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Wednesday, January 1 It is a pleasant, bright, still day. Orville took me in his automobile out on the Xenia pike nine miles and back. I received a letter from Ethel Saltus Ludington, wife of the publisher of the Ladies Home Journal. She a descendant of our Wright family. I answer it.

Thursday, January 2 I slept about seven hours last night but was sleepy to-day. I wrote a card to Hatty Kelly 500 [blank], Findlay, Ohio; to Helen Russel, and sent to Dr. W.H. Clay a request of Miss Shepherd for Ohio minutes.

Friday, January 3 This is a snowy day. Katharine went to Cincinnati, to see the Taft pictures. I wrote to W.H. Becker & wife to Shaskatoon, Schaskatchewan, in reply to theirs. Horace and "Pekah" came at night.

Saturday, January 4 Cloudy, slight snow, not much cold. I wrote some letters & cards. Orville fixed a sled for Horace and "Pekah," and took them out riding at night, behind his auto.

Sunday, January 5 Slight rain in the morning. There is snow on the ground and on the roofs of houses. Lieut. Arnold dined with us. He is an interesting man. Horace and Alfred Andrews (Pekah) visit us in the afternoon, and stay till bed-time. It rains off most of the snow, by morning.

Monday, January 6 It is a cloudy morning. The snow and ice are nearly all melted. I got a blue typewriter ribbon. I got a lot of typewriter paper.

Tuesday, January 7 I read considerably. Lieut. Henry Arnold dined with us. I sat up late. The weather is mild.

Thursday, January 9 Engaged in reading the discussion on Secret Societies in Gen. Conf. of 1869, at Lebanon, Pa. Lieut. Henry Arnold took supper with us.

Friday, January 10 A slightly rainy day. I did little. Wrote a little on Church History. Agnes, Miss Mayer and Mrs. Stevens are for a game with Katharine.

Saturday, January 11 Cloudy day, slight rain. I wrote to Flora Glass. In 1838 and 1839, Jeremiah Anderson taught our School. John Kemper and other boys made him treat to apples. They got them at my father's, who would not let them have them till Jeremiah came.

Sunday, January 12 There is a little frost, but it is dark and cloudy. It clears off in the afternoon, and is bright. Lieut. Henry Arnold comes to dinner. Horace & "Pekah" (Alfred) come after dinner.

Monday, January 13 I was at home. Jeremy Anderson boarded with us. He pretended a great admiration for Margaret Bloomfield, who was reported to be the heir to ten thousand dollars. This was probably in the year 1848. He and S.S. Wright had an appointment to meet Jane Bowser there, but went a day too early.

Tuesday, January 14 Lieut. Henry Arnold dined with us.

Wednesday, January 15 It is a somewhat rainy day. I wrote on the Law. I sent S.A. Stemen a check for \$10.00. I

wrote a card to Mabel Harris at Coin, Iowa, Chas. Jr.'s daughter. Home Rule Bill passed the House of Commons 368 to 258. Ireland victorious!

Thursday, January 16 received a letter from Mrs. Frances Longworthy Gibbs, my second cousin, at Dubuque, Iowa, daughter of Paulina, uncle Ralph's daughter, whom I saw when she was sixteen years old. She her daughter, is now seventy-one. Received a letter from Lizzie Brookbank, Braidenstown, Florida. Arnold dined with us.

Friday, January 17 Mrs. Frances Langworthy Gibbs picture came; she is a second cousin. Good-looking. In afternoon, I went to Woodland, and to town - bought type-writer paper, collars & neck-ties. Lieut. Arnold visited us at supper, and starts to Washington, this evening. Mrs. Gibbs is four feet ten inches, in height. Raymond Poncaire, elected President of France.

Saturday, January 18 No rain. Wrote a letter to Mrs. F.L. Gibbs, Dubuque, Iowa. Received a letter from S.A. Stemen, and card from Jas. F. Harris. Pres. Taft speaks in New York against the early independence of the Phillipines.

Sunday, January 19 I heard James B. Unthank at Summit Street, on text. He favored the evolutionary theory rather than the revolutionary, but admitted both. Horace and "Pekah" came. "Benna" came at supper. Rev. Phillipi called to see Orville.

Monday, January 20 The floods continue along the lower Ohio. Pres. Taft speaks against the early independence of the Phillipines. President Taft accepts a professorship in Yale Law School. I am at home.

Tuesday, January 21 Knete Nelson, Rep., is elected Senator, by Minnesota; Harry Lane, Dem., from Oregon; LaBaron B. Cott, Rep., from Rhode Island; F.M. Simmons, Dem., from N. Carolina. I am at home.

Wednesday, January 22 The Turkish Gov. decides to yield Andrinople to the Balkans. George W. Norris, Rep., from Nebraska; Thomas Sterling, Rep., from South Dakota, & W.S. Kenyon, from Iowa, are elected U.S. senators. I am at home.

Thursday, January 23 I am at home. The War party in Constantinople revolts, the cabinet resigns, and Namis Pasha, War minister, is assassinated. New York Senate passes a resolution to submit a woman's Suffrage Amendment to the Constitution to a vote. Woman Suffrage adop. in Montana. John H. Shields, Dem. elected in Tennessee.

Monday, January 27 Wrote to Reuchlin in answer to a letter from him. I wrote a number of cards about this time—one to Emma Dennis.

Tuesday, January 28 Milton calls to see us in the afternoon, while his class goes vacating. His health is not good. He is quite nervous.

Wednesday, January 29 Orville talks of going to Germany to attend the Patent trial there.

Thursday, January 30 Working on my comments on Matthew, which I found hid away on top of my desk, back by the door! Wrote a letter in answer to one received to-day from Mrs. Gibbs, Dubuque.

Friday, January 31 Work on my comments. Mr. Rosevelt visits us at Supper. He has been in Paris. His wife and daughter are there. Leila. It is pretty cold again tonight. It has been a warm month. Katharine brought some wild flowers, last evening, bloomed in Mrs. O. Needham's door yard.

Saturday, February 1 It is sunshiny, but the inch of snow, fallen last night, does not melt. I went at 2:30, to see the picutres of flower gardens, all over the world. Very nice. At Memorial Building.

Sunday, February 2 Cold morning. Bright and clear. Ground-hog Day. [blank]Campbell, the garden Sup. came for dinner. He is a very smart man. Ben. V. Cl. and "Peka" Andrews came with Horace, and they staid till eight o'cl. Yellow Stone has two sets of falls. It snows in the night.

Monday, February 3 Snows a little. Cloudy. I am sleepy. Income Amendment to the Constitution of U.S. becomes effective. Game: Mrs. Stevens, Beck, Mayer. Oscar Needham dined. Harlow E. Spring, Sec'y of Enter-

prise and Loan Association, commits suicide. The Allies close the armistice of two months.

Wednesday, February 5 Clear, cold weather. The Allies again bombard Andrinople. Katharine went to Agnes Beck's. I am writing on my type writer.

Thursday, February 6 Fair, clear cold day. I am making some type-written sketches of the Koerner Family. Joseph Boyd called. Looks better.

Saturday, February 8 I was at home. Weather moderates a little. Katharine gaded about all day. Gas was low. Rev. Clarence R. White borrowed \$115 to pay off a couple of notes.

Sunday, February 9 Slept much. Wrote a letter to Ella Rees, enclosing a sketch of her mother and father. Miss [blank] Mayer, Joe Boyd, Carrie Grumb. called. Horace, Alfred & Benj. visited Uncle Orville. Not so cold. Lorin & family called an hour.

Monday, February 10 Mild weather. Revolution reported in Mexico. At 2:00, Orville and Katharine are finishing up ready to start to Germany, and Lorin and Netta are here. At 2:30, Lorin goes with them to the Depot.

Tuesday, February 11 Trouble in Mexican Capital. I am writing some report of the Reeder lineage.

Wednesday, February 12 They are about to take Edward Ellis's wife to the insane assylum. Revolution in Mexico City. Diaz rises against Pres. Madero.

Thursday, February 13 I received a letter from Katharine at New York, Tuesday evening, who said they arrived an hour late and consequently had a dollar refunded on each of their fares. They would go aboard the Mauretania that night. Jury condemns John H. Patterson, at Cincin. Judge Holister.

Friday, February 14 Young Diaz seems to prevail in Mexico City. The British in London have a great meeting, on the death of Capt. Robert F. Scott and his company, in the antarctic region. He fixed the pole, a half-mile from where Amunden did.

Saturday, February 15 It is a bright, temperate day. There came a letter from Bishop Wood, one from Flora V.C., White, and the Dalles fr. Mrs. Randall. Copy of a paper given by my grandmother Reeder, Flora sent.

Sunday, February 16 Cloudy and dark in the morning. I remained at home. The girls have Company in the evening.

Monday, February 17 I visited Orville's new business house. Judge Holister sentences John H. Patterson and his men, to terms of imprisonment. Ivaquin Miller died to-day, in California.

Tuesday, February 18 It was a very beautiful day. Mr. Ainsworth and his wife, (Mrs. Corbett) called in the evening.

Wednesday, February 19 It is a bright, mild and sunshiny day. Mrs. Dillon and Sibyl Sanderson Fagan called. Sibyl is a whistler.

Thursday, February 20 It is a mild pleasant day. I received letters from Reuchlin, Helen and S.A. Stemen. Wrote to Reuchlin. Netta went to "Caddo's."

Friday, February 21 Sent Catharine Wiley, a letter stating the purport of grandmother Reeder's statements, and a copy of grandmother's register as given about 1850, and heading it with a statement of the first Van Cleve ancestors. It is a pleasant but rather dark day. The girls go to basket ball.

Saturday, February 22 I wrote of the Reeders on the type-writer. Wrote some in the day.

Sunday, February 23 I did not sleep fully, last night, but made it up to-day. Four of Aunt Caddoe's children came in the afternoon. I wrote a letter to Katharine in Berlin, Germany addressed to Orville, Berlin.

Monday, February 24 Lorin sold his property on Second St., to Norman Hash, at \$5000.00 to-day. It is a nice day. I slept well at night.

Tuesday, February 25 A pleasant day. I wrote to Bishop Wood. I slept well.

Wednesday, February 26 Slight snow melts off. Lorin washed off my head, with an egg, after dinner. I slept well.

Thursday, February 27 Picture in Journal of Wilbur and the honor paid him at the Plains of Avours.

Friday, February 28 I was at home all day. Lorin was figuring on the purchase of the Pfout's property in Dayton View. Milton came home from Oxford, Ohio to stay till Monday.

Saturday, March 1 At home all day. This morning, Lorin purchased property on Grand Avenue and Grafton Streets at auction for \$9100.00, it being the property of [blank] Pfouts, who died by his own hands.

Sunday, March 2 Went on 8:40 train to Knightstown, arrived 10:59. Lorin hired an Automobile to Delila Wright's. Found th. Drucilla Frances, Grace; Faye, Lula Bealor, Dan, and wives; Benner Clara & family; Kirkpatrick & Effie; Augusta, Alma & Esta & their families; Earl & wife; Ed. Frazier and Grace; Jabez Rhodes; Thomas & Florence & their daughter, Mrs. McDaniel, there, Rilla. Lorin and Ivonette and I stay at Delila's.

Monday, March 3 We went with Grace & Thomas to Effie's, who have fine house & dine. Thomas & Grace take us to traction at Knightstown. We go to Greenfield, where Charles Gray and Luther Newhous & their wives, come in to see us at Depot. Come to Dayton on 3:32 train arri. at 5:57.

Tuesday, March 4 I slept much last night and to-day. I wrote a letter to Paris, to Katharine. I received a letter from Reuchlin, and answered it. Woodrow Wilson is the president. Pres. Taft retired gracefully. Roosevelt's ambition helped to retire Taft.

Wednesday, March 5 A little snow, melting. Cloudy forenoon. Woodrow Wilson is president—the twenty-eighth president. Lottie Andrews and Ella Leitch called in the afternoon.

Saturday, March 8 I receive letter from Martha Wottering asking help to D.O. Tussing to lift a \$600.00 mortgage! Wrote her. Also wrote letters to Sallie E. Eudaly, of Grandfalls, Texas, and got one from S.L. Livingston.

Answered them. Oliver Gilbert is dead. Cold seems no better.

Sunday, March 9 I am a little better of my cold. Lottie Andrews called and [blank], who married a Moonie. Ben & "Peca" called for supper. Lorin, at 10:00 a.m., received a Cablegram from Orville at Paris, saying, "Sail to-day, George Washington." Harry and Clare Andrews called. Ivonette was with them.

Monday, March 10 Netta goes to help her washerwoman. I am better of my cold. Unsettled day.

Tuesday, March 11 Ivonette staid out of School and helped her mother clean the old house on Second Street.

Thursday, March 13 Aunt Caddo was with us at Night. The newspapers gave the French decision in Orville's favor.

Friday, March 14 The girls went to the basket-ball game, at the Lakeside Rink. It was a nice day.

Saturday, March 15 It was a very pretty day. A little windful and cooler toward evening. I went to see the new house in Oakwood. The brickwork of the first story is done, and the east end partly on second story. Ivonette was unwell.

Sunday, March 16 There was snow in the night, melting, as it fell, on the sidewalks. A thin skiff on the ground. Benjamin was with us to Supper.

Monday, March 17 I had an explosion of the Dining Room stove in starting it. I filed soot all over my head and neck. It is a very nice day. Lorin's move to Pfout's house in the afternoon. I wrote to Ellis Wright.

Tuesday, March 18 It is a beautiful day. I got a night message from Orville, New York, saying they arrived the evening of the 17th, stay a day, arrive Wedns. noon, at home.

Wednesday, March 19 A nice, bright morning, and nice all day. Orville & Katharine return home from Europe at 12:15. Lorin and Netta & Horace dine with us. Mr.

Crane after dinner took's Katharine and me out to see the new house in Oakwood.

Thursday, March 20 It is a very nice day, but somewhat windy. I walked by Lorin's old house in forenoon, and around his first Residence in the afternoon. Horace dined with us. The Misses Mayers and Mrs. Stevens come in for a game.

Saturday, March 22 Fair, cold morning. Ther. 26 degrees above. Fair day warms up. I go to Oakwood. The second story of the new house is two-thirds up.

Sunday, March 23 It rains this forenoon. Horace came in afternoon; and they go to look at the new House. He writes a letter.

Monday, March 24 I apprehended a flood. Felt the danger of it.

Tuesday, March 25 Alarm about the waters rising. Russell Hartzell comes with a canoe after Mrs. Wagner, and takes in me. We glide down Hawthorne and on Williams Street to William Hartzell's & they receive us most Christianly. The waters rise six or eight feet by 9:00, night, begin to subside at 11:00.

Wednesday, March 26 The waters fall about a half inch, an hour and till next night. We have a neighbor next north who came in (by bridge). From others we are cut off entirely. Our children advertize for me. There was a Washburn girl about three years old drowned. She lodged. Snyder waded & brought her in from bushes; Catharine.

Thursday, March 27 Mr. Siler passed, saw me, and reported to Orville, who came after me and Forest Stoltz. He got an automobile which took us to E.S. Lorentz, opposite the Seminary, Where I saw Katharine. I dined there. Frank Hale and Charles Grumbagh took me to Lorin's, Corner of Grand & Grafton Avenue.

Friday, March 28 At Lorin's there are Father and Mother Ainsworth, Harry Andrews & his family, Chas. Grumbagh, his sister and wife, a colored woman who took diphtheria & Milton Came by buggy from Oxford. There was much trouble about diphtheria, Clare

& three children. Dr. Spitler came. Andrews visited Dr.[?] Patterson.

Saturday, March 29 Father Ainsworth and Lorin's go out. Yesterday, I went to the bridge and up river; and to Wright lot & back. To-day I walked to bridge and to First Street & back. After dinner, Health Officer quarentined the house! Mrs. Stevens called. Clare went to the children at Earl Andrews, near Osborn.

Sunday, March 30 Many did not come back, after quarentine. Only Harry, Corbett, & Mr. Tho. Costello, remained, and they worked at Harry's house, all day. Katharine came. I wrote to Reuchlin. Curfew came before I mailed my letter. It is a bright day. Harry's mother married Orange Harrison, who retired from M.E. itinerancy. Is practicing law. Has a cancer.

Monday, March 31 I went to School-house and mailed letter to Reuchlin; and, later, to Ellis Wright and Flora Glass. I slept an hour, afternoon. Saw Katharine. Andrews worked at his house. It is a bright day, windy.

Tuesday, April 1 It is a bright day. Mrs. Stevens called. Says Orville and Katharine staid at their house last night. They have stayed there two nights at least. I mailed cards to Richard F. Braden.

Wednesday, April 2 I wrote cards to Mary H. Krout, Sina E. Ardery and so forth. Mr. Gabel brought me letters in the afternoon from A.N. King, Robert & from William Reeder. Perilla Mann, Bertha Glaze, Mary Jane Follis. It was a fine day.

Thursday, April 3 The morning was cloudy, temperature mild. I wrote to many of the relatives, and mailed the cards. It was a drizzly day.

Friday, April 4 I wrote to Reuchlin and to Flora Stevens. The day is cloudy.

Saturday, April 5 I walked home after dinner. Found Orville drying his bonds, as Lorin had done in forenoon. In the morning, quarentine was lifted. Mrs. Stevens was at our house an hour. Mailed some letters. Got several letters. It was a nice day.

Sunday, April 6 It is a bright day. I slept nine hours. I slept two hours in the forenoon. Orville and Katharine came while I was sleeping. They came again later on.

Monday, April 7 Gas pipes did not work, and so Orville did not come for me. Lorin's pipes worked for supper. Clifford Andrews, Harry's brother, who was flooded, called an hour. Harry and Corbett staid at Lorin's. I received several letters.

Tuesday, April 8 I walked to Broadway St., before breakfast. It is a bright day, a little cool. Ivonette is 17 years old to-day. The family go to Miami City. I aimed to go on Oakwood cars to 412 E. Sixth St., to see about Mrs. Stine, B.W. Mason's daughter, but found no car. M.F. Keiter died, a Liberal preacher, at Bremen, Ind.

Thursday, April 10 It rains just a little. I went on Oakwood Car to 412 Sixth Street, to learn that the widow Cline, Rev. B.W. Mason's daughter, had escaped the flood. Wrote five cards. Katharine came an hour. Orville called a few minutes.

Saturday, April 12 Cloudy day. I go to the bank- leave book. I look at late effects of fires. I walk to our house. Dine there. Gift to relief fund, D.L. Dull, \$5. Orville takes me to Lorin's. I got letters from M.H. Krout and others. A little rain in the night.

Tuesday, April 15 Some sunshine. I write to Ellis Wright. Milton came home about noon. Clare Andrews supper at somewhere else.

Wednesday, April 16 I go to New House at Oakwood. The brick-layers are at work. Get my bankbook. There \$366.18 to my credit. I go on Third Street car home. A[f]ter dinner, Orville brings me to Lorin's. I slept nine hours. It was a bright day.

Thursday, April 17 The day is bright. I wrote Archie Reeder. Sent the "The Reeder Family." Went afternoon home, via Green line to get my *Conservator*, and writing paper. Slept nine hours.

Friday, April 18 It is a bright day. I sent "After the Dayton Flood," to the *Conservator*. Orville came after me, and took me home to stay. Man beat our carpet.

Saturday, April 19 It is a bright, pleasant day. Slight cooler than yesterday. I wrote a letter to Earl Wright. Orville washes off his automobile. Lottie Jones and some country boys work for Katharine. Geo. Feight called in the evening.

Sunday, April 20 It is a bright day. A little cooler. I ate at 7:00, breakfast. After noon Horace came, and Orville and Katharine took him to the lot in Oakwood, where they gathered wild flowers. After Supper, Orville took Horace home.

Monday, April 21 It is a fine, bright day. I wrote on "Recollections of Politics." I went with Orville to the new house in Oakwood. The brick-work is about up to the third floor. A large attic space is intended below the roof. The auto-mobile worked badly. News: that Agnes (Osborn) Beck has a boy.

Tuesday, April 22 It is a hazy, sunshiny forenoon, I wrote a letter to Eliz. Brookbank. Warm at noon. Dining room papered. I look after papers saved from the flood.

Wednesday, April 23 Morning like Yesterday morning. Thermeter high. It is a nice day out of doors. Miss Winifred Ryder called. I wrote on my typewriter on "My Acquaintance with Politics."

Thursday, April 24 I write on my political acquaintance. Receive a letter and write one to Reuchlin. The children went out to the Oakwood house. The brickwork is nearly done. Mrs. Stevens called.

Friday, April 25 A pleasant day. Orville took me out to the new house and on the Centerville pike, And across to Springboro road. We found that gravel had been washed over the fields, and the bridge over the Miami was gone. Went home by Cincinnati Pike.

Saturday, April 26 It is a little rainy this morning. Paper hanger still continues. Received a letter from Lizzie (Williams) M. Leffler, Scio., Oregon and ansd it. Lottie works for us.

Sunday, April 27 Before noon, it was hazy or cloudy, and a few drops of rain fell. Orville and Kath. went out to the new house. They later went to Lorin's.

Monday, April 28 It rained last night, and a little this morning. David, Emma and Silas came. Lorin & family also. Netta & the children remained nearly all the afternoon. The Richmond folks start home about 2:30. Man lays carpet in front-room.

Tuesday, April 29 It is a very nice day. The paper-hanger finishes his work. Our house is pretty much fixed up again. Lorin called in the afternoon. Mrs. Wagner took supper with us .

Wednesday, April 30 It is a fair day. I spent considerable time examining the titles of new books in the South book case. Devillo Gebhart called as an old time acquaintance to sell a piano. I fell out of bed, to avoid cakes of ice flying through the air.

Thursday, May 1 It is a nice summer day. Mrs. Daughtery came to work for Katharine. Girls came for a game. Orville went down the river to try his hydroplane.

Friday, May 2 It is a fine summer day. Orville went down the river again. Came home at 2:30 for a lunch. Mrs. Dillon called. Mrs. Daugherty sent a note, excusing herself on account of sore feet.

It is a fine day. Orville went down the river again to try the aeroplane. He spent the day there. Charley Taylor's daughter brought a telegram, asking Charley to send a cylinder somewhere.

Sunday, May 4 It is a nice spring morning. I breakfast at 7:00. After dinner, I went out in auto with Orville to Lebanon Pike, and across west & by the Oakwood House. Then Orville & Kath. took a ride.

Monday, May 5 It is a warm spring day. Gov. Cox suspends Martial law. Orville & I run around the Soldiers' Home. Orville & Kath. take a trip.

Tuesday, May 6 Martial Law ceased, morn. A pleasant, though somewhat cloudy day. Katharine presided at the Young Woman's League. The wagons came and hauled away the mud in the gutters of our street. Katharine is elected president of the League.

Wednesday, May 7 It is a fine day. I wrote Albert A.

Koerner. I went with Orville in the Auto 7 miles on the Xenia Pike and back. I examined some of my old papers on the "Wright Family" and adapted them to our latest accounts.

Friday, May 9 It is somewhat cloudy in the forenoon. I received and answered Grace Frazier's letter. Lorin called, brought a Wistaria flower, Japanese. Kath. went at night to Mrs. Loos's to a party.

Saturday, May 10 Sunshiny morning, cooler. I wrote to Ray W. Stevens and to Harris Earls Petree. It is cooler in the evening.

Sunday, May 11 It is a sunshiny morning. We dismissed Journal carrier, and employed Eugene Heywood. Orv. & Kath. went after Horace. I slept in forenoon. Orville took Horace home after lunch in the evening.

Tuesday, May 13 May 13th, 1839, we had a killing frost in Rush Co., Ind. No apples that year. I spent some time in looking over old papers, relating to the Family. Rev. Unthanck and his wife called. Told of Nicklas telling of a preacher whom I listened to, who often talked about flying. Drawing on imagination!

Friday, May 16 It is somewhat cloudy but pleasant. I spent the day in looking over old letters, destroying some. We went to Lorin's for supper. Home at 8:30.

Saturday, May 17 I am to-day 84 years and six months old. I am at home. Mary [blank] comes to work for us. Relief applicants come. Mary had headache and did not continue many days.

Sunday, May 18 I remain at home. Orville and Kath. take an automobile ride in forenoon. Horace and his cousins Ben. & Peka come and Orville takes them out to his new house in Oakwood. A nice day.

Tuesday, May 20 The election was to-day. News in the evening very favorable to the Commission Plan. I voted for it and 14 of the citizen's ticket.

Wednesday, May 21 The papers report the commission Plan adopted by a great majority, and the Citizen's Ticket elected by about 10,000 plurality. It rained in the after-

noon and at night. The *Conservator* came giving us first news of Gen. Conf. W. Dillon reelected editor. Hoskins, Wood & Alwood Bish.

Thursday, May 22 I was working on old letters. I learn that Wood had 28 votes, Hoskins 35, Alwood was elected on 5th ballot. Dillon elected on 23 votes as editor. J. Howe was elected on 35 votes, as Sec. Mis. Soci. Clay got 12 votes for bishop, 14 for Pub. Agent. Oler 3 as bishop.

Friday, May 23 Wrote out, from J.M Johnson's notes, an article for the *Conservator*. I wrote to Rev. J. Howe. Otis Reeder died at his brother James at Waverly, Kansas.

Saturday, May 24 I sent two articles to *Conservator*; one "From J.M. Johnson", an other, the "Case of Andrew Ringer."

Sunday, May 25 Harace, Ben & Peka come in afternoon, and go out to Oakwood. At the Cash Register, there was an enthusiastic meeting over the Relief Fund. At about 8:50, at night, it was raised to \$2,000,000, and increased to over that.

Tuesday, May 27 Rained a little. The Dr. came at noon. I wrote letters to Cinthia Croddy, and to Cousin Gibbs, at Dubuque. Mrs. Masters and Mrs. Kline call for relief, from the Red Cross, of which Kath. is the Committeeman.

Wednesday, May 28 The day is partly sunshiny. Katharine goes to Richmond, to see Emma Dennis. I sleep part of the forenoon.

Friday, May 30 I took supper at Lorin's. Orville and Katharine and Ivonette go to Oakwood and take supper outdoor there.

Saturday, May 31 Katharine anoints my back and rubs it. Orville goes out to Oakwood and have an out-door supper there. Orv. & Kath. are away at supper.

Sunday, June 1 It is partly cloudy. Threatening storm at 11:00. I slept from eight to ten oclock. Horace Ben and Peka come afternoon and stay till after lunch. Katharine anoints my back.

Monday, June 2 It is a nice day. I slept in forenoon. An Oregon, Missouri, paper comes with pictures of Lou Estella, Leo Webb, and Harris Earls Petree in it. They graduated in 1911, 1912, & 1913, and all stood at the head of their class. I rode after supper with Orville up Wolf Creek, down Salem pike, home. Called at Wm. Hartzell's, in a walk.

Tuesday, June 3 I am at home, as usual. Kath. anoints my back daily with mustard ointment.

Thursday, June 5 I lamed my back by an unpropitious turn. George Feight called in the evening, and he and Orville took a ride in the auto. Kath. is away at dinner, and at supper at Miss Mayers. Orv. flew up stream to Broadway. He carried three passengers besides himself.

Friday, June 6 Orville & Kath. went down the river to see about the hydroplane. Kath was away much of the day. It is a warm night.

Sunday, June 8 It was a cool morning and nice forenoon. I slept an hour. Horace came home with Orv. & Kath. from Oakwood and ate dinner with us. Ben. & Peka came and went out with Orv. to Oakwood. Prof. Woerthner was to meet them and tell the names of trees. They have 35 kinds of trees.

Monday, June 9 It was a nice cool day. Katharine away nearly all day. I remain at home. Horace ate dinner with us.

Wednesday, June 11 Horace ate dinner with us. In the evening, I got a telegram from Bert Benner, saying Aunt Delila died. I telegraphed that I could not attend the funeral, on account of lumbago.

Thursday, June 12 Katharine went to see Agnes Beck, was gone till in the night, near Lebanon.

Friday, June 13 In the evening, Dr. Edward F. Divine and three Red Cross women came and ate supper with us. Miss Bojsen is quite a talker. Miss Rankin is a tall thoughtful woman.

Saturday, June 14 Orville spent the day with the Hydroplane on the river, where Dr. E.F. Divine and his

stenographer, Miss McHugh, and Miss Rankin and Miss Bojsen take a short ride with him. He also flies up to Main Street bridge and back, eight miles, round trip.

Sunday, June 15 I slept most of the day. Two women came inquiring for the old Wright house (Lorin's) and Norman Hash's. Orville is unwell to-day. It is the warmest day in the year, so far.

Monday, June 16 I got up at 6:30. Slept after breakfast. There was some thunder around in the forenoon. No rain. It is a very hot day. Dr. Spitler came to see Orville. Orville gets up my electric fan. Mrs. Rachael Wagner from Peru came. Orville took her out to Eleanor Stolt's.

Tuesday, June 17 It is a very warm day. Orville took me to Riverdale and to Lorin's. I sat up till after 10:00 at night.

Wednesday, June 18 It is a clear day. Breakfasted at 6:40. Slept a_ter breakfast. In the afternoon, I went to the Soldiers' Home. Came home at 6:00. Winnifred Ryder came to supper. It is a very warm day.

Thursday, June 19 Wrote to Reuchlin, and to Grace Frazer. It is a very hot day. Katharine and Mrs. Justina Stevens attended High School commencement at Steel's building.

Friday, June 20 This is the hottest day of all, so far. I answered Kitty Frazee's letter. Sioux City, Iowa, and Rev. John McBride's card from Kendallville, Ind.

Saturday, June 21 It was a very hot day. In the afternoon a little before night, there was a sprinkle of rain, and the air turned down to 78 degrees. I rode with Orville out to the end of the Greenline road beyond Oscar Needham's late residence. Lorin's came. It rained in the night.

Tuesday, June 24 In the evening, I wrote on the attributes of Infinity and the qualities of the Finite Attributes of the Infinite: 1. Eternity 2. All Wisdom, 3. Unchangeable self-existence, 4. Space. 5. All true Love, 7. All power & Justice, 9. Spirituality.

Wednesday, June 25 Orville went out with me ten miles toward Xenia. His tire gave out and it took a half-hour

to put on a new one. Dr. Divine and his secretary Miss McHugh were at our house on our return.

Thursday, June 26 Flowers brought by John Patterson's direction to a few houses on the opposite of Hawthorn St.

Friday, June 27 Resodded on Hawthorn Street on Saturday. Some fences are torn away Saturday.

Saturday, June 28 Letters from J.F. Harris and Sallie Eudaly, answered. Orville looses auto-light by failure of battery connection. It is probably the hottest day of the year.

Sunday, June 29 It was a very hot day. Horace came in the afternoon and staid till after supper. Orville was threat[en]ed with arrest by a cop for rapid driving.

Monday, June 30 It was a roasting hot day. Milton came in the evening and staid an hour. Orville ran the hose over my roof and adjusted the fan, so I slept comfortable. He came near running over a 9 year old girl who stopped in the way of his auto.

Friday, July 4 In the afternoon, Orville took me to his lot in Oakwood Where Lorin and his family, Ben and Peka & William Andrews and wife, Willie Jenkins, and Wm. Shank's daughter, were where we ate supper, and went to the top of Orville's new house, and saw the fireworks at the fair grounds till 9 o'clock. Ella Leitch brought some cake.

Saturday, July 5 In the afternoon (Eve.) I rode with Orville past Lorin's up Salem Ave. and across to the end of the Green Line Cars and down home. We had a thunder storm.

Sunday, July 6 It is a cool, pleasant, day. Orville and Katharine take a ride in the auto. I sleep much at home.

Monday, July 7 I slept considerably. After supper, I rode with Orville to Lorin's and back. Harmon's Agt. called to see Katharine about furnishing the house in Oakwood.

Tuesday, July 8 I awoke at 5:00, and hungered till 7:00. I went to bed till nine, after breakfast. Orville went to meet the Wright Co., in New York.

Wednesday, July 9 It was a very hot day till a thunderstorm in the evening. Misses Mayers and Miss J. Stevens dine with us. The thunderstorm fired several barnes over south, and was attended in some places with hail.

Thursday, July 10 Orville's thin suit came from the cleaner's. The day is cool and pleasant. So also the night. Mrs. Rachel Wagner called in the evening.

Friday, July 11 Orville came home at 8:00, morning. Horace had a birth-day party, (his cousins) at home. My head swam on account of my back.

Saturday, July 12 I am better of my head swimming. In the evening my thin suit came.

Sunday, July 13 I went with Orville, in forenoon, to Aviation Grounds, and circle east to near Harshmanville, on home. Orville and Katharine, with Horace, Ben, and Peka, go to Oakwood and the kids supper with them, at our house.

Monday, July 14 Miss Florence Evans comes, and she and Katharine, explore the Young Women's League as a Committee on Appt. of committees. Mrs. [blank] is doing Katharine's work.

Tuesday, July 15 Mrs. [blank] doing Katharine's work. The weather flies back to warm—hot!

Wednesday, July 16 "Lide Hoffman" came in the evening, to consult on what for her to do. It is a warm night. I mail a six-page letter to Sina E. Ardery giving the present genealogy of the Reeders in America. Wrote card to Reuchlin in Sayner, Wis., and one to J.F. Harris at Washington, D.C.

Thursday, July 17 Lena Boley comes to do our work, at 10:00. Orville takes me to his lot, and puts up hammock to red-bud bushes, where spend afternoon.

Friday, July 18 We go again to Orville's lot on the north hill, and spend Afternoon. Read late in Encyclopedia Britanica, 11 edition.

Saturday, July 19 Orville and Katharine go out and spend afternoon. I read again in Encyclopedia Britanica.

Sunday, July 20 I read in Lawrence's Encyclopedia. ["Encyclopedia" crossed out of text] Orville and Katharine visit Lorin's. She Mrs. Trofloupe writes as if for English aristocracy. The Established Church, and enemy of revivals.

Monday, July 21 I read Mrs. Trollope's accounts of her visit to America. Poor Stuff. She is however an engaging writer.

Tuesday, July 22 Called at Lorin's in the evening.

Thursday, July 24 It rained early in the morning. It is somewhat Cooler. At 10:00 Adam Howard of Sugar Grove, called upon me, and his nephew, called an hour. He knew of Keiter's being found a rogue.

Saturday, July 26 Isaac Swartzel and his wife Lizzie called to get their marriage certificate. I agreed to send one soon.

Sunday, July 27 Horace and "Peka" called afternoon, and Orville went with them to Oakwood. They lunched here. Miss Rankin and Boysen called in the evening. Red Cross visitors.

Monday, July 28 Kath. was called to town to see something about Young Woman's League business. Orville went for her but did not find her. She came home soon after.

Tuesday, July 29 We went to Orville's dooryard—supped there—and spent the evening on Orville's roof. It is 42 feet above the ground. He had a nice breeze there.

Wednesday, July 30 At 4 o'clock, we went to Orville's lot and ate supper on the roof of his house. Mr. Loeoning was with us. It was cool up there. We stayed till nearly 9:00. This is said to have been the hottest day of the very hot summer. In some places, it was 100 degrees, and others 106. Sent the Marriage Cert.

Thursday, July 31 This is a very warm forenoon, and also in the afternoon. We remain at home. Dr. E.F. Divine called in the evening to see Orville about some who said they knew him.

Saturday, August 2 I called at Lorin's in the evening.

Sunday, August 3 James F. Harris came about 2:00, from Washington City, on his way to Ola's, in Rush County, Ind.

Monday, August 4 James Harris went in the afternoon to visit Lorin's family. Mr. G.C. Loening and Katharine went to town to some evening show.

Tuesday, August 5 J.F. Harris, my sister Sarah's second son that lived, now 65 years old, went on the 8:00 train to Connersville, to visit his half-brother Albert Harris.

Friday, August 8 Orville and Katharine went, after supper, to Oakwood, and, next, to hear ex-Mayor [blank] and Dr. D. Frank Garland, speak on the new Charter. They regard Garland as a specially fine speaker. I go to Mrs. Wagoner's.

Saturday, August 9 Mr. Robbins, Harriet Silliman's husband, took dinner with us, and staid till 9:00 at night. A letter from J.F. Harris says he found all well at Connersville, at Ola's, and Aunt Lucy's.

Sunday, August 10 Horace and "Peka" came at 2:00 and staid till 5:00. Orville took me to Lorin's.

Tuesday, August 12 This is election day, on the adoption of the new city charter. I vote "Yes," at 8:00, morning.

Wednesday, August 13 The City Charter was adopted by more than two to one votes.

Saturday, August 16 In the evening, Orville takes me out to his house, which is mostly plastered, the columns set up, and the cornice on. We then went to Lorin's a few minutes on Grafton Avenue.

Sunday, August 17 Horace came to dine with us, and remained after lunch. Orville took him home and his cousin Peka, who had called in. The weather has been unusually warm for some weeks.

Friday, August 22 Agnes Beck dined supped and lodged with us. She and Katharine have been intimate friends since little girls together.

Saturday, August 23 Mrs. Agnes Beck took breakfast with

us. She reports her grandmother as quite well. She is 91 years old. I wrote to Auglaize Conference. Also wrote to the Reeder Family who meet the 27th at Oliver Glass's in Wabash County.

Sunday, August 24 Orville and Katharine and Benney and Peka go to the house at Oakwood. Mr. Loening dined with us.

Tuesday, August 26 Katharine dines at Rike's. Some girls come in afternoon.

Wednesday, August 27 August 27, 1853, we had quite a frost. To-day the Reeder Reunion meets at Flora M. Glass's house, near Lincolnville, Indiana. I wrote Reuchlin to-day. It is a very hot night. My electric fan wards off the heat. I hear the Margaret Collier and her brother are at Glass's, Reeder Day.

Friday, August 29 Katharine went to the N.C. Register Club, to assist in a picknick of 1300 boy-gardners. In the evening, she attended the Suffragette entertainment in Dayton View. Orville and I spent an evening hour at Lorin's. Cooler to-day, again.

Saturday, August 30 Wrote Helen Russel and Bertha Glaze. It is cool to-day.

Monday, September 1 Winifred Rider took supper with us. It was very hot in the afternoon. She returned from a trip to Cape Cod and mostly at Andover, where her father is a professor. They live at Cambridge.

Thursday, September 4 Mr. Hardesty, of N.C.R., a grandson of Solomon Vonneida, comes in an Automobile, with a photographer, and has him take pictures of Bigger's house and of ours including me, etc. I sat on the porch all forenoon; it was pleasant. Hardesty acts in behalf of Welfare department, N.C.R.

Friday, September 5 Orville went out to Simm's to again try a new aeroplane.

Saturday, September 6 Mrs. S. Stevens dined with us and stayed most of the afternoon.

Sunday, September 7 Mr. G.C. Leoning dined with us.

Horace and "Pekah" stay all afternoon & till after lunch. Orville takes them home.

Monday, September 8 St. Petersburg, Penellas County, Florida. Mabel Shepherd, whose feet were frozen in the flood, called this evening.

Tuesday, September 9 Mabel Shepherd called again and Katharine went with her. I wrote to Ellis Wright about renting my farm. I also wrote to Reuchlin.

Wednesday, September 10 Orville and Katharine went to Xenia, to see about Mabel's entering School. I went to Lorin's to supper. Orville came and took me home.

Thursday, September 11 Miss Hunt called in the evening, to talk over association matters.

Friday, September 12 There was sleight rain, and clouds, in the forenoon. I wrote to Ray Stevens.

Saturday, September 13 Katharine went in afternoon to Young Women's Association Picnic out in Oakwood, and took her supper with her.

Sunday, September 14 I slept most of the forenoon. Horace and his cousins came in the afternoon.

Wednesday, September 17 This is Leontine's fifteenth birth-day anniversary. Prof. [blank] Rider came to see Winnifred. It was rather a rainy day and evening.

Thursday, September 18 Prof. [blank] Rider of Andover called a few minutes with Winifred, at 9:15.

Friday, September 19 Katharine in the evening attended a reception at the Y.W. League.

Saturday, September 20 Mr. Brewer and Mr. Oglevie, from England, came before 10:00. Horace, Ben. & Alfred came and stayed till after supper. Mr. James Jacobs called an hour.

Sunday, September 21 Mr. Griffith and Alexander Oglevie dine and sup with us.

Monday, September 22 I received a letter from Ray

Stevens. All well. Mr. Brewer and Oglevie dine and sup with us.

Tuesday, September 23 Mr. Brewer and Oglevie dine and sup with us. They went out with Orville & Kath. to the flying ground.

Wednesday, September 24 Received a letter from Reuchlin. I wrote one to Emma Zeller Dennis. She is a fine letter writer.

Thursday, September 25 Messrs. Brewer and Oglevie dine and sup with us. Orville and they spend the afternoon at aviation grounds.

Friday, September 26 Orville and Katharine go out to the aviation grounds in the afternoon, Mr. Brewer and Oglevie with them, who dine and sup with us.

Saturday, September 27 Katharine goes down to Howard Beck's, with some town girls, near Lebanon and spends the day. Orville and his visitors, go out to aviation grounds, to try an automatic machine.

Sunday, September 28 The weather is warmer. Orville and Katharine go to the new house at Oak-Wood. Messrs. Brewer and Oglevie dine and sup with us.

Monday, September 29 Mr. Brewer and Oglevie dine and sup with us.

Tuesday, September 30 Katharine and Orville and their visitors went to the aviation grounds, to try the automa[t]ic machine, with which Orville is much encouraged. After supper, Mr. Brewer started to Washington, on his way home. Lena Bolen left. She was one of the best girls we ever had.

Wednesday, October 1 Mr. Oglevie dines and sups with us. Horace is with us to Supper. I receive a letter of inquiry from Mrs. Edith Moore, Laclede, Missouri. She Sq[u]ire Boone's descendant. I wrote her.

Thursday, October 2 Mr. Oglevie started to New York to-night. He dined and supped with us.

Saturday, October 4 Orville and Katharine go to avia-

tion field in the afternoon. They went to the Beckel House for supper with Mr. Lenning and his brother. I finish the article on Rev. John Fohl and forward it in the evening. Carrie got my supper for me.

Wednesday, October 8 Orville went to Cincinnati, to have a talk with Attor. Fish, his lawyer in the Curtis case, at 1:00. He came back at 8:00, Fish has a case tomorrow in the court at Cincinnati.

Saturday, October 11 Orville keeps the fire going in his new house. He spends the afternoon flying, or projecting with his automatic arrangement.

Saturday, October 18 Wrote a letter in answer to inquiries about how to trace the military record of her Ancestors, of Edith Baldwin Moore, giving my own experiences. She is at Laclede, Missouri. Those ancestors were the Masters. Mrs. Moore is a descen[d]ant of Squire Boone, who married Jane Van Cleve and went from the Yadkin to Kentucky with Daniel.

Sunday, October 19 The children make fire at the new house. Ben, Peka, & Horace come. They stay most of the afternoon.

Tuesday, October 21 Katharine went to Geneva, Ohio.

Wednesday, October 22 Sent ten dollars to Cinthia Croddy. Rev. William Miller (aged ninety) and wife and his brother Charles, called an hour to see me. He is one of the best men I ever knew.

Thursday, October 23 It is slightly rainy. I get letters from Reuchlin and Ellis Wright.

Saturday, October 25 Katharine came home on 5:35 train which was three-quarters of an hour late.

Sunday, October 26 Orv. & Katharine took Horace to the new House, built fire and came home at 12:30. After dinner, Ben and Peka came.

Tuesday, October 28 Lorin dined with me. Ivonette and Leontine came to supper and stayed till toward bed-time.[This entry was crossed out of diary]

Thursday, October 30 Lorin Netta and Horace came to supper.[Entry crossed out of diary]

Sunday, November 2 Orville and Katharine returned home at 11:00 forenoon.[Entry crossed out of diary]

Monday, November 3 Orville and Katharine started afternoon to New York City. Clara (Carrie) and Charles staid with us.

Tuesday, November 4–Saturday, November 8 Ivonette and Leontine came to supper and staid till toward bed-time. . . . Lorin dined at our house. . . . Lorin took me to his house for dinner.

Sunday, November 9 Orville and Katharine came home from New York. Horace did not come as usual. Lorin and Netta came.

Sunday, November 16 Ben and Peka came after Horace who ate dinner with us.

Monday, November 17 Lorin's whole family, except Milton, ate supper with us. Mrs. Stevens called in the evening before supper.

Wednesday, November 19 I wrote Albert A. Koerner and Kate Van Fleet. I received a letter from Cory Dillon.

Thursday, November 20 Wrote to Cora, and to J.F. Harris.

Thursday, November 27 Winifred Ryder and G.C. Leining dined with us.

Saturday, November 29 Horace bought two Canary birds! Orville and Katharine went

Tuesday, December 2 Rev. M. Claypool and his son, pastor of Ev. Association at Philipsburg, Ohio dined with us.

Thursday, December 4 Katharine went to a concert at Victoria Theater.

Friday, December 5 Orville took me out to see the new house. Mr. Grumbach burns some leaves. It is too wet. Orville and Katharine went at 5:00 to Miss Dorathy Patterson's reception.

Thursday, December 11 "Pa Biggs" called in the evening to see Katharine. He is six feet 4 inches tall and his feet are twelve inches long.

Saturday, December 13 Orville is practising at Simm's Station and does not come home for dinner. Dr. Spitler called at six o'clock.

Sunday, December 14 Orville and Katharine and Horace went out to the new house. Horace went home to supper. Mr. Lenning came for supper.

Monday, December 15 Col.[blank] Reber dined and supped with us. Also Mr. Lenning supped with us. Reber is the son-in-law of Gen. Miles. He wants Orville to go to San Diego to teach aviators some of his theories. He is 6 ft 3 in. tall.

Tuesday, December 16 I got a letter from Reuchlin and card from James Harris. He tells of Carrie V. Harris, his Uncle James Harris's only child—who is at Woodville, Miss.

Wednesday, December 17 Mrs. J. Steven eats supper with Katharine. The supper at Aero Club is in New York this evening. Orville is there. It is the tenth anniversary of their first flight's at Kitty Hawk, N.C.

Thursday, December 18 Katharine dines at Rike's with Mrs. [blank] Orville attends another dinner in New York.

Friday, December 19 Mrs. J. Stevens sups and spends the evening with Katharine.

Sunday, December 21 Orville and Katharine phone to Horace & take him out to their house. Katharine went to a Y.W. League Supper; and Lorin & Netta came, and Horace goes with them. He was persistent in questions to Orville about pushing lots into the rivers at N.York. He fancied it on the Ocean.

Monday, December 22 Winifred Ryder ate supper with us. She goes to Boston in her vacation, starting soon.

Wednesday, December 24 Lorin's all ate supper with us. Milton is home in his vacation. He is in his third year in the State University at Oxford.

Thursday, December 25 Carrie Grumbach was excused. We ate dinner alone.

Friday, December 26 Edwin H. Sines, Orville's playmate, called awhile in the evening.

Sunday, December 28 Lorin, Netta and Ivonette went out to the new house with Orville and Katharine. Horace staid till 8:00 at night.

Monday, December 29 Orville went to Simm's Station. Mr. Loening called for supper and spent the evening at our house. His name is Grover Cleveland Loening.

Notes at the end of the diary

Edward Milton Croddy, born March 29, 1875.

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Tues. 25, March, 1913

About 8:00 forenoon the waters burst onto our Street. I put on my overcoat, ready to go. A canoe came for Mrs. E. Wagner, and the boys said I could get in too. It glided across to Williams St. to William Hartzell's, next north of the Baptist Church. I walked in the door- saved my shoes. His wife is sick abed. She was Jemima Ellen Schell. Their sons were Russell, Layton, and Howard, 22 & 14. Their girls, Mary, 12, Mildred and Carrie, 6. A smart nice family. They belong at Lutheran Church. They treated us the kindest. Their house is a two story, plastered Atic above. Hartzell's (aged 42), parents died when he was young. Hers are living. He is intelligent, thoughtful, and Christian. The boys were out rescueing and Mrs. Pexton directed them to find Mrs. Wagner. Our children asked if they could take me. A young man carried me on his shoulders and set me in the canoe. We had no fire after Tuesday forenoon, only coal oil & alcohol. Our rations were limited, but sufficient. We had bread, eggs, etc. On Wednesday, we waited for the waters to go down, and Wednesday night. They discovered a child lodged in the next door yard north, and Daniel Snyder waded out & brought it to his house, where it lay till Wednesday morning, when I went in to see it. Just then its father came (Washburn) and took it away. While there, Mr. [blank] Siler, saw me and reported me to Orville. I slept a little Tuesday night, and more Wednesday night.

Mr. Hartzell slept three hours Wednesday night. A swift river flowed down Williams Street, and, toward Hawthorn Street, many sheds floated and were wrecked Tuesday. It carried off Hartzell's chicken house, and drowned his chickens, which had been moved to the barn. It seemed as if a widow and an old man had been Providentially provided for. We knew not what our near neighbors were doing, except Snyder's north of us. We had no word about our children till Thursday morning. Katharine had advertised for me Wednesday, on Hawthorn Street. Lorin a week before had moved from Second St. to 331 Grafton Avenue, Cor. Grand Avenue. I had counseled higher ground (that policy) for a year past. The flood was second to Noah's.

March 27, 1913

Orville and Mr. Stolts came after us and took us away in an auto-mobile, to E.S. Lorenz. I dined there and Charles Grumbaugh and Frank Hale took me, after dinner to Lorin's who moved a week before to Grand and Grafton. There I staid three weeks and one day, when we got gas, and I moved home again. We were quarantined at Lorin's a week because Drs. Smith and Patterson pronounced a colored woman serving at Lorin's as being a bad case of diphtheria. She had quinsy! At least two-thirds of the City was submerged. A considerable part, there was water in the second story of the buildings. The water came up 5 feet and five inches in our lower rooms. A few houses were washed away. Three or more fires broke out One burned just west of Orville's office, several buildings. Another burned several buildings, including the Park Presbyterian Church. Another burned several houses, south on Main Street, just north of the Fair Grounds, where there was quite a current of water flowed. The removal of the sediment and the cleaning of the dirt from the cellar, lower rooms, and door-yard took a hard month's work. The loss of books, furniture etc. amounted to a large part of a thousand dollars. Orville's automobile was submerged and injured several hundred dollars. In all he and the family lost one thousand dollars. Then his new building was injured nearly another thousand. Orville lost a pianola costing 500 dollars, and other furniture, amounting to three hundred. I lost a few books of value, and the family lost two or three hundred dollars worth. The dwellings, stores and shops of the city were injured many tens, if not hundreds, of millions. It has since been estimated at \$200,000,000.

Rev. N. Allebaugh with me Aug. 21, 1912, that he had found a copy of the minutes of Scioto Conference of 1880, which says Rev. B. Gillespie died that year, he thinks in May. Johnathan Franklin Croddy died Sept. 5, 1908, at Gibson City, Ill.; he was buried Sept. 7th. Funeral by Rev. M.B. Leach at 11 o'clock, morn, at U.B. Church. I gave him \$35.00 to pay on his Clay County home, and \$90.00 to pay out on his Gibson City house and lot. I collected nothing, but gave him from ten to 30 dollars a year for many years of his life. Since, I have paid like sums to his widow.

J.F. Harris, 545 Cent. Avenue St. Petersburg, Pinellas Co., Florida.

The Man Who Threw the Bat that Struck Wilbur at the Soldiers' Home

Dr. Oliver Crook Haugh was electrocuted in Columbus, Ohio, November 4th 1906, just after midnight. He killed his father and mother and brother November 4th, 1905, and set fire to the house to conceal the crime. When asked if he had anything to say, he simply shook his head. It is said, however, that he never admitted his guilt. Attempts have been made to connect him with the murder of several women who were mysteriously strangled. Also, he was said to have been involved in the murder of Mary Twobey, who died at Lorian, Ohio; and Anna Patterson at Chicago. He was divorced from his wife, who had two children.

My house in Grant Co., Ind. was reported finished Sept 3, 1902.

G.W. Bethers was Connor's neighbor, near Corvallis. Rev. Glezen Asbury Reeder, P.E. in M.E. Church at Cleveland Ohio, is a descendant of Benjamin Reeder of New Jersey, brother of Joseph, the 3rd. Squire Boone's descendants are: Mrs. Blanche Baldwin Bundun and Edith Moore, Laclede, Missouri.

Sallie E. Eudaly, Ward Co., Texas, Grand Falls. Her maiden name was Sally Snyder, born in 1840, her mother "Patsy" (Martha) Freeman Snyder. When the mother died she left Sally to my mother, but her father could not part with her.

I was born in Richland To., Rush Co., Ind., November

17, 1828. I remember being at Aunt Sarah Croddy's and Mary Brown's the summer before I was three years old. I went with Alexander Croddy for a pail of water; and Darwin scratched my eye, as we ran under the bed, in play. Just before a Camp-meeting at Hopewell, Dr. Brown & Aunt Mary came, and the doctor vaccinated me. I squalled like a good fellow. It left a perfect mark, the only time vaccination ever affected me. I remember being at the Camp Meeting and my grandmother asking: "Do you hear those negroes singing in their tent."

The lawsuit of Landrumn was at Waverly, Tennessee. Judge Stout sat to hear case.

Flora V. White, 403 E. Main St. Portland, Ind. Clara Day, Richmond, Ind, 423 Kinsey St.; She has Uncle Benjamin's Bible. She is his granddaughter. Joseph Guernsey Cannon.

Sina E. Ardery 426 E. First St., Hutchinson, Ken. Mary H. Krout, 218 College Street Crawfordsville, Ind. Mrs. Eliz. M. Leffler, Scio, Linn Co., Oregon.

Emma Baldwin and her Husband Burton Baldwin were noted evangelists in the Radical United Brethren Church, their only son being Lorin B. Baldwin, a professor in Oregon.

Jonathan Franklin Croddy, born in Rush County, Ind., Nov. 21, 1841, died in Gibson City, Illinois, Saturday evening Sept. 5, 1908 at 8:20. His funeral was at the U.B. Church, the next Monday, Sept. 7, 1908, his funeral sermon being preached by Rev. M.B. Leach, and his burial in Gibson City. He came to my mother about Aug. 20, 1842, at nine months old, and lived there till he was married, which was December 31, 1863. I loaned him [rest is blank]

Distant Relatives.

Mrs. Ethel S. Ludington, Ardmore, Pa.

William C. Wright, 42 Mechanic St., Fitchburg, Mass. He furnished his Aunts, Justus Wright's Memorial It gave Samuel Wright's father (of Springfield) as Samuel, which is probably correct.