

July

MONDAY, 10th

1876

Uncle William away in the early boat. Wrote to Miss Rebecca: mailed the letter in the evening. Pleasant day: cool breeze all day. Marie Williams George Brown Barney, Berins the Misses Sullivan and the family spent the evening in our house.

Tuesday 11th

Warm day pleasant near the shore thunder storm in the evening. Played Croquet in Badger's. Stayed in from supper till bed time for the first time since I became acquainted with the folks next door.

Wednesday 12th

Pushing off the row boat I jumped for the seat missed it and with my best pair of pants went into the water up to my waist. Walked past Waters: Young lady in the city.

Thursday 13th

Played croquet. Sat under trees most of the day. Intended to go to see base ball game but did not. I think I spent the evening with Miss Pauline.

Friday 14th

To the Bath ~~Box~~ Hotel in the evening. Saw dancing to. Viewed the bells of the hotel. Rather nice looking Spanish girl but her actions and gab!

Saturday 15

Saw Beckmeyer and Mrs. Sothenorth. To Wright's in afternoon. To Bath Hotel in the evening. To bed late.

Sunday ~~TUESDAY, 12~~ 16

Pleasant weather. Uncle William Dada and Miss Emma Goodleberg to Bath. The first ~~two~~ stayed all night. Saw Miss Waters. Also the Shaws. Miss Nellie bowed to me. To the dummy station in the evening. Nine cars on the train Miss Emma went home in. ~~See~~ Spoke to Mrs. Williams for the first time since Mr. Williams' death and burial.

Monday 17th

The young ladies next door desired to go fishing and I was called upon to do the honors and did them. I sought the assistance of William O'Gorman. Together we hauled his large boat into the water. Then we found it leaked terribly. William then undressed and anchored the boat off. He and I were then to go after another boat to Soonest Grove. William disappeared and I walked to Soonest Grove by way of the beach. I hired a light boat from a lame talkative and odd looking letter out of boats. I was clumsy in pushing off. This part of my performance past I found a high tide and strong sea setting in. Luckily, both were with me and soon I arrived in front of our house. The young ladies were engaged in persuading Mary Rob to go along. As usual with her a long talk and then she was ready. Then there was some getting up of a bunch. Then I endeavored to persuade Sam Kelly to accompany us. He was afraid of sea sickness. Then I was going to row alone when the valiant William appeared on the scene. He was starting with me when the

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children who were in bathing pulled the boat to shore. William after long conversation with his mother disappeared and soon reappeared attired in red tights or white drawers. He endeavored to push out the boat. A long time passed by and he was making no progress. I went to his assistance in my only decent pair of pants and my best vest. I got off the boat and took on a load of water for I was wet all through my pants dripping. Then once more we were ready. Then the girls had to do this and that and the other. At last the boat containing six persons was pushed off by myself and one or two others becoming more wet than before. Then ensued a scene. The girls shouting to be put ashore William and I trying to get the boat out from shore the waves dashing over the back of the boat and filling it the wind blowing also the people on shore and to cap the climax the total disappearance of the gallant William with hat shirt pants and suspenders moreover an oar which alone remained in sight. William to the surface I to the rescue. Landing of the fishing party. William and I in bathing with all our clothes on. The boys boat giving more trouble. Myself, three hours and more in the water saving it. Waves dashing the boat to pieces. Counseled to let it go. Struck to my post. Don't give up the ship. A colored fisherman loomed up. Saved! Saved! Feet cold. Got my dinner at 3 1/2. Played ball. To bed. Slept poorly. Dam Dates! I am satisfied.