

Journal of Cora Owens Hume, 1863-65  
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## Journal of 1863

Jan. 19th Monday. The snow has been melting very fast all day. It is not more than 1/2 foot deep to-night. Nothing unusual to-day. 20th. I arose early this morning. did not go to school, because it has been a very disagreeable day. I wanted to go, but Ma thought that I had better not go. I have been listening to Ma read "Kenilworth." (A scotch novel.) It is very interesting. Sallie went to school to-day.

Jan 20th. Did not go to school to-day.

21st. I went to school to-day. Sallie Moore was there. I did not go for Emma. Ma was afraid of the ascent up Mr. T's hill. There is a dreadful hill in front of his house. Emma did not go to school. Miss. Sallie Enders is sick. I went up to see her at dinner-time. Mattie Allen says that she asked if I had come, & asked M. to ask me to come up to see her. She looked so sweet. Miss. Juliet Craik staid all night with Sallie Moore last night, & went up to Mr. B's this morning, & as Mrs. Moore did not send for them in the evening, they both came home in the wagon.

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23rd. This morning we all went to-gether once more. I am so glad that this is the last day to go to school for two days. E. wanted me to go to her house to-night, but I would not go. She spoke as a matter of course that I was going, but I have not been there for some time. Indeed I never went there as much as the other members of the family, & she knows that I am too independent to go when she tells me to, & more than that she knows or thinks that I do not want to go there often.

I intend as I have been doing, to return 1 visit for 2, or 3 of E's, for she comes so often that I can not return visit for visit.

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Miss Sallie Enders is well now.

A good many of the girls were sweet in my estimation to-day. I do not know whether t'was my being in a better humor or not. I felt as if something was on my mind which was as a leaden weight, but still I enjoyed myself. I felt very strangely. Mollie Parker, Union as she is, looked sweet & even pretty to me, & she was dressed as she was yesterday. She was singing, Bonnie blue flag, which is something unusual for her. She does not believe in Unionists singing Rebel songs. [Here seven lines are crossed out, about half unreadable. Still readable is the following: My usual greatest favorite did not seem so charming to-day. Mollie Sewell has such a sweet face, when she looks on one she loves. I love her. But I ought not to give my opinion of the girls, for I have changed so often, but they did not know it. I do not think I shall change again.]

Bertie Woolfolk seemed more interesting to me to day than I ever saw her before.

Bertie is 16 years of age she says. I know nothing of any of the girls ages, except what they say. Miss Sallie Enders is 19. Miss Nannie Woolfolk is 18. Mollie L is 15.

Belle Skinner was 15 a week ago. Bobbie Cobb was 14 last Sept. Sallie Endmonia Moore will be 17 in May. (1863) Emma T. will be 16 in May. Alice Miller is 14. Bettie Pettit 13. Susie Pettit, 17 in a week. Miss Addie Pettit, 19. Jeanie Campbell, 17. Mattie Allen, 17. Lou. Frederick will very soon be 16. Lizzie Laurence will be 15 next August, 10th day, Sidney Kennedy says. Lizzie will not tell her age. Millie Parker is 16. Anna Cowgill is 17 going on 18. Lucy Grotjan is nearly 18. Fannie Ward is 10 or 11. Lilly Cornmack is 14.

Soon after supper I was writing in this book, when Miss Anna Brannon, George Cannon, Mrs. & Emma Thatcher came. They have just left. 'Tis about ten o'clock. I am going to write Alice Miller a letter to read when she gets married. Then write to Myra. She sent to me to get

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embroidered, linen edging, & as I am going in town to-morrow to get it, I am going to write a short letter to send it in. It will cost 9 cents Myra says to send it.

Jany 24th. I went to town this morning. Just as I was starting Emma came to borrow Ma's music to Dixie. I went to Mrs. Crutchers to get her to go with her to get the edging for Miss Mollie. Then went to the Post-Office, then to Barkers, a merchant, & got the Enquirer from the news depot, & came home. Sallie & Fannie went in too. The former "Military Prison," which is on the corner of 5th & Green, is being fitted up for a "medical college" again. It was a "Medical College" before it was taken for a prison. 'Tis a very pretty house. Last summer Ma waved her Scarf at our prisoners up in the 4th story, & they talked of arresting her. The reason she waved, was that I had passed the prison just before & waved to them, & they knew me when I returned with Ma & Mrs. L.?????burg, & had their hats up ready to wave, & Ma saw them & waved her scarf. I returned from town about 1 o'clock, & read the "Enquirer" of yesterday. It has the preambles & resolutions of our legislature in it. They come out very bold.

The Honorable L. C. Val's speech is in one of last week's Enquirer. It is the sickest thing that has come from the North since the War, at least the part I read. It takes up the whole of 1 1/2 pages of the enquirer. I have been writing since dinner time.

Emma Thatcher has sent for me again, but I am not going. I looked out of the dining room window just after writing the above, & who should I see but Emma & Mary B arriving at the door. They came for me to go home with them, & they begged Ma & Pa for 1 1/2 hours exactly. Once E\_\_ thought that I was going, & she said - Some people want to go to a place & just want to be begged a little. I would not be surprised if they came over again tonight. We do not have peace?? for the Thatchers, & I am going to make E\_\_ quit being so familiar. I go by the maxim of not advancing too far towards a girl until she shows some advance

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-ment towards me.

Miss. Marsh has a silver medal which she gives to the scholar who is head in Sallies Arithmetic Class. She has never given it out except 4 times, & Sallie has had it twice. She has it now. 'Tis very pretty. She says that Miss. Marsh thinks perhaps she will give it to the one who is most perfect in lesson's & behavior, at the end of the

session, & Sallie says that she is going to have it & use it for a belt buckle. It has carved on it, Class No 2. Mrs. Moore will not let Jennie M. go away from home until she gets the medal. Jennie wanted Sallie to let her get it Friday, for her Ma told her that if she got the medal Friday she might come home with Sallie that night & stay till the next evening, but Sallie would not let her for she was next to head. I am going soon to finish practicing, then Ma, Miss Okeefe & Sallie & myself are going to play cards.

[January] 25th. I arose at 7 oclock this morning. It was foggy, & threatening rain, but Miss. Okeefe & I went in to church. I did not want to go but Ma thought I ought to go with Miss. O\_\_. I went to Mrs. Crutchers to go to church with her to St. Pauls church, but it was so damp that we did not go at all. I went to the Cathedral in the afternoon. Services commenced at that place at 3 oclock, & turned out at four. It was 5 before we got home, & we started immediately after we left the church. When I got home Allen, our school driver had just given Sallie a letter for me from darling Myra. She saw Ken for a few moments last Thursday. He went right on to Hickman [Ky], did not even see Mr. Moore. He thinks of going to Memphis before returning to Columbus. I do wish that he will get into some brilliant buisness. I have just been to call Ann to get Sallie something to eat, & have come back to my writing. I studied my lessons after reading my letter several times, then wrote a composition, such a one as [word indecipherable], & a letter to M\_\_

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for I am in a hurry from the time I get up on school days until I go to bed at night, & especially Monday's-Wednesdays & Fridays - for I have more to do those days than on Tuesdays & Thursdays. Vallandigman's speech is in the Cincinnatti Enquirer Tuesday Jan. 20th. It has been raining for an hour, but I think has nearly quit now.

It is late bedtime, & I must quit writing as I have to get up early in the morning to be ready for the wagon.

Jan. 26th. It began to rain soon after breakfast, & Ma had the Rockaway [a four-wheeled carriage with two seats and a standing top] got & I went for Emma and Sallie to go to school with me. Mr. Wingate our next neighbor has been worse for several days, & this evening when Allen came for us he said that Mr. W\_\_ was dead. He had consumption. He died at \_\_ this morning. He has been out of his head since day before yesterday. Mrs. Wingate is Sallie Moore's Aunt. Mr Wingate was beloved by all who knew him. He was a general favorite in this neighborhood.

Miss Marsh is not going to teach to-morrow nor the day after. She stays at Mrs. Wingate's. Dr. Moore told Allen to-day to take the wagon to his house for he is going to send it to town to have a top put on it. Sallie is calling me down stairs. I must go & see what she wants.

Jan. 27th. Emma, & I went to school this morning in the wagon. Sallie, of course did not go. Mr. Reuben A. Wingate's funeral is to be preached to-morrow at 11 A. M.

We came home in that open wagon through the snow. I am going to stay at home to-morrow & attend Mr. W.'s funeral. Susie Pettit is 17 years of age to-day, & she does not look over 15. Mrs Beckett gave her a large birthday cake (as she gives all of the girls on their birthday.). She received a good many presents from the girls.

Jan. 28th. I put the splits in my worsted Sun bonnet this morning after breakfast, & put the ribbon on it. I then got ready to go to Mrs. Wingates. Ma, Sallie and I walked over there, but Uncle Minor brought the carriage for us after the funeral, & we came as far as our gate with the procession, & came in to get some

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thing warmer for Ma, as she did not prepare to ride to the burial, for she did not intend to go, when she left home. We then went very fast until we got to the bridge over Beargrass creek, when we caught up with the procession. Mr. W. was buried at Cave Hill Cemetery. It is a beautiful place. Nelson's trenches are right a long the walk, & a bout a yd from the trees. We did not remain at the grave more than ten minutes at most for the men who were there to fill the grave did it so quickly, & they were not half through, when we left.

Mrs. Wingate did not make any noise except twice. She gave a groan when she passed through the room where the coffin was, on her way to the carriage, & one when the dirt fell upon the coffin. There were so many to fill the grave that the noise of the dirt falling was heard but once. I think that Mrs. W. has been looking for his death for a year. He was out of his head for 2 days & nights before his death. This time last yr he could not speak above a whisper.

I like Mrs. Wingate very much. I almost loved her when I first saw her. I think that Mrs. Moore has a good face, but I do not know her. I saw Mrs. Russell to-day. I think that she has a noble face. I studied after dinner, & then commenced writing. We did not get home until half past 2 oclock. I am going to practise after supper. John Morgan told Miss Belle McDowell, when she was at Lebanon, that he had married the prettiest lady in the South. Miss Belle told him that he ought not to have married for there was a 1,000 hearts that beat at the sound of your name - & he said - I wish that I had a 1,000 hearts, & I would give them all to my wife. Morgan married Miss Alice Riady, & it is said that Gen Hardee is engaged to be married to Miss Mattie Riady. They are sisters. Ma knows Miss M. She says that they are not pretty (she thinks), & are unaimiable, the whole family. They are tolerably well off as far as pecuniary affairs are concerned.

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We have not heard from Pa but once since he left home. I do wish he would write to us. Myra says that he expects to go to Memphis before he even returns to Columbus. If he was at Columbus, I could hear from him through Myra. She says that she will send me her picture by Pa if she could do so. I do hope she will.

Jan. 29th. I arose early this morning, went to school, but got there just as my Grammar class was being heard. Sallie Moore went up & took her music lesson, but came back as soon as she had taken it. We met 3 companies of cavalry & 30 army wagons on our way to school, & 3 regts passed after we got there, & all of their wagons. They say that 7.000 more are coming from Danville, & that they are going down to Vicksburg to make another attempt to take it.

I was so afraid that they would stop here, & give Ma trouble, but they did not stop here. If 7,000 are coming to-morrow I expect that they will stop here. Prest. Davis &

our generals say that we had a victory at Murfreesboro, & I have believed it all the time. Emma and I rode home, on horse-back, this evening. Some men are camping in Mr. Brown's woods, opposite to Mr. Becketts, & they have been trying to steal his hay this evening. The officers want to board at Mr. B's, & strip them too. I do not know whether they are going to stay or not. One of them was taking a note to Mr. B. for the 3rd time, & they have seen Mr. B. twice, for they came there once, & he went to their camp once.

Friday night-Jan. 30th. I went to school in the Rockaway this morning. Did not meet any soldiers, but soon after I got there the Soldiers commenced passing, - 8 regts & an artillery company passed. Last night 7 of the Lincoln officers serenaded the inmates of "Hawthorn," and Mr. B. invited them to breakfast, but they said that they were breakfasting when they received the invitation, but would dine with them. So they did, & after dinner they asked for a song from one of the young ladies. Mrs. Beckett sent for Mellie & Bertie. Mellie sang first, then

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Bertie, & then Miss Mattie Thomson played a piece. Mellie & Bertie were in their glory. Bertie is very fond of the Federal officers, & showed that she was delighted. all the time she played & sang, Mr. B. was looking daggers at her. She sang "Glory Hallilulah". The first part she sang by the Union words & the last by southern words. I think that it is a very unfit song for a parlor, & from Mr. Beckett's manner I think he was much of the same opinion, at any rate something greatly displeased him about the girls being in the parlor, & especially Bertie, for he has said that he thinks she is too fond of the boys. All of the girls went in the parlor to hear the girls sing.

There was an English Major there who looked as if he had just come out of a pot of hot water, his face was so red & his skin looked so queer.

Emma and Sallie were not at school to-day. Only 3 soldiers stopped here to-day. Mrs. Crutcher came out this evening, & brought Nellie & Eddy with her. When I got home this evening, Mrs. Crisd? & Mrs. Hall, her grand daughter, were here, but they left soon after. Mrs. Hall is the daughter of Mr. Long of Russelville.

Miss Belle McDowell said that Morgan's wife is said to be lovely by a gentleman who was at her wedding - very fascinating indeed. She must have been Supremely happy the night of her marriage - being so lovely - & she had Gen's Anderson & Hardee to stand up with she and "Morgan." Jeff Davis (who arrived the very eve of her wedding) to give her away, & Lieut. Gen & Bishop Leonidas Polk to perform the ceremony.

Emma Thatcher came over this evening & wanted me to go home with her, & said that some person told her I said that she was such a tease that I went with her some times to keep her from teasing me. I think that Mattie Allen told her but she made it up. Yesterday she got mad at me because I would not sit by her in

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the Chemistry class, when I had promised to sit between Bobbie Cobb & Belle Skinner, & she talked a great deal to Emma about me. To-day she s all "honey," but such people are dangerous, as she & Emma T. She either told E, or she (E) made it up to see what I would say, to see if she could not catch me. I love Miss Nettie Thompson & Bobbie Cobb. They are so well bred. Bertie looked nicer to-day than I ever saw her. Miss Sallie

Enders looked very sweet, & she did not primp for those officers. I expected that she would.

Jan. 31st. I arose early this morning, went to work making keepsakes, but did not finish any for I did not feel like making any thing of the kind, so I have done nothing to-day except make things, pull them out & play solitaire. Addie, Lucy T. & Ida Brannon came over to spend the day with Sallie & N. \_\_\_ [&] Eddie T. & Eddie Wingate came to stay a while with Eddie Crutcher. Sallie & Nellie were ready to ride on horse back when they came, & did not stay at home, but the girls staid till they returned.

Sallie borrowed Mrs. W.'s pony & Mrs. M's saddle, which she rode & Nellie rode Shico ("Chico"). Sallie has a new riding habit, & Nellie rode in my brown riding skirt, & both were perfectly delighted. They rode beyond Mr. Becketts. Coming back she ("Chico") cut up a little, & when they got in the yard Sallies commenced going in a fast lope & Shico kicked up & followed [following] which proceedings threw Nellie behind her on the ground. She is quite a novice in the art of riding - on the contrary Sallie is very good at it, for her age & especially [word indecipherable] to have ridden any more than she has. She sits on a horse very well. Addie went home so Mrs. T. \_\_\_ says & told her Ma that they had spent such a pleasant day & now you go, & here she is. She came over [to bed?]. She is very sociable, indeed. Mrs. Crutcher is so sweet.

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I dearly love her. Ma does too, & yet they are so different. But I believe it always happens that persons of different dispositions get along better together. Myra & I are very different. Little Eddie C. is a dear little boy. It looks so funny to see him reading. He takes a news-paper, sits & handles it, so gentlemanly. He reads it with a great deal of interest, & tells his Ma she ought to read such & such a thing. Mrs. C. says that he feels a great deal of interest in the Louisville & Cincinnati proceedings, & looks for that the first-thing when he reads the papers. He is but 8 years of age. Mr Coleman has not been out since Christmas. He told Ma that he was coming last Tuesday but has not been here lately. I wish we could hear from Pa again.

Feb. 1st. Mrs. Thatcher staid to tea. Lucy came over while we were eating & after supper Emma & Mrs. Coake came over. Jennie Moore staid all night with Sallie & Nellie. Jennie & Lucy dressed in some of my old dresses, & came to the door as beggars, & Ma thought t'was some of Mrs. T.'s children, for she did not know that Jennie & Lucy were here. Jennie is a very nice little girl.. Mrs. Thatcher, Mrs. Coake, Emma & Lucy staid until 11 oclock. We retired at 12. We slept very late this morning. We arose at 10 o clock & breakfasted at 11 exactly. Ma did not intend to have breakfast so late but we had no idea it was more than 9 until we sat down to the table [and] Ma looked at the clock. Emma says repeatedly that she is not coming over here any more till I go to see her, & yet she comes so often & her visits are so close together that if I would visit her as much as she visits me I would have to watch my [chances close ??]. She wanted me to ride on horse-back with her yesterday, & no gentleman with us. It is not very proper for girls to ride on roads & Pikes so public as they are here even when there

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are no soldiers about here. I do not think that girls can be too careful. I would not like to go out on the pike for any thing hardly with no gentleman with me, much less with a girl, and for pleasure.

When "Morgan," was at Elizabeth Town the Feds sent an order to surrender, & Morgan wrote nothing back to them except just wrote "ha, ha, ha." After that [he] sent an order for the enemy to surrender, & he gave them 2 hours to remove the women & children to get out of Town, but he received the answer that it was the duty of Union soldiers to fight.

"Morgan" then threw shell, & the fight lasted for 30 minutes, when the enemy surrendered. The officer commanding the feds was getting into a cellar when some one told him that his men had surrendered, & he said, who gave the order to surrender, I am in command, but they had done so at any rate. "Morgan" told Miss. Belle McDowell, that he had married the prettiest lady in the South, & it was hard to leave her to come up in Ky, (he had only been married 1 week) but his wife was very patriotic, & told him to go & do his duty to his country.

Miss B\_\_\_ told him that he ought not to have married, for there were a thousand fair hearts that beat at the sound of his name, & he said that he wished he had 1,000 hearts, & he would give them all to his wife. He was dressed in Brown jeans pants & shirt, & a fed's over coat on & long boots. All of his men had blue over coats. They were very dirty, for they had been 3 nights without sleep & on their way to E. T. without a change of clothes. Miss. Belle & "Morgan" were walking together, & Miss Lucinda Helen & some person else were walking to Gov. Helm's carriage, when a lady called to Miss Helen, Lucinda can you tell me where Morgan is. I have been standing here an hour to see him. Morgan was laughing all this time, & said to Miss Belle, the ladies expect to see me dressed up.

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Miss Helen told her, there he is, & she says, Well I expected to see some body. Oh, how delighted I would be if I could go down to some of the places where Morgan goes, & stay with some such families as Gov Helm's who would have more full access to him. I would be willing to go from school long enough for that as much as I need study now, but come back & study a great deal harder. A man had 3 horses at E. T. - 2 carriage horses, & 1 saddle horse. Morgans men took 1 carriage horse & 1 saddle horse. The man went to Morgan who gave him an order to go to his men & get them. He went to their room & there they had some boxes of flannel & knit shirts, every man pulling them on as fast as he could & each put on 6 or 8. He said every time he started to commence about his horse they would be laughing & talking about the shirts & it was so ludicrous a sight that he joined in their laugh & went away without saying any thing of his horse. Miss. Belle said that she never saw such looking men. They looked like pillows (almost) tied in the middle & she did not know the reason until this gentleman told her.

They say that there is not a house left between Nashville & Murfreesboro, the Yankee's having burned them. It is said that 17 houses were on fire at the same time.

Miss Belle in jesting with Morgan asked him not to destroy the Muldrough's Hill trestle work for it was such an immense structure & she wanted to get home, & he said -



Miss McDowell if you knew how the enemy destroy our immense structures your heart would be hardened. She says that the first thing he asked her after being introduced to him as Miss McDowell of Louisville was how many Yankees or Federals were in that City. They know all about Louisville. She told him she would tell him with all her heart if she knew but the citizens do not know anything about the number of troops at Louisville.

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I wrote to Cousin Mary to-night, but it is said that the gallant Morgan is at Glasgow again & if so it will not go. The Trestle work is nearly finished, & he may be there but I do not believe it, for we have had such bad weather, but then these "Yanks" marched from Danville. One of the Democratic Soldiers told Ma that the night before 25 of their men deserted. He hoped the abolitionists would be killed at Vicksburg & the Democrats taken prisoners.

The News papers have been very interesting for some time, especially the Enquirer (Cincinnati).

Feb. 2nd. I wasted time this morning, expecting that E. T. would come by, but did not intend to let any of the Thatchers know it, for I did not care a bout going with her, but thought maybe she might come by on horse-back, & if I had gone, say that I had promised to go with her on horse-back. I had promised to wait for her Friday but nothing was said about how we would go any other day except that when Dr. Moore took the wagon to town to have it covered, we all would of course go on our own resources. This morning Ma sent over to Mrs. Thatcher with a letter, which Mr. T. (who was here yesterday eve) had promised to take to town to-day. I told our Fannie to tell Mrs. T. that Cora had waited a long time for Emma & had just gone to school. I am so sorry she sent the word for Mrs. T. will think that we expect her to send by for me if there is no wagon to go in. She sent word back that E. said I told her that I was going in my own rockaway which was the reason she did not come by for me.

E. would not speak to me until this evening.

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From home they came for me in the Rockaway, & I asked she & Sallie to come home in it as they have asked me to come with them, but E. said they were coming for them, & I came alone. Emma would be a dangerous enemy, & I do not intend that she shall be mine, for she tells false hoods beyond limits, & I have no doubt she has told Sallie Moore as bad things as she has told me about Sallie Moore & Sidney Kennedy.

I met Sallie Enders, Nanny Woolfort, Anna Cowgill & Alice Miller this evening. They have been to town. Bertie W\_\_ remained in town to have her teeth fixed.

I do hope that when Pa gets home he will have gotten into buisness which he can make 50 thousand \$ directly and not lose any thing. I am almost afraid to ask him for from there is no hope. He can get into buisness but not to suit him, but he says he will not remain out of buisness more than a year longer. He does not want to leave this place unless he can go some where where he can get into good buisness, then he would be willing to leave it. I wish that I could look into the future. I hope our prospects will be

brighter, though I thank God that we have fared this well yet it might be our lot to fare better.

Sallie Moore told Emma Thatcher to-day that the wagon was ready & Allen could take it to our house. Emma told Allen to put our pony to it this evening & come for them & did not tell me any thing of it, nor did she send Ma any word, so Allen put Pony to it this ev\_\_g. She kicked up & tried to run away. She broke the front piece of the wagon. Ma intended to try Pony to something else before putting him to the wagon but did not know that it was finished. Mrs. T. told Ma this morning not to send for me this evening - to let me come with E\_\_ as there was no use in 2 carriages going but Ma sent for me as she wanted me to go to Mrs. Cannon's for her on my way home. There is a misunderstanding between Emma, Sallie Moore & Allen, for Allen brought the wagon which we had last session.

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He ought to have known the wagons apart. Emma ought to have had more sense than to have sent Allen with or without orders from her to Pa's stable & to Dr. Moore's without saying anything about it to any one, & getting the horse & wagon. I do not suspect that Allen said any thing to any body but just went & got the old wagon. I do not know how we will go to school in the morning, but suppose we will go in Rockaways. I have been practicing & studying my lessons for to-morrow, & now am going to bed.

Feb. 3rd. I arose early this morning, waited a long time for Emma Thatcher & negro driver Allen in the meanwhile studied my Philosophy lesson. Ma told Allen when he came to see about the horse this morning to drive our big horse to the wagon until Pa comes home. I do wish that he could make haste & come. He has been gone 3 weeks to-night, & I was so in hopes that he would be here this evening though I did not expect him.

Miss Sallie Enders sat in my lap to-day, which is a great condescension on her part, for she is very [word indecipherable]. She knows how sweet & beautiful she is, & considers as favoring a person a great deal to do such a thing as that. She said she would not have locks of hair but from 3 girls in our school - & she asked Sallie Moore, Susie Pettit & myself for such.

Feb. 4th. I went to school this morning. After the horse came home Ma went to [word indecipherable] & after she returned Uncle Minor came for us in the rockaway & told me Pa came out home with Ma & I was so glad. Pa brought me four letters, or rather he brought me 3 letters, a minature, & Ma brought me a letter from the office. The one Ma brought me was written by Pa at C. Pa brought me one from Myra, one from Addie Lester, one from Lizzie Steele who lives at Paducah, & Myra's likeness. She is a darling.

Feb. 5th. I had it at school to-day & the girls asked me to let them see it, & thought her so pretty. One beauty paid her a compliment by saying she had a forehead like hers.

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I went to school this morning though the snow was nearly half a foot deep. Emma Thatcher & Sallie Moore went too. We did not get cold going, but t'was dreadfully cold coming home for Uncle Minor drove home & he did not bring E's blankets, as they were not here, & I spread my blankets on the floor for all. The reason that Allen did not drive was that Mrs. T. is putting up ice, & requested ma yesterday to send Uncle Minor yesterday & this evening. There is a gentleman with us to-night who wants to buy this place, but I do not think Pa will sell at present. His name is Mr. [empty space, no name]. Pa was not well from having traveled in the cars during the cold weather lately, & did not get out of bed until supper time to-night. Mr. T\_\_ came over about 9 oclock last night, Pa was asleep, but Ma had him awakened & he sent for Mr. T\_\_ to go to his room. They talked till quite late. I am right sick. I could scarcely sit up in the evening, but I would not say [any]thing about it, because Ma says I am always complaining a bout nothing. If I have complained much I did not intend to do so for it is not very pleasant to hear any one all the time complaining.

We had a new scholar day before yesterday. Myra McConnell, Sallies sister, yesterday we had 2 more. Miss Nannie Young & Miss [empty space, no name] of [empty space]. Miss [empty space] went to some place in or near Louisville yesterday evening, & will not return for a week or two I believe. Mr. B\_\_ has put them in the graduating class but I think perhaps he will put Miss young at any rate in our class.

I am so glad that Pa has come home.

Jan. [Feb.] 6 I arose early - went to school about 9 oclock. I wish we could get to school early but it depends on Emma & she will not come early. Pa was going to cancel the arrangement, but Mr. O'Bannon or some such man who proposed to buy our place some weeks ago was here yesterday - staid all night, & he still wants to buy. Pa told

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him that he would let him know in 5 days what he will do. Saturday 7th. Pa went in town to-day - he is going to see if he can get a boarding house, until he gets a house to rent. If we go to town, Pa thinks he would board me at Mr. Becketts. It will be a great deal of trouble & expense to move again but Pa knows better than I do, & I expect that it would turn out for the best. This man proposes to give Pa 7,000 \$ in greenbacks, & it seems to me that he ought to give him at least 8.000 in such money, or 7,000 in gold at least. May-be Pa would send Sallie to the high school for Ma wants to send her there, but I do not think that he would do it though, as long as he is able to send to private schools, which he can do at present any way. If we were in town there might be a chance for Pa to get into good buisness and make money by his being more with buisnessmen. If we had remained at Columbus Pa said that he could have made 50 thousand \$ Last summer, but I do not think that he would have been willing to run the risk of buying Cotton & Tobacco, but Mr. Edmund Taylor, who makes fortunes, & loses them, has made 100,000 \$ speculating on Cotton, Tobacco - may be he will know how to keep it this time.

~~Feb 7th~~. I arose early this morning & commenced writing to Myra, but found I could not finish it in time to send it in town by Pa, & put off writing until to-morrow,

The girls in my class are Lucy T. Grotjan, Bertie Woolfolk, Susie Pettit, Lou Frederick, Lizzie Gatt, Laurence, Millie Parker, Jeanie Campbell, Anna Cowgill, Mattie Allen, & myself. Sallie McConnell is in my Philosophy class. Every girl in the class is older than I am, except Lizzie L\_\_\_. She will be 15 in August & I in June, but she has been going to school more than I have. I know my lessons better than any girl in my Grammar class & I never studied English grammar before this session in my life except 2 weeks at the Nashville Academy, Mr. Elliot, Prinicipal.

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[To]Night I went to Mrs. Thatcher's a bout 3 o clock. Before I went I helped Sallie to pull candy. Emma was not at home & left no excuse, though she knew yesterday evening that I intended on coming. I staid a while with Mrs. Cooke, then came home. I practised an hour & Mr. Thatcher came. Pa told him that he could no longer furnish a horse to the wagon. He did not know what he could do about Emma.

Sunday. [Feb. 8] I wrote to Myra to-day. Pa wrote to Dr. Moore, & has not yet received an answer.

Monday 9th Feb. Pa received a note from Dr. Moore saying that he did not think he would send Sallie to Mr. B\_\_\_ any longer, it made no difference a bout the wagon. He said that Miss Marsh's school is too full now to take any more scholars but perhaps there may be a vacancy next session, this session closes in 2 weeks. Mrs. T\_\_\_ is going to send E\_\_\_ there if Miss M\_\_\_ can take her. I am going to her if any of the scholars stop. E. came over here this evening to get some silk thread. She is going to a party at Mrs. Psaic's right back of us next Thursday night. It is to be given [for?] Mr. & Mrs. Crissy, lately married. E\_\_\_ begged me to go home with her & as I was going up to Mrs. Brannons to pay some money for vinegar bought there, & wanted some person to go with me so I went & staid to dinner. About 3 o clock George Cannon, E\_\_\_ & I went up there on horse-back. I came home at 5 & practised.

Tuesday 10th. I studied my lessons till 10 o clock then ripped a riding habit up to be made for me. I then studied my lessons again, & sewed till night. After supper I practised.

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Wensday 11th Feb. I arose early this morning studied my lessons, practised, & sewed till 3 o clock, then went on Pony for Sallie, came home & sewed till night, & have just finished practising.

Thursday. 12th. I arose early.

Friday 13th. I arose at 8 o clock this morning, studied my lessons, practised, & sewed all day. Ma, Pa, & Sallie have gone to Mrs. Thatchers to sit till bed-time. I went for Sallie on Pony this evening at 3 oclock. I have a severe headache.

Saturday 14th. I arose at 8 o'clock this morning for I had a very bad headache. It is some better tonight. I sewed till about 3 o clock. Pa & Sallie went to town today. Sallie is going to remain until tomorrow, with Nellie Crutcher.

Ma dressed to go to see Mrs. Wingate this evening, but it commenced sprinkling, & so she went to Mrs. Hardins. Mrs. Hardin is not at home, has gone to her brothers funeral, who died a few days since. Mrs. Trigg was there though, & Mr. Harding. Ma

met a boy at Mr. H's, & he had told him that he was a rebel, & belonged to the rebel army, & Mr. H\_\_ told Ma, & she shook hands with him, & told him if he was a rebel soldier that she would do any thing for him. She told him to come over here, & she would soon be here. He knocked at the door & I went to it. I was going to ask him what he wanted, but he passed me, took a seat right behind me & said I met your mother at the next house.

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She told me to come & stay here till she comes. He seemed to me as if he was misbehaving, but now I think of it he did not. I asked him why he did not behave, for I thought him one of those men at the fair ground, & he got up said good bye, & went to Mr. H's. I had sent Ma word to please come home that we did not want him here. Ma told him when he got there that they sent her word that he was misbehaving, & he said that he said nothing out of the way, & he did not say a word wrong, but I thought that he was an imposter for he talked so stupid, & so at random, but he came back with ma, & did not at all misbehave. He showed that he was really smart but tried to appear very ignorant. He could talk intelligently on any subject. He was talking about McClelland [sic] being superseded, & Burnside by Hooker. Ma says how did you earn so much, he said by reading the papers. When he first came he told me that he'd just been taking a look around Louisville so that he could go tell Gen Morgan. Miss Okeefe says arnt you afraid that you might tell Union people, & they would have you arrested, he said he knew that we were southern for my ma had told him so. I told him that Pa was Union for I thought he just wanted to find out who was secesh, & see the hen roosts &c - then come steal. Pa is for the Union of the South. I am sorry I told him now though he did not believe me for Ma told him that this was a rebel house. He told Mr. Hardin that

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he wanted employment, & when he told ma that he was a soldier of Morgan's Mr H. said now you see I do not know when to believe you, he said he just told him that to get some thing to eat. Mr. H\_\_ say's but you ought to tell the truth. He said well sir I will just tell you the truth. Will you please be so kind & commenced laughing, then told him again Will you please be so kind as to give me a few pennies to buy me a new shirt. I have this one on a whole week, & want a clean one. Mr. H\_\_ says I have not any money to spare & this lady has none either. he says I have not asked the lady I asked you. Mr. Hardin did not give hi any thing except his dinner. He told Mr. Hardin that when the rebels come here he was going to bring them to his house & destroy it. Ma told him he ought not to do that when Mr. H gave him his dinner. He said - he gave me some raw cabbage & bread crust. Ma gave him some thing to eat, & he talked a long time & said so many sharp things. He asked ma if Mr. H\_\_ would go to the fair ground & report him. He told Mr. H that he did not want him to report him. he said what would I go a report you for you could not do the Union Army any harm. Ma says he looked so comical when Mr. H\_\_ said that & he says I could shoot one couldn't I? Ma says to him you are up to snuff. He pretended to be very green. You said I am rubbed with snuff. He was talking about some person being rich

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as a Jew & turned to Miss Okeefe said excuse me if you are a Jew. He had been abusing them. I believe Miss O\_\_ says aint you a Jew - he said no - I am a Jew's harp.

Ma says I expect a grand rascal would cover your character. He again pretended not to understand her & said I wish I was king of the world, I'd give you a fine supper & have every thing the best. He said that he must get a way from here before Mr. Owens came home that if he found him eating in his house he would have him taken to Louis. & put in jail. I think the reason he did not stay was that he knew Mr. H\_\_ was a Union man, & was afraid that he would have him arrested. Miss O Keefe asked him if he had any Confederate scrip. He said yes & showed us the shoulders of a man branded on his arm. he said that he could not let us see any more, & after while gave us an excuse for not letting us see it - that he could not get his coat sleeve up farther but he could for it was loose. He said that he was going to Somerset, & he had been to Cincinnati. He had on a pair of federal pants, but the rest of his clothes were civilian. He said a gentleman at Cincinnati had a pair of Yankee pants that were too large for him but had them altered & gave them to him. Ma says I believe you are crazy & are just out of the Lunatic Asylum. He

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was eating a piece of Turkey, & he says this is Turkey isn't it. Ma says yes, & he says it is stuffed, isn't it, Ma says yes. Well he says that is proof positive that I am not from the Asylum. He says that he will be 17 the first of next July. He says his mother is dead, but his grand mother is living in [the] North. He said he was in the navy a year, as "messenger boy" & that he had acted in the theatre, & talked all a bout Hamlet. He said he had been a Dr. too, & asked Ma if she ever heard of catnip & sage tea. Miss O'Keefe asked him twice what his name was. The first time he would not tell but last he said that his Mothers name was Louisa Bennes, & his name was Bill Bennes but I do not believe he told his right name. He pretended that he did not know how to spell his name, but believed it was Bil, & laughed. He talked very correctly, & knows what good manners are. He went up the pike towards Mr. Beckett's. He said he had two brothers, & was glad he had no sisters, he did not like sisters, did not like girls, except he loved our girl. Pa says he saw a keen little boy several years ago on a boat, peddling [word indecipherable] a bout, between 12 & 14 years of age, had a bronze complexion, dark eyes & a very keen eye. This boy was a bout my height, not quite as tall, of bronze complexion brown

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hair & eyes & a very keen eye. He noticed every thing Mr. H\_\_ said. He took a great deal of notice of this place. If we had have known that he was a Southerner we could have done a great deal for him but it will not do to be risking so much here. Tis dangerous. I wish that he would come back if he is a Southerner, & I believe he is & after he had gone, I felt like he was one of Morgan's Spys. Mrs. Trigg said the familiarity which he seemed to have of every man's name in this neighborhood startled her. He spoke of Mr. Hyatt & some relations of Mrs Hyatt, while he was over here. He said the picture on his arm was Jeff Davis. He said when Miss O'K told him that they would

arrest him for a spy, that they could not take him for a spy when he had no Spy-glass. He said he was to smart for them to take him prisoner.x [A message to Ronald on the side of the page says that the x was probably made for a note made in 1914.]

Tuesday, Feb. 17th. Pa received a letter from Mr. G. Murphy & his sister yesterday asking him to [word indecipherable] for their brother who was a Confederate prisoner at L\_\_. Pa went to Dr. Arnalds hospital, & Dr. A told him that he recollected this youth, & that he had let him be taken to the house of Miss Hutchinson, because he thought that he could live but several days, & he thought he had died 3 days after being taken from the hospital. He directed Pa to Miss Hutchinsons house, but when he got there he found the part of the house vacant which Miss H\_\_ had occupied. He questioned the old woman who owned the house & lived in front of it as to where Miss H\_\_ had gone. She said

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Sunday. 15th Febuary 1863

It is a lovely day. The sun in bright, it is neither dusty nor muddy, & is not too warm nor cold. Pa & Miss O'Keefe have gone to church, & Mrs. Thacher has just sent for Ma to go with her to church, & she would have gone but Mrs. T\_\_ has sent so often & she has refused to go, but I am not well enough to go, so Ma will not leave me with the servants, alone. I wanted her to go, but she would not for she wants to read the news papers.

Monday. I went to D.O.C. & read a long time in [word indecipherable], on the young pilot of the Belle Creole. I took a dreadful cold, & have been sick as a cat, as Emma T\_\_ expresses being very sick. I went up stairs laid down a while, came down & made some molasses candy, as Ma wanted some. As I got it pulled E. T\_\_ & Mary Brannon came, & staid till nearly dark, nothing would do but I must go home with them. (that is to Miss T\_\_'s). Ma told me to go, so I went, did not spend a very pleasant time though I enjoyed myself tolerably well. We sat until late bedtime with Mrs. Cooke who is very sick. Her face is dreadfully swollen. Mr. & Mrs. Brannon, her little girl & boy, Ada & Herbert, were there until a while after supper. Mary staid all night. I came home at half past 9 this morning.

Monday. [February 16] Studied my lessons till 2 o clock this eve----Then sewed till

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4. I then commenced practising. I practiced until 5. took exercise until 6. Pa came home very late. He went to town to day.

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Tuesday Feb 17. continued from page 25. that she knew nothing about her at all. Pa asked her two or 3 times if she could tell him of no friend or acquaintance of Miss H\_\_ from whom he could get some clue to her whereabouts, but no she could not think of a person who knew any thing about her, that she had left them a week ago, & she knew nothing about her. Pa said a lady standing on the sidewalk heard the conversation, & heard Pa say that it was to hear of a confederate soldier who had been taken to her house

that he was so very anxious to find her & this lady told him that he could find a niece of Mrs. Hutchinson's at Mrs. Bailiss's who could tell him where her aunt was. He went to Mrs. B\_\_ for the desired information, & found Miss H\_\_. She said that the old woman could have told Pa where to go to hear where she was, but that she did not know that she knew herself for she left her, mad. She did not want the soldier brought in the house, & all the time he was there she did not come down stairs even to ask how he was. Miss H\_\_ told her if she had have had a dog lying sick in her cellar she would have gone to give him a bone. She said that young Cobb was the most charming young man she ever saw. He had large blue eyes, soft black hair, & a fair skin. He lived 12 days after taken out of the hospital, but was so helpless that he could not turn over. He had [blank space]. Pa had the few things he left which Miss H\_\_ gave him, to send to his sister & brother. They were a lock of hair, jet black, & so soft, military buttons off

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his coat, a little purse containing a half \$ in silvers, a ten cent & a five cent piece in silver, also two Jeff. Davis Stamps, & the order Dr. Ronald gave to get him from the Hospital. They were put in a little box & he had a testament besides, which a lady gave him in the Hospital. The buttons had M, W & S, or some other letter for there were three. Ma and myself carefully fixed them again, & Pa went to town to send to his sister & brother. There was a silk handkerchief in the box too, that his sister hemmed for him just before he started from home. Pa wrote his brother a long letter, & Ma wrote a few lines & enclosed in the box. Jas. Cobb was buried in a graveyard at Cave Hill, purchased by Southern sympathisers for the burying place of rebel soldiers. There are none there but Confederates. His money was not taken to pay any of the expenses.

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Wensday the 18. Day before yesterday evening Pa said when he came home that a gentleman wanted to get him to go to Memphis for him & would pay his expenses & five dollars a day for his time & he said he was going so yesterday morning he went to town to be ready for the cars yesterday ev'ning. I went in with him as I had somethings to get. [Several words unreadable] came over last evening before dark & staid all night. Soon after E left which was 9 o'clock, Mrs T\_\_ came with her sewing and staid all day. A bout 4 o'clock we had a very hard shower the hardest I've seen this year, but it did not last more than a quarter of an hour. I thought the rain would break the window glass in the back parlor, for the shutter was open. ~~It is a little cloudy to day though the sun is shining a little. I am going to study my lessons, practice, & go over to Miss Marsh's school to hear the childrens speech. Dr. Moore is going to let us know whether Miss M\_\_ can take me [word indecipherable] Monday or Tuesday. I suppose he wants to find who comes the first day of the session which is Monday.~~

Friday 20. It is cloudy this morning though the Sun is shining. Tis just cloudy enough to make every thing look shaded, & make the atmosphere pleasant, Neither too cool nor too warm. I am going to study my lessons & practice this morning & go to Miss. Marsh's school this eve to hear the children speak. Dr. Moore is going to let us know Monday or Tuesday whether Miss Marsh can take me. I suppose he wants to see who comes the first day of the Session which is Monday. If Miss. Marsh takes me I know the



girls will think I think myself too large to play with them. I [word indecipherable] Sidney Kenedy for I forgot there were no others there as old as I am but the Stilts girls. Jennie Cary says she is 12 but she is every day as old as I am.

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I expect they will think me too large to play with them, & I am though I am not any older, that is I am too old to play the things they play at school for I never did enjoy those baby plays such as hide [the] switch as much as most girls of my age. I do not intend to play with those little girls such as Jennie Moore, Sallie Wingate, Sallie Owens, Pattie Kennedy, &c. Not that I think myself a bove or too large but that it would be a torture to run [?] almost unless it were to play with them just to amuse them. Night. I went over to Miss. Marsh's school at 2 o'clock & staid until 4 or nearly four. I studied my lessons when I came home, and practiced until bed time.

Saturday night. Feb. 21st. Emma T. & myself went to town on the cars this morning at 9 o'clock. We saw Addie Pettit & Bertie, Jeanie Campbell, Myra & Sallie McConnell, on the Cars, and Mattie Allen. We did our shopping & went to Mrs. Crutchers to take a note, then I went to the Webb's, to see Margeret Mitchell or Johnson, I don't know which it is, & to Mrs. Shanks with E\_\_ to see Jennie Shanks [word indecipherable] Nannie Sales. I went to both places merely because E\_\_ wanted me to go with her but Jennie & Sis. Mitchell seemed to expect a visit from me, so I told them to take that as one. Sis Mitchell took tea here one night with Emma, & Jennie Shanks came here several times last summer with Emma. We thought that we would be too late for the car's for we were on 1st beyond Chestnut St. at a quarter past two & we hurried & went down to the post office on corner Green & 3rd Sts, then to the News Depot. Then walked as fast as we could to the cars, got there, went into the ladies

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parlor, waited an hour for the cars to start, in the meantime we eat [sic] some things we had bought at the Confectionary. Mattie Allen got to the cars just before the cars started. She could not get a seat by us this evening. She knit Emma a net for the hair, & gave it to Miss. Anna Brannon on the cars yesterday morning. One of the girls said she was knitting it for me, but she says I have forsaken her, but I do not know why it is unless it is because I don't honey around her or let her always be honeying a bout me. I like Mattie very much, but she thinks I do not, I suppose. I am glad she gave the net to E\_\_ for I never wear them & E\_\_ does. It began to snow very hard just after we left town, & when we got out at the Fairground this eve, I was in such a hurry to get home, that I did not think of any thing else. Ma says I ought to have waited for her to send after me but afterwards admitted that there was no place for me to wait for the fair ground is full of men & mules. Mrs. Russel came out on the cars, & her wagon was there which was uncovered but we got in it & came home. Mrs. Russel was going to Mrs. Wingates, & then coming by here for her little girl Mollie, who staid all day with Sallie Owens to-day. I got my bonnet right wet but I do not think t'will hurt it. Ma intended to send for me in the Rockaway rain or sun shine, but she was dressing to go to Mrs. Wingate's, & put it off too late so when I got here the Rockaway was just ready to go. I did nothing until

supper. After supper I practiced though I was very tired. I then came up to bed, read 4 chapters of the bible. I generally read one but was interested more than usual.

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[Sunday, Feb 22] 'Tis Washington's birth-day - ~~but the people in town are going to celebrate tomorrow because this is Sunday I suppose.~~ The citizens of Louisville are not celebrating it but the military fired 20 guns at sun rise, & 30 at sun set. At the request of the City council they fired a Salute of one hundred guns at noon. We heard the firing distinctly. Ma, Miss Okeefe & Sallie went over to Mrs. Thatcher's for the snow is only about 3 inches deep, and Emma & John Brannon came home with them. Emma staid all night, Mr. B\_\_ until 9 o'clock (after supper).

Monday Feb. 23rd. Nothing unusual to day, except Miss Marsh did not come out from town till evening and did not teach today so I suppose we will have to wait till Wednesday for a note from Dr. M\_\_ as to whether I will go to Miss Marsh to school.

Tuesday. 24th. I went over to Mrs. Hardins this eve, and remained until after supper for they had supper at 5 o'clock, & I did not think of them having it so early.

Wednesday. 25th. Emma came by for me to go to school with her. She had no permission but was going any way. Ma told her that I would not go till she heard from Dr. Moore as he promised to let her know. I went over to Mrs. L\_\_'s after school, but Mrs. L\_\_ wanted E\_\_ to walk down to Mr. Kenedeys with her. She wanted me to go too but I staid with Addie till they got back. Ma has heard nothing from Dr. Moore, & I shall not believe him again for he promised to write & has not let us know. Ma wrote a note to Miss Marsh, & requested her to let her know whether or not she could take me.

Thursday 26th Feb. Ma received a note from Miss M\_\_ this morning, saying that the trustees met this evening (the note was written last night) to see if they would turn the boys off.

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March 1st[written at top of page. However page continues February 26]

Mr. Cary took a school house to teach some little boys in, because he is doing nothing and the trustees wanted him to do so. He commenced teaching last Monday, & he only got 2 scholars. Miss Marsh said that she would do the best she could with E. & I until the boys were sent away, but she can not make any more classes. Ma will not send me until she hears from the trustees as to whether the boys will be turned off. Yesterday was Miss A[name indecipherable]'s last day here, & Ma & she went to town this morning. Ma to Mrs. Crutchers to spend the day, and she to Mrs. Grahams. Mrs. Thatcher went to Mrs. Crutcher's also. She went in with Mrs. Brannon. Sallie is at school & I am the only white person at home to-day. Ma did not like for me to stay alone but I am not afraid. Emma went to school again to-day. I commenced a quilt to-day, a calico one. Am piecing it with stars.

Friday 27th. I intended going over to Emma's to tea this evening, but she sent for me to spend the day with her, & I went. Mrs. & Mr. Thatcher were off in their woods where they were making molasses. Mary Brannon came down soon after I got there. I spent a very pleasant day & came home at 2 o'clock, changed my dress. By that time

Emma Thatcher & Mary Brannon came & we went over to hear the scholars speak at Spring Nations school, then went to Mrs. L's & staid until 5 o'clock, & came home. After supper practiced.

Saturday. 28th. Sewed all day.

Sunday 1st March. 1863. Ma & Sallie & myself went in town to church this morning, intending to return to dinner but Mrs. Crutcher would not let us. Sallie & Nellie did not go to church. Ma, Mrs. C\_\_ Tommy C\_\_ and myself went to "St Pauls" Chu. & Mrs Meriwether invited us in her pew. Mr. Whittle preached.

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In the afternoon we went to "Grace Church," Mr. Bushnel's church. Mrs. Lyons was married to Mr. Bushnel not long ago. Her mother was very much opposed to it. He made her a present of a fine "Rosewood Piano." He was a widower. His first wife belonged to one of the 1st families in Louisville Mrs. Crutcher says. He is very ugly & is a northerner & a Union man.

Monday. 2nd March. Ten O'clock, A.M. Have been studying my French all morning.

Tuesday, this evening Miss Marsh paid Ma a visit, & told her that she could take me, as E\_\_ would go & she would not have to form new classes for me.

Wednesday 4th. I went to school this morning, & said the arithmetic, French Grammar & Dictionary lessons, Practiced, & got my lessons this evening.

Thursday 5th. Arose early & went to school, & knew all my lessons. Practiced this evening & got my lessons. Mr. & Mrs. Hardin came over about dark & sat till nearly bed-time.

Friday. 6th. Arose early this morning, namely at 6 o'clock. It was rainy this morning. March came in as beautiful as a lamb, & I am afraid it will go out like a lion. The first day or two were as beautiful as spring.

(Monday. March 23rd 1863.) Last Friday week. Mrs. Crutcher, Nellie, Mary Smith, a little girl about 9 or 10 years old, & Eddie. They remained until Saturday evening. Sallie, Nellie, & Ma went for Jennie Moore, who staid all night with [name indecipherable] & all day Saturday. I have been sick for a week but kept going to school until last Saturday. I did not go to school to-day for I am worse than I have been. Ma, Mrs. Wingate & Sallie Moore were at the school house Friday before last, & Mrs. Wingate was there again last Friday. I got the Medal Friday before & that Friday too.

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Jennifer Cary came to see me last Saturday week (14th of March) for the 1st time & Sidney Kennedy for the 2nd time. Sallie Moore came to see me last Saturday (21st of March) for the first time. I was not at home when Jennie Cary came. Emma Thatcher came with her. Sallie Moore says that she had started here 3 times, but been prevented. Pa has been sick in bed for 4 or 5 days until to-day - he got up and dressed but did not leave his room. I do not feel any better this evening.

Saturday, March the 29th. 1863. I went to town yesterday & staid at Mrs. Crutcher's all day.

[The following was apparently written Sunday evening, March 30] I was sick Sunday, Monday, Tuesday & went to school Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday, though I am not well yet. I was absent from school two days yet Emma had just caught up with me in arithmetic. Miss. Marsh says she thinks that I am unfortunately classed. I got two pages a head of Emma the day after I went back, & understand it too, for I do not want to pass over anything without understanding it. It will not be long before The first class turns back to review & then I am going to join them but still keep on through the book by my-self or rather with Emma, verbally. E\_\_ was not at school Friday. Was sick. My composition was about "The extremely natural young lady." Pa went over and heard the compositions read. Friday eve I went over to Mrs. Thatchers to tea, and Sallie to stay all night. Ma & Pa came over after tea & I was to come home with them, but E\_\_ persuaded Ma to let me stay all night. We had a very hard rain that night. We came home before breakfast, to get ready to go to town.

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Account of who has had the medal and cards, since from March 18 1863.

I got the Medal the Tuesday after I started [This entire sentence except for the first 5 words is very faint and difficult to read.] [two or three words too faint to read] at Spring Station., then Sallie Wingate. I got it again the following Monday, and gave it to Lizzie on Tuesday, & I think that Emma Thatcher had it Wednesday. I do not know who had it afterwards until up to March 18th except that I had it Friday 13. Sidney Kenedy had the Medal on 18th, Mollie Gray on the 19th, Cora Owens on the 20th. Monday 23rd - Jennie Cary. 24th Lissie Stilts. 25th - Annie Stilts. 26th Mary McGinnis. 27, Friday, Sidney Kennedy. Sallie Wingate, Jennie Cary, Mary McGinnis, received cards on Friday, which is the same as the Medal. Monday 30th. Sallie Wingate. Medal. [Several names and dates follow, apparently crossed out, and very mixed up. It is difficult to make any sense of it.]

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[Continued from page 36] I came home late yesterday evening, practiced & retired. Sallie remained with Nellie C\_\_ last night & Ma & Pa went into church & to bring her home. I had a headache & preferred staying at home. Our men are [in] Danville Ky - have been for more than a week or about a week. They are in force enough to drive 5,000 feds before them. They have had very heavy skirmishing in Danville. A lady was killed while looking from her window at the fighting. It is stated in the news-papers that Gen. Hardee has married one of the Miss Readys at Tallahoma, Ten. I think that the Ready family is very attractive to the high officers. I saw Lucy Grotjan yesterday. She has quit Mr. Becketts school.

Monday 30th. I arose early this morning, went to school. Emma went up to Mr. B's to church yesterday & saw all of the girls.

Sunday. April 5th 1863. Pa saw Mr. McCleulas[???] from Lebanon yesterday, and he says that Mrs. George Moss is [with] them with her mother. Her father died a short time since. Mr. George Moss wrote to her that his house has been burned to the ground, with every thing in it - even his valuable papers - not a thing was saved. His

place was a beautiful one, & the house had 16 rooms in it, besides two large halls. Pa says that his farm is one of the finest in Ky. It was thought to have been burned by a negro or some of the Yankees for it was said that they had some spite at Capt. Moss. I believe that this misfortune

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has befallen him because he was a negro trader. He did not have his property insured at the time, but until a short time ago. I saw in the Louisville Democrat of the 3rd April a list of the confederates who have died lately in the "City hospital" & Leuit. Moss was among them, but they [indecipherable small word or sign] men not his company, but I believe that it was Mr. Tom Moss for I think that Myra said soon after the "Battle of Murfreesboro" that he was brought to Louisville. Pa tried to get in the "Hospital" to see if any of our friends were there, but at that time they required every one to take the oath who went in. I could not help crying when I read it. To think that one of the Columbus rebels died so near us & we not know it at the time, & one we knew too.

Leuit. Moss died at Louisville city Hospital - from April 17th 1862 to March 16th 1863.

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Thursday 16th April 1863.

I have not been out of the house since Teusday at dinner since I have been sick in bed with a severe headache. Last Saturday night Addie Lester arrived at Louisville with Mrs. Dr. [sic] Richardson, and Mr. George Barrett. Monday evening Mr. Barrett told Pa that he was at Dr. Hardin's with Mrs. Richardson and he went round and brought her out home with him. She went to town again next morning to do some shopping and will return to-morrow evening. She does not know how long she will remain with me but it may be for 3 weeks or for 10 days. That would be a very short time, but I am afraid that she will not enjoy herself for I am going to school and do not see how she can. I wish that this was vacation. Addie says that Capt. Harris is not dead, but got wounded in Virginia - very severely - & was discharged. Miss Hettie and Capt. H. are living some where in Mississippi. Old Mr. Jollie is dead. He died in No. Carolina where the Jollie familie went just before the Yanks got Columbus I believe. Mrs. Jollie & Alma boarded at Mrs. Lesters 2 months, and Alma was then engaged to Dr. [space].

Not long after the "Battle of Shiloh" Alma & Mrs. Jollie went down into Mississippi some where - where Alma was married. Dr. [space] resigned and they say he [&] Alma and Mrs. Jollie are living in Mississippi on a very pretty little farm. Some persons say that Dr. [space] is very wealthy & others that he [is] only independent, or tolerably well off. Sallie Ashley's husband (Capt. Ashley) as we heard was killed at "Baton Rouge" and Sallie is now at Clinton (Ky.) living with her father-in-law, and is as lively as ever, but is in mourning. Ma and Pa have gone to town, and I am alone except the negroes - and I expect the entire quietness will do me good. I feel a little better this morning - always do in the morning. I thought of going to school but knew I was not well enough so concluded to remain at home

to-day and try to be well enough to go to-morrow, as it will be Friday, and there is not as many lessons to prepare as usual for I know that I could not study all day.

Friday the 17th. I went to school this morning, but Miss Marsh heard my Grammer 2 hours earlier than usual and I had not looked at my lesson. I missed one rule, there-fore did not get the Medal. I did not feel entirely well. After school I went with Ma, Mrs. Thatcher, and Emma Thatcher to Mr. Brannon's to see Mary Brannon. Johnny Brannon has a little pet dog named for me. I heard the little negroes all over the yard called "Miss Cora - Miss Cora" and I could not imagine who it was at first. It seems that I am quite a favorite with him. I expected Addie out this evening, but Pa says that she has been up to Mrs. Johnstons since yesterday evening & left word at Dr. Hardins that she will come out to morrow evening. Miss. Marsh gave the scholars permission not to look at their school-books until Monday so that they may rest, and commence fresh next week to study.

April 18th. Ma and I concluded after breakfast this morning just before Sallie and Pa started to town that we would go in and spend the day with old Mrs. Dix (Cousin Sallie N. Dix)[Added later, not in parentheses, but above the line.] We spent a pleasant day. Came by for Puss (Addie Lester) [Added later, not in parentheses, but above the line.] in the evening, and we all came out home together.

Sunday April the 19th. We did not attend church this morning for it was very rainy all morning, but in the afternoon the rain disappeared, and the sun came forth in great brilliancy. Ma was going in town for Sallie, and Puss & I thought that we would ride in with her for the drive. While Ma was at Mrs. Cruthchers, we drove out on "Broadway" to see some of the beautiful residences out there and the gay crowd of both sexes which always promenade Broadway every bright Sunday evening. We arrived at home a bout 6 o clock and sat up very late talking. Ma, Addie and I - but little Sister Sallie left herself by no means out of the conversation, for she did her full share in keeping it up. Addie says that Neeta Hale is engaged to be married to a yankee officer - Captain of Artillery - A

perfect dandy looking man, and it is thought that Mr. Kriger is engaged to Sallie A.

Monday 20th. I arose early this morning. It has been a lovely day. Addie went in town this morning and will return next Thursday. I have been to school all day. Mr. Hyatt, Mr. Thatcher, and Mr. S[injely?] are here. They came over to have a game of U [space] with Pa. Mr. T. says that Our Army is between Rossencranz [Rosecrans] and Nashville where they are going to fight R\_\_. Glorious Glorious Glorious if we can whip the Yankees right good this time I believe that our men will be here by the middle of June. The Yankees arrested 30 citizens of Louisville on Saturday last.

Tuesday April 21st. | Wednesday April 22nd | Thursday April 23rd. Addie came out this afternoon. Pa has been sick in bed ever since yesterday evening and as I did not want A\_\_ to ride out alone I went in & rode out with her after school. Emma Thatcher came over after tea and remained all night. I intended going in town this evening, remain all night, and go to the "Theatre" but afterwards we concluded to stay at home or rather not to go to town but stay with Emma. Just before Ma started, Pa said that he was well

enough to go & come back after the Theatre so Ma sent an excuse to Emma & we went in too [&] came out with Pa. I went with Addie to Dr. Hardins for her to change her dress and became acquainted with Mr. John Palling, who walked around to Mrs. Crutchers while we took tea. Mr. Palling has been captain of an independent Union company. He is the only person of any acquaintances here who has been in the Union Army, but he is now out & is studying medicine. We intended to go to see Mazeppa play [a melodramatic adaptation of the 1819 Byron poem] - that is Pa, Puss & I - but we did not. Mrs. Crutcher and Ma opposed it so that we concluded to go hear Sharpley's minstrils with Ma, Sallie & Mrs. Crutcher's family. Menken [Poet-Actress Adah Isaacs Menken, 28] makes Mazeppa so indelicate that I would not go. She rides

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round the dress-circle strapped to a horse with nothing but silk to fit tight to her person, & even goes out into the crowd. She has a bad character outside of her Theatrical performances. They say that she plays the remainder of the night at cards betting with men. We were tolerably well pleased at the concert. Little Archie as he is called sang "Mother is the battle o'er" & "Do they miss me at home," faultlessly - it was so sweet to hear him. We had a delightful ride out home. We again went to town next morning & stopped at the old ten cent fortune teller's, & had our fortunes told us for fun. She told me that I would marry a light-haired man in about four years. A dark haired man with black eyes is in the Southern army that thinks a great deal of me & hung a round me all the time. I am going to some picnic's soon. One on may-day on horse-back with two beaux - one a club gentleman and I do not remember the other's description. She said that I was in company last night and there was a young gentleman in it too, also that I became acquainted with a young man the evening before & made a good impression on him. I did become acquainted with Mr. Palling - but as for the rest it is altogether a different thing. She said that There was money & land before me that I would marry into a big family & my husband will be very wealthy, that I would travel a great deal after marrying - That I will get a splendid gold ring & afterwards a magnificent diamond. She said that there is a club youth that thinks a great deal of me. I will get a ring in either 3 or 11 months she says from a confederate officer if I will accept it. She told me that I had an uncle who [four words indecipherable]

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that he is well. There was a letter before me but is disappeared. Soon after I am married there will be a beautiful cottage before me for several months, but it disappears and a fine building took its place.

What she told Addie.

Soon after she gets home she is to see a club young man who has been in our army but is now out of it. (& she is looking for David McC as soon as she gets home.) but she is going to marry a light haired man and there is also land, traveling, & 3 houses before her. I think that she said that she would marry a light man - a diamond. She says that there is a club man & a diamond man that think a good deal of her, one in the Northern Army, the other in the Southern. That she was visiting [word apparently erased] 3 or 4 miles in the country, and that she did not live here. She questioned us pretty close, and

then she would guess things soon after to tell us. We took tea with Emma this evening and came home about 9 oclock.

Sunday 25th [actually, the 26th] April. Pa, Addie & I went up to the "Reformed Church" (back of Mr. Becketts) to church today, and we met Mrs. Terry & daughter Miss Marie I believe, whom Pa has known for years & he introduced me to them for I never saw them before. They were driven out of a very fine house near town last Summer by the Federals. This evening we went over to Sunday school, and then came home. Laid down until supper time.

Monday 26th [actually the 27th] April. Ma & Addie went to "Cave Hill Cemetery" this morning while I was at school. After I came home this evening Addie & I laid down an hour then went with Pa, Ma, Sallie & Jennie Moore to the "Blind Asylum." We heard the blind play on the Piano & violin also heard them converse & read & they did it all very well. I feel like it ought to put we who have eyes to the blush, but then they cannot see the

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things surrounding us, and enjoy them like we and therefore can study better.

Tuesday - 27th [actually the 28th] April 1863

Addie went to town this morning - perhaps she may go home Thursday, but if she does not go until Saturday she will come out Thursday again. Little Sallie Wingate came over to call on Miss Lester last evening while we were absent.

Wedensday, 28th.[actually the 29th] Last evening Pa brought Mr. Drury out home with him, of "Hickman." He remained all night & returned to town with him this morning. I went to school as usual to-day. We had a very hard thunder storm a bout 1 o clock. The Thunder came so sudden that it gave me a very severe headache, & made me very nervous, from which I have not entirely recovered yet. It made some the small girls jump up from their seats.

Thursday April 30th of April [The day/dates are now again correct] This being a day of "Fasting & prayer" appointed by "Lincoln," I did not fast but ate an uncommonly hearty dinner. Pa, Ma, Sallie & I went to town yesterday morning to market & to do some shopping. Pa thought that every place of sale would be closed, but the market was as crowded as usual, all the stores on Market Street were open, and on fourth. Most all of the merchants closed the door but were working at the back of the stores. Addie, Mrs. Richardson, Maria & black girl came out this evening on the cars. I went down to meet them. Mary Brannon who was coming up to see me went to the cars with me. Mrs. Thatcher & Emma came over soon after we returned & Mrs. Thatcher said that Emma might stay all night & we went walking to-wards Mrs. Thatchers gate. Emma & Addie went to the house for Emma to change her dress, & Mary & I remained at the gate. After tea Mr. Cannon came. About half past 8 oclock Mary, Emma, & Mr Cannon were just a bout starting, when Mr. Brannon & Mr. Vennigerholz came, so they all remained until 11 o clock.

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Friday. May 1st 1863. 2 o clock P.M.



Another year has rolled round, and now I think it has passed very quickly, but there have a great many things transpired since last May day when I was at "Big-rock," & while it was passing it seemed very slow, indeed. We only had school to-day until 12 o'clock. Addie & Mrs. Richardson went to town this morning, but if they do not get a boat to-morrow (& they can know to-day whether there is any boat to have to-morrow) Addie will come out with Pa about 3 oclock. Addie, Sallie Neill & Horris Dix came out with Pa. Soon after they came, Miss. Prather & George Prather came. George is a son of Mr. Dick Prather, & is up to his Aunts, Mrs. Prather going to school. They remained until Sundown then returned home. ~~Addie and I retired early.~~ We took a walk before supper with Emma Thatcher & Miss Anna Brannon to meet Mary Brannon who had gone to Mr. Becketts to get some girls - Mattie Allen & Miss. Sarah & Emma Vinegarholt. We met them & they got out of the carriage & walked with us. They are going a fishing to-morrow. Addie & I retired early.

Saturday. May 2nd. We went to Mr. Brannons about 9 o'clock this morning to stay until they should start fishing. We went over to the Fairground to see the cars pass. Allice Miller was on the cars, & I saw her. I think that there were some of the other girls there but I did not see them. We remained at Mrs. Brannons until 3 oclock when we went fishing. Mrs. Coake, Mattie Allen, Addie Lester, Sarah & Emma Vinegarhold, Mary Brannon, Emma Thatcher, Mr. Brannon, Mr. Cannon, Mrs. Duff, Ma, Sallie, Horris & Sallie Neill went early this morning & staid all day. Addie caught one fish, & was the only one of our party that

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did catch any. Ma's party caught 12. They did not get home until after Sun-down a long time. Mattie Allen & the Misses Vinegarholt went back to Mr. Becketts yesterday evening. I gave Mattie my Photograph & she is going to send me hers. I never got so tired of any body as I did of George Cannon. He even had come home with us & stay[ed] here ever so long. I wish that he would go to St. Louis as he is talking about. ~~Sunday~~ We walked with Emma & Mary Brannon, waiting to see the cars pass, but we did not see them at all. Yesterday about dinner time a train of 20 cars passed. 16 cars were crowded with Federal Soldiers & the other 4 had Ambulances on them.

Sunday. May 3rd, 1863. Sallie & Horris went to town this morning. Addie will not go to town until to-morrow. Mrs. Thatcher, Mr. Cannon & Emma came over to go with us to Sabbath School. Ma & Sallie went, but Addie & I had the headache & staid in bed all day. Emma went to S.S. but found that there were no girls there & came over here. We could not excuse ourselves to Emma for the 4th time to go to her house so we got up & went with her as she insisted so much. It rained very hard while we were there, & Ma sent us some gum shoes & wrappings and we came home early for fear that it would rain again if we waited. Mr. Cannon came over with us.

Monday 4th. Addie went to town this morning & expected to get off from Louisville on the Alice Dean this evening at four o'clock. Pa is not at all well. He has been up to-day but it has made him feel a great deal worse.

Teusday 5th may. Pa does not feel any better. Dr. Chenoweth was sent for to come see him to-day. He says that he has intermitten fever, or it may be Typhoid fever coming on. The old fortune teller said that she saw a sick gentleman in my fortune. It is

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strange how she could know. Ma says that she told her that Pa was going to be sick, but is going to live a long time yet. Mr. Cannon came this evening to bring Pa the evening paper. He was quite smitten with Addie & I think that he hoped she did not get off Monday & that he could see her.

Wednesday 6th. [May]

Thursday, 7th. This month is the ~~one~~ Emma's & my time to write the "Gleaner" our little newspaper & today we commenced it. Pa is very sick. He has not eat 3 oz for 10 days, & been in bed a week. He does not suffer very much pain just is so weak & sick when ever he has to get up. Dr. Chenoweth says it may terminate in Typhoid fever.

Friday, 8th, 1863.

Saturday 9th. I went to town this morning to shop & came out home as soon as I got through with it. Sallie went in to stay until tomorrow evening. Our men have retaken Fredericksburg & whiped Hookers army dreadfully. I wish that I had time to write the news but have not and keep the democratic papers for they do not lie as much as the abolishment ones but they even dare not publish the real truth. Mr. Cannon came for me to ride with him this eve but I did not go. Mary Brannon, Emma & I went walking this eve & met Mr. Brannon, Mr. Cannon & Mr. Duff who walked home with us. Pa is a great deal better tonight. I have been engaged all evening until very late, posting his books for him. He is a little fretful while he is sick, & I could not help laughing at him to-day telling me to do things that I never had known how to do & he did not want to show me. Thought that I ought to know without being taught. I was so amused at him when he told me to describe a check in one of his books & I did not know how never having seen any one do it., but fortunately I guessed right & described it correctly. I also wrote several letters for him, in which I had some

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practise in describing checks.

Addie & Mrs. Richardson did not get off until yesterday. She was looking for a boat every day until yesterday.

Sunday 10th May.

I wrote several letters for Pa this morning, then studied my Sunday School lesson & went to Sunday school. After Sunday school I went in town for some medicine for Pa & to Mrs. C's for Sallie. Mrs. Hardin has been here all evening & Mrs. Thatcher. Dr. Moore came over from Sunday school. Dr. Moore said that he did not know that Pa was sick more than one of his usual spells. Mr. Thatcher came over to see Pa after supper.

Stoneman, a Fed., has made a raid behind "Lee's Army" and has not been heard of since they went there. Yesterday they had a rumor in the papers that Richmond had been taken by his Cavalry but to-day they say that nothing has been heard of it & they fear the rebels have captured them, A few days ago some of the Yankee soldiers went to Mr. Hix's house in Louisville {opposite to Mrs. Crutchers on 5th street between Green and Walnut} and arrested Mr. Hix (Hicks)[corrected later above the line, here and below] & his little boy. [Blank] sent them to prison & threaten to shoot or hang Mr. Hix (Hicks) upon the knowledge of his being President of a private society of treason. They searched

Mrs. Hix (Hicks) & Mrs. Furgerson her sister. Col. Mundy said that the searcher was a woman dressed in Fed. uniform, but Mrs. Hix (Hicks) believes it was a man. They told her if she did not quietly submit to an examination that it would go hard with her husband & child under arrest & also with the other children. They took off of her every thing but her chemise & felt her skin & pinched her & told Mrs. Furgerson that she was very plump. They read Mrs. Hix's letters, tore up her carpets & bed-clothes in search for flags {rebel}. After Mrs. Hix was searched she went up stairs to dress & wrapped the flags which she had in the house about her person & deressed before the Feds could find it out. I believe that

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they got infallible proof of Mr. Hix (Hicks) being the leader of a treasonable society from papers found in the house. Mrs. Hix told Mrs. Crutcher & Mrs. Thatcher about it herself. She says that they had the house surrounded before she knew that they were near & that she trembled like a leaf she was so frightened at seeing a bout 30 men with guns at her door.

Monday 11th. I went to bed last night with the candle in the bed, to read for the first time in my life that I know of & was so sleepy that I fell asleep with the candle still there. Ma came into my room about 11 o'clock & I was fast asleep with the candle at my head. Mrs. Coake & Mr. Hardin came over this eve to see Pa. Mrs. Wingate sent him some things to eat but he could not eat it. I went walking this evening with Mary Brannon, John Brannon & Emma and then went home with Emma and stayed all night. I had a pleasant visit.

Tuesday 12th. Emma & I went walking this evening & John Brannon & George Cannon overtook us. George Cannon dismounted & walked with us but John B. rode on like he should have done. I went over to Mrs. T's with Emma to ask Mrs. T. to let Emma stay all night with me and who should be there but pest? Mr. Thatcher was coming over and we had his company but pest came too without an invitation & sat until bedtime nearly. Emma & Mary think that George Cannon is dead in love with Addie & I think so too, but they think she is equally as much so with him. The idea is ridiculous.

Thursday. Emma and I arose early this morning & went to school. It rained until 3 o'clock. Mr. Kriger came out yesterday evening. He started from C\_\_ on Friday last. Ma, Mr. Kriger and Sallie went in town this eve. I staid at home with Pa & I did not feel like going in. Pa is a great deal better, but he will have to stay in bed a week more at least for he is so weak.

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Friday 15th

Mary Brannon and I took a ride on horseback this evening & went to Mr. Becketts where we staid about an hour. Miss Sallie Enders was sick, and I did not see her. Mrs. T\_\_ & Emma went up to Mr. B\_\_s & brought Miss. Annie Ewing home with them. I went over & stayed all night with them. Mary B\_\_ Johny B\_\_ & George C\_\_ were there until bed-time. I like Miss Ewing very much. She sings splendidly I think & so do judges of music, and she has received but very little instructions in music - plays nearly altogether by ear.

Saturday 16th. I stayed at Mrs. T\_\_s until about 9 o'clock & came home & helped Ma clean up for Ann is sick. Mrs. Crutcher & Eddie came out on the cars yesterday evening. Pa is a great deal better, & Ann too. Mrs. T\_\_ was over here this evening and Ada came for me to walk with her. We walked until late, when Mrs. Thatcher was just starting home. I went to see if Mr. Thatcher had any news and Ma told me to stay until Mr. T\_\_ came over as he expected to come over after supper. But I found that I would have to walk home with John B\_\_ or George C\_\_ and as Mrs. T\_\_ insisted on my staying all night I stayed. I am perfectly charmed with Annie Ewing. She is quite of favorite with Mr. Thatcher. He knew her at Russellville when he was down there last winter. She was 16 years old last month. She has fair skin blue eyes very light hair and her eye brows & lashes are several shades darker than her hair. She has a well shaped hand & pretty foot, a sweet face, and pretty form

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& has been in society long enough to be perfectly easy in company. She was born & raised in Russellville, and is the daughter of Senator or congressman Ewing in the C.S. She has no [word indecipherable] sisters or brothers.

Sunday. 17th 1863.

I came home from Mrs. T\_\_s this morning & wrote in my composition book & got my Sunday school lesson before dinner.

Friday, May 22nd. 1863

Mrs. Thatcher expected to have Emma, Ada, Lucy & Eddy christened this evening, but was disappointed in having Mr. Wells come out.

I have been riding on horse-back for the last week & intend to continue to do so. I feel so bad that I think twill help me. Every one says I am looking so thin that I am going to regain my healthy looks at Sheca's expense if I can.

Saturday 23rd. As Ann is not well enough to do any thing scarcely I cleaned up 2 rooms this morning, & went down to the cars this morning - went down to the cars with Sallie for she went to town on them. Mr. Hardin who was there told me if I would go through Mrs. Brannons that he would get his morning paper for me to take Pa so I went through. Mr. Brannon & Mr. McMytle walked as far as Mrs. Thatchers with us. I came home prepared to go to town and started at 3 o'clock. Mr. Brannon gave me a lovely bouquet to-day. I called on Margaret Gray, but she was at Mrs. Kennedy's. I then went to Mrs. Smiths on the corner of 5th and Green for Sallie but she had gone to the dancing hall with Blanche Smith, so I did my shopping & went to the Dancing hall for Sallie.

I rode on horse back when I got home & met Mary Brannon & Mr. Cannon. They wanted me to go to the Water Works with them this

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evening, but I did not want to go.

They rode with me & we rode in Mrs. Kennedy's for a few moments but did not get off. Mr. Gray was there & another girl but did not introduce them to us. Mollie Gray was there too & she laughed at us I suppose all the time for she was laughing & commenced as soon as we got there & tried to get the other girls to do the same. I do not care for she had nothing to laugh at about me.

Day before yesterday I had a delightful ride up towards Mr. Williams house. It is the only place that I can ride without meeting a gentleman & if there is anything hateful to me it is to ride with one except a very interesting one sometimes.

When I got home Emma had come to stay all night. George Cannon came over after tea & sat a few moments, he said he came to see if Emma was going to stay all night.

Sunday 24th. Emma left about 9 o'clock. I studied my day school & Sunday school lessons until dinner, after which I went to Sunday school [with] Emma who came by for me. We had a very interesting lesson to day. Acts 2nd Chapter, 1-13 verses. After Sunday S\_\_ I went over to Mrs. T\_\_s to the baptism. Mr. Wells was there, Mr. Bridgeford & several ladies. Miss. Lilly & Helen Thompson & Mrs. Penegrass were god-mothers. Emma did not want to be baptised, but she submitted with a good grace. She was christened Mary Emma, Ada-Ada Cannon, Lucy-Lucy Cutter, for a New York Belle of Mrs. Thatchers acquaintance & Eddie-E. Edward Merideth. The ceremony was a lovely one, performed at Sun set

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and by Mr. Wells. Oh, I wish that I was good enough to be a member of a church & could have Mr. Wells to baptise me if I was baptised when a baby. I resolve from henceforth to try & do right in the sight of God & man. I will be 15 years of age in June & 15 years is a long time to live. Mary Brannon says that she does not want to give up the pleasures of this world yet, but I do not look upon religion in that sense. I would not join a church even if I knew enough about them to do it for a reason which 'tis best not to divulge even to this, the confident of all hearts almost.

Monday 23rd of May.[actually the 25th] We have been trying to persuade Miss Marsh to let us have a May Queen next Friday but she said that she could do nothing about it, but that the parents must give their permission if any person. All of the parents are willing but we do not know yet whether we will have it. I was the means of getting Sidney Kennedy elected May Queen. They wanted to make me Queen because my hair curls but I would not be it. Sidney chose me as one of her attendants but I ~~do not~~ think that I will not officiate. Sidney is so sweet.

Teusday 24th. [actually the 26th] Sidney & me [unclear, but perhaps corrected to "I"] went riding this evening & went to Miss Cary's & sat a bout a half an hour or an hour. We had a very pleasant ride. Sidney has such a darling little pony & she looks as sweet as a rose on him, as lovely as a violet when off. There were two such funny gentlemen over to see Miss

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Alice Cary this evening. A Mr. Louis & Mr. Ruddle. I rode past Mr. Becketts yesterday evening but was afraid that I would be late getting home & did not wait for any of the girls to come to the gate.

Wedensday 27th. [Day/dates again correct]

Thursday 28th. Today Emma Thatcher is 16 years of age. We are going to put off having our "May Queen" until next Friday (tomorrow week) for then Mrs. Kennedy will help to fix things, and Mr. Kennedy is going to write some pieces of poetry or prose to

suit the occasion. Sweet Sidney as I have said is to be queen but as Monday next is the first of June I think that we will have to crown the greenest girl in school Bug of June. Emma & Mary Brannon & George Cannon wanted me to go riding with them this evening up to Mr. Becketts, but I would not go. Emma gave me an invitation to a Fishing party to day from her cousin, George Cannon who has permission from Miss Nannie Williams (who is getting it up, I believe) to invite two young ladies. Mary B\_\_, G. C of B\_\_ & E\_\_ T. came by on horse back this evening to extend an invitation from Miss Anna B. who she says is assisting Miss W\_\_ to get it up. I am not going nor would I if Pa were well for I am not acquainted with Miss. W\_\_ & would not accept of an invitation from Anna Brannon for she has not much to do with it & I would not go with a young gentleman of course.

It is going to be at the "Water Works."

Oh, I do wish that Sidney would love me now. (Miss Sallie Enders has gone home to Paducah.)

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Friday, 29th [May] 1863.

Saturday, 30th 1863.

Sunday 31st May. Yesterday a Mrs. Sale, her daughter Maggie & two little children came out to Mrs. Thatchers with Pierce Sale, nephew of Mrs. Sale. Emma has sent for me to go over & see Miss. Maggie twice but it has been so rainy that I did not go until this evening. I met Mrs. Thatcher at Sunday school & promised her to come over soon after I got home. I went & was very much pleased with Miss Sale & Mrs. Sale. The enemy burned their house & every thing in it almost in Memphis & they are now boarding in Louisville, & Maggie is attending Mrs. Noll's school.

It rained whilst I was at Mrs. T's & I had a muddy walk home with Sallie & George Cannon. Mr. Thatcher was over tonight. Dr. Chenoweth brought his oldest little girl to see us this evening & he brought the other two several days ago. They are very interesting children & the oldest, Annie, is rather pretty, but the Dr. says that Fannie the next oldest is considered the prettiest & is almost the very image of him.

I think that Mrs. Chenoweth has such a good face. Dr. Chenoweth brought the finest strawberries to Mama this morning that we [two words indecipherable] several gentlemen were here to see Pa at the time and they said that they never saw such fine large, solid strawberries before.

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[This page is apparently random writing, not meant to be part of the journal.]

List of Southern generals which I & my flag is in mourning for-  
Zollicoffer

Brigadier General Roger Hanson

Jackson, Commonly known as Stonewall Jackson

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Monday 1st day of June 1863.

I took a ride on horse back this evening & went to Mr. Becketts to see Annie Ewing, Bertie Woolfolk, Belle Skinner, Mattie Allen. I saw Lizzie Laurence, Mollie Sewall, & some of the other girls, Miss Nannie Woolfolk is sick. I also saw Sarah Vinegarholz. Emma V\_\_ left for home after a sickness of a week just as I got there. Mr & Mrs. Beckett were not at home but I met them. Mr. Beckett gave me a very cordial invitation to come up to see them. I did not stop to speak to Mrs. B\_\_ for she was in the Rockaway but Mr. B\_\_ was walking.

There is to be a picknic from Mr. B\_\_s school I expect next Friday. Mary Brannon took tea up there Sunday night and Mrs. B\_\_ told her to tell Emma & I to come, and yesterday Kimmy Temple invited me.

Bertie Woolfolk & Annie Ewing asked me to write them. Belle Skinner had just received a letter this morning. Mr. Kriger came out this evening, & I received a letter from Addie & Myra to-day.

It is said that Gen Jackson was killed by his own men. He went out in the front of the line between the Fed. army & the Confed Army with his staff, and where he himself issued orders for any one to be shot if they passed by, & he received 3 balls.

Hunter wrote a most contemptuous letter to Jeff

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Davis as he addressed him, saying that he would hang or shoot the most important confed officers in his hands or any slave holder in retaliation for negroes hung by the rebels. I would file the letter but it is too contemptible to keep. (The rebels captured 2000 negroes in arms at [blank space] on the [blank space] a few days or weeks ago & hung them all.)

Mr. Kriger is reading the evening paper which says that the rebels have captured 300 more negroes & that it is reported Hunter is releived of his command.

The rebels have a small shell called the handgranade, something like the size of an egg I think & at the last late fight of Vicksburg the Yankees tried to climb up the bluff to the fort & the rebels just rolled the large shells down the bluff on them & they burst in the midst of Grants men & if they got up near the fort by means of ladders they threw these little shells at them & they are like torpedoes, for ~~the burst~~ when they strike anything they burst. The rebel soldiers pitch them at the feds in battle too. So the Yankee papers say.

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Teusday 2nd.[June] Wedensday 3rd. Thursday 4th. Friday 5th.

Ma drove from town out home yesterday.

Mr. Kriger went to town yesterday. He drove to town and Ma took Fannie to come back with her. It was the first time that Ma ever drove a horse in a buggy. Today she went in with Sallie and brought Mrs. C\_\_, Nellie & a little negro girl out with her.

Harry Crutcher came out on the cars.

Emma Thatcher staid all night with me night before last & she came over this evening and begged Pa to let me stay all night with her, but he did not consent, but said I might stay till bed-time. I met Old Mrs. Porter & Miss Julia Porter her daughter from town at Mrs. T's. Came home about 9 o clock & spent a wretched [sic] night.

Saturday 6th. Arose early this morning after a restless night, did my practicing & studied my lessons while Ma & Mrs. Crutcher took a ride. Ma is quite independent now.

I rode up to Mr. Becketts on horse back this evening and took some cherry sticks to Bertie Woolfolk, Mollie Allen Annie Ewing, and Belle Skinner. Cousin Eliza Neal [later corrected to "Neill"], Mr. Neal, Sallie Neal, Horris Dix & little Neal (Neill)[also a later correction] came out from town & staid until after tea. Mrs. Crutcher went home this evening. Mrs. Thatcher was over a while this evening.

Sunday 7th. I arose early this morning as usual. Have had a very bad head-ache all day. Dr. Chenoweth brought his oldest children with him this

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morning - Annie & Fannie.

Mr. Wm. Dix & Mr. Cooper came out to see pa this evening. I did not feel well enough to go to Sunday school this evening. Sallie went & Mrs. Thatcher & all of the children came over with her.

Since Pa has been sick he has been treated so kindly by his neighbors & friends in town that he says he expects to live here as long as he lives. He feels perfectly settled, & is already planning improvements to make as soon as he gets well enough to attend to them but I think it is all talk for if the soldiers come here this summer (& I believe they will) it may be destroyed. It is reported that Grant is going to leave front of Vicksburg & come to Kentucky. I hope & pray not unless it would be a great advantage to our men for they will drive us almost out of house & home. I would rather that they would go to the bottom of the Mississippi river & do not think it wicked in me to wish it either. Cousin Tom B\_\_ was sent South about ten days before the 5th or 6th of May, & cousin Mary, Dr. Uncle Mortimer & family were sent about ten days after cousin Tom. Cousin Mary, Dr. Uncle Mort & family who went out in the same crowd. They solicited Rosecranz to send them. They are sending 2 of the best surgeons south by sending Dr. & Cousin Tom there.

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I think it is very presumptuous in Lincoln to think that he can send any person over on the Southern people that he chooses to. Outcasts [three words smeared, indecipherable] is to the Northern States too.

It is said and I beleive confirmed that the Confeds have adopted a new flag, the Beauregard battle flag I think. 'Tis all white (purity) except the field which is blue with a cross in it. I do not know wether the cross is white or red.

9th June. Mr. Mrs. Neill and Mrs Wm. Dix & children came out & spent the day.

Thursday 25th of June 1863. We closed school 3 weeks sooner than we expected to on account of warm weather. Yesterday we had an examination. I did as well as I could possibly have expected. I had a high compliment paid me by Mr. Kennedy & also by Mr. Graham Moore. Miss M\_\_ gave some prizes but not to the new scholars of course, therefore I was not included in the number who would be likely to get them. The prize was a small picture with a gilt frame. The picture was drawn by Miss Marsh. She also drew 2 others & had them framed one the size of Sallies, the other a little larger. She rewarded the largest to Sidney, & the other to Jennie Moore. Sidney's was for improvement in composition. Jennie Moore's was for not being absent a day from school during the ten months.



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She also gave the medals as rewards. Jennie Cary would have gotten that for having had it the most during the session (& those had it who had not missed in recitation during the day & were merit for not talking & laughing) or in other words for good scholarship. Jennie Cary went to Frankfort several days ago. Sallie Wingate got it as ranking next to Jennie C\_\_. Sallie Owens got the medal in her division which was the highest prize given.

Miss Marsh said that Sidney would have had it as many times as any one but she had for 2 months been absent part of two days in every week therefore missed getting it of course when she was not there & also I had it nearly as many times tho' I had only been going to [school] 4 mos. & that she would reward the prizes to those who had gone through the heat of the session. She gave Sidney & I the most difficult examples to do. The others she gave simple ones. I had the most difficult one, and Mr. Thatcher requested her to examine the French Class so as none of the books were there, and she called me to the board to write some sentences. Emma did me right mean for she said that she would leave hers there & as Miss M\_\_ said to take the rest of our books home, for they would be in the way. So I took nine home & Emma took hers too after saying that she would leave it. Neither Sallie nor Sidney in the first french class had their books at school. I do not know why Miss. M\_\_ did not call one of them up to write for they have studied it 1 year & I 6 months.

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But I was the only one that she called up. I was so embarrassed that I could hardly write but Ma says that she heard several persons remark that I write well, & another said if she does not write well, the sentences were translated & the French read well.

Emma would not read her composition & Miss Marsh asked her parents if she should excuse her. They said yes for she would create a scene if they did not so she did not read it.

Saturday June 27th. Sidney & Charley came for me to go to the water works yesterday evening, but I could not go, & they put off going until this evening, but this morning Charley came & said that we would have to put it off again until next week for something has prevented Sidney from going. I had an invitation to spend the evening at Mrs. Brannons yesterday evening. Pa took me down in the carriage when he came from town. Mrs. Thatcher asked M if I might stay with Emma last night. Ma consented as she has been promising so long to let me stay when school was out, so I staid, & as I came home this morning Emma & I called to see Miss Lou Hardin. Mrs. Hardins neices rarely visit but as I will not have time to go to-day we thought that we would go any way as Emma knew her before, and &c &c &c &c &c &c &c &c &c &c.

Ann is very sick - has been for 2 days. Dr. Chenoweth thinks that there is some eruption struggling to get out.

June 29th 1863. Dr. C\_\_ says that Ann has varioloid [a mild form of small pox in people who have been vaccinated or who have had the disease before] very bad. We have all quit going to her room except Aunt Lettie who nurses her. The Trustees had a meeting yesterday eve. They will propose to Miss. Marsh to stay & teach us next session. She is to turn out

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at 2 o'clock, have one session a day, & they limit her to 16 scholars, which will include all the girls of the neighborhood & Mrs. Wingate's 2 boys. A sum of money has been appropriated by the Trustees for prizes & they will give a prize for every study. They will not be much I expect. I would not like to think that I would not study from higher motives than for a prize - but it will be a good idea, & will do a good deal of good I have no doubt.

July 1st. 1863. We came to town this evening. We had just got in town when a very hard wind & rain storm suddenly blew up. Pa just turned the back of the carriage to the rain & wind & we waited until the hardest of the rain was over then came to Mrs. Crutchers, where we will remain till Saturday. It cleared off just before night.

The rebels under "Hinds" made a raid upon the Louisville & Lexington railroad about 40 miles from here. The papers say that they tore up two rails & but for the Conductor's seeing them in time to stop the cars, they would have run all the cars off but fortunately only the locomotive & a wood car ran off. There were only a very few passengers on the train. The rebels took the baggage off & notified the passengers to get off & then burnt the train with two trunks belonging to some rebel ladies of near Frankfort. They took the engineer's watch which was all the damage done. I do not like to hear of our men doing such things as robbing private individuals. Messrs Harney & Hughes, Editors of the Democrat (Louisville) were on the train, & the first of the rebels Mr. Harney saw was a Mr. Bob Smith

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whom he formerly knew very well. Mr. Smith on seeing him extended his hand saying "How are you Mr. Harney. What's the latest news from Vicksburg, Pennsylvania &c?" Mr Harney told him there was no news that he knew of, & gave him a Louisville Journal, that being the paper in Louis\_ of large circulation which had no truth in it. Mr. Harney told Mr. Baber that the cars suddenly stopped so the passengers thought on regular business. Presently some one said "Why the rebels are here." Then all in the cars were the cheapest looking individuals & frightened too that he ever saw.

After tea this evening Ma, Mrs & Mr. Crutcher & myself went around to a Saloon to drink some "Soda water." I did not drink any though they tried to get me to try it. I never thought that I would like it & never tried any to know.

Thursday July 2nd. I spent today in reading mostly. This evening after tea Ma, Mrs. Crutcher, Tommy, Sallie, Nellie & me went up to Mrs. Bushnell's (formerly Mrs Lyons) on Brook St. beyond Broadway & heard her sing & perform on the Piano. She sings exquisitely. She does not sing anything like as well as she did before she was married. She says that she is so pleasantly engaged in domestic affairs that she very much neglects her music. Mrs. Bushnell sings with a great deal of confidence & really gives more animation in her music but I don't believe that she knows as much about music as Ma does, & could sing as well if she

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had practiced as much lately as Mrs. B-- has.

Friday 3rd July. Emma Thatcher came in town yesterday to stay until Monday with Fannie Wright at Mrs. Dinwiddies on 2nd St. & this morning came down for me to go with her to call on Maggie Sole who boards on Market St. I went but M.S. was not at home. I then went to Mrs. Dinwiddies with Emma who after changing her dress went down Chestnut between 8th & 9th Sts. with me to call on Cornelia Johnson on Johnston. We found her at home. She is the young lady who came out here with Mrs. Johnson & Miss. Alice Taylor whilst Pa was sick. I like her very much. She is a strong rebel, is acquainted with some of our friends, Captain Pickett, Gen. Hardee, Gen. Cheatam, Gen. Polk, Major McNary, & Leuit. Richmond the power behind the throne. (Gen. Polks aid de camp). I read the remainder of the day until late in the afternoon when some girls came by for me to go up [the] street with them & I took that opportunity to do my shopping.

When I returned Mr. Baber proposed a walk out to Broadway. I did not want to go, but Ma told me to do so. We returned just in time for supper, after which (it was not dark) I walked on the pavement with Miss Charlotte & Miss Emma Dunharn for about a half an hour. I retired at a late bed-time.

Saturday the 4th of July 1863. It does not seem like the 4th of July to me. I am invited to a picnic but do not intend going. The Unions had a speaking &c &c &c &c at the court-house to day.

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I did not intend going to it, but Miss Emma & Hallie Dunham came by for me to go with them & as I had nothing else to do I went. We went to Mrs. Parkers parlor (at the Crann House opposite the Court House) & witnessed the whole of the grand proceedings. Mellie Parker (my old school-mate) has just returned from the East. She, her brother Wm. & a young lady friend of theirs visited Niagra Falls, Quebec, N. York, Boston, Montreal & Baltimore. She stopped Mr. B\_\_\_'s school soon after I did & went to Mrs. Nole's until May. She has quit school altogether....

I was introduced by Mellie to a Miss Waters while I was at Mrs. Parkers & also to her brother Mr. Wm. Parker.

The celebration opened by 150 soldiers marching up Green St. playing "Thou art so near & yet so far" on the brass band. They stacked arms in front of that side of the Court House facing Green Street. The band then went up on the steps of the C\_\_\_ House & played "Star Spangled Banner." Mr. Dupree then read "The Declaration of Independence." Next Mr. Bob Beard made a speech. I did not like it. The union people generally looked disgusted, but tried to cheer him. I never saw such ridiculous jestures as he made, & wish that I could describe them, but cannot. The soldiers would look at him & listen for a while to his speech & then turn away in disgust & laugh at him. He said

I believe that Vicksburg will in a few days fall & I believe that the Union flag is now floating over the rebel Capitol. At this the soldiers laughed outright, but the Union citizens tried to cheer. The audience sat up on the court house steps in front of the speaker. There was nothing like such a crowd as heretofore on such an occasion. After the speech the band played & sang "Rally around the flag boys." & some Union women joined in with them but in none of the proceedings was there any of that heart felt enthusiasm known only to a people whose heart & soul are in their cause. While the soldiers were singing their song a Mr. Hill sang the "Bonnie Blue Flag" & an officer told him that he would be arrested if he sang that again. Mr. H\_\_ said that he would sing it again & did, was arrested & sent to Barracks No. 1. He was a handsome gentleman & rather tall & commanding. He was guarded by two little soldiers dutchy looking fellows & he would look first from one to the other & had to look quite low to see them for they were so small & he so large, & when they directed him to go he would walk as independently as a King. They tied his hands behind him & from the way he walked one could not tell but he held them there of his own accord.

Mrs. C\_\_'s house servant is not well & her cook too. We went to Mr. Gillman's tavern at the "Point" to get boarding, but they were so crowded that they could not take us. We met the Cars at the Point, full of Picnicers from "Rudy's chapel" & they stoped at the point to take on a party from a woods near Mr. Gillmans. Soon another train came by laden with others. They - at Mr. G\_\_s directed us to Mrs. Carmacks [?] - said she had no servant but might take us. We went there but met with no success. On our way home Pa thought that perhaps we might get boarding at Mr. Fred. Rudy's (tho' he did not know who lived at the place when we went in) so we drove in. We found Mr. Rudy to be an old bachelor, who said we could get boarding there but there was no white female on the place.

Ma was afraid to come home so we got out & staid. Pa came home. It was raining when we got out, & continued to rain all evening. The place would be a charming place if the association was different, but as it is, it has no charms for me tho' Ma & Sallie are perfectly charmed with the place - the association detracting nothing from it. We had a very nice supper. The house certainly was a magnificent one when it was built. It was built nearly 40 years ago & looks almost like new. It has been very much neglected as can be easily seen - needs paint & the yard needs attention. There are double parlors with arched folding doors. All of the doors in the front part of the house are arched.

The steps up to the front porch are beautiful smooth stone - the floor of the porch of brick. around the edge of the porch are large wooden posts, resting on still larger stone pillars. On entering the house the first thing that meets ones gaze is a Hall a bout 18 feet square. On each side of this are bed rooms but no doors leading from them on this hall. Running lengthwise off this hall & the rooms is a long passage about 4 feet wide running the whole length of the rooms, but there is no door between the hall & passage - only a

long arch reaching the ceiling - which is all that divides them. just opposite the front door you see (across the hall & this passage) two doors leading into the parlors one in to one & the other to the other parlor. the parlors are not furnished, & the floors are the smoothest I ever saw, & there are beautiful old fashioned mantle pieces. The back part of the place is more lovely than the front. A long porch extends the whole length of the main house & at each end of it is a small porch.

July 8, 1863. It is reported that Pemberton has surrendered "Vicksburg" but I do not believe it. Burnside has ordered 100 guns to be fired to celebrate it & they have fired 16 or 18 guns here. 26 flags are hanging out on Main St. But they do not make any great to do about it even in the papers. ~~The Yanks say that V\_\_ surrendered on the 4th - if that is so, I believe Pemberton is a traitor or no general at all. I think that it is~~

I take it all back

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~~very strange how General Davis makes some appointments. I do not like the idea of a man of yankee birth even being put in so high a position as Gen. Pemberton.~~ [Inserted later, above these lines is the following sentence:] Gen Pemberton was born in Texas but from his speech was probably raised in the north.

Even if Vicksburg has fallen I think that things look brighter for us than ever. Gen. Lee has whipped Meade (the Yankee General commanding what was the Army of the "Potomac" but now the Army of Pensylvania. Meade is the successor of McDowell, McClelland, Burnside & Hooker) at "Gettysburg" Penn. Lee's object in going into Pennsylvania is not known to the world. I think 'twas to get Meade away from Virginia, & he has accomplished that. Lee is retreating to Virginia but leaves away up in Pensylvania a crippled up Yankee Army, while he (Lee) recrosses the "Potomac River" in safety with his victorious army & leaves not one of his wagon trains behind him. He carried his pontoons with him all the while.

Pemberton surrendered the northern papers say on the following conditions - He was to have all of his men paroled & given ten days rations, keep their [blank space] Officers to keep their private property, sidearms, & mounted officers 1 horse each.

Saturday 11th of July 1863. We have been home a week tomorrow - living on bakers bread & principally water. We intended going in to Mrs. Crutchers this evening but could not get ready in time to go, so after packing our trunk to take with us, Ma, Sallie, & me took a ride in the rockaway. We rode in to Mrs. Thatchers & she took a ride with us.

Ann is showing some signs of recovery. Mrs. Crutcher thinks now is the most dangerous time or rather

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will be in a few days. She says that there is a powder that goes through the air when the scabs are drying up & that then is the most danger, but Dr. Chenoweth thinks differently. He thinks if we were going to have it we could have it by now. He advises Ma to remain at home, but she will not for it is impossible almost to get a smallpox nurse for Ann & there is no use to get a servant for the house for she could get to no cooking stove without

going in the kitchen or the wash house, & this change of diet & for the worse too will make us all sick. Ma does not look so well from it already.

Sunday July 12th 1863. We came to town this evening at the earnest solicitation of Mr. & Mrs. Crutcher, & we will remain in a week; in the meantime Ann's Fannie will be removed from over the kitchen. Fannie was taken sick last Friday (10th July) & has symptoms of same disease that Ann has. I can't think 'tis Smallpox for various reasons, one is, they had four cases of which they called varioloid (a mild form of smallpox[]) the other was called smallpox though not confluent & Mrs. T\_\_ paid no attention whatever to it, nor did she have anything burned or fumigated. Mrs. Thatcher let every body come there as usual, & told them not a word of it, & let negroes go in the kitchen (where the smallpox case was) & let the neighbors come & go right by the door & told them of it not a word. Mrs. Thatcher had no idea of excluding or putting herself to any inconvenience if every one in the neighborhood had it. If they had told Ann that the negro had any contagious disease which they it had [sic] she never would have gone near it.

Teusday 14th. Last night Mr. Coleman came up & asked us to go down & drink some Soda Water at his new Drug Store.

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We went & it was very nice. I never drank any before last night in my life. Never thought I would like it. Yesterday when Uncle Minor came in to bring the trunk (Pa came in, in the morning too, so both he & Uncle Minor were gone for an hour) Fannie was taken very sick with Smallpox (Dr. Chenoweth said). She lost her speech jumped up out of bed but fell. Aunt Lettie was very much frightened very much, & Ann knew from Aunt Lettie's looks that she was excited by something & kept inquiring how Fannie was. Aunt Lettie was afraid to tell her for fear of making her worse.

Presently Uncle Minor came & Aunt Lettie immediately sent him for Dr. Chenoweth, who came & gave Fannie something which restored her speech. She had to get up very often to the chamber & she begged Aunt Lettie not to leave her. Ann was moved over to the old house with Fannie on Monday (yesterday) or to-day. Ann is not entirely well but able to wait on Fannie & could walk over to the other house. Aunt Lettie moved Anns things to the back of the old house, except the bedstead & 1 chair, which was left & fumigated with the room. The room was scrubbed & whitewashed & so was the kitchen. Then Aunt Lettie cleaned herself & will not go where Ann & F\_\_ are any more. She carries the food for Ann & Fannie to the top of the steps for Ann to get. She washes the dishes that Ann and F\_\_ use.

Saturday 19th.[Saturday was the 18th of July] We went to Mrs. Johnston's & spent the day Thursday. I met Mrs. & Mr. Sherwin there. Mr. Sherwin is Mrs. Sherwin's (who is

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a widow) son & the gentleman who was at Mrs. Brannon's one night when I was invited there to tea. He pretended that he was a through bred southerner out in the country to southerners. His mother told Ma that her husband did business in Mobile & Memphis for 20 yrs, but that the climate did not agree with her & she spent the greater part of her time north but Mr. Donald Sherwin her son was born in Mobile. She is a real Yankee by birth

principals (if she has any principal about her) & so was her husband. He says that he is a teacher in the "High School." He is a beau of Miss. Anna Brannon & I beleive she is desperately in love with him but he won't marry unless for money if he possibly can help it. His conversation at Mrs. Johnston's was like that of a fool, but I expect he is a pretty shrewd fellow as all Yankees are. Mrs. Johnston asked Mrs. Crutcher what she thought of him some time ago & she said - I think he is a natural born fool. Mrs. J\_\_ told her indeed she was very much mistaken. He asked me right often to have things on the table & once asked me to have some chicken when he saw me eating Icecream. I did not answer him at all. He asked Miss Alice Taylor to lend him a certain book, which she said she would go & get. He wanted to go and get it but she told him it was in her room & he could not get it & she went to get it & he followed her to her room. He courted her but was rejected. He came in that morning on the cars with Mary Brannon on the cars, & Mary B\_\_ came by Mrs. Johnstons for him in the evening for him to go out with her. Margaret Johnston went out with her & staid all night. Mary intended to have gone to

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Mrs. J\_\_'s to dinner (from Mr. Sherwins invitation) but did not get there in time. Mrs. Johnston I think is ashamed of some of her new acquaintances in the part of town she is now living in (corner of Jackson & Chestnut), but since she has been living up there her old friends do not visit her as often as before on account of the inconvenience of going I suppose & she is a big fish in the uptown waters as the saying is, & she is rather getting to like it, for her neighbors think her smart & rather look up to her.

The Sherwins call their boarding place over in New Albany but have been visiting Mrs. Craddock a widow opposite Mrs. Johnston, & 'twas there that Mrs. J\_\_ became acquainted with them & invited them to stay some with her. When we went into the dinner table Mr. Sherwin & his mother had taken their respective seats at the table before we went in the dining room.

I made an engagement to spend Friday ev'en with Maggie Johnson or Johnston, but Johnson I believe, but was so thoughtless as to forget about it. Ma & I came out home this evening (Saturday 18th) left Sallie in town for her arm was so sore from vaccination that Ma was afraid to bring her home. My arm did not take at all. All on the place except Ma who was not re-vaccinated had their arms to take but me. Fannie took sick when her arm was worst. I was afraid that she would have Erecypela [?] [blank space] for they say when Smallpox is in the atmosphere that vaccination ~~helps to~~ brings on that disease.

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Monday 20th.[July] I was ready to go down to Mrs. Kennedy's to see Sidney & Pattie Fields her friend from Richmond, but it rained & I could not go. Sid has sent me word & asked me several times to come to see Miss. Fields, but I have not been though.

Ma & I went over to Mrs. Thatchers last night. Pa had to go to town late in the evening & Mr. T\_\_ walked home with us. We met Pa. Mr. T\_\_ came to the house & sat sometime. I can't help beleiving that Vickburg has fallen now, but I am more sanguine of success than ever. If every city along the coast falls we will fight the Yankees a thousand times better away from water. The force captured is not told at least truthfully by the

Yanks & we have not heard the number from our men. Morgan has been on a grand raid in Indiana & Ohio for some time, & has now crossed over into Virginia with 1200 of his men (twelve hundred) but Col. Basil Duke with some 7 or 8 hundred men were captured. The editors of the Enquirer (Cincinnati) got a pass from Major Gen Burnside to go & learn the number of prisoners. One of them in giving an account of it says - "Col. Duke is a man of about 5 ft & 5 or 6 inches, in height. Very gentlemanly in appearance. Has dark hair and deep dark piercing or rather searching eyes (so says the Enquirer of Cincinnati). When we told him our business he said by whose authority do you come? We answered we have a pass from Major Gen Burnside. He then very politely told us to go up stairs & some of the officers would give us a list of the prisoners."

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"We went up stairs, which we found to be not the coolest place in the world. Seeing a prisoner we asked of him very politely if he could tell us where Mr. Morgan was (meaning John Morgan's cousin who was captured). Col. Morgan you mean I suppose said the soldier gruffly. We told him 'twas that gentleman, & he then conducted us to him. Col. Morgan is about medium height, large blue eyes & light hair. In speaking to us he said - "You see we have stood our march well. Our clothes are not quite as good as they were when we put them on, & we are a little worse from our march, but by no means down hearted as you can see." It seems that Morgan's command was divided, Duke commanding one, Morgan the other, & Col. D's captured. It is said that Morgan has crossed into Virginia with his men & artillery. The federals according to the papers say that they have taken 7 or 8 hundred prisoners, & know not how many have escaped with Morgan.

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[Top half of this page torn off, but apparently was not part of this journal.]  
Tuesday 21st.[July] Emma and I went down to Mrs. K\_\_'s to call on Miss Fields this evening, but she & Sidney had gone to town. We went to see Mollie Gray. Her cousin, Ella Gray was with her & I asked for her. She seems to be a very nice girl indeed. I think that Mollie has improved very much, both in looks & manners, since the close of school.

Yesterday Mr. Walker sent word around to Mrs. Crutcher's to ma (thinking she was there) that he was in town & had a picture of cousin Mary for her. He sent to know if she was there & would come around to see her. Pa will go to see him to day, & if he does not leave before to morrow Ma will go to morrow.

Wednesday 22nd of July 1863. Ma & I went in town this morning. I staid with Jennie Shanks all day, Ma with Mrs. Crutcher. Ma called

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at Mrs. Richardson's (Mr. W's daughter) this afternoon to see Mr. W. He has been in bed sick ever since he arrived until this evening. A cataract has been over one of his eyes for more than 3 years & now one is forming over the other. He can see but very little. He walked nearly home with Ma & Sallie. He is on his way to Philadelphia to have his eyes operated on by a celebrated Dr. by the name of Kaye I believe. He is very low spirited



indeed. He says "it is such a pity that any body that is as fond of the beautiful in nature & looking at pretty ladies should go blind." He eulogizes Cousin Mary a great deal. He says he thinks there never was such a woman. Dr. Buchanan was very dissipated before he

[The bottom 2/3's of a page, unnumbered, remains here, listing the names of the holders of Miss Marsh's medal, and for merit cards, during March, 1863. The names on the two lists on the front are: Sallie G. Owens, Jennie Moore, Pattie Kennedy. Luch Thatcher, [A]Lisha McGinnis, Frank Wallworth, Willy Bullitt, Eddie Wingate. On the reverse, apparently the upper class, are: Annie Stiltz, (twice, once with a z and once with an s) Lizzie Stilts (with the same spelling switch), Sidney A. Kennedy, Jennie Cary, Sallie Graham Wingate, Cora Owens, Mollie Gray, Emma Thatcher, Mary McGinnis.]

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left Nashville & cousin Mary had to attend to every thing herself. She scattered her furniture among her friends & rejected the assistance of those who offered to help her, for fear the federals would find out whose it was. Just as the cars were about to start with cousin Mary & Dr., Fannie's father a free negro in Nashville came to tell her good bye & took [her] in his arms & carried her away amid the cheers of the soldiers. A correspondent of the Cincinnati commercial writes the following piece as a description of the scene.

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Wednesday 22nd.

Thursday 23rd. I went down to Mr. Kennedy's this afternoon & spent the evening. Miss Pattie Fields is two months younger than Sidney & quite interesting. Has a very sweet face. Sidney looked as sweet as ever. Mollie & Ella Gray were there to tea & also Mss. Sallie & Ellen Wingate besides me. After tea Miss. Pattie played for us on the Piano awhile when Mr. K. got one of his white men to play for us on the violin, & we spent sometime in dancing & playing games. I spent a very pleasant evening. Pa came for me about 10 o'clock. Mrs. W\_\_ left as we did.

Friday 24th of July 1863. I was busily engaged in helping Ma to clean the house to-day until dinner time, for now that Ann & Fannie are sick we have to do it, for it is almost an impossibility to get servants of any kind white or

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black to come to the country even where there is no sickness, & in all Pa's attempts to get a servant, the climax was capped when they found we had smallpox on the place.

Emma Thatcher came over to Mr. Hardin's fence to-day & asked me to go over to her house to tea. I told her I could not for we were looking for Mr. Walker out to spend the night & I wished to see him. She is going to spend this evening at "Mr. Park's barbacue."

Saturday 25th.[July] I went over to Mrs. Thatchers this evening to call on Emma & Miss. Laura Cannon (E's cousin from St. Louis) but upon Miss C\_\_'s plainly saying in my presence to Emma, it is time we are going to Aunt Lizzie's, Mr Cannon, & I wonder why cousin Johnny & Georgie don't come with the horses & like speeches, I apologized (?) [apparently a doubt about the spelling] for intruding & took my exit. Emma seemed provoked at her cousin for she wanted me to stay until they started, for she is always after me to go over to her house & knows how hard it is to get me there. Once I saw Miss Cannon (in the glass) roll her eyes around at me, as much as to say I wish she'd go home, making herself appear more like a child of 6 years than a woman of 20 years. Again while she made those brilliant orbs of her appear so bewitching Lucy (the cunning little mischief) says "Cora did you see cousin Laura? she closes her eyes just this way at you, & she imitated Miss Cannon precisely, which well behaved lady looked as if she felt some what sheepish especially a few moments after. I will not report my remark to Lucy intended as a cut for Miss C\_\_. I could scarcely refrain from laughing outright.

Sunday 26. Monday, 27. I took a ride on horseback this evening & rode down

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for Sidney but her pony threw her the other day & hurt her arm so that she could not ride. I was introduced to Miss. Mary Hewett, Sidney's cousin from town. I met Dr. Chenoweth on the back rode [sic]. He said I had better turn back with him for there were 6 or 8 young gentlemen sitting on the fence not far down the road. I asked him who they were & said I beleived I was not afraid of them. He would not tell me who they were, but said there were various young gentlemen there. I rode on & did not see them so thought that they had gone & was going on at full speed with my veil down when suddenly I saw them in a row on Mr. Serbs fence. I did not bow or speak for I did not know who they were with my veil down. I soon met Miss Emma Curry who said 'twas Charley Moore, Jno. B. Cary, Mr. Berryman & her brother.

Teusday 28.[July] I took my ride this evening & met Sidney, Miss Pattie, Miss Hervett at Mr. K's gate. Sidney invited me to join their party to the water works to morrow, but I am going to town to morrow & told her I couldn't go. S\_\_Miss P\_\_ & Miss Mary Hervett are going accompanied by the gallants, C. Moore, J. B. Cary & Mr. Berryman.

Miss Alice Cary has Typhoid fever & I called to hear how she was.

Wednesday 29. Ma & I went to town this evening at 3 o clock. Soon after we got there we had a very hard rain for about 3 quarters of an hour. We staid with Mrs. Crutcher until 9 o clock when Pa, Ma, Sallie & me came home. We stopped on Main St. to hear the

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speeches of The Honorable Mallory & Mr. Harney, canedates for ~~the house of representatives or for legislature~~ the Senate. Hurrah for Harney. Canidate for the Senate. [Both references to the Senate were added later.]

Thursday 30th[July] I took a ride on horseback this evening. Went to see how Miss Alice Cary was. Saw Jennie & Miss Mary Price who is visiting her. Also Mr. Cary, Jno. B. & Mr. Berryman. Jno. B. says that they started to the water works - got to Mr.

Thompsons, had to go in out of the rain, returned to Mr. K's by 8 o'clock where the boys staid to tea & went home at 11 o'clock & met Old Mr. Cary at the door with a scolding for them for having kept the horses out from 4 o'clock till 11.

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Teusday 28. After tea this evening Pa had gone to Mr. Hardins & some one knocked at the front door, & lo & behold - Mr. Cannon - the bother. There was I (having felt sick all evening & not dressed myself) with a nice calico on but [several words smeared, unreadable] & no collar on. I went & put one on, but did not change my dress for him. Presently some one else knocked & I knowing Aunt Lettie would never hear their knock went to the parlor door & there stood at the front door 3 boys - Charley Moore, Jno. B. Cary & a gentleman who was introduced as Mr. Berryman (of whom I have often heard). He is from Versailles Ky - Jno. B. Cary's cousin & visiting him & Charley Moore. I did not think of it being any body but Pa when I went to the door for I thought any body would be afraid to come. Ma says she don't know how I got along with 4 boys & I did feel embarrassed

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but I always try to retain my self-possession. I never had as many beaux at one time to entertain in my life before, but they are mere boys & I don't mind them much.

This evening about 5 o'clock Mr. Walker came out, purpose to tell us of the reported death of Dr. Buchanan. I am very sorry. I loved Dr. I think he was one of the best men that ever lived & do hope that he was prepared to die. Cousin Mary went from Nashville to the springs near Atlanta Georgia.

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Friday 31st July 1863. I have been sick in bed all day until late this eveng. We had a very hard rain this eveng about 2 or 3 o'clock, & it thundered & lightened a good deal. Every thing looks so fresh, washed, & cleared from dust. We met Mrs. McDowell at Mrs. Crutchers Wednesday. Mrs. C\_\_ said that Mrs. McDowell was coming out to our house last Saturday to stay several days with Ma, but Mrs. Crutcher [told her] about our having the Smallpox here.

Ann & Fannie have cleansed off & their room is now cleansed. We feel perfectly safe.

Saturday August 1st 1863. I took a ride this evening with Mr. Cannon. Soon after I returned Mr. & Mrs. Thatcher, Mrs. Pentegrass (who is visiting Mrs. T\_\_) Emma & Eddy came over & sat a while. Pa did not get home until 8 o'clock. He never gets home sooner for he is so busy getting Drug Store in good order, & he can not come earlier for several days. Sunday August 2nd. I have been reading a good deal

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to-day, mostly in "Robertson's America."

Sunday Aug. 2nd. 1863.

Monday Aug. 3rd. 1863. I went to town this morning & after doing my shopping I went up to Mrs. Webbs on Chestnut between 1 & 2nd Sts. to spend the day with Miss Margaret Johnston (or 'son) but she was in the country. I then went to Mrs. Crutcher's &

staid till 3 o'clock. I went to the Drug Store S.E. corner of 6th & Market, & found that Pa would probably not come out before 6 o'clock so I went down to the cars to come out on them as I was suffering very much with Neuralgia. I met Miss Anna Brannon & Mr. Sherwin before I got to the cars. Just as the cars were nearly ready to start we saw a train of Confederate prisoners very near us. The Guard was going to take the prisoners down town when we saw them. While we were there the Confederates came off the cars. They looked as Independent as is characteristic of our men. They were clad in jeans, but now & then a soldier had on a smoke colored or grey coat, with brass buttons like the soldiers at Columbus used to wear. Their clothes did not look as bright as the yankees, but looked as comfortable, & our soldiers looked noble under them. One rebel on top of a car got up to put his blanket around him (preparing to leave the cars), when a yankee said to him, "you rebs have not got as nice blankets as we have." The rebel said "No, & I would not have a blanket like a d\_\_\_(amned) \_\_\_d yankee." The yankee silenced. Oh, they looked so noble that I could scarcely restrain my sympathy towards them. I met Jennie & Fannie Moore & their little cousin Jennie Moore at the Fair grounds. This is election day. Everything seems to be going on very quietly. Some citizens have been arrested for voting, but it is a very quiet

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election to what was thought it would be.

The abolitionists with drew the Wickliffe ticket from the Pole at Portland because the Democrats were getting too many votes to suit the republicans. They swore but one man at the "Point" & that was Old Mr. Fred. Rudy.

Sidney Kennedy, Miss Pattie Fields & Miss. Mary Hewett came for me to ride on horse-back with them this evening but Pony was not here & so I was deprived of a ride. Mr. Cannon came to see me to-night but I was too sick to see him.

Teusday, 4th of August. I have been sick in bed all day until this evening. I got up & wrote a letter to Addie Lester & one to Lizzie Steele & intended writing to Myra but felt so indisposed that I delayed it. I commenced a book mark on a perforated card this evening, for Sidney.

Wedensday, 5th of August. I commenced to iron some this morning & after having ironed a bout a half an hour or an hour, I went to the door where the sun was shining in & was talking to Ann who was out in the yard & suddenly I felt very sick & dizzy - could scarcely walk to my room. I think I never was so very sick in so short a time as I was this morning. I got over it in about half an hour. This morning I went down for Sidney, Pattie F. & M. H. to ride with me, but they were getting in the carriage to go a calling. I came home & changed my dress to see them for they said that they were coming here. They went to Dr. Moores & then came here. They made a flying visit, because they wanted to go to Mr. Cary's this evening to call on Miss Price (who is visiting Jennie) & Jennie Cary.

[On very top of page:] Rally round the flag , boys, Rally once again.

Thursday 6 of Aug.

Tonight Messers Charley Moore, Berryman & Cary came over, & left at a little after ten. Friday 7th. I went over to call on Miss Mary Brannon this evening. Met Miss Mattie Allen from Mr. Becketts there. From there I went [word unreadable] Miss Laura Cannon & Miss Emma Thatcher. At Mrs. Thatchers I also met 2 of Mr. Beckett's scholars. Miss Bettie Calloway & Miss Mollie Sewell. I was not acquainted with Miss Calloway until this evening, for she went to Mr. Beckett's after I left there. As I wished to make 3 calls this evening I lengthened the 2 first accordingly and went from Mrs. T\_\_s to Mrs. Cary's to call on Miss Mary Price & Miss Jennie].

—— Miss Mary Dunham's sweetheart was captured with Gen. Morgan. She is almost sick with the blues. He is captain Elmore T. Warder and is A.A.G. to General John H. Morgan.

[Following note apparently written earlier]

The funeral of the Honorable John J. Crittenden will take place on Wednesday 29th of July (1863) at ten oclock A.M. from his late residence in Frankfort.

—— Morgan has a brother name of [name unreadable] Col. Richard C. H. or Charley

Friday 7th of Aug. 1863

Ma and I went over to Mrs. Thatchers this evening to call on Mrs. Pendegrass, and Miss Cannon (!), & a schoolmate of mine from Mr. Beckett's. I met Miss Bettie Calloway, Miss Mollie Sewell (both Mr. B--s scholars) Miss Laura Cannon, & Emma (the girls). It rained before we went out (just enough to wet the grass) and though I intended to have gone to Mrs. Cary's to call on Jennie & her friend Miss. Mary Price, I gave it out. I also intended going to call on Miss. Mary Brannon, but heard at Mrs. Thatchers that Miss Mattie Allen (from Mr. B's) was at Mr. Brannons, and that Miss. Mary was going

up to Mr. Becketts with her yesterday evening, so I did not go over. Just as Ma & I started to Mr. Thatchers, Sallie & Nellie came out from town on the car. (Sallie went in town this morning with Pa.) I heard Miss Calloway sing at Mrs. Thatchers. She sings mostly by ear. Has a fine voice naturally. She plays altogether by ear.

Saturday Aug. 8th 1863

I rode down on horseback to Mr. Kennedy's this morning to carry a message to Pattie from Sallie. Sidney says that all of them are going to town to-day to stay until the Stair-steps are painted because all of the bed-rooms are upstairs except two and that is not enough for them. I am very sorry that they are going for I wanted to have them to tea here next week sometimes. Miss Mary Dunham is heart sick over the capture of Morgan & men. Her sweetheart (Captain Elmore D. Warder, A. A. General to Gen. John. H. Morgan) is captured with him.

Mary Brannon came over on horseback this evening, for me to go a riding with her, after it got late enough. She got down, came in & staid a bout an hour when I went riding with her. We had a very pleasant ride & went to Mrs. Cary's to hear how Miss. Alice was. Coming home, just before we got to Mrs. Lockwood's gate I said to Mary -

Oh! my face is so red, & I had scarcely said it when I saw Mr. Wayne Lockwood & a young gentleman standing at the gate & heard every word of it. Mary knows him but I do not, but he knows me by sight, for he used to ride behind the school wagon right often, to talk to Sallie Moore.

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Sunday Aug. 9th 1863

I did not arise very early this morning. It being Sunday morning, and Pa not having to get off to town. I have been reading a good deal to-day; has a very interesting conversation

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this evening with Pa, and think I learned something from it. 'Twas in regard to the education of girls.

Monday Aug. 10th 1863

Nellie Crutcher went home this morning . Coming out again next Wednesday with her Mother.

Ma, Sallie, me & Fannie (Fannie & Ann go any where about the place now that they want to.) took a walk to meet Pa this evening.

Teusday Aug. 11th 1863

I was very busy until 4~~2~~ [written above the line is: "3 oclock (A.M.)(P.M?)"] cleaning up my room - gave it a thorough cleaning which it has had but once since Ann's sickness, & I feel right much more comfortable in it now. It is so excessively warm that I have discarded all of my clothing (since dinner) for a while, except my night-gown, & am very warm even in it. We have just had a hard shower & a good deal of wind, which I hope will cool the atmosphere a little. We also had several hard clapps of thunder & some lightening but the thunder is now rolling in the distance, and I have just looked out of the window to behold the sunshine come laughing forth from its hiding place behind the clouds, and also a Glorious Rainbow, but even now it has nearly disappeared. It seems to be vain of its beauty, for now it again appears. It will not long at a time gaze upon it. As one end of it drops below the tree-tops, it seems to be burning there with it exceeding brilliancy.

Oh! who can gaze upon the boundless field of nature, without awe & wonder, at the glorious creations of our "Almighty Father:?????????????"

Wednesday Aug 12th 1863. This evening I went down to Mr. Kennedy's to see Sidney & Miss Pattie. They went with me to the cars to meet Mrs. Crutcher & Nelly, who came out. The cars got to the Fair Grounds just before us

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so the girls left me there & I did not catch up with Mrs. C\_\_ Nellie, & Sallie (who had gone down to F. G. to meet them) until they had nearly reached our house.

Thursday the 13th Aug. 1863. I expected Sidney, Miss Pattie Fields & little Pattie up to tea this evening, but was disappointed. Sidney wrote me a note this evening whilst we were at supper, saying that "they were just starting up here to tea when a visitor from town to spend several days came & prevented their coming." Little Pattie had her heart set on coming to see Nellie & Sallie & had a hard cry because she was disappointed.

How touching to see this earnestness with which an innocent child grieving bitterly over a little disappointment or bother, though to a child is trouble, deep in the heart, for the moment.

Friday Aug. 14. Mrs. Crutcher & Nellie went into town with Pa this morning.

I have finished the book-mark for Sidney some time ago, & would have sent it to her yesterday but just as I was on the eve of doing it, Nellie made a suggestion which pleased me so much that I put off sending it until I have some better photographs taken than I now have. Nellie's suggestion was to enclose my photograph (which Sidney has been begging me for) with the bookmark & send them together.

Saturday & Sunday Aug. 15th & 16th 1863. I was sick in bed this morning from a severe headache & did not get up until about dinner time. About 2 o'clock a man came & asked for the gentleman of the house & as Pa was not here he wished to see Ma. He told Ma that he had been out of the army about 3 months, & belonged to Johnston's command. He said that he had started to California, but got only to Missouri, when he was robbed by some robbers who

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looked like they were not soldiers, but people who were merely taking advantage of the times. He said that there were 24 of them going to California in a company together (on horseback)(the overland rout) when about 150 of the gurilla's or what ever they were came unexpected upon them & took all of their money & clothes, Horses, & all. He said that he wanted to get some work, in order to make money enough to get to Covington (Ky). Ma thought that he had just left the Yankee army & that he belonged to the command of some yankee Johnston, & told him that she was Southern. He then said "I was born & raised in Natchez Mississippi. Ma then asked him how on earth he came to be in the Fed. army. He said that he had not been in the Fed. army. He had been with Johnston. (Joe) Ma was surprised & asked him things about our army. He said that he left Joe Johnston's army 25 miles from Jackson (Miss.) & that he had repulsed Grant, & that Sherman did not come up at all, & that there were only a few houses burnt at Jackson. 19 or 20 thousand men only surrendered at Vicksburg & about 15 hundred at "Fort Hudson." He left Vicksburg 5 days after the last fight there. After Grant was all around Vicksburg. He says that there is a secret pass from Vicksburg, about 2 miles in length, for the benefit of Spies and messengers. It is high enough and wide enough for 1 man to go through at a time. One man attempted to go through with a horse but before he got half through, he could go no further with his horse & as the horse could not go backwards (& could not turn around) he had to kill the horse. It is underground, & very dark of course. He says at the end of the pass, very near was the Yankee picket & as most all of the trees were cut or shot down, every thing for a long distance was just as clean & open as

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could be, & it was very difficult to escape & it had to be a very dark night to attempt it in. He says that Gen. Pemberton is a Texan by birth but from his dialect he thought was raised in the north. Gen. P\_\_ has only one arm having lost the other during the Mexican War. Has black hair & eyes, & is about 5 feet high. Mrs. Pemberton, who was in

Vicksburg & would not go in one of the caves made for the ladies & children, was killed by the roof of the house falling in on her & smothering her. The roof was torn up by a cannon ball or shell, which was passing over the town. She left 2 children that he knew of - a little girl 8 or 9 years old & a boy of 14 yrs of age I believe. Several other ladies & some servants were killed in the same way, but none in walking about the streets, or in the caves. Mrs. P was buried there at "Vicksburg."

He says that the men generally had confidence in Pemberton. They only had 5 days provisions when he left Vicksburg, and that provision would not keep there. The maggots would get in it for every tree & all was swept from about Vicksburg & it was so very warm. Our men took the lamp posts from the corners of the sts. in Vicksburg & cut them up & shot them at the yankees. They had commenced eating mule flesh when he left (for they had only 5 days supplies of beans, bread, & such as that) but he never eat any mule. They did not give up even as long as they had mules to eat.

When our men gave up the Fort, they filled up the mouths of the "secret passage" & it looks as natural as any thing else. He says the Yankees can never find it, & that our men could blow the city (what there is) up in a very short time by means of this passage.

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He got away through this pass. He belongs to the first Mississippi Cavalry regiment & has been in the army 2 years - ever since the very first of the war & he staid there until he got so disabled that he would be of no use, so they gave him a discharge until he should get well enough to go back no matter how long it was. The first time that he was wounded was at "Rich Mountain" in Arkansas, fighting a general Sigel. the place where both armies retreated - one from the other - one on one side of a hill & the other on the other side.

The last time he was wounded was when he was coming up here. Twas near Cold Water, some Yankee scouts fired on them, & wounded him in the side. He has been wounded twice in the side (slightly) 3 times in the thighs (had to lie in bed 4 months on account of one of those wounds) once in the leg (flesh wound) & once in the arm (flesh wound). I do not know whether he was wounded any more or not. He was in the "Battle of Manassas" or Bull Run but was not hurt there.

He had been moved about a great deal. He was in the "Battle of Shiloh" & his father (who belonged to the infantry) was killed by a shell cutting his neck half in two. He left a brother also at Shiloh.

His company captured a pay master at Shiloh & a large chest full of Greenbacks & the officers would not let the soldiers keep it - made them burn it. A soldier was putting a large pile in his pocket when the Col. made him put it in the fire. The soldiers when they would see one of their comrades keeping any of it would call him a yankee to be trying to keep such trash & he would drop it. The soldiers would take a bundle on the end of their sabres & toss it in the air & it would come down in 2 pieces & some of the soldiers would light their pipes with greenbacks.



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He has been in Battle when it was lightning, thundering, & raining. Once the lightning struck a tree within several feet of him & he thought at the moment that it was a cannon ball.

He has seen almost all of the southern Generals for he has been moved about so much. He was at Bowling Green & left behind Gen. Sidney Johnston's army as pickets & the Federals occupied Nashville before he got to our army, & one of his company (there were 24 of them together that were left) that was acquainted with Mrs. Polk (Ex-President Polk's widow) & they went to her house & staid 5 days waiting for an opportunity to get out. One evening about dark they each got an officers horse fastened near different head quarters & put off down the river bank (there were no pickets down there.) He and 25 of his comrades were captured near Cold Water & was put on board a boat with 10 Yankees to guard them. two of the guards went a sleep & the Prisoners disarmed them & the other 8 & jumped into the river & escaped; soon meeting with Col Blithe's scouts, near Cold Water. (not the Col Blithe of Tennessee & the one that we knew for he was killed at Shiloh. This one is from Helena, Arkansas.)

He has seen Prest. Davis several times, for he has spoken to the army in Vicksburg. He says that Prest. Davis said in his last speech in Vicksburg to hold onto Vicksburg as long as it was possible to do so, & when they could no longer hold it, if they could make their way out without the sacrifice of their men to do that & if they could not, to do the very best they could.

His Mother & Father were born & raised in New Orleans, then lived

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at Natchez, Miss. A few months before the war, they moved to Covington but he says that he was only there 3 months when he left & went to Miss. to join the army, so he is not known at Covington. His mother does not want him to go back to the army again since she has lost her husband & one son, & persuaded him to go to California for he did not want to stay at Covington, & he was robbed in Missouri. He says that he is glad that he was robbed there because he thinks that he would have been robbed any how in California for these robbers Gurillas are worse there than in Missouri, & he was nearer home in Missouri.

Ma asked him if he ever saw a southern soldier read a bible. He said No, Madam. Ma told him that his mother ought to give him a bible before he goes back to the army. He said he would not read it if she did, for he did not have time. They were kept scouting & on picket so much. Ma told him that they ought to pray then, they had time for that. He said that they did not feel much like being religious in the army.

He is going to the army as soon as he gets home. He says that his mother can't keep him this time, for his wounds (fresh ones in the leg) are nearly so that he can ride a great deal on horseback & that he will only stay at home several days, when he gets there and go [to] the army for he says that he cannot bear to be away from it. He can't bear to stay in the house. He has fought some of those Yankee negro regiments at Vicksburg & other places. He has been (he says) right up amongst them & cutting them down. He says that they are clumsy as they can be; do not know how to handle their guns, are more like Elephants than soldiers, & would not fight but for the

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Yankees being behind them with Bayonets.

The federals were never closer to the fort at Vicksburg than not quite a hundred yards. Our men & the Yanks could talk to each other. The Yanks used to curse our men for every thing that they could think of.

I forgot to ask him if it was true about our men having concealed ditches with wooden spikes hidden in them, to catch the Yankee soldiers, as the papers report. It was true about our men printing on wall-paper & when you would unroll it, on the other side was the reading.

Vallandigham staid in Vicksburg 8 days & in Gen. Pemberton's tent, & wanted Pemberton to give him a command in our army, but General Pem. would not give a man from ohio a command, & absolutely & positively refused. He says that he has stood as sentinel before Gen. Pemberton's tent many a time & while Vallandigham was there. He says that the soldiers at Vicksburg did not like his looks, thought that he was a yankee.

He has seen the black horse cavalry that was at Manassas. He says there was very few of them left. They have their horses so trained that when they make motions for them to go in any direction (make directions with the pistols which they hold in each hand in battle) they instantly go in the direction indicated by the motion of the pistol.

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In battle they go at full-speed with a revolver in each hand & shoot both at a time in opposite directions, & strike a man. Hernando (Miss) is burnt to ashes. He & 23 of his comrades were scouting near Hernando one day & were passing a house when the lady of it hailed them & told them that ten (10) yankee soldiers were there & eating. They went in the dining room & there they sat at the ladies table with every thing nice to eat in the house on the table, & helping themselves.

When they saw the rebels they dropped their knives & forks (or rather those of the lady) & gave themselves up, guns & all.

Our men handcuffed them & took them to Cold Water, allowed them 2 crackers & a cup of water a day for 2 weeks. He says that he always has plenty of clothes, & he never saw a soldier suffer for clothes, but Bragg's army used to get pretty ragged in long marches.

He says that price's Army (of about 25 thousand men) are well clad all of the time for they can get so many things, and the whole army have gray uniforms. He thinks that we have not enough men. Ma gave him enough money to take him to Covington on a Steamboat. We drove him in town this morning, so that he could go on the mail boat at 12 o'clock & got there just 3 quarters of an hour before the boat (Major Anderson a mail boat between Louisville & Cincinnati) left. 'Tis a very nice boat & then he

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he will reach home to-night.

His name is Lieut. George Woods [a note above the line says: "later was Wood"] of the 1st regiment of Mississippi, volunteer Cavalry. He is a real gentleman - soft & easy in his manners, but he is very much sun burnt, & even between the skin right in the

edge of his hair on his forehead & that on his face there is such a difference that it seems strange that it could be on the same person. I think he has naturally very fair skin from the appearance of it. His hands show that they have become ranglee ? [wrinkly?] from hardship.

May God bless him & all other soldiers who bear hardships for their & my country, is my fervent prayer forever.

Mrs. Thatcher was over here this morning awhile before he left, but knew not that he was one of our soldiers.

The L.L.D. club from town had a party at Dr. Moores last Friday night & Sallie invited some of her neighborhood friends, but it was the strangest thing, the manner in which it was conducted. She invited Mary & John Brannon & not Miss. Anna. Emma T & Miss Laura Cannon & not George Cannon (her brother) John B. Cary & neither Mr. Author Cary, Miss Alice, nor Jennie. Mr. Authur C\_\_ is Grahams

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associate. Sallie went to Mrs. Isaac's to invite Miss Emma Curry & Mrs. Isaac, & finding that Miss Curry was out & no telling when she would be at home, she went into the parlor to see Mrs. Isaac, & while that lady was preparing to go down to see Sallie, Sallie got in the carriage & drove off without giving any of that family an invitation & she attended a party at Mrs. Isaacs' a few months ago, herself. I received no invitation at all, & am glad I did not from the way I hear the neighbors were treated, for the Thatcher family say that no attention whatever was paid to them by the family (Dr. M's) no person introducing & Sallie Moore dancing every set herself. The L.L.D. club enjoying themselves apart from the others & Sallie among the town party paying no attention to the other company & the same way with the other members of the family.

They paid no attention to Emma T\_\_ either & Sallie & her brothers Graham & Charley have been invited to Mrs. Thatchers to parties on 3 different occasions.

Monday Aug 17th 1863

Sidney Kennedy and Miss Pattie Fields came to the door this evening to ask me to come down to Mr. Kennedy's tomorrow (Teusday) evening to a small party. After they left I took a ride on horse-back and met Miss Anna Brannon, who asked me to come to their house to a small party on Wednesday evening.

Teusday Aug the 18th

I went to town this morning to do some shopping which I need in attending Sidney's party. Got home at 11 oclock.

2 o clock-Wednesday Aug 19th '63. I was busy all yesterday afternoon helping Ma to finish the dress which I wore to Mr. K\_\_'s. I got to Mr. K\_\_'s at 9 o clock - a good deal later than I intended going

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but I did not feel well the first part of the evening & did not dress until right late. I spent a very pleasant evening. The grounds looked very pretty & so did the house. We danced until half past one. Sallie Moore was very cordial indeed. This morning when I awaked, I found that Lieut. Wood was here. I was right much surprised. Dressed & went down.

It was about 8 o'clock & he came while Ma, Pa & Sallie were at breakfast. He got home about 6 o'clock Monday morning, and his mother said that the Feds had been inquiring where he had been so long before his return home &c., so he immediately made preparations for his departure to the South. He got 70 [sic] men to join him, and they each got a strong young horse & two revolvers (\$60) each, and Tuesday at 12 o'clock they came down to Louisville on the mail boat. One federal officer looked at them pretty hard. Lieut (or rather Captain now) Wood says .

They left the mail-boat for a little boat that starts to Smithland this evening. He has 2 grey cavalry suits with him. He would give the dollar back to Ma that she gave him Sunday. His mother gave two of his men a horse apiece, & Ma said that she was willing to do so much for the South that it was a wonder she was not willing to let her son go to the army again, & he said that the reason was "there was three of us and now I am the only one left, & she feels like she can't give me up. Oh, he gives us exactly a correct picture of the demoralizing effect of the army, & which is awful. He says when he is in the army he does not write to any one, & when he is killed perhaps no one will know what became of him. His manners are as soft & agreeable as if he had never been in the army, but for proof positive look at his sun-burnt face & hands. He has been wounded 3 times just below the left knee. He has never been taken prisoner

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but once and as they were taking him to Alton, [blank space] he jumped off the boat & escaped.

His company, he says went out in Louisville to-day to get them some cavalry boots & other things (he charged them to buy nothing grey for fear of their being suspected.) for they did not have time to get them in Cincinnati. They wanted to wait until to-day to start but Lieut Wood would not consent for fear they would be arrested. He did not want them to get the cavalry boots (thought it an unsafe purchase) but they would do it, so he told them if any one said any thing to them about buying so many to say that they were going to "Fort Leavenworth" which is on the overland rout to California, & they would think that they were going there. His mother gets our papers 3 times a week (by couriers) printed on wall paper, in order to bring them through the lines without trouble.

He staid out here till half past eleven. His plan is to go to Smithland on boat, scatter his men there in parties of 2 or 3 & have some place of rendez-vous. Then go down towards Corinth, & from there to Cold Water & from there to Mobile. He knows the country perfectly.

Thursday Aug 20th

I attended the party at Mr. Brannons last night and had a delightful time - never spent a more pleasant evening. Miss. Anna & Mary were just as attentive to their company as they could possibly be. Every one there seemed to be enjoying themselves. There was one musician who was the funniest old fellow I ever saw. He would sing a comic song between the promptings, & did it in such a funny way. The company was not too large & generally very pleasant indeed. Mr. Vennigerholz was formerly from Natchez, Miss. We were speaking of Natchez & I said that I saw a gentleman from there to-day (yesterday) He asked me who it

was. I told him that it was a Mr. Wood - George Wood. He said that the Woods at Natchez were related to him. I did not tell him that he was a C.S. officer, though I told him that he staid all night at our house Saturday night for he asked me where he was stopping.

I came home last night at nearly 3 o clock. I had not intended going to the party but Mary Brannon (knowing that Pa was sick & could not probably accompany me) came here last evening & offered to lend their carriage for me & insisted on it, so I went with Mr. John Brannon & was very glad that I was not disappointed. Mr. Vennigerholz rode up home with me too.

I did not get up to-day until 1 o clock. 'Tis the first time I ever slept later than usual from having been to a party the night before, but I was never so late at a party before & after I went to sleep I did not awaken until Sallie awakened me at 1. I was so tired & sleepy that I could sleep almost any where, for I danced every set & did not sit down much at the intervals.

Friday. August the 21st, 1863.....Dr. Chenoweth came & sat a bout a half an hour this morning. He has a little son & is so proud of it that I believe all he came for was to tell it. It is a week old & he might have known that we knew it but wanted to tell it himself. He said that he had a piece of news to communicate. They had a young gentleman up at his house & he thought that they might have invited him down to the party at Mr. Brannons. Then he ran on with a long train of foolishness about his boy...(All of his little children are girls except this last one.) Ma asked him if they named it for some great man, & he said "no, they named it Henry, for a very trifling man (That is himself).

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Last Monday a young man entered Pa's drug store as a partner I believe, & Mr. Coleman has nothing to do with it now. He is making horse linement now. He cannot stay content at any one thing long, he is so changeable. The young man who is with Pa now, Mr. Hoffield, has been in the drug buisness 6 years. Harry Crutcher is staying in the store too, to learn the buisness & there is another young man in it, a Mr. Spears.

The following are a list of the names of persons at Mr. Brannons to the party [sic]. Miss. Ophelia Auterburn, Miss Julia Porter, Miss. Emma Curry, Miss. Jennie Shanks, Miss. Laura Cannon, Miss. Anna Brannon, Miss. Mary Brannon, Miss. Emma Thatcher, Miss. Emma Vennigerholz, Miss. Lou Lockwood, Miss \_\_\_\_ Hubbard, Miss. Nannie Sales, Miss. Mollie O. Gray, Miss. Cora Owens.

Mr. Donald Sherwin, Mr. Simcoe, Mr. Rose, Mr. Andrew Curry, Mr. John Brannon, Mr. George Cannon, Mr. Eddie Hewes, Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Clark, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Wayne Lockwood, Mr. Bryant, Mr. Hain, Dr. Fields, Mr. Julius H. Vennigerholz, Mr. Hubbard, Mr. James Gray, Mr. \_\_\_\_, Mr. \_\_\_\_\_.

Saturday. Aug the 22nd 1863.

I went over to see Emma Thatcher a few moments yesterday evening & Ma soon came over too, to see Addis who is right sick & Emma got Ma's consent for me to stay all night, but before I started back to the house (we had walked to the front gate) Pa came along with Mr. Albert Harding, & Sallie asked him if I could stay, & he said no, but Mr. Thatcher persauded him to say yes. Miss Anna Brannon & Miss Laura Cannon were there. I came home this morning & sewed until late in the evening when I saw a carriage go into Dr. Moores gate which I thought Mr. Kennedy's, & so I got up to dress for they most always go there & then come here, but I was mistaken about its being that carriage but I had not changed my shoes before Mrs. Kennedy's carriage did come here. Mrs. Kennedy, Miss Pattie, Sidney, little Pattie & Mrs. Kennedy's baby, little Tommy, got out. After a while Mrs. K\_\_ asked me if I would not ride over to Dr. Moores with the girls, while she was with Ma. I went & we had to wait some time for Sallie (who was at Mrs. Serbs), but Mrs. Moore & Mr. Graham Moore were there, but from waiting for Sallie we did not leave Mrs. M\_\_'s until nearly dark. Miss Pattie is going home Teusday & she made us her

last visit this evening. She is dead in love with Graham Moore & he is playing the devotee to her. She is rich, I heard. She is very interesting & seemingly pure minded, especially to have been petted (Her mother is dead & her father too I believe, & she lives with her Aunt & Grand-father.) & to be rich too.

Sallie Moore has had her hair shingled & she looks so much better.

Sunday Aug. 23rd. 1863. This evening about 4 o'clock Ma, Pa, Sallie & me rode in to Mr. Crutcher's & staid about half an hour then came home, & arrived about 8 o'clock, We intended staying longer at Mr. C\_\_'s but there was a young lady there from Gallatin (Tenn.)(a Miss. Wright) & as Ma only wanted to see Mrs. C\_\_ a little while, we soon came home. Miss. Wright is up here on a trip of a few days with her father (who was coming up here on buisness & thinking that she would have a sad time down there, brought her up with him & she intended going to the hotel, but Mr. Crutcher met them & invited her to his house. She says that Gallatin is not like the same town that it was even a year ago - is greatly damaged. It was right cool coming out from town & I took a dreadful cold, having nothing around me, for I forgot to take any wrapping.

Monday, Aug. 24th. 1863.

Ma, Sallie & me went in town this evening at 4 o'clock. Before we went in we had a hard rain, which made it very pleasant riding for it was not muddy much, & was cloudy.

We went in shopping & did not get through 'till right late, when we went to the Drug Store for Pa. We did not get home until dark. Sidney and Miss. Pattie Fields were here this evening, for me to go riding with

them, but as usual I was absent. I do not know why Miss. Pattie did not go in town this evening as she said she was going to do, on Saturday, but perhaps she concluded to go from Mr. Kennedy's to the Point to-morrow morning instead of going to town this

evening & starting from there. It was very cold coming out home this evening. It blew suddenly cold & now feels like autumn. It was pleasant when we went in & I took no wrapping with me though I intended but forgot it, as I started from home rather hurriedly (but had on a jackonet spencer which is a thicker one than I usually wear) but took cold all the way home. I shall ~~I went to bed immediately & was very sick until dinner time, when feeling better I got up.~~ go to bed immediately.

Teusday Aug 25th 1863. I was right sick all day until late this evening when feeling better I got up, ordered Sheco, & took a ride. I felt very weak when I got up & it being so cool I thought perhaps that she would cut up more than usual, but at any rate got into the saddle to ride down to see Sidney awhile. I went by to carry Emma's bonnet home that I wore over here the last morning I staid all night there. As I got to Mary Brannon's a carriage was coming down the pike & Sheco frightened at it, ran up the pike as far as Mr. Thatcher's when I with difficulty turned her in his yard (for the carriage which was a new-fashioned black thing was coming right up behind) when I let her eat grass until the carriage passed then went out, up & down for no sooner had we got outside of the gate than she tucked her head to her feet like a mule & over I went, lighting on my feet, for I did not tumble but merely exchanged a seat in the saddle for a standing place on the ground. I lost nothing by the operation except a ride home, for

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no sooner did Sheco give me the offset than she ran at full speed for home & stopped not until she reached her stall. (The gate to the yard was open.[])] I wanted to get on her again & ride her but Ma would not let me. She had every body on the place running to see where I was. Pa says that I must not ride her again until he gets a stiff bit for her.

Wedensday Aug 26th. Pa brought Mr. Hofffield (his partner in the drug Store) out with him this evening & he will stay until tomorrow morning.

Thursday Aug 27. Ma & Sallie went over to Dr. Moores this evening & I went over to Mrs. Wingate's to stay a little while & Ma was going to stop by for me as she was going to see Mrs. W\_\_ this evening, but none of the family were at home, & I went down to see Mary Brannon but she has gone up to Mr. Vennigerholz. I came home by Mr. Hardins & went in to see how he was. He is getting well rapidly. Ma did not find Mrs. W\_\_ at home either.

Friday Aug 28th. Ma received a note from Mrs. Crutcher yesterday evening saying that she was going in mourning (she lost a brother (James) sometime ago who was in our army & did not put on mourning because Mr. C\_\_ was somewhat opposed to it, & now she has lost another (Fayette) who lived at Gallatin. She says that she shrinks from enduring again the feeling that she did in not putting on mourning for her poor brother Jim, for all the family but her was in mourning.) & she was telling Ma about her having to rip some work that Miss O'Keefe did for her & a black dress & having the satisfaction of paying her \$3.00 for botching. Ma knew that she needed her dresses & so she went in to day to help her make them. Sallie went & spent the day with Blanche & Mary Smith on the corner of 5 & Green streets. I did not want to go in town for I have such a

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dreadful cold so I wrote a note to Sidney asking her to come spend the day with me. Mrs. Kennedy wrote a note in answer saying that Sidney is in town stay[ing] for several days with her grandma & will not return until Saturday &c &c &c &c. I got Emma T\_\_ to come over when I found that Sid\_\_ could not come.

We spent the day in sewing, talking, & eating. It was very cloudy all day & about 5 o'clock it rained very hard, in about an hour it ceased to rain & Emma begged me so to go over to her house that I got ready to go for I did not want to stay here alone (with the servants) for 'twas too lonely. But when I got ready it clouded again & rained. In town it had been raining most all day, for we could tell by looking in the direction, & it looked so stormy towards town that Emma & I went over to her house when it stopped raining here. (I was afraid that Ma would stay in town all night, so I had no idea of staying here in that case.) Ma, Pa & Sallie came home about dark & sent for me after tea. Going out in the dampness did not help my cold though I was well wrapped up.

Saturday. Aug 29.

Sunday Aug 30th. 1863

Pa came very near buying a carriage day before yesterday but another gentleman was ahead of him. He got him a buggy to go to town in. I am very sorry

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that he did not get the carriage, for it was cheap, but he says that there is always some opportunity to get them cheap if a person takes some pains to find them. I hope he will get one yet.

Monday, Aug. 31st, 1863

I rode down on horseback for Sidney to go riding with me. Pattie had her pony (as she calls it) caught & was ready to ride by the time Sidney was, & went with us. She can not ride any thing except the old school horse (Old Dave) which is about nearly as tall as he is long & he is as long from the saddle back as from the saddle forward. Pattie looked so sweet seated up on Old Dave, for she is not at all afraid of him.

We had a delightful ride, & went into Mrs. Wingates to see if Miss Marsh had come & when school commences. Billy (Mrs. Wingates negro girl) says that Miss. M\_\_ is looked for this week & school will commence next Monday (the first Monday in September.)

It has been very cold ever since last Monday, & I have had a fire in my room for several days. We have had white frost several times.

Teusday September 1st. Ma, Sallie & I went down to Mrs. Kennedy's this evening. Mrs. K\_\_ had just gotten home from town & was not well, having had two or three chills in the last week, but saw Ma any way. Sidney & Pattie were just coming up for me to ride with them when we arrived. I told her that I could not go

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along riding & she would not have ridden even if I had not been there.

Wednesday Sept. 2nd. 1863.

Thursday Sept. 3rd. 1863. Sidney & Pattie came up about 11 o'clock & spent the day with us. It threatened rain all day.



Emma T\_\_ rode over on horseback at 3 o'clock & wanted me to ride with her. I told her if she would get down & stay until Sidney's horse came (which Mrs. K\_\_ said she would send up if it was a favorable evening for riding) I would go with her. She came in & staid until 6 o'clock, when finding that Mrs. K\_\_ was going to send the carriage for the girls & thought [i.e., thinking] that S\_\_ would not wish to ride [on] so cloudy an evening (until it was too late) she went home for I of course could not go.

Mrs. Wingate came over (bringing Sallie & Ellen with her) at 4 o'clock & remained until 7. About half past Seven, Mrs. K\_\_ sent the carriage for S\_\_ & Pattie.

Jennie Moore came over about 5 o'clock to stay all night. She seems to think that Sallie (who is going to start to Danville Saturday to school at the "Caldwell Institute" (Mr. Sloans school)) expects the girls to come & tell her good bye. S\_\_ & I are going up to see her tomorrow on horseback.

Friday. Sidney came for me about 5 o'clock this evening & I was ready & had gotten as far as the gate. We went to Mrs. Moores, but Mrs. M\_\_ said that S\_\_ had gone down to Mrs. Craiks. We then continued our ride & met Sallie Moore in a buggy with some gentlemen (I think John Wilson). They turned back in the direction we were going & soon we lost sight of them, but not before seeing Sallie lying her head on his arm. We rode to Mr.

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Craiks gate & then turned back for home. When we got a short way down Mr. Thatcher's lane, we saw two carriages coming in front of us, & the buggy in which was Sallie Moore & her beau back of us, but with an addition to the party - a young man, I think Mr. Geo. Merriwether, & coming in the road that we were in. We rode on thinking of course they would keep at a good distance behind or turn on to the Maccadamized road, but no, they came rapidly on, right behind us, & the buggies in front preventing our ponys from going out of the road, the buggies wheels ran right against our ponys, making Sidney's jump up a steep bank between two carriages, & mine jumping over near another, whose driver had had politeness enough to stop at the very first. Sidney was some distance off but I was near to Sallie's buggy, which had momentarily stopped. Sallie seemed right much frightened. She says "Why Lord, what's the matter with her? I said - Miss Sallie, my pony could not stand this incivility of your driver. She said that she was very sorry that the buggy frightened the pony but the two beaux spoke not a word, & they passed on, Sallie sitting in a little buggy between the two boys or gentlemen.

Saturday Sept. 5th, '63. Ma, Sallie, me & Fannie went to town about 2 o'clock to-day. I went to a shoe store to have the measure taken for a pair of shoes, then to a picture gallery to have a picture taken. I had on a white dress, & the artist did not like to take it in that dress but Ma won't let me have it taken in any other. She thinks that it looks so airy & so much prettier. I wanted to

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put on a dark dress. He took a picture though (with my hat on) & it did not do at all. He then took one with my hat off which Pa & I both (& Sallie) liked the face very much (but the high in the neck white dress did not look well.) so I had one finished (a Ferrottype or some such name, a new fashioned picture something like an ambrotype put on a card so

as to put it in an album. They are made no larger than a dime & quarter from which size up to very large ones.) I had it finished for Sidney, but think that I will have one taken for her in a low-in-the-neck dress.

I went around to Mrs. C\_\_'s to see Miss Lucy Baber, Mrs. C\_\_'s sister from Gallatin. Ma had gone around to see her. She is too old for me to call on but I just went with Ma. She is 18. She has very pretty manners & [is] very pretty. She has beautiful hair.

Mrs. Crutcher's brother Wm. Henry who has been in so many battles & never got hurt has had a wound lately. He was in the reserve command at Sharpsburg (I believe) & they heard that Lee was whipping the Yanks in the front. They were all lying on their backs on the ground, & when they heard the news, they threw up their legs & hurraed for the South, when just as W. H. Baber threw up his heels he received a wound in one of them. But he does not call that a wound at all. We met Miss Belle McDowell at Mrs. C\_\_'s. She says that she knows a young lady who received a letter from one of Morgan's men in the Penetentiary at Columbus & he says that the Feds did actually have Morgan's

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hair & whiskers & those of his men cut as close as possible to cut it with shears, & he told her just to imagine a porcupine & they would know how their heads looked. He said that they were treated much better than they expected to be. They are allowed to talk with any of Morgan's officers from 7 o'clock A.M. to 7 P.M. & are permitted to walk about the Penetentiary & to pay the convicts to cook for them so they have no cooking to do.

Tommy Morgan, J. Morgan's youngest brother who was killed in the last raid in Ky. (I believe) was only 17 years of age. It is said that he was killed under a flag of truce. He died in his brother Call's arms. He fell back when he was shot & said "brother Cally they've killed me." Miss Belle saw a young lady who met Call Morgan afterwards & he told her that he (C. Morgan) could not get a pair of pants in the place where they were to fit him (he is so large) & had to wear the pants that his brother died in, the pants stained with his brother Tommie's heart's blood for he was shot right in the heart & the blood just gushed forth. He said that it was the most miserable feeling he ever had in his life.

When Tommie Morgan was killed it is said that John Morgan was almost like a maniac. He threw off his coat, & crying "no quarter," rushed into the fight doubly infuriated. When his brother was buried, Gen. Morgan threw himself on the coffin & wept like a child, yes - almost screamed - more like a woman's anguish than a man's. One of his men said he never saw a man seem so deeply troubled before.

Miss. Belle [said] that the first time that Morgan was at Elizabeth Town, (she was there) she was standing talking to Gen. Morgan & Tommy Morgan came

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up to him in the most childish manner & said - Brother Johnny, I met with an accident just now. Gen. Morgan said - "Why Tommie what is the matter? T\_\_ replied - "The girth of my saddle broke & I fell off in the mud".

Miss Belle remarked to Gen M\_\_ "Why your brother is very young to be in the army". "Yes," said Gen. M\_\_ but he is the most gallant fellow you ever saw; he has been out fighting the enemy's cavalry all day.

The next day Miss Belle conversed with him for about an hour & found him to be a very interesting boy, & very fine looking - looked more like a man. He was tall & looked a great deal better after a good nights rest, & scarcely looked like the childish boy of the evening before.

Mrs. Thatcher was here while we were in town to-day, & also a Miss, or Mrs. Shreve or some such name. Whoever it was saw uncle Minor at the gate & finding that Ma was absent, told him to tell Ma that she called to see her & went on to Mrs. Wingate's. Uncle Minor says that she was from town, but I expect it was Mrs. Shreve from Capt. Bolds' for there is such a lady staying there. (Bowles)

Sunday September the 6th. 1863. 12 o'clock A.M.

Long & dreary has been this day, & little hope of the remainder being spent otherwise. I have been suffering severely from an intense headache for 3 days, & it still clings to me. I will not go to bed for it as long as I can help it, for it will ache almost as bad one place as another, I think.

School commences to-morrow. I am glad, for I am very anxious to resume my studies. Miss Marsh said that she would be here in time, but had not

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come out to Mrs. Wingate's (where she will board next year) yesterday. I suppose that she is in town at her sisters & will come out in the country to-day. The school house has been papered & carpeted anew, & painted fresh inside. They think of putting a piano in the adjoining room (to the school-room) & getting a music teacher to teach there. Mr. Kennedy said that he would write to Mr. Wrights, a music teacher that taught at several places in the neighborhood last winter. Pa told Mr. Coleman about it yesterday & he is willing to come for 8 or ten scholars, & teach at \$12 a quarter or \$50 for 10 months (which is very moderate, for music teachers are scarce about Louisville at present) & there can almost certainly be 10 scholars gotten if the patrons would like the teacher. I do not think that Pa will let me take up any new study this year except Algebra, & perhaps drawing lessons.

Monday September 7th 1863. Sallie went over to the school house this morning, but Eddie Wingate said that Miss. Marsh had not come, & they did not know when she would be here - her sister thought not before Wednesday.

Mr. Thatcher was here Sunday night & said that he was going to let Addie go to school if Miss Marsh is willing to let her go the five Summer months. Addie is afflicted. She has no nose (some persons call it a cancer) & her health is very bad. It is a disease that runs in Mrs. Thatcher's family. Mrs. Thatcher has two sisters that have it. (Mrs. Brannon & Mrs. Ross). Mr. Thatcher says that he would not send her while her health is so bad but says that she would be perfectly miserable at home - she is so very anxious to go to school. Were it not for the disease she has she would be by far the most promising one of Mrs. Thatcher's children & the prettiest.

Teusday September the 8th.

Miss Marsh has not come yet. Pa brought one of his clerks out with him this evening - Mr. Spears, who wished to come to the country.

Wedensday Sept 9th. It is rainy to-day. It commenced raining about 7 o'clock & rained until dinner time. Pa did not go in town to-day - is afraid to go out in the dampness & rain. Sallie's favorite canary bird, Cherry, had been very droopy for several weeks & this morning it fell nearly from the roost. We did all we could for it in the way of feeding, which was everything we could do. Immediately after dinner Ma asked me if I did not want to ride down to the "Toll-Gate," & ask a dutch woman there (who has a bird) if she could tell us anything to do for him. I told her that I would go, so I went down on Pony. The woman told me that her bird was sick that way & some one told her that there was a boil back of its tail, which needed opening. She found it, opened it, & the bird got well, but she said that she expected it was too late to do anything for Cherry, but as I started she said - "but soon as you git home, you do te [sic] same."

But alas! when I got home Cherry was dead! Sallie nearly broke her heart crying. It distressed us all to lose him - such a beautiful bird & fine singer, but I think he died from old age for there was no boil or anything apparent to have caused his death. He was dark green & yellow mixed Linnet & canary. He died in a spasm. I dearly loved the little fellow, but I do not feel as if I could possibly cry or feel sad, & I have no doubt but Ma & Sallie think me void of feeling, & indeed they implied as much, but I cannot help it, for I do not feel sad & I believe that it would take a great deal at present to make me so. Sallie has made a coffin & covered it with black silk velvet, lined with white silk & put cotton in it. She is going to put the coffin in a small paste board box, & that in a cigar box, & that

in a candle box & seal them up to keep out the insects. She was going to get an undertaker to make a coffin but did not want to keep the bird so long. Ma offered to have it stuffed for her but she said that she would rather bury him.

Thursday September 10th 1863. Sallie put off burying Cherry 'till tomorrow. Last Teusday I forgot to say that little Frank Waldworth came & rode with me. I went down for Sidney & we then went to the middle branch of beargrass creek. Had a very pleasant ride. Sidney & I have been riding to-gether regularly for 3 weeks & have had very pleasant rides.

This evening Pattie & Sidney came for me just as I [was] nearly ready for a ride & we went up beyond Mr. Beckett's & did not get home until after dark.

Friday September 11th '63. I went for Sidney this evening at four o'clock that we might have a long ride. I sent to see if Emma Thatcher would not ride with me but found that she was sick in bed. We rode in at Dr. Chenoweth's to see the young doctor, but Mrs. Chenoweth did not know what we came for & excused herself. Such a good for nothing darkie was at the door that I would not be surprised if Mrs. Chenoweth knew nothing about who it was - thinking it was some grown ladies come to see her. We followed the lane that leads to Mrs. C.'s for about a mile further & then turned back. It went through a dark wood, up hill & down hill. We had a jolly ride, laughing & talking,

when it seemed that none could hear but ourselves. We were saying what a good joke it would be on Charley Moore & some of the boys that go out hunting, to find them lying down on the grass with their coats off, resting, thinking no one they know would see them, & if they had been out there & heard our conversation, the joke would have been completely turned.

When we got to Mrs. Wingate's gate on our way home

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we met Charley Moore on horseback, & he went home with us. I had promised Sid to go home with her for a certain purpose before we met C\_\_ & she insisted on my going on though I did not intend to for C\_\_ had been down for S\_\_ to ride with him & thought that he wanted to have a private talk as he leaves for school at Danville to-morrow. He & Graham his brother are going to "Centre College." But this ride belonged to me.

Mrs. Kennedy wanted us to stay to tea, but I could not, nor Charley for he starts to D\_\_ on the 6 o'clock train in the morning. He rode home with me & at the gate of Mrs. K's yard we met Mollie Gray, Pattie, & Mrs. Gray's nurse, & M\_\_ said that Ma & Sallie were on the plot form at the fair ground. Mollie did not act any thing less than foolish. She & her Ma want Graham Moore or Charley to pay attention to her, & I do not know why, for they are nothing extra, but very nice boys.

Sallie buried her bird this evening. She sent over for Jennie Moore to come & visit & she brought her company with her, Lucy & Mollie Russel. Mrs. Russel is at Mrs. Wingate's, & the little girls were at Mrs. M\_\_'s yesterday. The oldest Lucy looks as if she was 13 or 14, & the youngest 11 or 12, but I believe they said that Lucy is 12 & the other 10 years of age.

Saturday at 2 o'clock. 12th.[September]

Mrs. Kennedy asked me yesterday to take tea with Sidney this evening. I intended going to spend the afternoon with Sidney to-day, but it was cloudy until about 11 o'clock when it rained very hard & is still raining, or, at least just stopped a few moments ago, & is thundering & threatening it again. I shall of course be disappointed in my visit. I am very sorry for I wanted to make this visit before school begins.

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Yesterday Charley Moore said that his Ma saw Miss Marsh in town, & said she wrote a note to Mrs. Wingate last Monday & sent it by the cars but Mrs. W. did not receive it. Miss Marsh arrived at Louisville last Monday evening & will commence school next Monday (day before the Fair commences) it is so bad) [sic] I do not know why she did not come out as soon as she came & commence on Teusday.

Sidney and I have given nicknames to some of the boys by calling them what their initials stand for. Thus -- Charles William Moore = C. W. M. = "Colonel With Morphine, that sweet name in the doctor line. Or Cat With Mush Mice on Molasses, or Candy With Molasses. We told C\_\_ that we had given him some pretty names & told him the first-above named, & he guessed the last named one. Graham Moore or G. M.\_\_ = Grunting (or Great) Man. I told Sidney to ask Miss Pattie Fields in her next letter if she loved Grunting Men. She said that she would. George Cannon or G. C. = Great Coward (Great Coward) ha, ha, ha, that's true. Johnny Cary (he has a B. in his name but I don't

care) or J. C. = Jumping Cat. ha, ha, ha. Sidney's is Sour Kraut or Sick And Kind. Mine is Coal Oil, or Coral Ornament , or [name crossed out and unreadable], or Camel owner or Cotton Owner. Emma Thatcher, Mary Emma T\_\_ or M. E. T. = Many Eat Toads. Oh, oh, oh, (or many eat tubs, trees, or Triggers). Sallie Moore or S. M. = Saddled or Stragglings or Strangglings Mouse or Mule or Man. But Sallie has an E in her name. S. E. M. = Scouts Eat Mice or Mules or Mud. Mollie (O) Gray = Monkey Gang, or Monkeys on Gates. Jennie R. Cary - or Jennie Raily Cary = Jack Rattled Cats. ha, ha, ha.

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Jennie R. Cary or Jack Rode Cats. ha, ha, ha.

Sunday Sept. 13th, 1863

Monday Sept. 14th. 1863. School commenced to-day but we had no recitations - mostly did a little arranging. We are to stay there from half-past 8 until 2 o'clock. to-day about 1 o'clock Pa came out from town & brought Uncle Mortimer Owens with him. Uncle M\_\_ came up from Edgefield (opposite Nashville) last night. Pa was very sick when he got home & went immediately to bed.

Tuesday Sept 15th 1863. Uncle Mortimer went in town this morning & will be out again this evening. Pa staid in bed until 2 o'clock. He wanted to get up earlier, but Ma persuaded him to stay in bed. When Sallie & me came home from school Pa said that he would get up & go with us to the fair (Ma did not want to go to-day) which he did. We only saw 2 rings - sheep & pony ring. The ponies were ridden by little boys. A ten dollar premium was given to the best rider & a five \$ premium to the 2nd & 3rd. Master Johnnie Warner got the first & Mrs. Jack Ballards little boy one of the others. The best or one of the best was hurt. His horse fell down & hurt him very severely but he did not remain insensible long, though he was not able to ride again. It was Mrs Read's son. There was a little fellow about 7 years old, dressed in a scotch plaid & on a very small pony, who looked very pretty & rode right well for a little fellow but they were afraid that his horse would throw him & would not let him ride around with the larger ones. They gave him a complimentary ribbon. 'Twas Willie Dansy (Dorsey?). I did not go in "Floral Hall" this evening, but will go in there some other day. I do not want to go again until Thursday, Friday or Saturday.

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Wednesday Sept. 16th 1863. Went to school to-day as usual. We have report books now & the trustee's prizes will be awarded according to the merit of the scholars as recorded in them.

Thursday Sept. 17th 1863. Uncle Mortimer left us this morning about 6 o'clock. He is going back home to-day.

I was sick this morning & too much so even to get up to tell Uncle Mortimer good-bye. I did not go to school. Sallie came home from school this evening & told me that Sidney's Pony was stolen last night or night before. They think that it was a french beggar that was at their house Tuesday & was very hard to get rid of. He staid at the Stable yard all the time & seemed loath to leave. Mr. Kennedy offers \$50 reward for the thief.

Harry Crutcher came out to-day with Pa. Mrs. Crutcher, her sister, Nellie & Eddie, expected to have come out on the cars, but as it has been rainy all day & rained very hard this afternoon I suppose that prevented them from coming, & Harry, being at the store did not know the latter conclusion & came out anyway. Sallie went to the Fair this evening with Jennie Moore, & went home in Mrs Moore's carriage. It was raining too hard to bring her home as they passed but Mrs. M\_\_ wanted to send her home in the carriage after the rain. Sallie would not consent to it & came through Mrs. W's, walking. I got up & dressed about supper time for I felt a great deal better. After supper all of us except Pa, played Euchra, [word indecipherable - Senat?] & Old Maid, & now are going to bed.

Friday & Saturday Sept 18 & 19th. Ma sent in for Mrs. Crutcher this morning to come & go to the fair. They came & stopped at the fair ground. Mrs. C\_\_ came over here at dinner time but left Miss Lucy Baber & the children at the fair. It was very cold all day. I went to school & then went to the fair.

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Miss Lucy, Nellie & C came home with me. They all staid all night, & we all went to the fair all day to-day ( I was seeing how often I could use all in my sentences.) Saw some very fine horses. Friday evening we saw some beautiful horses of the Morgan breed. A Mr. Buckner (distant relation of Gen. B\_\_) & his neice Miss Bettie Buckner took dinner with us to-day. They live in Louisville & came out with Mr. Crutcher introduced then to us. Miss Bettie looks to be 13 or 14 years of age. Is very much like Miss Lizzie Hutchinson or rather Mrs. Quigley.

Mr. Crutcher & family went in town on the cars this evening.

There was a premium of a \$50 set of furs offered by Prather & Smith, for the best 5 lbs of butter & Mrs. Cris. Cary got it. The butter was very good, but the furs were not pretty, though a nice prize for 5 lbs of butter. It was quite unpleasant to-day on account of the wind & cold.

Sunday Sept. 20. I went over to see Emma Thatcher this evening. She is up & I hope soon will be able to go to school for she will get so behind in her studies.

Monday. September 21st. Teusday 22nd. Wedensday, 23rd.

I commenced yesterday to take music lessons from MaMa. I am tired of this trouble of getting music teachers & when MaMa kindly offered to teach me I readily accepted for she can teach me as well as any body if I practice.

Thursday 24th, 1863. Friday 25th 1863. Saturday Sept. 26th 1863. I went to town this morning & spent the day with Mrs. Henry Dix. I spent a very pleasant day. Horace is sick, has been for a week. He took cold at school one day. Sallie Neill is at South Union near Russellville with her mother & does not know whether she will come up to school before Christmas, if then.

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She is so studious that her Ma wants her to rest a while. Ever since she has been down at South Union she has read 30 good sized books. She writes splendid poetry for a child & even for a grown person.

Today Mr. Neill read me a piece of poetry that Sallie lately wrote, about "The Southern Cause," & it astonished me though I had seen some excellent ones written by her. Mr. Neill said that he would copy it for me.

I have a dreadful headache this evening & cannot practice. Am going immediately to bed. Mrs. William Dix has a fine boy, which was born last Sunday. Mrs. Dix got up from Elizabeth town Teusday & the baby was born on the Sunday following. Her sister who was sick some time ago (had heart disease) & whom she went down to see more especially has died. She was a young lady - Miss I have forgotten her name.

Sunday Sept. the 27th 1863. My head continues to ache but I got up for I have my composition of last week to copy in my composition book - a lesson to get.

Friday Oct 2nd 1863. Sidney & I took a ride on horseback this evening & met Mr. Beckett. we rode slowly along & talked to him a good while, but seeing a crowd of his girls walking towards us, & not wishing to meet them we turned back home where we arrived about dark. I spoke part of "Paradise & the Peri" at school this evening. I do dislike so much for the Friday evening to come that we have to speak but I do not like to read my composition either. I do not mind writing them, but oh, to read the is dreadful.

Friday Oct. 9th 1863. This evening my report book is entirely clear of deficiencies & I have three excesses. I went down to Mrs. Kennedy's this afternoon to see Sidney. Sallie went with Pattie & Sidney from school. Mrs. K. was not at home, but came while

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I was there. She had been to town, & brought some dresses out for Sidney & Pattie to wear to a party to-night at Mrs. Falls [later corrected to] (Faulds). There are some children at Mrs. Falls (Faulds) who used to live in Louisville but who now reside at Chicago, & they are on a visit here. They have had 4 parties given to them & there are several more talked of. Their name is Badger. Mrs. Moore, Miss. Marsh & Mrs. Wingates Sallie & Ellen went down to Mrs. Kennedy's a few moments before she returned from town, & were waiting for her. The party dresses only had the bodies made, all except the sleeves, & I expect that company incomonaded Mrs. K. somewhat, for she brought one of Sidney's Aunts out with her who was going to go in with the girls & I expect that Mrs. K\_\_ thought that she & this lady & an irish girl (whom Mrs. K. had hired) would finish the dresses in time. Mrs. Moore was helping to make the sleeves & I suppose Mrs. K would not have minded her, but been glad to have had her help, but they all stayed till after tea.

I came home as soon as I found out that the girls intended going to a party, which they did not know themselves until their mother got home. Sidney's dress was some very thin white goods with red satin dots. Pattie's was the same. They were very pretty.

Saturday, Oct. 10th 1863. I got up with a dreadful headache this morning. Ma wanted me to go in town for her, so I went & spent the day at Mrs. Crutcher's. Mrs. Clark (Mr. Crutchers neice & formerly Miss Sallie Helm of Glasgow, I think) Miss Clark, her sister by law of Louisville & Miss Belle McDowell also spent the day there. Blanche McD\_\_ went there a little before dinner



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and spent the remainder of the day or rather until her sister left. I was very much pleased with all of the ladies. Mrs. Clark is the wife of a gentleman in our army. She was with him at the time of the battle of Murfreesboro. Her husband was in the battle & received a slight wound. She was within hearing of the firing. She has such a sweet looking face, & calls her husbands name so sweetly. She called him Will. he left her 4 weeks after their marriage - joined the army. I had the neuralgia dreadfully last night & went to bed immediately after supper, & so did not write in my journal last night, but am writing to-day (Sunday) instead. My head is well to-day.

Monday Oct 11th. Tomorrow the election for Governor comes off in Ohio. I am so anxious to know whether Vallandigham shall be elected. The democrats talk largely, but I do not know how they will act. Pa says that Mr. James Moss is in Louisville, but could not come out here this evening - will come to-morrow. He was summoned to attend the Federal Court at Louisville, relative to the bank business at Columbus - the Musselmen case.

Buddie (Jimmey Moore) has gotten his right arm shot below the elbow & had to have his hand taken off, & the arm too, just a few inches below the elbow. He was over to Mr. Willis' & was going hunting, & when he was getting the gun, [hit] the trigger on a plank that was put up around the guns to keep the children from them & it went off, shot his arm, & came very near shooting his head.

He took cloriform to have the operation performed, though he objected to taking it. The accident occurred about dusk & Mrs. & Mr. Moore got over to him about 9 o'clock at night. Mr. Moore had taken Buddie hunting with him once & was afraid to let him go with Mr. Willis for

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fear of his getting hurt, but Mr. Willis insisted & Buddy was very anxious to go. Mr. Moore says that he is very cheerful & does not seem to be sensible of the loss he sustains.

Tuesday 13th 1863. Mr. Moore [apparently not Mr. Moore, the neighbor] came out with Pa this evening. I was delighted to see him & to see any one that I could kiss. seems like meeting a near relative.

Myra did not write to me for she had been sitting up with Buddy, & did not have time to write.

Wednesday. 14. Mr. M\_\_ went in town this morning. He shall be very busy while he is here. He has a \$100 worth of shopping to do besides his other business. He says that Mrs. Dudley is in town & he thinks he will get her to do it. Mrs. Tom Hos?? is in Louisville & is going down with Mr. M\_\_. Pa received a letter from Mr. Charly Harper from some where down near C\_\_ relative to business, which put him in the mind of going down there & he is going with Mr. Moore. The river is rising & I expect that they can go by boat. If it were not for school, I should be delighted to go to Columbus now.

Thursday 15 Oct. I went over to Mrs. Thatchers this evening to call on Emma's cousin from Missouri, Miss Ella Ross, but she was at Mrs. Brannons. Ma & Sallie stayed at Mr. T's gate & sent Fannie to the house for me. Sallie had been riding & had

Pony with her but was afraid to ride her home as it was dark & as I had on cloth shoes & preferred riding to walking (especially as it was somewhat muddy) I rode her home.

Monday. 19. Pa and Mr. Moore started to Columbus this evening. Ma, Sallie and myself went over to Mrs. Thatcher's and spent this evening. Mrs. Green from Winchester, Virginia (Mr. Thatcher's cousin) was at Mrs. T\_\_'s. M. G. is rather pretty, & is about 21. I met Miss Ross, also, this evening & think that I should like her very

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well.

Teusday Oct. 20th 1863. It rained a good deal today.

Wedensday 21st. We went over after tea this evening, & sat with Mr. & Mrs. Hardin & ~~old~~ Mrs. Trigg. Miss Jane Trigg (Mrs. Hardins neice) is there - she seems to be a very nice young lady & about 17 years of age. She is the sister of Miss. Lou Trigg, the one that was down here when Mr. Hardin was sick.

Thursday. Oct. 22. I wrote to pa this afternoon.

Friday. It rained a good deal this morning & last night, but has rained but very little during the day.

Saturday - Ma & Sallie went in town this afternoon. I took a ride on horseback. It has been a beautiful day. A little cold but while I was riding I was in a perspiration, for I was prepared for the weather. I put my habit over my dress, put on an extra skirt besides my balmoral, worsted stockings, calfskin shoes, & a pair of pa's socks (yarn ones) over my shoes, then put a small shawl around me & pinned my hat ribbons around my ears. I ought to have been comfortable. I went for Mary Brannon to ride with me but she was not well enough & then her cousin Miss Ella Ross was there sick, & she having had several chills lately & had one to-day, but Miss Anna was just going riding & she asked me to wait for her. I did so & we had a very pleasant ride. We called in at Mr. Beckett's, she to see Mattie Allen & I merely went because she wanted to go. Bobbie Cobb has improved in personal appearance a good deal since I last saw her. She was dressed very becomingly this afternoon & looked really pretty.

Emma Thatcher spends to-night with me.

Monday Oct 26. Miss Marsh has a severe tooth-ache to-day & cannot teach school. Pattie Kennedy & Jennie Moore spent the day with Sallie. Ma & I were sitting in the dining room this morning & about ten oclock some one knocked at the front door & I thinking it was the children went & opened it - who should it be but Mr. Woods. His buisness in this part of the country, I deem not safe to write about. But he arrived safely with his party at the desired place.

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Ma persauded him to stay with us until to-morrow.

Teusday. We had school to-day. Sallie was not well & Ma did not let her go. I went but Ma sent for me at 12 oclock to come home & go to town with her as she expected to be gone all the afternoon & would not leave me alone. Mr. Woods went in & was going up to Covington on the cars but was too late for them - got to the Depot just in time to see them go out of sight. He came out with us & will go on the mail boat to-morrow. Pa was at the Drug Store. He arrived at Louisville this morning. He came

out with us. He brought me a letter from Puss & one from Myra - also two enclosed in the same envelope. I could scarcely make any of it out. They were written like a little child who was just learning would write. They were from Memphis & went by rail to C\_\_ where Pa got them. One was from Emma Given I beleive - the other from my cousin (so she wrote) Gus. Owen. She said that though she had never seen me she knew she would love me. Both said that they were coming to Columbus to spend Christmas with me. I cannot imagine who wrote them unless some of my cousins (one of Uncle Jimmey's children) to fool me. They told me to write to them & gave their address, but I burned them & forgot the address, if not - I should answer them just for the fun of it.

Wedensday 28th Oct. Mr Wood (or Woods) got off to-day. Pa has not been well at all since he left home & has been in bed nearly all day to-day.

Saturday. It rained all day yesterday & is right muddy to-day but bright. Ma, Pa, & Sallie went into town this morning & I am the only white person on the place. Ma went in shopping. The wind blew very hard last night & I think it dried the pike very much & if it is not muddy this evening I am going to take a ride.

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Ma sent and got Mrs. Cannon's spinning wheel this morning, to have some yarn twisted and I have just come up from the kitchen where I have been twisting some while Aunt Lettie was getting dinner. I love to twist & I dearly love to spin. I expect this is the first wheel that ever was in Ma's house. Both my Grand Ma's had them but I never remember of seeing one in our house before. I learned to spin when I was on Uncle James' plantation in Mississippi, about 2 years ago. I went out to the negro cabin where they were spinning & spun whenever I wanted to. I never twisted any yarn before to-day but it is easier to do than to spin.

Thursday 5th November 1863. Ma went in town & spent the day to-day. When I got home from school I found Mr. Woods here, who came about 11 oclock & waited to see Ma, but finding that Ma would not be out 'till late he went to town about 4 oclock, to attend to some buisness & will come out to-morrow, to get a letter from Ma to cousin Mary, if she wishes to write, & he says that he will take it with him through the lines. He gave me the photographs of Generals Lee, Beauregard, Price, Jackson, Buckner, which he got at Covington. they are better than we can get in Louisville, or at least better than I have seen & I have looked particularly at them.

Friday, 6th Nov. Mr. Woods came out this morning, & will remain all night. Some of we girls at school formed a club which meets every other Friday at different houses & it meets to-night at Mrs. Kennedy's. Sidney asked me to come down & stay all night with her & I shall go, for I made the engagement before I knew that Mr. Woods would stay here all night & as he remains until tomorrow afternoon I shall excuse myself.

Saturday. Went to Mrs. K's. Had a pleasanter time after the members of the club met than while they were there. Miss Mary Barbarne, Sidney's cousin spent the night at Mrs. K's. I like her very well. She improves upon acquaintance very much.

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I came home about 9 oclock.

We rode in town with Mr. W ["ood or Woods" added later above the line] this afternoon as Ma & I had some shopping which it was necessary should be done. I counted white horses 3 times, first for Love, 2nd for Courtship, 3rd Marriage & shook hands with Mr. Woods every time just after counting them. It was right strange.

I am reading 3 continued pieces in the "New York Ledger" & they are very interesting - "Hawthorne Lodge" By Miss Lizzie Campbell, "Self-made or out of the Depths" by Sylvanus Cobb Jr. & "The Sun Scorpion, A tale of the Caribbean Sea," By Illion Coustellano. The latter piece is begun in this weeks paper, in the place of "Nora Deane," which is just concluded. "Nora Deane" is a story of the present strugle & was only written to dignify the negro. The "Ledger" Pa thinks is trying by degrees to abolitionize the whole country.

I am going to order "Godey's ladies book" [The first American women's magazine, founded in 1830.] at the beginning of the year, though the reading is not particularly good.

Sunday 8th Nov. We attended Mr. McKee's church to-day. Mr. & Mrs. William Dix came out & spent the afternoon to-day & brought their baby. They staid until after tea.

Monday 9th. Mrs. Crutcher, Miss Lucy Baber & Harry came out this afternoon on the cars, & are going to stay a week.

Wednesday 11th. Ma & Mrs. C\_\_ went to town to-day & brought Nellie & Eddie out with them.

Thursday 12th. Mrs. Thatcher & Mrs. Cooke came over to tea this evening & brought Emma & the children. Tommy Crutcher came out with Pa to-night.

Friday. Tommy went in this morning but will come out to-night again. It is raining this morning.

Saturday.[14th November] It rained all day to-day.

Sunday. 15. Tommy C\_\_ came out last evening & will spend to-day with us.

Monday. Mrs. C\_\_ went home yesterday afternoon, & took Tommy, Nellie & Eddie with her but left Miss Lucy & Harry to come in to-day

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or tomorrow. It has been raining to-day & Miss L\_\_ & Harry will not go in.

Teusday. Still raining but Miss Lucy & Harry went home to-day.

~~Wednesday 18th Novembre. mille huit cent soixante trois. Mercredi Le dix huit Novembre, mille huit cent soixante trois. Still rainy in the forenoon.~~

Thursday 19th Nov. 1863.

Thursday 26th. Today has been appointed by Lincoln as a day of Thanksgiving, and we have Holiday. Miss Marsh's best reason for giving us H\_\_ was that the school room is so uncomfortable that we can scarcely stand it, & she thinks that Mr. Cary, the treasurer, will send some coal out to the school to-day, as plenty has arrived in town. It came yesterday & more is expected. The price of coal has fallen very suddenly. It is 37 cents per bushel.

Friday 27th.[November] We had no coal to-day. The grate in one end of the school room is none too good with coal & the hateful Frankfort (Franklin? [added later]) stove at the other end we never pretend to keep a fire in for it will not burn, & fills the room with smoke almost to the ruination of our eyes. Mrs. Moore was at school this

evening. We had a paper to-day & Sallie Wingate & I read it. I went over to Mrs. Thatcher's to-night to the meeting of the club. Sidney, Ella Ross, Annie & Lizzie Stilz & myself were there. Mollie Grey was in town, and Jennie Cary had no excuse for not attending except that she was expecting company from town. (it is allowable to take your company with you to the meeting.) Ella Ross does not belong to the club, neither do Annie & Lizzie Stilz, but Ella Ross was staying at Mrs. T's & Emma went over & invited Annie & Lizzie Stilz (though it is against the rules to invite any one but the members.) John Brannon came in the latter part of the evening. Sidney and I left about half past eight oclock. We spent a very pleasant evening. The club meets at our house Friday after next. We only meet every other week.

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Saturday. It has been gloomy all day. About 11 oclock Ma thought that it was too cold to rain & as it was very necessary that we should go into town we went, but it was very muddy & disagreeable. It rained very hard for about 2 hours & then stopped but it turned to freezing, and as we came home (which was between 5 & 6 oclock) the ground was fast freezing. We did what shopping we could & then went to Mrs. Crutcher's. By half past 2 it quit raining entirely.

Hurrah, Hurrah, Hurrah! I feel like I want to be some where that I can scream as loud as I can. I think I will get into the cellar & then no Yankee can hear me. Yes, Hurrah, Hurrah, Hurrah, for John Morgan & 6 of his men have escaped from prison. They dug through the floor in some way. ~~If I can think myself worthy enough to beleive it, my prayers have been answered.~~ It would seem that my prayers have been answered & I hope that I have faith to beleive so, but oh, how many more perfect petitions have been given for his escape than mine. Yet I earnestly pray that he may reach his friends in safety.

It has been in the papers that Our Army was dreadfully defeated & driven from "Lookout Mountain" but I never beleived it & now the suppressed news is of Bragg's turning upon the enemy & severely whipping them.

Sunday, 29th Nov. We have a little snow this morning & I see a few flakes still falling. It is not the coldest day we've had this winter, but it was extremely cold last night on account of the wind.

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Monday 30th. We had no school to-day because the room was so disagreeable that we would have suffered too severely from cold.

Friday 4th of Dec. I was very sick Teusday, Wednesday and Thursday, besides having a crick in my neck. Teusday I could not move my head. Have not been to school this week until to-day. I do not feel well yet.

Saturday Dec. 5th. It is very bright to-day. The first Saturday that it has not rained for a long time, & the very one when we do not go to town.

Sunday. To-day has been a very bright day. Ma, Sallie & I went to Mr. Well's Church to-day. I like to hear him so much.

When I was dressing to go to preaching I got so sick that I could not stand, & was undressing to remain at home, but got better & went, though I thought once during

preaching that the same sickness was coming over me. While we were at tea, Emma Thatcher, Miss Maggie Johnson & Miss Ella Ross came over & staid until bed-time. Mr. John Brannon came over for them about 8 oclock & they left at about 9 (or ten) oclock.

Monday Dec. 7th. I took a long walk with Miss. Marsh & Sallie Wingate this afternoon, & had a very pleasant walk. Sallie is at Mrs. Thatcher's to-night, & will stay all night.

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Thursday Dec. 24. We had no lessons to-day, only a paper & recitations in poetry. Ma, Mrs. Moore, & Mrs. Wingate were the only visitors except some children. Our exercises passed off very well I suppose. Miss. Marsh & the visitors seemed very well satisfied, indeed. We are to have Holiday until next Monday [a] week. I have been very busy all evening - finishing off Christmas Gifts.

Friday Dec. 25th 1863. We spent rather a quiet day, but very pleasant. This evening Sallie Owens, Addie Thatcher & Jennie Moore had a Christmas tree here. The little girls seemed to enjoy themselves very much. They came to tea & left about 9 oclock.

Harry & Nellie Crutcher came out on the cars this afternoon. Ma gave me a set of fine coral jewelry for a Christmas present. Sallie gave me a card stand of Bohemian glass. I received other small things. I gave Ma a work basket, made of shucks, lined with silk & partly furnished, & Sallie & I together gave her a set of ball hairpins. They are beautiful. Pa says that he is going to give us something. He was suffering more than usual just before Christmas & I suppose that is the reason that he did not get anything before. I wish that he would subscribe for a French magazine or Godey's ladies book for me. I believe I would prefer having the latter now, & take a French book when I learn to translate better.

Saturday 26th Dec. 1863. It rained most all day to-day. Emma Thatcher spent the night with me last night & went home about 12 oclock to-day. She & I are invited to Mrs. Cary's this evening, to dine at four. I received a second invitation this morning in a note urging me to come & spend the night.

Sunday Dec. 27th 1863. Mrs. Thatcher sent Emma & myself over to Mrs. C's in her carriage, & we remained all night. This morning Ma sent for us. I spent a very pleasant evening. The only boys there besides the family were Ross Smith (Charley Moore's cousin from Shelbyville) & Charley Moore. Others were

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invited but had previous engagements. I did not want to stay at Mr. Cary's all night, but I have excused myself from going there before & I thought I had better go. It rained very hard nearly all night, & I would not have come home for a good deal. Sidney wanted me to go home with her & I would like to have gone but could not, under the circumstances. I enjoyed myself much better than I expected though I thought that we would have a nice time when we met there. We had very nice refreshments about ten oclock.

Monday 28th of Dec. 1863. I was invited last Thursday, by Sidney, to come to her house this evening & she invited some other girls Saturday evening. It is rainy to-day & I do not know that I can go, but certainly should be afraid to stay at home for Sid said that

if I did not go she would come up & pull me out of bed, so of course I will go if I possibly can, to avoid such treatment if for no other reason. I received a note from her this morning asking me to bring Sallie with me, as Pattie has invited some boys & girls.

Teusday 29th Dec. 1863. Pa went with Sallie & I to Mrs. Kennedy's last night. We had quite a party. I spent a delightful evening. I made no new acquaintance except that of young Mr. Craik. (Hewett Craik) I met him there once before but was not introduced to him.

Wedensday. Yesterday we went to town to stay until this evening with Mrs. Crutcher. After we got in town we met Mrs. Wm. Dix coming to spend the day with Ma, but she turned back promising to come out Thursday & stay till Friday. I had a very pleasant visit at Mrs. C's. This evening just after we got home a hack came & brought Uncle Mortimer Owens. His family will come up as soon as he gets a boarding house for them.

Thursday. It has been raining all day. We did not think that Mrs. Dix would venture out with her baby, but about 10 or 11 oclock she came. Horace Dix came with her.

Friday 1st day of January 1864. Yesterday evening it turned very cold, & to-day the wind blows dreadfully, &

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it seems almost impossible to keep warm. The thermometer is 8 degrees below Zero. This morning Charley Moore & Ross Smith came this morning to invite me to a small party at Mrs. Dr. Grays's. I cannot go for Uncle Minor is sick, Pa in town, & then I would not punish myself by going out such an evening as this, much less think of taking [some] one else. Horris [changed later to Horace] Dix offered to take me, but I feel like I will freeze when I go to the door & do not wish to go. It is so cold that I suppose Mr. Dix thought it useless to send the rockaway out for Mrs. Dix & the children, at least he did not. Pa & Uncle Mortimer went in on the cars this morning & did not come out this evening.

Saturday, Jan. 2nd 1864. Pa & Uncle Mortimer came out on the cars this evening. They spent the night with Mr. William Dix last night. This is the coldest weather I ever felt, & it has been snowing, too. Some of Ma's fruit in the cellar froze & burst, the water in the kitchen froze & the milk in a pail which Aunt Lettie had milked full, froze while she finished milking. This morning when Ma got up, she poured some water into a pan which had not a particle of ice in it at the time, & set it at one side of the fire on a chair (for Sallie to wash in it when she got up) about 2 or 3 feet from a hot fire, & though it was only half an hour before Sallie went to wash, the ice was right thick round the pan & there was a thin sheet of ice over the surface of the water. Fannie took some water up stairs for Horrace Dix to wash, & then went down to the dining room to tell him it was ready (he's gone down to warm, for the grate is broken that belongs to the room he occupies) & he went immediately up, but found the water freezing & had to break the ice to wash. Most wonderful of all was the freezing of the water down in the spring. Ma told Fannie to go & get some drinking water from the spring, & certainly that would not be frozen, but the ice there had to be broken & the pieces were very thick. I would not

believe that such things were frozen until I saw them. Ma's pickle in the pantry was frozen or rather the vinegar.

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Horace Dix told rather too marvelous [a] tale to believe. He said that he wet his hair & went to doing something else & the water froze in his hair, but I do not know that it is anymore marvelous than water freezing by the fire in a room where there had been a large fire kept the day before & all night too. Ma set a pitcher by the fire when she went to bed, to thaw the ice which was in it (& she kept a good fire all night) but it did not thaw. Mr. Dix sent a hack out this evening for Mrs. Dix, Horrace & the children, & they went in.

Sunday 3rd. It has been snowing very fast all day but is still very cold. Mr. Thatcher came over this evening while we were taking dinner & supper together (about 5 oclock) & remained until 10 oclock. I had a visit from Mr. Ross Smith, Mr. John Cary, & Mr. Charley Moore, & was very much disturbed about a blunder which I made while they were here, which was one which I suppose all young girls are liable to make. I did not know it until Ma told me that I should have done otherwise. How valuable is my Mother's correction, but oh! had it come to one a little sooner! It was nothing wrong, but it annoys me beyond measure! Mr. Smith & Charley Moore came to tell me good bye as they leave to-morrow if the weather is not entirely too bad. Mr. Smith for home & Charley for Centre College, Danville, Ky.

Monday Jan. 4th 1864. Uncle Minor has been suffering very much for several days from rheumatism, & his leg is in a very bad condition. I am so sorry for him.

Weather still disagreeable - cold, snowing & the snow is 3 inches deep. Our school begins to-day, & I went with socks over my shoes. All of the girls attended to-day except Sidney & Sallie Kennedy, Mary & Alisha McGinnis.

Thursday, Jan. 21st. Aunt Susan & cousin Ida and Wille arrived at Louisville last night from Russellville. They went right to their house.

Saturday, 23rd. Ma, Sallie and I went in town this morning with Pa. Sallie went up to Uncle Mort's, but Ma & I did not go as

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it was very muddy, and we supposed that they would be in confusion, & would rather see us after they got the house in more order, and then I met with a mishap on Main St. and did not think that I looked descent [sic] to go any where. Just as I was going down the steps which lead from Websters' picture gallery into the street I slipped - the ice was very slippery on the steps - and got my clothes very muddy. Cousin Ida & Willie came to the Drug store with Sallie. Cousin Ida has grown much more than I - and is stouter looking - is right fleshy, but not too much so.

Wednesday 28th [actually Wednesday was the 27th of January] 1864. Ma, Sallie & I went to town yesterday at about 1 oclock, & spent the night with Mrs. William Dix. We went to see Aunt Susan in the afternoon. We went in to see Gen. Tom Thumb alias Mr. Charles S. Stratton & Lady (formerly Miss Lavenia Warren), Comodore Nutt, alias Mr. George Washington Morrisson Nutt, & Miss Minnie Warren, who arrived at the City yesterday (Teusday, 26th), & who are staying at the National Hotel. When they were at



Louisville before, they staid at the "Galt House." Yesterday afternoon, the carriage of Tom Thumb went around the City, & I saw it. It is the smallest vehicle to be as perfect, that I ever saw. It is precisely like a large carriage & has a footman & driver & four very small ponies belonging to it. The two front ponies belong to Com. Nutt. Tom Thumb formerly had only two to his carriage. Ma was sick all the time that she was in town, but went to see "The little Folks." We went to see them last night, and this morning. Sallie & I expected to have come out home this morning, but we concluded to stay. I cannot attempt to describe my delight at seeing them. I saw their carriage several times to-day. Saw them get in it & drive off. I shall have to retain the memory of them without writing about their levee for I feel incompetent to the task.

Cousin Ida, Willie & I came out on the cars this afternoon. Sallie & Ma came out later with Pa. I want to go to see Tom Thumb & party every time they exhibit themselves

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& should, but for school. The party appeared in their bridal costumes this morning. The same that they wore at Mr. Stratton's wedding, at Grace Church, New York. Tom Thumb is the least interesting of all. Mrs. Stratton gave her age as 22 years, Tom Thumb as 26, Comodore Nutt as 19 & Minnie Warren as 17 years. Minnie Warren & Com. Nutt are engaged to be married, the papers say. I have a history of their lives, such as they told.

This is the Tom Thumb who created such a sensation in Europe & who appeared before all the crowned heads of that Country. Com. Nutt is the famous \$30,000 Nutt, so called from that sum of money having been paid to him by "Barnum" to be exhibited at his museum for a certain length of time. They had a party given to them at the National, at which they dined. The proprietors of the Galt House & Louisville Hotel wished to give them parties but they would not accept them. Some lady at the National asked Minnie W\_\_ how she liked Comodore Nutt. She said that she liked him very much formerly, but that he was entirely too familiar now.

Monday. Feb. 1st. Cousin Ida & Wille went home this morning. Ida was very sick all day yesterday & to-day & is still very sick. This evening Mrs. Donald (Aunt Lizzie Owens' sister, Uncle Jimmies sister-in-law) came home with Pa. She lives at Gallatin at present & is on her way to visit Uncle Jame's family. She heard through a letter from Cousin Helen a short time since that Uncle James (who is on his plantation) has only lost 5 negroes. She says that Cousin George William joined the Cavalry the Dec. after I left Uncle Jimmie's which was in 1861. She says that the gentleman to whom cousin Helen was engaged to be married is dead; his name was Mr. Richard Abbey & she says that he had consumption.

Tuesday. Ma got up this morning though she is really not able to be up. Mrs. Donaldson [the "son" was added later, as was it directly below] did not go to town to-day as no boat was to leave.

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Mrs. Donaldson went to town to-day (Thursday) & got off

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on a boat to-day.

Sat. 6th Feb. I went in & spent the day with Cousin Ida (who has been sick all week) to-day. Sunday. Ma, Sallie & I went in to Sunday School to-day & attended the Chestnut St. Church (on corner of 4th & Chestnut). The class which I joined had one girl in it whom I took quite a fancy to. I do not know her whole name, but 'tis Clara some-body, but she goes to Mr. Sloan's school at Danville [the Caldwell Institute] & will leave this week. Clara is such a beautiful name. Miss Emma Thuston or Thurston is my teacher. Mr. Thatcher & Mr. Brannon were here.

Friday. Feb. 12th. Miss Mollie French, an old acquaintance of ours from near Hickman arrived at Louisville yesterday. She is staying with the family of Capt. Shallcross where Miss Jane Lewis (with whom Miss Mollie came up) is visiting. She told Pa yesterday that she was coming out to see us this evening, but did not come because she had company in town, but Cousin Ida & Willie came.

Sunday 14th Feb. All of us went to town yesterday. I spent last night in town with cousin Ida. Sallie started to dancing school to Mr. Wastell yesterday morning. I went to see Madame Odear yesterday. I was very much amused. She has a brilliant fortune in store for me. I saw Miss Mollie F. in town yesterday. I went to sabbath school this morning at the Chestnut St. church Presbyterian but attended preaching at the 1st Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Dix's little girl Eliza has been very sick & is still. Mrs. Neill & Sallie Neill came up from Mr. McCutcheon's near Russelville at a Station called South Union yesterday & they are going to live with Mrs. Henry Dix (old Mrs. Dix).

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Teusday 16th. It turned very cold last night.

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Friday 19th Feb. Miss Mollie French came out on the cars this afternoon. She came this far with Capt. Shallcross (an inspector of steamboats) and his daughter, Miss Adah Shallcross who is going up to Frankfort to a fancy Ball. A good many ladies from Louisville have gone. It is quite gay at Frankfort now, for the Senate is there but they are Yankees.

Saturday. Ma invited Mr. & Mrs. Thatcher, Mrs. Ross & Emma T\_\_ over to tea this evening. They came and were delighted with Mollie French's music. She only plays by ear.

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We were invited to Mrs. Thatcher's to spend this evening & met Mrs. Moore & Mrs. Wingate & Miss. Marsh & Mr. Albert Hardin, besides the family. We spent a very pleasant evening. Mollie looked quite pretty & certainly stylish. I think all who saw here were almost ["almost" added later] charmed, but I think the prettiest of the company was Ma.

Thursday [25th Feb.] I have not felt quite well for several weeks. I was worse to-day, and Miss Marsh said that she would excuse me from school if I wished to come home, & I thought that I would have to come, but I remained until school was dismissed. I feel some better this evening. It has been a perfect drag to attend to my lessons for more than a week but I feel that I would lose so much by staying at home that I want to go as long as possible. Mr. Coleman came out this evening. He says that I have improved

well, only to practice an hour a day. I am going to try & find time to practice longer, but I do not see where I can [word indecipherable] it. I am learning "Cramer's Etudes," & there are 48 of them. They are the most difficult studies extant & Mr. Coleman says it will take 3 yrs to learn them & then, even if a person never played a tune before that they can play them as fast as they please at first sight. I have only learned 2 & a half & I think them quite an undertaking.

Cousin Ida Owens has started to school to Mrs. Fields, but she only went a few days when she was taken sick. She is sick now & is very often.

Saturday 28 Feb. I persuaded Ma to go to town to-day though she did not like to leave me sick. Mollie French went to town last Tuesday, but will not go home for several weeks. I was very sick all day Sunday. I was going to try to go to Sunday School to-day, but just as we were ready to go it began to rain & we remained at home. Mr. Albert Hardin was over to see us last evening.

May 10th. It has now been a long time since I have written any in my journal and I shall write the purport of what has transpired since the 26th Feb. in a few words. I stopped school in the last of March on account of sickness and was quite sick for a month. When I had been sick about a week, Aunt Eliza Gilbert came up from Springfield, Tenn. and remained about a month. On Saturday 30th of April Ma & I went to Louisville in the fore noon but came back about dinner and at three or four o'clock we saw a gentleman coming up the pike He had a

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haversack on his shoulder, and had on grey clothes, the coat being regularly a confederate one. Ma remarked that he had the appearance of a soldier. He came in at our gate and came to the house. He enquired for some one I do not know who, and when he found that she did not live here nor near here that Fannie (who went to the door) knew of, he desired to see Ma, who went down to see him. He proved to be a confederate Soldier, who was taken prisoner at Knoxville, Tenn, and as there was no probability of an exchange of prisoners he & his comrades had the privilege of taking the "Amnesty oath." He & they took it in preference to going to prison. He had his oath (which he showed to Pa) & also some passes which he had obtained from the General commanding at Clarksville where he was arrested by a government detective, but released by the general upon investigation. The pass which he had was to pass to Paris, Ky, where he said that he had friends. Ma invited him to remain with us until Monday when he wished to take the 6 o'clock morning train for Lexington, via which place he would go to Paris. He appeared to be thoroughly well trained. Pa & Ma were very well pleased with him. Mr. Thatcher met him on a steam boat when both were on their way to some point on [the] Cumberland river. He belonged to Longstreet's command, and his name was Albert McBride of Columbia, South Carolina. He had two beautiful pieces of poetry written by Miss Mollie Evans of Princeton, Ky, for him. She is the daughter of a Methodist Minister. Mr. McBride left on the train Monday morning.

Monday was as disagreeable day as it would seem that a mere rainy day could be. It rained very hard & almost incessantly the whole day & was chilly. The remainder of the week - lovely weather. Sunday (day before disagreeable Monday) was a

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real Spring day and we could not wish for a prettier day for the first day of May than we had. We have been having summer weather with the exception of a few days during May thus far until yesterday. Ma has been having Spring cleaning up done, for several days, & had gotten out summer clothes, but yesterday I came home from school at dinner time & changed my clothing from Summer to Winter kind again. It indicated rain yesterday morning & rained part of the afternoon. Snow this morning, tenth day of May, but snow soon turned to rain & it has been very disagreeable all day. A week or two ago Gen. Kirby Smith, Gen. Magruder, & Dick Taylor whipped Gen Banks ~~and several other Lincolnite generals~~ up on Red river near Shrevesport. The Lincolnites were terribly whipped. We know nothing definite as to the particular in regard to it, for the Links did not let the news of the battle out at all for a long time & then it was indefinite. The Great Battle of Virginia between the armies of Gen Lee & Grant (who is now in the higher office than any other Link Gen) has reached yet, so it is come his time to be whipped by our Noblemen. But to continue - that great battle began on Wednesday 4th of May & we hear nothing but lies, & all I know is that Grant is whipped nearly to death. Gen Seymour (Lincolnite) is a prisoner. The dispatches say that Lee is whipped & that Burnside & Grant are racing for the rebel Capital. Seymour will arrive there first, and the others may get there, but not as they wish. Grant's masters claim a victory for him. They say that there are 15,000 wounded in Fredericksburg & they are so thick that cavalry cannot do duty because they cannot do so without tramping

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on them. Butler telegraphed "I whipped yesterday," but does not say that he whipped Beauregard or what he did whip. I expect he whipped some poor man for resenting the treatment of his soldiers or for some less offense.

Wednesday 11th [May]. I went over to Mrs. W's this afternoon and there was a Mr. Smith, I think a brother-in-law of Mrs. Wingate's sister who arrived from town soon after I got there. Mr. and Mrs. Russell, Lucy and Mollie Russell came too while I was there. The draft was carried on in town to-day. I do not know any one that was drafted. Among the drafted were many citizens of African descent.

Friday 13th. Ma, Pa, Sallie and I went down to Mrs. Kennedy's this evening after tea - Ma to see Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Blanton Duncan, who is just [in] from Columbia South Carolina where she has been keeping house since the first of the war. She is now on her way to England. Her husband is going to England as some officer for the State of Virginia, and she expects to meet him at Halifax (Nova Scotia). I suppose He is going out on a blockade runner for the Feds would not let him come through the U.S. if they knew it. He was a resident of Louisville till the war. He was made rich by an old uncle Grandfather Martin (the same from which Mrs. Kennedy received hers I think. B. Duncan is a cousin of Mrs. Kennedy.) He was a politician - was a whig and Prentice of the Journal thought him one of the greatest men then, but now he thinks him any thing else. At the breaking out of the war he raised the 1st Kentucky regiment (that heroic regiment who bore toils and hardships so nobly) and was colonel. He is the Col. Bland Duncan that was charged with very serious charges by his regiment and many, many others. His men loathed him. It was said that he sold blankets which the Baltimore ladies

sent to his regiment and kept the money & many [other] serious charges. I know nothing of him except what I have heard. The officers of the regiment hated him, and he was forced to resign or was in some way removed. Col. Tom Taylor succeeded him but he was not Col long, then Capt Ed. Crossland I think was made Col. Blanton Duncan has been manufacturing treasury notes at

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Richmond, Va. for some time. Mrs. Duncan is a beautiful lady. She has two children, one of which I saw - a little girl about ten years of age. I think I saw the little boy too for a moment. There was a Mrs. Burnett at Mrs. Kennedy's. She was staying a few days with Mrs. Duncan whom she was with in Columbia until 6 or 8 months ago. Mrs. Burnett I ~~suppose~~ do not know whether she is a Southerner by birth, but she is the wife, I think, of Mr. Burnett of the Burnett House in Cincinnati. She is a fine looking lady - very. She says that she heard of some rebels in Cincinnati but she only knew two or three. Mrs. Duncan I think is related to her by blood or marriage. Mrs. D. was born at Henderson Ky & she came to Ky to see her Father and Mother. Mrs. Kennedy was sick in bed and we did not see her. A very sad accident occurred at Charleston S.C. a short time since. Miss Pickens daughter of Ex. Gov. P\_\_ was mortally wounded just as her marriage ceremony was being performed, by a Lincolnite bomb shell's entering the room. It injured others, but Miss Anna Pickens died in her lovers arms, though not before saying - with much difficulty - the words required to finish the ceremony. I have an account of it which I cut from "The evening news."

Saturday, 14th May. I went to town to-day and spent the time when I was not shopping or at the Dancing Hall (in the afternoon) at Mrs. Henry Dix's. I went up to see cousin Ida a few moments. Our school was to have been closed last week, but many of the girls were unprepared for the examination (in their French Dialogue) and so Miss Marsh will close in about two weeks. I received a letter from Myra a few days ago. She says that she has a little English nephew - he was born on the 29th of last February - and weighed 12 pounds. Both of Miss Mollie's children were boys. Her first was named Frank for Gen Cheatam and Maj. McNary. I wonder what this one will be named. (Poor Maj. McN\_\_ was killed in the second attack on fort Donelson. He commanded the regiment that attacked. He was taken to, and buried at Nashville[]).

The battle in Virginia still goes on. The Lincolnites admit their loss now to be 45,000. I have no fears for the result - but oh! I cannot express my

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feeling of suspense about the killed and wounded of our noble heroes. ~~The enemy has 15,000 wounded in Frederick~~

Wednesday June 8th 1864. This afternoon a hack came out with some ladies in it to stay all night. There is a lady from Memphis who wishes boarding near the city and convenient to the railroad, for herself, a young lady friend, nurse and baby. Pa wanted Ma to take them but she did not do so. He procured boarding for them at Mrs. Wingate's, but she will not be ready to receive them 'till to-morrow so Pa invited Mrs. Barnes & Miss Tomlinson to come out & spend the night & to-morrow with us as the Galt House was very unfavorable to her sick baby. They are very nice ladies.

Thursday (June 9) We had a very hard storm this evening, but before night it quit raining and Mrs. Barnes & Miss T\_\_ nurse & baby, went over to Mrs. W\_\_'s in our rockaway.

Saturday 11th. We had our examination yesterday. I received the most honor. We came home about 3 oclock and went to town. I remained all night at Uncle Mortimer's, and went to Mrs. Noll's commencement. Cousin Ida has been going to Mrs. Noll's for 3 weeks, ever since Mrs. Fields dismissed her school on account of so much sickness in her family. Miss Laura Brannin [sic] read the valedictory but against the wishes of all of her classmates who preferred that Miss Winston should read it, I believe.

Monday. I went to the Female High School examination to-day. It amounted to no examination at all.

Friday 17 June. We went to Mr. Beckett's Soirée last night. The graduates were those girls whose class I was in last year, and several other girls that have since entered the school. They were Miss Mary Brannon, Miss Sanders, Miss Annie Jacob (who read the valedictory which was very pretty - expressive & very well read) & one other young lady, Miss Bertie Woolfolk, and Miss Bettie Calloway.

Saturday. We went in to Uncle Mortimer's to-day. Just about dinner time Mr. Walker ~~came and said that he had~~ drove by on his return from here.

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He said that Mrs. Richardson and her children went to a picnic, and he thought that he would go out to see us. He seemed very much disappointed that we were not at home. As usual he brought a quantity of candy to us, but this time he brought much more than usual and some cakes. Cousin Mary used to call him "our candy friend." He looked much better than when he was here last.

Sunday, June 19th, 1864.

We went to Sunday School and church this morning. We heard a son of old Dr. Young (deceased, formerly of Danville) preach - a brother of Mr. John Young who preached at the 2nd church for some time & who is going to return. This young minister I think will make an exellent preacher. I like to hear him. I heard that he is only 18 yrs of age. Last sabbath Dr. Humphrey of Danville, preached at the 2nd Church.

Monday, June 20th, 1864

We had a terrific storm this evening, of wind and rain, but it did not last very long, and before night it became quite clear. After an early supper, Pa, Ma, Sallie and I went over to Mrs. Wingate's ~~and staid until bed~~ to see Mrs. W\_\_, Mrs. & Mr. Barnes, & Miss Tomlinson. (Mrs. Barnes was Miss Proudfit before she married.) Mr. Barnes seems to be a very nice gentleman, indeed.

Tuesday (June 21) Sallie Wingate went up on the stage this morning to Shelbyville. Miss Alice Macy arrived from Frankfort at 12 oclock, Friday. She is a particular friend of Ida & has been in Frankfort at Mrs. Runyans's school. Mrs. W\_\_ was very sorry she could not see Alice - she seems so anxious that Sallie should know her. I was at cousin Ida's when she got there, and Aunt Susan, Cousin Ida & I went up [word indecipherable] with her, soon after she arrived - then as soon as she got through with her shopping, she had to hurry to get to the cars.

It is cloudy this morning but I do not think that it will rain. Ma is not well this morning. She got her feet wet last night. Miss Mary Belle McDowell is to be married this evening at 7 oclock

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Mr. Charles H. Hewett. She is going to Europe ~~Liverpool where her father-in-law resides.~~ I heard that her ~~intended husband~~ sweetheart is very homely - very. His father is rich. Mr. Walker says that he gave \$60,000 to the Southern Confederacy. Miss Belle is to be married at Christs Church.

This is my 16th birthday [June 21]. How old!

I have opened a keepsake letter which Sidney gave me to be opened on my 16th birthday. It is a very sweet letter.

Wednesday. Ma was taken quite sick yesterday, and is worse to-day. I feel so uneasy about her. Dr. Chenoweth has been to see her. Sidney came up to see me this evening. While she was here, Pa came and brought me a letter from Louisville (came through the P.O.). I did not recognize the hand-writing (that of a gentleman) and so I gave it to Pa to read first. When I found that it was an anonymous letter I told Pa to read it aloud which he did, to the great amusement of S\_\_ & me. It was a good letter both in composition & penmanship, but it certainly was ridiculous for me to receive a love letter, and a very foolish thing in the author. I cannot imagine, no! have not the most distant idea of who wrote it. It requested me to address B. A. C. Louisville Ky. I shall of course pay no attention to it.

~~Pa brought a new carriage out this afternoon. It is a very nice one.~~

Friday, June 24th. Last night Pa brought Dr. Bostic, from Tunica county, Miss. out home with him. Ma was perfectly well yesterday morning except was weak and sore (from blisters) so I suppose Pa thought she would be up yesterday evening, but this is not one of her headaches, & she was worse last night. This morning she was well & has continued so all day. (except weakness). Sallie went to town this evening to see Cousin Ida.

THIS IS APPARENTLY THE END OF THIS VOLUME, EXCEPT FOR THE CLOSING NOTE INSERTED BELOW.

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#### BREAK IN CONTENT / DATES

[This and following page may not have been physically part of this Journal.]

Cave & said that Mr. William Cornwall & family were going down to-day (Thursday). We concluded to go, Ma having given her permission with a little hesitation about the short notice but we will not go to-day for Mrs. Cornwall is not ready, and we will go next Monday if the Rebels do not interfere with the L & Nashville railroad before that time. I think I shall enjoy the trip, but never before had any desire to visit the Cave for I have always had a perfect dread of subtranean passages.

Sunday June [Should be July]17th. Ma and I were up very late last night, packing our trunk and all of us indulged in sleeping late this morning. Pa was up a little earlier than we, that is Ma, Sallie and I. We breakfasted at 11 o'clock.

Saturday July 23rd, 1864

We returned home from the Cave this evening. The train arrived at 5 oclock, and we went to Mr. Cornwall's to wait for Pa to come for us, as he was not at the depot. The reason why he did not meet us was that he thought that the train came in at 7, two hours later, but we did not have to wait for him very long at Mr. Cornwall's.

Our party was very pleasant indeed, & I never enjoyed a week more than the past one. Mr. Cornwall's family consisted of himself, wife, grown son, Mr. William C\_\_ Jr., Aaron, his little son, about 11 years of age, & Sallie, his little girl, 9 yrs of age. Besides his immediate family, there was Miss Margaret Drake, a particular friend of Mrs. Cornwall. She is the step daughter of Mr. Ripley, a lawyer in town. She is about 4 yrs older than I but 'twas a great deal of company for me, & I liked her very much. In her Cave dress she looked beautiful. John Cornwall Jr. also belonged to our party. He is Mr. John Cornwall's son and as nice a boy as I ever knew. He is, I suppose, 13 years of age.

I will trust not to memory everything that I saw at the Cave for smarter people than I have failed, I think, completely, to describe the Mammoth Cave. We visited White's Cave, a beautiful one of about a quarter of a mile in extent. Dickenson's Cave has high arches equal to ones in the Mammoth Cave, but

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it is only a half mile in extent. The mouth is larger than the mouth of Mammoth Cave. I did not visit it, but Johnny Cornwall told me about it. No guide is required to go there, but going in White's Cave we had Mat. In the short route of Mammoth, we had Mat. In the long route we had Mat, & a white guide named Canco or Sanco (something pronounced that way) yes, Canco Meridy or Meridith. Each one of a party is charged \$3 to go in Mammoth Cave & \$1 for White's Cave. Mat has been guide for 27 yrs & is the best guide. He went in with Stephen (who was the best they ever had) until he died.

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I must now end this old book from necessity. [i.e., no more pages]

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See Cincinnati Enquirer of August 10th ('63) for Hon. Steph. A. Douglas' last speech in the senate of the U.S. See Cin. Enquirer of the same date for "Interesting account of the Morgan raid in Indiana & Ohio by a participant - one of Morgan's staff officers.

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