

**Rieder and Anthes family : 2010 accrual
Diary 1898-1899 (GA200-5-45)**

Monday April 25, 1898

Did my usual morning's work. Ella went to school. It was an elegant day. In the afternoon I went up for Em. We intended going up to the B.H.S. [i.e Berlin High School] to ask Mr. Forysth [i.e. Forsyth] if he would give us botany lessons, but as I passed him a little above the track we did not go up to school. We went in to the Office and Kate Bowman gave me some flowers for Tue. evening, and then we went down to our place. Ella was not to school in the afternoon as they were to have a History Exam which she did not want to try & so coaxed mamma to let her stay at home. I walked back to King St. with Em and then came home & had supper. After supper Ella & I did the dishes and then the girls came for us to go to Y.P.A. Mrs. L.J.B. led the meeting. I played as L. Grader was not there. After the opening exercises & 2 seasons of Prayer [letter a inserted] Mrs. B. called on the Rev. Mr. [illegible: Burn?] to speak to us & when he was through she called on Mr. Moyer. We stayed at Church quite a while after the meeting was over, talking. Then Ina & I walked out to King St. with Em. Wing's have another baby.

Tuesday April 26, 1898

Lou had asked the Choir to come and spend the evening & so we had to hustle around. Our folks of course were surprised to see me hustle around as they all seem to think it against my principals to hurry. Ella was errand girl [crossed out: and] and trotted all over like a good little girl. Mother and Lou baked and I had the pleasure of "fixing" the rooms, which however was not a job that I disliked. Well it kept us a going all day. At five o'clock Eff & Ada Clemens came to practise a [crossed out: dialogue] dialogue. May came over too to see what time she was to come over. Mrs. Schmidt came over to see the dialogue (& house too I guess.) Well we practised our piece & then the girls left. May Ina Evelyn & Em came to help us wait on the people. The first ones came at 8.30. They played games etc. 'till about 10 when we had our dialogue. Title - In want of a Servant.

Miss Clemens was the lady of the House Mrs. Marshall [between lines]. Eff took the part of an Irish Girl Margaret O'Flanagan [between lines] in want of a place & of a Darky girl – Snowdrop Washing – Ella was a German Girl – Katherina Van Folkenstein - I took the part of a widow – Mrs. B. After it was over the people played games & then began to play cherades [i.e charades]. Then we served refreshments. Rev. & Mrs. Moyer from Stratford were here also. After refreshments the people played cherades [i.e charades] again 'till about 15 to twelve when they left. Our family did not stay up [underlined: very] long after they went.

Wednesday April 27, 1898

It was wash day. Mother and the woman washed Ella & I washed dishes & Lou straightened up the front house. Ella [~~crossed out: went~~] did not go to school in the after noon. Albert came in to take the picture of those in the dialogue. Ada & Eff came about 2.30 Lou took the part of the Darkey Girl so as to have all the characters on the picture. They left again about 5 pm and then I got dressed. In the evening Em came down. It was raining a little bit.

Thursday April 28, 1898

We ironed in the morning. In the afternoon I went up for Em about 3.30 & we went up to High School to see Mr [~~crossed out: s~~] Forsyth. We walked down with him & he said he could give us a lesson on Wed. & Friday afternoon second last hours [~~illegible: hous?~~] (3 to 3.25). Then Em came to our place & I walked back to King St. with her. In the evening I read for a while. May & Ina came over.

Friday April 29, 1898

Cleaned the house in the morning and got finished with work about 3.30 p.m. Then Lou & I went out to Breithaupt's bush. We found lot of Blood Roots but no Hepatica's. On our way home we went in to Carrie's. Got home about 6.30 p.m. After supper I was quite tired and so did not get dressed but kept on my old clothes & read. Went to bed about 10 p.m.

Saturday April 30, 1898

We got finished with the work about 11 o'clock.

I got dressed about 3 p.m. and then read. After supper Ella & I went down to the station for the 7 train to get some flowers that Kate Bowman sent on the train for us. Emma was down too. We had to wait about 15 minutes. When we got home I put the flowers in water and then Ina came over to go over to Mäitz's. Ella wanted us to go down town with her first. So we went and then came back up Queen Street. Ina & I went through the Court Yard to Frederick. We both knew the Mäitz's lived some where across from Wing's but were not sure which one. So we went to the house straight over from Wing's but found the door (outside door) locked. We were on our way to the next house when an old woman came to the door. Ina asked if that was where Mäitzes lived. The woman said no [crossed out: final letter t in not] but the first house was the the one they lived in. So we went back & rang the bell. We waited a long time & then we heard heavy footsteps coming down the hall & the old man opened the door! Ina asked him if his younger daughter (she did not know her first name) was in. He said yes & then called at the top of his voice "Sophie" & trotted off. After a while Sophie came & Ina said it was her other sister she wanted to see. Sophie said "Oh you mean Carrie I'll call her" & off she walked leaving us standing at the door. The old man had told us they were house cleaning & had everything torn up. At last Carrie came to the door. We saw right away that it was the wrong one. So Ina (she was spokesman) said "It is a mistake. I want to see your younger sister the one that was in Miss Breithaupts' Class. Carrie said "Oh Mary" & she trotted off. Well by this time Ina & I were fist shaking and were wondering if we'd ever see Mary. We waited what seemed an age & then we saw a light get carried into the parlor and then Sophie came to the door & asked us to come in as Mary was not dressed yet. We went into the Hall & then Ina said that we would not bother them if they were house cleaning. Sophie said "Oh! Alright, Come over another time when we have got the house fixed up. Mary is not quite ready yet anyway." So we left without out seeing Mary. We only laughed a little(?) bit on the way home, & said that we would not be in such a hurry

to call on Mary again. Well if we did not gain anything else we know what her first name is any way.

Sunday May 1, 1898

The weather was fine. Lou went to J.Y.P.A. I took a bouquet over to church about 10.15 and then went to J.Y.P.A. also. We all went to Church I sat with Em as her mother and father were away. Carrie had little Louise to Church & so she came to our place for dinner. I went to Sunday School. After S.S. Ina & Ella went part of the way with Em. I came home & read. Mr. Coon some furniture man that is soon going to England was here for supper. After tea we all went to church again. I sat with Em. After church, Mr. Coon, John & Frank were in 'till about 9.30.

Monday May 2, 1898

It rained all day Monday. I did my usual work in the morning. Got dressed about 4 pm. Em did not come down to J.Y.P.A in the evening. May and Evelyn were down. Mr Page Y.M.C.A. Man led the Bible Meeting. I had to play. There was a Business Meeting after that lasted 'till ten o'clock.

Tuesday May 3, 1898

It was dark & dull all day. We house cleaned the garret. At least Mother and Lou did while I did the other work. Mother went to Ladies [crossed out: letter i after a] Aid in the afternoon Em came down in the evening to do some fancy work. Ella and I went back as far as King St. with her.

Wednesday May 4, 1898

It was still dark & gloomy out. But nevertheless we house cleaned the [crossed out: parl] spare bed room, Lou's front room, the back bed room & part of Ella's & my sitting room. Emma & I went up to school at 3.00 p.m. for our Botany Lesson. We thought we would not stay very long as we had no flowers. But Mr. Forsyth had some there that he gave to us to classify until 4 pm. as he had to go up stairs last hour. After 4 he came down to the Laboratory & saw our work. Then we walked down to Kaufman's & Em got the horse to go to the woods. We met Alvin on the way & took him along.

We went to the Poor House Bush & found a lot of flowers. Then Em & I walked back to the violet woods but only found a few violets as it was too early for them. They drove me home. After supper Ella & I went up to Em's to do our home work. Em & I did Botany nearly all evening. Em & Alvin came back with us as far as the corner.

Thursday May 5, 1898

We house cleaned the front Hall, mother's bed room & our bed room & washed 21 curtains. The washwoman was here all day. Lou & I ironed [~~crossed out: 2~~] 18 of the curtains in the morning. We had our bed-room carpet up. As I have not written in my diary for a long time I will first put down what cleaning we did as I cannot remember the rest.

Friday May 6 -

Cleaned the back-hall, bath room & parlor. I went up to the B.H.S. [i.e. Berlin High School] for my botany lesson.

Saturday May 7 -

We did our usual Sat. work.

Sunday May 8th

We were at Church etc.

Monday May 9 -

We only did the usual work. Papa left for Montreal on the 5 p.m train. Ella & I were at the station.

Tuesday May 10

Washed & house cleaned the cellar.

Wednesday, May 11

House cleaned the Hall, Sitting room and Library. I went up to school for my Botany lesson.

Thursday, May 12 - ironed

Friday, May 13 - baked. I did not go up to school. I drove to Shoemaker's with Em.

Saturday May 14, 1898

We all got up pretty early. We house cleaned the dining room & kitchen. In the morning first thing Ella & I did dishes & mother & Lou cleaned the stove. I scrubbed the front & side porches, & then began to wash off the wood work in the dining room. By about 12.15 we were nearly finished with the dining all except to dust one shutter & wash two or three windows & mop up. The kitchen was all up side down when

who should come to the back door but Uncle Frank & Aunt Louisa from Buffalo. We were a [underlined: little] bit surprised. Of course the cleaning had to be left and dinner had to be hustled up. I straightened up the dining room & set the table. Ella & Lou made dinner. After dinner Uncle & Auntie left & so we went on with the cleaning. At 3.30 I had to go to church to decorate for "Rally Day". None of the others were there yet when I got over. After Eff, Em, Ina, Miss [illegible: Ernst?] & Lou came. We decorated the railing behind the Pulpit in pink & white. We wanted to decorate the arch but the ladder was not fixed & there was no man about the place so we had to be content with the railing. When I got [inserted: home] about six o'clock mother was just about finished with the scrubbing. After supper Ella Ina & I went to the library to some stores & Miss [illegible: Devitt's?]. I had to try on my waist but Miss. D. told me she could not get it finished. Of course I felt pretty cross as she had told me several times that she would be able to have it done. Well I was pretty tired & so when I got home went to bed.

Sunday May 15, 1898

Y.P.A. Rally Day. It was a lovely day out. Em came down pretty early & we arranged two boquets [i.e bouquets] for church & took them over. Miss A. Clemens was there & as it was early yet she walked over to our place with us. Mr. & Mrs. Will Breithaupt were at Church. It was the first time I saw her. In the afternoon I went to S.S. and after S.S Em & I changed one of the boquets. In the evening there was a programme Miss Anthes ["red", then letter a written over the d] a Paper on "The Benefits of the J.Y.P.A" which was given in an exceedingly pleased manner to all that heard it. Remarks - Pace - about right Loudness - not loud enough. I even had to strain my ears to catch some of it even though I did sit in the 3rd. front seat. Looks - she looked stunning During the evening the choir favored us with several "old" selections. Miss A. P. Clemens also read a paper on our Y.P.A motto "Soul Winning". After church I went part of the way home with Em.

Monday May 16, 1898

Did the usual work in the morning. Mother & Lou put out the plants. I walked out to Carrie's in the afternoon. In the evening went to Y.P.A. Went out to the woods first with Em & then went to YPA.

Tuesday May 17, 1898

Uncle Frank and Aunt Louisa came down from Waterloo in the morning but went to Mrs. L.J Breithaupt's for dinner. After dinner at [illegible: 10'c or 1o'c]. I went to a funeral of a little baby: Albert had asked Em & I to help the choir sing. Lou was the only choir member there. Em drove us over. After the funeral I went out to Carrie's she was house cleaning. [illegible: "Mamma" possibly with an extra bump on one of the m's] brought Uncle Frank Aunt Louisa & Mrs. Devitt out. Carrie sent in for them to Mrs. L. J. B.'s. After they left Mr. Bean & his wife & baby came. Carrie had to entertain them in the dining room as her Library & Parlor were being house cleaned. They left a little after 5 and then I came home. Mrs. Devitt Uncle & Auntie were here for supper. After supper they went down to see Frank. Mrs. Devitt went home from there. Ina Ella & I went out for a walk in the evening.

Wednesday May 18, 1898

Uncle & Auntie went home on the 10 [0 written over the 9] 30 train. Mother & I went to the station with them. We were early and had to wait for the train for a long time. When we got home I sprinkled the street. In the afternoon I did not go up to school for my Botany lesson. Lou went out to Carrie's over night.

Thursday May 19, 1898

We did the usual work in the morning. After dinner Em & I went to the woods for flowers. In the evening Ella & I went up to Em's to play croquet and do Botany. In croquet Em & Ella took Alvin & I & of course Alvin & I won 2 to 0. Then we went through Kaufman's new house did some Botany & left for home. It was first Band night of the

season.

Friday May 20, 1898

We cleaned the up stairs in the morning.
Got a telephone message from Frank saying
Lib & Laurie were coming next day to say [i.e stay] for
the 24th. In the afternoon Em & I went up for
our Botany Lesson but after waiting about
1/2 hour & seeing no sign of Dave we left. In
the evening I [~~crossed out: read~~] went out to Carries. Edward was in
all day.

Saturday May 21, 1898

I got awake out at Carrie's at 6 a.m but think-
ing it was seven o'clock I got up, got dressed
& then found out my mistake, so I left
for home & was in here before seven. The
walk was elegant. We cleaned all morning.
Libbie & Laurie came on the 3 p.m train.
About 3 o'clock I drove down to Doon with Em
to take Kate Bowman home. Lou & Ella went
to the station & after staying here for a
while they all went for a walk.
When I got home they were at supper. After
tea we, Laurie, Lib, El & I intended to go out to Carrie's
but changed our minds & went over to Frank's instead.
About 10.30 Frank & Laurie went down town for some
candies & said we were to stay 'till they came back.
They did not come 'till after eleven & so we did not
get to bed very early that night.

Sunday May 22, 1898

I got up after 8. & had breakfast but as we could
not get the work done before ten 30. I stayed home
from Church. Lib & Laurie went to the Church of
England with Frank & Rena. We had dinner
about one o'clock & then I got ready for S.S. Ella
& Lib did not go as it was very hot. I had to play
for the first half of S.S. & after Miss Moyer played.
After S.S. I came home & found the other people
on the veranda reading. Carrie's three youngsters
were here & they drove home with Albert & Vina.
After supper we all went to our Church. After
Church, Lou Laurie Libbie El & I walked out to
Carrie's. We stayed 'till about ten, came home &
went to bed.

Monday May 23, 1898

After breakfast Libbie Laurie, El & I walked down to the factory. Ella went to school all day. We stayed at the factory 'till nearly 11 o'clock & then started for home & we had not gone far when it began to sprinkle and we had only one umbrella. Before we got home it was pouring. Laurie had a lunch & then took the 10 to 12 train for Elmira. In the afternoon we washed as mamma [if it is mamma, one of the m's is missing a bump] did not care to leave the washing over till Wed. About 5 o'clock Lib & Laurie went up to Waterloo Lou & I went to Y.P.A. but Ella stayed at home. After Y.P.A. I sat up & read with Ella until nearly eleven when Laurie came. Libbie stayed up in Waterloo overnight. Laurie & Ella went to bed a little after 11 but I read till nearly twelve.

Tuesday May 24, 1898

It was the Queen's birthday. Lib came down from Waterloo about 9. We did up the work. Mother & Lou ironed. Laurie Libbie El & I went out for a walk about 10.30. We met Mr. S. Carpenter & so Ella & I got an introduction to him. He is the man that used to wear the lavender pants last summer. I walked up & down King St. twice and then walked past our place & spoke to Mr. N Moffatt about an hour. Then we walked up & spoke to Mrs. Moffatt & Bella. After dinner, Lou Laurie Libbie & Ella went out to Victoria park. I drove out to the Gr. River with Em as they were having a Y.M.C.A. Picnic out there. We were to drive some women out but they were all gone when we got down to the Y.M.C.A. Building. We drove out to the River then thinking they might want us to fetch something for them. But they had everything and so we came home. Em drove the horse back again & stayed there. [crossed out: In th] Laurie Lib & I went out to Carrie's for supper. After tea John had a lot of fire crackers which we shot off & when it was dark John shot off a lot of rockets, pinwheels etc. Mamma Papa & Ella came out in the evening. Mrs. C. Breithaupt, Evelyn & Lillie were there also so with Carrie's family there was quite an audience. We left for home about 10. o'cl. The four of us E. L. L & I then sang & yelled all the different songs out of the University Song Book & mamma told us next morning that she enjoyed it very much

& that we sang her to sleep. All that I can say is that distance must have lent enchantment to the [cross out: scene?] music that trip because in the sitting room it was only yelling.

Wednesday May 25, 1898

In the morning we did the usual house work. Laurie & Lib went up to Mrs. Brendley's for dinner. Papa had ordered a cab for the afternoon & so we left here at one thirty & called for them in Waterloo. We drove all afternoon, and Lib & Laurie had intended going home on the 5 p.m train but then decided to go home on the 8.51 train. So we drove around 'till six o'clock. & then came home, got supper & then Lib El & I went down to the Library. We came home fooled around & then went to the station. Of course the train was late & did not come in 'till 9.30. When it did come it waited [crossed out: till] about 10 min & finally started & the rate of about a mile an hr. There was one passenger one smoker & about 15 cattle cars all together & every little while one could hear a loud [crossed out: mow] mo--o-. So they likely had music all the way home.

Wednesday June 8, 1898

As I have not written in my diary for such a long time I will not attempt to remember what I did each day but will only put things in general. I have been going to school 2 afternoons & & to the woods twice a week so that only left me 3 afternoons. Last Saturday (June 4) Em & I drove down to a swamp a short distance from Centerville for some orchids, pitcher plants & heath flowers. Mr. Forsyth told us he heard there were a lot there. Well when we got to the end of the lane we had to pull down a gate so as to get into the woods to turn around and then we started to explore. Well the swamp was there all right & so we started off in good faith. We found a path through the swamp & found our selves in an open field bounded by a bush. we started to go through the woods but did not see any flowers. There were stacks of ferns there, lovely large ones but try as much as we would we could not get any of them out. Coming [crossed out: illegible] out of the woods we took different paths and I

was walking along not thinking of any thing
when I bent down to [crossed out: illegible] pick up something
& saw a snake about one yard long black &
white striped come out from under my foot.
I nearly stepped one it. Of course when
I [crossed out: illegible] saw I gave a yell or shriek [i.e shriek] [2 words illegible: when
sent?]
Em about 50 yards (her path was near mine) &
from the distance I heard a voice saying in
a frightened tone "What's the matter?" When
we were over our scare we went back to find the snake
but it had disappered [i.e disappeared]. The misquitoes [i.e mosquitoes] also were
very bad as I found only 35 m. bites on my legs
when I got home. Going through the first swamp
we again tried to get out some ferns but could
not and so had to satisfy ourselves with
picking a few leaves, which when we got home
had to be pitched [crossed out: letter after the i]. Of course we had to put
up the fence again which was no light task
and made us very hot & tired lifting around
the heavy poles to their places; well when we
got into the buggy we felt anything but blessing
Mr. Forsyth for telling us to go out there. A week
ago last Sunday the [1 word illegible: names? Second letter crossed out] were read out
of those
on the Coms for Children's Day. Em is on the dic.
Com & I am on the Programme. Or [Our?] Com met [third letter crossed out]
a week ago to night after Prayer Meeting. On
Sunday after S.S. we met again and so have
the pro. all arranged but not practised. Last
night (Tue.). I went over to Choir Practise for the
first time.

Thursday June 9, 1898

At 6.30 A.M. Emma called for us to go to Hespler [i.e. Hespeler]. The
S.S. convention of our district was being held there &
so Miss Ada Clemens, Lou Em & I decided to go
down for the day. Well although Lou & I got up
at 6 o'clock. we were not quite ready when Em came
for us, so Em drove up to Clemens' first & then came
back for us. We met them at the Presbyterian
Church corner. The ride down was "Elegant". It
had rained the day before & so the roads were fine
not the least bit dusty. Em & I sat on the front
seat & Lou & Miss Clemens sat on the back seat.
I drove. We stopped twice on the way down to
get first some pink & then some yellow roses.

I was taken for a boy by some of the school children that we passed about half way down, and I dare say I may have looked like one as I had on my coat a shirt waist & sailor hat. One little boy said "That looks nice three girls & one boy." However I turned around & asked him which one was the boy so I guess he found out his mistake. Nothing else happened on the way down. We finally [i.e. finally] reached Hespeler [i.e. Hespeler] without losing our way. Although [final letter crossed out] none of us had gone down before, Em had a map with the way marked on it & so we did not have any trouble in finding it. We entered Hespeler [i.e. Hespeler] at a nice rate & decided to hunt up the church first & then take the horse down to the hotel. I said I drive up to the hotel with a swell curve. Well we looked around for a church & seeing a steeple in the distance drove to-ward it. Well it was not the right one & so we asked a little boy where it was. He told us & so we turned around & went the way he told us. When we got near the Church we went a road too far & had to turn around again. We got to the right place at last & so drove into the Yard to turn around. The church was built [letter d crossed out and t written over it] like this [picture of church] Well we drove in & I began to turn around. The circle was not large enough for the two seater & it was very sandy so what should we do but nearly up set. The door at the back of the church was open & there sat a lot of ministers gaping out. When the buggy began to tip Em & Miss C. gave a yell & Em was out of the buggy like a flash. I pulled the other rein & the buggy bounced back & we heard the church door bang. We look around & there stood Mr. Kauts [crossed out uts?] the Hespeler [ie. Hespeler] Minister. Of course we felt pretty cheap. The wheels of the buggy had sunk with the sand about 1/2 ft. I [crossed out: p] felt pretty mean because I had turned around so well twice before & then had to nearly upset there. I was very sorry that I had not backed up instead of going in a circle as Em had advised me to. Mas. [crossed out: Cauts] Kauts took our horse over to his barn as he said Mr. Hauch had told [originally toold with second o crossed out] him that we were coming. We heard afterward that Mr. Hauch was speaking & at the time of

the upset & the door had to be closed so that the people could not look out. Mr. H. told them that it was only a slight accident. Well the four of us stayed down in the basement 'till we were finished laughing & then trotted into church. Of course the ministers all smiled & we felt pretty cheap. We had several invites for dinner & so Lou & Miss C. & Eff (she was [illegible: delegate?]) went to one place and Em & I went to a Miss. Keffer's. They have a very pretty home. The Rev. Mr. [illegible: Geunsebach] & another lady were there also. Mr. Jackson, a man that boards there, was there also & I think him about the biggest jay I ever laid eyes on. He apparently knew all about Berlin. Well after dinner we went out on a high hill near there & had a fine view of Hespler. [i.e. Hespeler] It is a very pretty place. We went to the session in the afternoon. There were several good papers. At 4 p.m. there was a children's mass meeting. We all went to Rife's for supper. Mr. C. Bilger was there also. We were first going in to supper when who should come out but "Joseph" (Mr. E. Bilger) He had wheeled down from Berlin & was going back right away but we got him to stay for supper. He had come around by Preston which is 2 miles farther than the way we came and so we told him the way & Em gave him her map. He did not know how to get out of Hespler [i.e. Hespeler] the way we came so Alina Bean, Ada C. Mr. C. B. Em & I walked that far with him. We then went back to town. Alina Ada & Mr. C. B. went up town but Em & I went to Rife's and went to church with the girls. After the evening session we drove home. Ada & Lou stayed at Hespler [i.e. Hespeler] & Mr. C. Bilger & Mr. J.P. Hauch drove home with us. Mr. L. Hauch & Mr. Oberholtzer drove right behind us all the way. We left Hespler [i.e. Hespeler] at 11. o'clock & reached Berlin at 12.30. Ella was out at Carrie's over night & so I slept alone in our room.

Thursday June 24, 1898

I have not written in my diary for some time & so will not try to write down all that has happened on the meantime. It was decided that Lou & I should drive up to Penetang with John & that is how

it happens that we are at Orangeville. We left home about 7.30 A.M with, Maud, Derby & the two seater. We went through, Bloom- ingdale, Bridgeport, West Montrose, Elora Fergus, Marsville & Reading reaching Orangeville about 7. p.m & having gone 47 miles The road nearly all the way was good but it was very dusty. I felt more like first cousin to a pig than anything else by evening. We went 25 miles to Fergus & stayed there at Couse's Hotel for dinner. We left again about 3 p.m. having had a rest of 4 hours. The dust just flew in clouds & it was very warm. The scenery was very good. We passed ever so many school houses & churches. After dinner we took a walk around Fergus. There are some very pretty houses & churches there. Leaving Fergus we came to Orangeville the country was pretty level all the way. We are staying at the Queen's Hotel here. It is a very nice hotel. After supper Lou & I set out to explore the town. We only took in Main St. It is a beautiful wide St. about twice as wide as King St. Berlin. We then came in & I wrote a Postal to Mother and Em Went to bed about 10.15 p.m & slept like a brick.

Friday June 25, 1898

I got up at Orangeville about 6 a.m. got dressed & then Lou & I walked to the Post Office to post the cards. We then had breakfast & started off for Alliston at 10 A.M. We had been wishing for rain during the night but it did not come & so it was as dusty as day before. It was [underlined: very] warm. Our road was very hilly & stony but the scenery was grand. We drove through woods nearly all the way to Hockling. We stopped on the way to get some wild strawberries. I saw one snake. The dust & heat were terrible. The road being very sandy but the scenery seemed to make up for everything. It was grand to be on top of a hill & look down to the valley below. The road was full of curves & so the view changed every minute. We finally

reach Hocking about 1 p.m. & got the horses fed & John took dinner. Lou & I meanwhile tried to cool off but found it impossible to do so. Hocking is a very small place having only about 10 houses, 1 church & 1 hotel. We left Hocking about 3 p.m. & went out into the dust again. It was rather windy & so the dust blew more than ever. We reached Alliston about 6 p.m. feeling very hot dirty & tired. We stayed at the Morrow Hotel. After a good washing we were ready for supper. After supper John Lou & I went for a long walk. Alliston is a very pretty place. When we got back to the hotel we sat in the parlor trying to get cooled off. Went to bed about 10 p.m. My face was fire red all day long. I tried my best to go to sleep but failed. We had been lying in bed about 5 min. when Lou yelled "Oh Martha a bed bug. Well we were out like a shot but only found some kind of a fly. Having searched the bed & found out that it was only false alarm we lay down again & Lou was asleep in about 2 min. I could not sleep for ever so long. There were a lot of young men next door playing cards and & I could hear them. The electric light was lit in the hall & so I could see very well as the light came in the fan light above the door. I [crossed out: wat] looked at my watch ever so often & tried my level best to go to sleep but could not. However at two o'clock the light went out & it began to rain. I soon fell asleep after that. Next morning we let [i.e left] at 8.30 for Barrie.

Saturday June 26, 1898

We reached Barrie about 12.30 P.M. The drive was lovely, the first part of the was [crossed out: was] not a bit dusty because it had rained [crossed out: par] the night before. & the last part we drove in rain. There would be a heavy shower and then it would stop again. & so we were kept busy putting up & down the sides. We reached Barrie just as it was stopping raining. We got our rooms & then had to hustle down to dinner. We stayed at the Queen's Hotel. It was a very nice hotel indeed & we found

that we had come from good, to better & then to best in the hotel line. After dinner Lou & I went to our room & I wrote in my diary. Then we went for a walk came back & began reading Lou fell asleep but I read until supper time We had supper about six fifteen. When we got up stairs again there was a heavy rain storm. It was the heaviest one that I have ever seen. The rain knocked down a lot of tin pails which were hung outside of a store & carried them quite a distance. The street was flooded in no [illegible: time?]. Lou & I read again 'till about 8.15 & then as it had cleared up fine, we went with John to call on Mr & Mrs. Ellis. Ellis' have a family of 4 one little girl & one boy. We stayed there 'till about ten p.m. & then went to our hotel Mr. Ellis going with us. Went to bed & I slept like a brick.

Friday July 1, 1898

Well I have been too busy to write in my diary. On Sunday morning we left Barrie at 8.15 [~~crossed out: p.m.~~] a.m. [1 word illegible: aside?] after turning around & going back again & asking the way we struck the Penetanguishene road. I drove. The drive was simply grand; not a bit of mud & a nice breeze. We reached Hillsdale about 12 o'clock just as the people were coming from church. We stopped at the Globe Hotel & had dinner. Left again about 3. p.m. The drive from there to Penetang was part of the through a bush. We enjoyed it very much. We reached Penetang at 6 p.m. and had supper at Mr. Hall's Then Jennie, Mr. Hall & I left for Church. We got back about 9 p.m. talked played & sang for awhile & then went to bed. Next morning Lou & I got dressed in [1 word illegible: trim?] for work. We had breakfast a little after eight & at nine o'clock am were over here at the cottage. We took out all the bedding and aired it & then got the bedrooms ready for the woman who came in the afternoon. We got all the up stairs finished that day except the hall which we could not do [big dot] because the new part of the cottage was not finished. [~~crossed out: In the evening~~] We had dinner at Mrs. Hall's and supper at the Cottage. Lou and John went in to town about 4 p.m. In the evening John went out riding & Lou & I

cleaned up the pantry. We all went to bed at 10.30.

Tuesday June 28

We worked hard again all day. The woman came again in the afternoon. I wrote two cards one to Ella & one to Emma. We were very glad indeed to get to bed. We had the parlor dining room wash room done & the kitchen all except moping up. Jennie was over in the evening.

Wednesday 29

We got up at 6.30. and after breakfast did up the work & then cleaned. The woman came in the afternoon & we got all finished wood shed & all by about 5 p.m. I washed my head & then went down in the sun to get it dry. In the evening John & I went out for a drive with Derby. There was a beautiful sun set. We drove through a long bush and got home about 9 P.M. Lou did not want to go along as she wanted to write a letter & take a bath. When we got home she had finished her letter & as I wanted to take a bath I had to stay up 'till she was finished. John and I sat out on the veranda then 'till Lou was done.

Thursday June 30 - 98

We got up about 7 A.M. had breakfast and then kept up a [1 word illegible: slew?] bang rush 'till dinner & as Carrie and family were expected [crossed out: at] on noon train. They reached the cottage about one the train being on time. Those that came were Carrie & 4 children, Rosa and Ellen Zeller. We had dinner at 1.15 p.m. and then we finished up the work. I did not get dressed all day long. In the evening, Rosa, Ellen Lou & I went out for our first ride. Mr. & Mrs. Hall were over. We all went to bed a little after nine.

July 1 [crossed out: 2], Friday 98

I got awake this morning about 6 a.m. & could not sleep again. Carl slept with Lou and I got up a little before [crossed out: breakfast] seven, but we did not have breakfast 'till nearly nine. Then I had the children all morning. John had terrible toothache all morning & afternoon but this evening is better. This afternoon I had baby for a while, put new ribbon in my collar & otherwise made myself useful and between times wrote in my diary. About 4 p.m. John shot off a lot of fire crackers. At 5.30

I went up, got dressed, had supper, put Louise & Carl to bed, dried a few dishes and am now writing in my diary. Carrie & John & Mr & Mrs. Hall have gone for a drive. We are now going out for a row.

Saturday July 2, 1898

I took care of youngsters all morning. After dinner, I read & took care of them again 'till 3 p.m. when they all went in Bathing. Carrie Lou, Louisa Edward & Carl. I had a very bad cold Indeed could hardly talk above a whisper. I drove in to town with John. When we came back it was nearly supper time. After supper Rosa Ellen & I went out for a row. First we all went to the tannery to get weighed. Carrie & John went over to Halls' & Lou came here to stay with the children. After we came in from rowing we sat on the veranda & talked then went to bed. Wrote a letter home.

Sunday July 3, 1898

It was very warm indeed out. I got up about 7.30 A.M. Carrie John Lou & I all drove to church in the top buggy and as four in a seat nearly fills it we had not much room to spare. We reached the church at 11.15 & had to stay outside 'till the minister was finished praying. We then sat in a seat near the back. It was very hot. Ever as much hotter than Sat. & then it was 94° in the shade. In the afternoon I went up stairs and tried to sleep but was too hot. I came down & finished a letter to Em & then read. After supper Lou & I went to Church. We started to walk but Mr. Hall & Jennie caught up to us & so we drove with them. We were very early & so made up for the morning. After church Mr. Davidson said he would [crossed out: drive] take us home on the "Maud". On our way to the boat it rained but stopped soon again. Mrs. Hall Carrie John Ellen & Mr. Hall came down on the dock & spoke to Davidson's. Then after they left Hall's family came & sat on our veranda for a while. I went to bed after 10 after taking & rubbing my neck with Electric Oil.

Monday July 4, 1898

John, Rashes Hall & Mr. Rumpel left on the early train for Berlin. About 6 A.M. John called in at

the door "good-bye" girls. That was the first & last I heard for some time. I got up about 7.30. They washed here. Lou & I did the dishes & made beds and then we went out & fished among the reeds and caught about six fish. It rained nearly all the time that we were out. After dinner Ed & I went out again. Then Ellen Lou & I fished from the dock for a while & then the three of us with Ed went out & fished among the reeds again. We came home cleaned fish & had them for supper. Mrs. McGibbon & Mrs. Hall were here to call this evening. I read for a while. Carrie & Ellen went over to Halls' for a while but are back again.

Tuesday July 5, 1898

[crossed out: illegible] It was a nice day out. I played with the children. In the evening about 6 p.m. Mr. Hall Jennie and Edith [illegible: Spoun?] came over for a short time after they left, Carrie Lou & I went in to the League Meeting. Carrie drove with Mr. [inserted: & Mrs.] Hall but Lou and I walked. We reached there when they were singing the first song and sat near the back. The minister Mr. McKinley led or at least opened the meeting. Mrs. Perry took up the topic. She stood in the front seat & questioned. This led to a lot of discussions and as Lou & I could not understand a word it was not very interesting to us. Lou read a letter. After Meeting Lou & I walked home around town. We passed a barber shop and looking in saw a man with two black shields over his eyes & the barber clipping away at a great rate. It must be a late invention. At least I suppose it kept the hair out of his eyes. When we got to Hall's Jennie told us about a meteor that had fallen. We noticed it in church it looked like lightning but we paid no more attention to it. When we got home we went to bed.

Wednesday July 6, 1898

Ellen Lou & I got up at 5 a.m. to fish at the wrecks. Had good luck. In the morning about ten A.M. Carrie Jennie, Mrs. Hall & I rowed over to call on Davidsons'. Mr. Davidson was alone at home. We stayed for some time and then came back in time for dinner. In the after noon [crossed out: Lou &] the children went in bathing. I read part of the time. In the evening Ellen & Lou went in bathing & then Ellen & I walked over to Hall's,

to meet Carrie who had intended going to Prayer Meeting. We found her there as Mrs. Hall had had company & so could not go. We stayed a little while and then came home.

Thursday July 7, 1898

It was a grand day out. I had the children all morning. In the afternoon Ellen Ed. Louise Carl & I went in bathing. The water was fine and warm. When we came in we got dressed and Ellen Edward Lou & I walked in to town. It was pretty hot out. Carrie & Mrs. Hall went out calling. We got back from town about 5.30 p.m. In the evening we went up to call on Rumpels'. Carrie Mr & Mrs Hall went in one boat & Jennie Milla Beck, Ellen and I in the other. When we reached Rumpel's Fran Rumpel was out for a boat ride and so "mine Oscar" went out to fetch her. She came in looking very gay in a red silk waist & a linen skirt. We stayed for quite a time and then came back. Ed Huber was there also.

Friday July 8, 1898

We had breakfast about 8.30. There was a thunderstorm but it did not last very long. I played in the sand with the children for a while. [~~crossed out: In~~] John came home on the noon train. Carrie went out calling again with Mrs. Hall. I got dressed about 4.30 and then wrote a letter to Ella. I took it over to the tannery but as it was after six o'clock it was closed so John took it to town in the evening. After supper I was sitting on the verandah reading when a young lady & gentleman came up asking if Mrs. LJB. was up. I told her no but Mrs. J.C. was up. She said she'd like to [~~inserted: see~~] her then so I called her. When I went out again Carrie said it was Miss Scott and then I remembered her right away. Davidson's & Hall's came over then but Davidson's did not stay long at all. After the [~~i.e they~~] left, we all having gone down to the dock with them, we sat on the verandah and talked. Miss Scott and her brother left about 9. o'clock. Mr & Mrs Hall & Jennie left about 9.30. We had the electric lights lit for the first time but they did not work right [~~crossed out: I got~~] The new chairs came too. We all went to bed soon after.

Saturday July 9, 1898

Got up about 7.30. It is a lovely day out although rather cool. I played with the children all morning. Got a letter from Em. Have first had my dinner. Then about 2 o'clock. Carrie's family Lou & I drove over to Midland in the two seater. The drive was grand. At Midland John took the horses to be shod & the rest of us went with Carrie to do some shopping. We also had ice cream. We came home by a different road from that which we went. It was supper time when we got here. After supper Carrie bathed the children. Mr. & Mrs. Hall were here till about 9.15 p.m. We went to bed about ten o'clock.

Sunday July 10, 1898

We had a pretty early breakfast and then at 20 to ten am Lou and I left for Sunday School. It was quite cool. When near the church Jennie & Mr. Hall passed us driving. Mr. Hall is President. We were in plenty time as they did not begin until about ten o'clock. We were in the Bible Class with Jennie. Mrs. Perrie took the class as the regular teacher was away. After SS. we of course stayed to church. Carrie John & Edward came also. Hall's were here for dinner. Jennie & I walked home & Lou drove Hall's stayed till 3.30 p.m. We all sat hugging the grate fire. About 4.15 John Ed Louise Carl & I went for a walk through the woods across the street. When we came back it was supper-time. After supper Lou Ellen & I walked to Church. We got there during the first prayer. After church I drove home with Mr. Hall and Jennie and Lou & Ellen walked. We went to Hall's and then Carrie & John came & we talked sang & played until about ten o'clock. After we got home the fire was so nice that we sat around until eleven pm. & then we went to bed.

Monday July 11, 1898

I was down stairs by eight o'clock. It was still quite cool although warmer than Sunday. In the morning Lou & I did the house work while the others washed. We were kept pretty busy 'till dinner time. After dinner I played with the children and then wrote to Em. John Ed Lou & I went out fishing at 4 p.m. We fished 'till six o'clock and then

came in & Lou Ellen & I cleaned fish for supper. We had caught quite a number. In cleaning them they sometimes wiggled in your hands after they were skinned & all. I must say it was not a very nice sensation & it gave me enough fish for some time. I did not eat any for supper. After supper Mr. & Mrs. Hall were over. We were all in bed by ten o'clock for a wonder.

Tuesday July 12, 1898

I played with the children & read in the morning. After dinner about 4 p.m. Carrie & I drove to town. Lou took the children off to the woods. It was not very warm as I wore my thick dress. We got some ice cream & it tasted like frozen water with a little egg in it. After supper Rumpel's came to take us all around the bay. Lou & I went to church instead & John went out riding with Mr. Hall, so there was only Carrie & Ellen left. They went. Mrs Hall and Jennie went also. They left at quarter to eight. Lou & I left for church at the same time. We passed Mr. Hall & John. Mr. H. rode Maud & he hung on to her for dear life. Lou & I were on time for League Meeting. We sat near the front. There were only 10 of them including us. The topic was, The Rainbow of Christain [i.e. Christian] Character. Some of the points were very good. We got home about 9.30 & none of them were home yet. John came at 9.45 and felt pretty uneasy about Carrie. He went out but could not see a light on the Bay. Lou & I went out too and watched. At ten Mr. H. came over & we all looked for a light. We looked for an hr (It seemed ages) and then saw a light at the head of the Bay. We felt very much relieved indeed. When they reached our dock they told us that they had been to Midland. Well we did not get to bed till twelve that night.

Wednesday July 13, 1898

It was very warm out. The Methodist SS picnic was held. None of our party went. We got up pretty late and after breakfast

John Louise Carl & I drove to town. John went to the Barber Shop saying it would take him about 20 Min. I took the children for a drive & in 20 min. was back. We waited awhile & as he did not come drove around 2 block & then went back & waited only [line] 30 min. I read a letter from Ella during that time. We got back & had dinner. In the evening the electric light went for the first time and we were all very glad.

Thursday July 14, 1898

It was very hot. I read part of the time and of course looked after the children. In the evening I read on the veranda and could see fine. [the next two lines are crossed out: Lou & I took Edward and Louise for a row in the afternoon.]
[written on top of the crossed out lines: We drove over to [crossed out: Midland] Tiny [?] Beach & it took us all afternoon. It was very hot & dusty.]

Friday July 15, 1898

It was very very warm out. Our party and Halls left on the "Fred" at 8.30 A.M. for Victoria Harbor. We reached there about 11 o'clock and had dinner on board. Then some of us got off. The men went along with a scow for lumber. We left the scow at Victoria Harbor & went on to Waubushene [i.e. Waubaushene]. We got there at 12.30 [2 written over 1] & as they did not intend leaving for an hr. Ellen Lou Jennie the children Emma Rosa & I got off to explore the place. We walked along several streets and struck the station. We thought we'd wait for the train, but as it did not come we went to a store for lemons & then went back to the station again. We all sat on a truck. After waiting for about 10 min. we heard that the train was 20 min late and so we decided to go back to the boat. The day was a "scorcher". We left for Victoria Harbor about 2 p.m. & found that the men had to wait for some lumber. We got off and ate some cherry pie. I took a picture of the group. Then some of us went back to the boat. I read "The Three Miss Kings." The water got very rough & the boat rocked a lot. It gave me a headache. We waited till 5 o'clock. & then

started for home. The water was calmer. We had supper on the way. When we got home we soon went to bed. On the veranda we found a dead snake. Next day we [crossed out: fou] heard that a man had killed three.

Saturday July 16, 1898

"Bay View Cottage."

It was warm again as usual. I played with the children in the morning. After dinner Edward & I went in bathing. When we came out I got dressed. After supper Lou & I went out to hunt a washwoman & vegetables. We went out Hall's first & there met Miss Louina [?] Beck. Then we walked up to the wash woman's & got some beans there also. When we got back Mr. Hall John Carrie Lou and I went out for a row. John wanted to see a man at the Hotel but he was not there. Lou & I rowed back & a nice job we had of it. The three of them were criticizing [i.e criticizing] us like every thing. However we got home safely. Then we intended going to Hall's but met Jennie & her mother on the way. They stayed here quite a while & then we went to bed.

Sunday July 17, 1898

Bay View Cottage

My! but it was hot. Lou and I intended going to S.S. but it looked too much like rain. John Lou & I drove to [crossed out: S.S.] Church. We were there early enough. The S.S. was singing Yet. We sat about 1/2 way back on the left hand side. We drove back again had dinner & then tried to keep cool. My! it was hot. I sat under the trees and read. After supper Lou & I started off to church the only faithful ones. We got as far Hall's & then drove with Mr. H & Jennie. When we got to Hall's it rained a little so we hurried home. We all sat & talked on the veranda [crossed out: & talked.]

Monday July 18, 1898

It was wash day. There was a woman here to help wash and they got finished by noon. After dinner John went out with Rumpel's on the Ida to fish. They took our row boat and I walked down to the boathouse with John. On the way back I tried

walking along the logs at the edge of the water, and of course walked into the water. I got wet above my knees. Carrie was at the old boat house and she just roared when she saw me. My clothes were like lead when I got out. Of course I had to go & change my clothes. About an hr. after Carrie the children Ellen and I went in bathing. We had been in about 20 min. when it began to rain. Carrie and the children hurried in but Ellen and I stayed in for the shower. We enjoyed it very much. It just poured but did not last long. As our heads were soaked we washed them after the rain. I was in the water about 1/2 hrs. in all. In the evening we went over to Hall's.

Tuesday July 19, 1898

I took care of the children in the morning. In the afternoon went in bathing and got dressed about 5 P.M. After supper Lou & I intended going to League but went to a Concert, given by "The Ancient Order of Workman," instead. We left home at eight o'clock & walked. I was swelled in my white dress. John Carrie Ellen Lou and I all went. We were in plenty time as they did not begin until 8.35. The hall was away up in the third flat and was like a bake oven. The programme was all of singing. There were two speeches also but one man did not come & no one seemed very sorry. Mr. A Breed tenor, Mr. Robinson bass, & Carrie Davidson contralto, all sang solos. There was also a male quartette and a duet. The singing was grand. On the way home Carrie drove and the rest of us walked. We did not get to bed 'till twelve o'clock.

Wednesday July 20, 1898

I helped with the work in the morning. Went to the tannery to order some things and then went to get some beans from our milk woman. In the afternoon I went in bathing and then got dressed. We were over at Hall's for awhile & had some icecream [i.e. ice cream]. In the evening Jennie Lou & I started off for Prayer Meeting. We had to do some shopping first. Carrie wanted us to buy a comforter for baby so we marched to the drug store. There was a young fellow

in who waited on us. Lou marched up to him and asked for a Baby's Comforter. Jennie & I looked at some books & tried to keep from laughing. We thought perhaps the [i.e he] would not know what she meant. But he did. He looked at Lou for a minute as if to see whether she were in earnest or not and then he [she with the s crossed out] made a dive for a box. He hauled out a great big thick one & Lou told him she wanted a little thin one. Jennie & I were just shaking. We hurried out of the store as soon as possible. When we had done some more shopping we went to Church it was about 8.30 when we got there. [crossed out: Lou] An old man was Praying & while we were waiting outside it struck Lou that she forgot to get some thread. Of course we trotted off and when we got back they were singing. Then they had Prayer and after that the Leader said "Let us raise Song No --. We stood up but no one seemed to know the tune. Finally some one began. Lou & I knew the tune but the person that began dragged so much that we would get about 2 bars ahead of her & so we gave up. The woman sang the verse & chorus through all alone and then the leader said that as they did not know the song very well we'd sing No --. That went better. When we got home we stayed at Hall's a little while and then went home.

Thursday July 21, 1898

We worked hard all morning. Mrs. C. Breithaupt, Mr & Mrs & Albert Augustine & Albert B. came up on the noon train. In the evening Lou Ellen & I intended going to hear the band but Davidson's came over & took us all out on the "Maud". We had a nice little trip but it was very windy. Hall's were over after.

Friday July 22, 1898

The men, John, Albert and Mr. Augustine, got up at 4 A.M. to go fishing. They went out to N. Honey Harbor. In the afternoon Lou Ellen Jennie & I went over to Davidson's for supper. We rowed over and back. We had a very nice

time got home at nine o'clock. and then Jennie Lou & I sat down at the bank and talked. The men got back about ten o'clock and had ever so many fish. They did not get to bed 'till 12 o'clock & so had a day of 20 hours Poor Men!

Saturday July 23, 1898

Got up at seven A.M. After breakfast I helped clean up the woodshed and fished with the children for awhile. At 11.30 I went in bathing with Jennie and Helen McGibbon. The rest of the party came in about 11.45. After-dinner I tried to keep cool. Got dressed about 4 P.M. After supper, The whole party went to Davidson's except the children, Rosa and myself. There was not enough room in the row boat [a was inserted]. I got the children all asleep at 9.15 and then wrote a letter to Frank and am now writing in my diary.

Sunday July 24, 1898

It was very hot. Lou & I had at first intended going to S.S & church but we changed our minds and stayed at home. Mrs. B. Mrs A & Carrie drove. They were the only ones that went to Church. I told the children stories. We all sat out under the trees. After dinner, I tried to sleep and then wrote a letter to Em. Mr & Mrs. Hall were over & we all ate some water melon out under the trees about 4. P.M. After supper Lou Albert & I went to church. We of course had to sit up in Mr. Hall's seat. We were nearly roasted it was so hot. After Church Mr. Davidson said he'd take us home on the "Maud". So we walked down to the dock taking a drink at an old pump on the way. The water was as smooth as glass. After we got home Lou & Albert went for a walk and the rest of us went over to Hall's and sang.

Monday July 25, 1898

It was wash day and was very windy out. Albert Edward Mr. & Albert Augustine went out fishing among the weeds but did not catch anything. I hung out some clothes, took care of

the children etc. In the afternoon Albert & I walked to town to get D. Bowman's row boat. Albert wanted to see what it was like. We did some shopping first and then went to the boat house for the boat. We found it at last. It was a great big thing & had some oil bottles, a pump & a lot of other riggings to it. I steered while Albert rowed. My seat was about 4 ft. wide. The water was very rough but we reached the boat house safe & sound. Of course we were late for supper. After supper Mrs. B., Mrs. A, Carrie & Albert went to call on Rumpel's. Lou & I sat on the veranda nearly all evening.

Tuesday July 26, 1898

We all embarked in the House boat. In the morning I had a terrible headache. I thought that I'd have to stay at home but after putting ice on my forehead and lying down for quite a while it got some better & so I packed up & went. Lou Ellen Carl Louise & Rosa stayed at the cottage to take care of it. We left at 2 p.m our party consisting of, Mr. Mrs. Carrie Maud & Fred Davidson, Miss Smith a college friend, of theirs, Mrs & Jennie Hall, Mrs. C. Breithaupt, Albert Mrs. Mr. & Albert Augustine, John Carrie Edward Baby Freda & myself besides a cook & two guides. We reached the place at which we stopped at 4. P.M. The "Fred" took us out. After we got there I went out fishing with Albert but we did not catch very much in still fishing. On the way back I pulled & Albert trolled. He caught a pike 39" long & weighing 14 3/4 lbs. It was the "Bill" fish of the season. After supper we sat on the veranda talking singing etc.
[written vertically on the right side:
Otto Schmidt died at Stratford. His remains were taken to Berlin.]

Wednesday July 27, 1898

The men got up at 5 A.M. to go out fishing. Maud & I slept in the upper berth while Carrie & Miss Smith slept below. My! but it was hot. I got up at 5.15 and when the girls came down we went out for a row 'till breakfast time. We had breakfast at 6.45. I stayed on the ark all morning with baby while the others went

out fishing. In the afternoon we fooled around. After supper Maud Jennie & I went out for a row with "Joe". The men, Albert John Mr. A & a guide went over to Honey Harbor to fish. They came back with -- no fish. Mr Davidson went out shooting & shot 2 ducks. They all were back by nine o'clock. We sat on the veranda watching some bush fires & singing 'till bed time.

Thursday July 28, 1898

Carrie & Miss Smith had put their bed on the floor instead of sleeping in the upper berth, & so there was mighty little room left for us to stand. I got up at 5.30 A.M. John, Mr. A. & a guide had gone [inserted: at 5 a.m.] away off fishing & Albert & Fred had also gone. Mrs. Hall, Mrs A. & Mrs C.B. went for a row. I sat up stairs on the veranda 'till breakfast time. We had just sat down to the table at 7 o'clock when it got very dark & began to thunder. None of the people were back yet, but they soon came & by the time it began to rain we were all safely under shelter. The rain did not last long and after breakfast I took a picture of the Houseboat. John took several pictures of the group. After that I went with Albert while he took a picture of the house boat too and then we went for water lilies down a channel near there. It was about ten o'clock when we left. The channel was simply covered with water lilies. I never saw so many before. We got ever so many of them. We got back to the ark about 11.30 & then I got ready for dinner. Right after dinner, John Albert Mr. A. & I went fishing. We fished till four o'clock but did not catch anything. Then we went back to the Houseboat, had lunch & at 5 o'clock the "Maud" came out to take us, house & all, back home. Lou the children Ellen & Rosa came along on the "Maud". We arrived safely at the cottage at 7.30 p.m. & shortly after went to bed. We heard about Otto Schmidt's death.

Friday July 29, 1898

In the morning I took care of the children etc. After dinner about 3 o'clock. Albert Lou & I rowed

the boat back to town. The water was very rough & we had to pull across the bay so as to go against the waves. From there we drifted back to town. We got the boat off of our hands & then went up town to do some shopping. We had some ice cream at the Drug Store & while we were eating it a "dude" came into the store. My! but he can put it on. Lou & I just roared to hear him talk. We were behind a screen & so he could not see us although we could see him fine. On our way home he passed us on his wheel & crossed the road, got off his wheel & went into the house. I coughed several times and he looked over smiled, tipped his hat & said "How do you do." Of course I smiled back. During this time Albert stood taking me in & of course was "thunderstruck". He said he was shocked & then gave me a nice little lecture. Lou acted like a perfect "jay" going home. She had bought some hat pins & amused herself all the way. Albert got the worst of it. When we got home it was 6.30 and we were late for supper. Everyone looked like thunder clouds & so we crept to the table meek as could be. After supper we sat on the veranda talking and went to bed about 10.30 P.M. We were also out for a short boat ride with Davidson's.

Saturday July 30, 1898

Saturday morning I helped with the work looked after the children etc. After dinner Albert took Lou & I through the tannery. About three o'clock John Albert Lou & I began putting down the canvass [i.e. canvas] on the veranda floor up stairs. Lou pasted, John put down the canvass and Albert & I nailed it down. Mr. A. came & helped us about 5 p.m. We got finished at 7.15 and then Lou & I went in bathing. We had our supper at 8 o'clock. Hall's were over in the evening. We had some "lemon on ice." Mr [Mrs with s crossed out] Hall told us some of his tear [?] stories. They left about ten o'clock.

Sunday July 31, 1898

We were up bright and early. Albert

Lou & I walked to Sunday School. We went to a house beside the church to get a drink & got into S.S. when they were singing the first hymn. We went into the Bible Class. Mrs Perry taught it. After S.S. we went near the back for Church. Mr Hall came back & wanted us to go up & sit in his seat but we told him the rest of the party were coming & they could sit with him so he left [i.e let] us go. Carrie Mrs A & Mrs B. came in & sat about the 4th seat from the front. Carrie sat with Hall's as there was not enough room in the other seat. After prayer John & Mr. A came stroling [i.e strolling] in & sat in front of us. After church we stayed to an aftermeeting & then Albert got the horse for Carrie. The three of us walked home again. After dinner I tried to sleep but finding that impossible I wrote to Em. Albert teased me so much that I did not get the letter finished. Albert took a number of pictures & then at 4.30 p.m. They all went over to Hall's for supper except, Ellen Rosa, the children Lou & I. Shortly after Jennie came over for us & so Lou & I went over. We had a very nice supper. I sat beside Albert as I always do at the cottage too & so I guess Lou was a little jealous - ahem - but she does not need to think she can have him [underlined: all] the time. None of us went to church. Albert Lou & I waited on Jennie. She had to wait on the table while we ate because Emma, their servant, was at home. Her father had died during the week. Lou & I helped with the dishes & then we sang & played 'till nine o'clock. Ellen Zeller came in from church about 8.45. Some of us went down to the spring for water & then we all went to the cottage and ate water melon. Hall's left about ten o'clock. Then Mr A. kept us all laughing for some time. I went up stairs about 10.30. Lou & Albert were not in yet. They went out shortly after we came back from Hall's. Every person wondered where they were. After we got up stairs John went down again & whistled for them but no

answer. He came up & about 15 min after went down again & saw them coming. When Lou came up stairs I gave her a good scolding but I am afraid it did not have much of an effect on her.

Monday August 1, 1898

At 4 A.M. I heard the people hurrying around and so thought it time to get up. Mrs C. B. Albert Mr. Mrs. & Albert intended leaving on the 6.20 A.M. train and I was to go along to the station to drive Maud back. I got partly dressed & then looked at my watch and found that it was only 20 min after 4. I lay down on the bed intending to sleep till five but at 4.40 Lou awoke me as I was just dozing off & said I had better get up. I finished dressing & was downstairs by ten to five. I had a cup of coffee. The others ate their breakfast about 5.15 and then waited for the horses till ten to six. John took his mother in the top buggy driving Derby and Mr Mrs & Albert Augustine & myself went in the phaeton with Maud. Albert B. drove on the truck. We were there in loads of time. The trunks came about ten after six. The train finally started. I was to get some bread but as John did not know where the baker shop was we drove home. We had breakfast. The girls washed. Lou & I did the other work. Right after dinner Lou & I drove to town with Mr. Hall. We did some shopping & then drove back with him again. At three o'clock. Carrie Mrs Hall went out calling. Morrice was coachman. He sat in the front seat holding the 'osses swelled up in his Sunday best. Carrie did not get back till after six o'clock. After tea John Carrie the children Lou & I went for a row. John & I pulled. We rowed across the bay and up along it for some distance. When we got back Ellen and Rosa were in bathing. I had intended going in to [i.e. too] but Lou thought it too cold and I did not want to go in alone. John shot off some firecrackers and then the children went to bed. I took a bath & was in bed by ten o'clock.

Tuesday August 2, 1898

The girls ironed all morning. At the dinner table we decided to go along to Victoria Harbor on the Fred at one o'clock. Of course there was a grand rush after that. The children all had to get dressed as well as our selves. We got off in time however. Jennie her friend Miss Armstrong & Charlie H. were on the warf [i.e wharf]. I shook hands with Charlie and that is all I saw of him up there. We went to Victoria Harbor & as usual had to wait ever so long for the lumber. Lou the children & I walked to town. We did not leave there till about 5.30 again & then we went to Midland & had to wait there again. We stayed on the boat all the time there. We started off again at 15 to 8. Lou & I were very much disappointed as we had been invited to Halls' for to spend the evening & of course were too late. We had supper at ten o'clock and then went to bed.

Wednesday August 3, 1898

Our Last day for Penetanguishene. Most of the day was spent in packing. Lou & I walked to town and back about six o'clock. In the evening John hid up the trunks etc. Mr & Mrs. Hall came over to give us good bye. I was sorry I could not give Jennie good bye but she her friend & Charlie were out to spend the evening & so I did not see them again.

Thursday August 4, 1898

We left Penetang at 5.45 a.m. John Lou & I driving. We were all up early & then had breakfast at 5. Mr. Hall drove Carrie & family to the station and so we started off before them. It was an elegant day. It had rained during the night and so there was not a bit of dust. We had driven an hr or two when it began to rain. John put the sides up & so we were all right. I sat in the front with him & drove. I tried to sleep in the back but could not. We reached Barrie at twelve o'clock. We had dinner there at the Barrie Hotel. After dinner Lou & I took a walk and then sat on the veranda up stairs. We left Barrie at three. Mrs. Ellie came up to see us while we were

there. We had a nice long drive ahead of us. It was not dusty at first but the last half was quite dusty as it had not rained there at all. We reached Aliston at 8 o'clock. & had supper. Then John Lou & I went out for a nice long walk. We passed a lawn social on the way. We walked up to see the station. When we got back to the hotel we went to bed. Lou & I did not have the same room as the one we had on the way up. John had that one. We drove about 65 miles.

Friday August 5, 1898

We left Aliston at 7.45 A.M. We had the hilly road that day. We had fine weather the wind came against us and so blew the dust away from us. We passed through [i.e. through] Hockley at 11, o'clock. but did not stop. I took three pictures between Hockley & Orangeville. It was not nearly as hot as it had been going up. We reached Orangeville at 2 p.m. and had dinner. After that Lou & I walked up town & then sat in the waiting room talking to Mrs. Marsden (the prop's [proprietor's?] wife) & her daughter [i.e. daughter] Daisy. At five 30 we started off again. When we got on the buggy I could not find my Camera. John asked the man that had taken care of the horses if he had noticed it on the buggy. He said yes & so went to the barn to hunt it. He found it on the way. I was very glad that I had thought about it. We had supper on the way. The drive was lovely in the evening but at 8.30 it got dark & the moon was not up so it was not so nice for the driver [i.e. driver]. However the moon came up at about 9.15 and then it was fine again. We reached Fergus at 11, o'clock & as John was giving orders about the horses. A young farmer (he looked like one) came [written over: illegible] & asked us if we wanted a room. Lou said Certainly & he got as red as a beet. We got into bed as soon as possible knowing that we could sleep as long as we wanted to next morning. Drove 55 miles.

Saturday August 6, 1898

Next morning at seven o'clock we thought we heard John up in his room. So we got up & got

dressed & then found out to our sorrow that he was in bed yet. We had breakfast at 8.30 and at the table met Miss McCutcheon & her mother. After breakfast Lou & I walked up town & back & then I wrote in my diary. Mr. Mc.C. from South America came into the waiting room & so his sister introduced us. They left on the morning train. We had dinner at 12 & at 1.15 p.m made our last start off. I drove nearly all the way. We reached Berlin at 5.30. Papa was out sprinkling & mother was down town Ella was in the house. They had not expected us till late that night or on Sunday. We had supper and then El & I went down town to get me new shoes. When [Wehen with the e crossed out] we came back we went over to Frank's for awhile. I took a bath & then went to bed.

Sunday August 7, 1898

We all got up early & so had the work done [three line segments] by 9.15. Then we got ready for Church I wore my white dress but had to fork it out of the wash basket first as mamma of course had put it there when she unpacked. Mr. Knechtel preached both times. He only preached 35 min in the morning which was something new for him. Lou El & I went to S.S. in the afternoon. I had to play as Miss Grader was not there. May took Alma Bean's class. After S.S. Ina May [crossed out: Ella] & I went for a walk. In the evening we all went to Church again. After Church Ina & I walked home with May. Albert was here when I got home. John was here also.

Monday August 8, 1898

Got up about 7.30. We did up the work and then did as we pleased. In the afternoon I got dressed about 3 o'clock & the [i.e then] played. After supper we went to Y.P.A. Lou led. Miss C. [written in a different pen: Washed in the afternoon] rang her up at 5 o'clock. and asked her to take the meeting. There were not very many there. I thought I'd try the organ for a change & as I was playing the sec. hymn I saw a face in the window beside me. The window was

up one & one half feet and I saw that it was E Erb looking in. It made me feel kind of strange. After Y.P.A. we walked home with May. Then I wrote to Em & went to bed at ten thirty.

Tuesday August 8, 1898

We got up at 7.30 made breakfast & then Ella & I did the dining room & kitchen. We were finished by 9.30 & then I ironed. After dinner Ella & I did the dishes & then I went up stairs & slept for half an hr & then got dressed. In the evening Ina Ella & I went out for a walk.

We [one letter crossed out after the e: illegible] went over to Wing's but May was not at home and so we went down town. It was all decorated for the Saengerfest. We saw May & Mable & then we went in to talk to Annie her friend Miss Ruben & Miss L. Zilliax [?] came in & Annie introduced us. We talked awhile & then Ina Ella & I went home Ina came in awhile. That night papa went to the station at 12.30 to see the train from Rochester. He came home 2,30 am

Wednesday August 10, 1898

It was the first day of the Saengerfest. Ina Ella & I went down to the station at 9.15 to see the trains. When we got there we saw Annie L. [?] Miss Ruben & Miss Zilliax. We all went together. Then Millie Clemens & her friend Miss Howell & Miss Ward came with us & we all stretched out and marched up & down on the platform. Miss Zilliax's brother came on the 9.30 train from Listowel & he joined the string. We all stayed to-gether & watched the people. At 12 o'clock we started off for home Ina Ella & I went around by King to Foundry St. In the afternoon Ina El & I went down at 1.30 to see the procession. After waiting about 1/2 hr we saw the band march to the park. At 4 o'clock we went down to the station to see the special from Detroit. We waited and waited. Sat in the trolley part of the time with Aunt Caroline, Lillie & Emma S. The regular came at five but as the special was not in at 5.45 we went home. We heard afterward that it came in at 7 o'clock. In the evening.

Thursday August 11, 1898

We got up about 8 a.m. Lou Ella & I did the house work & mother ironed. About 1.30 Ella & I called for Ina & Ina Eby to go down town to see the procession but as usual missed it. At five o'clock. Ella and I went down to the station to see papa off. He went to Montreal. Frank & mamma had been for a drive & when we got back from the station Ella Ina & I went out for a drive. We drove around the Eby settlement. Tom was as quiet as could be but when he'd run he'd get all wet so when we go near the factory we drove very slowly. We hunted up where the teamster lived and then walked home. We reached home at 7.15 had supper & then got ready for the concert. Eff brought Mr. Ed. Kruspe [?] here to give Lou good bye. We left for the skating rink at 8. & sat in the gallery. Lou & Eff came in about nine Cook & Hilda were there also. Lou & Eff sat down stairs. Ina Ella & I went down stairs after the first [inserted: part of] program. The concert was very good but long & tiresome. Mr. Bilger sat with us & so we talked. The concert was over at 11.30. When we got out it was thundering & lightning & we were hardly home when it poured rain.
[Written vertically on left side:
Ina Ella & I went down to the open air band concert at 11. o'clock. We saw Mr. Zilliax there & had quite a talk with him. On our way home we saw Grace F]

Thursday August 18, 1898

It was decided that Ella & I should go to Toronto. We got up about 7. Ella went over to Frank's for our telescope. We did our packing after breakfast and got dressed. Frank & Re were over to give us goodbye. Ina was over too. Lou was baking so mother went to the Station with us. We left on the 9.38 Train A.M. Ethel Ziegler was with us as far as Brampton. We met a Mrs. Scott from Palmerston on the train. We got to Union Station about 12.10 and found Libbie without any trouble. After dinner we unpacked & then Irene Libbie El & I walked up

Wellington Ave to Spadina Ave & then to Queen St.
Ella got some candies & then we came home.
Irene & I walked over to Queen again for Auntie.
After supper Uncle Auntie Lib Ella & I went
on the car to Munro Park, beyond Kew Beach.
There was an open air concert. We saw the Chinese
Laundry and heard a lady cornetist & then
came home about 11.30 [illegible: almost certainly P.M.]

Friday August 19, 1898

We got up about 8. After breakfast Lib. El. & I
went down city. I got some plates for my camera
on Bay St, & then we trotted to a lot of stores to
get a sailor for me but as we could not find
one to suit we went home. Libbie & I slept
after dinner. Ella looked through some
magazines & then went to Queen St. with
Auntie. After supper Laurie, Libbie, Irene Ella &
I went to Spadina Ave Warf [i.e. Wharf] and took a boat
to Hanlan's point on the Island. We heard the
darkey minstrels etc. We walked along the
promenade etc & then came home having [crossed out: a]
had a very nice time. We discussed Mrs. Rumpel
'till about 11.30 and then went to bed.

Friday August 12, 1898

We cleaned up stairs. I got dressed before
dinner. Lou mother Ella & I went to Motz's
corner to see the parade. It was very good.
We then went down to the P.O. to see it again
Ina Eff & Mrs. S. were along at the Post O. We
saw May & Mable & May told us that Mrs.
J.P. Hauch had died that morning at 11 o'clock.
About 3.30. Ina & Louie came over & we
went down town & then walked to High
School. Louie went home & then Ina
Eff Ella & I sat on S. steps for awhile & then
Ina Ella & I came over got some apples
& sat on our veranda to eat them. Ella
managed ten of them & then said she
felt a little bit full. Ina went home at
5.30 and Ella & I got supper. Mother &
Lou were out calling.
After supper Mamma & Frank drove to
the park and Ella Louie Ina & Eff & Lou
& I went to see the fire works. The girls
sat on the stone at the bridge but Ina &

I trotted around. We went near to the fire works. They [i.e. There] was a young girl & her best bean standing near us. He had his arm around her waist. Every time a rocket went up she'd give a little scream & he'd hold her tighter. It was too funny for anything. We thought she'd get used to the rockets but it seemed she did not for she yelled every time. We got home a little after ten. The fireworks were ["we" with "re" inserted below] splendid for Berlin.

Saturday August 20, 1898

Got up about 8. After breakfast Auntie Ella & I went down city. I got silk for a shirt waist & a sailor. About 3 o'clock. Laurie Libby Ella & I left for Long Branch (9 miles west of the city). It is a very pretty place. Has a summer hotel & a large number of cottages. We sat beside the water awhile & then had our lunch. Then we read 'till dark, took a walk & then watched the people dance on the pavilion. The car ride home was fine. We crossed the Humber & then followed along the lake nearly all the way. We got home about 11 P.M.

Sunday August 21, 1898

We got up about 9 a.m. It was pretty hot all day. Laurie Irene Ella & I went to Church. In the afternoon Irene & Laurie went to S.S. After dinner Ella slept Lib & I went for a walk. In the evening Lib. Laurie Irene Ella & I went to the Eng. Church again. After Church we went for Auntie & then we all went for a walk to Spadina Ave Warf [i.e. Wharf]. We got home about 10 talked 'till 11 & then went to bed.

Monday August 22, 1898

It was pretty hot all day. I read in the morning. After dinner Libbie Ella & I got dressed & then went to the Foundry to get weighed. I weigh 109 lbs. From there we went to Central Prison for a walk & came home around by the old fort. We went to Queen St. for some candies & then came home. We saw Mr. Hauch & his sisters on Queen St. After supper Ella Lib & I out Young St. to N. Toronto & back on the car & then went around the belt line to

Spadina & then home by Queen.

Tuesday August 23, 1898

We got up at 7 and Lib & I went to the station to meet John & Carrie & Baby. Carrie went right to the city with John & Lib & I took Baby home. I felt nice I must say carring [i.e carrying] a baby & the way the people stared did not make me feel better. To crown all we had to wait ages for a car on the corner of King & Young. However we arrived safely at aunties. Carrie was in the city all morning & came to Aunties about noon. Ella went to Fletcher's store on Bathhurst [second h was inserted] street with Irene & then she read. I took care of Baby. We were all home all afternoon. Baby was very good. Ella slept awhile & went to the Foundry with Irene. Uncle was not home for supper. After supper Carrie Auntie Libbie & Ella went over to the Island. Irene & I stayed with baby. We were on the veranda when the people came back. There was a heavy thunder storm durring the night.

Wednesday August 24, 1898

We got up about 8 & had breakfast after nine. Auntie & Carrie went down town. The girl washed so we four girls did the house work & took care of baby. Carrie & Auntie did not come home 'till two o'clock. We had lunch & then Lib. Carrie & Ella went down city about 4 o'clock. & they did not get back till after six. In the evening Laurie Lib Irene Ella & I walked to Queen St. Irene felt sick so we went home with her & then we four went back to Queen. Laurie showed us where Rosie lived. I walked with Laurie & we went so fast that Lib & Ella had to run to catch up to us. Laurie got some candies at "The Store" & then we went to Spadina Ave. Warf [i.e. Wharf] & ate them there. We went home about 10.30 around by Front St. & Found the people [crossed out: sit] still up so we talked awhile & then went to bed.

Thursday August 25, 1898

We got up at 8.30. There was a nice cool wind Ella & Lib went to Fletcher's & then when they came back we sewed. We sat in the middle room up stairs & El & I began our points. We had

dinner at 12 & Carrie went home on the one train. Laurie & Lib. went to Parkdale Station with her. Ella I straightened up our room & each took a bath. Irene slept all afternoon & Lib was in Parkdale. I sewed all afternoon. After supper we sang University songs & then Laurie went to see Rosa. Of course we did not see him again that evening. Irene & I went to Singing Class but finding only a few there we went back to Aunties & found that Ella & Lib had gone to Munro Park to get cooled off. When they came back Irene & I went to a little store across the road & got some cent a piece [?] candies. We had some fun when we went back. Irene & I slept together in the middle room & Lib slept with Ella.

Friday August 26, 1898

We got up about 8.30 & had breakfast at 10. Ella & I sewed 'till noon. After dinner we all got dressed & went down city to do some shopping. Lib Auntie & I went home & Irene & Ella went to some jewellery [i.e jewellery] stores & got a belt pin for Lib. & then they walked home. In the evening Ella began a cushion she had bot [i.e bought] for mamma for an Xmas [i.e. Christmas] present & I sewed at my points for awhile & then Lib Laurie Ella & I tried to dance the Lancers [?] while Irene played, We had lots of fun about it & then went to bed at 12 o'clock.

Saturday August 27, 1898

We got up about 8 o'clock. Auntie Ella & I went down city. Auntie left us & we went to Sharpe Eakins & Ferris on Bay street to get some things for my camera & then we [crossed out: wen] took a car home. After dinner we got dressed & Libbie Laurie Ella & I started off for the Humber. We took the car to the Humber & then took a boat & rowed up the river. The scenery was beautiful. The river was not very wide but it was very deep right to the banks & the bed is of quick sand. We passed every [i.e. ever] so many row boats. We went to the end of the river

I took the picture of an old mill. We had our supper on a hill about 1/2 way up the river. I took several pictures. After we had had our supper we rowed for awhile & then went home having had a lovely time. We got home about 8.30 & found Auntie & Irene out so we combed our hair & walked to Queen. When we got back we waited 'till Irene & auntie came & then went to bed.

Sunday August 28, 1898

It was not very hot. We children went to church. I got a good look at "John" & saw Mr. A. Williams (one of Irene's admirers) I slept in the afternoon. Lib Irene & Ella went for a walk. After supper Auntie went to church with us. After church we walked around a block & then came home. Auntie Uncle & Ella stayed & the rest of us went for another walk. When we got back we had some lemonade & cake & then went to bed.

Monday August 29, 1898

Irene & Ella went down city in the morning to Eaton's night gown sale. They each came home with a night gown thinking them the finest of linen & they were pretty coarse cotton. However they were not bad for the price. They got my plates for me at the Photographer's. After dinner El & I got dressed & went to Parkdale to call on Marie C. She was not there when we got there so we waited 'till she came. I met Mr. Morrow. We stayed about an hour & then came home by Queen. We got some ice cream & candies & then went home & sewed 'till supper time. Irene & Laurie went to a party at Mimico [?] & Lib El & I went down to Munro park & around the belt line home.

Tuesday August 30, 1898

I sewed all morning & we all got dressed before dinner. After dinner we went to Princess Theatre to see "Jane" by Cumming's

Stock Co. The play was very good. After it was over Irene & Auntie went home & Lib. El & I went around the Belt Line. After supper Libbie & Ella walked to Parkdale. Mr. Alex W. came to call in the evening. He told me I resembled Libbie. He kept us laughing all evening telling us jokes. He went home about 11 and then Laurie & I walked to Spadina Ave. Warf [i.e. Wharf] & back.

Wednesday August 31, 1898

We got up about 8 o'clock. It was a very hot day. I sewed all morning. We got dressed before dinner & Auntie Irene Libbie Ella & I went to the Exhibition in the afternoon. We took the car out & got there about 2 o'clock. We went to the Natural History Building 1st but "John" was not there. We went through Machinery Hall etc. After we had gone through the Main Building [inserted: we met] Mr. & Mrs. Hogg & Mrs. Selfer. They were with us awhile. We went back to the N.H.B. & Irene saw "John" & had a long talk with him. Lib met him at last. We had our supper in front of the Main Building & then went on to the Grand Stand. The performance was good but very long. We saw the Battle of Santiago & some other splendid fire works. We walked home the back way & went right to bed.

Thursday September 1, 1898

I got up about 8. And sewed all morning at noon uncle asked us to go to Niagara So Auntie Uncle Irene El & I left Young St. Warf [Wharf] at 2 o'clock on the St. Chippewa. Lib. had gone to Parkdale in the morning & was not back when we left so she could not go along. The trip was grand. It was an ideal day for on the water. The Lake was as smooth as glass. It took us about 3 hrs. to go. We stopped at Niagara Queenston - saw Brock's monument & stopped at Lewiston (Am. side) I took several pictures. We did not get off the boat. We got back about 9 o'clock & lunched & then watched for Lib & Laurie. They came

home about 10.30 having been over to the Island.

Friday September 2, 1898

We got up early & did our packing. We got dressed right away & went down city. It was very hot. We got back about 12 had dinner & then Laurie went with us to Parkdale station. We left about 1.10 for Berlin. The train was [underlined: very] hot. Lou & Em met us at the station at 3.26. We found Berlin same as ever. I took a bath before supper. After supper Lou & I went to Choir Practise.

Monday May 22, 1899

I have not written in my Diary for a long time but thought I would start it again. In the morning I dropped a card to Clara & wrote to Evelyn. She has been down at Whitby since Feb. In the afternoon El & I went down to the station & then we came back home. I helped mother sew & [~~crossed out: then~~] El & Lou went down town. When they came back El & I went down to the Library. Lou took Edward & Louise up to Waterloo to [~~tho with h crossed out~~] have their photo's taken. After supper Em came down early & El Em & I went over to Church to take down the pink & White drapings as Sunday had been Y.P.A Rally Day. We stayed to Y.P.A. Mr. C. Schupp led [~~lead with crossed out a~~] the meeting. Our new Pastor Mr. Haist was there. After Y.P.A May El. [~~crossed out: Em~~] & I walked out to King St. with Em. It was an Elegant night so we took our time. When we got back to our gate we met Lou & Mr. Bilger. The Lit. Com. had had a meet after [~~atfter with first t crossed out~~] Y.P.A. We walked home with May. Mr. Bilger came with us. The Band played up at Traver's as it was M. T.'s birthday. When we got there again we met Mother El & Ina. We listened awhile & then went home it being nearly 11 P.M.

Tuesday May 23, 1899

In the morning I helped with the work & then sewed. About 3. o.c Ella and I went down to the Library. It was election day. We stayed

up in the Library some time watching the people
Eff [crossed out: too] had the library. The town was very
quiet. After supper Alvin & Em came
down for El & I to go for a drive. Mr. L.J.B. got
in for [fo & third letter illegible, crossed out with an r written above] M.P.P. & so Mr.
Lackner was left out.

We drove around Eby's settlement & then
when we got near L.J.B. house we heard the
band play & [crossed out: ever] there was a large crowd on
the street. They go [i.e got] Mr. B. in a cab and then
started off in a procession. We followed [fowolled with w & ll crossed out and w & ll
written above]

to King St. We drove past Lackner's And Alvin
said "Vote for Lackner there." We did not see
any one in the yard but heard some lady
call out "O you shut up." Of course we
were rather surprised. We got home
about ten o'clock.

Wednesday May 24, 1899

Papa left for Montreal on the 6 A.M. train
Lou & I had intended going to the station but
changed our minds. We got up about 7. o'clock &
had all the work done by nine. Ella & I got
dressed to go down & see the procession at 9.30
Em came down for us. Of course we were too
late for the procession. We went for a walk
and then went [crossed out: one letter illegible] to the open air band concert in
the market square. We did not stay very long.

After dinner we went to the park. Em came for
us. We were there for the May pole dance. Then
there was a Football match between the Rangers [underlined 11] &
Wingham. Berlin won the score being 6-0. They
were going to have a Baloon [i.e Balloon] ascension [i.e ascension] but it
did not work. We got back home about 6.30.

After supper Em Alvin Milton & Edna came
for me to go for a ride. We drove till about nine
& then went out to Carrie's to see the fireworks.
Em drove mother & Ella home. Lou & I helped
Carrie to put the Children to bed & then Albert
came home with us. He asked me again
about the "Pink & White Urgent [?]" He seems to
think that I sent it.

Thursday May 25, 1899

I helped with the usual work in the morning.
We cleaned the up stairs also. In the after

noon Ella & I went out to Carrie's. After supper we went over to Ina's to call for her to go to the band but as it began to rain we sat there till 9.30 and talked. Then we walked down to the band heard two pieces & then came home.

Saturday May 27, 1899

Helped to do the usual Sat. work in the morning. About 3 P.M. I took my bath got dressed & then read 'till supper time. After supper Ella & I called for Ina & we walked up to see Em. Alvin came to the door & said Em was soaking her head, so we went to the back veranda & there stood [i.e stood] Milton [~~crossed out: illegible~~] fanning Em's hair. Edna was washing her's in the kitchen. We stayed there 'till nine o'clock & the [i.e then] came home. There was no one at Schmidt's & so Ina came over with us. We waited awhile & then mother came home but had to go back to town Ina & I went along. It was 10.30 when we got back.

Sunday May 28, 1899

It was dark & rainy all day. We all went to church in the morning. I was introduced to Mr. Faust by Eff. After Church mother Ella & I went to Carrie's for dinner. Lou stayed at home to study her S.S Lesson. After S.S. we went out to Carrie's again. Louie & William Walter were there also. After supper "We three Anthes girls" walked home & then went to Church. Mother drove in with John. After Church we had Choir Practise. Ella & Em waited as it was pouring rain. However when we got out it had stopped. Ella & I walked to the corner & then came home and went to bed.

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[Victoria University coat of arms: *Victoriae Universitas*
Abeunt Studia In Mores]

The President and Members of the
Union Literary Society of Victoria University
request the pleasure of the company of
Miss Martha Anthes
at their
Annual Conversazione
to be held in Victoria College, Queen's Park Toronto,
on Friday, November 30th, 1900, at 8 p.m.

C. G. Corneille, B.A., Chairman Com.
A. J. Johnson, President Union Literary Society.
C R. Carscallen, Secretary Com.
This invitation will not admit without ticket.

Friday May 26, 1899

We cleaned the down stairs & then mother & I made over my blue shirt waist. Ella & Lou went down town. Carrie came in for a little while with Carl & Louise to bring in some plants for us. Carl has his arm broken. Louise stayed 'till the afternoon & then went home with Lou. I got dressed about 4 o'clock. After supper I went to Choir Practise. Had the same time as usual. Mr. Faust our latest Edition was there. I have not met him yet. Lou had her usual "after choir practise" caller.

Monday May 29, 1899

It was rather cloudy [cloudy with 1 crossed out] in the morning. We did the usual work & then Ella & I went down town. We went up to Mr. Fred Pearson to see when he could fix my teeth. Ella bot. [i.e. bought] herself a blue duck skirt. In the after noon we sewed & it began to rain. After supper Lou & I went to Y.P.A. It was pouring rain. El did not go & Em was not down. Ellen Zeller led the meeting. There were no [i.e not] very many there. After Y.P.A. we came over to our place & then Ina Ella & I walked as far as [i.e. as] Sander's [?] with May. It had cleared up & the stars were shining.

Tuesday May 30, 1899

It was wash day. I got up a little after seven and did the work as usual. At 10. o'clock I went down to the dentist's & was there 'till nearly twelve. About 4 o'clock. p.m. Em came for me & we went down town. I got back home about six. After supper Ella & I were out in the yard & about 8.45 a young gentleman came in & walked up to mother who was sitting on the front veranda. We did not know who it was and when we got in to the house we found that it was Mr. K. Reike "Lou's charge". He looked very "cute" as he was all rigged up.

He was [underlined: very] formal as he made a very short call and no wonder when he had to talk to the three of us. I'm sure he felt relieved when he got [~~illegible~~ crossed out between o and t] out side again.

Wednesday May 31, 1899

In the morning we ironed & then I went to the dentist's at 10. After dinner about 2.30 Carrie came & I drove around with her while [~~crossed out: I~~] she did some shopping. When I got home (about 4) Ella & I got dressed & went up to Waterloo [~~Waterloo with R inserted~~] to see Bert Snyder & see about some photo's. We took the 20 to 5 car but walked home. After supper Ella & I went down to the Library. Mother went to Prayer Meeting and Lou went to Teachers meeting.
[~~crossed out: I~~ went to Choir & enjoyed myself as much as usual. Albert was here after of course. Ella & went to bed about 11

Thursday June 1, 1899

We cleaned the upstairs in the morning. Mr. Gauntley came to put down our new hall carpet which arrived at last after we had been with out carpet in the hall for nearly one month. In the afternoon Edward was here. I read etc. in the afternoon. Ina came over for me to go for a walk about 8 o'clock. but I had to go to Choir Practice [or Practise]. May was not there & I enjoyed myself as much as usual [~~usaal with first a~~ crossed out and replaced with u]. Albert came in after of course & amused himself in measuring us. Lou is 5' 3 3/4" El is 5' 3 1/2" & I am 5' 3". Ella & I went to bed about 11 P.M.

Friday June 2, 1899

I sewed with mother after the work was done. Edward & Louise we [i.e were] in all afternoon. I read & sewed [~~swewed with w~~ crossed out]. After supper we all went to Church except Lou who stayed at home as we thought papa might come. Mr. Knetchel [i.e. Knechtel] preached. After Church Mrs. Jake W. told us that she heard that Dolly Barnes had left her husband. We have not heard any-

thing since.

Saturday June 3, 1899

Cleaned the down stairs in the morning. After dinner El & I got dressed & went to the station to meet papa but he did not come. It was a lovely day & not too hot. We went down to see Mrs. Mc. Ewen. [i.e. McEwen] After supper Mother & Lou went to Church & El & I went to the station to meet papa. Frank & Rena were there also. Papa came & so after we got home El & I made a lunch for him.

Sunday June 4, 1899

It was very hot. Went to Church in the morning. It was Sacrament Sunday & so Mr. Knetchel [i.e. Knechtel] preached. We got home from Church about one o'clock & of course had to hustle to be ready for S.S. After S.S. we walked nearly to King with Em & then came home. We all went to Church in the evening. It was very hot. After Church we had a short practise. We were informed that the Strasburg people had invited the Choir to come there & sing on Wed. night. Of [Off with first f crossed out] course the invitation was accepted. I gave Miss Emma Wagner & Mr. Faust goodbye as they are leaving town. Mr. F. went to Guelph We (Ina El & I) walked up to Em's, were there awhile, and then came home.

Monday June 5, 1899

It was very hot. We had several thunderstorms. I sewed in the morning, & [crossed out: After] went down town and to the doctor's with Lou. After dinner I went to [1 word illegible: Suddaby's?] & to the dentist's. We had a very heavy storm while I was there. In the evening May, El, Em & I went to the station & then to Y.P.A. Mr. Rothause led the meeting. We also had a business meeting. After Y.P.A. we practised our Ger. dialogue. Lou did not go to the meeting as she had a very bad cold.

Tuesday June 6, 1899

It was very very hot. In the afternoon mother went to Clemen's and El, Ina Em & I were invited to help wait on the people as the

Ladies [?] Aid were all invited there. Irwin Bricker from Waterloo was there also. He's the biggest jay I ever laid eyes on. He did nothing but [underlined: try] to act smart. The girls had told me he was silly but I never imagined he was as bad as he really is. We had lots of fun [~~crossed out: w~~] stuffing our elders. We left there about 8.30 and went to Church to practise. After that we [~~crossed out: all~~] walked to the Creamery corner with Em & Amelia K & then came home.

Wednesday June 7, 1899

It was hot as usual. Did the usual work in the morning. In the afternoon I got dressed and sewed. El went up to High School with Muriel. About 7. o'clock the Choir met at Church to drive to Strasburg. All went but about 1/2 doz. [i.e. dozen] Lou could not as she had such a bad cold. Albert & Miss Ernst; [~~inserted: 1st seat~~] Vina May & I, 2nd seat & Mr. Bilger & Miss L. Grader 3rd seat were all on board our rig. The rest went in a Carryall. The drive down was elegant. It was 7.30 before we had left town & we got there about 8.30. Miss G. & Mr. B. kept us all agoing. We were all trotted up to the choir seats beside the pulpit. It was awfully hot. We favored [?] them with three selections. We only heard one paper. After the session was over we were invited to go to Mr. Ried's & have some refreshments. We stayed there some time & about 11 P.M. started off home arriving here about 12 o'clock.

Thursday June 8, 1899

It was very hard to get up early but still it had to be done as Em Alvin El & I were to start at 8 A.M. for Strasburg. Em was one of the delegates. We left about 8.30. We went the back way [i.e. way] but lost our way. We met a farmer and asked him the way to Strasburg. He said we were to go back about 2 miles & then take the road through Williamsburg. We found the way all right then [?]. Of course this made us late for the morning session. We were in time for the sec. paper through. After [~~crossed out: we~~] the session we had intended to go to

the woods and eat a lunch but the people would not hear of it and so we went to Ried's for dinner. Miss Ried is very nice. I had met her the evening before. We went to Church again in the afternoon and then went back to Ried's again for supper. At the afternoon session there were kids galore. I counted 7 in 4 seats around me. Of course the [i.e. they] exercised their lungs as kids usually do in church. There were only 11 people at Ried's for supper. They are very nice people. In the evening the Hespeler [i.e. Hespeler] choir came over. They gave 2 selections, 2 solos & one duet. A Ladies trio of Strasburg also flavored us. Their voices, especially the sop were as cracked as I ever heard any. They sang about 5 verses and it was a relief when they sat down. Going home we followed Mr. Knechtel & Mr. Damn [i.e. Damm?] & so did not get off the track. It was a lovely drive although pretty dark. We ate our lunch on the way. We got home all o.k. about 12. o'clock.

Friday June 9, 1899

Slept 'till 9.30 had breakfast and then cleaned the up stairs. In the afternoon El & I went down town and then went to the station for the 5 train. After supper we went to hear the Waterloo band with Alvin & Em. Em & El got some burnt almonds at "the store". We always drove around between the pieces as they waited so long before they'd start again. We had lots of fun. Got home about 10. and found "The after choir practise caller" here.

Saturday June 10, 1899

Did the usual Sat. work in the morning. In the afternoon I took a bath and then Em came down to make out her report of the Conv. Ella and I hurried down some supper and at 6.30 Ina & Miss B. Stevens came for us to go out and see the Football Match between The Rangers of Berlin & Seaforth. It was a splendid match and ended with neither team scoring a goal. After we got home Ella & I went down town again.

Sunday June 11, 1899

It was not very hot all day. Went to Church as usual in the morning. Ella & I went to Carrie's for dinner and managed to get to S.S. at 3 o'clock. We heard the sec. bell ring but thought it was the first. After S.S. there was a Com. meeting & then practise for children's Day. In the evening went to Church & then stayed to choir practise. After we walked as far as King with Em.

Monday June 12, 1899

Was at home all day. After supper went to practise at church at 7.30. We practised our German Dialogue. Mr. W. Weber led Y.P.A. It was Missionary Meeting. After we had practise and a Com. Meeting. I stayed to the meeting. It was to make arrangements for S.S on Sunday as that is the 60th Ann. of our S.S. Mr. Bilger kept Lou and I roaring. Ella & I walked out to King with Em.

Tuesday June 13, 1899

It was wash day. In the afternoon Lou took some pictures of Barney El & I. Then we went down town. When we got back we had forgotten something & had to go down again. In the evening went to Choir Pr. Lou & I went at 8.15 but no one was there yet. We saw the new Water motre [i.e motor] for the organ. We began choir pr. about 20 to nine. Br. Breithaupt asked me to sit in 1st row. I did [do with the o crossed out and id written on top] so but made up my mind not to do so again if I could help it. After practise Eff & I walked home with May. When I got home Albert was here & I asked him if I could not go back to my old seat again. He said yes. Papa went away in the morning.

Wednesday June 14, 1899

It was an elegant day. I helped with the work and then ironed. Louise was here to [sic?] dinner. We had just finished dinner when the door bell rang & Mr. John Eidt came for dinner. In the afternoon I got dressed & then read. Lou

was not at Carrie's for tea. After supper mother went to Prayer Meeting. Ella & I went down to the Library. It poured rain. When we got back we sat on the veranda awhile & then [retired]

Thursday June 15, 1899

Helped with the work in the morning. At 10 o'clock. I went down to Mr. Pearson's & had three jerked. When I came home I lay down down for awhile. In the afternoon Carrie brought three of the children in. Mother & Lou were down town. El went [~~crossed out: a bound~~] along with Carrie & so I stayed with the children. Eff came up for Lou. Papa came home on the three o'clock train. After supper mother & I went to Waterloo to Miss Bean's Recital. We took the 20 to 8 car & so were up in lots of time. The Programme was very good. After it was over we had to wait 20 min. for a car. When we got home the people were all in bed and as we had forgotten to take the key we had quite a time to waken them. Ella opened the door for us.

Friday June 16, 1899

We cleaned the up stairs. In the afternoon Em came down to make arrangements for decorating. She stayed till about six o'clock. In the evening I went to Choir Practise. Ella Em & Alvin went to the Gravel Pit for Daisies. May had an "all day sucker" to Choir Practise. They did not begin pr. 'till 9. oc. Eff, [~~inserted: Lou,~~] & I walked to the corner with May and Mrs. Sander. Lou had her usual caller.

Saturday June 17, 1899

Did the usual cleaning in the morning. After dinner I sewed awhile and then got dressed. At 5 o'clock. went over to Church to decorate [~~inserted: the S.S.~~] Mr. Bilger was there when I arrived. Em & Eff came shortly after. We began decorating & as Mr. B. was invited to "Jake's" for supper we decided to finish up at 7.30. Em and Alvin drove down. They met Mr. B. on the way and so brought him along. We were finished decorating about 8.30 and Ina & El were dec. the church. We drove to Mrs. Snyder's and then to Mrs. L.J.B's & Mrs. C.B.'s for them. When we got out to

Mrs. Breithaupt's they were all sitting on the veranda Bishop Esher with them. We never thought of the Bishop being there. Albert took Em & I all around to get roses & then we shook hands with the Bishop and went back to Church. The girls were nearly finished and then we went home. Mr. Bilger went to Wing's to sit up with Lewis.

Sunday June 18, 1899

It was rather cool. The Bishop preached. The Church was pretty well filled. In the afternoon we celebrated the 60 Ann. of our S.S. It being started on June 18 - 1839 & so coming on our Dedication Sun [letter d written over second bump in n, then crossed out]. It poured rain about 2.30 but stopped soon & S.S. was crowded. A quartette, Mrs. C. Breithaupt Mr. Bean, Mr. Wiegand and Mr. Niehaus, sany [say with n inserted after a: i.e. sang]. They were old S.S. workers. We had several addresses & Mr. Haist read a History of our S.S. It was the 1st German one in Canada. In the evening I went to Church again. The Bishop preached an excellent sermon. After Church we walked home with [crossed out: I] Em.

Monday June 19, 1899

Did the usual work. It was an elegant day. Mother and I sewed at my white dress. In the evening was Literary meeting at Y.P.A. The "Anthes Tribe" were in it. Lou played a duet on the guitar with Vina. Ella sang in a chorus, I played as usual and was in a German dialogue with Alma Bean & Miss Latsch. Alma was [crossed out: M] Naomi Miss L. was Ruth & I was Orpa [i.e. Orpah]. It was Canadain [i.e. Canadian?] evening & so nearly everything else was on Canada. At intermission El & May went down for ice-cream. After Y.P.A there was a Com. meeting and then Mr. Bilger El and I walked to Water St. with Em & there we met Alvin.

Tuesday June 20, 1899

It was an elegant day out. Not too hot. Mother went out for a drive with Carrie in the morning. I went down to the dentists [crossed out: in] at ten o'clock & had one tooth

jerked. In the afternoon I fooled around awhile & then got dressed. In the evening I read [a inserted after the e] "David Harum["]. Lou had a or "the caller["]. Ella & I talked to him 'till about 10.30 and then went to bed.

Wednesday June 21, 1899

It was a glorious day. Did the usual work in the morning and in the afternoon El. Em Alvin and I drove to the river for some flowers. We found a few strawberries. We each had an "All Day Suck. I ate about 1/2 of mine & gave the rest to "Roy". In the evening Em came down and we went to the Library and then walked up with Em. We met Ellen Zeller on the way and walked up home with her. Miss Chisholm was married in the afternoon.

Thursday June 22, 1899

Lou and I cleaned up stairs. Mother & El sewed. The School Picnic was held in the afternoon but I was at home all afternoon. In the evening El & I started off to the station to meet Evelyn. We got as far as the corner & there met Oliver & Carrie Strasser. They came from Guelph & were going back on the 8.15 train. We hurried back and after they had seen every body we started off again. We met Em on the way. Evelyn came all o.k.. When we got back to our place I went to Choir Practise. It was about 15 to 9. There were only a few there and they had not started practising. We sang one piece and then left. I hurried off and met the girls [crossed out: at] on the cross street. We thought we'd walk down & hear the band. We were a little past the Presb. Church corner when Evelyn & her mother passed. They asked us to go along so we all piled into the buggy. We went to the band & listened to a few pieces & then drove down King to Foundry. El, Em & I got off there and we, El. & I walked as far as the cross street with Em.

Friday June 23, 1899

Mother and Lou baked. El & I did the other work. It was a glorious day. Evelyn came for El about 10 to 6 p.m. and they drove up to the Hospital concern [i.e. concert? Louis J.B. refers to it as a pic-

nic in his diary] at the Park in Waterloo. Em & I walk up. We got there a little before nine as ever so many things happened on the way to keep us back. We arrived safely though and started to hunt up El & Evelyn. We hunted a long time and then found them with Bert. S. We trotted around awhile and then sat down. Bert introduced us to Mr. C. Killer. He walked down to the car with Ella & Evelyn. We got home all o.k. about 11. o'clock & found mother out on the veranda.

Saturday June 24, 1899

Did the usual Sat's work. [~~crossed out: Mo~~] In the afternoon I sewed. About 4 p.m. Em telephoned for me to go to the woods to get ferns. We started off about 5 with Alvin. We got on the wrong road once & it landed us in a farm yard. However we got to the right place at last. We found quite a lot of ferns. Got back home about 7., had supper planted the ferns & then got dressed. Ella & I went down town & when we came back I sewed and got to bed about 12 o'clock. [~~crossed out: then took a bath gett~~]

Sunday June 25, 1899

It was an elegant day. Wore my white muslin 1st time this season. S.S. was held at 9.45 A.M. We got up pretty early & so managed to get there in time. It was Evelyn's 1st Sunday home. I stayed to Church. Frank & Rena were here to dinner. At 2.30 o'clock. I went to practise at Church. When we got home mother & father went for a drive with John, Carrie, etc. Frank & Re did not stay to tea. I went to Church again in the evening. After Church we had choir practise for an hr. as we have choir pr. S. evenings instead of Friday's. After it was over I walked to King St. with El & Em.

Monday June 26, 1899

Got up at 8.30 A.M. and did the usual work. Lou was down town all morning. Carrie was here for awhile about 12 o'clock. In the afternoon the children were all here. I got dressed and then played with the children. Miss

Clements [i.e. Clemens?] was here for supper. After the dishes were finished it was time for Y.P.A. Miss E.P. Latsch led the meeting. There were quite a number present. After Y.P.A. Em Ina Ella & I walked up to the Swedenborg Church. There had been a wedding there and so we thought we'd walk up. We did not see any thing and so came back.

Tuesday June 27, 1899

Lou intended going to Toronto on the 9.23 [crossed out: 45] train to attend Marie's wedding on Wed. Evening. At 9 o'clock she got a letter from Marie saying that her uncle was very low and not expected to live and so all the invitations had been recalled but she was going to be married very quietly [?]. Lou of course did not go & so began unpacking. Then we sewed at my suit. Mother & the woman washed. In the afternoon I sewed & go [i.e got] dressed about six o'clock. The children were all in for awhile Ella & Little Louise went to the factory. Afters upper [i.e After supper] I walked home with [crossed out: Ella] Louise and Edward. When I came back I sat on the veranda awhile and then went to bed.

Wednesday June 28, 1899

It rained in showers all morning [inserted: Lou &] I sewed and mother did some of the ironing. Ella went to the factory. Mrs. C. Breithaupt and Vina gave an "At Home["] in the afternoon from 3.30-7 and I was asked to be a waiter. Em drove down and we left here about 3.45. Evelyn was there when we got there. The waiters were Miss M. Snyder, Miss Powell, Miss L.H. Ernst, Miss A.P. Clemens Em Evelyn & myself. Carrie [?] and Bella served the things. We were kept pretty busy. It was held in the house instead of on the lawn because it was raining. The last ones were at the table at 7.30. After they left some of the waiters, Mrs. C.B. Vina etc. ate & then we [crossed out: illegible] three had ours Albert walked home with Em & I. It had cleared up fine. We went to Kaufman's first. When we got home Albert came in for a while. About 10.30 when we came

up stairs, we saw a light streak from E. to West across the sky. It was like a rain bow only pure white. We watched it a long time and then went to bed.

Thursday June 29, 1899

Papa was sick all morning. Ella went to the factory. In the afternoon Ella & I went down to see Louie [?]. She came home Wed. evening. We stayed there about an hour and then went up town. After supper Ella & I called for Louie [?] and we went up to Miss Clemens' [i.e. Clemens'] and then to the Library. The band was playing and so we walked home by Frederick. Louie [?] stayed at the Church for her mother and Ella & I [crossed out: staye] went home and then we went to the Library again as Ella had forgotten Lou's book. After we got back I walked to the corner with mother and then went to bed.

Friday June 30, 1899

It was a grand day out but very hot. We cleaned the up stairs in the morning. I helped with the dishes after dinner and then read. About 5 p.m. Emma Kreutziger and Clara Snyder called. I was not dressed & so had to change my dress in a hurry. About 6.30. Em Ella and I drove to Shoemaker's & Haist's for flowers for decoration [i.e decoration] on Sunday. We brought the flowers home and then drove around 'till dark. There was a band concert at Victoria Park. Mother & Father went and enjoyed it.

Saturday July 1, 1899

Did the usual work in the morning. In the afternoon I got dressed about 3. o'clock. Carrie John & family came about 4.30 to take one of us out for a drive. Ella went. At 7 o'clock. Em came with the horse and two seater & we went to Church to decorate. Mr. Bilger was there too. First we drove out to Carrie's for some plants. Then we went to Mrs. L. J. B.'s and then began to decorate. We were finished about 9.30 p.m. and then Mr. B. & I drove home with Em. Alvin

and Mrs. K. were going down to Wing's & said we could drive right back with them. Em told us that there were fire works at the Swedenborg Church and so [crossed out: we] when we got as far as Kaufman's factory we decided to go up. So we got off the carriage & went up for Em. She went in for her coat & when we got as far as the sidewalk, Milton came home saying that the fire works were all over. So we had the extreme pleasure of walking home. We called at our place for the dipper and then went to Church to water the boquet. [i.e. bouquet] It was ten o'clock. then. After I got home I went to bed.

Sunday July 2, 1899

It was Children's Day. I went to S.S. at 9.30 & Mr. B. Em & I went up stairs to fix the plants. When we got down it was nearly time to go to the classes. I taught Miss Latch's [i.e. Latsch?] class Church was the same as usual. Ella Em & Evelyn sat in the back. It was very hot. Ella was out at Carrie's for dinner. After dinner there was practise. Eff Em & I changed the decorations first & then Em & I sang with the choir. We enjoyed immensely [inserted: not having books half the time]. Albert was at our place for supper. At Church time it began to rain a little. Em Albert & I sat in the Gallery and of course were on our best behavior. Ella's melodious voice assisted the children's choir. The programme was given by the children. I gave Albert good bye as he was going to Penetang on the early train. It was raining when we got out side and so I went straight home.

Monday July 3, 1899

Did the usual work in the morning. El & I went over to church to bring our plants home. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock. Em came with the horse to take the plants home. Mr. Bilger said [a inserted after s] he'd go along & help us and so I rang him up but could not get him. Em & I took the plants alone then. We had to take them to Carrie's & Mrs C.B's and so did it all in one trip. Then we drove to the river to get some flowers for Alvin. Frank & Re were

at the cottage. Em & I stayed 'till 5.45 & then started for home. We went to Y.P.A. in the evening. It was Semi Annual Business Meeting. Mr. Rieder was in the Chair. There were only about 14 present. After Y.P.A. Eff. Mr. B. Em & I put the top on to the organ. I got home about 9.30.

Tuesday July 4, 1899

In the morning Lou and Ella picked the sour cherries and I did the house work. Then we all stoned cherries and mother canned them. Carrie and family were in for awhile. After dinner I got dressed and finished the "Arundel Motto". Edw. was here all day. After supper El & I walked up to Em's. It had been very hot all day. We went up to the Swedenborg Church to see the fire works and then came home.

Wednesday July 5, 1899

It was very hot all [~~crossed out: morning~~] day. Did the usual work and mother sewed. After dinner I got dressed and then sewed 'till supper time. After supper [~~crossed out: 1 letter illegible~~] Ina and I went to Prayer Meeting. We got there at 8.20 and so were late. After church we went to the Library. Mr. W. Schmidt met us on the way & so walked as far as King St. with us. He had been to Prayer M. too. Ina and I stay at the Library 'till 9.30 and then came home with Eff and Miss [~~illegible: Smuck?~~].

Thursday July 6, 1899

We were busy all morning. Mother and Lou baked and the kid and I made ourselves useful in various ways. Lou and I went to Church & packed the dishes [~~crossed out: illegible~~] for the J.Y.P.A. Picnic. After dinner Lou got dressed & went to Church at 2 o'clock as the children were all to meet there and then walk to Victoria Park. El and [~~crossed out: Em, inserted: and~~] I waited for Em 'till 3.30 and then started off. We got as far as the Park gate and then Em picked us up. After that we played games 'till 5 o'clock when the children were called to supper. It was a grand day for a picnic. The waiters and El Em & I had our supper and then Em El. & I made a B. line for the [~~crossed out: illegible~~] horse as we wanted to get out of dishes.

We drove around the park taking Mr. Haist with us. We drove him as far as Queen & then went back. We played one game of croquet and then stood & [i.e on] the new bridge & talked. About 8.20 we started off. Eff & I walked together. We intended going to the Library for Ina & then going to the band. Mr. B. caught up to us at the Park gate (He came out about six and had to wash [i.e wash] dishes poor fellow!) and walked as far as King St. with us. We got [crossed out: Inas] Ina & then walked through the crowd once & then walked home with Em. On our way back Ella Ina & I had some ice cream.

Friday July 7, 1899

It was cooler and very windy. We cleaned the up stairs in the morning. Bert Snyder telephoned that she'd take El & I for a drive in the afternoon. She came about 3.30 and we had a lovely drive only it was a little too windy. We got back about six o'clock. After supper Ella & I went down to the Library. We had just started off when it began to rain. We came back & waited awhile and then started again. We stayed at the Library awhile and then came home & read.

Saturday July 8, 1899

It was quite cold out. Did the usual Sat's work [i.e. work] in the morning and after dinner I took my bath and then sewed 'till supper time. After supper Ina came over and wanted me to go to the Library with her. It was raining a little but we went. I had to get some things at Brubacher's [?] and had a sweet job coming home, holding my umbrella 3 parcels and my skirt. I read 'till bed time.

Sunday July 9, 1899

It was a lovely day out only rather cool. I went to S.S. at 9.45 A.M. After Sunday S. there was a meeting of teachers & officers to decide about a S.S. Picnic. It was decided to have one. The organ did not work right in church & so we had to do the best we could with out it. After church there was a meeting to decide [inserted: the] when & where &c. [i.e. etc.] of the Picnic. In the afternoon I read,

and at 4 o'clock. Ina & I walked up to the cemetery. On our way back Em came out and asked us to stay to tea. We stayed & of course enjoyed our selves. We thought we started off in lots of time for Church but when we got to The C. Church corner I noticed that there were not many people around & so when I looked at my watch I found it nearly 10 after 7. None [started to write an M and changed to an N] of us had heard the bell ring.

Ina & I sat with Em. After Church there was Choir practise and then I walked to Mrs. McMann's with Eff & Lou.

Monday July 10, 1899

Did the usual work in the morning. Ina was over awhile & we ate cherries. A little boy was picking them. Ed, Louise & Carl were in. At noon papa & Frank [Frak with the n inserted] put the big ladder up & so Lou & I picked. John came for the children but as they had started he stayed & had some cherries. After dinner Lou & I picked 'till three o'clock. Carrie & children came for awhile. I helped stone cherries for the rest of the afternoon and got dressed about 7.30. Went to Y.P.A. Miss A.P.C. was to lead [crossed out: illegible] she came at 8.15. It was a Temperance Meeting & she had a short programme with it. After I got home I read awhile.

Tuesday July 11, 1899

It was wash day & I did my mornings work and the [i.e then] [inserted: began to] read "A Duett." After dinner Ella & I ironed all afternoon. Lou sewed. I got dressed about six & after supper washed dishes and then read. Ina & Ella went to Carrie's & when they came back we sat on our veranda awhile and then walked up to see Mrs. Moffatt. We sat on the veranda there & Bella came & of course we talked. We stayed 'till nearly ten o'clock. and when I got home I finished "A. Duett" & then went to bed like a good little girl.

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