

Hakata - Kumamoto

Ther. SATURDAY, OCT. 24, 1908

Wea. Fair.

Got up at about 6⁰⁰ A.M. Held prayers in the house for the first time, as Mr. Miller just moved in last night. Ate breakfast, then I did some talking to the cook for Mr. Miller, went to the fire Ins. Co. and had Mr. Miller's property insurance transferred from Kumamoto to Hakata, and also ¥.300. value added to it to cover property just bought, went to Yushichi bank and opened an account for Mr. Miller, by his depositing ¥.200, went to the depot and left on the 9⁴⁵ A.M. train reaching Kumamoto at 12²⁷. Met Rev. Fuller on the train. Had a pleasant conversation. I brought the wheel from Mr. Walne's to Mr. Brown. In P.M. he & I rode out on them. American mail came. Saw Post's from Mother, Miss Winther. Letters from Mr. M. C. Scherer, Mr. Jos. A. Child, Montgomery Ward & Co. Postal from Rev. Luther M. Kubas, says he & his brother John Hay sail from Japan today. He thinks Tipko is Keiko!

Kumamoto

Ther. SUNDAY, OCT. 25, 1908

Wea. Fair - Rain

In A.M. went to S.S. and Church. Had 4 in my Bible class. There were 17 at Ch. and at night there were 7. Mr. Brown went to Omuta on the 4⁴⁵ train and administered the Lord's Supper and baptized Mr. Kosaki's wife at the evening services. Mr. Smith did not go to church at night. Mrs. Davison & Mrs. Smart were to have called in P.M., but did not. At 5⁰⁰ P.M. Mr. Smith & I walked to Suiyenge park. Returning from church, Mr. Smith & I walked until 11¹⁵. We had also spent a good part of the P.M. at the same. Rained a little at night while in Ch. A certain young fellow at Church asked me if Mrs. Brown was Mr. Brown's mother. After the morning services, Mr. Smith made a little talk prior to his leaving, Mr. Brown interpreted.

Kumamoto.

Ther. MONDAY, OCT. 26, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In A.M. I had my teacher do a little reading for me and then dismissed him - reading of letters. Had a number of items of business on the street in A.M. Drove out 7.00. from bank and in P.M. paid Mr. Sulmatar and Mr. Ohara their salaries. Will send the school building rent to the landlord tomorrow. Mr. Smith left on the 124 P.M. train for Hakata where he stops with Mr. Miller two or three days and then goes to Tokyo. At 7:50 Mrs. Smart left for China and Mrs. Dawson for Tokyo, after going to Nagasaki to see Mrs. S. off. In P.M. I had a hair cut. Had 10 in my "story of the Gospel" class at night. I hope to be able to get down to work again now since things are becoming somewhat settled. But not settled, where is the horse I am hunting?

Kumamoto

Ther. TUESDAY, OCT. 27, 1908

Wea.
Fair-Rainy.

In A.M. did a little studying. Then wrote some letters. In P.M. went to school, after which I did a little shopping. Mr. Brown and I looked at a house near the Catholic school. The house is very good, but I do not like the location being so near the Catholics. Mr. Brown got his wheel from the shop where he had his handle-bar stem lengthened. Had 3 callers just at supper time. At 7:30 Mr. Brown & I went to the ~~Johanna~~ chapel. During the sermon a drunken man came in twice and tried to make trouble. On our return Mr. Yamamoto & I stopped and bought a base-ball outfit at Shioyama's store. 2 mits, 2 gloves, 2 balls, 1 bat, 1 mask 7.18.50. A little rain after supper. The base-ball outfit is for the school boys.

Kumamoto

Ther. WEDNESDAY, OCT. 28, 1908 Wea. Fair

In A.M. spent one hr. in study. Just before dinner, and immediately after, I did some business with my financial accounts. I then wrote several letters in which I had to send off money. Went to the bank and had my draft of ¥. 1016.02 cashed. Deposited 500. Sent off ¥41.66 to Rev. Lippard, 30. to Mr. Walwood, et. Our base-ball outfit came today. In P.M. Mr. Brown & I went to see the house between here and Mr. Davison's. It is a fine one. Belongs to Mr. Oyama, the father of the boy who frequently calls here. He called twice today. Wants ¥. 25. per month. In evening we hunted for another house. Found one just before we returned. Mr. Suematsu will investigate it, and report tomorrow morning. In evening wrote to Mr. Lippard about building at Saga. Also wrote to Mr. Walwood.

Kumamoto

Ther. THURSDAY, OCT. 29, 1908 Wea. Fair Rain.

Spent 1 1/2 hrs at study in A.M. Mr. Suematsu came at 8³⁰ A.M. and said that the house which we enquired after last evening was taken yesterday at noon. We are out of it. The rent was only ¥16. In P.M. sent ¥. 106. to Omata. 100 is for tetsu-he kin on the Morishita house which we are buying, and the 6⁰⁰ is for the moving of Mr. Takahashi. Did some work on my financial accounts in P.M. In evening, there were 5 persons & the pastor who came for Bible study. Mr. Brown & I have about decided that the Oyama house here in Shinyashiki is about the one for me to rent. The house is fine. There are two objections: 1) The rent is ¥. 25⁰⁰. And this seems high to pay for just one person. 2) It is so close to the other missionaries in Shinyashiki. A distant part of the city might be more conducive to a wider influence.

Kumamoto.

Ther. FRIDAY, OCT. 30, 1908

Wea.
Fair

Spent 1/2 hrs. in Am. at study. In P.M. went to P.O. and sent off \$75⁰⁰ for a Gillette Razor. Mr. Brown & I each potted 4 of the geraniums which I planted in the garden last Spring. Will take mine to my new home when I move. The landlord of the proposed house did not come today to make the contract. Today is a holiday for Chu-gakko and all below it. It is the celebration of the Emperor's educational rescript which was issued Oct. 30 Meiji 23. Our school also had holiday. At night we had Reformation services at the church. Mr. Fukuda and Mr. Brown each delivered addresses. About 50 or 100 people were present. I am rather disappointed that I have not received a letter from Miss Long during the last week. Of course she is under no obligation to write, but I thought she might possibly acknowledge the information I gave her about the penitentiary work, as she had received it.

Kumamoto.

Ther. SATURDAY, OCT. 31, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. spent some time in study with my teacher. I then entered the room where Mr. Yama-muchi was talking with Mr. Brown. We talked a bit about the school. Also about the proposed Mission School. In P.M. He, Mr. Brown & I went to see some locations which might be good for the school. One on this side of the river - just opposite the Higher Technical School, is very fine. If that land can be secured, I would favor the place. Recd. a remittance of ¥. 254. from Mr. Whittier to reimburse the mission & us for the funds forwarded. Mr. Brown is having the garden rearranged, some of the trees taken out, and things in general fixed up. At supper table we began to crack jokes about fleas and bed-bugs. After supper Mr. B. & I talked about our school. Will have a faculty meeting next week. Must be the best thing I did.

Kumamoto

Ther.

SUNDAY, NOV. 1, 1908

Wea.

Fair.

A most excellent day. The night is also fine. Only half moon, but very light. I think there was a little frost this Am., but I feel sure there will be some tomorrow morning. In Am. went to S. S. Church. There were 20 at ch., 13 of whom were members who took Communion. Mr. Brown preached and baptized Rev. Yamamouchi's 3 week old daughter Kei. Mr. Y. & I gave the Communion after the sermon, he reading the service & I administering the elements. In P.M. I wrote to mother, then took a walk beyond Suizenji. At night there were 10 at Church. Mr. Imazuka asked for baptism today. He is the first fruit among the students of our school. While at the supper table, a nice letter came from Miss Long. I appreciate very much, one from Mr. Keller in P.M.

Kumamoto.

Ther.

MONDAY, NOV. 2, 1908

Wea.

Fair.

Spent all of Am. in attending to my financial accounts. In P.M. sent a Draft, each to Rev. Lippard and to Rev. Miller. In P.M. went to the school where I taught my classes. Last night as we were retiring at about 10⁴⁵ the fire bell rang. At 1⁰⁰ Am. I heard the people coming back from the fire. It burned the two corner blocks of Komeya Machi & Tojin Machi. 10 houses or so were burned down. A lamp was the cause. In Am. American mail came. A letter from mother, one from C. J. Weaver, "Stewart Mission Band" Recd. a nice photo of mother. She just recently had it taken. She looks more beautiful to me than ever before. I had intended to have it and father's enlarged, but this is quite a large one. Had my "Story of the Gospel Class" at night. I were present. Somewhat cloudy in evening. Mother had been at New Market meeting of Sam. Syn. & wore the net many of my old school mates and friends.

Kumamoto

Ther. TUESDAY, NOV. 3, 1908

Wea.

Ten chosetsu.

Rainy Fair

In Am. at 7³⁰, Mr. Brown + I went to see the house I am about to rent. We found last evening, as we were about to sign the contract, that the garden does not go with the house. So we went this Am. to take another look at it. The woman who is making the contract and a young man in the house went with us. She agreed to let me have a part of the garden. Also promised that the rickshawman who lives in the little house in the yard would be no trouble. Went with Mr. Yamanochi to call on Mr. Sugiyama whose 15 yr. old daughter was sick. When we reached the home we found she had died yesterday at 10⁰⁰ Am. Mr. B. + I went to the school at 1⁰⁰ P.M. expecting to be in the Ten chosetsu exercises after which there was to be a faculty meeting. When we reached there, we found it was from 11⁰⁰ Am. It was a great blunder. Whose was it? I am not ~~just~~ all pleased with the attitude ~~has~~ taken about receiving his proportional part of school dividends. We went to ~~work~~ after leaving the school. Called on Mr. Hamr. Went to Jokomachi Chapel at night.

Kumamoto

Ther. WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4, 1908

Wea.

Fair.

In Am. My teacher came. Studied with him a little. Went to bank, and drew out 225 yen. Mr. Yamanochi then came with whom I held our monthly acc. We then met the question of his being remunerated for service(?) expenses(?) in connection with the school. Things were very pleasantly adjusted much to my satisfaction. Had thought quite otherwise yesterday. I went to school in P.M. expecting to go to the funeral of Mr. Sugiyama's daughter at 3⁰⁰ with Mr. Yamanochi but as Mr. Toyama did not come, I had to teach his class. Could not go. Mr. Brown went to Omura at 1²⁴ and returned on the 5⁰⁵ train. He went to see about the contract for the house we just bought, and for the lease of the land. Prayer meeting at night in Mr. Yamanochi's home. 8 were present. In the fire of Sunday night, the woman who upset the lamp, was burned up in it. Bought a sho of ~~lantern~~ in P.M. - This year's

Kumamoto.

Ther. THURSDAY, NOV. 5, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In A.M. I did no studying. Went to city office and paid my tax of 14.14 yen. Sent a draft of 36. to Wada Sa. Sakahashi San. Went to see carpenter on Hyoumachi. He came to house in P.M. and took measurements of a book case and also a table which I am having made. Mr. Yamamoto Chi called in P.M. Mr. Clark also brought his two little children over to play with the Brown boys in P.M. At night we had the Bible study as usual. In P.M. Mr. Ijima + Mr. Suzuki called on Mr. Brown, asking him to deliver an Eng. address in the chu-gakko. We hear that Mr. Taft is elected Pres. of the United States. The third defeat for Bryan. At night after meeting drew a plan for a cabinet case to set on my study table. Will have it made soon. Fine day. Did not get to go to school as intended.

Kumamoto

Ther. FRIDAY, NOV. 6, 1908

Wea.
Rainy.

Spent all of A.M. and a part of P.M. in making out my Oct. financial mission report. This time the treasury is lower than it has ever been since I have had it. Only ¥. 64.66 are left now - or rather were left to begin Nov. on. In P.M. called on Naoharu to get some Interw Shimpo. Went to school twice. Went to Magic Lantern store to enquire about a gas tank for Rev. Pieters. At night wrote to Mr. Pieters. Order some crayon pictures from Chicago. Made out Danish financial mission report and closed my books with them - to pass over to Rev. Winther. Had intended to write to Miss Long but was too busy. Mr. Soyama called in P.M. Mr. Brown asked him about becoming the head of our school. He says if he can not do so it will be because of money matters. Mr. Maeda called in P.M. Was a rainy + dark day. I went to get up at 5⁰⁰ A.M. tomorrow and go with our school boys on a rabbit hunt near Ueki. Must leave on the 6¹⁴ A.M. train.

Kumamoto

Ther. SATURDAY, NOV. 7, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

A most excellent day. I got up at 6⁰⁵, and was somewhat disappointed to find that it was too late to take the 6¹⁴ train to Uchi to join in the harechase with the students of our school. Spent Am. in doing a number of things. Wrote several letters, sent off two foreign money orders. Sent off my Oct. financial report of mission to Dr. Holland. The bed came from Saga, and the bed, bureau, wash stand, chamber-stove and rocking chair came from Hakata. I will be ready to begin to get things in order at my new house on the 10th. Alfred & Marshall went with me up there in P. M. While eating supper one of our students came inviting me to the school to help eat the rabbit and fox they caught in the chase today. I went. Prof. Toyama & Kojima were also there. The first fox I ever ate. At night wrote to Miss Long. Asked her to continue the correspondence. Excellent.

Kumamoto

Ther. SUNDAY, NOV. 8, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

A most excellent day. The moon tonight is simply fine. It appears full again tonight. Went to S. S. in Am. and also to ch. There were 19 at ch. in all. I were present at night. Mr. Inudzuha became a kyudoshu at the evening services. Some American mail came, but no letter of any worth for me. Wrote to mother. The visitor was published too soon to report meeting of United Synod at Savannah. Had two callers in P. M. It was quite cool all day and especially so at night and in the morning. Had a fire for the first time in the study. From next week Mr. Brown is to teach 6 persons who are preparing for baptism. I had two new ones in my Bible class at S. S. in Am. Must attend to getting things in order in my new house tomorrow and the next day. I rather dread it.

Kumamoto

Ther. MONDAY, NOV. 9, 1908

Wea.
Fair

A fine day. Somewhat cool in morning & evening. Spent all of Am. unpacking my furniture which came from Fukuoka and Saga. Taught in school from 1¹⁵ P.M. to 3⁰⁰. After this, went up to my new home and did a bit of arranging. Mr. & Mrs. Brown came and looked over the house, giving some suggestions. This is one of the two best built houses in Kumamoto. Mr. Yamamochi also came in in the evening. Mr. Brown had a long talk with Mr. Soyama today about our proposed Mission school. He asked him about his services. Today he called and informed him that he could be secured, provided that his income could be satisfactorily arranged. He explained that he is trying to pay off a 4000 yen debt. I think it possible for us to meet the requirements. Had my "Story of the Gospel" class at night. I were
 Present: Rec'd Draft of 349¹⁵ yen from Danish Board

Kumamoto

Ther. TUESDAY, NOV. 10, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. I did a number of things pertaining to my moving into my new house. Mr. Brown went with me to the Kyomachi carpenter to see some chairs. Bought 2. Also bought a round table of him. From 1¹⁵ to 3⁰⁰, I taught in the school. From 3⁰⁰ to 4⁰⁰, I reported last month's student's attendance to Mr. Suenamatsu. Returning, I again went to my new house where I did a number of things. Today had a coolie to take up mats and give an osaji to the house. Hope to get things somewhat arranged by tomorrow. Mr. Yoshida & Mr. Okubo, two of our students, came in Am. to help me move, but I did not move anything today, so could not use them. At night went to Meth. Ch. where the dispensary Kirakwan Shiki was held. The Gov. Mayor, Pres. of Hospital & Med. School, of Higher Tech. School, other Drs. Lawyers, etc. were out. Afterwards went to a Dr.'s house across the street for refreshments.

Kumamoto

Ther. WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11, 1908

Wea. Fair.

Spent the day looking after the work in my new house, and doing a little of it myself. The woman, the wife of the High School Cook, came in P.M. with Mr. Yamanochi. I agreed to employ her at ¥. 7⁰⁰ per month to do my cleaning and general household work, besides cooking. She, her husband and daughter will move over shortly. She comes tomorrow, so I will move my books, etc. up tomorrow. In P.M. Dr. Davison called, asking us if we wanted to order some apples from Tokyo with him. Mr. B. & I each ordered a box. This A.M. Dr. Brown went to Saga, expecting to reach Hakata at 5⁰⁰ P.M. I may meet him at Isuw at 2⁰⁰ P.M. Friday and go with him to Nagasaki. Sent to Rev. G. N. Walnut an order on Mr. John A. Cline for \$130.53, as payment for the property Miller & I recently bought of him. 3raphophone records came today for me from Mr. John C. Williams, Seattle.

Kumamoto.

Ther. THURSDAY, NOV. 12, 1908

Wea. Fair.

Spent most of the day in making arrangements to move and in doing so. Had intended to entirely move up, but the servant did not come, so I was afraid to move all my things in with no one in the house, knowing that I was to go to Nagasaki tonight. At 7⁰⁰ P.M. the woman came, but that was too late for me to do any more. In evening we had our Bible study in our home. At 11³⁰, I left the house to take the train for Nagasaki. Had the coolie work in the garden from noon. Planted 20 strawberry plants which I got from Mr. Davison yesterday. Mr. Brown's property which is to come from America in a few days will arrive at Nagasaki. Today he finds that he will not only have to pay duty on the cost of the goods in America but also on the boxing & freight & transportation charges to Japan. It is most unjust that the Jap. Government does in this. I can find no oil stove in Nagasaki at all, that suits me.

Kumamoto - Nagasaki.

Ther. FRIDAY, NOV. 13, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

The weather was rather rough - the coldest we have had this year. Left Kumamoto at 12:12 P.M. Reached Iosuw, I met Mr. Brown with whom I went to Nagasaki, where we arrived at 7:30. We went to the Japan Hotel where we had breakfast, and we then went out to make our purchases. Stopped until noon. Then again after noon, while in Hordaya's store, Misses Peterson and Sutton suddenly came in. The latter invited me to take supper with them at Kwassui Jo Sakko. Also invited Mr. Brown through me. We did not go. However, at 7:30 we called at Mr. Walwood's. Miss Peterson is stopping there. She returns to America via Palestine on the "Prince Ludwig" on 24th. Health is bad. Will not return to Japan. I bought 6 Vienna bent wood chairs at Lessners. Bought 8 1/2 yds Brussels carpet, also 8 yds. curtain cloth, etc., etc. Hope to sleep well tonight as we had but little last night on the train.

Nagasaki - Kumamoto.

Ther. SATURDAY, NOV. 14, 1908

Wea.
Fair - Rain - Fair.

Had a good night's sleep last night which well compensated for our lack of sleep the night before. As Mr. Brown wanted to be present at the Joyongakko chapel services, he had no time to eat breakfast. He then had an hour's talk with Mr. Pieters. After eating breakfast, I went up street and attended to buying several things. Ordered a photo of father enlarged to 12x14 1/2 inches at a cost of ¥.40. At 9:30 met Mr. Brown at the American Consul's where I swore him in as an American citizen. We then went to R. N. Walker's office, and returned to the hotel. Left on the 11:20 A.M. train for Kumamoto. Met Mr. Walker on the train and travelled with him as far as Iosuw. We reached home at 7:42 P.M. Found American mail awaiting us. A remittance of \$300. from Mr. Cline for the new kindergarten building. The visitor contains a report of the United Synod Meeting. The mission board is to be divided into two - Home and Foreign. Bath at night.

Kumamoto

Ther. SUNDAY, NOV. 15, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

Went to S.S. & church in Am. Had 3 in my Eng. Bible class. At the services, Mr. Hashiwagi became a Kyudoshia. In P.M. Mr. & Mrs. Brown went to the ch. to help practice the S.S. children for Christmas singing. I stayed with the boys and helped entertain them. Wrote to mother. Japan mail says that Bryan rec'd. 177, and Taft 306, of the electoral votes in the recent election. Bryan regained 4 states that had before been lost. Carried his own state for the first time. Went to services in evening. 11 were out. There were 22 in Am. Quite a fresh day. Tessa san has a swelling on her face which is quite troublesome and threatening. She has been to the Dr. twice. The roast of beef Mr. Brown brought from Nagasaki yesterday was as good as any I ever ate. What a contrast with Kumamoto beef! That was delicious. Cold clear night.

Kumamoto

22 Ther. MONDAY, NOV. 16, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. I almost finished moving all my things up to my new house. In P.M. taught in school. At night taught my "Story of the Gospel" class. They came to my new house, but as I could have no fire, I took them back to Mr. Brown's home. The man promised to fix the stove pipe hole last Friday, but it is not yet done. Mr. Brown went to Fukuoka on the 4th P.M. train to see the piano at Mr. Walnut's. It belongs to Mr. Maynard. He may buy it. Tonight will be the first night for me in this house. I think I will like my obaasan all right as a servant. She seems very willing to do all kinds of work. Wish my book-case would come so I could place my books as I want them. Several callers in evening when I was absent. Ordered 1500 jin Amaya coal at 80 per 100.

Kumamoto

Ther. TUESDAY, NOV. 17, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. I overslept myself, and did not get up until almost ~~10~~ o'clock. It was my first night in this house, and the Canada all closed made it quite dark even in daylight. Had intended to do a good deal of arranging things in my home and attend to a number of things of the street in Am., but Mr. Shimizu called and consumed much of my time. He wants to live with me in this house. His father had cut off his support, and he is now going to sell milk to meet his expenses at school, and wants to save on room rent. The man came today and made a hole in the wall for the stove pipe, and put it up. Taught in school in P. M. At night wrote to Mr. John A. Chiel, to brother John, to Prof. C. X. Hansen, and to Mr. Lippard. Mr. Brown was supposed to return on the 7:42 P. M. train this evening. Fine weather these days.

Kumamoto

Ther. WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18, 1908

Wea.

Alfred Brown's 9th birthday. Fair.

In Am. attended to a number of things on the street. Ordered a bath tub made for y. 13. Ordered a wash tub made for y. 2. Mr. Brown returned on the 5:05 P. M. train. He bought the piano at Fukuoka he went up to see. I did a little studying in P. M. and at night. Mr. Imutsuka brought me 30 of the nicest persimmons I ever tasted. He says his mother sent them to me. At night Mr. Brown went to the *Engei-kwai* of the *Station-kwai*. He was to have played his harmonica and his graphophone. They only asked him to do the latter, just a few moments before he was ready to start. I may go to the entertainment tomorrow night. Drew 75 yen from the bank in Am. The mail has been quite scarce during the last few days. A letter from Mr. Philbr. today.

Kumamoto.

Ther. THURSDAY, NOV. 19, 1908 Wea. Fair.

In Am. I did a little studying with my teacher. In P.M. the annual Eng. day was held at the Chu-gakko. Mr. Brown delivered the Eng. address, and they gave some graphophone selections. The Japanese recitations were very well done, but some appealed to the ludicrous. I was there by previous invitation. I thought it well to recognize this as some of my Bible class teachers come from there. Also as folio in behalf of our yohi gakko. In P.M. rec'd. a nice 9 page letter from Miss Long. She says she will appreciate a cor. response. Was surprised to hear from her at the Kobe Sanitarium. She is there for her eyes. At night, Mr. Brown & I went to the Shion-kwai engi-kwai. He played graph and graphophone. A large audience. Fine weather.

Kumamoto.

Ther. FRIDAY, NOV. 20, 1908 Wea. Fair.

In Am. had my teacher 1 hr. I then went to bank and had check of yen 600. cashed and placed on my table at the Higo ginko. Bought 3 Kwatsudo ji to ~~put~~ replace 388 Shingyashiki by 412 S- in my stamp. Must now buy an ink pad. In P.M. I about finished moving the remainder of my property to my new home. A few pictures and my revolving book case yet remain back. Mr. Brown's piano came this Am. it seems to be a very good one. He paid only ¥.300. for it, having bought it from Mr. Wilson who sold it for Mr. Maynard. At night, I had my Bible class, but only 2 came. - Mr. Suzuki and Mr. Seroaka, the latter coming for the first time. He says he will come to church on Sunday. I feel somewhat tired this evening. She large rug which I placed in my study this evening, makes it look rather snug. My book case is to come tomorrow from the carpenter's.

Kumamoto

Ther. SATURDAY, NOV. 21, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

Spent a little of the Am. in study. A letter from Mr. Sakahashi says that the people of the neighborhood have been persecuting the land lord of the land on which the house stands which we recently bought for leasing the land to us. In consequence, Mr. Sakahashi says he has agreed and changed the lease from 15 to 10 yrs. He says he has already done it. Mr. Brown & I do not see how he could do it, as it was us who leased the property, and he was only the *hoshonin* (security). Will investigate the matter when he comes down Tuesday. In P.M. did some business on the street. In evening my new bookcase which the *Kyomachi* carpenter made for me, came. It is all right. After supper until 11⁴⁵ P.M., I dusted and placed my books in it. The day was not so cool. Prof. Toyama sent me a box of cakes in recognition of my present given at the death of his mother Oct. 6.

Kumamoto

Ther. SUNDAY, NOV. 22, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In A.M. went to S. School and church. Had only 2 in my Bible class. 17 were at church. At night also went to ch. 12 were present. In P.M. the Christians who are members of the dispensary association went, by previous invitation to Baron Fujimura's home to see his maple trees which are now very beautiful with their red leaves. Mr. Brown took his graphophone and played it in the yard. At the Hon. services, I led as I had been doing. Had intended to write to mother, but was prevented by going to the Baron's home. Mr. Juwata came to my home this evening to live. He is one of our students. In P.M., the carpenter brought my bath-tub which he just made. It is a fine one, but I wish he would have waited until Monday. The day was bright and very typical of good Fall weather. Read a little on friendship in the P.M. after returning.

Kumamoto.

Ther. MONDAY, NOV. 23, 1908

Wea.

Fair.

As this was a holiday for the Japanese, Mrs. Teacher did not come. It is the day for them to offer up the rice crop to their gods in thanksgiving. I was able to use the sun to good advantage. At night, I began a letter to Miss Long showing her the fallacy of the Seventh Day Adventists in their observation of the 7th day. In her letter, she asked what I thought about it, and confessed that she was not acquainted with the subject. I must write to Mother soon as possible. A rather cold day. My lacquer poison is quite irritating. Hope it will soon get well. Sent a magic lantern gas generator to Rev. Pieters in evening. He had me make it made for him.

Kumamoto.

Ther. TUESDAY, NOV. 24, 1908

Wea.

Fair - Rain

Some American mail.

Spent Am. in doing several things. Had my teacher's cubicle. Was rather late in getting up as I did not retire until about 1⁰⁰ Am. at 2⁰⁰ P.M. our pastor's meeting opened. The first was held in Mr. Brown's home in the form of welcoming him + Rev. Winter back to Japan. After this refreshments were served. I taught in the school from 1⁰⁰ to 3⁰⁰ P.M. Because my face was swollen and red with lacquer poison, the boys thought I was very angry about something. At night Mr. Matsumoto and Mr. Takaba Shi preached in the Church. and Mr. Wada and Mr. Yoneiura at the Goshomachi Chapel. Small audience at Church. After services, we held a mission meeting until about 12⁰⁰ m. at Mr. Brown's.

Kumamoto.

Ther. WEDNESDAY, NOV. 25, 1908

Wea.

Fair.

Letter from mother

Attended the ekshakuai in
A.M. & P.M. and also the preaching
at night. Mr. Wada & Mr. Jonemura
preached in the Ch. at night, and
Mr. Matsumoto and Takahashi
at yohomachi. Mr. Lippard
and Mr. Wintner returned
home on the 4th train, P.M. The
Communion was administered
in P.M., Mr. Wintner preaching
the sermon. Went to the bank
and drew out 220 yen and
gave Mr. Lippard 100 of it, to be
accounted for later. I must
write to mother, also to Miss
Long. Have a number of letters
to be written. Must send some
present to America. We have been
discussing quite a bit the ques-
tion about the onuta property
which Mr. Takahashi had
interfered with, by changing the
contract from 15 to 10 yrs, and
also making 2 other smaller con-
cessions.

Kumamoto

Ther. THURSDAY, NOV. 26, 1908

Wea.

Fair.

In A.M. went to pastoral meeting
which lasted until noon. Some
of the workers returned on the 1st
P.M. train and some of the 4th
train. Could not see them off, as
Mrs. Brown was giving a Thanks-
giving dinner. Mr. Miller and
Dr. Dawson were there as guests.
After dinner we played 3 games
of flick and then Mr. Brown
gave us some Graphophone
music. At night he was
to have had his weekly
Bible study meeting, but
Mr. Yamashouchi did not
come, and Mr. Kurokawa was
the only one who did. I had
quite a cold. My being in
a new house where I have
to remove my shoes, has
given it to me, I think. A
very windy & cold day. I
have been losing very much
sleep recently. Mr. Miller & I held
account late at night.

Kumamoto.

Ther. FRIDAY, NOV. 27, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In A.M. Mr. Miller returned to Hakata and Mr. Brown went to Omuta to make a closer investigation of the trouble there in reference to our lease of the lot on which our house stands. I had my teacher's Bible class at night. I then sat up until midnight writing a letter to Miss Long who is now at the sanitarium at Kobe. I wrote at length in reference to the Sunday question ^{about} which she asked in her letter. I fear she will take me too dogmatically. Went to the school yesterday and paid salaries of clerk and servant. Wrote several letters in P.M. Mr. Miller recd. the new suit which he ordered 3 wks. ago. It is very nice. There was a very strong wind all day. The lacquer poison on my face and body is quite annoying.

Kumamoto

Ther. SATURDAY, NOV. 28, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

35° at 7:30 A.M.
I think we had our coldest night last night. In A.M. I had my teacher write two letters for me. In the evening, Mr. Takahashi, my teacher, and Mr. Matsuura, one of our Koto Gobi Gakko boys, moved into my house. Mr. Kobayashi came two days ago, and Mr. Iwata came on Monday. After dinner, I attended to a number of things off the street. Sent a small ivory carved carved ivory box to Mrs. Habemicht of Columbia, and a perfume brooch to Aunt Mariah, for Christmas. Prepared a calendar for Mrs. Dr. Holland, and a cushion pillow from for each Jacob, and John. Will also send a present to Mother. Monday. As I went to supper, I found Mr. Brown's freight from America had come. My box from Mother was with it. It contains 11 yds fine sheet goods, 6 towels, 14 handkerchiefs, 1 tie, 3 doz. or. Sox, and very much dried apples, all of which are appreciated.

Kumamoto

Ther SUNDAY, NOV. 29, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In A.M. went to S. School and Church. There were 21 at ch. in A.M. and 19 at night. The boys who are now in my home came and brought some of their friends. In P.M. I wrote to mother a 7 page letter. The weather was a little modified today. The owner of my house had three men here today, renewing the shoji. It seemed a little funny to have them do it but they were not under my authority, so I could not help it. Recorded diary for all last week beginning with Monday. It was very unusual for me to get so far behind, but it was because of the pastoral meeting and other things coming in. It had been just 2 wks. since I had written to mother. I always try to write once a week.

Kumamoto

Ther. MONDAY, NOV. 30, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

Did some work in A.M. In P.M. went to school and taught. We now want to begin our chemistry course so that it will be a means of drawing new students for our school for the spring term. Mr. who was to have come from the medical school, is too busy to give us any time. So we hope to secure Mr. Morimoto of the same school. Also we intend to begin physics at the same time, but Mr. Hayakawa will teach that, leaving all the mathematics to Mr. Sugiyanu. At night, I had my class of story of the Gospel. Good attendance. I think the class is a good opportunity for influence. Mr. Brown unpacked his goods which he received from America Sat. eve. They are proud of their cook stove. American mail came.

Kumamoto

Ther. TUESDAY, DEC. 1, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

Had my teacher do a little work for me in Am. In P. M. taught at school. Had my revolving book brought up from Mr. Brown in evening. I find I can use it to good advantage here. Went to Yokomachi chapel at night. Returning, I bought one teacup and a tea-pot for use in my home. Will need them tomorrow night at prayer meeting. Sent off my Christmas presents and Christmas cards to America. I find it is possible to rent the horse which Miss Knot owned in Kumamoto. She offers it at ¥. 15. Wish I had known it 1½ months ago before renting this one. Will go to look at it, and may make arrangements to rent it from next Sept. Can save 10 yen per month over this horse I am now in. Besides it is said to have glad shoji.

Kumamoto

Ther. WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. did no regular studying but had my teacher write a letter or so. Attended to many items of business. In P. M. went to school to see about the placing of the stoves. At night we had prayer meeting in my home. There were 11 present. The weather is cool and clear. Worked up my school account for Nov. Carpenters are repairing fences in the yard. Had the sugawa made so that one can pass to the back bench from the front without going on the ground. Have been keeping late hours at night recently, but must improve on my ways. Have been extremely busy, but hope to have a relaxation of work in near future. Are having heavy frosts now. It was 27 degrees this Am. early.

Kumamoto - Kawachi - Koroha - Kumamoto

Ther. THURSDAY, DEC. 3, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. Mr. Brown, Mr. Yamamoto & I walked to Kawachi to see the oranges for which the place is famous. A little valley which led back from the sea was filled on both sides with orange orchards. The sight was a most beautiful one. There were thousands of trees, all heavily laden with their golden fruit. We ate dinner in one of the orchards and bought about 4 lb. oranges which we carried home. Returning, we walked to Koroha and came by train, reaching Kumamoto station at 7:42 P.M. We had walked in all about 21 miles, so it is not necessary to say that we were tired. Reaching home, we found that Mrs. Brown had a ^{nicel} birth-day supper for Mr. B. He had not thought of its being his 34th birthday. On our way to Kawachi, we passed a place where there were 500 idols, nearly all of which had their heads broken off. The weather was ideal, but rather cold at night.

Kumamoto

Ther. FRIDAY, DEC. 4, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. I wrote a number of letters and attended to several things. Just after noon, went with Mr. Brown to see Miss Knott's house. He brought his sewing machine back to his home. She had borrowed it when the Browns returned to America. She then afterwards returned to England. It may be that I will rent that house about next fall, if it is then open. In P.M. the Brown boys came up for a little while. At night, I worked out the Mission acc. for Nov. The books show a balance of 522.96 yen, but as the matter now stands in reality there is a deficit of about 283. yen. Have paid out 600. yen since Nov. 30, as well as having forwarded 136. yen, as well as having bought about 70. yen's worth of furniture which when entered into account will add to it. Had Bible Class at night. There were 4 in attendance.

Kumamoto

Ther. SATURDAY, DEC. 5, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. went to bank and had check of 224.87 yen cashed. Deposited 175. of it in Higo Bank. Mr. Brown left on 10th Am. train for Hakata on Monday. He goes to Nagasaki. In P. M. I gave my bicycle a good cleaning. It should have been done long ago. Studied Japanese 40 min. just before supper. Began on "Hototogisu." At night had two callers for an hour. I then balanced up my books for the month of November. Will send in report and letter to Dr. Holland Monday. Brown boys visited the Clark children in P. M. Mr. Pieters returned the burner to his magic lantern, to get it repaired. Will have it done for him Monday. Today was a little warmer than usual. The men finished renewing the Shoji paper this P. M. The landlady called in P. M. In reality the mission treasury had a deficit of over 300 yen, or will have before the end of the month. Are now drawing ahead of time.

Kumamoto

Ther. SUNDAY, DEC. 6, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. went to S. School and church. There were 17 at church in Am. and 11 at night. In P. M. I wrote to mother, and then read to the 101 page in "Life & Letters of Passavant." I find it very interesting, as well as serving a devotional purpose. I am much impressed by the way in which he always consulted his mother when in need of advice, even in little things. I wish I had time to finish reading the book though without so much delay. The night tonight is perfectly grand. The sky is entirely clear and the moon almost full. The air is sharp and bracing. The "Anterw Shimpo," our church paper, came today. This is the first issue published since removing it to Kurume with Mr. Yonekura as the editor. The removal was decided on at the recent Ekshakuni. Today was warmer than it had recently been. Had no fire in P. M. Mrs. Davison had returned from Tokyo.

Kumamoto.

Ther. MONDAY, DEC. 7, 1908

Wea.

Part.

In Am. I did many things occupying my time. Some American mail came, but only one letter - from Chas. Foster, Pub. Co., and 1 doz. copies of "Story of the Gospel." Had my class at night, and sold doz. of these copies. My class lingered until 9:30 P.M. after we had finished the lesson. 11 were present. In P.M. after returning from the school I went with Mrs. Brown to the shoe store to see about having a pair of slippers made for Mr. Brown as a Xmas present. Had the stoves fired up in the yoshi Sakko for the first time. At night wrote an important letter to Dr. Holland. Asked for a special remittance of \$500. as our treasury is now in debt. Asked that the "Letter of Credit" system be used in making remittances hereafter.

Kumamoto

Ther. TUESDAY, DEC. 8, 1908

Wea.

Fair

Letter from Miss Long. In Am. went to bank and drew out yen 50. Had my teacher do some writing for me. After dinner, went to school where I taught my two classes as usual. I then had a hair trim and bought a few articles. Returning home, I met Mr. Yamamoto, just leaving my house. He turned back, and after a talk of an hour or so in which we discussed many things, we held our monthly financial account. I pay him yen 95.58, including salary and some bills which he will settle for me. At night, I made entries into my books, and then did some reading from the "Visitors" of the last two weeks. For the last few months, I have not been able to do any reading worth mentioning. It became colder today. Mr. Brown is expected back tonight.

Kumamoto

Ther: WEDNESDAY, DEC. 9, 1908

Wea:

Fair

It was rather a cold day, and became more so towards evening. Mr. Brown did not return last night. Neither had he come yet by supper time this evening. He has or will likely come in tonight. In A.M. I made an ironing board and put my woman to doing the washing of this week. In P.M. after going to the bank where I drew out ¥. 75, I went to the school. At night went to prayer-meeting (union) at our church. 27 were present. Had a letter from Lippard. Wrote to Lippard and also to Mr. Miller. Was not able to call at the Davison's as I had hoped this P.M. My cabinet for study table should have come yesterday, but the carpenter has not yet brought it. Two mail boats due in Yokohama today. Mrs. Brown is quite anxious about Mr. Brown's return. Was quite much disappointed last night and today.

Kumamoto - Kawachi - Kumamoto.

Ther: THURSDAY, DEC. 10, 1908

Wea:

Fair.

At 11:00 A.M. Mr. Brown & I left Meiji-bashi on our wheels, reaching Kawachi 1½ hrs. later. We at first went back into the mountains and took the pictures of the 500 gods, nearly all of which had lost their heads. I brought one loose head back home with me. Returning to Kawachi, he took 3 pictures of the oranges, which were most beautiful to see. On our return we came home in 1 hr. In all we had ridden on our wheels 22 miles. Had left our wheels at Kawachi, and had walked about 1½ or 2 miles in the mountain to the place where the gods were. The carpenter brought the cabinet which I had ordered him to make. He also brought the extra shelf for my book-case while I was absent. Our trip was fine. Mr. Brown became somewhat tired before we reached home. My cabinet is just fine. It will be very serviceable.

Kumamoto

Ther. FRIDAY, DEC. 11, 1908

Wea. Fair.

In Am. I arranged my cabinet and put things in it. Then I did a little studying with my teacher. Then I attended to several little things before going to dinner. Just after dinner, Mr. Brown & I talked a bit about our future theological faculty. Recd. an invitation from Mr. S. Lippard to be with them for Dec. 28. Miss Sutton and Miss Ashbaugh are to be there, and she wants Mr. Miller and myself to be there. In P.M. taught from 2⁰⁰ to 3⁰⁰ P.M. for Prof. Soyama as he had gone to Yatsushiro. The enlarged picture 12x14 came from Nagasaki. It is of my father. Not very good work. I again was not able to call on Mrs. Davis today. At night had my Bible class. Only 3 were out. In P.M. Hatanaka San came for his lesson. Mr. & Mrs. Painter called at the door. The day was warmer than usual. Rather cloudy tonight.

Kumamoto

Ther. SATURDAY, DEC. 12, 1908

Wea. Cloudy & Rainy.

At 9⁰⁰ Am. went to Seizenji to be present at the tennis & base-ball games by the students of the Gohi Gakko. Mr. Brown umpired the tennis games which lasted until 12⁰⁰ M. We returned to dinner and at 1¹⁵ P.M. we again returned to Seizenji. I umpired the base-ball game. The score was 24 to 7. After this, the boys had some manju and tea in one of the tea-houses. The little rain which fell at different times during the day made it rather unpleasant for the playing. At 5³⁰, I attended the annual banquet given by the Kumamoto Eng. Club, at the Seiyoken. 18 were present. Mr. Painter, Mr. Vanhookstrom and I were the only foreigners there. After the dinner which was composed of the following courses: soup, fish, fried pork, a hash, stewed egg & sliced pork, fruit cake, coffee, we had some very pleasant games of different kinds. Met several new teachers. 4 of who were present were teachers.

Kumamoto

Ther. SUNDAY, DEC. 13, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

Went to S.S. and church in Am. Had 8 in my Eng. Bible class. There were 24 persons who remained at services. At night there were 15 at church. Rec'd a letter from mother in which she says that John has suggested to her that she leave the farm and go to Washington. As 4 of the boys are there, they could all rent a house and live together very nicely. I hope she will do it. The farm makes her too much work.

A rather discouraging letter came from Dr. Halland, Pres. of Miss. Board. He seems very much depressed over the creation of the United Synod, of a home mission board, as distinct from the one which has been administering both the home & foreign work. He foresees less income for our work here, and requests that strict economy be practiced on the field.

We are not sure how this may effect our proposed school. It comes on us rather hard. It seems Mrs. Vost, Fox, and Smith were the leaders in this new move here of the S.S. board.

Kumamoto

Ther. MONDAY, DEC. 14, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. I got up at about 6³⁰, and read my Bible until breakfast time. Recently, I have been so busy that I have, to a certain extent, neglected my regular Bible reading, but I hope to begin the regular course again. Went to the bank and drew out all but about ¥75.81, and sent by drafts to Omura, Hakata, and Saga, also gave Mr. Brown 100. on his salary. We have exhausted our reserve, and must borrow. We went with me to the Nigo ginko and tried to borrow 250. yen there, but they loan only on government or railroad bonds, or on stock. Mr. Brown then wrote to Mr. Pieters in Nagasaki to have him try negotiate it with the Hongkong Shanghai Banking Corporation. Will need it for 2 mos. Taught in school in P.M. At night had my story of the last class, after which I finished my letter to Miss Long. Began it yesterday. Fair day.

Kumamoto

Ther. TUESDAY, DEC. 15, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. shop at 6⁰⁰ A.M. and did an hour's work before breakfast. After breakfast, I took one of Mr. Brown's shoes to the shoemaker and had him to take the measure of it, so as to make Mr. Brown a pair of slippers that will. Mr. Brown knows nothing of it. It is to be Mrs. B's Christmas present to him. Also, I ordered a stick of Gato's shaving soap from Nagasaki for her to give him. In P.M. went to school and taught. Mr. Yamanouchi informs me that Prof. Mubimoto has consented to teach Chemistry from Jan. in our school. Called on the Davisons in P.M. After supper, went to Yokomachi Chapel. Took graphophone. Mr. Yamanouchi and Mr. Shimoto preached. Somewhat cloudy tonight. I have decided to entertain the teachers of the Yobiko Thursday night. Am to do the same for Class B. of students Friday night, and Class B. Sat. night. Did not get to write to "Isings" today.

Kumamoto

Ther. WEDNESDAY, DEC. 16, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In P.M. had my teacher 1 1/2 hours writing letters and helping me on next Sunday's Scripture lessons. After dinner, I did various things. My coal oil heating stove came from Nagasaki in P.M. Also this Am. I rec'd. a postal from Mr. Kobayashi, of Yatsushiro, the father of Sitaro San who is living in my house, saying that he was sending me 25 yoban. In P.M. these came. They are fine. At night I called in the boys and gave each one. Rec'd. a letter from Mr. Iwata who is now at his home sick. The Brown boys came up in P.M. wrote to John to have him enclose a money order to Charles C. Cook Co. N.Y. for "Seiss' Lectures on the Apocalypse." Wrote an article to Isings on the "Shion Kwai." I did not go out to the Yokomachi Chapel tonight. Mr. Brown was to preach this time. He took his graphophone. Am trying my oil stove for the first time tonight. It seems to be all right.

Kumamoto.

Ther. THURSDAY, DEC. 17, 1908

Wea. Rainy.

The rain of today was most welcome. The first we have had for a long time that amounted to anything. Recd. letters from Miller and Lippard. Mr. Brown recd. one from Mr. Peters saying that he knew no one in the Hongkong Shanghai Bank and consequently it would be of no use for him to try to borrow from it for us. Mr. B. then went to see Mr. Clark who promised to give him an introduction to the Hongkong & Shanghai bank, but in P.M. he brought us the 300 yen in cash which we wanted to borrow. It was his personal money, we appreciate it very much. Had it not been so one of us would have gone to Nagasaki tonight to try to raise it from the H.V.S. bank tomorrow. In P.M. the pastors & missionaries met at Mr. Brown's to devise ways & means of holding evangelistic meetings at the 300th anniversary of Kato Kiyomasa which is to be held in Kumamoto next month. From 7⁰⁰ P.M. I entertained the teachers of our school. They seemed to enjoy the evening. Prof. Hozakawa only was absent. Tomorrow and Sat. nights I have the students.

Kumamoto.

24 Ther.

FRIDAY, DEC. 18, 1908.

Wea. Fair.

In Am., attended to some business on the street. Sent money order to Mr. Takahashi. In P.M. made arrangements for the social at my home for the students. About 10 from class A came out at night. I was rather surprised to find some of them so rough and ill-mannered. One especially was very much so when I passed around the peanuts. Had a box of cakes and two large oranges and some small doughs for each one. Tea was also served. They returned at 10³⁰ P.M., after Mr. Yamaguchi made a little talk to them. In Am. wrote to Rev. Monk of Imabashi about Miss Watts' home which is for rent. Wrote to Miller Sam. The weather became much cooler in the evening. The streets were yet not very good. The carpenter came, I paid him yen 15⁰⁰ for making my cabinet. Also ordered him to make a frame for father's picture.

Kumamoto

Ther. SATURDAY, DEC. 19, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In Am. Mr. Yamamoto called and spent 2 hrs. with me, so I did no studying. Mr. Takahashi went to Mr. Blouin's at 11:30 am to help him. Mr. Yamamoto talks about many things. He again brings up the matter of his teaching which I should have settled before. Had tried to do so, but he would not agree to the amt. I wanted to set. He wants to start the mission Chur. gakkō from next Spring, and run it one yr. in the present school building. In P.M. went out on the street and bought some more cakes & oranges, and prizes for the games for tonight. At night I entertained class B. from the school. About 25 came. These were very nice and orderly. I enjoyed having them very much. They left at 10:30 P.M. after Mr. Yamamoto made a little talk. Bought a new can Kerosene today. No American mail came today.
A cold day.

Kumamoto

Ther. SUNDAY, DEC. 20, 1908

Wea.
Fair

Quite a cold day. In Am. I did not get up until late. Did not go to breakfast. Went to S. School and Church. There were 26 at ch. in Am. and 15 at night. In P.M. I read from Jeremiah. American mail is due, but none comes. At night the weather was very clear and cold. Will be very cold tomorrow morning. My cold is yet with me. It affects my throat chiefly. I did not write to mother today. It has been just one week since I wrote, but I think American mail will soon come and bring me a letter from her. At night, I had a hard time trying to get my fire to burn. She coal seems to be strong. I did not get to read any from the Life of Passavant today. Hope to finish the book in the near future. I also must finish my regular course of Bible reading before
Gamb

Kumamoto

Ther. 30° at 7:30 A.M. MONDAY, DEC. 21, 1908 Wea. Fair.

Woke up at 7⁰⁰ A.M. started my woman to work on the washings. Shortest Day! Coldest morning this winter. A letter from Mr. Smith in Tokyo. one from Mrs. Lawrence in the P.I. He asks me to have an essay of his on "Evolution and Religion" translated into Japanese. He thinks it "will do more good for the towards the conversion of the Japanese, in 12 months than all the church in 10 years." will be glad to see it. He says he will send it to me. In P. M. went to school where I held my examination. I dictated an extract "Punctuation" from the "Mother Tongue" P. 22, 23. In evening Rev. Moul of Fukuoka called in reference to the renting of Miss Katt's house. Dr. & Mrs. Hamilton called but as Mr. M. came at the same time, they did not enter. At their request, I called there at night. Hatanaka son came in evening and I taught him $\frac{3}{4}$ hr. old day.

Kumamoto

Ther. TUESDAY, DEC. 22, 1908 Wea. Rainy.

The day was rainy from noon. yesterday morning was the coldest we have had this winter but this morning was the warmest we have had for a long time. From noon it rained continuously. American mail came. A letter from mother, Egra. also invitation to marriage of C. A. Naumann. on Nov. 24, In P. M. went to school. This is the last day of school before the holidays. In evening called on Prof. Toyama. After supper I went to Yohomachi chapel, but Mr. Yamamouchi did not come — too busy with Xmas, I guess. At night I prepared boxes of candy which I had bought before, for the following person's presents: Miss Long, Misses Winther, Misses Lippard, Mr. Miller. Also am preparing the toy furniture sets to send to the Lippard, Winther and Yamamouchi children. Report of a present of \$5.00 came today from Mrs. Habericht. The letter came to the Browns.

Kumamoto

Ther. WEDNESDAY, DEC. 23, 1908 Wea. Fair.

In Am. went to bank and drew out yen 20. Made out monthly account of school finance. Each Prof. gets ¥.3⁰⁰ per hour this time. Went to school in P. M. to see about the Base-ball equipment. All is yet there. Sent ¥¹⁰⁰ yen to Prof. Toyama. Will send to the other Prof. tomorrow. In P. M. sent a box of Cadbury's chocolates to Miss Long who is now at school. Divided the toy furniture sets sent out by Miss Connady, to be divided as follows 1 set to Faith Lippard, 1 to Mr. Yamamoto's little girl, and 1 to each of the two Wintner girls. At 6⁰⁰ P. M. went to the Sematari S. S. Christmas exercises. It was very good. They had been pretty well trained in their scripture and catechism recitations. No more American mail today. Rather cold day. Will send off more presents tomorrow.

Kumamoto - Omuta.

Ther. THURSDAY, DEC. 24, 1908 Wea. Fair.

In Am. I attended to several things. Sent Prof. portion to them by our Kogunhai, Mr. Obara. In P. M. went to bank, sent a draft of yen 25⁰⁰ together with tax receipt for 5 yen. At 4⁰⁰ started from station to Omuta. Attended the Christmas exercises there. About 80 persons were present. The exercises were very good. Recd. a present from Mr. Takahashi and also one from Omuta Ch. Mr. Brown did the same. I ~~don't~~ will bring his to him. He & family attend the exercises in Kumamoto tonight. Am. sorry I can not be in Kumamoto also, but thought it best to go to Omuta. Nine of the people of Tsahi machi in Omuta were invited to these services. These are the ones who have been trying to drive us out of the property we bought. Four of them attended our services and seemed to enjoy them. Lippard ~~don't~~ wants yen 600. for Kindergarten building, but ~~can't~~ has come, & I have none at all on hand.

Omuta - Kumamoto.

Ther. FRIDAY, DEC. 25, 1908 Wea. Fair.

The hotel alarm clock which plays a piece of music went off at 3:15 A.M. at which time I got up and went to the station. The train did not come until after 4:00 A.M. Arrived at the station at about 5:30. Went to my house, left my baggage, etc and went to the church to attend the 6:00 A.M. services. I enjoyed the services very much. 16 were present. Last night my teacher's Bible class left me a nice Loochoo lacquer sugarbaskets and suguri, and mizuri. Rec'd. a box of candy from Faith, a pr. house slippers from Mr. Miller, a nice pr. baggage straps from Mr. Brown, a box of candy from Alfred Marshall, 3 towels from Mr. Brown's looks. These latter were rec'd. from Mr. Brown's home Christmas tree. Last night a pole and pitch rings were set up from the church. Rec'd. a letter from John Hay Kuhns from Hong Kong, also a postal from him and L.M. Kuhns from the same place. At Mr. Brown's Xmas tree this evening, I gave Alfred a gun ball, Marshall a shooting canon, Mrs. B. a silk doll, and Mr. B. a stick shaving soap. A pleasant evening.

Kumamoto

Ther. SATURDAY, DEC. 26, 1908 Wea. ~~Clear~~ Rain

In A.M. I attended to several things, also in P.M. This evening, was the night for the Xmas tree at the Shion-Kwai. I did not go. During P.M. I rather overlooked the Shion-Kwai event and accepted an invitation to take supper at the Devinson's which I did. Mr. Bertels and Mr. Berry were there. After supper, we played some flinch and otherwise pleasantly passed the evening. Mrs. Devinson has a new and most excellent picture of Miss Long. She looks so nice in it. From noon, it rained quite much. It still rains. I must do some letter writing during the Xmas holidays. Will try to get some of it off on Monday. It is chiefly American letters that I want done. Today a Xmas greeting card came for me from Miss Umetsuki from Seoul Korea. Packed Mr. Miller's glass jars to take to him Tues. at Saga where I hope to meet him.

Kumamoto

Ther. SUNDAY, DEC. 27, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

In A.M. went to S.S. + church. There were about 40 at S.S. and 12 at ch. At night there were 8 out. In P.M. wrote to mother. At 5⁰⁰ P.M. called at the Davidsons, and met Mr. Waterhouse and Mr. Vories who came last night were there. Rec'd. a postal from Mrs. Lippard saying that I must come to Saga Monday or Tues. by all means. A letter from Mr. Miller requests me to bring him some money when I go to Saga. I have none to take him, what shall I do. If the remittance from America does not come in the morning, I will be at my wits end, for I have not enough to settle up here at Kumamoto alone. As it is the end of the year, all accounts must be paid. After ch. at night, called on the boys - Waterhouse + Vories - at the Hakuzi-ukwan. Saw them some time ago.

Kumamoto

Ther. MONDAY, DEC. 28, 1908

Wea.
Fair.

This Am. American mail came, bringing a draft from Mr. John P. Cline for \$583.31. Sent it immediately to the Hongkong Shanghai Banking Corporation, asking them to cash it for me and remit ¥.100 to me at Saga by telebank and send the other to me at Kumamoto by draft as usual. Attended to a number of things during the day. Was quite relieved when the draft came for I had feared that I should be unable to meet all payments by the 31st. At night I made arrangements to go to Saga on the early train tomorrow morning. Rev. Winther and family arrived on the 5⁰⁰ P.M. train to visit the Browns. Will be here several days. I am sorry I am leaving tomorrow. Bought a basket of fruit to take to Uda as a present. Presented Mrs. Hamilton with a pound of chocolate drops in P.M.

Kumamoto - Saga

Ther. TUESDAY, DEC. 29, 1908 Wea. Fair.

Got up at 5¹⁵ and got ready, leaving on the 7⁵³ A.M. train, reaching Saga at about 11¹². Was met at the station by Mr. Miller, Misses Sutton and Ashbaugh. Mr. M. arrived at 11¹² yesterday, and the two ladies at 6⁰⁰ P.M. yesterday. We went to Mr. Lippard's where we had an excellent time. It was the first time I had ever met Miss Ashbaugh. She is quite a musician. In P.M. we all went over to see the old mission house on Kakanobashi Koji Machi. Then we went to see the new Kindergarten building which is now under roof. It will be ready for occupancy about Feb. 1. In evening, we four young people took a walk up the river as far as the railroad. Just after dinner, as well as at night, we played some flinch. Faith says she is coming back to Kumamoto with me when I return. I took Mr. Miller's glass ^{gods} with me to Saga (Ilox) to give to him.

Saga.

Ther. WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30, 1908 Wea. Fair.

In A.M. I went to the bank and drew out y. 100. for which I rec'd. a telegram draft yesterday, P.M. Was glad to get it. After this Mr. Miller, the two ladies and I took a walk through the park and to the large temple. It is somewhat cold, but nice weather. The ladies have had mail forwarded to them from Nagasaki, but it has not yet come. He uneasy about it. In P.M. after calling on Mr. Wada, I went to the station with Mr. Miller, when he returned to Hakata. So at night we were without him. After supper, we played the "Rakka" game, also carrying peanuts across the room on a table knife the electric shock, etc. Had lots of fun. I never saw Mr. Lippard laugh so much as he did in the peanut game. He simply wilted down on the floor. This is a great rest for me - so different from my daily routine of work.

Saga - Kumamoto.

Ther. THURSDAY, DEC. 31, 1908

Wea.

Fair.

The ladies left for Fukuoka and Faith and I for Kumamoto on the same train, leaving each other at Iosiu. Had an enjoyable time while at Saga. Mrs. Sheppard sent a can of oysters to Mrs. Brown by me. Faith is to stay in Kumamoto until Mrs. J. comes over next week. Arrived at Kumamoto at 12²³. Saw a very large theatrical troop on our way home. Just after dinner, I went to the bank and had my draft of ¥1063.77 cashed and most of it deposited. ¥650. at the bank and 90. at the P.O. Paid salary to Mr. Brown, also to Mr. Yamaguchi. Attended to a number of things. Went to Dr. Fukuoka's after supper and had him diagnose my ailment. I have a breaking out over my body which causes much itching. It has recently become worse, and is very annoying. He gave me some medicine to be rubbed on 3 times a day.

MEMORANDA

When the year opened, with the exception of Mr. Miller who had been on the field but 9 days, I was alone. The middle of April witnessed the return of the Sheppard family. Oct. 7 witnessed that of the Brown family and the arrival of the General Council's new missionary, Mr. Smith, who located in Iosiu. On Oct. 13, Mr. Weather and family returned. About the first of March, we took on Mr. Takahashi Murashige as an evangelist. Until this time from Nov. 1906 he had been my teacher. He was sent to Omuta, and Mr. Wada removed to Saga to take Mr. Wada's place, the latter had resigned. In Nov. we took on Mr. Sakahashi Nobutaro as a theological student. In Dec. we took on Mr. Idrii of Hakata as a theol. student. On Sept. 15, we opened our Kotoyobi Gakko. In all 79 students have entered. Our Mission School has been decided to be located in Kumamoto. We are now trying to

On Feb. 22, I put a cyclometer on my bicycle. I noticed today that it ^{MEMORANDA} has registered 934 miles since that time.

arrange our faculty - especially the theological faculty. We are limited by our small choice of men. During the year, I read the New Testament through twice and the O. T. almost through once. Have a little yet to read before I have finished my year's plan, before I can enter a life plan for the opening year. The Lord has been good to me, I have had health and all the blessings that I could wish. Let His holy name be praised for His goodness. May He see fit to continue His mercies during the opening year. I paid \$500. on my promise of \$1000. to the proposed Mission School fund. Will have to economize to pay the other within a reasonable time. Spent the summer vacation at Karuizawa. Mr. Miller & I boarded with the Lippards. Met many people and made new friends. The Browns returning to

MEMORANDA

Japan in Oct., in Nov. I moved to my present house at 412 Shinyashiki, leaving the mission house for the Browns. In Sept. Mr. Miller moved to Hakata, becoming our first missionary in that city. On the home field, the old mission board was made the new foreign board and a new Board was organized for the administering of the home mission work. Dr. Holland was much displeased with it, and considers it a check for our Japan work.

I again thank the good Lord for His mercies to me, and implore His forgiveness of all my past sins and shortcomings, so that I may be enabled to enter the new year with a clean record in His sight. May He guide me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. To Him be all the praise!

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CASH ACCOUNT. JANUARY.

Date.		Received.	Paid.
Jan 1	Anti Carried from 1907 on deposit		1.362
Jan 7	Deposited		30.000
Jan 22	Drew out	20.00	
Feb 8	Deposited		25.00
Feb 10	Drew out	25.00	
Feb 29	Drew out	11.00	
March 10	Deposited		50.00
March 11	Drew out	30.00	
March 27	Drew out	20.00	
April 11	Deposited		5.00
May 9	Deposited		50.00
May 11	Drew out	30.00	
May 12	Drew out	20.00	
May 13	Deposited		930.00
June 3	Drew out	100.00	
..	Drew out	40.00	
June 9	Drew out	15.00	
July 27	Deposited		200.00
July 30	Drew out	30.00	
Aug 3	Drew out	600.00	
Aug 4	Deposited		125.00
Aug 17	Drew out	25.00	
Aug 26	Drew out	270.00	
Sept 5	Drew out	30.00	
Sept 7	Drew out	100.00	

CASH ACCOUNT. JANUARY.

Date.		Received.	Paid.
Sept 17	Deposited		40.00
Sept 26	Drew out	25.00	
Oct 1	Drew out	60.00	
Oct 1	By Interest		2.27
Dec 15	Drew out	7.00	
Dec 31	Deposited		90.00

CASH ACCOUNT. MARCH.

Date.		Received.	Paid.
May 30	Drew out 75	170.00	
June 1	Deposited 775.		770.00
June 5	Drew out 500	275.00	
June 6	Drew out 450	50.00	
June 16	Drew out 390.	60.00	
June 23	Drew out 290.	100.00	
June 29	Drew out 160.	130.00	
July 9	Deposited 460.		300.00
July 13	Drew out 360.	100.00	
July 21	Drew out 278.	150.00	
July 31	Deposited 1010.		800.00
Sept 8	Drew out 810.	200.00	
Sept 11	Drew out 730.	80.00	
Sept 24	Drew out 189.00	50.00	
Sept 29	Drew out 380.00	300.00	
Sept 30	Drew out 330.00	50.00	
Oct 2	Drew out 230.00	100.00	
Oct 6	Drew out 80.00	150.00	
Oct 9	Deposited 480.00		400.00
Oct 14	Drew out 420.00	60.00	
Oct 17	Drew out 335.00	85.00	
Oct 21	Drew out 185.00	150.00	
Oct 26	Drew out 125.00	60.00	
Oct 28	Deposited 825.00		700.00
Oct 29	Drew out 709.00	100.00	

CASH ACCOUNT. MARCH.

Date		Received.	Paid.
Nov. 2	Drew out 456.61	213.39	
Nov. 4	Drew out 231.61	225.00	
Nov. 18	Drew out 156.61	75.00	
Nov. 20	Deposited 746.61		590.00
Nov. 26	Drew out 526.61	220.00	
Nov. 28	Drew out 496.61	30.00	
Nov. 24	Drew out 468.39	28.22	
Nov. 30	Drew out 418.39	50.00	
Dec. 5	Deposited 593.39		175.00
Dec. 8	Drew out 543.39	50.00	
Dec. 9	Drew out 418.39	75.00	
Dec. 14	Drew out 60.70	407.69	
Dec. 18	Deposited 210.70		150.00
Dec. 23	Drew out 90.70	120.00	
Dec. 24	Drew out 15.70	75.00	
Dec. 18	Int. est. to date 44.14		28.44
Dec. 28	Drew out 4.14	40.00	
Dec. 31	Deposited 654.14		650.00

Book
CASH ACCOUNT. APRIL.

Date.	Received.	Paid.
	To Yamanouchi Naomaru.	
June 1, 1906.	1 Catechism	
June 28	1 Bible Teachings.	
Feb. 1908	Story of the Gospel - Foster, (Japanese Ed.)	
	To Miss Johnson.	
May 31	Luth. Pastor - Sermoning.	
	Prof. & Delivery of Sermons - Broads.	
	Bible Hist. - Blairie.	
	Bibl. Geography - Hurlbut.	
	To Takahashi San.	
Nov. 2, 06	Franzset's Cyclopaedia.	
Feb. 26, 07	Story of Bible O.S.	
Sept. 30, 07	Life of Luther - Jacobs.	
Oct. 19	Hist of Christian Doctrine - Fisher.	
March 5, 08	Studies in the Book of Weidner (in Gen.)	
" 6, 08	O.S. Commentary - Johnson & Crowe.	
	Suzuki Kyoski.	
March 10, 07.	German Grammar.	
	Spimato.	
Jan. 17	Expositors Bible - VI.	
	Takahashi Muroshige	
July 21, 08	Studies in Book - Weidner O.S. Vol. II.	

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Date.	Received.	Paid.
	Takahashi Jr.	
Sept. 4	Logic - Jewell - Hill.	
	Rev. Matsumoto	
Oct. 21	Vol. 2 of Kurtz Ch. Hist.	
Nov. 27.	Takahashi Nobutaro	
	Sydney Confession - Whittaker.	

Rokujusan Bank
 CASH ACCOUNT. MAY. *Kanizawa*

Date.	Received.	Paid.
Aug 4 Deposited		269.00
Aug. 26 <i>Save check to A. Walcott for</i>	21.67	
" " " " C. K. S. for	247.33	
Balanced	269.00	269.00
and account closed.		

Higo Bank no Shiten
 CASH ACCOUNT. MAY. *Kamamoto Koto Jishi Bakko.*

Date.	Received	Paid.
<i>Oct. 9</i> Deposited		<i>48.30</i>
<i>Nov. 12</i> Drew out	<i>7.94</i>	<i>40.33</i>

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