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for from Kiu Kiang since 91.
He is now located at Soochow
& is helping to take charge
of the work left by Dr Bowen
who is now on his way to
America with his wife and
children. Mr. P is pleasant
and quite kind. Mr Thos. A.
Hoang of the Southern Methodist
church is also on with us.
He is a tall, black hair & big
black whiskered Yorkshire gen-
tleman. Has been in China
for three yrs. He now re-
turning from America where
he married the second time.
His present wife is from Texas
He has a little boy about two
or three yrs. old. We are
a happy trio & if you ask
why I dare say the answer
would be "Because we are all

Dec 1st. Seven oclock AM. We are just nearing the Shanghai wharf. For one month & a half I have been travelling. How good God has been to me. My experience on this trip is worth very much. May I use it all to God's honor & glory. If man is to succeed in this world he must be up & doing. He must press forward. We cannot stand still in this great moving century. Go onward & upward whatever may oppose.

Dec 2nd. This morning I am on a little boat wending my way on up to Soochow. I left Shanghai last morning at five oclock in Mr Paxton's boat. Mr [illegible] Paxton is a young Presbyterian Missionary from Va who

all girls. Some two or three from America, missionaries children I presume, some from Australia some from India & most of them from Japan. They do beautiful painting & carving I saw a chair & a book stand that was ornamented with carvings done by them. One class too girls were studying analytical Geometry & the books are used printed in English. Japanese men assist the American ladies in teaching. I did not see any Japanese ladies teaching after visiting the school we went up to Oeuwa & saw a Shinto temple (Ganda temple & Koyen park. The views were fine. This is the first Shinto temple I've visited

Mr Hearn is from Arkansas & has been in China for three years He is a pleasant gentleman

Nov 30. Yesterday was, I believe, Thanksgiving day. Two yrs. ago I spent the day in Mammoth Cave Ky., two yrs. ago in Wyandotte Cave Ind. one yr. ago in Ky firing the furnace & yesterday I spent in Nagasaki Japan. Quite pleasant days they all were. Yesterday we visited the Northern Methodist school called Kwassui Jo Gakko or which is run by Miss Elizabeth Russell & Miss C. A. Van Petten & Miss Lola Kindall. The school is on a beautiful hill overlooking a good part of the city. There are one hundred and forty eight scholars

Osaka, Japan. It is only twenty years old & pleasant. Just learning our language. The scenery along the Inland sea is beautiful. Surely there is a God above all these & he was before all this. May we hasten the day "When all shall know Him whom to know aright is life everlasting" yes all these even in these little seas & on these islands.

I counted 67 sail boats standing one place in less than five minutes this morning.

Length of Empress Japan 3 1/2
Breadth " " " 1/2

Wed Nov 5 I have just met Mr. & Mrs Hearn of the Southern Methodist ch. who are going to Soochow.

After a pleasant stay of three days at Mrs Ballards we left taking the "Empress Japan" for Shanghai. We met Mr. Woolley again. He is pleasant & genial. On board the Empress there are quite a number of Missionaries. I will have something to say about them later.

The accommodations here cannot in the least way be compared with the poorer one that we came on. The common expression would here it the Tacoma can't hold a candle to the Empress.

Thank the Lord that He has dealt with us so patiently & that all is as well with us as it is.

I am in a room with a little Jap C. B. Naka from

Idaho not completed but will soon be, Mountain house made chiefly of logs

Arizona Oklahoma & New Mexico in one building - not yet fixed off

State of Washington splendid cutting & wheat, oats & rye threshing &c
all kinds of fruit,
Schools fine
Mastodon speckled
Notice reaping rye & catching in a wagon, four horses
lumber
fresh water
Elks black bear seal fish &
Mineral Coal
Silver & iron ore &c ...

must part sometimes.
In Kobe we visited Tatabe or "two times temple" (if you go there once you will want to go again) It is on a very high hill. We walk up to the top though difficult is beautiful beyond description. As we enter the gate the walk on to the temple proper is by gradually ascending stairs under a thick over growth. The mountain on which the temple is situated is covered with trees, from the other hills the trees have been cut. At the entry on each side of gate, are two images one with mouth tightly shut to the left & one grinning to the right. There are a number of paper wads chewed up & thrown against these & when the wads stick the god is especially good to them they say

at the time. They are very strict on them. I learned from one of the inmates.

Kobe We reached Kobe on Saturday evening & went up to the Missionary boarding house kept by Mrs Ballard. Met there Mr & Mrs. Wm Campbell missionaries to the Island of Formosa.
Mr & Mrs Bryan Presbyterian Miss to Japan.
Mr & Mrs Thomson " Baptists.
Miss Barlet " "
Mr & Mrs Atkinson Campbellites
and one or two others whose name I did not learn.
Bro Walne met us at Yokohama and conducted us safely through to Kobe. Dr & Mrs & Mr Maynard left us on Monday afternoon for Fukuoka. It was sad to have to part with them, but the best of friends

Nov 25 Arrive. Electricity, steam heating, elevators, &c. Fine, mild air, water, climate, streets, shops, &c. XXX Yokohama very orderly & quiet, quite unlike Japan. Fans & dinner. Music. Watch, purse, &c. lost. Looks queer by electric light & moonlight & steam engines & factories. Yokohama Bay. Yacht. Sailed.

fixed up in vines & arbors looking affairs, persimmons and other fruits. The oranges are quite numerous but I've not seen the growth. Letters have been coming in riding 1st class & came 3rd. The 1st about corresponds to our sleeping car arrangements, the seats however are covered with leather. The first & second are about the same. More late I am about to go to Rogers now at the Missionary Home in Tokio Mrs. Ballard is ill.

Nov 27 In Yokohama I visited our American Consulate & saw Mr Mc Ivor, a nephew of Judge in S.C. and a relative of Bostick. He was pleasant. Soft manners like Mr. Ivor Bostick. I also went to the Marine Hospital There were only four sick at-

it was a Catholic church. The paintings back of the stand I may [illegible] the Babe & & & & and the imitation of Christ as dead, ready for burial, with emeralds, onyx stones, & a thin diamond crowned his head caused me to believe it was a Catholic Church. It took one hour to ride from Yokohama to Tokio a distance of about 18 miles. You can pay 60¢, 40¢ & 20¢ according as you go 1st 2nd or 3rd class. The trip through the country was instructive. The farming was on the exceedingly intensive plan — truck farming Onions, lettuce, cabbage, beets rice (planting, reaping, threshing winnowing, [illegible] I also saw them flailing as well as treading in a barrel in the field. Then the fruit trees — peaches

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Nov 26 I should have written more on the 23, but we [illegible]
My trip to Tokio was very pleasant & instructive. I met up with a Mr Leo Schuyler, who was very kind to me in showing me around. We went to the Methodist's winter house & [illegible] this summer home. The fortifications were real good around both. A guard was stationed at the front door of the winter home to prevent our entering. I also went up to the Legislative Hall & looked in the front gate. Our trip through the business part of the place was quite pleasant. The neat little houses & beautifully kept [illegible] was impressive. We went to a "church of England" they [illegible] me, but from all appear-

Mining
Amethist large rock & it
fr. Minnesota

Ny Jersey
Wallenite, Apatite
Rhodonite, Amethist
Fluorite &c &c

Australia tin ore
Gold, silver Coal
Iron

Michigan Copper

California fine house from
splendidly fixed with Marble

Wheel Mrs Stiffener made
his original ride around
the world on

Ship made of hair

Erie. Nicaragua Canal

Dahomey Village
West Coast Africa
French Colony
Fan & sand wood fragrant
fr. India seen in Egypt
1 st. Cairo