

June

With this continuous moist + cool weather I am obliged to keep the coal stove going in my office.

Sunday 9
fore. rainy
after. fine

In forenoon I did some computing; in afternoon the boys + I played croquet, + after tea Marie + we took a long stroll to and along the river. The evening was delightful + the landscape most attractive and varied. The boys were on the look out for bird's eggs, besides observing everything else in nature - be it a stone or a flower or beetle. Both Marie + I try to inculcate into the boys a deep love for nature, + I think are succeeding. —

— Returning we sat on the veranda in the soft moonlight with guitar + flute and with snugs gently flitted away on the balmy air. After the boys had gone to bed Marie + I played duets on the piano.

Monday 10

Busy studying, computing. — After 4 took a long tramp. —

Cool, cloudy
Tuesday 11

Busy in office. —

pleasant

Wednesday 12
fine, warm

Busy in office. — This is the first warm day we have had in 3 weeks + more. — In afternoon Marie + I drove through Gall + down the east river road several miles returning by another road, new to me. The drive + scenery well most enjoyable. —

Thursday 13
pleasant

Busy in office.

Friday 14
warm, fine

Busy in office. I receive the remainder of the computation to do in regard to the 20-mile belt in British Columbia.

Saturday 15
warm, sunny

Busy in office. —

Thunderstorm at noon
Sunday 16
warm, rain

Did some computing. — Dorothea, Otto + little Dora were down. — Played games with the boys. Marie + I musicated after they were in bed. — Toward midnight the rain began falling in torrents.

There was no storm, the rain simply fell down straight in bucketsful so to speak.

Monday 17
pleasant

Busy Computing. The very heavy rain last night made a nice mess for us, it ran out of the chimney hole carrying large quantities of soot with it down the wall and into the parlor carpet. Marie was more successful than she expected in removing the sooty mass. — We were in by all after 4 P.M. Worked in garden in evening.

Tuesday 18
pleasant

Busy Computing.

night rain

Wednesday 19

rainy, warm

Busy Computing. — Our garden one might describe as the picture of health. I take special pride in our lawn — no leaf, no long blade dare be on it, — a velvet green mat it must be and is.

Thursday 20
pleasant

Busy Computing.

Friday 21

warm, rainy

we cool

Mr Foxworth visited the school, remaining several hours, and only in Julius' or the highest division. I addressed the children at some length. — There is a great scope for improvement in the subject matter of teaching. Too much attention is paid to grammar & little or nothing to easy and illustrated lessons in natural history.

— Afternoon busy in office. — In evening I dined with the three boys to get to see the display of fireworks on the well pond where was also a turnout of caucuses all illuminated with Chinese lanterns making a rather pretty sight. — We returned at 10 P.M.

Saturday 22
cool
cloudy

Busy in office. In evening Luis, de la Platerie came, being Luis' first visit since his return from Europe. — After tea we were also at Father's, chatting away the