Durfee, P  B

Diary, 1866-1867.
My Journey to Stumpye.

Monday, Dec 24th, 1866.

I left home Monday morning, Dec 24th, 1866. Father carried me to the揿ster depot where we took the cars for Westmore junction at 7:30 A.M. Father, Uncle Charles, Mrs. Kynball & Jim, Brother Rebecca, Hall, Keenan & Arminon were at the depot to see me off. Mrs. Kynball accompanied me. We had a very pleasant trip.

Arrived at the junction at 9:20 A.M. took Western R.R. for Albany at 10:30 A.M. after waiting about 1/2 hour. Rechecked baggage to Albany.

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Arrived at Albany Springfield at 12 M. and took a lunch stopping about 20 min. Had a pleasant ride to Albany arriving at about 5.30 P. M. where we took the sleeping cars of the N.Y. Central for Suspension Bridge at 6.30 P. M. We passed over the railroad bridge across the Hudson river on our way to Albany which has been often for travel but a few days. It is a splendid affair. I saw the steamer River Queen laying on the river. It was a splendid night the moon and stars shining as bright. We got a lunch at Schenectady.
Tuesday, Sept 25th 1876

I did not have a very pleasant night, it being very hard work to sleep. We arrived at Suspension Bridge at 6:30 am, changed cars and took the Great Western Railway. We had a lunch at the station. We started at a little after 7 am, and crossed the Bridge into Canada on our way across, having a fine view of the St. Lawrence.

It commenced to rain soon after starting and it now at Hamilton, raining very fast. I saw a number of trains passing through one of the locks of the Welland Canal as we passed through Paris & Lance.
two large trains taking
dinners at the latter place
age. Then resumed our way.
The scenery was very well
and it snowing hard the
journey was met of
much interest. We arrived
at Winneb a little after
five and took the fesylbo
Transit for Detroit taking
supper on board the boat.

For some distance after
reaching Winneb we
had a fine view of Lake
St. Clair. On landing
we hurried onto get a
sleeping car berth and
by good luck get a state
room in one of Pullman's
on the Mich. Central R.R., patent sleeping cars one of the most splendorous cars I ever saw. There is but very little motion to the car, about it is more like being on a trailer. We started from Detroit about 7.30 P.M. on our way to Chicago. It rained heavily all night but I slept like a fug, not waking but once. The car was warmed by hot air and was very comfortable. We made very quick time last night running 284 miles in less than 12 hours. Sometimes over 40 miles an hour.
Wednesday Sept 26th
We arrived in Chicago this morning at 6 A.M. and went over to the Atlantic house and got breakfast. I took a short walk about the city near the hotel; it is a splendid place. The depot is very long and wide and very solemn, made of rough granite with an iron roof very strong but not beautiful on the inside. We took the Illinois Central RR for Grand Lake at 9 A.M. Just out of the city we had a very fine view of Lake Michigan which looked very fine.
We also had a fine view of the southern part of the city, it is a large place and I saw a great many very large and fine buildings. I also saw the Douglas monument on that part of it which is finished. We had a fine view of sunrise on Lake Michigan as we passed into the city this morning from the car window. It was a splendid sight. There was nothing on the route of especial interest except the fine view of the prairie, also the large amount of corn which is planted along the route. We took dinner at Mattoon about 8 P.M. and had a
good meal. At Centralia about 10 P.M. we booked in and now a sleeping car for
base. We have had a very fine day. Saw the moon rise on the
prairies.
Thursday Sept 27th 1866.

I was waked about 4AM with the news that we were near land and immediately dressed and soon after landed. It is a miserable mean hole all mud. We had to wait nearly an hour for the Columbus boat and went down in the steamer and waited while there I saw some very fine boats. The steamer Andromed soon arrived and after undressing and loading again we were soon on our way to Columbus where we arrived about 6AM. We took breakfast on the boat, I did not have a good view of the city as it was very dusty.
Once you could see only a short distance, it was filled with drift snow. Columbus is miserable looking town scarcely a decent looking building in it. We arrived to be the care of the Mobile & Ohio R.R. immediately on landing and were soon on our way. The country had very little to interest me being mostly woodland and huge villages but few towns on any size ability. We arrived at Kembloer where we changed cars about 11 A.M. and had to wait agonizing for the Memphis & Ohio train being
behind time. The ride to Memphis was over the same style of country. We stopped at Trousdale 15 min and took a lunch. We reached Memphis about 3:30 PM and took rooms at the Gayoso House. Mine was 262. After washing I telegraphed to father “Arvill safely well in good spirits but tried write soon” It made me homesick to open my trunk and I cried considerably. It was all in a heap but straightened it out a little. I could not find my hair for any hair charm or locket and think I must have left it at home. This evening I
met Mrs. H. O. Wilson in the waiting room. He assured us this morning soon after he will & myself went up into the hall to supper it is a splendid hall and very large. After supper and a smoke I went up to my room and went to bed.

Today closed my trip. I have been from N. J. to Norwood Junction 3 m. N. to Albany m. Albany to Suspension Bridge m. 113 to Detroit m. 10 to Chicago 285 m. to Chicago to Cairo m. 8. to Columbus 20 m. to Humboldt m. X. to Memphis 82 m. total 121 miles.

difference of time 1:20 above than P.
Friday, Sept. 28th, 1866

I slept very sound last night and was very much rested this morning. I arose about half past nine; went to breakfast then took a walk on the bluffs and then down Main St. where I met Mr. Will I then went to his old store offices and several other places and then to the hotel. He is to get me a boarding place as soon as possible and after Monday Oct. 4th any time will commence I pay my own board. We dined at 2.30 P.M., I read a chapter in my Bible and my mother and shall regon with every day while I am here for her memory.
This afternoon I went down to the office and commenced a letter to father & sister which I finished this evening amounting to twenty pages in all and giving an account of my journey from home. We have had a very pleasant day. I found my locket and chain today. I am truly thankful.
Saturday Sept. 29th 1865.

Arose about 7 a.m. and after washing and eating breakfast went down to the office where I finished father’s letter and mailed them. After dinner I went back to the office and wrote to Emma. I sent her book back this morning. After wards Will wrote a letter and I wrote some letters to parties to the north for him while he was at supper. After supper I came back and wrote some more and we went to the hotel together about 10:30 P.M. We had a very fine day.
Sunday Sept 30th 1866.
This morning I did not arise very early. After breakfast I shaved myself. It was the first time and I made out pretty well. Afterwards I went to the office and took some letters to the Post Office. Again went to the office and wrote a letter of charges to Bill Hankland. This afternoon I went down and wrote to Chat. Brush a long letter and then sat on the cliffs for some time. This evening I sat on the cliffs till 9 P.M. and then went to bed after reading two chapters in my Bible for Sundays. A fair day somewhat cloudy.
Monday Oct 1st 1866,
I did not arise very early & it was nearly 9 o'clock before I reached the office. Toward noon I went out looking for a boarding place. I went to several places and this afternoon went out again but did not find anything to suit me. They are very high in prices from $20 to $50 per month. I did not engage any place. I have been writing letters to day for Will and after supper came down and staid until 10 p.m. It was not been a very pleasant day but rather cloudy. We have a shower this afternoon. I put on my summer flannel shirt this AM.
Tuesday Oct 2nd

This morning I came down to the office early and commenced writing letters for Mr. Sibley. I also took a short walk doing several errands. This afternoon I went to 36 Madison St and looked at a room which I like very well. I went down to the office after supper and wrote till nearly 10 p.m. We have been quite busy all day but have not bought much as there is little on the market. Day very fine but quite warm.

The rent by Mrs. Chandler the piece is $50 per month. Stuck dinner there. At night mosquitoes were very thick. Florence did not
Pleasant day but warm

Wednesday Oct 3, 1866

This morning I went down to
the office about 8:30 A.M. I
took a bundle to the express office
and then went and engaged a
room at 16 Madison St. At noon
I went to the hotel paid my bill
and had my trunk removed to
my new boarding place. Will was
very generous and gave me $20.
towards paying my hotel bill which
amounted to $23. I have two roommates
from Richmond, Virginia
my roommates Florence & Nellie B. who
has a single bed. It is a large room
and a good one. This afternoon I
was busy till near five when I
went out on the horse half an hour.
This evening I went to the office
and wrote to Mr. Cleas & rescued and went
home about 10 P.M. It
Thursday Oct 4th 1866
I did not sleep very well last night as the mosquitoes troubled me and was awakened early this morning by a piano in an adjoining room. This morning I sent a money order for $2.50 to Mrs. Dow for 8 mon. subscription to the Waverly. I have been very busy all day mostly writing. I went down to the office in the evening and wrote some business letters. It has been cloudy all day and rather chilly. I retired about 9:30 p.m. I have taken some of my things out of my trunk to-day.
Friday Oct 5th 1866.
This morning I went down to the office about 8.30. Have been very busy all the morning sending out circulars.
This afternoon we got a new clock and have commenced to fill up the office. All the morning it was cloudy but at noon it cleared away and was quite warm this p.m. This evening it was very pleasant. I took a walk with Florence upstairs.
We visited two hotels and then went back and played euchre with Stiger until near 11 p.m.
Saturday Oct 6th 1866.

This morning I went to the office early and was busy most of the A.M. in going up the old books that is changing the headings by pasting slips over them. At noon after dinner I took a walk out on the lake and saw one of the steamers depart down the river. This evening I played euchre with Florence & Negroes also read a little while. It was very pleasant till near when it clouded up & continued so.
Sunday Oct 7th 1866
I was awakened this am by singing in an adjoining room. After breakfast I washed up shaved & then went down to the office. While there I wrote a long letter to M. Anna & Father & enclosed one to Charles Willard. The afternoon and evening I spent in the hunts and amused myself by reading and smoking. It was quite pleasant as the other went out and left me alone. It has been a very disagreeable day a kind of drizzling rain has fallen most of the day. I have worn my dressing gown & sleeping most of the day.
Monday Oct 8th 1866

I went down street early this A.M. and continued my work of pasting on headings and did not finish until about the middle of this afternoon. Afterwards I went out on the bluff for a short time.

About five P.M. I wrote a letter to Walter Bridget and mailed it on my way to supper. This evening I read until about 9.30 when the boys came in and we played euchre until 11. It has been very cloudy all day and rather blustery.
Tuesday Oct 7th 1866

This morning I went down to the office early but as there he was not much to do I had a good time. This afternoon I was busy at a map and I borrowed some books and went to reading. I received letters from Clara and Anna this P.M. They had received my first. They bought two sailor suits that Charles Millard was dead. Thursday 29th ult. was buried Wednesday 4th inst. he died happy.

After reading them I went down on the levee with Hugh, also went aboard two boats. This evening some gentlemen came on & we had a few games of chess.
Wednesday, Oct. 16. The day it has been very pleasant and quite warm.

There has been very little to do and it is very hard work to do nothing. I have been in the office most of the time. This afternoon I commenced to write to Mrs. Anna.

After writing a little while, I went out on the bluff and there to the post-office. I found in the box a very amusing letter from Busch. This evening I came to the office finished Mrs. Anna's letter also wrote to Busch & Lohri. After 2 o'clock house we played euchre till 11 o'clock.
Thursday, Oct. 11th 1866

This morning it is very pleasant & very good air, a fair breeze blowing. Smaller M. Anna's, Cecilia & Bushy's letter this morn. I have been quite busy to day as well has been buying freely. I have been examining bills, filling out miscellaneous things. etc. This P.M. I went down to the office and got a letter from Percival which pleased me considerably. This evening I went to a wedding in the Tabernacle with Fleming. They were looked pretty there was five bridesmaids & groom. Afterwards the fellows came up and we played euchre. Very pleasant all day.
Friday, October 12th 1875.
This morning Darcey early.
On my way to the office I called
at the Post Office first morning.
In day I have been very
busy all day and as it
was quite warm I was
evry comfortable.
I have been getting in bills
making off mostly ve.
This afternoon I received
a letter from D. that Boiler
8:00 from Belter. This
evening sent a letter to
Bill Drankland from
the office. Also wrote to D. on
Seldon's horse commenced one to
Belter when Florence came and
went to the house's play evening.
Has been pleasant and quite warm.
Saturday October 15th 1866.
I was rather late to breakfast this morning. Went to the Post Office on my way to the office and put in some letters. Finished Celias letters this am. and sent a paper to Daphs & Char. Bushel. This afternoon received an Eve Pss from Bushels of N. Y. Ledger & R. D. Press from Mr. and wrote to Rogers. Bluen and mailed it with Celias & the papers this pm.
This evening I was alone for a great part of the evening until Stegas came in when we played cards some time. Has been very pleasant & quiet warm. Have been very busy all day.
Sunday Oct. 14th, 1866.
This morning after washing I went down to the Post Office and then up to the Post Office a few minutes I attended service with Negros at the Calvary Church this on Sunday all. The singing was fine but did not like the preaching there was a full house. This afternoon I went to the office and wrote to Bill, Frankland, M. Anna, Katie West, Henry Durfee. This evening I went to the Calvary Church again with Negros. It has been very pleasant quite warm all day.
Monday Oct 15th 1866

It has been very pleasant all day but not as warm as last week. This morning I went down to the office stopping at the Post Office but found nothing. I have been quite busy all day. This afternoon I went with Will to freshen my judgement and a lot of cotton & agreeing he bought a lot of 106 bales. After supper I went down on board of the wharf boat and the steamer Savannah and then went to the office where I stayed till about 9 P.M. when I went to the house and played cards with Stiger till 11 P.M.
Tuesday October 16th 1866.
This morning went to the office and the event went on the staff. It was very clear and quite a number of boats in. I saw a flatboat coming down the river. I was busy all the morning making out minutes but this afternoon I had nothing to do. Went out on the bluff and staid about an hour and half watching the steamers & listening to the cakoho with Golden Eagle. Weather very fine & moderate. This evening I went to the office & wrote to Mary Osborne. It is very pleasant moonlight. No letters or papers. I played cards with Florence an hour or so.
Wednesday Oct 17th

I have been very busy all the morning - slept very early and have been out but few times. I was quite busy this P.M. till about four o'clock when I went out on the bluff and then to the Post-office. I did not get anything and hardly know what to make of it. It has been very pleasant all day and comfortably warm this evening. I talked with my boys over my things as they go out after I get through mending. I went to playing cards. It has been very pleasant all day.
Thursday October 14, 1855.

This morning I went to the Post Office and got two letters from Burke one from Ellen and one from John Nott. After wards I got a letter from Frankland. I spent a paper to Blagotchisam and wrote a letter to Blagotchisam. I was busy all the morning and have been so this afternoon. We got a new standing desk this P.M. It is a fine one and cost $50. It has been quite pleasant all day but cold.

This evening I went down to the office and wrote to Mr. John Nott and commenced one to Bill Frankland at the house I please in the
Tuesday Oct-19th 1866.

Dutifully at the Post Office on my way to the office this A.M. but did n't get anything, this morning I finished Bills letter and mailed them all. I have been very busy all day writing and getting things for the office. This PM I received four weekly's from Boston on my subscription for six months with receipt enclosed. It has been rather cloudy all day yet warm. This evening it is very clear I went to the office a few minutes this evening and then went to the house & played euchre with boys two gentlemen.
Saturday Oct 20th 1866
I awoke this morning with a violent headache which has continued all day & in consequence of which I have not dressed around much. I have been writing on my books some to-day about half done. It has not been very pleasant to-day rather closely and quite warm. Received a letter from Manna late in the afternoon and sent a letter & 8 c. to Bushr & 1 c. to Plagget. This evening I stood in and ожидаел my stockings
Sunday Oct 25 1864
I did not get up very early this A.M. After breakfast I washed and then went round to the Post Office & found a letter each from Lelia & Busher. About noon I went up to the office and commenced a letter to M. Anna. This afternoon I went to the office & finished Manna's letter also wrote to lelia & Busher. It has rained hard most of the day and I have been quite lonesome. This evening it cleared away very pleasant. Stared in the house and read my papers.
Monday Oct 22 1866.
This morning it is very pleasant but somewhat cooler. I received letters from Percival, Bledget, Bush & Mr. Anna & 3 papers from Frankland this am. all very interesting. Have been busy all day putting up my books but have not done a great deal.
This evening I went to the office & wrote to Percival and Bledget. It has been very pleasant all day and very clear's moonlight this evening.
Afterwards I went to the house & played cards about an hour.
Tuesday Oct 23 1866.
I arose with a bad headache this morning which has continued all day yet I have been at the office all day. I have been pretty busy writing in my books.
This morning I got a letter from Selden. This afternoon a letter from Bishbe & two papers from M. Anna. It has been very pleasant all day but colder.
This evening I stayed in the house and we played euchre all the evening. llegó, Butts, Wright & myself & afterwards Florence
Wednesday Oct 24th 1866

We had a heavy frost last night, the first of the season and it is quite cool this morning. Overcoats are plenty I did not feel cold without one. I have not been troubled so much with my headache today. Have been pretty busy all day. This F.M. I received a letter from Bushue. After supper I went to a small fire a short distance from the house and then to the office. This afternoon I sent a letter to Mr. Anna & enclosed one to Michael. Wrote to Celina Bushue &elden this event all
Thursday Oct. 23th 1866

This morning it was pleasant but about noon it clouded up and at 4 P.M. commenced to rain. I have not felt very well on account of a bad cold which has settled in my head. It has been cold and very damp, have had a fire in the office all day. I was pretty busy this A.M. but had little to do this afternoon. I secured a letter from Bliven this afternoon. This evening I went to the office and write to Bliven & Brantlands. Florence came in we stood till about nine. I danced very hard.
Friday Oct 26th, 1866.
It was cloudy this morning and dump but this afternoon it cleared away nicely but it is still cold. I have not felt very well today on account of my cold which still continues to hang on. Have not been very busy today, scarcely anything to do. This morning I got a box of grapes from Mr. Anna; they came in Walls box and were nearly all broken. What are these I find very good.
This evening went with Browns with Florence & played euchre till eleven
Saturday, Oct 27th 1866.

It has been pleasant all day and not very cool. I have had very little to do today.

This morning I went out on the Bluffs and sat looking at the sights on the river about an hour. Afternoon I went with Hugh down in St. Memphis. I see a Judge & R. J. Press from Manna & a Press from Bushel. This afternoon I got a letter & papers from Maryland. About 8 I went down to see the club start in a boat race. This evening I went to the office about an hour & then went to the house & counted stockings.
Sunday Oct 28th 1866.

This morning after washing I went to the Post Office but found nothing. Then went to the office and wrote to Mr. Anna & Bill Frankland and sent a note to Beetle & Mr. Anna which I took to the Post Office at noon. It commenced to rain about 10 AM and has rained all day. This PM I read a little while then went to the office & wrote to Beetle, Kelly's & Frall. We had heavy thunder & sharp lightning with the rain this evening. I stayed in and we had two callers and spent a pleasant evening.
Monday, Oct. 29th 1860.
This morning I went down to the office as usual and have had but little post all day except on my books. This A.M. I received letters from Leclerc, Bushee & M. Anna also a letter from M. Anna. She also enclosed two of my visitors and a penknife. This afternoon I went with Hugh & visited Miss Leta, Mrs. Pruey. I several hours saw them comprising, gardening & baking cotton. I received a letter from Leclerc this Pm.
It has been pleasant and warm most of the day. Florence left the room to-day because of the Lee Block. This evening Drew to the office & wrote to M. Anna.
Tuesday Oct. 30th 1866

It has been quite pleasant all day and not very cold. I have been very busy all day writing up my books and have bought some stationery. I have a new bedfellow a Mr. Wrenchill, an architect. This afternoon I went down on the boat with Ridgeley and went aboard one of the steamers. This evening I went up in the Chamber of Commerce with Stoger and down to the office I wrote to Bekker and Byshue. It is quite cool this evening. I sat in the parlour a little while before retiring.
Wednesday Oct 31st 1866.

It has been very pleasant this day but quite cool this morning was very much so. I have been busy most of the time writing in my books. This morning I received a letter & letter from Bushu and a letter from Belisci this afternoon. This evening I went out with Atger looking for a beading but found no good one. Afterwards went up in the room and played cards with Bradley Butts & stayed till late.
Thursday Nov 1st 1866.
It has been pleasant
all day but rather cool
this morning. I have
been at the office busy
all day and am quite
tired standing so much.
This morning I received
my first pay for last
month. We made an
arrangement today by
which Bradley & Wakefield
change some and now
hope I am settled for
the winter. This evening I
went to the office and
wrote to Bushie and
Celia.
Friday Nov 21 1866
It has been very pleasant all day and quite warm quite a change from the first of the week. I have been very busy all day at the office writing up my books and making out invoices. This a.m I went down to the store of North Murphy's Mason House showed me all around. This afternoon I received a letter from Franklands. This evening I went to the New York Theatre with Florence. The house was crowded had to stand all the time.
Saturday Nov 3, 1866.
It was very warm and pleasant this morning. I received a letter from Bushie this morning enclosing Whitney's bill for beetar paper. I have not been very busy today as it was too warm. This afternoon I received a R. D. Police & N.Y. Ledger from M. Anna. About five o'clock I went down in the levee and stand there about half an hour. This evening I stood in the house and murder stockings and then played cards with St.eger. Nussberg very warm & pleasant all day.
Sunday Nov 4th 1906.

It has been very pleasant all day and quite warm. This morning after washing I went to the office and wrote to Bushue & Frankland also sent a paper to Bushue and took them to the office my way to the house. This afternoon I went to the office wrote to M. Anna & Beulah and enclosed a N.Y. check to father for $50. Afterwards I went out on the bluff and sat there nearly half an hour. This evening I went to church at the Tabernacle with Meyer & Riceley. The sermon was about prophets and quite good.
Monday Nov 5th 1866
It has been very pleasant all day except this morning when it was rather foggy but the sun soon came down it off. This morning I received letters from Bache, Blodgett & Henry Dufet & this P.M. from Leilia & E. Neal. I have been busy this afternoon but this morning had but little to do. This evening I went down to the office and made several bills of exchange and an indorse. I went to the house about nine P.M. and played cards with Stigee. I went to bed about 11.
Tuesday Nov 6th 1866.

It has been very pleasant all day and we had a splendid sunset. It has been a little cooler today.

I received an Advertisement this morning and a postcard and a letter this A.M. all from Bushie. I was very busy nearly all of the day and did not get dinner till nearly two o’clock.

This evening I went to the office and wrote to Bushie’s Helen and then went to the theatre and played cards with Bull’s Steger till near 11 P.M.
Wednesday Dec 7th
It has been very pleasant all day and moderately warm. This morning I wrote to Bodge. I have been busy all the afternoon and went to the office this evening to finish. I received letters from Selden, Bliss and Franklin and this afternoon. This evening while at the office I wrote to b. Hall and Bliss. I then went to the house and partly mended my stockings
Thursday Nov 8th, 1866

It has not been very pleasant to-day, most of the time being cloudy. Towards night it sprinkled a little while. I was busy a little this morning but this afternoon did nothing about four P.M. I went down on the levee with Ridgeley and spent an hour looking around. We went ashore but stammers. Executed a journal. R. P. Pressly, N.Y. Ledges from W. Anna this P.M. This evening I went to the office & wrote to Selden & Frankland. I then went tong com & mended my stockings.
Tuesday May 9th 1866

It has been cloudy the
most of the day and this
afternoon and evening it
shower considerable. This
morning I received letters
from Bushell & Percival
and this afternoon from
loeb & Co. & Uncle Lethbridge.

I have not been very busy
today as the market is
dull. This afternoon I went
down to Till & Simpson's
store where they compressed
cotton at the rate of one-half a
minute. This evening I
got to the office & wrote to
Henry Durfee, Bushell,
Percival & Co., & sent three
papers to Percival.
Saturday Feb 10th 1876
It has rained very hard all day and yet the sun last night has made the streets very muddy almost impassable. Have had but very little work to do and have amused myself the best I could in the office by reading. I received a letter from Frankland this P.M. 3 letters from Mattie West, Bushie & M. Anna with one enclosed from Walter this P.M. M. Anna also sent a pair of shoes. This evening I stood in and mended stockings and then went to reading till late.
Sunday, Nov 11th, 1866

This morning it is very clear and a little cold. The streets are very muddy.

After washing I went down to the Post Office but found nothing. I then went to the office where I wrote a letter to Uncle Charles. At noon I carried it with two paying forms to the office.

This afternoon I went to the office and wrote to Mrs. Anna, Bishbee, Ruthie West, Frankland and sent to R. Bonner, N.Y. for a Ledger.

This evening I went to Calvary Church with Ridgeley and Bradley. The church was full. Bishop Hopkins delivered the sermon.
Monday Nov 12th 1866.

It has been very pleasan
t all day. This morning
it was a little cold but
splendid weather. I
went down to the Post
Office this morning and
received a letter early from
Bushes & Coiled. I have
not been very busy to
day. This Afternoon
Late I went out on the
Bluff and played catch
ball about half an hour.
This evening I went to the
Office & wrote to Coiled &
Bushes & then went to
meeting with Steps at the
Baptist Church on Senda
Thursday Nov. 13th 1866

It has been very unpleasant all day and has rained most of the time. I have not been very busy today but not feeling very well and have stood in the office most of the time. This P.M. Mr. Whitford of the firm of Wheaton & Whitford Esquire called in a few moments. It was very pleasant to see a Providence face. Late this P.M. I went out on the bluff a few minutes. It is very cool and calm. This evening I stood in the yard till 9:30 when I went with Weges to see the burning of the Memphis
Wednesday Nov 4th 1856.

It has been very unpleasant all day and this afternoon has rained all the time. I have not been out of the office but very little and have had little to do. This morning received letters from Octavius & Mary Osborn this P.M. Answered Octavius letter & sent her two papers. Mr. Whiffen has been in the office several times today & have had a very pleasant conversation. He left for New Orleans this P.M. This evening it rained most of the time. I stayed in, read & played cards.
Thursday Nov 13th 1866.

It is very beautiful & pleasant this morning and a little cooler. I received a letter from Bushie this am. and sent him a poacher in return. I was not busy this am. but had plenty to do this afternoon until dark. This evening I went with Ridgeley to a wedding at the Calvary church and then went to the house and mended stockings.

It has been very pleasant all day but quite cool this evening.
Friday Nov 16th, 1860.
It has been very pleasant all day and very comfortable. I have had but very little to do to-day except on the books but have stood in the most of the time on account of the rain.
This afternoon I went down to the office but received nothing. This evening it was splendid the moon shining very pleasantly. I went to the office and wrote to Mary Westborn & Ensuite. After I got in my room I played Solitaire a short time.
Saturday Nov. 17th 1866.
It has been pleasant the most of the day. Although this afternoon it was a little cloudy. I received a letter each from Bushee & Frankland this morning and a Prov. Journal from Bush & two letters a R. J. Press & Chinnery letters from M. A. A. The P.M. I have had but little to do all day. This afternoon I went with Ridgeley down to Mertitt's Press & the M. & G. Charleston R. R. depot. This evening I went with Hugh to a show in the Lee Block & played euchre.
Sunday, Nov. 18th 1866.
It had been quite cloudy
the most of the day and
the wind has been very
hard all the time. This
morning after washing I
went to Post Office. Found
nothing. Then went to the
office & wrote to Bache.
Drankland and went to paper
to Father & one to Drankland.
This afternoon I went to the
office & wrote to M. Anna. I
then read about an hour and
then went out on the bluff with
Fennus. This evening I went
to the 1st Presbyterian but couldn't
get a seat & went into the
Methodist. We had a severe
thunder storm this evening.
Monday Nov 19th 1866.

It has been very pleasant all day and very comfortable.

I went round by the Post Office this morning on my way to the office and found two letters from England again from W. Anna. This afternoon I got letters each from Bowker I want and also three papers from the latter. I have not been very busy to day and the freight has hung heavy. Towards night I went out in the sleigh and had a short game of catch ball with the bank clerks.

This evening I went to the office & wrote to Belice
Tuesday, Nov 20th, 1860.

The weather has been very pleasant—
all day but considerable cooler and seems more
like winter. This morning
and evening it was quite
chilly. I was busy this
morning in my books
but this afternoon had
little to do. I received a
letter from Eliza this
afternoon. This evening
I played cards with
Butts & Wright about an
hour and then went to
the office & wrote to Belzic
Butts went with me
At the house we played
several games of cards.
Wednesday Dec. 21st

It has been very pleasant and comfortable all day. I have had very little to do at the office today except making out balances. This noon I wrote to Mr. Anna's and Mr. Giesekeland about my box as Jim Kimball is coming out next Monday. I took the letters to the Post-Office after dinner. I found a letter from Rhine and a gun from Kalici from Belco. I bought me a hat this afternoon. About dark I went out on the bluff. This evening I stayed in the house amended stocking.
Thursday March 22, 1866.

It has been very pleasant all day and most of the time very windy and cool.

I was busy all the morning on movies but this afternoon had very little
to do. This morning I received a letter from Bush.

This afternoon about dark

I went out on the bluff

and had a short game

of ball with the bank

clerks. This evening I

went up into Cheyney

beam with him. There were

four other gentlemen there

and I passed a very

pleasant evening.
B'yday, Nov 23, 1866.

It has been very pleasant all day except at intervals this afternoon it was rather cloudy. Heas been a little coolish to day. I was busy on my books all the morning. This afternoon I had but little to do and went all over the Earton with Ridgeley. I went up in the tower and had a fine view of the city and surroundings. This evening I went to the office and wrote to teleed, Buckee and Ollieen. At the house I played a few games of cards before retiring.
Saturday Nov 24th 1866,
It has been very pleasant and quite cold all day. This morning and most of this afternoon I have been busy at the office and have been out only very little a day. This morning I received a letter by R.S. Press & N.Y. Ledger from Mr. Angell & from Buzel's a R.S. Pendulum. This afternoon I received a letter from Belia. After supper I went to the office and wrote to Percival and Frinkland.
Sunday, Nov 25th, 1866.

It has been very pleasant and quite comfortable today although the morning and evening was quite cool. This morning I went to the office and wrote to Mr. Anna and Rachel. After dinner I went to the Commercial and met Fannie, then went out on the bluff a short time. From there we went to the First Presbyterian where Dr. Palmer of New Orleans delivered a splendid address to young men. The house was crowded afterwards we went up the bluff. This evening I spent in my room with Bradley.
Monday, Nov. 26th 1866. It has been very pleasant all day until this evening when it cleared up and the air grew very damp. It has been very disagreeable as the dust has been very thick.

This morning I went round by the Post Office and received a letter from Belcia. This Pm. I received a letter each from Bushie, li. Hall, Maltie Vincent & Frankland. I was busy this morning but had little to do this afternoon. This evening I went to the office and wrote to Belcia and enclosed a letter to M. Annes.
Tuesday Nov 27th 1866.

It has rained almost all the day and been very disagreeable. I have been busy all day
writing in my books and have seen only of the office but little about the middle of
the afternoon it cleared away but in the evening it clouded up again and rained very hard.

I received letters from B. and M. this evening. I went into the office and wrote
a note to M. and afterwards I went into lady's room and played cards till nearly
Wednesday Nov 28th 86
It has rained steadily all day long and quite hard. The streets are in very bad condition. I have been busy all day in my books. This afternoon I went down to the depot to meet some but was too early. About five I went down again and went and rode to the office with him. I have not received any letters today. This evening I went to the office and wrote to Beleia, Frankland & Mattie West also to Miss A. Dow about my Wagettes. Steve left today, Harris took his place. About 11 o'clock there was a large fire in Menlo H. I got up & went down.
Thursday Nov. 29th 1866
It has been very pleasant and quite cold all day the wind blowing pretty fresh. Today is Thanksgiving by the Pres. and Governor in most of the States. This morning went to the office and was busy all the time making out invoices &c. After dinner I worked a little while then took a walk down in St. Memphi's. Afterwards I went down on Vance St. to see a game of base ball. Came back about half past four. This evening I stayed in the house and played cards. Most of the stores were closed today.
Friday, Nov 20th, 1868.
It has been very pleasant all day but quite cold and a fire is very nice. I have received no letters today. I have quite busy all day writing on my books and other writing. Have been out of the office but little as it is very muddy. This morning I went down to Merrill's Press but did not stay long. Florence came back today and I went with her to Brown's room after supper and spent a pleasant evening.
Saturday Dec 1st 1865

It has been pleasant all day and this morning was pretty cool. The sun was very warm however. This morning I went around by the Post office but found nothing. Have been busy all day in my books and have had little spare time. At noon I took a walk with Florence out on the cliffs. This afternoon I received letters from Blodget & Frankland also two letters from Bill a R S. Press from Manna & Eve Press from Bushue. Her mail was burnt Thursday.
Sunday, Dec. 8, 1866.

This morning after washing I went to the Post Office & found a letter from Bruce. I then went to the office and wrote to Mr. Anna and Leslie also sent two papers to Father. This afternoon I stayed in the house the most of the time and about four o'clock went down to the office with Dennis and then down aboard the Silver Moon. It has rained the most of the day and has been very bad weather. I have had a bad headache and cold all day. This evening I stayed in the house all the evening as I couldn't read.
Monday Dec 3rd, 1866.

It rained very hard until about the middle of the afternoon when it partially cleared away and this evening was very pleasant. I have not felt very well all day. I have been busy all day but have not kept out but very little. Received a letter from Perceval this morning. On a day we received my pay for last month and took me half $50 in a check on New York in 12049 which I sent to Mr. Frankland in a letter to him which I wrote before tea. This evening I started in the house.
Tuesday Dec 4th 1866.
This morning I went to the Post Office and received a letter from Boston. It has been very pleasant all day but the streets are very muddy. Have been busy all day on my books. This afternoon wrote to L. Halle and Frankland and carried them to the office. This evening Tennessee and myself went to the Circus on Union St. The tent was crowded but I did not like it very well. Have not recovered from my cold yet and feel rather miserable.
Wednesday Dec 3rd 1866.

It has been very unpleasant all day the weather being very muggy and disagreeable. As Julius has been sick to day I have had to do the running and it has been bad work. The streets are so muddy.

This morning I received letters from M. Anna Leslie and Matilda. I wrote to Bridget this afternoon.

I have been very busy all day writing and running. I went down and took supper on the St. Menneola with Dennis.

This evening I wrote to Busher, Percival & M. Anna. It rained very hard all night.
Thursday Dec 6th 1861.

It has been very unpleasant all the day raining most of the time. The streets are very muddy and look like worst oceans.

I have been very busy all day and have tried several times to get but found no letters. Have had considerable running and found it very tiring work.

Julie has been away all day. Will lost my umbrella today.

This evening I went to the office and wrote to Celicia and Matilda.
Friday Dec 7th 1866

It has rained the greater part of the day and very hard but at night it cleared away and we had a splendid sunset. The streets are in an awful condition. I have been very busy all day and have had considerably running to do. Have been to the Post Office several times to deny but found no letters at any time. This evening I staid in the house and played cards with Wright, Bradley & Dennis.
Saturday, Dec 8th. 1906.

Today has been pleasant and cloudy alternately and had been considerable wetter. The mud shows no signs of drying and there are many funny signs around in the streets. Please been very busy all day and have not been out but little.

This afternoon I went to the Post Office & received a R.F. Press, N.Y. Ledger & Chimney corner from Mama.

This evening I started in the knot & mended stockings.
Sunday Dec 9th 1866

It has been very pleasant and clear all day. The weather has been very hard but has been dry and very comfortable.

After dressing I went round to the Post-Office and then to the office. Afterwards went down to the levee with Dennis who took a walk to the Pavilion and then went aboard the Clifton.

After dinner I went to the office and wrote to Mr. Annesley. Before I then went with Stewart and went all over Port Pickering. We had a very pleasant walk and got back about six o'clock. This evening I stayed in the house.
Monday Dec 10th 1866

It has been very pleasant all day and quite cold. The ground was frozen very hard this morning but the sun was quite warm and about noon it grew quite soft. The wind has blown hard and cold all day. I have been very busy all day and have spent most of the time in the office. This morning I received letters from Bushel and M. Anna and Doc. came. This evening I went down to ladies room and spent the evening.
Tuesday Dec 11th 1866.

It has been very pleasant all day and nearly as cold as yesterday! The wind has not blown as hard as yesterday but the air has been very keen.

I have been very busy all day and have not been out of the office but little. This morning I received letters from Frankland's eldest. This evening I went to the office and wrote to Eliza, Susan & Frankland.
Wednesday Decr 12th 1864.
It has been very pleasant all day. The air has been cold but very comfortable. I have been busy all the morning and part of the afternoon. This morning I received an Enc. Press from Burke and a letter from Pescual. About four this afternoon I went down in Vance St and played a game of ball until dark. This evening I stayed in the house and played cards with Bradley and Dennis.
Thursday Dec, 13th 1866.
It has been very unpleasant all day and about noon commenced raining. This afternoon it commenced raining again. This morning I received letters from Cecilia and Mary Exbom. I was very busy all the morning but this evening was not so. Jim Kempbell went home this afternoon via New Orleans. I had my hair cut this afternoon reserved a lock for Cecilia. I bought a money order for this AM and sent it to Moses A. Dow for one year Waverly's for Cecilia also sent him 50. This evening Wright & Umbelake came and
Tuesday Dec 14th 1866.

It has been very unpleasant all the day the weather being kind of a drizzle until about dark when it rained very hard.

This morning I was busy most of the forenoon and part of the afternoon.

This afternoon I wrote to Percival, Mr. Anna and Chelsea. The streets have been very muddy today.

This evening Wright and Dennis played bid Jack against Cumberland and myself until midnight We beat 8 to 7. Wright slept with Dennis on account of the rain.

I found my umbrella to day.
Saturday Dec 15th 1866.
It has been raining almost all day and very damp and disagreeable. It rained very hard all last night and today the streets have been very muddy. I have been busy all day at the office and have had but little running to do outside. Have received no letters today. This evening Wright and Umbrelake came in and we played cards until about 8:30.
Sunday Dec 16th 18__

It has been pleasant most of the day, but cloudy at times. The wind has been very hard all day and has been quite cold. This morning after washing I went to the Post office and received a letter from Blodget & Rankland each and a letter from M. Anna & two Marchies. I then went to Stewart room wrote to Blodget M. A Dow & M. Osborne. This after noon I spent at Stewart room. This evening went to the Methodist Church on 2nd st. with Zenas.
Monday, Dec 17th 1866.

It was very pleasant and quite cool this morning but this afternoon it clouded up and had the appearance of rain. This evening it pleasant. I went out on the bluff this morning and the air was delightful. The ground was frozen quite hard. Have been busy most of the day. This afternoon received a P.S. Press's Journal from M. Anna. This evening Wright & Cunningham came up & played a short time.
Tuesday Dec 18 1844

It has been cloudy and pleasant at intervals all day. The air has been damp and unpleasant all day and the streets very muddy. I have been quite busy all day and have not had but little outside work. I received a letter each from Celina and Bush and this morning this evening Jumbalake and myself had a few games of cards afterwards sat and talked with Jennifer till late.
Wednesday Dec 19th 1866

A very sad affair occurred early this morning. The shoe store caught fire about three o'clock and 12 persons were killed or suffocated by the smoke.

The building was badly burned inside. I went down there several times today. It has been very unpleasant all day and the streets quite mudly. Have not been very busy but stand in the office most. Have received no letters today. Staid in the house this evening.
Thursday Dec 20th 1866.

It has not be pleasant to the air being very damp and uncomfortable. I have not been very busy to day but have been in the office most of the day. I received a letter each from M. Anna and Mr. Keall also three papers from Frankland. This evening I went to the office and wrote to M. Anna & Mr. Keall. I sent a paper to Mother some to Brisbane. After writing I went with Jimmy to see the Heanlone at the Opera House very good.
Friday Dec 1st 1866

This morning it was very pleasant and clear and I hoped would be clear all day but about noon it began to cloud up and remained so. I received no letters today but sent a few journals, Public Ledger and three other papers to Pensacola. I have been quite busy today but I have not been out much. I went out on the bluff this morning and this afternoon went into the chamber of commerce this evening Wright came in and played till about—
Saturday Dec 23rd

It has been rather unpleasant most of the day and seemed like rain. Have not been very busy yet stand in the office. This morning received a letter from Frankland enclosing two balls & his note for $39.25. Also received an Eave Press from Bushel this afternoon.

This evening went to the meeting of the Enterprise Base Ball club and was voted in a member. Then went to Eddie's room. Nancy had a large cake come to him and we had a nice time.
Sunday Dec 28 1866.
This morning after washing I went round to the Post Office and received a letter from Busherie a chimney cleaner & R. J. Press from Manass. Then went to the office to write to Collier, Busherie D.Sankland. It has been very pleasant all the day and evening quite warm. After dinner I went to Stewart's room and about three we went to Flaxwood Cemetery & spent the afternoon walking around there. This evening I went with Dennis to the 1st Baptist in town & had a good sermon.
Monday Dec 24th 1866

It has been very pleasant all day and quite warm considering the time of year. The air today has been delightful very nice. I have not been very busy today but have remained most of the time in the office. The streets and stores are crowded with people preparing for Christmas. I received a letter each from Matthew's & Lida this morning. This evening I went up in Lady's room and had a very pleasant evening with the boys playing cards till near 12.
Tuesday Dec 25th 1906

Today is Christmas and everybody seems to be enjoying themselves. The weather was very pleasant. This morning but towards night cloudsed up thick. After breakfast I went to the office and spent most of the morning there except occasional strolls out. I went aboard the lady Gay with Dennis. This noon I took dinner with Dennis on the Minnette a splendid table. This afternoon went to Vance St. and played with the club till dark. This evening I went to the office and wrote to Lucie
Wednesday Dec 26th 1901

It has been very pleasant all day and quite warm but this evening it blew very hard and cold. Have been busy all day at the office. Received a box from home today and after supper opened it. There were in it my rubber coat, boots, a vest, new coat, new boots, two boxes of cigars and two pounds tobacco, a blanket from home, stove and butter, also some neckties and candies, a revolver, cartridges, two paper weights from Grantland, a dressing case from Kelin. This evening I went down to Badys soon and had a nice time. Sent a paper.
Thursday Dec 27th

It has been quite pleasant all day but cold. The morning was very cold but during the day it moderated a little. I have been busy all day at the office and have been out but little. I delivered through his cigars this morning & Florence his buttons & studs. I wrote to Matthew to day and sent a paper to Father and received a letter each from Bush & Celia. This evening I stood in the library.
Friday, Dec 28th, 186—
It has been rather cloudy the most of the day and quite cold. It has seemed like snow all day. I have been at the office all day and have been busy all the time. I wrote to Legle and Bashue this afternoon, took them to the office afterwards. I went down to the Navy Yard with Osborne about dark. This evening I stood in the library and mended some stockings. It was quite cold out.
the Navy Yard with Osborne. New evening spent
at the N.W. with Osborne. Little work got through.
As the work got through.

The young gentleman went

To get some more business.

In the office.

Arrived and left.

On the night.

And the office.
Sunday Dec 30th 1866.

I was not very pleasant this morning but about noon it cleared away and the sun shone bright. The day has been quite cool. Went to the Post Office this morning but found nothing. Kennys and myself took a walk down the lane and went across several times. After dinner Stewart and myself took a long walk down Orthas St across to the Mississippi R.R. We went up in the Tower of the Overton. This evening I attended service at the Cumberland Presbyterian church.
Monday Dec 31st 1866.
It has been cold all day
and this morning was
rather cloudy. The evening
was pleasant. I was
busy at the office all the
day and did not go out
much. I have received
no letters to day. This
afternoon I received two
Wauklys from Boston.
About dark I went out
with Dophliffe looking for
some books. This
evening I went down
the line with Dophliffe &
Dennis and then to the
Lee Block. We stayed a
short time and then I
left the boys and went up in Lady's room and played several games of backgammon and went home about eleven o'clock. Thus ends this journal which was started when I left home with the simple intention of keeping notes of my journey from Provo to Memphis and kept up as a regular diary.
My Second Trip to Memphis, Tenn.

Thursday, Sept. 26th, 1867

I have been thinking all summer about going to Memphis again and a short time ago wrote Bill that I would do so. A few days ago it was definitely arranged that I should start today and stay during the cotton season. My salary is to be one-tenth interest in the firm of J. B. & N. 13 Kimball with a guarantee of $50. and have my passage paid one way. Yesterday and today I have been busy packing my things and this P.M. I shall all good-bye, Father carried my trunk down to the Bristol depot as I take
the Bristol line of steamers to New York. It seems hard to part forth all my very dear friends and I have a bad headache caused by crying this afternoon. The train left at six o'clock. Selden Percival was at the Depot to see me off. On arriving at Bristol I met Bill and we went aboard the boat, *St. Bristol*. Head a half hour to wait there which I passed pleasantly talking to him. At 1.28 the boat started and we parted wishing each other the best of success. The night was very pleasant but cool and quite breezy. I spent some time in looking over...
the boat which was built last winter and cost $100,000. She is very finely furnished and is the prettiest she I ever saw. About eight o'clock I went down in the smoking room and played euchre until about half past ten when I went to bed. I have state room No. 58 which is quite pleasant and nicely furnished.

Friday, Sept 27th.

I did not rest well last night not feeling exactly well. There was very little motion on the boat although the wind was very strong. We arrived in New York about half past ten. I had my trunk sent over to the
Dr. J. central depot and then went up to the St. Nicholas Hotel where I registered and took breakfast. I met Mr. Kimball at the hotel. After breakfast I walked downtown stopping at Claytons to see about some bills of exchange for Will and at O.O. Robbins to see Mr. H. but could not find him. I then took a walk down to the depot found my trunk all right and returning up by Wall St. and back rode to the hotel in an omnibus. Soon after arriving I sat down and wrote to Will about his bills of exchange and a long letter to Mrs. Burns enclosing a
shorter one to Father. I purchased my tickets this afternoon way through to Memphis at the office in the hotel by the way of the Penn. Central and Chesunt.

About four I went down town mailed my letter got my pipe which had been airing and then down to the Neptune clock where I saw Mr. Kendall and took him good bye as he returns to night. I took a late supper at the hotel and then took a short walk up Broadway about seven o'clock I started down to the ferry where I took a ferry boat over to the cars of the New Jersey Central R.R. at Jersey City. The cars left at 8.15 P.M. I have a four double berth at
about the centre of the car. There was very little to see on the road and being too dark to read shortly after nine I went to bed. This has been a very pleasant day and also quite warm but comfortable.

Saturday Sept 28th 1867

I did not rest very well last night as the sleeping car was an old fashioned one and rather shaky. the windows rattling very much. This morning I got up about half past six. It was quite cool and very smity. During the night we had run on to the Pennsylvania centris.
R.R. as these sleeping cars ran way through to Pittsburgh.
I could see but very little on the road until about eight when
the sun came out bright and warm. We arrived at Altoona
about half past eight where we took breakfast in a fine
dining hall. Here we commenced the ascent of the
Alleghanies which occupied 40
minutes a distance of 12 miles
The scenery on this ascent is
great as we gradually wound
around the mountains. Some
of the curves are very sharp one
called the Horse Shoe Bend
from being of that shape is very
sharp. The scenery on other
parts of the road is also very
fine but the land generally seems very poor. There are great many tunnels on this road one of which is very long. I stood on the platform while passing through it and it seemed as though I should be suffocated with smoke and gases. We meet a great many passing trains on the road as it is double track and see many coal mines. The ground seems rain very much and the streams are very low. Across one small stream I noticed a novel suspension bridge composed of cables with a loose broad travelling way. I had a very pleasant gentleman as a
travelling companion named Seland from New York. He occupied the upper berth in the same section of the sleeping car as myself. We arrived at Pittsburg at about 2 P.M. and had dinner at the Union Hotel of the railroad depot. I kept the bill of fare and card of the house. After dinner Seland left me, he going to Cleveland. I had about three quarters of an hour here when I took the Pitts, Ft. Wayne & Chicago R.R. we crossed over the Alleghany there are four fine bridges over the river at this point. The day has been very bright and
Pleasant and the weather quite warm for comfort. Pittsburgh what I saw of it is not very pretty the buildings being all smoky and the air filled with smoke and dust. As my baggage was only checked to Pittsburgh I had to recheck here and get a check to Louisville. The ride from Pittsburgh to Louisville was not very pleasant. The scenery was nothing and the roads very dusty as there has been no rain around here for some time. We arrived at Alliance about half past five where many got supper. Not feeling very hungry I made my meal off of a couple...
frostied cakes M. Anna gave me before I left home. We were much detained by the boxes catching fire from fast-running when we had to stop and pack them. The ride from Alliance to Crestline was awful lonely at being late. I met a young man from Poo. and had a little talk with him. He is going to Wisconsin. Arrived at Crestline about eleven P.M. and took a sleeping car on the Cleveland, Columbus & Cincinnati for Cincinnati. I do not think my trunk was changed right here; I saw nothing of it. I had the misfortune to tear my coat this evening while sitting
down in a seat. It is not very bad and I hope to be able to have it easily freed. Vallandingham of rebellion notoriety was on the N. Wayne road and I saw him. He is not a handsome man.

Sunday Sept 29th 1867

We arrived in Cincinnati at about half past six. Immediately on arrival I began to look for my trunk but could find no trace of it. Not wishing to go on and leave it situated so I being unable to recheck without producing my trunk I registered at the Burnett House intending to stay.
until I hear something from it. After getting breakfast I
grew down to the Louisville Packet's wharf and have been
there several other times and to the railroad office during
the morning but found nothing
of my trunk. I suspect it
was delayed at Cresshine and
will be here Monday night.
The Burnett house is a fine
hotel located on Third St. and
kept in good style. I have
room 117 on the first floor
from the roof and nothing
very pleasant. I got some
envelope at the office and before
dinner commenced a letter to
Leeah which I finished after
dinner making a long
letter of two sheets I enclosed the hotel card and bill of fare I got at Pittsburgh for St. Anna. About four o’clock I took a long walk back to the north part of the city and saw many fine buildings. Several Irish and German societies have been parading this afternoon with bands of music. This evening I attended service at the Presbyterian church on North St. There had a very pleasant day and has been quite warm the evening was clear and cool.
Monday Sept 20th 1869

The night was very cool and braving my sandal then was a little chilly. Shortly after breakfast I walked down to 406 Fourth St intending to call on J. E. Henderson as I hold a letter of introduction from Dennis to him. He was out of the city. I then took a car and rode out to Brighton. Back merely for the ride. About eleven I went down to the mail boat to look for my trunk. I waited until the boat left and saw it not. I then took a walk upon the bridge and back to the hotel. I took a late dinner.
this afternoon and about four o'clock settled my bill took my things and went up to the Little Miami depot. The train came in at 5 P.M. and my trunk on it. I rode down to the Louisville boat with it but there was no boat. I then took an express and drove rapidly down to the Chris & Miss depot to catch the train. Arrived just as the train started two minutes too late bought a ticket to Louisville checked my trunk and left it in the depot. I then went back to the Burnett House. This evening the air was very cold among
So for an overcoat. Went to the 4th St. Theatre to see Helen Western play. The day has been very pleasant indeed.

Tuesday Oct 1st 1867

This morning I awoke about half past four but did not arise until after five. It was very cold this morning and I think I took cold during the night as I am quite hoarse this am. Took an early breakfast and settled my bill at the Hotel. About quarter to seven the omnibus came along I got in & rode down to the Ohio & Mississippi R. R. We left
the depot at 7 A.M. and arrived at Seymour at noon. The ride on this road was very uninteresting being through a hilly country and the dust so thick we could hardly breathe. At Seymour got a lunch off of 3/4 of an apple pie & a sandwich minus meat. Here I also changed cars for the Jeffersonville R. R. which was worse than the other for dust and runs through a swampy country with nothing to see but woods. The day is very hot and being obliged to close the windows on account of the dust makes the air very...
uncomfortable inside. Arrived at Jeffersonville about 2 P.M., where
we took omnibuses and crossed the river on a ferry boat and
were landed at the Memphis Louisville depot. We rode
through Louisville was very
miserable on account of the
dust. I have swallowed so
much I am all stuffed up.
Here I rechecked my trunk
and took the train at 3 P.M.
for Memphis. We rode until
8 P.M. when we reached
Bowling Green where I got
what was called supper, a
few pieces of chicken soup, a
tea for a dollar. I also took
a sleeping car and got a
good night.
Wednesday Oct 22 1867

I rested quite well last night but woke early. The train was delayed during the night over two hours from various causes so now we had to wait for other trains. The day was very clear and hot and the road very dusty which was very unpleasant riding in the cars. Arrived at Humboldt about ten where we stopped for breakfast which was gay. We had chicken fried in lard, corn-cake biscuit warranted not to break & bacon with tea or coffee all for one dollar cheap.
I don’t want any more. Then here to Memphis the ride was uninteresting nothing to see but corn & cotton fields many of the latter with mgs inside picking. Arrived at Memphis about two and took an omnibus for the Colston Hotel where I got a room. I then went down called on the boys who were all glad to see me. About 5 P.M. went out to see the boys play ball and was heartily greeted by all. Stewart went up to supper with me & persuaded me to stay with him & Brown until I am settled so after supper got a hack & rode down to the
Bank with my trunk which I put in Stuart's room. We are to sleep three in a bed for a short time as Stuart would not consent to my staying alone at the Hotel. It is very hot and dusty; not had any rain here for nearly five weeks. So ends my second trip to this city during which time have had some trouble but arrived safe and sound.
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