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Hot weather Ther. at 95° day before yester-
day & that too in the shade on the
upper veranda.

Dr. Woods & family left day before yester-
day. It was a treat to converse with
the Dr. Mrs. W. & the children are
pleasant company.

American mail two days ago. A
letter from Mother, Cousin Bob, Bob-
bie Florie, Mrs Jno Thomas & her little
daughter. Lee has gone to Atlan-
ta to have his eyes attended. It is
a dangerous thing. May he have a
successful operation. Li Siu Tsun
prayed for him in school yesterday.
I had told him about Lee that morning.
"Mr. Ellis" an old Furman schoolmate
died the other day. How sad.

I am just about to complete

anti's Inferno. How terrible is his
presentation of Hell.

C. L. Durham of Furman has been
called to Cornell University.

W. L. M. Roper is taking hold well in
Canton, Ohio.

Rev. J. W. Millard is making a good begin-
ning at Eutaw Place Baltimore.

Another American mail is due
here today. I hope I shall hear from
Miss Maggie. For two mails I have
not heard from her.

I am to preach in foreign service
tomorrow. May the Lord bless the
meeting to the good of us all. I
could wish I did not have to
preach now - it's so warm & my
head has been troubling me the last
bit. Let us glory in God's service.

Aug 2nd Sunday

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9.00 to read
this afternoon instead of trying to

teacher has been sick for two days. Note it

& Chadwick. How I wish the way
could be opened for them to come to

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Aug 15th 1896

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varied and numerous.

After Bro. Huxley resigned I knew
there would be a vacant house here and
soon

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show station was not highly in-
teresting of that kind of work.

4. I did not like the idea of having to leave my work every summer, which I would almost be obliged to do in Soochow.
 5. I wanted the Mandarin dialect after I knew how widely it was spoken.
 6. I wanted the healthiest place I could find on account of her whom I am looking for from the home land.
- For these reasons I thought it best to ask for a removal. The Soochow community is one of the most delightful possible to find I think & it would have been pleasant to remain there. Soochow is well worked & so I did not feel I would be leaving it without witnesses by a great deal.
- I am happy in my work up here in Chinkiang. My stay in Yangchow was pleasant & I hope profitable.

Aug 18th

a good foreign mail on Sunday morning also one a few days previous.

Bury has been very low with nervous prostration. They think the dear fellow will have to give up dentistry.

His & Dory are at home.

Lee has been to Atlanta to have Dr. Calhoun examine his eyes. The Dr. hopes they can be cured within a year or two.

Miss Maggie & seven other young ladies stood an examination for a position of teacher in the Crossville Graded schools. Miss M. was the successful one.

Rev. Barton of Tenn. is elected Assistant Sec. of the F. M. Board.

Mrs. Tatum is very sick in Japan. Miss Mackenzie is improving in Japan. Mr. Walker & myself hope to leave tomorrow for a trip down to Huchow.

Aug 21st Grand Canal.
Mr. M. J. Walker of the Scotch Bible Society
and myself ^{left} Chinkiang day before yesterday
day on the house boat "Phoenix". Mr. W.
has on board four boatmen, ^{riders} Tang S. S. &
con & Kao Sz Fu.

We left C.
in the afternoon at four o'clock. That
night we spent at Day Tou ~~the~~ not
far from C. The next day ^{yesterday} we sold
books at "San Yang" between eleven &
one o'clock, sales amounted to 5-80 ^{cash}.
Today we reached Tsang Dyur at
twelve left about four; sales amount-
ed to 920 cash. On this side of that
place we sold 150 cash worth. At
San Yang I did not hear foreign
rail ~~car~~. At Tsang Dyur I heard
it quite a number of times.

I am enjoying the trip very much
so far. I feel better than I did.
I hope I will be real well & strong

when we get back to C. We hope to
go to Iching where they have so much
pottery then to Huchow & Soochow
& back up the Canal. I am now
reading C. H. Spurgeon's "Lectures to my
Students". They are perfectly fine
judging from the first two.
I ate a Chinese dinner today & enjoyed
it

Ding San Aug. 25th 1896

We had good sales on Saturday at "Ho
Chan" where there large stone bridges
cross the Canal and at another small
place. Saturday night we reached
Nehing (or Iching) where we stayed
until twelve o'clock yesterday (Monday).
Sunday we had a big rain which
kept us in doors most of the day.
In the morning we had service for all
on board in Chinese. In the evening

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We walked ~~to~~ the city & looked around
a little, then walked out in the fields
& gathered some flowers. Yesterday,
Monday morning, we sold in Lohing
then came on to So San with a
fine wind. Sold there a large num-
ber of books. Bought some terra cotta
ware & stayed there for the night.
This morning we have come about a
mile from So San to Ding San & have
sold well here. The people are pleas-
ant & industrious. We saw them
making the bricks and large kongs.
The grinding of the stone & mixing
& pounding & shaping & rubbing with
water & then drying in the long
kilns is very interesting. The people
are very kindly disposed. Of course
many of them call us "foreign devil"
but I think many do not know

any other name for us. I am ¹⁵³
still enjoying very much Mr. Spur-
geon's "Lectures to my students" There
is so much good hard common
sense in all that he says. We
hope to cross the "Great Lake" tomorrow
& go on to Huchow. The Lord has
been with us & blessed us all the
way. Let us learn to live for him
& not for selfish self. What a great
privilege to work for him. Let us not
be weary in well doing. Let us be
up & doing. Let us deny ourselves &
take up our cross daily.

Aug 30th Grand Canal near Soochow
We staid a day & a half on the edge
of the lake waiting for the wind to
change. Thursday morning we started
across & the breeze being pretty
fresh the boatmen decided after being

half

miles

time for morning services. We left
 much about 3 o'clock yesterday. This
 very
 brightly. We got a 2½ o'clock start.

lost from him day before yesterday.
 The boat was damaged some but we
 had that we can report no dam-
 done to any the men. It would
 likely have killed a person if it was
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days - not today

Sept 1st

would glorify God. I have lost a person

we bought

Sunday afternoon Mr. Walker &
 myself went around to see the foreign

Dr. Fearn & they are a fine couple.
 Yesterday, Monday morning was sold

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books in Soochow. Poor sales - showing
that the place is pretty well worked.
We had a fine wind yesterday after-
noon. We travelled until two o'clock this
am. getting just outside of Wusih.
It is our purpose to call here this
am. then go on to Tsang Chow this
PM. I feel that the trip
is doing me good.

Sept 4th
Just completed Washington
Dorring's Sketch Book. It's good.
Completed Spargan's Lecture
to students a few days since.
Monday evening left Soochow
at 2 o'clock reached Wusih
that night at 2 with a good
wind. Left next day at-
12 reached Tsang Chow that-
night with good wind. Left-

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next day at 12 & went that
afternoon & next day, with head
wind, before we reached D^{ang} Yang.
We left D^{ang} Yang this Friday
morning with a head wind.
Hardly think we will get in
before tomorrow. I have
not been real well the last
few days but if I am to work
while sick let me be cheerful
at all times & know it is the
Lord's will.

Sept 6 Sunday
We reached here day before yesterday
at 5 o'clock. The walk from Shun
Pong here was a little long about
36 li 12 miles. The boat came
in the next day via Canal which
is 60 li from Shun Pong.
A nice little mail awaited me.

Sept 8th

On our trip we all together sold
 Bibles 407 Large Bibles (Acts) 100
 Genesis 200 Jonah 999 Psalms 2
 Tracts 27 Opium tracts 198 Calendars 40
 Total 2773.

We look for Bro Sears & family by
 this evening China merchants.

Li Siun Tsun is about to move in
 & will be my waiting boy & also
 go to school. May I be directed
 in dealing with him remembering
 that all must be done for Gods
 glory & not ours.

I wrote to Mr. Morrison & the Savan-
 nah River Assocⁿ this AM. want to
 write to the Barnwell Assocⁿ & the
 Baptist-Couriers soon.

Sept 9th

Bro Sears & family came this AM. on the

at steamer Ella. Bro. Pierce was
 up until 2 o'clock waiting for them.
 I went down this morning at 6.20
 & she was just coming in.

Li Siun Tsun moves in today. I give
 him 9 dollars & he stays over in
 my room in lower part of Mr. Walker
 house. May the Lord direct me in
 all that I do for him.

Nankin Sept. 16 Wed.

Bro Sister Sears two children, Bro Pierce
 Bro Sears teacher & myself reached here
 last night in a house boat. Lien Tsai
 is our cook. We left Chungking at 9.30
 on Monday. Had a head wind a good
 part of way. Our boatmen are very
 good workmen & are pleasant men.
 Bro. S. was sick all yesterday & is
 worse this AM. with dysentery. We
 want to see the Dr. today. Since

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Early on board we have read "Under the Laurel Bush" by Miss Mulock, the author of "Jesse Halper's Gentlemen". The story was interesting through out. We hope to see some thing of Hankin today but I am afraid

Sept. 19th

We left Hankin the afternoon of the 16th. That day we all, except Bro. Sears who was not well enough to get up, went over to the Northern Methodist Hospital eat a dinner with Mr. & Mrs. Longden. I came on back to the boat with Dr. Butchart & Camp Bellite church to see Bro. Sears while Bro. Pierce & Mrs. Sears went on to look at the great Confucian temple and also visited the Methodist Boarding school. Coming back to the boat they all ate dinner. Then we started back home. Mr. P. & myself went out ^{at} the "Shao Hwan" having left the boat

at the "Hau Shi Men" (Western Land Gate) ¹⁵⁷
We went up to the Viceroy's Yamen, had a long, long, long walk on the Da Ma Lou (big horse road) and then saw the big bell said to be about as large as the one in Peking. This one is 12 ft. high & about 7 ft. in diameter. We also saw the Camp Bellite settlement, the Northern Presbyterian "the Catholic large church. From a distance we saw the smoke stack of the Arsenal. We wanted to go to the Ming tombs but did not. At about 8½ o'clock we left the "Small Customs Gate" stopped that night at "Tien Ho Kien" from 8 to 3 o'clock & next day at eleven we were back. It was a quick trip back & the wind was almost a head one. I enjoyed the trip & wish Bro. S. could have done so also. He is better now

Sept 21st

I preached in foreign service yesterday from
 Heb 4:15 "Who was in all points tempted
 like as we are." Bro. Pierce

preached in Chinese in the morning
 Bro Sears & Li S.S. his teacher preached
 at night to the heathen.

This morning we are having some rain.
 They all wanted to go to Yangchow
 but it looks doubtful now.

We have not heard from Bro. Tatum
 & family lately. I suppose they are
 nearing America by this time. It
 was so sad the loss of their little boy
 Charles Gordon. He was a fine looking
 little fellow. Last year they lost their
 little Eva.

My head
 is not yet well. I must take
 more gymnastics.

Mr. Walker
 & family hope to leave for Shanghai
 on Wednesday. Bro Pierce hopes to

move back to Yangchow the last of this
 week. I'll then be "in my glory" won't
 I? I am going to try to do the
 work before me without troubling
 about it. Why should we trouble?

Sept 24th

Bro. Sears & family left this PM.

Mr. Walker & family left yesterday for
 Shanghai on their house boat.

An American mail came in today.
 Two letters from Miss M. One and then
 another saying she hoped to be here
 next year. It is very hard at times

for me to wait, but I leave it all in the
 Lord's hands and so feel sure it is best.

Our boys day school is doing
 nicely. We have seventeen in attendance
 at present.

Two young men came around this
 AM. to inquire about the Way.

Sept 25

Bro Pierce & family left today in a hard rain. It clearer this evening.

A letter from Miss Mackenzie says she is in Shanghai & is improving.

I have hired Lien Tsai at \$4.00 a month. Li Siu Kien will get about \$2.00. Later. He cost me \$1.80 the first month. Then I gave him some bed clothes, Shiao Kwai Sun, and two pair of socks. He will this next month take his meals in a place at 1600 cash a month which is about 1.75. Then I will give him about 25¢ besides.

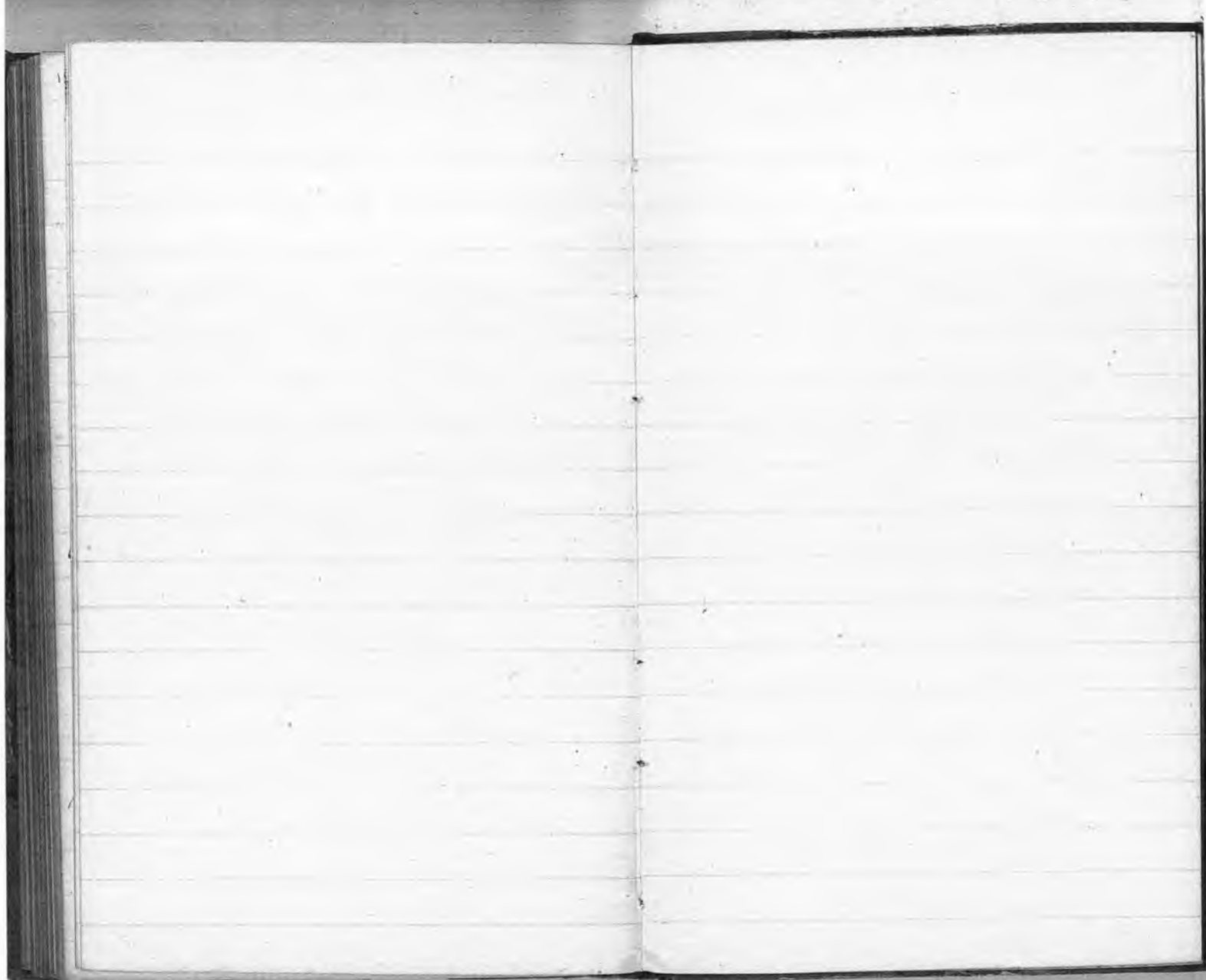
Oct. 2nd

I have been getting on very nicely this week. Sept 30 I was quite busy all day settling up & making out accounts. During the last

two days I have had two long talks with a man named "Loh". He seems to be in earnest. Has heard the gospel for four or five years & I suppose from what I can learn that he has a fairly good idea of it. May the Lord direct us aright.

Last Sunday we had a very good day. Miss Gibson was with us and helped no little with the singing. She also took charge of the women's class.

Mr. S. J. Woodbridge who has been the N.C. Daily News Correspondent for some years has now moved to Tsang Sur & his family to Shanghai. He has kindly recommended me for the position & the Editor, Mr. Little, wrote me a nice note today asking if I would take it. The price to missionaries is \$12.00 a year 9 or 10 dollars gold.



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L.W. Pierce Feb. 1896

Feb 1st due Bros P 2.95-
 " for Taylor 20.00
 " for car group 50
 " for collection 40
 Bros P due me via Loh's 1.50
 Borrowed Chinking 426 cash
 " (Chinking) 1.00
 Chinking group 100 cash
 due for collection 20
 Borrowed Mrs. P. Stamp 1.00

Sickness March 1896

Rev. H.T. Bret all 29.69
 " L.W. P et al 32.02
 61.71
 Incidental 10.00
 Miss F board 16.00
 Miss F. 100.00
 37.00

Miss F

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Letters written in 96

Jan 1st	3 letters	3 pages
" 2nd	1 "	4 "
" 7th	3 "	7 "
" 8	2 "	6 "
" 10	1 "	2 "
" 13	3 "	20 "
" 13	1 "	6 "
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" 20	2 "	14 "
" 22	3 "	8 "
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Feb 2nd	3 letters	26 pages
" 7	3 "	10
" 8	3 "	23
" 14	4 "	18
" 17	2 "	12
" 18	3 "	14

March
 April 55 - about 220

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 May 2nd 16

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March 24 Chm $\frac{71.8}{20} = 3.59$ $\frac{106}{22} = 4.81$ $\frac{26}{44} = 0.59$ $\frac{13}{22} = 0.59$ $100 = 291.300$ $\frac{160}{1.56}$

