

Sunday 25
fine

Father's Birthday. 72 yrs. —
As usual we spent this day at Father's being there for
dinner & tea. Dr. & Dorothea came down too.
The afternoon was spent in social chatting - discussing
current scientific topics and occasionally interlarding
them with humor. — After tea we had music -
unfortunately Max's lips were too sore to play on the
piccolo, we sang, Julius & I played several pieces on
the two guitars, & had some piano solos. — For a
change we played a game of the mendacious "I doubt it."
Later Father, Dr. Jacob & I got around a little table
laden with top & small extract & discussed all sorts,
principally astronomy, with which I lectured them
until Father said "Auch die Endlichkeit weis ~~Ver-~~
ständes kann ich die Unendlichkeit des Universums
nicht fassen aber an eine Endlichkeit denken
für denken ist ^{für} mich noch unbegreiflicher."

We spent a right royal day, such as we used to
spend years ago, but of late years the Dr. seldom
comes down & when he does he generally hurries
home again, but today he was in good humor &
it was after 11 ere he & Dorothea left. Marie
& I remained till midnight - all were jolly -
mother, father & the rest. — (Mrs & Miss Nancy
Mailes are still at mother's)

Monday 26
snow early in morn.

Busy computing.

cloudy
Tuesday 27

Busy computing. I began my official report. —

raining
Wednesday 28

Busy at my report. —

cloudy
little rain

Thursday 29

Marie & I were in Hamilton today making various Christmas
purchases. — Emil now lives in a house of his own for which he
had \$3000 - , by his perseverance he has progressed well

cloudy

raining

he now commands a salary of \$1800 and gets 5% of the net profits amounting to another \$900 - hence \$2700 a year - a very handsome income. -

Friday 30
cloudy, snow + rain

Busy at my report. -

Saturday 1
pleasant
mild

Busy at my report. -

Sunday 2
cloudy
cold

Busy at my report. - In evening M.A. Abbey was here for two hours + wasted that much of my time. Thereafter Max Julia + I massciber. -

Monday 3
snowy
cloudy

Busy at my report. Marie + I take our walk. In evening Augusta, Dora + Miss Miles were here, Oskar is not quite well + confined to the house.

Tuesday 4
cloudy

Busy preparing questions for the preliminary + final Examination for Dom. Land Surveyor. With today we complete fifteen years of a happy wedded life. -

Wednesday 5
fine, pleasant
after-snow

Busy at examination questions. - Mrs. + Miss Miles left for Toronto. Commander Cheyne gave one of his three-light entertainments tonight. I made the arrangements for his appearance here under the auspices of the Mech. Institute. -

Thursday 6
cloudy
pleasant

Finished examination questions. Through the non-appearance of Tom Hepburn this evening who had promised to act as cashier I was obliged to fill that position for the Commander Cheyne entertainment. He afterwards came up with his wife and attended the entertainment, and offers to me an excuse which was an untruth. I had intended to take Marie down, but, in going to the hall to see that H. was there was myself detained then being no cashier, while Marie was waiting for me, finally she came with Max + Julia. Poor Oskar is laid up with the measles. The attendance