

Sunday 11
raining
Commence at my present computations again.
In evening clear & I play games with the children.

Monday 12
cloudy
cool
Busy computing. In evening attended our first regular meeting in our new Board room in the new brick. Substitute, I had an appropriate motion of thanks due to the President Otto Klotz and Director Chas. Abbey, without the latter the building would not now stand without the former there would be scarcely a library nor so commodious & well arranged rooms for the Institute. George Case came home with me for an hour.

Tuesday 13
cool
cloudy
In forenoon clear & I were in Gall - I at the Customs to get the boys premiums from Boston, for 3 subscribers whom they obtained for the "Youth's Companion."
Busy computing. - Dr. Stulloy was in with me before tea for a chat.

Wednesday 14
fine bright
after cloudy
I do not recollect when there was such a long spell of dark days and cloudy nights as we have been having nearly continuously for two months. Were it necessary for me to observe my patience would be severely tried waiting for them.
Busy computing. - This evening I gave the boys their premiums - Oscar - a photographic outfit, (?) Sulu a piccolo, and Max a peabel outfit. They were delighted and it settled a fortnight's suspense waiting their arrival. - Sulu was not long ere he played a tune on his piccolo.

Thursday 15

Julius' Birthday

#12.

In order that we could celebrate Sulu this morning Marie & I rose earlier than usual, Max & Oscar decorated the table with holly leaves; each of us had a present for him, Marie a pair of slippers, Max a schoolbag, Oscar a knife and I a large diary, as he was anxious to start out a few

December as Ma had done a year ago. — Oh yes, what a delightful home you have, and how your parents strive to do all for your welfare and happiness. — After they returned from school in the evening Maie made chocolate for them.

Busy computing.

Mr. & Mrs. G. Patterson were with us in the evening.

Friday 16 Busy computing.

cloudy

cold

Saturday 17 Augusta & I were in Berlin. — In evening computing.

cloudy

cool

little snow night

Sunday 18 Busy computing. In evening sang and played games with the boys.

Monday 19

cloudy

By all appearances we will have a green Christmas, that is without snow and sleighing. The weather has continued exceptionally mild; this morning for a short time the sun was out and the birds chirped as if it were a spring morning. — In evening I was at the Mechanics' Institute. Busy computing.

Tuesday 20

mild

foggy

snow at night

Busy computing. In the afternoon I was present when Dr. Duck dressed and bandaged the burnt arm of Mrs. Barber. The lower part from the elbow down was still enveloped in the burnt skin which was like the upper or stiff part of a gauntlet — the color was that of a smoked ham or mummy; the upper part was a mass of raw flesh, a great deal of matter exuded from under the crust. Although the sight was fearful & the stench very bad yet it affected me not in the slightest. Augusta is sacrificing herself & assists every time in dressing the wound, as no other woman of the acquaintances can bear the