

May The girls I replaced shelves + books. - It is now very neat and cozy & far excellence the room of the house

Wednesday 22 In forenoon I was at Galt for additional wall paper. In afternoon busy at Computing the British Columbia railroad belt of twenty miles. - The problem connected therewith appears simple but in reality it is a very difficult problem in surveying - to compute the position with reference to sections, townships & course of the railway belt limit. -
 As my office roof is being covered with galvanized iron there is an unpleasant pounding & thumping overhead while I am at work. - This evening the tenders for the school were opened and great was my anxiety with reference to the result. It is human nature that when a man has lost all confidence in another, he mistrusts such person's every move, even when there is apparently no outward reason for so doing. Such was my position today. G. A. Clare, whose sense of honor is so infinitesimally small as shown only too frequently by his acts, is the person of whom I had such mistrust. As he was at the last meeting of the Board exposed by father as a liar I was satisfied that he was capable of doing anything to frustrate the whole of the building scheme, the fact of the Smead Dowd heating & system to be introduced and not the Clare furnace substituting largely into Clare's motive of frustrating the scheme, besides opposing father. Should the scheme be frustrated, Clare would undoubtedly try to have father defeated at next year's election & get in a man whom he can manipulate & then put up a school with the Clare furnace. - Recklessly I waited at mother's for the result of the tenders but without avail. After eleven, having been at home, I returned when the meeting of the Board was over & father told me the proceedings. All so far has gone well, altho' no tender was accepted, the meeting being adjourned till tomorrow evening. Clare acted at the meeting in harmony with the others. - Geo. Pattison who is an intimate friend of mine in fact the only one in Polston, acts in the matter between father & Clare in a very shabby manner today the least. He has on many occasions shown his high mind for

Justice & fair play, but in this instance such was sadly lacking. The letter which Clare wrote to him and which P. read at the Board meeting (the letter contained the list already referred to, and which caused the row) Patterson could not find now. — Very strange. — Clare repudiated that he wrote certain statements therein — yet every other member of the Board heard them. Even Dr. Suck, Clare's cousin, said to Patterson after that meeting "I don't believe it (the letter) do you?" It is undoubtedly very convenient to have the letter missing now. — Machinations, subservience, hypocrisy and lying may cause disturbances, risings and even chaos but truth and justice will finally rise brighter than ever above the horizon.

Thursday 23
Cool
little rain

Busy computing 20 mile test in B.C. — Otto English came down in afternoon and after school took Max, Julius & Oskar along to Berlin to celebrate Oskar's birthday. —

Friday 24
pleasant

Busy computing. —

Saturday 25
Cool

Busy computing.

Sunday 26
fine

In forenoon Maie & I took a walk over the field towards the river, and here standing on the high banks were absorbed in admiration of the picturesque panorama presented on all sides — the hills, the wood just in verdure clad, the field, the winding river and bordering rock wall — combine to make a scene ever more endearing home. —

At noon our boys returned from Berlin and of course were full of sights etc. — Having enjoyed their visit well, I've perhaps Oskar who was or had been somewhat under the weather. After dinner we all played croquet together, and after tea cribbage and later Maie & I muscided (played duets) after the boys went to bed. This is always a great pleasure to them when Maie & I be-