# Kate Halliday Mickle (1871–1941) 1893

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Kate H.{Halliday} Mickle
1893.
June 20th Tues.

The most eventful day of my life I expect. The day upon which I was married. What I felt and what I thought I will not write here for nobody knows who may read. Our wedding I consider was very nice. Mr Howith, Arthur, Miss Mickle and the people at home were present. Mr Howith performing the ceremony. A number of friends were at the station to see us depart. It so pleasant to have them come to say good bye but so much kissing seems silly. Our railway journey to Niagara Falls N. Y (where we stayed for the night) was dusty and tiring. We stayed at "Prospect House" where we had a very comfortable room and a nice parlor. We had a view of the Falls by moonlight. They are much more beautiful than I thought when I saw them last summer. The view crossing Suspension Bridge was also very beautiful.

June 21st Wed.

Left at 10 a.m. for New York. Had a wait of 2 hrs. in Buffalo where we employed our hire in driving around the city. The first place which we visited was the house of Icineration {Incineration}. The Chapel where the service is held, after which all leave but two people who remain to witness the cremation. The body is carried into a small room, taken from the coffin and placed on a marble slab which is then rolled into the retort (already heated for 1 1/2 hrs) where in the space of an hour and a half it is reduced to ashes. The furnace is down in the basement and was brought from Italy and set up by an Italian. After being thus cheerfuly entertained we visited the graveyard which was certainly well cared for. One tomb in particular was very pretty. A marble monument (the sides of which were glass) contained four marble figures in different positions and around it were place marble seat and marble urns filled with flowers. The cemetery is controlled by the city and in one part they have

arranged the small tombstones of all dead firemen and in the center erected a large monument for all firemen. Next came Dufferin Park which is immense and very pretty arranged. York then Main, the Empire fast express, which passed along the edge of the Hudson and arrived in New York at 10.p.m. We went to the Broadway Central Hotel where we were shown a room of the 2nd flat which looked out on the roof and felt as if it contained only about 1 inch of fresh air. We changed for one higher up but with a window facing the street but as we wanted a bath we moved once more and betook ourselves to the 4th flat where we had a parlor, a bedroom and a bath-room.

June 22nd Thurs.

Got a cab in the morning after we had with a great deal of difficulty found the breakfast room and partaken of our morning repast, and drove out to Brooklyn Bridge. After crossing which we returned to the Hotel (Driving up 5th ave first) and had dinner at 3 p.m. We embarked on the Orinoco for Bermuda. In passing out of U of harbor the Statue of Liberty could be seen for some distance. The night was lovely and the sail delightful

June 23rd Frid.

Found the State room excessively warm in the morning and myself quite uncomfortable. (Caused no doubt by the roll of the Dock). I lay

In my berth and read until night where I went on deck for a short time. My meals consisted of very little and were few and far between. Saturday was but a repetition of friday and deserves or requires no special notes.

June 25th Sund.

Arrived in Bermuda on Sunday morning about 7 and anchored in Grassy Bay. Went to the Wharf in the tender and took a carriage to the Windsor Hotel. In the office we found nobody and waited for awhile when a darkey boy arrived and asked if we would like to see the Missus. Upon her appearance on the scene we were shown our bedroom which proved to be both large and comfortable. Went to the Presbyterian Church in the evening. Dr. Burrows – preacher. Church small, pipe organ hot brick good deed singing wretched.

June 26th Mond.

Had a visit from Mr. Armer who came to Hamilton on the Ferry. It seemed nice to see somebody that we knew. Mr. Mickle went home with him and upon his return brought me a very pretty bouquet from Mrs. Armer. The vegetation on the Island being altogether tropical was something quite new to me. From the front of the hotel we could see across the road, 'a row of Pride of India' kiss, in a garden a large rubber tree and plenty of oleanders were to be seen in the distance

June 27th Tues.

Got - by this time pretty well acquainted (at least well enough to speak) with Mr. and Mrs. McInnis of Edinburgh who were staying at the Windsor. They had been there five months and as Mr MacInnis was working in a jewellers store there their stay in Bermuda was to be a long one. Mrs. Armes called and brought me a second pretty bouquet. Called with her at Mrs. Kempe's who lived over the way.

June 28th Wed.

We got a donkey cart after dinner and drove to Armer's, 5 miles; We felt rather absurd perched up in a little cart behind such a small animal. He did not go very rapidly and when upon Front it he stopped and brayed we felt quite silly. However after a great deal of persuasion we reached Armer's or rather Dunscombe's. The roads are lovely being smooth coral. A great heavy hedges of oleander are to be seen and in many places stone walls covered with Lantana. The most noted things on the way to East Warwick are the Royal palaces in Paget, a number of Mangroves grow in the bay and present a peculiar appearence. We remained at Dunscombe's for Supper. The household consists of Mr & Mrs Armer & 5 children, 2 Miss Dunscombe's and Mabel Dunscombe a cousin. Also Mr Dunscombe (Mrs Armer's brother) After supper we found that our little donkey was very anxious to start for home and from the way in which he started off we might be forgiven if we expected to go home at a good pace. Our hopes however were deemed to be disappointed and our donkey soon got down to a walk. I was compelled to hold up a carriage lamp all the way home on account of a law which was enacted on the Island that all vehicles of travel must carry a light after seven o'clock. When we got to Hamilton our lamp began to go out and Just as we reached Queen St, on which our hotel was situated, the lamp went out. However we escaped the fine and decided that one experience with a donkey cart was quite enough. East Warwick Church. Geo. Whitefield pulpit 1748 and Tablet. present pulpit High.

June 29th Thurs.

Took a walk around Hamilton and we explored town through the Public gardens after which we visited the store known as the Towers, looked around and returned home. The garden contained many beautiful trees, ponsiana {poinciana}, which has a very pretty red flower, another tree with a yellow flowers and numbers of oleanders, red, white & pink, palms, Sago and palmetto. The flower beds were filled with geraniums, foliage plants etc.

June 30th Frid.

In the afternoon got a carriage and went for a drive along the South Shore to Spanish Point, The drive was pretty along the Shore of the Bay and Spanish Point lovely. It is very rough and on one side are the ruins of an old house. Behind which the Ocean was to be seen stretching out as far as the ey horizon. On the other side a narrow strip of land, then a Small Bay, and then strip of land and then the vast Atlantic. On which were two or three sail boats. It was a very pretty scene and one which I hope I shall never forget. We returned by the

north shore. The Ocean lovely and the rocks immense. We passed the Old Devonshire Church and paid it a short visit. It is very old but kept in pretty good repair. The old organ still remains and the high pulpit with the reading desk down below it. The Ivy was growing in at the windows and covered quite a lot of the outside. It was built in 16--. The Church Yard contained a great brassy flat stone which covered the family vaults. On account of lack of ground vaults are used altogether and are built with two parts so that a grave needs not be opened for a Year after anyone is buried in it. In 20 Years only dust remains. an old Cedar tree stood quite near the Church and was used at one time for a belfry. Continued our drive by the North Shore East Government house, which is situated on a high hill overlooking Hamilton and in the rear the Ocean, Returned to Hamilton & then went out to St John's Church Pembroke which has been rebuilt and is therefore quite modern. In the evening we went for a row over to one of the Islands where Mr Mickle had a bath and we returned by moonlight. Phosphorescent Sea.

July 1st. Sat.

Rowed over to Armer's in the Row boat where we stayed for tea and returned again by moonlight. The lights of Hamilton looked very pretty and the Fire Brigade were practising their torches, out in the Bay and which they were trying to extinguish looked quite pretty, and added considerably to the liveliness of the scene. We hurried home as quickly as possible on account of the roughness of the boys who usually occupy the town on Saturday nights.

July 2nd Sund.

Went to church in the morning. Came home sick and spent the afternoon and evening in bed. As Monday was spent in the same uninteresting way it is not worthy of special notice.

July 4th Tues.

On Tuesday afternoon the Kempes very kindly invited us to go for a sail with them which invitation we accepted & at two o'clock the boat left the wharf, containing Mr, Mrs, Walter, Ethel, {Eurena?} and Phoebe Kempe, Miss Burrows, a darkey who had charge of the boat, Mr Mickle and myself. We sailed to the West side of Hinson's Island and the gentlemen fished & Mr Kempe caught one fish which was thrown back into the water. In the meantime we had a couple of bunches of fruit, pineapple, orange & banana & mangoes. In the evening I went over to Kempe's while Mr M went over to see Mr Armer about going to St. Georges. Did not get back until after ten.

July 5th We took the Paget ferry in the morning &

Crossed, Met the Ms. and started for St George. Mr & 3 Miss Dunscombe's Mr, Mrs & 5 little Armers' Mrs Smith & Miss Ashcombe. When we reached Walsingham Caves we stopped for lunch. The driver acted as our guide and guided us through the caves illuminating them with palmetto. Growing in front of the 1st caves was a coffee tree the flowers of which were

lovely both in appearance & perfume. Moore's Calabash tree was also near it. The Stagmalites {stalagmites} were very pretty and the water in the 1st cave 40 ft deep but so clear that you could see the bottom quite distinctly. The second cave was fuller of stagmitites {stalactites} but a passage went right through it so that we went in at one side and out at the other. We had our lunch in an old house close by a little pond & there resumed our journey to St George passing over the great causeway. We went to Mr Smith's in St George and he and Mrs Smith Kindly Showed us the sights of the town. 1st the gardens, A tablet erected to Sir George Somerset 1609 first catches the eye. A Screw palm and a monkey puzzle tree are two other prominent articles. Also a pond of water hyacinths. Our drive back in the evening was pleasant.

July 6th Thurs.

Mr Mickle felt poorly all day but in the evening Mr & Mrs MacInnis and ourselves took a carriage for the theatre at Prospect. The Soldiers provided the Entire programme. The whole of these {pri?} is in the choruses. The Statue dance was good. The Governor, his wife & daughters and all the officers and their wives were present in full dress. Although we were not in full dress we felt quite grand driving to a concert in a carriage with a darkey driver.

July 7th Frid.

On Friday and Saturday Mr Mickle was quite miserable and stayed in bed part of the time so that with the exception of going out to buy some oranges I was not out all day.

July 9th Sund.

Went to Presbyterian Church in the Morning. Mr & Mrs Powell from Florida & Mrs Williams from Glascow {Glasgow} arrived on the Orinoco & took up their quarters at the Windsor. Mr & Mrs Powell seemed very nice, considered Bermuda cool & took long walks. Mrs Williamson shy, Had a Maid, her husband an officer in the navy, was going to remain in Bermuda for 3 Yrs. Had been a great traveller. In the evening we went to the English Church which was held in the Mechanics Hall. As there was no usher we found a seat for ourselves but shortly after we were seated a snipe {snip} of a girl asked us if we would mind taking the seat in front as there was more people coming in that one. This naturally made us feel a little uncomfortable & as it was the hottest place I ever struck & the Minister was no good I am afraid we were not much benefited by going. We took a walk down front it to get cooled off.

July 10th. Mond.

Went in the afternoon to the Light House taking Ethel Kempe with us and driving home by the South Shore. 192 Steps we climbed but the view more than repaid us. Stretched below us we saw the Whole Island with a number of small ones 362 in number. And all around the Ocean only a Small piece of land in the midst of a Vast Sea. It caused one to wonder at the small space of land we were living on. We could hear the breakers on the South Shore quite distinctly and the waves breaking on the rocks were very pretty.

July 11th. Tues.

In the Morning went to the Dock Yard on the Slocum Triton. To enter the Dock Yard You pass 2 draw bridges & 2 moats. Within the Dock Yard are Saw Mills, Repair Shops, provisions stores etc. The most interesting objects were an old wooden vessel "The Irresistible" which looked like a castle of 3 Stories and a gun boat the "Scorpion" which we visited. One of the sailors showed us through and explained the Manner of loading the guns, firing a broadside etc. It was a turret Shop having 2 turrets containing 2, 19 ton guns each. On the upper deck was a Nordenfelt gun which fires 300 shots a minute.

In the afternoon we went to Kempe's for tea. Miss Dunscombe, Miss Burrows, Mr, Mrs Armer & ourselves being there. The evening was spent in singing, playing etc.

July 12th Wed.

Spent a very quiet day. Caled on Mrs Burrows in the afternoon while Mr M went for a bath with Walter Kempe.

July 13th Thurs.

Went over to Armer's in the afternoon & then went to the South Shore with Miss Dunscombe, Mrs Armer Corinne & Russel & Jim for a bath. The first feeling upon slipping into the sea was that the waves would carry me into shore again but I sooned gained confidence and felt so wonderfully elated & light when I learnt to rise above the large waves when they rolled in. We stayed in about an hour. Had tea at Armer's and returned by Salt Kettle ferry.

July 14th Frid.

Frid. was a repetition of Thursday but that Mr Mickle went in too and helped me trying to teach me to swim.

July 15th Sat.

Went around to Armer's in the Somerset Stage and went for a bath on the South Shore. We returned by the ferry after having tea at Armer's.

July 16th Sund.

Went to the Presbyterian Church in the Morning and in the afternoon Walked out to Government house to see the grounds which are beautiful. Part of them are laid out in civilized Style while the remainder is left wild and many nice walks run through the roads. There is a small outlook on top of a high hill. We went up and beheld a lovely view. Hamilton below us and behind us the Atlantic. In the evening we went to the African Church. There

was only three White people present, a soldier and ourselves. The singing was lovely, the sermon a muddle and the people polite.

July 17th. Mond.

Crossed to Paget in the Paget ferry, (row boats) and began to hunt for a road to the South Shire. Climbed up a tremendous hill only to find that we were in somebody's private grounds. Returned, enquired our way, round around and around a great hill and at last struck the road. By perserverance and when we were almost discouraged we reached Hungry Bay where we had a delightful bath & found a shorter way home.

July 18th. Tues.

Had another bath in Hungry Bay & began to swim a little. Ice cream.

July 19th. Wed.

Went shopping in the morning. To Hungry Bay in the afternoon where Mr M had a bath while I sat on the Rocks. We then ate four oranges and after returning home visited the English Cathedral which they have been building for some years but which is not yet nearly finished & which is costing a great sum of money. In the evening Mrs MacInnis went with us for Ice cream.

July 20th. Thurs.

Went over to Armers in the afternoon & went for a bath in the South Shore. Had tea there and returned by salt kettle ferry. In the evening Mrs MacInnis treated us to Ice cream at Meyers'.

July 21st. Frid.

Went down before breakfast to see the fishing fleet come in. The fish were brought in in crates fastened to the boats. As the fish were of all colors and all kinds & alive they looked very pretty. They were killed on the boat as they were sold. In the afternoon took the Somerset bus to Armer's and then started for the South Shore for a bath but as a shower came up we went into Mr Armer's store until is was over & then went on & had a splendid bath. Mr Armer & Mr Mickle, Jim Russel & Mrs Armer, Miss Dunscombe, Corinne & myself. It started to rain just as we started for home and we had shelter in a negro's cabin where there was a cute little darkey baby. Had tea at Armer's and went back to Hamilton on the ferry.

July 22nd Sat.

Went to Kempe's and to Armers to say good bye in the afternoon as we expected our boat to arrive & leave that day. In the morning we went over to the south shore & Mr M. had a

bath while I sat on the rocks & watched the waves. As there had been a storm the day before the waves were quite high.

July 23rd. Sund.

Went to the Methodist Church in the morning with Mrs MacInnis. Text "Blessed Are the poor in Spirit for they Shall See God." We liked the sermon very much indeed & went back in the evening text " Quit You like Men, be Strong." As it rained all afternoon we stayed in our room and wrote a fairy story.

July 24th. Mond.

Went to the South Shore in the afternoon for a bath. Spent the evening wandering around looking for the signal of the boat.

July 25th. Tues.

Went down before breakfast to see the fishing fleet but as Monday was showery they did not go out. At three o'clock we went on board the tender accompanied by Mrs MacInnis & Mrs Bradley, And were taken out to the Taymouth Castle. The first thing we noticed was the disagreeable fact that all the staterooms were down stairs. However we got the Ladies Cabin which had 2 port-holes & was therefore fresher than the others. We were detained sometime & Mrs Bradley came on board but Mrs MacInnis remained on the tender. A little before 6 o'clock we started and everything was smooth sailing. The pilot got off opposite St George. We met a tug towing in a wrecked steamer. A {fancy?} Mast was rigged up on deck and the top of the cabin was stoved in.

July 26th. Wed

Sea very calm. Mrs Meyers, a simpleton who came on with us At Bermuda, had our meals on deck. Taymouth Castle 320 feet long, 2 bunches bannanas, 2 barrels pineaples, 2½ barrels lime, a box of mangoes, 3 parrots & 2 Negro girls in back. passengers, Vaisis, who got intoxicated the last day on board, Mr Schofield & Mr Neave, 2 lieutenants of Berkshire {requicest?}going home on sick leave, Captain Mara, Mr Ellicombe, Mrs Meyer & ourselves. Captain Mara said "There are a great many wrecks floating around in the Atlantic, some of these level with the sea. The U.S. & Eng have made some efforts to retrieve these but nothing systematic has been done. Charts have been got out showing their position. Whenever I come to any I {spurn?} them if possible as I think a great many vessels which are lost at sea have struck on these water–logged vessels & gone down. (All editorial in the 'trail' a few days after we returned revived Mr M's story about bricks, the "City of Pekin" etc.

July 27th Thurs.

The Gulf Stream was quite stormy and the waves washed on deck all day. We did not feel very comfortable squall about 4 o'clock. chairs, barrel of pineapples etc, rolled down to the

railing, ordered below where we nearly expired for want of air. Our State room smelt so dreadfully of sugar that we slept on couches in the music salon.

July 28th Frid.

Lovely day. A pleasure even to live. Enjoyed our meals downstairs. Saw quite close 2 large Steamers after tea saw several Whales sporting quite close to the Ship. Just at dark the fishing fleet which was anchored in "St Annie's Churchyard" so called on account of fishermen drowned there from St Anne. In the evening Mr Lauir, the purser, and some of the others entertained us in the salon with comic songs etc. Slept in salon.

July 29th. Sat.

Beautiful day. pilot came on board about 6.30 a.m. in sight of land all day. Anchored outside of St John {Saint John} harbour to wait for high tide. At 6. p.m. then after getting the necessary amount of water proceeded up the river a short distance & upon receiving permission sailed up to the wharf where the Doctor came on board. Landed in pouring rain & climbed a long ladder. got into a cab.

Where the friendly Mrs Meyers joined us and went to the 'Clifton Manse" where we got a room on 3rd flat.

July 30th. Sund.

Went to the 'Stone Church' English where the volunteers had parade service. Old church. Nice organ and the Singing was beautiful especially the Te Deum. The amount of style was wonderful after Bermuda & the difference between materials (Velvet & cotton) quite noticeable. Went for a walk around the city in the afternoon. Climbed a high hill & had a splendid view. Very picturesque & hilly. Went to St Andrews Church (Pres.) in the evening. Minister ugly & conceited. Blind Man in the choir who read with his fingers & sang very well (a solo & in a quartette) but through his nose. Went for a walk after church when the friendly Mrs Meyers again accompanied us (by her own invitation) 53 steps to go to Dinner 20 more to go down town.

July 31st. Mond.

Had to hurry breakfast somewhat to catch a car for Indiantown to take the boat up the St John {Saint John} River. Cars not runnning. Cabman fooled \$1 out of us. Got on Steamer Olivette for John Vanwart's. The sail was pleasant & the banks of the River beautiful but water very muddy. And hill after another all the way. Just had time to have dinner at hotel at John Vanwart's & catch the steamer "David Weston" for return trip landing in St John {Saint John} at 3.30 & took the bus to the hotel. Went for a walk after our return & spent the evening in the room. Mrs Meyer took her departure to a private boarding home early in the morning. The captain showed us 2 small alligators which he had caught on the St John River Florida & which he kept in a large wooden case.

# Aug 1st. Tues.

Breakfast at seven. Cab for the Wharf Where we took the "New Brunswick" for Portland. Very nice boat and a good many passengers. Very nice day. Called at Eastport about 12. Quite pretty & on the boundary between Maine & N.B. Many surveyor's marks to be seen saw a Revenue Cutter with a very peculiar bow. About 1 p.m. a fog settled down & Whistle kept blowing, answered by foghorn on Shore & sailing vessel horn, until 1 A M when the fog lifted. Stayed on deck nearly all afternoon.

### Aug 2nd Wed.

Landed in Portland very early in the morning before 5 and walked over to the Station which is very comfortable indeed, containing 4 lovely rocking chairs & several other nice chairs. Had breakfast at the Station & left on 8.25 A M. train for Montreal Via White Mts. a bride on board, a friend of Mrs John Cameron's Mr & Mrs Sandford (an actor & his wife) on train also. Very pleasant intelligent well–traveled people who made the time pass quickly. Dinner at Bartlett. Supper in the Dining Car where they took Mrs Sandford (who had been married 4½ Yrs for the bride). Lake Memphremagog & Richlieu {Richelieu} River. Mts beautiful beyond description. Got to Montreal about 9 p.m. and went to the Queen's Hotel where we had a very nice room with a bathroom.

#### Aug. 3rd Thurs.

After breakfast took a walk to Notre Dame church & then got a cab for the Jesuit church which we also visited. Then continued our trip up to the top of Mt Royal, 800 ft high, where we saw the Lunch spread for the Men of the Italian Flag ship & got a view of Montreal. On our way back we visited the "Grey Nunnery" The Chapel first where we saw the procession of nuns & heard their service Then an old lady showed us through the building. Sick people, aged, children (Maypole, dance) Then Schools etc. After dinner visited St. Peter's which, when finished, will surely be beautiful. Then the Italian Flag Ship. 2. 25 ton guns on lower deck, 6, 17 ton guns, 3 Machine guns on upper deck At the front, 1 pointing each way & out in front of the wheel house 1 gun which fires 620 shots in a min. At back 2 machines guns, 2 which fire 620 etc. & 3 Revolver guns & from the rear wheel house Another machine gun. Draws 59 ft of water. "Extra". Down below were the muskets & swords for 300 men. Went through the market on the way home also a store of statuary & visited La Salle Museum. After Supper went to the Cyclorama "Jerusalem at the Time of the Crucifixion" which was very fine.

#### Aug 4th. Frid.

5 Min. for breakfast and a rush for the Station when we got on the train for Lachine as it was moving out. Expected to catch the boat & run the Rapids but waited & waited, all in vain! It did not come. Everybody else caught the 9.45 train back to the City. We did not care whether we caught it or not until it was gone & then we were very sorry that we had missed

it. A wait of 3 hours stared us in the face. Nothing to do & nothing to see. We walked down along the River, then to the Station & resigned ourselves to our fate (waiting). The longest & dullest times come to an end and at 11.45 we got on about the slowest train I ever met, And crept back to Montreal. With  $\{?\}$  ruffled & about 25 lbs of dust. Then went on a Shopping expedition, tickets, cap, toys, neckties, socks & book. After lunch C. J. M. had a sleep & then we took in the Art Gallery Where we saw some very fine pictures. Embarked on the "Cuba" for Hamilton at 8 o'clock p.m. M. Cuba high & narrow about 40 passengers on board among whom were the Cargills. Spent the evening getting through the locks.

Aug. 5th. Sat.

Beautiful day. Got up about half past five & had a walk on the upper deck before breakfast. Music in the evening. Rain.

Aug. 6th. Sund.

Cool to-day. Read "The Refugees" {Sir Arthur Conan Doyle} rough & a great many sick. hymns in the evening. Saw Maggie Cameron for about ½ hr at Kingston at 8. A.M.

Aug 7th Mond. Reached Toronto about 3.30 a.m. Where we stayed, loading on grain, until about 12. Reached Hamilton about 4 o'clock. In the evening we went to the telegraph office & had some Ice Cream at Crawford's. Mr & Mrs Howitt very nice. Mrs Howitt of Guelph also visiting there.

Aug 8th. Tues.

Went for a walk in the morning with Arthur. Mrs Howitt, Arthur, Maurice, C.J.M. & myself went for a drive in a cab up over the Mountain Going up on the Elevated railway. Frank Hyde came in for tea & spent the evening. He sang for us & we enjoyed it very much indeed.

Aug 9th. Wed.

Left on the 9.15 train for Chesley accompanied by Mrs Howitt Sr. Mr Howitt came down to see us off. Railway Journey very tiresome. Reached home on afternoon train. House very nicely fixed up to receive us. Reception in the evening which was very pleasant. Thus ended my wedding trip. Seven weeks and one day. Pleasant – all of it. I suppose one never forgets their wedding trip but I think it well to note it down for none of us know what may happen.

Aug 25th Frid.

Was quite pleased to receive a call from Daisy L & Kinnie this afternoon. We went up the River for a canoe ride & they went to Cooke's for tea & stayed all night with me.

Aug 26th Sat.

Drove out to Hanover with the girls & spent a very pleasant day at Dr Landerkin's. Mr Mickle came in about 9. p. m. (having been out to Maple Hill on business) and we came back on the late train together. They had quite a laugh at our expense saying that Mr Mickle could not do without me that long.

Sept 1 Frid

C.J.M. and I drove out to Walkerton and spent the day with Dr. Sinclair's. It began to rain in the evening so that it was 10. p m when we started for home which we reached at 12.30.

Sept. 9th. Sat.

When I was dusting this morning Matt. called & I went for a drive with him (about 9 miles out) & did not get back until 2 o'clock. Enjoyed it of course. I don't feel like a married woman & I consider that I have a better time than many girls who are not married.

Sept 19th. Tues.

Started about a quarter to eight a.m. for Walkerton to hear Laurier. Went to the Hartley House. Mr & Mrs Lawson, Mr & Mrs W. D. Bell. Went to Mr Robb's for dinner. Mr & Mrs Beaton were there also. Mrs Beaton does not impress one very favorably and uses very bad English. (Speaking in the drill Shed which was nicely decorated with Evergreen Bunting & flags. Speakers. O'Connor, Rowan. Mrs Landerkin Melock, Laurier, McMullen Patterson. Laurier very clever & pleasing. Met Mrs Sinclair, Mr Robertson invited us to six o'clock dinner but as we had just had tea we declined very windy drive home.

Sept July 22nd Frid

Departed on the 11.20 train for Gravenhurst Had Mrs Cooke & the Dr. as far as Palmerston. They were on their way to the World's Fair. Saw Frank and Charlie Cooke at Harriston. Stayed in Guelph all night at Mrs Goldie's. A beautiful house and a lovely view. Marble Hall, Marble bath-room etc. Our bed room had a dressing room. We went in the evening into "Woodside."

Sept 23rd Sat.

Left on the 6.40 a m. train. Drove to the Station in the phaeton {carriage}. Had to wait at Orangeville for 1½ hrs. Saw Jessie Cooke at Cookstown. Reached Gravenhurst at half past two. Charlie and Mrs Mickle met us at the Station.

Sept 24th. Sund.

Mr & Mrs Mickle very kind. Charlie nice boy. Bertha & Grace rather spoiled. House very nice and grounds large. 25 incandescent lights in the house 4 Spare bed rooms etc. Gravenhurst rather small place but pretty country. Churches small and not very well filled. Mrs Mickle very jolly and splendid company.

Sept 26th. Tues.

Went to Mrs Mowry's for tea. They lived at one time in Fenelon Falls and knew Aunt Maggie, Uncle Jim & family. Strange how you meet people everywhere. It does make the world seem small. Went to Miss Arnot's Millinery opining afterwards nothing pretty to be seen.

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Sept 27th. Wed.

Went to the exhibition in the afternoon. Drove around the race track and then folded literature in the G.C.L. U. Quite a queer place for me to be. Mrs Mickle had a few ladies in for tea. Miss Heath and I danced the {Shalisa? Schottische?}, Minuet etc. and then we played "Crockinole" {crokinole}.

Sept 28th. Thurs.

Went to a lecture on U.P.S.C.E. Work in the Methodist Church by Mr Caldwell of Toronto. Was too sleepy to enjoy it. Ran home all the way from the corner.

Sept 30th. Sat.

Went up to Bala on the "Muskoka". The Lake is very pretty as the foliage is just changing and the little Islands look so pretty. Grace was rather cross and so spoiled our enjoyment somewhat.

Oct. 1st. Sund.

Went to the English church in the Morning. A harvest service. The fruit decorations were very scarce and none of the others pretty. Wrote a story "The Lonely Grave" in the evening.

Oct 2nd, Mond.

Went across Gull Lake in the afternoon to a picnic. The Lake is very pretty and the picnic grounds also. From the rocks we had such a pretty view and the sunset was beautiful. Had a nice row home in the evening. Miss Mickle proves very annoying. She knew we were going to the picnic at half past two and she actually lay down & went off to sleep at that time and at 3 o'clock we had to waken her & start off at ½ hr. late.

Oct. 3rd. Tues.

Went to Mrs Grant's party in the evening. Wore my cream silk. Dr Grant (who is going to Scotland next week) and I flirted a little I am afraid. He walked home with us afterwards. The electric light went out before we could get ready for bed.

Oct. 4th. Wed.

Stayed in all day and knit at a cape which I am making for Mother. Helped Nellie (The girl) iron in the evening.

Oct. 6th. Frid.

Went Shopping in the Morning with Mrs Mickle. She had a large party of Young people at which I enjoyed myself. very much. Miss Mickle astonished everybody very much this morning by announcing that she was going home in the afternoon. It was quite annoying. However we went to the Station to see her off.

Oct. 9th. Mond.

Left on the early train for home. Mr Mickle came with us as far as the "Severn" and Mrs Mickle as far as Toronto. At Toronto Station I met Miss Louie Mickle Mrs & Miss Ellis. When I got to Guelph. I called on Dr Howitt who was away & then went to Jackson's where I had supper. They went to the station with me and I got home by the late train.

Oct. 13th. Frid.

Mrs M.A.. Matt. Mrs G D Bell, Mr Bell, John Dobbie, Tom Dobbie, Mr Mickle & myself all started on the train for the World's Fair. Had tea at Hyde's and got on Sleepers a night landing in Chicago at 4 o'clock on Saturday

Oct. 14. Sat.

Had some time to wait for a street car. Arrived at J.N. Thompson's where we got a very small bedroom. Had tea & went to the grounds. Electrical Building, pillar of different colored electric lights up which the light ran, then out along lines of lights to balls up which the light flashed. Then began again at the pillar. Up stairs there were a good many pianos from all over the world. Electric fountain which was very beautiful indeed. Electric theatre, a scene in the Alps, Sunrises, daylight, Sunset, Street, Midnight by electric light. The Telautograph which was very interesting. Administration Building. A model of U.S. Treasury Made of Silver Dollars. Mining Building. Miners Cabin, Liberty in Salt, Oval pillar, Iron pillar, Electrical Build. Electric fountain, Red, green, blue, yellow, White, Chickens hatched by electricity. Egyptian Temple. Beautiful green glass pillars lighted by electric lights.

Oct. 15th. Sund.

Columbia Theatre. Rev John McNeil. 2 Sam. 23. 11–12 & 20. Quite an actor. Given to Jokes. Kicked his foot in a wonderful manner. 3. o'clock. Baptist Church on Wabash Ave. to hear D. L. Moody on the Work of the Shepherd. Sheep only follow their leader but a sick Sheep will follow anyone. Carry the lamb over the water & the sheep will follow. Applied to the death of children. Matt & Mr M. went at night to hear Dr. Pierson.

Oct 16th. Mond.

Mining Build. German Exhibit with Scenery at the back. Cases strewn with silver. Missouri, Map in Stone, Louisiana, Lot's Wife in Rock Salt. Silver pillar from New South Wales with a man bearing a globe on his back on the top. Typical scene in lowa Coal fields, Miners at work, a car of coal. asbestos, a rock with a fibre in it which will not burn and from which they make fire proof clothing.

<u>Transportation</u> Build. Modes of boats. Map of World. Gondola from Venice upholstered in Black with furred edges. Cargo boats from Bengal India. Three post of Vessel "Waranna" 1538. Panorama of Austrian Alps. Model of Saloon Steerage, Cabin etc. of a great attractive steamer. The boat in which Grace Darling went to the rescue. Models of funeral boats. 4000 Yr old found in a tomb in Upper Egypt. Models of Venetian Gondolas of 15th, 17th & 19th centuries. Model of Egyptian temple 222 B.C. funeral boat, Rough wood whitewashed. Locomotives 1803 & 1829. (the Rocket) Locomotives wooden on top 1837–1838. Lovely fancy sleigh White Sea egg resting on a bed of sea weed & the runners placed on

4 Dolphins. Front a sea Dragon, 5 Months for carving. 6 Months to make it. Saw Dr {Bemear} & had quite a talk with him while {Mr or Mrs} M.A. was resting at the C.P.R. train. Hearse Valued at \$12000. White hearse valued at \$9000. Model of new electric railway & run 200 mls an hour. Hung by 1 side of the car. Duke of Newcastle carriage. Ancient State Carriage of Don Pedro 1822. Columbus Caravel. Ste-Marie. Constantinople Street Carriers. Wooden German Railway of the 16th century. Still in use in the Hungarian Districts. Intramural Railway. Long wait and a train of a number of empty coaches went past us without stopping. Saw the esquimax {Eskimo} as we passed their village on the Main & got a good view of the grounds.

<u>Fisheries</u> First the tanks containing living fish. Big Shark with Small one following. paddle fish, toad fish, Star fish, Eels, Gold fish, etc. Other part of Building, Harbor seal (stuffed fish) Skeleton of Whale, Alaska fur seal (Blue Grey with fins at Side.) Sturgeon, Hooded Seal, Otter, Mink, Beavers, White Whale, Shark (White Bear Shields, Harpoons etc.) in Norway Exhibit with a number of nice Skins, Japan {?} glass,

Japanese pearls, Whale bone. Holland, Model of boat, fisherman & waves, Sword fish, sword fish sword, alligator.

<u>U.S. Government</u> Build. Sea Lion, Alaska 3 Hatch Bidarka {Baidarka=Aleutian kayak}, Skin of Sea Lion cover. Big tree with a Chair in it, Greely Expedition, Snow ice, with wax figures etc. with the flag displayed nearest the north pole. War department. Bunker Hill flag. Smithsonian Institute Exhibit.) Indian papoose & Indians of all Kinds, Reindeer, Walrus, Rocky Mt. sheep & goats, African Buffalo, Sacred Bull of India, American Buffalo. (stuffed animals). Light Houses, Old & New Kinds, Mail Service. Dog train, old Mail coach of 1868 in which Gen. Garfield, President Arthur & Gen. Sherman travelled.

Manufacturers Build. Bar in tiles, Model of a Gate, temples etc. in Japan. Dishes etc. Germany, Candles Crucifix, coats of arms, lamps etc. Armour, Knives, Room where King Ludwig of Bavaria lived Suit worth \$2000000. Frames of Chairs etc. Solid gold, Gold candles, French dolls, Room exact copy of original Bed room of Napoleon I worth \$8000. Parisian wedding in wax.

House furnishings, Jewellry, perfumes, silk worms, silks etc. dress embroidered in pearls, Big Stove (Garland) Beautiful furniture.

Oct 17th Tues.

<u>Dahomey Village</u>. Mud cabins covered with figures. Gods, Mud Shapes covered with clotted blood flies etc. Grinding corn with a stone. Music, Stove pipes drums etc. Dance, a stately advance a few stick ups & another advance etc. papoose. Thatched houses. <u>Chinese</u> temple. <u>Old Vienna</u> Finest glass in the world. soap in the shape of peaches, pears, apples etc. <u>East India Palace</u> Gold work. <u>Algerian Palace</u> Many things for sale. <u>Streets of Cairo</u>. Camels & donkeys ridden by visitors. Helmets rugs etc. Turkish Mahommedan {Mohammedan} Temple, Obelisk. Persian War Tent 400 Yrs old. worth \$1000 000. All hand work. The Work of 35000 <u>Turkish</u> women for 5 Yrs & then presented to the Shah for a war tent. Bed of Princess of Turkey 300 Yrs old. Valued at \$5000. Streets of <u>Constantinople</u> a lot of Shops. <u>Japanese</u> {?}. <u>Blarney</u> Castle.

<u>California Building</u>. Fruit preserved. Ball of oranges. pyramids of bottles, Raisins, Glass case of Walnuts, Pampas grass, Prune horse & Man. Californian Lion.

Killed 3 Man, 1 boy & a Mule before it was killed. {Grain?} in glass cases, bottles etc. pyramid of Oranges & Iemons, Model of San Francisco. Gold nuggets. Rubbelite {Rubellite}, Marble, Quartz Crystal ½ Walnut-Made of Walnuts. Onyx, Olives, Nectarines, Pomegranates etc.

<u>Illinois</u> Build. Stone implements found in III. picture Made of grain on wall. Fountain of wood in forestry Depart. fish pond, flowers, Pottery found in III. Woman's Build for lunch. Russian Costumes embroidered in pearl & gold. Statue of America & 6 prominent men. "These are My Jewels."

<u>Art</u> Building, Triumph of the Holy Cross (Spain) Santa Maria in a Storm (Russia) Foreclosure of the Mortgage (Canada) Tullia Driving over the dead body of her father (German) Death of an exhiled Woman in Siberia (Polish) Mother of Sorrows (Drapery very real) Danish Family Street in Copenhagen (very vivid).

Horticultural Build. Crystal Cave (no good.) Big tree 28 ft in diameter. Wine Cellar.

Oct 18th. Wed.

Midway Antropological {Anthropological} Build.

Annuals, Lions tigers, Monkey, Arabian Monkey, Rocky Mt. Burroes etc.

<u>Antropological</u> {Anthropological} Build Skeletons, Giant Squid, 8 short arms & 2 long ones covered with teeth, Mammoth, somewhat like an elephant only hairy. Octopus, 8 arms with suckers, Stuffed Moose, Buffalo, Wild Cat, Iynx, Bengal tiger, Wolverine, Porcupine, Walrus, Mitten of Dame Eve in Stone, Guillotine, Racoon, Wolf, 1st Electrocution Chair, Plaster Castes from National Museum at Athens 4 centuries before Christ, Mercury. (finest Work in Museum). Minerva, fortune, Neptune., Idols of all Kinds, Winged Lion.

<u>Dairy</u> Build. Horse Made of Butter. Pioneer Cabin 18 oz. Spinning wheel etc.

Shoe Build. Boy's Russet Brogau (Brogue) of 1833. Prince Shouisski (Shuisky) boots from Russia 16th Century. Straw waterproof Shoes. Sandals worn by Spanish soldiers, Shoes from Corea, Asia, Turned up toes wooden & Straw. Sweden. five tops toes the shape of a curve. South America. Sole toe & Strap. Peru. Great nails in the sole. India. toes turned right back. Lapland fur boots. Shoes from Turtle claws. Shoes worn by a Bedouin.

Shiekles (Sheiks) in the desert. Shoes from Palestine inside of sole inlaid with pearl. Strap for holding them on. Wooden slippers from Norway. Japan shoes. Brown wicker sole. Japan Stocking. 2 places for toes. Long boots worn in Texas all the time for 14 Yrs. Leather Quilt. 'Pinta" & "Santa Maria."

<u>Agriculture</u> Build. Mammoth cheese. Cape of Good Hope. Angora Hair, Ostrich feathers, Ostrich eggs, Angora goat. Ben goat, Ostrich & Young, ( a black one & a gray one) Bushman's stone implements.

Algeria Bees wax, Inlaid Marble Cabinet.

Manufacturers Build. Singer Sewing Machine exhibit. Spanish velvet, pills in bottles, (S.S. Machine) Bedroom, parlor & dining room. pictures, chairs, curtains, table linen etc. done on the machine) Stained glass windows, Harps, Earliest printed newspapers, Mexico, Marble books, fruit etc. Bust in Parrafine. {Parrafin} Persian rugs. Spain, lace, fans, Curtains, Red & White Arches & colored pillars. "Quadrica" { Columbus Quadriga} & 4 horses Made of hand hammered copper. fur cape North \$5000 Russian Sable cloak worth \$13500. Telescope 75 tons. Tiffaney {Tiffany} diamond \$100 000. Tiffaney

Tiffany} Chapel, Crucifix Worth \$3000000, contains (the Chapel) 500000 pieces of stained glass. Chimes, "Swanee River." etc Gold plated Bedstead \$2520. Silver plated \$225 & \$350 Paris Bedstead. green with painted figures \$7800. four chairs in Russia exhibit. China lvory idols. Embroidered Screens, dishes, Incense slippers, shoes inlaid with pearl, Ivory fans. Embroidered Satin fans, Embroidered Silk Coverlid (figures with China faces) Carved cabinet. Embroidered Silk lantern. Marble Chess board (Oxidised Silver & Brass Men Supported on blue Marble. Bronze Statues, Paris, Engine & car of Spools of Silk. Wheels, covered wood & Spokes of Spools. Incandescent light for head light.. Porcelain works, Beautiful China picture at back of lites, fountain, Silver Court exhibits of Bavaria, Art industries, Robes, Sword & riding whip of King Ludwig II of Bavaria. Read leather {Pictures?}

\$150. English hand Made silk rug 4000 000 Stiches, Length of silk used being about 28 Miles Cdn. Indian curiosities. Compass over 359 Yrs old. Made in St Malo 1534, used by J. Cartier when exploring Can & the St Lawrence 1536. Duplicate of Marie Antoinette's Bed cover. White Silk. Hand embroidered in Roses grapes & basket.

Oct 19th. Thurs.

White Star line Build. Ships. State rooms etc.

Puck printing presses, pictures etc

<u>Woman's</u> Build. Lace from Belgium, Painting, Artificial flowers. Inventions. Egg. Beater, Nail nib. press board, Refrigerator, Coffee pot etc. American Costume dolls.

Indiana Build. Statues, Blue tile grate.

<u>Colorado</u> Minerals, Washington fur Mast 215 ft high 3½ ft in diameter. Model farm on floor, ploughs, horses, Reapers, Rakes, Men, house. Skeleton of Mammoth 13 ft high. North Dakota (outside) petrified stumps. Red River Cart with a Steer hitched in it. in use until 1781.

<u>Kansas</u> Cocoons of silk, decorations in Cree, panorama of animals on Mts. Bull Moose, (Largest known) 2 Moose with horns locked. Small railway running around the top of the building.

New Mexico ancient stone idols.

Household Gods of Pueblo Indians.

Ceylon Black elephants. Model Showing Cultivation of rice & cocanuts {coconuts}. Royal Mail cart drawn by oxen (driver sitting in front.) Model of a tea factory, boats, coins etc. Albert Memorial Hyde park London.

Manufacturers Build. Italy. Statues in wood Carving, Marble etc. Bronze vase \$20000

Machinery Hall. First printing press in New Hampshire 1742.

<u>Lincoln</u> park. Pelicans, Virginia owls, eagles, birds, Lions, tigers, Jaguars, elephant, Capybara, Spotted Cavia, Anteater, Monkeys, Alligators, turtles, Alpaca lamas, Kangaroo, Tapir, Snakes, <u>Baboon</u> parrots, (Red, Green & grey) Cockatoo, Prairie dogs, Badger, Brown Bear, Wolves, Coyote (fast runner) Black Wolf, Red fox, racoons, Climbing bear, 2 White bears, 1 big brown bear, 7 other bears, puma or Mt Lion, 13 Buffalos, 7 fawns, Canada lynx, 14 Guinea pigs, rabbits, foxes, 3 Rocky Mt. sheep, Mule deer, 2 Moose, 14 Angora goats, Wapiti (deer), Marsh Hawk, otter, conservatory, Chrysanthemums, Begonias, pansies, ferns, {Canes?}, Rubber tree, Water Lillies, picture plants.

McVicar's {McVicker's} Theatre after having lunch at a restaurant {Gunters?} Crane {William H. Crane} in "Brother John" very good.

Oct 20th. Frid.

Cooper & Seigel's. Moody & McNell {McNeill}. in Central Music Hall. Moody on a Christian's power. McNeel {McNeill} on "David & Goliath." Individuality in preaching etc." Masonic temple. Dinner at a restaurant. Crowd at the gates for rain. Carrie Ritchie with Bells' in Sleeper no. 5 extra. we in no. 6. Reached Stratford Sat Morning 8.30. Had Breakfast at Hyde. Got home at 4. p. m.

Oct. 31st Tues.

Went out to Paisley to Mrs Row's funeral. Service in the church. Saw Mr & Mrs Mickle. Had rather an uncomfortable drive home. Very dark & roads bad. Aurelia, Nell Mc, Nell & I after tea began our practise of "the Ladies Speak at Last."

Nov 2nd. Frid.

Went out to Walkerton with Mr M. Stayed & had dinner at Sinclair's. Rather a cold drive home.

Nov. 8th Thurs.

Went out to Walkerton again. Called on Mrs Robb & had dinner with her. Called on Mother Genevieve and spent the rest of the time at Sinclair's. Went for a Walk with the Dr.

Dec. 19th. Tues.

Gave a concert for the Mechanics Institute. Address by Ralph McNeal. Solos by Charlie Smellie as professor Fenwick was taken with La Grippe and could not come. "The Ladies Speak at Last" Recitation by Aurelia Lamont and a Gipsy {Gypsy} Scene which was rather short to suit the audience. Otherwise everything was a success.

Dec 10th.

Went to see "The Last Loaf". Flow Currie, Mina Schroeder etc. Have been to a number of other concerts also. "Hazel Kirtle" (Miss Biette) "Robinson Crusoe" (troupe) Eurenia Wells, Jennie Ray (Steel bass, piano, singing, xylophone. Automatic Hand bells etc.

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