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1 Aug. Monday. Appearance of rain this morning - this evening we had a light shower. Homer at C - and brought Flora Howard out - Fannie and Mary Porter making White Mountain Cake. Making preparations for tea this Eve. Mrs Charlie's Driscol of Springfield came this morning - here for dinner here for tea and with us tonight. This P.M. Fannie and Mary Porter were at C - and made some calls - They called to see Mr Mortons grandmother and Aunt Mary and Aunt Jane and Aunt Belle. They brought Rily Little out with them He and Rily Jobses here for tea. By the way Fred went with the girls to C - & spent the Evening in the parlor with the Company! Harlan and Homer out at Uncle Johns and got their buggy and brought Robbie with them to be ready to start to Clifton County in the morning. Mr Jobses took Mary Porter home to night She has been with us since Thursday Eve. and we have all been pleased with her company, Fred took Riley home, Fannie rode as far as town with Rily J and Mary - She stopped at Aunt Janes to be ready to go to work on Aunt Matts sateen in the morning J.R. Hice dinned with us to day. Our painter and carpenter with us as usual. Mr [illegible] with us to night Allie Barber called this Evening John L - here looking over accts this morning.

2 Aug. Tuesday. Quite a bright day, Our two sons Harlan and Homer and Robbie Murdock left for Clinton Co. at an early hour this morning to make a little visit Mr Mc and Mr Charlie Driscol left at an early hour for the London Sale. Fred left alone to look after everything. The painter and the carpenter busy. Fred at Mrs Ps with the clothes. This Eve he went to C - and brought Fannie home I have been so worrisome to day that I had to have Fred go after Fannie Riley Little came home with them and is here this Eve - Mr Mc and Mr D - did not get home til after night. They took dinner at Mr John Mitchels and tea at Mr [illegible], They report a delightful day. John [illegible] here and settled up.

3 Aug. Wed. Quite a bright warm day, The thermometer in the nineties Fannie drove up for Fanny C - this morning Jimmie C - brought Earl Caldwell here this morning. We have had a busy busy day. Mrs Linson? And son Earl? stopped with us for dinner and

tea as they were passing home from London. Mr Charlie Driscol still with us to day and to night again. Fannie C - and Earl with us till after dinner when they went with Fred to the sheep pasture! Earl with us to night - so also is Rily Little. Our painter working on the carriage and Express Wagon. Our Carpenter at the plank fence on the pike. Mrs Conner? Called to see Fanny C - this P.M. Fanny and our Fanny at the sewing, All here at tea although too tired for comfort we tried to have everything pleasant as pleasant could be. This Eve Mr Mc and Mr Driscol at C -

4 Aug Thurs. Heavy rain this P.M. Fred and Earl C - left for the Wilson sheep pasture this morning stopped in C - and took Jimmie C - with them They took dinner at Aunt Jennettes as they came home. Mr Driscol and Rily L - left us this morning. Our painter Wm R. Smith who came here the 1<sup>st</sup> of July left us this afternoon. He carried away \$14.00 & some odd cents with him for his service Fanny C - and our Fanny at the Sewing. Our carpenter at the fence. Mr Mc around home all day. Everything very quiet and we enjoy the quiet. We miss Harlan and Homer the whole day long. We miss them every way and every where. Flora at her work -

5 Aug. Friday, Fanny C - at the sewing. Fred Miller, the carpenter, at the fence and fixing the pump across the pike. Flora at her work, Fannie expected? to have gone To Osborn to day but failed to get off. I have not been well all day, Fred at Piggs for clothes. This P.M. This afternoon Uncle Silas called when going to the sheep pasture. On yesterday P.M, He and Uncle David here a little while. This Eve all at home Late this P.M - Jack Stretcher around, I have had a lonely day with out the boys.

6 Aug Sat. Most a lovely day Flora and Clara at C - this morning at mill. Fred at John Wrights pasture and brought sheep home. Our good boys, Harlan and Homer came home from their visit - to Clinton Co, this morning a little after ten. They came past Uncle Johns and left Robbie there. Earl Caldwell came up with them from Great Aunt Rachels - here for dinner and Homer and Harlan took him down to town to go to London on the evening train - They were not together very long. The carpenter at the fence. At a late hour Mr Mc and our three daughters Fannie, Clara, and Florence and I went down to Uncle Silas's and Aunt Mollies to dinner. We met grandmother Uncle David and Aunt Mary Uncle John and Aunt May, Lizzie and Anna Belle and Aunt Bell and her three girls there - Uncle David leaves on next Monday for Minnesota. I called to see Rosa McMillan this Eve. Fannie staid and went out riding with Aunt Mollie and stopped out at Aunt

Nancys and staid all night. Fanny C - here sewing to day. Homer and Clayton took her home. Mr Mc took sheep up To shepherds pasture this Eve.

7 Aug. Sabb. Rather cool to day, Homer and Florence and Fred Miller, the carpenter at home. Fred Harlan Clara and Clayton and Jason at Sabbath School. Flora rode down as far as town to spend the day with Laura Balts, She will be home this Eve. Mr Mc and I at church - sermon grand - It carried [illegible] away up there text "Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword and with a spear, and with a shield, but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied" We have here a striking picture of the great irrepressible conflict that is going on between light and darkness and right and wrong. Wherein lies the power of the church of the living God. It consists in the loyalty? of its members. What we need to make us courageous and victorious and invincible is to be called and consecrated to the work of the Lord. What we need to overcome and triumph in the conflict is greater resting and trusting in the all powerful one. In proportion to our nearness to God will be our triumph and success The power and presence of God was in David's sling and in Moses rod. The power of the church lies in the use of the simple means that God has prepared. Conformity to the world always cripples the church. The power of the church also lies in the direct personal effort of its members when God needs some important work to be done he does not go out among the idlers or loafers but he goes to those who are actively engaged and interested in their work. When he wanted a Man? to lead the children of Israel across or out of Egypt he chose Moses who was keeping his father in laws sheep. When he wanted a Prophet to take the place of Elijah he sent found him plowing with five yoke of Oxen. When Jesus called his disciples he found them busy fishing upon the coasts of Galilee Now if we are to be called to an important place let us be faithful let us be busy let us do good as we have opportunity. Faithfulness makes life grand in any department in this Christians field.

This P.M. At four Oclock The Young Folks had their first meeting for prayer, in our church. Fannie Fred and Harlan attended it. Flora spent the day at Batts with Laura. This Eve spent with the children at home.

8 Aug. Monday Quite a nice day but cool, Fannie and Clara and Florence at C - this morning Clara invited Anna Bell Murdock Blanch and Mary Erwin And Mannie Blair and Lulu and Jimmie Morton and Daisy Guy to tea Wednesday Evening. They brought Rily Little home with them - he began working at the sheep this

Afternoon. Mr Mc around home all day, Our Carpenter at the fence Mr [illegible] called this afternoon with a [illegible] attachment this afternoon for our Domestic He was up to see Fannie? Comner? this P.M. This Eve The Carpenter, Harlan and Rily L - at C - to night.

9 Aug. Tuesday, Quite a delightful day. This morning Mrs Allie Barber called and took Fannie to the picnic at Dayton - They left on the half past eight and returned at half past ten to night. Mr Mc up at Tim? Smiths this morning, and left near noon for Xenia took dinner at Uncle Silass and he went to X - with him, This afternoon at two Oclock Homer and I attended the Bible Society at our church - Had an address from and a nice speech from Mr J.C. McMillan. After the meeting we took tea at grandmother Murdocks I called at Aunt Janes and Mr Mortons - Aunt Bell and family were over at Dayton to day, I called to speak to Mrs Batts - did not get home till near dark - I met Fred riding down to C - with Millie Mc and Rily and Harlan rode down together - they went to see the train come in. Harlan went out to Uncle Johns a few minutes. Then Fannie came, she was too tired for comfort Harlan at Aunt Janes with Fred.

10 Aug. Wednesday. Most a delightful day. Fred at Wilsons to see the sheep - [illegible] Caldwell went with him and came home with him to dinner. While they were away Jimmie C - went over to Clifton to see Mrs Johnston. Jack Stretcher and Uncle Silas and Ralph and Mr Wm Uleric? Here for dinner with Mr Mc Part of the crowd repairing pump at Pump house. Homer at C - this A. M. Rily failed to come back last night but came this morning This afternoon Fred out at the Kyle and Jackson Picnic - it was held in grove opposite Our old school house. Rily went with him as far as C - they were home before dark again. This Eve - we had Larlan? and Fannie Morton and Daisy Prey and Uncle Silas [illegible] Aunt Mollie and Ralph and Luna? and Aunt Bell and her three daughters were all here for tea - Homer took the girls a little ride out this P.M. in our buggy. Mr Mc rode out with Mr Wm Uleric there - Harlan and Clayton out there also to see the ponnys? - of Wm U's. Jennie Morton staid with Clara to night, Miss Mannie Blair were many our guests this Eve. Mr Mc returned in time for a six Oclock tea, Fannie has been to the front all day in the kitchen. She and Rily at Selma and brought Fanny C - down this eve to be ready for sewing in the morning. We had quite a pleasant afternoon and Eve - A nice supper - Fannie made ice lemonade - So another day has gone.

11 Aug, Thurs, Quite A nice day, Rily and the boys at the sheep - Homer at C - this A.M - The carpenter finished fence on the

pike and began working on repairs on barn. I have been busy ironing to day. Mr Charlie Driscoll and his friend Mr [illegible] and Mr Rodgers and Jim? Caldwell Jennie Morton and Rily L - and Fanny C and our carpenter and Flora and all of our family here for dinner Mr Mc around home all day. Fannie C - and our Fannie at the sewing. Homer and Clara took Jim Caldwell and Jennie Morton home - Jennie made different arrangements and came back with Clara to make a more extended visit.

12 Aug Friday, Quite a beautiful day, Homer at C - this morning and brought a letter from Fanny [illegible] she can not come for a week or two. Mr Mc around home all day, Uncle Bigham and Aunt Jennette Mr North of Xenia and Rily L - and Fanny C - and our carpenter Jemie Morton with us for dinner. Flora at her place in the kitchen and so is some of the rest of the family! This Eve Fannie and Rily drove over in Mr Kens buggy to Jamestown to see Aunt Jannies?. They had a grand time they found her at Dr Pans. Harlan took Aunt Jane to Xenia today.

13 Aug, Sat Quite a beautiful day, All up at an early hour on yesterday eve, Fred and Homer and Clara and Jennie Morton took Fanny C home to Selma. Fred at Clifton to see sheep - Rily went home this morning Harlan and Homer at C - for lumber Flora rode out yesterday Eve home again in a little [illegible]. Mr Mc and Fannie left for Osborn to visit Mr P.P, Johnston this morning=, When they reached Mr [illegible] they learned that our good friend Mr P.P. Johnston had died at three Oclock on Thursday afternoon and his funeral to day at 10 Oclock. They went as far as the Springs hoping to reach there in time but finding could not they retraced their steps came in past Uncle Bighams between one and two Oclock - took dinner there when they came to Cedarville they drove out to Uncle Johns took tea there - Fannie staid all night with Lizzie Mr Mc reached home a little after dark, Homer at C - this morning. This Eve Harlan and Clara took Jennie Morton home. The fact that Mr Johnston is dead makes me sad - Truly the "Saddest words of tongue or pen the saddest are these "it might have been"

"It might have been" we could have seen and enjoyed more of Mr Johnstons company this last year than what we have done. Yes, and saddest of all, we might have gone to see him and made the last hours of his life more pleasant if we had only made the effort - I am sure we would have gone if we had known he would leave us so soon.

14 Aug Sabb Quite a nice day, Fred and Clara and Florence at home with the Carpenter and Flora at home, Harlan Homer Clayton and Jason at Sabbath school. Fannie there and came home with us

this Eve. Mr Mortons text "And the people murmured against Moses, saying, what shall we drink? And he cried unto the Lord, and the Lord showed him a tree, which when he had cast into the water the waters were made sweet" See verse proceeding the text "and when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah for they were bitter, therefore the name of it was called Marah." We have here a chapter of rich Christian experience. We can look into this text we see a picture of our selves when passing through this world. The subject of this text is bitter water sweetened. How the Lord makes the bitter things in life agreeable and pleasant. The water that was so bitter that they could not drink it was made sweet nourishing. In life we meet with many bitter trials and sorrows. We must expect this - and we need not expect the sorrows and disappointments of life taken away - but we may expect the Lord to sweeten them. This is the leading of Job There shall be light in the cloud. It is the teaching of the Bible that at the Evening time it shall be light. The Sweetest foretaste We have of heaven here are these experiences in the dark days of adversity - If it were not for bitter water, we would not know what sweet water is. If it were not for the trials and the dark days of life we would not know so well the value of religion and the sustaining grace of God. Gold is pure - tried by fire - Fiery trials make Christians golden Now what are some of the bitter waters of life? Well the losses and crosses of life are bitter water - some times we have bitterness in our souls - sometimes in our homes - sometimes our dwelling places are not the abode of peace and love. When we take these bitter waters to God he shows us a tree which when we cast into the waters they are made sweet. God and Christ and the blessed Spirit and the angels come down and we have heaven in our home. This tree which God shows us - is the love of God - the love of Jesus - the love and blessing of the holy Spirit. The introduction of Sin into the world were sweetened and called forth the song of redeeming love - The death of Christ was bitter water - a bitter night the darkest of sorrow of suffering of horror the world ever saw - So-it-was a night of triumph and of victory it called forth the glorious songs and anthems of the redeemed! In our own experience all along our journey we find that the bitter waters have been sweetened. And at the close of our journey the bitter water of death have been sweetened. In the Lords chemistry there is a solvent by which even the bitter waters of death have been made sweet. The Lord throws some of the healing leaves into the stream, When Moses came to the bitter waters of death he found them sweetened. The Lord showed him a tree He gave him a glimpse of the thing in his beauty and the land that lieth afar of, When Stephen came to the waters of death he showed him a tree the gates of the celestial city was

left ajar he saw Jesus - standing waiting to receive him Now in the trials and sorrows of life we would have comfort we must realize our condition we must cry to God and lay hold on that which he has prepared and promised us. Let us live near the throne -

This afternoon seemed very short - Fannie Fred and Homer attended the Young folks prayer meeting at our church - Caryice? Morton appointed to lead the meeting. Subject "But one thing is needful: And Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her." At half past seven Rev J.M. Foster preached at the New hall Harlan and Mr Mc attended so also did the prayer meeting folks The carpenter here Clara Clayton Jason And Florence and I. Flora went down with the folks to C - this eve spent with the little ones.

15 Aug Monday, Appearance of rain last night and to day but no rain fell. Mr Luce called this morning. Homer at town and brought Flora home. Fannie sweeping and putting up stairs in order - J.R. Hill And nephew here for dinner - Mr Mc and all of us here also. The carpenter working on barn and this afternoon Homer at Leffels to see about the sheep going back. Mr Mc at Selma. Uncle Silas called. This Eve Fred and Fannie down at town and brought Riley L up with them. No, he is to come in the morning. Leffel took sheep away again today.

16 Aug Tuesday. Most a delightful day, Uncle John and Robbie brought their wool up this morning and remained with us till after dinner. Proff. J. P. McMillan and his wife and Mother here for dinner Rily L - came up this morning and here also. All of the children around with the company in the front yard. They were invited to Mr Mortons to tea - left here at five Oclock. After supper Fannie and Rily at C - and at Dillas. Mr Mc and Harlan at Selma. Homer at C - this P.M. A note from Matt Clark informed us that she and her bro and co - would be here tomorrow Eve. A man off the pike - stopping with us to night and perhaps will be here for a few days - The carpenter putting up fence in vicinity of old barn. Mr Wm Uleric called this afternoon. Uncle Silas called also. Flora and I very busy - Fannie and Clara busy also. Everything unusually pleasant here to day. This has been a bright happy day surely.

17 Aug. Wed. Almost constant rain all day. Everything at a standstill Mr Mc and Rily and our boys resting today. This afternoon Fred took Rily L to C and around a little. [illegible] This Eve Mr Mc called at George Smiths and saw Mr Wm Wade and family. This Eve Mr Wm Clark and sister Mollie and Mr Baker and Miss Matthews drove out from Xenia to see Fannie - having been



at the Cliffs and We made it convenient to treat them to a nice supper - We prepared it all after they came - Our own family enjoyed it also. Rily L here and with us tonight. Fannie and I up till a late hour after the company went away getting Fannies things ready for her to go in the early train for Xenia -

18 Aug. Thurs. Most a delightful day - Rily and Harlan and Homer drove out to the fair? took Fannie down to the early train to Xenia - Nettie Little and Mary Caldwell rode over with our folks to Jamestown to the fair. Fred went over to Wilsons to see the sheep - he was away nearly all day. Mr Mc and Willie Mc called at Forbes this A.M - and drove over to the late home of Mr P.P. Johnstons - staid there for tea Met Mrs Johnston, Maggie and part of the boys at home in the Evening. This afternoon Clara and Clayton went up and staid with Aunt Jane awhile while Uncle Dan and the girls were at the fair - I took Florence to C - with me this P.M. took tea with grandmother and Aunt Mary. I met - Mr Morton there - Aunt Bell also. The carpenter busy. Flora and Jason Here alone this P.M. Harlan at C - this morning early to make arrangements with Uncle Silas to attend the fair but failed. The boys say Fannie came out to the fair from Xenia this P.M. with Mary Porter and Co.

19 Aug. Friday, Quite a nice day again. Fred and Clara took Aunt Jane Blanch Ervin Jennie Morton and Rily Little with them over to the fair. Mr Mc went over near noon in Aunt Rachels buggy. Bob Mc rode over with him. They returned near dark - having had a nice day Homer at C - this P.M. - talking up a company to go in Cayill Morton furniture wagon - to Selma tomorrow to the prohibition meeting. Harlan looking after things a little. Flora around in the kitchen all day. Everything quiet around here to day. Mr Mc had a nice time with sister Jennie. Mc and Mr and Mrs Adams our carpenter on the sick list to day.

20 Aug. Sat Most a delightful day in our history. Harlan and Homer left at an early hour for C - and gathered up a crowd in Morton and McMillans furniture wagon and drove up in state to the Proud Prohibition Meeting at Selma near the Quaker church. Mr and Mrs Morton and Aunt Matt and Rosa Edgeworth were in the wagon - the rest were little folks - such as Mortons girls Ervin Dasy Grey - there were about                    in the number. Aunt Jane rode up as far as here and staid with Florence and Flora. The carpenter at work. Fred and                    over at Clifton to see sheep. Mr Mc and Clayton and Jason and I went up in [?]. Clara rode up in wagon. We had quite a large time at dinner we spread our dinner with Proff McMillans and his mothers family and Mr Sam Crosswell, Mr Mc brought Proff..Price and his friend Mr Wm

Uleric. Mr Millener Wm Wade, late of Missouri, and Robert McClellan Rev Mr Baily and last of all Mr Tom Fagan with him to dine. I invited Mr and Mrs Morton Rosa Edgeworth and Aunt Matt - The little folks spread their table by themselves. Speeches for this afternoon Rev J. M. Foster and Rev Hughs Late of Ledilan - speeches fine music fine - Everything delightful. This afternoon a great many there. This eve Mr Wm Uleric and Mr Wellener here for tea Fred took Aunt Jane and Flora home. This ended a busy day and also a busy week. We recd. [received] a letter from Fannie this Eve She is still at Xenia -

21 Aug. Sabb Quite a pleasant day. Fred Harlan Clara Clayton and Jason at Sabbath School. Mr Mc and I at church. Homer taking care of Florence and the carpenter here with them. Mr Mortons text "And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers money, and overthrew the tables; and said unto them that sold doves, take these things hence Subject Christ cleansing the temple" Christ purified hearts - homes - and churches that are dedicated to himself. Do you know that Christ claims your hearts as his dwelling place. What is it that defiles these heart temples that Jesus comes to purify. Selfishness and covetousness is displeasing to him. If our hearts were prepared for the Lords coming all jealousy and selfishness and evil speaking. Christ allows no sin to have a permanent place in the hearts of his children. Christ drives these sins out and purifies our hearts by the word and by the means of grace - but when these fail he trys other means He sends us trials and sorrow and afflictions. At four Oclock Fred, Harlan and Homer at the Young Folks prayer meeting - At a later hour they attended meeting at the New Hall subject Sabbath Observance - Rev Baily of Clifton preached. I heard the little ones catechisms this Eve.

22 Aug. Monday Quite a nice day. Homer at C - this morning and brought Flora and Rily L out. Uncle John here this A.M. "Our Business" Harlan and Fred working the roads. Mrs Kelly around. After dinner Rily L - drove the Ponny out to Mr Thomilsons home again in time for tea - and then he went back again to C - on business of his own. Fred and Harlan at town a very few minutes to see Aunt Jane about going to Springfield - The Carpenter rode down with them. Mr Mc and Jason at the Luce Sheep pasture - they met Proff Mc and wife as they were calling at Rev Bailys in Clifton. I have been putting up grape jelly to day.

23 Aug. Tuesday, Quite a nice day - Our Carpenter at fence and gate repairing. Harlan at C - for a load of Tin from the old

Clean? House. Clayton rode down with Harlan Mr Mc at Selma this morning home in time for dinner. This afternoon He and Jack Stretcher attended Daniel Lawrence - for a sale - Harlan and Fred at the meeting this Eve - Homer and I there this afternoon. He staid at home and kept Florence for me to night while Mr Mc and I attended the meeting again. This Eve address by Rev Hughs. We met Mr Price there - We certainly had one of the grandest Temperance meetings in the hall tonight that we have ever had. The order could not have been better - Every boy and girl in the audience gave good attention. Young Will P Hale addressed the meeting this P.M. There were four of the speakers and singers in Company - and done their own singing. When we came home Florence and all asleep.

24 Aug Wed. Quite a nice day. George Smith here this morning looking at cattle. Mr Mc and I at Springfield We met Fannie there She came over, there from Xenia yesterday morning - I stopped with Maggie Stuart. We did not get to Springfield till one Oclock. Fannie and I sat at Baumgarders for Photography this P.M. I called to see Dr Rodgers also Dr Ramsy the dentist - Mr Mc and Fannie were at Murphys Fannie got a new dress. We took tea with Mrs Stuart - met her sister from Urbana there also Miss Sabin. This was the day of the Barber picnic. Met at Mr John Barbers. Fred and Harlan there this afternoon - Homer at Robbie Pallnettles? watermelon patch to night - Staying all night there. Flora and Clara Keeping home and taking care of Florence - Rily L - here this eve and drove out at our expense. Fannie came home with us to night. Fred, the carpenter, at work

25 Aug. Thursday, Most a beautiful day. All up at an early hour this morning Mr Sam Bull called. Mr Mc on Committee at Springfield fair to day. He and Rily L - and Fred and Harlan drove up in buggy. Homer at Selma on errand. Flora rode up with him but was too late for the picnic and came home again. Rily L - here last night. The Carpenter at work. Mr Cavenders in vicinity of Uncle Dans moved yesterday. Mr Cobe Stuart of Clifton and Mr Henry Kyle called today, Fannie and Clara prepared the dinner to day, I have been working button holes on [illegible] nearly all day. Homer very busy watching hogs from off the railroad most of the day. This afternoon Fannie and Clayton at Cedarville a little while. The folks came home after night - were cold? - the fire feels pleasant, I prepared them a lunch - coffee and Mr Mc met Mrs Loy at her home when passing. Emma and her husband have moved to Georgia. Mollies daughter is married. The fair grounds crowded to day. Fannie brought Aunt Jane and Mary Caldwell out to be ready to go to Springfield in the morning. They are [b?] for [] in Cedarville all days.

26 Aug. Friday, Quite a gloomy day, Fred Homer, Clara and Aunt Jane and Mary C went to Springfield - they were out at the fair grounds part of the time. They came home by way of Cedarville - Mr Mc up at Sivers to day - found his flock in a sad condition. Harlan around home all day looking after things - The Carpenter at the granary. Rily L - around all day, Fannie cut out her new dress. This Eve She and Rily at C - and called at Della's - Della was expecting company. Clayton and Jason around home with Florence. Shirly hogs have the cholera. On the 5<sup>th</sup> of this month Julia Harbison died at her late home in Indian territory was buried on the spot she selected for her grave.

27 Aug. Sat. Cool - bright sunshine. The Carpenter busy. Mr Mc and all the boys busy looking after things all day. Fred at town this morning a few minutes on an errand. Rily around as usual. This afternoon he and Fannie at town staid till the five Oclock train came in with Miss Fannie Graham of Monmouth who is visiting at Xenia - After ten they called at Mr Browns - Mr Uleric called this Eve - they were up at the pasture to look at sheep, - Flora and I have had a busy afternoon and till late this Eve.

28 Aug, Sabb. Quite a nice day - but cool. Fannie, Fred, Clayton and Jason and Miss Fannie Graham and Homer at Sabbath School. Homer rode down on the Ponny Mr Mc and I at church - Mr Mortons text "Sanbalat and Geshem sent unto me saying, Come down let us meet together in some one of the villages in the plain, And sent messengers unto them saying, I am doing a great work so that I cannot come down to you." To deceive has ever been one of Satins [Satans] plans to deceive the church - and the world. Conformity to the world or coming down to a level with it has paved the way and opened the door to all the errors that have crept into the church. The church is the grand elevater of the Universe. It lifts poor depraved humanity from the depths of wickedness and sets their feet upon the rock of ages. Nehemiah had the presence and protection and blessing of the Lord. His life and work is a picture of our life and battle and if we meet the enemy as he did we also shall come off victorious. This eve at four Oclock Fannie Fred Homer and Miss Fannie Graham went to the Young Folks Prayer meeting they also attended Rev Mr Wrights sermon on "Sabbath Observance" at the New hall at five Oclock. Mr Mc and Harlan there too. Flora here all day and took care of the kitchen. Harlan and Clara and Florence at home to day - The carpenter also. I spent this eve with Clayton and Jason and Clara.

29 Aug Monday, Bright sunshine but cool. Mr Mc and Homer at Sivers today, Fred at C - this A.M. Rily Little came home with him - here for dinner with Miss Graham and J.R. Hill and Miss Graham and Fannie at Selma this morning and brought Fanny Corners? down to help make her new dress. This afternoon Fannie and Rily entertaining Miss Graham after tea they took her down to the Six Oclock train She will spend the night with Dr McDills in Xenia. Mr Mc and Homer did not return till after night. They spent a full day on the sheep -

30 Aug Tuesday. Quite a bright day. This morning Rily L - and I went down to the nine Oclock train to meet Proff McMillan and wife when they came from Xenia - The Proff rode out to his Mothers with us - Mrs Proff rode out with Uncle Silas. We went in and saw his mother and After awhile - made arrangements for Mr and Mrs Proff to come and take tea with us this Eve. When we came back to C - I made a short call at Aunt Janes and grandmothers. Mr Mc around home all day. This afternoon Fred over at Clifton to see sheep he also called to see Mr Wm Uleric. This eve Mr and Mrs Proff McMillan here for tea - Rily and Fannie went to Xenia to Mary Porters this eve to meet friends that are invited there. Our company staid with Mr Mc and I till eight Oclock - we had a pleasant evening with them. Late and all Mr Mc and Harlan drove over to Mr Wm Ulerics after they went away - Fannie C. here.

31 Aug. Wednesday. The Last day of Summer. Fred took Mr Mc and Homer to the nine Oclock train to go up to the state-fair at Columbus. When he came back he brought grandmother Murdock with him to spend the day. Fanny C - here sewing, Fannie busy too, Flora in the kitchen - The Carpenter making plank fence along the lane to the railroad. This afternoon I took grandmother with me up to Selma to see Proff Waley. We want Fred and Harlan to go there to school this year. We also drove out to Mr Kitchens but he was not at home - I met his daughter. Jim Caldwell here - he and Fred took an easy dinner and drove over to Wilsons to see the sheep. After tea Rily L and Clara and Florence and I took grandmother home - Rily has been with us all day but concluded to remain in town to night. I met Fred in C - coming from the pasture I concluded to stay at Janes at their prayer meeting - And wait till Mr Mc and Homer would come down from the fair. I stopped at Mr Mortons and invited him and the Madam to dine with us Friday but they thought it best not to come till times would be more quiet at our house. Clara and I stopped for the clothes at Mrs P - we owe her a new acct \$1.50 - I have been nearly sick with cold last night and to day and to night I am no better but

rather worse. I guess I will not wait - for Mr Mc and the boys  
to come. Fanny C - here as usual.