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Monday News came this morning that Fort Sumpter had been taken, by the Southern forces under Gen Beauregard, it caused a good deal of excitement here, though it had been daily expected for some time, Major Anderson surrendered after a gallant defence, and when the Fort was in flames, he left it with seventy-five men, his entire command remained, his colors flying and band playing Yankee Doodle, His opponents it is reported had forty killed and one hundred wounded,

The Wisconsin Legislature were to have adjourned this morning at nine o'clock and many of them left here on Saturday, as soon as the telegraph came, the Governor recalled the members, and ordered a new sitting to consult on the question of putting the State on a war footing. We went to the Assembly Chamber at nine. They seemed to be discussing the question in a general manner among themselves, on motion of Judge Sporer a Committee was appointed to consult on the matter, and the Assembly adjourned until 2 o'clock P M, War seems inevitable, and every one seems to be willing to do their best in their country's service,

I have an invitation from Lottie Latimer to Mrs Bliss's to night, but cannot as I am to have company

George C. Smith, Mrs. Borgen, Misses

Bodwell, and Mr. Newton came in the evening. Had a pleasant time, talked about the news of the morning, and got quite warlike in our feelings. Patriotism is a great ingredient of Northern blood and I think our country has nothing to fear in regard to the loyalty of her sons and daughters. Mr. Newton is a democrat and the rest of us being Republicans, we had quite a war of words. After our friends were gone, we talked of the events of the day for a while and then retired.

Tuesday 15 This morning we went to the Senate Chamber to hear the debate on the war bill the resolution to put the State on a war footing passed the Senate and was carried into the Assembly, where it was again discussed by many members and passed, the Bill in relation to Bank currency was taken up and also discussed, a Committee appointed and the Assembly adjourned until to morrow morning at nine. There were several ladies in attendance this morning. Hale Havemeyer and Fannie went into the country this afternoon. Nevin and I went up town, went to Flanders and to Bliss Book store, purchased the book in which I am writing. Fay Babbard said I would never write it half through, that I would get tired of it in two weeks. I told him I should not that I should write every day, and that every entry would

be longer than the one preceding it. He said it would be a marvel, if I did, and it remains to be seen which was in the right. We came home in time to see Hale and Frank start for the country. Preparations are making to send the regiment ordered by the President for the protection of the Federal Government. The Assembly this morning voted 200,000 dollars, for war purposes, and Col. Atwood said that two German companies in Milwaukee had already offered their services, all are waiting anxiously for more news.

We went to the Lodge in the evening Maria met with me and staid in the ante-room until recess. We had two candidates initiated Mr. Craig was gone, and the news of the day took away the interest of the meeting somewhat and we adjourned early. There was a terrible apprehension for the coming evening and as the Committee had done nothing in regard to preparations, we took it in hand, and arranged a programme impromptu. It seemed to be a good one. There were several strangers in to-night. Adjourned to meet again in Lodge especially on the next evening. Mr Knapp came home with us. He makes very lonely without Fannie & Hale. I got acquainted with Mr Bristol, a student of the University, he was initiated to-night, he seems very pleasant and intelligent,

Wednesday April 16th The Legislature met this morning, and as there was no further business adjourned sine die The Governors Guard tendered their services to the Governor, and were accepted amid hearty cheers, the Star Spangled Banner was then sung by the entire company. I shall copy it to preserve me remembrance of this day,

Star Spangled Banner

1, O say, can you see by the dawn's early light
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming
And the rockets red glare, the bombs bursting in air
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there,
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

2. On the shore dimly seen, through the mists of the deep,
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
What is that which the breeze o'er the towering steep
As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,

Its full glory reflected now shines on the
stream—
'Tis the star-spangled banner, O, long may it wave
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the
brave.

3, And where is that band, who so vauntingly swore,
That the havoc of war, and the battles confusion
A home and a country should leave us no more?
Their blood has washed out their foul footsteps'
pollution.
No refuge could save, the hireling and slave,
From the terror of flight- or the gloom of the
grave;
And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth
wave
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the
brave.

4, Oh! thus be it ever, when freemen shall stand
Between their loved home and the war's desolation;
Blest with victory and peace, may the heaven-
rescued land
Praise the power that hath made and preserved
us a nation.
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto- "In God is our trust!"
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall
wave
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the

The song was greeted with tremendous cheers and the members of the Legislature started to go to their homes, with a determination in their hearts to all they could for the cause of their country. We heard to-day of many friends who had enlisted to join the companies who are going to the seat of war. The recital this evening was well attended Maria went with me. We had good music Dr. Cox read a poem entitled the Tragedy by G. B Aldrich, which was beautiful, Miss Crocker recited Joan of Arc at Rheims which was very appropriate to the occasion I recited Ralph Ganeham's last dream which called forth hearty applause, and caused some tears, It is so beautiful I shall copy it,

Ralph Ganeham's Last Dream

In the midst of his children's children, by the
home fire's cheerful blaze,
An old man sat in his easy-chair, dreaming
of by-gone days,
Dreaming of wearisome marches, by flood
morass, and wold
Where many a brave heart fainted
with hunger, and thirst and cold
Dreaming of midnight watches, in the dreary
drizzling rain
And the hum of his comrades voices, he never
might hear again

Of the smouldering fires of the bivouac,
and the sentinel's measured tread
Of the smoke and the roar of the battle, and the
faces of the dead
Of the fair young son of his neighbor, who fought
and fell, by his side
And the sacred message he gave him, to his
girl-love when he died,
She saw the face of the maiden, grow cold as death
and as pale,
As he sat by her father's hearthstone, and told
her the cruel tale
"Aye, Aye," in his sleep he murmured, "she was
fair, and he was brave,
But she faded away, like a blossom, and we
made him a soldiers grave,
But we routed the British legions, and sent
them over the sea,
For the 'God of battles' helped us and our native
land was free."
My son, Be been dreaming a dream, which gave
me pain
I thought I was young, and a soldier, fighting
for freedom again,
I saw the tents and the banners, and the shining
marks of the foe
And the minute hands on your records, left on
the frozen snow,
But is it true, this rumor, or is it only an idle
tale?

Do they talk of dissolving the Union?
Ah, well may your cheek grow pale,
And well may an old man tremble, and his
heart-beat faint and low,
When he thinks of the price it cost us, some four-
score years ago,
I have watched its growing greatness, through a
life of many years,
And I never forgot that its blessings were pur-
chased with blood and tears,
I never forgot the privations of fourscore years ago
When the naked feet of our poor recruits, left
crimson tracks in the snow,
I never forgot their faces, and I recently see them
still, as
As they looked straight in the face of death, at
the battle of Bunker Hill,
And so the home of Marion was the first to
break the band
That round the beautiful sisterhood, of our beloved
land,
The children of those heroes, around whose memory
clings
The glory of King's Mountain, Cowpens, and Eutaw
Springs
I've seen our blessed banner, with its white and
crimson bars,
When fair South Carolina was one of the thir-
teen stars,

sedud if ever that constellation is marred, or rent
in twain
It would blast the sight of their poor old eyes,
to see it fold again
And if God has forsaken our country, the only
boon I crave,
Is that he will delay his min, till I have gone
down to the grave,
For I could not breathe with traitors, or have
my face to the sun,
Or dwell in the land of the living, when the
States are no longer one,

Mr. Baker then read, the "Charge of the Light-Brigade" A toast was given by Mr. Pringle "Our Country free now, and forever" responded to by Dr. Brisbane, One by C.G Seofield, "The Good Templas Volunteers" responded to by Mr. Hastings he spoke feelingly and brought tears to many eyes, Mr Fox sang several patriotic pieces, and we came home at half past eleven Mr. Haigh came home with us,

Thursday April 17th

An unpleasant day, and my spirits down to zero, we still hear news from all quarters in the South. Heard to day, that a vessel laden with bacon, and also one with ammunition had been seized on its way down the Mississippi by the Union men, Went out this afternoon to Rosis, staid there a short time, went up town

with. Got some ribbon to make red, white and blue cockades, Mr Wilman gave us the ribbon Rose came home with us, and we made the rosettes, Wore them to the patriotic meeting in the evening. A large crowd present in the Assembly hall, the meeting was for the purpose of raising funds to support the families of the volunteers, Nearly $.000 dollars was subscribed, The meeting was very enthusiastic, The volunteers marched in amid tremendous cheers, The band played Yanker Doodle, and the crowd sang Star Spangled Banner, The meeting adjourned to meet again in one week,

Friday April 18th

Went to Dr. Brisbanes with mother Met Will, he said that news had just been received that there had been fighting on the Baltimore Railroad, that the Southerners had torn up the track, and the most assaulted troops in passing through Baltimore, three persons were killed, the President had issued orders for double the number of troops, Saw young Mrs. Brisbane at home, said her husband had gone to enlist, felt very badly about it, I pitied her very much,

Saw Lottie Lathrop said she was going to have a cockade, Mrs. Bliss bought ribbon for rosettes for sleeves and collar I have seen several ladies with them in the street,

Came home and spent the evening alone,

Saturday April 19th

Went this afternoon with Mamie, to get up a subscription for a flag for the Third Volunteer Corps, met with good success, raised $8 dollars together with what the School Choir gave,

Went in the evening to the City Hall to see the Governor's Guard drill, they are a very good looking company, and will be Company A. in the first regiment, Saw several of the volunteers from Madison, and bade them farewell as I shall not probably speak with them again,

Sunday April 20th

Went to church this morning, at the Baptist Church, There was a sermon preached in the Episcopal Church by the pastor Mr. Britton, to the volunteers who attended in uniform, The discourse is said to have been very appropriate and impressive I would like to have gone, but thought I must go to our own church, Dr. Bisbane's son preached in uniform, Went to the Congregational Chapel this afternoon, Do not like Dr. Taylor as well as our minister, Came home and rode in my journal, read aloud from Gold Foil, and Emerson's Conduct of Life, Dr. Bisbane's preached in the evening to volunteers, Pa and Ma went with us, as we were visiting Mrs Hoyt came for Mamie, she had gone, and he accompanied me, A large crowd in attendance, Choir sang Shortsanglet Banner, As the people were going out Dr. Bisbane announced Telegraph news

from Fort Pickens, the rebels were defeated with loss of three hundred men, the audience received this with three hearty cheers, The volunteers formed in a line and marched down the Church and down the street to the sound of muffled drums, found Miss Kavanaugh and Hannah at home and also Hattie brothers all very much excited about the war news sat and talked an hour or two before going to bed,

Monday April 21st — Commenced cleaning house, Went up town, and then Dr. Hayes took me out to my school house went to Mr Dennys, Mr Kenny's and Casey's, engaged board for three months at Casey's, saw the school house, going to commence teaching a week from to-day Came home, went in the evening to Governor's Guard drill,

Tuesday April 22d — Cleaned the parlor, Went in the evening to the Lodge, had the blues could scarcely keep from crying all the evening Dr Brisbane, & wife invited, she is very sad about his going and scarcely expects his return While Brother Walter was making remarks on the departure of brethren to the war the flag fell, and when the recovered was taken home, Chorusing the Star Spangled Banner and Red White & Blue

All felt very sad at parting with our friends perhaps never to see them again,

Nomenclature of Offices,

Wednesday April 23d.

Went up town at seven o'clock, came home, and got ready to go with the rest to the Capitol, where the members of our militia and the officers of the Boards were presented with tokens of remembrance and bade God Speed in the cause of freedom. Went at twelve to the depot to see the Companies leave for Milwaukee, the rendezvous of the regiment. An immense crowd collected, processions of military, fire companies, carriages, &c, came at 1 o'clock. Seven sisters sang Star Spangled Banner, Mayor & others addressed the volunteers, and then the friends took leave of them. They entered the cars, and were borne away amid cheering, waving of hats and handkerchiefs, and cries of "God bless you" from every side. It was an affecting and interesting scene. Con Williams came home with me. Went down to the Lake in the afternoon.

Thursday April 24th.

Con & Hattie, and two or three other girls came to spend the afternoon with the children. Went up town. Met Lottie & Miss Taylor. Went up to the cupola on the City Hall. Mandan Guards drilling. Stopped a while to see them. Went to see Miss Kennedy. She was not at home. Came back to tea, and then went and got a basket and called on Nancy McConnell, not at home. Bob stopped a few minutes at the gate, came home and went to bed. Adjourned meeting of citizens to-night.

Friday April 25th

Getting ready to go in the country some and mended all the forenoon a warm, pleasant day, Went out to make some calls, Conversation on the State of the country entirely,

Saturday April 26th

Went up town, to Klumbers, Called on Mrs. Rogers and bade her and Ron good bye, they were moving, Came home round all the afternoon Mrs, Andrew Mann called was glad to see her, Spent the evening at Mrs, Rogers, had a good deal of fun playing charades and Tableaux before the boys came, were all sitting on the floor, and laughing at the top of our lungs when they knocked, all ran into the sitting room and looked as meek as Moses, when they came in, played cards, sung and talked the rest of the evening came home in the bright moonlight, Jay Ballard came home with us,

Sunday April 27th

Went to Church, a beautiful Spring morning the air fragrant and calm, just such a sweet Sabbath as I dearly love, Dr Brisbane preached a beautiful sermon from the text "I and my Father are one &c" We dined at home in the afternoon, Dr Brisbane preached to the volunteers in the evening, and the choir sung the "Star Spangled Banner" Sat up until eleven o'clock to finish "Miss Talbots Career"

Monday April 29th

Rose early, breakfasted, and walked out to Mr. Casey's. Got there at ten minutes past eight; rested a while before I went to school. Very pleasant people. Mary and I went to school. Found the school house nicely cleaned, and about thirty scholars. Examined classes all day, and by four o'clock had in a measure ordained order out of the confusion. I was very tired. The school seems to be a very pleasant one, and I think I shall like it much. Was a good deal disappointed in not having a room by myself. I am so tired of noise, and confusion, that when I get home, I want to sit down quietly with my own thoughts, but I shall try and get along as well as possible under the circumstances. I would not seem dissatisfied for anything, they are all so kind here. Went to bed at eight o'clock.

Sunday 30th

Rose at six, breakfasted, and went out in the yard, a pleasant day, escheleted nearly two hours, and then went to school. Got everything into running order to-day. Had no trouble whatever. Went to tea, it looked some like rain. I walked home got there just as the family had finished tea. Went to the Lodge, had a pleasant time. Left before close. Mr Baker came home with me. Found Lottie & D. Fernandez at home sewing on Mrs. Bliss's flag, they

remained late, Pa came home, had a good deal of fun about the "Home Guards." Promised to come home Thursday night to help finish the flag.

Wednesday May 1st, Cold and unpleasant, Walked to school, three more scholars to-day, Went to Mr. Penney's for the Register, The several companies composing the second regiment commenced coming in to-day, one from La Cave, and another from Paley, came this afternoon, They are to Camp on the Fair Grounds, the barracks are not quite ready, and they will remain in town until they are,

Thursday May 2d Went to school as usual, Nothing of importance occurred, aside from the regular school exercises, Came home, after tea, found Mrs. De Moll here, She staid to tea, and Ma & she went up to the Assembly Chamber to work on the shirts for the soldiers, Mama and I went up, and staid about an hour, and then to Mrs. Seymour's to see on the flag, Lottie Hatch Bannin & Addie Ripley were there We worked until ten o'clock, and then the boys ie, Chappell, Fay, & Sam came We finished the stripes and fourteen stars on each side, listened to some singing by Penney and came home at 1 o'clock Fay came with us,

Friday 3d

Awoke this morning, to the pleasing consciousness that it was raining heavily with not the slightest prospect of cessation. Hoped that some of my friends would remember me and offer to take me out, but who ever was in luck on a Friday? Put on a thick hood sail &c, took my umbrella, and started.

Of all the walks, I ever took this was certainly most charming. It rained and it blew, and between my umbrella and basket and bedraggled skirts, and a three mile walk in the rain, I found poorly and was completely exhausted when I came in sight of the schoolhouse I walked on the railroad track, and reached the end of my journey in a condition utterly indescribable. Dried my duds by the fire, and sat all day in school with wet feet wet skirts and head throbbing with pain about eighteen scholars present. After I reached the schoolhouse it stopped raining and after hashing a few minutes commenced snowing beautifully and continued for an hour. Went to see intended to have gone home to night, but was too tired. Went to bed early. It cleared up and there was a prospect of a pleasant day on the morrow. Have heard no war news today, two more companies arrived. One of the men from Polaris broke his leg.

Saturday 4th

A pleasant morning, Breakfasted early, and about half past seven started for home, The walking very bad, Met Mrs. Allen and Miss Phelps going up town to work on shirts for soldiers, got home at eight o'clock my feet rested a little while, got ready, and went with Ma & Fannie to the Assembly Chambers it was crowded, and presented a busy spectacle There were ten sewing machines in operation, Stayed until 10 o'clock, went to dinner and then back in the afternoon There were a great many present this afternoon and we accomplished a good deal, The President of the meeting said there would be no necessity of coming to-morrow, We met again in the morning, and altogether finished about thirteen dozen to-day

Sunday 5th

Rainy and cold again, got ready for church, Dr. Brisbane preached from the first chapter of Genesis, When the services were over found it storming violently, Mr. Craig got us umbellas and we started home got as far as Mrs. Wicks, Mrs. De Mott was with us, The wind blew so hard that we could not keep an umbella up and we went into Mrs. Wicks for shelter took dinner there stayed an hour and came home in the rain, second time I have been "out in the rain" this season, Finished reading "Bolton sweet" Very good, Went to bed at four o'clock, sick,

Monday 6th — Walked to school, Very tired when I got there glad to find a warm fire, The wind blew violently all day. Went to Mrs. Carey's at night.

Tuesday 7th — Cold and stormy, worried all day, for fear it would storm so that I could not go home to night, rained all the afternoon, I went home to tea, had concluded not to go home, however it cleared off after tea, and I started however Went to the Lodge, There were fifty-two of the members of the Randall Guards, initiated, It was a sight with seeing, fifty-two young men, ~~standing~~ binding themselves to abstain from everything which would intoxicate. I sincerely hope those pledges will be kept and that this terrible curse of soldiers in all lands will have no power over them, The officers for the next quarter were installed, We came home at eleven oclock, Mrs. Bigh came home with Fannie and I came along.

Wednesday 8th — A beautiful morning, Rose at 6, got ready and started for school at half past seven, had a pleasant walk, It seemed almost cruel, to call the children into the school room, The girls brought me some beautiful violets, Went home with Willie Carey to night. Her mother is a very nice woman, We went up to the quarry after sundown and climbed to the top of the hill, Mrs. Carey brought home a poor little lamb, which had been bitten by the dogs It was a pretty little thing, The children are going to take care of it, make it live if possible.

Thursday 9th

Got up at 6, had breakfast, Went up to the top of the hill with the children to get flowers, Found quantities of Passover flowers or Rock Lillies as they call them here, The scholars came up from all directions, and we had plenty of flowers for our day, Kept some of the scholars to night to get their lessons stand till five, Went to tea, Afterwards went home Was dreadfully tired, dressed myself and went up to the Assembly Room sewed a while, Went home, and to bed.

Friday 10th

Went to school, Cold and windy & raining, After walking three miles did not feel very smart, Scholars did very well to-day.

Saturday 11th

Sick this morning, felt hardly able to sit up, Before I went to school the Lieutenant and Orderly Sargeant, of the Beloit Rifles came to see Camp's after bullets, said that they had had none for a week Came again in the afternoon, got a loaf of bread & some milk We went up on the hill this morning to get flowers, Nellie, Willie, & Emmeline Stood, came out this morning, and stand all day, Went into the Camp ground to night, Saw the men come barracks &c, and the soldiers retreat, Walked home, dressed, went up to the Assembly Room and had a good time The Doctors gave a supper to the Ladies who worked on the tents, The table looked very nice indeed, The band played Yankee Doodle and all the other patriotic

Sunday 12th — Went to church, The Randall Pounds were there in uniform, they are a fine looking company. Went to hear Dr. Taylor in the evening

Monday 13th — Went to school as usual, rained, got dreadfully muddy, It seems as though it would never stop raining

Tuesday 14th — Partially clear this morning, hoped to be able to come to town, got home, found Mr. Brown & Mrs M, coming in, could not ride so Mrs. M. concluded not to go, Waited for Mr. Brown, staff an hours and then it rained, I was very much disappointed, more so as it cleared off beautifully when it was too late to go,

Wednesday 15th — Pleasant to day, Went to school, Walked home Edith Maxwell came with me, Went up town Legislature met to day under call of the Governor,

Thursday 16th — Went to school, This evening went to Mrs. Bass to tea, After tea went to call on Mr. Jenkins found him on the point of leaving his plow, We soon cleared up the house, got tea, went after the cows, got some flowers, and shells, and had a splendid time altogether, Came home about nine o'clock, Went to the school house, with some of the scholars to see on our play, did not have the key and so got in at the window, rowed till half past ten, Sick enough to sleep a week, went to Mrs Bs to stay all night;

Friday 17th

Nothing unusual happened to-day. Kept some of the scholars after school to get their lessons. Willy Casey came home with me. The conductor that was standing near the school house and the conductor asked us to ride we got on, sat with the engineer and had a splendid ride to town.

Saturday 18th

Went up town this morning. Went to the Historical Rooms with Hattie. Came home, sewed all the afternoon had company in the evening. Fay, Chappell, Mrs. Craig & Rosa.

Sunday 19th

Went to Church, Rose came home with us. Went a part of the way home with her this afternoon. It rained before we got home, and continued all the afternoon & evening.

Monday 20th

Rained violently this morning, did not start for school till eleven o'clock. It cleared off very pleasant in deed. as I was going out, got there at one o'clock. Scholars had all gone home sewed on the flag awhile. went to see Mrs. Casey, and then went home Hattie was with me.

Tuesday 21st

Maria & Rose were coming for me in a boat they could not get one and accordingly came on foot. Went into Mrs. Benneys and found them there. They went with me to Mrs. Caseys and had tea, and then we walked home

Wednesday 22d

Walked down out to school, a beautiful morning. Stood to hear some lessons, sweep the school house &c and as I was going home met Hattie, Rose & Maria with Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Rockwell, coming after me. Went to Mrs. Caseys & rested a while, and then started for the boat had a pleasant row home, got ready and went to the Sociable in the evening. The Red White & Blue Lodge was organized, and they held their first meeting at Canada

Randall on Thursday next, there was about 120 members
Had a pleasant time, came home about half past eleven
Mr. Baker home with Mose & P.

Thursday 23d — Staid after school to sew on the flag.

Friday 24th — A very warm day, School went on very well, though I was glad when it was over it was so very warm, Sewed on the flag, made five stars,

Saturday 25th — Not so warm to-day, went to school, Mr. Craig & Fannie came to see me this afternoon, We went home in the boat had a splendid ride discovered two caves along the shore in the rocks, saw a toad crawling into his hole, in a stone. stopped when we got opposite Mr. Carey's. Went over they were just at tea, took tea there and then went back to the boat & rowed home with Craig's & Fan's help. nine o'clock when we arrived sewed till eleven and then went to bed,

Sunday 26th — Went to church, Dr. Brisbane preached a splendid sermon & closed off beautifully during service Came home, read till three o'clock and then went to Bible class, Mr. Craig came along with us said he was going out to Camp Randall as we were all going concluded to go together started about six o'clock, got as far as the corner of State Street when it began to rain, and we very reluctantly retraced our footsteps, Rained all the afternoon and evening, and prevented our going to church

Monday 27th — Went to school as usual, Nothing unusual happened to-day the old routine of school duties which get to become sometimes went on as ever, Went home to Mr. Craig's, at six, having staid to sew on the flag, we have got it almost done, took some stars home to cut, went to bed at eight.

Tuesday 29th

A pleasant day. The country has put on its robes of beauty and everything is beautiful indeed, June, that queen of months, is approaching, crowned with flowers and beautiful with waving branches, and graceful foliage, how I love this month, so fresh and beautiful, ere the blighting heat of summer has, dessicated its springtime verdure, I walked home to-night, and enjoyed it much, Went to the lodge, had a pleasant time, Scramble appointed for to-morrow night Mrs. Gray offered to take me out in his boat to-morrow morning, Mrs. Bakes came home with me, & Mrs. Rich with Janice.

Wednesday 29th

Had a nice boat ride this morning, It was very pleasant indeed, Janice & Maria went with me, Maria went to school with me and staid all day, and walked home with me to-night, People are talking now of the tragic death of Col. Ellsworth, the noble young commander of the Chicago Zouaves, shot in Alexandria by one of the rebels, Jackson by name, while in the act of trampling upon a secession flag taken from the top of his (Jackson's) hotel, The death of the brave young commander was speedily avenged, by one of his men by the name of Brownell who ran him through with his bayonet killing him instantly, great excitement prevailed, and his regiment have sworn by every hair of his head to avenge his death and that of thousands of his murderers, His body was embalmed and buried with imposing ceremonies, and the nation mourns his loss, We went to the Scramble, had a pleasant time,

Thursday 30th

Went to school in a boat this morning, Staid to-night to sew on the flag, finished sewing around the stars, Went to Mrs. Jennings, They all went out to see a neighbor but I and the children, we talked until nine oclock, and then went to bed.

Friday 31st

Rosa and I had a nice ramble this morning over the farm. Went to see the sheep & horses, and gorings. Through the woods. Mrs. Dennings farm is one of the finest in this vicinity and very pleasantly located full of slopes and undulations, and very nicely kept. Mrs. Bolkin came to Mrs Dennings this morning she is a very nice old lady. Her sister was with her, she has two maiden sisters living with who are over sixty years of age, she asked me to call, and I shall some time

Mr. Bassett, the school Superintendent came to see me this afternoon, and gave me my certificate, I was to go home in a boat to night but it looked so stormy that I concluded I would not wait and started in with Mrs. Maxwell on a load of lumber. When we had got almost to town, met Fannie & Mrs. Laing in a buggy going after me. I exchanged seats, and we went back to the camp, drove around a while, and then came home

Saturday June 1st

A warm sultry day, Went up town with Mar, got Maria to dress, Met Mrs. Mann & Juliette at Blanchis Asked them down to dinner, Mrs. Andrew Mann & Mrs. Klein was with them, all came down, Rosa Rogers came in the afternoon, Maria & I went to see Miss Hernandez, Went to the book store to see their new piano, Maria went to Sun Prairie with Rosa, after tea went up town again came home and sewed till eleven o'clock and then went to bed

Sunday 2d

Went to church this morning, It rained this afternoon cleared off very pleasant, however and is beautiful now as I sit in the door writing Went to church this evening, To-day is the anni-

of a Sunday last year when Mason, Miss Keeaugh and P. were caught in a storm, at the University. We shall none of us ever forget it.

Monday June 3d — Walked to school this morning. Every thing went on as usual. Skied to night to see on the flag.

Tuesday 4th — Pleasant days. Walked home to night. Went to the Lodge. Met Mr. Smith there. glad to see him had a pleasant time, Mr. Rich came home with me Mr. Smith said he would take me to school in the morning.

Wednesday 5th — Ma went with me to school had a pleasant ride. A meeting to night to arrange a picnic for the soldiers. Mr. Smith said he would come for me and I concluded I would go on.

Went to the meeting. they appointed me on a committee to beg provisions, which very agreeable task I shall escape by being a school-teacher.

Thursday 6th — Met Mr. Maxwell at the corner of the Park, rode out with him. School has been very pleasant to-day.

Friday 7th — Mrs. Mercer went to Sauk to day. She stopped at the school-house as she passed, George & Nellie went with her. Mrs. Casey had company when I got home, rode into town with them after tea.

Saturday 8th — Went over to Mrs. Wiers this morning, got some flowers. I also went to Mrs. Simmons afterwards went to the store. A warm day for the picnic. We went down to the Camp in the Omnibus, when there went straight to the mess-hall, worked there

hours getting the tables ready, they looked very nice indeed, and we had an [illegible] of provisions We had a speech from Col. Coon in behalf of the soldiers, one from Dr. Baylor in behalf of the Ladies* and several others gratis, the soldiers then cheered "the Ladies" "The Star Spangled Banner" the Women, and almost every thing else, they then sung the Star Spangled Banner, and as there are some fine voices among them it sounded well. The Cornet Band entertained the whole with excellent music. After the soldiers had retired, the Guard came in and were served by the Ladies, also the Band, The remains of the repast were divided among the soldiers who expressed themselves highly gratified by the attention shown them & said they should never forget it. We remained on the ground until after seven, and then came home tired enough.

Sunday 9th- Dreadful warm to-day, Went to church in the morning and to prayer meeting in the afternoon Bible Society meeting at the Methodist Church this evening, held until ten o'clock, Hyde came home with me Mr. C. with Minnie

Monday 10th- Went to school, Found Mr. & Mrs. Sands at Mr. Carey's when I got home Swichard Bolkin came in the evening, Said he would carry a letter to-morrow morning for me to the post office

Tuesday 11th- Got my letter ready, Mr. B called for it. Went to school, Walked home to-night, Went to the Lodge to-night, Did not get there until recess. Lodge closed early, Mrs. B Sheer came home with me

Wednesday 12th- Walked to school, Charlie went with me Had the 'blues' terribly this morning. Went to Mr. Kellogg's to tea, Went over to the school house after tea, and assisted in raising the flag. We had quite a celebration gave nine cheers for the S. S. B. & had a patriotic time generally. Re-looked finely and is quite an item in the neighborhood Staid at Mr. Kellogg's to-night. Saw them milk the cows. had some skim milk. Grandma Kellogg recited some poetry of her own composition about the war, she is eighty-five years of age, and it really showed extraordinary powers of mind for one so old,

Thursday 13th- Looked out this morning and saw my flag floating in grand style Went to Mr. Bacon's to-night-

Friday 14th- Wind blew terribly this morning, found my flag had lowered itself without saying by your leave, took it down, Wind blew dreadfully all day

Saturday 15th- Kept school to-day, did not feel very well, and would have given almost anything to be free from school duties, but I tried to be patient though it was hard work, the dust flew into the school room in clouds, and the wind made such a roaring and rattling that it was almost impossible to do anything

The girls had a paper this afternoon, Walked home to-night. Very tired indeed when I arrived

Sunday 16th- A beautiful Autumn cool Sabbath,— Went to Church in the morning, & to Bible Class in the afternoon, There was a slim attendance Went to Church in the evening

Monday 17th- Went to school this morning, and when almost there discovered that I had left my key, it was too far and too late to go back, and I thought that I would make the best of it, and so got in at the window, It was very amusing to see the scholars hopping out and in at the windows all day but I kept on a sober face and they did not say anything. Went home at night after the key rode home with Mr. Maxwell,

Tuesday 18th- Walked to school this morning, Rollie went with me, and we walked home at night, found after we got home that Fannie & Mr. Craig had gone after us in a boat, Went to the Lodge, Mr. Craig said they waited for us an hour and a half. Had a pleasant time, Mr. Baker came home with me & Mr. High with Fannie,

Wednesday 19th Mr. Craig carried me out to school this morning. Miss Crocker and Fannie went with us, Came after me again at night, Went to the Sociable, staid an hour or two and came home accompanied by Mr. Miller, Made arrangements for a picnic on Saturday,

Thursday 20th- Started with the intention of going on the boat when we got up town found that our time was slow, we were half an hour too late, and so had to walk to school, Went to Mrs. Pierce's to day to night, Went out and found some strawberries,

Friday 21st

This is a week of mistakes with me Mrs. P. had no time piece, and as we waited for the nine o'clock train of cars and they did not pass I found myself at the school-house at half-past eleven, I was as much provoked as ever in my life, but that did no good, and as we were to have a picnic in the afternoon, I sent the children home to get ready. We started at one o'clock and after sundry delays in calling for scholars &c, we arrived at our destination, and met Hannis's school just coming out we had a pleasant time on the bank of the Lake, a ride in a boat, a supper under the trees, and a general frolic, and then adjourned tired enough, Maria & I went up to Mr. Carey's and were glad enough to get a ride home

Saturday 22d

A breezy, delightful day, although rather warm, This is the day of our picnic, started at nine A. M, for the rendezvous, and after sending for various articles and a good deal of fixing we embarked for picnic point, we had a splendid row over, and saw quantities of fish on the other side of the point, did not succeed in catching any, found a poor little squirrel in the water that swimmed, tried in the morn a while and he soon found his senses and ran off, Went over to Mr Brides leaving Mr, Baker fishing, Got some cream, a pail of water and some flowers and started home, again.

Mr. Bakes Kip Crocker and Maria went out to fish, the rest went to walk, and I not having any especial desire for either, chose myself sentinel and sat down to guard the provisions had a nice time by myself till obliged to defend them against a company of cows, who were determined to investigate the contents of the water pail and baskets, When they returned made preparations for dinner which we took at the fashionable hour of five after having the misfortune of having the ice water spoiled by the obtrusive nose of a cow which stole upon us in an unguarded moment, We had plenty of strawberries, ditto cream, besides everything else nice, and after supper had the pleasure of ministering to the wants of the weary fishermen, who had been out all day with out water, ie, the brother of our Governor and Will Atwood, After dinner had literary entertainments interspersed with Jokes, Laughter, gooseberry pricking machine poetry making, Reciting &c, dallied after sundown for Scone, made the waters ring with our shouts & laughter, Maria sang her echo song, and we heard a beautiful echo, The full moon was about an hour high as we rounded the point and we had no idea of going home, and accordingly took a bee line for Gooseberry point, The evening was perfectly delightful and I never enjoyed myself better, we arrived at home a little before twelve tired enough

Sunday 23d

Rose this morning with a dreadful headache
Got ready for church heard Dr. Bristowe,
~~John Clay~~ Bagg's Lawrence addres;
Went to ~~Bible Class~~ in the afternoon, and to Church
in the evening

Monday 24th.

Mr. Craig took me to school in the boat
this morning. I went to the store, and then
to the Lake, when I arrived there I found that I
had forgotten my key, and was under the dis-
agreeable necessity of going back for it. I got to
school about ½ o'clock,

Tuesday 25th.

Went to school as usual, very warm &
sultry all day, and just as the last scholar took
his departure, clouds began to gather, the wind rose
and we had a most splendid thunder storm
I was alone in the schoolroom and sat by the
window to look, listen and wonder. As the flash
succeeded flash the rain came in torrents, accom-
panied by the loud peals of thunder, I felt
God's awful presence in my very soul. I love a storm
when alone, and the wilder it rages the greater
the fury of contending elements, the brighter and
quicker the flashes the greater is my pleasure & so presence, In about an hour
and a half the storm abated, and it being Tues-
day night, I started for home, The air was cool and
fresh, and had such an exhilarating effect on my
spirits, that I walked home in a very different
frame of mind from that which I possessed at the
close of school. Found Mrs Craig in the parlor when
I arrived, they all laughed at me well, for walking
so far in the mud, We had ice cream and

their lessons, and afterwards went to hear the Eulogy on the life & character of Stephen A. Douglas by Prof. D. B. Reed, It was very good, We had intended to go to the Lodge after the Eulogy but it closed before we were released, and therefore we did not go,

Wednesday 26th- Today is the annual commencement of the Wisconsin University, I would like very much to go, but cannot. I Walked to school,

Went over to Mr. Benney's after tea They were just eating their supper of green peas and new potatoes, and I complied with their request to sit down also,

Thursday 27th- Walked home to-night, to attend the Horticultural Exhibition, at the City Hall, It was fine, I did not go until late, Saw several old friends and enjoyed myself well, left them dancing to the music of the fifth regiment band, Major Lansbee was there He is an old college friend of Pa's and I saw him for the first time

Friday 28th- Walked out this morning, We raised the flag, the second time, to night, It is upon a pole, this time, and I think will stay there, Went over to Mr. Manvelle's to-night with Mary, the little thing got asleep and I brought her part way home, which pleased her mightily,

Saturday 30th- School as usual, Compositions & declamations this afternoon, Rode in to-night with Mr. Kelley Biked enough for four Saturdays,

Sunday 30th

Went to church this Ds. Brisbane preached on the institution of the Lords Supper. It rained in the afternoon, toward evening Fannie & I took a walk over to Jewish Lake ridge, the wind was high, and the waves, splendid. Went to the Congregational Chapel in the evening, and got slightly sprinkled coming home

Monday, July, 1st,

Walked to school. It was cool and pleasant. I was a little discouraged and disheartened for the first time since I commenced teaching. I was ill myself which was probably the reason that things seemed to go wrong. Two of the scholars staid to night to dress

Tuesday 2d

Very tired to night. Went to Mrs. Casey's before going home, started about six o'clock, got home at seven. Went to the Lodge Fannie was not there Mr. High came home with me, I was appointed member of a committee to arrange a picnic, for next week,

Wednesday 3d,

Mr. High and Mr. Craig and Fannie went out in a boat this morning. It was pleasant, but I did not get to school till half past nine, School passed pleasantly, Mr. High came for me in the boat, and we got home about seven, Found Celia Paton & Ds. & Mrs. Barber here

Thursday 4th

Wakened this morning by firing of guns, and ringing of bells, Saw the procession go by our house at twelve o'clock, the chief features of which were, the thirty four girls arrayed white & blue to represent the States & nearly two thousand children representing the Fifth & Sixth regiments quartered here. Went up to the Park a little while, heard the Declaration read and the commencement of the oration, came home and a short walk in the evening finished

my out door performances for the day. This Fourth is an important one to us all, and she could look upon the two thousand brave men who passed through our streets to-day volunteers to defend our liberty and not feel his patriotism swell within him. Our country is shrouded and darkened by the cloud of civil war, but trusting in God as our help and strength, and in the supporters of the cause of right we shall yet see the clear sky over our heads and the light of peace and fraternity beaming upon us. Mr. Rich spent the evening here.

Friday 5th. Fannie & I having adjourned our schools till Monday, we set about enjoying our vacation in the most unsuitable manner possible. In the first place it was very warm, Fannie went to bed as soon as she finished her breakfast, and we saw her only at intervals during the day; Celia & Maria B. P. decorated the parlor with oak leafs wreaths, cheesies and flowers, nearly the whole forenoon to assume them to our satisfaction. When we concluded we would have a "party" and I rode into town & got half a dozen friends to "drop in" Lottie & Minnie & Hattie Hubbard called in the afternoon and were treated to cherry pie. Only four of our guests came. We went down to the lake shore, sat on a boat near the lake, sang recited talked, laughed, and came home, finished the evening with ice cream & cake.

Saturday 6th. Went up town this morning, came home and sewed till eleven. Mr. Craig called and said that the committee was going across the lake to

select a suitable place for a picnic, and that he would call at his for us. It was very warm when we started, but when on the water, very cool and pleasant. Went over to "Sugar Bush" rambled around awhile, and concluded that that would not do, and embarked for McBride's point. The lake was very rough and the waves occasionally washed over the stern of the boat where I sat, so that I was completely wet through, it was so pleasant however I did not mind that. We went up to Miss McBride's who gave us a drink of water and all the ripe currants we could eat, besides a beautiful bouquet we again sought the shore and ate our luncheon rested and chatted for an hour, and then started for home, the lake was rough but we were not afraid, and I rowed with one oar, all the way home, Went to the Committee meeting at Mr. B's office, got home at ten tired enough

Sunday 7th Went to church this morning, came home wrote in my journal, Mr. Craig came in the afternoon and also Mr. Carpenter Went to church in the evening

Monday 8th Went to school everything about as usual, Went to Mrs Casey's.

Tuesday 9th Walked home to night, or started to walk. and met Minnie & Mc High on the Railroad, went in the wind was quite high, and it took us over two hours to get home, it rained a little went right to the Lodge, Settled all the arrangements for

the picnic on Saturday. Mr. High came home with me,

Wednesday 10th. Went to school. At night went to Mr. Kellogg's to stay all night. Sat up till eleven talking theology, politics &c, with Mr. Kellogg.

Thursday 11th. Got up at five. After breakfast took a walk over the hill to the Lake Shore with the girls. Went to school at nine o'clock. After school, walked out to Kate Kavanaugh's tired enough when I got home, then. We did every thing we could think of chased the cattle, cut straw for the horses, drove them to water played with the dogs, and about nine o'clock started in search of steers, got me with the aid of Peter and brought him home in triumph. "thereby hangs a tale"

Friday 12th. Waked at half past four Kate got up and I took another nap. Kate walked half way to school with me, and met Charley Casey one of my scholars who came the rest of the way. Dismissed school to night tired and almost discouraged.

Saturday 13th. To day is our Picnic, Mr. Baker came about 8½ o'clock, and soon after Mr. High & we started. There were four boat loads went. Had a very pleasant time. Went to Mrs. McKinds and got all the cucumbers we wanted. There were about thirty five people there, and when we came home we tied the boats together, and came across, very sociably.

Sunday 14th. Cloudy this morning. got ready for church and listen it sprinkled a little, but when the services were about half over it commenced raining in fine style and we had the satisfaction of walking home under borrowed umbrellas. Rained in the evening so that we did not go to church.

Monday 15th. Walked to school. Nothing occurred beyond the usual round of school exercises

Tuesday 16th Mr Craig came for me to-day before school was out, I was sick, and as always is the case at such times the children were more disorderly than usual, I was almost discouraged I love my scholars dearly and I do not believe there is one who would willingly cause me pain but they are thoughtless, and often seem unkind and ungrateful, but I will try and have patience with them, Went to the lodge saw Erdenia Hastings who has just returned from school, just as fancy and pert as ever, There were a good many soldiers present, and we had some good speeches, After the lodge Mr. Miller took us to ride, it was very pleasant being a bright moonlight evening

Wednesday 17th Rained in torrents this morning could not go to school, Fannie was at home also and we had a good time till it stopped raining about eleven o'clock, and then we went up town, went to the store, Made arrangements to go out to Camp Randall to-night in the boat

I went with Fanny to her school this afternoon, I believe visiting schools is worse than teaching. Our boat ride to night ended in a rain storm and we dried at home, Mr. High and Mr. Craig came and we spent a very pleasant evening.

Thursday 8th — Went to school in the boat, came in to the Soldiers picnic at Camp Randall, Thorne

Friday 9th — Walked to school, a very pleasant day

Saturday 20th — Dismissed school to night with a light heart, when I got ready to go home found Fanny & Mr Craig sitting on the railroad track waiting for me, walked over the hills to the Lake, sat an hour under the oaks reading and talking, and then had a splendid row home, Mr. Craig staid to tea at nine

Sunday 21st — Did not go to church this morning

Went to hear Dr Taylor this evening.

Monday 22d — Went to school in the boat this morning. School about as usual. Went home with Ella Bell, After tea we went after flowers in the meadow and up on the hill got a lot of grass to crystalize. When Mr Hills paper came the news struck a chill to all our hearts. The telegraph announced the total rout of our troops at Manassas Junction and that between four and five thousand were killed and many taken prisoners Our 2d Regiment were in the engagement, Real loss in killed and

wounded and taken prisoners not ascertained. Hopes are entertained from the usual exaggeration in such cases, that it will turn out better than now supposed.

Sunday 23d, Went to school this morning as usual. About three o'clock, Mat & Nellie, Charlie & Mrs. Cary came out and remained until school closed when we went over to the Lake and came home in the boat. It was very pleasant. Last night's news confirmed and scarcely modified except that the loss of our men had been overestimated, stragglers coming into camp in numbers. The 5th & 6th Regiments were ordered to march. Went to the Lodge with a severe headache. Some of the Zouaves were present.

Wednesday 24th Found myself unable to go to school this morning. Fannie kindly offered to go in my place. Lay in bed all the forenoon and in afternoon read some. Fannie came home at night thoroughly tired out. Telegraph to night; reports not more than two hundred men killed on our side to two thousand of the rebels. Defeat owing to General Patterson's delay, in reinforcing us.

Thursday 25th Went to school. Not able to teach, but learned that some things must be done and got along after a fashion. Went to Mrs. Cary's tonight. Mrs. Mercer wanted to go to the camp & persuaded me to go with her. Saw the soldiers on parade. The 6th Regiment alone was there the fifth went yesterday.

Friday 26th- A warm sultry day. Went to school feeling very ill indeed. After school went to Mrs Craigs and after tea walked home, Kittie was with me. Found the folks all gone to visit the Insane Asylum, Read the paper and went to bed

Saturday 27th- Mr. Craig called this morning to see about the arrangements for going to Ford du Lac next week to the teachers Association. I wanted to go very much, but want of money and other reasons will keep me at home (or rather at school) News to night; nothing of importance, Telegraph reports somewhat more reliable, State the number of killed and wounded to be much less than at first supposed, Our second Regiment lost about forty men, Gen- Patterson has been superseded by Gen Banks, and Gen- McClellan has taken Scotts place as commander in chief of the American forces, that noble old General being too old to sustain the duties of so arduous an office he will remain however as McClellans adviser

Sunday 28th- A bright pleasant morning. The 6th Regiment started for Chicago at nine o'clock Pa went with them. Went to church, Revt Mr Harwood from Cincinnati preached, Annie Main sang in the choir, she has been gone two years. Services at the Church this afternoon but I did not go. Went to the Congregational Church this evening

Monday 29th. Walked to school this morning. Very warm. Went to Mrs. Casey's to tea.

Tuesday 30th. Did not feel very well to-day. Went to Mrs. C's after tea walked home, tried to sleep; Did not go to lodge.

Wednesday 31st. Started for school, met Major McDougal in his carriage, and very kindly took me to school quite an item this hot weather. Went home with Hattie Casey after school, then over into the harvest field, where Mr. Fanning's men were at work, learned how to bind bundles and carried some thought that was glory enough for one day; accordingly went home.

Thursday Aug. 1st. A marvellously hot day. Did not feel able to go to school this morning, went however, and was obliged to close school at eleven o'clock, went home, kept my bed all the afternoon, Mrs. Casey's neice came yesterday, she is a nice little girl.

Friday 2d. Rode to school on a stone wagon, better than walking, Sick to-day, but thought I must teach, got along very well, Went to tea and got settled, and then as I had concluded not to teach to-morrow, walked home.

Saturday 3d. It rained splendidly last night, and is warm as ever to-day. I have done nothing to-day. This is miserable weather, I don't feel as if I was any use to myself or any one else.

Sunday 4th,

Woke this morning with a dreadful headache, It is warm as ever, and it seems almost impossible to exist. How I pity our poor soldiers several degrees farther south, under the burning sun. I hope there will be no more fighting done, while the weather remains so warm,

I did not go to church this morning being pretty sure that the weather and my headache would do away with all devotional feelings.

Finished reading "Tom Brown at Oxford" to-day, read little at Rugby last week, it is very fine and gives one a good idea of English school and English scenery. The name of the author is Hughes I believe, though I am not certain,

Monday 5th

Fannie L I started to walk to school this morning, met Mrs. McDougal, and she carried us out in his carriage, School commenced last week and school was thin to-day. Went to Mr. Casey's to-night. We went out in the field and bound a few bundles of wheat, ate some green apples and afterward played Copenhagen Jumped rope and had a nice time generally. Went down cellar and drank all the milk we wanted,

Tuesday 6th

Went to school, Ella Casey went with me School rather thin to-day. Mr. Craig came after me to-night, came home in the boat. Went to the Lodge, Had a pleasant time,

Wednesday 7th — Went to school, It had rained in the night or I should have gone in the boat, Eddie Mason was at Mrs. Casey's He played ball to-night out in the yard, and afterward went into the house and played Parcels we had plenty of fun,

Thursday 8th — School as usual, It cleared off this morning, bright and warm Mrs. Benney & Eliza came over to Mrs. Casey's to-night, and also Sinclair Botkin Elijah & Sinclair played and we played Proverbs in the evening, had splendid time, Elijah asked us over to tea to-morrow,

Friday 9th — Bored to death this morning, but had to go to school Only 16 scholars the least I have had this summer, This week makes fifteen weeks that I have taught Went home after school and washed me and combed my hair, and then went over to Mrs Benney's, In the evening, Eddie & Sinclair Botkin came over, and stayed till about ten o'clock

Saturday 10th — Mrs. Mercer came home last night we were all glad to see her, I walked home to-night, Tired enough

Sunday 11th — A cool pleasant day, went to church, Came home wrote in my journal, and read remainder of the day

Monday 12th — School as usual, Ella & I went to Mrs. Browns to-night, Had a pleasant visit, A beautiful moonlight evening

Tuesday 13th — Went to school, But few scholars on account of harvest, Walked home to night, Went to the Lodge, Elected delegate to the Grand Lodge, Fanny was one, Mr. Hastings read an extra, to-night, containing news of the battle at Springfield yesterday, Gen Lyon killed

Wednesday 14th- Walked to school, A pleasant day. Went- to Mrs. Carey's to-night. We played proverbs after tea

Thursday 15th Nothing unusual occurred to-day, Report of death of Gen. Lyon, confirmed, also of rebel General McCulloch, Gen, Price also rebel severely wounded, Our forces forced the enemy to retreat and camped on the battle-field, Rebel loss estimated at 8,000 killed and wounded, they had 23,000 engaged, we only seven thousand,

Friday 16th- Went to school, a pleasant day, Ella & I went over to Mr. Tenney's to spend the evening, Played euchre had a good time, stayed all night

Saturday 17th- Taught School to-day, and rode home with Mr. Brown to-night, Very tired,

Sunday 18th- Cool and cloudy, Went to church, heard a good sermon, Came home, and staid rest of the day,

Monday 19th- Walked to school, Went to Mrs. Pilkins to-night, invited them to the picnic, said they would come, Went to Mr. Tenney's a little while afterwards,

Tuesday 20th Walked home to-night, very tired, did not go to the Lodge,

Wednesday 21st, Did not go to school, but to Teachers Examination instead, there were twenty-five teachers to be examined, Mr. Pickard, and Messrs. Sterling Bliss and Fox were the examining Committee Went to call upon Mrs. Mercer at Mr. Mason's after it was over, Were going Boating, to-night but-were prevented by the rain

Thursday 22d

Mr. Craig took me to school in the boat this morning, a pleasant day I have had a full school, and it passed very pleasantly. Went to Mr. Kellogg's to night. We went up on the hill, and afterwards to Mrs Deming's wood lot to choose a spot for the picnic, concluded on the latter place,

Friday 23d,

This is the last day of school, Rose this morning, after breakfast went over to Mrs. Ds stayed a little while and then went to school had a very pleasant day, but the tears would come in my eyes on dismissing each class for the last time, we parted to meet again in the morning, Went to Mr. Marwells to tea staid a couple of hours, and then went home Eliza Bennet was there, we played games all the evening

Saturday 24th

Rose early this morning, a good deal anxious about the result of the days arrangements, Started with Ella, Eddie, Eliza Bennet, Fanny & Mary for the school house, found the greater part of the children there, We went to the grounds Mr. Deming had very kindly, fixed up some seats, and a table, also a couple of swings, They turned out very well, there were about seventy there did and young, and all seemed to enjoy it very much, ~~and~~ we had a nice supper, every thing passed off in an orderly manner, Fanny and Mr. Craig came after me, and after bidding them all good bye

I felt that one more episode of my life had passed that my influence there for good or evil, was ended, The children all seemed sorry to part with me, there were tears in many eyes, and one little girl sobbed all the way home, and would not be comforted, God bless them all I love every one of them, although some of them have given me trouble, and they have often seemed ungrateful for all my care and patience with them, I have passed a pleasant time among them, and sincerely wish them well, in this world and the world to come, and hope that I may have done them some good, I was very tired at night; and after collecting my things, we started for home, we had a mile to walk to the Lake shore, We had a picnic of our own on board, and after a very pleasant ride reached home about nine, The soldiers of the first Regiment returned to-day, and were enthusiastically received by the people they were welcomed at the depot, and provided with a dinner in one of the buildings, and in the evening were received by the ladies at the Assembly Room, They had a very pleasant time, most of them will remember for the war

Sunday 25th — Found on awakening that I had nicely recovered from the effects of the picnic. Went to church, Dr. Britton's son, one of the returned volunteers, preached this morning. Did not go this afternoon to church.

Monday 26th — Woke this morning with a strange feeling of loss, did not seem possible that I was not going to school, however I managed to get along very comfortably, I have a great deal to do this Fall, and must improve every moment.

27 — Went up town this morning, rested in the afternoon, went to Lodge in the evening, Fannie was elected delegate to Grand Lodge.

28 — Nothing of importance occurred,

29th — rained all day

30th — Went up town this morning, Mr. Casey offered to take me out to Mr. Jennings this afternoon, as I wanted to go. We started, that is, Fannie & I & Mr. Casey about 2 P.M. and they sat down among the ties near the railroad to wait for me, they promised to wait until seven o'clock before they launched, I was overtaken by Sinclair Botkin who came up through the woods, and he & I surveyed a new road through Mr. Casey's cornfield, it was not altogether straight, he very kindly helped me over the intervening fences, and I arrived at Mr. Casey's in safety. I took tea there, and then Ella and Mrs. Noreen

accompanied me to Mr. Jenney's, they had a house full of company, and Mr. Jenney did not get home until seven o'clock, and by the time I had my business with him arranged it was eight o'clock, and altogether too late to meet my friends at the Boat. It being very dark I thought it likely that they had gone home long before, Sinclair & Alex. Botkin came over to Mr. Jenney's and Mrs. Mercer invited us all over to their house to spend the evening, we had a very pleasant time, playing proverbs &c.

Saturday 31st

Rose early, after breakfast went out to the barn to hunt for eggs, got seven in all, I had to go to Mr. Dunning's, and so walked up as soon as possible after breakfast it was something over a mile, Mr. Dunning said I might ride on a load of wheat with him if I chose which I did accordingly, Ella & I went over to Mr. Jenney's after Eliza who with Ella was going home with me, We started about nine o'clock found it very warm and dusty, got into town a little after ten, the girls staid all day, Eliza's father came for her in the evening, Ella staid all night,

Sunday Sept 1st

Went to church, rained some all day, Ella & I and Maria went to the Universalist Church this evening

Monday 4th

Rained all day until late in the afternoon, about 3 o'clock I went up to the Hall, to help trim it for the reception of the Grand Lodge, it looked very nice indeed, after tea Maria & I started to accompany, Ella part way home, it grew dark by the time we reached the camp ground and Ella did not dare go home alone through the woods and I did not dare go alone back to town, so we all went on, Staid all night and came back in the morning.

Tuesday 5th

Started for home early, it was very pleasant, Went to Lodge this evening.

Wednesday 7th

Sewed all day, Went to look at a house,

Thursday 8th

Sewing, went to Mrs. Wiers, Went to Lodge in the evening, staid in the ante room,

Friday 9th

Much as usual, Companies composing Seventh Regiment coming in to-day,

Saturday 10th

Pleasant, Running around town to-day

Sunday 11th

Went to church, Dr. Kinsman preached a very good sermon, Went to Chapel Dr. B. preached there also,

Monday 12th

At home sewing as usual, Rose came in the afternoon staid all night.

Tuesday 13th

Raining splendidly this morning, with no prospect of ceasing, We went up town about noon, and notwithstanding the rain

to Addie Beissbarries to spend the afternoon and to Lodge in the evening.

Wednesday 11th — Pd a note from Mr Day this morning saying, that he was ill, also his little boy who was very low with a fever Rose stain till noon

Thursday 12th — Nothing of importance to day, we get no telegrams of importance Our Regiments here, the Seventh & Eighth are filling up and will probably leave next week,

Friday 13th — The Methodist Conference is in session here, went to the Church in the evening and heard the Rev. Mr Wilson of Louisville on the State of affairs in the Country his text, "Every soul must be obedient to the higher powers" &c, was well treated indeed I think I never heard a better discourse on the subject,

Saturday 14th — Went up town this morning, We were all very much surprised by a visit from Cousin Augustus to night we were all very glad to see him I have not seen him since we were little children

Sunday 15th — Went to church this morning, One of the Methodist ministers preached, Augustus came before Church but did not accompany us, went again in the afternoon, and after that Augustus went with us to walk, until tea time, Went to church at the M. E. Church in the evening, heard

it crowded so much so that some of the contents ran over into the third, and dispersed to the churches, we were fortunate enough to obtain a seat,

Monday 16th — A pleasant day. Staid at home and sewed all day

Tuesday 17th — The cloth for making shirts for the soldiers came in to-day, and we commenced making, there there are twenty five thousand yds to make up, Went to Lodge to-night

Wednesday 18th — Augustus went yesterday, Still making shirts, I like it very well, Had a picnic for the soldiers at the Camp to-day, we went up, it passed off pleasantly, the Seventh Regiment go Saturday,

Thursday 19th — Worked all day on the shirts, went to the Horticultural Exhibition in the evening it was very pleasant —

Friday 20th — Made 11 shirts to-day, Annie & I and the machine that is,

Saturday 21st — Shirt making still, finished two, to-day

Sunday 22d — Went to church to-day, a beautiful morning, heard a good sermon, from the old text, "Enter in at the Strait Gate &c I hope it may do me good, went again in the afternoon a stranger, a member of the Congregation preached, Went in the evening to hear Dr. Taylor,

Monday 23d

Rose early, sent off the shirts made Saturday, and got ten more, just as we got nicely at work, one of the machine springs broke, and so delayed us somewhat in getting it mended, we finished our ten however, by six o'clock. I went to a committee meeting at Mrs. Miller's. We staid until ten, had a pleasant time, and all came as far as the gate with me.

Tuesday 24th

Had no work this morning, sewed on Mary dress, Went to the Lodge, Dr. Bintane was here and went with us. Our Committee reported, and was received with satisfaction, We played Croquet at recess, had a pleasant time, Fanny went home early, Mrs. High came with me.

Wednesday 25th

Started this morning, to call on Mrs. Ges. Smith, at Mr. Scofields, called for Miss. Chapman to accompany us. It commenced raining when we were almost there, and continued to rain steadily all the forenoon, We staid at Mrs. Scofields until noon and then started home in the rain, getting well drenched, Mr. Craig came and spent an hour here this evening.

Thursday 26th

This was the day appointed by the President as a day of fasting and prayer, Services in all the churches, places of business all closed, Dr. Bintane preached, prayer meeting before and after preaching.

Friday 27th

Went up town this morning a very cold cloudy day, sewed until four o'clock, and then went out in the country to Mr. Carey's, stopped at the Maxwells on the way, Mrs. Carey and Ella were making pies for the soldiers in the evening and I kept them company and looked on, They made thirty-four in a little more than an hour

Saturday 28th

Got up by candle-light this morning, Very cold Ella was coming to town, We started at seven o'clock, Stopped at the Camp Ground, went to Mr. Benney's office, then to Williams stand where he treated us to candy and grapes, we walked about a little and then walked into town Ella went to take her medicine after which we went to Curtis's and had our photographs taken, Mrs. Weir and also Kate Kavenaugh & Hattie Hubbard called in the afternoon, Mrs. C, came and spent the evening

Sunday 29th

Another cold gloomy day, went to church had a full house and a good sermon, went again this afternoon, Went in the evening to the Unitarian Church to Vespers, They had splendid singing

Monday 30th

Sewed all the forenoon, Went up town with Ma, Spent the evening at home

Tuesday Oct 1st

Rained incessantly all day, Could not go to the Lodge,

Wednesday 2d

Still raining, How I pity our poor soldiers in camp, It is so cold and wet I think they must suffer

Thursday 3d — Still rainy & cold, In the house and sewing all day, Mrs. Fairchild came over this evening.

Friday 4th — At home rainy. We have had no frost yet and everything looks as green as if it were spring.

Saturday 5th — We were very glad to see the sun this morning, and it proved a beautiful day, Marie & I went up town

Sunday 6th — Went to church Dr. Brisbane preached from the text "Not every one who saith unto me, "Lord, Lord, &c" He preached a splendid sermon; went again in the afternoon

Monday Oct 8th — We have been moving and I have not seen my journal for a long time I take it up now with something of the feeling of welcoming an old friend, I used to be at home this winter how many of the records made here will be worthy of the time spent time alone can prove, I hope that I shall not have cause to chide myself for time misspent or opportunities misimproved We have a meeting at our house to-night for the purpose of organizing a Society of young people to send articles of comfort and necessity to our sick and wounded soldiers in the hospitals, It seems to me a work of importance as they so very much need our aid, and I hope that we shall accomplish something

Tuesday 15th

The gathering last night was not large but we organized under the name of "The Young Ladies Relief Society" and appointed the following officers: Emily Lemmon President; Hattie Benedict, Vice President; Addie Purple, Secretary, Minnie Taylor Treas. Also the Presidents Vice Presidents Secretary & Treasures Soliciting Committee for the various wards, Adjourned to meet next Monday evening at Addie Bisbane's Went to the Lodge James High came home with me,

Wednesday 2nd

Went up town this morning, Ella Long came while I was gone and stayed until afternoon had a committee meeting, in regard to the Sociable here to-night,

Thursday Nov. 3rd

Attended the Ladies' Aid, Meeting at the Hall, wound two skeins of yarn knit ravelled a square of linen for rebozo,

Friday 4th

Went out this morning on the Soliciting Committee took me nearly all day, had good success, Tried enough to-night Stayed at home,

Saturday 5th

Went up town got some yarn to knit stockings also some needles for same, Went out in the afternoon to collect bundles,

Sunday 6th

Went with Pa to the Camp to hear Capt Mc Leod of the 12th Regiment preach, It was cloudy and cold when we started, but the sun came out beautifully in a short time

The preaching was in the Hall of Fine Arts and we had empty musket boxes for seats The sermon was very fine, and the attendance good, After the sermon I was introduced to Capt. McLeod, and also to Lieut. Mason of the same Company, they seemed to be very fine men indeed, as we came out of the building the view from the hill was picturesque indeed, with the bright sunshine (the first we have had for nearly a week) shining mostly over camp and city, lake and hill, We took a walk around the hills, stood a while to see them fall in for dinner and the march thereto, and then came home, Went to the Baptist Church in the afternoon, and Congregational in the evening.

Monday 12th Went up town this morning, and to the Society at Addie Bispham's in the evening, There was a good number present, and we did a considerable amount of work, had a pleasant time, Addie treated us to pumpkin pie Adjourned to meet at Addie Peoples,

Tuesday 13th Went to the Lodge, Installation of officers, I was installed as Treasurer, had a Committee meeting at noon,

Wednesday 14th Met at Addie Peoples to rehearse charade Mr High one of the principal characters being absent, we could not rehearse, Came home early, Mr McKinney came with me

Thursday 15th

Went up to the Ladies Aid Society's Bo Addie Parties in the evening, to rehearse. Mr. Baker called for me, Mr High being present, we rehearsed our charade several times, and adjourned to meet at our house to morrow night;

Friday 16th

A pleasant day. Been at work all day sewing. Mr. High and Mr. McKinney came to night but the rest of the corps dramatique were not on hand, and so we had no rehearsal. They staid about an hour and a half after they were gone Mr. Craig came, and spent the remainder of the evening.

Saturday 17th

To-day passed with the usual round of morning duties, a trip up town after a pattern for soldiers mittens, and a visit to camp in the afternoon, Came home cold and wet and knit until twelve o'clock, on the mittens

Sunday 18th

A pleasant day, went to church, had a good sermon, Dr. Bristow announced that he was about to leave as Lowery received an appointment as chaplain in the 2d Cavalry Regiment; We are very sorry to lose him, Mr Craig said he would call for us to go to Camp in the afternoon, He came at one o'clock and we had a pleasant walk, when we got there found the services would not commence for an hour sat down and waited,

Mr. Britton preached and the Lancet played, and we had some good music

by the congregation, after the services Mr. Craig took some tracts, (temperance I'd) to the Chaplain to distribute and then we went to find some of our friends for whom we had some papers, found Will McConnell, gave them to him and told him to share them with Wells, High when he came, Mr Craig staid to tea, and we went to the Congregational Church in the evening

Monday 19th Society met at Addie's to night there was quite a crowd had a very pleasant time and accomplished a good deal of work staid after adjournment to rehearse our charade, had a rather indifferent time and came home late, James High came home with me

Tuesday 20th Rained all day, Staid at home Lodge Sociable put off one week on account of the weather

Wednesday 21st Stormy & cold, I have had the blues all day,

Thursday 22d Went to the Ladies Aid Society, They were making slippers, Went from there to Mrs. Roe's and then home,

Friday 23d Went out collecting bundles, came home found that Addie Purple had been here to inform me that James High would not be in town, So that we could not go on with our charade in consequence,

Saturday 24th Mrs. Rowe called this morning to see me in regard to the Sociable, Mrs. Martin called this afternoon, We were very agreeably surprised to see Bonnie Augustus this evening, She came from Portage City

Sunday 25th Went to Church this morning Augustus went with us, and also to the Congregational Church in the evening

Monday 26th The Society met here in the evening Pa got a buggy this afternoon and took me around to collect my bundles, We had quite a gathering in the evening and a pleasant time James High was here and informed me that he would stay and take part in the charade I told him that I should have nothing to do with it,

Tuesday 27th Went up town this afternoon with Addie Purple to get some batting for the bed quilts we were to tack to-day got enough for one came home and got one ready to tack and that was all Addie staid to tea, Mr. Hoyt came for me to go to Exhibition of the Literary Societies of the University, went to the Lodge afterwards, got very much provoked at some of the members, and came home in no amicable frame of mind, bed. Mr. Hoyt got bye for four months,

Wednesday 28th Pa got a carriage this afternoon and took us out riding It was very cold but we wrapped up warm and were not at all

uncomfortable. We went out to Mrs. Downing's and from there to Mrs. Reynold's got home about six o'clock, Fannie was sick and I taught school for her this morning. Went to Seattle

Thursday 28th — Today is Thanksgiving, went to Church in the morning, had dinner at four in the afternoon, had an invitation to a surprise party at Mr. Miller's played cards in the evening until time to go, had a very pleasant time, ate oysters supper &c, came home at twelve

Friday 29th — Augustus started for home, this morning, I was sorry to have him go, it seems lonely without him, he is so lively and pleasant, we all like him very much. Commenced a course of study, to-day Rhetoric, Algebra Geometry and Arithmetic studied till twelve

Saturday 30th — A cold snowy day stayed in the house all day until the evening which we spent at Mr. Scofields

Sunday Dec. 1st — Felt a great disinclination for going to church this morning did go however, it was very cold, Snow about a foot deep Wrote and read all the afternoon Did not attend church in the evening

Monday 2d — Cold but pleasant, Sewed all day Went to the Society at Hattie Benedict's in the evening, the number present was made

than at any time since our organization but the amount of work accomplished was very creditable I am very anxious to get one box started, as our poor sick soldiers in the hospitals are very much in need of the articles. Meeting adjourned to meet at Addie Ripley's

Tuesday 3d — Rosia & I tried our skill at the washing machine to-day it worked wonderfully and we thought some of taking in washing just for the pleasure of working it, but concluded on hanging out the clothes and coming in with frozen fingers that we had had enough for once. Went to the Lodge to-night. Came home with the blues

Wednesday 4th — Went up town a beautiful day with the air of Indian Summer a hazy dreamy fragrant air if it had not been for a foot or so of snow which lay upon the ground I could have fancied it October I was out the greater part of the forenoon came home went up in the afternoon to get a box for our goods, Mr Sprague gave me a nice one, and I had it sent to Addies Went up to see how Sherd and Sam and home again, Received a letter from 'Gus' just like him, full of fun and frolic.

Spent my evening at home.

Thursday 5th

A warm pleasant day. Mrs. Mercer came in the forenoon, and staid until the time for the meeting of the Aid Society, at the Assembly Room. The Ladies sent off their fancy box to-day, well-filled I hope it may do much good, and alleviate some of the suffering growing out of this terrible war. There is not some hope felt that it will soon end, if it does it will have cost already a fearful price, in broken hearts and desolated homes, God grant there be not many more. Mr. Craig came this evening to teach us to play Chess, I like it very much, and hope some time to be a skillful player. After he had gone Fannie & I had a game of back gammon for pens and then went to bed.

Friday 6th

This morning the snow had nearly disappeared, the air was misty, warm & soft as spring. I felt a sort of house cleaning propensity come over me, and after sweeping and dusting the rooms, making beds &c. found myself up to elbows, in suds cleaning shelves in the pantry. Escaped first in the afternoon, Played a game of chess with Fannie when she came home, scraped some more Latin, read several chapters of Dickens Great Expectations aloud for the edification of Ma & Marie, and at this present moment am writing in my room 8½ o'clock

P. M. without a fire and entirely comfortable notwithstanding the rain dripping over the panes and sixth of December too! I have an odd fancy to describe my dress to-night; that I may remember myself all Decembers to come as I sit here to-night. First dress, dark delaine close sleeves and cuffs, white apron, cut round with ruffles, linen collar embroidered in points as is the present style, black velvet bow in front, belt with buckle, a la Louise, and hair combed straight back from my Mondescie bow over my ears, fingers dabbled in ink.

Saturday 7th. Engaged all the morning in the unromantic occupation of mending woven ties. Dined and sewed some bandages in the afternoon. In the evening Mr. Bois and Geo. B. Smith came. We played chess, backgammon & checkers, had a very pleasant time.

Sunday 8th. A mild foggy day. Got ready to go to church owing to a mistake in the time was very much disappointed. Wrote letters all day. read some in "Shirley" and the last Harpers and went to Church in the evening.

Monday 9th. We washed to-day with our new machine. It works admirably, though I would prefer one, which would wash without assistance. Went to the Society at Mrs. Ripley's. We rolled a great many yards of bandages, tied also pieced some calico for comforts. had a pleasant time. Adjourned to meet at Mrs. Griffin's next Monday evening.

Tuesday 10th — Sewed all day, Went to the Lodge, in the evening, while a large number present had a very pleasant time talked about getting up an impromptu Sociable to-morrow night- Promised to recite something

Wednesday 11th — Sewed, swept, dusted, and cleaned this morning, spent a few minutes looking for a piece to recite- found one but had no time to learn it, until about six o'clock, Addie Kiply & Miss Hallin came this afternoon to take comfortes, We tied two & got another ready to tie, Went to the Sociable, We had some nice recitations & tableaux also an impromptu charade everything went off well and we had a pleasant time,

Thursday 12th — Played Chess with Fanny this morning Sewed some, Mrs. Wasie & Mrs. Fairfield called this afternoon Started about three o'clock to go out to Mrs. Caseys It was very pleasant, They all seemed glad to see us, After tea we went to Mr. Feeney's stayed a little while & Mrs. Feeney & Miss Church came back with us Found Sinclair Botkin at home had a pleasant evening. Kept country hours, eating at half past nine

Friday 13th — Had our programme for to-day mapped out yesterday Rose a 5 o'clock this morning not because I wanted too, but I being in Rome must conduct myself à la Roman, I kept all the forenoon and a long one it was, Afte-

dinner Ella & I sallied out for a visiting tour We first called on Miss. Sinclair, found her alone Mrs. Bothin having gone away, Staid a short time, called at Mr. Pethucks she entertained us very pleasantly, showing us books & pictures brought from their old home in England, among which was an splendid painting, of the family nearly life size It was very beautiful and I shall never forget it. Mrs. Pethuick is a lovely woman, a lady even in the poverty which now surrounds her From there we went to Mrs. Denning's & Mrs. Kellogg's, and spent the remainder of the afternoon at the school house, Like Mr. Allen very well think he might keep better order in school, he walked as far as Mr. Casey's with us, asked me to come out to spelling school, sometime think I shall, Went up to Mr. Penney's to spend the evening found Sinclair there, Eliza was at home, played euchre, Went home and to bed,

Saturday 14th Rose at a ridiculously early hour, At ten Ella & I started for town, Got home found the breakfast table still standing & coffee hot ate a second breakfast, Ella came to dinner, After which she & Nellie went to Mr. Larkin's to spend the afternoon & I went to the Band of Hope, Went up town just in time to see all the Boys march to the Capitol House where the Gov. addressed them, The Governor next also made a speech, Poor fellows I fear many of them

are marching to their deaths, they are as fine looking soldiers as one would wish to see, five or six young ladies came in the evening and we had a dance in the parlor Ella staid with me

Sunday 15th- Rose late this went with Ella to the church of the Messiah, Mrs. Meares & Mrs. Jenney were there, They were to ride home and Ella persuaded me to go and come back to Camp with them in the afternoon it was a beautiful day Sinclair & Wallace Bitkin came in while we were at lunch and staid an hour or so, Wallace is a Lieut- in the 12 th- Regiment; Went for Mrs. Jenney & Elgin and from thence to Battery, saw the Dress Parade, & Mr. Jenney took us to Dr. Cay quarters, and afterwards to Lieut- Mason's tent, had a very pleasant time, Rode home with Mr. Cain, Found Mr. Craig in the parlor staid and went to church with Capt Jennie, Miss. Crocker called for me & we went to the Congregational Church, Heard a good sermon

Monday 16th- Went up town this morning Mrs. Priddey promised us a package of flannel for our Boys and Mr. Pilsbury some slippers, Went to Flora's in the evening Meeting adjourned to meet at Addie Purple's two weeks from to-night, We are going to send our Boys next week & commence on another at our next meeting,

Tuesday 17th — Miss Crocker came this morning with Mrs. Johnson's baby she staid all day. sent the baby home at noon she & Jennie played Chess in the afternoon Maria & I and the machine did the washing Maria went into the country in the afternoon Went to the Lodge in the evening A good many soldiers present had a good many speeches the evening passed pleasantly

Wednesday 18th — Expected company in the evening baked all the morning Went up to Camp with Pa & Ma this afternoon, Went to see Dr. Casey about sending our box with the 12th, and concluded to do so, Found Mrs. Weir at home on our return Mrs. De Motte & Mrs. Davis also came to tea, & Mr. & Mrs. Crum in the evening We had coffee which so exhilarated Jennie & I that we could not go to bed and so sat down to play chess, after they were gone played one game which lasted nearly three hours

Thursday 19th — Three or four young ladies came in the afternoon to tie comforters, We tied them they played in the evening & Mr. Casey & Mr. Smith came in the evening,

Friday 20th — sewed all day,

Saturday 21st — Sewed on Soldiers shirts Went up town in the afternoon, Played Chess in the evening

Sunday 22d — Cold & snowy to-day, Went to church this morning, Read Shirley a part of the afternoon and wrote this remembrancer

Monday 23d — Went up town this morning. & to Addie Peoples in the afternoon While there Rev. C. Smith came for Addie & I to go to Sam Pearce to visit the a Lodge, I came home and we started about 6 o'clock, We were to stop at Mr. Bush's and get some supper, but were late and so went on got there at half past seven and went directly to the scene of operations staid until about two o'clock in the morning, then went to Mr Bush's who with his good wife kindly entertained us at this unreasonable hour, and then started for home where we arrived about ~~10~~ in 6, A M, tired enough,

Tuesday 24th — Did not feel very bright to-day

Wednesday 25th — Went to the Lodge in the evening

The day passed as Christmas days are wont to do, Passed most of the time in the kitchen had a nice dinner

Went to the Sociable in the evening had a very pleasant time

Thursday 26th — Spent part of the day playing chess with Fannie went up to Addie Peoples to help pack our box, found Mr Sprague had not sent it came home again, spent the evening at home

Friday 27th — Went up town got me a new calico dress came home ate and sewed remainder of the day

Saturday 28th — At home all day

Sunday 29th- Went to church. Dr. Howard preached a very good sermon, though a long one. It was very cold. Wrote and read all the afternoon, finished "Pickwick" and commenced "Aurora Leigh" a Christmas gift from Fanni. I like it very much, went to church in the evening.

Monday 30th Went up town first thing this morning to get a box to put our goods in for the soldiers. got one at Bartels Pa got a dray and sent it up for me and in the afternoon Addie & I packed it. we had just enough to fill it nicely. I packed my box of pickles, and they are all ready to send. The Society met at Addie Peoples. We had a very pleasant time with no work to do, adjourned to meet again at Hattie Jarvis

Wednesday 31st Lodge adjourned early. Some of us staid to watch the New Year in, had a splendid time danced away &c, came away after midnight.

Wednesday Jan. 1st 1862 New Years Day, pleasant but cold, went out to bring in some clothes from the line nearly froze my fingers, so began the New Year.

Received several calls, staid at home in the evening

Thursday 2d Sewed all the forenoon, went up to Addie Peoples in the afternoon, we went to call on Mrs. Schlag (Nina Butler) and also on Mrs Smith, came home and staid in the evening.

Friday 3d — Sick to-day, exchanged some and sewed part of the time, Snowed heavily, Gamm & P played chess, in the evening

Saturday 4th — At home all. did not feel well enough to do any thing.

Sunday 5th — Went to the Congregational Church this morning, Wade to Pets in the afternoon, went to church in the evening

Monday 6th — The State officers were installed today We went up into the Assembly Room there was such a crowd that we could hear and see nothing, went up town and then home, Addie Purple came for me to go up home with her Went to Gillets in the evening, a good many there, made arrangements to meet to-morrow to consult about a festival, and then some of us went to the Governor's Reception at the Capital, stayed until about twelve, and then came home,

Tuesday 7th — At home all day, Society met this afternoon, Concluded to have our Festival on Friday evening, Appointed committees and adjourned to meet at 4 o'clock to-morrow, Went to the Lodge to-night

Wednesday 8th — Marie & Addie hired a sleigh and started out soliciting this morning Mrs. Chapman & S dito, went all day came home wet cold and miserable met in the evening to roll up the articles for the "Peab bag"

Thursday 9th- Maria & Addie went out again this morning, and I did up a little begging and then went up to the Hall, worked all the afternoon came home very tired

Friday 10th- Went up to the Hall this morning early washed dishes, swept, dusted, and worked all day, got everything in good order by seven o' clock, and then went home to dress, did not have as large an attendance as expected receipts about eighty dollars, had a pleasant time, a nice dance and came home about two o'clock, A.M.

Saturday 11th- Had all the ruins of the last eights banquet to straighten out and put in order, worked at the Hall all day, we had a Society Festival in the evening, Mess Mr. Combs Sen's Browne & Hazleton to-night had a pleasant time,

Sunday 12th Went to Church to-day feeling very stiff & sore, heard a good sermon Went to Bible class wrote all the afternoon read a little of Aurora Leigh went to Church in the evening Family all glad to get home

Monday 13th- Sewed all the forenoon In the afternoon Mr. Campbell called I went up town, came back Addie Purple came spent the afternoon, stayed in the evening, Mrs. being Mr. Campbell & Mr, Mr Kenney came also, had a pleasant time played chess backgammon checkers &c

Tuesday 14th- Mr, Campbell & Mr, Mr Kenney called this afternoon to see about some of the Festival arrangements Went to Lodge to night,

Wednesday 15th. Washed today. Cold and snowy. Don't like housework such weather as this one minds any weather. Maria & I went out this afternoon to call upon Kate & Annie Cavenaugh & Hattie Cuthbert, found them at home and they had a splendid time last night out to Mrs Reynolds and were disappointed that we did not go, I went to Addie Purples to night to rehearse a charade we are to perform next week.

Thursday 16th Sewed all day. Went to see Jim Hunt in the evening. Liked the exhibition very well bought a Photograph of the little gentleman. His representations of Salisbury I thought very fine.

Friday 17th Worked in the kitchen all the forenoon helping Mrs weigh and pack pork. First experience in the business, did not like it at all. Mrs said that any one who ever expected to be a housekeeper should not fail to learn this important branch of business, could not see how she made it out to me, I have no expectations. Fannie & I went to the Rounds Party at Mrs. Williams's to night for the first time this season. It was very pleasant, made some new acquaintances and met many old ones, came home in a snow storm.

Saturday 18th Did not feel very well to day. Sewed all day. Mrs Penman & Mrs. McKenney came to rehearse the charade Addie did not come but took her part and we went through it once to our entire satisfaction.

Sunday 19th

Went to the Congregational Church this morning, and then to ours to Bible Class. Came home, made a fire in our own room, & dusted and then read Lalla Rookh until dark, wrote a letter to Pus and then went to church. Came home, wrote in my journal, read awhile and then to bed.

Monday 20th

Sewed and did housework all day. Went to hear Bayard Taylor lecture in the evening. Liked the lecture very much, it was on American Peculiarities. He spoke to a large audience.

Tuesday 21st

Went up town this morning, sewed in the afternoon went to lodge in the evening, several Senators initiated this evening, made arrangements for a Sociable to-morrow evening.

Wednesday 22d

Addie Purple & I went up this morning to arrange the room for the Sociable to-night. We put up the curtains, arranged the stage &c and then went home. Had Recitations, music, charades and tableaux, and a pleasant time, danced a little afterwards.

Thursday 23d

Washed this forenoon, went up to the Hall to arrange matters a little. Jennie Mr. Gowes and the Janitor there. They held strikers every thing ran nicely so that we had nothing to do but talk. Mr. Pickard came up and helped us. The Relief Society met at our house to-night. We hemmed towels, talked and played some, Society adjourned to meet here again on Monday evening next.

Friday 24th

Sewed all the forenoon, got ready to go to Cache Valley this afternoon started at one o'clock Mr. Craig & Peart, Smith with us, Had a pleasant ride though rather cold slighing excellent arrived at Mr. Smiths about 8 o'clock had supper and drove to a festival which we had come to attend, found the Hall crowded with the spread and everybody enjoying themselves Had plenty of oyster Chicken pie and such eastern comforts" as well as more intellectual gratifications Got back about one o'clock I made several pleasant acquaintances among which were Mr Parry, Miss Hunt & Mr & Mrs. Bowers, Went to bed at half past two thoroughly tired

Saturday 25th

Rose about twelve o'clock this morning, Had a nice breakfast, with country cream in our coffee, spent a pleasant forenoon and after dinner started for Madison where we arrived about eight o'clock very cold and tired,

Sunday 26th

Went to Church this morning Mr. Howard preached a very good sermon staid to Bible Class, Came home read & rested all the afternoon Went to Church in the evening

Monday 27th

Washed to day, It stormed violently all day the Relief Society was to have met, Few but as me came on account of the storm Mr. Smith came and we played backgammon & checkers all the evening

Tuesday 28th

Sewed all day went to the Lodge in the evening, Had a pleasant time, Mr. Penfield accompanied me home,

Wednesday 29th- Sewed on the Governor, Went up town with Addie & Maria in the afternoon, Went to Hannah Chapman's in the evening,

Thursday 30th- Staid at home all day, Went to the Senate Chamber in the evening to hear a lecture before the State Historical Society,

Friday 31st- Sewed all day, Staid at home in the evening Cousin Joseph came down from Camp Randall & spent the evening,

Saturday Feb. 1st, Baked and worked in the kitchen all day, Went up town in the afternoon, Miss. Crocker & Miss. Penney came to spend the evening, Mrs. Scofield came in & Mr. Howard also called, We played backgammon and chess

Sunday 2d Very cold Went to church, Mr. Howard preached a sermon from the subject- "How to preach and how to hear" a very good sermon Staid to Bible Class, Mr. Seymour from New York City addressed us, He is a very pleasant man I liked him very much, There was no service at our church in the evening we went to the Congregational,

Monday 3d Stayed at home all day, Went to the Society in the evening, Had a very pleasant time, made them & pillow cases, played games, afterwards among which was "Brother, I'm Bobbed!" under direction of Mr. Penman

Tuesday 4th- Went up to the Assembly Room with Ma, The body was in session, staid till adjourned, Went to Lodge in the evening, Was appointed Assistant Secy, much against my will, Mrs. Scofield came home with us,

Wednesday 5th

Rose feeling quite ill this morning, did not go to bed again on account of the sleighride last night. We started to Sam Paines about five o'clock, had a splendid time. About thirty of us went to the hotel and took supper, and started home at about eleven o'clock.

Thursday 6th

Went up to the Legislature this morning about an hour. Went to the lecture in the evening, by Prof. Denton, subject Geology, it was very interesting indeed.

Friday 7th

Worked all day in the kitchen made candy &c for company in the evening. Hattie Benedict Mr. McKinney, Messrs Irving Berman & Smith, came in the evening. We had a very pleasant time.

Saturday 8th

Baked all the forenoon, sewed in the afternoon. Went to Denton's lecture in the evening.

Sunday 9th

Went to Church this forenoon. Staid to Bible Class. Hattie Benedict Sonia & I concluded to stay and attend the Band of Hope meeting in the afternoon which we did. Ma went as a teacher. Charley, Woods & I went in this afternoon. Went to Church at the Congregational Chapel in the evening.

Monday 10th

Worked in the kitchen in the forenoon went up town and purchased cloth for some night shirts. Ma & I cut them out to be in readiness to sew this evening. The Society meets here this evening. Johnnie & I went to the lecture & left Mattie President pro tem. We returned home about nine o'clock. Had a pleasant time. The Society adjourned to meet next week at Mrs. Chapman's.

Tuesday 11th

Worked in the kitchen all day. Went to the Lodge in the evening. We had a discussion, Initiated, and a pleasant time

Wednesday 12th

Expected Mr Smith to take us to church this morning but he did not come, Went up town to my German lesson, came home and went to the lecture in the evening

Thursday 13th

Remained at home all day and also evening, Studied German and Algebra

Friday 14th

Sat home to-day. Went to lecture in the evening

Saturday 15th

Ella Carey came in this morning, she wished me to go home with and stay over Sunday which I was obliged to forego the pleasure of doing for several important reasons, She remained until three o'clock, when her uncle came for her Miss. Booker came in the afternoon to play Chess,

Sunday 16th

Augustus came quite unexpectedly this morning, after our return from Church. We were very glad to see him. He was in good spirits and as full of fun as ever. We went to Church in the evening,

Monday 17th

This morning we received official accounts of the taking of Fort Donelson by our troops and the capture of Jefferson Thompson rebel conquering the possession also many pieces of cannon. It caused great rejoicing here, Thirty four guns were fired and every one felt great hopes of the speedy

triumph triumph of our arms, We received additional telegraphic news during the evening stating that five thousand more prisoners had been taken among whom were, Buckner Johnston & Pillow. The Society met at Mrs Chapmans, the rooms were full, had a very sociable evening.

Tuesday 18th- Gus went away this morning, I went to the Lodge in the evening, Was Elected on a Publishing Committee.

Wednesday 19th- At home this forenoon Went to my German lesson in the afternoon, and to meeting in the evening.

Thursday 20th- A splendid day. Went up town this forenoon to purchase articles for the use of the sick in camp, Took a long walk this afternoon felt dreadfully blue Went to hear Mrs. Soutsheln at the Senate Chamber in the evening,

Friday 21st Cleaned house some to day, baked got my German lesson, Went S. visited at Floyds At home this evening and studied algebra,

Saturday 22d Went up this morning to help celebrate the day by listening to Gov. Harvey's presentation Speech to the Regiments on giving them the colors Could not get near enough to hear a word he said, Went over to the Assembly Room and waited an hour to hear Judge Davis read Washington's Farewell Address, Came home too tired to go in the evening to the address

Sunday 23d — Went to Church this morning, came home finished Cutledge and read several sermons in the Atlantic, wrote some and went to Church in the evening.

Monday 24th — Went up town this morning & to the Society in the evening, it met at Mrs Benedicts, We made & rolled bandages all the evening. There was quite a number present, Society adjourned to meet at Mrs. Dodge's next Monday evening.

Tuesday 25th — Rained all day Went to the Lodge in the evening A large number of soldiers were present as well as a delegation from Sun Prairie Lodge, About twenty-five persons were initiated. We spent a very pleasant evening.

Wednesday 26th — Circulated around generally to-day, Got my German lesson this afternoon and recited it. At home in the evening

Thursday 27th — Walked out to Mrs Casey's this afternoon, found Mrs Merrill there spent a pleasant evening and went to bed about nine o'clock.

Friday 28th — Went over to Mrs Benney's this afternoon, and afterwards to Mrs Parks, Came back & spent the remainder of the day & evening at Mrs Casey's.

Saturday ~~Oct 29th~~ March 1st — Mrs Mercer brought me home this morning, it was very cold, Rained all day Mrs Seefield came in the evening to have us attend an extra session of the Lodge this evening for the purpose of instituting a Lodge in the 16th Regiment There was a good many there, Mrs Parman Saint, in the 16th was Sworn Worthy Chief, and about forty persons became members of the Lodge We had some good speeches and pleasant time generally

Sunday 2d

It commenced snowing rapidly this morning about church time we went however, and heard a good sermon read and wrote in the afternoon Did not go to church in the evening.

Monday 3d

A cold stormy day, Went to my Grammar recitation in the afternoon Only two being there, the girls did not come on account of the storm, Miss Barcker & I played backgammon until eight o'clock, and then went to the lecture, but found the lecturer unwell, the storm having blocked up the roads and prevented the class from assembling in town He came however about nine o'clock The subject was Phrenology, the speaker O. S Fowler,

Tuesday 4th

At home all day, went to the Lodge in the evening After the Lodge closed the members adjourned to the American House where an oyster supper had been provided by S. D Hastings and others in this office and spent a very pleasant evening together, We bid our soldier brothers farewell as they will probably go this week,

Wednesday 5th

Staying to-day Studied my Grammar lesson this afternoon and recited it, At home this evening.

Thursday 6th

Had company this evening, Played chess & backgammon visited twelve o'clock when we adjourned,

Friday 7th

Went to up town this morning, spent the afternoon at Miss Duncans recited our Grammar lesson there, played chess, backgammon, Parcels &c

Saturday 8th

In the kitchen all the forenoon sewed in the afternoon, Went up town Spent the evening at home,

Sunday 9th

Went to Church, the walking very bad indeed, Staid to Bible Class, Read John Kalisper in the afternoon, Did not go to church in the evening

Monday 10th — Went to get Sunman lesson to-day. Kate Kennedy & Miss Crocker came in the evening. Played chess & Miss C. stayed all night.

Tuesday 11th — Went up town this morning and to Lodge in the evening. Bade Lieut. Sunman good bye as the Regiment goes Thursday. We shall probably never meet again, but I wish him all good, and it would do one good to see him again for the sake of the pleasant hours we have all spent together. But this cruel war is taking many friends from our sight forever. God grant it may not be long.

Wednesday 12th — Ella Casey came in this morning and remained all day. Went up town in the afternoon and spent the evening at Amanda Larkin's.

Thursday 13th — Ella & I had intended to go to camp this morning to see the 44th Regiment off, but they started too early and therefore we did not go. Ella went home about ten. I read all day. had company in the evening.

Friday 14th — Sewed this forenoon, studied & recited my German in the afternoon, read John Halifax in the evening.

Saturday 15th — In the kitchen all the forenoon up town in the afternoon, finished John Halifax this evening. I like it very much. It is the most plain common sense asked yet charming story of home life I love and trials I ever read.

Sunday 16th — Went to church this morning. Mr. Worcester preached on the text "He answered faithfully and won-

lessfully made" he preached a very good sermon, broke and read all the afternoon read Tennyson's 'Maud' and 'In Memoriam' and wrote a communication for our Lodge Paper.

Monday 17th- At home in the forenoon, went to my German lesson in the afternoon, The Young Ladies Relief Society met here this evening. I made my report as President of the Society and we concluded we would have no more meetings. We played Chess and backgammon, and had a good time.

Tuesday 18th- Went up town to-day, To Lodge in the evening We had quite a discussion on Confessance questions to-night and I got considerably excited.

Wednesday 19th- At home to-day nothing of importance occurred, Went to my German Lesson in the afternoon.

Thursday 20th- Went up town this morning, Staid at home and played Chess with Mamie in the evening.

Friday 21st Augustus came to-night, just at tea time, we were expecting him, Mr. Craig came in the evening, We are very glad to see Augustus, He is going East with a view of coming out here next winter, to start in business.

Saturday 22d We had company to tea to-day, Miss Barenaugh & Mr. Craig, Mr. Smith and Miss Crocker came in the evening unexpectedly, so that we had quite a party.

Sunday 23d Went to Church to-day, came home and read in the afternoon 'Rachel Ray[illegible]' it is very good.

Monday 24th- Mr & I went up this morning and had our Photographs taken for Augustus, Went to my German lesson in the afternoon, played Chess and backgammon in the evening

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Tuesday 25th- Went up with Jas to get Mama's picture taken, got a very good one. Met Sam Browne and Sam Hayleton at the Gallery. Went to the Lodge in the evening, read the paper it was pronounced the best ever read in the Lodge.

Wednesday 26th- Went up with Augustus at nine o'clock this morning to get the children's likenesses taken as he was anxious to have them all. He sent this morning I was sorry to have him go, he seems like one of the family. Went to Miss Crockett's to a candy pastey this evening we had any quantity of fine candy. The Sumner girls came home with us and remained all night.

Thursday 27th- At home all day read and studied in the evening.

Friday 28th- Went to my Seminar lesson this afternoon, finished a dress for Ma, and attended a lecture this evening.

Saturday 29th- Sewed all day. Went to the Senate Chamber to attend a lecture on Elocution by Prof. McCaffrety of New York.

Sunday 30th- Dr Howard preached his farewell sermon this morning I am very sorry he is going.

Monday 31st At home in the forenoon. Went up town and to my Seminar lesson, Randall Phillips lectures to-night-on the bar. I had a headache and did not feel able to go, Mr & Fannie went.

Tuesday April 1st. Worked in the kitchen in the forenoon, Went to the Lodge in the evening, We had a discussion, and several speeches. James High was there, He has just returned to College.

Wednesday 2d, The Seminar class met here to-day. We recited and then played chess until dark. Miss Crocker said

to see, and she and I played all the evening.

Thursday 3d — Mr. McKendry came this morning to invite us to go to Mays Mamie to-night, to a Festival. Concluded to go.

Friday 4th — Started yesterday at seven o'clock on the cars reached Norp. about nine, went to the place appointed had a splendid supper, stayed a short time and sang "John Brown" and some other things and then were invited to adjourn to the Hall where the dancing was to be. It was a large factory building. We danced until two o'clock, when a gentleman very kindly invited us to go home with him and pass the remainder of the night, about half a dozen went with the rest preferring to stay. We danced until four o'clock, when the musicians, were so tired that they would play no longer, and then we promenaded the remainder of the night, at daylight we adjourned to the Hotel, the rain having ceased, the landlord made us a fire, and we procured water washed and made ourselves comfortable, had breakfast, visited the bowling alley, took a walk down the richard beach, visited Steinbach a very steep and high hill, three quarters of a mile from the hotel, went back and found it was time to take the cars, had a splendid time coming home, where we arrived at eleven, I went to bed where I remained until five o'clock Mr Craig came in the evening.

Saturday 5th — Went up to the Assembly Chamber this morning, this afternoon made some calls Mr Campbell and Mr. Gillett came this evening, Played chess & backgammon.

Sunday 6th — Went to the Congregational Church this morning Mr Craig took dinner and spent the afternoon here

Monday 7th

Snowing rapidly this morning, continued stormy most the day, one of the severest storms of the season. At home all day and evening

Tuesday 8th

Good sleighing this eighth of April. Snowed almost all day, Ironed and baked, worked on the kitchen most of the day. Went to the Lodge in the evening. Had quite a discussion in regard to the propriety of using Signs for culinary purposes, Mr. Hastings and Joseph Pickard also Mr Sutfield spoke on the question.

Wednesday 9th

News of a terrible battle at Pittsburgh Landing came this morning Wisconsin is said to have had six regiments engaged. The reports say we have lost 20,000 killed and wounded the rebels 40,000, but it must be exaggerated. Much anxiety is felt in regard to the Sixteenth Regiment reported to have been taken prisoners by the enemy at the commencement of the engagement. The battle occurred on Sunday and Monday resulting in the total rout of the enemy with terrible loss. Went to my German Lesson, staid afterwards and played a game of chess with Mrs Crocker, came home, accompanied by Miss C, and we all went up to the Assembly Chamber to assist in preparing and packing articles of necessity and comfort for our wounded There were a great many persons present, and a large amount of work was done, Dr. Harvey goes tomorrow with supplies and supplies. I went home with Miss Crocker played chess until tired and then went to bed.

Thursday 10th

Came home this morning, rested and exhausted all day. Stayed at home and played chess in the evening News to-day is that our loss is about 10,000, enemies 40,000 and this a moderate estimate.

Friday 11th

Pomed this forenoon, baked and made myself generally useful. Got my German lesson, and went to recitation after and Mrs. McKenney invited me to go to a hop in the army. Did not feel much like dancing went however, had a pleasant time came home at 12½ o'clock

Saturday 12th

Rained incessantly to-day, much to my disappointment, as I wished to go out, I packed the comfortables this forenoon, crocheted all the afternoon, read a little about from Widow Bedott, played Chess in the evening, crocheted & read, did not retire until one o'clock, News to night that our Sixteenth were not taken prisoners as at first supposed, they were among the first in the engagement, and captured a Battery commanded by Beauregard in person, and depriving him of an arm, they are much praised for their courage and determination Our Tenth was not in this battle but in one at Jackson on Monday, where they fought splendidly and covered themselves with glory, We are all very anxious to hear from our wounded, and to know whom of our friends we shall see no more on earth

This war is a terrible thing, but we hope even by the blessing of God it will be brought to a close and, bloodshed and horror no longer blight our fair land,

Sunday 13th

Cold and rainy, did not go to Church, Fannie & Maria went, Received a letter from Darwin Sat last night informing us of Aunt Clarissa's death and saying that he should start for the East to-morrow,

Monday 14th

Rainy & unpleasant, nothing of importance occurred aside from the usual routine, Nothing new by telegraph, the list of killed and wounded not yet made out. Heard from Mrs. Headley of the death of Capt Pease of the 2d Kentucky, he was an old acquaintance of mrs, and engaged to Mary Headley Heard also that Lieut, Pannan was dangerously wounded, Miss Crocker came to play Chess to-night; Mrs. Gillett came and spent the evening.

Tuesday 15th

Baked this forenoon, went up town, Met very pleasantly sent to the Lodge, Read the paper, We had quite a discussion on the resolutions,

Wednesday 16th

Mrs Campbell came here this morning with his bone Spoke to them in regard to boarding with her, Went up town in the afternoon,

Thursday 17th

Pleasant to-day, Worked in the kitchen all the forenoon Went up town in the afternoon, Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Gillett came to tea, Played Chess in the evening,

Friday 18th

Heard to-day that Cousin Joseph was wounded in the arm, We do not get full lists of killed and wounded as yet, No news of importance from the rest of army, Went up town this afternoon, took a long walk, It was very pleasant,

Saturday 19th

Baked to-day, Sewed, Played chess Re Te in the afternoon Got a letter from Celia Saxton, Went over to Mrs. Martins in the evening,

Sunday 20th

Went to the Congregational Church this morning Dr. Taylor's subject was "Special Providences" Took a walk out to the camps in the afternoon, to see the Rebel prisoners come in, They were to come at five o'clock, Went out there and found that they were not coming until half-past

seven. Concluded not to wait, Marie & I went to the Methodist Church in the evening.

Monday 21st

We all felt a shock of deep sorrow this morning when news came through the telegraph, that Gov. Harvey, had been drowned in the Tennessee River as he was going from one boat to another. His loss was a terrible blow to his wife. She was not told of it at first, when the report came getting subscriptions for the relief of a poor family in town. She inquired why the Capital and Court House flags were at half mast, and they would not tell her she then told them to tell her if he was dead, and reading it in their faces, dropped senseless to the ground, soon as she was sufficiently composed she took the cars for Chicago, where the friends reside the Stores and places of business were all closed and draped in morning as also the State House. The deepest sorrow is felt by all for the untimely death of so good a man. His place cannot be easily filled. There was a meeting of citizens at the Capitol to-night to pass resolutions in regard to the loss sustained by the State and his personal friends. He died in the discharge of a noble duty, and as truly in the service of his beloved country as though pierced by a rebel bullet and his name will be forever associated with this crisis of her affairs as one which never never shrunk from duty, who honestly and conscientiously did all in his power to, aid the cause of freedom & right. He was a member of the Congregational Church a good Governor, a noble man a kind friend and warm hearted Christian. Peace to his ashes

Sunday 22d

A pleasant day, I worked in the garden some this morning, Went up town with Mrs. Middaker. Richard, who told me there was a school at Hogg Manin, that one of us could have if we wanted it, It was a small one, and we thought it a good opportunity for Maria to commence teaching. She went to Middleton with Mr. Craig this afternoon to the examination Went to the Lodge to night, Had a pleasant time, Had a committee appointed to take charge of the Festival, It is to be on the thirteenth of May,

Wednesday 23d

Maria came home this morning with her certificate, Mr, Craig staid to dinner, Ella Craig & Mrs. Mercer came in this afternoon and remained to tea, Maria went home with them. I went to Legree meeting to night

Thursday 24th

Rora Rogers came this morning, and spent the day, Hannah Chapman came, to tea, and spent the evening, both remained all night. We played backgammon and cribbage, Went over to Mrs. Scofields to see the baby & had a good time generally, Went to bed at 12 o'clock

Friday 25th

Hannah went home this morning. Rose and I went up town to make some calls, Met Mr. Campbell who said he was going after me to take a ride, I was sorry to dissappoint him, We called on Miss Brewmeyer, Belle Avery, I secured them went to two or three stores and then home, Went up to Sarah Jones's in the evening, Mrs. Hood & Lizzie Rogers, J. Reeves, Collett & Campbell were there, Spent a pleasant evening

Saturday 26th

Worked in the kitchen all the forenoon Rested in the afternoon, Played chess in the evening

Sunday 26th — Cloudy and cold this morning. Did not go to Church, Read the Atlantic. Went to the Congregational Church in the evening.

Monday 27th — At home all day. Sewed in the afternoon. Played chess in the evening.

Tuesday 28th — Went up town this morning. Went to my German Lesson in the afternoon, and to the Lodge in the evening. Was elected Worthy Vice Templar. We had a very pleasant meeting.

Wednesday 29th — Baked and ironed this forenoon. Sick in the afternoon. Mr. Campbell came home late and I got tea for him.

Thursday 30th — May 1st — At home this forenoon. This was the day set apart by Gov. Salomon for the funeral ceremonies of Gov. Harvey, but it rained incessantly all day. I did not go but heard that the Hall was quite full. Mr. McKenney came to tea. He and Mr. Sidell staid in the evening. We played chess and backgammon.

Friday 2d — At home all day. Wrote two letters went up town after tea. Studied and read in the evening.

Saturday 3d — Baked this forenoon. Cleaned with Mame's help a bedroom and partly papered it. Ella Casey came in this afternoon. Miss Crocker & the Somers girls came here to recite to day. Sarah staid to tea. We played Chess backgammon and euchre. Went up town at eight o'clock with Mrs. & Mrs. Scofield.

Sunday 7th

Went to the Methodist Church this morning. There was quite a number of soldiers present belonging to the nineteenth Regiment, which is now guarding the Rebel prisoners in Camp Read. In the afternoon, went to Church in the evening.

Monday 8th

Rose at five this morning. Set ready and Sa accompanied me to the cars. Started at 7 o'clock for Black Earth. Found Dr. R. Mrs. Hooker waiting for me at the depot. Went to the hotel, another young lady was there with her father. We were examined during the forenoon. I finished my papers about ten o'clock, then went to see Mrs. Hyde. Spent about an hour there. Dr. Hooker came for me, said if I was going to Mazo Manie I must hurry cars only stopped a moment. Paid my bill at the hotel, and got ready in time to see the cars go without me. Stood in Black Earth until six, and then started on foot for Mazo. About three miles distant, arrived there I went to see Mr. Emerson one of the school board, told me that the school was engaged, but hoped I would apply for it in the fall, as he would like to have me teach. Went to the hotel with intention of going home in the AM. might been concluded to remain all night.

Tuesday 9th

Rose breakfasted took a walk around the village, and at nine o'clock the cars from Madison arrived here at twelve. Mr. Craig was waiting for me at the depot, but I missed him and came up town. Went to my Em-

man Lesson and to the Lodge in the evening
Mr Craig came to board here to-day.

Wednesday 7th — Washed and baked to day Mr Scofield commenced painting the house. They hired a cart of home with Mr in the evening, to get peaches for the women.

Thursday 8th — At home all day, Minnie Baylor came in in the evening also Mr & Mrs. Bratton.

Friday 9th — We cleaned the parlor to day Put it done and the carpet down, before they came to dinner this evening was the anniversary of the Hesperian & Athenaean Societies of the University I did not go.

Saturday 10th — Jennie & I prepared the dining room to-day Played Chess in the evening Mr Craig & Campbell here.

Sunday 11th — Went to Church. Mr Pitchell of Rockford Ill. preached at the Baptist Church. I liked the sermon very much. It was very warm indeed Went to Sab in the afternoon and to church in the evening.

Monday 12th — Cleaned house all the forenoon Went out on a Soliciting Committee for an festival in the afternoon Spent the evening at Mrs Bradley's

Tuesday 13th — Went up town this morning, Finished papering the dining room, Went to my German lesson, without learning it. Went to the Lodge in the evening, Mr. Campbell not being there in readers and the report of the Festival Committee being called for, I was obliged to make the report Mr. Campbell came afterwards, the arrangements for the

Festival were made and it will come off to-morrow night. I was elected chairman of the Publishing Committee.

Wednesday 14th — Rose early this morning, Committed to memory half a dozen pages of Elsdon Redstone for performance tonight. At ten Mrs. Campbell came for me with the buggy, to go up to the Hall. We looked at two or three rooms and then concluded to have the supper in the lodge room setting our tables there. We had quite a nice supper and a very pleasant evening. Mrs. Allen sang "Kingdom Coming" and Old Dutchman Gentleman beside several other pieces and we had recitations and readings there were a number of people from the Iona Prairie Lodge and they seemed to enjoy it much. Some of the young ones got up a dance in a lower room, and we adjourned at about half past twelve.

Thursday 15th — Went up to the Hall this morning, Assisted and assorted the dishes and table cloths for the owners, and then went up home. Got my Sunday lesson, recited it, Played Chess. Went boat riding tonight for the first time this summer. We went to Mr Birds Point, got some flowers I set by Mr. Pillette and raced with one on all the way home. We all enjoyed it much.

Friday 16th — Cleaning house all day, Celia Parker came this morn stayed until the cars left at three. She is coming to stay awhile next week. Played Chess with Maria and afterward with Mr. Craig.

Saturday 17th — Went up town with Ma this morning. We got a new carpet for the sitting room. Maria & I made and put it down to-day. Did not have a word of my Sunday Received a letter from the Clerk of school district

Plains saying I could have the School there Marie will take it.

Sunday 16th. Did not go to Church. Attended the funeral of Rev. J. C. Burnell this afternoon at his house, there was a large number of persons present We went to the grave, Rev. Burnell was respected and esteemed by all who knew him and his loss is deeply felt. Went to church in the evening

Monday 17th. Commenced teaching in the First Ward Grammar School to-day, in Bennis's place she being ill to teach. Like it very well

Tuesday 18th. Went to school to-day, came home, got my German lesson and recited it. Sarah Bunnell came home with me. We went to the Lodge Not a large number present

Wednesday 19th School as usual, Came home at night very tired, Sewed until tea time played chess in the evening.

Thursday 20th Went up town this morning. Before school also walked as far as University and back, Recited my German lesson

Friday 21st Received a letter from Lillie to-day, saying that she would be in Madison, to-morrow

Saturday 22nd. Sewed and put up curtains in the parlor and sitting room, Worked around the house all the morning, Lelia came at noon Went to my German lesson, Ella Casey came and stayed to tea, We accompanied her part way home

Sunday 25th. Mr. Campbell came home this morning, Belle & I went to the Episcopal Church, Heard a very good sermon. Mac Kenney came to dinner. It was a very rainy, stupid day, and we had hard work to keep ourselves awake in the afternoon. Went to the Congregational Church in the evening.

Monday 26th. Went to school this morning as usual. Belle visited one in the afternoon. Mr. Pillsbury proposed taking us out to Mr. Carey's in a sleigh this evening, and we accepted the invitation, Arrived there about 8 o'clock and found them all in bed. We succeeded in rousing the family, and remained until nearly eleven o'clock, Found some difficulty in getting back to the boat, as it was quite dark. Arrived at home about twelve tired enough.

Tuesday 27th. School to-day as usual, Came home early, Recited my German lesson. Sarah came home with me. Mr. Follett brought Captain Bull of the Minnesota Reminiscences to her. Left him playing chess with Belle. went to Lodge.

Wednesday 28th. Went up to the Athenæum this evening with the intention of going upon the Dome of the new building. Found that the workmen had the keys, and they had gone. We were obliged to content ourselves with visiting the Museum & then went to Sarah Farnie's to spend the evening.

Thursday 29th. Nothing of importance happened to-day. School as usual, Belle did not go home to-day. We went up town after tea.

Friday 3rd — Celia went home this morning. Mr. Gillett has got a Captains commission in the 21st Regiment and starts Monday to recruit his company

Saturday 3rd June 4th — At home all day. Put down a carpet in the dining room, and made and put up some curtains. Went to my Germa lesson.

Sunday June 5th — Went to church, came home and read the Pilot until tea time. Went to take a walk with Fannie and Mr. Gray, and to the Methodist Church to hear Mr. Eddy in the evening.

Monday 6th — Commenced school at eight o'clock this morning and adjourned at two. Father tried but had a good long afternoon to rest

Tuesday 7th — Mr. Gillett left to-day. Went to my German lesson Sarah & Mary came home with me, and we found George C. Smith and Mr. Campbell at home when we arrived we were glad to see George as he had not been in town for some time he is to remain during the session of the Legislature. We went to the Lodge in the evening. Had a pleasant time

Wednesday 8th — Went up town after school came home and played backgammon with Mr. Smith

Thursday 9th — School as usual. Went up to Mrs. Wises to spend the evening.

Friday 10th — Did not feel very well to-day. Sewed until tea time after school Dr. Williard came to see with Mr. Smith. He spent the evening with us I like him much. He is a very pleasant man

Saturday 7th — Saved until nine o'clock went to Teachers meeting. Mrs. Wiser and Kate Cavenaugh came to Sea and remained until dark Mame came home this noon. She has been gone almost three weeks. It is her first essay at school teaching. We went up home after dark.

Sunday 8th — Went to church this morning. A Mr Johnson from Michigan preached at the Baptist Church A beautiful day Carrie home and rode two letters and sent the Montgomery. Went to Church in the evening.

Monday 9th — School very thinly settled to-day, a great many of the scholars gone to the Business Picnic. Edward Everett lectured this evening to a full house at the Baptist Church subject Origin & Progress of the War. A very good lecture Everett is a fine looking man about sixty five years of age, and a good speaker.

Tuesday 10th — School as usual. Went to my Seminar lesson Sarah Turner came home with me. Went to the Lodge, Two of the members charged with violating their obligation yesterday at the picnic, one of them confessed it, and was reobligated.

Wednesday 11th — Went to school. Sit home at two o'clock Saved all the afternoon, played chess in the evening

Thursday 12th — Spent the evening at Sarah Burden's, Looked like rain when we came home.

Friday 13th — Went out this afternoon with the intention of fishing. Lake was rough. I caught a large bass and the others had several bites, but it seems as the wind rose were compelled to go ashore.

Saturday 14th

Sr. Reed remained all night, and we rose at six o'clock with the intention of going on a fishing excursion immediately after breakfast. Arrived at the lake and found it so rough, there was no possibility of doing any thing in the fishing line that time. We pushed off from the shore a little way and found that the water came over the boat, concluded we would'nt go and came home quite disappointed. I went to Teacher's Meeting, then up town, before came in to day to stay a short time. At home all the afternoon and evening

Sunday 15th

Raining & cold to-day, did not go to church. Wrote, read, studied all day.

Monday 16th

Went to school, Went up town after school. Staid at home in the evening

Tuesday 17th

Went to Lodge to night, had a pleasant time. It was proposed to have a picnic at Bays Burn on the Fourth. Legislature adjourned to day.

Wednesday 18th

We were to have a picnic this afternoon, but the weather was unfavorable and it was postponed.

Thursday 19th

Mr. Bingham was here from Pataqua, we went boat riding in the evening.

Friday 20th

Went up to the Seminary with May Burns this afternoon to the examination, heard the French class examined.

Saturday 21st

Samuel & I & Mc. Craig went down to the lake after breakfast this morning, and caught some minnows to fish with this afternoon. Went to teachers meeting at nine and then went fishing, staid until three o'clock and caught three fish, came home with a terrible headache

Sunday 22d

Did not go to church this morning. In the afternoon went with Mr. Craig to the University to hear the Baccalaureate Address, It was cold and pleasant, Went to the Methodist Church in the evening,

Monday 23d

Went to school as usual this morning. After school was up town, At home in the evening, Went fishing in the afternoon, did not catch any thing,

Tuesday 24th

Visited Mr. Allen's school to-day, Some of the school. was sent with us, Went to the City Hall in the evening to the first of the Commencement exercises, The poem by Hatfield was very good, Anna Main sang

Wednesday 25th

Went to the City Hall at nine o'clock to the Commencement exercises, They closed at twelve, We had a picnic in the afternoon at Mr. Bailey's point, Sarah L. Mary Sumner and Campbell and Mr. Kenny were with us Had a pleasant time, Went to Prof. Lattof's lecture in the evening,

Thursday 26th

School again as usual, Nothing of particular importance occurred to-day,

Friday 27th

Miss Crocker thought we had better commence our German again to-day, We all stayed to take tea with her,

Saturday 28th

Went to teacher's meeting this morning, Exercises on the elementary sounds, Carrie L. and Mr. Craig went fishing this afternoon, Took our supper with us landed at six and ate it under a large tree on the point, It was very pleasant We caught about fifteen fish and enjoyed ourselves wonderfully,

Sunday 29th- Went to church this morning, a very pleasant day heard a good sermon Wrote and read in the afternoon Went to church in the evening

Monday 30th- Went to school the day was pleasant and I felt very comfortable all day, came home rested awhile and played chess

Tuesday July 1st Went to my Seiman lesson this afternoon, then to the Lodge, Read a paper, Bro. B. Smith- came this afternoon was at the Lodge, also Judge Knight, who has not been here for a year, he is going to New Mexico, Mr. Smith- stayed with us and Mr. Craig came down and we had quite a long visit

Wednesday 2d Went to school as usual, came home and rested all the afternoon Wrote a letter to Em

Thursday 3d Went down to Miss Crockers at five Seiman lesson postponed, went home played chess with Mr. Campbell, Went up town

Friday 4th- Was awakened this morning at sunrise by the ringing of bells and firing of cannon, a pleasant day somewhat cloudy and hot at all events Miss Crocker, Fannie & I wishing to escape the noise and dust, walked three miles to the cemetery, stayed all day, had a very pleasant time, Went home by the lake shore took off our shoes and stockings, and amused ourselves by wading in the water, had a splendid time, came home, ~~got on the~~ Found Mrs. Hayes and Artie Bills there spent a pleasant afternoon, went to see the fire works in the evening, Tired enough to last me three weeks

Saturday 5th. Sewed all day. Got my Seneca lesson, the girls came here to recite. We played chess until nine o'clock and then put on our bathing dresses, and went into the Locks, enjoyed ourselves immensely, Maria came home

Sunday 6th. A terribly warm day, did not go to church, Ella Carey came in, and spent the day, Mamie & I went part way home with her, came home and went to bed.

Monday 7th. Rained a little last night making it cool and pleasant, Went to school, Sewed in the afternoon,

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Sunday July 26th. I have not written in my journal for two weeks, have been very busy of late preparing to go to Jamesville to the Teachers Association, Went to church this morning, We all went this afternoon to the University Grounds and staid until tea time, Went to church in the evening

Monday 27th. Went to school as usual, Very warm We went over to Mr. Biddles Point this afternoon Got some currants and had a picnic.

Tuesday 28th. Went to school this morning as usual, quite warm, and I came home with a head ache Mr. Campbell came to-night, Played a game of chess with him before going to the Lodge, Had an invitation to go to concert to-night, did not care about going, Went to the Lodge

Wednesday 29th. School as usual, Preparing for examination to-morrow, Went up town after school.

Thursday 30th. Went to school at eight o'clock, Examined two classes in the forenoon, We had quite a number of visitors, Kept until nearly four in the after

noon. The scholars presented Mrs. Potter with a book at the close of the exercises. I was very tired to-night. Went to hear the Catechisms this to-night. They had a large audience and gave entire satisfaction. They sang the poem by John G. Whittier which they were prohibited singing on the Potomac.

Friday 25th. Miss Crocker & I went up to the Third Ward School to-day. Met Mrs. Allen who accompanied us. Went to Mrs. Weiss's to dinner. Spent the day in the school and came home at night tired enough.

Saturday 26th Went to Beachel's meeting this morning. Drew my quarter's salary, paid my debts, sent most all my money. Went to see Hannah Chapman and afterwards to Mrs. Clay's. I had not been to see Nettie since she died. She looked very peaceful and happy, the pain had all gone out of her face. She has suffered so long, that I was glad to see her at rest at last. The funeral is to be on Sunday. Went up town again in the afternoon. Frankie & I and Mrs. Beaty went over to Penn Avenue. Mrs. B. was sick, and we coaxed him to let us cook, which he did all the day there and took. We took luncheon with and didn't until nearly dark.

Sunday 27th Warm this morning did not go to church. Went to the funeral this afternoon. There was a large number of people present. We went out to the cemetery.

Monday 28th

At home to-day getting ready to attend the Teachers Association at Janesville to-morrow. Mr. Craig is going to-day and promised to find us a good boarding place

Tuesday 29th

Rose early this morning. Packed my satchel and was with my sister all ready when the Omnibus came for us. Had a very pleasant ride to Janesville. There was quite a large number of teachers and others who went from here. Arrived in Janesville at half past three found Mr. Craig there who accompanied us to the boarding place he had selected, we were kind, and rested ourselves until tea time when we went down, we found Mr & Mrs Cobell and a young lady daughter in the upper room. We very much pleased with the family.

Mr. Craig came for us to take a walk after tea. We went up to the High School Building, and through several pleasant streets, after which we went to the hall where we heard the opening address by Pof Michigan It was very good indeed, Tried enough to sleep readily I think to-night

Wednesday 30th

Rose early this morning dressed and walked quite a long time for breakfast. Met Miss Sarah Cobell at the breakfast table this morning. Very pleasant. Went to the Association morning afternoon and evening, tried enough at. The day was warm and the room close and uncomfortable. Sec- teachers reported themselves to-day

Thursday 31

Cool and pleasant this morning. Saw Mr Wilcox up town as we were going to the Association he gave us some peaches. When the afternoon session of the Association was over, we that is a number of

as sent to visit the High School Building, climbed up several hundred steps into the Observatory where we had a fine view for our pains, Enjoyed the walk pr. much, Went home to tea and then to the lecture in the evening

Friday August 1st — Mrs Lee from Milwaukee has been here, she is quite a pleasant lady I liked her much, This is the last day of the Association, Fannie & Mr. Craig and I went to see Mr. Comstock yesterday in regard to the schools here, and I applied for a place, the examination takes place to-morrow. The Association adjourned at noon, and they all left on the cars, I was quite lonely after they went away, A young gentleman Frank Whitsit called in the evening.

Saturday 2d — Went to the examination this morning, came away with little hope of getting a school, as Mr Lockwood said there were only two vacancies, and there were 10 teachers present. Miss Sarah and I called on Mr & Mrs Case this afternoon I liked them very much. We also called on Mrs. Anderson, Went to see a neighbor in the evening

Sunday 3d. — Went to church this morning, I had no bonnet with me, but Sarah persuaded me to go and wear my hat we went to the Methodist Church, as I thought they might think me ecclesiastically outre at the more fashionable Trinity, thought after a good deal of persuasion I went there in the evening.

Monday 4th — The girls and myself went up town this morning I had my picture taken at at two different galleries this morning, remained up town longer than I intended, and after a hasty dinner, ran to the depot to

found that I had missed the regular Madison train but that by waiting an hour I could take a train which connected with it at Fulton. Bade the girls good bye and settled myself to enjoy my ride. It commenced raining in a few moments and continued to do so until we reached Madison. To my great joy I found Gus waiting for me at the depot, He came last Friday morning, found Kate Cavanagh at home when I arrived.

Tuesday 6th. Fannie & I went to the Examination this morning. Stayed all day. Went to the lodge in the evening

Wednesday 6th. At home to-day. Nothing of importance happened We went boat riding in the afternoon.

Thursday 7th. Commenced writing for Pa to-day. Played chess in the evening

Friday 8th. Went to the office this morning. Hes up town

Saturday 9th. Went to the office this morning, helped Gus put down his carpet. Went boat riding in the evening, went to Fannie Jones

Sunday 10th. Went to the Congregational Church this morning with Gus. All went to our church in the evening

Monday 11th. Started a letter to Janesville to-day also one to Maria and also one to Dr. Hooker, went to the office all day,

Tuesday 12th. Went to the office, There is great excitement in town in regard to the prospective draft of soldiers to make up an additional six hundred thousand men for our army, There is to be a war meeting to-night and a great many of our men have already enlisted

McKenny and Leonard Bradley enlisted to-day. My heart aches for the thousands that must be bereaved ere this cruel war can end. Went to the Lodge to-night. But few present, all gone to the War meeting

Wednesday 13th. Expected Maria to-night, but it rained heavily and she did not come. Mrs. Craig came to spend the evening and we played four-handed chess.

Thursday 14th. Went to the office as usual this morning. Mrs. Benedict invited us to meet the Misses Farnham at her home this afternoon. Had a very pleasant visit. Came home and went to the War Meeting in evening. There was great excitement and noble men came forward by scores to give their money and lives to their country's service. Over ten thousand dollars have been raised within the last three days as bounty for volunteers. So the work goes bravely on.

Friday 15th. Maria came last night when we were gone. Went to the office this morning. Maria is going back in about two weeks. All went to the War meeting again to night. It was so crowded that we were obliged to stand. Heard some good speeches and music, came away at ten, though the meeting did not adjourn until nearly midnight.

Saturday 16th. Heard to-day of the death of Col. Craig, one more martyr to Liberty. He died bravely fighting with his face to the foe.

Sunday 17th. Went to church this morning. Mr. Johnson preached a very good sermon, Mrs. Craig spent the afternoon here. We did not go to church in the evening. Mrs. Gillett who returned yesterday, spent the

evening here, He is going into camp to morrow with the 20th Regiment.

Monday 18th — Concluded to have our famous Lake voyage to-day Rose early, Got our things ready, and started about eight o'Clock, It was a beautiful day, We enjoyed it exceedingly Took our dinner about 5 miles from town Stayed there about three hours, rowed to the opposite shore and thence around the Lake, to Mc Ruder's Point by which time it was quite dark of a moonless night We landed however, and spread our cloth for supper on the grass beneath the stars Then we had any quantity of fun resulting from our efforts to spread our bread with pie and eat our honey with butter, concluded as the repast was entirely by the sense of feeling. I think I shall never forget the mistakes we made, or the laughter caused by jokes at each others expense, After supper we rested awhile and then started for home, where we arrived twenty minutes before one and found Ma in a terrible state of mind, I presume she never expected to see us again and she gave us a sound scolding for staying so late,

Tuesday 19th — Went to the office, Write all day, went to the Lodge in the evening Gus was initiated to night-Quite a number of persons there

Wednesday 20th — Nothing out of the usual routine happened to-day. Lt. Gillett came into the office to show his captains shoulder straps. I am glad he got the position, he makes a fine looking officer

Thursday 21st — Campbell came home to-day, Mr. ac. came to tea and we went boating afterward,

Friday 22d — The children Pa and Ma & Gus all went over to Mr Bides in the boat to-night, leaving Fannie & I alone. We played two games of chess, and then went down to Mrs. Martin's

Saturday 23d — Went to the office this morning, finished the names of the Thirteenth Volunteer regiment. Fannie and I got the key of Mr. B's boat and took, half a dozen of us and the neighbor's little folks out nutting went over to Prairie point, two miles — and back. We thought we were rather mean to row four miles alone Mr. Bray came in the evening

Sunday 24th — Went to church this morning, Mr Johnson organized two Bible Classes, of which I joined one, Rev. Mr Osborn Hospital Chaplain at St. Louis, preached or rather lectured this evening to a crowded house at our church, He made an earnest appeal to the ladies, and others for aid for the sick and wounded.

Monday 25th — Went to the office this morning rode three letters and posted them, Wrote all the afternoon.

Tuesday 26th — Wrote this forenoon, at home in the afternoon Went to the Lodge in the evening

Wednesday 27th — Started at eight o'clock to go out to Rabbit Harbor in the boat. When we reached the Lake Shore, found it very rough, but we wanted to go very much, and after a great deal of difficulty and getting quite wet, we got the boat launched. The wind was very high and we soon began to wish ourselves safe on shore, there was a good deal of water in the boat, and when there came a specially large wave it was pretty sure to go over the prow. I did not feel at all afraid, and

after about two hours hard rowing we succeeded in landing at Picnic Point, where we remained until the wind went down, which was about five in the afternoon, and then came home We were in a very flight when we landed, Fannie Maria & Gus being almost as wet as they could be, I alone being in a presentable condition, They took off their shoes and stockings and hung them up to dry, and Gus boiled the backs of his hands in the attempt to dry his shirt sleeves We had not thought to carry anything in the way of luncheon with us, and were quite ravenous by the time we arrived at home,

Thursday 28th. It was very pleasant this morning and we thought we would try it again, Gus & I went over to the Lake Shore to see what the prospect was, The water was quite calm and smoothed and getting ready we started again Fannie would not go this time and so we coaxed Mea to accompany us, took luncheon this time and stopped about twelve o'clock on the shore and remained an hour Reached Mr. Cavenaugh's after a walk of a mile and a half after leaving the boat, Found Kate Vot at home, Had a very pleasant visit with Annie, and after partaking of a good cup of tea and other refreshments started for home about five o'clock Had a very pleasant ride home where we arrived about nine

Friday 29th. Had intended to take the stage for Cottage Grove this morning, but concluded not to do so, and went to the office instead, Spent the evening at Hattie Rennie's Had a pleasant time

Saturday 30th January — Went to the office this morning, came home at ten o'clock sick, Remained in my room all the afternoon

Sunday 31st — Did not sleep any last night kept awake by pain in my teeth and face. Found on rising this morning that my face was much swollen. Of course stayed at home all day,

Monday Sept 1st — Did not feel or look very well this morning, found my face more swollen than yesterday. Walked around the house all the forenoon, rested in the afternoon Marie went back to her school at Bear Plains today

Tuesday 2d — Nothing of importance occurred today. The swelling in my face having nearly subsided, and having a paper to read, I went to the Lodge

Wednesday 3d — Fannie went to the office, We concluded to go horseriding, at eleven o'clock. Got started about twelve Went to Mc Kinlay's Point Remained there all the afternoon came home by the light of the moon,

Thursday 4th — Found Celia Easton at home when we arrived last night, was very glad to see her She remained all night, We went up town this morning were going to have a boatride this afternoon, but it was unfortunately rained before dinner and after the time appointed,

Friday 5th — Raining this morning as though it would never stop. We had made a great many plans for today but found ourselves at home, weather bound, very much against our wills,

Saturday 6th — Still raining, At home all day until four o'clock, when in sheer desperation Celia & I got on our ~~habits~~ and walked out despite the rain

Went to the office and helped Mrs. Campbell mail the Farmer. Staid about two hours, and came home quite contented with the weather.

Sunday 7th — Went to church this morning. Mr. McKenney came to dinner and Celia, Mrs. Campbell Mr. K. and myself went out to the Camp. Staid two hours were invited to tea. Went to the Mess House and ate at the Captains Table. Had a very pleasant time. Went to Church in the evening.

Monday 8th — At home in the forenoon. Went over to Picnic Point at five o'clock. Took our supper with us. Got home at ten.

Tuesday 9th — Celia went home this morning. Went to the Lodge to-night.

Wednesday 10th — Sewed at home all day. Legislature convened for an extra session under call of the Governor.

Thursday 11th — Rained again to-day. Maria came home to make cake for a soldiers picnic to be given at Crops Plains. Went back to-night.

Friday 12th — At home all day, this forenoon. Went up to the office Gus extracted three teeth for me.

Saturday 13th — Mrs. Campbell came this morning with Captain Ryan of the 29th Regiment. They proposed going over to Camp after breakfast to see the 25th Regiment leave, and invited Gus and myself to accompany them. We stayed but found before reaching the Camp that they were not going until Monday. Played to witness Battalion Drill, came home about eleven. Regiment came up town in the afternoon, we went up to see them. Mrs. Campbell and I played chess in the evening.

Sunday 14th — Went to Church this forenoon Mr McKenney stayed to dinner and spent the afternoon I bade him "good bye" as I suppose I shall not see him again if the Regiment goes to Emerson. One more of the thousands of brave boys going to face danger perhaps death in his country's service. God bless them all. Went to Church in the evening

Monday 15th — Went to the office this morning in the rain. Wrote until noon and remained at home in the afternoon. Mr Campbell Gus & I. spent the evening at Sarah Inness's

Tuesday 16th — Wrote this morning, went to my German lesson Sarah took tea at our house and went to the Lodge with me. Mr Scofield read a paper which was very good, It commenced raining violently about nine, and Gus came home after rubbers and umbrellas for us, Sarah stayed with me We were quite wet when we arrived at home

Wednesday 17th — Wrote all day at the office. Staid at home in the evening.

Thursday 18th — Wrote this morning and until four in the afternoon Went to German, and to a lecture delivered by Prof. Reed before Athenian and Hesperian Societies of the University, this evening. Fannie & Gus went to spend the evening at Hannah Chapmans

Friday 19th — Wrote this forenoon. Fannie & I went to make some calls up in the Third Ward, called on Mrs Johnsons people were quite pleased with them. Mr Smith came in the evening quite unexpectedly, Miss Cooke also came for me to

go to the Lecture. George C. remained only a short time, as he expected to leave on the evening train

Saturday 20th — Maria came last night after we had all retired. We were going boating, but after a long time spent in arrangements for it found that Mr. Pickard was going to use the boat. Maria & I went out to ride in the afternoon She had her Photograph taken. It came in the evening

Sunday 21st — Went to church this morning. Mr Johnson preached a very excellent sermon. Staid to Bible class.

Nov. 2d Sunday — A long time has elapsed since last I scribbled on your pages, old journal and I come back to you with some thing like the pleasure of greeting an old friend. I went to Grafs Plains on the 14th Left to visit Maria Jas accompanied me, we remained all the week, met Mr. Lovell there, had a pleasant time On the 12th of Oct. went to Cleveland to visit at Mr. Smiths. Went to visit Dr. Bridges school at Fort Atkinson, to Lake mills to visit at Dr Williards, and to Jefferson remained nearly four weeks and enjoyed myself very much Came home and found Sarah Mary Lovell whose visit I had anticipated so long had been here, nearly a week, and were going the next morning, they had expected me every day, and as I had not written I persuaded them to stay two days longer, and we had a very pleasant visit

On the 22th of Oct I received a letter from Jefferson requesting me to take the school in that place for the winter. Pa did not want me to go and I wrote to them that I had made different arrangements. Went to the Sociable at Mrs. Reddens in the evening had a very pleasant time. Tuesday, part of town in the forenoon and rained in the afternoon, Cold and snowy this morning. Did not go to church. It is real November weather, dreariest of all months I think November is. We have been having glorious Indian summer and this change is not of the pleasantest. I am going to write for Pa next week and perhaps the week after and then I am going to Janesville to spend three or four weeks I think I shall learn Photograph painting, and perhaps remain in Janesville all winter.

Monday 3d — Went to the office this morning. left at five o'clock to recite my German lessons at home in the evening.

Tuesday 4th — Went to the Office, worked all day, went to the Lodge in the evening. Installation of officers Rev. Beerath formed to night. Had a very pleasant meeting.

Wednesday 5th — Went to the office, remained all day did not go home to dinner, recited my German We made Miss Crocker a present of Schiller's works in two volumes. They were very nice, and she very much pleased. At home in the evening

Thursday 6th — Went up to the University this morning with Miss Crocker to her recitation. It was a very pleasant walk, and I enjoyed it. I like Dr Fuess very much. Went to the office, to the Historical rooms in the afternoon, and also shopping with Ma. Got me a set of jaws. Went to a Sociable at Mrs. Milless in the evening. There was a large number present, and it was very pleasant.

Friday 7th — Went to the office, staid in the forenoon. Worked for myself a little in the afternoon. Got my German lesson and went to the Historical Rooms a while commenced reading Macauley's History of England, like it much. Went to my German lesson. Mrs. Smith here to tea, said they were much disappointed out in Jefferson because I did not come.

Saturday 8th — Went up to the office this morning did not stay. Sewed all day until three o'clock. Hattie Benedict & Fannie Farnham called, also Mrs. Carpenter. Went to the Historical Rooms at four, read an hour and a half. Sarah Inman came, staid to tea and spent the evening, translated a part of Schillers, Song of the Bells.

Sunday 9th — A beautiful day. Went to Church, did not stay to Bible Class. Went to the Band of Hope in the afternoon.

Monday
10th Went to Pass office to take my oath filled remained all day, Went to the Sunday School Convention in the evening, German lesson in the forenoon

Tuesday
11th Went to the office commenced posting my second book, Went to Lodge in the evening Fannie joined again to-night, I was appointed on a committee for lectures and also on one for editorials this term, Had a very pleasant time

Wed.
12th did not go to the office to-day, sewed all day, at home in the evening went to the Reading Rooms and read an hour and then to my German Lesson

Thursday,
13th Go the office worked all day at home in the evening, Jus wanted me to go to the Sociable, but I did not feel like it.

Friday
14th Went up town this morning worked around the House all day, Ladies came this afternoon to sew for Sabbath School children about twenty staid to tea, had a pleasant sociable in the evening

Saturday
15th At the office all day, at home in the evening

Sunday
16 To church this morning, Hamilton Brain was baptised at 2 o'clock, Raining and cold, but we went down to the Lake Mr Randolph preaches to night

Monday 17th. Went to the office this morning, remained until three o'clock finished my book. Went to the Historical Rooms at four and to my German recitation at five. Sarah Fraser came home with me and we went to the Sabbath School Convention in the evening.

Tuesday 18th. At home all day sewing. Maria came home this morning. She was not very well. Went to the Lodge in the evening. Staid two hours after it closed. Had a pleasant time.

Wednesday 19th. Went up town with Maria this morning. To Historical Rooms in afternoon. To German, and in the evening Gus & Mr. Campbell accompanied us up town to get some birth-day gifts for Nellie.

Thursday 20th. At home today. Went to the Congregational Sociable this week at Rev. Kelsey's. A large number were present and we had a pleasant time.

Friday 21st. Went up this morning to have my teeth filled. Read and recited my German lesson. Sewed in the evening.

Saturday 22d. Went to the office to have questions in my teeth-continued. Found Gus Smith engaged and not likely soon to be disengaged. Remained up town all the forenoon, sewed in the afternoon, had company in the evening.

Sunday 23d. A beautiful morning. Rose late. Got ready for Church. Staid to Bible Class.

Monday 24th. Had my teeth filled this morning. Went to my German recitation. Sewed in the evening.

Tuesday 25th — Rose late all the forenoon, At home in the afternoon Went to the Exhibition of the Mechanic's Societies in the evening. It was very good, The best orations were by Messrs High & Spooner, We intended to go to the Lodge afterwards but it was late.

Wednesday 26th — Busy to-day preparing for Thanksgiving, Up town in the forenoon Went to German in the afternoon, At home in the evening

Thursday 27th — Snowing this morning A veritable Thanksgiving Day. Eng & Maria & I went to church, Came home Mrs Davis came at two Spent a pleasant afternoon Dined at five, Played chess in the evening

Friday 28th — Had intended going to Janesville to-day, but not feeling well postponed it until to-morrow, Went up town In German in the afternoon, Socialt this evening, All went but myself.

Saturday 29th — All ready for a start at 10 Oclock, Waited until half past ten for the Bus it did not come, and leaving my trunk to be sent I walked to the Depot, Had a pleasant trip to Jan — Nettie Denning & Martha Perrine were on board bound for Milwaukee Arrived in Janesville at half past one Found the folks all well, and glad to see me,

March 22d 1863

Here and I again, my long neglected Journal, sitting down after so long an interval to record be once more upon your pages. When I last visited you the cold and frosts of winter were around me, and we were preparing ourselves to spend its cold comfortless days and long bright evenings to the best advantage, now as I write here by my window a dry, spring March rain is pattering outside and my eyes meet as the gaze out, only a snowy waving expanse of spring mud. The interval between these two points of time has been as eventful as the routine of any usually is. That is I have read and worked, visited and received visits, eaten and slept and cared in short done everything goes to make up what we call life.

My ~~visit~~ visit to Jamesville was a very pleasant one I remained four weeks, during which we walked and rolled and skipped and visited to our hearts content. We visited the Blind Institute and the Woolen Factory which are the principal points of interest in it, I became acquainted with many pleasant people during my stay, and like Jamesville very much. Spent Christmas at Jones Burroughs, and enjoyed it very much. Came home on Saturday. Mother was preparing to go East. She and Charley were going Maria & I went out to Celia Gorton's

the day before New Years, Geo took us out in the buggy. When we arrived, found that Celia had gone to Sam Paine, they sent for her and she got home about three o'clock. We spent a very pleasant afternoon and evening. The next day it snowed almost incessantly, so that it was impossible for us to get home, we remained another night and the snow having ceased, came home in the mail the next day. Mother started for the East the Wednesday after New Years, leaving me installed as housekeeper. I liked it very much. Madison is not very gay this winter, as many of our young men have gone that our society is rather thin. The winter has been warm and pleasant, with very little snow. Celia Gaston came here to board and brought her piano. Mother & Charley came home on the fourth of March. Pa went after them, they remained in Washington a week. Mr. Campbell has gone to Ohio and Fannie to Milwaukee, Maine. I commenced attending school at the normal School last week & like it very much. I am to study Penman & Theory, Household Science and Philosophy of Teaching. The University commences to-morrow. To-day is Sunday, I attended Church this forenoon, and re-

manied to Bible Class. there was quite a large number present. It is rainy and disagreeable, and I fear we shall not be able to go this evening. We have been having some very interesting meeting during the evenings of the last weeks, and it is hoped that some have been converted to God. I have resolved that henceforth I will live for him, and hope that God will forgive my sins and help me do right for the remainder of my life.

23d Went to school this morning, remained until noon, and then came home as I had no lessons for the afternoon. Went to meeting in the evening. We had a very good meeting indeed.

24th. School as usual. Raining and cold, remained at school until noon, and then came home. Went up town in the afternoon, and then to the Lodge in the evening.

25th. Went to school this morning. Came home at noon, and went back again. Was very tired to-night. Went to meeting.

26th. We all met with the University students in the chapel this morning. I came home at noon, and went back again in the afternoon. Went to meeting in the evening.

27th First recitation in Prof. Fuchs in German this morning. I like him very much. Came home to dinner this noon. Stayed to hear Prof. Cox's lecture to-night. Went to meeting.

28th At home this forenoon, evening, Went with Mother to the Ladies' Union League, this afternoon, We had a very nice meeting. Afternoon went up town and then home, Went down to Mrs Crocker's in the evening,

29th A beautiful Sabbath morning, went to church, Mr. Johnson preached a very fine sermon, from the text, While I was busy here and there, he was gone, Staid to Bible Class, which was very large to-day, Did not go to the Third Ward Sabbath School to-day as I had a headache,

30th Went to school, Commenced reading to-day in all my classes. like the school very much. Went to meeting this evening, had a very interesting meeting indeed

31st School as usual, Came home to dinner Remained to the lecture in Prof. Cadman, a very interesting & instructive one Went to meeting in the evening, and afterwards to Lodge. Appointed a Committee for to-morrow evening,

April 1st Very pleasant to-day, went to school, Expected to go to the Sociable in the evening Got ready and about eight o'clock, Mrs Scofield came to tell us that the room was occupied by the masons, Invited a number, came down to find out the reason, and remained during the evening,

April 2d Rainy & disagreeable this morning. went to school. Went to church in the evening

3d Started for school at half past seven, Mr. Campbell accompanied me, and went to my Examination Came home to supper very tired. Went to Covenant meeting

4th At home to-day. Swept all the forenoon went to the Union League in the afternoon. Afterwards went up town. At home in the evening Miss Eaton & Jennie came to pay a farewell visit. They go to Chicago Monday. Mon & Mrs. Carrier were also here, & Ella Fox, and Messrs Muldoon & Hazlett. We spend a very pleasant evening.

5th Went to church this morning. It was a beautiful day very warm & pleasant. Did not go to the Third Ward. Ceba & I take a walk in the afternoon. Went to church in the evening

6th A pleasant morning, went to school. Went to church in the evening.

7th Went to the Lodge this evening. Saw James Kopf for the first time since his return. Had quite a long session. Commenced studying my lessons, about eleven o'clock, and did not go to bed until half past two.

8th- Went to school as usual Did not go to church in the evening.

9th- School, At home in the evening

10th- Covenant meeting this evening, about ten new converts related their experience and will be baptized next Sunday.

11th At home, all day Went up town at night, At home in the evening.

12th- A beautiful Sabbath morning, Went to church, Had a large congregation and a very good sermon, Returned home immediately after church to prepare for baptism About ten o'clock on the margin of Knight Lake, Fourteen young persons were baptized, myself among the number This is the most blessed day of my life May God grant that I may ever be faithful in the course which I have commenced There was a very large crowd collected upon the banks of the lake, and everything passed off well, Went to church in the morning

13th- Went to school, Go Young People's meeting in the evening, We had a very pleasant meeting indeed, I don't think I can object one more.

14 At school all day. George C. Smith came in town and went to Lodge. Sat up with the body of Bro. Huntington. Watched all night

15 Went to school this morning, not feeling remarkably bright. Did not go to meeting in the evening.

16. School, At home in the evening

17 Went to school this morning, very warm and bright. We analyzed the Pasque flower, in the Botany Class, the first flower I have seen this season. Went to meeting in the evening

18 At home, most of time, remained nearly all the forenoon, Saw Jno. McBurney who has just returned from the army, he was discharged on account of illness, At home in the afternoon, Went to the Roosevelt to hear some recitations by Griffith, the Ventriloquist; Very good

19 Pleasant this morning went to church, In third Ward this afternoon.

Sunday June 6th 1868. Another long gap in my journal, and I presume that no other will be made unless it is in my power to prevent it, but such are human actions. The last two months I have been very busy, between attending school and the meetings and getting my Lessons, my time has been fully occupied, I never enjoyed a season in the in my life, and deeply regret that I was not able to go on with my studies, when I think if I did I might do and what I might be if I only had an opportunity of continuing my studies for two or three

years & can hardly reconcile myself to the necessity which exists for me to do anything else, but it is so and I must be content. I am going to commence taking painting lessons next week, which I shall enjoy very much. We have had a very busy and pleasant time during the past week. The Quarterly Examinations and Commencement are past over and the long summer vacations commenced. I want to accomplish a great deal during the summer, which I hope I may. We have had a very dry time this month of June. It has not rained this month and it seemed as if the very earth would burn to dust and be shriveled away in the first place, but to-day there is a change. This morning was the most misty of the season. I did not go out until time for Sabbath School and on coming home got a sprinkling and now it is raining quite hard and the air is deliciously cool. Thank God for rain! Pa Gay is down and I must go down, but not until I secure my resolve not to neglect you again old journal so long as I have power to chronicle my daily thoughts and the events of my life on your pages. It is a long time since I took my pen for the first time for your dear pages, over two years. In that two years though apparently the same in circumstances yet there has been a change in me. I am not the same woman who sat here this

day his grass ago, and note of her life. God grant that the change may have been for the better I trust it has. Sitting here to-day I hope that I have brighter views of life, wider and broader comprehensions of its duties and responsibilities than I then and now looking back through those last years, their experiences, their trials and their sorrows for there have been all of these, many known only to my God and myself, I thank him that he has given me them to teach me the lessons which without them I might have been unlearned, and looking into my own heart to-day I believe that I am willing to learn whatever duties and fulfil whatever obligations he may impose, may he give me strength which I so much need, to do all this. Looking around upon the life that I lead upon the daily duties of my position I often think it a barren field and long for something that shall more fully fill and occupy my mind and heart, that monotonous routine of every day duties and cares. But it is mine, and I sometimes feel its truth, that there are sublime heights to be reached even in heroic performance of common duties, and that the little petty cares and responsibilities, constantly recurring, if always performed with a faithful aimed zeal and and heart in unison with the great plan of God, will bring to us at last more perfect joy than through the rest on the heights of humanity and nought like God's. Life seems very blank to me sometimes, and looking forward I see nothing but gloom and darkness. A great deal has gone out of my life in

the last few months, and for a time it took all the sweetness and joy but with God's help I will conquer my weakness, and bear bravely the yoke of life, I believe that God sends us trials to try our spirit and temper and refine us as gold in the fire, and I thank him that he has thought me worthy to suffer, may it do me good.

29th. At home to-day, Rest of time in the afternoon, Go meeting in the evening, When I got home Mr Smith was there, He is going to Memphis, to-morrow He wanted us to go with him to take care of sick and wounded soldiers in the hospitals, I told him I would go. I think Fannie will too, We sat up very late laying our plans, Mr. S. is going to remain another day, Pa did not like the idea of our going at all, but finally gave his consent, Went to bed with my mind very much relieved to night.

30th. Up early this morning, having a great deal to do, getting ready for so long a journey. We are to stay two months, Before evening Mr Fannie Chapman & Lou Richardson are going also, There is quite an excitement in town about our going, We have been receiving calls all day, Jim Craig has been here all the afternoon, He feels very badly about our going, Went to Mr. Johnson's to a Grand to night and leaving early, visited the Lodge, Many friends all came to tell me how sorry that I was going to leave them thought all thought it a noble work, They gave me their best wishes, After Lodge we went to Wallizinger for ice cream found the store closed, disappointed, Went to bed very tired, We are to start at eleven to-mor

July 1st — Rose early, ironed, packed trunks, dressed myself, went up town, and did a great many other things. We went up and had our pictures taken. Found that the omnibus had left, when I got home. Emily a number of friends waiting to walk to the depot with me. Fanny went in the bus. The sitting room at the depot was crowded with friends, waiting to see us off. Bade them good bye, and soon found ourselves under full steam for Janesville. Discovered soon after starting that Aunt Lucy's baggage was missing. Mr. Campbell who accompanied us to J— said he would go back and get it, if we would stay over one train at J— We went to Sarah Lovell's and staid until about 7 o'clock Thursday morning, went to the depot, found Mr. L— and the missing baggage, and started for Chicago. Mr. Campbell brought letters from home, and a paper with a very complimentary notice of our departure for the sunny south. Rode all night.

2d — Came into Chicago at 6 o'clock A. M. With breakfast at the hotel, stopped about two hours, and then started for Kankakee. We had a very long, dusty, tedious ride, and arrived at Kankakee at 8 o'clock P. M. tired hungry, and almost out of spirits. An excellent supper and a rest of two hours made us all right however, and when we took sleeping cars for Cairo we were in the best spirits in the world.

3d — Passed the night comfortably. The stopping of the cars early this morning awakened us. Found ourselves shivering with in an hour's distance of

swamp, with two or three feet of water as far as you could see on either side of the tracks with rank grass and vines, and weeds the cars were very close, and I very imprudently opened a window near my seat during the night immediately however, for the first breath of the air was like pestilence, I came near fainting, and did not recover from the effect of this for some time. After stopping here for something like half an hour owing to some derangement in the machinery, we moved on, and soon entered the city of Cairo, the most miserable, desolate looking, place on the face of the earth is this same Cairo, We only staid long enough to go down to the wharf, and get aboard the steamer, but that was as long as we cared about staying. We hardly got a glimpse of any body but negroes, and poor white folks that on board the steamer Hope, got our breakfast, and soon had made ourselves comfortable for the day, the captain took us up to the pilot house where it was cool, and enjoyed the prospect very much, The Mississippi river was quite a disappointment to me, instead of the majestic thing of which so much has been said and sung, I saw only a comparatively narrow and superficially muddy stream, that looked anything but majestic, as the steamer moved down, however, it widened and seemed more like my preconceived notions of old Mississippi. We reached Columbus early in the forenoon, stopped about two hours, It looks like a strong military post, the cannon planted

on the heights, and the white tents of the encampment in the distance give it quite an air-
similitaire while the mule teams, and contraband which throng the streets give one quite an idea of a Kentucky town. We dined in the pilot house at noon dinner time. On the opposite shore from Columbus, was the scene of the famous battle of Belmont, so disastrous to us. It is an innocent looking spot enough, being a level piece of ground, partially covered with timber. It is hard to realize that these places have ever been the scene of such terrible conflicts. Met a brother-in-law of Gov. Salomon on the boat. he is a very pleasant, mannered he would send us transportation to Nekoosa. He offered us wine before we had been acquainted fifteen minutes which owing to our temperance principles we were obliged to refuse. Went to bed to-night very tired.

July 4th. Independence Day! and we floating down the Mississippi! Who would have thought it, or met an errand boy? It was very warm this morning. I sat down immediately after breakfast and wrote a long letter home to be mailed at Memphis. After this we went up to the pilot-house, and had a good view of Fort Pillow which we passed about ten o'clock. It looks like a very strong point indeed. Very high bank surrounded by a high board railing, with one or two guns visible from the river, is all

that meets the eye now. Hardly a vestige remains of what must have been a formidable looking place. We passed Island No. 10, in the afternoon, It is garrisoned by negro troops. New Madrid is also quite a large place on the river, which has been the scene of a hard fought battle. A lady who came down from Cairo with us, and who is commandant at the New Madrid, got off here. In a short time after this, we got a view of Memphis from a point in the river which is about four miles from the city, where the Mississippi bends in a semi-circle. It looked beautiful in the light of the setting sun, and was quite a welcome sight to us when a few moments after we found ourselves approaching the scene of our future labors. It is situated on high banks overlooking the river, and has many fine public buildings. We went immediately to a boarding house on our arrival, and retired to rest, or rather to bed to rest, for the house being nearly full, four of us had only a single room, with a bed and a lounge as sleeping accommodations. We had quite a celebration on board the steamer to-day, the gentlemen got a flag and unfurled it in the cabin, and then drew up resolutions, sang songs, and had a general good time. Penny & I were appointed as committee with three gentlemen to draw up resolutions. We had quite a celebration

met Parkes Adams & Rebbs on the boat to-
Sunday day they are going to Lake Providence
July 5th- A terribly warm day. We went up
to the office after breakfast and staid two or
three hours. Had a splendid shower while
there, a regular tropical deluge, which pass-
ed leaving the air apparently as hot as befor
met Mr Wayne to-night & Madison man-
whom I remembered having seen in Natchez
but do not think I should have recognized with-
Monday out an introduction. He is quite pleasant, &c.
July 6th- Another warm day. We went up town
this morning, visited the park, which is
an exquisite little bit of greenery, teeming
with squirrels which are so tame that
they will eat from your hand, here I saw
a magnolia blossom for the first time, they
are splendid and grow in almost every
garden here, there are also a great variety
of evergreens, and beautiful flowering shrubs
and trees meet the eye on every hand
Here is the monument of Jackson, famous
for having suffered mutilation at the hand
of a rebel colonel, who would have blotted out
the motto, it bears "The Union, it must and shall
be preserved." We went up this evening with some
gentlemen at the house where we board, and Mr
Smith to get ice cream. A beautiful cool even-
ing. We enjoyed it much. Did not visit any
of the Hospitals to-day.

Tuesday 7th- Excessively warm. We had a nice shower however in the forenoon which cooled the air somewhat. Louise & I started out this P.M. to go up town. We were going to the Union Hospital. It looked very much like rain and before we had gone two blocks down it came. We took refuge in a grocery, the only available shelter and spent about an hour and a half in the agreeable society of codfish and potatoes. It cleared up after a time and we went on, did not visit the Hospital however. Went up to the Park this evening

Wednesday 8th- Started immediately after breakfast, to see Dr. Irwin Surgeon General of Hospitals here, he immediately engaged us for hospital duty, and gave us our papers. We visited the Jackson Hospital, and afterward the Bayard, where we were engaged. We found Mrs. Wemple a Wisconsin lady and Mrs. Green a sort of under matron here, very pleasant. They told us some very discouraging things and for some time I felt rather blue over the prospect. The surgeon in charge Dr. Hartshorn came in and assigned us our wards. Fannie is next to mine on the same floor. The wards are long rooms containing from fifty to seventy beds. Each one has a surgeon, a ward master and four nurses beside a female nurse. Dr. Nelson the surgeon of my ward seems to be a very pleasant man. There are some very sick men in my ward, and being an entirely new business to me, I accept it rather awkwardly I expect, but I shall

soon learn how to work, I hope. Mrs Smith and another gentleman came to take us to walk in the evening. We had ice cream, sat a while in the park, and then came back and I went to bed feeling sensibly the oddity of our situation on our first night in the Hospital.

Thursday 9th. Rose this morning at the sound of the bugle at five, dressed and went down to my ward. Went around and said good morning to all my men, attended to the giving out of the breakfasts. Fed one man, there are some who are very sick. One man was having fits when I entered the ward yesterday, he had them at intervals all through the night, and they think that he will not live through the day. After breakfast the surgeon came, and I made out the diet list for the day under his direction. I stood in my ward nearly all day, at night I was so tired and my feet were so swelled, that I could not sleep. There is a great deal of noise in the street, and sleeping in day rooms is not just the thing for nervous people.

Friday 10th. Decided to go to my ward this morning, the air is so bad here. There are some very sick men here, and they require my constant attention. I already feel very much interested in some of them, some who are very sick. Wm. Clark a boy of about 19 who has chronic diarrhea. I am afraid will never get well. I feel very badly about him, and shall do all in

my power to help him, he is very low however, and there is but a bare possibility of his recovery, there are several other cases of the same disease all doubtful, One man Alfred Kent, about twenty I should think, and from this, is very low with fever & debility, I am afraid that he cannot recover, I was very tired to night,

Sabbath day 11th- In my ward early, Thank better to day, I talked to him a long time about his home and friends, told him I thought the doctor would give him a furlough and send him home as soon as he was able to go, he seems to feel discouraged, and thought he listens to my plans for him, and agrees in them yet he seems to think that he shall never see home again, I am afraid he won't poor fellow! Went out with Tom Smith this evening Went to the Park, but awhile, got some lemonade and ice cream, saw any number of ladies and gentlemen. Tired out when we got home,

Sunday 12th- My first Sabbath here, When I went down this morning, found the boys in were cleaning the floor, and after breakfast they changed the clothing of the men and also the beds, This is always done Sunday because this is inspection day the Surgeon General comes around to inspect everything and it must be in prime order, Had not a sick day, It was dull in Fannie's Ward to day, No Chaplain, I love to attend Church Sunday at home, I should not know it by any other circumstance

here. Some of the men are worse to-day. I have been in my ward most of the day. Mr. Smith came this afternoon with a Wisconsin captain who was very pleasant said they would call and go to church in the evening.

Monday 18th. Rained this forenoon, made it very cool. Went to my wards as usual. Men getting along very well. Did not go out to-night. One of my men very sick. He cannot live. He is an Ohio boy, he is a very fine fellow, about 20 years old. I would almost give the world if he could live. I wrote a letter to a cousin of his in the army at Nicholas. telling him how he was, and asking him to write home, and inform his friends. He is very grateful for anything I do for him, and though he never says much, his eyes follow me everywhere. He is very low sick. How my heart aches when I think that this is the way that the flower of our country's youth are perishing in this cruel conflict. I am thankful that God has given me the opportunity to do some good, and pray that he will give me strength to do my duty faithfully in the fear of His Holy Name. Tried out to-night. went to bed with a heavy heavy heart, almost expect to find Hart dead the to-morrow morning.

Tuesday 19th. Pleasant & cool this morning. Rain about as usual. Hart is better this morning. He ate quite a breakfast, I do trid he could get well. Clark is getting better slowly. I think he may get well. he seems to be in better spirits. Jennie & Son went up town this morning. Mr. Daniels & Mr. Wayne called in the evening Tried to-night. To-day as I was sitting by Hart. Dr. Nelson came in with a fine bouquet of flowers. which he got at

Wednesday 15th

Warm to-day. In my ward all day. Mr. Smith & Dr. Sweetland of the St Louis Hospital, came this afternoon to have us go up to the Officers Hospital to see a Wisconsin captain. I did not go. The rest of the girls did. I feel so anxious about my men to go anywhere, there are three or four that may die any hour. Kent is very low to-night. I have sat by him all the afternoon, he is very quiet. It seems as if I could not bear to see him die. The Doctor will not let me tell him that he must die, for there possibly may be a chance for his recovery, he says. I have no hopes of it. God pity his poor old mother, and God pity all the mothers whose hearts will ache through the terrible consequences of this unnatural war. Kent to bed tired enough.

Thursday 16th

A warm day, it rained about noon, and cooled the air somewhat, a real tropical shower it was. The rain coming down in sheets, I enjoyed it. but I guess some of the boys who lay under the ventilator didn't, for the rain came right through. In my ward all day. Kent has been stupid all day. Had no appetite for food, could hardly rouse him to take his wine, I feel very bad about him. he will not live through the night, I fear. God have mercy upon him poor fellow. I would do any thing in my power to give him back the lost life. I never, but alas, human arms are too short, and human effort too weak to help in such cases. There is another man in my ward whom I fear will die to-day. I wrote to his wife yesterday.

9 o'clock P. M. Kent is dead. He breathed his last a half hour ago. I closed his eyes. They prepared him

for the grave and took him away, I shall never forget the sorrow I felt for his death; he was so young so patient; so lonely and homesick, and so grateful for everything I did for him, I shed as bitter tears over his dying bed as I ever wept in my life, it is so hard to see our noble boys die here alone so far from friends who would give their lives almost to have been with them in their last moments, I shall write to his mother, the saddest duty of our position is this, breaking the tidings to anxious loving hearts at home, God give you strength to bear it poor loving mother, My ward will seem lonely after this. I have watched him and fed and cared for him so long, that the night of his poor pale face on the bed, seemed a part of my life, poor fellows; as they die,

Friday 17th

Went to my ward as usual, Did not feel very well to-day, A little blue. I shall have to go out more, Fanny, Louie N.C. went up to the Smith's office this morning. It seemed often we got home, In my ward the rest of the day, Tired to night, glad to get to my room.

Saturday 18th

Louie N. I took a long walk this morning, went as far as the Soldiers Home, a very pretty place We had a great deal of fun going out & back, there are so many comical things in Memphis, Wrote a letter home to-day and also one to a cousin of Rents at Petersburg. Went to bed early. Very tired

Saturday 19th. Warm to-day. Men in my ward about as usual In my ward till afternoon, Saturday is inspection Day here, and a general cleaning up has to take place in the morning. This afternoon Mrs. Smith came with a captain of the 17th Regiment, a very pleasant man. They said they would come and go to church with us in the evening, but did not come, we did not go out,

Monday 20th. Fanny, Louise & I went to market this morning, at five o'clock, there is a very nice market here, and we see a great many queer things. I enjoy it very much. This morning I saw an old market woman coming in on a mule, with a straw hat upon her head, the brim of which was at least half a yard in width, and her face was so browned and sunburned that she would have safely passed muster among the Kickapoos. Louise & I went out to ride after breakfast. In my ward all the afternoon. Dr. Nelson brought me scale from a large fish, which was caught in the Mississippi at this point, called the Elephant. Mrs. Moore and the rest of us went up to Mrs. Smiths office this evening. met Dr. McDougherty of the Indiana Agency, a very pleasant man looks like Dr. Williard of Lake Mills.

Tuesday 21st. In my ward all day. Cool and pleasant, men doing well generally. Wrote a letter for one man to his wife. He is a Virginian, dying of chronic diarrhea. He says his wife is only 17 years of age. They have been married only about a year. He must die. Mrs. Smith and Dr. Woodward of the Adams Hospital came to see us, said the Hope was lying at the wharf. The girls went down to see the captain, I was too busy to go.

Wednesday 22d.

Warm to-day. Rose early. Went to my ward this morning. Found that my poor Virginian had died during the night. The nurses were with him when he died. They said that he died easy. I am sorry for his wife. I must write to her. I have been in my ward all day. This afternoon the Ward master brought me an order from the Surgeon in charge to the effect that the ladies employed as nurses in the Hospital should not enter the kitchen as they have been accustomed to for the purpose of cooking for the sick men, neither leave their wards on any account unless by permission of the Surgeon in charge of the Ward. This was sent as a general order to all the nurses in the Hospital. It created quite an excitement but we had a good deal of fun about it, as when we asked our Surgeons to let us go out in the afternoon they gave us permission to go out at any time we pleased. A man died in Fanny's ward last night. We all had an invitation to go to the theatre in the evening, it was a Soldiers Benefit night and we went. It was crowded to excess, and so very warm, that it was almost impossible to breathe, and I had not been there five minutes before I heartily wished myself back at the Quarters. The acting was the most miserable I ever saw, and if any body ever catches me at that place again, I hope that I shall have as miserable a time as I had then.

Thursday 23d

Mr. Smith came of this morning and said that if Fanny wanted to go home she could go off with Mr Hicks and Lieut. Cardwell to-day. They were going directly to Madison. She has been talking of going for medicine. She concluded to

go. I was almost angry with her, I do not think she ought to go off and leave me here. She left here about 12 m. I did not go to the boat. I felt very lonely all day, and would have had a real good cry if I had not been too provoked about her going. About four o'clock this afternoon, Col. Howe of the 8th Wisconsin sent the ambulance for us, and about five we started for the camp. It was my first experience in ambulance riding. We enjoyed the novelty immensely. I don't see how so much jolt could get into one vehicle as that ambulance contained, we had a great deal of fun about it. When we arrived at the Colonel's head quarters we alighted, and were conducted through a nice yard. The colonel lives in a very pretty house, which used to be the property of a rebel lady, and was confiscated. We were very agreeably surprised at meeting a sister of Col. Howe's whom we liked very much indeed, she has been here about a week. Col. Howe is splendid. We enjoyed our visit very much indeed, I was sorry that Fanny could not be there. We met a Miss Batton of Green Bay, she is taking care of the sick in the Regimental Hospital. We went home to tea, and spent the pleasantest evening we have had for a long time.

Friday 2nd. In my ward most of the day. We all went up to the Sanitary Office. He had just been down to see the boat off, which Fanny sent in. She had been there waiting for the boat to go ever since

she started yesterday. Lieut. Cantrell went with her. A friend of Jenny's, a Mrs. Jackson of Beaver Dam came to see us this afternoon. Wrote three letters today for the boys in the Ward. A boy about 16 years of age died in Fannie's ward to-day. His brother was with him, has been here for some weeks. Here's a fine little fellow has been sick for a long time of typhoid fever.

Saturday 25th — At home all day. Clark is getting along well now, I think he will recover. I have two Wisconsin boys in my ward, one of whom was wounded in the foot, he is from Manitowoc the name is John Barnard. The other James Farrell is suffering from a bad finger. The result of running a sliver into it while rolling pins in a bowling alley. We did not go out to-night. We have been suffering terribly from musquitoes, until to-day Mr. Cotton brought us some fish nets for our beds, and we shall sleep under the protection of nets to-night.

Sunday 26th — Sunday morning again, it does not seem much like it here, I have not been to church since I have been in Memphis. I am so busy dressing the morning that I can not get ready by church time and in the evening I am very tired. To-day was time for General Inspection. Dr. Mears, from Washington, came through the Hospital to-day. He complained very much of the bad beds, said we should not have any more such. One of my men is very low, I do not expect him to live more than a day or two. I wrote to his Mother on Tuesday, telling her

that she had better come to him, as he was very anxious to see her, I expected her yesterday, I fear she will not reach here before his death. We went out to Col. Bones again to-day in the am balance, they were very glad to see us, and we spent a very pleasant evening, Col. & Miss Bone made a great deal of work about their communion arrangements, and we had a great deal of fun ranting at the supper table, about the crumbs, came home about 9 o'clock

Monday 27th

In my ward all day, Wat sat in the evening to get ice cream, Very warm

Tuesday 28th

A warm day, We went up to Mr. Smith's office to get some things from a box which came from Va. The man whose mother I visited last week, died to-day he was not quite sensible when he died, He wished very much to see his mother, I expect she will be here soon,

Wednesday 29th

In my ward early, Immediately after breakfast this ward master came to tell me that there was a lady below who wished to see me, I went down and found it to be the mother of the man who died yesterday, she was almost inconsolable when she found that he was dead, I had to undertake the task of comforting her with poor means I have, for who can comfort or console such broken hearts, he had died without a word for his friends, and the poor old lady, had come this long distance to see her only son and found him dead, I could not find words of comfort for her, only praying

her to look to God for consolation in her hour of bitterest need.

Thursday 20th — In my ward all day. That the lady went home last night, Mrs. Brown wife of one of our sick men in my ward, is here taking one of her husband, Billy, our medicine man, was sent to his Regiment this morning and another one appointed in his place. We went out for a walk to-night, Got some flowers & leaves of the mimosa a large and beautiful tree of the same species as the sensitive plant.

Friday 21st — In my ward early. A warm day, Mrs & I went to the office this morning. Mr Smith was not there. We waited a long time for him, as Mrs. Davenport said that he had letters for us, did not get them as we were obliged to leave before he came, Mr. Davenport brought the letters in the afternoon, One of them contained very sad news for Mrs. Her youngest brother, one of the 11th Regt. was killed on the 10th of June, near Jackson, Mississippi, she felt almost broken hearted, Mrs Bone and Mrs. Bolton called this afternoon and staid two or three hours They went through our wards. We spent a very pleasant afternoon. At home in the evening.

Saturday August 5th — Capt. Pilsbury of the 75th. called to see us this morning. He is going to Louisville on furlough, we were very glad to see him. In my ward most of the day. The men are all getting along well. Sent several letters home by Pilsbury

Sunday 2d

In my ward all the morning, Dr. Nelson asked me why I did not go to church, I plead want of time, but fear that want of inclination, might also have formed a good part of my excuse. I have lost all my energy of late. have not the least ambition seemingly to do anything which is out of old routine of ward duty, I can neither read, write nor talk, as I used to do, I have almost despised Smithsonites heretofore, for their want of energy, but shall never do so again. This southern air is depressing beyond belief, and I do not wonder that sick men do not recover for many months in this climate. Col. Howe sent the ambulance for us to-day, and we spent the afternoon and evening, at his residence, Enjoyed it very much. I was very near sick, however, and was glad when I got home, I was sick all night, and did not go down in the morning until after breakfast.

Monday 1st,

In my ward all day feeling miserably, The men are doing well. They will probably get furloughs, at least a large number of them very soon. I shall be glad to have them go as I think it will be so much better for them. We went out this evening.

Tuesday 4th

In my usual routine of duty to-day. Men are doing well. Did not go out to-day. Some of the gentlemen connected with the Hospital called this evening.

Wednesday 5th

In my ward all day. A man who is in Ward D, Lord's ward died this morning, immediately after having an amputation. His father and mother have been here for some time. Went up to the Officers Hospital to-day with Mrs Smith. Saw Lt Taylor Rank 4th of the 2nd Ky, who has been very sick, is getting better, also. Adjt Thompson and Capt Young also were there very sick. There are quite a good many Rebel officers in this Hospital and we met a large number of ladies from the city, with baskets and I presume all manner of good things, both or deeds of charity to the sick. It made my blood boil when I thought that it was such as these who had caused and were still causing all the misery, that we were encountering daily, in our life in the Hospitals

Thursday 6th

Mr Smith left for Tuckahoe to-day Lieut. Billings & Lieut Townsend, called upon us this morning. The former is on General Howmon's staff, and will go up the river with him on Saturday in a few days. He promised to call upon us when he went through. Townsend is one of Gen. Butler's staff and remains here, so that we shall probably see him often. I had a very polite invitation to take a ride-partnership with a gentleman in mind to-day. Very tempting inducements held out, and if all that was promised could have proved true, I should indeed have "lived in clover" but not having any inclination to walk on flowery a pathway, I very respectfully declined.

Friday 7th. A very warm day, I went into my ward, before breakfast, but was obliged to leave it examples and lie down, I did not get up until afternoon. At home this evening.

Saturday 8th. In my ward most of the day. Vallandaen came to-day at four o'clock with a hack and took us out to Elmwood Cemetery, a beautiful place, I never enjoyed anything in my life more than I did that ride. There are the most beautiful evergreen hedges around the lots that I ever saw in my life, and very large evergreen trees of many varieties, all the grounds. There is a great variety of trees here with a predominance of elms, which give the place its name. There are some very fine monuments and vaults and in one place a large number of Union soldiers are sleeping side by side in their last slumber. It is a beautiful spot, and a worthy resting-place for noble hearts who have laid their all a sacrifice on their country's altar. At home in the evening

Sunday 9th. To-day passed as usual. In my ward most of the time. James Farrell a Wis. boy, had his finger amputated the other day, and his hand is very much swelled and inflamed, he has been up deliria, they brought him down to-day, and he is very sick. I got him something nice to eat. bathed his head, and have sat by him most of the day. He suffers a great deal with his head. Did not go out at all to-day.

Monday 11th. I was my ward and Ward B. all day. There was a boy about 19. in Ward B. who has been under the influence of opium for his days so that he was perfectly stupid and could not be roused. The Dr. told me to give him strong coffee every half hour all day. I did so but it did no good and about 6 o'clock in the evening he died. I felt very badly about it as I believe he died from an overdose of the drug.

Tuesday 11th: Dora & I went to market this morning. Mr Dodd went with us. After breakfast went up to the office to see if Mr. D. had any letters for us. I got two from home. Sat my stand the rest of the day. Our box which we have been expecting so long came yesterday. Mr. Cotton said that he would have it brought up for us, which he did this forenoon. We had a regular jubilee over it and acted just as children would act with a lot of new toys. Every thing in it was nice and we shall live in style after this, while our box continues to dispense its stores.

Wednesday 12th Warm to-day. I sat my ward all the forenoon. Some of the boys are expecting to go home on furlough soon. We had a little party this afternoon. Of the boys, Johnny Reed, John Barnard, Homer Jones Wm Welch and Percy — I have forgotten his name, and James Rodgers, were invited up to our room, we distributed some papers for plates, Jenny & I went down into the Kitchen and made some lemonade and then we passed around cake and lemonade, and did the honors in grand style

Mrs. Hayne came in just in time to be treated. We had quite a pleasant time, somewhat marred at the last however by the fact that Mr. Cobbe came in after a time, and said that we would be under the necessity of moving this afternoon, as the rooms we occupied were to be fitted up for a library. The boys helped us move, and Jim of our room. We do not like it at all. It is an inner room, and very warm and close. I suspect that we shall all be sick if we stay long. Very tired to night after our exertions in packing, moving, &c.

Thursday 13th. In my ward all day. Bonnie & Jenny went out walking to-night. I did not go, went to my room, and went to bed. I had just got into a comfortable doze, when Lon came in and said there were a couple of gentlemen intending to favor us with their company for the evening. There was a nice fire, we had no other room, and it was too hot to live in the clothes press. I could not make up my mind to lie still and say I was sick. So there was no help for it, and I got up and dressed in very good humor, of course, and after a little while Mr. Carey made his appearance accompanied by Mr. Waddobe whose acquaintance we had not made before. I like him very much, he is a Wisconsin man, from Waukesha. Mr. Carey had been taking a wee drop of beer, and was very talkative indeed. I got thoroughly disgusted with him, the more so, that he seemed determined to stay forever. They did go after awhile

Friday 15th- A warm day. In my ward all day. Were getting ready for home. They were paid off to-day. We were intending to go out to-night, I had an invitation to go and get ice cream the other girls were also going, but it looked so much like rain that we concluded not to go. Went to bed early.

Saturday 16th. Spent the day as usual in my ward. [illegible] & I went to market this afternoon. There were a large number of people present. It was very warm indeed. These Saturday afternoon markets are a great curiosity to me. There are so many things to be seen which are wholly characteristic of the South. After we had made our purchases, we met one of the boys in Lois ward, who invited us to have some ice cream. This conveyed an idea of coolness and we consented, standing and eating our cream in one corner of the market where every moment we were jostled by the crowd. It was delicious, and I think I never enjoyed any thing more in my life. We went home, and just this side of the market met my ward master, and one of the nurses, who wanted us to go back and have something. We assured them that we did not need any thing, but they seemed so much hurt and disappointed that we told them they might get us any thing they chose, On our arrival at home we found awaiting us two huge pitchers which they had brought from market. I had four invitations to go and get ice cream to-night. I could not accept them all, so went with the first one who invited me. We had a grand time, altogether. Got some ice cream, [illegible] ice water and came

home rather late and very tired.

Sunday 16th. Very warm indeed to-day. Went to church this evening for the first time in my stay in Memphis. went to the Union Church it need to be a Methodist Church unfortunately with southern principles, so that Uncle Sam thought it would be about the right thing to confiscate it which was done accordingly. It looked rather queer to see a church decorated with pictures of Washington and Clay, and festooned with flags but I am getting used to almost everything.

Monday 17th. To-day has been a very busy day with us, a large number of the boys went home, furlough. We went down to the boat to see them off. It made one homesick to see them start. We stood on the boat bids home. About 6 hundred and forty went from our Hospital to-day. The wards Lick deserted. There are only about fourteen men left in my wards, and some of them go to-morrow. I feel very anxious about some of my boys, for fear they will get sick on going up. At home this evening.

Tuesday 18th. More of the boys went to-day. The house looks very lonesome, I have been at home all day.

Wednesday 19th. We went out to the Small Pox Hospital to-day with Lady Rey nolds. Went all over it; also to the Catholic Cemetery where we counted as usual ten or twelve, accompanied by the regular old Irish man, and grave digger in his rags. He told us a great many stories about the [illegible] of the graves. and of their funerals

met Dr. Knowlton the Surgeon in Charge, a Mr's connecticut man, and Drs. Pegan & Brown. The former is from Indiana. We liked him very much. We took supper out on a tent under the trees. It was perfectly delightful there and we had a nice supper. After tea we had very pressing invitations to a dance on the green ward. The boys had a fiddle, which gave forth melodious sounds under the magic hand of one of the minales, and we danced one quadrille to the entire satisfaction of all concerned and then went home, having spent a very pleasant afternoon. Found them all doing well at home. Did not go out in the evening.

Thursday 21st

To my great surprise and also very much to their joy five of our convalescents received furloughs and started home to-day. This leaves us only 7 men in the ward beside the nurses. I am glad to see them go home because it is so much better for them but I do not expect ever to see them again and it makes one feel sad to say good bye to those who have been with me so long. Mrs. Burke, Dr. Nelson and I went to walk after tea, We started to see a cotton field but it got so late before we came to it that we concluded to defer seeing it to some other time and first cashier stopped at the Church Hospital when we came back.

Friday 22d

Received an invitation to-day in common with the other girls to a picnic at the Orphans Asylum. Was on my ward most of the day. Did not go out in the evening.

Saturday
22d

It looked like rain this morning, but cleared off before noon. I staid in my ward all day until noon. We started for the Asylum about two, a couple of gentlemen from the Small Pox Hospital came with- hacks and took Jennie and I, also Lou & Cordy. The gentlemen with whom Jennie & I went did not know anything about the direction of the Asylum, as unfortunately did not the driver. We however, took the road which seemed the most likely to be the right one and started, after going a mile or so out of our way in two or three different directions, crossing a cotton field, being stopped by the pickets and engineering our way several times, we managed to find our way into the grounds of the Asylum by the back way. There we found Lou & Cordie who had started before us they had been there some time, and they tried to coby us on having been left, which we would by no means admit. After resting a little while we went down into the woods at the back of the house, where they had put up a capital swing, and enjoyed ourselves for an hour or so, and then came back to the house to supper. All the ladies in the Hospital were there, and Drs. Nelson, Fearing & Wales. We had a grand supper in the dining room, after which we enjoyed ourselves, according to our tastes. Dr. Nelson & I walked through the grounds He told me the names of all the trees with which I was not familiar, and we collected quite a bouquet of rare leaves and grasses and flowers. Then

was a cotton field near the grounds, which we visited, and I saw for the first time a cotton boll and the cotton plant growing with its flowers I had some to bring home with me. I enjoy the society of the Doctor very much he takes such an interest in every thing that I like, and I believe him to be a noble minded, honorable man I would like an opportunity of being better acquainted with him, but he is going away in a week or two, and I presume we shall never meet again. About six o'clock all the people from our house except us young folks, went home and we danced under the trees, by the light of the moon until we were tired and then returning to the house sang songs, and talked nonsense until ten o'clock when we concluded that it was time to go home. We met a Captain Price & wife, from our 32d Regt, who were very pleasant people, Mrs. Price going up at the same time we do. We had a pleasant ride home, and altogether enjoyed the day very much I pressed my flowers as soon as I got home. Mr. Smith returned from Vicksburg to-day. We shall probably start for home Tuesday next.

Sunday 24th. At home all day. The girls went to church this evening. I remained at home, Mr. Emery spent the evening with me. Dr. Nelson called this afternoon and we analyzed a flower which we found yesterday, which was very singular. It was a Bloom Pompous or Spider wort. He showed me a picture of his sister a girl of thirteen a nice looking little girl

Monday 24th

At home all day making wreaths I over guessed for my ward, A young Sergeant of the Guard by the name of Hudson, helped me. He is quite a fine fellow and I liked him very much, I have seen him a good many times before, he made two or three long wreaths for me, and helped the boys just there up, I worked all day, and with the assistance of the Ward Master and the boys, the ward was trimmed beautifully, everybody said it was the prettiest in the building We had some flags, and mottoes and I think it was a perfect success, Lou & Jennie went out riding with Mr. Colton & Mrs. Hill and I having company remained at home George Wicks spent the evening with me, and also Mr. Wardrobe, Dr. Nelson came in and staid an hour or so, I spent a very pleasant evening.

Tuesday 25th

We went up to the office immediately after breakfast to see what the prospects were for going home, Mrs. Burke went with us, Mr. Smith said that it was very probable that we would go to-night, We made a few purchases in town and then returned to prepare for our journey, I packed my trunks and dressed myself after dinner and then went to bid the boys good bye, Went through Ward I first Poor boys, some of them cried at parting with me I have been up there a good deal, and it seemed very hard to go away and leave them so sick, I went through Ward B, and also the Kitchen and shook hands with all the boys, before going

into my own ward. I felt as bad at leaving my boys that it took away all the pleasure I had felt in the prospect of going home, some of them wept when I bid them good bye, and all seemed to feel sad at the thought that I was going to leave them poor fellows they are so grateful for any kindness shown them, I was glad when I had got around, I shall miss my ward, and my poor sick boys, whether they do me or not, I had not much time to spare, I had a long talk with Dr. Nelson in which he very kindly advised me, in matters affecting my interest; and whether I like the advice or not, I shall always be grateful to him for the interest he has taken in my welfare, He has been very kind to me and I shall always remember him as a true hearted gentleman, He gave me some cotton flowers to bring home, and also another rose flower whose name he did not know, and also a book which he had lent me. He asked me for my address, and gave me his promising to call upon me in London, on his way home if he possibly could. We bade all our friends good bye and started for the boat about half past four. Mr. Watt, Mr. Cobbett & Dr. Nelson accompanied us. The boat was almost ready to start, and we bade them good bye and shortly after steaming up the ~~river~~ docks and views of Liverpool receding from our view, I stood on deck until the city was lost to my view behind the winding banks of the river, and then went into the cabin, I felt sad to-

night, and for several reasons. The principal one was leaving the boys sick in the Hospital. Most of them I shall never see again, if any. I felt a sort of presentiment when I came away that I should never return. Whether that may be, the Lord alone knoweth for us all, keep them in his kind guardianship. We took passage on the Platte Valley, not a very large boat but a good sailer. Went out upon deck after supper but could not remain long on account of the dampness of the atmosphere. Retired early.

Wednesday 26th. Rose early, after a good night's rest, and after dressing, finding no one in the cabin, went out upon the guards. It was very cold. We passed Fort Pillow in the night. After breakfast I read a short time, and then took my journal, which I had not had an opportunity to write up from my notes before. I wrote all the forenoon. The girls and Mrs. Burke went to sleep. In the afternoon we went out on deck and staid for some time. I read some, and wrote some. Mrs. Burke & Hartley and I went on deck after supper and saw them take on a load of bags. It was beautiful moonlight but very cold. Retired early. Major Burke and Captain Beery of the 25th are going up with us. There are two or three very sick soldiers on board, whom we went to see.

Thursday 27th. We had quite a fright early this morning. I think between two and three o'clock. I was awakened by a loud crash, and afterwards we heard screams, and the boat stopped suddenly. We rose immediately, hastened on our clothing, and went out to inquire the cause of the stoppage. Some all the ladies up, but could get no definite idea of what was the matter. One lady said, "God knows, I believe we are sinking." Some thought we had been fired into. At last a gentleman told

that a very loud noise through the wheel house on one side smashing the wheel. this was not very pleasant news as we lay near Columbus, nearly twenty miles from Cairo, however they assured us that there was no immediate danger, and we felt better. After a while, when the real extent of the injury became known, it was found that the wheel was not injured but that a very large aperture had been made entirely through the boat to the upper deck, just back of the wheel house and within ten feet of a state room door. It seemed very singular that it should strike just there, almost any where else, it might have done a great deal of injury, and caused loss of life. We stopped here about four hours. About 6 o'clock the boat was ready to start, and went off in fine style. It was very misty and before we had got three miles from Columbus the fog closed around us so densely that nothing could be seen beyond the space of a few feet from the boat. The river is very low, and the consequence was that we were very soon fast on a sand bar, within 10 feet of a low sandy shore. The fog was so dense that there was no use in trying to start again, so we lay still, waiting for it to clear off. Went to breakfast, and after about an hour, the boat was again in motion. We passed the Penrose, which passed us yesterday morning, she was fast on a sand bar, and had probably lain there for some hours. She got off a little after us, and we had quite a race for a little ways, when we distanced her, and she running into Cairo got fast on another sand bar. She came into Cairo about a half a mile behind us. We reached Cairo about eight o'clock, dis-

embarked, and went to the Hotel, where I now writing. We are expecting to leave here about 12 o'clock this P.M. and in the meantime, propose to find out whether there is anything good about this miserable city, Lodi. We have taken a long walk around here, went into several stores, bought some knick-knacks to take home with me of a soldier who was peddling them at the depot. Cairo is a miserable place, that is a fact. There is only one street in the city, which is passable in wet weather unless it is those which are built up on piles four or six feet in height. The principal street runs parallel with the river, and is much higher than the rest of the city. We did not see any one but soldiers, and military and naval officers. The streets are thronged with them. There are many gunboats and steamers lying here. We returned from our walk just in time for dinner, Mason Rook and Mr. Smith went down with us. The St. Charles Hotel is a very good house, and seemed to be well patronized. Took the cars at 1/2 o'clock, and left Cairo with very little regret. The scenery and vegetation along the route from Cairo to Centralia, is more tropical than any that I have seen since I left home. The forest on each side was a perfect jungle. Vines, shrubs and trees seemed mingled together in inexplicable confusion. Near Cairo and extending for some distance from it, is a swamp, which is called (and very properly, I think) by the natives, the Gangrene swamp. It is the most desolate, horrible looking place I ever saw. We had a very comfortable ride from Cairo to Centralia arriving at the latter place about 8 o'clock. Took supper here in a great hurry, and then took berths in a sleeping car

for the night

Friday 28th- Rose early this morning, after a passable night's rest, dressed as well as the motion of the cars would allow and went into the other car. It is very cold indeed, not much like the weather we have been having in Memphis. Got into Chicago behind time, as much as an hour, it like our cars immediately, could not wait for breakfast, but Mrs Rowe Father & Chicago coming to meet, also several other Madison men but Dan among them. Did not feel very well to-day, owing somewhat to not having had my regular breakfast, and somewhat to the fatigue. Arrived at Madison, at three o'clock P.M. not having stopped since we left Chicago. It rained heavily but the was the best looking place I had seen for some time. Folks all glad to see me, of course, Mrs A Charley were in the country, so that I did not see them, Pa was very much relieved and I guess a little surprised to see me at home safe again. They are all unwilling to have me go back. Several friends came in to see me to-night. I was very tired, and went to bed early.

Saturday 29th- Rose this morning with a strange feeling at finding myself at home, not very well, did not eat any breakfast unpacked my trunk, made me a shirt upon and cleaned the knives, then dressed and went up town. Went down to Davis, found the girls all right, they got ready and went with me to call on the Governor We went into the Treasurer's Office, and Mr. Scofield went up with us, Our friends there were very glad to see us, the Governor was very kind, congratulated us upon our perseverence, and said he was glad we

were going back. Went up to Bartels' store, and afterwards left the girls, went to Post office, and came home with him. Sewed a little in the afternoon, Fannie & Frank up town, made some purchases, went to see Lou & Fannie. found them at Mrs. Howes. At home in the evening.

Sunday 9th. Went to church this morning. Mr. Goodspeed of Jeffersonville preached for us. He gave us a very good sermon. Staid to Bible Class. It seemed good to be in our old church once more. Mrs. Campbell came to see me in the afternoon, remained to tea, and accompanied me to church in the evening.

Monday 10th. Did not feel very well this morning. Went up town, saw Jos. Curtis an old friend, at home on furlough. He goes back in a few days. Got a new calico dress. Several friends called upon me to-day. It seems very pleasant to be at home again, I am a little undecided about going back. I would like to attend school this winter, and finish German & French and take painting lessons, but I am afraid I could not content myself to settle back into the old routine again. I should be so glad to feel that I had done something, however little for my country, in this hour of need. I have always wanted to do something and now that a way is opened for me, I feel as if it were my duty to walk in it. Father & Mother would rather I should stay at home but will offer no objection to my going. I did not feel well enough to go to meeting this evening.

Tuesday Sept 1st. A cool day, though pleasant. Mrs. Gaston came to dinner, and Celia went home with her. I sewed all day, although not feeling well. Went to the Lodge in the evening. There were very few present owing I suppose to the fact that so many had gone to the Grand Lodge. It seemed natural to be in the Lodge Room once more. I returned early. Mr. Johnson called this afternoon, and also Seth Boswell. Seba wants to go South.

Wednesday 2d. Quite uncomfortable cold. I have been shivering all day. Went up town this morning. Sewed all day. Some friends called in the afternoon. Went boating with Fannie, Jas B. Mr. Craig. The Lake was splendid. I enjoyed it very much. We went to Picnic Point. The Lake & this here altogether look think to be agreeable, and after resting a little we ate our luncheon and then came home.

Thursday 3d Had intended to go up to the German class with Mary this morning, but found on rising that I had overslept myself, so that it was too late. Sewed until about four in the afternoon and then dressed myself, and called on Addie Pringle, whom I had not seen since her return, she is looking miserably. She went to see the Miss Fannons a few moments and then came home. Company in the evening.

Friday 4th Went to the University this morning. Dr. Frankenburg seemed pleased to see me. The class is very small this term. I recited a part of the lesson. They were reading William Tell, which are com-

menced last Sun. Dr. Fuchs was very sorry that I was not to be present this Sun. Went into the school room to prayers. The school is very full this Sun, and I saw a great many friends both from Madison and the surrounding country. Mr. Allen and Mrs. Moody looked as pleasant as ever, and I felt as if I must go to school. Agnes Reid begged me to come and study Robt. one with her she recites to her father. I would like it very much. It rained all day. Attended conference meeting in the evening. A large number present.

Saturday 5th. Mr. Scofield returned last night. I saw him this morning. He says Mr. Smith will not be well enough to go back next week, so that we shall have plenty of time to get ready. Jennie stopped at 6 Chambers. I have had calls almost all day, and have answered the same question in the same way so many times, that I am heartily sick of it, and have about made up my mind that I prefer being a humble private individual to as much celebrity. Company in the evening.

Sunday 6th. Went to church. Staid to Bible class. Wrote several letters this afternoon. One in answer to one received from Henry Foster. I was glad to hear that he arrived at home safe and was doing well. Mr. Craig came down in the afternoon and remained to tea. Went to church in the evening. I am beginning to feel as though I would like to visit the Hospital again.

Monday 7th- Had some teeth filled and also two extracted, they pained me a good deal, sewed this afternoon, Jennie Lon & Retha came in a little while this evening, The girls are both well, and anxious to go back.

Tuesday 8th- Went up town this morning, Sewing all day. Went to the Lodge in the evening, All our Officers present, Reports were heard from several who had attended the Grand Lodge, The evening passed pleasantly, Geo read his article on Tobacco, which was well written, and well received by the members.

Wednesday 9th- Went up to the office again to have my teeth - operated on, Sewed in the afternoon, Mrs. Hescen called to ask Ma & I to come out to-morrow and spend the day, We promised to go,

Thursday 10th- We were reminded this morning of the vanity of human expectations, immediately upon opening our eyes It was raining heavily and Ma & I reluctantly confessed that our visit to the country was out of the question, The sun shone out nice & twice in the forenoon but it finally settled into a steady rain, and regrets being useless, we settled ourselves to work with what grace we might, Mr. Craig came in the evening

Friday 11th- Right & pleasant W- day, concluded we would make our visit, and ten o'clock P. M. found us on our way, Spent a very pleasant day Rained a little on us any home, Found a Mr. Bond from camp in the Garden, He was very agreeable, and we all spent a pleasant evening

Saturday 12th

I was almost discouraged about ever getting ready, this morning, I have so much to do, I sewed steadily all day. Fannie helped me some on the machine. Pauline Seabolt called this afternoon. I sat up until twelve to night.

Sunday 13th

Rose with a severe headache, went to church, however did not stay to Bible class. A most beautiful day, I wonder if we shall have any such splendid weather in Memphis. At home in the afternoon. Went to church in the evening.

Monday 14th

Busy all day making preparations for leaving. Mr. West up town in the afternoon & Kate Kavenaugh and Mrs. White spent the afternoon here, Miss. Emmons & Belle & Alice Weatherby called, also Ella Casey and Hattie Mann. Jennie & Louise came a few moments in the evening. We expect to start to-morrow night.

Tuesday 15th

A very busy day with me, Sewed until ten o'clock and then went up to the office to have some teeth filled. In the afternoon Pauline Seabolt called saying she would like to start with us if she could make arrangements to do so, I would like to have her go, Nellie Enos & I went to Wolfingers to get some ice cream after tea, and then I went to the Lodge, Spent a pleasant evening. Mr. Campbell was there, he returned this morning. We were much disappointed at not seeing Mr. Smith, to-day, and much surprised at not hearing from him. I am afraid that he is sick, we expected to go to night.

Wednesday 16th

Up early this morning, a very pleasant day. Sewed some this morning. Went up town. Ma, Gus & I went across the lake to Mr. Davis's this afternoon. They have a nice place, and are very pleasant people. We had a splendid boat ride. We home in the evening.

Thursday 17th

We have not heard from Mr. Smith yet, and I am beginning to be extremely anxious. We cannot go this week unless we go today, Jennie says we must go alone, if Mr Smith is not able to go next week.

Friday 18th

I went up to have my bill finished this morning, everyone who meets me, wonders at seeing me, and says, "Why I thought you were in Memphis!" Jennie, Belle, Gus and I went to the Hesperian Society at the University this evening. it was quite cold, but we had a pleasant time. The debate was on the question of the legality of the suppression of the Chicago Times. The jury decided it to have been illegal.

Saturday 19th

Up town in the morning. Sewed all day. Jennie & Gus came to spend the afternoon. Mr Craig came in the evening.

Sunday 20th

Did not go to church this morning. Read and read all day. Ma & Jennie attended the Second Advent preaching at the City Hall this afternoon and came home quite full of it. Mr Craig came before tea, remained, and we all went to the City Hall in the evening.

Monday 21st — Very cool this morning. went up to the office to have a tooth filled, found it very sore indeed, did not have it done. Spent the evening at Lon Richardsons,

Tuesday 22d — Jennie & Lou came this morning to tell me that they had received a letter from Mrs. Smith saying that her husband was very ill indeed. That he had been delirious since Monday last and that we had better go back without him. We were all very sorry to hear this, but have concluded to go to-morrow. We went to see the Governor, who received us kindly, and told us that he would do all in his power to help us to get through safely. We then accompanied by Lieut. Taft visited the Hospital at Camp Rankell, a long walk, and we found ourselves at home at one o'clock, very tired, as well as very hungry. Sewed all the afternoon. Went to Lodge in the evening

Wednesday 23d — Went with the girls to see the Governor. He took our order for transportation and sent it to Gen. Pope, and we shall probably hear from them in two or three days. We are very anxious to go, at once if at all. I finished my preparations to-day and am all ready to start. Went to prayer meeting in the evening.

Thursday 24th — Cold this morning. Went to see if our transportation papers had come were very much disappointed to find that they had not been heard from.

Friday 25th. At home all day until afternoon, when we went up to the Governor's office. Mr. Watson told us that our papers might be at the Quartermasters. Pa went for us, and found that they had not heard from them. We are getting very tired of the suspense not knowing what we are to do. I went to see Cora Williams she came home with me to tea. Went up town with her in the evening.

Saturday 26th. At home until four o'clock. Then went up to see the Governor. I wished to find out, whether or not he would give us transportation if we should not obtain it of Gen. Pope. He told me that as soon as he received an answer from Pope, yes or no, he would consider the matter. I am very much disappointed, but I am afraid we shall be obliged to make up our minds to stay at home. Pa does not wish me to go, and all the family unite in hoping that we shall not get transportation. I am going to commence going to school Monday, that is, in the forenoon and am going to write upon Pa's History in the afternoon. If anything happens to make it convenient for me to go to Memphis, I shall go, however. I went up to Aunt Turner's found Addie Castle there, staid to tea. The girls came down to choir meeting in the evening.

Sunday 27th. It was a glorious morning, warm as summer. I went to church. We had a good sermon from a Mr. Smith of New York, who is to preach for us again this evening. Wrote and read in the afternoon. Went to church with Belle in the evening.

Monday
27th.

Rose early this morning. Got ready, and went to the German recitation this morning. They were reading William Tell. Commenced French or rather a review of my French Grammar with the class this morning. When I came home at noon, Nellie met me at the gate telling me that Pa had received our transportation papers. I was very glad to hear it at first, and went to work immediately to get my trunks packed ready to start. Pa was very unwilling that I should go, however, and after getting my things all ready, and the time nearly at hand to start I yielded to the persuasions of my friends and concluded to remain at home. Pa wants me to write for him on his history, and though it is very hard for me to give up going when I have thought and planned so much about it, I do not know but my duty lies in this direction. I could not go away to be gone so long, possibly never to return, and leave such hard feelings as I felt he would have behind me. I went down at about nine o'clock in the evening, after I had decided not to go, to tell the girls of my determination. Fannie & Mo went with me, we met them a little way from home, and went back with them. Fannie & Lon went to see if Miss Boardman would go in my place, she willingly consented, and said she would be ready at the time. Saw the girls finish packing, got ready and went in the omnibus for the depot. I felt so badly, all the time, that I could

hardly keep the tears back, and when they were really gone, it seemed as if I could not bear it. I cried all the way home, and I would have given worlds almost to have been with them. I did not sleep much that night. It seemed as though I had almost committed a crime in not going. I shall never forgive myself if it should prove that I was needed there, for not going. I am so miserable about it. I have always longed so much to be able to do something in this great struggle for the life of the Nation, and now that an opportunity offers, I have thrown it away. Yet God knows it was not for myself. I would willingly bear any amount of inconvenience or hardship, knowing that it was in a good cause, and that it was adding some pangs caused by this war, and I never knew so much real happiness in my life as I have experienced in the few weeks which I spent by the bedsides, and ministering to the wants of the sick and dying in the Hospital. It is being deprived of this happiness, perhaps more than anything else, and the feeling that I was at last able to do something of lasting good to my fellow men that made the disappointment so keen, and now thinking of it when it is past, and impossible for me to go, it seems as though I could not bear it. There is another thing which also adds to my sorrow, which I must record in your faithful old friend, as being a part of my life, and which I may wish to remember in the future.

that is. that the old comes pressing so sorely on my spirit for so long a time, seemed almost light when I was away, my mind being so fully occupied, and my sympathies so fully excited for others. I had little time or opportunity to think of myself. At home now in the comparative quiet of the life I lead it comes back upon me with all the old pain, and like the opening of an old wound, bleeds afresh. This more than any thing else makes me sad and heartsick now, and I think of it and of my disappointment so much that it seems sometimes, as if should go mad. I cannot help thinking of it. and to-night I believe, I can say truly is the most miserable of my life. I am sad when I think that the last page of my journal, should be made to chronicle such a fact. It is time, now I shall bid you adieu faithful friend, after having gone in your company for nearly two years and a half, laying you away among the relics of my dead past. no more to look upon your pages, save as reminders of what I have been as chronicled in you, and what I shall be no more forever. Eighteen months seems a short time looking back upon them. but when I think of what I was then. and what I have been in them and what I am now, they are not to be counted by days or months. God has prospered me greatly in these months. His blessings have not been few nor small, and although looking back on myself at that time, I see a lightness heart, a more youthful face but with far more hope for the future and joy for the present

than it would be possible to find in the one now bending over these pages, yet I am ~~not~~ sure that were it possible I would not exchange the one for the other. The discipline which contact with the world, rough though it may be together with that chastening of the heart, which sorrow brings has I hope not been taken lost upon me, and now writing these last words of my life record as far as this book is concerned, I feel that if a sadder, I am also a wiser woman than when I began. I feel now that although it is a thing sad and terrible ~~then~~ to be robbed of the hopes and promises, which early youth holds out for the future, and to be made to feel that life instead of being a flowery path, down which we can go with winged feet and joyful hearts, it is often times with thorns which pierce our feet, leave stains of our own blood to crimson the pathway, yet the pain and heart weariness, if it be borne bravely, will prove a greater blessing in the end, and lead our lives to higher walks and purer aims than mere pleasure and happiness in the present could do. I began this record in April when the young leaves were springing, and the infant year was just gaining ~~his~~ strength with the green robes of festal gladness, and now in the golden round of the seasons, today as I write, the leaves touched by the white fingers of the frost, have turned to gorgeous hues of gold and scarlet, of purple and crimson arrayed for the last time in state robes, ere he puts on that last chill ~~cloak~~ garment, which will cover the naked boughs, and wrap them for the sleep of winter.

Farewell my Journal, thou hast chronicled many pleasant scenes, thou hast on the pages the names of many friends dear to me in the past. Keep them sacredly. I give thee them in trust;