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Monday, January 1 Weather, fair. Temp., 33 degrees at 9:00. "Thy youth is renewed like the eagle." "As the heaven is high above the earth, So great is His mercy toward them that fear Him." I arose at 5:30. I get letters from Wood and Willoughby. Wilbur & Orville get letters from England, France and Austria. It was a beautiful day. I remained at home.

Wednesday, January 3 Weather, rainy. Therm., 48 degrees at 9:00. Remained at home except to buy some shirts at DeWees'. Read and wrote.

Friday, January 5 Weather, fair. Ther., 32 degrees at 7:00. At home. Wrote many letters. Orville and Katharine supped at Robt. Osbornes. The boys pictures in the News.

Saturday, January 6 Went on 11:55 tr. to Miamisburg with Rev. Wm. Miller and to Germantown. Miller pr. at 2:00, 46 Ps. 1 v. Cr. Conf. We sup at J. Slifer's. I pr. at 7:00, 103 Ps. We lodge at J.W. Fout's.

Sunday, January 7 At S.S. I teach the woman's class. Testimony meeting followed. Rev. Wm. Miller pr. at 11:00, Ps. 118:25, a good sermon. I hold the communion. We dine at Straight's. I call at Sarah Thomas', Lizzie Long's and at E.M. Scott's. Miller pr. 7:00, John 21.22. We lodge at E.M. Scott's. His father was a cousin of E.M. Stanton's.

Monday, January 8 A little snow fell yesterday and several inches fell in the night. The cars were belated. I reached home about 10:30.

Tuesday, January 9 I go on 9:45 tr. via Richmond and New Castle to Mays. I called on Berth Benner's and Fry's. Frances took me to Harvey Wright's. I gave books to Benner's boys and Lois Fry. I sup and lodge at Harvey's.

Wednesday, January 10 I remain at Harvey's. T. Wilhelm and Florence and Cora called; also Drusilla McKee and John Whiton and Augusta.

Thursday, January 11 I called at Ed. Frazier's and Jabez Rhoad's, on my way to Knightstown, I go on 11:00 tr. to Fairmount. There, I transacted business and went to Fowlerton & to R.W. White's. I leased my northeast deadning to Wm. L. Royal. Lodge at White's.

Friday, January 12 I contract with Andrew White to clear ten acres in southwest deadning for seventy dollars. I go to Fairmount & to Huntington via Wabash. Mission Executive Committee met at 2:30. I sup at Wm. Dillon's and lodge at J. Howe's. I called at Otto Bowman's.

Saturday, January 13 I was at College prayer & then conducted. I went to publishing house, and on 10:30 traction car to Ft. Wayne and to Lima and to Swanders. Sup & lodge at Christopher Shearer's. Martha, Mary, Clara and Effie are the sister's at home. Ed. & Warren were there that day, also Fannie ——— [blank]. Thawing & foggy.

Sunday, January 14 Slightly rainy. I remain at Shearer's all day. Harriet, my cousin, is partially paralyzed. She was seventy-six years old in October. Shearer's have six sons and six daughters. Albert, John, Ed., William,

Charles, Warren, the five daughters above & Minnie. The children all living.

Monday, January 15 I went on 9:40 traction to Dayton—on steam cars from Sidney. Wrote a letter or two.

Tuesday, January 16 Weather, colder. Joseph Wilberforce came at 9:00, and we went to Probate Judge to look after D.F. Wilberforce's Naturalization records. Copies had been sent to Sec. Root and to Freetown, as we learned from the Judge.

Wednesday, January 17 I was at home all day. I called at Lorin's in the evening. Ther. 29 degrees at 8:00.

Thursday, January 18 Weather, fair. Ther. 37 degrees at 7:30. I was at home all day. Carrie Gumbach called on a visit in the evening. I was dull and did not do much today, but I copied Hon. O.H. Smith's sketch, of Silas Wright and sent to Rodney P. Wright, Cambridge, (A.) Mass.

Saturday, January 20 Weather, little rain. Ther. 68 degrees at 12:00. At home. I gave my usual annual donation of five dollars to the Miami Hospital. Wrote a long letter to James M. Stewart of Brookville, Ind. and one to Kinneman. Agnes Osborn supped and lodged with Katharine.

Sunday, January 21 Weather, fair. 78 degrees at 1:00. Heard Maurice E. Wilson pr. a good sermon at 11:00, Eph. 6.1. "It is right." Saw Grandma Leitch on my way home, 85 years. Horace was with us to dinner. His physical health and energy, his decision, his amiability and his beauty and intelligence make him a favorite.

Monday, January 22 Weather, rainy. There was a high degree. At home. Read much in Schouler's History of the United States. He is a pretty good historian, only his style is artificial. Mrs. Smith of Fifth Street, came in the afternoon to do our house work. Poe's works came by express from "Lit. Digest."

Tuesday, January 23 Read much in Poe's 1st Volume. Wrote several letters. A pretty day. Bishop E.B. Kephart died to-day in Indianapolis, aged 72. Little Ivonette has tonsilitis.

Wednesday, January 24 Weather, fair. Therm. 26 degrees at 7:30. At home. Beautiful day. Ther. from 26 to 40 degrees. Wrote several letters. Clay informs me of our rehearing case being argued Monday at Wabash. I read much.

Thursday, January 25 Weather, clo. Ther. 32 degrees at 8:00. Went to bank & A. Shearer's store in the afternoon. Wrote many letters. Netta has tonsilitis, or quinsy, or mumps.

Friday, January 26 Weather, fair. Ther. 36 at 10:00, 50 at 11:00. I was at home as usual. I read much, and wrote letters. Netta is still quite sick and Lorin stays at home.

Sunday, January 28 Weather, cloudy. Ther., 35 degrees at 8:30. I Preached at 11:00 at Wesleyan Church (AMC) Ps. 126.3. Full house. Pastor Bastis protracting. Ivonette and Horace were with us most of the day. Rev. B.F. Farris called to see me. He talked with Orville about the Flying machine.

Monday, January 29 Weather, hazy. Ther. 34 degrees. I went to Cincinnati to F.H. & Semele Short's Golden Wedding. Saw their son Frank Bloom, Allen Reeder (aged 89), Miss Donahoo, a Mr. Reeder, Dr. Norton (aged 85), Lawyer Probasco, etc. Came home on 4:00 train, arr. at 6:00.

Tuesday, January 30 Weather, Fog. Ther., 57 degrees at 10:30. At home. Write out a sketch of the Reeder Family for Mrs. Mary A. Bellamy, of Knoxville, Iowa. Agnes Osborn visits us in the evening. Also Joseph G. Wilberforce and Miss Constance Henderson. *Amy French's granddaughter.

Wednesday, January 31 News of the death of Rev. Wm. Miller's wife, Lizzie. In the evening I am telephoned to assist in the funeral Friday.

Thursday, February 1 Ther. 33 degrees at 8:30. I received copies of Warren church and parsonage deeds, which shows a stolen church.

Friday, February 2 Ther. 12 degrees at 7:00. Went via Springfield to Uniopolis. Mrs. Lizzie Miller's funeral at 2:00 at the Church (M.E.). Rev. John Freeman pr. Jno.

14.2. I spoke (in all for both) 30 minutes. Burial cemetery three miles away. I supped at Miller's, went in cab to Wapakoneta and reached Dayton, 8:35. Shearer, Wilson & Jesse McKenzie, Mullenhour & his relatives were there—at the funeral.

Saturday, February 3 Ther. 14 degrees at 7:00. I am at home. The day is a pretty one. Wilbur and Orville get a cable message from Arnold Fordyce, Paris, saying that the French Government would deposit 25,000 francs, as per contract, by February 5th.

Sunday, February 4 At 10:30, heard Rev. George Walton King, at Park Presbyterian Church, preach, Phil. 3:13,14. Met Rev. J.F. Colby on my return home, who asks about the boys's flying. I called at Lorin's in afternoon. His horse "Joe" died this morning. A little snow in the evening.

Monday, February 5 Weather, fair. Ther. 3 degrees at 7:00. Much snow had fallen in the night, and it melted little in the day. Katharine's school room was not properly heated; so she dismissed at 10:00. Wilbur & Orville got telegrams that \$4842.61 are deposited in Morgan's New York Bank by the French as forfeit money; or option money.

Tuesday, February 6 Weather, fair. Ther. at 7:00, 2 degrees below. Rev. B.G. Huber writes me of what I had known in the plan to hire Dr. H.J. Becker at Chambersburg! Still seeking whom he may devour! I am engaged as usual. The day is decided but not severe winter.

Wednesday, February 7 Weather, fair. Ther. 5 degrees at 7. At home engaged as usual. After midnight, I saw the eclipse of the moon.

Thursday, February 8 Weather, fair. Ther. 12 degrees. At home. Got word that Joseph G. Wilberforce was hurt and went to town to know. His finger was badly hurt. I did not see him. He had gone to the hospital, as I learned some weeks later.

Friday, February 9 Weather, fair. Ther. 12 degrees at 7:30. I visited the tri-conference of Congregationalists, United Brethren (Liberal), and Methodist Protestants

in the forenoon. Answered Rev. C.A. Mummart's request for advice on Chambersburg matters. Prof. Woerthner and wife visited us in the evening.

Saturday, February 10 Weather, fair. Ther. 20 degrees at 8:00. It was a nice day. I was reading and writing. Agnes Osborn visited us at supper. Paul Lawrence Dunbar died yesterday.

Sunday, February 11 I heard Rev. D. Frank Garland preach at 10:30, Acts 11.19–21, a good sermon on Work for Laymen. Leontine and Horace visited us to-day.

Monday, February 12 It was a warm day. Paul Lawrence Dunbar was buried to-day. The funeral was at Eaker Street M.E. (colored) Church. He was Orville's classmate in High School. (This record skipped a leaf!) Ther. 13 degrees, 7. At home. Wrote many letters. [Entry was placed on the wrong page]

Saturday, February 17 Weather, cloudy. Ther. 21 degrees at 7:00. Snow in the evening. I got a letter from Clay at 2:00 enclosing proof on an editorial. I telegraphed him to omit it. Wrote several letters. W.J. Hammer of New York, came in the evening to see the boys.

Sunday, February 18 Spent the day mostly in reading and studying the Scriptures. Lorin's children, except Milton, were with us. Mr. Hammer called again.

Monday, February 19 Ther. 28 degrees at 7:30. Telephone message of Mrs. Lee's death, New Point, Ind. It turns out a warm, sunny day, 56 degrees at 3:30.

Tuesday, February 20 Went on 12:10 (12:40) tr. via Cincinnati to Newpoint, Ind. Ivan Wilkison came and took me to his Mother's where I found Rev. C.R. Paddock & (her sister) wife. I supped and lodged there.

Wednesday, February 21 At 11:00, at Memorial Presbyterian Church, I preach, Rev. 21,4, Mrs. Lee's funeral. Rev. Mr. Taylor assisted. I saw Miss Cooms and the wives of David Morgan and Geo. Umphrey. I go from New Point to Rugby, where I attend prayer meeting. I lodge at W.C. Galbraith's.

Thursday, February 22 I went on 7:35 tr. to Greensburg

& called an hour on Uncle John Braden's and left on 10:25 tr. for Rushville, and thence on 12:00 traction to to [repeated in text] Gwynneville. Did not find any at home at B.F. Nugent's; so I walked to Wm. Myer's where I sup & lodge. Myrtle Kiser & Wilcoxon there.

Friday, February 23 I called an hour at Earnest Wagoner's, and went on traction to Rushville. Rode out to Harvey Wright's with Joey McBride. Dine, sup & lodge there. Drusilla was there, and Effie and Cora called at the gate. Harvey's cancer is very painful.

Saturday, February 24 Mr. Laser took me to Sexton to 6:20 tr., which I just reach, and I go on to Dunrieth and take the 8:41 tr. home arriving at 11:00. Alma & Lois Fry were on the train to Mays, and they move to Muncie, Monday. Thunder & rain, eve.

Sunday, February 25 Weather, fair. Ther., 45 degrees at 10:00. I heard Rev H.C. Jameson pr. a very able and eloquent sermon at 10:30, Job. 19:23-27, at Grace M.E. Church. Monsieur Fornier, an attache of the French embassy at Washington, came and dined with us. Left on 10:00 train. Gen. Thomas J. Wood, died in this city, early this morn.

Tuesday, February 27 Weather, fair. Ther., mild. At home as usual. Received a letter of inquiry concerning genealogy from Mrs. Mary Alice Bellamy, of Knoxville, Iowa, she being a grand daughter of Amey French, the daughter of Elizabeth (Reeder) Tingle.

Wednesday, February 28 Weather, fair, Ther. mild. Joseph G. Wilberforce called more than an hour in the forenoon. He broke his finger a few weeks ago. It is nearly well.

Sunday, March 4 I remained at home to day. Lorin's Milton and Horace were with us, and they lodged with us the first time in their lives.

Monday, March 5 Horace staid mostly in my room all forenoon. I wrote many letters, day and evening.

Tuesday, March 6 To-day, I see the statement in the Tri-weekly New York *Tribune*, that in the last quarter of a century, 10,000,000 acres of desert land in the United

States, have been made productive by irrigation. For twenty years, and much more, I have believed and said that the arid land this side of the Rocky Mountians would be reclaimed!

Wednesday, March 7 Wrote out a sketch (8 large pages) of the Reader family; for Mrs. Mary Alice Bellamy, Knoxville, Iowa. She is the granddaughter of Amey (Tingle) French, and daughter of Jededia Tingle French. Mrs. French was my Mother's second cousin, Daughter of Elizabeth Reeder. Called at Lorin's.

Thursday, March 8 Finished and sent off the memorial sketch.

Friday, March 9 I went on 9:00 tr to Indianapolis. I called at 402 S. Meridian Street to see Fay and Harvey Wright, grand-nephews. Spent afternoon at Austin Winchell's, and had supper there. Laura W's father Chas. Harris (feeble) was there whom I had not seen for years. I go to Mohawk. Lodge at Dr. O.A. Collins.

Saturday, March 10 I dined at Dr. Collins. I pr. at 1:30, Ps. 16.11. Strange farce of Quarterly conference! T.B. Leary, James and Amos Deshond and their father! I sup at Clarence Brooks. I pr. at 7:30, Eccl. 12.11. I lodged at Amos Deshond's. Before supper, I called at Susan Nickum's to see Mrs. John Jackson.

Sunday, March 11 I called at Mrs. Wm. McConnell's. I preach at 11:00, Ex. 20.11. Dine at Mrs. Wm. McConnell's, John Kuhn's and wife there, also Mrs. John H. Cushman & boy. I go with Cushman's to their home 2 1/2 ms South-east of Fortville. Much snowfall. Sup & lodge there.

Monday, March 12 I ate early dinner, and she took me to Fortville. I went on 11:35 tr to Fairmount. Saw Oliver Buller in the bank & R.W. White at hardware store. I supped and lodged at Ellis Wright's.

Tuesday, March 13 I wrote letters & saw Joe Paril who paid me \$35.00 on his ware-room on my lot, and Ellis Wright paid me \$78.85 rent collected by him. I dine at Ellis Wright's and go on R'y via Anderson home. Mr. Grimes called; he is a writer. Wrote up flying by boys.

Wednesday, March 14 I was at home all day, and wrote Louis R. Noble, Mattoon, Ill. about the Reeder family. Lorin and Netta called an hour in the evening, with Horace, who wants his uncles to now make him a big flying machine so it will be ready when he is big!

Saturday, March 17 Ther. 14 degrees at 7:00. This St. Patrick's Day. He was not a papist, but one of the greatest of missionaries, and the Irish Church was for centuries one of the best in Europe. It is the 106th anniversary of my Mother's birth, and the 45th of my son Reuchlin's. I wrote him, and sent him five dollars, as a present.

Sunday, March 18 Ther. not cold. It is a snowy day, followed by a snowy night. I remained at home all day. A letter came from Reuchlin and one to Horace, enclosed. Horace thought that "Grandpapa made it," but Milton told him that Uncle wrote it.

Tuesday, March 20 Fair day; snow melted some. Commander Henri Bonel, Capt. Fournier, Arnold Fordyce, and Attorney Walter V.R. Berry came to negotiate some changes in the Flyer contract.

Wednesday, March 21 Ther. at 6:00, 26 degrees. Fair day and much melting of the snow. The French Commission came again, and terms were agreed upon. I was present.

Thursday, March 22 I was at home. Read over my Diaries of 1857, I wrote but little.

Friday, March 23 I read over my Diaries of 1859 and diaries of parts of 1869 and 1871. The three Frenchmen again visited Wilbur and Orville.

Saturday, March 24 To-day, I largely spent in classifying and fastening together my accumulated documents on our genealogy. Perhaps few have succeeded better in tracing ancestors in so many branches as fully and as far back as I have. Fordyce, Bonel and Berry supped with us & spent the evening.

Sunday, March 25 Heard Dr. Whidden pr at 10:40 on Young Men. Wrote an article on Spurious Christianity. The weather is thawing.

Monday, March 26 Went to Main Street and bought a few small articles. In the afternoon, I rewrote an article for the Conservator. Mrs. Stevens and Neice and Miss Wuicher visited Katharine. I attended Mrs. Stuckey's funeral at the Mitchell house on Third Street.

Tuesday, March 27 Letter from David H. Reeder, La Porte, Ind. I go to A.H. Reeder's, in 707 Superior Ave., to get Allen L. Reeder's address, which is Riverside, Cincinnati, Station G. Wrote to Allen, letter and Sketch of the Reeder family to the Children of Joseph III.

Thursday, March 29 At Home. This is Allen Lake Reeder's eighty-ninth birth-day.

Friday, March 30 I was at Boy's office when Arnold Fordyce came. In the afternoon at 2:30, Beri Bonell, Capt. Regnier, A. Fordyce and Walter V.R. Berry came. Negotiations closed. Bonnell will cable the war minister to see if he will yield certain points. Agreement doubtful.

Saturday, March 31 Was at home. Mr. Chas. Parkhurst and Agnes Osborn ate supper with us.

Monday, April 2 Mr. O. Chanute, Chi., came. His visit with the four Frenchmen in Wright brothers' office. He, W.W. Berry and Arnold Fordyce, sup with us. To-day John Alexander Dowie is deposed as a leader in Zion and W.G. Voliva succeeds him. His leaders, & even his wife Jane Dowie, repudiate him. Selah.

Tuesday, April 3 Wrote a long letter to Bishop F.L. Hoskins. Called on Sophia Simpson.

Wednesday, April 4 At home all day. Attended Joseph G. Wilberforce's & Constance M. Henderson's wedding at George Nook's, 217 Pontiac Ave., at 8:30, eve. Rev. O.B. Heavlow, Covington, Ky., officiated, of C.M.E. Church.

Thursday, April 5 I went on 5:30 A.M. tr to Lima and Huntington. Lunched at a restaurant. Mis. Ex. Com. met at 2:00. Joe Wilberforce forgiven. Determined not to send Stoltz back to Africa this year. Supper at H.C. Foote's and I lodge there.

Friday, April 6 I settle with Foote on Establishment legal expenses loaned by me from the Shisler fund. Ex. Com. met at 9:00. Determined to send Joseph G. Wilberforce and Constance to Africa in June. I went on 11:23 car to Fairmount. Sup & lodge at Ellis Wright's. Called an hour at O. Buller's.

Saturday, April 7 Finished up business in Fairmount. Dined at Ellis's. Went to Fowlerton. Supper at R.W. White's. Walked to Wm. H.H. Reeder's. Lodged there.

Sunday, April 8 Rainy day. Oliver and Flora dined with us at Reeder's. I lodged at Reeder's.

Monday, April 9 William takes me to the 7:17 train, and via Richmond, I reach Dayton at 11:00. It was a pretty day. Mt. Vesuvius is still in a rage.

Tuesday, April 10 At home all day. Spent the time reading and writing. Alex. Dowie is in Chicago at a hotel.

Wednesday, April 11 At home. Nothing of note in my affairs. It is a delightful day. J.A. Dowey quiet.

Thursday, April 12 At home all day. It is a fine, warm day. Dowie talks of legal measures to regain Zion property. Joseph G. Wilberforce called at 1:00, and Rev. Wm. B. Stoddard at 2:30. He is of Washington, D.C.

Saturday, April 14 At home. Mrs. Katie Smith quit working for us. She has been an unusually nice woman in her ways, though not a very good house-keeper.

Sunday, April 15 I did not attend any of the Easter shows in the churches, which are becoming exclusive and intense.

Monday, April 16 At home. Wrote up and sent to Ruby Oliver a synopsis of the the [repeated in text] ancestry she is interested in.

Wednesday, April 18 At 2:00, Ther., 78 degrees. News comes of an earthquake at San Francisco, to day. Many lives lost and much property destroyed. Martial law is proclaimed. I forgot W.B. Stoddard's address at the German Lutheran Church.

Friday, April 20 At home. Mr. Partick Y. Alexander, an Englishman of wealth, sups with us. News from H.C. Foote of Judge Plummer's decision against us, at Wabash.

Saturday, April 21 I wrote letters to my nieces, Ela Rees, Lincoln, Kansas, and Stella Petree, Oregon Missiori and Kate Van Fleet, Alamosa, Colorado. The weather is warm.

Sunday, April 22 Called at Lorin's, and Ivonette and Horace came home with me. Heard the pastor, (E.G. Coffin) of Broadway Christian Church, preach Rev. 3.4. He is good in thought, language and delivery.

Monday, April 23 At home. Transcribed Gr. mother Reeder's accasional diary of 1852 to 1858.

Tuesday, April 24 At home. Wright Brothers received cablegram from Arnold Fordyce, Paris. Negotiation reconsidered. He is hopeful.

Wednesday, April 25 Got the Conservator containing Clay's note on the Bealor suit. Wrote him what I thought of its admissions.

Friday, April 27 Started at 10:50 for Fairmount via Richmond and Anderson. Arrived about 2:00. Looked after business. I supped and lodged at Ellis Wright's. Called at Hollingsworth's in the evening.

Saturday, April 28 Looked after business and then went on 9:17 tr. to Fowlerton. Dined at R.W. White's. Qr. Conference at 2:00. I pr Rev. 2:11. We measured cleared land 10 5/7, and I paid Andrew White \$40.00 more for clearing = \$75.00 in all. Supper at White's. J. Howe pr. at 8:00. We lodge at White's.

Sunday, April 29 I preach at Hopewell at 10:30, 1 Cor. 1:23,24, communion. Dine at Lewis Hayden's with J. Howe. J. How[e] pr. at 8:00—35 present; Malone's too. Lodge at R.W. White's.

Monday, April 30 I go on 7:17 tr via Richmond home. Arrive at 11:00. Bishop Matthews on train & Rev. W.F. Parker. Parker is Liberal pastor at Frankfort. He weighs very heavy. Matthews lives in Chicago. Grant Mendenhall was on the train from Economy to Richmond.

Wednesday, May 2 At home. Nothing unusual, except K's card from Mr. Meachem saying physicians give no encouragement for Margaret's recovery. Margaret was Katharine's room-mate four years in Oberlin.

Thursday, May 3 I wrote to C.W. Linker in Africa. A telegram to Katharine says that Margaret (Goodwin) Meachem died in Chicago, this morning. She was four years Katharine's room-mate at Oberlin College. Katharine started to Chicago at 9:30, eve.

Friday, May 4 At home. I wrote Bishop Barkley a long letter. I ordered my mail to be delivered at 1127 West Third Street.

Saturday, May 5 I wrote a program with notes for Bishops' Annual Meeting, for Bishop Barkley, in the forenoon. I went on 2:45 tr. to Glenwood & telephoned N.F. Bowen's to come for me and started on. Ed. Winchell & wife overtook me and brought me to Orange (formerly Fayetteville). Ralph took me to Bowen's where I lodged. It was first Danville.

Sunday, May 6 Went to Lucinda Moor's, and I dine and sup there. Heard A. Moody Shaw preach at 3:00 at Sains Creek Church. I lodged at Charles Stevens'. (Lucinda Moor's first husband was my brother William, who died in 1868. Boen and Stevens are her sonsinlaw. Lucinda's youngest daughter Bertha Long lives with her.)

Monday, May 7 I remained at Flora Stevens' till 2:00, and then went to Mrs. Bertha Long's. However I called in the forenoon at Colvin Stevens' an hour. Mr. Clifton Long has been in the epileptic assylum at Indianapolis about a year. Chas. Stevens' at 4:00 took me to Glenwood, and I went to Rushville and Charles I. Gray took me to my brother Harvey's.

Tuesday, May 8 I dined at my nephew's (Thomas Wright's) a half mile north. In the afternoon, Elder Tharp of Liberty and a Mr. Newhouse called at Harvey. I lodge at Harvey's, who has a very bad rose cancer across his left ear.

Wednesday, May 9 Charles Gray took me to 8:41 tr. at Dunrieth, and I get home at 11:00. Found several letters.

Thursday, May 10 I was at home. Wrote some letters. Went with Lorin's children to Ringling's parade in the forenoon. The Lower House of the Russian Parliament was opened to-day. Hail to the dawn of the liberty of "all the Russians," Autocracy will henceforth be ever decreasing till its sepulchral days.

Sunday, May 13 At Grace M.E. Church, I heard Bishop J.W. Hamilton of San Francisco, on Judges 3:20, "A message." It was not a great sermon, but he is a masterful speaker. Lorin's girls and Horace dined with us. I read the first Book of Maccabees through.

Monday, May 14 Wrote Bishop C.L. Wood on White River's time of conference.

Tuesday, May 15 At home. Ordered a coat and vest, of Perry Meredith.

Friday, May 18 Spent two hours in the Public Library in the forenoon. Put on a new type ribbon, and soon after broke the wire governing the letter t. I got letters from J. Howe and Clay telling of the suit entered at Marion about Fowlerston Church, by Seceders.

Saturday, May 19 At home. Got my typewriter repaired. Miss Jennie Steele of Oberlin called on Katharine in the evening.

Sunday, May 20 I heard Dr. A.H. Strong, Pres. of Rochester Theo. Seminary, N.Y. at 11:00, Matt. 17:20, "If faith as a grain of mustard seed" etc.; at First Pres. Church.

Wednesday, May 23 Started at 9:00, via Richmond to Fowlerston. Saw J.M. Manning, J.T. Vardaman & wife and Atkinson on the cars. Lunch at Restaurant in Fowlerston. Went to R.W. White's and Lewis Hayden's. Go to Fairmount. Sup & lodge at Ellis Wright's. O. Buller called at 7:30.

Thursday, May 24 Oliver Buller and I go on 8:00 car to Marion. Called at St. John & Charles' office. They are at Peru. We go back to Fairmount. Dine at Ellis's. Saw Buller, Parker etc. Bought Joseph Paril's warehouse for \$200, he to have 16 2/3 months rent (use) for half that amount. Sup at Ellis's. Went to R.W. White's at farm.

Friday, May 25 I went on 7:17 tr. via Richmond, home. Arr. at 11:00. Wrote several letters and cards to mail at 3:00. Mr. Caldwell, of Toledo, called to see if Bishop Barkley was here.

Thursday, May 31 Went on 8:00 car with Oliver Buller to Marrion. Saw Attorney's St. John & Charles an hour. I went on 12:28 tr. to Knightstown. Went thence to Jabez Rhoads. Sup. He takes me to Harvey W's.

Friday, June 1 Afternoon, Thomas Wright takes me to Rushville and I go on to Milroy and thence with James F. Harris to his House. Sup and lodge there. They have spent the winter in Florida. Her father, Dr. Johnson, died in Clarksburg this spring.

Saturday, June 2 Started to Lefforge's, and Otis L. Miller met me, and I went to his house, 1 1/2 miles east and dined. The Quarterly meeting at Mt. Zion had been recalled because the Lefforge families had been called to Illinois by their brother's funeral. I went to Milroy & home via Knightstown & Richmond.

Sunday, June 3 Heard Rev. Henry C. Jameson pr. at 10:30, Gal. 6:14. He was a great preacher at the Grace M.E. Church.

Wednesday, June 6 I go on 8:14 tr. via Arcanum, Shirley, Anderson and Wabash to Huntington. Sup at J. Howe's. Lodge at Dr. Morehouse's, where my home is for a week. Dr. Dillon lectured at 7:30 on Religious Errors.

Thursday, June 7 Missionary Annual meeting begins at 10:00 in College Chapel. I sup at Otto B. Bowman's. Bishop F.L. Hoskins preached an able missionary discourse at 7:30, Rev. 6:1.

Friday, June 8 Board meeting continued. I supped at Morehouse's & dined also. Oratory entertainment at College.

Saturday, June 9 Closed Missionary meeting before noon.

Sunday, June 10 Attended Sunday School at 9:30, Clay's class. Rev. S.L. Livingston preached a fine baccalaureat sermon at 10:30. I dine at Otto B. Bowman's & sup

there. I pr. annual sermon before the Board of Education at 7:30, Micah 6:8, "Do justly, love mercy."

Monday, June 11 Dined at S.L. Livingston's. Educational Board opened at 2:00.

Tuesday, June 12 Publishing Board met at 9:00. I was not present. I called at Chrispopher Wilberforce's, and W.H. Clay's, & dined at S.L. Livingston.

Wednesday, June 13 Called at L.M. Davis', F.H. Cremean's and at Willis Casidy's. Graduating exercises at 10:00. Five graduates, Miss Miller, and Rothfus, among them. Alumni dinner at 12:30. W.H. Clay toastmaster. Went on 4:20 traction to Wabash & thence to Ellis Wright's, Fairmount.

Thursday, June 14 Went to Marion with O. Buller & R.W. White. Saw St. John & Charles. Went to Anderson on traction. Lunch. Go home on tr. arri. at 5:30. Had a long sleep at night. School Board advanced Katharine's wages from 120 to 140 dollars per month.

Friday, June 15 At home. Rearranged my book-case. Called at Lorin's in the evening.

Saturday, June 16 I went on 11:55 train to Miamisburg, and thence on traction to Germantown. Rev. William Miller pr. at 2:00. Quarterly conference followed. I sup at Jac. J. Fouts. W. Miller pr. at 8:00. We lodge at J. Wesley Fout's.

Sunday, June 17 At Sunday School at 9:00. Wm. Miller pr. at 10:30. I administer the sacrament. We dine at Rev. J. Cost's. Call over an hour at John Slifer's. I pr. at 7:30, John 1.4. I lodge at E.M. Scott's.

Monday, June 18 Start to Dayton on 7:15 traction. Wm. Miller goes to Wapakoneta on 9:50 train from Dayton. News came of the death of Gov. Patterson, who died at about 4:00 afternoon to-day.

Friday, June 22 Katharine started on a visit to Geneva, Ohio this forenoon. My brother Harvey Wright died about 3:00 this afternoon, and I received a telegram. His age was 85 years, 9 months and 13 days.

Saturday, June 23 I go on 9:00 tr to Knightstown and with Ed. Frazier to his house, and after dinner to Harvey Wright's, & returned to Frazier's and supped and lodged.

Sunday, June 24 Wrote a memorial paper. Went to Harvey's. Funeral at 2:00, at Center Church. Rev. Robert Thompson pr. at 2:30, 2d Tim. 4:7,8. I returned to Harvey's. Probably there were five or six hundred people at the funeral. (Some say 1,000).

Monday, June 25 I went on the 6:40 tr. to Mays, and home by 11:00.

Thursday, June 28 At home. It is a very warm day. Christopher Wilberforce called a half hour in the evening. It is a very warm day and night.

Friday, June 29 At home till 2:50; then go via Union City to Fortville, Ind., where Rev. T.E. Kinneman meets me and takes me to his house 4 miles away. Sup and lodge there. It was a very warm day and night.

Saturday, June 30 I went with Kinneman to James Selby's and to Mrs. Indiana Helms, where I dine. At 2:00, I comment on John 1.1-14, and we hold Quarterly conference. I go to Kinneman's where I sup & lodge.

Sunday, July 1 I preach at 10:30, after a testimony meeting, Rom. 6.22. I dine with Rev. John Jackson at Mrs. Lednum's, and go to Kenneman's. Sup and lodge there. I preach, again, at Plainview Church at 8:00, 2 Tim. 3.16.

Monday, July 2 Kinneman takes me to Fortville and I go on traction via Union City home to Dayton, arriving at 2:00. Katharine also returned in the afternoon from a visit to Silliman's and Mella King's at Geneva, Ohio.

Wednesday, July 4 It is seventeen years this forenoon since Susan died. I went this afternoon and spent an hour at her grave in Woodland Cemetery. Her's was a sweet spirit. Hers was a careful life, and one of implicit faith in God.

Thursday, July 5 At Home. Wrote a long letter to Rev. J. Howe. I called at Lorin's in the evening.

Friday, July 6 Called in the forenoon at Peter Louding's. Mrs. Lucy M. Louding, his wife, died early yester day morning.

Saturday, July 7 At 2:30 was at Lucy M. Louding's funeral at First U.B. (Liberal) Church, corner of Perry & Fourth. Rains about night fall. W.J. Shuey pr. the sermon.

Sunday, July 8 Heard D. Frank Garland, John 20.26, at 10:30. Lorin's three younger children came afternoon; and Lorin and Netta, a half hour.

Wednesday, July 11 This is Horace's fifth birthday anniversary, and I get him a "trombone", a firewagon and horses and 5 marbles. I called at Peter Louding's a few minutes in the evening.

Thursday, July 12 At home. Wrote a long letter to Reuchlin.

Friday, July 13 Went on 11:00 traction car to Richmond. Called at Caroline Zellers' a half-hour. Went on 2:10 Limited to Cambridge City. Wm. T. Lawson takes me to his house 1 1/2 m. n. of Dublin. I preached there at 4:00, Rom. 2:6, had a brief council followed by Quar. Conference. Sup and lodge at Lawson's.

Saturday, July 14 Went with Lawson's (who were marketing) to Cambridge City and went on 8:30 tr. to Laurel, and Jesse I. Leforge takes me in automobile to his home one-half mile west of Andersonville. Dinner. I preach at 3:00 & hold quarterly conference at Mt. Zion Ch. Sup & lodge at Phi. Lefforge's in Andersonv. Dr. Marshall & Sam. Barber and wife called in.

Sunday, July 15 I called at S. Barber's, Smith Scott's & Mrs. Prudence Moore's. The two last not in. I pr. at Mt. Zion, one m S. of Neff's corners, at 10:30, Ps. 84:11. Sacrament. Dine at Otis L. Miller's, 1 1/2 m. West. I pr. at 3:30, Lu. 16.9. N.F. Bowen & Chas. Stevens and wives present & I go with them. We called at Sally Ann Cook's. I sup at Charley Stevens' & lodge at Lucinda Moor's, near Orange.

Monday, July 16 Mrs. Bertha Long, takes me to Glenwood to 10:36 tr., but as train would not stop, I

took the 11:58 train home and arrived about 3:00. Slept and rested some.

Tuesday, July 17 At home. It is time of quite a panic over the glanders in the city.

Wednesday, July 18 At home. Wilbur is testing his re-modeled Flyer engine. Orville is completing his new flyer engine.

Thursday, July 19 At home. Katharine took Ivonette and Leontine to the Soldier's Home in the evening.

Friday, July 20 At Home. I did little except to read very much. Orville is beginning to try his new engine.

Saturday, July 21 At home. It was a dull day to me. Orville is still trying his engine.

Sunday, July 22 I heard at Williams' Street Baptist Church, E.R. Dow of Chicago, Ps. 62.11, "Power belageth unto God." He is a fluent, earnest, effective speaker. Netta and the children go to Delaware for a visit to Jessie Stokes, her sister in law.

Sunday, July 29 At Broadway Christian Church, I heard at 10:30, Rev. W.M. Dawson, who is a good speaker, from Yellow Springs, Phil. 4.13. I read in Kitto's History of the Bible, from the time of Malachi to the birth of Christ.

Monday, July 30 At home. Wrote to J. Howe, C.L. Wood, Lena Winkel & J. Jackson. Went to town. In the evening, the children take an automobile ride with Mr. S. Crane, Spencer Crane.

Tuesday, July 31 At home. In the evening, Netta and the Children return from Delaware. Joseph Wilberforce and Constance and Christopher called in the evening.

Saturday, August 4 Wrote Huber a statement about the Bealor Note decisions. Leontine took supper with us.

Sunday, August 5 Rev. Charles R. Watson pr. an able and eloquent sermon at First U.B. Liberal Church, at 10:30, Ps. 145.11. Lorin's children came, and Lorin and Netta in the evening.

Wednesday, August 8 Wrote out, for Fay Wright sketches of the Freeman and Porter families. Mr. Gleickey, an attache of the British Embassy at Washington called to see Wilbur and Orville.

Friday, August 10 Wrote to W.W. Knipple. I went in afternoon (2:25) via Lima to Huntington, Ind. Sup at W.H. Clay's. Lodge at Pres. T.H. Gragg's.

Saturday, August 11 I met the Mis. Executive Committee at 9:00. We remained in session till 1:00. I dine with Bishop Wood at a restaurant. Go out to S.A. Stemen's (2 m.) to Red Bridge, on traction line.

Sunday, August 12 We go to College Park, to testimony meeting. Rev. Wm. Miller, P.E., pr. at 10:30, Ps. 97.1 & Rom. 8.28. Preached excellently. I introduce the sacrament. I dine at S.L. Livingston's. Sup at J. Howe's. Call at O.B. Bowman's. Heard Bishop C.L. Wood pr. at 7:00, Hebr. 6.19. I lodged at Jacob Howe's.

Monday, August 13 I went on 6:00 tr. via Kingsland, to Montpelier, and walked six miles to Lorenzo W. Blount's. I dined, and got much information and assurance. Blount took me back & I go on via Hartford and Jonesboro to Fairmount. I lodged at Ellis Wright's.

Tuesday, August 14 I rode out five miles with Ellis. Next I saw C.T. Parker and settled with him. Dined at Ellis'. Settled with him. Went on 3:05 tr. to Fowlerston. Sup at R.W. White's, Mistake Sun. train. I go to O.A. Glass's.

Wednesday, August 15 I went on 7:17 tr., via Richmond, home arriving at 11:00, forenoon. I wrote letters.

Sunday, August 19 It is Orville and Katharine's birthday anniversary—he 35 and she 32 years old. I heard at 10:30, Rev. H.J. Jameson pr., Acts 11.26, What to be a Christian. He is the best preacher and pulpit orator, the M.E. Ch. ever had in Dayton. Horace supped with us and Leontine came after; and Lorin & Netta at dark.

Monday, August 20 I am at home. The boys are still adjusting and testing their new motors. Lou Lane came to work for Katharine.

Tuesday, August 21 Received telegram of Henry Walter's

death. Go on 2:50 train via Union City to Bolivar, Ind. Allisbaugh met me at Wabash and asked me to go no further! I went to Huntington and lodged at Huntington House.

Wednesday, August 22 Went to the Publishing House. Dined at Midway Restaurant. Walked to Park. Talked to Dillon. I supped at Livingston's. Lodged at J. Howe's.

Thursday, August 23 I went with Howe and others to Glenmore and to Greenbrier Church to Auglaize Conference, which opened at 9:00. I found home at D.N. Key's. I supped at George Alspaugh's, 1 m. S. He loves beer! J. Howe pr. at 8:00, quite well.

Friday, August 24 I dine at Middaugh's. He is blind. I sup at Hey's. Mis. Meeting at 7:30. I lodge at Hey's.

Saturday, August 25 I dine at Frank Dull's, a half mile west. Saw a Tussing, layman, brother of D.O.T. Memorial of Mahin & Lizzie Miller, at 2:30. Conf. adj. at 4:00. I sup at Key's. I pr. at 8:00, Rom. 2.6.

Sunday, August 26 Testimony meeting at 9:00. Bishop Olin G. Alwood pr. in the grove 1/2 m. west at 10:30, "Praise ye the Lord," Ps. 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 1st verse. Coll. 50.00. I dine at Key's. S.S. Anniversary at the Church (at 3:00) on Account of rain. I sup at Wesley Walters, 3/4 m. west. Bp. Alwood pr. at 8:00, Matt. 22.42, "What think." Lodge at Key's.

Monday, August 27 Key took me to Wm. Walters', 1 1/2 m. n.w. where I dine. Walters took me to Ohio City, where I lunch (sup) at a restaurant, and go on 8:46 tr. to Van Wert where I lodge at Hotel Marsh.

Tuesday, August 28 Breakfast (restaurant) and go on 6:10 tr. to Alvordton & thence 9:50 to Kunkle, Ohio. Find conf. home at Jacob Daso's, first house east of the church. Many come to conference. Rev. Carpenter pr. at 8:00, John 13.4,5, "Wash the disciples' feet."

Wednesday, August 29 Bishop Firman L. Hoskins opened conference at 9:00 with much eloquence. Dennis Sect'y. Letter from Katharine and enclosed letters from Kinneman. Wrote K. & Wood. Sup at Mr. Smith's with Hoskin's. Wm. Dillon pr. at 8:00, John 7:46, "Never

man spake," Good, but tame. I slept well.

Thursday, August 30 Got letter & enclosed letters from Katharine. Called at Smith's. Saw many and received kind words. Rev. C.L. Snyder pr. a good sermon at 11:00. I pr. at 8:00, Rom. 8:2, "Law of spir of Life," to 500 people. It was a "halleluia" time. I slept well.

Friday, August 31 Conference continued. Memorial services in the afternoon, for two sisters Dunlap and [text has a line, no name] J. Howe pr. well at 8:00, on Christianity.

Saturday, September 1 Conference continued and closed at 10:00 at night. Wm. Clark pr. at 8:00, Matt. 5.16, "Let lights shine." He is an exhorter and revivalist.

Sunday, September 2 I called at Smith's. I led in the opening prayer at 10:30. Bishop F.L. Hoskins pr. a very able and eloquent sermon at 10:30, James 4.14, "Life a vapor." Coll. \$76.00. S.S. Anniversary at 3:00. I spoke on "Duty of Parents to S. School." Wm. Dillon pr. at 8:00, moderate. Two seekers after much exhortation.

Monday, September 3 I go on 9:29 tr. to Mt. Peleer & thence to Ft. Wayne & via Richmond, home, arriving at 5:30. Expenses: 1.85 to Wabash, .35 to Huntington, .65 to Glenmore, .15 to Van Wert, .90 to Alvordton, .15 to Kunkle, .85 to Ft. Wayne, 1.40 to Richmond, .65 to home, 2.00 Hotel fare, 9.15 total. Collections 1.00, .50.

Thursday, September 6 At home. Wrote letters. Saw Baldwin's air-ship float out west. Wilbur went after it—got home at 10:30, at night.

Friday, September 7 Wrote several letters. Wilbur and Orville helped Baldwin bring his air-ship back to Fair Grounds. Emma Dennis and Mrs. Witt called in the afternoon.

Saturday, September 8 I spent most of the day looking up the use of seventh day in the Scriptures, and authorities on the use of sabbaton, taking texts in each case. In the evening, we had a time with Horace, who resented being sent up to our house. He said, "I want to go home!" I finally subdued him.

Sunday, September 9 I heard the farewell of Rev. H.C. Jameson at Grace M.E. Church, where he has been pastor four years. His text was 1 Cor. 15:58. Stability, Patience, Work, Success. He was able and eloquent. I called in the evening at Lorin's a half-hour.

Monday, September 10 Received a letter from Levi J. Freese, enclosing fifty dollars toward Pres. David Shuck's monument. Wrote letters to John M. Manning, Alpheus Huddleston, Wm. Lawson, G.W. Stewart, Wm. Myer, F.L. Hoskins & T.H. Gragg.

Tuesday, September 11 I wrote John Brooks, Wm. Oler, John Oler, Sylvester Wood, Wm. Smith and St. John & Charles. At 4:00, I attended the Republican State Convention, at Welfare Hall and heard Herrick and Foraker speak. A woman had a fight with the conductor on trolley car, as I came home.

Wednesday, September 12 Wrote Wm. Matthews, Cin. Was at the Republican Convention at Welfare Hall from 10:00 till 1:00. Saw Gov. Harris, Burton, Daughterty, Keifer, etc. Fight over Dick's chairmanship, over resolutions, etc. I did not care for the ratification meeting at night.

Thursday, September 13 At home. Called at Sines' to borrow the *Journal*. She was 75 years old, August 30th. Wrote to Marshall Hacker and Wm. A. Oler about Pres. Shuck's monument.

Friday, September 14 Wrote many postal cards. Learned, by Bishop Hoskins and Pres. Gragg's letters, of the defeat of the rebellious in Michigan conference session. In the afternoon about 3 o'clock, my neighbor, Thos. J. Sines was killed by the cars. He is past 74 years of age. Henry Wagner told me to-day that he was 79, last March. Mrs. Sines was 75, August 30.

Saturday, September 15 Went to U.B. Publishing Establishment and to D. Berger's, to see Autobiography of Lydia Sexton. Senseny found it in Historical Library, & gave me new edition of "Our Bishops." At 4:00, V.F. Brown conducted Mr. Sines' funeral & I read the Memorial.

Sunday, September 16 Called at Mrs. Sines, a half hour. Heard Maurice E. Wilson pr. at 11:00, Jer. 48:11, a fine

sermon. Leontine & Horace dine with us. Lorin & Netta called in the evening.

Monday, September 17 At home. Wrote letters in the forenoon. Wrote in the afternoon a sketch of Rev. Jeremiah Kenoyer & mailed it at the town post-office.

Tuesday, September 18 Wrote many letters, quite warm in the evening. Netta had a chill to-day. I called there in the evening. I slept eight or nine hours in the night.

Saturday, September 22 Wrote Pres. Elder's Report to conference.

Sunday, September 23 A little fire, morning, comfortable at noon without. Heard Dr. Whidden at 11:40, John 4:24, & Ps. 95:6, on Worship; as usual, a fine discourse.

Tuesday, September 25 Called at Lorin's. I found Netta's Bro. Horace's new "wife" was there. Netta talked straight to her—told her she did not want to see her, and could not harbor her. So the brazen woman left. I got harness man to mend my valise, 25 cents. I pack to start to conference and start at 7:40 via Richmond to Cambridge City. Lodge at Central Hotel.

Wednesday, September 26 Find no one at Alpheus Huddleston's. I go on the 8:30 train to Laurel. It is raining. Philander Lefforge takes me to his house in Andersonville, where I dine. I go on to Jesse Lefforge's, my conference home. Bishop Wood is there. It is rainy, and the evening meeting is recalled by telephone.

Thursday, September 27 The conference opened at 9:30. The bishop, Kinneman and Wright present, and some brethren & sisters. We dine at Philander's. J. Howe came in afternoon. I sup and lodge at Jesse I. Lefforge's. C.R. Paddack and wife came. T.E. Kinneman pr. at 7:00.

Friday, September 28 Conference continued. I dine and sup at Jesse's, and lodge there. Rev. J. Howe pr. at 7:00, Zech. 4:6, "Not by might," etc.

Saturday, September 29 Conference continued. T.E. Kinneman and John Freeman were elected Pres. Elders. We dined at Mr. Martin's, two miles northwest of the

church. Kinneman left at 3:00. Afternoon session. Supper at Philander's. Bishop C.L. Wood pr. ably at 7:30, Acts 2.8, "Endurment with Power," Lodge at Jesse Lefforge's.

Sunday, September 30 C.R. Paddock led lovefeast. Bishop Corydon L. Wood pr 1 John 3:1,2. Raise \$66.00 collection for the bishop. Wood and I dine at George Cos's, 1 m. south and ½ m. east. She Morgan Linville's daut. Goldie, 17, Stella, 15, Leslie, Floyd. Wood pr at 7:00, Acts 4:12, "No other Name." Sermon able and impressive. Next conference at Economy. Adjourn. Lodge at Jesse's.

Monday, October 1 Jesse takes us to Milroy. Go to Wabash & Huntington. Exec. Mis. Com. met at 4:00. Sup & lodge at W.H. Clay's. I call at A.A. Powell's, M. Weckler's and Prof. Loew's. Lodge at Clay's.

Tuesday, October 2 After breakfast, call at Pres. T.H. Gragg's, & S.L. Livingston's. I see Chas. Clay, L.M. Davis & M. Wechler, Ex. Com. meeting at J. Howe's at 8:30. I go on to Wabash and reach Fairmount, at 12:45. Dine and lodge at Ellis Wright's. Call 1/2 hour at Oliver Buller's. Saw Mr. Charles at Marion, 20 minutes in afternoon.

Wednesday, October 3 Go with O. Buller to Wesley Hayden's and thence to White's, O.A. Glass's. Dine at Wm. Reeder's. Go on 2:08 train to Richmond and thence to Dayton, arriving at 6:00. Found all well.

Thursday, October 4 Called about 3:00 at 311 Chicago Avenue, and talked a half hour with Bessie Ramey, C.E. Wilberforce's affianced, an intelligent, modest colored girl, 19 years old last May 7th. She is well accomplished. Dr. Stewart & wife and Harry Ford & wife came to supper, with us.

Friday, October 5 I called at 10:00 at 14 Simpson Street to see the Wilberforces, but only saw Joseph J. Wheeler and wife, in whose house they live. They spoke well of the boys and of their women. Christopher E. Wilberforce called in the evening.

Saturday, October 6 At home writing. Mr. Spencer Crane supped with us. Joseph Wilberforce called a half hour

in the evening. They think of starting to Africa, sailing the 20th, as missionaries. One day, the past week, Rev. P.A. Black, of Assotin, Wash. call[ed] an hour.

Sunday, October 7 I wrote to J. Howe. I heard Dr. Whidden preach at 10:40, 1 John 4.11, "God's Love to us." He is a very fine thinker.

Monday, October 8 Went to the public library, wrote several letters. Brothers got a Grapone.

Tuesday, October 9 At home writing all day. Called at 7:30 p.m. at 14 Simpson Street to see the Wilberforces. Remained only a few minutes. Saw only Joseph and Constance.

Wednesday, October 10 I received a letter from Rev. J. Howe, directing that the Wilberforces come on to Huntington, Monday, the 15th. I had Orville telephone this over to Constance Wilberforce's aunt Nola Nooks, 1939 Main St. Wrote a note to the Wilberforce's. Went on 2:30 tr. to Lima and thence by train to Elida.

Thursday, October 11 Lodge at John Freeman's last night. Urania Cochran (his sister) came at 7:30, last evening & John H. [unreadable] & wife in the night. To-day, his brother Arile, and sisters Sarah Reece, Mary Kierns, and families, came also Revs. Chas. & Thomas Weyer & wives, and M.R. Ridenour, Mrs. Ber. Breneman, Corbet Baker and many others, about 50 in all. Dinner in a tent. I spoke 56 minutes. I went home on 5:00 traction and 6:10 tr. Arri. at 9:00. Bell m. a dau. of Reece—a beauty.

Friday, October 12 At home writing. Wrote the Wilberforces. Wrote also a letter to D.F. Wilberforce in Africa.

Saturday, October 13 Christopher Wilberforce came and I lent him \$15.00 to pay bills etc. Wrote letters, a notice of the Freeman reunion, etc. Joseph Wilberforce came in the evening, and his brotherinlaw, Heavlow, perhaps 12. Lent Joe \$12.00, for purchases, mainly.

Sunday, October 14 Heard a discourse from Dr. M.B. Fuller, Pastor of Grace M.E. Church, at 10:30, Acts 13:22, "David son of Jesse to do all my will." Earnest,

fluent, and of fair ability. Milton called in the evening looking up the history of Homer. I called at Lorin's an hour.

Monday, October 15 Christopher E. Wilberforce and Bessie Ramey were married at 12:30, at the home of the bride's mother and grandparents, 311 Chi. Ave. Wedding dinner. They and Joseph and wife Constance start to Huntington on 2:25 Lima train. I look after their freight and bargain for Pres. David Shuck's monument. Paid freight.

Tuesday, October 16 I spend the day in paying off bills Joseph had stated to me; Mrs. Burkle, Homestead Ave.; Niswonger, Albany St., Rose Nooks, Dakota St., Excelsior Laundry, Main St., and T & J.J. Wheeler, 14 Simpson St.

Thursday, October 18 At home writing. Katharine went to Alice Hunter's in Dayton View. Agnes Osborn came home with her, and lodged. Col. (Rev.) J.W.P. McMullin died to-day at Lafayette, Ind., aged 80. I heard him at Depot Church, Indianapolis, 1855.

Sunday, October 21 Heard Maurice E. Wilson pr. Luke 12.6,7. 1. Simple illustration. 2. God notices each sparrow. 3. Cares much more for us. 4. Poetry. It expresses great truths. 5. Family: (1) Father seen in Christ illus. Seen Paris, has seen France. parents sacrifice year by year. (2) Liberty of children so far as obedience & order admit. We are defended both for own sake and sake of the km.

Tuesday, October 23 At home engaged as usual. I received a copy of Conservator and a letter from J. Howe. Mrs. Albert called on Katharine in the evening.

Wednesday, October 24 Everything as usual. Got a copy of R.A. Morrison's bluff to Trustees of Hartford circuit.

Friday, October 26 At home as usual. I got several letters and a card from J. Howe saying a telegram from Africa tells that Minnie (Mull) Linker is dead!

Sunday, October 28 Cool and a strong breeze. I heard Rev. D. Frank Garland pr. at the new Lutheran Church, corner of First and Wilkison (not near finished), 1 Tim.

4.16, "Take heed to thyself," a fine sermon. Miss Winifred Snyder and our Leontine supped with us.

Monday, October 29 Went to bank and store in forenoon. Order a coat and vest of Perry Meredith. Bought a variety of paper for writing.

Thursday, November 1 Spent the day in clearing out my old files of papers, tracts, letters, boxes, etc.

Friday, November 2 I continue my work of yesterday, and find the National Era of 1847, 1848, 1849, 1850, 1851, 1852. I did not know I had so many. Katharine had a party of teachers to dinner: Misses Myers, Walter and Mrs. Stevens.

Saturday, November 3 Went to Winters' Bank and collected seventeen dollars of W.A. Oler, on which there were bank charges of 15 cents and my expenses for, letters and street car fare were 25 cents more, all from Oler's hatefulness.

Sunday, November 4 Lorin, Ivonette & Horace called in the forenoon. In the evening at 7:30, I heard Rev. Asa McDaniel on Rev. 2:8, "Open door," at Williams Street "Christian" Church. He is animated, but sophomoric.

Monday, November 5 I spent almost the whole day in arranging in order my old periodicals, to pack them away.

Tuesday, November 6 Voted a full Republican ticket; I generally scratch some. This is my protest against Hearstism and Campbellism—Jas. Campbell. I went about 8:30, and watched the stereopticon announcements at the corner of Third and Main Sts., of the results of the election, which were favorable to the Republicans at home and in other states, generally.

Wednesday, November 7 In afternoon, as yesterday, I spent more than an hour arranging periodicals, etc. This is nice weather—fire scarcely needed. Eva Gray writes me that Cora Wilhelm is married to Fred. Bullen. She is a pretty girl. They were married Oct. 17th, and live near Lewisville, Indiana.

Thursday, November 8 Wrote some, read some, and spent an hour in arranging files of periodicals. The weather is

fine. This is the fourteenth anniversary of Milton's birthday. He was born in 1892, the day of Pres. Grover Cleveland's election.

Friday, November 9 I spent the forenoon in arranging periodicals. I went on 3:00 traction to Cambridge City, Ind., and lodged at Central Hotel, \$1.00 for lodging & breakfast.

Saturday, November 10 I went on 9:30 tr. to Laurel. J.I. Leforge met me and took me to his house, one-fourth mile W. from Andersonville, where I dine with Rev. T.E. Kinneman and A.A. Powell, and Sally Lewis. Kinneman pr. at 1:30, John 4.23. I sup at Philander Leforge's in Andersonville. I pr. at 7:30, Acts 11.26, "Christians." Lodged at Martin's, a mile W. Corners.

Sunday, November 11 Rev. T.E. Kinneman pr. at 10:30, Mt. Zion, near corner of my father's, first eighty of land, 1829. I administer the sacrament. I go home with my Nephew, Jas. F. Harris & Zena and remain till next day. They live on the old Reeder homestead. I called in the morning at Sally Ann Cook's. I boarded at her father's, John Cook's, when I taught school at Neff's Corners, in 1854-5. She is about 74.

Monday, November 12 James took me to Milroy, and I go on 10:59 train to Fairmount. I call at Ol. Buller's. I saw Chas. T. Parker and insured my farm house for \$1,000.00. I sup and lodge at Ellis Wright's. They purpose wintering in Melbourne, in Florida, on Indian River; James Harris & Zena also purpose wintering at St. Petersburg, where their son Orlo is.

Tuesday, November 13 I called at Buller's again, and we went to Marion and saw Attorney Wm. H. Charles. I paid my tax. We returned and I dined at Buller's, and went on 3:05 train to Fowlerton. I supped and lodged at R.W. White's. Called at John Leach's and rented him the new field.

Wednesday, November 14 I go on 7:17 tr. to Richmond & home, arriving at Dayton at 12:00, noon. Mr. A.I. Root supped with us, on his way to St. Louis. He is from Medina County, Ohio, the bee culture man, very friendly to our boys.

Thursday, November 15 I was at home, reading and writing. I was inclined to be drowsy, and slept considerably.

Saturday, November 17 This is the seventy-eighth anniversary of my birth. I was born in a log cabin in Rush County, Indiana about 100 rods north of the south line and about one mile and a half (add 10 rods) west of the east line of the county. In 1840 (March 1st) we removed ten miles north-east onto Sanes Creek, in Fayette County, three miles due south-east of Orange, once called Danville, later Fayetteville.

Sunday, November 18 Lorin called with Horace. I got ready too late to attend church.

Tuesday, November 20 I was at home. About this time one of the editor of the Scientific American called to see the Wright brothers.

Thursday, November 22 I was at home. The boys received a telegram that F.S. Lahm of Paris and Henry Weaver at Mansfield, Ohio would arrive at 6:00. They were an hour & 40 min. late. They supped with us. Lahm is an American 26 years in Paris, France, on business. He is also a balloonist. His son won the prize in a great balloon race. Weaver is Lahm's brotherinlaw.

Friday, November 23 Messrs. Lahm and Weaver spent most of the forenoon in Wright brothers' office and I was presnt most of the time. The boys dine with them. I dine alone. The New York Herald reporter also called again. Mr. Weaver & Lahm married women that were sisters to each other.

Sunday, November 25 I heard Dr. Howard P. Whidden preach, Deut. 8.2, & Phil. 3.13. It is a very beautiful mild day. Leontine & Horace dined with us, and were sweet as can be. Before the sermon Dr. Whidden gave a sermonette on "The Ten Links"—Ten Commandments, which he held to be still in force, as I do.

Monday, November 26 I was at home all day, and wrote many letters. It was five years ago this evenng, that the Publishing Board met and ordered Mrs. M.A. Bond's bequest note delivered to her. About what was said, several afterward swore falsely, either by wishes affecting their memory or otherwise.

Tuesday, November 27 I received a letter of inquiry from John M. Manning and answered it at considerable length.

Wednesday, November 28 Charles Shearer called in the forenoon at the brothers' office. He lives at Minneapolis, Minn. He is my cousin Harriet's son.

Thursday, November 29 Mr. Spencer Crane dined with us. I called an hour in the evening at Lorin's. This is a mild and very beautiful day for Thanksgiving.

Friday, November 30 This last day of November is very mild. There is much in the papers about the Wright brothers. They have fame, but not wealth, yet. Both these things aspired after by so many, are vain.

Saturday, December 1 The day is mild with very little rain in the morning. I was at home.

Sunday, December 2 I felt dull and staid at home all day. Lorin and Netta dined with us. Milton and Horace came after supper.

Wednesday, December 5 Patrick Alexander, of England, Dined and supped with us, and at 10:00 p.m. he and Wilbur and Orville started to New York. The weather is very mild.

Saturday, December 8 A little cooler. The *Enquirer*, the *News* and the *N.Y. Herald* give reports of the Wright Brothers being noticed at the aeronautical exhibit in New York, and dined last Evening at the Century Club by John Brisbane Walker, the *Herald* also noticing their engine on exhibition.

Sunday, December 9 A very mild day. Little rain. I heard Rev. John R. Mott at First Presbyterian Church on the Rapid advancement of belief and practice of faith in Christ and Christianity in America, Europe and Asia, especially among schools, colleges and universities. The *Enquirer* reports that the "brothers" went to Philadelphia Yester day afternoon. Ivonette and Leontine with us.

Tuesday, December 11 Slightly rainy. At home. Mrs. S. Crane called in the evening. He is the automobile man.

Wednesday, December 12 The Wright brothers arrived at home from Washington at 9:00 a.m. It is a damp day.

Friday, December 14 Cloudy in forenoon, and slight rain afternoon. Fire is scarcely needed. I did but little to-day.

Monday, December 17 There are fully two inches of snow. Winter! Orville started for New York at 3:15 to see Mr. Chas. Flint, a wealthy man, that telegraphed the "brothers" to come.

Wednesday, December 19 Orville returned from New York, his train several hours late, arri.g at 2:00. He reported a successful prospect of a deal with Charles Flint and Co.

Thursday, December 20 Things as usual. Messrs. Lahm & Weaver telegraphed that they were coming on the Erie evening train, which they however missed. Mrs. Carrie (Kaler) Gumbaugh ate supper with us.

Friday, December 21 Cloudy. There lies a 2 in. of snow. Ther. at 10:00 a.m., 34 degrees. F.S. Lahm, of Paris, France and Henry Weaver of Mansfield, Ohio visited the Wright brothers, and interviewed witnesses of their flights.

Sunday, December 23 At the Episcopal Church on First Street, 1st assistant rector Lewis pr. Gal. 5:1 on Liberty. Misconceived the text.

Tuesday, December 25 Christmas. Lorin's children called, and later Lorin and Netta. Mr. Spencer Crane supped with us. It was a pretty day.

Wednesday, December 26 Matters are as usual. At 6:00 p.m. Mr. (Flint Co.) Nolte of New York came. The Wright brothers see him at the Algonquin, this evening.

Thursday, December 27 To-day is a little icy and almost rainy. The brothers had an interview with Mr. Nolte in the forenoon. He waits a letter from his company.

Friday, December 28 Mr. Nolte received a letter, and the brothers spend the forenoon with him, and go again in the afternoon, after counseling between themselves.

Saturday, December 29 I was at home, only I paid my own and Candace Livingston's tax.

Sunday, December 30 I did not consider that health allowed me to go to Church. Wilbur & Orville rode on the train to Richmond with six aero club men, and called on Caroline Zeller and Prof. David Dennis's. Returned at 5:00. Lorin's three younger children were with us.

Monday, December 31 It was a mild day with no freezing at night, as it has been mostly or altogether since the 28th. Nothing of special interest occurs.

Soon after the presidential election of 1840, a poem was published in the Whig papers, one stanza of which ran thus: "When pumpkins shall now on top of a tall steeple, And pancakes shall fall like rain; When Brownson and Bancroft can humbug the people, Van Buren may come back to power again." The Bancroft referred to became the great historian George Bancroft; and O.A. Brownson was the distinguished philosopher and theologian—first a Presbyterian, then a Universalist, and last a Roman Catholic.

Jennie May Gott, daughter of James Williams and Martha A. Hott (m. Ramey) died at our home, 7 Hawthorne Street, Dayton, Ohio, July 14, 1873, aged 1 year, 10 mo. & 11 days.

William R. Rhinehart died May 9, 1861, aged 60 years, 6 mo. & 11 days. His gravestone in Miami Chapel Cemetery, at Dayton, Ohio, is a sandstone (or limestone) slab 4 feet, 4 inches high, 22 inches wide and 1 1/2 inches thick.

Harvey Wright had his first cancer in the year 1900, taken out in September. He has had seven altogether. The first was on the left side of his face between the eye and ear. The last was a rose cancer on his left ear, reaching before and behind, about the size of a man's hand. He died June 22, 1906, aged 85 years, 9 months and 13 days, and was buried in Centre Cemetery, June 24th. Robert Thompson preached the funeral in Center Church, 2 Tim. 4.7,8. Probably 800 or 1000 people were at the funeral. His height was 5 ft. 10 in., and his usual weight about 150 pounds. His complexion was meduim, his hair dark, his features regular.