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Congdon Diary

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What appears to be an afterthought note is written just inside the cover; “Laura marries about the holidays 92-93 – Mrs. Eliza Nunby d. Jan. 12. ’93

Note: (24 pages of preprinted diary calendar, eclipses, interests tables, postage rates, a list of the 23 presidents and other incidentals precede the diary entries.)

**WEA.**
**SUN. JAN. 1, 1893**
**THER.**

“Sleet and rain and a glaze of ice on the walk. 30° - 37°.
Went to the Reform Church and interested. My husband to Hattie Kloster.” Seems to written by Clara –
““Busted” my suspenders while playing with John. JNR. “ seems to written by Chester
“Came home from church in street car because one was suffering with nails in the shoes.” Seems to be written by Clara
“ Turkey cooked in roaster.” Seems to be written by Chester
“ Wrote to Ard and went to Centurary church. Have had a pleasant day with my children.” Seems to be written by Clara
In the left margin it looks like Chester’s writing; “13.N.Y.E.2.12th” “ABR” “MEB”
At the end of the entry there is a parenthesis and it looks like Clara’s writing
“Mamma”

**WEA.**
**Monday 2**
**THER.**

“Sunny
Rode this morning with mamma and John and Mr. Buckman. Little John went too and was very quiet. When we came home Bertha and Mary went out with them.
This afternoon the pr-?-th?- took A. & B. to a matinee. This evening Mrs. Whitford and M-?- called. Mr. Buckman left about 9:30 - Girls packed ready for morning start. We all like Mr. B. but Bertha is very indifferent and cold.”

Note: (All seems to be written by Clara. Her writing is similar to writing from 1877 except now her writing is larger and a bit hurried/messy. 16 years, children, added responsibilities take their toll... Denise Nord)
“Snow
Left Syracuse on 9 A.M. train with the girls and John to make a short visit in
Kingston. Alice had a headache and was sick all the way. Got to K. at 2:30 and set
about seeing things and people. John howled on.
Wilks barrie and meals at on and Houards Dzanis, Hards Carharts and Copeland’s,
also at Prof. Stadler’s not in”

Note: (Clara’s writing, difficult to decipher. D.N.)

Called at the Lacude’s and Missus in to see the Principle bat. How we enjoyed the
visit.
John’s telephone to Pittston did not bring Louise. Started back on 12:03 train.
Whaning attention. People don’t change very much most of the time.

Made some calls this afternoon. Did not find Alida’s. Saw Mrs. Garrett just
recovering from her accident enough to walk to sleigh and step in. Called at
Doaker’s. Franc to be married in spring. Letters from C. evidently wanting our

Started for home. Train late – early?warly? IV when it came. Busy days Winter to
hear from Berlie. C. telegraphed about noon that B. would be detained out to wait
for him. I bought ticket and was almost ready to start when B.’s telegram came that
he would pass this here Sat. evening 11:30. Glad I did not have to wait for him.

Slept very badly and so did John. Rumble and clatter and heat and hand brd too
much for us. So we don’t feel very bright today. Train only 40 minutes late at
Chicago. Got porter to help me land. He was far from gracious. John finally had
short nap half an hour before we left car. In N. W did not he was lively nimph and
making friends with an elderly man.

Snowy Windy
Train a little late ^ 10 mins.
John and I slept docily?wisely?sicely?
But I think some of the “buffet” milk must have disagreed with him. He cried so after his breakfast and about the time we arrived. I could not quiet him. Glad when train finally stopped and C. met us. Found all well and charming to look upon and glad to see me. Will and Mary --?-- here to see a house. House looked rather dirty.

**WEA.**

**MON. JAN. 9, 1893**

**THER.**

Wind

Cold

Will and Mary went to hotel last night but were here at lunch and dinner. Bertie also came before dinner. Did not receive my telegram which I sent by messenger boy. Bennetts have taken apartment in Buffalo flats. At 37 a month. I went with them to see it. Bertie in fine frather? over some deal. But better house.

**WEA.**

**TUESDAY 10**

**THER.**

-20

Alone again, tho’ B was back with lunch. Their pipes were very solidly frozen. Hz had a wonderful piece of news to tell; Laura was married “about the holidays” (as she said) to Gov. Hzband. This part of her family are all too delighted for anything. She wrote a queen or proachpl? letter. Complained that even? know not of here to address her mother, but put out -?- much as Rochester an her -?- letter.

**WEA.**

**WEA.**

**Wed. Jan. 11, 1893**

**THER.**

Clear

Clear

Helen had cramp all night, though the ipecac kept it under control. M. too, coughed and has felt cold yesterday. The house has --?-- so warm I think they have encountered extremes. Kept her in bed today. She seems better. C. was this evening to talk over the good news with his mother. Says she looks two years younger.

**WEA.**

**THURSDAY 12**

**THER.**

-4°

Kept H. in bed though much better. Marjorie’s birthday was not a very lively one. She has a sore throat, --?-—(103 1/8) and a headache. No appetite, no better at night. Mother C. came for a few minutes and but her a handkerchief. I gave her a photograph --?-- and we had trifles from bed, herself and --?--Burila. Mrs. Billows called giving Mr. Chamberlain’s cough cure instead of ipecac and using C.’s terine.

**WEA.**

**Fri. Jan. 13, 1893**

**THER.**

Chester’s aunt Eliza Gurndy_?_ died yesterday. The girls are better. Let have lunch in their room on sewing table but Juanita and Reginald did not come tho’ invited. St. Louis Hotel burned in dreadful fire. Mary Norman worked there and only saved
part of her things - came here. Called with C. and Mrs. Banboun. Terribly cold night.

**WEA.** **SATURDAY 14** **THER.**

Took boys down to get hair cut. We let W. go alone to a concert last night. He seems to be coming on --?past or fast?—
Mrs. Allan called while we were out.

**WEA.** **SUN. JAN. 15, 1893** **THER.**

Did not go to church. Feeling dull. Sent boys to S.S. They object sometimes. Girls were not well enough but I let them on the piazza a little while. Very cold in house mornings too cold in dining room.
C. went to his mother's and took Ned --?in—ported--? that heater for supper 13 --?singer--?napo--? , two apples, plass of milk and a lot of butterfly crackers.

**WEA.** **MONDAY 16** **THER.**

Writing letters all day to Bertha, Mrs. Busha, Miss Tomlu, Capt. Van Loan. Let children go out a little. John also. He has a gagging “go out door die” which is very pathetic tho’ not very plain and goes to his drawers and to the closet to get --?socks--?
I told him to take papers to the waste basket which was out sight. He thought minute and then took them right

**WEA.** **TUES. JAN. 17, 1893** **THER.**

Evan Gilbrant came down with scarlet fever yesterday. Makes us fear as if it were spreading. I fear the school contagious worst.

**WEA.** **WEDNESDAY 18** **THER.**

Made calls on Mrs. Dwight Krump, Moor (all out, Miss Collins found it was her --?—dding day to Mr. Cruch). Mrs. Brown. Mrs. Davis came over in the evening and brought us a couple of owls on a branch odd little things. Think my notion about Jennie was a mistake. Ella to be married in summer maybe.

**WEA.** **THUR. JAN. 19, 1893** **THER.**

Went to Mrs. Billson’s to sit awhile this afternoon. She and her husband are much disturbed by the scarlet fever about. They preferred going south. I feel that there is cause for anxiety and great care. Called at Mrs. Allen’s. She does not allow my children to play with hers. This morning we played cards at -?- Bilson’s.
FRIDAY 20  
Sunny
The children seem well. Mrs. Billson does not take to the idea of going south any more than I do. Will was here at lunch and has changed his plans. Got board at Mrs. Sargent’s Chester Terrace. John cried out nearly every day. He is so interesting now. Mamma writes that she --?-- such a good baby; so reasonable. Began to teach M. to --?-ad.

SAT. JAN. 21, 1893  
Worked away on fittings for spare room. After dinner K&E called at Mrs. Billson’s and they asked us to stay and have a game of six handed euchre _ as the Allen’s were coming over.

SUNDAY 22  
Cloudy
To church with C. and then called at mother C.’s. Took some tickets to sell at --?-t of Mrs. Geggin. Kept children home from church and S.S. and shall till the scarlet fever excitement is over.

MON. JAN. 23, 1893  
Partly cloudy
Mrs. Billson and the children left for Columbia this afternoon. I missed the school this morning and inquired about the fever. There have been only two cases and they were not taken in school time. I think there is a little danger there as any where. Was down town all afternoon. John had a fall from his sleigh and was hurt.

TUESDAY 24  
Blizzard
Felt badly this morning partly --?----y to heat south house and partly to indigestion. After lunch went with C. down town and sent off mamma’s cushion and did some shopping. No school this afternoon as the storm looked pretty bad at noon but soon after it began to clear up and was not bad after 2 P.M.

WED. JAN. 25, 1893  
Sunny
Went with Mrs. J.J.C. Davis to see Bishop Bantse.n consecrated . Interesting group there. Nearly 2 when I got home . W.’s hear of Bishop Bank’s death.

THURSDAY 26  
Down town.
Sunny

Down town. Fanny Ned is not looking any well, but he says he feels well.

--?W. or Ed or ---?

Has come down with mumps but does not feel very bad, some
form a headache and a little swelling. Not very hungry, more toward evening. This
evening C. and I went out to the Woodland rink taking car down town. A very lively,
happy scenes there ever enjoyed it. Though it is pretty cold.

--?---

Walter went to grandma's.

Ned feels somewhat same, is eating in bed. I did not go to church but spent most of
today reading and making milk tart, etc. for Ned. Hz ate scarcely any supper, hates
gruell.

Wrote to Granny but did not get her apron made, must go down town first and get
material and thought that not to go today, tho' Ned wants Akollinaris water and a
“bird” to eat. He is better and hungry. Bathed and dressed him. House so warm I
had to shut off heat and open windows a long time.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen called this evening. Lovely moonlight night.

No school. I sent Walter but it grew worse and the four children there were sent
home.

With a fire in our bedroom we kept pretty comfortable, though the morning was
cold. Everybody seems irritable and the children hard to amuse. Let them pull
candy this afternoon. Boys slept in spare room. Ned feels well but looks funny. No
school this afternoon.

Dreadful day. Letter from Mrs. Busha. --?---ars and steam. almost none.
Chester walked down town and home, tho latter very trying. Hz started out thus for
W. who had gone for a yeast cake. C. from Ed he would be frozen but W. was
taking it quite calmly. W. went to the Duttons party, about 45 there. Called Mrs. Davis’ House pretty comfortable.

**WEA.**

**FRIDAY 3**

**THER.**

Cloudy - wind -20°

Spent most of the morning and part of the afternoon trying to get a fire to burn in bedroom stove. Took nap. Went to Mrs. Allen’s a little while and to Mrs. Merritt’s. She was not in. Found it bitterly cold coming back. Waded through a drift. Did not sell any tickets. School all day today. Ned complains of lumps under his jaw.

**WEA.**

**SAT. FEB. 4, 1893**

**THER.**

Fair - windy towards night 18

The house is very cold although the fire burned steadily all night. Will waited some to --?----seq. Mrs. Targent and that their rooms looked attractive, I went there but could not do anything. It was not Chester would to meet W. and Mary and they came here first but did not stay all night.

**WEA.**

**SUNDAY 5**

**THER.**

Fair. Windy at night

We spent ever so long at the dedication exercise and then they did not raise all the ---?---money and put off the rest till evening. We all and Grany here to dine. Walter spent most of yesterday and today at his Grandma’s. Marjorie fell and ---?---sstrous of her front teeth. We went to church this evening. House full again – very handsome church. Bishop Fowlen and especially Chan. Linns words united and ---?---aint.

**WEA.**

**MON. FEB. 6, 1893**

**THER.**

Clear - 20°

Quite a pleasant day. Mrs. Richardsons Robert called. Ned’s mouth is looking coated, white tongue and very prickly. Breathe like---? Entry is on. Grate and bills for storm came.

**WEA.**

**TUESDAY 7**

**THER.**

Clear -20

Kept Helen in bed as she has a cold for second day and her throat is worse.

Took M. and called on Mary in the afternoon. Their things have not come. In the evening they came up and went with us to Mr. Andrew’s recital. It was good. I suppose but he did not bring out the beauties of organ music. Mr. Billson was here at dinner.

**WEA.**

**WED. FEB. 8, 1893**

**THER.**

Cloudy -15

House so cold today. Kept H. in bed again. John pretends to read aloud from bit of paper or book. Often asks us to read, as the others do. Let W. go to concert with his
uncle Bert tonight. C. and I put grate and bricks in today. He had to leave after an hours' work and I spent 2 hrs. at it. Am tired out but it is all right. Saved 1.50! our gauge upstairs was over again today. Leaked clear down to parlor - out curtain.

**WEA.**

**THURSDAY 9**

**THER.**

Snow all day.

Mrs. Davis is determined to send – house – gives us chance to find tenant. Bertis came to call “on Marjorie” he said. Jolly time. Tho M. had several disappearances and small sagas. I felt sick at noon, but better after a fact, enima, and good sleep. It is so much warmer.

**WEA.**

**FRI. FEB. 10, 1893**

Made calls on Mrs. Dutton Greenwood, Mary, Mrs. Bull, Mrs. Atkins, Callahan and Steele. The --?--relax from cold rather has a bad effect on others --?--braids me.

Mary and Will came here this evening – played cribbage. M. and --?--Murilan had a fight in the attic, so Ned told me and that after M. was there to lunch.

**WEA.**

**SATURDAY 11**

Chester took the boys to see Herman this evening. They had a fine time, tho’ W. thought at first he would rather have a dollar to put with his stamp album fund. C. has no patience with the stamp craze/ I went down town this A. G. and was to meet W. and get him a pair of loggers’ shoes but he failed to meet me. The children have been so clamorous.

**WEA.**

**SUN. FEB. 12, 1893**

Went to church with C. but had a back seat and heard nothing.

**WEA.**

**MONDAY 13**

**THER.**

Clear

Kept Ned home as he seemed to have a cold. Walter has developed mumps. This evening we went to Bishop Barker’s reception at the Duluth club. Rather pleasant time for a little while and found that the Bishop is Louise’s cousin.

**WEA.**

**TUES. FEB. 14, 1893**

Sunny – clear

Down town this morning. Helen is coming down with mumps. Ned started back to school but for some reason he looks pale and large eyed. Walter seems to feel pretty well, is up and has had very little fever. Grace Gilbright is supported well and the nurse has it. Went to the Bennett’s this evening.
WEA.  
**WEDNESDAY 15**

Partly cloudy

Get so tired of accomplishing nothing. The children do not feel sick. M. has a cold. I think John is getting the mumps. He has put his hand to his jaw several times has had some --?--- and would not take his supper.

Judge Barle was to have dined with us but owing to the mumps which he never had C. took him to the club. I took Mary to a Ladies Aid meeting.

**WEA.**  
**THUR. FEB. 16, 1893**

Clear

John was feverish all night and once he woke crying. I put my hand on him but he still cried and trembled and --?----d "facial --?----f" so I took him in with us. He does not eat much. Helen has had a happy birthday tho' little has been done for her. Got W. to paint my rocking chair. Jennie sick.

**WEA.**  
**FRIDAY 17**

Sunny

Had Mrs. Barboun to lunch and spend the afternoon. Very pleasant. Kept the mumps away from her. Walter is out --?buy sink ---? but does not know what to do. John has fever still and --?----sword. Mrs. B says Mrs. Lena Boswell has a month old baby.

**WEA.**  
**SAT. FEB. 18, 1893**

Clear

Took M. to Grandma's this forenoon and she went to the office after lunch and staid till her father brought her home. Mary was here this afternoon and Mr. Billson, Mr. Allan and the Bennett's played eucure with other's evening. John feels pretty sick and weak and eats little for supper. Walter has headache and sick stomach and has eaten too much I fear. Will --?---- 7 hours. --?-----

**WEA.**  
**SUNDAY 19**

Clear.

So warm in doors altho' the furnace has been shut off all day. Not too warm in every room however. John seems a trifle better. Am giving him the --?bismilk----

medicine. Bertie was here this afternoon. Walter is quite feverish with little appetite. Staid in bed most of the day. Helen has very little troubles with her mumps. --?----Lays awake up my missed what is John has --?---- or not.--?---

**WEA.**  
**MON. FEB. 20, 1893**

Partly Sunny

Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Rogers called. Letter from Charlie Van Swan. John seems slightly better. Asks for “Mimie” but does not eat much when it comes. Walter much better. C. & I called at his mother's this evening.
WEA. TUESDAY 21 THER.
Fair Some Snow
By great determination and getting Jennie up to wait on the children I sewed and nearly finished Mary’s apron. John seems some better today in feeling and has taken less than a pill of milk and a --?------ of toast and crackers for each of his four meals. I wanted the doctor but finally put it off till tomorrow. J. had only 2 --?--- but they were watery.

WEA. WED. FEB. 22, 1893 THER.
Cloudy
Had Dr. Ritchi’s see John. Hz left some other medicine. Baby has been very languined but seems a little better this afternoon. I called at Mrs. Davis’. Dizzy this evening. C. went to ---?---.

WEA. THURSDAY 23 THER.
Sunny
John is better but still demands a great deal of attention. I feel rather attenuated. C. has a cold and so tried to treat it this evening. I finished painting the rocking chair. Washed some dress goods and ---?seems did------ a clothes horse. Mary Bennett came. She has had winter ---?clivlera----. Children popped corn.

WEA. FRI. FEB. 24, 1893 THER.
Partly sunny
John better. He is so --?resolute---- about taking his bitter powders. I don’t force him and he always turns away first with a --?winding----- “No”. Went down this P.M. with C. His mother quite sick with --?---- cholera. W. got a --?lorry---- for her. I went to see her. Could do little. Headache. Tried to walk it off.

WEA. SATURDAY 25 THER.
Clear
Kept M. in bed. She has a cough and has complained of headache for two weeks. Let W. out doors. C. looks sick and feels so too. H is --?---- is better --?---- to Mary. Called at Mrs. Dutton’s to see about a dressmaker. Called at Mrs. Bennett’s. Her mother and father out with Will. Mrs. Brindle and Mrs. Lucas called here. Finished Mary’s apron.

WEA. SUN. FEB. 26, 1893 THER.
Clear
Home all day. The Bennett’s and ---?------ came to dinner. A pleasant afternoon with them. Bertie came about noon. Good dinner. I am tired though. John seems a little worse this evening. I had given him only one powder today. Mother C. is better.
**WEA.**

**MONDAY 27**

Sunny and windy
Letter from Bertha also from Mary Forrey. Went to dressmaker’s today but did not find her in so came home and spent the afternoon trying to cut a pattern and skirt lining for myself. Called a few ---?--- at Mary Bennett’s. C. is late coming home. W. in school again. Wrote note to Mrs. Stone, dressmaker. Sent letter to Mary.

**WEA.**

**TUES. FEB. 28, 1893**

Somewhat stormy
This has been a bad storm but not as bad here as in some places. Much snow packed hard. Will and Mrs. Morehouse started Sun. night and did not get to St. Paul till 9 this evening. There was no school this afternoon but it cleared some. I took the boys downtown. Tried to get a stamp album.

**WEA.**

**WED. MARCH 1, 1893**

Clear
C. left this afternoon for Boston via Niagra Falls, Rochester and Syracuse. The children feel his departure more than usual, I think. Mrs. Mary Bailey called. It is Ned’s birthday but he had small celebration. A cake at dinner which he cut with much flourish and fun about my word “moderation” which he did not understand. He has the promise of a book.

**WEA.**

**THUR. MARCH 2, 1893**

Clear
I let the maids go out together. Mrs. Morehouse and Mary spent the afternoon here. Taught the children a new game of cards, “Pack your night--?--- out down”. They think it great fun.

**WEA.**

**FRIDAY 3**

Wind
Went to inquire after Mr. Baubman, who is a little better and mother C. who has had a bad attack of rhumatism. Also did some shopping. Wrote C. Letter from --?N--- And Mr. --?J--?----. The dress skirt I’ve been busy with all the week is progressing slowly but is almost done. Grace Gilbret is out. Mr. Marucci is dead.

**WEA.**

**SAT. MARCH 4, 1893**

Clear
Julia Hanson is here --?---evening. I like her. The children are very good so far. John is much better and getting hungry, but I keep up the medicine. He is so sweet and good. Miss Howard and Miss Mitchell called.
W.E.A.  
SUNDAY 5  
Clear  
Went to church alone. Called at mother C.’s. Found her better. Children very little trouble. Walter’s quite a help.

W.E.A.  
MON. MARCH 6, 1893  
Clear  
Dressmaker again today and grey dress done. John’s a  ---?pr---itc---- is growing more  --?--- comparatively speaking but he eats so slowly, feels wrinkly and thin to me. Tries to make sounds as I show him – can’t say but echoes in his gentle drawl the last words of our sentences. Sent him out doors awhile.

W.E.A.  
TUESDAY 7  
Clear  
The walking very wet several days. I called at Mrs. Pearler’s and Mrs. Allen’s. Mrs. Bennett’s wore the plaid skirt I made myself. Kept Ned in bed as he complained of sore throat. Sent boys to Grandma’s yesterday with soup. Sent letter to C. today. Mrs. Davis came in to borrow 5 cents. Miss Hardy Etols called while I was out. John inquires “I do”! in imitation of the “What can I do” of the others.

W.E.A.  
WED. MARCH 8, 1893  
Cloudy  
40˚  
Took girls and went to Mrs. Pahknurat’s this afternoon. Cold coming back. Did not wear my sealskins. Kept Ned in bed again. Do not know just where his cold has settles but he says it is somewhat hard to breathe.

W.E.A.  
THURSDAY 9  
Rain and snow P.M.  
Went down town this A.M. Begann’s  --?--- flannel dress this afternoon. Bertie was here awhile. John eats quite well and seems to feel well but looks pale today and rolls on the floor. HE likes pictures and shows me what he sees in them, “Bow-wow, kitty, baby, dinnie, cwackie/ what the baby is suppose to eat. I wrote to Charlie Van Loan. No letter yet from Chester.

W.E.A.  
FRI. MARCH 10, 1893  
Rainy  
I sewed on Marjorie’s red flannel dress and nearly finished it.  --?---  --?--- Day. Will ad Mary took me to the Ben Hur entertainment. It was very good, beautiful. I wore my cape and was quite warm enough. Ned does not seem well, appetite and a temperature. Weather affected electric lights. Letter from C. Mrs. F.A. Garret all right.
Saturday 11
Cloud and showers
I sewed. Children have been very good. John is lovely. He builds with the blocks very successfully and cries out with delight or surprise or and calls “Mamma, look!” But he is pale and had a slight relapse yesterday. A sent of April day.

Sun. March 12, 1893
Windy
Took W. and Marjorie to church. We saw Bertie and walked home with him. Let the children stay to dinner, as I am anxious C. was all right. Very windy coming home. Will and Mary were here about five.

Monday 13
Blizzard
No school this afternoon but W. went down to the “gym” walking both ways. Ned’s mysterious ailment still continues but I shall let him go to school tomorrow. He is himself tired of staying at home. I sewed my brown dress today. M. does so well in her reading.

Tues. March 14, 1893
Clear
Very pleasant day, let the girls play out of doors most on the afternoon. Was out with John myself. Mailed letter to Edward to Bertha. C.’s secod letter came. Let boys go to a matinee lecture by Lunt. Peary which did not come off.

Wednesday 15
Clear
Mrs. Allen was here with Frank a while. Our children were all out. I made calls on Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Lucas and Mrs. Prindle; all out: also went to see Dr. Ritchie about Ned – but he was out too. Ned has some fever and does not look well. House so very cold this morning.

Thur. March 16, 1893
Clear
Went down to see Dr. Ritchie about Ned. Got some powders in capsules which he cannot swallow. Tried after lunch nearly half an hour it seems to be and again after dinner. Letter from C. and one from Mary. Helen felt a little sick this morning.
Ned’s trouble is with digestion. I trimmed --?---- a bonnet.
Clear

Fixed up my sofa pillows and a cushion for chair in my room but don't feel quite satisfied with them. The lounge is --?--booken I find too much --?--emulating. Walter's this time. Mary came for us this afternoon just as the girls and I were about to go there. She had Mrs. Stevenson and her little Helen - we were quite a party. Mrs. Barbson called there. Mrs. Atkins and Miss Wright were here while I was away.

Fair

Chester came at six P.M. eight hours late. The children where all glad to see him and his trunk. He succeeded early in getting Ned to take a capsule. Mrs. Barbour came at four and took me to Miss Eddy's --?--here. I got some doilies. Bertie was here this afternoon. I sent Mr. Barbour a custard. A

Clear

Did not go to church. Bad headache. Con-nss better. Bertie here this afternoon. Children rather quarrelsome. M and N don't feel well. Grace and Frank Gilbert played with the children yesterday. The card was off the house Friday I believe.

Sunny – clearing

Ned coughs more and has headache and fever. W. very bust with his new stamp although John tells me about the broken shade in the sitting room – broken by his head striking it when Jennie jumped him. He says "Boke, light, floor, bump head, boke paper", pointing to various things and so telling the story very well. Mr. Billson took dinner here – and a very goo one.

Clear

Went down town this morning. Ned gone to bed in the afternoon' feeling pretty bad and gets a profuse perspiration when his fever goes on

Snowy – strong wind

I went to see Mrs. Davis this afternoon. She has a very sick sister. Was downtown this morning to say good-bye to Mrs. Barbour. They start tonight. Very windy. This evening we started for Will's but turned and went to call on the Allens.
THURSDAY 23

Rainy

After raining steadily all day, C. and I spent the evening with the Bennett’s. They are pleasantly situated room at Mrs. Brown’s. Murita Davis was here at dinner. Ned did not go to bed this afternoon. Seems a little better.

FRI. MARCH 24, 1893

Cloudy

Sewed good deal. Ned much better, looks natural. Mr. Billson here to dine. I was down town this afternoon and got a small chair for self. Did not feel bright enough to do much shopping. Wrote Mrs. Saydam and to Hayes.

SATURDAY 25

Clear

Sewed a while and then got girls ready to go to Grandma’s. Took them to office. C. then went with me to do a little shopping. Afternoon long without the girls. Ned played out two much and is not so well. Helen so excited over her visit.

SUN. MARCH 26, 1893

Clear

To church with C. W. and M. Communion Sunday. M. behaved well. We went to mother C.’s afterward and W. staid to dinner. Will and Mary called this afternoon. I put in my ear drums again but they don’t seem to help out. John had a fit of obstinances this evening and C. spanked him quite hard.

MONDAY 27

Clear

Note to Kate Crawford. Mary Torrey. Have not done much otherwise except study the fashions. C. down town this evening.

TUES. MARCH 28, 1893

Clear

C. left at 1:55. I feel pretty stupid – John coughed in a frightfully croupy way last night and is a little feverish today. Marjorie took more cold yesterday. The snow is melting fast. Was down town this afternoon – called on Mrs. Steverson also went to Mrs. Davis’s a minute.

WEDNESDAY 29

John is better but somewhat feverish. Cries so when he should go to sleep. I am tempted to omit his day nap. So lonesome without C.
C. came back this evening. Said Mr. Barbour is very sick and Dr. Wheaton has very little hope of his recovery. I took the girls down for summer hats today and to order John's cap. Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson and Helen and the children had a nice time together in two milliner stores.

Cloudy – Rain toward night
Ned played out doors a good deal, but comes in tired. Is easy to fret – get angry. Let him go with Walter to lunch at his Grandma's. He thought he could --?----- find the way there over to his father's office. Am letting John omit his nap though I always put him down to try. He sleeps better at night for it.

Clear – lovely night
The children have been trying to April fool all day – not very successfully. Ned and I colored some eggs with great labor and I painted some. Wanted Ned to give one to Merita but he would not do it with a good will. This evening I went with C. to the Cornell concert. Enjoyed it. W. expected Mrs. Stevenson and Helen but they did not come. Wrote Mamma.

Snow last night – clearing
M. said she was sick at her stomach last night but she had her bath in usual spirits, then wanted to lie down, wanted no breakfast and wanted broth and water. I persuaded her to let me go to church, Sat with her a good deal after. C. staid at his mother's to dinner. B. came in the afternoon. I undressed M. about 3; as she lay in spare room. She complained of her throat about 5 and I was alarmed at its' redness, then saw and ask on chest. Got the doctor quickly, thought it probably scarlet fever. Sent the others to Grandmas.

Cloudy; wind at night
I took care of M. today. Dr. Ritchie said this morning she surely had scarlet fever but it would apparently be light. She is not obligated to take any medicines. Thinks probably Helen --?----- had it. M. takes it very well. I have been --?----- every thing unnecessary from her room. Spare room and bathroom and linen closets, piles of things. C. put up a sheet across the hall to be kept out with --Con. Sub.?----- John has been down with the --?---------- all day and will sleep with them tonight.
TUESDAY 4

Clear

A telegram came in the night to say that Dr. Nulchaf had sent a nurse who would be here this A.M. So Miss Wilson was here at breakfast. I think she will do very well M. was free of fever that morning but her temperature was at last 103° this afternoon – pretty high. Dr. said it was probably about the medication. He talked quite freely tonight about precautions, etc. I bathed and changed clothes before noon and took a walk but have not seen John today. C. and I so soon.

THURSDAY 6

Cloudy

C. came home about 3:30 saying his mother had had a slight stroke of paralysis. What next. There was a fire two doors from them last night. It had it’s effect along with extra work. I went down there soon after Chester left and found her sitting up and apparently all right. But she must keep still so I staid.

SATURDAY 8

Cloudy

Came home by way of the millioners and had to wait so long I had not much time to stay. M. does not seem so well; temperature 103 this afternoon and the swelling is under her jaw. The doctor was not here yesterday. Poor child. She asked for Helen and wanted her to come. I want to go and stay with her two hours tomorrow.

SUN. APRIL 9, 1893

Fair

I came up as soon as I could after dinner. The boys came to dine. They seem well though I thought at first that W. was very much flushed. That seemed to go off. I did
not go in to see M. as they have all decided against it but I saw her from the curtain. She looks pretty sick but is really better today. The swellings are large and her mouth is sore she says it is peeling inside.

WEA.  

MONDAY 10  

THER.  

Took her some little things. John always gets excited and shows off when I come. I had him a good while and put him to bed. Monday 10. Foggy toward eve. Went to mother C.’s after wiping up floors here – etc. Mrs. Barkwurst called on her. In the evening Will came with Ned and his nightgown. Walter had gone to bed early with a very flushed face and a headache and C. had taken him down so Ned did not stay at the Bowens’.

WEA.  

TUES. APRIL 11, 1893  

THER.  

Rainy. Thunderstorm etc. After all our anxiety – Walter was all right this morning. Probably late hours and too much pie flushed him. I left mother C.’s after dinner, did some shopping and came home pretty tired – have sewed some. Letter from Rilla Lates. Wrote to Ellen last night. Am going to stay home tonight. M. is better but temp. 104˚ this P.M. Cold bad and swollen glands still large.

WEA.  

WEDNESDAY 12  

THER.  

Rainy – snowy
Busy this forenoon mending up cloths etc. Water in cellar. Marjorie seemed worse this morning – her tongue looked bad – but when the doctor finally came after lunch he said she was doing as well as we could expect, ordered an atoning or to spray her throat some but says her throat is not very bad. I saw her in the hall a minute. Letter from cousin and Mary. Mr. M--?---ss writes very cordially about taking Helen there oft. I was at mother C.’s at supper time.

WEA.  

THUR. APRIL 13, 1893  

THER.  

Wet. Cold.
Spent a good deal of time down town but was at mother C.’s at noon. Helen is quite eager to go to Mr. --?Ormur’s--- but says she won’t let Mrs. Mundreas here. Got Walter fitted-out and lost a ten dollar bill. Mr. Gillbert in town. M.’s mouth and tongue trouble her a good deal, after washing out in the morning it is better.

WEA.  

FRIDAY 14  

THER.  

Clear
C. started off with Walter and Helen at 1:55. I did not kiss H. goodbye. Marjorie seems much better, saw her from the door. Is peeling “finely” as the nurse says. Miss Wilson went to a walk. I have been here all day except when I went after Helen. Letter from Mamma.
WEA. SAT. APRIL 15, 1893 THER.

Clear
M. still improving but pretty weak. Can’t bear to hear here limbs moved because they ache so. She looks thin and her skin wrinkles. The atomizer is good for her nose and when it is used often she can breathe better. Her mouth and her eyes are perfectly strong. I went downtown without outbr----- John was out.

WEA. SUNDAY 16 THER.

Snow showery
Took cold yesterday. C. came to breakfast. M. continues to improve. A letter from Mr. Numnro came this forenoon saying that W. had developed an abscess in his right ear and severe earache not more than two hours after C. left them. He had taken W. to Dr. Allport a specialist and asked for further directions. Then this afternoon Bertie came saying his mother was sick with d. and doctor said that her stroke was apoplexy – what next.

WEA. MON. APRIL 17, 1893 THER.

Clear
M. still improving. I spent most of the day at the other house. Mother C. looks badly and is pretty weak. Been working again, I think. But she was better before I left. Sent letters to Walter, Marina, and A.C.A. Cold rather better I think. M. had nice letter from Ellen. John has cut a ca--????

WEA. TUESDAY 18 THER.

Dull
Ashes taken away. M. still better. Mother Congdon about the same. Seems pretty weak. Moved her to front room. Can do something for her. Ned made me a visit there today. Nice boy. Mr. Munro writes that W. is better and behaving well and H. is a “circus”. Miss Wilson has a cold like mine, but it seems to make her feel worse.

WEA. WED. APRIL 19, 1893 THER.

Cloudy – windy
M. slept late but feels bright. Miss Wilson complains of feeling cold in her thighs – inside – other wise better. Mother C.’s a little better towards night with mustard plaster did her good and lime water in boiling hot water. Doctor says a glass of cold water would bring on jastric---- fever. Letter from Mary. One from Walter says his other ear has broken in night and his eyes are weak.

WEA. THURSDAY 20 THER.

Blizzard – wet
M. somewhat bilious---- and does not feel quite so well but Dr. says it is nothing serious. Dreadful day – Bertie would rather live in Cal. On hard tack than here in finest fare, C. has toothache. Trying to get buttermilk and can not. Letter from Mrs. Numno and from Bertha. C. got some arbutus---- of a boy on the street. Cars --?--- in frequently this evening, but I came home.
Sunny, windy
Better than yesterday but bad enough. Marjorie is rather at a standstill. Waited all day taking little milk, for her buttermilk. Bertie could not get buttermilk so bought cream and a churn and made it. His mother much better. C. took lunch there. I am so tired. Wrote to Walter.

Clear
M. is getting hungry, the bilious state is passing. Doctor says she can have tomato soup and all the buttermilk she wants. I feel just miserable – ache all over and my head and throat feel like a mass of inflammation. Too tired for anything away. I came home – C.’s mother improves. Wrote to Laura.

Clear most of day
Went to the other house, tho’ protesting inwardly. Got dinner but staid only long enough to clear up. C. went there in the afternoon. Miss Wilson went to church. Her brother made her a visit. I took a nap – don’t sleep so much but it one some. Doctor came says M. will be well in ten days so we can John has some d.

Wet snow, blow
Miserable day – Marjorie better and more hungry – She eat up a little while but was taken with a fit of vomiting about noon. I think it was either too much food or the soup disagreed. She felt well enough to eat a in half an hour. I went to mother C.’s and found her on the lousy. She talks of going to work again but that is all folly. I feel much better. Letter from cousin Mary.

Clear – wind
C. gone to St. Paul. Marjorie feels better but not much appetite. About dinner time I took something up and Miss Wilson brought her to the hall and set her down. She looks so thin and unlike herself. I did not see it so plainly before. I shouldn’t know her in any other place. Still she is better. So soon too. Hair cropped. Mother C. better. My tapestry panel came.

Blizzard
Such a bad snowy out, blowy day. I staid at home and found M. is doing well, says she has cut a tooth. MissW. Smashed her hand and says she has stopped pealing. She looks fair and soft but so thin and pathetic. I can’t get over it. We had a little
fright about into colors of her forehead and I went into her room and while there held her a little. Changed dress etc. after and did not see much of John.

**WEA.**

**THUR. APRIL 27, 1893**

**THER.**

Warmer

C. came home before I was up – reports as bad a day in St.Paul and Minn. as here yesterday. The children are so glad to see him and H. so demonstrative. They will be spoiled I fear. Walter is slightly deaf, but the doctor says it will go away when his ear is quite well. Mother C. back in bed but no worse.

**WEA.**

**FRIDAY 28**

**THER.**

Fair

Arbor day but not much tree planting here. Things are looking well. M. is a hungry girl now. She stood at the window as I came home and though she would --? smile she s--?ed quickly. Letter from Walter.

**WEA.**

**SAT. APRIL 29, 1893**

**THER.**

Clear

A very pleasant day. M. looks more and more natural. I went early to mother C.’s and made buttermilk (and butter), cleaned up some too. Met Will and Mary in the car coming home. Have scarcely thought it was my birthday. C. got some candy for me. A letter from Laura came to her mother – the nicest I ever know her to write.

**WEA.**

**SUNDAY 30**

**THER.**

Fair

45˚

C. went with me to his mother’s and we walked all the way – I got dinner as fast as possible and hurried home to get M.’s but I was too late. It was just as well. The doctor came this evening and said M. was quite well and could go down stairs when we pleased and even out doors. So we are planning the next stage.

**WEA.**

**MON. MAY 1, 1893**

**THER.**

Wet dismal

Miss Wilson discovered a powdery stuff on M.’s arms and back and thought perhaps we had better delay letting her come down. So after making some preparations for fun gathering, we stopped and I went to mother C.’s and cooked up some things for Bertie to last a few days. I don't think M. is “peeling”.

**WEA.**

**TUESDAY 2**

**THER.**

Rain and snowy

Let Miss Wilson go about 10:30. M. had a bath before that and I took her into my room and dressed her in clean clothes. This afternoon I prepared somewhat and the ---?fumigating-----? was done. It wasn’t anything like such an affair as we had been told. There was no smell in the sitting room and after four or five hours we went right into the rooms – tho’ we didn't stay. We burned 2 additional pounds 6 pounds in all. C.’s another out so well.
WEA.

CLOUDY – snow

We opened the --?furnigated------? rooms this morning. The ?sulphulinyers---? But did not fade or tarnish a thing. Jennie and I – (C. part of this time) worked all day cleaning them. Wiped every part M.’s room with wet poisoned cloth and sopped the flours/ It is thoroughly done. M. very good but a little tired of staying alone. Letter from Mary. Mamma has been sick.

WEA.

THURSDAY 4

Clear

M. was with John some today. They were both out of doors and could with difficulty be kept apart. But I’m sorry I let them be together. I wiped M.’s rug on both sides with poison water and we did the spare rooms and part of my room. The weather is so good I fear it won’t last. I’m airing from every window.

WEA.

FRI. MAY 5, 1893

Clear

Trying to get a man to work. C. gave up this A.M. but at noon saw one at Mrs. Allen’s and engaged him. M. seems none the worse for going out doors. But I have a feeling that she is not done “peeling”. Her face ?—falluns but her --? lye or eye or legs-- spindling and weak and she walks as if they were wooden. Still she will not be down and wants to be about all the time. Says she is not tired.

WEA.

SATURDAY 6

Clear

Another charming day. M. is out a great deal and it does not seem to hurt her. I wrote for her a letter to Ellen and I wrote to Walter. Mr. Munro says his right ear still receives daily treatment. We had a man “John” at work all day beating carpets and putting them down. Got a great deal done. C. worked all forenoon too. We put down sitting room carpet after dinner.

WEA.

SUN. MAY 7, 1893

Clear

58”

Such lovely days. Mary and Will and Ned came this afternoon. C. took the card down this afternoon. John is so fond of being out doors he is very hard to manage. M. enjoys Ned so much. W. saw a ship “Jas Fisk Jo” start out but it stuck fast in the ice about opposite 15th ave. We called at C.’s mother and I got dinner for B. They were in good spirits I thought.

WEA.

MONDAY 8

Clear

Frost last night. We are getting on. M. is out of doors nearly all day and is getting fatter and stronger. We haven’t quite finished the cleaning down to the front door but are decent. Letter from Mary – Mamma is better and Bertha and Mr. Buckman
are engaged! All are pleased. C. had a call from Mrs. Davis. John has been with me 2 days.

**W.E.A. TUES. MAY 9, 1893 T.E.R.**

Clear

Warm

Had bedding washed and I picked to pieces the mattress M. slept on and scalded the hair. Have aired and aired the house but when the windows are closed it smells of ---?---Cor.Inblunato--- Had Ned come home this afternoon. Both children pleased – particularly M. She is fairly devoted to Ned.

**W.E.A. WEDNESDAY 10 T.E.R.**

Rainy

Let John come up stairs since we are so nearly settled. Have felt it hard to keep at work today. Went to another C.’s this afternoon for w\’awhile. The girls were out so I spent the evening drying the hairs of W’s mattress around the stove till nearly midnight. Thunder storms coming on. 14 vessels passed. Mr.Munro says W. can come any time as his ear will probably heal in a day or two. Letter from Emma B. been very sick.

**W.E.A. THUR. MAY 11, 1893 T.E.R.**

Foggy

rather warm

Wind from S.W. blows ice out of lakes – John sick this morning, vomiting in night – fever and diarrhea. Fever all day – 103 this evening – Slept a good deal. Think he has taken cold but fear scarlet fever. Bertie and his mother came this afternoon. Ella and J. cleaned their room and did dinning room rug.

**W.E.A. FRIDAY 12 T.E.R.**

Cloudy – rain

John is so dull from 103˚ - sleeps in our arms or on the bed – has more rash all over his body – scratches his hands and chest and rubs feet together. Doctor Ritchie came - can’t tell what he has but thinks it may be cold teething or German measles. John seemed to enjoy the doctor and put out his tongue very well for him tho’ he would not for me. Wrote to Mary. John vomits about once in 12 hours – takes almost no milk. I gave him castoria.

**W.E.A. SAT. MAY 13, 1893 T.E.R.**

Clearing

Bertie left for Montanna this P.M. It was perfectly lovely as I looked out on the lake about six. Not a bit of ice where a week ago it was solid except for two small openings. I went down town to see the doctor but he was out. C. went this evening but he wanted to wait till morning. Says John is not very sick – sure he has neither S.fever . pneumonia or measles. But the baby has slept all day, --?rousing early----- for water etc. breathes hard and has 102” to 108”.
SUNDAY  14  
Fair
60˚
John seems a little better but has a miserable catarrh. His nose has to be wiped as often as his mouth has to be watered. Otherwise he sleeps and apnts as before. The doctor saw him and says I may call it German measles. We walked a little this afternoon. The ice was coming back toward the harbor for a while. Will and Mary called this evening. Patches of sun still. C. chained off his.

MON.  MAY 15, 1893  
Clear
Poor John is no better but rather worse. His breathe is very bad to smell and the pillow cases are all spotted whenever he lies with the watery matter from nose, eyes and mouth, particularly the first. His tonsils are a good deal swollen and his throat sore inside. Dr. Ritchie came this afternoon and said the throat was sore bit it did not look like diphtheria. I gave him castoria tonight and a drop or two of whiskey to a teaspoon of milk. He does not take more than 3 Tablespoons of milk a day.

TUESDAY  16  
Clear
I thought John was a little better this morning – hard to tell. Gave him a bath in tub which he liked for a little while. Think he breathes a little easier, but breathe smells very putrid. C. says Mrs. Davis told him they had all had this disease, so John must have got it there. He swallows better but his voice is weak. Wrote to Mary, Larry and Bertha. Finished making over the mattress – pretty well done I think.

WED.  MAY 17, 1893  
Clear
71˚
I was down town. Poor baby is more lethargic than ever – and only moves when disturbed, pays no attention when I to him, tho’ he seems to understand when once I have his attention – makes no sound but when much troubled a tiny wheezy cry or an afterthought at mam. His mouth parched, blistered, bloody and slimy from a little breath a trifle less putrid, eyes glued up, exudations rather less. Takes more milk and swallows pretty well if not hurried.

THURSDAY  18  
Clear – wind
John was rather restless and coughed oftener than usual in the night this not hard. This morning his mouth was one fester inside, dreadful. He scarcely opens his eyes. When bathed seemed to be in the sorry lethargic state as when on the bed except that he held to the side of the tub. Tried twice to suck his fingers. Temp. 103° before and after bath but he breathed better after bath, we used the atomizer to clear out his nose and mouth. Oh it was so foul but it did him good. The doctor came at noon
and again this evening. We fear the worst. Mary came and took M. ---?------- with her as Will goes to St. Paul.

**WEA.**

**FRI. MAY 19, 1893**

**THER.**

Clear morning. Cold wind --?—canbun---- hazy --?soewing------.

We sat up all night with little John the doctor staying too. He did not muse at all – could not swallow even during the day and whiskey and water were used to moisten his lips. His breathing was no worse and he seemed strong but the doctor had no hope. I think after he felt his pulse His temperature was continually 103°. Oh it was hard to see him. But he fell asleep so quietly about 4 A.M. I was thankful to see his peace and loveliness. The Dr. advised having the funeral today so we made all arrangements and had it at four P.M. Mary Bennett was here. Mr. Billson and Mr. Wanlus besides Dr. Huntley. The first two brought flowers. John looked so lovely and fair. Dr. R. calls his disease German measles complicated with pneumonia but confesses he does not know what it was. After we came home Ned was put to bed with a cold and some sore throat.

Note: {The Saturday 20 preprinted line has a line drawn through it so I think she wrote in one long time frame. Perhaps she truly had the 19th and 20th roll into one day; as it were, considering the death and funeral planning. DKN}

**WEA.**

**SUN. MAY 21, 1893**

**THER.**

Cloudy

Yesterday was such a windy bad day so were thankful little John was laid away when he was. Dr. came to see Ned but could not tell what ailed him his temperature being from 99½ to 101 and his throat not bad – slight undeveloped rash. I was very nervous over the verdict which he gave this morning at ten – scarlet fever. So John must have had it too and that tears my heart. We have spent the day tearing up and preparing for another siege.

**WEA.**

**MONDAY 22**

**THER.**

Fair

Ned is in M.’s room. We slept off that and the bathroom with sheets. C. slept there last night. I came up before breakfast. Ned feels pretty well so that he is afraid he may have it again. Though slightly sore eyes not orally weak tho’ they seemed so yesterday. Used the peroxide --?---f---g---le--- atomizer. Has so little --?—ta---it would hardly be noticeable ordinarily. The rash is bright on the body but more skattering on limbs and little cough and itches. Likes lemonade, but takes only a few swallows of milk.

**WEA.**

**TUES. MAY 23, 1893**

**THER.**

52°

Miss Wilson came this morning as C. and the doctor object to my taking care of Ned tho’ I want to do it. C. said I might. Ned is doing well and --?---oelishus-------hot milk salted. His temperature is not over 102° and seldom that. Letter from Edward
about M.’s sickness – Dr. called late this evening. Ned was asleep. He says M.’s entirely beyond relapse.

**WEA.**

**WEDNESDAY 24**

Cloudy

Ned slept well and his temperature 99° this morning. He does not look at all sick and wants egg and toast etc but does not get it. Marjorie is a comfort she is very loving and continually speaks of John. Said last night “I wish John was here”. I said we could think of him and all the pretty ways he had. But she said “It is better to see him doing them than to remember it – I wish God would make him over again”.

**WEA.**

**THUR. MAY 25, 1893**

Partly cloudy

Letter from Bertha –enclosing Alfred. Ned’s temperature was normal this morning and 99 this afternoon. His nose runs rather more than it did. He had a bath. His tongue does not look as bad as M.’s. Marjorie was so anxious I had to take a walk with her to get some flowers. We found a fern. I saw Mrs. Moor. Talked with Mrs. Davis. I don’t like the children to play together but the Dr. thinks it no harm.

**WEA.**

**FRIDAY 26**

Cloudy

Hard to keep M. in and away from the Davis’s. Ned’s temperature normal. The more we study the fever and read the more we think John must have had it and that M. was allowed to come down too soon. Frost last night. Letter from Mamma and Mary.

**WEA.**

**SAT. MAY 27, 1893**

Cloudy – some rain

Ned’s temperature normal all day. He seems well in every way except a slight sore throat and ____?catarrh______. His rash is disappearing and his neck swelling is scarcely perceptible. W. gave him some toast this morning and evening and milk often. He looks thisn. Mrs. Callalrn called and later Dr. and Mrs. Huntley who did not come in. Letter from Mr. van Ivan.

**WEA.**

**SUNDAY 28**

Clear wind showers

Ned’s temperature normal. He does not peel except the little bit on his ear the other day. Will and Mary made a call on the piazza. Mrs. Stevenson is back and says her little girl did have scarlet fever she ____?disquamated______ even after getting to Lopeka. C. feels as if he never wanted to hear of her again – but I blame that Dr. Alda. Dr. Ritchie called says Ned has begun to peel. May dress tomorrow.
M. complained of pain in her stomach or bowels this morning but felt well enough to go after flowers with her grandma. It seems to me I feel hearies heartened every day. Ned is up and very lively – feeling well. Windows open all day.

Miss Wilson took cold yesterday in draft and has quite a sore throat. Ned seems all right. Eats well, 3 or 4 slices of toast, glass of milk and baked apple at a meal besides orange or lemonade between times. C. took us out to East Duluth this afternoon – very pleasant; did us good, warm cold wind large drifts of icy snow in Liechius gulch, near lake. Got plenty of flowers.

Miss Wilson better, C. says Ned was not quite so well yesterday. Thinks he was tired. Wants to go out doors today. Saw him sitting in the window. Fears he is out careful enough. His temperature was 1001/2 this afternoon and he had a swelling under his right jaw.

C. and Marjorie and I went out to the cemetery this afternoon to arrange for sodding etc. Ned is all right again today and more care is shown. Miss W. was out a little while. Letter's from Aunts C. and L. and Mrs. Heermans. I made a collar to my cape out of hood.

Went down town this A.M. and got hat. Wrote letter to mamma, Miss Haine, Mr. Van Ivan. Marjorie is spending the day with Ned and they are very happy. Mr. Billman is to come home today.

No washing today. Ned seems to have taken a little cold – perhaps. His jaw is swollen near where it was before. Tired too, I think temp. 100 this evening. Finished M.’s checkered silk - am pretty tired. Case of scarlet fever in the Home.
Foggy
Ned better but stays in bed. The doctor came about six – says he is doing well. We slept badly last night and I took a good nap today. Sun out a little while toward evening. Miss Wilson’s brother came.

Cloudy – windy
Ned better still. Miss Wilson’s eyes looked very swollen and weak. Ned has Applinaries water. Marjorie spent the afternoon with him. Letter from Mary Lorrey.

Note: (Nothing was written - blank)

Warm – summery
Mother C. said she did not suppose it ever got so warm here as it is today. C. put on summer underwear and M. a thin dress.

Warm
We have heard that Mr. A. Bailey disappeared last night – left his house at 630 and has not been seen since. D. and D. think he has committed suicide. Has business troubles and has not slept lately. I have begun sewing on M.’s apron – had Jennie help me. I went down town.

Clear. Thunder storm and hail last night.
Busy evening. Miss Wilson took a walk. Ned is very good and patient. M. played a great deal with the other children neighbor – though I don’t approve of it. Mrs. Davis even sent Merila into our kitchen to borrow the morning paper. Claims Frederick has German measles. Will came to go down town with C.

Clear
Sewed all day till 4:30. Then M. and I walked and got some apple blossoms. Will here this evening. Ned still feeling well. A boat was found about two miles from here with a Macintosh like Mr. Bailey’s – but the family do not think that proves his drowning.
SUNDAY 11
Clear – cold.
Dried enough. Furnace smokes so we can’t warm up except by grate. Ned feels well but it seems to me he is slow about it. For dinner he had 4 slices of bread and butter, a large cup of chocolate and half a glass of milk, a slice of bread and gravy and even mashed potatoes and a baked apple.

MON. JUNE 12, 1893
Clear
Went down town got a Waterbury watch for Ned $1.19 and he is delighted. Got a bottle of ginger champagne for C.’s birthday and nothing else. But M. had a little party for C. after dinner. Letter from aunt Louise and from mamma. B. to be married in Oct. They --?--- it sure. Mr. Bailey drowned.

TUESDAY 13
Clear
Warm
Down town again to dressmaker’s. Served this afternoon. Planted nasturtium seeds. Miss Wilson’s brother called on her.

WED. JUNE 14, 1893
Clear – foggy - cool
C. has gone – started East – can’t bear to have him go. Ned is getting toward the end of his desgeramation and is eager to go out. Sewed and with help of Jennie and Mother C. got a good deal done. It feels lonesome in the house already. M. and I planted a little birch she found today.

THURSDAY 15
Clear
cool
Sewed all day but M.’s sewing is all done. Don’t feel quite so lonesome today as I had expected partly because the weather is bright. M. is getting willful and peevish and hard to please. Hope it is nothing but indigestion. Ned getting thro’ with his peeling.

FRI. JUNE 16, 1893
Clear
Very warm
Began my silk blouse. M. has been so good and merry – so different from yesterday. She went down town with Ella and E. got her a parasol. I went down to the dressmaker’s. Letter from Walter. Musquitos very bad.

SATURDAY 17
Clear
Warm
Finished my blouse and think it will be satisfactory. Went with Marjorie to the lake after dinner. Letter from Mrs. Soydam.
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- D---?---ct day – headache. Wrote to C.
- Bad forest fires north - --?large--- towns burnt. I went down town today. Letter from C. M. spent the day with Ned and they had a very gay time. Miss W's brother called on her.
- M. and I went out to Forest Hill this morning. Pretty warm but a cool breeze. The garden has not done just as we wished but it is nearly right. Ned gets so tired of staying in. He is alone about finishing up but seems perfectly well and is pretty --?busy--- in his cage - --?odling--- etc. from the windows.
- We spent the forenoon in a trip to Superior. It was very pleasant. Took two ferries. Had two letters from C. Telegram came this evening for Billson and Congdon but I told the boy to go to the office.
- Ned’s foot looks as though it would be several days yet before he finished. A telegram came asking --?hin--- Miss W. would be free. Replied if urgent she might go at once. Hope however it can wait awhile. Ms. Dutton called. I was down town this A.M. Took M. Put up awning by kitchen door. Sewed a good deal. Am tired. Nasturtiums coming up.
- Telegram came for Miss W. telling her to come first train. It was dated 23rd but reached here after 4 so she went on 11 o’clock train. Ned pleased because he thinks he will have more liberty. I put up extra barriers today. Letter from C. Don’t feel first rate.
WEA.  SUNDAY 25  THER.
Cloudy – rain shower  Warm
M. is spending the day in Ned’s room and they are very good. I have had little to do with them. Did a little cooking this A.M. Have been in Ned’s room only to carry kettle of hot water and prepare a foot bath for him. A telegram for Billson and Congdon.

WEA.  MON. JUNE 26, 1893  THER.
Clear  68˚ at 8 A.M.
Went to doctor’s but Dr. Ritchie had not returned and Dr. McGiffert seemed uncertain what to do - so was I but Ned wants to get out of the room. I took one dress skirt to get the pocket made. I changed my dress and went into Ned’s room to sweep and make his bed.

WEA.  TUESDAY 27  THER.
Clear  56˚ and upward
M. went down town with her grandma and I fussed around at home. I looked after Ned. Have to read Uncle Tom’s Cabin to him a good deal. He is good but does want to get out. I went in a little today and made his bed but did not stay. Letter from C. and from Mrs. Busha.

WEA.  WED. JUNE 28, 1893  THER.
Clear  56˚
Dr. Ritchie called this morning and said Ned might come out and play with other children, but in as much as his feet are still peeling and it is not clear that that state is not due to scarlet fever, I shall keep him by himself. It was pretty hard to manage him after he was out doors but he did not get beyond bounds. Letter from Laura.

WEA.  THURSDAY 29  THER.
Fair  Cool
I went down town this A.M. and called at the Health Office. Dr. R. had not been there. They went up before 2P.M. and fumigated Ned’s room and the bathroom. Ned went to walk with his Grandma and was also sent to the greenhouse for some parsnip plants. Blistered N’s feet. Letter from Walter.

WEA.  FRI. JUNE 30, 1893  THER.
Foggy – hard showers  Cool
Will and Mary called. He returned this A.M. Thought C. would be here tomorrow morning. Letter from Mr. Numan. Mary says Aunt C. will not be ready for us before the 12th. Ned in the house nearly all day but not in his own room much. Grandma got her hat. I cleaned Ned’s room.
SAT. JULY 1, 1893
THER.

Warm

No electric light yet. Ned and M. play on the shop roof make dandelion chains and are contented. No C. yet.

Chester walked in about four o’clock to my surprise. Is well but tired. Had --G--- Richford to Chicago. We called at the Bennett’s – saw Grace M.

SUN. JULY 2
THER.

WEA.
Lovely

In the house all day – headache.

MONDAY 3
THER.

Clear

Wrote to Aunt Carrie with questions about out going.

TUES. JULY 4, 1893
THER.

Rain

The rainiest 4th we ever saw but the two children have been firing away diligently with crackers and torpedoes and have been very happy. Will made a call in the evening and we played twenty questions. Fumigated some clothes in Ned’s closet with 6 pounds S.

WEDNESDAY 5
THER.

(nothing written)

THUR. JULY 6, 1893
THER.

Clear – cloudy

Had Ella wash blankets and some clothes, as some of us go tomorrow. C. feels his burdens. His mother talks about not going to E. Am packing. Sulphur affected M.’s dark blue blouse --?set?----, black cotton stockings and the black lining of my gernadine. Later letter from Mary – says they can’t be ready for us before Monday.

FRIDAY 7
THER.

Fog

Rained in the night. Card taken off by Health Officer today. Went down town. Great sum on fruit jars at Dan and Wat. Called at Mary’s. She will go with us Monday.

SAT. JULY 8, 1893
THER.

Clear

Worked hard at getting Ned’s room and bathroom etc. cleaned – with Jennie’s help and also nearly made pair of pants for Ned. His feet look almost well but I don’t want him to go down before next Fri. Mr. Munuro telegraphed and wrote to know if we --id--- call at M. for the children. Thinks it --evident-- be worth while for
them to go on Monday as they think they can only go once. C. telegraphed we (would) w’d start Sunday evening and Will is to telegraph his mother. So we are hurrying.

**WEA.**

**SUNDAY 9**

**THER.**

Telegram from Mr. M came saying they could not even get ready. C, gone down town. Later - I am to go in the train – get children at --?Thuaeds-- --??-----, W., Marjorie, Mary and Ella went at 4:50 today. The Bennett’s here at dinner.

**WEA.**

**MON. JULY 10, 1893**

**THER.**

Started at 9 A.M. for Minneapolis – changed cars at 2:30 at White Bear reached Minneapolis about 3:30 and found Mr. and Mrs. Munro and the children at the depot. Walter looks very well – almost handsome and was glad to see me a full of talk. H look very pretty and is so sparkling. After a nice tea we started at 7:30 for Chicago. Mr. Jas Pouge on.

**WEA.**

**TUESDAY 11**

**THER.**

Arrived in Evanston about eleven – i.e. at the house Aunt C. is not settled. I suppose we ought not to have hurried her so much. Children happy to meet. W. asked so much for M. wished eln had come to Minneapolis. This place is beautiful. Mrs. Heerman’s called with Mrs. Little and Mrs. Dering.

**WEA.**

**WED. JULY 12, 1893**

**THER.**

Clear

We went to the Fair – the two Marys, mother C. and I. The children made a fuss about my going but aunt C. said they were good during the day. We took the C. Columbus at Chicago. Delightful site. Beautiful Buildings – good lunch, all tired returning. Gone from 8:30 – till nearly 7P.M. Saw Viking.

**WEA.**

**THURSDAY 13**

**THER.**

Threatening

Mary Louise went to Chicago today – came home very tired. I have been getting unpacked and wanted to things. There is a new gas stove and other new arrangements. Ella is melting away but does well. Marjorie is so --?esttas----- and rough. What shall I do with her! Both children going with little on.

**WEA.**

**FRI. JULY 14, 1893**

**THER.**

Fair

The storms last night only spoiled it for a little while.

We all slept this afternoon except the children. Letter from C. I feel pretty tired. W. made me feel troubled by naughty talk at night but was so sorry and cried that I felt much better after. M. is so noisy, --?--- and restless.
WEA. SATURDAY 15 THER.
Fair
Not quite so warm.
The two Marys and Walter went to the Fair by boat at 8:25. I took M. down to get some bread before breakfast and lost my way so was late. To my surprise Chester and Ned walked in while I was laying plans for the day. N. looks very well. They two and Mother C. went to the Fair after lunch. Walter was disappointed when he got home and found Ned away.

WEA. SUN. JULY 16, 1893 THER.
Slightly cooler, showers
C. says he burned 72 lbs. of --?surfslium----. Could smell it when he got within 200 ft. of the house. Walter lay awake as long as he could – but it was pretty late when C.’s party came home. Then W woke up and said “Hello”. Thank you Ned? Good and they whispered half the night.

WEA. MONDAY 17 THER.
Chester took his mother, Mary and the boys and M. to the Fair. They had a very good time but when they reached home about 7:30 Mother C. looked as if she would be sick. Mr. Congdon from Butte came to fine C.

WEA. TUES. JULY 18, 1893 THER.
Warm
Mary and the boys and I went by boat with C this A.M. and came home this evening by rail about midnight. It was too much for the others after yesterday’s trip – but we saw a good deal. Electric fountains lovely. Copenhagen ware and Russian icon beautiful.

WEA. WEDNESDAY 19 THER.
All resting today. Mary goes every day to her Library --?asapciation---(aspertion?).

WEA. THUR. JULY 20, 1893 THER.
Chester took the two girls – I asked H if she was tired on her return. She did not look so and exclaimed, “Had three naps!” Grandma went too. Let Ella go with girl next door. She came home about 9 with sick headache. Doesn’t want to go again.

WEA. FRIDAY 21 THER.
Warm
Feel bad in my head today, cross in consequence and C. looks and acts glum. Probably reflex of my mood. He went to Chicago. We still look for Bertie and for Will. Let children bathe in Lake this afternoon.
SAT. JULY 22, 1893

Clear

Mrs. Will sick – nervous attack – came on about breakfast time. Dr. Brayton came. C. wanted me to go to Fair and feared this attack would prevent; but C. got his mother to look after Mary and she put off going last till tomorrow, so we sent and had a good time. Coming home on boat - here about 12.

SUNDAY 23

Clear

Went to church with Charlie and May – took Helen who was very good. Sat in Mr. Munro’s pew. C. took his mother to Chicago for the 3:30 train for Rochester. Mrs. Will all right today. The Munro’s called.

MON. JULY 24, 1893

Clear

Bertie came about breakfast time. Then C. and I and --? Went to Chicago to meet the Munro’s and went to the Fair with them. Mrs. M not very well but we saw a good deal. Forestry – Anthropology etc., very hard on account of heat.

TUESDAY 25

Clear

All resting today except Bertie and the two Marys. They reported a cool day at the fair and a very gay time on the --?Plaisance ------?—iy--- the camel and donkey etc.

WED. JULY 26, 1893

Some Cloud

So pleasant that C. and I and the Munros besides Bertie went to the Fair. Mrs. M. had a bad turn but took a wheeled chair. Agricultural building very fine. Streets of Cairo great fun. Children a good deal of trouble at home but we managed quite right.

THURSDAY 27

Cool

The Munros, B. Chester and Marjorie went – M. at least had a good time. The boys went with B. They are not one easily contented. Expect too much attention. Still they might be worse. I called on Mrs. Merwin with Helen.

FRI. JULY 28, 1893

Some Cloud

Aunt C. and I went besides the visitors. Spent about 21/2 hours in Art Gallery very warm there did not get nearly through House for dinner. C. took care of the
children. Charlie has left his land in Transportation Building. We tried Costa Rica coffee – not very nice.

**WEA.**

**SATURDAY 29**

**THER.**

Cool

The Munro’s are going tonight also B. I took boys on 1 P.M. train and met the others at Fair Grounds about 3. We (were) about together awhile on Plaisance with M.’s. Then with B. in Star Building and to Marin café’. He asked Ned to go with him up to --?---Lavess City and tho’ the child was not fit in appearance I let him go. C. and W. and I saw fireworks. House at 12.

**WEA.**

**SUN. JULY 30, 1893**

**THER.**

Cool A.M.

As we went to bed last night Mary came and told C. that some thief had entered house yesterday and taken her pin and aunt C.’s watch and purse from their bedroom between 10 A.M. and 2:30 or 3 P.M. Must have come in front door. Charlie did not come till after dinner today. He is doing nothing now.

**WEA.**

**MONDAY 31**

**THER.**

Cool

Aunt C., Mrs. Will, W., C., and I went to the Fair – also Charlie spent most of time in Art Gallery. Mary saw everything and Aunt C. --?---ouly the German and Belgium and I saw about half. W. and C. staid this evening for the Buffalo Bill Wild West show. We were (gone) from 6:30 to nearly 10 getting home.

**WEA.**

**TUES. AUG. 1, 1893**

**THER.**

Clear

Mary’s first day the the Library. She felt pretty tired – has to start at 7:38 and gets home after six. C. went alone to the Fair. I took children to Lake twice and tried to sketch.

**WEA.**

**WEDNESDAY 2**

**THER.**

Cool

Washing day. I made my arrangements for the day early and we had an early breakfast so C. and I went to the Fair. --?----Survey of Art Gallery and Manufacture Built a fine things and came home to 6 o’clock dinner. The neighbor Dr. Dyche is very sick with carbuncle. Letter from Bertha. Burglar took M.’s purse Sat. and C.’s studs I think.

**WEA.**

**THUR. AUG. 3, 1893**

**THER.**

Warm

Packed and settled up accounts. Charlie came before we left. Said goodbyes the Naswalls and Cousin Ella as well as the Bennetts. Will sent word he was not coming at all. His mother felt very bad. She wants some one to lean upon. We had plenty of room in the train – 5:50 from Chicago. Mr. Nurphin was on.
WEA. FRIDAY 4 THER.
Clear Warm 80°?
We arrived in Duluth about 8:55 A.M. Found it very warm but dry. House all right – not smelling very strong – now very dusty. C. took off his coat. Ella cleaned floors and we got all the carpets down and our three bedrooms in order and things looking comfortable. Will was here at lunch and dinner but went to St. Paul tonight. They are moving at office. Mr. and Mrs. Allen came for a few minutes.

WEA. SAT. AUG. 5, 1893 THER.
Partly cloudy Cold wind
Got parlor in order and cleaned and dusted some. Took H. to Kirst’s. We are pretty comfortably started. Some of the food tastes of sulphur – new pudding for instance. Children sleep so well. But the house seems lonesome. Mrs. Billson called. Mr. Parkliness is very sick – Dr. Davis says thinks it is tuberculosis.

WEA. SUNDAY 6 THER.
Clear Cool
Ela was the only one to go to church. She had a fright last night. About midnight she saw and heard a man walking around the house outside. So she came up and sat on the stairs and C being wakeful and wanting to read –?---rly stepped on her going down. Had her sleep in spare room.

WEA. MON. AUG. 7, 1893 THER.
Clear Cool
Busy cleaning up still and putting away things. The house seems lonesome and one seems sometimes intolerable. Ella washing. I mended kitchen screen – got lunch. C. has cold yet. Mrs. Chappell left card.

WEA. TUESDAY 8 THER.
Partly cloudy Warm
Busy scrubbing up faucets etc. and am tired. Old bread, oatmeal etc. taste of sulphuric acid and every thing made of them is extremely unpleasant to C. and me. C. feels poor. No news from Ned. Flies bad.

WEA. WED. AUG. 9, 1893 THER.
(nothing written)

WEA. THURSDAY 10 THER.
Went down town this forenoon and as I was coming up the hill having walked home Bertie and Ned got off the car. They have had a fine time.
 Finished H's uniform? out and returned the pattern to Mrs. Allen this evening.

Will was here today but returned this evening. Every body feels and talks poor. I've been helping in the kitchen as it is washing day. It seems to agree with me to work about the house.

Wrote Gramma and Aunt Carrie and cousin Ella. For lunch with C. Ella took the girls with her. We walked home. The city looks well. The grasshoppers do not trouble the people below 8th or 9th Av. And up the hill. Here they eat every thing. Bertie went to see Mr. Parkhurst, Ned says he gets a headache every sunny or busy day. Mr. Barbow called but I did not see him.

I went in to see Mrs. Davis' new dress – shall try her dressmaker. This evening we called at the Billsons.

Went down town twice – saw dressmaker and took crepon there. In the evening C. and I called at Dr. Huntley's but they were out. C. bought carpet for office at $1.00 a yard – laid. Jennie returned this evening. Bertie helped take Mrs. Parkhurst to the hospital.

Have done little. Think yesterdays traipsing tired me. Bertie not feeling well. Mrs. W.E. Richard son and sister called.

Wrote to Bertha. Went with C. this forenoon to look at E. Duluth – hunt up survey stakes. He got quite used up but I did not walk so much – found berries and flowers – pleasant there. Falls not in the plat. This afternoon went down to see if I could get ribbon – failed. I saw C.'s carpet. Called at Mrs. Allen's.
**WEA.**

**WED. Aug. 23, 1893**

Rain last night
Went down town this afternoon – dressmaker not ready. Does not agree with --?--- to keep a nut the forenoon – ought to be lively then and rest in the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Field of Wellsboro, PA. took dinner with us. Bertie went to Traverse City.

**WEA.**

**TUESDAY 22**

Cloudy
It rained last night. I have not done much – mended Helen’s wagon, went to Jenny, called at Mary’s. Mrs. Davis and children have started on their trip.

**WEA.**

**MON. Aug. 21, 1893**

Threatening
I took the girls this afternoon to the cemetery and then we walked over to Lakeside and took car home – pretty tired. They walked very well. Dr. and Mrs. Huntley called after dinner and then Dr. Robinson. Sewed and mended this forenoon. The boys are fond of gong to Tischer creek.

**WEA.**

**WEA. **

**THURSDAY 24**

Cloudy
Rain in the night. Pickled some watermelon rinds, started plum jelly. Letter from mamma. C. says he must go west next week. We called by invitation of the Billsons to see Judge and Mrs. Dickinson. Liked them.

**WEA.**

**FRI. Aug. 25, 1893**

Clear
Finished plum jelly and spiced plums. The Huntley’s were here to dine. Very pleasant evening. C. enjoyed it. Took small walk with the girls.

**WEA.**

**FRIDAY 20**

Clear
Took W. and went to church. Had the other 8 go to Baptist S.S. This afternoon they --?---nped a good deal but managed to learn some verses. Will, Mary and Florence called. Bertie grows anxious to settle down talks about is age etc. Met Mrs. Stevenson evening but of church.

**WEA.**

**SAT. Aug. 19, 1893**

(nothing written)

**WEA.**

**FRIDAY 18**

Clear
Went to dressmaker’s etc. the Bennetts have returned.
SATURDAY 26

Clear

Fussing around the house. Found some towels etc. for Bertha.

SUN. AUG. 27, 1893

Clear

C. and I and the three older children went to church. Heard the sermon very well and enjoyed it. Dr. H gave hymn books to the boys and W. sang - thot he had to I suppose. We walked home. I rather suspect cause for my delay ed u but feel well.

MONDAY 28

Spent forenoon down town, trying to get shoes at the ½ price sale at Pauton and Watsons – got one pair at last. Mrs. Huntley was there. Walked both ways.

--?Saw----

and order for seeds to a Mr. Curtis.

TUES. AUG. 29, 1893

Warm

Walked down town with C. and it was so warm, proposed we should have our picnic. Got a library book. The Bennetts’ went with us on our picnic, but W. staid at house for some reason. We had a grand bonfire and saw the moon rise. I got pretty tired out – it was pleasant. Mrs. Buell called.

WEDNESDAY 30

Clear

C. and W. and I went down town and got a bicycle for the boys and a tricycle for the girls at half price at P. and Watsons. So many buying hardware there. C. left the house before one o’clock to go to Washington. I took a --?----gova nap this P.M. my library card cause from C.’s office.

THUR. AUG. 31, 1893

Partly cloudy

Felt decidedly squeamish before breakfast and just after. Went down town later – walked but rode back. Hope the nausea will not be very bad. Ned felt somewhat dizzy and sick and ate no breakfast. W. keeps the bicycle most of the time and travels far. Shall have to watch that Ned has justice.

FRI. SEPT. 1, 1893

Partly cloudy

65˚ Cool

Walked to Kiral’s and back feel no worse. Letter from C. shall write to him. Told E. I could pay her only 18, she agreed.

-----? Stricker of conductions and motomenum. ---
Took children to Mary's but they were just going down town. H. was naughty all the way home, then slept over an hour.

**WEA.**  **SAT. SEPT. 2, 1893**  **THER.**

Clear

Had curtains starched and pinned spare room pain on the floor. Went down town for the exercise but got so faint at Pan. And Wat. That I felt I could not walk home – took a bus at 10 as cars are not sunning. Gave up to the nausea twice today. Letter from C.

**WEA.**  **SUNDAY 3**  **THER.**

Warm

The cars are not running so I did not venture to church, especially as I feared I should have to come out before it was over. The boys had no breakfast being late and W. would not eat the slice of bread I offered him so he had a headache, but the others went to S.S. The Bennetts and Mr. Wardurel called in the afternoon. Roger Parkhurst has scarlet fever.

**WEA.**  **MON. SEPT. 4, 1893**  **THER.**

Warm

Bertie came at noon and this evening told me of his engagement to Mrs. McKinney. We had quite a talk. Her pictures are very attractive. Cars running – Labor day. Was at Mrs. Allen’s sometime this afternoon, took girls.

**WEA.**  **TUESDAY 5**  **THER.**

Cooler

School opened. I took Marjorie. She held pretty tight as long as I was with her, but by noon she was quite at home. Thinks the afternoon pretty long. Letter to Alice and Mrs. Munroe.

**WEA.**  **WED. SEPT. 6, 1893**  **THER.**

Went down town this A.M. and suffered considerably. Had to go into Spalding once and once up a back street to relieve myself. M. is pleased that she is in the A class. Letter to Mrs. Busha, Chester, and posted to Charlie.

**WEA.**  **THURSDAY 7**  **THER.**

Clear  Wind

After idling away a large part of the day and feeling very uncomfortable and distressed with nausea. I went to make a few calls about 4 P.M. Called at Mrs. J.J.C. Davis (out0, Mrs. Fredericks’s, Mrs. Crossly (out) and Mrs. Billson’s. The days are tiresome. I wrote to Babyhood about nausea. Agent was here has Tokology. Letter from Bertha. Letter from Chester.
WEA.  
**FRI. SEPT. 8, 1893**
Partly cloudy, windy,  
Feel a little better today. Is it the bath this morning? Went to Kirsl’s. Mrs. Allen called a little while. Letter from Mrs. Erving. Photograph of Joseph Herrmans.  
Started drawings for M. Makes me faint to work on machine. Suspect Mrs. Allen of my complaint.

WEA.  
**SATURDAY 9**
Fair  

WEA.  
**SUN. SEPT. 10, 1893**
Clear  
Took the girls to church. Met Mary in the car. Got through the service very well. Met Mr. Elmore; Mrs. Huntley’s father. Dr. H. asked me if he should make C. a trustee. Told him I could not advise. Bertie said go ahead. We walked home stopping at Mary’s to rest. Brought her home for dinner and the afternoon. Have felt very well.

WEA.  
**MONDAY 11**
Fog  
Did not have a good night and feel squeamish this morning. Went to Kerst’s and back.

WEA.  
**TUES. SEPT. 12, 1893**
Sent off B’s towels but rode down town as far as the Library and rode back. Bertie went to Minneapolis at noon. Mary came to dinner. Hard work to keep up till she went. Had to leave the table once.

WEA.  
**WEDNESDAY 13**
Fog  
Feel pretty bad. Staid on lousy and ate little – violent wretching, tried popcorn, staid down but did not taste good. B. came home. Bowels loose.

WEA.  
**THURS. SEPT. 14, 1893**
Rain  
Don’t feel much better today but am not nearly so nauseated. Have not been to table. So weak. B. wanted to get doctor. Wish C. was home. Letter from him.
WEA.  
FRIDAY 15 
THER.  

Go down to meals but take only soup or clam bouillon with only slice of toast and for breakfast a poached egg that seems to stay down pretty well but I have no end of a struggle with saliva and nausea.

WEA.  
SAT. SEPT. 16, 1893 
THER.  

So stupid. Will called this afternoon. After he had gone – Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Nollington came but I had given Jennie directions to excuse me as I was lying down – so she did and I was so sorry.

WEA.  
SUNDAY 17 
THER.  

A trifle better I think. Just manage to pass away the days. W. went with Bert’s church. Will and Mary came about supper time and supped with us. B. went to Dr. Robinson’s office and found that he had left town for a week.

WEA.  
MON. SEPT. 18, 1893 
THER.  

Warm  

No comfort in life. Mrs. Allen called and that did me good. Told her what ailed me. Diet still the same. Principally enough. Down town in car this morning – but did me no good. Could not go till heart stopped at overly action. Take some soda in water.

WEA.  
TUESDAY 19 
THER.  

Clear.  

Dr. Davis came in at B.’s request. Gave me a prescription. Think it helps. D. has begun after a lapse of two or three days. Partly put up some peach marmalade while Ella did jelly. Got too tired to finish. After lunch napped and then Mrs. Allen persuaded me to go to lake with her. Pleasant diversion but hard to get back. Met on return Mrs. J.C.Davis and rode with her till ex. Not hard this. I thot first I could not go.

WEA.  
WED. SEPT. 20, 1893 
THER.  

Feel somewhat tired and am doing nothing today. Painted some this afternoon.

WEA.  
THURSDAY 21 
THER.  

Rain and cloud  

Felt rather bad this A.M. Wrote short letters to M. Whitford and Mrs. Erving. C. came about one. Looks so well. So good to have him home.
FRI. SEPT. 22, 1893

THER.
cold

Clear

Felt pretty well this morning and went down town with C. He helped me do my shopping so I got through all right. Tired when I got home. Mrs. Bradley called for missionary money. I had forgotten it.

SATURDAY 23

THER.

Went to Mrs. Gilbert’s this evening – neighbor had card party – not the Wood’s from bakland. Staid all the evening to my surprise.

SUN. SEPT. 24, 1893

THER.

Bert’s boil on his nose which began yesterday is so much worse he is staying at home and nursing it. C. and I went to Will’s to dinner, had a very good time Miss White there. Does me good to get away and interested in something.

MONDAY 25

THER.

Don’t feel so well. B.’s nose pretty bad. He worries about — eyesipulas——

TUES. SEPT. 26, 1893

THER.

Still stupid and weak. Went to bed early as usual. B. still pretty bad and had both Dr. Graham and Dr. Davis

WEDNESDAY 27

THER.

C. told me this that his mother came last night after I went to bed. We called on the Huntley’s this evening. Pretty hard work for me.

THUR. SEPT. 28, 1893

THER.

Am wavering about going east. First I will not and then C. wants me to. Thinks it will do me good – I drift.

FRIDAY 29

THER.

B. much better — — ?lony—— tiresome work. He plans now to be married Tues. or Wed. morning and have me stop on my way east. He and C. plan — ?ignorously.

I am passive. Telegraphed to Mrs. McKinney to see if she could be ready. Mr. and Mrs. Allen called East by sickness of old Mr. Allen.
All busy but me – getting ready for B.’s wedding. He professes to be not in the least excited. Don’t think he is much.

B. left this afternoon for Traverse City. Think the wedding will be Thurs. morning – same day as Bertha’s. So I shall not see it – but I’ll make a call. Am feeling some what better and eating more. If it were not for this weakness I should not be very bad – my food seldom comes up.

C. and his mother, Helen and I start for Traverse City this afternoon and Mary comes to look after the children. I can’t get up much enthusiasm or strength tho I do feel better. C. is so good. Mother took plants up.

After four changes we arrived at Traverse about seven. I was nearly exhausted though the first part of the day was not hard. Bertie met us and after supper we went to call on the Gencondb’s very pleasant call and liked them well. C. drove back.

Traverse looks pleasant – good hotel – should like to stay awhile. Start at 11:05. Feel better than last night. C. worries some about letting me alone.

Arrived in Syracuse at 1:20 P.M. and surprised everybody. The necessity of looking out for my self was good for me, but I felt very tired by 3 or 4. Changed cars at Grand Rapids, Jackson and Buffalo – not at all as I expected but all right. Elmer here, he and B. calm and collected, packing trunks together. Wedding at 8 all in order, impressive and pretty but I’m sorry there were no flowers. They left at 10. John R. so good and helpful.

Wrote to C. Mamma sick on the I--?---y today. Mrs. Buckman here. She and Alice with a little of my help packed all B.’s silver and some other things. So many nice presents. The bridal couple drank from the Russ. Loving cup Mrs. Thomas lent.
Matri Donke and Bertha Falls out most of the day. Cousin Sophia and David called before taking the train.

**WEA. SATURDAY 7 THER.**

The visitors all left this A.M. John has enough to do. Alice looks pretty. Mamma is better. Called at the Whitford’s this evening.

**WEA. SUN. OCT. 8, 1893 THER.**

Mary went to church alone. This afternoon she made me some butter milk from some of the cream which had soured. We looked over notes and cards. The weather is lovely.

**WEA. MONDAY 9 THER.**

Clear

Wrote to C. I am feeling much stronger. Do not lie down much, --?own?-- Have so much palpitation. Eat well – too many grapes, tho’ they agree well enough. Mamma and Mary went to tea at Furman church so I got my own supper and read “Cranford”. I sleep some and do a fun things. Spit a great deal at times.

**WEA. TUES. OCT. 10, 1893 THER.**

Clear

Wrote to Mary in the forenoon.

**WEA. WEDNESDAY 11 THER.**

Clear

Washing day and Mrs. Cribbins here. I don’t feel so well being I think to a dose of Seidles Powders which would not stay down. Two letters from C.

**WEA. THUR. OCT. 12, 1893 THER.**

Clear

Mary making jelly and I helping a little. She has worked all day and is not through.

**WEA. FRIDAY 13 THER.**

Cloudy

I went to Hattis Klorir’s this afternoon – long call – pleasant. I can walk very easily now if I don’t go fast.

**WEA. SAT. OCT. 14, 1893 THER.**

Rain

High wind last night but it did not disturb me. Mamma still tired and not very well. Wants to go to the Fair.
SUNDAY 15
Cloudy
We have all --?---eatige or ratige---- today. I think I am feeling unusually well.
Reading Tale of Two Cities. Mamma not very well this A.M.

MON. OCT. 16, 1893
Cloudy
Letter from C. He is anxious for me to get home. I see. Good letter I wrote to him
and to Helen and Bertha this A.M. Feel pretty well.

TUESDAY 17
Got ticket and prepared to start home tomorrow. Mamma wants me to stay till next
week or at least one day more but I see I must get home.

WED. OCT. 18, 1893
Left at 12:20. Just out of Syr. The locomotive burst out cylinder head and we lost
two hours. Too late at Rochester for my train – arrived at Sus.Bridge about nine.
--?We or M--- decided what to do – finally went to International Hotel for night.

THURSDAY 19
Overslept – had just time to catch train for Hamilton. Too misty to see falls.
Changed at Hamilton for Toronto – to arrive there 10:25 A.M. Have to stay till 10:35
this evening - --?rather--- tire every going about alone, but I am getting on all
right. Telegraphed C. and wrote to Syr.

FRI. OCT. 20, 1893
Reached North Bay on time. Am pretty economical. Changed at Soo on time.
Scenery most of the way rather monotonous today and mild. Comfortable trains.
Have to visit the corner too often. Sleeping car only lady tonight.

SATURDAY 21
Clear and pleasant
Had long and restful night, glad to get to end of journey. C. met me at depot
10:45. Children took my arrival calmly but H. said she didn’t want me to go away
SUN. OCT. 22, 1893

Rested today. C. disappointed that I still have to lie down, but my journey has tired me. Maids rather neglectful and careless – C. out of patience with them. C. took children to walk and boys are eager to get a puppy they saw.

MONDAY 23

Feeling better but having headache. Can’t do much. C. went to St. Paul this evening.

TUES. OCT. 24, 1893

Am feeling better. Mary came from St. Pau; to pack her things yesterday. I took Helen and called there after having been down town. Rather too much for one day.

WEDNESDAY 25

C. home.

THUR. OCT. 26, 1893

(nothing written)

FRIDAY 27

May came this afternoon to stay nights the rest of the time.

SAT. OCT. 28, 1893

May came back after dinner but was away most of the day. I was down town this A.M.

SUNDAY 29

Clear

Went to church with C. and the two girls. May took Miss Stevenson. Like Mr. Thoburn but out as well as Dr. Huntley. C. left for St. Paul tonight.

MON. OCT. 30, 1893

Clear

May left me after breakfast. I did not go out till afternoon and then not far tho’ I have felt pretty well. W. came home from Gym with dislocated right elbow. Cried when he saw me but tho’ it hurt a good deal he soon felt better. Dr. Day at Gym --?eplaced---- it. Wrote Mary.
WEA.  TUESDAY 31  THER.
Clear
Charming day. Walked down town with C. about 2 ¼ miles all together. It was rather hard. Did not have air enough in my bedroom last night. Think that made me faint and weak this A.M. Dr. Davis called to see W.’s arm. All right but swelled a good deal.

WEA.  WED. NOV. 1, 1893  THER.
Clear
A blizzard is predicted for tomorrow but it is lively today. Still I don’t feel very blooming. W. and I covered jelly glasses. Work in the back yard progresses fast. I am getting over nausea and salivations but mouth tasted bad all the time.

WEA.  THURSDAY 2  THER.
Not a very bad blizzard some little snow. I walked down town with C. and felt very well. He weighed me – 102 pounds.

WEA.  FRI. NOV. 3, 1893  THER.
Did not feel so active this morning and only walked part way to Kirst’s. I think it is ----?cou-er---- that makes me feel so badly now. Have some toothache and acky limbs.

WEA.  SATURDAY 4  THER.
Some mist  calm
Took M. down to get shoes and some little things for Walter’s birthday but rode down. The boys got an air gun. I feel uneasy about it but perhaps they are impressed with the need of care in it’s use. C. got some Hurryadi water for me.

WEA.  SUN. NOV. 5, 1893  THER.
Charming day
Did not go to church. Trying to get cleared out. Don’t succeed – Head aches. W. had very pleasant birthday and seemed to enjoy it. A cake, some candy and flowers and his watch mended.
Note: Walter Bannister Congdon born 11/5/1882, 11 years old today)

WEA.  MONDAY 6  THER.
Clear – lovely
Such pleasant weather I walked all the way down town with C. Did me good. The H. water is been fretting me too. Had the Billsons and judge Dickinson over to play cards this evening and have some Yakima water and apples. The apples came this
evening but were not quite equal to last year’s. Feel as if I had done a good deal today.

**WEA.**

**TUES. NOV. 7, 1893**

**THER.**

Mist

Walked 16 blocks. Felt a little heavy. Have not accomplished much. Started the repairs on M.’s cloak. C. does not feel very well I think – perhaps mutual. He went down town this evening.

**WEA.**

**WEDNESDAY 8**

**THER.**

Cloudy

Feeling well. Walked down town with C. Called at Mrs. Allen’s. Her baby is pretty sick – threatened with spinal meningitis she thinks. Mrs. Billson called a few minutes. Letter from Winnifred.

**WEA.**

**THUR. NOV. 9, 1893**

**THER.**

(nothing written)

**WEA.**

**FRIDAY 10**

**THER.**

C. and I went to Baptist entertainment this evening, very good indeed.

**WEA.**

**SAT. NOV. 11, 1893**

**THER.**

Went down town. Finished M.’s cloak – looks well – also cap and did some other mending – feel well satisfied. C. came home with cold.

**WEA.**

**SUNDAY 12**

**THER.**

Fair

Looking out from a warm room on the lake this afternoon it was like a summer scene. C. and I went to church, walked home, tho’ walk seemed long. Children very good and happy. Helen and M. do not get rid of their colds. My treatment of C.’s cold seems to have been effectual. It is almost gone.

**WEA.**

**MON. NOV. 13, 1893**

**THER.**

Mended stockings and began bureau corner. Our lamp is a great comfort evenings. The boys do very well with the furnace. Letter from Mary. Went in to see Mrs. Allen – baby better. Asked about Mrs. Ross. Satisfactory.

**WEA.**

**TUESDAY 14**

**THER.**

Fair

Windy and cold. House nice and warm this afternoon. I walked down town with C. rather fast and felt well but before I got through with my shopping felt faint and tired, rested at office. Took two naps – did little else. --? Hurryadi---Hunnyadi---?--- water keeps me stirred up and in some pain.
WEA.  

Wed. Nov. 15, 1893  

THER.  

20°

Trying to snow  
Am resting today tho’ I do not feel badly. Had some fever in the night – frightened me a little. Wrote to Mary and sent names to Nursery Guide.

WEA.  

Thursday 16  

THER.  

I did not go out until afternoon. Then only to call at Mrs. Billson’s and Gilbert’s. Had Ned stay in bed to cure his cold which came on last night.

WEA.  

Fri. Nov. 17, 1893  

THER.  

The Billson’s came in this evening. We were just ready for a call at the D’Antemants of course gave it up. Ned’s cure was not complete but he is better. They went skating for the first time.

WEA.  

Saturday 18  

THER.  

Ned went to a party at Mrs. Harrison’s but W. had to stay home on account of work undone. I went down town this A.M. to get shirt waists, etc. for boys.

WEA.  

Sun. Nov. 19, 1893  

THER.  

18°

To church with C. and the boys who took it into their heads to follow C.’s suggestion and stay to S.S. They liked it very much. Also wanted to give something to church every Sunday.

WEA.  

Monday 20  

THER.  

34°

Windy  
Storm windows on this afternoon but it seems colder since they were put on for some reason. I went to Kirst’s and then to the school with Helen to visit M.’s room. Well satisfied with M.’s appearance – seems very superior to me. Called at a dressmakers. Ned started at Y.M.C.A. Gym and so pleased.

WEA.  

Tues. Nov. 21, 1893  

THER.  

40°

Windy – rainy  
A dark day. I walked down town with C. this morning. He is not very cheerful and does not sleep well. I feel pretty well today.

WEA.  

Wednesday 22  

THER.  

18°

Cloudy – snowy  
A blizzard blew last night. But it is not bad this afternoon. The house did not get warm till nearly dinner time. I took green cashmere to dressmaker after pressing it.
Called at Mrs. Stevenson’s and found to my surprise she had a boy born last Thurs.
night. Saw her mother. Called on Mrs. Davis. Children doing their first toasting.

**WEA.**

**THUR. NOV. 23, 1893**

Down town today – rather dull. Told E. and J. I wouldn’t have company in their
rooms.

**WEA.**

**FRIDAY 24**

Clear

Went to try on skirt. Made calls at Mrs. Bull’s, Mrs. Packhurst’s and the Hardy
School. Had not time to call for Miss Mitchell and Mrs. Howard. Found Bert here
when I returned. Has bad cold and seems rather depressed but call ---?laugh--- at
Will.

**WEA.**

**SAT. NOV. 25, 1893**

Walked down town with C. Walked as much as 30 blocks and feel very very tired
tonight. Must not do it tho’ it was not very hard in the doing. Bought a dress and
wish I had tried to get something for less. Letter from Mamma.

**WEA.**

**SUNDAY 26**

Fair

Nobody went to church today. Bertie is feeling much better. His mother wants to
get back here – is not feeling very well. Ella sick with cramps in stomach she says.
Don’t think she felt well yesterday. I got most of ---?downs---- and feel tired some
– tho’ I did not get faint. Before dinner not as much as usual.

**WEA.**

**MON. NOV. 27, 1893**

Dr. Davis came in to see Ella – says she is pretty sick – charged her with trying a mis.
Is coming this evening again. Evening – It is as he thought and he will advise her to
go to hospital. I went to dressmaker’s and made calls on Mrs. Edwards (sick), mrs.
Thoburn (out) and Mrs. W. E. Richardson.

**WEA.**

**TUESDAY 28**

Clear

E. went to hospital about 11:30. She did not want to at first but afterwards did not
seem to mind. Jennie cried and seems to feel very much troubled. But it had to be.
Bertie left for home this afternoon. I went to take patterns to Miss Gordale and
inquire at Mrs. Allen’s. Saw Mr. Dutton’s plants. Mrs. Down at home.

Clear
colder

Was down town this A.M. and then worked all day preparing for tomorrow. Jennie ironed – she tarries hard – but of course can not do as much as E. I am very tired but don’t feel badly. C. feels better than he has. Ned has been in bed two days with slight fever – cold, I think.

Wea.  Thursday 30  Ther.

Clear
-6°

Wrote Mamma. A lovely looking day but the house was very cold this morning – Jennie overslept so we had breakfast late and dinner at 3. There was still a good deal to do in getting dinner and I got pretty tired, but it was not so very hard. Let Ned get up to dine with us – he felt as well, but it gave him more fever at bedtime. Dr. D. gives E. a bad name.

Wea.  Friday Dec. 1, 1893  Ther.

Clear
-13°

Have Ned in bed again but he does not feel very sick. Washed and ironed some pieces and bureau covers. All those things use me up. Letter from Bertha. Mrs. Allen came in little while this evening to speak of Josephine.

Wea.  Saturday 2  Ther.

Will was here to dinner but did not stay all night as I expected. Does nothing for O. L. C. C. feels half sick and is worrying I think. He has a great many cares. Ned still in bed but as usual and coughs some. I went to Kirst’s.


Went to church with Walter, who staid to S.S. I have rested. The children play and have shows but seem to agree very well. Let Ned get up.

Wea.  Monday 4  Ther.

Snowy
10°

A good deal of snow has fallen. I kept Ned at home. House very cold this morning but warm enough later. Fire went out towards evening. I was out most of the afternoon at dressmaker’s. Mr. Allen came to borrow books. Sent letter to Mrs. Ewing. C. feeling a little brighter. Bertie writes hand up to get something in Duluth. His mother to start today.
WEA. Tues. DEC. 5, 1893 THER.
Cloudy 12”
Wrote to Rilla Yates and Anna Bannister. Sent letters to Mrs. Wilder and dressmaker. Told Jennie yesterday could not have Ella back to stay. She said nothing but felt it. Told children after wards she was going away this week. Let Ned go to school. Went this evening with C. to apron sale at church. Called at Mrs. Allen’s.

WEA. Wednesday 6 THER.
Clear 0”
C’s mother came about noon; she has a bad cough but seemed glad to get here. I went to dressmaker’s and to see a girl who advertised – was not suited. Called a few minutes on Mrs. Edwards. Jennie says she and Ella are going home Fri. but doctor says E. still has temp. of 100”.

WEA. THUR. DEC. 7, 1893 THER.
Cloudy – some snow -4” -12”
The lake froze some last night. I feel tired this evening. Have been to Mrs. Billson’s and secured a ev’ woman I think. After lunch down town saw Mrs. Fogleson and she has already sent up a girl but I did not like her. Jennie packing. My new dress came to me.

WEA. FRIDAY 8 THER.
Went to bank etc. this A.M. and met Ella on street with another girl. She was carrying a heavy bag, not very –?eakile-- . Jennie left after lunch but came later for --?insummerable-- parcels. We --?d--- very well.

WEA. THUR. DEC. 9, 1893 THER.
A hard day’s work – Maggie washing the doors well but I can’t get water heated enough.

WEA. SUNDAY 10 THER.
No one went to church but all the children went cheerfully to S.S. I had to plan out the kitchen stove, --?coves--- do M cooking other wise. Get tired enough but feel well for the most part.
Snowy
My legs get pretty tired more than the rest of me. C. worrying about lack of girl. No school this afternoon. C. talking of going East direct from St. Paul and starting tonight, but finally decided to wait another day. Letter from mamma.

Blizzard – clearing
Do not feel great so tired. Maggie ironing – stove not heating well. Dinner at noon easier. C. going East tonight. No girl yet.

Feel pretty well and bright today and ambitious, but as I promised C. I went out to get a temporary girl. Went to “Home” Matron, not in. Feeling disheartened about children. They are untruthful and not honest. Talked with Walter especially and feel better. He promised to tell me when he does wrong.

Blizzardy
No school this afternoon. It is not cold and the wind went down after noon but the drifts are --?--nusanse. I went to “Home” and also down town and found some very bad wading. Some ice gone out of lake. Sent word to Libbie McCarthy to come tomorrow if willing to come on trial a week. Wrote to C. Letter from Winnie.

Clear
Am very tired but still manage to keep well except for C-er. Took M. to Painton and Watson’s and also went to dressmaker’s this afternoon. Had to wait at latter place and so rested. Very bad drifts in places. No girl. Grate cause. Dr. Ritchey called on mother C. Nothing important. Boys very good. Mother C. feeling much better.

Clear – partly cloudy
The children all went to S.S. but no one to church. Wrote to C. I feel tired in spite of a good deal of resting today. W. keeps us pretty comfortably warm. The children are good and helpful.
WEA. MONDAY 18 THER.
Blizzard
16°
No school this afternoon but children out at play. Telegram from C. this evening. Children trying to help. They have chopped a lot of kindling. I put in the grane with very little trouble this time. Sent letter to C. Will here at lunch.

WEA. TUES. DEC. 19, 1893 THER.
Clear
Mrs. Dickenson called. I feel pretty tired. Mother C. went to thr “Home” for me – no news of the girl. Later a Mrs. Paxton came from the “Home” and I engaged her to come tomorrow morning.

WEA. WEDNESDAY 20 THER.
Clear
10°
House very cold this A.M. but I got an early start and Mrs. Paxton came about nine. Was down town in the afternoon with Helen. Missed a call from Dr. Thuburn and wife.

WEA. THURS. DEC. 21, 1893 THER.
Clear
Down town seversl hours taking lunch at Wom. Ex. Did not feel much like shopping but got on pretty well.

WEA. FRIDAY 22 THER.
Mist
35°
Have felt so sleepy and tired today. Managed to go to the school this P.M. and also down town with Marjorie. Very sloppy under foot. Loury and Dixon where got the screen were burnt out last night before the screen was delivered. Think Mrs. P. will do pretty well all around. Sent letter and Hdles. To Bertha.

WEA. SAT. DEC. 23, 1893 THER.
Rain
30°
Boys went down town, also Grandma. She said W. seemed not well – so tired, he could hardly get about. But he went again this afternoon to change something. Ned seems the better financier. Chester appeared suddenly this evening while we were at work in my room. Good to see him.

WEA. SUNDAY 24 THER.
Went to church this A.M. with C. and Walter, altho’ W. still feelss tired and under the weather.
Clear

Girls got up soon after twelve to search their stockings and had things all over the parlor floor. C. fortunately heard them at 2 or 3 A.M. they roused him again but this time they were dressed. However, he got them back to bed and all was quiet till the boys went down some after C. They are very happy over their presents but our older boys are rather sober. I went down town this morning to send flowers to Miss Parkhurst.

WENT DOWN TOWN AND CHANGED NED’S SOCKS ETC. TOOK GIRLS AND MERITA AND HER COUSIN TO THE BAPTIST CHR. TREE SHADOW PANTOMIME THE PRINCIPAL ENTERTAINMENT. NEARLY TEN WHEN THEY GOT TO BED. C. WENT TOO.

WED. DEC. 27, 1893

Sent letters to May Bennett at St. Paul, Mrs. Ewing and cards to the Geres – rather late. Have kept W. in bed fever taking his temperature. I found it nearly 104°. But he strongly objects to the bed. Girls enjoying their doll house. Electric lights put in order.

THURSDAY 28

Had the Dr. see Walter whose fevor ran above 104° but after a thorough investigation he could not tell what ailed him beyond a fever. W. does not feel bad in any way and begs to get up. The doctor left tablets that have already reduced the fever some. I feel heavy and dull. Hun. Water losing it’s effect. C. out this evening at his office.

WALTER’S FEVER NOT SO HIGH. HIGHEST TEMP. I TOOK WAS 101°. OTHERWISE HE SEEMS TO FEEL PRETTY WELL, THOUGH I KEEP HIM IN BED OR IN THE ROCKING CHAIR. MRS. WARDWELL AND MISS MORSE CALLED. WE WERE GOING TO CALL ON THE D’AUTRIMOUT’S BUT C. HAD TO GO DOWN TOWN.

BAD DAY FOR W. HE HAS FELT MORE TIRED AND INCLINED TO LIE WITH EYES CLOSED. TEMPERATURE ABOUT 104° MOST OF THE DAY. DR. DID NOT COME. I WAS DOWN TOWN THIS A.M. MRS. ALLEN CAME IN TO TELL ME OF A GOOD SECOND GIRL BUT I DON’T WANT ONE JUST NOW. WE GET ON VERY WELL WITH MRS. P.
Took Ned to church. Was very sleepy. W. better than yesterday. Dr. called – does not call it any name. We bathed him at evening. Reduced his temperature about 2 degrees – 102 when we finished. Wrote Alice. I believe W. has typhoid – we are treating him so but no medicine.

MEMORANDA from 1893 Diary
Bazar Dec. 3 ‘92
Spiced round of beef – 2 or 3 lbs. round beef - (cut out bone). Mix well.
4 dessert spoons pepper
4 dessert spoons allspice
2 dessert spoons cloves
2 dessert spoons saltpeter
12 dessert spoons salt
4 dessert spoons molasses
Rub this into both sides of round every morning for 3 weeks, turning daily. When ready, make a good gravy of beef and put it with the spiced round into a large Dutch oven to stew for 4 to 5 hours slowly. Add water if necessary.

Postage stamp game
1 oz. dextrium (starch --?vasted--- Lt. --?hne---)
2 1/2 oz. hot water – ½ oz. cerotic acid
½ oz. spirits wine

To be made -or bought .
W. 1 nice shirt waist X
   1 flan blouse X
cap X
Ned. 1 nice shirt waist
M. Let brown dress
   Striped ?
   Silk X
   3 col. aprons X
   wrap X --?guinpe--- X
H. Striped dress
   Sagiire for summer wear
   or let cloak furbished up
   Spanish jacket?
John White cloak

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Laura   21/221(?) Post – et – Rock.
Miss E.L. Wilson
   257 Moor Building
    7 Corners. St. Paul
Bennett – 912 Sheridan Road, Evanston.
Mrs. E.E. Backman  195 Academy Wilksbarre
Libbie McCarthy, Oneota.
Mrs. Bowen, 218 14th Av.
Dressmaker and plain sewer
6161/2 W. 3rd

MEMORANDA

Geo. Ernst – Lonnie’s cousin
Buck was at Seminary
Dr. Spragpen knew Vince --hrs’--- brother married Frank Landon
Holgah, Mrs. Howland’s cousin.
Morran Matic Doaki’s friend

Mend up two night gowns
Flannel blouse from mine?
Underwear for N.
Blue shirt – M.
M’s white apron
   (Clara made a drawing of the top of a dress with a cumberbund and with several
   notes crossed out; Pink dress M. and H.; girdle and collar for grenadine and belt for
cotton; amusing; pockets; silk shirt waist).

Sacques. Red Flan. Pongee blouse
Wrappers – Flannel Blanket X
Teagown Silk, Green cash. X
Best dress X

Now. Brown serge
   Brown rough wool
   Plaid
Put aside Red and lace
   Brown silk
   Black and green
   Grey
Skirt of checked wool X

Bertha’s wedding presents
Lace handkerchief Geraldine
Irishpoint handkerchief Matie Drake
Rose bowl
Silver card basket
Fancy spoon
Mustard spoon
Oyster or fish fork 2
Cream ladle
Fancy spoons small 2
6 table spoons and asparagus
Large salad fork
12 teaspoons’ 6 table forks and 6 dessert forks; from Mr. Flanagan
Carving set
Salvor Mrs. Brown
6 teaspoons Miss Russell
6 teaspoons smaller Boader
plate Bank boy
12 large tea spoons Stadler, Howland, Dean
Bonbon spoon
6 dessert spoons Aunt Carrie
6 tea spoons
6 tea spoons
Dogen forks Mrs. Nelson
Silver tea set Mr. and Mrs. Taylor
Soup Ladle
Filigree spoon 2
6 tea spoons
Olive fork
2 small ladles
Brush and comb tray (China)
Russian Loving cup Mrs. Thomas
China plate Limoge
Celery dish Limoge
Pickle fork
Souvenir spoon
Small ladle
Large ladle
Lamp Mr. Edgecount
12 cut glass tumblers
---Countr--- Mrs. Stundevant
silver creamer Nellie Chamberland
Silver sugar basket Maggie Caldwell
Large cut glass bowl John Russell
Small cut glass bowl
Cream and sugar porcelain Mrs. Kyte
Set of 3 china oval dishes
2 dessert plates
Platean (china)
Sugar and creamer sets  3
Orange spoon
Berry spoon
Bonbon dish
6 bread and butter plates
Royal Worcester vase    Aunt S. and Mary
Sugar spoons
6 table spoons
celery dish
cracker jar and plate
Sprawling fork (Limoges)
Salad dish and fork (Limoges)    Mr. Moister
Stool and cushion    Bertha Falls
Rug
Cut glass bowl    Whitford
Cut glass sauce plates  6
5 little cut glass dishes
syrup cup (C.G.)    Mr. Brownell
Cut G. Berry dishes    Congdons
jelly spoon
6 finger bowls (3 broken)    Misses Allen and Blackman
6 doilies    Lizzie Torrey
3 doilies    Cora Outt
Lorna Doone    Frank Torrey
Cut G. leaf dish
Lunch cloth
Lunch napkins
Pepper and salt
Silver paper cutter    Hattie Kloster
Cream ladle
Berry spoon
--?Rsivers---    Mamma and Mary
9 towels
Prime of India
Painting of lilies
12 napkins    Alice
Round doilies
Napkins
Lunch cloth    Aura Bauer
Ethching
Brown etching    Mary
Silk umbrella    Edward
Paper knife    Leon Bacon
Souvenier spoon
$75.00  Bank directors
20.00    Alice and John
10.00    Dr. Spragan

Loran Doone
Porter and Coates – Phil.
2 vols. – illus.

Decorated dish       Will and Mary
Cut glass dish       Heermans
Spoons 6
Souvenir spoon
Chair              Geo. Loomis
2 chairs
table
sugar tongs
bric–a–bac stand
hall settee
MEMORANDA
J. windows piazza
Furniture to rub.
Paint and wash
Metal to clean
Silver to clean
Sewing machine
Floors to polish
Teach buttonholes etc.
Curtains etc. to air

Head cheese
Brown bread
Rusks
My wrapper, skirt and pieces to wash
Linen sheets and pillow cases
Table cloth and napkins
2 long cloths to embro.
Pads
Stand cover
Floor boxes
Book case curtains

Calls
Mittens to knit

BILLS PAYABLE
June 8    Mr. Snyder     $30.00
Cousin Mary 9.00?

CASH ACCOUNT --- JANUARY
Date: 4 King Store and --?etam $6.40 paid
Received: tea caddy, brass bowl, 2 vinagrettes, black doll, in laid box, 2 doilies and sleeve b.
Mam, Mary, Alice, 2 Bertha, 6 Ed. And wife, 4 Alf and wife, L.C. C., and A.S.C. and Win

CASH ACCOUNT --- JANUARY
W. Overalls. Ger. socks. knife
M.
H.
May
G. to Miss Eddy – Overalls

Screen – books – hdkes.
knives – mag. glass

Jan. 3 Went to Kingston with A. and B. and John.
4th Back to Syracuse
6th started for Duluth
Jan. 9 Will and Mary house hunting
Took Buffalo apartment
Laura married to Geo. Herold during the holidays.
Aunt Eliza Mundy died Jan. 12
Jan. 20 Will took board at Mrs. Darchut’s – Chester Turndee; instead of the flat.
Jan. 28 Ned down with mumps
Feb. 4 will and Mary came to be in Duluth
Feb. 5 Church dedicated
Feb. 13 Walter with mumps and Helen
Mar. 1 C. left for Boston
Mar. 3 The Barbour’s at hotel
Ner. B. with typhoid
Mr. Morsing, cousin Clara’s h. died about this time
April 2nd Marjorie came down with scarlet fever
April 6 Mother Congdon had slight stroke of paralysis
May 11 Emma Blodgett Van Luau had been very sick.
John taken sick
Bertie and his mother came to stay.
Ned taken with scarlet fever
May 19 – Miss Wilson (nurse) left June 24 and she was out doors June 28
July 9 grandma C. – Mary Bennett –Marjorie and cook went to Evanston.
July 10 I went to Mpls. For Walter and Helen at the Munroe’s. All in Evanston.

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As a Glensheen Museum Volunteer; I have decorated Christmas trees for the holidays, transcribed diaries of Clara Congdon from a young girl to after she was married. Occasionally I work in the Glensheen gift shop.

I am a retired kindergarten teacher. Married with two grown children.
As a Tweed volunteer I became a volunteer for Glensheen. Listening to Arden Weaver’s presentation one December evening at Glensheen about possibilities of more ways to volunteer; the job of transcribing diaries sounded very interesting. It has become a very "good read". Transcribing Clara’s diaries was fun and interesting. The history of the Glensheen era was a draw for me; as I was born and raised in Duluth.

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