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Friday, January 1 I am at home at work on the "Conservator" editorial, mostly to-day. Since Nov. 17th, I am in my sixty-ninth year. My health is good and I can do much more mental work than I could thirty years ago. The mercy and goodness of the Lord are unspeakable.

Saturday, January 2 Left home, after some editorial work, about 9:00 Morn. Prof. J.E. Guetner on cars with me with whom I had some conversation; also a half hour's talk with Horace Stokes. Saw Rev. D.K. Flickinger, at Depot at Columbus. Reached Adelpia about 4:00. Jas. F. Martin meets me. Supper at F. Polings. Pr. Ps. 16.11. Stay at Martin's.

Sunday, January 3 Weather fair. High Ther. Martin's are two miles from Church. I pr at 10:30, Ps. 48:13,14. Raise abt \$26.00 on Dry Ridge Church and dine at Beugher's, 1/2 m away with Rev. Blausen. Pr. at 6:30, Ps. 73.24, "Receive me to glory." Raise abt. \$43.00 & dedicate the church. Stay at Fielding Poling's, a cousin to W.H. and E.O. Wright, Liberal preachers in Scioto.

Monday, January 4 Weather colder. I start at 5:00 for Adelpia and go via Kingston & Columbus & Xenia home arriving at 12:00. Spent the rest of the day reading, etc.

Tuesday, January 5 Weather cold. I spent most of the day in writing very busily. Was at a counsel of officials & meeting of Mis. Ex. Com. Remained till almost midnight. The question mostly discussed was who should be publisher of the Mis. Magazine, Dr. Becker insisting that it should be Keiter, which was not agreed to.

Wednesday, January 6 Weather cold. At home writing most of the day. I call at C.H. Kiracofe's an hour in Aftn. & then go to town & pay Artif. Gas bill, \$2.00! I read in the evening.

Thursday, January 7 Weather moderate. Engaged mostly in reading & writing. I send Application for Clergy Certificate to B.D. Caldwell, 721 Rookery Bldg., Chicago. I receive Clergy Certificate from F.C. Donald, Commissioner, Central Passenger Committee, Monadnock Building, Chicago. Go to town & buy several articles. Write letters.

Friday, January 8 Weather thawing. At home reading and writing. I call at 10:30 at Lorin's & give a china dish to Netta for a birthday present, and toys to Milton and Ivonette.

Sunday, January 10 Weather mild & bright. At home in forenoon. Preached at the Soldier's Home Church at 3:00, for Chaplain E. Light, to 300 or 350 soldiers. Text, Gen. 15.1. "Fear not Abram," etc. Lorin's called an hour in the evening.

Monday, January 11 At home writing in the forenoon. Called at the Pub. Office at 11:30 and again at 2:00 to Mis. Ex. Com.

Tuesday, January 12 Tuesday, at home forenoon, writing an article for the "Independent." Went to "town" in the afternoon, to attend errands & read a little in the City Library.

Wednesday, January 13 of them. Spent the evening in

looking up the documents relating to Oregon Mission. Called at Bp. Dillon's and Dr. Kiracofe's in the afternoon.

Thursday, January 14 Spent the forenoon in writing and afternoon & evening in writing and reading and mailing Gray's decision. Called at Lorin's a half hour in the evening.

Friday, January 15 At home reading & writing. In the afternoon Wilbur put a new radiator in my study. Getting ready to go away to-morrow. Dr. Becker called in the afternoon. Go to Lorin's in evening.

Saturday, January 16 Started at 7:05 Morn. via Union City & Gas City to Fairmount, and went thence with Wm. Corn to Ellis Wright's, and thence with Abner G. Conch to Wm. Reeder's. Pr. at Leach Sch- house, near Robert Reeder's at 7:00, Deut. 32.31. Stay at Wm. Reeder's.

Sunday, January 17 Preach at 11:00 Luke 6:23, "Reward in heaven." Dine at Oliver Glass's with Robt. Reeder and wife, and stay there till eve. I preach at 7:00, Ps. 16:8, "Set O Lord always before me." I stay at Robt. Reeder's.

Monday, January 18 I went to Wm. H.H. Reeder's and stay till after dinner. I go with Wm. Reeder and look at my farm and buildings. I then go to Ellis Wright's, supper & lodging.

Tuesday, January 19 I go to Fowlerton & call at the planing & shingle factory and at the saw mill, and at Wm. Fultz's, and go thence to the farm, and thence to Wm. Reeder's and dine there. Go to Oliver A. Glass's and lodge there.

Wednesday, January 20 Go to Wm. Reeder's & dine & lodge there. We fix up our accounts.

Thursday, January 21 I go over to Fowlerton to the mills and to Fultz. Paid Wm. Fultz ten dollars more on the buildings. I called at Ellis Wright's and got my umbrella, they being away at Fairmount. I then rode out with a Mr. Wood (Near Summitville) to Fairmount. I took tea at Burges Hollingsworth's. I lodged at Clinton Brattain's.

Friday, January 22 I staid at Brattain's till after dinner. I then go to Robert Hasting's and after an hour or two go to Jo. D. Cain's. I call at James Tuttle's and thence went to C. Brattain's & lodged.

Saturday, January 23 Dine at Wm. Heath 's. Go to Chas. Atkinson's and stay till morning. Rev. J.E. Rector stays with me.

Sunday, January 24 I preached at Fairmount U.B. Church at 11:00, Luke 6:23, "Great reward." Dine at Burges Hollingsworth's with Rev. J.E. Rector, Rev. [blank].Mr. Iliff pr. at U.B. Church at 3:00, Num. 13, 30. "Able to overcome it." I had supper at W. Heath's. I preach at the Church at 7:00, Rev. 3:20. I stay at Atkinson's.

Monday, January 25 I dine at C. Brattain's. Told her her name was marked "withdrawn" and she was much troubled at it. I go on aftn tr. to Wabash & thence to Huntington. Stay at Rev. A.G. Johnson's. Walter and Floyd much interested in the stories I told them. Jack & the Bean Stalk, etc. Pig & wagon with five wheels.

Tuesday, January 26 I go out with Bro. Johnson to look after the new College Building. It is now mostly under roof. We decide to approve the work. We agree to have the lower story in Oak finish; the second story in ash, the third, Georgian pine. I go on Aftn tr. to Wabash and Fairmount & stay at B. Hollingsworth's.

Wednesday, January 27 I wrote out terms of renting and rent my farm to Robt. Wilson White, whom Rev. J.E. Rector had brought over. We dine at C. Atkinson's. I go out to Fowlerton with Hayden, call at shingle Mill & via barn & sup & lodge at Oliver Buller's. I go to Fowlerton to meeting. Rector preached.

Thursday, January 28 Pay Rector seven dollars on quarterage. Go on to Fairmount, with M. Harrison. Dine at Hollingsworth's. Go on 12:44 tr. to Anderson & thence to Richmond & Dayton. Ar[r]iving at the last named place about 7:00.

Friday, January 29 At home in the forenoon. Go to town in the afternoon, after calling at Lorin's, and buy underwear, etc.

Saturday, January 30 Call at Keiter's office & pay him (Eva) \$6.25; \$5.25 for D.B. Sherk and \$1.00 for Rev. Wm. Hall. Write letters.

Sunday, January 31 Spent the day at home. Lorin & Milton called in the afternoon.

Tuesday, February 2 At home. Called at Kiracofe's in the evening. Rev. Hyatt called to get me to take Oakland, Cal., Adventist paper. Talk with him on Seventh day.

Wednesday, February 3 At home in the forenoon writing letters. Went to the Public Library in the afternoon. Spent the evening reading. Got a letter from (I.F.D.), Sandwich, Mass., relating to Fred-erick Freeman's book, "Genealogy of the Freeman Family." The letter was from Isabella Freeman Dillingham, a second cousin of my Father.

Friday, February 5 Wrote in the forenoon. Went to town in afternoon and to Deaconess Hospital to see Cousin Sarah Wright. She is comfortable, content and resigned, but her eyes will not bear reading. I read for her the 4th Psalm and the 103 Psalm.

Sunday, February 7 Heard Rev. C.W. Choate pr. a good sermon, at 11:00, Matt. 20.27, at Congre. Church. I was at home the rest of the day. Lorin and Milton called in the evening a half hour. (Herbert Wright, my Grandson, born in Kansas City, Missouri, Feb. 7, 1893, in Ivanhoe Suburb.)

Monday, February 8 Received a letter from Otis Freeman, second cousin of my Father, 99 May St., Lawrence, Mass. and from him a book, the "Genealogy of the Freeman family" by his father, Rev. Frederick Freeman, published in 1876.

Tuesday, February 9 Wrote all day, nearly. Went to town before noon. Called at Young's. Geo. not in. Replied to Otis Freeman's letter & sent \$2.65 to pay for book & postage.

Wednesday, February 10 At home. Called at Prof. Kiracofe's just before noon. Prof. Kiracofe called in the evening. Read late, after an hour's consultation and conversation with the boys, Wilbur and Orville.

Thursday, February 11 At home mostly. Went to town. Called at Public Library.

Friday, February 12 Wrote all forenoon. In afternoon H.J. Becker called an hour.

Saturday, February 13 Wrote all the forenoon and part of the afternoon. C.H. Kiracofe called in the afternoon a half hour. I went to Leibold's and got my mended slippers. Bought three laundered shirts. Called at Lorin's. Sat up late.

Sunday, February 14 At 11:00 heard Rev. Pritchard preach at Williams St. Baptist Church from Revelation 1.10, a good sermon on the subject of the Sabbath & Sabbath Observance. At home the rest of the day. Called at Lorin's in the evening. Harry, and Will Andrews and their wives there. Will Andrew's house burglarized while he was at Lorin's.

Monday, February 15 At home mostly. Prof. Kiracofe called in the afternoon. Rearranged shelves and wrote some letters.

Wednesday, February 17 At home. C.H. Kiracofe called. Rev. C.B. McDaniel called an hour.

Thursday, February 18 At home. H.J. Becker called. Am very busy.

Saturday, February, 20 Called at the office and gave Bro. Graybill \$5.00 for the preacher and \$1.00 for the presiding elder. Kiracofe came to get me to go to Germantown to supply in the P.E.'s absence. Went on traction line to Miamisburg & thence with Swartzell on to Germantown. Held Q. Conf. supper at McDaniel's. Pr. at 7:30. Stay at Shem Thomas's.

Sunday, February 21 Pr. after love-feast at 11:00, Matt. 22:36-40. Dine at Shem Thomas's. Pr. at 7:30, Rev. 3:20. Stay at Thomas's.

Monday, February 22 Had a talk with Levi Zehring. Dine and sup with him. Go on 5:51 train to Carlisle and thence at 6:35 to Dayton.

Tuesday, February 23 Wrote a dozen letters to-day and

mostly important ones. Called at Lorin's in the evening.

Wednesday, February 24 Went to the Library. Got Captain James Smith's Captivity among the Indians, a book I had read in childhood.

Thursday, February 25 Called at Kiracofe's in the forenoon. Prof. Kiracofe called in the afternoon. Meeting of the building Committee of the College of Huntington at 7:00, about Smead's not putting in the furnaces right.

Friday, February 26 The day is quite cold. Some snow flying. Write letters.

Saturday, February 27 Went to Library in afternoon. Returned Col. Jame's Smith's Captivity and took out Neander's Church History and "Miami Woods,["] Gallaher. Read till 11:00 eve.

Sunday, February 28 Awaken at about 6:00. I attend Church at West End, the last for our people at that place, as the Progressive Dunkers have rented it. Bp. Dillon, led a speaking meeting. I called at Lorin's about 5:00. (Our twin children, Otis and Ida, were born twenty-seven years ago to-day, on Second Street about 100-150 ft. east D&W R'y.)

Tuesday, March 2 Bishop H.T. Barnaby, with H.J. Becker, called in the forenoon; and the Bishop also called an hour in the afternoon. He had been to Perry County to dedicate a church. I wrote an article for the Missionary paper on the Origin of Oregon Mission.

Wednesday, March 3 Bishop William Dillon called two hours in the forenoon. He is to start to Oregon, Friday evening. I called an hour in the eve. at Lorin's.

Thursday, March 4 At home writing. Called at Bp. Dillon's in the forenoon. Lorin called in the evening.

Saturday, March 6 At home in forenoon. Go in afternoon to Grant Co., Ind., via Union City & Anderson. Stay at John Burges Hollingsworth's.

Sunday, March 7 Call five minutes at James Tuttle's. He is sick. David Glass and wife there; he Tuttle's soninlaw. Rev. N.D. Wolfard preached at 11:00. I dine with

Wolfard at Chas. Atkinson's & stay till morning. Wolfard went on to Summitville.

Mondays, March 8 Call at Brattain's & at Wm. Heath's. They to move Friday to Muncie. Go out to Fowlerston & the farm. Supper at Robert Wilson White's who moved onto my farm the 3rd inst. Meet church building committee at Henry Simond's. I lodge there.

Tuesday, March 9 Call at Ellis's. He takes me over to Oliver Glass's. I dine at Wm. Reeder's. (My son Otis died 27 years ago to-day, aged 13 days.)

Wednesday, March 10 Stay at Reeder's till after dinner. He takes me over to the place & to Fairmount. I stay at C.D. Brattain's.

Thursday, March 11 I go to Atkinson's. Call at hardware & at Bryan's to see about bill's. Go on 8:50 train to Jonesboro & Gas City & thence to Union City & home, reaching home at 4:00.

Friday, March 12 At home writing some and resting some.

Saturday, March 13 Went to town in the forenoon. Paid the natural gas bill \$4.50, returned Neander's Ch. Hist. to the Library etc. Rested some in Aft'n & swept the house.

Sunday, March 14 Felt not very well to-day and did not go from home, only a short call at Lorin's in the afternoon. (Our daughter Ida, died 27 years ago to-day, aged 18 days.)

Monday, March 15 Went to town in forenoon. Saw Young five minutes. Called on Penn. tkt. Agt. Dr. H.J. Becker called an hour in the Aft'n.

Tuesday, March 16 Getting ready to start to Rohrersville, Md., to Virginia Conference. Dr. Keiter called about 5:00, afternoon. I start on 10:00 train to Pittsburgh, reach there at 6:00, morn. Take Balt. & Ohio tr. at 8:00 for Cumberland, etc.

Wednesday, March 17 Go on to Cumberland, Harpers Ferry, to Weverton. Wait there till 7:40, and then go on

to Rohrsersville, where Rev. G.S. Seiple meets me and takes me in a carriage to his house. I reach the Church just as meeting was dismissed. (This is anniversary of birth of Mother (1800) and Reuchlin, 1861).

Thursday, March 18 Home to Bro. Seiple's. Children, Lura and Earl Dillon, aged 5 & 3 ys. Conference opened at 9:45. In Aft'n nearly finished examination. Eve. at 7:30, J.E. Hott pr. Judg. 7.19,20, on Gideon.

Saturday, March 20 Conference Continued. Memorial Service in Aft'n, of Rev. J.K. Nelson. Closed about 4:00.

Sunday, March 21 I Pr. at 11:00, Isa. 12.2, "The Lord J. in strength." Dine at Mr. Gouff's with Rev. W.J. Funkhouser. Called at Bro. Beeler's. His son Sam sick. Pr. at 7:30, Ps. 145.15. Called before services at Mrs. McCoy's with whom I boarded at Conf. here six years ago.

Monday, March 22 Call at R.H. Clopper's awhile. Go on 11:03 tr. to Weverton, Cumberland to Pittsburgh. Go on to Orrville, Ohio; stay at Hurd House, a third class Hotel, 80 cts.

Tuesday, March 23 After Breakfast, go to Mrs. Sarah Shisler's and stay over an hour. Go on 10:00 tr. to Crestline, & thence to Dayton, arriving at 4:30. Found all well. Called at Lorin's in the eve.

Wednesday, March 24 At home in the forenoon. Slept an hour. Wrote a letter aft'n & went to town & bought various articles. Katharine came home on 6:30 train. She has suffered from boils frequently & concluded to come home earlier than vacation, wh. is a week later.

Thursday, March 25 At home. Mrs. Bessie Dillon called in the forenoon. Katie & I took supper at Lorin's.

Saturday, March 27 Katharinewent to town in the After'n. to see the doctor, who prescribes richer diet and the lancing of boils.

Sunday, March 28 Slept late. Lay abed most of the day resting. Lorin and Milton called an hour in the forenoon.

Monday, March 29 Went to town in the afternoon and got double-lens glasses —\$1.25, at Reeve's. Feel better than for some weeks.

Tuesday, March 30 At home except a walk to the post-office. I do not feel so well to-day. Lorin & family called in the evening a half hour or more.

Wednesday, March 31 At home forenoon, setting things to rights. Kath. went to town.

Friday, April 2 At home. Kiracofe called in the afternoon.

Saturday, April 3 At home. Katie & Mrs. Milton cleaned up the house in the afternoon.

Sunday, April 4 At home all day, not feeling very well. Read many pages in Eusebin's Church History.

Monday, April 5 This is election day. I voted about 9:00. The Phillips House had a great fire in it, this forenoon. I went to town in the after'n. Sent a draft to Katie for \$20.00.

Wednesday, April 7 At home all day. Look over my accounts, and then write 8 letters & 1 card to Rock Riv. subs. to legal fund; also wrote to C.M. Cochran, at Leach, Ind.

Thursday, April 8 Went to town. Take back Eusebius's Church History which I read through the past two weeks. Its account of Cruelties inflicted on the heroic martyrs is too horrible for print. Called at Kiracofe's. (Ivonne Wright, my grand-daughter, was born, Apr. 8, 1896, 117 S. Horace St., Dayton, Ohio.)

Saturday, April 10 Go on 12:25 tr. via Union City & Anderson to Fairmount. Stay at Charles Atkinson's.

Sunday, April 11 Go to Union Church & pr. at 10:30, Rom. 1:16, taking up Paul's doctrine in the epistle. Dine at Robt. Hastings's. Pr. at 7:00, "Psalms of David and Asaph the seer." Stay at Hastings's. Bro. Alexander of Upland was with us. (Lulu (Billheimer) Wright, daughter of J.K. & A.L. Billheimer, born at Westerville, Oh, Apr. 11, 1865.)

Monday, April 12 Walked over to the farm. Dine at R.W. White's. Look at farm some. I go to Ellis Wright's. Supper there. Go to William Reeder's & lodge.

Wednesday, April 14 Paid my tax \$32.71. Left Marion on 9:13 tr. via Wabash, Toledo, Detroit to St. Thomas, Ontario, arriving at 9:00 Western time—10:00 eastern time. I put up at Hotel Wilcox.

Thursday, April 15 Leave on 7:10 tr. for Galt; thence 4 miles to Blair. Dine at A.H. McNally's, a woolen mill man, & a Mennonite, they being very kind. Went on at 4:00 to Bro. John Perrin's, a half-mile east of Roseville. Hear Rev. R.A. Clark pr. at 8:00, John 3:16. Stay at Mrs. Jane Barton's with Sherk.

Friday, April 16 Good Friday. Ontario Conference at 8:00, Morn. continued. I pr. at 3:00, "It is finished & gave up the ghost." Rev. Wm. H. Nash pr. at 8:00. Board at Mrs. Jane Barton's. Sherk lodged with me. (This is the anniversary of my son Wilbur's birth-day, 1867, Henry Co., Ind.)

Saturday, April 17 Conference Continued. Rev. A.F. Stoltz pr. at 8:00. Closed a short Conf. Session after the preaching. Stay at Mrs. Barton's.

Sunday, April 18 Easter. I pr. at Roseville, at 10:00, Rom. 1:1, "Separated, etc." Dine at D.D. Snyder's, 3/4 m. s.w. I spoke at 3:00 at S.S. Anniversary. Supper at D.D. Snyder's. He took me to Rev. C.W. Backus's, near New Dundee. Pr. at German Baptist Church at 7:30, 1 Cor. 15:29. Stay at Bro. Backus's.

Monday, April 19 Very cold day. Rev. A.R. Springer takes me to Henry Becker's, where we dine. We go on to Berlin and stop at Rev. J.B. Bowman's. I pr. at U.B. Hall at 8:00, Gen. 15:1. Lodge at Rev. D.B. Sherk's.

Tuesday, April 20 Dine at Rev. J.B. Bowman's. In afternoon, call two hours at Moses Eshelman's. Henry Becker takes me to his house. Supper & lodging there. I pr. at N. Mennonite Church at 8:00, 1 Pet. 2:1.

Wednesday, April 21 H. Becker takes me to J.B. Bowman's. I stay there till afternoon. Go to Freeport with Bro. Bowman. Call at Pogson's & Meriam's. Re-

turn toward Centerville and have supper at Sam'l. Deltwiler's. Mrs. Geo. Plowman lives there aged 88 years. I pr. at the Town Hall at Centerville at 8:00, Acts 26:28. Return to J.B. Bowman's, Berlin.

Thursday, April 22 Went to Robt. Bricknell's & dined. He wounded by a fodder cutter. Call at Sherman's. Supper at Geo. Latsh's. Return with Bowman to Berlin. Stay at Rev. D.B. Sherk's.

Friday, April 23 Call at Rosenberg's, Rev. A.F. Stoltz & Rev. W. Greible's. Dine at Rosenberg's. He is quite aged. Go on 3:10 tr to Sherkston, arriving there at 8:00. Go to new Church. Then to Merner Shupe's, 1/3 mile from Sherk's station. Rev. D.B. Sherk was with me.

Saturday, April 24 Bro. Sherk & I dine at Aaron Sherk's. Call at Allen Sherk's; supper at Samuel Sherk's, lodge at Isaac Sherk's. Aaron's daughters are Grace & Stella, the former attending high school at Welland.

Sunday, April 25 Conference meeting at 10:00, pr at 10:30, 1 Chr. 29:9. Raise \$258.00 & dedicate Grace Church at Sherkston. Dine at Walter Sherk's with D.B. Sherk. Supper at Learn's. Rev. Learn takes me to Stevensville. I pr. at 8:00, 2 Cor. 3:8. I lodge at John Henderhott's.

Monday, April 26 Go on 10:50 train to Buffalo, and thence at 11:50 to Oberlin, arriving at 8:20. Call at my daughter's room at Mrs. Ruth A. Miller's till about 10:00, and then go to Park Hotel & lodge.

Tuesday, April 27 After breakfast, go to my daughter Katharine's room, and thence with her to Astronomy Class. (Prof. Churchill); to French Class and to Ethics Class. Dine at Munson's eating house. Spend some time in Library. Then go to Forensic Class & to Chapel service. Evening at Katherine's after supper with girls. Stay at Park H. Munson's. Reuchlin & Lulu m. by Dr. Davis, Apr. 27, 1886, on Wms. St.

Wednesday, April 28 Arise at 5:00. Breakfast at Restaurant on Main St., north side of it. Katharine and Miss Goodwin, her room mate, go with me to depot. I go via Berea, Delaware, Columbus, Springfield, home, arr. at 3:25. All well. Call at Lorin's at 7:30. Ivonette running

about the room like a partridge.

Thursday, April 29 At home. Called at Keiter's & paid him \$21.00 on Conservator subscriber. Called at Kiracofe's & paid \$2.50 on Mis. Monthly subs. Spent the rest of the day in resting, reading, writing, etc.

Friday, April 30 Dr. H.J. Becker called in the forenoon an hour. Wrote many letters. Meeting of the Mis. Ex. Com. at 7:00, eve. (My wife, Susan Catharine, daughter of John Gotleib & Catharine Koerner, was born in Hillsboro Londoun Co., Virginia, April 30, 1831. Her Grandfather Philip Fry's house in Va, was a U.B. Preacher's place. Her grandmother Dorothy (Boher) Fry.

Sunday, May 2 At home. Supper at Lorin's.

Monday, May 3 Bishop H. Floyd called in the forenoon. At 2:00, the Publishing Board met at the Conservator Office. The Committee on Finance met at my house at 4:30, & again after Supper, Floyd and Miller. Rev. Wm. Miller lodged with me.

Tuesday, May 4 I take Miller & breakfast at Greenwood's. Board meeting continues. Keiter in answer to Miller's inquiry explains the "trust fund" which is a loan (?) [question mark appears in text] of Mrs. Bealer of Rohrersville, Md. of \$1,000.00. After dinner, Rev. R.G. Montgomery and Bishop Floyd each called awhile. I sat up late.

Wednesday, May 5 At home most of the day. Dined at Lorin's.

Saturday, May 8 At home in the forenoon. In the afternoon call at Kiracofe's to leave some matter for publication. Spend an hour at Bp. Dillon's.

Sunday, May 9 Heard Rev. F.H. Colby at First Baptist Church preach a good sermon on Christ, at 11:00, but I was too far back to hear fully. In the aftn at 3:30, heard Hon. S.E. Nicholas, author of the Nicholson Temperance Bill in Indiana, lecture on Good Citizenship. It was fine in spirits and trend. He is comparatively a young man.

Monday, May 10 At home in forenoon. In afternoon, went to town, paid Natural Gas bill, mailed letter and

cards, and rode home with Mr. Morehouse.

Tuesday, May 11 At home in the forenoon. Wrote letter. In afternoon with Milton, Jr., went to Huffman's Hill

Thursday, May 13 At home all day. C.H. Kiracofe called at 7:00 eve'g. I worked on my Annual report of the (Eastern) District in the afternoon and evening.

Friday, May 14 Continued to work on my Annual report till 2:00, & then took it up to the editor—Kiracofe.

Sunday, May 16 Heard Dr. Lyman S. Sperry's Address at 3:30 in Association Hall, on "Deadly Enemies." At home the rest of teh day. Sperry's lecture was good but he failed on his eagle story in the round up.

Monday, May 17 At home. Called at Lorin's at 7:00 even'g & Milton came up with me and spent the evening amusing himself with pocket compass, prism, syringe, & books.

Tuesday, May 18 Weather beautiful and mild. Bought a hat at Williams' \$5.00. Met Mr. F.H. Short, and Semele Short, his wife, Mrs. Caroline Donohue, Miss Donohue, Flora Maloy, kinsfolks from Cincinnati, and after the An. railroad meeting at Third St. Depot, went with them to the Soldiers' Home & spent the day.

Wednesday, May 19 At home. Afternoon, Mr. Metz, from Paine, Ohio, formerly resident 6 ms. s.w. of Ohio City called with Prof. Kiracofe, he being on applicant for teacher of Music at our coming College at Huntington, Indiana.

Thursday, May 20 At home. Spent afternoon in looking over my book of Accounts, the evening in writing.

Saturday, May 22 At home. Call at Kiracofe's in the forenoon. His Uncle Harvey Showalter is there, from Virginia.

Monday, May 24 See Showalter & others start from Miama City Station to Messick. Busy getting ready. Start at 6:05, via Arcanum to Messick. Arrive at 9:00. Find home at A. Messick's. I had known and visited them over thirty years ago.

Tuesday, May 25 Board of Bishops meet at 8:00, in Messick's house. Have a full and close day's work. In the evening at 8:00, the Board of Missions convene. Bishop Barnaby pr. at 8:20, Acts 4:12, "Neither is there salvation in any other," etc. I lodge at Albert Messick's, by my home with Barnaby.

Wednesday, May 26 Board of Missions meet at 8:00, session two & a half hours. Board again at 2:00, recess at 4:10 half hour, finish at 5:00. Sup at Messick's. Snyder takes us to New Castle. Go on 7:30 tr. to Cambridge & by hack to Dublin. D.O. Tussinger pr. I find conference home, S. Crull's.

Thursday, May 27 Gen. Conference meets at 2:00. I preside in the first. I board at Solomon F. Crull's on Main Street pretty well east of the Church. Their children at home are George Boyd, her son 12 ys, & Elsie 5 years old. Rev. J. Kenoyer pr. at 8:00. Gal. 6:7. "Be not deceived God is not mocked." Stay at Crull's. A great sermon.

Friday, May 28 Morn. rain, rather cool. Conference at 9:00, Bishop H.T. Barnaby presiding. Adjourn at 11:00. Dine as usual. I had read the plan of Young People's Society. Floyd had read Bishop's Address. Afternoon Pub. Quad. Report. Even'g Barkley at Cambridge & H.C. Foote called & I did not get to hear Rev. D.B. Shuck preach. Aftn., beautiful.

Saturday, May 29 Weather beautiful. Thermometer moderate. Conference Continued. Report of Pub. Trustee's. Treas. Report. Com. on Relocation Reported. Floyd presided. Afternoon, Missionary Reports considered. I met Y.P. Society Committee at Olers at 7:00, Huber pr. very finely at 8:00, Hebr. 12:2, "Looking to Jesus." Meals & lodging at Crull's as usual.

Sunday, May 30 Bp. H.T. Barnaby pr. at 10:30 Heb. 12:2, "Who for the joy," etc. Lovefeast at 3:00. Soldiers' meeting at 3:30. Bishop Dillon pr. at 8:00, Hebr. 12:6. Gave his own Greek etymologies & expositions! Board as usual at S.F. Crull's. Bp. D. taught that Christ bore all our sins away, and that we first learn it in Conversion.

Monday, May 31 Weather fine. Thermometer mod. Conference continues. Some reports considered, espe-

cially in Aftn. I go on 6:59 tr. to Richmond, to see about a note, due, but found all fixed up. Stay at my brother-in-law's, D.K. Zeller's, cor. Main & Fourteenth Sts. Bp. Dillon presided to-day. P.B. Williams pr. in the evening. Text: "Religion" of course I did not hear it.

Tuesday, June 1 Return on 6:25 train to Dublin. Board as usual. I presided to-day. Missionary meeting at night. Addresses by Miss Mary B. Mullen, and Dr. D.K. Flickinger.

Wednesday, June 2 Conference continues. I Board as usual. A.G. Johnson of St. Joseph pr. at 8:00. Rom. 1:16. As usual, we Board at Crull's, an excellent home. Bishop H.T. Barnaby presided to-day.

Thursday, June 3 Bishop Floyd presided to-day. W.H. Clay pr. at 8:00 Rom. 12:11. Bishop Floyd presided.

Friday, June 4 Bishop Dillon presided. Election of Gen. Officers. I was elected on first ballot by 45 votes out of 52; Barnaby by 43; Floyd by 41, H.B. Barkley on 1st ballot by 33 votes, Wm. Dillon as Editor of Chris. Conservator by 50 votes out of 57. On 1st ballot, Keiter was elected as Publisher by 30 out of 57 votes, & Flickinger Mis. Sec'y by 30 out of 58. S.A. Stemem was elected Mis. Treas. on 4th ballot by 31 out of 55. Bp. Dillon lectured on Pacif. Coast & Becker, "A man's a man, at 5:00. Coll. taken to help [rest is unreadable]

Saturday, June 5 I presided. Business moved deliberately but rapidly. Evening Session after an address by L.B. Baldwin, H.J. Becker, and C.H. Kiracofe, on Education. Evening Session followed, Bp. Barnaby presiding. We had a Board of Ed. Meeting & elected on my motion president of Central College and resolved on my motion to open school in September. Gen. Conf. Adj. Sine die at 10:30. Talk with A.K. Shank.

Sunday, June 6 I pr. at U.B. Church at 10:30, Rom. 1:9, "The Gospel of His Son." Dine at S. Crull's as usual. Communion in Afternoon at 3:00. Many communicants. Call at Rev. John Cranor's. Supper at Dr. G.W. Champ's. Call at "Aunt" "Dru" (Evans) Wilson's, she being paralyzed. Bishop H.L. Barkley pr. at 8:00, John vii.46. "Never man spake like this man." Spoke an hour & 10 min. One was converted at the close.

Monday, June 7 Meeting of Printing Est. Board at Church at 6:30. A.G. Johnson, I.M. Tharp, & myself, elected as Ex. Com. Board of Education meets at Solomon F. Crull's, at 7:00, and elected T.H. Gragg, Miss Lena Barnes, & A.P. Barnaby for Central College professors, and elected an Ex. Com. etc., etc. I go on 10:10 morn tr. via Richmond home, arriving on accom. tr. about 1:50 aftn. Found all well. Called at Lorin's in evening. Ivonette romps with me.

Tuesday, June 8 At home. I call at Lorin's an hour in the evening.

Wednesday, June 9 I call at Young & Young's an hour or more.

Thursday, June 10 Exec. Mis. Committee met at my house at 10:00. Drs. Flickinger & Becker dine with me at Greenwood's and Flickinger remains till morning.

Friday, June 11 At home. Prof. Kiracofe called about 11:00, an hour. I go with Flickinger to visit Peter Louding's at 7:30. He is always interested in D.F. Wilberforce & the African Mission.

Saturday, June 12 Called at Young's 10 minutes at the utmost. After dinner (12:25) I start via Union City & Anderson to Fairmount. Go out with Perry Simons to Henry Simon's (or Oliver Buller's) and lodge there.

Sunday, June 13 Go to Ellis Wright's & remain there till about 4:00 Aftn. Ed. Frazier & family came about 10:00 to Ellis's, and I went with them at 4:00 via Wm. Reeder's to Robert's. Return to Wm. Reeder's & have supper there. Lodge at Oliver Glass's. Left a Bible at Ellis's before I went in afternoon.

Monday, June 14 Go to Leach early, and to Robt. W. White's later in the forenoon, and dine there. I stay there till evening & lodge at Levi Simon's. In the day look over the farm of which White is tenant. Went to Leach in afternoon to see about selling my corn.

Tuesday, June 15 Went to Leach again at 7:00. Sold my corn at 19 cts a bushel. Look over accounts of White's work, which amounted to just \$17.00. In Afternoon, went to Fairmount with Rev. John E. Rector. Sup at

Chas. Atkinson's with Rev. E. Atkinson, of Kansas, who preached a good sermon at U.B. Church at 8:00. I lodge at Wilbur Kester's. Text Matt. 18.19.

Wednesday, June 16 I go on 8:50 train via Wabash to Andrews. Dine at Jesse Hull's, old acquaintances. He takes me across the river to see [blank] Bitteringer's farm. Look at the place. Very hard rains. I go on 6:13 train to Huntington. Stay at Rev. A.G. Johnson's. Ex. Com. meeting of Board Ed. McMurray & Metz chosen as teachers.

Thursday, June 17 Ride out with Kiracofe and Johnson to look after my lot & especially to see the College Building. Return & K. & I take the 11:07 tr. to Ft. Wayne. Get home via Richmond at 6:00. Found all well. Mose Cohen's Carnival in the evening. I did not attend it, but saw a little of it.

Friday, June 18 Dr. Flickinger called in the forenoon an hour. I rested mostly to-day. Dr. [blank] Bitteringer and Geo. Bitteringer called about 8:00 to look at my house. I called at Lorin's a half hour at 5:00 afternoon. I was at the boy's store at 8:30; saw Lorin.

Saturday, June 19 Wrote to Reuchlin & Katherine—sent her draft for \$20.00.

Sunday, June 20 Pr. at Zion Baptist Church at 11:00 2 Cor. 8.9. In afternoon at the same Church to Children's Exercises. Lorin & family called in the evening, awhile.

Monday, June 21 At home. Called at Pres. Kiracofe's and at Editor Dillon's. Rev. W.P. Tibbets of Cal. came in the afternoon to Dillon's.

Wednesday, June 23 At home all day. Knights of Pythias had a march in the evening along Third Street on West Side. (My granddaughter, Catharine Louise Wright, born Birmingham, Alabama, June 23, 1887, d. in Kansas City, Jan. 10, 1892, aged four years, seven months, and eighteen days.)

Thursday, June 24 I was home nearly all day to-day, except 15 minutes at Mr. Young's office.

Sunday, June 27 Pr. at American Wesleyan Church at

11:00, 28:34. At home the rest of the day.

Monday, June 28 Wrote letters. Revs. W.P. Tibbet, & John McBride came & also Bro. D.K. Zeller. They dine with us. Wrote letters in the evening.

Tuesday, June 29 At home. The meeting of the Mis. Executive Committee was held at my house at 8:30. Made apportionments to the conferences. D.K. Flickinger called again at 3:30, and we went to Keiter's and Dillon's to consult on editing the Discipline & Gen. Conf. Proceedings.

Wednesday, June 30 At home. I spent some time looking after letters, etc.

Thursday, July 1 At home. Sarah Wright, an inmate of the Deaconess Hospital in this city, about 10:00 at night, fell from the roof of the third floor, and died a few moments afterward. It was not adjudged to be an intentional act.

Friday, July 2 At home working on the General Conference short-hand reports. Albert Shearer informed me after dinner of his Aunt Sarah's death and of the funeral to-morrow morning at 8:30. Neither Katharinenor I went to the great bicycle parade.

Saturday, July 3 Went out to Rev. [blank] Richard's and took his wife to the funeral at the hospital, and him to the cemetery & home. Called at Lorin's a few minutes.

Sunday, July 4 Went to Woodland Cemetery as usual on the Fourth. Heard M.R. Drury preach at 11:00 at the Congregational Church. At home the rest of the day. My wife, Susan Catharine (Koerner) Wright died eight years ago to-day, at 7 Hawthorne St., Dayton, Ohio, aged 58 years, 2 mo. & 5 days; was born in Hillsboro, Loudoun Co., Virginia.

Monday, July 5–Tuesday, July 13 At home.

Wednesday, July 14 At home. Went to the bank. Saw Young at the Recorder's office not over three minutes.

Thursday, July 15 Started at 7:00 morn. for Union City & Marion & Wabash & Huntington, Ind. Reach there

at 6:15 aftn. Call at Rev. A.G. Johnson's. An Executive Com. Meeting of the Board of Education at Pres. C.H. Kiracofe's. I stay there.

Friday, July 16 I go with Flickinger and Steman to look at Johnson's building on Jefferson Street, talked of for a publishing house. I dine & sup at Johnson's. Ex. Com. meets again at Kiracofe's with Messrs. Kintz and Cobb. I stay with Flickinger at Kiracofe's. We held an Ex. Com. of Board of Education at A.G. Johnson's. I.M. Tharp there.

Saturday, July 17 I go on wagon with Fli. & Steman to Johnson building & thence to Johnson's and Prof. A.P. Barnaby's. Start at 8:40 train to Fairmount. Reach there at 12:43. Go out to Hopewell with Ol. A. Glass. Supper at White's. Pr. at Hopewell 8:00, Matt. 5:12. "Your reward in heaven." Stay at O.A. Glass's.

Sunday, July 18 I preach at 11:00, Ps. 93.5. Raise \$209.50 & dedicate Hopewell Church. Dine in the grove with the Reeder's and Broyle's & Glass's. I pr. at 4:00 Gal. 4:4, and a sacramental service followed. I stay at Oliver Buller's. (My oldest brother, Samuel Smith Wr. died fifty-five years ago to-day.)

Monday, July 19 Weather temperate. Call at R.W. White's and go with Ol. Buller to Fairmount. Go on 8:00 tr. via Gas City, Union City home, arri. at 4:10.

Tuesday, July 20–Monday, July 26 At home . . . and spent the day mainly in reading.

Tuesday, July 27 At home and spent the day in reading and writing. Lorin's called an hour in the evening.

Wednesday, July 28 At home and spent the day in writing. Called at W. Dillon's after supper.

Thursday, July 29 The eclipse of Sun 9:54 morn. we saw. I wrote many letters. In Afternoon, I worked on editing the Discipline a little perhaps.

Friday, July 30 At home. Worked at the editing of the Disciple in the afternoon. Called at Albert Shearer's an hour in the evening.

Saturday, July 31 Worked on editing the Discipline. Went to town afternoon. [Note: Bishop Wright uses the word "Discipline" on July 29 and 31, and the word "Disciple" on July 30]

Sunday, August 1 Attended the African Methodist Church on Hawthorne St. & heard Rev. Turner, the pastor, preach quite a good sermon from Acts 18:9,10. At home rest of the day.

Monday, August 2 At home. Keiter called to see about Gen'l. Conf. Proceedings. Busy writing letters.

Tuesday, August 3 Too warm to do much but read; and I read much and till a very late hour. But I spent part of the afternoon in the City library. Paid my Dayton tax.

Wednesday, August 4 Very warm. Worked on editing the Discipline in the afternoon. Read all the evening and till 11:30. It turned a little cooler in the evening and night.

Friday, August 6 At home working on editing the Discipline. Took the revision up to Dillon in the afternoon, having finished it.

Saturday, August 7 At home. Saw Rev. M.F. Keiter in the evening, and we arranged to have Bp. Barnaby call the Publ. Board together August 17th.

Sunday, August 8 At home. Lorin & the children came & staid an hour in the forenoon.

Tuesday, August 10 At home in the forenoon, reading & writing. Dr. Flickinger called just after dinner. I went to the bank & the library in the afternoon. Came by Lorin's & brought Ivonette home with me. Wrote in the evening.

Wednesday, August 11 At home. Had a counsel of Com. to edit Proceedings of Gen'l. Conference, and it advise against its publication.

Thursday, August 12 At home. Read proof all forenoon on the Discipline of 1897. Read some, & sent out bills to collect over \$200.00 on Legal Fund. Sat up late.

Saturday, August 14 I went on 11:00 tr. to Columbus &

thence to Logan. Rev. D. Folk met me & took me to Geo. Helber's 4 miles N.W. I pr. at 7:30, at Pleasant Valley Church. I supped & lodged at Helbers.

Sunday, August 15 I pr. at 10:30, Ps. 93.6 & dedicate the church. I dine at Squire Frasure's. I pr. at 7:00 on ["Love of God," 1 John 4.8. I stay at Father Gotleib Helber's.

Monday, August 16 D. Folk takes me to Enterprise. Go on via Marion to Huntington. I stay at Pres. C.H. Kiracofe's.

Tuesday, August 17 The Printing Estab. Board of Trustees met at the Johnson Building at 8:30 & 2:00. I dine at Johnson's. The Board contracted with A.G. Johnson for his brick business house at \$10,000, \$2,000 payable in two years, he donating \$2,000 of it; interest six per cent. I stay at A.J. Steman's.

Wednesday, August 18 Go on 11:00 tr. to Toledo & thence to Lindsey, Ohio. I find my Conf. home at Jacob Overmeyer's. Rev. G.W. Coss pr. at \$ [this is in text] 8:00, on holiness.

Thursday, August 19 Conference opened at \$ [this is in text] 8:30. Business proce[e]ded well. W. Dillon comes at 5:00 & Mrs. A.R. Kiracofe. (This is the anniversary of the birth of my son Orville, in 1871, and of my daughter Catharine, in 1874 —both born at our home, 7 Hawthorn St., Dayton, Ohio.)

Friday, August 20 Conference continues. Missionary meeting at 8:00. Mrs. Kiracofe, Miss Mary B. Mullen, and Rev. W. Dillon spoke. Stationing Committee met after supper.

Saturday, August 21 Conference continued. We adjourn at 4:00. W. Dillon pr. at 8:00.

Sunday, August 22 I pr. at 10:30, Rom. 2:16, on the "Gospel." S.S. Anniversary at 3:00. W. Dillon pr. at 7:30.

Monday, August 23 I go to Limestone & thence direct to Orrville, Ohio. Call at Mrs. Shisler's. Stay at John Lefever's, where I boarded till I left town.

Tuesday, August 24 A am still at Lefever's. Call awhile in eve. at Mrs. Shisler's. I did not get to see David Walmer, one of our brethren in Orrville, as he was from home.

Wednesday, August 25 I go on 11:00 train to Dalton, and Frank Swisher takes me to his Father's. Rev. J.N. Lemasters pr. at 7:30, a good sermon.

Thursday, August 26 Conference opened at 8:30 & progressed well. Mrs. E.O. Olmsted pr. at 7:30, on holiness. W. Dillon came. My home at Swisher's.

Friday, August 27 Conference continued. I dine at Keiter's. Missionary meeting at 7:30. Miss Mullen & Dr. Dillon spoke. I raise about \$82.00 in Missionary subscription, & \$6.00 cash. Stationing Com. met at Swisher's, at 6:00.

Saturday, August 28 Conference continued as usual. Dillon pr. at 7:30 on immortality. The sermon was admired.

Sunday, August 29 I pr at 10:30, Gal 1:8 on gospel. Sab. Sch. Anniversary at 3:00. Dr. Dillon pr. at 7:30. Dillon did well on the collection in the forenoon.

Monday, August 30 Frank Swisher took us to Massilon, and I go thence to Cleveland, Erie, & Union City & stay at N.R. Luce's. He is full of chores. He has enough chores outside of school or church to load a man down.

Tuesday, August 31 Go on to Corry at 3:00. Sup at J.S. Amidon's. I lodge at Rev. S. Evans' with Father T.S. Bennett. He talks well but is helpless. How well he thinks, and quotes scripture.

Wednesday, September 1 Dine at J.S. Amidon's. He is paralyzed, but very pious. Go after dinner to Glynden, with Bennett & Evans. Walk out to Pickard's. Sup there. Rev. S. Evans pr. at 8:00. We stay at M.E. Pickard's, where was our conference home.

Thursday, September 2 Erie conference opens at 8:30. Rev. S.J. Cummins pr. at 8:00, eve. Supper at Mrs. [blank] Fralick's. Lodge at Pickard's. He is an Oddfellow & drinks some. She is a member of our church.

Friday, September 3 Conference continued. I dine at Platt's. Conference somewhat excited over election of presiding elder. Stationing com. at 6:00 at Pickard's. (Anniversary of my Father's birth in 1790—Dan Wright, b. Thetford To., Orange County, Vermont; son of Dan and Sarah Wright.)

Saturday, September 4 I dine & sup at Platt's. They are M.E. people. Conf. closes in Afternoon. Stay at M.E. Pickard's, pr at 8:00.

Sunday, September 5 I pr. at 11:00, 2 Cor. 3:[blank]. Dine at Platt's. Funeral of a child of McRay's at 3:00, by *Higley. I pr. at 8:00. Pickard much affected, but really groggy. *He proved to be a worthless fellow.

Monday, September 6 Melvin E. Pickard takes Rev. S. Evans & myself to Spartansburg. Saw Wallings & Wright, editors, and others. Go on to Corry, U. City, Eric, Toledo & Delphos, Ohio. Stay at Wilson McKenzie's.

Tuesday, September 7 Go on 9:00 tr. to Wilshire. O. Sheets meets us & takes us out to Sarah Sheets, at Wren, where I have our Conf. home. Rev. W.E. Strete pr. at 8:00, a good sermon.

Wednesday, September 8 Auglaize Conference opened at 8:30. Business moves well. D.K. Flickinger pr. at 8:00 on Missions.

Thursday, September 9 Conference continued. I held a missionary meeting at 8:00. Raised a subscription of \$163.00. Dr. Dillon, Mrs. T.M. Harvey & Dr. Kiracofe spoke. (My brother Harvey Wright, born in Centreville, Ohio, Sept. 9, 1820.)

Friday, September 10 Conference continues. Stationing Com. met at 6:30 at Mrs. Sheet's. Dr. C.H. Kiracofe pr. at 8:00, John 3:16, for 35 min.

Saturday, September 11 Conference closed at 4:30; communion at 10:30. Rev. P.B. Williams pr. at 8:00, in a tent in O. Sheets' grove. Receive W.H. Kindel into the conference at a called session. I boarded at the session at Mrs. S. Sheets'.

Sunday, September 12 I pr. in O. tent at 10:30. Rom. 6:17. Pub. Coll. \$49.00. I spoke in S.S. Anniversary at 2:30. I then went with J.W. Harris in Mr. Matthew's conveyance to Convoy. Stay at Mullen's Hotel, they being Harris' relatives. I pr. at M.E. Church for Rev. Martin at 8:00, Rom. 4:1-8.

Monday, September 13 Go on 6:31 tr. to Lima. See Rev. C. Whitney, Liberal on the train. See Rev. P.B. Williams, Lay & Mullen hour at C.H. & D. Depot. Go on home arriving at Dayton about 12:00 noon. Found all well. Went to Winter's Bank.

Tuesday, September 14 At home. Called at Conservator Office. Rev. W. Dillon called aftn. Busy writing etc. Weather very hot. (Helen Margaret Wright, my granddaughter, was born in Kansas City, Missouri, Sept. 14, 1889.)

Wednesday, September 15 At home. Read & write. Weather still very hot.

Thursday, September 16 At home. evening. Called at Lorin's a half hour in the evening. It rained some in the night & turned cooler.

Friday, September 17 Milton came home with me and staid till after dinner. It grows cooler all day.

Saturday, September 18 At home. Was measured for a suit at Perry Meredith's. Called at Rev. W.H. Klinefelter's a half hour in the evening.

Sunday, September 19 At home. Called at Lorin's in afternoon & Lorin, Netta, and the children called later on.

Monday, September 20 Left home at 6:50 Morn., via Lima and Ft. Wayne to Huntington, Ind., and arrive at 1:13 aftn. Go to Central College Building. Attend the Ed. Board meeting at 3:00 in College Auditorium. Stay at Rev. A.G. Johnson's.

Tuesday, September 21 The Ed. Board meets at 8:00, in our new Publishing House on Jefferson Street. I dine at Pres. C.H. Kiracofe's. Rev. P.S. Henson preaches at 2:00, the dedication sermon from 2 Tim. 2:16. "All scripture," etc. Pres. Kiracofe raises \$1,000—afterward increased

to \$1,400. I go on 6:25 tr. to Bucyrus, Ohio. Stay at hotel.

Wednesday, September 22 Go on 5:15 tr. to Centersburg and thence to Mt. Vernon. Call on Levi B. Ward & Mary Spencer Ward, & dine there. She is a half-cousin of my Father. Go on 1:00 train to Centerburg, & thence on 4:30 to Bremen. Bro. D.F. Housholder takes me out to the Church and thence to Adam B. Lecrone's. Children: Anna, Emma, Verne, Gurley; & Ida Red is there.

Thursday, September 23 Conference opened at 8:30. Wm. Dillon dined with us. He preached at 7:30, Matt. 19:25. "Who then can be saved?"

Friday, September 24 Conference continued. I dine at J.A. Lecrone's, he having been quite sick. J.A. Hoffhines and N. Allebaugh were elected pres. elders. Stationing committee met at 6:30. D.K. Flickinger pr. at 7:30. I raise a Mis. Subs. of \$133.00 afterward. Mrs. Josh. Folk spoke & so did I. (My mother, Catharine Wright, died 31 years ago, at her home in Fayette Co., Indiana.)

Saturday, September 25 Conference continued and closed at 4:00. I pr. at 7:30, Rom. 3:19.

Sunday, September 26 I pr. at 10:30, 2 Cor. 3:6. S.S. Anniversary at 2:30, consisting of children's singing & recitations. I pr. at 7:30, Titus, 2:14, & sacramental service followed.

Monday, September 27 Bro. A.B. Lecrone takes us to Logan. Go on to Athens. Get drafts. Send one to pay Iowa tax. Write letters. Go on 3:10 train to Parkersburg, and on 6:40 train to Martinsburg, W. Va., arriving at 4:35 morn. A man & his wife going to Winchester, Va., to see a cancer doctor.

Tuesday, September 28 Go on 8:20 train to Greencastle, Pa. Write a few letters. Stop at F.W. Barnhart's east side of town. Renovate myself thoroughly! I sleep well this night.

Wednesday, September 29 Go on 9:35 train to Chambersburg. I dine at Rev. John Fohl's. I call at Rev. B.G. Huber's, 644 Phil. Ave., at Nicklas' carpet store, and at Rev. A.H. Shank's, 333 Catherine Street. Return

on 5:39 train to Greencastle. I attend prayer-meeting at 7:30, and at the church. I sup & lodge at Barnhart's.

Thursday, September 30 Few Came on the early train; so conference opened about 10:00. Business progressed well. Rev. J.A. Burkholder preached well at 7:30, Rom. 8:23. I board at F.W. Barnhart's. Also A.H. Shank, D.K. Flickinger, J.M. Smiley, G.S. Seiple, etc.

Friday, October 1 Conference continued. In the afternoon, B.G. Huber was elected on 1st ballot by a small majority. The stationing committee met at 6:30, at Barnhart's. Rev. G.S. Seiple preached at 7:30, a fine sermon, on [blank] and went to Middleburg after meeting.

Saturday, October 2 Conference continued. Memorial services on I.C. Weidler, Paper by S. Diller, and remarks by LA. Wickey, J.S. Wentz and B.G. Huber, all unusually good. We raise 29 subs. for the Conservator. Adjourn at 4:30. Dr. Flickinger pr. at 7:30, Eph. 3:8, and I raise \$240.00 Missionary subscription.

Sunday, October 3 I preached at 10:30, 2 Cor. 8:9, and raised \$800.00 on the debt of the Church. Before preaching, we ordain W.O. Weidler and Dyson M. Hench. Dine and sup at [blank] Staley's. I pr. at 7:30, Rom. 4:8, and raise \$77.00 more on the Church debt; and the brethren take a cash coll. of \$27.82 for me. A well begged people! I stay at Barnhart's as usual.

Monday, October 4 After settlement with D.K. Flinkinger on Cons. Subs. I go on 9:35 train to Harrisburg, Pittsburgh train 50 min. late. Start at 12:15 for Pittsburgh. Write letters at Pittsburgh & mail them in train box. Start at 8:20 (Western time) for Dayton on a through car. The trip home cost me \$12.33. I slept four or five hours.

Tuesday, October 5 Arrive at home at 5:00 morn. Breakfast at Mrs. Greenwood's. Dine and sup at home. I am busy fixing up things. Make settlement with M.T. Keiter on subs. to Cons. & saw Becker. Slept two hours. Called at Lorin's a half hour in the evening, Corbetts & Mrs. — — —there. [Line appears in text]

Wednesday, October 6 Went to town and deposited a draft for \$150.00 in Winter's Nat. Bank. Called at Dr.

Tizzard's office, and arranged for a new Upper teeth plate. Lorin's called an hour in the evening. (My father, Dan (not Daniel) died 36 years ago, to-day, at his home abt 1 1/2 m. from the West line & 2 m. from the s. line of Fayette Co., Indiana.)

Thursday, October 7 Took supper at Lorin's. Went to Music Hall after supper and heard Hon. Joseph B. Foraker, Gov. Asa Bushnell and Hon. Mark Hanna speak. The speeches all good, but Hanna excelled.

Friday, October 8 Called at Lorin's in the morning & at home the rest of the day.

Saturday, October 9 Went to town and got a draft of \$100.00 and sent it to Kiracofe to pay \$75 on Mrs. Hisler's [?]sub. to Central College and \$25 on Mine, making payment full in both cases. I market some. Go at 4:00 aftn & get my new teeth plate. Call a half hour at the public Library.

Sunday, October 10 Slept surprisingly late for me. Hear at W. Baptist, Rev. Prichard preach on Ex. 14:15, "Speak—go forward." After dinner call at Lorin's and give the children cups. Go to Samuel Spidel's and stay two hours. It rained in the night.

Monday, October 11 Rains early, and then a nice shower later in the day.

Tuesday, October 12 Go on 8:10 train via Lebanon Junction to Centerville. Call at Joseph Nutt's & dine. See the places where my Grandfather Reeder and Grandfather Wright lived abt. 1814-1822, also where Aaron Nutt, Robins, and Archer's lived adjoining town (& Nutt in town) and where the old Potter Shop of Grandfather's was.

Wednesday, October 13 Went to town and bought typewriter ribbon etc. Was rather dull in the afternoon.

Thursday, October 14 Went to town in the forenoon & had a tooth fixed. Was dull & inactive in the afternoon. Milton came home with me and he had a good time with Wilbur at the office. I lay down most of the afternoon being inane.

Friday, October 15 About as usual. I lie down much of the day, the nervous force seeming dormant or deficient.

Saturday, October 16 At home mostly. I feel very trifling, though I am not sick. Went to Dr. Tizzard's in the afternoon, who kept me waiting about an hour to renew the cotton in my tooth! Read considerably. Began taking quinine in the evening.

Sunday, October 17 Kept my bed most of the day, not sick but having little appetite or energy. Restrict myself mostly to a milk diet.

Tuesday, October 19 Worked on accounts. Called at the dentists and at the bank.

Wednesday, October 20 Fail to get onto the 8:15 train. After an early dinner, I take the C.H. & D. train for Indianapolis and two miles below Dayton, our locomotive collides with a freight train, demolishing each and destroying six or eight cars. Several were bruised, and the engineer was thrown under the locomotive & died some days later. Mrs. Betty Frederick of Kingston, Ross Co., Ohio was badly hurt.

Thursday, October 21 I reached Chicago early via Hamilton & Indianapolis. Staid there till 10:10 at night & took R.Is. & Pac. tr. to Casey, Iowa. In the afternoon, I visited Dr. Dowey's Healing establishment and his tabernacle, & attended a children's service at 2:30 or 3:00. Saw and heard Dowey's father and Dowey's wife. Am impressed that he is a humbug.

Friday, October 22 Reached Casey abt. 10:30, but fell asleep & got off at Adair & hired a livery (\$1.50) & go to Lee Hoisington's. Take a ride with D.R. Fagan over the place. Settle with Fagan as to terms of pasture, etc. and stay at Hoisington's.

Saturday, October 23 Fagan takes me to town after I had rented the farm to Thos. Lovell. I go on to Des Moines, but miss the 1:00 train to Kansas City and wait till 8:15 tr. at night. Slept about five hours. I misunderstood the agent, who, I suppose, said train went in five minutes. I understood to say 25 minutes; so went to lunch.

Sunday, October 24 Reach Kansas City at 7:00 & go out to Reuchlin's, where I breakfast and spend the day. We took a walk over east in the afternoon—all the family.

Monday, October 25 Still at Reuchlin's.

Tuesday, October 26 In the afternoon, I go down town & get some presents for the children.

Wednesday, October 27 I starr home at 9:00 even'g on Wabash train.

Thursday, October 28 We reach St. Louis at 7:00. I go on Vandalia Lines to Indianapolis, arriving about 2:30. I stop with Geo. W. Snyder whose business is 125 S. Meridian, and his residence on N. Penn. Street. Their son's name is Albert.

Friday, October 29 I go on 9:30 tr. via Union City home, arriving at abt. 4:00. Found all well.

Saturday, October 30 Went to town before noon. Go on 2:05 tr. via Springfield to Columbus. Go on 5:00 tr. to Baltimore, O. and go out with John Reef to Maple Grove Church. I pr. at 7:30, John 14:3. I stay at John Eversole's, 2 m. east. Dr. Flickinger stays with me.

Sunday, October 31 Meet the trustees of the Church at 10:00 & name the Church & arrange for their subscriptions. I pr. at 10:30 (11:00) Ps. 122:9, "Because of the house," etc. Raise \$420.00 subs. & dedicate. I dine at Jas. Huston's near Eversole's. D.K. Flickinger pr at 7:00, 2 Chr. 15:2, a fine sermon. We stay at John Eversole's. It rains at night & next day.

Monday, November 1 J. Eversole takes us to Thurston. We go on C.S. H. R'y to Columbus. I dine at Rev. D.K. Flickinger's, 201 Front St. On 3:15 tr., I go via Xenia home. The boys had resumed self-boarding, and henceforth I board with them.

Tuesday, November 2 At home. It is election day. I voted mostly for the Republicans.

Wednesday, November 3 Election news: Ohio Republican; they defeated in Cin.; Tammany triumphs in Greater

New York; Md. repub.; also N.J.; Ky. dem. S. Dak. repub.; also Kans. Sat up very late.

Thursday, November 4 Called at Lorin's. Milton called to get his little wagon.

Friday, November 5 At home. Went to Library & took out Tudor's Life of James Otis, and read much of it.

Saturday, November 6 At home. Went to town in the evening to the dentists and to the library. Took out Croly's Life & Times of George IV, which I had read over fifty years ago.

Monday, November 8 Wrote letters. I went to see Graybill's, whom I found at Jacob Swank's. They expect to ship their goods to-morrow to Harvey, Ill., & go to-morrow eve. to New Rumley to visit Graybill's father. (Milton Wright, my grandson, was born Nov. 8, 1892, at 117 S. Horace St., Dayton, Ohio.)

Wednesday, November 10 Wrote letters. J.K. Graybill called and borrowed \$25.00 (which he paid some months later.)

Saturday, November 13 At home. Wrote letters. Went to the dentists, & called at the Library afterward.

Sunday, November 14 At home. Read much. Afternoon, called at John Weidner's on Kilmer St., & "First" St.

Monday, November 15 At home. Wrote letters. Read in the evening with much pleasure, 1 Cor. Chaps. 13, 14, 15, in the interlinear New Testament, published by Arthur Hinds, N.Y.

Tuesday, November 16 Went to dentists in the afternoon.

Wednesday, November 17 At home. This is the anniversary of my birth, Nov. 17, 1828 in John Quincy Adams' administration—six presidents before my birth; nineteen since. I was born in Rush County (3/4 m. north of the south line and 1 1/2 m. from the east line), Ind; Samuel Smith, Harvey, and Sarah being older, & William younger than I; & George older than Sarah; & Kate,

younger than William d. young.) George died at 6 mo. & Kate at birth.

Thursday, November 18 At home. Spent some time in letter writing. (This is the anniversary of the birth of my son Lorin, at my father's house in Fayette County, Ind., Nov. 18, 1862.)

Friday, November 19 Went to Tizzard's at 9:00, had a gold crown put on a tooth, & paid him \$10.00 for that and some other dentistry. Wrote letters.

Sunday, November 21 Attended Park Presbyterian Church at 10:30 & heard Rev. W.P. Miller, the new pastor, John 4:35, who seemed to be evangelical, and preached a good sermon. Heard in afternoon part of an address by Mr. Wilder of India. Wrote an article on Self Denial Week (Anniversary of birth of Samuel Smith Wright, 1818, Sarah Wright, 1894.)

Monday, November 22 Went on 9:25 train via Richmond & Anderson to Huntington, Ind. Supper with Flickinger at restaurant. Was at meeting at U.B. Church; R.S. Bowman conducted the meeting. I stay at A.G. Johnson's.

Tuesday, November 23 Missionary Ex. Com. meeting at 7:30 & at 1:30. Go to Kiracofe's in afternoon. Supper at W. Dillon's with R.S. Bowman. I pr. at 7:30, Rev. 3:20. Stay at A.G. Johnson's.

Wednesday, November 24 Saw Judge Sayler & his son Samuel. Learn how we are to incorporate. Dine, sup & lodge at Johnson's. We spent the Afternoon in making out a form incorporation—a busy half-day's work. (I married Susan C. Koerner, Nov. 24, 1859 at her home in Union Co., Ind., about six miles from East line and two from S. line.)

Thursday, November 25 Wrote out a clean draft of incorporation and with Johnson sign & acknowledge it, and go on the forenoon train to Wabash & Fairmount. Call at Chas. Atkinson, and then go in the mail-carriage to Leach, and to White's on our farm. Preach at Leach (Hopewell) U.B. Church. Stay at Oliver A. Glass's.

Friday, November 26 Oliver takes me to Ellis Wright's.

They have a son about five weeks old. O. takes me to R.W. White's. They have a little son. I fix up accounts with him & pay him \$8.00. We look over the place and go to Chas. Leach's elevator. Collect \$21.49 on last spring's corn. Called in to talk & pray with Mr. Culbert who is very sick. Stay at Henry Simons.

Saturday, November 27 Weather cool. His hand takes me to Fairmount, & I go on 8:50 tr. to Wabash, Toledo, and Wallbridge. Pr at U.B. Church at 7:30, Rev. 3:20. Supper and Lodging with Adam Kusian's, with Rev. H.D. Yant, the pastor.

Sunday, November 28 Weather cold. Pr. at 12:00, Ps. 48:11,12. Dine at Wicks 1 1/2 m. north. I pr. at 7:30, *1 Pet. 4:18. One arose for prayers. We stay again at A. Kusian's. They had been up to a Presbyterian dedication in the forenoon. *"If the righteous scarcely be saved, where" etc.

Monday, November 29 Weather cold. Go on 8:50 tr to Union Depot, Toledo, & on 10:10 (late) train to Dayton, arriving at 3:20—behind time some. Found all well at home.

Tuesday, November 30 Weather moderate. Spent the time at home. Rev. D.K. Flickinger came, dined with us, & stayed till about 3:30. Read much & till 11:00 at night.

Wednesday, December 1 At home. Called at Young's in the afternoon to see about appealing the U.S. case to U.S. Court of Appeals.

Thursday, December 2 Called at Young & Youngs & at Library. Went over at 4:00 to learn what Doyle & Lewis had to say about appealing our case. Also went over to Young's at 9:00 to see about appeal matters.

Friday, December 3 Went to Cin. with Will H. Young & had our Appeal allowed by Judge Taft in U.S. case. Called at F.H. Short's car. Mound & Kenyan Streets—609 Mound St. Dined with Young at Gibson House.

Saturday, December 4 At home all day. Read much; wrote some. Called at Lorin's an hour in the evening. He put up his second gas radiator. Ivonette wanted to go with me.

Sunday, December 5 At home all day. Read in the forenoon. An unusual thing in my life, I wrote to-day an article for publication, "A Secular Miracle." Myself & the boys spent an hour in the evening at Lorin's.

Monday, December 6 Went to town, engaged a Publishing Establishment seal, called at Young's.

Tuesday, December 7 Went to post-office, Stencil Shop & Library. Read nearly all day & evening.

Wednesday, December 8 Wrote letters to Floyd, & R.G. Montgomery. Called at Lorin's.

Thursday, December 9 Called at Lorin's. Wrote and read all day.

Friday, December 10 Busily employed in reading and taking notes.

Saturday, December 11 At home reading. Went to the Library in afternoon.

Sunday, December 12 Heard Rev. Chas. W. Kurtz talk at Summit St. Church on Communion, at 11:00. Wrote an Article on "Pulpit Mistakes." Present, at 3:30, at Steroptican Views of Joseph's life—Y.M.C.A. Hall. Called a few minutes at Lorin's.

Monday, December 13—Saturday, December 18 At home. Reading and writing. Sent an article for the *Conservator* on Miraculous Illusions. Wrote an other article.

Sunday, December 19 At home in the forenoon. In the Afternoon, Samuel Spidel sent for me to come to his house on King St., his wife having took sick Fri. night, and being now unconscious. At 3:30, heard Maj. D.W. Whittle the evangelist a few minutes at Y.M.C.A. Hall, who stated that 400,000 are in state prisons, and 750,000 altogether in prisons in this Country. Went to Spidel's. She is very sick.

Monday, December 20 At home till in the Afternoon. Went to Spidel's, she being deceased, & made some notes for a Memorial notice. I wrote an obituary for publication also that evening.

Tuesday, December 21 At home all day, except that I went to Spidel's an hour that evening or Afternoon rather.

Wednesday, December 22 Went to Spidel's at 9:20 & to Home Ave. (Liberal) church at 10:00 and preached Mrs. Mary Ann Spidel's funeral, Acts. 24:14, "Hope toward God." Dr. H.J. Becker & F.G. Grigsby assisted. Burial at Mem. Chapel Cemetery. I dine at Spidel's & stay till about 3:00. Katharine and her room mate, Margaret Goodwin came from Oberlin at 8:30.

Friday, December 24 At home most of the day. Went afternoon to Library, and bought some Christmas presents at Pruden's.

Saturday, December 25 This is the birthday anniversary of my niece, Flora (Wright) Stevens, (1858), and of my grand-daughter, Bertha E. Wright (1896). To-day I went down to Lorin's & took presents to the children. At home the rest of the day till I called at Lorin's in the eve. Wm. Andrews & Lottie there.

Sunday, December 26 Gas was turned off in the night by the bursting of a pipe in the gas main, leaving Dayton in darkness and cold, as to natural gas. (It was off about 24 hours.)

Monday, December 27 Go on 9:25 tr. via Richmond and Anderson to Huntington, Ind. Arrive at H. at 5:40 and go to Rev. Wm. Dillon's and thence via Rev. A.G. Johnson's to church. Dr. Dillon pr. at 7:30, on Christian perfection, Matt. 7:48. I lodge at A.G. Johnson's.

Tuesday, December 28 The Publishing Establishment Board met at Publishing Establishment at 10:00. We all dine at Keiter's Restaurant. Session afternoon. Dine at same Restaurant with Flickinger. Confer with Flickinger at Publ. Building. Rev. W.H. Clay pr. at 7:30, John 3:7,8, on new birth, a good sermon. I lodge at Johnson's.

Wednesday, December 29 I go out with Bp. Barnaby to Kiracofe's in College addition. Return & take 11:07 tr. via Ft. Wayne to Richmond and Dayton, reaching home about 6:00 eve. Found all well. Talk with a monarchist on the train from Richmond.

Thursday, December 30 At home. Reading and taking notes thereon. Milton comes to go to the boy's shop to see about things to be made for his Magic Lantern show. Eats supper with us. Has a private show, with me as sole spectator by his invitation!

Friday, December 31 At home, reading and writing. Milton Has a show with the girls (Katie & Miss M. Goodwin) and Mrs. Wagner and her girls for auditors, and Lorin & family.

Marriage Formula

Do each and both of you mutually and solemnly promise and covenant that you will live together in the relation of husband and wife, and that you will be faithful to each other in all the obligations of the marriage covenant as long as you both shall live? Do you? Do you? Having witnessed your plighted faith and solemn vows, I pronounce you husband and wife according to the ordinance of God and the laws of our country. Let us pray.

A Few of Many Namesakes

James Milton Cook, Rev. J.M. Cook, John Milton Bell, Rev. James Bell, Milton Morton Tharp, Rev. A. Tharp, Milton Wright Tharp, I.M. Tharp, Wright Barnaby Becker Small, C.B. Small, Samuel Wright Purtee, S. Purtee, Milton Gronendyke, Monro Gronendyke, Milton Wright Reed, [blank] Reed, Milton Wright Barnaby, Bp. Barnaby, Milton —Lake, G.S. Lake, Karl Wright Harritt, B.W. Harritt, Leo Wright McBride, J. McBride, Milton W. Lloyd, S.E. Lloyd, Milton W. Kelly, Wm. Kelley, Wade Wright Tuttle, W.S. Tuttle, Milton F. Cole, L.E. Cole, Melanchthon Wright Hunt, G.W. Hunt.