are well attended and enthusiastic.

Special delivery letter from Carl. Letter from Will.

Sunday, September 27, 1908

Still dry but in the evening there was a slight sprinkle. Went to S. S. and remained to church. Dr. Elder preached a fine temperance sermon in the morning and then went out in the country to preach temperance. Mass meeting for the men in the afternoon + evening addressed by Rev. Geo. R. Stuart, and one for women at Christian Ch. in the evening addressed by Louis Beauchamp. Mrs. Prichard was here to supper and went with us to the meeting.

L. D. talk with Will at Cleveland.

Monday, September 28, 1908

The long drought was broken by a gentle rain this AM but it cleared off later and this evening a fire necessary to comfort.

A great change in weather conditions. Wrote to Will + Carl. Went out to the cemetery + paid Mr. Craine 1.00 for work on Uncle Drew's lot. Went to Miss Bauer's to try on my jacket, to Mr. Prescott's and paid him \$25.00. The eve of the battle of the ballots between the "Wets" and the "Drys" and the prospects seem good for the Drys.

Tuesday, September 29, 1908

Beautiful day again. This will be a memorable day in the history of Scioto County, the Local Option election having been held and the county voted "dry" by nearly 300 votes.

Margaret went at 6 AM to one of the all day prayer-meetings held in Bigelow M. E., 2nd Pres. + Manley Chapel. The church bells rang every hour, all day. The women attended the meeting in large numbers, and many of them walked the streets and alleys to watch + report any violations of the law. Twelve counties have gone dry today.

Wednesday, September 30, 1908

Cool and fair. Elizabeth + I have bad colds. I had a letter from Will. The Missionary meeting was held here today with ten present.

Mrs. Dennis + Mrs. Young stayed to supper and went to prayer meeting with us.

Mrs. Martin of Nelsonville + Mrs. Fitch met me there as I was unable to call on Mrs. Martin today.

Wrote to Mary Peebles and Aunt Helen Ricker today. The Loyal Legion Memorial for James finally came, about fifteen copies.

Thursday, October 1, 1908

Not quite so cool but still we need fire for comfort. Wrote to Will this morning. Cold no better. Went to W. C. T. U. meeting and took Mrs. Dennis. Afterwards went to see how Mrs. Graf was and found her doing well.

Friday, October 2, 1908

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Saturday, October 3, 1908

In bed all day with one of the worst colds I ever had. Margaret left very early this morning to drive to the farm with Miss Cramer. It was so cold to start out that I dreaded to have her go. The Blade this evening contained the notice of Agnes' application for a divorce, an action which brings great sorrow and trouble to us all, and was a shock when we first heard of her intention.

Sunday, October 4, 1908

Weather pleasant but still dry. Was so sick with my cold that the girls called Dr. Kline this morning and he came + prescribed for me. They went to S. S. as usual, and E. went to church. Margaret came home in the evening and reported that the tomatoes in their garden were frozen hard, and there was ice in the water bucket.

Monday, October 5, 1908

Pleasant out of doors.

Have been in bed all day with my cold. Elizabeth started to her Kinder-garten work this morning. Three schools opened today, Jefferson St., Gay St., + the Children's Home. There is a strong demand for a fourth one in Calvary Chapel.

Mrs. Bonser of the Home Dept. and Ethel Schwartz were here to see me today.

Tuesday, October 6, 1908

Bright and pleasant.

Came down stairs about 10 o'clock, met the doctor at the door who was surprised to find me up.

Elizabeth + Mary went to Lucasville to the first Clover Club meeting of the season. Vernon Halliday was here to tea + spend the night. I cut out some flannelette gowns for Margaret + Miss C. which Macy Moore is to make. Helen was here. Wrote to Carl + forwarded a letter to him. Letter from him.

Wednesday, October 7, 1908

Bright, mild and pleasant. Frost has not hurt anything in the yard.

I arose about 8:30, somewhat better but still not well. Letters from Will, and Roby McC. Uncle Sam called. Miss Halliday missed the train for Columbus and will be here today.

Up to date twenty-eight of the eighty-eight counties of Ohio have voted on the County Local Option bill and all but one, Defiance, have gone "dry." The temperance sentiment is growing.

Thursday, October 8, 1908

Pleasant. Had letter from Will and wrote him, Carl and Fannie Geiger. Sent Mary Y. copy of the Blade containing the poem Fannie wrote on the Old Bonanza, "A parting salute to the Bonanza."

Was somewhat better but did not go out today. Cut out some work for Macy. Old Mr. Gustin called to see us. He has been away all summer.

Friday, October 9, 1908

Mild and a little cloudy. Sprinkled a little after dark. Cold still troubles me and I must stay in the house. Have helped Mary Moore with some gowns she is making. Margaret + Miss Cramer went to the farm after school. Mary went to Mr. Manning's and met Elizabeth at church. This being one of the evenings for preparatory service.

Wrote to Federal Pub. Co., and Mrs. Jenkins.

Margaret + Miss C. went to the farm.

Saturday, October 10, 1908

Rained but not very much.

Cold somewhat better but still bad. Home all day. Special del. Letter from Carl which I answered and sent him the clothes he asked for, by express. Hope he will be home soon. Read letters from Virginia G. who has gone back to Las Cruces N. Mexico where Bartie is still living, and not improving much she thinks. The other was from Margaret L. Peebles. Mary went to practice for tomorrow.

Sunday, October 11, 1908

Fine day. The girls and I went to S. S. as usual and remained to church. It was Communion day and there were several additions to the membership of the church, among them Mrs. Flint Kline, Mrs. Lydia Rowe + daughter, Mr. + Mrs. Marsh from Calvary Chapel. I did not go out at night, having gone to the Bi-monthly meeting of the S. S. Association at the Ger. Pres. church.

Monday, October 12, 1908

Beautiful day, but a little cool. Dr. Joseph Clark came soon after noon, was here to dinner, is on his way to S. S. Conventions in Athens + Hocking Counties. Wrote and slept in the afternoon and retired soon after supper, being very tired.

Paula Simmons McKearn's baby girl, Nancy, was buried here this morning.

Tuesday, October 13, 1908

Weather a little cool in the morning but pleasant later on. No frost to hurt anything in the yard as yet. Am planning to get the changes made in the kitchen this week and get it in order for winter. Dr. Clark left on the afternoon train, B + O, for Athens, and Nelsonville.

Wednesday, October 14, 1908

Weather mild and pleasant, fine for the work we have on hands. The two old ranges, gas + coal, were taken out this forenoon, rather right after dinner, and Tom Potter put down the linoleum while everything was out of the kitchen. I was very busy all day and very tired in the evening. Mrs. Dennis came to return a borrowed book and went to prayer-meeting with us.

Thursday, October 15, 1908

Pleasant and warm.

Geo. West began work on the range, after Mr. Hopkins + a helper put it in place so we hope soon to have the kitchen in good order.

In the afternoon Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Rowe came to make out W. R. C. quarterly reports. I did not get over to see John until after supper. Had letter from Mr. Scudder in regard to the Kinder-garten work. Letters from both Will and Carl.

Friday, October 16, 1908

Beautiful, warm fall day.

Geo. West and assistant spent the forenoon putting gas in the new kitchen range and mending a leak in the hot water tank also put side light in the kitchen by the sink where the pipe has always been but never had a bracket on it.

After dinner Elizabeth and Mary took Dorothy Manning and drove to Lucasville so Margaret + Miss C. could have the horse + buggy there when they go from school on the train. Mrs. Silcox + Janette made me a long call. Wrote to Will, Mr. Langsdorf + family came down on the train when the girls came from Lucasville.

Saturday, October 17, 1908

Fine weather. Busy at home all forenoon and in the afternoon Mrs. Taylor took me to the dress maker's and I got my suit which she has made over. Paid her 5.30 (?) After supper Elizabeth + I went to call upon Oella Lawman, and Julia Langsdorf + family at Blanche Selby's. Oella's children are there also but they were asleep this evening. Oella came today.

Sunday, October 18, 1908

Weather pleasant and we went to Sunday School and church as usual. In the afternoon went to see John who is still sick. Went to church again in the evening.

Julia + the Dr. + children were at S. S. + church this morning as was Oella + her children. Julia + the Dr. was there in the evening, he preached for us. David Tappan's birthday.

Monday, October 19, 1908

Warm and pleasant. The usual work occupied me in the forenoon.

In the afternoon I went to the W. R. C. meeting which was held at the Federation Rooms.

Tuesday, October 20, 1908

Busy at home in the forenoon, in the afternoon I went out on the hill and called for Mrs. Zull who went with me to make some Relief Corps calls. Upon Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Ort. Came home on the car from Young St. The Clover Club met here this evening and Mabel Moulton came and stayed all night. Elizabeth began music lessons again from Mrs. Marconette.

Wednesday, October 21, 1908

Margaret J. Peebles died.

Fine day. I worked in the yard most of the day and was taking up the geraniums when John Peebles called me by phone about 2:30 PM to say that his sister Margaret died this morning at 10'clock at Rochester, Minn. Where she and Mary, along with Charlie Krotzenberger had gone to consult the Mayo Brothers in reference to treatment. As soon as I could get dressed I went up to see what I could to help Mrs. Graf as she is sick, I helped with the work of putting the home in order until night.

Thursday, October 22, 1908

Weather fine.

As soon as I could I went up to the Peebles home and worked at the cleaning until John asked me to wrote the sketch for the papers, then I came home and did that, returning to the house in time to be there when Mary Peebles with Charlie + Hattie Krotzenberger came on the afternoon C + O train from Cin. Hattie Peebles, Mrs. Towne, Nettie Peebles and a few others were there to greet Mary and it was a sad homecoming for her.

Mattie Wood came.

Friday, October 23, 1908

Mild and pleasant.

Nettie Wood and I went up to Mary Peebles this forenoon and saw her, and many friends who had called to see her. She seems very weak but greatly affected by her loss and worn from her long watching over Maggie. We shall miss her greatly, and regret that she did not reach home to see the friends she was so anxious to see.

Saturday, October 24, 1908

Weather fair + comfortable again. We, the two girls, Mary + I went to the house, as did Mattie Wood, Helen having gone to the church to help Mrs. Young with the flowers, for Maggie Peebles' funeral, which was at 9:30 AM. Conducted by Dr. Elder, assisted by Dr. Condit of Ashland, Ky.

The family and invited friends went to the house and rode down to the church.

Dr. Elder's text was upon the leaf, with references to the passages in the 1st Psalm + Revelations. Mr. Peebles' funeral was on Saturday AM.

Sunday, October 25, 1908

Beautiful day.

We all went to S. S. and church as usual.

Margaret did not come home until about 7 PM.

Mary Peebles, with Robert, Hattie, John + Nettie were at the church. I am glad to see Mary in her place again but we miss Maggie and cannot realize that she is not in California, and will not return.

Monday, October 26, 1908

Weather still fine, and pleasant. Mattie and I went up to see Mary Peebles in the forenoon and Mattie stayed to dinner. Mrs. Towne was there having been to Mrs. Badger's funeral service at the cemetery. I had a letter from Will this morning mentioning Robert Towne. Robert + Hattie Peebles went home today, and Mattie Wood went to Ironton on the evening train. I went to the station with her. The girls went to the social given by Helen's class at the church.

Tuesday, October 27, 1908

Fine day. Busy at home all forenoon then went to Missionary meeting at Mrs. Evans' in the afternoon. Good attendance and interesting meeting. Four New Boston ladies were present. We missed several of the regular attendants. Elizabeth took music lesson then had her training class. The Clover Club has their banquet at the Hotel Washington this evening. Rained last night.

Wednesday, October 28, 1908

Beautiful day, mild + pleasant but changed to cooler in the evening. Uncle Sam was here. Had letters from Will, + Mattie Wood. Was home all day as the plumber was trying to do some work in the bath room and I couldn't leave.

Elizabeth had a Mother's meeting at Jefferson St. K-G. John was up today, and better. Went to prayer-meeting and afterward, Dr. Elder gave the first lesson of the new course in Bible Study. The Life of Christ being the subject for this winter.

Thursday, October 29, 1908

Cool but fair. Was over home most of the time today. Cut out some work for Mary. Did some errands in the forenoon. Was invited to go to Mr. + Mrs. Johnson's 40th anniversary this evening but did not go.

Friday, October 30, 1908

Quite cool this morning.

Went over home and got John to help me make a statement of account for the money we disbursed for her and Maggie while they were away. He is able to sit up and was glad of something to do.

At noon I took her the report + turned over the accounts + balanced. Helen left for Columbus this afternoon + will go on to Boston Monday for a visit, to her parents. Letters from Will and Miss E. V. R. of Baltimore. Margaret + Miss C. went to the county. She took a picture of the castor beans at noon. K-G Board meeting + Salamis is allowed.

Saturday, October 31, 1908

Hard frost last night which killed the castor beans and vasterticums (sp) and would have killed the geraniums had they not been well covered. I took up the last of them today and brought them all in.

The plumber finished his work in the bath room and I paid him \$ 14.70 by check for all he has done in the kitchen upstairs.

Went this morning and got chairs for the K-G at Calvary Chapel. Miss Stahl + I went as Miss Ross + Mrs. Schwartz could not go.

The girls went to the meeting of the Shakespeare Club at Mrs. Searles'.

Went over to see John before supper.

Sent postal pictures of the Bonanza + Bostona to Fannie Geiger, also postals to Mrs. Bone and Miss E. V. Ricker.

Sunday, November 1, 1908

Beautiful day and rather warmer. Went to Sunday School as usual. Elizabeth Mary and I. Mary Peebles was there to take her class which Helen has had for more than a year, nearly two years. It is good to have her back but we miss Maggie.

Dr. Elder began a series of sermons on the break of Romans. Mrs. Manning and the children were here to dinner + supper.

Monday, November 2, 1908

Another beautiful day and very pleasant. The yard looks bare however as the frost has killed the vines and they are all taken out, also the castor beans.

Had a letter from Will with a check for \$30.00. Wrote him and Carl, also sister Elizabeth. E + M were up at Mrs. Manning's to supper.

John was over to see me today and wrote a letter for me to (space here that was never filled in). Bitzer of Chillicothe about the Federal Pub Co.'s claim. Girls went to C. E. business meeting.

Tuesday, November 3, 1908

Beautiful day and prospects good for a Republican victory as voters say when the sun shines. Taft, Rep. candidate for President, and W. J. Bryan, for the third time Dem. candidacy for Presidency.

Gov. Harris is Rep. candidate for the re-election, and Judge Judson Harmon the Dem. Candidate. Had letter from Carl, and one from Frank Ricker containing check for \$35.00 interest on note.

Girls went to the Clover Club.

Wednesday, November 4, 1908

Growing colder, and still no rain. Was up street in the morning to do some errands. Wrote to Frank R. sending receipt for check rec'd yesterday. Mrs. Weller here to dinner. In the afternoon did some pressing and then went to see Lizzie Conins about H. D. class then took some cream to Mrs. Cora Dillon who is very frail and weak. From there went to see Mrs. Geo. Freund about the new Kinder-garten at Calvary Chapel. Went to prayer-meeting + Bible Study class.

Wrote to Will and Carl.

Thursday, November 5, 1908

Quite cold. Ice half an inch thick on bucket of water out in the yard. Clear, and pleasant for winter weather. Mrs. Lang was here to sweep + I took out the window screens. In the afternoon I wanted to go to the W. C. T. U. but had to go with Mrs. Johnson to see the colored women who want to organize a Relief Corps.

Sent some of my anniversary roses to Maggie Behrens Weidner, and some to Mrs. Prescott.

Friday, November 6, 1908

Fine day. Margaret + Miss C. went to the farm again this afternoon. They want to take care of some young trees that are to set out in the spring.

I have finally gotten all the plants in from the yard and shall have a job taking care of them. Mr. Prescott came and got the box of suits which I had spoken to him about.

Saturday, November 7, 1908

A beautiful day and very mild. Just for working out of doors.

Margaret + Miss Cramer will finish their arrangements for this afternoon from Cin to stay until Monday afternoon.

Sunday, November 8, 1908

Pleasant. We all went to S. S. including Mr. Wyman.

Margaret + Miss Cramer did not return from the farm until evening.

We attended both church services.

It was John's birthday + I went over to see him and Mary a little while.

Monday, November 9, 1908

Mild and hazy. The forest fires make it very smoky. Had letters from Carl + Will. Mr. Wyman left on the afternoon train for Columbus. I went to the called meeting of the W. R. C. after which I went to the cemetery to plant some ivy and stayed so late that the gates were all locked and I had to climb over the fence as there was no one whom I could call. Mary went to stay all night with Mrs. Manning, and Elizabeth + I went to the Bigelow Concert.

Tuesday, November 10, 1908

Was raining when I awoke and it continued to rain slowly all day. After the long drought it is most welcome. I did the morning work then wrote letters to Will, Carl, Mrs. Young and Mrs. Dennis. Then Mary came home from Mrs. Manning's. After dinner I went to Mrs. Losh's to the Aid Society and afterwards to do some errands on Second St. then went to see Mrs. Blackburn and Mary Peebles.

Wednesday, November 11, 1908

Rained last night + this AM. Later it cleared off and was colder. Had another letter from Will. Was home all day and was fixing Elizabeth's black broad cloth skirt.

Went to prayer-meeting and Bible Study class.

Mrs. Blackburn was there with Mary Peebles. It has been seven years since Mrs. B. was here. E + M went after church to see the Christy pictures at Bigelow. John went to Wellston this AM.

Thursday, November 12, 1908

Cold and frosty. Clear and bright. Dr. Clark came today from Columbus and went to the S. S. Convention from the train then came home with us for the night. Prof. Honline was to have been here but was sick, so Prof. Boyd will be here tomorrow to fill his place. I took dinner over home with Dr. + Mrs. Elder + little Paul.

John had dinner here with the girls.

After supper Mary + I went to the S. S. Convention.

Friday, November 13, 1908

Clear, and quite cold.

Went to S. S. Convention at Bigelow Church this forenoon and when I came home heard that Roby McCall had died in Cin. At 9 AM today at the home of his cousin Mrs. Dugan. Later Carl called me up and told me something about the matter, asking that I see the friends here and arrange for the funeral here. Attended Convention in the afternoon. Dr. Clark left for Columbus at 4:17. Prof. W. W. Boyd took Mr. Honline's place on the program, and he called here after the meeting Letter from Dennis.

Saturday, November 14, 1908

Light snow which turned to rain. Cold and wintry. Mrs. Dugan and daughter Louella came on the N. W. train at 11:30 with Roby's remains and the friends met the train and went off at once to the cemetery where Dr. Elder and Mr. Dillon conducted a very simple + appropriate service. The pall bearers were Mr. Coe, Dr. McCall, Arthur, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Fuller + Mr. Dillon. After the funeral Uncle Sam, Arthur + I went to Mrs. Marconette's and arranged to raise the money for the express. Wrote Carl and Lizzie Peebles.

Sunday, November 15, 1908

Another beautiful day.

We went to S. S. and church as usual, Margaret being with us for the first time since last June, that she has spent Sunday in town.

Ed Scofield was here in the afternoon.

Monday, November 16, 1908

Bright cold and windy.

Had a letter from Carl enclosing one to Ed. which I could not deliver, as he was not at his usual place.

Went to meet Mrs. Mary W. Thrall and brought her home to inspect the W. R. C. books. After dinner we spent the rest of the day at the Corps meeting.

In the evening I went with Elizabeth, and Mary to the "Song Cycle" musicale at All Saints' chapel.

Alex Ricker was here today and I gave him some of James' things which were much appreciated. Wrote memorial of M. J. Peebles for the W. C. T. U.

Tuesday, November 17, 1908

A beautiful day and not so cold as yesterday. Wrote to Carl and had a letter from Will. Was home until late when I went to 2nd Street on an errand. Mrs. Johnson, Miss Sarah + Margaret Firmstone were here. John here this morning.

It is just one year today Jas attended church for the last time, and it required a great effort then. I miss him continually.

Wednesday, November 18, 1908

Beautiful day.

Went up to see the Gay Street, Kindergarten and found them all right with twenty-three present after the scare they had from the gas yesterday, the fumes having affected several children. From there I went to visit the Calvary K-G and found fifteen children in a comfortable room and Miss Stahl in charge. Went with Mrs. Anderson to see Trinity M. E. church. In the evening went to prayer-meeting + Bible study class.

Thursday, November 19, 1908

Pleasant. The weather is remarkable for the season. Went to the W. C. T. U. meeting and read the memorial to Margaret J. Peebles, in the Memorial Service which was held. She was one of the most devoted and earnest workers in the temperance cause and the union has lost a good helper. I went from there to pay the water rent, and then made a call upon Mary Peebles.

Friday, November 20, 1908

Pleasant weather.

Letter from Carl asking that I send him a suit so I was busy all morning getting one ready and getting it sorted.

Then I got material to line the sleeves in another coat.

Went to the Mothers' Social at Calvary in the afternoon. A large number of mothers + children were present, and there is much enthusiasm among the people in that part of the city.

Saturday, November 21, 1908

Another fine, mild day. Was busy at home until late in the afternoon when I went out to the Cemetery and watered the ivy which I hope will grow.

Margaret drove this afternoon. Letter from Carl, asking for a suit of his clothes which I sent yesterday and I wrote him today. Had a letter from him today.

Sunday, November 22, 1908

A most beautiful day and very mild.

We went to Sunday School and the usual church services.

Mrs. Manning and her children were here to supper. In the afternoon I was over to sit awhile with Mary and John.

The street is so torn up on Court Street between 4th + 3rd that it is difficult to get to the church.

Monday, November 23, 1908

Cloudy and mild. Sprinkled in the afternoon.

Margaret had letter from Will. I wrote him, Virginia, Elizabeth and Mrs. Anna J. Dennis.

The neighbors in the little brick house are moving out today. Invited Mrs. Manning + family, + the home folks to dinner for Thursday. E + M went to the Musicale this evening, at All Saints chapel. The City Solicitor, Horace Small, brought me the lease for the adjoining lot this evening and we may now arrange for removing the old house.

Tuesday, November 24, 1908

Rained quite a little during the day and the attendance at the Missionary meeting was small, only seven being present. After that I stopped to see Mrs. Cotton and Ethel Schwartz.

The paving on Court between 3rd + 4th is nearly all laid but not finished. Mrs. Kaps came to talk about the removal of the old home.

Mrs. Mary Schwartz was here after supper, Enos came at noon.

Wednesday, November 25, 1908

A most beautiful, spring-like day. Open doors + windows are permissible and the blue sky is most beautiful. Wrote letters to Will in reply to one I received, also wrote to Uncle Drew, and had letter from Mr. Wyman.

Thursday, November 26, 1908

Fair and pleasant. Very mild. Went to the Second church in the morning. Dr. Alex Jackson preached the sermon.

We had John, Enos + Mary and the Manning family here to dinner.

Was disappointed that Carl was not there.

Had letter from Will and wrote both him and Carl. Grace Cotton brought a lot of calendar blanks for Mary + me to distribute among the members of the family + friends.

Friday, November 27, 1908

Fair and windy. Indications of rain. Busy nearly all morning at home then went down and met Mrs. Dennis just as she came from the train and brought her home to dinner. After she left, went with Margaret to C. C. Bode's to see the work being done there. In the evening Margaret and I went to Mrs. Cotton's to the annual meeting of the Magazine Club. Mr. S. R. Ross being the only man present I was elected to preside, an honor which I did not want.

Wrote to Virginia Greene + sent Calendar blanks for M. Y. M.

Saturday, November 28, 1908

Rained a little nearly all day. I spent most of the forenoon in writing letters and sending blank pages of a Friendship Calendar to relatives for Mary Y. Moore which Grace Cotton, Mary Reed + Gertrude Moore are preparing. I wrote to Barton Greene, Will + Carl, and Helen Moore. Had a letter from Carl + one from Lizzie Peebles enclosing 10.00 towards Roby's funeral expenses.

Went to Willa Molster's funeral in the afternoon. She died on Thanksgiving Day.

Went to see Mary Peebles but she was not at home.

Sunday, November 29, 1908

Beautiful, early in the morning then rained when Sunday School closed so Sister brought Dorothy home and she stayed until in the afternoon. All four of us were at S. S. but Mary came home to get dinner. In the afternoon I went over and sat awhile with John, Enos + Mary. Four of us together, Virginia in Las Cruces New Mexico, + Lizzie in Los Angeles, California.

In the evening the Red Men, + their Auxiliary and the Junior Order of American Mechanics were at our church.

Monday, November 30, 1908

Rained most of the day but not early in the morning.

Mr. C. E. Frowine began tearing down the little brick house and made very good progress.

Was home all day and spent some time on the calendar leaves for Mary Y. Had letter from Jane Ricker containing two from Mary Martin. E + M went to C E meeting at Bertha Wilhelm's. Enos left for Columbus this evening.

Tuesday, December 1, 1908

Cleared off again and the work of tearing down the little old house was completed about noon today. John Moore + I watched it fall. I had been up to see Mrs. Anderson and Mary about the Kindergarten work. They were glad to talk about it and Mary has decided to try it. I had letter from Will.

Wednesday, December 2, 1908

Turning colder, and windy. Letters from the boys which I answered.

Letter from Barker's Art Gallery says they can make more photos of James.

Went to Ethel's to K-G Board meeting and transacted necessary business. Mary Anderson started in Kindergarten work and three others were talking of taking it up. Lulu Davidson came, with her sister Mrs. Smith to see me + she will go to the Children's Home in the morning.

Went to the prayer-meeting as usual.

Thursday, December 3, 1908

Cold+ clear. Ther 16°. The men working on the lot could not work without a fire.

This is Elizabeth Peebles' birthday. Had letter from Carl. Was busy all morning with K-G work and spent the afternoon at the Children's Home Kindergarten Social. The mothers in that part of town are much interested. Received a package of Scattergood calendars, one hundred in package.

Friday, December 4, 1908

Rained dismally today so Margaret and Miss Cramer did not go to the farm. I wanted to go see Mary Peebles but could not get started. Was busy at home all day.

The men worked until noon then had to quit but they will soon finish now.

Went to the Court House with my pension voucher and afterwards to see Florence Richardson, and to the grocery at supper time.

Saturday, December 5, 1908

Cold and cloudy.

Margaret + Miss Cramer went to the farm this morning and the morning mail brought Margaret a letter from Carl. I wrote to Carl and Will. After dinner I went to Dr. P. J. Kline's to a Patriotic Committee meeting and when I came home Mary said John wanted to see me. I went and stayed with him until dark. He seems to be in a very serious condition. I went over again after supper.

Sunday, December 6, 1908

Rainy. Went to Sunday S. and remained to church. Mrs. Young came home to dinner with us and in the afternoon, she, Mary Moore + I went to a Bi-monthly meeting at our church. It was an excellent meeting. In the evening John went to church with Mary. Margaret + Miss Cramer came home in the rain and got pretty wet.

Clyde + Elizabeth Ricker Roebuck have a little daughter, born in Ironton today, named Helen Adaline.

Monday, December 7, 1908

Rained in the night but was clear, and colder during the day. Had a letter from Will, with a 25.00 check, also letters from Virginia + Helen with calendar leaves returned.

Have been at home all day except for the little visits over home.

The lot was filled up today and will soon be in order.

Tuesday, December 8, 1908

Cold and clear. Ther 22°.

Washed curtains all forenoon and after dinner Mary and I pinned them on the bed. Later I went out awhile, paid the gas bill and then went to see Mrs. Anderson and Mary who is doing finely in her kindergarten work.

Wednesday, December 9, 1908

Partly clear, partly cloudy.

Ther 32° at 7 AM.

Home all forenoon, John being here visiting.

Wrote to both Will and Carl today. Had letters from Barton Greene and Helen Moore, with returned calendar leaves.

Margaret had letter from Carl today. Had letters from Barton Greene and Helen Moore, with returned calendar leaves. Margaret had letter from Carl. + Elizabeth Greene and her leaf. Mary and I went out after Mrs. Ball and Mary Peebles left. We did errands then went to see Mrs. Dennis. John went to prayer-meeting with us.

Thursday, December 11, 1908

Clear and cold but not windy. Ther about 28° at 7 AM.

Home all day excepting for a little while in the afternoon when I went over home. Had letters from both Will + Carl. The girls went to All Saints' chapel this evening to a little entertainment. Mary went to see the Purdum girls this evening. Their mother died yesterday, noon, after an illness of several months with cancer.

Friday, December 11, 1908

Weather mild for the season, and damp.

John has been so nervous and unstrung that Mary asked me to write for Enos to come home tomorrow and see about John. He has made up his mind that no one shall address him as "Mr." Moore, wants everyone to call him John and quotes the Bible as his authority for it.

Saturday, December 12, 1908

Damp and cloudy.

The man finished leveling the ground east of the house and it is now ready for the fence to be moved. John was here today and seems very well when he comes but his mind is not right on some subjects. Enos came down from Columbus on the evening train.

Sunday, December 13, 1908

Cloudy and damp but no rain. Went to S. S. and the usual services. In the afternoon Macy and I went to the mass S. S. meeting at the Christian church and heard Mr. Moniger who is the State Teacher Training Sec'y and the meeting was large and enthusiastic and it was decided to have another one next Sunday afternoon at Bigelow. Enos was here in the afternoon.

Monday, December 14, 1908

Cloudy and raw, but not very cold. Enos had his drawing materials, type-writer + desk and such things packed to go to Columbus where he has a job with Mr. Feun. He left on the 4:17 N + W train.

Tuesday, December 15, 1908

Cloudy and mild. Ther 50° The leveling of the ground was finished on the lot east of the house, where it had been filled. Went to Mary Peebles' and together we went to the cemetery to attend the burial of Mrs. Sophia Drake who died in Columbus. Several Relief Corps members went.

Did some errands in the afternoon. Had letters from both Will and Carl, wrote the latter. Girls busy with Christmas things. Girls went to Clover Club at Mrs. Burk's.

Wednesday, December 16, 1908

Rainy, at least it was necessary to carry an umbrella when we went out. Went to prayer-meeting in the evening. John came over with Mary and they went with us.

Thursday, December 17, 1908

Damp, with light rain. The men worked at the fence, all day.

In the afternoon I went to W. C. T. U. meeting and later did some errands.

The evening paper stated that Agnes was granted a divorce today, Carl made no objection, and thus a most unfortunate and unhappy end has come to the marriage which I regretted and did not ingress.

Friday, December 18, 1908

Light rain most of the day. The men finished the fence today excepting the wire across the front which has to be ordered to match what we have. Wrote to Will and Carl. Was out this morning to do some errands and see Mrs. Wilcox about her calendar leaf, which she brought this afternoon.

The girls are busy with their X'mas work. Wrote to Enos again. Agnes was over home to say good-bye, said she is going to China next month. Did not come here. Clara Weller was here. Sent postals to Fannie Geiger + Lehman, Bolon + Co. Finished getting in the calendar leaved, have 55.

Saturday, December 19, 1908

Cold but pleasant.

Willard Greene came this morning having spent the night with a school mate, Louis Brown who attends Wooster University. We are glad to have him with us for the holidays. Letter from Will.

I did some errands late in the day. Have been very busy.

Sunday, December 20, 1908

Pleasant day. Willard came over and went to S. S. with us. Good attendance. In the afternoon, Mary + I went to Bigelow to the Bible Class meeting there were 600 or 700 present and the out look for a large class is good.

Monday, December 21, 1908

Cloudy but no rain or snow. Busy at home all forenoon. Rec'd package from Ms. Helen McClure in Cal. + box of mistletoe from Virginia in New Mex. at Las Cruces.

Spent afternoon at Relief Corps meeting, was re-appointed Sec'y against my wishes. Plumber here all day at work on the hot water tank + pipes. X'mas card from Carol + Ralph.

Saw the completed leaves of the calendar and the collection is fine. Letter from Carl.

Tuesday, December 22, 1908

A little snow which ended in rain. Dark and gloomy. Have been putting up calendars for mailing to friends away from town. Wrote to Enos + Carl. Plumber finished work in the kitchen,

have been here since yesterday morning. Willard has been cracking nuts for candy most of the day. Rec'd package from Mrs. Weller. E. busy with her X'mas work for kindergarten.

Wednesday, December 23, 1908

Snowy and disagreeable. Heard from Will today, he will be here in time for X'mas.

The Kindergartens all had their X'mas treats today and has general remembrances. Each child in the Jefferson K-G had six or seven articles and were very happy. I went down and saw them, then took four of the children home.

Went to prayer-meeting as usual.

A new janitor in charge, Jno Hendricks having given up the position.

Thursday, December 24, 1908

Cloudy and a little snowy, it looked as though we might have a white Christmas but it all melted by noon.

This being the last day before Christmas has been a very busy one, all three of the girls worked early and late getting their packages done up, mailed and distributed.

Many have come for us but we will not open them until tomorrow.

Will was to have been home today but remained over in Cin. With Carl who will come up later.

Friday, December 25, 1908

Mild and beautiful. Not at all like Christmas weather. I sat up last night to wait for Will to come on the later train, C + O and it was so late coming that it was nearly two o'clock this morning when he arrived. We all were late getting up and after breakfast began opening our packages and letters, which were numerous and pretty. Virginia Greene sent two large boxes of fine mistletoe from New Mexico which we put up with the holly, it is fine, also this year. We had John, Mary and Willard Greene with us for dinner, and both Will and Carl were here so our own family was complete. Robert Peebles is in town but visiting Mary Peebles.

Mrs. McClun of Los Angeles, Ella Ricker of Baltimore, Eleanor Wright, Dr. Clark, Mr. Wyman, Mrs. Weller sent me small books, then I had cards from Mrs. Bond, Blanche Selby, Mame Philippi, Gertrude Elliott + Dr. Nye, Mrs. Clark, picture from Mrs. Curtiss, five dollars in gold from Mary Peebles and many nice things from my own girls, Mary Moore and others. The girls have made so many pretty things for others. I have several handkerchiefs, from Uncle Drew, Aunt Helen, Dorothy Manning, Virginia Greene + others. Mrs. Campbell made me a nice tie, Mary Moore gave me sheets and Margaret a bed spread. I did not go to the Christmas entertainment, preferring to visit at home with Will and Carl. The girls went. Willard took dinner in the evening with Mr. Dupre's family.

Mary Peebles gave Margaret the beautiful amethyst and diamond ring which her sister Margaret left to her namesake. It has the initial "M" in diamonds, and I greatly appreciate the fact that it was Maggie's request.

Saturday, December 26, 1908

Cold, and snowed a little.

Margaret and Miss Cramer went to the farm to spend a few days and get a good rest.

Carl left on the early train for Cincinnati.

Robert Peebles was here today having come from Yale College to spend the vacation with his Aunt Mary Peebles in the old home.

Elizabeth and Mary spent the afternoon in helping Grace Cotton prepare for Shakespeare meeting this evening. Willard spent the evening reading.

We are enjoying his visit very much, he is so thoughtful and accommodating. The postman had a load of packages and letters for us today. Friends East and West had remembered us. With all the pleasures we miss the absent ones this year. I marked handkerchiefs, as usual today.

Sunday, December 27, 1908

Beautiful day. Went to S. S. and the usual services in the forenoon.

In the afternoon Macy + I went to Bigelow to hear the report of the Bible Class Committee, and afterwards the class was organized with Rev. Freund as President, N. C. Ferguson, V. Pres., J. F. Elder, teacher, Sam Crabtree Sec'y, W. J. Heney Ass't Sec'y, and (blank space, never filled in) Treasurer. Went to church in the evening.

Monday, December 28, 1908

Weather fair, and mild for the season.

Have stayed at home and visited with Will all day. He only went out for a little walk, he and Willard. Do not want to write letters while he is here. Dr. Elder came to meet with a C. E. committee after supper, Nora Wilhelm + Bessie Smith stayed after he left and when they went away Will took us all to the Nickelodeon. Elizabeth + her committee had the whatsoever con. Treat to thirty poor children at the Jefferson K-G this afternoon.

Tuesday, December 29, 1908

Pleasant all day but rained in the evening.

Will was out most of the forenoon seeing some business men. He left for Washington in the afternoon. I went over the river with him. Had a letter from Carl.

The papers are full of a very dreadful calamity in Italy, earthquakes and floods have killed a hundred thousand people in the rear Messina.

Mrs. Weller came this evening.

Did not go to W. M. S. on account of Will's going away.

Wednesday, December 30, 1908

Rainy all forenoon, cloudy all afternoon. Mrs. Weller was there to breakfast and dinner. Left for Chillicothe. I went to the Court House and paid taxes \$22.05.

Made Home Dept. calls in the afternoon and did some errands. Wrote to Carl and sister E. F. P. sent photos of James to Lizzie P. Helen Ricker, Charlie Ricker and Virginia Greene, small pictures and calendars to Addie Morton + Elizabeth Roebuck.

Prayer-meeting in the evening. Letters from Clara Ricker and Mrs. Joseph Clark.

Thursday, December 31, 1908

Beautiful day. Not very cold but growing colder. Have been mending Willard's clothes most of the day. Did not go out anywhere.

The girls entertained the C. E. watch meeting this evening.

Dr. J. F. Elder, Mr. + Mrs. Bickham, Bertha + Nora + Edna Wilhelm, Bessie Smith, Wil Richardson, Inez Wagner, Willard Greene and perhaps one or two others were here and enjoyed a pleasant evening.