

Date April

Tues ~~11th~~ Bills Payable day 2<sup>nd</sup>

1878

Late, late, late. Consequence very little work. Do not hear from Belle or Rebecca. Don't know what to think. On night duty. Sent up to see if any accidents in Women's Hotel opened today. Escaped going to the different stations. Had very little indeed to do. Office shut up early. Eating pie & drinking coffee at late hour. Not buying anything. Mene, mine. Procrastinating and resolving. To bed late.

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Arrived at office late. Meighan did not give me any work but still sent me up to see Wm H. Vanderbilt about rail road purchase & freight rates. Finely furnished buses. Spoke to Vanderbilt. Nothing to write. Arrived back at office. After 3 to Bath by way of Fort Hamilton. Walked across to our house. Was not expected. Spent night. Lovely walk. Brought cables for Will & Mary. Did nothing except go to bed.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>

Left ~~at 11~~ Bath <sup>at 11</sup> Mary's late. Made out bill for \$16. Pleasant weather with however indications of rain. Little Sue's birthday. Commenced to write her a letter, then was writing up. Intended going to Opera. Given detail to report for Cook at B.K.M. Academy of Music. An odd lecturer. A heavy lecture. Wrote, according to order a short report. That Hennessy on way over. Did not lay out much money today. To Harlem late.

Friday 5<sup>th</sup>

Allowed \$16. Not a large amount but then I have not been over at the office in time. Sent out to see a Judge Cross. Found he'd gone home. Did not write anything. Making up accounts & writing. Instead of paying debts I am receiving money owing to me. Preston in heard with all he owed me. Ronke hedging. Dried lightly and 25 cents at Astor House. Then to Park Theatre. Saw "Our Bachelors" for 2<sup>nd</sup> time. Did not enjoy it. Walked to 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. & home. Feeling cross & did. Mary there.

Saturday ~~RECEIVABLE~~ day 6<sup>th</sup>

Up quite early. Mary to Italian Opera with Aunt Sue. For a wonder at the office earlier than 2. Finished a long letter to Aunt Jim. In spite of wishes to the contrary I smoke, smoke, smoke! Given an assignment for tomorrow. Begged off as I want to go to Bath. My anticipated visit to the theatre stopped by assignment to Editor Club reception to Bay and Taylor. Saw well known men. Heard them talk nonsense. Paid Aunt Mary \$5. To Harlem by 3 1/2.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>

Intended to start early for Bath. Slept late. Breakfast by 12. Left Harlem about 2 1/2. Dressed fussed idled until then. Brought papers with me. By 5 o'clock dumpy. Paid a fare previously owing. All well. Papa had been sick. Brasher here. Felt hungry but did not enjoy supper. A cold blustering day. Played poker in evening Brasher. Mary Papa and self. 2 the losers. Recd. letter from Maggie. Greatly bothered about 15 cents I can't account for. After considerable of thinking found all about the 15 cents to be night. Had not written in diary for about 10 days or two weeks and found it difficult work to remember what I had done. I often think what is the use of keeping a diary. But then what use of eating pie or over sleeping.

Monday 8<sup>th</sup>

In from Bath. To office late. By way of Ft. Hamilton. Brasher as companion. We smoked & chinned. I saw Miss Dodsworth. In the evening talking with Preston. Induced him to go to theatre with me. We saw Maggie Mitchell in Fauchon. We both enjoyed it. After the play we went to office where I loaned him \$5. In trip to theatre we walked up Broadway to the Standard near 3<sup>rd</sup> St.

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>

To office late. Threatening rain all day. Luckily it didn't come down hard. On night duty. To Streets Zeiting building & arrival stations. Nothing up. After still had gone home sat up with Taylor till 11. Office about 2. Arrived in Harlem 1 hour & a half later. To bed.