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The Diary of Horatio Collins King Dickinson College Class of 1858

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First Session of 3 Months.

September. 17. Monday.

Father, Mother and Henry, being in Maine, and Annie & I, being left in W. I did not deem it proper to leave Annie alone, so I waited until Father's return which was on the eve of the 15th. inst. I left home this Morn. with Innes Randolph; (who accompanied me as far as Harrisburgh, on his way to Hobart College, Geneva, New York.-- at 6 o'clock A.M. Had a pleasant trip as far as Harrisburgh, where I left Innes; he to continue his journey to G. to enter the Sophomore Class, scientific course, and I to come to D. to enter the same Class and Regular Course. Arrived here at 2 P.M. Found all well: Mr. Hart during vacation died. The room was of course, "topsy turvy", soon cleaned up a little, and entered immediately upon my duties. The scheme and studies will be found in the latter part of the book. At night, went to Porters; received a kiss from all. Agreeable fun. Being tired, retired early, 10.

September, 18. Tuesday.

Arose at 6. Have commenced my recitations with the usual avidity. Don't find it very hard thus far. Spent the evening with Dr. Collins, family and some visitors. Sang, played, and enjoyed myself very well. Came to Stevenson's Room, No. 31. E.C. We bought about a gallon of cider, drank it with several others, and retired boozy at 11 ½ o'clock.

Sept. 19. Wednesday.

Arose at 5 ½. Bought peaches in morning and gallon and a half of cider at night. Both nice. Attended meeting of Society. Twenty four names presented for election to membership. Pretty good. Went to Mrs. P's. Had a pretty good time. M. tries very hard to haul me in. She can't come, it. Slept with Stevenson. Retired at 11 o'clock.

Sept. 20. Thursday.

Arose at 5 ½. Very hard work to day. Four recitations. Did nothing of importance today: stayed in my room at night. Retired= I'm too fast- I went to Spalding & Rogers Circus. A first-rate one. Soldiers got to fighting, and numbers rushed into the ring. Several were knocked down. Men fighting, children and women crying. Were quieted after a while and performance went on. Came home at 10 ½, and retired at 11. o'clock PM.

Sept. 21. Friday.

Arose at 5 ½. Hard day also. Four rec. Stopped at Mrs. P.s a short time. Went to Mrs. Myers: was introduced to the Misses, Seymour and Lizzie Hames. Spent a very agreeable evening. Came away at 10 ½. Ret. 11.

Sept. 22. Saturday.

Arose at 6. No recitations to day. Loafed around. Went to Ginnie Allen's at night. Passed a very agreeable evening. Came away at 9. Stayed with Stevenson all night. Expected Chum, Frank S. Findlay up to day, but he did not come. Am anxiously awaiting him. Retired at 10 ½.

Sept. 23, Sunday.

Arose at 6. Went to prayers, came back and went to bed again. Wrote to Innes. Studied, Paley's Theology, which we recite to Dr. Collins. Attended church twice. Once to Chapel. Accompanied Sallie P. And to Brother Consor's at night. Preached an Astronomical sermon. Went to sleep. Came to room. Read Theology more. Went to Stevenson's room, and retired with him at 10 ½ o'clock.

Monday, Sept. 24th.

Arose at 5 ½. So sleepy, when about to shut the door, jammed my finger badly. Studied Paley's T. Walking out the road towards Staymens' with Jeff S. met Mallie Van Hoff and Ellen Fleming. Jeff took Ellen and I Mallie- had a delightful time; walked a great deal went to the ice-cream saloon. Escorted her home, squeezed her nice little hand and bid her good bye. Left my handkerchief accidentally: shall go after it soon. Retired at 10.

Sept. 25th Tuesday:

Arose at 5 ½. At 6 ½ o'clock, Awl, Hughy, Newman and myself left for Harrisburgh to attend the state fair. Found some difficulty in obtaining lodging. Went to National Hotel. Engaged a room: charged too exorbitantly, so we left: took rooms at a private boarding house: got through very well. Walked about town, eat oysters &c. and went to bed at 11.

Sept. 26. Wednesday:

Arose at 6. At 9, went out to the fair grounds. Was much pleased with the sights. Eat oysters &c: got a little hilarious. Went to the circus. Saw Fannie Porter at Mr. Rees in H. At the U.S. Hotel: was introduced to Lu Myers, also to Mollie Wiley, the latter quite a fine looking girl. Concluded to renew our correspondence. About 6. P.M. rained very hard. Escorted Miss Lu Myers to the cars. Cars very much crowded but managed to get seats. Arrived in C. at 9. Accompanied Lu. home. Came to room at 9 ½ and retired, after studying awhile, at 10 ½ o'clock.

Sept. 27. Thursday.

Arose at 6 ½. Called on Mallie Van H. and had a very agreeable time. Got my handkerchief. Each agreed to write candidly their opinions of each other. Left at 9. Retired at 11.

Sept. 28th Friday.

Arose at 6. Received a note from Chum F. stating that he would be here on tomorrow eve. I hope so. Wrote to L. McK. Griffith at West River, Md. Had my gold pen mended. Finger still quite sore: proud flesh on it: am doctoring it very successfully. Called on Ellen Fleming, enjoyed myself very well. Left there and went to Mrs. P's. Stayed a short time. Left and came to College. With Stevenson [William James Stevenson, Class of 1858], Duvall, Riley [James P. Riely, Class of 1858, non-graduate], all disguised, went to the ice-cream saloon. Met some ladies of our acquaintance. The gentleman with them recognized all but me. We had a jolly time, came to room and retired at 11.

Sept. 29th Saturday.

Arose at 6. At 2 P.M. Chum came. Was glad to see him. Went to saloon and got a snack. He looks well and hearty as I've ever seen him! Walking the streets, met Mallie Van Hoff and Fannie Porter: of course walked and talked with them. Went into Mrs. P's. Ellen F. came in. After awhile all went to Ellen's; played there awhile: left at 9 ½, escorted Mallie home. Nice girl, like her very much: don't know whether she likes me, and don't care much. Came to room and retired at 10 ½.

Sept. 30th Sunday.

Arose at 7 ½. Wrote to Father in Washington, Mother in Portland, Chum Monroe at Pennington Seminary and to John Randolph. Attended church once at Chapel. Rained very hard; no ladys there: played the melodeon and led the choir of four. On account of the heavy rain, did not attend at night. Studied Paley's Theology. Uncle C. says it is a good work to study on the Sabbath: am glad to hear it. Spread out the mattresses on the floor and retired at 10 o'clock.

October 1st Monday.

Arose at 5. Received a letter from Ellen H. Answered it immediately at her request. She is a nice girl and a splendid correspondent. I should like much to see her again. Her deguareotype is expected soon. Went down with Riley and Stevenson to saloon. Riley treated. Stepped into Porter's: left at 8 o'clock, came to room and retired on the bed Mr. Weaver put up to day, at 10 oclock.

October 2d, Tuesday.

Arose at 6. Received a letter from Innes. Quite agreeable. Bought a blank book made for the purpose, and transferred to it the compositions written by me since my sojourn in Dick. Col. Intend to preserve all my compositions in the same way. Went with Bill Harkness [William H. Harkness, Class of 1858, non-graduate] to his house, and played some tunes, on the melodeon, he accompanying with the bass viol. Returned to room at 8 ½ o'clock and retired at 10.

October 3d Wednesday.

Arose at 6. Did not attend Society meeting to day, but stayed at home and made me a music stand, suitable to hold music when I'm practicing. Quite a mean and flummuxy joke was played on several of us, Merrick [William Wallace Merrick, Class of 1859], Hughy, Newman, Beck [Benjamin F. or Samuel Beck, Class of 1859, non-graduate], & Downs [William R. or Phillip W. Downes, Class of 1859, non-graduate or Class of 1858]. We all received invitations to attend a party to be given at Miss Ritters on Main Street. All went down and found it was a hoax. The ladies were very much embarrassed: and I think had sufficient reason to be. The fellow who played such a trick is no gentlemen, I should like much to find him out. I do not care so much for myself as I do for the ladies: it was very ungentlemanly for him to do such a thing. We spent, however, a very agreeable evening: played and sang; stayed until 10 o'clock, returned to rooms and I quietly slipped into bed at 11 oclock P.M..

October 4. Thursday.

Arose at 6. Received a nice letter from Lewis Griffith, who is teaching in the West Chester Academy, West Chester Md. He expects to be ou here soon. Wrote

to J.B. Farnsworth at Lafayette, Pa. Prof. Johnson being absent from town, we had no Political Economy recitation. Went at 7. to see Mallie V. H— I gave her my opinions in writing, with regard to her. She handed me her paper, the sum totum of which was, "I feel too lazy to describe you rightly, so I will leave it to yourself". I was a little disappointed and we sat mum for some time. I then proposed to walk: we went to Ellen F's. Mallie told her sorrows, which was that I had taken my paper away from her. Ellen sympathized with her and Mallie almost cried. Returned to her home, and then gave her the paper and bid her good night. Returned to College at 9 ½ and retired at 10 ½ or 11 o'clock.

October 5. Friday.

Arose at 6. Prof. Johnson not coming to day, got off from another recitation in Polit. Received a piece of music, "Would I were with thee". Purpose sending it to Ellen Humes. Learned that and "Maggie by my side". Both very pretty. Walked this evening with Mallie for some time: and enjoyed myself very well. Got our stove up. Quite a nice one. Cost \$ 8.00. Came to room at 9 and retired at 10 ½.

October 6. Saturday.

Arose at 6. Quite rainy and miserable all day. Learned a Medley (Katy Darling and Harp that once thro' Taras Halls) on the violin. Quite pretty. Went down to Mrs. Paynes to call on the young ladies there. Miss Arbogast, cousin to Arby— was there: she is unsophisticated and uncultivated but a good-hearted girl. Met Mallie there, and ergo enjoyed myself very well. Accompanied her home, three doors beyond; a little pleasure. I enjoy her company very. Came to room and retired at 10 ½.

October 7th Sunday.

Arose at 6. Went to prayers, came back and went to bed again. Laziness personified. Attended church once, prayer meeting once. Wrote to Innes— Enclosed a sheet of paper and envelope to father, also a slip on which was written "please write", Yours respectfully, H.C. King. Hope now they will be able to write. At night, attended 2d Presbyterian Church. Saw Mallie, but did not go home with her. Accompanied Ellen Fleming home. Came to room, studied Paley and then went to bed at 10 ½ o'clock.

October 8th Monday.

Arose at 6. In the evening, went down to Will. Harkness: played and sang with the melodeon. Think about organizing another band. Awl. flutist, Barnes [Cornelius Fletcher Barnes, Class of 1857], guitarist, Harkness, bass-viol— and King, melodeonist. Have no tenor singer; don't know who to take. Left there at 9, returned to room and retired at 10.

October 9th Tuesday.

Arose at 6. Received the "Argus" from Father. Went down to Mrs. Ps: stayed a half hour. I don't enjoy myself there, as much as formerly. About 10 P.M. went out for the purpose of making a collection of Johnson's fruit. Found nothing but a few quinces. Hung on to them. Quite nice ones. After pilfering that little, returned and retired at 11.

October 10th Wednesday.

Arose at 6. Received a letter from John Randolph, a catalogue of "Bowdoin" from Cousin H.M. King, who is a freshman there: also a "Star" from father. Sent a catalogue of Dick. Coll. to Henry: also the piece of music, "Would I were with thee" to Ellen W. Humes. Watch out of order; took it to jewellers for the purpose of having it repaired &c.---

Our crowd happening accidentally together, we loafed around, watched the rejoicings— cannon firing, bonfire, speeches &c. of the victorious, and unterrified Democracy: then went to Lager Beer Saloon: all got pretty lively: came to the ice cream saloon under the guidance of Tom Hughey, who fell in with us. Obtained the instruments--- melodeon, flute and bass-viol from Harkness' house, returned to College, practiced some time in Awl's room. Baines could get no guitar and consequently had to dispense with it. Started out: went to Col. Moore, serenaded his pretty daughters. Came back towards town, stopped before Prof. Marshall, also before the College in general: went then to Mrs. Ps, and then at Mr. Ritters and that being finished, and it being about 2 o'clock A.M. we broke up, and returned to College. We got along very well and there is every anticipation that we will make a good band. We certainly had a good time this eve. Arrived at room, struck a light and retired hastily at 2.

October 11th Thursday.

Arose at 6. Don't feel much fatigued: shall try serenading again pretty soon. Did nothing of much consequence during day and ret. at 10.

October 12th Friday.

Arose at 6. Received a letter from Annie, stating that Mother is at the north and expected to stay there some time. Went down to Will. Harkness. Band were all there, also the Ritter girls. Sung played, cut up for awhile, drank ale, got a little boozzy, went home with Mollie Ritter; and had a nice time at ice cream saloon. Came to college, played some on the violin and being then quite tired, I retired at 11.

October 13th Saturday.

Arose at 6. Received a letter from Father informing me that Mother had been re-attacked with her former complaint and was in Boston under the care of Dr. Bell doing very well. I am very, very, very sorry to hear it, but trust she will be well soon. Received also an "Argus" from home. Stopped at Mrs. Ps. for a short time this eve. Borous. Returned to my domicile and retired at 10 ½.

October 14th Sunday.

Arose at 6. Went to prayers. Wrote to John Randolph, also to home folks. Attended church twice and had to play melodeon in chapel. At night went to 2d. Presbt. Came home with Ellen Fleming. Studied Paley's Theology and retired at 10.

October 15th Monday.

Arose at 4. Hired a man to tune Chapel Melodeon. Price \$6.00. Collected the sum from the Students and Faculty. Bought (Chum and I) a chafing dish for oysters. Also some oysters. Had a good snack. Retired at 10 ½ o'clock.

October 16. Tuesday.

Arose at 7. Unwell, didn't attend Geometry recitation. Received an 8 page letter from Innes Randolph containing a pen and ink sketch of Hobart College, Geneva N.Y. where he is. Went to saloon with Chum: got some very good as usual. I was, however considerable cool for the weather. Retired at 10.

October 17 Wednesday.

Arose at 6. County Agricultural Fair opened. Attended in afternoon. Pretty good fair: was much pleased with most everything and especially the girls. Came home at 6. No loafing about to night. Retired at 11.

October 18 Thursday.

Arose at 6. Went out to fair again in the afternoon. Met some girls from Mechanicsburg— Maggie Schwisher, Miss Wilson, Mollie Day, Ann Felix & c. Mollie and Annie Ritter were along. Went out to the cave. Forgot to say that Will. Harkness, Tom Hughy, Jake Weller [Addison Weller, Class of 1859, non-graduate] and Ned Griffith were along. For me, I had an awful measly time. Made an engagement with the proprietor of Wunderlich's Panorama of American History, to play the melodeon for him. He is to give me _____ per night. Played for him to night. Got along very well. There are 63 scenes and ergo had to play about 70 tunes. Mr. Porter (our) did the lecturing and did it well. I took Chum in and also got Complimentary tickets for our band. I expect all of us will play to morrow night. Came to room. On the way up, bought 3 doz oysters together with crackers. Arrived at room and had a very nice stew and then retired at 11 o'clock.

October 19th Friday.

Arose at 6. Band practiced at the court house where panorama is showing. Expect to play to night. Received a "Star". Band played: got along first rate. Enjoyed the fun. Retired after cooking and eating some oysters, at 10 ½ o'clock.

October 20, Saturday.

Arose at 6. Received a letter from no one to day. Was somewhat disappointed. Hired horse and buggy with Will Harkness and went to Mechanicsburg. Returning, started from M. 25 minutes to 6, and arrived here 15 minutes before 7. Distance 10 miles, time 1 hour and 10 minutes. Fast travelling. Played again to night at Panorama. Left at 9 ½, came to "hole" and went into my nest at 10 ½.

October 21. Sunday.

Arose at 7 ½. Old fashioned again. Attended church four times. Twice in Chapel. Played the melodeon— once at Episcopal and at night at the Lutheran. Felt in a church going humour. All O.K. Wrote to Father, also to Lewis Griffith. Retired at 10.

October 22. Monday.

Arose at 4. Studied Paley's Theology an hour and went to bed again. Arose again at 6. Received a letter from Father, also a small paper (The College Gun) full of fun, wit, humour &c. from E & H College at which place it is edited by the students. Expect to subscribe for it. Some pretty keen pieces in it this month. Sent for "What are the wild waves saying?" Music. Stepped into Porter's a few minutes (1/2 hour) this evening. Played with two of the band— Harkness and Roberts at the Panorama. Bought oysters and had another stew. Quite agreeable. Retired at 11 o'clock.

October 23. Tuesday.

Arose at 6. Received a very nice letter from my good friend Ellen H. It is a source of great pleasure to receive her nice letters. They are always nice. On account of the inclemency of the weather, no exhibition of panorama this evening. Glad of it: I'm being bored awfully. Took Hal Buoys hat to have it done over. Will make a new one of it and will then wear it all the time. Being unwell and somewhat fatigued, retired at 9 o'clock.

October 24th. Wednesday.

Arose at 4. Studied my Geometry for $3/4$ of an hour and then went to bed and had a nice nap. "Continental" sang at Manor Hall, but it being rather blustering and cold, I did not deem it worth while to go. There was no Panorama to night. Studied and retired at 10.

October 25th Thursday.

Arose at 6. Played to night with the band at the Panorama again. Got some nice fried oysters with Chum. Went to saloon: went in and had to go to the trouble of waking up all the hands. Came to room at $9 \frac{1}{2}$ o'clock and retired at 10.

October 26th Friday.

Arose at 7. Not feeling well, of course did not attend recitation. Went to Mrs. Porter's and remained about ten minutes, when Mallie Van Hoff came in. I accompanied her home, went in: stayed a short time and then proposed a walk to Ellen H's. We started, and had a very nice confab. Ellen was not in: returned towards home: walked about for about $\frac{1}{2}$ hour and then went home again. Went in: stayed until 9 o'clock and then got up to leave. Left at 9, much pleased with my visit. Returned to room, and after sitting awhile and eating a few apples retired at 10.

October 27. Saturday.

Arose at 6. At 8 o'clock, started with Chum for his Cousin's, Mrs. Schuck's, about 16 miles from here and 6 miles south of Shippensburg. Arrived at their residence at the foot of the mountain about $11 \frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Mrs. Schuck got in the buggy and we went to Mr. McFarland's about two miles this side. Arrived in a short time. At the latter place, met several nice maiden ladies and a fine old gentleman, Mr. Mc; also Miss Josephine Schuck, cousin to Frank also. With her, I spent a very pleasant time and was sorry I did not have a longer time to spend with her. She is a young, pretty, agreeable, fascinating, and very nice girl, I was very much pleased with her. Took dinner, which by the by was a first rate one, done up in hospitable country style.

About 4 o'clock, we walked and visited one of the neighbors, about 1/4 mile distant. Returning, with her, gathered acorns for Aunt Del. Miller to make frames for pictures. At about five o'clock made preparations for leaving. A few minutes previous to the Good Bye, had a nice confab with Coz Josephine, as I playfully called her. Told how much I was pleased with her and my visit: and expressed much regret at having to leave so soon. This was reciprocal. I wished much to remain longer, for she is going in a few days to Abingdon Va. there to live. Perhaps we shall not meet again, but I shall long remember her. On leaving, she gave me a flower, marigold, which I have pressed and shall keep in remembrance of her. I am very sorry she is to leave so soon for I liked her very much. She is a fine girl. We being in for a little mischief, stopped a man on the road, on our return, and inquired of him, if he had seen anything of a man riding on a mule about, we should suppose, three miles in advance of us. He said he had not, but he did see a man driving several horses along, not far ahead. We then told him the man we referred to was a fugitive from justice, having murdered a man by poisoning him a short time since. He had escaped from jail and we were requested by the sheriff to inquire if he had been seen along this road. We then politely thanked him for his kindness and bid him good night. Passing on a short distance, came to an aspiring youth, of whom we inquired his Father's name, at the same time offering him a poor half Spanish cigar. He replied to our interrogatory by saying his Father's name was Charles Fox. We requested him to give our love respectively to his Father, Mother, and rest of the family, and to inform his Father, Mr. Charles Fox, we should write in a few days. We then passed on.

Arriving at a small sized, diminutive, good for nothing town, being desirous of knowing the title of such an important place, we inquired of the only man we could see, what was the name of the town, making as much noise as possible all the time. He not speaking very intelligibly we repeated the question some seven or eight times, after which the man getting pretty mad, we started off. Nothing of any importance after that, except running through the toll gate without paying which was not a very material difference to us, as we were not particular about stopping or wasting money. Arrived in town about 8 ½ o'clock, very much pleased with our trip. It was rather cold riding, but we did not mind it much. If the Schuk family were going to stay, I should doubtless go up there pretty often. Came to Stevenson's room, thawed out and then came to No. 32 and there being no fire we retired at 10 o'clock P.M.

October 28th Sunday.

Arose at 7. Attended chapel twice, and played the melodeon; this is getting to be awful borous: I wish Sallie Porter would come home very soon. After the afternoon service, went home with Miss Arbogast. Wrote eight pages to Innes and four to Ellen Humes. Studied Paley's Theology as usual. Easy lesson I think. Read a short time, "Sylvester Sound" and retired at 10 ½.

October 29th Monday.

Arose at 4. Studied Paley again and did the thing up brown by not being called up. Saw Mr. Porter off to Phila. to day. Received a letter from Innes R. and a "Star" from home. Sallie Porter came home from Hookstown near Baltimore to day. She looks in fine health, although somewhat low spirited because she had not had the pleasure of staying with her Pa. for any length of time. Retired at 10 o'clock. P.M.

October 30th Tuesday.

Arose at 6. At night went with Will Harkness and McCeny [Rufus H. McCeney, Class of 1858, non-graduate] to get some Lager and Pretzels. Returning, Mr. Hughy having left our band, we serenaded him with our original rhyme. viz:

Thomas Hughy's left our band.

Rum stum, spermacetti candle oh,
There's not one of us who cares a d--n.

Rum stum spermacetti candle oh.

This highly incensed the young man, but being of a good natured-turn of man, he vented his rage, by throwing various articles against his own door: a deed of heroic daring. Came to room at 11— and retired at 11 ½ o'clock.

October 31, Wednesday.

Arose at 5 ½. To day, in Society were initiated twenty-six acting members and one Honorary Member of General U.P. Society. The latter, Brother Reese, by name, Presiding Elder of this district. Dr. Collins, Prof. Tiffany and Ben. Arbogast

were present, and we had a most interesting and entertaining meeting. Choir practiced a short time. It being holy-eve (is that spelt correctly?) the same crowd as yesterday with the addition of Awl went and got some more Lager. Retired at 9 ½.

October- excuse; I should have written November 1. Thursday.

Arose at 5 ½. Played ball some time to day, haven't done such a thing for a long time. Frank received a letter containing a word or two to me, from Coz. Josephine Schuck, at the Mountain. Her writing is very nice, smooth and pretty.... Got a pretty good pair of cloth shoes from Shrom. Their quality can better be tested by wear. Had a little squabble with Tiffany. There was some misunderstanding concerning the length of the Geometry lesson, and with many others made some simple remark. Tiff. looked at me and remarked, "keep quiet, when your opinion is required, it will be asked for". I said nothing at the time, but after dismissal of the class, I inquired his reasons for treating me in "such a rough and ungentlemanly manner". He screwed and squirmed around it, and after talking with him for about 15 minutes, we settled the "affair" amicably and satisfactorily to both parties, and wound up with the hope that such a thing would not occur again. He has no fears of a return; and I certainly am not for if even a Professor perceives spunk in a fellow, they always respect him. This evening at prayers, he was as polite as "a basket of chips. Retired at 10 o'clock.

November 2, Friday.

Arose at 5 ½. Prayers in the morning at 6 1/4 now, instead of 6. Breakfast bell at 7 1/4. Other hours remain the same. Club met for the purpose of arranging matters for a concert to be given at Dillsburgh. Providence permitting, our band intend giving a public concert, vocal and instrumental on the night preceding Thanksgiving day, at Dillsburgh about two miles from Mechanicsburg. We shall send our agents Messers Walston [William B. Walston, Class of 1856] and Culver [Joseph F. Culver, Class of 1857, non-graduate] in a few days to make arrangements. We are in for a little fun. Practised some. Jim Purvis [James Franklin Purvis, Class of 1856] will accompany and desires to sing, but think we can do better without him. Retired at 9 ½.

November 3 Saturday.

Arose at 7. Call meeting of Society to attend to business. Intend for Club practise every day at 1. At night went to Walston and Baldwin's [Rignal Woodward Baldwin, Class of 1856] Room, No. 46 W.C. Took Eccleston [Edward Noel Eccleston, Class of 1856] for fiddler and fiddling some myself, had a regular break down. Fellows didn't understand it thouroughly, consequently, did not have a very enticing dance. Fooled around for a couple of hours and then came to room, and feeling rather unwell and very much fatigued, retired at 10 P.M.

November 4th Sunday.

Arose at 7. Attended church three times. Once at Chapel, once at Episcopal, and at night at 2d Presbt. at which place, by request I sang in the choir, and by special desire of Miss Baird played for her the last tune on the melodeon. After church, walked home with Ellen Fleming. Saw M— Van Hoff but did not deem it advisable nor agreeable to accompany her home. After leaving Ellen F. Went to Mrs. Ps where I sat for an hour. Mattie, thanks to my kind Fortuna, was in bed. I don't enjoy myself there at all. Came to room at 9 ½, and retired at 10.

November 5. Monday.

Arose at 5 and studied Paley. Received a letter from John Randolph also a "Star" from home. Sent letter to Father. Stopped at Mrs. Ps a short time this afternoon at 3 for the purpose of borrowing "Lake Dismal Swamp" and "Hard Times". Played a short time. Club practised, expect to have Jim. Purvis also in the band. Practised at 1. Tom Hughy, without any request, took Harkness guitar, had it fixed up, and announced his intention of learning to play, agreeing to return the guitar when he left the band. Having withdrawn, he now refuses to return the guitar, urging as a plea for his conduct, that we have treated him shamefully, which is all a lie. He has never before complained of ill treatment. He had always been treated well, until he acted as above, when of course the aspect of affairs changed somewhat. We have made up our minds to get the guitar, and consequently we will have it. Tom and I had several severe talks, but refrained from blows. Fighting in college is a ticklish affair. Practiced with instruments at Will Harkness'. Retired at 10 ½.

November 6. Tuesday.

Arose at 6. Forgot to mention that we went out serenading yesterday night. Awl, with flute, Harkness, with Bass Viol and myself with melodeon. Serenaded Minnie Moore and a Miss Coyle at Ellen Flemings. Sang and played several times at both places. Minnie left town this morning to attend school at Burlington N.Y. where she has been for some time. I am sorry to see her leave: as I had a very strange and strong desire to become acquainted with her. I hope to make her acquaintance next April, when she returns. I was decidedly very much pleased with her appearance. Hughy still persists in keeping the guitar: so Harkness said I might have it, if I could get it. I shall get it, but will keep it only temporarily.

Club practised, both vocally and with instruments. Retired willingly at about 9 ½ o'clock. P.M.

November 7. Wednesday.

Arose at 6. Interesting society meeting. Stayed in 3/4 of an hour after prayers. Received a letter from Father containing a check for \$30.00 which I handed to Uncle C. Rec'd also a "Star". Sent off a letter to John Randolph. Retired at 11.

November 8. Thursday.

Neglected to say that yesterday, I searched in several rooms for the guitar but found it not. Finally I had reasons to suppose that it was in the wardrobe in Dick. Down's room. So I obtained a key, opened the place and there found it. Awl and myself took possession of it and without being seen but by Watts (Janitor) and Jeff Stoek (both of whom promised secrecy) transported it safely to Harkness where it now is and will remain. Hughy is awful mad, and threatens dreadful results, but we patiently await his movements.

Answered Father's letter, acknowledging receipt of check. At night, went with Harkness and Barnes, and called on the mother of Minnie Moore. Spent a very pleasant evening, played on the piano, talked &c. and finally at 9 ½ left much pleased with my visit. I wish I had called, this time one week ago, when Minnie was at home. She requested and urged us to call again soon; she wished me,

whenever I desired to practice, to be sure to come up and use her piano as much as I wished. Should be glad to do so, but have not time. Studied lessons for about an hour and retired at 11.

November 9. Friday.

Arose at 6. Received a Star from Home. Band practised as usual. Fletcher Barnes informs us, that in consequence of having requisitions to attend to, he will be unable to practise any more and consequently can not sing with us at the concert. We are sorry, but suppose, we'll have to get along the best we can. Retired at 10.

November 10. Saturday.

Arose at 7 1/4. At 1 o'clock, went with McClintock and Weightman, out gunning. Rode in Mc's carriage as far as toll gate. I had four splendid shots, but each time the gunned missed fire. I was very much provoked at its obstinacy. We killed nothing. Walked in. Returned at 7. Ate a hearty supper and retired at 9.

November 11. Sunday.

Arose at 7 1/2. Missed Aunt H. from the breakfast table. At dinner, all the children in one voice, informed me that I had a little cousin. Been expecting it for some time. Wrote a letter to father containing the news. Attended church 2. Went out walking a short distance: something I haven't enjoyed for some time. Had also a nap of two hours. Having studied Paley a little, retired at 10 o'clock P.M.

November 12. Monday.

Arose at 4 1/2. Studied Paley some more. At night, the Quartette serenaded at Moores and Woodward's. Sang Poes Raven, E pluribus Unum, Wild old Woods, Dismal Swamp and others. Did not take the instruments as it was raining. Came to room, read some in "Dream Life" and retired at 10 1/2.

November 13. Tuesday.

Arose at 6. Received a letter from Innes, of four pages: Grand Know Nothing Demonstration "on account of the late victories gained in Maryland, N.Y. and other states. Considerable noise from one dilapidated piece of artillery. One speech, from Lemuel Todd, M.C. Elect and three cheers for K.N. Party was the oratorical display after which an adjournment to the outside of the courthouse. Bonfire consisting of ½ doz. dry goods boxes and one tar barrel (all stolen) was started but in about two minutes made a glorious "go out. It is said with the assistance of some Anti K.N.s they started the fire again and it went off very well. During its burning, a man, compelled by nature to say Dimicrots for Democrats, mounted the cannon and gave a long sermon on the beauties of the K.N. Party, after which all adjourned. Retired at 11 o'clock.

November 14. Wednesday.

Arose at 6. Pleasant time in Society. Received a French Paper (Courier Des Etats-Unis') from father. Nothing of much importance, occurred during the day. Studied hard and retired at 10 o'clock.

November 15. Thursday.

Arose at 5 ½. Received a nice letter from Ellen Humes. She is now, I suppose on her way to Huntsville, Ala. where she will spend the winter, probably. She is a very nice girl. Having nothing else to do, read some in "Dream Life" and retired at 10.

November 16. Friday.

Arose at 5 ½. Went in to see the baby. Description— Height- 1 ½ feet; weight- 6 pounds: Hair-Brown, Eyes- Deep blue; hands and feet quite delicate, and general appearance very good. Aunt H. and baby are both doing very well. I think, they will name the baby Annie King Collins. Received a letter from Father containing a violin string. Club took instruments and went up to Mrs. Moore's, but she being very much engaged cleaning house, begged to be excused, and erg. consequently we came away. Went down to Porters. Mollie has been very sick

with Lung fever but is now rapidly improving. Enjoyed myself very well. Sallie gave me a very large and nice apple. Retired at 10 ½.

November 17. Saturday.

Arose at 6 1/4. Accompanied Cousin Marie Seavy to chapel to hear a lecture on ninevah by Uncle Charles. At 12, with Jim Purvis, started in a carry all for Dillsburg, York Co. Pa: Where we arrived at 3 o'clock. Our business was to arrange matters for giving a concert next Wednesday evening. We obtained the M.E. Church for which we are to pay \$2.00. We then put up bills in all the stores and along the fences &c. which were as follows— (See back of the book).

Vocal and Instrumental Concert,
by the
Enterpean Quartette Club,
At the M.E. Church. On Wedns. Evening, Nov 21.
Introducing many popular pieces of the day.
Admission 12 ½ c.
Doors open at 6 ½. Concert begins at 7.

Bills similar in appearance only written At Dillsburg on Wedns. were distributed throughout the country, and then we returned. Eat dinner and supper and in fact all was at the band's expense.

Arrived home at 7 o'clock. Raining hard all the afternoon, except while we were in Dillsburg. Our entire expenses will amount to about \$10.00, and if we clear expenses, of which there is not much doubt, we can get along very well. Will go out in the omnibus on Wednesday at 2, and return same night. Expect to have a bunkum time..... Received a long letter from Chum at Pennington N.J. Louis Griffith came up to day. Went down to Porter's where he was in order to see him the sooner. Stayed at Porters for awhile and then both of us went down to Mallie Van Hoff's. M— was glad to see him and also remarked that I was quite a stranger. I should have been much longer, if Lou hadn't asked me to go with him. Went to the oyster saloon with Lou. Right nice oysters. Being awful tired, came to room and retired at 10 ½.

November 18. Sunday.

Arose at 7 as usual. Attended church twice at Chapel. Wrote to Innes, 8 pages, also a short letter to Father. Went down to Porters to see Louis Griffith, but the girls going to church, I left and went to 2d Presbyterian and was bored by Parson Eels, the preacher who "crys" and whines out his sermons. Returned to Porters. Laid my head in Mattie's lap: she combed my hair nicely. Came to room with Louis' who stayed with me all night. Retired at 11 o'clock.

November 19. Monday.

Arose at 4. Studied Paley hard. Received a paper from home. Have a bad cold: bought a paper of "Composition" and dosed myself strongly. Had a general rehearsal preparatory to going to Dillsburg to make our debut on the floor of the — church. Came from practicing at 9 o'clock. It will take us more than two hours to go through all the pieces correctly and fully. Retired at 9 ½.

November 20th Tuesday.

Arose at 6. Had another rehearsal: after which went to 2d. Presbyterian Church and practiced hymn tunes and anthems to sing on Thursday, Thanksgiving day. Went home with Sallie P. who was there. Stayed an hour or so at Mrs. P's. Mollie is much better. Retired at 10

November 21st Wednesday.

Arose at 6. Raining and snowing together. Poor prospect for a good audience. At 1 o'clock P.M. all the band with necessary implements, met at Sensmanns Livery stable: four horses being hitched to the omnibus, all all the fellows being aboard, at 2, we started and arrived in Dillsburg at 4. P.M. We soon arranged a stage and obtained lights for the church, and all being in readiness, we awaited the arrival of the audience. The weather still being very bad and disagreeable, but few (16) came. At 7 ½ we began our concert and went through the following.

Programme

Part I.

Wreckers Daughter..... Instrumental	Good News From Home.... Purvis
Our greeting glee..... Quartette	Comic Song (Solo & Chorus).... King, H &A.
E pluribus Unum..... "	Ethiopian Medley { Instrument.
Thou art gone form my gaze.. Instrumental	Kemo Kimo &c. ... { Instrument.
Irish emigrants Lament... King	Old Sexton..... Awl
Hard Times (Solo & Chorus)..... King & Co.	Dismal Swamp.... Quartette
Barber Shop (Trio) Hark. King & Awl	Robbin Aroung.... Harkness

Part II.

Sentimental Medley (Katy Darling and Harp that once through Taras' &c. }
Instrument.

Poes Raven (Chant) Quartette.

Part III

Arbor Waltz..... Instrument.

Wild Old Woods... Quartette.

Parting Glee... "

The above was not printed. It was read out by Purvis in the above order.

The exercises went off first-rate and we were much applauded. With a better audience, we would have done much better. Our expenses amounted to \$12.93, \$2.00 of which were paid; leaving \$10.93 to settle for, making each ones share 1.82 1/6. I had paid \$1.00. Purvis about 4.00 and more and Walston 31 cts, so it now stands. Awl \$1.82 1/6— Barnes \$1.82 1/6— Harkness-1.82 1/6 King 82 1/6 Walston 1.51 1/6 and there is now due to Purvis \$1.97 all of which will be duly settled for in a few days. It was rather a losing game, but we will have to make it up by giving a concert some where else, pretty soon. We left Dillsburg at 9 ½ and arrived home at 11 3/4, quite cold and tired, but well pleased with our trip. We purpose going to Mechanicsburg in about two weeks. Retired at 11 o'clock P.M. to dream of fallen expectations, our ill success is attributed solely to the miserable weather.

November 22d Thursday.

Thanksgiving Day. Arose at 7. Took Dinner in Dr. Collins— Forgot to say that first I went to the 2d Presbt. Ch. sang in the Choir and heard a borous sermon from Mr. Eel again. His ideas and language are good, but his whining delivery is horrible. Escorted Sallie P. home. Had a first rate dinner at Dr. Collins— viz Turkey, Chickens, Roast Beef, for substantials together with all the vegetables of the season: for desert, Blanc mange and fresh peaches and cream. The peaches were some preserved in air-tight cans, and seemed fresh as if just taken off the tree. Stepped into Porters at 3 o'clock; saw little Mollie: she looks quite badly: at 4, went to see Ginnie Allen and spent a few minutes. After which at 5, went to Prof. Marshall's with Chum and several others, eat oysters and remained about two hours. Had a very pleasant times.

being determined to finished up the day, went to Porters and spent a very pleasant two hours. Came home at 10, and wrote a composition to hand into Prof. Johnson on Saturday, after which, retired at 12 o'clock. So ends Thanksgiving Day.

November 23d Friday.

Arose at 7. Received a letter from John Randolph and "Argus" from Father. Bought the "yankee notions" for Dec. I want a little fun, once in a while. Attended

a practicing of the choir a short time. Went to see Ginnie Allen, and remained an hour. Retired at 10.

November 24th Saturday.

Arose at 7 ½ Band practiced for some time in Chapel, in the afternoon. Have made out a long list of Solos, Trios, and Quartettes, sung by us which we intend having printed. Went down to Porters and stayed part of the evening: went with the intention of borrowing some music: they not having the pieces I wanted, I started for home; got as far as the front door and was then prevailed upon to stay longer. Left at 9, went to Walston's room and had a dance for a short time, then came to room and retired at 10 ½.

November 25th Sunday.

Arose at 7 ½ Attended church, once in chapel and at night at Brother Consor's, M.E. 1st charge, after which stepped into Porters and remained until 9 p.m. Strange to tell, I have written not one letter to day. Retired at 10 o'clock.

November 26th Monday.

Arose at 4. Studied Paley's Theology well. Commenced taking lessons in painting on "ivory tint". Very well satisfied so far. Take lessons on Mond. and Tues. from 2 and 3 ½ P.M. Price, \$3.00 for three pictures. Don't expect to have much trouble, but on the contrary much pleasure. Practised (Band) at Harkness'. Ritter girls were there. Didn't pay any attention to them. Oh lud: Stepped into Porters got some music. Stayed 15 minutes Retired at 11.

November 27th. Tuesday.

Arose at 6. Prayers now at 6 ½ A.M. Did a smart thing last night. Undressed and then fixed the fire. Leaving the light burning, I shut the stove door and layed down on the bed a moment until the fire should burned up well. The consequence of my laying down was, I went to sleep. About 2 o'clock A.M. this morning, Chum awoke me, and asked why the light was burning and why the room was so intolerably warm. I immediately jumped out of bed and found the stove in full blast and the room awful hot. Opened the door. blew out the light,

arranged things, and got into bed, resolving inwardly never to risk being burned to death by such carelessness again. Took another lesson from Mrs. Myers. Progress first rate. Received from Father a Document, entitled "Maps and Views to accompany Message and Documents" "1854-5". Shall present it to the library as soon as the new Librarian comes in. Don't feel very well to day: my back hurts me very much, and I can't imagine what is the matter with it. Retired at 9 ½

November 28. Wednesday.

Arose at 6. Received a "Star". Wrote to Father. Went (Band) serenading. Sang in addition to pieces heretofore mentioned, "Soft Glides the Sea" and the "Grave of Uncle True". The latter, —a solo and chorus is very pretty, when sung by us. Ha! Went first to Dr Dales to serenade Mallie Van Hoff. Dr Dale invited us in, and treated to some excellent cider and good segars. "Bunkum!" Went from thence to Porters and Blaneys, after that to Tiffanys. Then got the melodeon from Harkness' and sang at Parson Fry's. Came home at 12 pretty tired and immediately retired.

November 29. Thursday

Arose at 6. Band practised. Also attended choir meeting and sang some very fine anthems. Saw Sallie P. who said our serenade was charming. She felt very much gratified. Have a sore throat to night. Such being the case, retired at 10 ½ P.M.

November 30 Friday.

Arose at 6. Am rather disappointed that I do not hear from Father. Wrote to him to day. Went down to Porters. Stayed a few minutes. Thence to Mallie Van Hoff's. Much company in the parlor, am getting tired of that girl, stayed fifteen minutes and then left. Inwardly resolved to visit her no more, at least for two or three months. Came back to Porters— remained a short time— Band came after me— went Serenading, at Misses Campbells about 3/4 of a mile from town— also Miss nety Line, a short distance out. Sang a considerable number of tunes. Did very well. Returned and retired at 10 1/4 o'clock P.M.

December 1st Saturday.

Arose at 7. Took a walk up railroad before breakfast and rode down on the burden-train. Received three "Patent Office Reports" from Father. Took a lesson of Mrs. Myers. Getting along very well. Called on Mrs. Reese, with Cousin Maria. Had nothing to do to night. Did as much as I wished and retired at 10.

December 2d Sunday.

Arose at 8. Attended Chapel once, and heard Brother Consor (1st Ch) once. Read Coopers Novel, "Pathfinder". Found it very interesting. Retired at 9 ½.

December 3d Monday.

Arose at 4. Read Paley over once and then retired again. Re-rose at 6, and remained up for the day. Wrote 4 pages (two of rhyme and two of prose) to John Randolph. No letter from home yet--- I wonder what in the world is the matter with them at home. I do wish they would be more punctual in writing. Wrote 4 pages also to Lou Griffith. Mr. Arbogast paid us visit this evening. Was glad to see him as he was quite a stranger. Like him very well. Tired and sleepy, retired at 11 ½ o'clock.

December 4th Tuesday.

Arose at 6. Tiffany unwell— excused us from recitation. He went to his house, equipped himself and went gunning immediately with Dr McClintock and others. Sickness fled from him most suprisingly sudden. Rented "2 Philander Doesticks works from Mr Piper. Like them very well. Some of his writings are quite witty. Took an other drawing lesson. Pretty good fun. Requires much patience to draw satisfactorily to oneself. Stopped at Porters five minutes. Caldwell [Samuel Cushman Caldwell, Class of 1858], me duce et auspice, intends to try to cut John Long out and then flirt with Mattie. All O.K. Hope, and doubt not but that, he will succeed. Caldwell had the degaureotype of a handsome girl of 16--- Sweet sixteen, Augusta J. Woodman, of Portland. I believe I recognise the features, but am not certain. I agreed to let him Mattie's degaure, pro. tem. provided he would let me have Augusta's. He readily agreed, and ergo we have swopped pro. tem. I now can and do feast my eyes on beauty. I should very much like an acquaintance

with A— May go on to Portland next summer when will know her Walked considerable with Caldwell this evening . Nice boy. Son of Caldwell [Merritt Caldwell, tenure 1833-1848], former Prof. here. Now deceased.... Cush C---s mother is here. He is about 18— my age. Read a beautiful piece of poetry loaned to me by Cousin Maria: they were written on the death of a young girl. I do not know the author. Retired at 10 ½ o'clock.

December 5th Wednesday.

Arose at 6. Attended society at short time. Then left with Caldwell, Reese [Thomas Sargeant Reese, Class of 1858] and Carson [John Robert Carson, Class of 1858, non-graduate], too see W.J. Stevenson, a member of our Class, off. He goes home for awhile anyhow, as he expects to go West. After this, all of us walked out to the gas works; from thence to the garrison. Had a very good time. Stepped in to inquire after Mattie's health. Didn't stop. Retired at 9 ½

December 6th. Thursday

Arose at 6. Received a paper from Home. Mother still at Somerville, but I think getting much better. Heard this from Uncle Charles. Went to Porters with Caldwell. Want him to cut John Long out, which I think he can do. Mattie was down stairs, and looked very well indeed. Caldwell was very attentive; but he swears that I can knock down more with one look from my eyes, than he can build up in a week. Rather think, Mattie will soon find out that my looks are not love looks, but merely friendly glances. Played and sang for some time and passed a very pleasant evening. Left at 9 o'clock. Came to College, and with Tip McLaughlin [Charles Edward Maglaughlin, Class of 1858], Charley Hepburn [Charles H. Hepburn, Class of 1858, non-graduate] and Hulsey, greased Prof. Tiffany's boards with fish-oil. They smelt and looked very delightful indeed. Having spent a profitable evening, came to room and ret. at 11.

December 7th Friday.

Arose at 6. At recitation, Tiffany called every man up and made him recite at his table, by doing the examples on paper. He was awful angry and we enjoyed the fun. We intend to fix him yet. N.B.B. Saw my report in Dr's Room. See last part of the book. Down to Porters. Took Fannie to hear a Lecture at 1st Presbt. Ch.

given by a Missionary from Loo Chuo. Pleasant two hours spent. Returned and had a long talk with Mattie, told her my views as regarded matters and things. Retired at 11 o'clock.

December 8th Saturday.

Arose at 7. Attended choir meeting. Borous. Mrs Myers sent up my picture. It looks very well indeed. Came off a great deal better than I expected. Shall take some more lessons next Session. Think I understand ivory tint drawing enough to practice without a teacher. Shall draw a number of pieces to hang up in the room. Retired at 12 o'clock.

December 9th Sunday.

Arose at 7 3/4. Wrote to John A. Munroe, to Father and to Innes Randolph, enclosing to the latter one of our large posters. Attended church twice at Chapel. Did not sing in the Choir. Have an idea that there are some in that choir who consider me a very good "nigger", so I intend to absent myself from there entirely, until further notice. Caldwell and myself went for Mattie and Fannie to come up to Chapel. Their father having come in the morning and intending to stay only one day, they excused themselves: so I escorted Sallie to and from Chapel. Very pleasant. Retired at 7.

December 10th Monday.

Arose at 4 ½ and went immediately to bed again and re-rose at 6 ½. Bid Mr. Porter good bye this morning. Spent the evening until 8 ½ at Mrs. Moores. Enjoyed myself very well. Took a few glasses of ale and then retired at 11 ½ o'clock.

December 11th Tuesday.

Arose at 6 ½. Went to Tiffs room and found the black boards, table, chairs and benches covered with tar. Tiff layed papers over all except the boards as made us recite on paper. Called up about a doz and dismissed. Went down to Porters, Gave Mollie a Brother Jonathon. Sang, played and Sallie followed suit until 10 when came to room and immediately retired at 12 o'clock.

December 12th Wednesday

Arose at 6 ½. Last day of recitation for this session. Professors Marshall and Schem excused us from their recitations and we had the time for enjoyment. Attended Society meeting— short, adjourned soon and then passed the time very agreeably until evening prayers. Stepped into Porters— there were four or five fellows present already, so I made only about 15 minutes stay. Came to room, read, sang, laughed, talked, and whiled away the time until 11 o'clock when I retired.

December 13th Thursday.

Arose at 7 ½. It is almost impossible for me to attend prayers, when there is no morning recitation. The time passes very slowly. I wish I were at home. Narcissa Collins made me a present of a very handsome pair of broad-cloth-embroidered-with-gold-braid slippers. Took them to Mr. Cornmans shoe store to have them made up. Instrumental band practised at Will Harkness'. Stopped at Porters. Have come to the conclusion that, as Caldwell has failed in cutting out John Long, I will do so myself. Tried to get Mattie's feelings on the subject of loving, but she constantly avowed, "that she liked all her friends alike". As to loving, she would say nothing. Played and sang, and then left at 10. Retired 10 ½.

December 14th Friday.

Arose at 7 ½ again. Received a letter from Lewis Griffith, also from Innes Randolph. Innes is not going hom Christmas: which fact I'm very sorry to hear. Seniors finished their examination at 11 A.M., and some left. The band made an engagement to give a concert at Sheffys (?) or Shafers School house about five miles from town. Mr. Culver was to see that all the expenses were paid. On account of a measly rain, we concluded not to go. Disappointed in that, being bored and having nothing else to do, I again went down to Porters. Riley, Long, Caldwell and Stoek were present. Long, Caldwell and Riley all left— about 9. Jeff, Fannie and Sallie were in the back-room, so I took Mattie in the parlor. Sat down on the sofa, put my arm around her neck and took her hand in mine, and we had a long and interesting conversation. She made the same assertion concerning "like" as she did yesterday. But by much cross-questioning in lawyer style, I found that she loved, and that especial love lay between John Long and myself.

Further, as to that matter, I could find out nothing. As a grand finale, I made the remark, that I expected we could never be very true friends again. She quickly asked "Why"? Because, I answered, you seem to have no inclination for it. She made some remark that approximated the subject, but not enough to suit me, so I arose and went in with the other party. Before taking leave, all being in the parlor, I commenced a conversation with Sallie. Told her how my feelings were. That sometimes I felt as if I would be good and could go to Heaven when I die, and at other times, I felt that I was ordained to be wicked and go to torment. I conversed in a melancholy strain as if I had lost all my friends and never expected to get more. Told her that I had almost come to the conclusion to believe a doctrine confessed by Shakspeare and act accordingly— viz- "There's a divinity which shapes our ends, rough hew them as we will". We stood talking in this strain for some time. Afterwards changed the subject to my flirting propensities, which she disliked and thought wrong, and I advocated. It being nearly 10, I went out in the back room for my umberella and Mattie alone followed me. Having secured it, I stood taking with Mattie: told her how badly I acted and how bad I felt, and remarked, if I only had a true friend and one to love and be loved by, I knew I could be a great deal better and happier. She immediately threw her arms around my neck, kissed me, and said so sweetly, "Oh! Horatio, I'm your true friend, I love you dearly" I clasped my arm around her and drew her to me close and asked, "Mattie do you love me better than any one else"? She quickly replied, "I do, I do"! I was completely and fairly caught. I could not and will not flirt with her. My scheme for cutting out John L. has entrapped myself. I care not though. M— is a dear good girl and to love her will be of immense advantage to me.

It will curb my wild and almost untameable spirit. I trust, in me, it will create an entire moral re-form. I kissed her, and received a sweet kiss in return before leaving. The happiness, I enjoyed to night, can never be forgotten. It seems like as if 'twere one year ago. I feel truly happy. Doubtless there will be a renewal of happy by-gone days.

Went with Jeff Stoek to oyster saloon. Ate a plate of stewed and a ½ doz fried. Came to room and vamosed at 1 o'clock.

December 15. Saturday.

Arose at 6 ½ and went to prayers. Dull, wet, and taken all in all, a disagreeable day But a light heart can bear with heavy weather. Received a circular of the Harvard Magazine from F.O. French. Bought a pair of shoes, also got my slippers: which look very nice. Bought a pair of ivory knitting needles for M-----. Walking down street saw Fannie at the window: went in and had an agreeable talk. From thence went to Jane Martins— found Mattie there. Played on piano, talked &c.-- passed an agreeable hour and then left. At night went to Mrs. Porters . Mattie sick from eating Mince pie. Asleep and did not get up. Sent by Fannie this little note, "Receive Dear Sister Mattie my sincere regrets for your indisposition. Beware how you trifle with mince-pie. Trusting you may be entirely recovered when next we meet, I remain as ever, Your Affct Broth" Jeff Stoek, while there, made me a fine moustache of burnt cork. Fannie and Jeff went round to Mallie Van Hoff's. After awhile thus adorned, went around too and created quite a sensation among the young folks. Came back to Porter's, had a long talk with Fannie about Mattie. She says M— likes and loves me better than she does any one else. I wonder how Mr Long will feel when he finds this out. I expect M— and I will have no further uncomfortable disagreements. I'm sure that I will not create them. Came to room, read a "Star" received from home, also some in "Yusef" and retired at 11. P.S. Entered upon my duties as Asst. Librarian of U.P. Society.

December 16th Sunday.

Arose at 7 3/4. Wrote to Father. John Bell the bell-ringer was arrested for stealing last night. Faculty have dismissed him. Two gold watches valued respectively at \$60 and \$100.00 have been stolen; also \$30 or \$40 in money. Attended church twice— once with Sallie at Chapel, again to 1st charge, at night and heard a good sermon from Prof. Johnson. After church went to Porters. Asked M— if she regretted what she had said on Friday; she answered "certainly not". After talking for some time, we came to the conclusion that as yet, we were too young to love, and at present we would be only "dear, dear friends". At some future day, we may be more than friends. I thought it were best to be as stated above now, so with a sweet kiss we so arranged it. Kissed her and received a sweet one in return when I left. Retired at 10 ½. Stayed with Jeff Stoek during the night. Room in West College.

December 17th Monday.

Arose at 6. Started for prayers, arrived, found the door on our side locked, and wouldn't go in. All O.K. Examination began. Got through all three recitations first-rate. Will be much satisfied, if I succeed in all so well. Received a short letter from Annie, also a nice one, containing two beautiful, white, pressed rose buds, from Ellen Humes. She is at present residing in Huntsville, Ala. Stepped into Porters again. Am becoming very fond of Mattie's company. Played, talked, sang and then kissed M—. Read some in Fanny Fern's new novel, "Rose Clark". Very pretty indeed. Came to room, wrote hastily some directing cards for those of my friends expecting to be in Washington. Retired at 10 ½ P.M

December 18th Tuesday.

Arose at 6 ½. Examinations continued. Got through first-rate. Beyond all my anticipation. Received a letter from John Munroe. Expects to be in W— on the 26 inst. Attended an oyster supper at Sarg. Reeses. Very nice time and oysters. Came to room and having nothing better do, retired at 11.

December 19th Wednesday.

Arose at 6 ½. Examination by Dr. Collins began immediately after prayers. Finished at 9. Passed a first-rate examination. Great number of Sophomores went away in the 10 A.M. train. Chum went to Philadelphia to spend the vacation. Expects to spend a few days in Washington. Am all packed up and ready to leave in the morning. Cousin Maria and Cis Collins will go with me. Good idea. Stopped into Porters this morning to get my music book and Album. Fannie had not written in it. Gave her to day to do so. Had a pleasant talk with M--- about corresponding &c., &c. Kissed her sweetly and vice versa when I left. Oh sweets! Seems awful dull around College. So many students gone. Uncle C. received a letter from home containing \$10.00 with which to send me home on. All O.K.----

Went down to Mrs Porters. Found the girls had written together, four beautiful pieces— two by Mattie, and Fannie and Sallie one each. Played and sang some. McPherson and Fannie in the front room and Mattie, Auntie and I in the back room. Fannie broke the bottle containing the ethereal oil. Having none to put in the lamp, it went out. M----- and I sat together, her arm around my neck

and mine around her waist: we talked delightfully in whispers to each other and in the mean time to Auntie in a loud tone. Oh it was delightfully in whispers to each other and in the mean time to Auntie in a loud tone. Oh it was delightful. After awhile, Sallie came from Minnie Mytinger's. I stole kisses from her as well as from Fannie and Mattie. All very nice indeed. Thus far, spend a more delightful evening at Mrs. Ps than I ever did before. Now comes the bliss which is thrown in "Extra". Bidding them all good night, M----- followed me into the parlor— we were all alone. She threw her arm around my neck and I clasped my hands around her waist and thus we stood and talked for fifteen minutes. Talked of love and such like. Told her how much I loved her, and how hard it was to part. Asked her if she loved me!

Gave me the same answer which she did last Friday night. Oh! it was perfectly heavenly. I never was so happy before in my life, that I recollect. It was perfectly heavenly. I love her now, more than I ever did before. She seems a great deal different from what she once seemed. It is very, very hard to part with her so soon after our reunion. But I look forward to a happy and joyous meeting in January next. It was hard to bid her good night— very, very hard. This is the last day of the session— it has closed splendidly and encouragingly. I pray to God, every session may pass as pleasantly and close as favorably and happily. It feels very lonesome, now Chum has gone; I must stay all alone to night. So Good Night— Retired at 10 ½.

December 20th Thursday.

Arose at 7 ½ o'clock. AM. No morning prayers- an immense relief from borosities. At 9 ½, went to Porters. Bade them all "Good Bye". Received a shower of kisses from all. M-----s were especially nice. At 10 A.M. in company with Cousin Maria Leavey and Cis Collins, started for Home, quite happy to bid farewell to study and greet again a short respite. The cars whistle— I'm off. Good Bye.

January 17th. 1856. P.S. Arrived in Harrisburgh at 11. Called on Misses Stevenson and Ursula Cushman at Penna. Female College. Spent an agreeable half hour. Left H— at one o'clock. Arrived in Baltimore at 6 P.M. Went to Mr David Creamers

corner of Monument and Ensor Streets. Remained all night at part of next day.
Left B— at 3 P.M. on Friday, and arrived Home at 5 o'clock, where I found all well,
and evidently glad to see us. Was glad again to greet kind friends at home.
Mother— I was sorry— was still at the north but expected home soon.