

December <sup>reasons</sup> that the tariff would have been reduced and some raw products removed altogether, so that we would have had an outlet for our surplus salt which industry is now in a sad state for want of a market, also our wool would have found a more ready sale, and similarly with many other things. — Poor Marie will feel very sore as she is remaining over the election at some harbor to have the pleasure of witnessing the celebrations in honor of Cleveland's election. — From the tone of the republican press for the past five months they by no means expect to win. In fact had Jay Blaine had the remotest idea that his party would be successful he would not have withdrawn his name at the time of the nomination, for if there is a man in the U.S. who wants the presidency it is Jay Blaine. Now he'll have to content himself with becoming Secretary of State probably under Harrison.

Thursday 8  
rain  
Busy in office. In afternoon "starred" the celestial vault in the meridian  $\square$ . —  
My special hour of happiness comes after tea when Max + Julius sit near me at their studies. The most of the time (of hours) I devote to Julius assisting him. At one time the Encyc. Britan. is at my elbow, at another Canadian or English history, grammar, Herodotus, algebra or geography. After three hours talking I generally feel somewhat exhausted — they go to bed + I light my pipe + go at my odd work. )

Friday 9  
cloudy  
foggy, rainy  
Busy in office at computation. — In evening Max + Julius + I sang German college songs I accompanied on the guitar. —