

December, Oct.

MONDAY, 16<sup>th</sup>

1897.

Was to have taken Maggie to theatre but another storm night. So I was wise and telegraphed that I should not call. Saw Marriage of Wallack's and enjoyed it. It is really run down but I see considerable merit in it. The applause was hearty and the laughter continuous throughout. Have invented new way of getting into Aunt Mary's. He leaves the key outside for me. Don't believe we commenced it this time.

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>

To day or yesterday received a nice letter from Miss Rebecca Mowhead. Recd. letters also from dear little Nellie and Susan. They are both well. Feel ashamed at the way I have treated them. I must write soon. Miss Robinson expected home but Miss Robins on account I hear she is enjoying herself and visiting with her friends. See George O'Connell quite often now. We have pleasant chats.

Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup>

To day saw John E. Owens for first time: I mean second time. I saw him in Solon Shingle long long ago. This time in our boys at Brooklyn Park. The play is rather of the quiet kind & depends greatly on a good support which it did not have. Called at Mrs. O'Brien's to take Maggie to theatre. She was not there but out yachting. Spent the evening with Mrs. O'Hanlon.

THURSDAY, 11<sup>th</sup> day 11<sup>th</sup>

Friend Brusher making himself officious. Writing me letters telling me I should show Maggie pleasure and insisting himself to tell me so tonight. I think Friend Brusher is mixing other people's affairs so I answered not the letter but came out to bath. Maggie afterwards heard and did very foolishly this eve.

Friday, 12<sup>th</sup>

Shortly after Papa's departure Ellen broke marble slab and crushed a toe. I turned nurse & doctor with little success. Drew my £10.70 with alacrity. Received letter from Maggie which I answered in evening. One case at Court. I handed in two very funny sketches neither of which will be published. Neither Papa nor Mary home. A lonely house. Wrote By J. H. Ham. back by dummy.

Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup>

Well Lord know how I have written that decides this as I have neglected diary for a long time. I know I wrote a letter at this time to Uncle asking him to allow George down and I have recd. no answer. Perhaps the Dr. is mad with me. I should feel very much I have given him no reason. Came home expecting George but no George. By way saw George yesterday I believe. We did nothing except sat. I think he came up to the Court.

Sun WEDNESDAY, 18. day 14<sup>th</sup>

There was nothing at Court every thing stupid now & for some time past. Have handed in funny stories of late. Some published & some refused. Came to Bath still expecting George. Miss Robinson arrived home late. I have been keeping quiet under her attacks but about this time opened my mouth & spoke some.

Monday 15<sup>th</sup>

If I mistake not to day I paid £4.00 on a newspaper bill leaving 6 pence to be paid which I'll attend to Sunday next. It came here upon me so hard that when some time about now I called on Mary I could not talk her out as so many. Whatever night it was I stayed till 1 or 2 o'clock. Good Lord what a damned fool.

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>

Left Aunt Mary's about 11 1/2 after travelling with Sam to 3 Ave. and dinner with George. On the each pay plan at Putnam's House. 4th Ave. Then to Tony Pastor's. George paid our ways in. We enjoyed ourselves good deal of it kind. Walked up Broadway to College. Then to Herald Office. Found not Brewer's copy so wrote up article in Telegram. Left after running in two funny stories. Moonlight. By J. H. Hamilton & home just in good time. Have not used dummy much.