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For a long time I have neglected
to keep a journal. I gave it up about
a year ago when I was engaged. Then I
feared I should make a journal of feel-
ing rather than one of fact & this I did
not wish to do. After Mr Turnbull came
which was a week before Christmas,
I had so much to do & so much to
think & feel that I wrote but little
except to him during his absences.
We wrote to each other every other
day sometimes every day & in this
way became well acquainted with
each other's modes of thought & feeling.

I think ours was an engagement
with a sincere desire to know each
other's true character - or rather I should
say each desired the other to know
& understand the true character - more
especially the faults - that after mar-
riage we might not be disappointed

- consequently we have not yet
seen any occasion to regret the
step we have taken in pledging
ourselves to each other for life.
I say we. I know I have not & think
my dear husband would say the
same. This has been a very
eventful spring & summer to me.
In March early - I went with Mr.
Zimball to visit his family in
Colchester. Was very kindly treated
by all his family & friends - learned
to love father Zimball much.
I was there nearly a fortnight.
found Mrs Wheelwright here on
my return. She had come as a
friend of Mr Z. to make my acquaintance.
I liked her much. so gentle & affectionate
in her manners - poor lady! her health
is wretched - I hope it may please God
to restore it her & her to her husband
& home - The Mr M. is now in Val.
Mrs M. came here with David for her
health. She made me a present of a
doz silver forks.
In April I went to Brooklyn

To visit Mrs Ripley. Spent a very pleasant week with her. then took berth in a vessel to Auburn & went to see Mother. found Uncle William at N. waiting to accompany me to Smithfield. He was tired of course, we were so long detained. got aground on the Swash & lay there three days only 70 miles from Auburn. We reached Smithfield the 6th of May. having come from N. to S. in a little Steam boat used to tow merchandise up the river. It was a real little nut shell. & I enjoyed it exceedingly as a change from the miserable & dirty vessel I had been in. Then that river is so narrow that it is so beautifully bordered with trees in full verdure & flowers that the sail seemed like a dream of fairy land. No wonder that the ancient & ignorant of the true God, frequented such spots with Gods & Idols.

There are a great many little creeks opening into this river & they were enchantingly beautiful. We stopped & went on land - roamed

in the wood & plucked wild flowers
& gathered whortleberries a number of
times. Katy the cook & stewardess
stewed the berries & the flowers adorned
our little boat. I also met on this
boat some amusing country ladies
but as I naughtily neglected to keep
a journal then I will not write of
them now. We were very heartily
welcomed to Smithfield & I found much
pleasure in a mother's & a sister's love
while there. Grandma too, dear good
old lady I enjoyed talking with her.
I had the dysentery while there & feared
I should never see dear David again
in life - but after a few days more
illness I recovered. David came
for me the last of May - we were
married the 5th of June, & the 6th
at 1 P.M. left Smithfield for Raleigh.
We staid with the Major Wasted's family
while there - old friends of mine who
had proposed me to visit them - remained
there till Monday the 10th - Husband
preached in Mr. Lacy's church the
Sabbath eve we were there. We then

journeyed till we reached Philadel-
phia - stopping only at night.
We spent one afternoon & night
at Petersburg Va & were very well
attended at the Hotel where we lodged.
- We reached Phila in on Thursday
to dine - I think - & remained with
Mrs White till the next week on
Friday - Mrs W. is a kind Motherly
friend of David's - she treated us
with great hospitality - made us
a present of a handsome cake basket
silver - & Miss Rebecca Paxson her
sister gave us a pr of sugar tongs -
on Friday the 21st we left
for New York - having had a delightful
visit in Phil. I had seen a number
of old friends there - Charlotte
Woods who was Lottie Johnson's - her
husband treated us with attention.
They took us to ride two afternoons
& we took tea once with them - The
Lords also came to see us - they do
not grow old - are very pretty
girls yet. though two or three
years older than I am.

He reached Sister Sarah Ripleys
Friday noon - & remained with
her till Monday - While there
took tea with Sister Annin Johnson
she made me a present of a dog table
napkins & half dog table Spoon - or
rather 20 dollars with which I mean to
purchase these - Sister Sarah gave
us a beautiful Castor.

We came home on Monday
afternoon - found Carrie Johnson
& Maggie Burroughs at the depot
waiting for us - Carrie came
home with us & took tea - we
found Mary Blake awaiting us
at home - They both prepared the evening
- a number of old friends called
& it seemed good to me to be at home
again - On Thursday, of the week
we came, Aunt Mary gave us a
party some 150 persons were in-
vited - the evening passed off pleasantly.
On Tuesday the 2nd of July we went
to Colchester - Carrie & the little Lillie
Snows accompanied us. Had a
very pleasant visit at home - & denied

met with very good success there
in aid for the Christian Union.

During our visit at Colchester we
went for a day or two to Norwich
to visit Uncle John & then Fumtall
- he is a very polite gentleman
& Alexander who married his son
is a noble woman. We stopped
at Lebanon to breakfast on our
way from Norwich with a cousin
Mrs. Burr. This is the old family
seat of the Fumtalls. A pleasant
town & the house of the first Dor
T. is a pleasant one. Beautifully
situated. We left Colchester
for our New Haven home on Tuesday
the 26 of July & here we have
been since. I say we. but my
husband has been to New York
twice in the time to be absent
one night. He is now there -
went yesterday & is to come
home this morning. He is
a dear husband & I hope to make
him a good wife. We have decided
to leave the Unit. S. next week

on Thursday & to leave New Haven
for New York on Saturday next.
Uncle has gone to New York to
engage our State Room in the
President City. Every one seems to
feel sadly to have us take this
route at this season, but I have
no fears. Our duty seems to be
to go this way. It is ours to do
that & bear the consequences with
our God. I have had very many
calls this week. Mary Blake passed
last night with me & she made me
a present a few days ago of a dog
of kind gloss. Cousin John gave me
a dog silver tea spoons. Mr. Whorton
a beautiful bread pan & other fine
other pretty & useful gifts.

I have had much cause for thank-
fulness of late, & I hope I shall be
enabled to manifest in life my
gratitude to my kind Heavenly
Father for all His mercies. I have
also had a cause of sorrow lately.
My brother for whom I have felt
much, & exerted myself to get him

a good situation with Mr Lunt
a Brother of Aunt Mary. after going
a voyage in his vessel, & doing
well has left to follow his own
evil course. I do not know where
he is or what doing, but I pray
that he may yet be saved from
destroying himself.

This is a very warm morning.
& now I must away to my work.

Aug 2nd Steamer Crescent City.

Yesterday we bade good bye to our native
land & commenced our journey to Valpa-
raiso - We left New Haven last Friday eve
by the Boat in order to avoid the dust of
the Cars the next morning. Mary Blake
& Sophia Larned took tea with me - Sophia
gave me a trunk box - a large one - of
beautiful note paper & envelopes. Dear
Mary had her daguerreotype taken for
me that afternoon & I promised to have
mine taken for her in New York. I
had been a member of Hooker's
morning at the Rooms with David &

Aunt & Uncle having our likenesses taken
for them & Aunt White. Mr McWhorter
came round early in the eve & staid
with the girls till after we left. but for
a long time Mary & I sat alone together
up in Aunt M's room. Dear M. felt
silly at my leaving & so did I to be sure
but has been a faithful friend & sister
& me for six years past & she is so re-
served in her nature she will find it
difficult to find another with whom she
can be as intimate as she has ^{been} with me
while I shall miss her wise counsel &
unselfish sympathy. It is a precious
thought that we are both children of God
seeking the same home where our
friendship may be perfected. Mr McW.
asked for a likeness of David which we
gave him & then requested to have one
of me - I promised to have one taken
for him when ^{the} one for Mary was taken
& he promised to send me one of himself
which he did by express. The hour of
departure was a trying one to all,
but after reaching the boat I went
to bed & overcame with fatigue &

feeling fell into a sound sleep. notwithstanding there were a noisy company of firemen on board. We reached New York very early in the morning, & said I walked over to Brooklyn to Sister Sarah Ripley's.

There we were kindly welcomed & till the time of our bidding them adieu were treated with the greatest hospitality & kindness. Little Johnny gave me a kitchen paper box, & little Julia a nutmeg grater. I shall often think of their sweet faces & voices in my distant home.

Brother John gave me twenty dollars & with his & Annie's present which was the same sum we bought 10 table spoons large, handsome ones. With Dr. Drs present of ten dollars we got a silver soup ladle, & I with Mattie & Jeannine's present bought a sugar spoon. One day while in New York I gave to shopping. I went over early in the morning, & did not return home till late in the afternoon. We purchased a handsome parlor carpet. On Tuesday we went to New Jersey

to see David's friends - at Belvoir to
see Dr Ward & his family - Mrs W. is a
sister of Mother Jumbell. They
were very cordial to us. We went
early in the morning & returned at nine
having dined with Dr Ward's family &
stopped for an hour on our return
to see an Aunt & cousin Jervis at
Newark. We found Mrs White at Delhi,
awaiting us. She came to see us off.

David was quite unwell with pain
in the bowels while at Dr Ward's & he
& his wife nursed him up - I felt a
little troubled but ^{he} should be sick but
God was pleased to order it otherwise.

^{Say 1840}
Yesterday morning we went to the
Cape Breton Province in Suffolk & were taken
I for Mary Blake & Mac. & both of us for
brother Rhipley, John T. & Isham. The fir-
tures to go to New Haven were nicely done
up. I wrote both to Mary & Mac & David took
the bundle over to the City to give the
Carpenter man, but in his multitude of
duties forgot & did not discover it till
we had left & were under full way.
I am sorry for they will both be

disappointed, still I have great faith
that their confidence in me is
such that they will think there
is some mistake. I went to say
good bye to Sister Sarah & Mr. John's wife
whom I like much & Mrs. White,
then to Mrs. Shulerigh. It was sad
to her to say good bye to me with the
thought that I was so soon to see her
husband & child - I felt much for
her. Then after doing a little shop-
ping went to Dr. Allen & dentists & had a
front tooth filled. Then over to the
Crescent City, Brother Ripley & his wife
& little Julia accompanying me. we
found John on board & Brother Deane
& said soon followed. all went to the
stake room to see our accommodations
every thing there very comfortable
except carpet. the floor being painted
& stools instead of chairs - but my good
husband's thoughtfulness supplied
both - His pouches making our carpet
he bought two chairs that are easily
carried about as they are made of heavy
striped pieces of cotton for seats back, &

so are easily shot & found at will.

Then the kindness of our friends has provided us with all that is necessary to comfort. Brandy peaches - cherry bounce - cologne. Medicines of all sorts, & various little delicacies. We slept well, & David has been much better than I feared he would be - only complaining of a qualmishness. I have as yet retained nothing on my stomach that I have eaten on board.

Saturday Morn'g Aug 3rd

I was quite sick last night - went to the table at tea - having staid away at dinner - had an appetite, but could not retain what I ate. Slept only so so - found the heat oppressive. Husband seemed to sleep well - his berth is just above mine. Once in the night as I lay awake I looked through our little circular window which was open, & the lightning, which was constant during the night, & raised the most beautiful little group of clouds - It was like a picture in

a frame. the effect exceeding
pleasing. I was sick when I was
first off, but have felt well since
breakfast. Half an hour ago. From
the table we came directly on deck
& while husband went below to get
my writing material for me, & a
towel to wipe the dampness from a
chair for me to sit in. Captain Stod-
dard - who has been very polite to me
came & asked me if I would not
sit in his room - so here in his
nicely furnished room. in a delight-
fully easy chair. near a marble
covered table I sit to write. I wrote
Aunt Mary part of a letter yesterday.
Oh! I forgot when speaking of our
coming on board to say that Dr Baird
Rev Mr Spaulding & Rev Mr Bingham
came to see us & say goodbye. Mr
Bingham gave me a Spanish Testa-
ment. Our friends left us just before
the ~~Stanza~~ was to leave, but they stood
on the dock & watched us till we were
no longer visible - They have been very
kind friends to us. The Captain

stopped me just now to show me a
chronometer that keeps Greenwich
time & so greatly facilitates the
calculations of Longitude - and now
I feel a little sick, & must stop writing.

Monday 8th Mo. Aug 5th

I have entirely recovered from sea sick-
ness, & am enjoying our voyage very
much. The ship had delightful weather
thus far - oppressively warm it would
have been, had not a refreshing
breeze constantly. The sunsets &
nights are glorious. On Saturday evening
said I watched the grotesque clouds
that bordered the horizon near sun-
set, & made all manner of figures
& scenes of them. We looked till day light
faded away into darkness & the quiet
stars came out one by one till the hea-
vens were crowded with them. Now
fully our heart responds to the words
of the Psalmist "The heavens declare the
glory of God." We retired to our room
about nine o'clock. Yesterday A.M.

husband preached at the request of
the Captain. His text was "The fear
of the Lord is clean enduring favour"
& his sermon which was very good was
listened to with attention. It was a
serious, solemn service to me. out
on the sabb. deep worshipping our
Creator whose power one realizes
more here than anywhere else.

I thought of friends at home congregated
in churches, & thought we are
not widely separated when we can
all speak daily into the same ear.
I knew that there they were some
more. I then engaged in the worship
of God there. I enjoyed the sabbath much.
read my bible, & life of Rev John
Walden. His long career of wickedness
makes me have some hope
for my poor brother. God's power
is mighty to save. oh that I had
more faith for my brother, & then I
should pray with more earnestness.

I have felt much till this last
foolish step of his. I did not think
that a child of so many prayers of

godly parents, & christian education
would be permitted to go astray finally.
But God has made us free, moral
agents - He compels none to love
Him, & if a sinner is bent on his
own destruction what more can
God do than He hath done? Oh my
brothers, my brothers: God grant that you
may be turned from your sin before
it is too late.

After tea last eve, husband & I went
on the upper deck & there was so
much of a breeze there that I was cold
& said I went to our room & brought
me a shawl. - We had a gorgeous sky
to look at. The most brilliant colors -
imaginable skirted the horizon. - We
watched them as we did the night before
till the curtain of night was spread over
them & the brilliant stars came out.

We have on board a great many passengers
about fifty. The Captain told me, & only
thirty of these cabin passengers. Many
of them are to stop at Kingston Jamaica.
Like a number are Jews. Some Roman
Catholics, & I think one old Lady is a

protestant. I shall speak with her
when I have a good opportunity. I
saw her reading the testament. I
find it is a real tie that of Chris-
tian sympathy. we hardly realize
this in a land where nearly all
are christians. at least nominally
so, but when one sees but few who
love the saviour then we know how
to prize such - Oh that I may be
permitted unworthily as I am to do
something for the good of others -
committing to lead others to an inter-
est in the dear Redeemer.

Wednesday Oct 8. A. M. Aug 7th

We have just come up from breakfast.
I have a good appetite, so has husband.
We have been greatly prospered thus far
on our way, hope we may be unto the
end. Nothing of particular interest
has occurred since I last wrote. I was
quite sick Monday night with pain
in my bowels - husband attributed it
to an ear of corn that I ate contrary
I

to his judgment. but I think it was from
cold taken the day before. I have read
quite a good deal in Harpers Magazine &
husband read me a piece of Currier from
one of the numbers, about Sparrows &
swallows. I have written only to Aunt
Mary to day I intend writing to Mary
Blake & Sister Lavinia.

Thursday Aug 8th

This morning we
heard a noise when we awoke that
appeared like the boats being lowered
I thought the house had arrived for
the passengers to leave for Kingston, &
was very sorry we were not dressed
but soon the Boat was moving
on again, & I knew this could
not be. husband dressed quickly
& went on deck. Then came
below to hurry me that I might
see Jamaica. I ~~went~~, too, was soon
with him on the upper deck to see
a land new to me. more picturesque
& beautiful than any I have ever

seen before - The part of the Island
visible to us is a range of mountain
running from east to west.
48 miles from its commencement
to Port Royal, where the passengers
for Kingston are to be landed.
The mountain scenery is such as
I have dreamed of in my daydreams.
Little did I ever expect to see such
a spot in reality. But here one ridge
after another tower up to 8000 feet
or $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile high. Some of the distance
gradually swelling from the sea. the
sides under cultivation. the cane
& coffee grown here - many deep
ravines & gorges in the mountains
that give it a grooved appearance
on the top & on the sides. Then now
the rock is uneven jagged - full of
gorges & the highest peaks rest in
mist & light clouds float - seem
to lie on the top - also from the
valleys the dew is ascending & the
effect is that of a beautiful fasci-
tastic cloud resting on the hill side
We have breakfasted. I note

Yesterday to H. Blake. Mother. Sarah
Rifley & Hettie Sena - and now I
must add some to my letters from
this spot.

Saturday Aug 10th

Land of South America in sight. Expect to
reach Chergu this evening. What cause we
have for gratitude. Our voyage has been
as prosperous & pleasant as possible. I
have become quite well acquainted with
Mr. Signe's wife. We are the only ladies
on board since the passengers left us at
Port Royal. As I have not yet entered a
notice of this place in my journal - It lies
at the South of the Port R. Mountains - Is a narrow
strip of land - has fortifications - houses
one story high, of brick - raised from the
ground foundations being built so as freely
to admit the air to circulate under them
There are numerous cocoa nut trees - giving
the place an air like the scenes in India
I have seen in pictures. Little boats came
& took the passengers & their baggage from
our boat, & brought to us fresh pine
apples - bananas & oranges. the latter

not ripe. I have been unwell since
Thursday & have not done anything
since then till today. I have written
sister Maria & Aunt Mary. We have
had much motion of the Boat since
we left Port Royal & entered the Car-
ibbean sea but we have had a
delightful breeze ever since to -

I was not very favorably impressed
with the people of Jamaica as repre-
sented by the passengers we had on board
or those half dressed filthy negroes
that came in the boats for their
sin we have been so few. David
I have had a large room with
four beds - a marble covered wash
stand - two large mirrors & a large
window - very comfortable we are in
all respects. Al what shall I render to
the Lord for all His benefit to me!

Monday Aug 12th on Charge River

We reached Charge River just before sundown
not very inviting as we came on as for
the rain was pouring in torrents on the

river & falls - it looked ominous for our
onward progress - M. & I had a sort of
misgiving come over me. At night when
we went out to tea this feeling was increased
by the reports of Mr. Uckem. Just returned
from California. He said the roads were
awful. Many canoes upset & persons
drowned, & the roads for discomfort worse
yet. Said & the Dr had gone on shore to
make some arrangements for our advance.
I hoped we should have a comfortable
time on this steamer till Monday
& then I should have recovered from
my difficulties & not minded the
fatigues & disagreeables of the journey
in prospect. When said came to the
steamer he was undecided about his
future movements. The Capt said he
should leave Cheyenne for his homeward course
on Sunday eve, so we must either go on
sabbath - it was now too late to go ashore
again that eve - & seek accommodation
in the miserable filthy town of Cheyenne, or
we take boat up the river. A very
agreeable party of six gentlemen had
made arrangements for a large boat

with an evening, & they prepared us
them. We hesitated about the propriety
but after prayer & reflection we decided
it would be quite as proper to leave in a
boat in which we were to remain during
the sabbath, as to leave in one to go a hunt
a miserable dwelling in an unwholesome
wicked place. The Dr was entirely unsettled
^{as to} what to do after seeing Chergers & hearing the
reports he did of the ~~Bothers~~ ^{Bothers}. He decided
at once not to crop with his wife - but when
we left was doubting whether he should
purchase a vessel & go. ~~to St. John~~ ^{to St. John} in
his, or return to Jamaica & go through on
there - I think he will do the latter.

His wife seemed to feel sadly at parting
with us, & said she should write me. She
is a Catholic. I learned from conversation
with her & she seemed very willing to talk
freely with me of catholicism - I doubtless
she hoped to make a convert of me to
her faith. She gave me permission to
write to her on the subject, & she made
me a present of a pocket testament.

On Sunday at half past
two we said good bye to all the again

canoe on voyage & left Cherges - our
boat the best that ever went up
this river & towed by a steamboat
that the Dr characterised by saying
"he mistook it for a wheel barrow
turned upon its down".

As we came from steamer I saw for
the first time the town of Cherges. It is
composed of two settlements - a native
settlement on one side the river -
an American the other -

The native side was a filthy
looking place - the opposite not much
better! This town belongs to New-
Granada - has a fortification
two or three hundred years old - quite
a romantic spot - the first ruin I
have ^{ever} seen -

"These are all new scenes to me
- the river has a powerful current
which we are struggling & we
progress very slowly. At half
past ten last evening we had gone 11
miles. & as the fire in the little steam-
boat gave out we had to be rowed
for a few hundred yards - which

took some hours to accomplish
& would not then have been done
had it not been that Mr. Muth - Partner
in the Empire City - taken hold of
an oar & encouraged the lazy
negroes -

He had a feverish
night - no sleep for any of us till
after midnight - & none for me
till morning - We have an old
Captain Barr. with us, & he almost
consulted us with laughter at his
funny remarks.

We takes every thing well. It
rained hard in the night - our
accommodations were of course
very meagre - Mr T. & I at the stern
- four of the gentlemen in the center
- this Captain on a trunk between
us, & another beyond the four. The
rain poured down before some of us -
a light was struck & Captain asked
we could have a daguerreotype of
the scene - It would have been
a sketch for Lewisshanks pencil.
- It was at the village of Gation
we stopped, but we slept on the boat

or stand on it in preference to going into
one of the canoes of the natives.

This morning however as we
had to wait for the steamboat to
run down river & take it in - we
went on shore - & oh! the miserable
conditions of these people. They
live in a hut ~~made~~ made of poles
stuck in the ground & thatched on
the roof with the palm leaf. The ground
is the floor - the fire made in a corner
of the room between two stones on broken
pots - I entered a number ^{of canoes} & walked
through the village with husband who
speaks their language - Spanish -

There was an American there
- selling rum & other articles to
the natives. How sad that one should
come from a civilized christianized
land to brutalize these poor ignorant
people - They are excessively fond
of dress - All of them draped in
sacks about the waist & arms
as many trinkets as they possessed
on the neck, fingers & in the ears.
I will mention the dress of one, &

It will do as a specimen of all the wear
attire - The waist was white muslin with
three folds of lace - reaching nearly to
the waist - lace sleeves - short - skirt
red muslin to the knees - then white
muslin with deep lace edge - no
stockings - old shoes just stuck on
the toes - She came into this shop
kept by the American & drank three
or four times while there - or while
I was there - about half an hour.

It was cooler there than on our
boat. We started on our way
again up this wonderful river about
12½ this noon - Vegetation here is lux-
uriant - & the birds - Canaries -
Parrots & Parakeets keep up a great
noise - I saw a stone floating down
the river this afternoon with two Turkey
buzzards on it - Here on the banks
where every spot is covered with vegetable
life - I see many rare plants - A flower
resembling the Petunia, only more
beautiful & white - red - purple - yellow
is in great abundance - There are many
cocoa nuts here - The Baobab trees

fruit. The wild plantain with a stem
& leaf twenty feet high. The mahogany
Palm - Cocoa & a hundred other trees
are on the river's banks.

Mr Keys is a most agreeable
passenger - He resides - or rather
does business in California - Is very
polite to me.

Cruiser. Wednesday Evg Aug 14th

Oh what cause for thankfulness - Here
we are safe at Cruiser - the dangers
of the river passed - only the long
 tedious ride to Panama & the disagreeable
will be fresh. I hope to remember this jour-
ney to the end of my days with a thankful
spirit - Many here this season lost
their lives on this river - many others
suffered with sickness - but we have come
safely & pleasantly on our way.
"Praise the Lord oh my soul & forget not all
his benefits" - We are at the American
Hotel - only four weeks since the first
foundations of it was laid - It is a large

commodious house - In an unfinished
state, but greatly surpassing anything
we have seen since we entered South-
America - This noon we dined at
Pozosona, at an American house - but
it could not compare with this - no ap-
pearance of meat, about the table
or food - Here every thing seems more
meat than one could expect in such
a place - We left our party this
morning - but I must go back &
relate the events since I last wrote.

Soon after writing in this on
Monday the steamer that towed us, was
driven by the current into a tree &
not able to free herself - the smoke
pipe & one of the wheels entirely de-
stroyed - no one was injured - There
we were with our heavy boat & we
feared we should not be able to pro-
ceed - so it was decided that one of
the party should go to Los Hermanos
& procure canoes to come & take
our baggage on their way. A boat
came with natives in it each & took
husband & me to P. While

husband was trying to procure boats
to send to our passengers - our boat made
its appearance - about eight in the eve -
all had taken hold & rowed & poled & so
brought it to P. The American
house here was kept by a man
& his family from New Orleans. His
wife a delicate looking woman, told
me she had never done anything more
than to take charge of her own room
before marriage. - Then she does
every thing - but with a willing spirit
apparently. - There were no pre-
parations for sleep that looked
inviting - a row of berths along
the sides of the tent - for this
house was made of canvas -
& every one sleeping there. - I asked
- I preferred to go to the boat &
sleep as we had done on the trunk
- It rained hard all night, but
we slept quite well & started
off early in the morning. Tuesday
about noon we stopped at S
& saw the lime trees growing & many
other tropical fruits unknown

to us. One man died here. we all
had some lemonade with or without
brandy & then proceeded on our
way. Occasionally we heard the
Refugee's howl. About one o'clock
we met another steamer going
our way & she for the sum of 20
dollars towed us ten miles to

Then we joined last night & our hus-
band decided to take the canoe that
had taken us to the night
previous & that was in our employ
taking some of our things to
lighten the boat's load. I say our
meaning - the boat's passengers -
So early this morn'g we said good
bye to our fellow passengers - hoping
to see them in a day or two & catch
on our way - died as I have said
at Sorgho & here we are. The
whole of the upper story is one room
with 30 or 40 cots - furnished with
sheets - a blanket & a pillow - at the
end of this building with one two
cots & partitioned from the others
by blankets, husband & I expect to

and so on. The men here are
very polite & attentive to my wants.

Sunday Aug 18th of Aug. Panama.

We reached this place on Thursday
evening with our mules safe on
our shoulders, but it seems to me
little less than a miracle that
brought me whole bodied, or with
any spirit in my body over such
a road as that from Cruces to this
place. Husband was advised to

have me wear pantaloons & ride
as gentlemen do - I wore a dress but
sat on a gentleman's saddle.

Three or four ladies came on
the same day & enjoyed the
ride - dangerous as it appeared
to me for about two hours - but
grew bolder after that & felt the
danger more - We went up steep
saddle this 12 & 15 feet almost perpen-
dicular, & down the same -
Our mules sprang up & slipped

down with wonderful security
but it was all I could do to keep
on my mule's back. I had to strain
every nerve. The distance is about
28 miles. The day was pleasant
& we came through in order to
avoid rain - reached Panama
about six P.M. as we approached
the scenery was most beautiful
- Panama a walled town - but I
forgot - we did not at first see the
walls - but the old Cathedral towers
were visible - a beautiful hill not
unlike Cast Rock. The harbour also
with its many ships was visible
- my first sight of the Pacific.
For two miles from town the ride
was on a broad macadamised
road. We met a party of ladies
& gentlemen riding & though I felt
ashamed with my pantaloons - all
round & my man's hat. But smiling
at my ludicrous situation appeared.
We passed them & entered the town
through a large gateway - & such
town - all new to me. Every

thing in ruins. The houses all have
tiled roofs & every variety of plants
- vines - bushes & trees - growing all
about on the roofs & in the crevices
where a spot of soil can be found.
& in many places where there is
no appearance of any. We took
lodgings that night at the Mansion
house. It was an old Spanish building
- one room something like a den
with immense door - post holes
in the walls which were two feet
thick - an old Spanish bedstead - a
table with washboard & a chair the furniture.
There were two doors opening on to a
balcony, & we were in the third story
so we had a fine view & in front of the
house stood on the plaza the old cathedral
whose towers we had seen in entering the
city. I was almost sick from
fatigue - went immediately to bed
& took my supper there. We had had
no dinner. Food was poor. bed clothes
unsurprisingly soiled. So early on the day
morning husband went to procure
other lodgings - not however till we

had gone into the old cathedral. Husband
told me as we entered to take off my hat,
as this is the custom in Catholic coun-
tries - The priest was reading mass -
about ten worshippers were kneeling
on the brick floor, with the deepest de-
votion apparently crossing themselves
& repeating their prayers. One lady
as we entered was kneeling at the
shrine of the Virgin on a mat that
her little attendant a negro girl had
brought. There were eleven altars
in this cathedral - to different saints.

We staid till mass was over. then walked
about - a man came up to me & requested
me to throw a handkerchief over my head.
In Spanish he spoke & husband interpreted
for me - I did so thinking it right to
respect the religious opinion of any
land where I can do so without sin.
My baggage had not come & my hand-
kerchief was soiled, but no matter I wore
it till we left the place.

Husband found another house
I went with him to see it. determin-
ing to try it. Friday noon we went there

& remained till Saturday noon. The room we occupied more resembled a barn than any thing else. It was furnished with cots, but husband swept them down & swept the room. There was one window in the room from which we had a view of the Bay & the Islands of the Pacific. These Islands are beautiful hills. We were near the wall of the city here & at a corner stood one of the towers for the sentinels - Cactuses were growing on the roofs of the houses near. Friday passed away. & our baggage came out. In the evening husband & I went out to purchase a few little articles we needed, & to procure tea at a restaurant for we only had a room here. We met on horseback Mr Hayes on the street near the Plaza. The rest of our companions were near - all arrived safely. One said here the same loss of sleep as I have all along, ^{noticed} but more to the display - fewer colors worn - We returned to our room & retired but not to rest for a set of gamblers were in

the next room who played & swore from
eight in the eve'g till 1 o'clock in the
morning - The room had before been
unpleasant, now we decided not to re-
main longer in it - so after breakfast
at a Restaurant we came to the place
we now occupy - Mr Hayes is also
here with us -

Monday A.M. 18th Aug. Just called
me to return last eve'g so now I must
describe our room - It is in a large
Spanish house & Spanish family.
Don Luis Laga is our host & owner -
a fine looking Spaniard & his wife &
daughters nice looking people - We
occupy a large room with two
cots - an immense table & chairs
Two large doors one opening on to a bal-
cony that fronts the street - south -
the other into the large hall where
we have our meals - There is
also a large bow window opening
to the sea - just over this water
the sun rises - & the Islands are
seen here as from the other house

we occupied. It is delightful here. An old church stands on the corner opposite - as the streets are narrow I could throw a stone into the upper part of it. It is in ruins as is every thing here. This morning mass was chanted there before I got up. The music was anything but music to me. This church has however a very beautiful bell. Bells here are ringing nearly all the time - certainly every hour in the day. There is near the water an old monastery now occupied by Ackermans as a depot for the transportation of goods. An old monastery near it, that I mean in it I mean - they will not admit visitors, but there is a wheel in a window that turns & there persons go on sabbath & get water. We were there yesterday - Sabbath was a much pleasanter day here than any since we left New York. There are a great many buzzards - a large black bird on the tops of these houses. I saw a condor at Chaparral.

Tuesday night Aug 20th I have written
yesterday & to day letters to Aunt Mary,
Mother, Sister Mary Blake, & Carrie
Furnbull - Mr Meyer left us to day
in the Isthmus for California. Last night
we were much troubled by the rats &
mice & this morning found that ^{the} ~~they~~
carried off a tinbale full of coconuts.

We have coffee served in our room
at seven - breakfast at nine - dinner
at four - & no tea - except once we
had it in our room & found it to
be excusable to desire a repetition.

I have made some attempts to talk
Spanish this eveg with the ladies of the
house - but I cannot understand them
at all when talking together - they speak
with great rapidity - I have written
a Spanish lesson to her husband to day.
We took a walk out last eveg &
met Mr Tracy a civils Engineers
cousin to Mrs Eli Whitney of New Haven
He came home with us & passed
the eveg - It has rained to day.

Thursday Aug 22nd

Rather dull times to day - too warm to go out yet, & nothing to do - have studied Spanish & written an exercise till I am tired - laid on my cot till tired of that - read all David's letters to friends at home & a little in Macaulay's England - which I have read before, & now as a last resource come to my journal. It will be gone - the dinner done before long - Yesterday late in the afternoon David & I called to see Miss Ackman - she was very cordial - invited us to come & spend the day with her to-morrow. Perhaps shall go.

They live in the old Monastery - having had a part of it fitted up for a dwelling - In the eve we went into the old church. Just as I heard prayers read & chanted - The building is much ornamented inside - & the kneeling of the nuns on the pavement of the church in the dimly lighted church quite excited my imagination - I almost expected a trap door to open & swallow up all - ~~the~~ protestants. The Catholics

service pains me. There is so much
apparent devotion, as they call on Mary
that I long to have them giving their
worship to Him alone to whom it is
due. We took a little walk on the
Bathhouse & retired early. The rats
& mice keep me awake at night - a
pretty little mouse is now in the
corner near me nibbling away at a
piece of bread. I wrote to Sister Sarah
yesterday - Mrs Ripley -
- Aug 28th -

Friday Evg The English Wagon is
in which is to take us to Valparaiso.
A steamer came from California
yesterday bringing the cholera.
All died who had it. Found
out accidentally last evg that
some of the things in one of our
trunks were damp - took them
all out - found a white smocking dress
ruined - some skirts badly injured
- other things only a little touched.
Glad I lost nothing more.

Made a curious chat on my table
with his house on his back, we picked

him up on the Battery yesterday
afternoon when taking a walk. put
him under a trumpet last night
but he had disappeared this morning.
found him this P.M. - in the room.
took quite well to night headache.

Saturday eve's Aug 24th Returned a short
time ago from a walk with dear hus-
band I stopped at a little cafe near the
City wall & took - he a cup of chocolate -
I a cup of tea & cake - The tea here
is not fit to drink & we have no meal
after four P.M. - so that often I feel
sick in the night if I take nothing
afterwards - Sometimes husband
makes me a glass of hot sangria
before retiring. - Guess that the
singular crab we had, was a thief or
ladron - the shell did not belong to him.
as soon as it is too small for him, he
comes out & seeks another - He has
disappeared again today - Husband
is to march tomorrow A.M. at the
request of the Consul - There are

numerous cobwebs on the wall of
our room & indeed all over the house
& they frequently let fall discharges that
resemble a thrush of birds & stain badly
- Yesterday I hung out on the panister
of the balcony two white cups that were
stained by one of David went for a stick
to brush it down - one of the girls came
knocked it down - took it in her hand
& wound from it the web. tile her finger
had quite a skein of web on them like the
Houses of the silk worm - the spider is
large - as a humble bee quite bright in
its colors - Our washerwoman has just
been in - we gave her some old clothes
& a paper of tea, & she bought for three
cials a Spanish Testament - David
would have given it her - only he
thought she would value it more
if she purchased it - She seemed
much pleased & said to David "she
liked it much" -

Monday a.m. Aug 25th

We have not yet been up - The
morning is a beautiful one & we

think of going in a little time
to Sobya. A day or two returning to some
in our steamer that is now there being
in coal. Husband is going out of the
best of health to inquire if the mus-
quitoes are not too numerous - If
they are I do not wish to go. Mother
doubts any of this trip. Husband preached
yesterday 11 A.M. at the Consul's house - in
fact that that his brother who is married
& with whom the Consul resides. There
were about fifty persons present, all
very attentive & apparently much
interested. Husband's sermon was ex-
tempore - a good one from Luke 9.20

Miss Behrman was there she & Mrs
Corvine are very intimate - she
said she had wondered I had not been
to see her & she had me to go & spend
a day with her. Her father is not
yet able to go out. She appears like
a good hearted good natured girl, but
is vain & affected in her manners. This
may wear off as she grows older - being
the only young lady - American in
the place, she receives much attention

& this affects me so much that. A
judicious friend would be of great
service to me & perhaps even the
affection - I like her in spite of this
weakness.

Wednesday 28th
Steamer Bolivia.
Thursday Aug 29th

Was sick yesterday & could not write
in this. On Tuesday we left Panama,
early in the morning & came on board
this steamer - in order to avoid the hot
sun later in the day. We did not sail till
four P.M. On Monday after our
trunks were all packed husband
came in saying "we cannot go to
Tobago today the steamer is not in"
so we went over to Capt. Ackerman's
to dine. And greatly to my surprise
Miss Ackerman told me she had been
married two years to a Mr. Dunbar.
He has treated her with great re-
spect - in every way been faithful
to the marriage covenant &

she is under age, her father has
applied for a divorce - Mr Cumber
is now in California. She is nearly
21 or perhaps a little past - was not
when the application for divorce was
made. She came to see me on Tues-
day morning before I was duped -
with her little brother. Mr Hobson
came too before breakfast - without
any baggage. Lieutenant
a stepbrother of Mr Hobson's &

His daughter had gone to the house of
an English lady, Mrs Smith. The trunk
did not arrive before we left, so
Mrs Smith supplied her with many
articles - by & by I shall be very happy
to let her have from my trunk
what she needs. I liked her much.
Very intelligent & extremely lady like
in manner. There is a delicate touch
about her that reminds me of dear
Eliza. She seems to be very delicate
in health. The father & the other
gentlemen of our party are very
agreeable. The Lieutenant sits on
the opposite side of the table at

which I sit to write. Miss Ellen
sits at my left hand sewing & making
bags & shirts to wear with socks.

To day we reached Buenaventura
& as another lady came on board.
Miss Ellen gave up her saloon & came
to reside with me. This boat is a
handsome - neat one & the Captain
good natured & very gentlemanly - but
this last remark might be made
of nearly all our gentleman passengers.

I never received more civility from
strangers than I have here. A
gentleman brought me a eulogy to
pour on my head & knicker. Another
a glass of port wine, a great, & I wish
I could some nice oranges - & these
were gentlemen to whom I have not
been introduced. Then when we
Allen & I go on deck the gentlemen touch
their hats in recognition. I like these
little politenesses much. We were
not sorry to leave Panama. I grew
tired of the filth of the streets - the
want of cleanliness in the house, or
the noise of kets & voices at night.

Saturday Aug 31st We have crossed
the Equator - Early this morning the
last day of Aug^r. It has been cloudy
so we have had no oppressively warm
weather - I am constantly suffering
with nausea - have kept only one
meal on my stomach since I came
on board & I begin to think that
I am in the family way - otherwise I
cannot account for my feelings - I was
never so sea sick before - and now feel
well after vomiting - & am in good
spirits - I feel more & more interested
in Ellen Hobson - We have very pleasant
chats together. Husband sits at the opposite
side of the table writing to Pa. He is very
dear to me - keeps him much of our
evening - I am lying on a sofa
& the vessel's motion is so great that I can
scarcely write - & too sitting makes me
sick -

Tuesday A. U. September 3rd

To day we are at Payta, taking in
coal - We are quarantined because
of the cholera at Panama. This is
an annoyance - not because we desire
much to go on shore here - for the town
is built on a sand bank - not one par-
ticle of vegetation on it - but at Callao
we shall be in quarantine because
we are here, & shall not be able to go
to Lima & see the city with its fine
houses - cathedrals & monuments. The
famous conqueror Pizarro was killed
in one of these cathedrals & his monument
is shown to strangers - It is a sorrow to
me that we shall not be admitted
- or permitted to go to Lima - I suppose
these health regulations are necessary,
but still this seems monstrous. The
present a ship that has not had a
single case of any kind of sickness
on board, & has been at sea a week
from ~~leaving~~ ^{leaving} into port. Mr Pole-
man & one other passenger are to go on

so as to remain in quarantine for
two days. The weather is now very
cold & we are only six degrees south
of the Equator. Indeed we have had no
warm weather - not even when we
were on the Equator. Sunday ~~Before~~
night before last we were at Guayaquil
& had from there most delicious
fruits - oranges & fine apples & Paites

The town looked beautifully as we
approached but we did not go on shore
as we had only a few hours to remain
to land & receive passengers & mails - &
it was 9 P.M. before we reached there.
We were nearly all day going up the
river ~~that~~ ^{that} we had no religious
public service - I was very sorry
the Captain did not ask husband
& preach. I sat during the afternoon
& watched the banks of the river & the
numerous birds that were sailing
in the air & constantly diving into
the water for fish & some of them
Falcons others we did not know.
We passed an Island that looks like

a dead body laid out - it is call
"the dead man's island". The town is
well lighted with lamps - about a
mile long - I mean S.

Yesterday I read a very entertaining
novel "Frank Fairleigh". Ellen sits
near me writing. Mr Phelps also at the
same table - He has annoyed me with his
want of respect for religious & religious
duties. He asked Ellen to play backgammon
on Sunday evg. she playfully assented not
thinking him in earnest. I saw that
he was & exclaimed - no you will not play
this evg. she refused to do so & he seemed
quite annoyed. said it was perfectly
proper - told him he could find no warrant
for it in the fourth commandment.

Husband is quite annoyed at many
things he says, but I think he does
not mean as much as his words
imply. David is not well to day
- has his bowels disordered during the
night. but he is on deck.

I think I shall write soon better
to day. This is the 3rd day of spring here
the strangest time.

Wednesday Norfolk Sept 4th

Just arisen from the breakfast table. took in a number of passengers yesterday - six ladies & one of them being a New York lady - wife of a Captain Peterson. - Mr. Ellis & I concluded it would be best to take her in our room. - This we have done. - she is a pretty, hazel eyed sensible affectionate little body. - Her husband is a foreigner of what nation I cannot tell - & I should think old enough to be her father. - she is much attached to him. did not at all relish the idea of being compelled to separate from him. & occupy a room without him. - I was much pleased with her assurance of passing this. - Husband was troubled with the head ache last evening & I felt a little anxious lest he should be sick, but he is better to day.

The Frenchman with whom he rooms is the kindest hearted person - he found that I wished to stay back - gave me with Mrs Peterson but

that the deer were coming - I
directly he set to work & 5 o'clock made
us a good deer & assisted me in many
manner that I am typed in the game was
a great assistance to me & then he in-
dicated that he would leave his place
room & sleep in the saloon that I
might remain with David - This
however I would not listen - I made
yesterday a little note to Louis Gilman
& another to Lydia Storey. Hope to
write again today but feel inclined
to be sick.

Travels

Thursday Sept 5th 2 P.M. Early this
morning we were awaked by the
steamer stopping - We are at another
Port we exclaimed - Mrs Pedersen arose
dressed & went on deck but then I got
on & awoke & dressed at leisure - The
fact is, my heart is so lath, I cannot
rise early, & this morning I felt very
unwell. When we came out of our
room we ascertained that we were
in trouble again from quarantine
laws. The Captain of the Port came

on board with some dog men & after
wards discovered we had been in
quarantine - Now he & they are
in like condition with us - & are
not able to return to shore - And
here where we should have been detained
only one hour we shall have to re-
main eight or nine hours at least.
The surf around us - & on the
shore is beautiful - very high
waves roll over & dash with a beautiful
foam & rush against the beach.
& we have seen a curious little
boat made of three bundle of reeds
tied together, about three yds long &
kneeling on this two natives row
it through or over the breakers - they
are completely covered with water
but this matters little - they have no
superfluous clothing & are very
much like fish about swimming.
We have seen some seals in the
water & on Sunday I saw a whale
for the first time but he was
some distance off - Husband is

better to day much. He is
like himself which he has not done in
some times. We have had a game of
chess together to day.

Wednesday A.M.

Sept 22^d

Much interest has occurred since
last I wrote. On Saturday morning
we arrived at Callao, & waited with
much concern the decision of the
Captain of the Port after reading
our Bill of Health. I soon however
all anxiety was gone giving place
to the pleasant anticipation of visiting
Lima. Peru is an independent
sovereignty. There are two castles over
the shore in Callao resembling castle
garden in their form external.
I was unwell, & much troubled at it as
experience is very injurious at such
times. We took our carpet bag &
went in a little boat to Callao. Arrived
in an omnibus of quatorce asientos
to Lima ~~six~~ miles distant. The
road was a part of the way very dusty

and a broad fine road much of the way. There is a rail road being made from Callas to Lima - we saw the men at work on it. As we approached Lima there were a number of roads to the city. We passed ^{the 4th} through an alameda with beautiful trees a mile or more in length & entered the city through a large gate. That had three puertas. The city is a walled one. Houses round & yet the exterior very unimpressive. Two stories high. flat roof. light buff color - with snowish balconies in front. over the gateway or entrance into the court. The interior however is more attractive & often great luxuriance of wealth & taste displayed. As you look through the open puertas you see fresco paintings on the sides of the court walls - the yards paved with stone or brick & in the ancient part of the city with stones altogether. so are the streets paved with the little stones that make the feet to walk. The rich

Ladies of Lima seldom walk - they
out to ride in their carriages - in
summer sort of a carriage with a very
long tongue - the driver on the horse
back in front of the vehicle - the
wheels (two of them only) behind it.
We stopped at Monera's Spanish Hotel
situated on one side of a large plaza
a cathedral - the cathedral of South
America in front on the opposite
side of the plaza - a fountain playing
constantly in the center. There is a
river running through the city
that supplies it with water & keeps
it clean - At this fountain on the
plaza crowds are constantly seen
of water carriers with their plow
- two mules & carters pilchurs or kegs
tied to them to take to families -
The women ride as the men get on
at the left of our dwelling was a
most beautiful mountain cov-
ered with verdure & a cross on the
top - The stores are under the arch-
ways - one woman opening on the ground
by bay doors some times lifted up as

nap doors are. At the Hotel where we
boarded were a number of our fellow
passengers - Dr. & Mrs. Pedersen - Mr
Phelps - Mr. Pope. Mr. Johnson was at the
house of his partners in Lima - ~~black~~ ^{black} who have a fine establishment, &
Ellen was guest at Mr. Persi's the Amer-
ican consul. He has three invita-
tions to dine out on sabbath - of
course declined all. He attended
church at the house of the British
Consul. An episcopal minister of
course officiating. On Monday
we dined at five o'clock in the Mr. W.
Ellen Mr. Phelps & Pope at Mr. Johnson's -
& sent them Mr. Clay Charge d'affaires
from United States. We were two
hours at table. Then Ellen & I left
the gentlemen at their wine &
cigars. Mr. Rudy came before we
left & Mr. Persi for E. He sent us
in his carriage to Mr. Rowe's where
we had engaged to pass the evening.
Our dinner was excellent & the
company agreeable - but I was sym-
mon the evening with Mrs. Rowe and

intelligent English lady - met there
Mrs. Tupper another English lady - mother
to Mrs. of Valparaiso.

It never rains - so it is said - in
Lima, but during the winter
season from sub dawn till late
morning there is a heavy drizzle
that is very nearly akin to
rain & very disagreeable - but this
continued only for a short time
during the year - & the rest of it
the weather is said to be charming.

We went on Monday a. m.
to the Museum - saw three original
likenesses of all the Viceroys of Peru
from Pizarro down to the present.

There we saw a likeness of Columbus
& a coat of mail that much interests
me - In another part of the build-
ing is a large library - the largest in
South America - The floors of these
buildings were of marble - & the
ceilings of all the houses I saw ^{very} high.
The first night when I slept in Lima I
was so troubled with fleas & a pain
in my shoulder that I did not close

10.30. 11 for sleep during the night.
Woke a little after 8.30 o'clock in the
morning - we breakfasted at 9.15 &
dined at 1.0. Mrs Rowe called with
her husband on us after church on
Sunday. We had delicious lunch
in Lima - saw the richest silks &
crape shawls embroidered ^{there} - we saw
- We crossed the bridge made by
Pizarro's order - saw also the chapel
he wanted to be built. In the old
Cathedral his tomb was pointed out
to us enclosed so that we could not
enter & read the inscription. We
went into the court of the President's
house - but a soldier at the door of
the rooms with his gun would not
allow us to enter. We walked through
the court round into a balcony & saw
the garden with several fountains
in it. I felt strangely enough
in Lima - It has been the scene of
so much crime & bloodshed - as
much as any spot. I thought as I
walked along - oh if these stones or
these walls could speak what stories

they would have to tell. That would
thrill one & murder children & Hood.
The Inquisition chamber is now
and as far as I was told. I did not
see it - nor did I go through a new
mess - a thing I much desired.

We returned to our steamer
yesterday Tuesday about twelve.
The Captain of the Pandalia a man
of war ship invited us to visit his
ship & he & some of his officers
came to conduct us there - I
was delighted with all I saw. The
ship is a fine one - & the gentlemen
were most polite - we took cake
& wine with them & they returned
to our steamer with us. Lieutenant
Johnson in skin rank to the Capt.
was very polite to me - There
came on board yesterday a Spanish
lady - wife to the consul at
- she comes with us. Ellen speaks
Spanish well so I do not try
before her, but last evening I had
quite a long talk & confusion of
Spanish & French & she a confusion

of English & French. but we managed
to carry on a long conversation &
we are quite well acquainted with
each other's history. She engaged
herself to her husband after a
month's acquaintance, was engaged
four years & then married by proxy
- She has been married twenty years
& is now 22. This morning we were
awakened early to see the Grand Islands
& Pisco a beautiful place. Then we
have seen a number of natural
bridges this A.M. large Islands
washed through by the sea. and
now I am tired & feel sick &
must stop writing.

Friday A.M. Sept 13th

This morning we are at Islay a
great looking town & the hills stretching
along in the back ground are barren
but pleasing in the light & shade
of clouds & sun. There are many
rocks here in the waves are dashing
wildly over them making a most
beautiful foam. We watched it

the amazing speed with which
below. Our comfortable life will
be over soon as we arrive. She has
been so sick that Ellen & I have nursed
& nursed her. She was a very pleasant
passenger. Islay is the port of arrival
where her husband is coming. 7th
morning I have been delighted with
the sight of two great whaling
sailing ships and steamers. It seems
strange to see such immense ma-
tine & shipping at this early hour.
They came as a flower at day
& above them the tall
far out of the water. We stop now
nearly every day at some place
which is new to day we expect to visit
Buenos Aires - Ah what a chance we have
for gratitude - kept all along our
journey - Ellen & I are now quite
intimate - She told me that she
that she had been so ill & told
me how she felt - she says
much affection & she is so gentle & affec-
tionate. I play chess now & every

Mr. Matheson very polite & agreeable
in the most comfortable table.

Saturday 3 P.M. Sept 14th 1850
Arica

This is a neat looking town. Garbani
and I have been on shore & were very
hospitably entertained by Mrs. Taylor
wife of an American merchant.
She is a native lady, but very kind
& intelligent & kind. Captain Cook
was there & introduced them to us.
Mrs. Taylor seemed much interested
at our name. She speaks only a
few English words. Still she tried
to understand more. She walked
with us through her flower garden
& gathered some a bouquet that I
took to pay her for her good
haviour in showing her father &
recommending her sister of recom-
mending us to Arica. The day is very
pleasant to day & Mr. Robinson & I and
he to go. Two boats were up to be

no one captured the boat & we
safely, both to return & get the boat.
The big the flowing garden Mt.
Taylor conducted us through the
vegetable garden & the plantain
grove. There was a small spring of
delicious water in the grove with
some little fish in it! Then he took
us to the country yard & we saw rather a
ram & some kids - also in the garden
a cow. That was to be sent to the
about 12 o'clock. We had a table
spread with much delicious food & drink
and some fruit & wine. I saw the
sweetest banana for the first time. It
looked fine & the old man delighted to
the taste very delicious. I felt it was to
stay for the first time. This was right
to the Collieries. I was in for
about the clouds. I saw the boat
the next day.

Cobija Port of Bolivia
Sept Monday 10th Oct 1886.

I am as well as usual this

... again in order to see the
place. It does not look very inviting
husband has gone on shore with the
Rev. Mr. Mattison & the Captain & it
brings a report of the Rev.
Allen & I am going. Yesterday morning
we were at 12 o'clock the last Southern
post in Peru. Husband went on shore
with the Captain before we were up.
Mr. Turnbull is not well today. Has
been quite a good deal troubled with
disordered stomach of the bowels since we
came on board the Bapor. Yesterday
husband went down in the B. to get
& walked on deck enjoying some of
the magnificent work of God. We saw
a number of great whales. In the
evening I had a long conversation with
Mr. Phelps our friends & he told
me he was miserable when he had time
for reflection - that he liked a great
deal of having a round of dissipation in
fashionable society. After some
time conversing we fell in to water
as to whether conscience was a legacy
the result of education - husband

and I took up the
me w^h he carried out with me
was in the house in his old
implanted a conscience in the heart
of every one

Sunday Sept 20 - Mar 12 1864

We are within a few hours of a
paraiso. I have said to go on shore &
come from my room to write while
Ellen is completing her work. Then I shall
return & take pack up the few things that
are yet unpacked. It is delightful to think
we are so near our happy home & we
have been so blessed have so great
cause for gratitude. As to the
be. enabled to devote our life to the
service of our blessed Saviour "Whosoever
I render to the Lord for all His bene-
fits to me." Yesterday we stopped a carriage
a number of hours called on Mrs Richard-
son & at Mr Allison's an English Gentleman.
Mrs Allison is a beautiful little lady
I never have seen before. She gave me
a very cordial invitation to come &

... with me. I am
... in asking you to come. I think
he said with great sincerity that
I should be a help to him.
He has a little white talk over his
lips & a brown hair & a thin nose
of the most beautiful wild flower. I
have never seen.

On Wednesday we were at Copiah,
the place where great quantities of
silvers are brought. The mines yielding
nearly some three million of silvers.
The men on board our steamer three
hundred thousand dollars of silvers in
bars. We went on shore & saw lying
on a rock basking in the sunshine
a seal. Its face resembling a dog. It
allowed us to approach very close without
moving, but at last it slid off into
the water. Afterwards we saw
one in the water, that had caught a
fish & was trying hard to swallow
him - but the fish was so active that
he had not done it when we lost sight of
him. Mr. Wilson & Ellen M. Atkinson
& Phyllis & England have been with us

on both these last occasions. I
enjoyed them much.

Valparaiso

Tuesday Sept 24th

Reached here on Friday P.M. - was
delighted - perfectly charmed with the
appearance of the place as we drew
near. - situated up the sides of the moun-
tain for 14 hundred feet it presented
a most picturesque & wild appearance.
We are staying at Mrs. Wheelwright's
& they propose to remain for the
present with them. Company
dined with us on Saturday. Mrs.
Kickle a Hartford lady wife to a
gentleman who owns & is Captain of a
ship going to China - she is very agree-
able. Mr. Mathison is staying here
till the steamer leaves. I like
him much. Sunday husband
preached at 11 A.M. & 8 in the eve.
It was good to attend public worship
with Gods people again. My feelings
were almost too much for me.

and calls from gentlemen on Sunday
refused to see them. Yesterday I wrote
home - went down street with Mrs
M. & Augusta - The Consul Mr Potter
his wife called while I was out to
see me. Many others have called.
Miss Bellmore dined with us
yesterday. Mr Mathison, David & I
went to the play last evening with the Wilsons
Augusta M. went to a ball given by
Admiral Thornby. This morning
have sewed & written home &
today it rains, & a fire in the
parlor is very comfortable.

Wednesday @ 12th Park St. of the past
week has been so fully occupied that I
have not been able to write as in
this. I sent 4 letters & asked to the United
States last Thursday so the daughter
previous I was busy writing letters.
Since then I have made our 1000
articles - torn in the week - altered a pair
of pantaloons for Mr. T. & made him a
pair of drawers. returned a dog & so calls

& received as many more of the day. The
Island one fellow passenger called to
see me with his mother & wife. We
have company to dinner with us every
day. sometimes to breakfast. Mr
Ward & Mr Helman have both been
here frequently since we came.
This morning we all went to the limits
the garden where Mr Helman resides,
& breakfasted with him. Mr Ward &
Fleming. Mrs Parker & her niece &
nephew. the son & daughter of Edward
Hornby of the Rio de Janeiro. We
walked through the garden before
breakfast & enjoyed exceedingly the
beautiful trees & flowers. Mr Ward
picked me a beautiful forget-me-not
it is a white snapdragon bud. In one
corner of the garden on the
front is a nice little house with
only four rooms in it just the
thing for Mr & Mrs Ward. Mr Ward
said he doubted not Mr Helman
would be much pleased to have us
live in it & Mr Helman says if we
will put it in repair we are welcome

to rest. He is in it so long as he has claim
to it which is for a year. I am afraid
that Mr. Ward holds a title to it
so probably we could have it for a
longer time. This was very kind
of Mr. Helman, & I have no doubt so
suggested by Mr. Ward when he proposed
to live there. Three ladies have
called on me to day. Mrs. Martin
Mrs. Rad'oh & Miss Braggs.
Last evening the Hobsons all dined with
us & Ellen played most beautifully
on the piano. I went into a great
many stores to get a riding skirt, but
did not find one to suit me so Mr.
Dumbell told me he would look in
the port for one for me. & rather
for the cloth to make one.
I am tired now very so will be down.

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Friday A.M. Oct 4th

This is a most beautiful morning
but indeed nearly all the weather has been
charming since I came. Yesterday morning
Mrs. N. & I went down to Mr. G. & I

to get him to accompany us in our ship
being his friend that I could not
then wishing to be married Mr & Est. then
they went to first & ask the Catholic Priest
to pronounce them husband & wife & then
he went to marry them - He is a lover
of the country they left to go ashore Sunday
but we heard from Miss Bellmore that
Mr. Cunningham the Episcopal minister
married them in the afternoon Mr
& then went with us we purchased
very riding which which I have sold
in a wet sheet to change it to a week I
hope to make it. I had several calls while
out. In the afternoon Mr J. came & took me
to see Mrs. Dorset of Santiago who is staying
at the Riley's for a few days. She went
into the South West coast of Africa with
a canoe in his favor & will not probably
live long. Mr. Ward, Hallowell & Harwich
dined with us, & Miss Bellmore came & spent
the evening. Mr. Ward brought us Lynch's
Expedition to the Dead Sea which Augusta
& I are to read together - I study a little
Spanish every day.

Saturday a. m. Oct 5th I had a head ache
at early dawn this morning, but the sun
is shining gloriously now & the waters
of the sea sparkling in its glad beams.
A large American ship is just coming in
the Gaas. It has breakfasted with us.
We called to see Mrs. Barden yesterday
& she gave us most beautiful boxes.
We read 38 pages in Lyndal & loved quite
a good deal. I am unwell this
morning.

Monday Morning Oct 7th I was sick
on Saturday - very sick all night & not
able to go out yesterday which was a trial
to me - particularly as it was communion
sabbath. I read 150th page in Lyndal on Satur-
day - Yesterday read in O'Leary's Reforma-
tion. This morning Betty & Alfie have been
in to see me. The washwoman brought
our clothes & a present of some oranges.
I gave her a couple of pairs of old stockings.
Jessy N. has made me a bag of beautiful
ribbon for the week this morning. She
is a warm kindhearted little creature.

& Mrs W very kind to us also. As for the rest
I love for this liberal earnest spirit
at if these friends were only the friends
of God! how happy I should be. But the
excellence or loveliness of character can
save the soul unless there is dependence
on Jesus & love to His laws & I fear
these are wanting in these dear friends.
I hope to be able to read & sew some
today though I am far from well.

Wednesday 2 P.M. Oct 9th

This is a glorious day. The hills so fresh
& green after the rain night before last.
It proved in such torrents then asto-
nishing the family - then the distant
mountains are so distinctly seen
to day & splendent in their snowy
robes. I have been very unwell this
time. On Monday only Mrs Social &
two ^{half} brothers (the ministers of state)
Mr Wrenn & Mr & Mrs Riley & their
two sons passed the evening here. Mr Juan
also of Santiago who looks like a Carmen

At last they have decided to remain
Platonic friends, & not to enter into
Glynn's bonds. Dr & Mrs Page & Mrs
Hillman. Mother & Mrs P were here
to meet them. I had a long talk with
Mrs P. about my pain & monthly & she
advised me to take care of myself
in time, so I told David the night
told the Dr to come & see me. Yesterday
accordingly the Dr came & I had the
pleasure of reciting all my troubles
in his ear. He seems to think me
pretty well, but still thinks I need to
get rid of the sores in one particular
spot spoke of applying leeches will
come & see me again after I have
recovered from being unwell.
I have read three hundred pages in
Lynch - recited a lesson in Spanish every
day & made very siding skirt & finished
and under skirt this week. I have been
round to the Watsons this morning.
Both of the girls unwell - invitall
of us are to spend the eve at Mr
Bailey - I shall not go. The "neighbour"
husband's paper is out to day. I

have not yet seen a copy - He is
very industrious & has my husband

Thursday Oct 10th We some of us went
to Mrs. Pyle's Carding, were occupied with
company at home - Two Spanish gentlemen
joined with us - Mr. Ward & two other young
gentlemen called in the evening - We had no fire
& I took a cold in my head which is
not a very agreeable companion

This morning I have been down into
the Port got husband & visited & brought
a riding cat for me - Called in at the
Hobsons & have lunched & laced down
since my return - Laid down not to
sleep but to rest & send on the bed on
one of Susan's mats - Mr. Wheelwright
has gone this morning to Calcutta
to return on the 20th probably Mr
Mathison with him - Mr. Campbell
who came on Sunday is still here
I think he leaves tomorrow

Friday Oct 11th This morning we arose

A little after six & at half past 6 started
off. David & I to take a ride. We went to
the Playa de la or miles & a half distant
had a beautiful view of the City &
Bay & surrounding country all of
which is mountainous. I rode
agouta's horse. The gallop nicely,
but I feel very tired since my
return. I am not sure that
riding will agree with me. I
feel calm in the lower part of my bowels.
We met Dr Thomas & he rode with us from
the light house to the Port. Dr Campbell
has gone for the day to ride over the
country, but he is to return to night.
Mr. McArthur breakfasted here & accompanied
him on his ride.

Sunday Oct 13th 10 A.M.

This is a glorious Sabbath
morning. The air soft & balmy. The sun
shining brightly the hills smiling in their
 verdure. The air vocal with the sound of
birds. The waters of the Bay calm as a lake -
& every noise in the City hushed. All
nature seems to recognize that it is

a holy morning the spirit is subdued &
filled with a quietness in thoughts of the
Lord of this day. of this wonderful love &
mercy in dying for one as well as
for the whole world - & rising on this
day conquering death & the grave, &
thus teaching His children that they
too shall rise in immortal life
to dwell with Him forever. Oh that I
may be drawn nearer to a life in Him
each day, & that every earthly joy
may be a foretaste of one of the heavenly
joys in holy service of God. soon I go
to chapel to sing with a little band
of disciples in worshipping God. Oh may
the Holy Spirit meet with us, guiding you
to the truths concerning salvation &
leading them to Jesus & his true
christians & awakening in them a new
zeal & love. Who should not
we have an outpouring of God's life
among us. A revival of religion?
God's Spirit is not confined to place
But is every where with those who
worship in truth. Oh breathe upon us
Spirit of Love - Revive us - Revive us!

Tuesday morning Oct 18th

This is Augusta's birthday she is twenty
years old. We are to dine at the Hobson's
day. I bought a pretty present for Augusta
yesterday. Her mother a parcel for her for
80.00. Day before yesterday we all went
early in the morning out to the Selinas
Mr Reid's country seat. Mrs M & I rode in
a gig - Mr T. Augusta Mr Reid & Mr Wellman
went on horseback. The ride was over
the mountains all the distance till
at last we went down on to the beach
marsh for a short distance extends a
quarter of a mile inland. There was
the brightest sunniest little place
imaginable. The house in a flower
garden surrounded & almost
covered with flowers. I ate three
very fine tarts of Chile strawberries
taken from the bed all of immense
size & very delicious. We reached
home at eight in the evening bringing
a basket of flowers with us with which
we next morning adorned the parlor

+ sent ^{Corge} bouquets to two of our neighbours.
Yesterday I went to Mr T. office & while there to Sister Lavinia & Julius Silman - The man who is putting the cottage in Mr Wellman's garden in a place for us came there with paper for us to select for the house. I selected it & then we all went down to the Quinta to see about the rooms - It is a charming spot. We made Mr Wellman a visit while there & he gave us cake & wine. Rode home very tired at four. dined at five - Mr Reid - Captain Cough & Mr Isaac Wheelwright were here in the evening - Retired at half past ten.

Wednesday morning
Oct 23rd

I have rode on horseback this morning with Mr Fennell to the Playancha & was thrown, or rather my horse flew so fast that I fell off, but was not injured in the least. On Saturday I rode with David & Agusta, & we had a delightful

rides over the hills - On Sunday I
went to church both parts of the day
remained two hours or more at
the oficina with David after the
morning service - Went in to
Mrs Balph to learn to knit tidies
on Saturday & Monday - Mr
Wheelwright came on Monday
eve'g & today He & Augusta Leach
of Santiago - so we shall be a
small family. Yesterday David
& Mrs Wheelwright went with me to
call on Mrs. Saeland & Wyman did
not find the latter at home & so did
not see her. called in also to see
Mr. Yellmann & he gave us cake, wine
& strawberries - I came home very
tired, having walked about three
miles - I made a pr of sheets & a
pillowcase on Monday besides
mending washed clothes & yesterday
made one sheet & a pillow case -
all for William Clark a clerk of
David's.

Oct 24th

Thursday Morning

This is a beautiful day. I have been writing a little to Sister Lavinia intend sending to her by the Constitution which leaves in ten days.

Rode again this morning - enjoyed it much. A French lady - music teacher called to see me about giving me lessons. I decided to learn as soon as I go to house keeping. David is so anxious to have me that it seems unkind to refuse him any longer. I have stated my objections to learning, but he thinks lightly of them. One thing pleasant is I shall learn some French in acquiring it - even if I should not succeed in music.

Poor dear Ellen is very feeble. She is not able to sit up all day - thinks of returning to the United States. I go in to see her & went in to Mrs Potters this morning. & now I must knit a little for my doily. Have just learned the stitch

Tuesday 29th Oct

Have just finished letters
for Mother Lavinia - Ytter Carr
& a note for Julia Silman & am
to send by the steamer Constitution
to Panama - As she goes direct
not stopping at the intermediate
ports she will reach there
probably before the mail
steamer - Went to church all
day Sunday. Mrs Potter the Consul's
wife went with me in the morning
she intends attending Mr Trainor's
church - Some naval officers
- American went with us - under
the impression that husband
was an Episcopal clergyman.
Yesterday I went into the Post
to piece China. Sam & Mrs W.
with me - Mr W. & Agusta are still
in Santiago - hear from them
every day - Dear Ellen very
fable - so now I must away
to work.

Saturday Morning
Nov. 2nd

I have spent this morning with Ellen while Mrs. & Mrs. Gibson & Miss went down into the Park. We have had a nice chat together. Dear E looks a little better but she is very thin & feeble. Yesterday Mr. Wheelwright came home having left Augusta in Santiago. Mr. Hamland the Irish lived here the day before yesterday & Mr. Isaac W. yesterday. I am just taken unwell so expect to be laid up for a few days. I read yesterday & the day previous "Letters from Palmyra" by Dr. Ware of Cambridge - Mr. Ward lent them to me. They were extremely interesting - of Palmyra in her days of prosperity & power when Zenobial was but queen & then of her conquest by Aurelian the Roman Governor. Zenobial is represented as having been a woman of unequalled beauty with goodness. Her daughter Julia extremely interesting - Aurelian a generous

but ambitious emperor. He was
a descendant of Zenobia's - Livia.
It was Ovid's birthday yesterday
& he went with Mr Ward & Waverland
out to Selmas & spent the
day. And now I am going to
read Rome or Robus by Mr Ward. I
have read it once but intend
reading it in connection with Palmyra.
We are thinking of going to house keeping

Monday 4th of Nov.

I have just finished a letter
to Aunt Mary - one to Mrs Tom-
linson & another to Lavinia Yule &
Mary Murwin to send by Mr
Wardland - Have read
Robus - shows Aurelian to be
a superstitious tyrant -
His persecution of the Chris-
tians awful...

Nov 5th I wrote in such haste the other day
in my journal, because Mr Plunderlight
had come to his office, & I feared to remain

there, & trouble him. Yesterday I wrote to
Sophia Larned & Mary Abbott, & in the eve-
ing Mr Harrieland left in the steamer taking
12 letters & notes for me & I know not how
many for David. only two or three I think
I wrote begging Sophia L. to come to Val-
paraiso & live with me. It would be
so pleasant to have a friend living with
me, & I think Sophia might find a few
scholars here if she wished to teach. And I
have told her that we should love to have
her play the Seraphine in our chapel
for us. I fear she will not come, still I
am glad that I have given her the
opportunity. I took my letters down to
David & he added his invitation to mine.
I have felt very unwell for a week
past with pain in my back, but have
not been as usual unwell. this makes
me think that I may have begun to be
a mother. I cannot tell how I feel as
it seems a dream, not real - still the
thought of ever having a dear child of
our own is delightful. I will commend
it to its Mother from its earliest existence
Dear husband too would be so pleased to

I would willingly suffer
much even to give him pleasure. Apart
from the new joy such a gift would
mean to me. Our house is done &
Carrie told me that he should today
and for our furniture from here
or a part of it. He is not willing that
I should go down till today. He wishes
me to be careful. I have been in to see
dear Ellen. she is better. Mrs Wheelwright
has appeared rather cold to me of late.
I know no reason for it. Ellen tells
me it is her way. she is capricious
& that it is best to seem blind to it.
I am going to study a little Spanish
now.

Tuesday Nov 19th I have been all day
at our house with a woman ar-
ranging things & tomorrow we enter
it to abide. Sussey returned home
yesterday & Mr Gunden in company
he is now staying here so we shall
not leave the house without a gentle
man. While at the house today
Mr & Mrs Hobson, Dr & Mrs Paget & Miss

called to see me, & we all went in to
see Mr. Gullmann, & he set strawberries
& dulcies before us & nice bread & butter.
I rode up ^{the Alameda} & Dr. meeting me told me his
carriage was at Mr. Miller's & I must
ride up the hill - so my postilion took
me there & I came up with Mrs. Page,
Gibson, & Hepner who have been one-
thing calls to day. I was taken wor-
well the day I wrote in this last so
my expectations were dashed but there
is time enough yet. I went to church
on Sunday once - the sabbath before
did not go out. I was very sick when
unwell. Am delighted at the thought
of house keeping - expect some trouble
at first as I do not know the language
well.

Tuesday Nov 20th. It is one week
to day since I wrote in this, since then
we are nicely settled in our house
on Wednesday I came down again
with Maria early in the morning
& set things in order - washed the new
chinas & prepared our house to live
in. David dined that day with Mrs

William Wheelwright & I & Maria
at Mr Isaac's. We took tea there
that ev'g & slept here. On Thursday
Mrs Wheelwright & Sussey came to see
me. Friday ev'g Mr Isaac W. took
tea with me & on this day I think it
was Mr & Mrs Hobson. Kippsey, & Dr Page
& wife made me a call. On Saturday Dr
Page called again to see me to inquire
about my back. It is always well ex-
cept at monthly seasons, but he
advised the use of Croton oil (rubbed
on) in order to prevent future
suffering. John Lammam took
tea with us on Saturday & dined
here on Sunday. I went to
church twice on sabbath. rode
home in the ev'g. On Monday
Mrs Page & all her little tribe (as
on Saturday) with her Mother came
to see me & lunched here on bread &
butter. Yesterday Mr & Mrs Potter
with their servant & child called.
Mr Thurnden with Mrs W. & Hobson
called very early on Saturday morn'g
also. & Miss Lusher & little Corinna.

have been here a number of times
so I have not been lonely this week
& then I have had much to do. Maria
is an intelligent & willing girl but
she needs instruction, & as I do not
yet talk well I am obliged to do
things in order to teach her. I
sweep my room & the parlor every
morning. The girl has nothing to
do in either of these rooms except to
empty slops. She cooks & attends to
the dining room & corridor. She
also does the marketing. I give her
the money every night & she goes early
in the morning. Mr. Yellman sends
me strawberries every day. We
have them for breakfast, dinner &
tea. Our breakfast hour is 8 A.M.
dine at 5 P.M. & tea at eight P.M.

I bought two vials worth of strawber-
ries on Saturday afternoon & soon
after Mr. Yellman sending me
some I went to work & preserved
them they filled a little jar. An
Thursday morning last I received
letters from home. one from

inde that he thought I would have
received the mail before this.
Knew pleasant. A long letter from
Aunt M. Another from Mother
& Lizzie. I wrote a note to Mrs
White last evg to send in Cass's
letter. This is all from my pen
that goes in this steamer. I wrote a
little letter for Aunt Mary, but it
was not worth the postage so I did
not send it. Then too I sent them
all long letters by Mr Harvilland.

I do not wish them to forget me
& the best way that I know of to
keep in their remembrance is to
write often & fully to them.

Wednesday 27th Yesterday I received a
note from husband asking me
to come to his office & call with
him to see Rev Mr Pantou a Scotch
clergyman & his wife. I went.
walked there & back. liked their
appearance much. feel sym-
pathy with them as children of God.
They have been missionaries in

but on account of some difficulties were obliged to leave.

David wishes to invite them to remain with us. but as our things have not come from home I do not think we can accommodate them. Mr Isaac N. thinks perhaps he can let them sleep there if we will board them. This we can do. Mr Wheelwright dined with us yesterday & Miss Tucker called in the eve. The Music teacher has been here again to day. We invited Mr Pantow & his wife & children - two to spend the day here & they promised to come.

Friday A.M. 29th on Wednesday Mrs Mr & wife - children came & dined with us & took tea. Mr Wheelwright also took tea here with them. they left at nine P.M. after which Miss Tucker came in for half an hour. Yesterday we spent the day with Mrs Mr Wheelwright. Ensey was ill & ratured all day. did not speak a

civil word during the day. The
mother said "she has been low spi-
rited ever since she came from
Santiago". She kept too late hours
while there & is feeling the effect.
I called at the Consul: Mr Wilson's
Dr Page's. Rer Mr Armstrong's on
the hill. Mrs Potter & Mrs Page
urged me to come & spend the day
with them ^{soon}. Next week we are
to have a fire place made in
our kitchen, so if I am well I
shall go out to dine. The Globes
all come in to Mrs W. to see me in
the eve. We left Mrs W. at nine
& walked home. I rode up to Mr
T's office in the morning.

Henri my cook is doing
very well now. I think she is
pleased with her situation

Tuesday Dec 3rd On Saturday I went
with Mr Greenbush to call on Mrs
Robinson, & Mrs Gregory. On Friday
eve'g I went to the Chapel to sing.
walked there & back. Rode to Mr W.

office on Saturday, but walked from
there out to West Gorge, a mile &
walked all the distance home. We made
some purchases also on Saturday
while out. On Sunday I went to
church all day & walked the distance
four times. Mr Pantom preached for
husband, an excellent sermon in the
morning from the text, "Pardon my
iniquity for thy name sake O Lord
for it is great." Yesterday I combed
with new silk my old parrot. It
looks nicely. Mrs Ralph & Miss Isaac
called in the morning. And Mrs Page,
her mother, & children in the after-
noon & asked me to ride with them
to the Estera but it was too near
my dinner hour. Mr Pantom &
Mr Isaac Phalungh called early in
the ev'g. & Mr Ward came & took
tea with us. I forgot to say that
Mr Yellman & Hemick called on Sat-
urday ev'g. And now I am going
to begin letters to send by the next
steamer. Husband brought me a
new Spanish dictionary this morning.

He is a dear good husband to me, &
I think he is very happy with me.
I know I long to make his
life a pleasant one.

Wednesday Dec 4th Rose this morning
before six swept & dusted my room
& the parlor before breakfast.
Immediately after went out with
David & called on Mr Pantou & his wife
who have come to Mr Isaac W. to live.
then bought a kettle for preserving.
Then weighed strawberries & sugar &
put them together - shall cook them
tomorrow if I can. A poor woman
called this morning. There have been
beggars for food every day since we
came & we have always given them
something. But this woman had
come in while the shut door was
open & stood at the parlor door
when David & I returned from Mr W.
She began her story to David & he asked
me to give her something. I did not
feel a ready response to her call.
for I felt that we knew nothing of

her & it has long been a principle with
me to give money only where I knew
the recipient - had food & such raised
as I have to bestow to give. I gave
her a fitter coat sack gown & 1/2 of a crown
& at my husband's request a quarter
of a dollar. As soon as I gave them
her eyes filled with tears & her voice
choked as she thanked me. This made
me feel that I was ungenerous not
to have had my own heart prompt
me to assist her. I would desire to
send no worthless object away unappre-
tiated, & in this case I might have done
so. Yesterday Ellen Hobson & Upsie
& Mr Menden called when riding. After-
wards Mrs Hobson, Bettie - a colored wo-
man - the head of Mrs W's family -
& Carlota. Dr Page called while we
were at dinner did not come in.
It is very thoughtful in him to re-
member me at this time - It is
exactly time for my monthly trouble.
Last ev'g I was unaccountably tired
& sleepy & retired early.

Friday A.M. Dec 6th

This morning at half past six there was a severe earthquake. I am unwell & so had not arisen but the house shook so violently that I ran into the garden in my night dress & with the bare feet. David had gone to his bath in the ocean. There was a great cry of alarm & distress in the streets & the bell of the convent rang. After I returned to the house I found the paper on the walls much broken & two rows of flowers thrown to the floor. I was not aware that I felt much fear till it was all over when accidentally saw my face in the glass. It was nearly as white as my night dress.

Yesterday I preserved 8th of strawberries & sent Mr. Williams in three tumblers & one glass jar of them. Mr. Pantown. Mr. Whelkington. Mr. Pramp & his wife from New Zealand took tea

with me last ev'g. Mr Willman^{or} took tea here the night previous. I awoke day before yesterday to another & to Aunt & Uncle. Yesterday Mrs Page sent me a nice knife basket. some lace for toilet covers. some jelly quin & cake. Mrs L her mother also sent me some fine lace - made in Conception & they both sent me a kind note. I was overwhelmed with their kindness.

Saturday Dec 7th

I am so well that I feel little like exertion of any kind. Yesterday we had painters here again - The little room is at last finished, & now nothing remains to be done but the kitchen to have a fire place - oven & new chimney put in it. This I had hoped would be done this week, now I do not expect it will be finished before the last of next week. People here work very slowly. Last ev'g Mr Deane N. & Mrs Byrd took tea here, & she staid with me.

while husband & Mr Wheelwright
went to this Chapel to sing.

We have had some one stake tea
with us every day this week & to night
John Lammam is to be here.

I am dizzy now & must stop
writing.

Tuesday 10th

I rode to church
on Sunday - It was communion
season & Mr Pantow preached a
very appropriate sermon from
the text "do this in remembrance
of me". I did not go in the evg
but remained home & taught
Marie the Spanish alphabet.
John Lammam took tea with us
on Saturday & dined here on Sun-
day. Yesterday Mrs L. Mrs Page's
mother called & asked me to take
a ride with her - which I did.
Mr Isaac W. took tea with us
& Miss Tucker Miss Michel & Mr
Panton called in the evg. This
morning I have swept the

rooms & cheer stretched - Ben waiting
now for the irons to heat in order
to iron my smocking. David bought
me half a doz towels yesterday. Washed
them this morning & I hate them
for work today & something always
presents itself. Workmen for the
kitchen not yet here.

Thursday 12th On Tuesday Mr &
Mrs Ruff came in & took tea with
us & Mr Ward came & staid till half
past ten in the evg. Wednesday, yesterday
Mr Trumbull did not leave me all
day. he wrote a sermon at home as
the wind blew violently. I quended
some pants for him. At five we went
to Mr Ullman's. The Watson's & Philwrights
from the hill were there, & Mr W. &
& Thurnish. We had an excellent
dinner. & pleasant time - came
home before ten. Mr Ward urged
me to go to this Africa with him
& I spoke as if it would give me
pleasure to go. The friendly man-
ner with which he urged me to go to

near a sweet singer made me
forget my duty & indeed I had never
before come to a decision about
the opera. however in the silent
watches of the night as I thought
on the subject. I regretted that I had
not manifested a more decided
christian spirit which must be
opposed to such excess of amusement
as is unfit ^{and} for the duties of life
& then too the opera performers decorate
the Sabbath & this should prevent a
christian giving them his coun-
tenance. I wrote Mr Nais a note
this morning telling him my
decision. Then I went out & bought
some lemons a basket & some cherries.
Came home & made a couple of pies
(cherry & have now dined for dinner.
at I went to Mr Isaac B.'s also when out.

Tuesday 17th

I went up the hill on
Friday, & lunched at Mr Hobson's.
Called at Mrs Wheeler's. & Mrs Page's.
She & her mother pressed me to spend

the day with them. It was an oppressively warm day. Went at 3 o'clock & bought some curtains for parlor windows;

have not yet made them. On Saturday I dined at Mr Isaac W. & Daisy at Westport & Co's. Mr Struthers took tea & passed the ev'g here. On Sunday I went to church with Daisy & found that there was a lay-fire, so that we could not go through the street to pass, but must go over the hills. This was fatiguing, but I did it.

On Sunday ev'g read the Testament to Maria. Am much surprised & delighted to find how much she knows of scripture. She is a good servant I like her much. Yesterday Mr Penton dined with us, & to Mr Isaac Wheelwright took tea here. Rev Mr Armstrong called to see me last ev'g. I have been in to see Mr Wellman this morning. found him lying on the sofa not quite well. I have made boiled instead to day.

Thursday. Evg 19th

Yesterday early in the morning Ellen Hobson, Bettie & Carlota came to see me. I had met E the evg previous. Tuesday at Mrs Whelwright's she told me she would come & spend the day with me next day. We met Mrs Winkle & husband at Mrs W's on Tuesday evg. - had ice cream there. Bettie brought me yesterday a large fruit cake from Mrs Hobson. She & Carlota left before dinner. Mr & Mrs Winkle. Mr Wm Whelwright Mr Isaac W. & Mrs Soshin called yesterday. After dinner I went with Ellen to take a sail in the harbour in a boat belonging to the Vincennes American Ship of War. Captain Hudson. At I met Captain W. at Mrs W's on Tuesday evg & was much pleased with him. He is a man of religious principle - spoke with great plainness against Sabbath breaking - showing by so doing great moral courage for Mr Ward & Winkle & indeed nearly all of them disregard the Sabbath. We enjoyed

our sail, much. Went up to Mr. Hobson
afterwards - David came there &
took tea with me & we returned
home early. To day I have swept
house & made cakes. Had good sleep.

Mrs. Saitend & Captain Babyman
have been to see me to day. Mrs.
Foslin came also to tell me of a Miss
teacher - an English lady. I have
not yet commenced lessons with
this French teacher - I have feared
that I should not progress much as
I do imperfectly understand the French
when spoken. Mr. Wellman is quite
an invalid, with ^{an} inflamed eye.
I have been since tea over to see
Mrs. Pantow at Mr. J. Whiteights - They
expect to leave for England on Sat-
urday. It is raining now quite
unusual for this season.

Tuesday Dec 24th

On Thursday night
last. the day in which I wrote in this -
we had two shocks of earthquakes
but slight - one woke me. On Friday

I have forgotten what passed except
that Mr. Panton Mr Whelanight & Mr
Naid took tea here. & the three
came from Panama bringing me
no letters. On Saturday I put up
curtains to my windows. & on
Mr & Mrs Whelanight called to see me
I do not remember any one else. I
also went to Miss Tucker & bought reg-
isters for Sunday as Maria my
girl was not well & feared to go
out in the sun. I bought those Miss
& had before purchased & she sent
this girl for more. Mr Panton
& family went on Saturday.

Mr Whelanight took tea there on
Saturday. I told him how much I disliked
Mrs M. manner of speaking of Mr
Panton. he said I ought not to mind
what she said more than the blowing
of the wind. She has some disagreeable
peculiarities. Mr William B. Jepsen
came to come & dine with him before.
he left. so yesterday we went. I took
a Testament to Mrs & Page as a present.
Miss Peyton is at Mr Whelanight's.

She is a pleasant girl. The week
last viz. Miss P. Augusta W. Mrs. Nelson
& the girls to take another sail with
the officers of the Vincennes - were
persuaded by the Asia's band & in-
vited to go on board of her but
refused as it was late. Then after our
return David & I took tea with Mrs.
Oriley. She invited us to make her a
visit at the Agaves which we prom-
ised to do. On Sunday I walked to
church all day & back again.

In the morning we had a large con-
gregation & Captain Anderson & Lieutenant
Case came into the office to see us
after church. David & I should come
down & see us. This morning the
Columbia from the States is here
but I fear she has brought nothing
to us, as David promised if she did
to send me word. This paper comes
out to day. Mr Isaac W. & Mrs.
Falcon have been to see me this
morning.

Christmas Day Dec 25th

I finished letters to Mother & Lavinia, Aunt & Uncle & Mother Lumball yesterday. In the evening Mr & Mrs Gregory came & took tea with us. She brought me a very pretty Britannia tea pot & milk pot & some shells as a present. She appears to be a most excellent Christian woman. Mr J. W. & family breakfasted with us to day. I presented Lavinia a little book as a Christmas gift. She was to have had it to day but David forgot to bring it me. He brought me last night a pretty door mat & some other nice house hold articles. He is very thoughtful of my comfort. I am going now to Mr Hobson's.

Friday Dec 27th

We had a delightful visit at the Hobson's on Wednesday. Mr & Mrs Potter, Mr & Mrs Nickle & Mr Greenland were there to dine & Mr Isaac Wheelwright too besides us; &

Captain Hudson & Mr W. Isherbaugh
came in to tea & pass the ev'g. Mr Miller
& wife left early to go to the opera.
He urged me to go with them. I called
with Caird on Miss Payton while I was
up the hill. Yesterday was a cloudy
day. Mr Wellman came to see me.
I made cake & sent him a loaf
this morning. Mr Isaac W. took tea
with us last ev'g. This morning
husband has gone to his office
promising me to return home early
to write his sermons for Sabbath.

Saturday 28th

Yesterday afternoon
Caird & I called on Mrs Miller & Hatchery
& at Mr I. W. I went round there also
this morning to purchase some
eggs of Miss Tucker. She told me the
reason of Mr Isaac W. going to church
up the hill the other Sunday. She
said it was because Mr Tully bull
headed his head forward in prayer
in his pulpit as soon as he entered
the church. Mr W & Miss Tucker

also disapproved of such form & so
to better this matter Mr J. W. decides
to go where it is obligatory on the
Minister to bow before the people
in silent prayer on entering the
Sanctuary. This is I think the
greatest piece of weakness I have
heard of lately. David told Mr W.
if he was so much troubled by it
he would dispense with it though
greatly to his own discomfort &
Mr W. was sufficiently pacified to
come to Chapel again.

On Sunday I noticed that David
rose to read the Chapter without
stopping after he entered long enough
to have asked God's blessing & I felt
troubled at it, so one is troubled
at one thing & another at another.

Surely if we must give up bowing
the head for a few minutes after
entering God's house in order to
seek His blessing & presence
while there - simply because
many use the house without
any heart in it, we had as

will go the whole length - according
to such reasoning - & give up judgment
altogether. I have felt much
pained to hear this of Mr. ^{N.} ~~Flane~~ where
the true children of God are so
few in number they should be
united, & not have divisions,
or bigotry among them. I should
love to speak to Mr N. on this sub-
ject & will if I have a good oppor-
tunity. Mr Wm N. came to see us
yesterday. His wife & Augusta have
gone to Talcottanna with Capt
Hudson - in company with Mrs & Miss
Hobson. Mr Peyton & daughter. Mr
N. said he would come & dine with
us to day if possible.

Tuesday Dec 31st This is the last of the year
1850. It is now nearly ten o'clock P.M. In
little more than two hours the dying
year will be past with all its joys
& sorrows & sins - recorded here & there
in the great book of account & a New
Year with its untold scenes & events
dashed in. The year 1850 will end

be a memorable year in my
history. It has brought many
blessings to me & the best of all
earthly gifts a husband. I feel
that I have cause for a song
of thanksgiving continually to
be in my mouth to my Father
in Heaven for His unmerited
goodness. My life is now filled
with good things. At that I may
rightly enjoy them & not have
my affections wander from
their true & eternal source
of blessedness. I hope the year
to come will find me resolved
in the strength given me from
above to live more singly to the
glory of God, more resolute to
resist temptation & run in the
way of duty. I have been dining
again at Mr Hobson's to day.
Kept up uninvited. Mrs Lyle
came for me in Dr Page's
carriage - took ^{me} to ride & then up
the hill. I went into Mrs Page's
lunched there. Then to see Eliza

where I have passed a delightful
time. Mr M^r W. came also to see
me & takes me up hill in a caving.
He dined at Mr Hobson's also.
Mrs Scott is staying there. She
& Ellen promised me to come &
spend a day with me next week.

Yesterday I made potato pudding
& sent Mr Ullman one. I was not
very well. Mr Ward, Miss Tucker &
her charge called to see me yesterday
& Mr Marshall dined & took tea
with us. On Sunday I walked to
church twice & back. Had cholice
in the A.M. Stopped at Mrs Stenison's &
took peppermint. Clark dined with
us. Tomorrow he comes to board
with us.

Thursday 3rd of Jan 1851.

The fifth day of this new year was a bright
one. Mr Ward sent me a present of a
dozen finger glasses. He & Mr W^m Whalingh
called to see me & wish me a happy
New Year. Miss Tucker & Annita spent

a number of hours here that day.
Annita brought me some sage in plants.
Mr Ward sent her a box. Saturday Black
came here to board. He sits at another table
in the little room. David & I did not wish
to have any one eat with us all the time.
We feel so much more freedom alone.
I am unwell today & do not expect to
accomplish much work though I feel
unusually well for such a time.
I wrote a letter to Lavinia Wilcoxson on
New Year's day. As Mr Whitright took tea
with us on New Year's day.

Wednesday A.M. 8th

I have
been unwell since Friday, & so did
not go to church on Sunday. Mrs
Scott dined with us yesterday. She is to
leave soon to join her friends in
South Carolina. Poor desolate woman!
I feel much for her, but hope that
she is a child of God & experiences the
consolations that He always gives to
His children in affliction. Ellen
wrote me a kind note yesterday.

She had intended spending the day with me, but Mrs Ward from U.S. arrived & she could not leave her alone - as she is sole hostess now. Mrs W & Upsie having gone to - Mr Ward & Nickle came to see me on Monday. Mr J. W. also. Miss Tucker Miss Nickle & Mrs Beaumont my music teacher. Yesterday I commenced taking lessons of her on the Piano - give her half an ounce for 12 lessons.

Friday 10th

On Wednesday I went up town, & made calls on Mrs Falcon, Mrs Fromont, & Mrs Stevenson. did not find the former at home. Mrs Fromont is a good old Scotch woman - & a devoted Christian. When I returned home I was very tired & Dr Page who came in shortly after to see me said I had done wrong to walk so far so soon after being unwell. Mrs Ralph & Miss Grace called & invited me to take tea with them next Tuesday evening which I promise to do. Yesterday my music teacher gave me a second

lesson. She does not spend half an hour with me. I suppose she thinks because I am grown I will learn without her, she gives me some simple little exercise in fingering to learn & then learns me.

Saturday. P.M.. 11th January.

I am very tired. have been making cake & apple pies. My music teacher has been here to day. The Wheelwrights & Hobsons have returned to day & David has called on them. Yesterday evening Mr Hellman. David & Frederick took tea with me. and now I must lie down & rest.

Monday. A.M.. 184 P

I went to church twice & walked both times there & back so to day I feel tired in my bowels. Mrs Delong told me she & her husband were coming to spend this evening with me. I rose early & have done my usual morning work. David.

has gone to the office. He is to return
early & call with me on Miss Michel
& Mrs. Woodmold. The Hobson's. Mrs
Whelping. Mr Payton & Mr Harris were
at church last evening. David preached
an excellent sermon on the Spirit
of all evil. the Devil. Yesterday was
a pleasant sabbath to me. At
that I might continually have a
sabbath spirit.

Tuesday Jan 14th

I practiced music much
yesterday. Met Mr Fisk - or "Focius Carash-
li" a greek educated in New Haven
called to see me yesterday. I have
seen him in New Haven. He is now
chaplain in the Navy & is on board
the just arrived. In the
evening Mr Gregory & his wife & Mr
Simpson came & took tea & passed
the evening. She brought me a very
handsome table cover.

Wednesday 15th

Yesterday I was in-
terrupted by Mr Fisk again. He

brought me a present of six jars
of *Miss Janina Dulci*. He dined at
home & then went up the hill. I
called on Mrs Potter, Mrs Scott, at the
Hobson's, Mrs Page's, & then went to
Mrs Ralph's to tea. As I went in to
Mrs P. to ask her if she wished to
contribute any thing towards send-
ing Mrs Sostlin home & she replied
very rudely "I know nothing of Mrs
Sostlin". I commanded my tem-
per & replied politely telling her
that I called to give her an oppor-
tunity to give & not to pay. I had
heard she felt badly that other
ladies had not called on her to
contribute in a recent contribution.
Mrs W. has treated me with great
coldness, not to say incivility of
Coke, but as I have done nothing
to merit such treatment I shall
try not to mind her. We passed
a very pleasant evening at Mr Ralph's
& Mrs Ralph gave me a jar of
orange marmalade when we
came home. I have been round

to Mr Isaac W^{ts} to call. He has not
been to see me lately much. David
says it is because Black is here.

He was very polite to me, but
he talked of ~~very~~ having all my time
employed in a manner that I could
not understand. I told him I had
time for all my duties. Mrs Tylerack
has sent me since I came home a
present of six pretty little Conception
baskets. So while I meet with cold-
ness on the one hand, I experience
great kindness on the other. If I was
only sure that in my conduct I gave
no cause for offence then I should
be quiet. & I do feel almost sure
that the ground of Mrs W^{ts} dislike
is envy. She does not like my
Christian & some principles. She
fears they will be respected &
beloved by those whose kind feelings
she would like to monopolize. She
is a strange character. There is no
need of her envying me. I would
not stand in her way if I could.

Saturday 18th Jan

Thursday evening I went up the hill after an early dinner & called on Mr Baedea. He gave me a large bunch of very beautiful flowers. Then I stopped at Mrs Ralph's & borrowed her knitting needle - needles & a beautiful Doily Lily to work one like it. Then I called on Mrs Alfred Ward at the Hobsons & after went to our prayer meeting. Walked home. Yesterday afternoon I went to the Zoo as to spend the day with Mrs Riley. Took a carriage at the door. The man said the third horse was waiting at the foot of the hill but as there was no one there after he had urged his horses up the first hill I was frightened & got out to walk. However as he had his horse & would not ride if I walked. I mounted into his saddle & rode all the way. We breakfasted & dined with Mrs R. Mr Payton & daughter Augusta

Mr. & Missy Hobson came out &
lunched there. At Mr Payton & daughter
called here on Thursday. so did Mrs Byers.
I had a pleasant day at the Jones
but the day had a sad termination.
We walked into town - coming
down the hills. I was much fatigued
when we reached the bottom I took
a gig & David handed me my work
& from his pocket that I had given
him to bring home for me. I put
it into my pocket & it was too
large to enter so I lost it. Mrs
Ralph's needles. Tidy & all. I had a
long cry over it. For it will be
impossible to purchase another
such a beautiful tidy. & I feared
I should not find the other things
but Mrs Selgory came in while I
was in my trouble & cry & told me
she thought she had the needle &
one such at any rate. I felt grate-
ful & think perhaps I can make
one by borrowing the Pattern. which
I feel afraid to do. I shall purchase
one in the mean time if I can

field one & give to Mrs Ralph.

I have been out to make a call this morning. taken my music box & recievd an invitation from Mr Henry Ward to go out to his country seat on Monday. have not yet decided to go. At Mr Gregory, his wife & Mr Simpson came last night & Mrs S. made us a present of a beautiful center table. These friends are full of kindness. I wish I could return it. the kindness to them in some way.

Wednesday Jan 22nd

On Monday early we went out to the Salinas & I rode in a gig with Ellen. Mrs Hobson & Mrs A. Ward ^{with} Mr Dayton & Mrs W. in another - the rest of the party on horseback. Had a delightful day & found on coming home a great number of letters from home. Two from Mr W. in one of which was a note from M. Blake telling me of her engagement to

Bushnell. then another long letter
from her. a note from Aunt Mary
in her other letter. Letters from
Mother & Sister & one from Eliza
Dana in which she mentions the
death of Cousin John's wife. I felt
deeply grieved to hear it, but I feel
sure that she is much happier
than she could be on earth. She was
a lovely christian. Yesterday tens
I took my music lesson - wrote to
Mary Blake & dined & took tea
at Mr Ullman's with the Paytons.
Wheburys - Uppie Hobson &c.

This morning I went up & called
on Mrs Campbell, & returning speedily
home as Mrs Fremont told me
she would come today to see
me. She brought me a jar of
Orange Marmalade & a pair of
handsome flower vases. Mrs
Byers also called. Capt. Thompson
took dinner with us. Miss Lusk
& the children have been in this
evening. I am tired & will
now away to bed.

Friday 24th

Yesterday I took my music
lesson. Mrs Wyman & daughter call'd
to see me. I practiced much.
Captain Thompson & Mr Fisk called in
the eve & we all went to our church
prayer meeting. I have written to
Mary Blake. Mr McPherson. Elsie Sam-
uel's Lavinia & Aunt Mary. I intend writ-
ting to Mother & Mr Sennan if
I have time. I go up the hill
after dinner to call on Mrs W^m
& Mrs Ralph & then go to Mrs Jozoy
to tea, & now I must practice.

31st.

Friday 31st

Has taken unwell yesterday
& feel sadly to day. I begin
to fear that I shall never know a
mother's joy. Well my heart will yet
quiesce in the thought that God knows
what is best for us. Mr Isaac W^m has
taken tea here twice this week. Miss
Tucker was with him once. Mr Sam
took tea here on Wednesday eve & Mr M^r
call'd. Mr Wyman made me a long
call on Wed. morning & the poor woman

came again - I gave her a lb of sugar
two candles & some tapestry.

I am making some progress
in music - & nothing very successfully

Tuesday Feb 11th

I have been very busy
of late. have had a great deal of con-
pany. been out myself & worked &
played much on the Piano. A week
ago on Sunday Dr Page called & told
me that he had forbidden Miss An-
tois to come to his house again. She
talks & acts so foolishly about gentlemen
that he fears she is not a good per-
son. I have been much troubled to
know how to act regarding her. I have
not called since, but I do not think
there is any evidence that she is
bad in one sense, & I fear if all respects.
The people forsake her, she may be temp-
ted to sin. On Monday Captain Thompson
dined with us. On Tuesday a gentleman
from Pitcairn's Island dined with us.
On Wednesday I went with Mrs Gregory
on board the Chester. one of her

day's (Victoria) ships of which Mr
Thompson is Captain. I was sea
sick. we lunched & returned home
I made cake & pastry that day & at
night Mr & Mrs Gregory, Mr Simpson
Mr Blake & wife & 3 children & a
Mr Stevenson, took tea & passed the
evening here. I gave Mrs Gregory
a glass of Crab apple jelly - On Thursday
I went up to Mrs Page's & lunched
there. took tea with the Mrs Potter
& went to prayer meeting.

On Friday Mrs Riley & family took
tea here. On Saturday I went up the
hill again. It was Nelly Hobson's birth-
day & we dined there with Mr Payton
& daughter. called while up the hill to
see Mr W. W. & Mrs Ralph. On Sunday
walked to church twice & back.

In the evening Capt Macgregor
Lieutenant Young were at church
& after service gave Mr N. a
letter of introduction they had
brought with them from Mr Fowler
of Phil.

Wednesday night 10 o'clock 1944

I was interrupted yesterday while writing & so did not say that on Monday of this week Mrs Goslin & niece spent the day with me. Mr Payton & daughter - Mr Hobman & Fiske & Mrs Johnson called. Mr P & daughter invited me to visit them.

They left town yesterday. Yesterday Mr Campbell wife, sister & child spent the day here. Mrs D's niece called to say "good bye" to me. They left today. I said I went with them to the ship. Today I have been

very busy with my netting & not very well. Mr Isaac W. Mip, Fickes & the children were here this morning.

also Mrs Potter & Hobson. Mrs W. W. & Agusta this eve. Mr Hennick came in to ask us in to Mr Williams' to tea, but I declined & have been practising music. & now I must off to bed.

Tuesday 28th

I have been extremely busy of late - on Friday week our furniture came to us & until Wednesday we were very busy unpacking & putting it in order. Now our home looks sweetly indeed & we have continual cause for gratitude. I have had a great deal of company lately company almost every day to tea - often to dine, & occasionally to breakfast. I have invited Miss Curtis here again - she spent the day with me last Tuesday & last night took tea here. I feel sorry for her as a stranger in a strange land. She is full of faults still there is no vice about her & I do not think it right to cast her off. I received letters on Friday from Uncle & Aunt. Mattie Dana, Prof Silliman, Mac W. Jeannie's mother. Sophia Larned, Hannah T. Scamb, Carrie & Mattie Trumbull father J. Mr Ripley. from the

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family of course letters were sent to David & myself. I enjoyed them much. I have written to Uncle & Aunt. to Mother - Linn, Uncle John Carrie Trumbull & Mrs Sigourney a note of thanks for her present to me of one of her own works. "Whisper to a bride" - She sent it to me in July but I never received it till now. David is writing beautifully

Sat 1st of March

On Wednesday morning the steamer left & we went that day on board the St Marys & dined with Capt. Agnew & had a delightful visit. Before going there however I went up the hill & called on Mrs Rowe. Mrs W. Mrs Page. Mrs Hobson & Mrs Potter. Mrs Hobson & C. had come in from the Zorras that morning to return the visit. They are very busy preparing themselves for a speedy marriage to Mr Norris. After dining with Capt. Peck & Mr Biddle came home & took tea with me & Mrs Bell. her husband & sister called. but would

not stay. On Thursday I was call'd on
by Mrs Cutts to know if I had procured
a place for Miss Antons to board. She
said Miss C. told them I had done so.
This was untrue & so were many
things she had told me so I went
over to see her & after a long
faithful talk with her came
to the conclusion that she is not
same. She contradicted herself constantly
& when told of it said well I can
not help it, I know not what else
to say. Miss Billmore & Mrs Healey
called on me that afternoon. I went
to our prayer meeting in the evg.

Yesterday Mrs Gregory dined here.
Mrs Ralph's sister & Captain Scroder
called. Mr Gregory & Miss Nichol took
tea here with Mrs S. To day I have
taken my music lesson & feel
not very well. It is time for me
to be unwell.

Friday 17th

I was taken unwell on
Wednesday the fifth after a cold

bath & have suffered much
kept my bed all day yesterday
Augusta Wheelwright spent the day
with me. Mrs Ralph, & Sister & Mr W.
called to see me, & came into my room.
Mr Hellmann also called, but I did
not see him. The day before Miss
Lucas & Mr Wheelwright were here
many times. They are about to move
to Mrs Bonstetter's house & he seems
very undecided how to act. has
just left here. Thinks of offering
his house & scholars to Mrs Beaufort
but, I do not think he will do so.
On Tuesday of this week. Mrs Wheel-
wright, & Augusta, Mr Ward. Mr Hobson
Mr Wheelwright, Dr Green of the Racine.
Mrs Campbell & Miss Cooper. Capt.
Scröder & his wife all called. My
husband was sick with headache &
did not see company in the ev'g.

On Monday - Mr St was on Monday
all these people called - & Mr Hubbard called
also & I asked him to dine with me the next
day so on Tuesday he & Mr St dined here
John Lammah was here, & took tea.

with them. Lieutenant Young called.
The St Mary's left for the Sugar Islands
on Wed. Capt. Cook said a very
jovial note saying he hoped to have
spent the last evening with us, but
Capt. Shannell visited him & detained
him & now I am tired & must
lie down on the sofa.

Saturday March 15th

I have not written in
my journal for some time but
I have been very busy. hurrying
to finish two Sidi's to send one as
a present to Mrs Taylor of Anica
in the next steamer & another for
Mrs Ralfe. I must finish both
because I wish Mrs R to have her
choice of one in place of her
that I lost. they are nearly com-
pleted. Then I have constantly
much company & many
household duties. I told Mrs Bea-
fort that for the present she need
not give me any more

Music lips on. I will practice
every day an hour or two on what
I know & when I can advance
no farther alone will have a
teacher again. It takes much
money & I cannot well afford
a teacher all the time.

Dear Nellie Holton was married
to Mr Norris of Baltimore on
Thursday eve by Mr Armstrong
about forty at the wedding. We
left early - just as the dancing
commenced. I sent Nellie a
handsomely bound bible with a
note requesting her to make it
her daily companion & friend. She
thanked me & promised to do so.

She is very feeble, but I hope a
change of climate will restore
her. I shall miss her much.

We took tea on Tuesday eve
with Mrs Hawthley. Dr Thomas
& another gentleman were present.
Mormonism & Phrenology were under
discussion much of the time.
A number of officers have called

this week to see me. As a class
they are a stupid set. but there
are some pleasant men among
them. I have just been interrupted
by Mr Isaac W. who came for a table
bureau - wash stand & looking
glass that I promised to lend him
& he sat some time with me talking
about the wedding. He did not
much admire the service.
nor do I think it can compare
with the simple ceremony of
our Church. I have begun a
letter to Mrs Sutton & I hope to
write a number before the
steamer of this month leaves.

Husband is at his office
left home at two o'clock. He is
much at home now - writes
for his paper, & his sermons at
home. Is a dear kind hus-
band to me. I hope Willie will
be as happy with Mr Norris but
I fear she will not for they are
both gay & have not the prin-
ciple to regulate their lives that

we hope is ours. Who made us to differ.
Oh the wonderful love & mercy of
God to me. I feel it to have been
constantly about my path. Would
that I might render something to
the Lord for all His benefits to me.

There are so few opportunities
for active good being done here.
I teach Maria & hope she will
yet be able to read the bible &
be one a true child of God.

Wed. 19th. On Sunday I attended Church
twice. There was a larger congrega-
tion than usual, & husband
preached well. I rode once.
On Monday I went up town &
purchased me a new silk dress
for \$18. Mr Gallon & wife took tea
here on Monday. They are desirous
of establishing a boarding house
for seamen. Ten per cent but
cannot find a house. Mr Whit has
been in every day this week. Yesterday
Tuesday - Mr Page & his Mother
called to see me & I promised if they

sent their carriage down to go
up there & spend the day.

Monday 24th

I went up to see
Mrs Page on Wed. last. called on Mrs
Jelly Potter, & took to Mrs Raffe the
Lidy I had worked for her - dined
with Mrs Page - took tea at Mrs Wilson
& had a very pleasant day. Husband
dined & took tea with me - On Thursday
Mr & Mrs Hubbard took tea here - On
Friday - on Thursday eve there was
a grand ball on Board the Puget
We were invited but I could not
go. It was given in honor of the
bride & bridal party - On Saturday.

Hellman & Peyton called to see
me & Miss McDonald wrote me a note
requesting permission to call. I said
come so she came & begged me to
introduce with my husband to
Mary her to Dr Leconte, she has
lived with him many years & had a
number of children. She is well
educated, & belongs to a very

respectable of family in Edinburgh
Scotland. Dask gave his
consent to perform the ceremony
but told her it would be then
only a marriage in the sight of
God & not legal unless Mr. Leont
would go to a catholic priest himself
with her & have it registered. She
said he would not do this - he so
hated the Catholics & that she could
more to be married in the sight
of God & her family in Scotland &
for the sake of giving a name to
her little boy than for anything
else. So I consented to have her
married here & to be one of
the witnesses. We sent for Mr
Struthers to come & be the other
but when he came he said he
could not sign up the money
her friends had sent him & he
expended in her passage to Scotland
& nothing else & so the man
refused to marry her. He is a
brave & it is a great pity there
is not some one here to have

Perhaps no.

Monday March 31st

I have not written any since last Monday. That evening Miss Med. came in & told me Dr. Leacock had consented to marry her on the conditions Mrs. had proposed. So Mr. I went for Mr. S. & as he could not come I went for Mr. Isaac W. & they came in to our parlor & were married. Mr. W. being the witness. The ceremony was the most simple & beautiful of any I ever heard. I felt proud of my dear husband. Though there were so few to see or hear it. On Wednesday of last week we went out to the Boras & spend the day with the Hobbs & Kelly Norris. I rode on Mr. Rowe's horse - we went before breakfast & returned at six o'clock. took tea at Mr. J. W.'s & then went to prayer meeting. I have written

have to day sweeping & cleaning &
have a slight head ache.
After dinner we are going to
Mr Sugor's to take tea.
I had a good deal of company
last week. among the rest.

Mr Wheelwright from Ceres Bluffs
the two Mr Yellman's; Mr Mattison
& Mr Campbell & wife. Mr J. W.
was here several times to tea
Mr Hubbard once & Mr Noths.
The day we went to the Zorras
Mrs Eck & Beaufort & Mr Armstrong
& Miss Bellmore called. I went
twice to visit the bride & she
made me a long visit on Saturday
yesterday she left with her husband
child & servant for Conception.
I was much pleased with her
appearance. Mr Clark has turned
out badly. he has stolen fifty
dollars from husband & of the
owners from Mr Lyon. He told
David Nit & he has dismissed him.
Poor fellow! he is the slave of his
appetites! I went to church

Twice yesterday walked the distance three times, code on a.

Called one day last week on some of the parishioners - Mr Blake's family & Mrs Sturton.

April 4th Friday

On Wednesday at 6¹/₂ A.M. we had a terrible earthquake. It threw down houses - killed two or three persons. Knocked off tiles & tore the walls in nearly all the houses in the Alameda - The Port was left injured - Still this city has been in great distress fearing to enter their houses & many are sleeping on line in tents on the hills & in the Plaza - others have gone on board of vessels in the Bay. One house is badly rent, but we have moved our bed into the room that best bore the shock & here we quietly rested last night. Though there were a number of alarming earthquakes during the night. We have had a shock nearly every hour since the heavy one on Wed. Yesterday I wrote part of a letter to Aunt W. & Mary Blake

this morning I have written to Lavinia.
I have been alone nearly all day...

David is at his office & Maria Chasbon
to see her Sister. A Spanish lady
- here was quite a hard shock - a teacher
came & dined with us & breakfasted

on Wed. She dared not enter her own
house. Mr Suter invited us this morning
when he called to see us to make his
heaven our home while the shaking
lasts but we declined. An Monday
ev'g we went to Mr Gregory's to tea.

On Tuesday morn'g they sent us a pres-
ent of potatoes & we sent them the
Cabinet. Mrs Riley gave us - on Tuesday
night Mr Wth Miss Tucker - Miss Michel.

Mr Struther & Mr Marshall. (another
shock) took tea here. & we had a
warm discussion of the subject of bowing
the head in prayer as soon as we enter
the house of God. Mr Wth insisting it
was wrong & I that it was right &
proper. Yesterday I was rather un-
well & am so to day but not very
bad. I'm suffering than usual though
I did go to prayer - retiring last ev'g.

road there & back. And now I must
rest awhile.

Saturday Aug 5th

Well strange
things occur in this world! We have literally
been turned out of house - our dear little
cottage by the Earthquakes & rain. The Earth
shook off many tiles from our roof & the
rain that commenced last night has
poured into all our rooms. & the room
into which we moved our bed room
furniture yesterday became so wet
that I said thought the roof would fall
in & injure the furniture so we had
it moved again into the parlor & little
front room in the driest place. & we
have come to the office to sleep.

Maria went to Mr Wheelwrights to press
the ring. We have surely had a bad
time lately, & yet I have not felt very
sad. Last night there was an earthquake
at 2 o'clock & another a quarter past.
about 11th

Oct 11th This has been a busy week
with me - we have moved a part
of our furniture to these two offices

rooms & offered the rest for sale.
The bed room here is small, but
the parlor very large. It is a
trial to leave our sweet home
in the garden, but we feel that
God has done it & we cannot
say a word. Here we can be
very comfortable & we shall
be happy in each other's love
any where & I hope in the love
& favor of our Heavenly Father.

We board at present at Mad.
Gray's Hotel. I hope soon we shall
be able to make some other ar-
rangements about our meals.
There have been a doz. or more
earthquakes, this week. Am on
wed. a week from the dreadful
one - that was quite severe.
I shall have to give up Manila, &
thus -

Monday Ev'g 21st

We have
had much to occupy our time &
thoughts since I last wrote.
We are still boarding at Madame

Aubrey & have become quite
accustomed to our rooms, so as to
feel at home in them. On Thursday
at ten A.M. stores were all shut &
business all suspended. Ships from
Catholic Countries with their flags
all at half mast. no carriages
allowed to run - no one permitted
to mount a horse. The silence
of death reigned & it was the Cath.
"say" that Christ was dying -
I went to a number of their
churches in order to learn some-
thing of their ceremonies, & it
was painful beyond description
to witness their ceremonies.
Countless Images of Christ & the
Virgin - decked out in gaudy
trappings of lace tinsel & black
the church hung in black, &
pictures representing the whole
of the crucifixion hanging about
with a lighted candle under
each. & then at ten Saturday
morning the farce ended with
a most absurd exhibition of Jokes.

Images of Judas, all at once as
the clock struck ten - appeared
hung out on strings - the
bells rung. Cannon were fired
& these Judases that were filled
with powder exploded. Thus in a
moment persons mounted their
horses. stores were opened &
busy life began. Ah I hope some
even of those who are so sunk
in superstition still see some-
thing beyond of the reality.
I cannot bear to think of the
whole crowd of worshippers that
I saw seemingly so discontented & ill
awake in a future life in eternal
dispair - Ah how much they
teachers of this people will have
to answer for. I do great wish
light to shine on the minds
of the people & remove the
gross darkness in which they
now are enveloped.

I yesterday received letters
from Aunt & Uncle, M. Blake, who
is probably now M. Bushnell.

M. Herwin. Nettie Dana Mr Bush.
well. Mr Mac N. I learned some
pleasant, some sad news. Sister
Nettie is engaged to William
Dana brother of Nettie's Husband.
friends in New York all well. The
Sillimans & Eliza Forbes & Young had
gone to Europe on a trip. And
am glad that Fannie Morris is fast
declining in health. Probably
will not live long. Melissa Baker
has lost her husband & is truly
in a decline. Oh my friend
Mr Goddard is engaged to be
married to a daughter of Gen.
Bates. From dear Aunt M.
I received a likeness of herself
& Uncle, in a very handsome
setting; & a beautiful worked
collar & neck ribbon. Nettie
Dana sent me Mrs Bliss's cook
book. I have written to day &
enveloped letters to Aunt & Uncle.
to Mary. to Mac. to Mother. to Lizzy
Mr Sumner. Mrs Weston. I sent
Mrs Taylor a Tidy of my own

work. her husband writes she
takes great pleasure in wearing
what she has taken the pains to
make. I wonder how she
wears it?

Friday 25th of April

Full

wonders will never cease - nor
changes in this world of change. Yes
today Mr Isaac W. made up his mind
to go home, & I decided to take his
five scholars during his absence. Some
have decided to stake his house. It
of course involves another move
& this I dread, but after it I hope we
shall rest quietly for a few months.
The rent of our house will now be five
hundred dollars a year, & I shall be
obliged to keep two servants. but the
school may help me in this expense.
I have to night sent a letter to the
Editor of Tribune - or husband sent it
for me - giving an account of the
earthquake - It will be the first
appearance of any thing from my
pen - so far as I know - in the public

Print. I have written to Nettie Dana
to Sister Sarah R. Mattie - Carrie,
Mary Merwin & Hannah Ticecomb
so that tomorrow's mail
takes 14 letters from my pen.

Mr Armstrong called to see us this
evening. He has folded papers etc.

Friday May 2nd

On Saturday last Mr
Wm. M. Tucker & family left - I went
to the Mole to see them off. Mr Arm-
strong gave me his arm & walked
home with me from there & in-
vited us to dine with him this week
on Tuesday. We came to Mr Wm.
house to sleep on Saturday night
& have had all our furniture
except the parlor moved here.

Mrs & Mrs Wyman came here on
the time of the earthquake & are
to remain here till their house
is repaired which will probably be
a fortnight hence. I went to the
church twice on Sunday. Mrs
Palfe & her sister came to see

on Monday. On Tuesday we
dined with Mr. Pennington. On
Wednesday Josephine Carvallo
came to dine with us. I love her
& am glad to have her in the family.
Should like about six boarders.
Yesterday I went in the eve to
prayer meeting. Josephine went
to dine with her Uncle. I enjoy
teaching much & with I had the
largest school.

May 26th

It has been a long time
since I wrote in this; but every
thing has gone on in its usual
way. Teaching from nine a.m.
till 4 P.M. Now we enter school
at 9¹/₂ a.m. The steamer brought
news of the death of Josephine's
mother & she has gone to her
Uncle's to have her mourning
made up. I expect her home
to day. I called on her Aunt the
day after the tidings. I received
a letter from Mae. a note

from W. Blake. & another ^{letter} from
Cousin Livin Milcorson. all dated
March 27.th. Mary is ere this Mrs
Bushnell. We received no other
letters from home. I wrote to Mac.
a note to Aunt M. & a letter to Sister
Livin & no more. We have
taken a house in the Port a
large one. & leave this the last
of June or first of July. I hope my
School will be larger there. There
not been unwell since the 2nd
of April. It will be a little ex-
tensive if I am now in the family
way just after having assumed
the duties of school. But probably
Mr Wheelwright will come before
I need to give it up. Should he
not I shall send for Sophia Larned.
I fear the Wyman's will take their
children from me when we
go to the Port. I hope not for I
like them both & they both like
me. Mr Wyman wishes to place
them in a cheap expensive school
& we do not feel it right to leave

The Wheelwrights price.

June 11th Wed.

I have neglected my journal more than I ought to have done. The truth is I prefer netting or knitting in school to writing or studying. I have so many questions to answer & so many lessons to hear. I am now hoping that some sixteen months hence I shall be a mother. I suffer much with my stomach. Yesterday I dined with Mrs Campbell at the Hotel - today I go to see her again in order to learn how to knit a pair of socks for infants. I wish to make a present & I wish to learn how for my own future benefit. We were in a fort. night's time.

June 20th Friday

I received a present this week of a bag of sweet potatoes from the gentleman Gibson of the Rantaw. & on Wednesday

evig he came, & took tea with us & Mr Stanley also. Mr Stanley is to come & abide with us to day. he dined with Mr Fremball yesterday. I left them to dine alone. after having made a lemon pie & ordered a good dinner for them. I went up town & called on Miss Peyton at Mr Hobson's. Mr. & Miss Cooper accompanied me - Then on Mrs. M. Whellwright. & after as it was prayer meeting evig, I went into the Hotel with Miss Cooper & dined there. Then after attending our prayer meeting we came home in a carriage. After our return Mr Ward called & remained till half past ten. Miss Peyton has made up her mind very suddenly to go home, & Mr Ward thinks it is because her father wished to curtail his expenses. I think it probable that the Hobsons will persuade her to remain in Cal. till after Flossie is married - which will be as soon as the Vandalia comes I suppose. I have not been un-

well since the 3rd of April, & yet it
hardly seems possible that I shall
ever be so blessed as to have a dear
child of my own. Josephine is
very dear to me. & she loves me
too. Early in the morning she
comes into my room & gets into
our bed; & she is a very happy
child & good one out of school. She
is not as studious as I desire; & some-
times gives me trouble with her
inattention. To day I suppose
the Steamer has arrived, & I hope
to have letters when husband
comes to dinner. I have had a
strong desire of late to see my
friends at home sometimes a-
mounting to home-sickness. The
Wynans went to their home to live
on Sunday of this week.

June 30th 3 P.M.

This is the last
day of the quarter, & tomorrow
we move to the Port. I fear very
much that I shall lose all my

present scholars, for this morn-
Josephine came from her Uncle
saying her father had written that
she could no longer continue a
boarder, & her Uncle thinks it too
Port too far distant to send her
as a day scholar. I felt sadly
at first but must be resigned.
I lose Josephine & I am sure she
will improve more with me than
she will to make a change. Then
too I took so much pleasure in
giving her religious instruction
but God knows what is for her
good & every thing that happens
to me I regard as ordered by Him.
School begins again on Thursday.
if there is any one to come. I
wish much that I could have a
school of twelve. I received
one good long letter from Aunt
& Uncle by the last steamer & a
note from Jane Thomas a former
sabbath scholar. The sad tidings
came of Cousin Lavinia's death a few
days after the birth of a daughter

This was tidings wholly unexpected. I was writing a letter to Lavinia when the news of her death came. Jane's note contained the good news that she has become a child of God. This was delightful news! & also that another sabbath scholar Mary Ruddy is rejoicing in the same hope. We had a good deal of company last week. Mr Hanley has been living with us - To day he has gone to Cass Street for a pair of Sunday's - On wed of last week Capt Waring & his wife & child & Capt Barney dined with us. We all took tea with Mrs Fryman on Saturday evening.

July 4th Friday A.M.

Pell! here we are in our new house surrounded with comforts & luxuries - full of thanksgiving & praise & hope to Him who has ordered our lot in so great mercy. We came here on Tuesday & I have been very

busy since - we are now somewhat
arranged, but next week I expect
to have our dining room & little
parlor cleaned & new carpets put
down. The large parlor was the
only clean room in the house
but I had the bed room cleaned the
first day - so on Wednesday, & we are
now very comfortable. Mr Campbell
has purchased some eight
hundred dollar worth from us.
Now if we could only sell eight
hundred more we should feel
very comfortable & our debt would
be slight & I hope soon paid. We
have lost the school by moving
here. The children cannot come
so far. so I think we shall let
gentlemen take some of our rooms.
The house is very large & handsome.
David says "Jane I were expected to
live in such a house as this when
I was in college." Nor did I expect
to live in Chile in such comfort. Then
we are so happy in each other & in
the prospect of some day having

a dear little child of our own.
This seems to me almost too great a
happiness to look forward to. Perhaps
I shall never realize it & yet I ought
not to doubt that God will carry me
safely through. He will, if it is best
& I should have my will the same
as His. Capt. Bawney breakfasted
with us this morning & he brought me
a present of a dog box of quinine pills
yesterday. Miss Cooper helped me
on Wednesday about arranging
furniture & she dined with us.

Monday 7th I went out on Friday
afternoon & called on Mrs. C. Oke
the consul's wife to Talcahuano.
on Mrs. Est. & at Mrs. Campbell's new
house. Also bought Mother &
Lionie a new dress to send by
Mr. Stanley. Mr. Campbell, Don
& Miss Cooper took tea with us Thurs-
day. On Saturday A.M. Mr. Struthers
came & selected a room - he is
to come next week & board with
us at two ounces a month. Mrs

Mickles came in on Sunday &
made me a sociable visit.
- On Saturday David & I went
before breakfast to call on Mrs
Gregory & then to market. In
the eve. Mr & Mrs Gregory & Mr Simpson
took tea here. & purchased
or said they would take some
fifty dollars worth of our furniture.
Yesterday I went to church
all day. Chapel was full in the
morning & a good number in
the eve. David preached all day
without notes & well. I have been
suffering yesterday & to day
with headache, so something done
for me. I am generally now
very well - I can hardly believe
that I am in jail. I wrote
on Saturday part of a letter to
Mother & Lovie.

Friday 11th

Much disturbed just
now about house cleaning. On
Monday P.M. - a violent wind &
rain storm set in which lasted

the other day. & did much damage
both to shipping & to houses. Three
ships were wrecked in the harbour
& one a steamer took fire & was lost
almost entirely. A number of lives
were lost. Our house leaked badly
we were obliged to take up the
parlor carpet a part of the way.
& this has greatly upset matters.
I had the dining room matting
taken up the other day & was
promised by a carpenter's workman
to clean the ceiling but no work
men came & to day I have been
sunning about to find some one
else to do the work. My Lyon has sent
horses for the parlor & men are
to come in a few minutes. Then
there is a carpenter from below
now at work at the doors planing
them, so that they can be opened.
This gives me the comfortable
feeling that at some future
day we shall be in order.

This morning a Rev Mr Thacher
from Boston came to see us

bringing letters of introduction
to us from Mr Bliss - & also a
package of papers & one of Mr Bliss
books from himself. So I shall be able
to help some one to a good cook
book as I have two. Mr T. seemed
to be a very good man. David has
been out with him nearly all day
& he came at one & lunched with
us - telling me that he enjoyed his
lunch very much & the sea
food - good bread & butter. Junior
Jelly, nuts, oranges & cakes were
all that I could get before him.

Mr Stanley has just called & says if
his purse holds out he will purchase
our castor & candlesticks & a cake
basket. all plate found here which
we wish to dispose of. Mr Ferguson
has purchased a hundred dollars
worth from us. & Mr Harper between
40 & 50 - but we told him he could have
as was convenient in little sums.
Mr Morphy - son of the English Commodore
- took tea with us last evening -
Mrs Myman & her family & Mr

Agnes & I came to see you yesterday
also Mrs Campbell & ^{Miss} Cooper. We told
Mrs Moore must give us her chil-
dren as boarders. She said she
would think of it. Mr Gregory has
taken tea with us once this week
& Mr Harper twice. David is much
annoyed at our being so upset -
or rather I am annoyed at this
& he that so much of his time is
taken up in order to get things
arranged. I wish much that I could
relieve him but in this country
one cannot do as at home.
There are the matters again
for work in order to get things
done. Dear husband is very
kind & thoughtful of my com-
fort in all things, so I am sorry
I am so trouble at the confusion
of things that it is so impossible to
remove at once - Last evening we
went to prayer meeting & found
there than usual.

Sat. - 19.th

This week has been one of work - The parlor - sewing room - bed room - spare bed room & dining room are all in order - I with the help of the Maria made the snabbing - or rather sewing - for the dining room. Maria is now repairing the school room carpet I hope before night this may be added to the number of orderly apartments. The Mason has repaired the walls of the corridor the glazier is now mending the skylight - & the roof has been mended.

To day we are having a coop made for poultry. This week I have with dyas Lushington to help bought & packed a box of things for Mother & Lovie & sent off. to them in the Savannah whaler Mr Stanley's care. I have had a good many callers this week. On Thursday Ev'g Mr & Mrs Walker. Mr Marshall & Mr Smith took tea here. Yesterday ev'g Mr & Mrs Seay & Mr Simpson. Mr Brad called & said till next

time a clock. I wish he would
come earlier & go earlier.

Mrs Gregory has been twice this
week to help me with my
work. She is very kind. She
brought me a case for my
book stand & then one for my
bureau in the sitting room.
I have had the curtains washed
& the carpet made for this room
so it looks very pretty.

I begin to feel a little as
if I am in the family way. I
have once or twice this week
thought I felt a singular sensa-
tion, that Mrs Campbell tells me
is unusually motion. Mrs Ralph &
her sister called yesterday & brought
me a present of some oranges &
a few shells. A gentleman sent
Mr J. this week a present of
four salt Mackrel. I have
enjoyed them much. Mrs Whit
& Agatha called this week. Mr Stanley a
number of times & he brought me
on Monday 5 partridges that he

had killed at Casa Blanca. The
delicious. Mr Armstrong & Miss
Bellmore have called this afternoon.
- I have one scholar. Angela
Frederick. She came for the first
time yesterday. I did not think
it worth while to begin school for
one, but her mother & Mr Fumball
both said begin with one & you
will have more.

Tuesday July 29th

Since writing in this the
steamer has come & gone - a letter
from Pa & brother Ripley with a little
note from Julia Ripley to "Aunt Jenny"
were all that came to us this month
& these Mr Duer the Consul brought.
I wrote to Mother & Lizzie - Aunt Patty
Hettie, Dana, Julia Ripley & Pa.
Sent a box of things off to Mother
about a fortnight since in the ship of
New Savannah. Could not get into the
box all I wished to send. Mr Hamilton
has promised me two of his little
daughters to board with me next

South Carolina & Nicotia - I saw the
latter at Mrs Whit's last Wednesday
where David & I dined with Prof
Gillis & Spence - Mr Mathison - Capt
Bakerman - Miss Knicker & Miss
Haviland - a pretty girl of sixteen.
Mrs Whit & Augusta were very cordial
- On Saturday I went up the Hill
& called on Mrs Reid - Hobson - Rowe
Mr Whit - Ralph & Page - On Sunday
it rained & husband had a head-
ache so there was no evening ser-
vice - We have invited the
Rev Mr Armstrong & Miss Bellmore &
Lieutenant Morley to dine with us
tomorrow. Mr Brown has prom-
ised to send two of his children next
month & the Leeps are also promised
with these I should have quite a
school. There was a sad accident
in our near neighborhood last night
A part of the hill back of us came
tumbling down & fell into the sea-
house from ours & killed the cook.
We heard the noise & a great com-
motion in the house but could

not learn what had happened,
Mr Campbell & Crosby were here
at lunch to day. Mr McPherson
from Raleigh N.C. sent out here to
take care of Government stores
took tea with us last evg. A real
southerner - in pronunciation & style
of talking - Quite an agreeable man.
Mr Mathison called on me when in
town - Mr Maryland called & also
breakfasted with us. Mr Ellis
called, but for a moment only.

20th of August

Many interesting events
have transpired since I wrote in
my journal nearly a month ago.
On the 6th of this month Mr Hartley
brought me his two daughters
Ellen nine years of age & Fanny
nearly four to reside with me.
I am already much attached
to Fanny & hope in time to re-
form Ellen - with the help of God.
She does not speak English.
Yesterday I furnished her for

selling me a falsehood. I shut her
up in her room to pass the day
alone - sent her meals to her &
at night after a long talk with
her about the sin of lying - whipp
her not severely. but my object
was to make a lasting impression
on her & the day's confinement, ending
in punishment I felt would do this.

Fanny I had occasion to disci-
pline last week & she has been
a good child ever since. Tomor-
row I expect one of the little
Hawilds in the steamer with
the Papa & I suppose the others
will come at the first of the
month - four others are also engaged
so that next month I shall have
quite a school. I have now a
Mrs Rogers an English woman
as assistant in house keeping & any
thing else I require - her pay
has been one a month - she has
washed for the children this week
Her history is a singular one
but I have not time to say

anything about it to night. I am
in so ill. I have had a good
deal of company this month.
Capt Bateman - Mr. Thurford - Lieut-
enant Mosby & Miss Cooper dined
with us a fortnight since - ... no a
week ago & the children dined
with Mrs Rogers. We have been
to see Mrs Campbell this ev'g.

Aug 25th Monday

This is Steam week
& to day I have been busy writing
letters. The steamer brought
me a letter from Mary Bushnell
one from Mac M. another from
Sophy Larned & notes from Aunt
Mary, & Carrie Turnbull. I have
written to day to Mac M. & Mary
to Aunt M. & Sophy. I hope to be
able to write to Carrie to night.
Yesterday Mr Karpis's baby was bap-
tized - called after one Jack Turnbull.
I gave it a duff & baby blanket to
it. Mr Mosby told me he should
come & take tea with us to-morrow.

with his friend Wright
Feb. 27th

I wrote to Carrie also
by the Steamship, & filled my letters
with accounts of our comfort &
happy home - At ten o'clock I visited
- Oh! we called early in the eve to see
Mrs. Thompson, & she opened her heart
to us telling us her sorrows with a
wayward son - I felt deeply for her &
thought of my own mother's trial
with Nat. At ten or half past we
retired, & at three in the morning I
was awakened by a smoke - I woke
said telling him I feared the house
was on fire to look in a room in which
we had put coals to dry it. He ran in
to the room & came back saying "The
house is on fire. We can blow into
the street called the Sereno & told
him to give the alarm - came back
& with an ax pulled up the bricks
of the floor & threw on water - I
dressed - called Mrs. Rogers - waked
up the girls - all went to work.
The girls drew water & threw on

Mrs Rogers got my sildie then
so that we could have it & we ex-
pected to save nothing more. I
thought all was lost that we possessed
in this world, but our Father kindly ordered
it otherwise - The house was soon filled
with gentlemen - & all the fire ex-
tinguished - Our pump was a great
blessing - I awakened & dress the chil-
dren & put Fanny into bed telling
her to remain there quietly - I would
take her away if it was necessary.
I told Ellen to lock up her things &
soon enough she packed even her
night clothes into her carpet bag &
was quite ready for a move - She
is a strange girl - greatly wanting
in refinement - I fear she will not
turn out well, but grace can
work wonders - I hope she may
become a better girl - Yesterday
we had a number come to convoke
with us. Mr & Mrs & Miss Hobson &
Mrs Ralph & sister - Mrs Campbell
& Miss Cooper & Mr Worsey lunched
with us - Young Worsey & Wright

A German took tea with us. Mrs
Nickle & brother came while we
were at sea, & passed the eve. Mr M.
came in later. To day Mrs Hawkesley
& Mr Ross the British Consul at Coghlin
bo. called. The Consul Mr Gen. Mr
McPheters, John Lammann, Mr
Struthers & Mr Griffie & Miss Cooper
dined with us. The two former left
sooner after dinner. Mr Campbell
came in later & took tea with
the rest of us. We dismissed Maria
Wheelwright last eve - so I have
not had her services to day. She
came back to sleep to night & so
served at sea. On Monday we ex-
pect Mr Struthers to board with us.
Mr Harland's children are not to come
till after the 18 of Sept

Sat 10 P M Sept 13th

I have now
ten children in the school. have school
all day on Wednesday & none on Sat.
To day sent Ellen & Fanny to spend the
day with Mrs Ralph & I went to

Mrs Gregory - She helped me trim
a new straw hat & gave me some
beautiful blue flowers for the inside.
It is trimmed with white. This
week Mr Marshall - Burnam & Suber
died with us on day - Mr Stubbs
is boarding with us but went yes-
terday to San Diego to pass the 4th

Oct 5th Sunday Evng.

Oh how long I
have neglected my journal. The truth
is I have a great deal to occupy my
time & thoughts & have less inclination
to write than ever before in my life.

School from nine to half past
three - Music lessons three times a
week - Fanny to take care of.

I have dismissed Ellen she was so
naughty & disagreeable to me. Her
father has placed her with Mrs
Whitelock - Mr Rogers has been
for three weeks past with Mrs
Campbell - (She has lost her babe
it was born dead) so that I have
the whole charge of house keeping

- we a great deal of company
Mr. Ursheneta & family are now
here; they dined with us last Tues-
day. We see them often. We'd no
letters by the mail steamer but
the "Golden Gate" brought me a
few days since letters from
Mother - Lavinia & Mr. Elwood.
I wrote to Mother & Lavinia by the
last steamer & to no one
else. We had 15 at Sabbath
school this P.M. The fees among
the number. I feel a great
deal of life within me - motion
nearly all the time. My health
is excellent generally. I am
very happy in the thoughts that
my unborn infant brings.
Oh that it may live & become a
useful member of the Church
of Christ! If I know my heart
I desire more that it should be
holy than aught else. Fanny is
not well - her bowels disordered &
she has a cough. Yesterday I took
her to Mrs. Campbell's & to see Angela

Frederick. I have now nine scholars
in school. I am tired & nervous.

Oct 15th

This is a beautiful morning.
Before breakfast David & I went
up to Mr Burden's for a walk. We
found the old man in his garden.
He cordially welcomed us & gave
me a large & beautiful basket
+ a pint of delicious strawberries. The
first I have had this season. The
morning air was delightful & the
flowers & fruit refreshing to the
eye & taste. I walk nearly every
morning with David before break-
fast. My health is good, but baby
is so active that when night comes
I am very nervous. I have ten
scholars a very pleasant little school.
I am succeeding finely with my
sewing. Have just got a new
servant. Maria is house maid.
+ is teaching Francisco to cook in
my style. Adaluna left because
I would not raise her wages to

25 dollars a month. Mr. Urmon
is here every day.

Oct 28th

The steamer brought
me no home letters - I wrote
by her to Joshy Larned - Aunt
Jane Thomas & Mother & Linnie
we sent the latter fifty
dollars. I have excellent health
& progress rapidly with my pleas-
ant work.

Nov 24th Monday Evg. The steamer of
Friday last brought me letters from Aunt
& Uncle from Elsie Dana - Mrs Gibson - &
Mrs Hawes. I have written to Uncle & Aunt
& Prof. Tittman. I heard in Uncle's letter that
the Prof. has married Mrs Webb. Ann Wi-
ming has married Prof. Hadley - Olivia
Gag. Mr Beecher & Mary Wilson & Mr
Clark. Surely there is a marrying
mania in New Haven just now.
Susan Daggett is engaged to Mr Wright
of New York - & Jessie Sherman & on
the 1st married. but marriage
is not the only change. Sarah Adams
44 1/2 18 + 25 1/2 18

• died very unexpectedly at Mr. [unclear]
where she was making a visit & she
was a lovely girl. Mr Robinson
& his family have returned here from
California. They all passed a week with
us till they could obtain a house.

✂ I have eleven scholars now.
Expect to be confined in six weeks
shall give a vacation then of a fort-
night & after that will teach till
I am able. If my life is spared to take
again the school.

Dec 4th Thursday.

The Steamer
left on the 26th. I sent by her letters to
Uncle & Aunt Prof Silliman & Mother & Sister.
I was not able to write more.

I am beginning to feel much
inconvenienced by my size. The
Santiago arrived on Sunday. Mrs Bates-
man came on her. She sent me word
she would call & see me. Mr Dugan
& Scotchman dined with us yesterday.
Sophia Lute brought me a glass
of preserved strawberries. A bar-
n day we are going to the Jones to

spend the day if we are well.
As Campbell's family are to be of
the party, & I think I shall ask
Miss Fabyer.

Dec 26th Friday A.M.

This has been a
month full of incidents & work to
me. We had a delightful day at
the Zoras. Miss Fane went with us.
She has taken a class in the Sabbath
school. Mrs. Bateman called with her
husband. We have had seven or eight
persons to tea, several times, unex-
pectedly, of late. An English lady & her
wife to dine named Watkins. She sent
me a box of Fresh Salmon. I have
nearly completed my preparations
for Baby, & shall not be surprised
at his arrival any day. My health
is excellent. Fanny was very sick
with a severe cold on her lungs so
fewer a fortnight ago. I was very
anxious about her. She is now
quite well. One of the Resolu-
tionists who had taken refuge

at La Motte's was caught just on
our dining room & the foot of
some one lost the beam & step-
ping on the ceiling broke it
through. La Motte had employed
a mason to make a communication
between the roof of his house & those
in this block which all communicate
with each other. I suppose the mason
betrayed him - The mar was taken
to a ship in the Bay as prisoner, but
I suppose he is now free, for the
government after a bloody battle
is recognized by the rebellious party
as right. Bulwer & Cruz have met
& concluded a peace. Mr Duncan has
spent two days here waiting for the
steamer - I rec'd letters from Mother
Lizzie & we also heard from Pa. Jane
Mr Ripley & Mrs Shibley & Mr Philwright.
I have written to Mother - Lizzie - Aunt
M. Mary Bashnell & Mrs Sabbon. Yesterday
was Christmas. I rec'd a present of
beautiful shells from Mr Carter
of the Randen. Mr Burnan. Mr Paul
& William Selano & Mr Ward called

to see me. I sent Fanny to dine with
Mrs Rarphie. John Lahrman came to
board with us early this month, but
ceased to come, & has not called since
to explain his conduct. I suppose he
is drinking again. Poor fellow! Maria
has left me, for which I am sorry. She
was impertinent & David ordered her
to leave the house immediately or
make some acknowledgment of
her conduct. She was too proud to
do this, & so left me. I did not think
she would have acted thus. To leave
me at such a time too when she
was so much needed. I have had
great trouble in bearing this girl
any thing. She is doing a little bet-
ter to day. Mrs Campbell & Mrs Rarphie
are very kind to me. They have
both offered to be with me when
I am confined. I think I shall
send for Mrs C. Sophia Luce has
made me a present of five beau-
tiful sheep skins for mine &
baby's use. She is also of great help
to me in the school. - Teaching the

little ones & setting copies for all.
She writes a better hand than mine
for copies. Mrs Whelan & Agusta
have just called.

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March 13th Saturday

On the 20th of January at ten minutes
before 12 at night my dear little babe was
born. I had the long & severe labor. Husband
was at ten o'clock. I walked home with
Mrs Campbell (who had been passing the
even'g with me) in company with my
husband & on my way home was taken
with pain. It was not severe during
the night but I was so excited with the
thought of my labor having commenced
that I could not sleep. I sent for Mrs
Campbell early Monday morning
and for Dr & the Nurse. came in the
afternoon. My pain was severe but
not violent. Dr Page passed the
night here sleeping on the sofa
in the parlor but thought I could
not sleep for pain still I had no
need of his services. On Tuesday evening

... pain became violent & I longed to
see things come to a crisis. Mrs. Rutledge
came near noon on Tuesday to relieve
Mr. Campbell, but Mr. C. would not
leave me, so both remained with me.
Still baby was born. I was discouraged
as the shades of evening drew on & I ratch
with pain still felt. No symptoms of any
nearer approach of any little one into
the breathing world. Dr. Page was very
kind & encouraged me. He held out the
prospect of my having my babe in
my arms during the night & this moved
me to bear pain, but oh the thought of con-
tinuing pain into the night
was dreadful! And before baby came I
feared I should not live to see it but at
last after so much ineffectual pain
about ten I felt that things were giving
way - surely the time could not be far
off - still I suffered for nearly two hours
every half minute those racking
pains - just before baby was born Dr.
ordered wine & water to be given me.
I had hardly swallowed it when he said
the head is born. I listened for its

cry & hearing now concluded the
fatality of the labor had killed my child
But God had better things in store for
me, just as I had brought myself to
say "the will of God be done" I heard
his little cry & a joy unspeakable
filled my heart. I thought no more
of pain or sorrow. I knew nothing
but you all absorbing grateful joy.
No one had known my fears. But as
they washed him I gathered courage to
ask, is he a perfect child? Yes said
they all a fine large boy. So had
told me it was a boy as it came into
the world & I felt grateful that it was
could suffer the pain its mother then
had I had before desired a daughter.

I recovered rapidly from
my confinement. I did not
realize I felt so strong & well. That
I exerted myself too much & am
now laid up on the sofa waiting
for my wound which is down to
regain its place. I do not suffer
much pain. but the inconvenience
is great. I rode to Mrs Bowles before

Johnny was three weeks old & purchased a
crib - before he was four weeks I walked
to church. & the day before he was four
weeks commenced my school. Now
I have my scholars come into my sit-
ting room & recite their lessons &
David attends to them writing
in the school room.

April 6th

It was not the womb
but swelling & inflammation in con-
sequence of the difficulty of my dear
little boy's birth. I am now in ex-
cellent health, but still feel a little
of the same difficulty. Jonathan was
baptized on Sunday by the Rev Mr
Grier of the Frigate St Lawrence. He
staid some days with us last week
He is now at Mr Hobson's & there I expect
to go to spend a few days this week.
This is Vacation week & so there is to
be no school for three days & I mean
to give the girls tomorrow also. We
have had a good deal of company
this month. Capt Brew - Mr Hobson.

Mrs. Grier & Miss Cooper dined with
but we have company to dine on Tue. & Wed.
nearly every day. I received a letter
from Mary Henry by the last steamer
within June's P. & has other letters came
to me. I wrote to Mary Blake by the
steamer of the 26th March. & to Mother &
Livia in Dec. Miss Cooper goes on
Saturday with Miss Belmore & Mrs. Wm
Armstrong to the United States. I have
written to send by the letters to Mother
Mary Henry - Aunt Mary. With
Dana a letter & Julia Gilman a
little one. My little boy is a dear
sweet babe. as good as it is possible
a child should be. I spent the day
with him on Saturday at Mrs. Campbell's.
Sam & Mary Miss Cooper is going away.

We had a Lieutenant Peck of
the Sloops of War Portsmouth with us
a number of days & he was sick
confined to his bed. A good looking
young man & very intelligent.
He was very kind & pleasant.

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