

August, January Tuesday THURSDAY, 8. 9th

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To the Bklyn. Rink to report opening. Came over to office without any idea of the opening as it was to occur in the evening. Inform ed to write what I knew which I did. Spent the day about the office chinning with Brasher. Was to have gone to the theatre but I snuggled into playing billiards which I did not care for. Played with Brasher and Mac Donough another reporter a young and rather nice fellow with whom I had a long chat on different topics. To Bklyn with Bayard. Before crossing the ferry I indulged in coffee milk English muffins ^{and} apple pie at a casa and coffee place near Fulton market. Of late I have been frequenting coffee houses and eating the vilest stuff. It must be stopped. Also cigarette smoking and too much smoking of any kind. I smoke like I don't know what. Not food for Johnnie. To bed about one or two.

Wednesday 10th

To office. With Brasher to Brooklyn. In the morning wrote four letters ^{to the Clergymen & to Paul Gazette} ~~to the Clergymen & to Paul Gazette~~ also a postal card to R. H. Sullivan which I left at his house. He can't deny receiving that. I think he was in the fire and blown out. Wrote to H. L. and to George O. B. Postal card to George also. Reported mishap to a ferry boat my own piece. ^{FRIDAY, 9.} To work and to write up lecture by Laura Webb which was postponed. To see Lotta in Tip. She is good in this play, though scarcely so funny as in the Marchioness. To the Herald and with Bayard to Brooklyn.

Thursday 11th

Sent in my bill for \$10 last week's work. Up at 12 1/2. Nice hours. Wearing dirty shirt, cuffs & collar ditto. Can not get to Bath. Saw Papa yesterday and to day for the first time since our falling out. Heard from Mary, Rob and Uncle William. The latter wishes me to visit him on Sunday. Big mud of business. Tonight three assignments are to interview Sheriff Riley which I did with dirty shirt & another to attend workmen's meeting which did not take place and the third to get the shrip of thirteen wrecked Italians and three Irish fishermen who abandoned their hooker on the coast of Ireland after losing one of their number. Home with Brasher about 12 1/2 after listening to some discordant singing and seeing Brasher & Rev. Fitzpatrick a reporter eat a hearty dinner. Had hard time of it getting to sleep. Dosed about a great deal. Anxious to go to sleep and get unable to do so.

SATURDAY, 10. 12th

Friday

Up after ten owing to instructions to find not to let me lie in bed till 12 again. Coffee & bread for breakfast. Newspapers & pipes at Brasher, also a clean collar. To Herald office. At Badger's rec'd kind invitation from Aunt Sue to visit her. Wrote answers to Uncle Will & Aunt Sue. Sent today's Herald to George with articles of mine marked. Rec'd letters from two New Yorkers in regard to a charitable Home; one was of the three gen. clergymen I wrote the other day. A week or so ago wrote to Aunt Jim sent also two newspapers. Played billiards with Bayard he won a game I won a game & cigars. Still ahead of his ribs. Home on the 610 Dummy. Papa staying all night in the city. Horner & Mary Harrison pleased to see me Billie indifferent. Enjoyed my supper arranged thing. Smoke wrote and read a letter. Rec'd letter from Maggie.

Saturday 13th

Left Bath on the 237 dummy. Arrived at the Herald office late in the afternoon. Told that Mary, Rob had been there looking for me. In the evening went to see Lotta act. Enjoyed myself greatly. She is a wonderful little body. To Badger's. Saw Brasher. Home I think with him. Nothing to do to day.