

# Diary Entries for 1881

by

Charlotte Thorn Lewis

Charlotte Thorn Lewis (1823-1916) was the daughter of Isaac Thorn and Mary Woolley. She was born in Bordentown, New Jersey. In 1848, she married Enoch Lewis (1821-1902). They were reform activists and were friends of many of the most prominent reformers of the day including William Lloyd Garrison, Jane Addams, and Susan B. Anthony. This tradition of involvement in reform politics was continued by their children. Enoch Lewis was General Superintendent of the Pennsylvania Railroad 1860-1866 and Purchasing Agent for the company from 1866-1893. In 1880, the family lived at 224 Green St. in Philadelphia. In 1886, they moved to a new house at 3405 Powelton Ave.

Charlotte kept the diary in simple composition notebooks from 1880 until 1913. It was made available by her great-great-grandson, Richard Burnham Lewis.

Jan 3d. The 33d anniversary of our wedding Edward and Lizzie & Sarah took tea with us - other friends disappointed us but we had a pleasant evening.

4th. Mary & I at Mr Mays' lecture on the history of liberal Christianity - dined at mother's came home in a snow storm.

6th. E. at home with cold in back. Mrs Whitney called.

Anna & I went to Mr & Mrs Carters

reception in the eve-  
ning: a pleasant  
time chatting with  
numerous friends &  
seeing the beautiful  
house.

7th - E. at home. Mrs  
Emily Shoemaker  
called.

We found with E  
last evening when  
we came home  
Mr Robinson's friend  
Mr Noon.

May & Lottie were  
at New York at  
the symphony con-  
cert.

8th - another mild  
day - Mercury  $42^{\circ}$ .

which causes a <sup>January</sup>  
shaw - a great contrast  
to the  $4$  below zero  
temperature of last  
week.

I was at a very inter-  
esting meeting of the  
Club on the afternoon  
of the 5th. May & Anna  
with me. A discussion  
ably conducted on the subject  
whether the private lives  
of actors & actresses concern  
the public.

8th Saturday. Called  
on Mr & Mrs Furness and  
Mrs Lombard. at Irving  
and in the evening E & I  
went to see Mrs Burnham.  
May & Anna are in Boston

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10th Sunday. Theodore and Anna Justice & George Burnham dined with us.

11th Tuesday E & I took tea at Mr May's with the Lesleys; Ames, <sup>part.</sup> Finnes & Edna & Dizzie - a pleasant evening - snowing.

12th. Down town in the may E. & May went to the church anniversary reception.

13th May & I out in the morning. The Misses Rogers and Miss Cashcart here in the evening & Louise Long stretch.

15th - Saturday. Theodore came to breakfast &

he and his father, May Charlotte & I went to see & hear Guster, Ravello, and del Puente in Belle vis Sonnambula - very much pleased with Guster fine voice and genuine art work - full house.

16th - R. Arthur, G. B. A. B. & Mr Horn (of England) dined with us. Horace Sellers and Mr Hermann called in the afternoon.

E & Sottie's Maids at church in the morning.

17th. E. & May & Sottie at Club Tea.

18th. May, Anna & I at Mr May's lecture

in the morning. Elizabeth  
Cochran called in the  
afternoon.

May went to the opera  
with C. T. S. Anna at  
Cecilian Choral class.

19th. May & I out shopping  
dined at mother's.

22nd. Shopping with Anna

23rd. At church in the morn-  
ing with C & Maud. Huldah  
& Lizzie dined with us.

All went to hear Mr Ames  
in the evening.

24th Monday. May &  
I called at A. H. Francis's  
Richard White, Kate Tebakin  
Hazel Wilson. After dinner

I called on Mrs F. Evans &  
Mrs Girard.

Tuesday 25th - As Mr May's  
lecture - called on Louise Long  
etush. Mrs Dr Reed - the  
same fascinating, frank,  
Birdie - called.

Evening all at the Oratorio  
of Elijah, given by the  
Cecilian Soc.

26th. I called on Mary  
Outerbridge, Mrs Whitney.

Mrs M. Sellers and Mrs  
Kroll. Note Grace Anna

Lewis to come stay with us  
when she reads her paper at

the N. C. Club on 2nd of Feb.

May went to Mr May's in the  
evening. Edna Cook of  
New York called.

27th. Mercury at 17 & the  
wind blowing. Note A. Lewis

27th. Anna Longfresh  
dined here.

28th. Friday. May &  
Anna at Redfield's at  
a lunch party.

Mr & Mrs & Alice  
Ames here to tea  
New Chauncet &  
George called in the  
evening.

31st. Monday  
George, Anna & I  
went to Rosemont  
I dined at J. Long's  
and went to Cook's  
School committee in  
afternoon.

Feb 1st. Very stormy  
Snow.

Feb 3d. Dined at Mother's  
4 & 5th kept in by lame  
foot

Saturday 5th. Mrs  
Dr French called &  
Miss Carhart came  
to tea.

Very sad news came  
of the death of dear  
Mrs May - a great  
shock to us all.

6th. Mr & Mrs Tur-  
ner dined with us  
Horace Sellers and  
Mr Wood came to tea  
Mr. May & I went  
down town.

Juliet Stet called  
8th. Enoch, May & I  
went to the funeral of

Feb.

Was Jos. May - at services at home & in the Church - a very sad impressive affair

It was so sudden and unexpected - she was frankness, goodness and sunshine; it is hard to lose her so soon after the acquaintance, yet we feel 'tis far better to have loved and lost, her than not to have known her.

No wonder he feels "the light has gone out of his home," and a fearful responsibility, twofold settles on him alone with those four

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children.

Huldah & Bess came up in the evening.

9th. May & Mr. Bunker went to New York to see the Water-color exhibition.

20th. H & Bess to dinner

25 13th Fred & Emily Roberts to dinner

16th Theo May & Anna at Academy - reception of the Mining Engineers

17th May Sat W Bangs of the M. E.

18th. Dr Sudley, Mr Chauvenet & Mr Monroe & A. B. - to tea.

20th. H & Bess to dinner

21st. Club Tea - Mr

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Tourgee author of a  
Fowler's errand spoke  
on the condition and  
needs of the South.

22nd. Down town in  
the morning with  
Enoch. Anna Justice

here to dine  
Kelen Sellers & Miss  
Burt called. E. May  
& I went to a party  
at Edward Ferris',  
Edward's birth day.

23d Dined at Mother's.

24th Church Recep-  
tion at Mr Ames'  
Church. very pleasant

25th - Mr & Mrs Outer  
bridge, Coleman & Kelen  
Miss Brown & George

B. dined with us  
at C's. Mr & Mrs  
White of Brooklyn  
called in evening.

26th - May lunched  
with the Whites at  
the Aldine.

Letter from Clay Hatch  
in son announcing  
a son three weeks  
old named E. Stanley

27th May's 27th birth  
day. a ring from  
parents - flowers &c

Mr Spring dined here  
Theodore came at 8  
A. M. returned in the  
evening. we see little of  
him.



March 8!

28th. Edw. & Lizzie and  
Enoch & I took tea with  
mother on her 86th  
birth day and Edward

6  
March. 1st. At N. C. Soc.  
& at Burnhams in evening  
2nd. At N. C. Club  
in the afternoon.

3rd. Town town in  
the morning -

Evening at Mrs Ames'  
5th. Took tea at  
John Longstreth's

6th. Lizzie and Mr  
Colton. George &  
Anna B. dined  
with us. Theodor  
came after 9 a.m.  
& left in night train.

7th. March. Town  
town with May & Anna  
in the morning. evening  
May & I attended the  
Ward Charity Assembly  
where Compulsory &  
Industrial Education

were discussed,  
with little opposition  
8th. I called on Lucy  
Barnes, Lizzie & Emily.

10th. Charming - quiet, respectful  
day. Dr Tuttle called &  
Mrs Shipley Newlin.

Aunt Sarah dined  
with us.

11th. Called at Lucy  
Black's & Anna  
Justice's -

Wrote M. M. B.

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13th. Wrote Mrs  
Sargent. George  
Arthur dined with  
us. Had a quiet  
afternoon for reading.

14th - Brown town  
with Anna

15th. E and I  
made calls at B.  
Shrewaker's Mimmie  
Kimber's. W. T. Rich  
ards & took tea  
with Edward Henry  
& Mary Steel.

16th. At Cooking  
School meeting of  
managers.

17th. Evening with  
Huldah & her chil  
dren till 7 o'clock

birth day - Pleasant.  
18th. Dined with  
Mother.

19th - Rainy - Theodor  
came to tea.

20th - Theodor & Anna  
dined here - The  
little Burnhams  
Ethel & Ross made  
us a little visit.

21st E. May & I at  
N. C. Club.

22d. Brown town a.m.  
Anna & Lotte went to  
German town.

24th. Children returned  
Anna with a plump  
rosy face indicating  
"Rubeola", but feeling  
quite well; Lotte

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with Neuralgia.

26th Saturday, Theodore came to early leave.

27th - Enoch rode with Theodore & Anna Justice to Henry's. Mrs Barnard dild on the 25th.

Theo & Anna dined with Coleman & Helen Sellers leaving us a small family for Sunday. Theo went up at night to Altona though his headquarters now are at Harrisburg.

28th Anna & I went to Sarlington's - A. tried on the wedding dress & rail.

29th  
May has Siphtheretic

some throat - the weather is chilly and drizzly.

31st Enoch and Lotie went to New York to the Concert & to see Spring exhibition of paintings. Snow squalls.

April 1st - still frequent light snow falls.

Mr. Young cleaning parlor preparatory to wedding. May down to her meal again.

4th Monday - Carrie Surs down with Gastric fever

10th - Mrs Spring broke tea here - Theo left at 9 P.M. for Harrisburg.

11th - Mr. Young cleaning I was down town.

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12th. Mattie Sackett  
came.

14th. Anna and  
George married at  
10 a.m. by Mr May  
impressive remarks  
followed by Dr Fur-  
ness in a lighter tone  
seventy five friends  
present. pleasant  
day and everything  
passed off right  
cheerily. The happy  
couple looked well  
and started for New  
York & Washington at  
4 amid the cheer & well  
wishes of friends.

15th Mattie left us

16th Heard from the

children who are having  
a good time.

17th. E. Lotie & I at  
Church - Fine discourse  
from Dr Furness - music  
excellent.

18th. E. and the two  
Marys saw George and  
Anna at station on  
their way through to  
Washington. E & I  
called at Theodore  
Justice's and at Mrs  
McKie's to see Henry  
& Josephine: found  
Mrs Chaumont, Maggie  
Arthur and Mrs H  
Chaumont here.

20th - Monday.  
at mother's to dine

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Ann Lewis came to  
her sick child.

23d Theodore came  
to tea. E. Lottie & I went  
to see the Fokes in the  
afternoon & called at  
Kulash's.

24th. We had a lovely  
ride in the park in the  
morning. Anna & George  
came at 7 and the  
Burnham family were  
all here to tea to meet  
them: they are looking  
well & have had a charm-  
ing trip. Theodore left for  
Harrisburg at 12. mid-  
night.

Monday 25th. I was  
down town shopping

In the evening E & I called  
on the Howards on their  
way to Washington (at  
Aldine House).

26th - another warm day  
mercury at 76 in the afternoon.

May 1st. At church  
to hear Robert Collyer  
Mr Howard, Edith & May  
called in the afternoon.

4th. The Howard  
girls came to spend  
a day or two with us  
- the Richards came  
with them to tea.

The Sellers arrived  
home - E. Anna & Lottie  
went down to meet the  
vessel. The young folks  
went to ride in the morning.

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To Academy in the after  
noon & to Theatre in the  
evening.

6th. Howards. Burn  
hans and May & Lottie  
went to New York.

7th. Theodor came down  
& went to New York in  
the Owl line

Sunday 8th. E & I rode  
in the Park - the blossoms  
are out - the metallic greens  
prevail - the birds sing  
and the vases are putting  
forth their rich tints in  
the gray leaves - how  
sudden - the awakening.

how grandly exquisite  
ly beautiful it all is.

Mr Washington & George

sat down to dinner with  
E & me - Anna & aunt M  
not very well. Ann  
Tarnall & Lib came to tea  
and the children all  
came home at 8 P. M.  
E & I went to see John  
& Carrie Sellers.

9th. May & I rode out  
to Mr Sargent's to see  
Mrs Carpenter & Helen  
- lunched & returned.

10th. Snow down all  
the morning - Lottie spent  
last night with E. Sellers

12th. Anna had her  
first reception - Mrs  
Curry at 90 in the shade

16th. George & Anna  
went out to Hanover

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cousin Helen Weston  
ton came to make  
us a visit.

17th. Helen & I called  
to see mother.

18th. H. & May went  
to E. Ferris' to dine  
I went to N.C.C. School  
meeting.

Messrs Mill, Randolph  
& Cook called.

Anna & George denied  
wish us.

19th. Anna had  
her second reception  
- a cool drizzly  
day.

The sad news of the  
death of Mary W.  
Outerbridge came

to us - the boy sur-  
vived - married one  
year on the 7th of  
April - It is diffi-  
cult to reconcile this  
deed - she has given  
her life for the legacy  
she leaves her husband  
- too frail a constitution  
to survive this strain  
on her system. How  
very sad for her father  
to part with his only  
child.

20th - E. Helen & I took  
tea or dinner at 8 P.M.  
at Edward Lewis'  
with Mrs & Miss George  
Gilpin

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Saturday May 21st.

Theodor came down to the funeral of Mary Outerbridge.

Mr Mintebro came at 6 P.M.

Enoch, Helen & I rode to Horticultural Hall in the morning where we have a collection of Ferns that surpasses any other in existence.

22nd. George & Anna went out to Hanford, last evening. The Arnberbons & E & Mary<sup>sr</sup> rode in the morning & then left for New York on J.P.M. train. Then for

Harrisburg at late in the evening.

23d. I called at Mr Whitneys in the morning. Evening spent at Dr Williams - they returned from California on Saturday.

East winds & showery weather for a week past.

25th - At various places in search of a nurse for Emeline Longstreth sick with Fareloid.

27th - A Sizzie Lewis from Easton consented to go to Emeline.

28th - At church morning & evening to hear Mr May



on the different versions  
of the Bible.

Yesterday C. & Lottie went  
to Kennebec to Miss Pennocks  
to a reunion of the Thaca  
boarders of 1879.

29th. Monday. Enoch  
went out to see Anna  
at Hanover College  
Station - very warm.

Theodore left at 9. a.m.  
for Harrisburg having  
been with us since Sat  
at sea time.

30th. May took sister,  
Mary & me to Edwards  
& Emilys - warm yet.

June 1st. May & I  
rode out to W. Justice's  
to see the changes in

his house - called on  
the Richards who  
leave for Newport  
to-morrow - and dined  
with Mary Stebbins.  
found daughter Anna  
here & sister H. stormed  
so - A. & George remain  
to-night.

June 2nd - Gertrude Barrett  
& Mr & Mrs Newhall here  
to tea - Anna & George  
left at 9 for Hanover  
Had news of Emelines  
passing from this life -  
she has gone to sleep  
to awaken - let us hope  
to a new life untrammelled  
by physical weakness  
and mental anxiety.

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her life was pure & noble - her influence at least must live in other generations: for those of us who are left without her - alone we grieve. May she join her sainted mother and other loved spirits: her strength will shine forth in those sweet sisters who will now have to lean on the strength she has imparted to them: the world is better because she has lived, and many a child will remember her loving presence and tender guidance for her heart & mind went forth to the little ones always

4<sup>th</sup> I went to see Mary Allen  
May went out to see Anna  
Edith Sackett came to  
make Lottie a visit.  
Sister Mary May & I  
went to Fairhill yester  
day - saw John & Alfred  
Anna & Lallie. no other  
save Mr. Haycock there  
5<sup>th</sup>. Broke Army.  
at church in the <sup>evening</sup> morning  
called at Alfred's. ✓  
12<sup>th</sup> at church to hear  
Mr May on the new version  
morning & evening  
15<sup>th</sup> at <sup>Lottie went to</sup> Brookline  
17<sup>th</sup>. E. & I went to  
Swiftwater - a lovely  
situation in Pokou  
22 or jr above tide water.

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18. A charming atmosphere after the rain  
E. & I took a buck  
board vehicle and  
rode to Paradise  
Falls - 19th lovely  
walks & 20 another  
nice ride to Tannersville  
22nd another to Forks  
Station - mtn road  
with views of S. W. Gap  
- Common Laurel in  
luxurious bloom &  
the scrub oaks &  
young maples with  
their unusual new  
growth look like  
rich flowering shrubs  
or plants with varied  
colored leaves.

25th - Saturday - So  
cool concluded to come  
home where all looked  
lovely - May had  
made a revolution in  
the house - put down  
mattings - repaired  
ceilings - improvement  
in back closet & c. c. a  
Theodm came soon  
after us -

26th at Church -  
Mr May came to tea

27th - E. May & I  
drove to uncle John's  
took Anna & Pallie  
to Woodland.

28th at mother's  
took her a short ride

30th - E. May & I rode

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to School Lane &  
said goodbye to Mr.  
Steel & children  
Mrs Loyd came to tea.  
H & Bess & Mary Jus-  
tice in the evening.

2 July. I cannot  
Strattan & Lottie &  
Eddie dined with us  
Mr May came to  
tea - & Theodore

3d - At church.  
4th more quiet than  
Sunday - thanks to  
our good Mayor.

It seems as though  
the dastardly attack  
upon our president's  
life on Saturday  
had spread an awe

over the country  
5 & 6th - lovely rides  
after tea in the Parks  
- home by moonlight  
called at Henry Jus-  
tice's. Moon makes  
our Comet look dim  
President still im-  
proving - we trust he  
may be spared to  
our country & his family  
7th - over 98 yesterday  
down to 92 and 93  
at our north window  
to day at 4 P.M.

9th - at Edwards & mother's  
Theodore came -

10th - May at church &  
Mr May came to dinner

12th - Mother & Sib called

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Mr Riddle of Harvard read some amusing pieces - he was the Edipus of the Greek play at Harvard.

27 Wednesday. We left on the 3 1/2 boat for Portsmouth thence to Boston

28th - Rode to Brookline & Jamaica Plains & Longwood - went into Phillips Brooks new Church Trinity & in the "New Old South."

29th. E. & I went to the Art Museum. Annie, Warren took Letcher with her last night & they came in time for us to start for Springfield at 4 P. M. Annie

dined with us.

Saturday 30th - Called on Grandma Burnham & Mr Edwd. Howard - a daughter just arrived - saw the small - flaxen haired - ringletted boy - Too late in New York for 5 boat as we hoped: took 7 1/2 and found Theodore awaiting us at depot at N. Phila with carriage - all well home very attractive & glad to be here. George & Anna here.

31st - George & Anna went out on 10 clock train to prepare to start for Lake George tomorrow - Horace & Lizzie Sellers called

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at the door. Anna & George came from Beach Haven last evening & passed the night with us.

E. Lotze & I left on the 1. train for New York.

Mr May joined us on the Fall river boat.

Wednesday - arrived York train for Boston at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$  and came on the Eastern road to Portsmouth and took boat for Appledore.

9 miles off coast - arrived at 12.15. Heat excessive when we left Phila. here overcoats are in demand.

Mr May left us at Newburyport.

Thursday cool.

Friday 15 beautiful but cold mornings & evenings - a shower in the evening. <sup>of Saturday.</sup> Theatricals on Thursday evening. Readings on Friday.

Sunday 17th. cold. clear & windy. Tubings, Senats & Fenwicks here.

Wrote Theodore and Huldah 24th. Passed a pleasant week - reading - walking on the rocks &c.

Rather too cool weather for entire comfort till 22nd. Mercury at 60 almost every morning about 9 a.m. ~~had not~~ had not been above 71 since we came 25th Edward & wife start to-day for Lake Superior



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Aug.

Carrie rode with us & left before tea. Wrote Am Justice on business wrote Nuldaah yesterday  
 9th. Rode after tea - had a shower.  
 10th. Anna Sangstuck dined with us. Miss Cathcart came to tea and took a lonely ride with us - it was moonlight and the air balmy. Sister M gains strength from these after tea rides. Another hard shower.  
 11th. E. at home to-day the Mercury down to 70 at 8 a.m. lovely summer weather: the grass is green & yard lonely.

12th. Dined with Grandma. Mr Burnham called. warm & showery.  
 13th. A hot air - mercury at 96 in the afternoon: a dash of rain: the air was enervating as from a heated desert - most trying day I have known for many years.  
 14th. Anna & George came in the evening from Lake George -  
 15th Monday. George Anna & I went house hunting. (E & I <sup>17th</sup> drove then to trade at Co calling to see Lauderbach house & on the way. temperature from 70 to 80)  
 16th Tuesday - mercury



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ranged from 68 to 75  
lovely weather. George  
called.

17th - Met Anna in  
N. Phila. at 10 and  
visited houses.

E & I drove with them  
to station - calling at  
Sauderbach house &

18th - at mother's

19th Clay Lloyd passed  
the afternoon here.

19th - Another lovely  
day mercury 70 at

8 a.m. A. L. & Miss Cash<sup>called</sup>  
working in the yard in  
the morning.

20th - In the yard some  
Rode after tea

21 - Warm again. Mercury

at 75 at 8 a.m. went to  
90 at 5. P.m. Theodore  
came at noon from  
Lake George. We rode to  
Henry Justice's after tea  
22nd Monday. Theodore  
left us for 9 a.m. train  
to Harrisburg.

23d. Anna came in to  
recruit from disorder re-  
sulting from cold -  
lovely weather - mercury  
ranging from 70 to 84  
Rode before tea

24th - Rode: Mr Burr,  
classmate of George, here to  
tea. Mr Ely & Dr Sudley  
here in evening. Eliza rode with us

25th George Anna & I rode  
out to see the beautiful land

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scape gardening in the  
Park - more beautiful each  
year than the last.

Pleasant summer weather  
temperature rising to 80  
in the afternoon but  
cool as soon as the sun  
goes down.

26th. E. Sarah & I rode  
in park.

27th. George Anna & I  
looked at some houses  
and went to train for  
Theodore

28th. Anna & Sallie called  
after tea. This left at 11.20m

29th. George Anna & I went  
to look at houses in the  
morning - in the afternoon  
E. Anna & I went & secured

Mr Masseys dove cote  
in Hamilton below 34th  
took Anna to Station  
called at Edward's and  
came home through the  
Park.

30th - Tuesday, very  
warm and dry - grass  
dead in the Park -  
Mercury at 80 at 8 a.m.  
and 92 at 4 P.M.

Rec<sup>d</sup> many letters - wrote  
several letters & notes -  
A son born to Jesse Colton  
yesterday 29th at 5 a.m.  
Harold W. Colton

31st. Miss Scull &  
Miss Cashcart came  
to tea & rode with  
E. & Horticultural  
very warm. - Hall

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Sept. 1st. Thursday.

Anna came in and dined with us. George called & E. & I called at John's after tea.

2nd. Was at mother's. wrote H. J. mercury 85 at 5 P.M.

3rd. Still very warm and a hazy atmosphere pre- vails as from burning woods. Rain came at 4 1/2 - quietly.

Called at John Brown's in the evening.

4th. E. & I rode in the Park - E. went out to see Anna in the afternoon. Robt. Ash called in the evening.

Theodore went to Cream. no child at home.

Sept.

Monday 5 Sept. one eye at 8 1/2 - hazy atmosphere again.

6th. Very warm. Lov & Dick here in the evening.

9th. Anna came with George at 9 P.M. Mary Bracon here yesterday.

11th. Theodore came last night bringing Mr. Johnson who left at noon. Anna & George went out yesterday & came in this afternoon Theodore left in late train

12th A lovely shower last night reduced the temperature somewhat Anna & in furniture store all the morning.

13-14-15-16 - down town in the morning.

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Friday 16th - George & Anna went out of town. May & Lottie arrived from Lake George looking bright. Mr May & Johnie took tea with us.

17 - Lottie's 20th birth day. Annie Warren & Sellers girls Tillie Warren & Emma B to tea. Several gentlemen after tea. Theodore came in the afternoon.

18th Sunday. E. May, Lottie & I at church.

Huldah, Bess, Anna & George to tea. Theodore went to Harrisburg on 12 train; has cold & is not as well as I want to see him.

19th - Very warm again reaching 80 - last. mete was charming summer weather - had hoped our warm weather was passed. Am enjoying Instructive McCaith's "History of our own times".

Anna went to Brooklyn to-day. I went down to the river E.

21st at mother's

22nd met Anna down town still dry, close weather. City draped with mourning for our dead fireman who was released from suffering on the 19th having served his country.

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in sickness as much  
as in health - he is  
immortal - the goodness  
patience & fortitude  
will live in others  
for his bright example  
was more impressive  
than a spoken sermon  
October 3d. About 3  
weeks of hot dry weather.  
May & I drove over  
to Anna's bird's nest to  
get some measurements.  
Tuesday 4th. A charm-  
ing shower - I was  
down town all the morning  
shopping.  
Oct 11th Anna went into  
her house to live - a cosy little  
home.

On the 8th our boy was 26 years  
old. he came down to tea and  
seems very happy over the prospect  
of being married this winter.  
Wednesday 12th. Met Anna  
down town.  
13th - drove over to Anna's  
14th - Wrote Samuel.  
May & Sottie went to  
Del Water Gap with  
the Burnhams.  
25th. May & Sottie went  
to Harrisburg to attend the  
Engineer's excursion.  
Still mild & clearer - 50°  
at seven in the morning  
Rained yesterday - The  
gums & sumachs are  
bright but most of the  
foliage is green yet

Oct. 28. Greetings from all the children letters and flowers and a pickle fork and Cook's Life writings & Philosophy of Ralph Waldo Emerson from Enoch - a lovely recognition of my 58th birth day.

Anna & George - Anna Longfellow Mary - Anna Braintree  
 had tea with us.

Mr. Fay & Mrs. Cashears called in the evening.

29th - Rain at last - a warm one after many lovely autumnal days. The French delegation to the anniversary of Yorktown find beautiful weather -

Theodore May & Lottie returned from Harrisburg by train very late. They reached home at midnight in a rain but have had a very enjoyable time.

30th - E. went over to Anna's.

31st - Mr. May called May & Lottie went to Anna's.

Nov. 1st - May & I drove home - I dined at mother's.

Ind. E. & I rode over to Anna's - she returned with me dined and we went to New Century Club annual

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meeting. Mr & Mrs  
Burman & Mr & Mrs  
Officer & Mr Benson  
called in the evening.  
5th Anna & George  
& Theodore to hear  
Calls in the afternoon  
which much delays  
the hanging of the  
downy Curtains  
or portieres. I was  
down town all the  
morning.

6th Theodore, E.  
Anna B. and I rode  
in the Park and saw  
the beautiful display  
of Chrysanthemums  
in Horticultural Hall  
- tints of foliage comb

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but beautiful - air  
lovely. Lottie went  
to church to hear  
Mr Mayor discourse  
on the needs and  
conditions of the town.  
Laroto sister Amy.  
8th E., Sarah, Anna B  
& I went to Hanisburg  
at 5 & remained over  
night.

10th. At Mrs H. Chauve  
net in the morning and  
left at noon for Luray  
which we reached at  
4 1/2.

10th Found a well kept  
inn of Queen Anne  
style and visited  
the wonderful cave -

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Walked around in  
its various chambers  
for two hours - then  
two miles circuit  
- innumerable stalag-  
mites and stalactites  
resembling to the im-  
agination, organs  
angels' wings - blankets  
with stripes - phan-  
toms and almost  
anything one can con-  
ceive of -

12th Rested in the  
pretty parlor before  
the fire in large  
open fire place -  
walked to the tower  
& went on the obser-  
vatory or tower, but

The day was dull  
- the sunlight was  
absent from the rich  
colored leaves and  
the tints so varied  
in atmospheric effects  
yesterday.

12th Left Luray &  
pleasant Mr & Mrs  
Corson at 8 1/2 and  
owing to delay at Har-  
risbury did not reach  
home until 9 1/2 -  
Theodore made the whole  
trip from Harribery  
to Luray & home with  
us. Mr & Mrs Edw'd  
Clark - their sisters  
& others came with  
us.



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13th - Called at Dr Meales  
to see Mr & Eliza - just returned  
from abroad.

14th Lunched with Wm.

16th Mr & Mrs White of  
Brooklyn arrived

17th Enoch & I took tea  
with Mr & Eliza & their  
mothers & brothers & sisters  
at Henry Justice's - a  
very pleasant evening.

18th The Whites return  
ed home.

19th - Shopping with  
Theodore & Mary.  
Children all at grand  
mas to tea.

20th - Huldah & Bess  
here to dinner. Theo  
& A. B. to tea. Mr &  
Eliza called.

21st Dined at Mother's

23d Tea at Anna's.

24th Thanksgiving - so  
called by our governors  
Had a pleasant day -  
Children all at home  
and aunts Sarah & Eliz.  
& Carrie & Anna Barnum  
who seem one of ours.

26th. Sister Mary's  
66th birth day

27th - William & Eliza &  
Ala & Mamie & Melle Gil  
got took tea with us.

29th. Sottie has been at  
home with cold since 23d  
to-day she rode to Anna's  
& brought her home to dine  
Enoch Strattan came  
yesterday to remain  
till tomorrow. seems  
ligher & jolly.

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Dec. 1st. Enoch's 60th  
birth day. Edward & Lizzie  
Betha & Milfred & Mary  
Cunningham - George &  
Anna Burnham took  
tea with him. Hulda  
& Lizzie & Theodore and  
Anna Justice came after  
tea. a pleasant time.

4th. E & I went to church  
- heard a cheerful discourse  
from Dr. Hodge

6th. Mr. May's came home  
from N. C. Club with May  
& E. J. Stub called - he & E  
went to Mr. Dougherty's  
party.

8th & 9th & 10th E. at  
home suffering from piles  
I was out on business &

called at mother's.  
Yesterday the 9th a son  
was born unto Emily  
Lewis Roberts named  
Sidney Lewis Roberts.

10th. Theodore came down to  
stay till after Christmas  
11th at home. small family -  
Anna & George at Henry Steel's  
to dinner and Theodore & Anna  
at 221 - all.

13th. Anna H. Lewis & Clara  
Saggard came to stay till after  
the wedding.

16th. Theodore and Anna  
Burnham were married  
at 1 o'clock. a very pleasant  
wedding - they started out  
5 train for New York -  
so one after another

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departs from the home  
and leaves the group  
around the table with  
vacant places - but if  
they realize all they hope  
we can rejoice with  
them in their joys -

17th - The girls Anna &  
Clara have gone - George  
& Anna are dining at  
Henry Steel's and we num-  
ber but 5 at the dinner  
table

22nd - Daily bulletins from  
the faithful son full  
of happiness -

The bridal pair returned  
to-day after a profitable  
week in New York - and  
the art galleries, museum  
& ce

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25th - Theodore & Anna dined  
with us both looking very  
well -

26th - Kept at Christmas  
Anna & George - Sarah &  
Eliz & Maggie Lewis & Anna  
& Fannie Longstreth & Mrs  
Withington dined here  
In the evening all took tea  
at Mr Barnham's -

a pleasant season with  
many pleasant remem-  
brances. 27th - Theodore  
went to Harrisburg - Anna  
remained at home

Amy Putnam came to visit  
us - she & May at Amis to tea.

30th - Miss City, Miss Sactain  
the Annas & Bess here  
to lunch -